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## Annual Shivarree set for this weekend

BY JEFF OSBORNE  
SENIOR WRITER & EDITOR

The Gatesville Chamber of Commerce's annual Shivarree carnival will feature a new location and will be headlined by the band Little Texas, which had several hit country songs in the 1990s.

Thanks to a city ordinance change, the Shivarree will take place inside the Gatesville city limits this year, in the area between the chamber office and Tractor Supply at 2607 S. Highway 36.

The Shivarree carnival will be Thursday, June 2 and Friday, June 3 from 7-10 p.m. and from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday, June 4, and will feature a variety of rides for all ages. Wristbands will be offered for \$20 for rides on Thursday and Friday. Rides for Saturday will be by ticket only.

General admission tickets for the concert featuring Little Texas and Ryan Turner cost \$28.34 general admission. There is an additional charge of \$22.87 for coolers. Those who wish to sit during the concert must bring their own lawn chairs. The concert will be from 6-11 p.m.

Little Texas was founded in 1988, and popular singles in-

clude "Some Guys Have All the Love," "You and Forever and Me," "First Time for Everything," "What Might Have Been," "God Blessed Texas," "My Love," "Kick A Little" and a cover of The Eagles' "Peaceful Easy Feeling." After a hiatus from 1998-2003, the band was re-established in 2004.

The celebration will also feature a cornhole tournament, the Up in Smoke state championship barbecue cook-off at the Junction on Route 36 and a color run.

The cornhole tournament will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday, and the cost is \$50 per team.

In conjunction with the barbecue cookoff, there will be a margarita, bloody Mary and guacamole contest on Friday at 7 p.m. The barbecue cookoff is sanctioned by the CBA (Champions Barbecue Alliance) and will feature beans, chicken, ribs, pork and brisket all day Saturday.

The color run will be at 8 a.m. Saturday starting at Vintage Royalty, near the Chamber office, and is for all ages. Cost for the color run is free for ages 3 and under, \$10 for ages 4-10, \$15 for ages 11-17 and \$25 for ages 18 and up.

More information can be found on the Gatesville Shivarree Facebook page or by calling 254-865-2617.



## Show of support



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Flags at Gatesville Elementary School, and other flags throughout the district, were flown at half staff in memory of the victims of the South Texas school attack in Uvalde, and in support of those affected by the tragedy.

## City audit conducted

BY JEFF OSBORNE  
SENIOR WRITER & EDITOR

The Gatesville City Council received results from an audit of the city's finances by LaFollet & Company, a North Texas accounting firm.

Susan K. LaFollet, a certified public accountant, presented the Council with a 93-page document which included the financial report, independent auditor's report and a list of recommendations.

One major finding LaFollet presented is that the city needed to have policies and procedures in place that include controls for financial reporting.

"The net position of the city is \$20,576,044, which was an overall increase of over \$2.8 million from fiscal year 2020," LaFollet said. The city also had an increase of more than \$2.1 million in its general fund balance from 2020 to 2021.

"Overall, your net position increased 9.8%," she told the Council.

One area in which LaFollet said the city needed to make changes was in its adjustments at the end of financial cycles. She said her firm performed the closing adjustments, which she said should be done by city staff instead.

"We like to see 10 adjustments or less and there were 38, but the previous year there had been 75, so progress is being made," LaFollet said. She added that it was common practice for accounting firms to make the adjustments for clients 15 years ago, but that practice began to change about 10 years ago.

A recommendation LaFollet made was that the city review fund balances to make sure they match up with the audit.

Another area of concern voiced by LaFollet is that payroll is still being

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## GISD's local gain will be offset by state reductions

BY JEFF OSBORNE  
SENIOR WRITER & EDITOR

For the Gatesville Independent School District, it's a case in which the community giveth and the state taketh away. Rising property values mean that GISD will receive more local revenue, but rather than being able to benefit from that increase, the state will contribute less funding.

Darrell Frazier, the chief financial officer for the district, said local property values have risen significantly. In a memorandum provided to members of the Gatesville ISD Board of Trustees, it was notable that according to preliminary infor-

mation from local appraisal districts, taxable values for GISD are up \$151.845 million, or 17%. While the majority of the district's taxable property is in Coryell County, there is also a portion of Bell County within GISD boundaries.

Last year's property values were up \$86.559 million, or 9.9%, the memorandum stated. "The estimated impact on the 2022 tax levy is a 16.75% increase of around \$1.764 million from 2021. Given the formula funding method used by the state in calculating the district's state aid revenues, this increase in local taxes will be offset by a decrease in state aid."

The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in a decline of student enrollment and attendance rates, which further reduces

state aid and is expected to result in a revenue shortfall of about \$1 million, the report to trustees stated. "This shortfall represents an overpayment from the state for (the 2022 fiscal year), which will be deducted from (fiscal year 2023) state aid payments.

"In addition, we could face another \$2 million shortfall (for the 2023 fiscal year) unless enrollment and attendance improve or the state implements another Hold Harmless provision" (in which the state does not reduce funding based on enrollment or attendance decreases).

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# Looking for hope after devastation

## Jeff's Reflections & Lu's Views

By Jeff Osborne & Tallulah

Jeff Osborne is senior staff writer and editor for the Gatesville Messenger and Tallulah is his trusted border collie-Jack Russell terrier mix.



I personally believe that faith is the answer to much of the world's ills. The problem is that even people of faith can have widely divergent views. For me, faith is a reason to reach out and make a positive

impact on someone's life, not a reason to enforce my views on someone else. At the same time, we must agree to some truths and standards or else the world devolves into chaos and no one is safe. But that has to be balanced with the freedom to live one's life, the much celebrated "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

First and foremost, a lesson is for us to appreciate the people and things that are precious to us because they can be swept away in an instant. It's not something we want to even think about, but the world can change in an instant.

I hate to see tragedies become a militant call to action that misses the big picture. People are flawed and imperfect, but no matter how many laws you pass, there are those who will break them. Some people want to ignore the fact that evil is at the root of the problem. They would force restrictions on people who already are committed to doing the right thing, while

those same restrictions are simply another hurdle to surpass in their burning desire to cause harm and devastation.

Some people want to blame movies, video games, the media, social media - there's no shortage of stones that can be cast. I do agree that there are both wholesome and harmful things that we can allow ourselves to dwell upon, things that can build up positive ideas or tear down with negative. However, the root problem is that there are some who choose to do the wrong thing, sometimes in a way that is devastating and harmful to others.

One person making a terrible choice can have an impact that creates waves of destruction, grief and misery, that much is all too clear. What we sometimes fail to realize is that we also have the ability to do the right thing and create waves of affirmation, goodwill and joy. Doing the right thing, seeking to make a positive impact on someone's life, might go unnoticed, but it can

have such a powerful effect on our world.

