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## Scaring up a good time



DAVID SCOTT | THE GATESVILLE MESSENGER

**SPIDERWEB DECOR FILLS THE CORYELL COUNTY COURTHOUSE: Halloween festivities throughout the area are scheduled for today and Sunday, including Boozaar from 6-8 tonight around the Coryell County Courthouse square. For a list of events, see Page A2.**

## County jail woes continue

By Jeff Osborne  
Senior Staff Writer

Coryell County is not in compliance with state jail capacity requirements as a longstanding concern continues to trouble local leaders.

"We were informed we have been placed back into noncompliance as of 30 minutes ago," Sheriff Scott Williams told the Coryell County Commissioners Court during an Oct. 26 meeting. "My men and women are working tirelessly (to attempt to resolve the situation)."

Compounding the problem is the fact that nearby county jails, which have served as a relief valve for Coryell County's overcrowded jail, are often denying Coryell County's requests for jail space.

"Erath County is not taking any inmates (from Coryell County) because of staffing ... McLennan County is not taking any. There's a sense of urgency that's overwhelming," Williams said. "It's just a matter of time that we get so far behind the eight ball that we can't get out in front of it."

Burnet County, which had an agreement to house inmates from Coryell County, is also drying up as a source of relief space.

"Burnet County has asked for 14 Coryell County inmates to be picked up," Williams said.

While the Coryell County Jail is designed to house 92 inmates, the Texas Commission on Jail Standards considers the facility to no longer be in compliance when it crosses the 80-inmate threshold.

For the previous fiscal year, which ended Sept. 30, Coryell County has had to spend an estimated \$1.8 million to house inmates in eight different counties, said Coryell County Auditor Ben Roberts.

Attempting to help the county find an answer to jail overcrowding woes is the Coryell County Commissioner Facility Advisory Committee (CCCFAC), which has been meeting to gather information to help the commissioners court with planning and construction options.

Committee members include Fred Chavez, Nancy Botkins, Bob Brown and Matt Dossey. On Oct. 26, Dossey addressed the commissioners court.

"We are in a sense of urgency, I think everybody feels that," Dossey said. He said he has been in contact with Jeff Heffelfinger, president of Southwest Architects, who told Dossey that the firm is willing to look at the issue at no additional cost because of a preexisting contract with the county.

County Judge Roger Miller advised caution in dealing with the firm because of previous concerns, saying the county attorney should be consulted first.

Dossey said if the firm is already under contract and if it already has some understanding of the situation, that could be beneficial to the county.

Miller said he is concerned that "in the grand scheme of things" there might be a cost to the county in utilizing Southwest Architects services after all.

Commissioners Kyle Matthews and Daren Moore both expressed confidence in Heffelfinger.

"He's a fine person to have helping us," Matthews said.

"He knows the jail, he knows the infrastructure and he's going to be able to offer a faster response," Moore said. "I really appreciate all the people on this committee have done. We have spent a lot of time and resources on this."

Getting better conditions for justices of the peace and constables, who have offices adjacent to the jail, is also a top priority, Dossey said.

"Everybody we've talked to - there's one thing that continues to be brought up that's an immediate need and that's getting the JPs and constables out from under that jail," he said.

"I am standing here before God and everybody, and this is the worst facility I have seen elected officials in."

Dossey said he hoped the commissioners court would consider moving the officials to another location

## The passing of a landmark

By David Scott  
Staff Writer

Gatesville recently had to say goodbye to the old Carver School building, which once served the educational needs of the African-American community before it was abruptly closed in 1962.

The building that housed the Carver School stood on Mill Street in Gatesville and, following the school's closure, was used as a residence until it fell into disrepair. The Gatesville Police Department recently sent a Code Enforcement Warning to the owners of the property listing code violations including defective doors and openings, defective windows, defective roofing, and rubbish that needed to be removed as well as two abandoned vehicles. The owners were given 10 days to address the issues. Considering the numerous repairs that would have to be undertaken, the owners decided to employ a demolition firm located in McGregor to dismantle the building.

Prior to the Carver School, the only known Black school in the area was in the Lincolnville community. A Black high school was later built in Gatesville in 1904. The roots of the Carver School can be traced back to 1929 when property was donated for the school by Maggie Bell Hooper and family.

In its prime, Carver once



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**The Carver School located on Mill Street has been demolished, but there are hopes a historical marker could be placed on site.**

boasted its own basketball team, boys' glee club and a choral club. Students in Carver's Acapella Chorus would often perform musicals for the public.

Like every other school of that era, Carver had a motto, mascot, class color, class flower and a class song. Fifth

grade through seventh grade were taught on one side of the Carver School, while eighth through 12th were located on the other side of the building. In a lot next to the school was a small wooden building, which was used as a school for first through fourth grade students. At Carver School,

students in all grades learned together in a shared classroom. Former Carver student Claudia Cole Carroll recalled, "Everyone was in the same room, so whenever it was reading class, everyone had to be attentive to the readers

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## Military impact boosts Gatesville, Central Texas

By Jeff Osborne  
Senior Staff Writer

The financial impact of Fort Hood on Gatesville and Central Texas was the subject of a presentation by the retired Col. Keith Sledd, director of the Heart of Texas Defense Alliance, to the Gatesville City Council on Oct. 26.

Gatesville is one of seven cities that are members of the HOTDA, along with three counties (Coryell, Bell and Lampasas).

"One of three people in Bell, Coryell or Lampasas counties are either active duty, a family member or retired mili-

tary," Sledd said, noting that the military presence at Fort Hood contributed \$29.9 billion to the Texas economy in 2020, directly employing 56,023 with a total employment of 152,701.

"Fort Hood is the largest single site employer in Texas," he said.

The number of people directly connected to Fort Hood in Gatesville is estimated to be about 10 percent of the city's population, or 1,600," Sledd said, with about 16,000 of Copperas Cove's residents having that connection, and an additional 200 people elsewhere in Coryell County.

"One of the benefits is a steady income, and National Guardsmen have a chance to come through here," Sledd said. North Fort Hood, the portion of the base closest to Gatesville, is an area where National Guard troops frequently train.

"Fort Hood is growing, and people are moving further and further from the Killeen area (to secure housing), so Gatesville might benefit from that," he said.

A new unit will be stationed at Fort Hood in the future, an air defense artillery battalion, which could bring between 700

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## Inside



MARK GOODSON/THE GATESVILLE MESSENGER

**Nat Hiliker of Jonesboro (above) and teammate Ian Shoaf are master ballhawks for the Eagles. DIVERSIONS, 10A**

### QUESTION & ANSWER CORNER

**Q:** When does the kids trick-or-treat when Halloween falls on a Sunday?

**A:** The City of Gatesville does not have a designated day for trick-or-treating. While the Boozaar will take place on Saturday, Oct. 30, children are permitted to trick-or-treat either Saturday or Sunday night.

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# Halloween fun awaits for Coryell County trick-or-treaters

## Boozaar tonight around courthouse square

Gatesville's Boozaar will be taking place on the courthouse square from 6-8 p.m. Between 60 and 70 businesses will hand out candy and provide games for the children. There will be treat stops and treat stations located around the square along with vendors and a costume contest for all ages. Other Fall and Halloween Events slated

## Saturday, Oct. 30

Live Oak Baptist Church will have a Fall Festival from 2-4 p.m. There will be games, a hayride, train ride, face painting and treats. Live Oak Baptist is located at 113 FM 107.

The Presbyterian Church will have a Trunk or Treat event from 6-8 p.m. There will be games, food, bouncy houses, and prizes awarded for the best decorated car. The Pres-

byterian Church is located at 1110 E. Main St.

First Baptist Church of Gatesville will have a Fall Festival from 6-8 p.m. There will be fun and fellowship for the whole family. First Baptist is located at 912 E. Main St.

## Sunday, Oct. 31

First United Methodist Church will have a Trunk or Treat from 6-7:30 p.m. in the church parking lot. The church is located at 2600 E. Main St.

The 2021 Gatesville Halloween Candy Maze will be from 5-10 p.m. There will be a children's maze and an adult/older kid's maze. Food vendors will be present. The event will take place at 1518 Golf Course Road.

Gatesville Church of Christ will have a Trunk or Treat from 4-6 p.m. There will be candy, games, and free hot dogs. The church is located at 2417 E. Main St.

## CARVER

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because you had to be quiet while the other grades were being taught."