All too often, we see the negative things, and they can be overwhelming. But there are so many positive ways we can help others that we shouldn't forget about. Each of us has the ability to make the world a better place or a worse place. Why not choose to make it better, even if the impact seems small?

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**Lu's take:** It's hard to put into words just how I feel. As a dog, there are so many things I don't understand. But interestingly, there are also times that I think dogs have a better understanding about some things than people do.

I don't have a lot to say today, but there is one thing I do want to highlight. Whenever possible, however possible, wherever possible - be good to each other.

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# Boaters urged to clean, drain & dry to stop spread of invasives

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) is urging boaters and paddlers who enjoy water recreation this summer to do their part to fight back against aquatic invasive species that threaten Texas lakes.

While we want everyone to have a great time, we also want them to avoid giving free rides to invasive species and helping them travel to new lakes," said Brian Van Zee, TPWD Inland Fisheries Regional Director. "The best way to prevent the spread of many destructive aquatic invasive species is to clean, drain and dry your boats and equipment - every time."

Zebra mussels and giant salvinia continue to spread to new areas in Texas. Yet while they remain some of the biggest threats to Texas lakes, other highly invasive species can also be spread or be introduced by boaters, including water hyacinth, crested floating heart and quagga mussels.

"There's no doubt that Texans love their lakes," said John Findeisen, TPWD Brookeland Aquatic Habitat Enhancement Team Lead. "We also need Texans to take action to help protect their lakes. It only takes a tiny fragment of an invasive plant to create a new infestation and preventing aquatic invasive

species introductions avoids costly, long-term efforts to manage these species once they infest a lake."

Giant salvinia, a highly invasive, free-floating aquatic fern that can double its coverage area in a week, is one of the major threats to our lakes. The invasive plant can produce thick surface mats that make fishing, boating, swimming and other water recreation nearly impossible.

Giant salvinia is currently present on 23 East Texas lakes and numerous rivers, creeks and marshes between Houston and Beaumont. While TPWD efforts have kept giant

salvinia from limiting angling or boating access in Texas public waters, they could still hitchhike from one lake to another on a boat, trailer or other equipment.

Zebra mussels, a non-native shellfish that attaches to hard surfaces, also pose a significant threat to our lakes.

These invasive mussels damage boats and infrastructure for water supply and control, alter lake ecosystems and cause harm to native species. They also litter shorelines with hazardous, sharp shells that impact lake-front recreation.

## JUNE 1, 2022

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*Lauren Reynolds*  
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**IN LOVING MEMORY:** Family members of Joyce Rhoades pose during a dedication ceremony in her memory of a learning center at Gatesville Primary School. Rhoades was a long-time, beloved employee at the school.

# Outdoor learning center at Primary dedicated in memory of Joyce Rhoades

An outdoor learning center was recently dedicated at the Gatesville Primary School in honor of long-time GISSD employee, Joyce Rhoades, who passed away in September 2021. The outdoor learning center was dedicated on what would have been her 67th birthday. Rhoades, who graduated from Gatesville High School in 1974, would later work for the Gatesville Independent School District for

30 years with the majority of her time being on the Primary School campus. Due to her love of gardening, it was decided to create an outdoor learning center with raised planter boxes placed around the gazebo. The boxes are planted by the kindergarten, pre-kindergarten and ECSE classes where the students can learn about growing flowers and vegetables. "With her love of cook-

ing and gardening, the Primary family was able to find a way to keep her memory alive here at a place she called her second home," kindergarten teacher and friend Tami Hoover said. "We could not have thought of a better way to remember Joyce than with an outdoor learning center." With money raised from the sale of cookbooks, the school was able to have planter boxes built which are

already being used by the kindergarten, pre-kindergarten and the ECSE classes. Community members, businesses and clubs donated seeds and soil for the planter boxes. Gatesville Primary School principal Mashara Streater said, "We are so proud of our outdoor learning center. It was truly a labor of love for Tami Hoover, Sandra Brown (Joyce's sister), Amber Colson and Whitney Carothers.

These ladies have worked really hard to bring this project to fruition. It will be an area that will be enjoyed by Primary students for many years to come. Joyce was a special lady, and she is greatly missed." "Her name and her love of our students, staff and gardening will forever live out here," said Hoover.

## Library to offer workshops

Would you like to help your student become a better reader? The Gatesville Public Library is offering two parent workshops this summer to do just that. Whether you are a parent of a home-schooled or public-schooled student, these workshops will help you understand the reading process and will give you hands-on suggestions for improving that process. Led by Rebecca Jones, a reading specialist and licensed dyslexia therapist, the first workshop will be "Ways to Improve Reading Fluency" which will be held on Thursday, June 9, at 1:30 p.m. The second workshop will focus on "Strengthening Reading Comprehension" which will be held on Thursday, June 16, at 1:30 p.m.

These workshops are for parents and caregivers of beginning readers through fifth graders and will be conducted at the same time as Thursday's Movie, so childcare can be provided. For those interested in attending the workshops, please contact the library at 254-865-5367. The Gatesville Public Library is located at 111 N. 8th Street across from the Gatesville City Hall.



Faith Branch  
COURTESY PHOTO BY Callie Branch

## Branch graduates from Tarleton

Faith Alyssa Branch, a 2018 Gatesville High School graduate, earned her Bachelor of Science in Communication Studies, cum laude, from Tarleton State University on Friday, May 13. Branch majored in communications with an emphasis in public relations, and minor in management and graduated with honors. She was also chosen as the Public Relations and Social Engagement Department's Outstanding Student earlier this month. During her time at Tarleton, she served as the Communications Department intern, as well as the HR/lead intern for the city of Stephenville. She was also secretary and vice president of the Public Relations Student Society of America and the Tarleton Activities Board Interactive Programs Coordinator. Branch is the daughter of Miranda and Josh Waters, and Taylor and Kaley Branch, all of Gatesville.