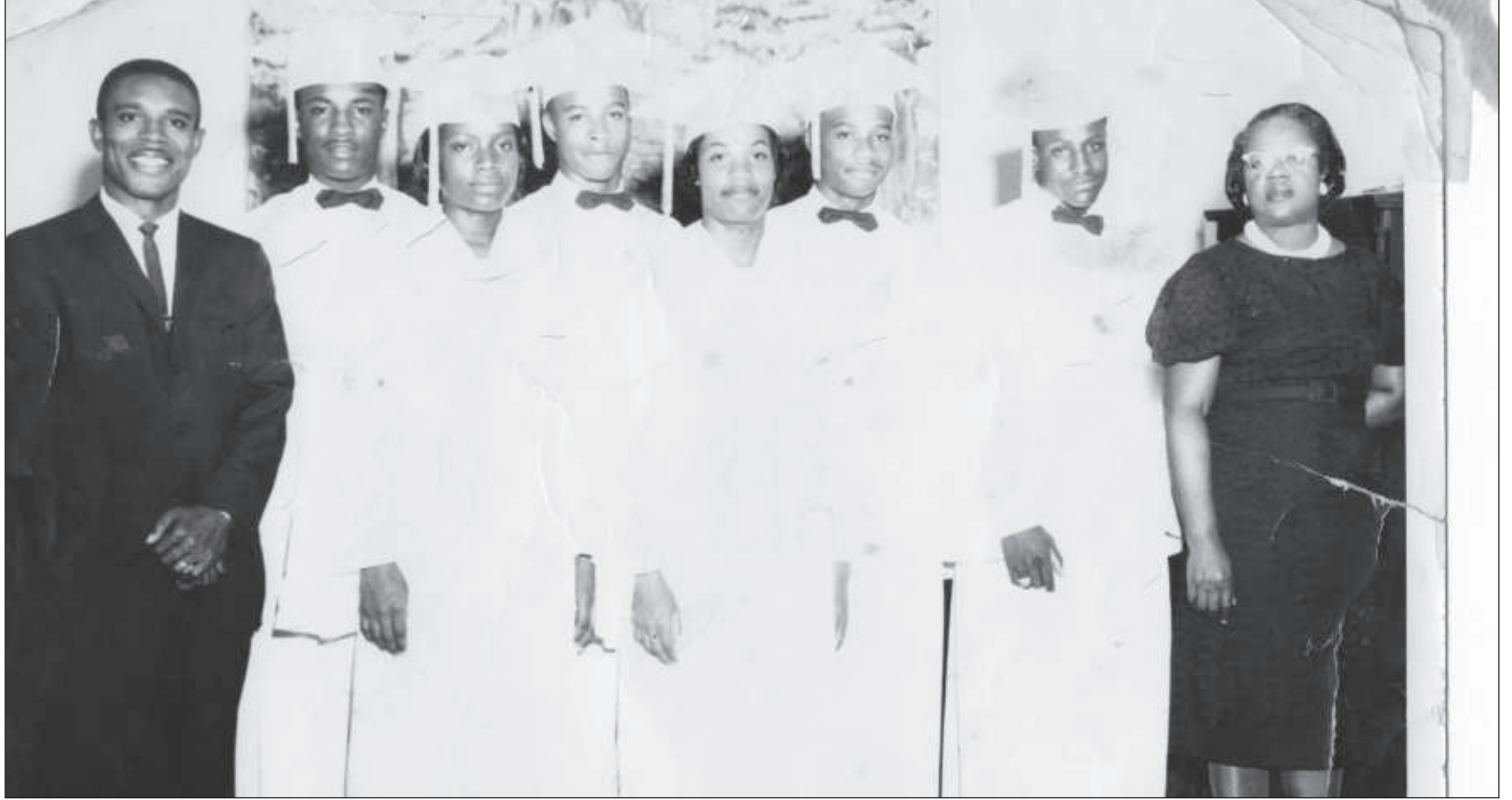
In 1958, The Gatesville Messenger reported that the enrollment in Carver School totaled 59 students - the largest in the school's history with a three-teacher staff headed by Ozell Wilkerson.

A few years later, in 1962, Carver was abruptly closed. Integration had gone into effect, but Gatesville schools did not integrate at that time.

"Nothing was integrated and that's why we had to leave Gatesville. L.C. McKamie, he was the superintendent, came and told Mr. Wilkerson (the principal of Carver) that the parents would have to provide a place for their children to go because they were not going to integrate," Carroll said. Students were offered free bus transportation to the Black school in nearby McGregor.

When Carver closed, many of its students were scattered to schools across the state to continue their education.

After nine Black students attempted to register at Gatesville High School and



COURTESY PHOTO

**THE LAST GRADUATING CLASS FROM CARVER SCHOOL IN 1962:** Pictured from left are: Principal Ozell Wilkerson, Howard Carroll, Arline Carter, Charles Massey, Florence Brown, Clayton Massey, Billy Carter and teacher M.E. Carroll.

were refused admission, a case was filed on their behalf in U.S. Federal District Court where the case achieved integration of all Gatesville public schools for the 1963-1964 term. Gatesville High School

yearbooks reflect that Black students were present on campus in 1964 - two years after the closing of Carver. Members of the Coryell County Historical Commission are optimistic about

obtaining a state historical marker to be placed at the site of the Carver School. Sherry Lawrence, a member of the Coryell County Historical Commission, has conducted countless hours of

research on the school's history and has written a narrative that will be submitted to Austin to the Texas State Historical Commission.

Using the THC "Undertold Stories" application, the lo-

cal chapter feels positive that the history of the Carver School will meet the criteria the state office is looking for. The application will be submitted in the next few weeks.

## JAIL

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on an interim basis until a long-term solution can be found. "That building needs

to go away in a hurry," Dossey said. Commissioners Moore and Matthews

asked the concern to be placed on the next commissioners court agenda, and County

Auditor Ben Roberts said the county would seek bids for temporary offices for the af-

ected JPs, constables and office staff. "We've got some vacant land (to put tem-

porary buildings on)," Roberts said.

## MILITARY

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and 800 additional families to the area.

Because of a shortage of housing, one of the new technologies being embraced is 3D printing, Sledd said. Using that technology, a house has been built in five days, he noted.

"It's cheaper and has a much higher insulation value than traditional construction," Sledd said.

He added that the Army Corps of Engineers used the technology to build a barracks, and that North Fort Hood is looking at the technology for updates and upgrades of facilities.

About 2,500 fewer people are residing in the Fort Hood area because of housing limitations.

Sledd said some of those stationed at Fort Hood "are not bringing their families because they can't find housing. You may see some coming to this area."

He said new housing will be built to meet these needs.

"They are going to build some new housing," Sledd said, adding that the space requirements have also changed.

"What was a four-man barracks in the 1940s or 1950s is now a two-man room, and 72 to 75 percent of the force and their families live off base."

Some companies are also partnering with Texas A&M Central Texas and Fort Hood to promote new technologies, including a strong emphasis on renewable energy.

While these companies are interested in doing business locally, limitations on internet speed are a challenge. That is something officials are trying to fix.

"You've got to have good internet to attract businesses, so that's an emphasis of the broadband initiative," Sledd said.

HOTDA and its partners are "working to attract businesses to Central Texas," he said.

"It's much cheaper than Austin and not that far, so the broadband initiative is very important."

City Councilwoman Barbara Burrow said she welcomed the continued positive impact of Fort Hood on Gatesville, adding that the members of the military and those associated with them are "quality people."

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# Council hears Shivarree location request

BY JEFF OSBORNE  
Senior Staff Writer

Hoping to move the annual Gatesville Shivarree festival to a more central location, Scott Harper, a member of the Gatesville Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, appealed to the Gatesville City Council on Oct. 26.

Harper, who is also an administrator for the Gatesville school district, told Council members that while the

Shivarree - held in June - was a success, the event might have benefitted from being held either on the courthouse square or at the chamber's depot location.

He said there are some city ordinances and limitations that present some challenges for Shivarree organizers.

One of those is a limitation that prevents a carnival from being within 1,000 feet of a residential area.

"That forced us not to bring the carnival to the center of

town," Harper said. "We'd like to return to the square or the depot area."

He said while the event, which was held east of downtown at Grace Bible Church this year, was well attended, "we want to bring it back to the center of town."

Another challenge, Harper said, is that the city requires a carnival to have \$3 million insurance. Because the Shivarree was held outside the city limits, the carnival company was able to proceed with only

\$2 million insurance, and the state only requires \$1 million insurance, Harper said.

Another limitation within Gatesville, Harper said, is that carnivals are kept to a noon start time, and he asked that be changed to 10 a.m.

"The Shivarree is something we hope to expand and want to make a summer destination just like the Belton Fourth of July (celebration)," Harper said. "We've had a very good response and used the same carnival that Belton

uses."

Because the Shivarree was not on the agenda for the meeting, the Council could only listen to the presentation and no action could be taken at that meeting.

"We'll go through this (the list of recommendations) and take it under advisement and may be coming back to you," Mayor Gary Chumley told Harper.

After the meeting, Council members and City Manager Bill Parry talked about the

possibility of the Shivarree being located at Faunt Le Roy Park, which has no homes located within 1,000 feet, or possibly one of the school campuses.

Parry said he would not want a carnival taking place within 1,000 feet of his home, so he understood the views of residents who would be impacted.

The Council will likely address the issues related to the Shivarree at a future Council meeting.

## Jonesboro 4-H Hayride and Game Night

Jonesboro 4-H will be sponsoring a hayride and game night on Saturday, Nov. 13 from 6-9 p.m. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Jonesboro 4-H CDM teams for competition expenses.

The event will begin at the JISD cafeteria with a meal and

games. Participants will then go on the hayride, which ends at Jonesboro Baptist Church. Board games will be available at the church for participants to play. There will be a \$5 charge for the games and hayride and \$10 for a hot dog meal.

## Special night slated for youth football

A special night for Gatesville Youth Hornet Football is scheduled for 6-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 2 at Tommy Davidson Field at McKamie Stadium.

All Gatesville Youth football players (flag and tackle) are invited to attend along with their teams and coaches. Players are encouraged to wear their team uniforms.

All current seventh and eighth grade football players will be in attendance, too.

The big run-through Hornet helmet will be set up and all kids in attendance will get to run through the helmet with their teams starting at

around 6 p.m.

Parents will be allowed on the field to take pictures, etc., during this time as well.

There will be some Hornet High School football players there signing autographs and taking pictures with kids throughout the night.

Admission is free.

At about 6:30 p.m., junior high teams that don't have a game that week will hold an intrasquad scrimmage.

"We look forward to sharing this night with the community and celebrating football in Gatesville," junior high coach Graig Keeton said.



**PUMPKINS AND PICTURES:** The Gatesville Public Library recently held a Storybook Pumpkin Contest and a Boozaar coloring contest. Some of the participants include, from left, Kaeson Bruton, Jaxx Strickland, Abby Bates, Abbi Wright, and Colt Hukel.

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## CITY OF GATESVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

**Oct. 24**  
 12:34 a.m., a disturbance was reported in the 300 block of Veteran's Memorial Loop.  
 10:49 a.m., a hit and run was reported in the 1200 block of E. Main Street.  
 3:30 p.m., an assault was reported in the 100 block of N. 26th Street.  
 6:58 p.m., suspicious activity was reported in the 100 block of Doras Lane.  
 8:29 p.m., a theft was reported in the 2800 block of S. State Hwy. 36.  
 11:40 p.m., a disturbance was reported in the 1500 block of Coryell City Road.

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**Oct. 25**  
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 7:34 a.m., a reckless driver was reported in the 100 block of Austin Street.  
 8:09 a.m., criminal trespass

was reported in the 2200 block of E. Main Street.  
 8:54 a.m., suspicious activity was reported in the 2500 block of Osage Road.  
 4:18 p.m., a reckless driver was reported in the 200 block of E. Main Street.  
 4:44 p.m., a threat was reported in the 500 block of Saunders Street.

**Oct. 26**  
 11:15 a.m., a theft was reported in the 3400 block of E. Main Street.  
 2:00 p.m., a threat was reported in the 200 block of N. 8th Street.  
 2:34 p.m., criminal trespass was reported in the 2200 block of E. Main Street.  
 4:57 p.m., a welfare con-

cern was reported in the 2200 block of E. Main Street.  
 5:52 p.m., criminal mischief was reported in the 400 block of N. 16th Street.  
 6:39 p.m., a disturbance was reported in the 300 block of N. 11th Street.

**CORYELL COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

**Oct. 24**  
 11:02 a.m., an animal complaint was reported in the 4700 block of S. Hwy. 36.  
 5:35 p.m., a welfare concern was reported in the 1800 block of FM 2412.  
 5:46 p.m., vandalism was reported in the 500 block of Whispering Oaks Drive.  
 6:27 p.m., identity theft was

reported in the 1700 block of CR 133.  
 7:24 p.m., suspicious activity was reported in the 2200 block of FM 580.  
 9:48 p.m., a domestic issue was reported in the 1100 block of Old Osage Road.

**Oct. 25**  
 12:47 a.m., a livestock complaint was reported in the 4400 block of FM 930 at Levita.  
 10:50 a.m., a fire call was reported on CR 233 and CR 220.  
 11:24 a.m., harassment was reported in the 400 block of Skyline Circle.  
 3:59 p.m., an animal complaint was reported in the 200 block of North Memory Lane.

4:15 p.m., fraud was reported in the 700 block of Bluestem.  
 4:21 p.m., a reckless driver was reported on E. Main Street.

**Oct. 26**  
 2:45 p.m., criminal mischief was reported in the 100 block of Herb Road.  
 3:57 p.m., a theft was reported in the 100 block of Sarah Lane.  
 4:34 p.m., a stolen vehicle was reported in the 3500 block of FM 217.  
 6:04 p.m., a livestock complaint was reported on E. Hwy. 84 near Barton Lane.  
 6:26 p.m., missing livestock was reported in the 4700 block of Slater Road.



**GRAND RE-OPENING:** The Gatesville Chamber of Commerce recently held a ribbon-cutting at the Grand Re-Opening for Mission Righteous Roots at their newly renovated facility located at 503 E. Main St. Righteous Roots is a crisis and resource center offering a variety of free classes that promote healing and/or restoration, primarily from abuse of all types. The event featured local vendors, food, and a kid's coloring table. Mission Righteous Roots can be reached by calling 254-223-3770.

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4. Coloring Contest and Storybook Pumpkin Contest Winners
5. Pro-Dental – Candy & Game
6. Habitat for Humanities – Candy & Information
7. Chamber Junior Ambassadors – Candy & Game
8. Coryell EMS – Candy & Ambulance
9. Beverley's Beads – Halloween Jewelry
10. & 11. Central Texas College – Candy, Games, Photo Opportunity
12. Friends of the Gatesville Library – Game & Giveaways
13. Exchange Club of Gatesville – Game & Treats
14. CB Feedlot – Game & Candy
15. Tejas Real Estate – Candy & Corn hole
16. Eastwood Baptist Church – Candy
17. 1854 Mercantile/ Tickled Pink Dance Studio – Games & Candy

18. Cover2Cover Ministries – Candy & Game
19. Arrowhead Ranch Co. – Game & Candy bags
20. Last Detail LLC – Candy
21. Next Karate Star – Karate Demo & Candy
22. Bees Cauldron – Intention Jars & Halloween Quilted Balls
23. Blackacre Title Company – Candy
24. Cowboy Real Estate – Candy & Game
- 25 & 26. Jimena's Taco's Y Mas – Mexican Food
27. Disabled American Veterans- Candy & Information

**Other Activities**

- 2/337 Regt 120th IN ---Military Vehicles & Candy
- 227 ICTC / United States Army---Military Vehicles & Candy
- Gatesville Volunteer Fire Dept.- Popcorn & Firetrucks
- Coryell County Pretrial Services—Candy & Games on East side of Court House
- Haunted Tunnel on sidewalk in front of AA Best Bail Bonds to Baker's Market
- H-E-B – Candy Sponsor

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# OBITUARIES

## PAM WOLFF

Oct. 21, 1955 - Oct. 25, 2021



Pam Wolff, age 66, of Leon Junction, passed away surrounded by her family on Monday, Oct. 25, 2021. She was ready to rejoice and join her husband, Freddie. Visitation with the family

will be held at 11 a.m., with graveside services to follow at 12 p.m., on Saturday, October 30, 2021 at the Wolff Family Cemetery, 225 CR 345, Gatesville. Rev. Bruce Cox will be officiating.

Pam was born on October 21, 1955, in Belton, to Ernest and Joyce Smith Boney. She grew up in Belton and graduated from Belton High School in 1973. She married Freddie Wolff in 1979, at the home they resided in all their married lives. She owned and operated Corner Collectibles in Flat for many years and later bought and sold antiques at various venues. She loved traveling the country and sight-seeing with her friends. One of the highest moments of her life was when "Pammie" became a grandparent. She adored her grandchildren and provided them

with everything they wanted. She was a member of White Mound Baptist Church and looked forward to the weekly Bible studies with her women's class.