### PEARL NEWS

## Upcoming Pearl Bluegrass event to be held June 4th

**BETSY CLARK**  
Pearl News Correspondent

The next Pearl Bluegrass event will be June 4th. Bands can begin playing on the stage at 1 p.m. Jamming goes

on all day long. If any band wants to schedule stage time, please contact Ronald Medart at 254 865-6013. Be sure and visit the Bluegrass kitchen, open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday, June 4th, the Pearl Cottage Book Store and Resale Shop will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Surrounding the bookstore will be our monthly Pearl Flea Market with Junk-In-Your-

Trunk. Vendors can come as early as 8 a.m. and leave when you want to since it is so hot!! You can bring a trailer full of treasures or a trunk full with the rule of First Come-First Park on the Community Center grounds. There will be a small fee of \$5 charged which goes toward the maintenance and upkeep of the Pearl Community Center building and grounds. Let's grow this every 1st Saturday event (except for September when we will be open the 2nd Saturday) into the most popular flea market event in the area! We're inviting anyone to bring their fresh vegetables and/or fruits—only no "already prepared" food items as there will be food in the Pearl Community Center kitchen for sale to benefit the center. If you would like to advertise your business, bring some business cards,

and join us. We always have someone interested in real estate, so agents in the area are welcome to set up a booth. People are always asking for recommendations for people who can clear a lot, dig a tank or well, or build a fence. For only \$5 a booth, you can get your message out! If any bands would like to come and play under the pavilion or on the stage, you are welcome, especially kid's bands! (Call Ronald Medart at 254-865-6013 to schedule stage time in advance if you wish.) Come and spend the night on the grounds! RV spaces are available. Sites are also available for longer stays. Full hook-up pull-throughs! 30 AMPS-\$20 per night; 50 AMPS-\$25 per night. For more information on renting trailer spaces or the Community Center itself, call 254-223-0621. Pearl Book Store Contact Numbers are 254-865-9282 or 254-865-5864.

Please follow Pearl Community Center, Texas on Facebook. Mrs. Rushton always has lots of great information about the going's on in Pearl. Just "Like" and "Follow!" This week's Bible verse comes from Romans 15:13—May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. NIV Contact me at betsyclark47@yahoo.com to submit any Pearl news.



Betsy Clark

May 24 - July 29

## NO COST SUMMER MEALS FOR KIDS

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  - \*Lunch 10:30 to 12:30
  - \*Sit down meals in the cafeteria
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  - \*2537 E. Main St
- \*Trinity Day Care Center:** Tuesday through Thursday
  - \*Breakfast 8:00 to 8:30
  - \*Lunch 11:00 to 11:30
  - \*1506 W. Main Street
- \*Gatesville Care Center:** Monday, Wednesday, & Friday
  - \*Lunch 11:00 to 12:00
  - \*105 N. 7th Street
- \*Gatesville WIC Office:** Monday, 2nd, 3rd, & 4th Tuesday, Thursday
  - \*Breakfast 7:30 to 8:30
  - \*Lunch 11:00 to 12:00
  - \*501 E. Main Street
- \*Gatesville City Pool:** Monday through Friday
  - \*Breakfast 9:00 to 9:30
  - \*Lunch 12:30 to 1:00
  - \*300 S. 8th Street
- \*Gatesville High School:** Monday through Thursday
  - \*Breakfast 8:00 to 8:30
  - \*Lunch 11:15 to 12:15
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## Hanson, Walls named to Dean's Honor Roll at ACU in Abilene

Gatesville students Leah Hanson, a junior majoring in art, and Jack Walls, a sophomore majoring in biology, were named to the Spring 2022 dean's honor roll at Abilene Christian University. To qualify for the dean's

honor roll, students must be registered for 12 or more credit hours and earn a GPA of 3.6 or higher. More than 1,200 students were named to the list at ACU. Since 1906, Abilene Christian University has pursued

purposeful learning and enthusiastic devotion to Christ. Over the past century, the campus has moved and expanded, and student accomplishments have flourished.



FROM MY FRONT PORCH

# What will those tattoos look like in 30 years?

**SAM HOUSTON**

Sam Houston is the publisher of the Hood County News. He is also an actor, author, playwright, performer and entertainment producer/promoter.

I am all for individual expression. It is the American way. My dad and I had crew cuts and it was a little unsettling back in the 1960s when boys started to grow their hair long. It was different and not something I was accustomed to. With time my acceptance grew. I never wanted a ponytail for myself, but if someone else wanted to do so, more power to them. I accepted the other guy's right to express himself and realized character and appearance are not necessarily the same thing.

Over the course of my life, I have seen lots of fads come and go, like polyester leisure suits, platform shoes, velour track suits, and the forgettable parachute and cargo pants. Some of these trendy fashions are looked back on with disdain and disbelief — but trust me, in their heyday they were popular and quite the rage. I had no interest in participating in most of them, but I continued my mindset of “to each their own.” Sometimes I chuckled or laughed at the “latest” but I never threw folks under the bus for their choices.

I am here to confess I am having a hard time with tattoos. When I was not more than four or five years old, I vividly remember my mother telling me to never join the Navy because they would make me get a tattoo. Mothers have a lot of power over their young sons, and she sure made an impression on me. I did not really conceive what a tattoo was except Pop-eye had one on each of his

forearms. Once Mom made her statement, I never again thought tattoos were cool.

Almost no one had tattoos when I was growing up except for a few military guys who came back from Vietnam or bikers. One rarely saw a woman with a tattoo and if we had, she would have been held up to scorn and public ridicule. There was an attitude that getting a tattoo was just not something reasonable and intelligent people did, though there was an exception if you were in the military. I remember a teacher of mine once saying,

“I prefer my artwork on the wall,” and I guess I felt the same way. Tattoos were far from mainstream and general acceptance non-existent.

Today, everyone from 70-year-old grannies to teenagers go to tattoo parlors and get themselves adorned with artwork. When the craze initially started, many who got a tattoo did so on a location of their body that would be out of sight to the public at large. All of that has changed. Now I see young people with tattoos adorning their legs, arms, neck, and every other body part. Girls, guys, it doesn't seem to matter because most young people are tatted up. There are an increasing number of older adults who are joining in.

I was in a local restaurant recently when a woman in her mid-50s, entered. She was wearing shorts and a summer top and clearly had a large tattoo on her thigh and a “sleeve” on one arm. It was colorful and it would be fair to say the artistry was excellent, but it was not anything I would want to have done. I kept saying to myself, what is her artwork going to look like when she is 70? How do you explain tattoos to your grand-



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children when the pendulum swings back around, and no one wears a tattoo? What about the young woman who gets tattooed and then has three or four children or puts on 50 pounds? Is the artwork still going to look “hot” or “exciting”? How about a guy like me who goes from a 32-inch waist to a 42 inch as they age? Is that tattoo going to still shine?

Please understand, if you want to go through the pain and expense of having a tattoo, I will stand aside and let you walk to the front of the line. I accept that you believe they look beautiful and create an image you want to project to the world. I have friends, coworkers, and family members who have tattoos. I love them as they are. For me, I will stick with the image I have. It is not much, but it is mine. Maybe I will put some money in a company that does tattoo removal. I have a feeling there is going to be a big demand someday.

Thought for the day: A fella ran a café called Tattoos. The man didn't have any tattoos, but then again, I never saw his wife.

Until next time.