She was preceded in death by her father, Ernest; husband, Freddie in 2008; brother-in-law, Jim Howell; and son-in-law, Josh Squyres.

Pam is survived by her son, Brent Wolff and wife, Lori; daughter, Elisha Squyres; mother, Joyce Parker; sister, Beverly Creek; grandchildren, Bailey, Carson, Jozie, Kinzlee.

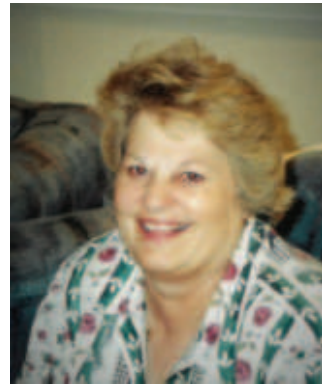
In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be designated to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society at <https://nationalmssociety.org/Chapters/MAM/Donate> or White Mound Baptist Church, P.O. Box 103, Mound, TX 76558

## DELORES

## KATHLEEN

## "KATHEY" BYNUM

July 7, 1943 - Oct. 20, 2021



Kathey Bynum, age 78, of Allen, passed away on the evening of October 20, 2021, at home in Allen, surrounded by her family.

Graveside services were held October 25 at Live Oak Cemetery with Pastor John Lippert officiating.

Kathey was born on July 7, 1943 in Hamilton to the late Wallace and Florene Wood Parrish. She attended elementary school at Liberty community and graduated from Evant High School in 1961.

She was preceded in death by her father, Wallace Parrish; her mother, Florene Parrish;

and her brother, Wayne Parrish.

Kathey is survived by her husband of 58 years, Donald Bynum, of Allen; her daughter, Tammy Bynum, of Terrell; her son and daughter-in-law, Chris Bynum and Natalia Bynum, of Bothell, WA; her granddaughters, Teagan Hughes and Brenna Frye, of Carrollton and Seguin; her grandsons, Christopher Bynum and Anthony Bynum, of Bothell, WA; her great-grandson, A.J. Frye, of Seguin; and her brother, Penyson Parrish, of Oglesby.

## MARGARET FAYE LOFTON

Sept. 7, 1936 - Oct. 23, 2021



Margaret F. Lofton, age 85, of Gatesville, passed away on the evening of October 23, 2021, surrounded by her family.

Funeral services were held October 28 at Scott's Funeral Home Chapel in Gatesville,

with Pastor Max Gunn officiating. Inurnment and memorial services will be held at a later date in Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Margaret was born on Sept. 7, 1936 in Malaga, NM to the late Roland and Faye Cassels Goff. She grew up and attended school in Loving, NM, where she also raised her four children. She was a school bus driver for many years and was loved by many. Her hobbies included bowling, sewing, crocheting and traveling. She was an avid reader and enjoyed her many cruises with her best friend, Janet Howell. She was a self-taught pianist and organist, playing every Sunday for many years at Loving Baptist Church, where she remained a member. Margaret loved her grandchildren and great-grandchildren immensely. Her smile was infectious and her stories were filled with the love of family, work and

friendships.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Faye Goff Cassels and Roland Goff; son, Paul Owen Lofton, Jr.; brothers, Rodney Goff, James Goff, Jerry Cassels, Harold Cassels, Rusty Cassels, and Scott Cassels; sisters, Nellie Kirkes and Sue Cassels; niece, Becky Kirkes; and nephews, Mike Kirkes and Jimmy Cassels.

Margaret is survived by her children, Pauletta Godfrey, Betty Lofton, Jimmy Lofton and wife, Shellee; grandchildren, Kellie McNeal and husband, David, Pamela Munro and husband, Kelly, Crystal Cooper and husband, Cody, Josh Godfrey and wife, Courtnie, Michael Paul Lofton, Samantha Brown and husband, Sean, Christine Woodall and husband, Kyle, Lauran Musick and husband, Chance, Kora Lofton and Leslie Lofton; and many great and great-great grandchildren.

## JERRY WAYNE GILCHREST

Mar. 27, 1944 - Oct. 1, 2021



Jerry Wayne Gilchrest, age 77, passed away peacefully on Friday, Oct. 1, 2021, surrounded by his loving family. He was born on March 27, 1944, in Gatesville, the son

of the late Joseph and Ruby (Braziel) Gilchrest.

Jerry was an EM3 aboard the USS Grampus with the US Navy where he was trained as an electrician. He then raised his family in Kentucky. He was a wonderful brother, father, uncle, cousin, friend, and an amazing grandfather. His treasured time with his daughters and grandchildren including activities such as cooking, making wine, flying kites, crab fishing, trips to aquariums, raising pigeons, and much, much more.

He was always up for almost any kind of experience and never missed an opportunity to travel or to laugh. To know him was to love him. He did not accept the concept of strangers and even those whose paths only crossed his for a moment

were left smiling and laughing. He has friends and family throughout the country and his presence here will be widely and dearly missed.

He is survived by his beloved daughters, Lacy Gilchrest and her significant other, Richard Page, of East Hartford, CT; Leslie Mack and husband, Lenny, of Granby, CT; and Elena Knutson and husband, Del, of Pleasant Valley, CT; sister, Cheryl Eary and husband, Delton, of Gatesville; nephew, Tim Eary, of Troy; nieces, Beverly Marwitz, of Evant, Gay McCarty, of Gatesville, and Misty Sielaff, of Reisel, and many cherished grandchildren; one great-grandchild on the way. He was preceded in death by a sister, Belva Perkins, and two nieces, Karen and Cindy.

## Hemmeline Cemetery Meeting Set

The Hemmeline Cemetery Association will hold their annual meeting on Sunday, Nov. 7, at 2 p.m.

The meeting will be held at Bethel Heights Baptist Church, located at 3915 CR 127 down the road from

Hemmeline Cemetery.

All interested persons are encouraged to attend.

Memorials or donations for upkeep of cemetery may be mailed to the Hemmeline Cemetery Association, in care of Sheila Necessary, 1050 FM

1783, Gatesville, TX 76528.

There will be no scheduled workday at the cemetery this year. A few volunteer crews will do what needs to be done. Hopefully next year the schedule will be back to normal.

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MOUND NEWS

# Barbara's nieces compete at High School Rodeo

BY BARBARA HOPSON

**R**uby, Truett and Jacklyn Pullen of Rockwall, nieces of Barbara Hopson, competed in the Lone Star High School Rodeo Association this past weekend. They did barrels and goat tying. Jacklyn won a check Saturday in goat tying.

Mr. Marrion "Perch" Daniel died Sunday, Oct. 17. Memorial services were held at the Broecker Funeral Home in Salado. Mr. Daniel was the husband of Laura (Cole) Daniel.

Mrs. Etta Pauline Thompson died Saturday, Oct. 23. Funeral services were Wednesday at Brown Street Church of Christ in Waxahachie with a graveside service in Baker Cemetery in Kemp. Mrs. Thompson is the mother of Pat Thompson Prutt of Mound.

Will and Jennifer Mann's girls showed at the Crawford FFA show this past weekend. Matti won Champion Duroc, fourth York, fifth Hamp, and Senior Showmanship. Lillie won fourth Chester, second Cross and was penned for showmanship.

Zack, Amanda and Olivia Long

attended Aubree's Fall Festival Tuesday evening at the Gatesville Primary School.

Sherry, Dusty and Newt Peveto of Gatesville, Pam Hopson, Amanda and Olivia Long attended the Pumpkin Patch Saturday at the Robinson family farm.

Sue Jones had lunch in Waco Friday with Shelly Wilkerson of Liberty Hill, and Jimmy and Sugie Williamson.

Jennifer Eberlein met Natalie Eberlein and Anna Lee Terrell for dinner in Waco.

Natalie Eberlein, of Waco, spent the night at the home of Christopher and Jennifer Eberlein.

Anna Lee Terrell visited Saturday morning with her parents, Christopher and Jennifer Eberlein.

Valerie Ferrell and Carolyn Blak-



Barbara Hopson

ley had lunch in Gatesville Friday at Prima Pasta.

Carolyn Blakley, Jerry, and Brenda Helms went shopping Saturday afternoon in Waco.

Carolyn Blakley attended Erika Manikowski's baby shower Sunday afternoon.