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# The DISPATCH

The following is a partial breakdown of activity reported through dispatchers during the period of May 24 - 25. Emergency calls should be made to 9-1-1, while all other calls to the police department should be made to 865-2226 or to the Sheriff's office at 865-7201.

**CITY OF GATESVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**May 24**  
12:30 a.m., a welfare concern was reported in the 100 block of N. State Hwy. 36 Bypass.  
11:23 a.m., animal cruelty was reported in the 2000 block of Waco Street.  
3:46 p.m., an accident was reported in the 4300 block of S. State Hwy. 36.  
5:12 p.m., a welfare concern was reported in the 300 block of Andrews Street.  
6:23 p.m., suspicious activity was reported in the 1200 block of E. Main Street.  
11:47 p.m., suspicious activity was reported in the 2400 block of E. Main Street.  
**May 25**  
10:58 a.m., a structure fire was reported in the 100 block of N. 28th Street.  
11:17 a.m., an accident was reported in the 1200 block of E. Main Street.  
3:38 p.m., a theft was re-

ported in the 100 block of N. 31st Street.  
4:24 p.m., an accident was reported in the 1600 block of E. Main Street.  
7:54 p.m., a welfare concern was reported on King Country Road.  
8:14 p.m., suspicious activity was reported in the 300 block of Andrews Street.

**CORYELL COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

**May 24**  
8:30 a.m., criminal trespass was reported in the 100 block of Harrell Drive.  
9:25 a.m., credit card abuse was reported in the 200 block of King Lane.  
1:41 p.m., electric wires were reported down in the 4100 block of FM 929.  
4:24 p.m., a reckless driver was reported on E. Hwy. 84.  
6:44 p.m., a man with a gun was reported in the 1000 block of Bluebonnet Dr.  
**May 25**

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7:48 a.m., a livestock complaint was reported on Hwy. 36 and CR 160.  
9:50 a.m., a threat was reported in the 3500 block of CR 213.  
4:06 p.m., vandalism was reported in the 800 block of CR 355.  
5:58 p.m., criminal trespass was reported in the 100 block of Glenview Drive.  
6:49 p.m., an animal complaint was reported at Texas Station.

## Whatever happened to...

**20 YEARS AGO (2002)**

Rex and Billie Jean Tilly of Gatesville were planning to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. Rex Tilly and the former Billie Jean Weatherford were married on March 30, 1952.

Anna Barr, the 14-year-old daughter of Michael and Ginger Barr, had been chosen as a state finalist in the Miss Texas American Junior Teen Pageant being held in Dallas.

Amber Weems, a junior at Gatesville High School, had qualified for the national nursing assistant competition to be held in Kansas City, Missouri.  
Tommy and Della Altum

of Gatesville celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. Tommy Altum and the former Della Esparza were married May 22, 1977, at the West Main Church of Christ.

**30 YEARS AGO (1992)**

Robert Delaney, M.D. of Gatesville, attended the Texas Medical Association's annual meeting in San Antonio. While at the meeting he attended seminars on allergy, family practice and behavioral medicine.

Spec. Carl W. Stevens, a 1988 graduate of Gatesville High School, had re-enlisted in the Army for two years. Stevens was an armor crew member stationed at Fort Riley near Junction City, KS.

A Tribute Dinner was held honoring Dr. Elworth Lowrey and Dr. Wendell Lowrey. The dinner drew more than 400 people to the Exhibit Hall of the Coryell Activities Complex. Proceeds from the benefit were to be used to fund a new modular ambulance.

Roberto Alaniz was honored at MATES for 30 years of service to the National Guard. He was retiring as a Heavy Mobile Equipment Repairman.

**40 YEARS AGO (1982)**

Eric Cummings, Scott Meharg, and Brett Edwards from Trinity Baptist Church competed in the Southern Baptist Children's Bible Drill State Finals in San Antonio.

Valedictorian Bill Vandiver and salutatorian Kyle Zacharias delivered the graduation speeches during the commencement program for Oglesby's eight-member Class of 1982.

Kari Donaldson, a senior piano major at Howard Payne University, had accepted the position as youth director at Trinity Baptist Church for the summer.

Charlie and Emma (Music) Bates of Gatesville were celebrating their 30th wedding anniversary at a surprise dinner in Waco.

**50 YEARS AGO (1972)**

Charles Ivy, 22, joined the operations department of the National Bank as an officer trainee. Ivy, a 1968 graduate of Gatesville High School, was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Ivy.

Don Cantrell, a Gatesville attorney, was appointed city judge by the Gatesville City Council. Cantrell was a partner in the Hix Cantrell law firm in Gatesville.

Shirley Dean Fore was presented a superior performance award at Fort Hood. She was cited for consistently exceeding performance requirements in her duties with the Management Information Systems Office.

Jim Saunders, a graduating senior of Gatesville High School, was honored with a barbeque held at Faunt Le Roy's Crossing.

## June is National PTSD Awareness Month

National PTSD Awareness Month is observed in June and it ushers in an array of awareness campaigns run for the benefit of PTSD Survivors.

PTSD stands for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, which occurs in people after they have experienced a particularly traumatic event like war, violent physical, sexual, or verbal assault, accidents and so forth. Symptoms include depression, anxiety, nightmares, paranoia, insomnia, disturbing thoughts and much more.

Many people recover from PTSD after a few days, weeks, or months. Yet, for others, the recovery road might mean one year or more. This mental disorder is treatable, but due to the lack of knowledge around it as well as the stigma attached to seeking mental help, many choose to ignore the problem and suffer through it.

Some studies suggest that suicide risk is higher among those who experienced trauma due to the symptoms of PTSD. A study from the National Comorbidity Survey, a national representative sample, showed that PTSD alone was significantly associated with suicidal ideation or attempts. A later study by the Canadian Community Health Survey data also found that respondents with PTSD were at a higher risk for suicide attempts. Among people who have had a diagnosis of PTSD at some point in their lifetime, approximately 27% have also attempted suicide. Another large-scale survey found that 24% of military personnel diagnosed with PTSD had experienced suicidal thinking within the past year.

According to the Journal of Emergency Services, there is a silent crisis happening worldwide. First responders

are quietly suffering because of the stigma surrounding the utilization of mental health services. First responders are approximately 10 times more likely to have suicidal ideations and/or attempt suicide compared to the CDC national average.

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, 1-800-273-TALK (8255), is a free resource, available 24 hours a day for anyone who is in suicidal crisis or emotional distress. The crisis text line is a free 24/7 text line where trained crisis counselors support individuals in crisis. Text “Jason” to 741741 to speak with a compassionate, trained crisis counselor. Confidential support 24/7, for free.

The Jason Foundation is another available resource. The Jason Foundation offers the First Responders Training Module: Addressing Suicide with Youth in the Community and Within the Profession. The goal of this training is to provide first responders with the knowledge, skills and resources to enable them to be better able to recognize the signs of concern and elevated risk factors for suicidal ideation in youth within their community, as well as in co-workers and fellow first responders. The training is free of charge and can be found online at www.jasonfoundation.com under the How To Get Involved tab.

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# Texas 4-H Foundation awards \$61,000 to Coryell County Youth



**BECKY COWARD**  
Coryell County 4-H Extension Agent

serving as a Texas 4-H Livestock Ambassador. This summer she will be traveling to Hawaii as part of the Ambassador team. Gardner will continue her livestock judging career on scholarship, first at Blinn College, and then plans to obtain a bachelor of science degree at Texas A&M University competing on the judging team.

Luensmann is the daughter of Brian Luensmann and Kandi Luensmann. She received a \$20,000 4-H scholarship provided by the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo. Luensmann competed well at all levels of the 4-H program, from serving as her local club president, to attending National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, Georgia. Luensmann will represent Coryell County as part of the County Ambassador delegation traveling to Washington, D.C. this summer. She will attend Texas A&M University this fall and was accepted into the honors program majoring in business.

Sutton, the son of Shanon and Jalean Sutton, received a \$10,000 scholarship awarded by the Fort Worth Stock Show Syndicate through the 4-H foundation. As a 4-H member he competed in a diversified list of projects, exhibiting livestock all over the state and claiming a reserve national title at the National Beefmaster show. As a County Ambassador he will be attending Citizenship Washington Focus this summer. He has always been willing to help younger youth with their projects and has been an outstanding teen mentor. Sutton will attend Texas A&M University majoring in poultry science.

Belt is the son of Brandon and Kari Belt. His 4-H scholarship was funded by the McLean Family. Belt's main 4-H project throughout his

career has been beef cattle. He serves on the board of the International Junior Brangus Breeders Association planning events and representing the breed. He will attend Blinn College, continuing his livestock judging career there under scholarship. Belt plans to earn a degree in ag business and continue with his family cattle operation.

As large as the 4-H Foundation scholarship awards are, these are just a percentage of the scholarships earned by these outstanding youth. All of them received multiple scholarships in large increments from donors who believe in the potential of our 4-H youth.

All four of these young people completed 4-H record books from an early age and were taught the value of not only pursuing your passion in life but serving in their community and leadership skills that will carry them far into whatever avenue they intend to pursue.

Many times I hear people misunderstand that 4-H is a club for livestock kids or that 4-H is just about the county fair. I'm hoping to spread the word that each one of these youth is a shining example of well-rounded young adults who have accomplished much but have learned even more throughout their 10 years of 4-H membership.

They are the leaders of tomorrow armed with knowledge of how to lead a business meeting, public speaking skills, a teamwork mindset, interview skills, record-keeping skills, along with a strong work ethic and tools they have developed over time to succeed.

I'm very proud of each and every one of them and will be glad to watch them move on to bigger and better achievements and contributions to society.



COURTESY PHOTO

4-H scholars pictured left to right: Cooper Sutton, Hailey Luensmann, Kinsey Gardner, and Samuel Belt

## Assistance may be available for livestock forage losses

Producers in Coryell County are eligible to apply for 2022 Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP) benefits on short and long season small grains, native pasture, improved pasture, and annual ryegrass.

LFP provides compensation for grazing losses for covered livestock due to drought on privately owned

or cash leased land, or fire on federally managed land.

County committees can only accept LFP applications after notification is received by the National Office of qualifying drought or if a federal agency prohibits producers from grazing normal permitted livestock on federally managed lands due to qualifying fire. You must

complete a CCC-853 and the required supporting documentation no later than Jan. 31, 2023, for 2022 losses.

For additional information about LFP, including eligible livestock and fire criteria, contact your Coryell County USDA Service Center at 254-865-7012 (option 2) or visit [fsa.usda.gov](http://fsa.usda.gov).

## Vacation Bible School set for Gatesville Church of Christ

Gatesville Church of Christ recently announced they would be hosting their vacation Bible school on Sunday, June 5, through Wednesday, June 8, from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

each evening. Registration will start at 5 p.m. Vacation Bible School will be for preschool children through the fifth grade.

The theme this year will be "Rocky Railway, Jesus"

Power Pulls Us Through." Gatesville Church of Christ is located at 2417 E. Main St.

They can be reached by calling 254-865-2438.

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### Stars of the Sea

#### Seeing Stars

What is a sea star and what is it not? A starfish is not a fish at all. Many marine biologists want to change its name to a **sea star**, because most of them look like stars. Sea stars are **echinoderms** (eh-keen-oh-durmz)—animals that lack a back bone.

#### Sea Star's Rays

Sea stars have arms but no legs. Their arms are called **rays**. Some sea stars have five rays, some have six, ten or twenty.

#### Glow Time!

Sea stars have no eyes, no ears, no nose. They do have a \_\_\_\_\_ on their underside. To eat, a sea star \_\_\_\_\_ on top of, and slowly wraps its \_\_\_\_\_ around its food.

One thing sea stars like to eat is clams. Once one has wrapped its rays around a clam \_\_\_\_\_, its hundreds of tentacles \_\_\_\_\_ to the shell and hang onto it as it pulls and pulls until the shell opens. As soon as it opens just a little, the sea star \_\_\_\_\_ its stomach out of its body and into the shell and \_\_\_\_\_ the clam. This can take an hour or two.

#### No Bones About It

Sea stars don't have skeletons. Their spiny, tough skin gives them their shape and protects them.

#### Neat Feet

Sea stars have feet but no toes. If you look on the bottom of a sea star's ray, you will see rows of soft tentacles called **tube feet**. The sea star slowly creeps along on these feet.

These sea stars swiped some of the words from paragraphs at left. Write in each word where it belongs.

crawls
mouth
rays
pushes
digests
attach
shell

#### Sea Star Search

How many sea stars can you find on this page in 30 seconds? Now have a friend try. Who found the most?

**Standards Link:** Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

#### Star Match

Do the math to match each sea star to its name.

	14 + 6 + 7		37 + 17 - 6		5 + 6 + 7		42 - 26
	9 + 16 + 7		11 + 5 + 9		24 - 12		29 - 7

#### Star Match

25 = chocolate chip star	27 = cushion star
22 = sun star	12 = fat star
48 = candy cane star	32 = comb sea star
18 = basket star	16 = sunflower sea star

#### Extra! Extra! Creature Cut-Ups

You can create a new creature from the parts of creatures pictured in today's newspaper. Cut out different parts of different people and animals found in today's newspaper. Use these to create a new creature. Give your creature a name. Make up things about it, such as what it eats and where it lives.