Slayton and Blayze Fisher spent Sunday afternoon with their Mimi, Debbie Piller.

Blayze Fisher had a junior high football game Thursday evening in

Oglesby where he had an amazing tackle. Those attending were Ronnie, Kay, Neal, Amanda, and Slayton Fisher, Jennifer Miller and Debbie Piller.

Caymbri Fisher spent Thursday evening with her great-grandparents, Joseph and Helen Piller.

Brodie Fisher played football Friday evening against the Mount Calm Panthers. The Oglesby varsity Tigers took a big lead before the end of the first half and won 60-0. Supporters for Brodie were Claudia Brown, Ronnie, Kay, Neal, Amanda, Slayton, Blayze and Caymbri Fisher, Debbie Piller, Chris and Jennifer Miller.

Joe Piller, Jr. celebrated his 61st birthday Saturday.

The Gatesville Junior High School hosted their fall band concert and a baked potato dinner fundraiser Tuesday evening, Oct. 26.

The Gatesville Stanley Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, RAM hosted the second Annual Trunk or Treat Thursday evening and also the Gatesville Intermediate School Fall Festival. Several people of Mound attended the two events.

The Gatesville Hillside Manor

Medical Lodge had their Trunk or Treat in Gatesville Friday evening, Oct. 29.

Several people of Mound attended the Live Oak Baptist Church and First Baptist Church Fall Festival and the annual Boozaar Saturday evening in Gatesville.

Those who had birthdays in the month of October were: Elizabeth McCorkle, Torrey Boyd, Carol Jones, Olivia Long, Amie Gowen, Dylan Cobb, Chrissy Franks, Kathryn Warren, Amanda Long, Allie McPherson, Chelcie Ayres, Daniel Wood, Sherry Hopson, Desiree Dixon, Felton Thompson, Richard Mitchell, Bailey Barnard, Grace Tension, Sherrie Sheets, Lizzi Howell, Debbie Drever, Rose McCorkle, Kathi Taylor, Donna Kuykendall, Macy Winters, Mary Jane Prutt, Ashley Stephens, Natasha Dahl, Brooke Dixon, Raymie Moore, Frank Hopson, Charles Combs Jr. Nathaniel Eberlein, Chase McGhee, Henry Brim and Philip Winters.

Barbara's Notes: Happy Halloween! Remember, it's time to set your clocks back one hour Sunday, Nov. 7, or set them Saturday, Nov. 6, before you go to bed.



**SKILLET THROWING SKILLS:** The Texas Trappers and Fur Hunters Association, a non-profit organization committed to public education in coexisting with wildlife responsibility and the conservation of Texas natural resources, recently held a conference at the Gatesville Civic Center. In the left photo, Convention and Visitors Bureau Director Cheri Shepherd is showing off her skillet throwing skills during a competition. In the photo to the right, young spectators are learning to set wildlife traps by a professional trapper.

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**BETHLEHEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH:** Elder, Hugh Montgomery, pastor; Peabody community 5 miles south of Pearl on FM 1690; Sunday services - Morning worship 4th Sunday each month at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

**CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH:** Steven L. Bogan, pastor; Hwy. 84 and FM 116; Sunday services - Bible study 10 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m., evening worship 6:30 p.m.

**COLD SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH:** Bob Phillips, pastor; Sunday services - Sunday School 10 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m., evening worship 5:30 p.m.

**EASTWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH:** Lynn Parks, pastor; 2518 East Main; Sunday services - Sunday School 9:45 a.m., morning worship 10:50 a.m.; Wednesday evening services, 6 p.m.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF EVANT:** Andrew Newton, pastor; Live Oak Street and Memory Lane; Sunday services - Sunday School 9:45 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m., evening worship 6 p.m.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF FLAT:** Sunday School 9 a.m.; Sunday Worship 10:15 a.m.; Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study 7 p.m.; Wednesday Youth Group & Kid Knights 7 p.m.; Wednesday Supper first Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m.; Men's Breakfast second Saturday of each month at 7:30 a.m.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF GATESVILLE:** Mark Rich, Pastor; 912 E. Main Street; Sunday services - Sunday School 9:30 a.m., morning worship 10:45 a.m.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF OGLESBY:** Jeremy Sanders, pastor; Sunday services - Bible study 9:45 a.m., morning worship 10:50 a.m.

**GATEWAY BAPTIST CHURCH:** Michael Bragdon, Pastor; Hwy. 36 East; Sunday services - Sunday School 10 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m., evening worship 1:30 p.m.; Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m.

**HARMONY BAPTIST CHURCH:** A.C. Painter, pastor; 1750 FM 215; Sunday services - Sunday School 10 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m., evening worship 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday evening worship 6:30 p.m.

**HAY VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH:** 3110 Hay Valley Road, off Hwy 36 North. Sunday morning services - Sunday School 10:00 am, Worship 11:00 am. AWANA children's ministry Sunday evening 5:00 to 7:00 pm. Bible Study for men and women on Wednesday at 6:30 pm.

**JONESBORO BAPTIST CHURCH:** Matt Dossey, pastor; Sunday services - Sunday School 10 a.m., morning worship 10:50 a.m.

**KING BAPTIST CHURCH:** Charles W. McKamie, pastor; Sunday services - Sunday School 10 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m., evening worship 6 p.m.

**LIBERTY BAPTIST CHURCH:** Royse T. Cockrell, DMin., Pastor; Corner of FM 107 & HWY 36 in Gatesville; Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Morning Service 11:00 a.m., Second Service 1:00 p.m., Family Bible Study Wednesdays 6:30 p.m.

**LIVE OAK BAPTIST CHURCH:** Bro. Ken Laney, pastor; FM 107; Sunday services - Sunday School 9:15 a.m., morning worship 10:30 a.m., Wed. evening Adult, Youth and Children's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

**MOUNTAIN BAPTIST CHURCH:** Rev. Kurt Fuessel, pastor; Hwy. 84 East in South Mountain community; Sunday services - Sunday School 10 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m., evening worship 6 p.m. Prayer meeting 7:00 p.m. Wednesday.

**OSAGE BAPTIST CHURCH:** Chris Thomas, pastor; Sunday services - Sunday School 10 a.m., morning

worship 11 a.m.

**PEARL BAPTIST CHURCH:** Sunday services - Sunday School 10 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m.

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**PIDCOKE BAPTIST CHURCH:** Donald McConaughay, pastor; 11125 FM 116, Gatesville; Sunday services - Sunday School 10 a.m., worship service 11 a.m. www.pidcokebaptist.com

**PLEASANT VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH:** Chris Post, Pastor; CR 301, Jonesboro, TX; Sunday school at 10 a.m. and Sunday worship at 11 a.m.

**PRIMERO IGLESIA EMANUEL:** One mile north of Evant on Hwy. 281; Sunday services - Sunday School 10 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m.

**PURMELA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH:** Sunday services - Sunday School 10 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m.

**SWEET HOME BAPTIST CHURCH:** 511 North 14th; Sunday services - Sunday morning worship 10 a.m., church school 5 p.m., evening worship 6 p.m.

**SPANISH BAPTIST CHURCH:** Ezequiel Casas, pastor; 113 Veazy Dr.; Sunday Services; Sunday School 10:00 a.m., worship 11:00 a.m., Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m.

**TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH:** Tim Crosby, pastor; 1506 West Main; Sunday services - Sunday School 9:30 a.m., morning worship 10:50 a.m. Wednesday Services - Prayer Meeting/Youth Ministry 6:00 p.m., TBC Kids at 6 p.m. Email: trinitybctx@centurylink.net. Church: 254-865-8495 or Pre-school: 254-248-0041.

**TURNERSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH:** Jon Crosby, Pastor; Sunday services - Sunday School 10 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m., Wednesday night Bible study, 6 p.m.

**WESTVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH:** Hwy. 84 West; Sunday School 10 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m.

**WHITE HALL BAPTIST CHURCH:** Mike Barron, pastor; 2040 CR 238, Gatesville; Sunday school at 10 a.m.; Sunday morning worship services 11 a.m.; Prayer & Devotional meeting fourth Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m.; 254-865-2106.

**WHITE MOUND BAPTIST CHURCH / MOUND COWBOY CHURCH** (meet at 9:30 a.m.): Bruce Cox, pastor; Sun. services - Sun. School 10 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m. For more info., call 254-865-5908.

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**CHURCH OF CHRIST**

**CEDAR RIDGE CHURCH OF CHRIST:** Deral McWhorter, minister; Osage Road and Cedar Ridge Drive; Sunday services - Morning worship 10 a.m., evening worship 6 p.m.

**EVANT CHURCH OF CHRIST:** Will Vann, Preacher; Sunday services-Bible Study 9:30 a.m., morning worship 10:20 a.m., evening worship 12:30 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

**FORT GATES CHURCH OF CHRIST:** Hwy. 36 S.; Sunday services - Morning worship 10:30 a.m.

**GATESVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST:** Justin Hall, minister; 2417 E Main; Sunday Bible class 9:30 a.m., morning service 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday Bible classes

6:30 p.m.

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**JONESBORO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:** 101 CR 193; Rita Hotz, Pastor; Sunday services - 11 a.m., each 1st and 3rd Sunday.

**OGLESBY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:** Sunday services - morning worship 9:45 a.m., Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

**PIDCOKE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:** Bill Jones, Pastor; Hwy. 116; Worship service Sundays at 10 a.m. 254-677-6242.

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**PEARL COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP:** 6735 FM 183 in Pearl. Sunday Services- 9:00 a.m.

**THE HOUSE THAT GOD BUILT:** Bill Trotter, pastor; 3412 E. Main St.; Sunday service 11 a.m., Wednesday service 7 p.m.

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## The Little Things

"We can do no great things, only small things with great love."  
-Mother Teresa

At some time or another most of us dream of doing something big, perhaps writing a great book or starting a business that changes the world, or perhaps performing some amazing athletic or artistic feat. It is all well and good to dream, but it is the small things of everyday life that make up the warp and woof of our existence. The small things are our everyday interactions with our family, our friends and our classmates or co-workers. It is in these small things that we reveal our characters and cultivate our truest selves. Often it is in these small things that we fail, perhaps by losing our temper or otherwise reacting poorly to minor things. It is also worth noting that even when we are trying to do something great or are faced with some huge task, we do it one step



at a time, and again it comes down to the little things. The small acts of kindness and courtesy, the smile and the friendly greeting can make a big difference in the lives of those around us. Resolve to perform these small gestures with love and you will thereby have done something great.  
-Christopher Simon

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**PUBLIC NOTICES**

**NOTICE OF TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS – CORYELL COUNTY PRECINCT REDISTRICTING**

As a result of the 2020 Census data, Coryell County must conduct a redistricting process for County Commissioner Precincts to satisfy the equal protection guarantees of the 5th, 14th, and 15th Amendments to the United States Constitution. Since Coryell County elects its four Commissioners from single member districts, the 14th Amendment to the United States Constitution requires, under the principle of "one-person-one-vote", that all districts have essentially the same number of people. Also, Texas and its political subdivisions are jurisdictions covered by the Voting Rights Act of 1965 and as subsequently reenacted in 2006.

Therefore, two public hearings will be held for the purpose of securing community comment upon the proposed redistricting plan on, **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2021** at the following times and locations:  
**Gatesville City Auditorium, 110 N 8th Street, Gatesville, Texas, 10:00 a.m.**  
**Copperas Cove Civic Center, 1206 W Avenue B, Copperas Cove, Texas, 6:30 p.m.**  
All citizens of Coryell County are encouraged to attend and participate in these important public hearings.

Roger A Miller  
Coryell County Judge  
Jennifer Newton  
Coryell County Clerk

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**NOTICE OF BID FOR ERECTION OF METAL PRIVACY FENCE**

**The Board of Trustees of the Jonesboro Independent School District ("JISD") hereby serves notice that it will accept sealed bids FOR ERECTION OF A METAL PRIVACY FENCE with the following specifications:**  
1000 Linear Feet  
6 Feet Tall  
Green R Panel  
2 3/8" pipe Every 10 Feet - Driven or Set 3 Feet in the ground  
Kicker Every 100 Feet  
Three 4 Inch Pearlings - Spaced Accordingly  
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**Structure to be completed by and in use by January 1, 2022. Bids will be opened on November 18, 2021 at 7:00 PM in Board Meeting**

Interested parties with questions concerning specifications of the building that may not be listed or need further explanation, may contact Mr. Matt Dossey, Superintendent of Schools, at the address below, by phone, or at [matt.dossey@jonesboroisd.net](mailto:matt.dossey@jonesboroisd.net). JISD reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality in bids received. Bids received after the deadline or faxed and/or electronic bids will not be considered. Sealed bids will be received until: November 12, 2021 at 3:00 PM. Address: Jonesboro Independent School District  
Attn: Mr. Matt Dossey  
Superintendent of Schools  
P.O. Box 125  
Mailing: 14909 E. State Hwy. 36  
Jonesboro, Texas 76538-0125  
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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS GATESVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT'S State Financial Accountability Rating**  
Gatesville ISD will hold a public meeting on November 15, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. in the Gatesville ISD Administration Building Board Room located at 311 S. Lovers Lane, Gatesville, Texas.  
The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Gatesville ISD's rating on the State's Financial Integrity Accountability Rating System of Texas (Schools FIRST). 00028857

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- ▶ 9.24 acres in just south of Pearl, TX in Coryell County in Cross Timber Subdivision. The property has had the cedar removed & is ready to build on, scattered tree cover, nice views & paved county road. \$101,640.
- ▶ 10.01 acres east of Evant, Stone Creek Ranch Subdivision, great tree cover, good elevation to build a home overlooking Langford Branch. The property also has a second branch that runs along the east side of the property with rock bluffs along the branch. Electricity is at the property; you would need to drill a water well for water. \$199,900
- ▶ 10.01 acres, Lot 21 Phase 6 Rio Escondido, corner lot, rolling terrain, scattered tree cover, great views to the south. Fiber Optic Internet service is available. \$128,000
- ▶ 10.01 acres, Lot 28 Phase 4 Rio Escondido, north of Evant, Tx, good tree cover, great views, electric pole set on the property & an area has been cleared that would be an ideal location for a home, Fiber Optic Internet available. \$150,000
- ▶ 14.89 acres east of Evant, TX, located on CR 160. Good tree cover & rolling terrain. Known as Lots 66 & 67 in the Indian Creek Ranch Subdivision, \$150,000
- ▶ 22 acres north of Purnela, TX, CR 102 & FM 932, has good tree cover, rolling terrain, electricity at the road, & water meter is available, good views to the southwest, Jonesboro ISD. \$253,000
- ▶ 23 acres north of Purnela, TX, CR 102, good tree cover, rolling terrain, electricity at the road & a water meter is available, Jonesboro ISD \$264,500
- ▶ 24.85 +/- acres south of Evant, TX in Lampasas County. barn, 1 stock pond & scattered tree cover with good views. \$310,625
- ▶ 26 acres south of Pearl, TX in Coryell County on Blakely Rd. rolling terrain, good tree cover. South Bee House creek runs through the property, great views. \$250,000
- ▶ 37.28 acres east of Evant, Tx in Indian Creek Subdivision, Indian Creek runs through the property, 60 ft. of change in elevation, good tree cover, \$466,000
- ▶ 43 acres 3 Br 2 Ba brick home, detached garage, barn-workshop & 1 water well, open floor plan, granite counter tops, vaulted ceilings, 8 ft. front porch across the front & back of the house, wood burning stove, well-maintained yard & a rain harvest system at the barn, rolling terrain with scattered tree cover. \$625,000
- ▶ 74.7 acres west of Purnela, FM 1241, barn, cattle pens, good fences, nice view, centrally located. \$511,695.
- ▶ 105 acres south of Pearl, TX on Self Rd. good tree cover, rolling terrain, small branch that run through the property, barn that is approx. 38 ft. x 42 ft. in size with a rain harvest system that collects rain water from the roof of the barn. Electricity is along the property line in the northwest corner of the property \$743,775
- ▶ 115.59 acres north of Purnela, TX, Coryell County. Rolling terrain, good tree cover, great views. 1 tank, small seasonal creek along the north boundary, 20 ft. storage contain. \$795,000
- ▶ 166.94 acres east of Hamilton, TX. The ranch is secluded with a nice 2 Br 1 Ba frame home with a windmill water well, small equipment barn, grain bin & 2 stock tanks. The property has rolling terrain with scattered tree cover. \$749,000
- ▶ 179.562 acres 1.6 miles south of Gatesville, TX CR 116 frontage, great views, stock tank, rolling terrain & scattered tree cover. Multi-County Water & City of Gatesville have water line running down the front of the property on FM 116. \$1,230,000

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION - TRC 109 & 114

THE STATE OF TEXAS: IN THE MATTER OF MARRIAGE OF WALKER, BARBARA LESLIE WALKER, COLEMAN JAMES

Cause No: DC-21-52397 IN THE 440TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF CORYELL COUNTY, TEXAS

TO: COLEMAN JAMES WALKER Defendant — GREETING

**NOTICE TO DEFENDANT:** "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 A.M. on the Monday next following the expiration of 20 days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may e taken against you."