**Standards Link:** Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

**Standards Link:** Life Science: Students know examples of diverse life forms in different environments; physical structure or behavior may improve an organism's chance for survival.

### Kid Scoop Puzzler

#### A Galaxy of Sea Stars

There are more than 3,600 different kinds of sea stars. They come in lots of different colors and shapes. Some sea stars are colored to match the surfaces on which they live. This camouflage helps them hide from predators.

How many sea stars are hidden here?

**Standards Link:** Life Science: Animals have structures that serve different functions.

### Double Double Word Search

SEA STARS SKELETONS TENTACLES CREATURE PREDATORS CRAWLS RAYS SHORE TUBE CREEPS TIDE POOL ARM

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?

E	T	C	S	H	O	R	E	S	P
H	I	E	S	Y	A	R	N	N	R
S	S	E	N	E	U	O	R	M	E
L	S	T	D	T	T	U	B	E	D
W	P	I	A	E	A	S	E	A	A
A	T	E	L	R	T	C	A	S	T
R	R	E	A	R	S	F	L	H	O
C	K	C	R	E	E	P	S	E	R
S	A	R	M	I	P	O	O	L	S

**Standards Link:** Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

### Kid Scoop Together: Proof It!

Are you an eagle-eyed reader? Read the story below and circle the nine errors you find. Then rewrite the story correctly.

#### Amazing Sea Stars

Sea stars do something nearly no other animal. Can do. If a sea star loses a ray, it will grow another ray. Not only that—the ray that broke off can become an entirely new sea star. In fact, if a sea star is broken into pieces, each piece can become a whole new sea star.

While sea stars love eating clams, they will also eat a dead fish or dead crab, if it is lucky enough to crawl over one.

### FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

#### Little-Known Facts

Look through today's newspaper and find three to five facts that you think not too many people know. Create a question for each fact. See how many people know these facts.

**Standards Link:** Reading Comprehension: Ask questions to demonstrate comprehension.

### Write On!

## Summer Jokes and Riddles

Send us your favorite summer jokes and riddles.

### What a Character!

#### Healthy is ...

... eating lots of fruits and vegetables all summer long.



# CLASSIFIEDS

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## 032 MISCELLANEOUS

### HEAD START

**TAKING APPLICATIONS!!! (No Transportation Provided)**  
Gatesville Head Start is now accepting applications for the 2022-2023 school year. Head Start is a pre-school offering excellent educational opportunities along with medical, dental, developmental, and nutritional benefits at no cost. The Head Start approach of individualized care and guidance is well suited to helping children with disabilities. Children between the ages of 3 and 5 may be eligible. There is no charge for participation in Head Start. Pick up your application now at the Head Start Center at 1105 Saunders Street or 1111 W. Main St. For more information, call your local center at 254/865-5423, 254/404-2198 or 254/865-5555 or Hill Country Community Action Association at 325/372-5167.

### HEAD START

**ESTA ACEPTANDO APLICACIONES!!! (Ningun Transporte Proporcionado)**  
Gatesville Head Start esta aceptando aplicaciones para el año 2022-2023. Head Start es una escuela para niños de edad 3-5 años que califican. Head Start ofrece oportunidades excelentes para educación y tambien beneficios de medico, dental, desarrollo, y de alimento. Head Start ofrece mucha ayuda para niños y familias. No cuesta nada para que su niño atienda el programa de Head Start. Puede usted recoger ahora una aplicacion para solicitar un puesto en Head Start. Para mas informacion llame a la Head Start, 1105 Saunders Street, or 1111 W. Main St # del telefono: 254/865-5423, 254/404-2198, 254/865-5555 or Hill Country Community Action at 325/372-5167.

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## 099 PUBLIC NOTICES

### JOINT NOTICE OF SALE

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BY VIRTUE OF ORDERS OF SALE issued pursuant to judgment decrees of the District Court of Coryell County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in the hereinafter numbered and styled causes, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on the 11th day of May, 2022, seized, levied upon, and will on the 7th day of June, 2022, at the Courthouse Steps, at 10:00 A.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, as provided for by the TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE.

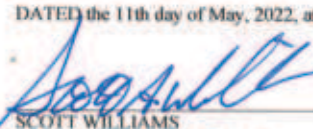
All of the following properties being located in Coryell County, Texas and each property being more particularly described on an instrument recorded in the Volume and Page reference (V. / P. ) or document number of the Deed Records, Coryell County, Texas. The approximate property addresses reflected herein are the addresses on the tax records and may or may not be completely accurate.

TRACT	SUIT #	STYLE	PROPERTY DESCRIPTION, APPROXIMATE ADDRESS, ACCT #	MIN BID
1	CTX-14-03135	Coryell Co. vs. Tim Sullivan	Lot 5, Block 6, Town of Leon Junction (V468/P37) CR 347, Leon Junction, #116464	\$14,809.79
2	CTX-16-03263	Coryell Co. vs. Martin M. Magrum, Jr.	Lot 9, Block 5, Leon Junction Addition (Instrument #205976 OPR) Leon Junction, #116510	\$4,013.86
3	CTX-19-03559	Coryell Co. vs. William Harney	A Manufactured Home only, Label #RAD1069837, Serial #OVDJ0028, located on Cedar Grove Estates Mobile Home Park, #53, 53 Locust Drive, Copperas Cove, #147243	\$3,299.00
4	CTX-21-03693	Coryell Co. vs. Elaine Kinney	Lot 2, Block 82, (Instrument #289503 OPR), 307 N 10th St, Gatesville, #114191	\$36,043.84
5	CTX-21-03710	Coryell Co. vs. Jacob David	Manufactured Home only, Label #HWC0431214, Serial #CBH025630TX, FM 1829, Gatesville, #150713	\$3,893.86
6	CTX-21-03733	Coryell Co. vs. Unknown Trustees, beneficiaries, and successors in interest of the Good Shepherd Lodge No. 99, Knights of Pythias of Gatesville, Texas	Lot 1, Block 109, (V43/P75), 506 N 14th St, Gatesville, #114365	\$6,750.00

This sale will be conducted to satisfy the judgment(s) for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interests due on the properties described herein, and for all costs of court and sale.

I do hereby verify that true and correct copies of the foregoing Joint Notice of Sale have been delivered by United States Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, and by regular mail, to each of the Defendants named in each of the numbered and styled causes.

DATED the 11th day of May, 2022, at Gatesville, Texas

  
SCOTT WILLIAMS  
Sheriff, Coryell County, Texas

You may contact the attorney for the taxing units at (254) 756-7755.

## 099 PUBLIC NOTICES

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## 099 PUBLIC NOTICES

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Clyde Wayne Raines, Sr., Deceased, were issued on March 11, 2022, in Cause No. 21-10435, pending in the County Court at Law of Coryell County, Texas, to: Clyde Raines, Jr. and Jennifer Raines.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o: **Allen D. Place, Jr.**  
**Attorney at Law**  
109 S. 7th Street  
Gatesville, Texas 76528

DATED the 24th day of May, 2022.

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## AREA FISHING REPORT

**Belton**  
GOOD. Water lightly stained; 77 degrees; 4.31 feet low. The threadfin shad spawn is tapering to a close and thanks to the recent stretch of unseasonably warm temperatures the strong late-spring white bass bite is now past peak. Topwater action in areas where the overnight winds have blown has been reliable for largemouth, smallmouth, and white bass during a short window from 6:45-8:00 a.m. using MAL Originals. After that early topwater action, we have relied exclusively on the MAL Dense used in conjunction with Garmin LiveScope to fish vertically for white bass and short hybrid, which are still heavily congregated on the bottom in 32-50 feet of water. Report by Bob Maindelle, Holding the Line Guide Service. Crappie are good in timber ranging from 18-27 feet of water using ten foot pro SE outlaw crappie rods paired with ATX Lure companies two inch wicked shad. Report by Zach Minnix, Jig N Jerk Guide Service.

**Waco**  
GOOD. Water stained; 75 degrees; 5.60 feet low. Crappie are awesome in 10-20 feet of water fishing brush piles and humps. Report by Zach Minnix, Jig N Jerk Guide Service.

**Stillhouse**  
GOOD. Water lightly stained; 76 degrees; 4.38 feet low. Stillhouse Hollow continues to produce Share Lunger quality bass each week thanks to the many acres of lush hydrilla now found there. Fishing the wall-like stand of the deep outer edge of hydrilla beds using soft plastics is producing now and should continue to produce throughout the summer. Although hydrilla alone will hold some fish, hydrilla combined with topographic features like points are even more productive. The local 3X9 Series bass tournament required a three-fish, 16.98-pound sack to win this past week. White bass are hit-or-miss as they make their post-spawn migration to deeper water at the east end of the lake, feeding on suspended schools of shad as they travel. Report by Bob Maindelle, Holding the Line Guide Service.

**Whitney**  
GOOD. Water lightly stained; 73 degrees; 2.66 feet low. Fishing patterns are similar for the Memorial Day weekend. Striped bass are great in 20-50 feet of water trolling umbrella-rigs, swimbaits and fishing with live bait

on flats and along the main river channel throughout the reservoir. Catfish are great on live or cut bait near the bottom throughout the reservoir. Report provided by Kraig Sexton, Sexton's Guide Service LLC.

**Buchanan**  
GREAT. Water lightly stained; 77 degrees; 4.86 feet low. Crappie fishing is good with fish clinging to the summer pattern. Fishing in 15-20 feet of water over brush piles using chartreuse jigs will fill the boat. Report by Jess Rotherham, Texas Crappie Fishing Service. Bass are good on shallow rock and vegetation, and flipping shallow trees with worms and craw worms. The topwater bite is getting good as well. Crappie, white bass, hybrids and stripers are going strong using small jigging spoons or flutter spoons. Report provided by Bryan Cotter, Texas Hawgs Bass Fishing Guide Service.

**IBJ**  
GOOD. Water lightly stained; 78 degrees; 0.66 feet low. Bass are very good on brush piles and rocky points in 8-15 feet of water using ten inch worms and crankbaits. Good topwater bite all day on overcast days while the bass are feeding on shallow perch. White bass are good mid lake to the river in jigging spoons and live minnows. Crappie are excellent over brush piles with live bait. Report by Charles Whited, Barefoot Fishing Tours.

**Travis**  
GOOD. Stained; 76 degrees; 27.44 feet low. Bass are good using swimbaits, jerks baits and shaky head worms targeting brush on points and shorelines with chunky rock and brush combinations. Report provided by Carson Conklin, ATX Fishing.

**Brownwood**  
GOOD. Water slightly stained; 76-81 degrees; 3.47 feet low. Bass are good to 5.50 pounds on crankbaits around the rocky shorelines feeding around the perch beds. Most are in a summer pattern. Crappie are good to one pound on minnows and on black/chartreuse or white color jigs from 8-12 feet in brush piles and around lighted docks. White bass are good to 1.50 pounds on small swimbaits or crankbaits and under the lights.

**Austin**  
FAIR. Water clear; 73 degrees; 0.56 feet low. Fish are in the summer pattern on Lake Austin. Bass are fair on big swimbaits.

# Requirements for draining aquatic vessels in Texas

BY MICHAEL ACOSTA  
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I get asked about the requirements for draining and drying your boat, which is the law in Texas. This requirement came about due to Texas waters that are under attack by invasive species that push aside native plants and animals, throwing aquatic ecosystems out of balance. Invasive plants like giant salvinia can double in size in a week and block recreational access. Species like zebra mussels can hinder water recreation, damage boats and affect water supplies. Luckily, Lake Granbury has not

been identified as containing zebra mussels, but many have been identified from Lake Texoma, Bridgeport, Lewisville and even Central Texas lakes like Lake Belton.

Persons leaving or approaching public fresh water are required to drain all water from their vessels and on-board receptacles (includes live wells, bilges, motors and any other receptacles or water-intake systems coming into contact with public waters). This rule applies at all sites where boats can be launched and includes all types and sizes of boats whether powered or not, personal watercraft, sailboats, kayaks/canoes, or any other vessel

used to travel on public waters.

Live fish, including personally caught live bait, cannot be transported from the water body where the fish were caught in or aboard a vessel in water from the water body where the fish were caught. Personally caught live bait can be used in the water body where it was caught.

Transport and use of commercially purchased live bait in water while fishing from a vessel is allowed, provided persons in possession of the bait have a receipt that identifies the source of the bait. Any live bait purchased from a location on or adjacent to a pub-

lic water body that is transported in water from that water body can only be used as bait on that same water body.

A vessel leaving a public freshwater body may be transported on a public roadway without water being drained, provided the vessel is transported via the most direct route to another access point located on the same water body during that same day.

Persons participating in a fishing tournament confined to one water body are allowed to transport live fish in water from that single water body to an identified off-site weigh-in location, provid-

ed all water is drained and properly disposed of before leaving that location. Participants must possess documentation provided by tournament organizers that identify them as participants in a tournament.

Consult the Texas Parks and Wildlife Annual Rule requirement for more details. There also may be other limitations on different invasive species.

Let's not transport and contaminate our Texas waterways. See you on the water.

## GISD

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It was noted that "federal grant funds have helped offset this revenue loss, however, those grants will expire Sept. 30, 2024."