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before 10:00 o'clock AM on the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days after the date of issuance of this citation before the Honorable GRANT KINSEY, 440TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT of Coryell County, at the Courthouse in said County in Gatesville, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 05/17/2021 in the above entitled cause.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Gatesville, Texas, this 21st day of October, 2021.

Attorney for Plaintiff or Petition CARPENTER, JOSHUA 101 E. PARK BLVD PLANO, TX 75074

Clerk of the Court: Becky Moore, District Clerk P.O. Box 4 Gatesville, Coryell County, Texas  
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## Local flag football action



MARK GOODSON/ THE GATESVILLE MESSENGER

Levi Phillips throws a deep ball during a fifth and sixth grade flag football game Oct. 23 at the Gatesville sports complex. Muegge Air won the game over CB Feedlot. The flag league has three more games in the regular season before starting the playoffs.

## Area fishing report

### Belton

GOOD. Water lightly stained; 60 degrees; 1.20 feet low. The Fall pattern has begun as the lake has turnover. White bass are schooling in 45-53 feet of water. When the bite is aggressive, drop MAL Heavy Lures with silver blades and whitetails to fish vertically, and when the bite is holding to the bottom, allow the MAL Heavy Lure with a white blade and chartreuse tail to fish horizontally. Crappie are fair on minnows in brush piles and timber in water depths 14-25 feet. Catfish are good on chicken liver, live, and cut bait.

### Stillhouse

GOOD. Water lightly stained; 60 degrees; 0.74 feet low. The Fall patterns continue. White bass are schooling in 45-53 feet of water. When the bite is aggressive, drop MAL Heavy Lures with silver blades and whitetails to fish vertically, and when the bite is holding to the bottom, allow the MAL Heavy Lure with a white blade and chartreuse tail to fish horizontally. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs in brush piles and timber. Blue catfish are good with fresh-cut bait and live bait.

### Waco

GOOD. Water lightly stained; 70 degrees; 1.56 feet low. Large-mouth bass are good on topwaters and plastic frogs early in the day, Carolina rigged plastic worms, shad like crankbaits, and football jigs working the timber, creek ledges, and rocky shorelines. Look for schools of white bass in the main lake using crankbaits. Crappie are fair on minnows working bridge pilings and brush piles. Sunfish are good on cut earthworms, crickets, and dough bait working structures such as fallen timber, rock piles, and weeds. Channel and blue catfish are good on chicken liver, punch, and cut bait.

### Whitney

GOOD. Water lightly stained; 65 degrees; 1.97 feet low. Whitney striped bass limits continue to be consistent on live bait and downrigging pony head jigs with white/chartreuse worm trailers. Look for fish Midlake around McCown. Possum Kingdom stripers are excellent on live bait, and downrigging jigs fished from Hogs Bend to Broadway on channel ledges.

- From Texas Parks & Wildlife

# GATESVILLE JUNIOR HIGH HONOR ROLL

The Gatesville Junior High recently announced the students who qualified for the A and A/B honor rolls for the first nine weeks.

### 7th Grade

#### A HONOR ROLL

Isabella Algood, Wyatt Baker, Andrew Ballantine, Graham Barron, Trinity Barrow, Brooklyn Blanchard, Katelyn Campbell, Chloe Corp, Emily Courson, Kala Davenport, Thomas Dean, Jacob Desormeaux, Charlee Ferris, Connie Ford, Bradyn Gist, Maygen Glennon, Gabriel Hall, Riley Higginbotham, Robin Johns, Bo Kelley, Madelyn Kiphen, Carlee Klutts, Amelia Langenstrass, Daniela Lee, Kayleen Lira, Justin Lowe, Kayla Mabry, Hunter Martin, Anna McPherson, Jadan Moore, Damon Muller, Christopher Newman, Braylen Nichols, Lily Nielsen, Cody Norwood, Kaylee Prince, Braxton Ruiz, Alyssa Saxon, Fielder Shirley, Pay-

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#### A/B HONOR ROLL

Colby Aaron, Christine Abrahamson, Ellen Abrahamson, Seth Baize, Douglas Blanck, Braxton Boyd, Brody Brown, Olivia Bryant, Aidan Cain, Garrett Cameron, Matthew Carren, Zayden Charles, Zianna Cole, Cooper Combs, Kizer Delord, Bradley Dickerson, Parker Diserens, Jacob Ellerbe, Waylon Fisher, Isis Germain, Ian Gillmore, Carson Griffith, Emily Harrington, Madisson Hengst, Parker Her-ring, Taylee Highsmith, Noah Hill, Branson Hodges, Aiden Holden, Leah Holden, Aiden Holt, Samuel Howard, Brent Hudson, Sophia Hughes, Brooke Hunt, Joseph Jackson, Brooklyn King, Avery Koen, Matthew Lynn, Mason MacIntosh,

Madilyn Manear, Meghan Mehaffey, Tucker Melton, Jimmy Navejas, Alyjah Olden, Elihu Ortiz, Paisley Patterson, Ryah Pearce, Lextin Perkins, Evany Pruet, Brooke Reavis, Gerardo Rodriguez, Isaac Sanchez, Preston Seager, Galileah Segura, JimmyRay Skinner, Brylie Spencer, Kaiden Spilman, Kinslee Tenboer, Austin Tennison, Kaylen Thomas, Nathan Torres, Lana Nicole Tyson, Brooklyn Wallace, Michael Walters, Nathan Watson, Case Wendeborn, Haeven Whitenburg, Nevaeh Zavalva.

### 8th Grade

#### A HONOR ROLL

Joshua Appelman, Macee Ayres, Christian Benner, Abigail Boose, Colton Byler, Alexandra Castaneda, Edu Damian-Jacobo, Levi Diserens, Kensley Eary, Miguel Encarnacion Almeida, Madeline Fast, Seth Finley, Savanna Glenn, Amaya Gomez, Madisan Heimbuck, Vanessa

Henson, Amanda Jones, Tristan Modisett, Kameryn Mooney, Justin Muegge, Amos Phillips, Emma Pollard, Mia Portillo, Samuel Reeder, Taylor Sanderson, Marin Segraves, Dylan Watts, Paisley Wells, Ashur Whyte, Charles Winkler, Benjamin Woodson, Avonte Zachary.

#### A/B HONOR ROLL

Maci Allison, Mackenzie Allison, Clark Allman, Eli Alvarez, Nah-diah Appleton, Izaya Zane Ayala, Kori Aycock, Carson Bailey, Belle Bartlett, Alyssa Bermudez, Copelyn Blair, Hayden Blanchard, Nathaniel Brown, Breeze Buckner, Cy Burns, Reagan Butcher, Pedro Cardenas Martinez, Ibet Carmona, Mason Cate, Mia Chacon, Tr'eyvon Coates, Camia Cobb, Collyn Coleman, Jamie Comstock, Eli Cooper, Lyddian Corp, Juan Cortez, Joseph Cox, Michael Daniels, Reigan Davidson, Faith Davis, Daniel De La Torre, Lakota Easter, Greyson Eggeing,

Brilee Ford, Diego Gamez Juarez, Nichole Garcia, Journey Garrett, Kadon Gaston, Kaiden Gilson, Hadley Glass, Damien Harris, Clifton Heath, Jessa Herry, Claire Hobson, Gracee Isaacks, Nicole Jackson, Zayden Jackson, Mylee Jones, Tyre'Anna Jones, Gehrig Keeton, Lillian Kinder, London Kizer, Aiden Koen, Bree Anna Lovelady, Kayden Mayes, Jayden McNutt, Isabela Mondragon-Gonzalez, Antonio Montalvan, Ally Nichols, Amiya Nunn, Abigail Perez, Kimberly Remala, Baylyn Roberts, Finn Rogers, Anthony Sader, Alyssa Sanders, Yasmin Sanders, Liam Schaal, Larry Schwertner, Madison Shalchi, Presley Shelton, Dustin Spilman, Henry Stewart, Summer Stovall, Shaylie Teague, Nicholas Thomas, Dakota Tidyman, Logan Tippit, Miles Tull, Caitlyn Wafford, Roman Wallace, Hailey Wilson, Kinsley Wrisk.

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## Gatesville foursome advances to state CC meet



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Bethany Penrod (above) and Vania Martinez were two of four Gatesville High School cross country athletes to advance to the state meet in Round Rock.



## Martinez comes within 15 seconds of winning

By Mark Goodson  
Staff Writer

Four Gatesville Hornets qualified for the UIL state cross country meet Nov. 6 at Old Settlers' Park in Round Rock with standout times Monday at regionals.

Junior Carlo Martinez ran a 15:56.2 time in the 5K race Oct. 25 at the Mae Simmons Park course in Lubbock. He took third overall, 15 seconds behind winner Chris Moreno of San Elizario in the Class 4A race.

Martinez has finished first in seven meets this season. Joining Martinez in Round Rock is senior teammate Luis Macias, who was 11th in the field of 175 runners. Macias ran a 16:31.9 time. Gatesville's Angel Almandariz was 74th overall with a time of 18:29.1 while Ian Rainer was 119th at 19:46.6. Canyon was the top Class 4A team with 85 points. Also qualifying for state were San Elizario 97 points, Big Spring 117 and Argyle 126. Gatesville freshman Vania Martinez and sophomore Bethany Penrod earned trips to state in the Class 4A girls' 2-mile race. Martinez took fourth overall in Lubbock with a 12:14.3 time. Penrod was 20th overall and ran a 12:59.5 time. Canyon won the girls' team title with 60 points followed by Bridgeport 89, Argyle 100 and Dumas 129. There were 179 runners in the girls' race.



Martinez

## Jonesboro seniors add up pick sixes for Eagles

By Mark Goodson  
Staff Writer

Jonesboro has been the master of picking the football out of the sky this season.

The Eagles (9-0) have won 131 games and counting in Eddie Gallegos' 13 seasons at Jonesboro. It's because they take care of the football and they expect their players to go and get the ball if there is a pass or ball rolling around on the turf.

The No. 3-ranked Eagles spent extra time during their athletic period Tuesday working on ball security. The team's big ball-hawks this season have been seniors Nat Hilliker and Ian Shoaf.

Last week in a 59-0 blowout over the Zephyr Bulldogs they combined for three picks.

For the season Hilliker has five picks. Shoaf has four, Jaden Domel three and Garrett Young two. Shoaf and Hilliker have returned two each for touchdowns. Hilliker has had another one nullified by penalty.

The two seniors have been touchdown machines on offense and defense.

"This year, we've been pretty good about ball security," Gallegos said. "This is a good bunch. I always enjoy coaching and this group makes it fun."

It's always fun when players are flying around and making plays.

The Eagles closed the regular season with Lometa for the district title and No. 1 seed.

The Eagles will face a team from District 16-1A, Div. I in the first round of the playoffs. It will be either Nueces Canyon, Medina or Leakey.

The Eagles and May Tigers, the No. 1 ranked team in the state, should meet in



MARK GOODSON/THE GATESVILLE MESSENGER

Senior Nat Hilliker leads Jonesboro with five interceptions, pacing a stingy defense that has helped the Eagles earn a No. 3 state ranking.

the second round with the winner favored to make it to AT&T Stadium for all the

marbles.

Five of the last seven years the Eagles have

gone at least three rounds deep in the playoffs.

## AREA SPORTS ROUNDUP

### Hornet volleyball team faces No. 25 Graham in playoffs

Gatesville (28-9) will face the Graham Steers Tuesday, Nov. 2 at Joshua High School in the Class 4A volleyball playoffs. The match starts at 7 p.m.

This marks the 19th straight year for the Hornets to qualify for the post-season.

On Tuesday, the Hornets fell to District 6-4A champion Stephenville at Stephenville, 13-25, 9-25, 17-25.

Stephenville is ranked No. 11 in the state.

Prior to the playoff, the Hornets hosted the Robinson Rockets in a playoff warmup game.

### Clater steps into lead role for Gatesville wrestling team

Robert Clater Jr. takes over the Gatesville High School wrestling program this year after serving as an assistant two seasons under Andy Gomez.

The team started workouts this week and will have their first meet Nov. 20 at Salado.

The boys will be led by captains Brett Byler, Jordan Kinkade and Cooper Sutton. Other notables are Joseph Masters and David Mear.

On the girls' side, captains Payton Dowling and Kaylie Tippit will lead the team.

"Andy Gomez was a great role model for managing a wrestling team," Clater said.

"With him moving to continue his career starting a team in Salado ISD, he has given me the opportunity for my first head coach position. I am anxiously, yet eagerly waiting to see what this team has in store."

This year's wrestling staff also includes Nic Cormier.

Clater is a Gatesville High School graduate. He spent most of his school and wrestling career at Killeen High School.

After high school, he attended Baylor University.

He came back to Gatesville to coach and work at the elementary; starting in junior high football and basketball, and high school softball.

"Once Gatesville High School started the wrestling program, I was eager to take my coaching there," Clater said.

"Coach Gomez had somehow been informed of my wrestling history and asked me to join him as his assistant."

### Hornets' Tatum, Early lead GHS tennis recognition

No. 1 seed Stormy Tatum and Slone Early led the District 7-4A All-district tennis team as selected by the district coaches.

Tatum and Early were both Most Valuable Players.

Callie Smith earned Newcomer of the Year. First-team honorees for the girls were Anna Mitchell and Olivia Walker.

Julee Sun, Bri Alexander and Kasey Fitzer were honorable mention.

On the boys' side, Ty Warren, Alex Scott and Dayne Zacha were selected first team.

Tyler Hutts was second team.

Carlo Martinez and Jesse Strange were honorable-mention choices.

- Compiled by Mark Goodson

## Gatesville, Robinson split subvarsity football games

### 8B/7B combined vs. Robinson

Robinson	0	6	7	0	13
Gatesville	7	6	0	6	19

Leading rushers: Jayden McNutt - 15 for 68, 3 TDs, conversion (only counted as 1); Shane Crye - 3 for 20; Preston Bledsoe - 2 for 10; Arien McAlpine - 3 for 3; Aiden Koen - 1 for 4; Preston Seager - 1 for 9; Colby Aaron - 2 for 3

Leading receivers: Clark Allman - 2 for 51; Aiden Koen - 1 for 32

Leading passer: Jayden McNutt - 3 for 4, 83 yards

Leading tacklers: Preston Bledsoe - 5 tackles, 1 TFL; Shane Crye - 4 tackles, 2 TFL, 1 fumble recovery; Clark Allman - INT; Aiden Koen - INT, 1 PBU; Jameyson Vargas - 3 tackles; Nathaniel Brown - 2 tackles; Nicky Thomas - 2 tackles

Special teams: Aiden Koen - 1 kickoff return for 25 yards; 1 punt return for 15 yards

### 8A vs. Robinson

Robinson	8	6	8	8	30
Gatesville	6	6	6	7	25

Leading rushers: Gehrig Keeton - 9 for 72, TD, 2-pt Conversion; Dylan Watts - 3 for 9

Leading passer: Keeton - 8 for 13, 86 yards, 1 TD; Amos Phillips - 1 for 1, 54 yards, 1 TD

Leading receiver: Miles Tull - 5 catches for 106, 2 TDs; Phillips - 3 for 24; Greyson Egging - 1 for 8; Colt Heath - 1 for 7

Leading tacklers: Carson Bailey - 6 tackles, 1 TFL; Dylan Watts - 6 tackles, 1 TFL; Greyson Egging - 6 tackles, 2 TFL; Amos Phillips - 5 tackles; 1 pressure passer; Levi Webb - 4 tackles, 1 blocked punt; Miles Tull - 4 tackles; Joe Cox - 3 tackles; Charlie Winkler - 3 tackles

Big play- Dylan Watts 45-yard scoop and score for a TD on Webb's blocked punt

## Gatesville marching band competing today

Gatesville High School's marching band is hoping to advance to state competition with a top showing in area competition this afternoon at The Pfield in Pflugerville.

The GHS band is the last 4A band scheduled to perform,

with an expected time of about 5:30 p.m.

After earning a superior rating in the regional contest at Pather Stadium in Hewitt on Oct. 16, the band earned the opportunity to move on to the area contest.

Directed by Jose Sanchez, the band is continuing to build on a longstanding tradition of excellence.

If the band advances to state, that contest will be held at the Alamodome in San Antonio on Nov. 10.