Frazier said GISD was doing well with attendance and enrollment before COVID-19,

after which attendance dropped from about 95% of enrolled students to 90%. That equates to a steep drop in state funding if the state again starts enforcing its previous attendance requirements, which were temporarily stopped in the wake of COVID-19's impact.

"You may want to take that up with the state," Frazier said. "It's a pretty big problem.

We may never see 95% or 96% attendance again, and that results in a pretty big reduction in funding."

He described the situation as being "pretty tricky" but added that he was cautiously optimistic that the issue will be resolved.

"We've had some big-time attendance problems and we need to get that back up," Frazier said.

Signs of progress were present in attendance rates for some grades.

"Third grade attendance has seen a nice increase, Frazier said. "It had 96% attendance in April which was really a bright spot. Sixth grade attendance improved to 94.79%, and that's going to impact funding."

## AUDIT

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LaFollet is that payroll is still being done by hand by the city.

"It's an all-day process for three people," she said, recommending that the city switch to an electronic system.

"There are also a huge amount of leases with fleet (vehicles)," LaFollet said. "Make sure you have all new requirements that will be implemented before fiscal year 2022."

Mayor Gary Chumley asked if any major anomalies were found.

"No fraud was found, although we did 38 adjustments," LaFollet said. "In the past, the city has relied on accounting firms to do these, but they should be done by city staff."

"There are a lot of things the city is working to improve," City Manager Bill Parry said. "We are getting a start on these, and that will include switching to an automated timekeeping system" (for payroll).

LaFollet is scheduled to conduct the city's audits for three years, with an option for an additional two years.

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## Fire Ant Tour set June 11

The Gatesville Exchange Club Fire Ant 100K Bicycle Tour is scheduled from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 11 at the Gatesville Civic Center, with ride packet pickup and onsite registration scheduled starting at 6:30 a.m. that day.

Routes are 10, 32 and 50 miles and 100K, which is about 62.5 miles.

"Sag Stations" will be placed at 10-mile intervals and at the start-finish line. Portable toilet facilities and refreshment stops will be available, and vehicles will travel the route to offer assistance to participants as needed.

Cost is \$35. Additional ride information may be found online at [gates.clubexpress.com](http://gates.clubexpress.com).



## Keeping the tempo of Gatesville

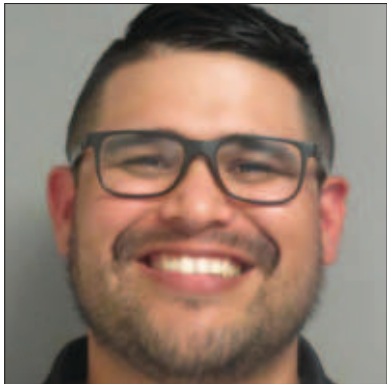


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**SENSATIONAL SOUNDS:** Members of the Gatesville High School band stay busy throughout the year, but are most prominent at events such as high school football games and local parades.

### Jose Sanchez guides GISD's band program to excel

BY BRANDI ADDISON  
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Sanchez

For the last six years, Jose Sanchez has banded the community together through the sound of music.

As Gatesville ISD's director of bands, Sanchez — a tuba player himself — leads all the district's bands, including the Gatesville High School Fighting Hornet Marching Band.

Prior to moving to Gatesville, he graduated with a bachelor's degree in music education from Baylor University and was the assistant director and marching director at Robison High School.

But the majority of his career has been spent here, touching the lives, and songs, of many.

"There's been a really nice progression of the marching band program (over the last six years). This year is the best that we've ever

done," Sanchez said. "We call it the marching arts, because what we do as band directors is continuously evolving into more artistic expression. There is an aesthetic that is really being pushed into our foundation."

Sanchez said preparation for the upcoming marching season, which extends from summer through the

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#### Jose Sanchez

fall semester, has already begun. Normally, he said, they'll begin with planning about a year in advance.

As band faculty guides students through competition season in the spring, they concurrently plan for the upcoming marching season.

"It's kind of a double-edged sword as to which season is busier," Sanchez said. "The spring is more involved for the band directors just because we are trying to close out a year, while working on marching concepts and show design for the following year's (season). There's like this continuous balance of concentrating on the

things that we're currently doing, while also looking to the future."

On any given day during the spring semester, Sanchez said he can find himself in the band hall between 12 to 14 hours. But his schedule isn't slowing down anytime soon — not even in the summer.

"We have music camps in June that are specific to different instrument groups, so we can give them some individualized attention," Sanchez said. "And once we hit July, we're pretty much back in the swing of the things with cover guard camp, percussion camp and

music camp. Then come August, we're teaching the marching show, then, school starts on Aug. 11.

"We've got a very, very small timeframe for our camps, and we have to plan our time very importantly — especially since we have so many students that we share between other activities and athletics," he added.

"We have students that are involved in every single activity. There's not been a year, since I've been here, that we haven't had at least one varsity football player."

Coming from a band family, of which his wife is also a band director in another district, Sanchez said he gives it his all, not only because of his passion for music, but for the students.

"We want to give our students all we can," he said. "We understand the value of being a well-rounded student and want them to participate."

### GISD sports camps continue through July & the fall

The Gatesville Independent School District will have summer sports camps to help teach fundamentals and techniques, learn Hornet schemes and terminology and have fun with friends and future teammates.

The camps are coached by Gatesville High School and Gatesville Junior High School coaches, assisted by GHS varsity athletes.

Camp forms are available at all GISD campuses and on the GISD Athletics website, [www.gatesvilleathletics.com](http://www.gatesvilleathletics.com). Participants may register up to the first day of each camp.

Questions may be emailed to [rgphilli@gatesvilleisd.org](mailto:rgphilli@gatesvilleisd.org).

Upcoming camps include:

\* Boys basketball, June 6-8. Times are determined by age groups and will be from 9 a.m. to noon for grades 1-6 and 1-4 p.m. for grades 7-9. Cost is \$40.

\* Softball, June 6-8. Times are determined by age groups and will be from 8-10 a.m. for grades 1-7 and from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for grades 8-9. Cost is \$40.

\* Tennis, June 27-29 from 8-10 a.m. for grades 1-9.

\* Volleyball, July 11-13 from 8:30-11:30 a.m. for grades

1-9. Cost is \$40.

\* Wrestling, July 11-15. Times are determined by age groups and will be from 8:30-9:30 a.m. for grades 1-6 and from 10-11 a.m. for grades 7-12. Cost is \$40.

\* Football, July 25-27, from 7:30-10:30 a.m. for grades 7-9.

Soccer camp will be on Sunday afternoons in September and October for grades 4-6. The time and cost will be determined later.



**FUTURE HORNETS:** Several local children attended GISD's first football camp May 23-25. A football camp for grades 7-9 is scheduled for July 25-27.

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