



Making sure students don't go hungry

GISD leaders update district charge policy

BY JEFF OSBORNE
SENIOR WRITER & EDITOR

A federal program which allowed all Gatesville Independent School District students to eat free of charge on campus has expired, so those who do not qualify for free and reduced meals will have to pay for - or charge - their lunches.

Emily Coward, a child nutrition specialist for the district, recently updated members of the GISD Board of Trustees on suggested

changes to the school meal policy for the 2022-23 school year.

Because all students had been able to get free meals previously, the district has not had a charge policy in place and Coward said each campus had its own policy on a cap for school lunch charges. The intermediate school had the highest cap at \$43.50, which Coward said was too difficult to collect from multiple students' parents at the end of the school year.

"Other districts, such as Belton and Salado,

limit (meal) charges to \$10," she said. "It's a lot easier to collect \$10 per student at the end of the year than \$43.50 per student."

Students who have reached their charge limit will still be able to receive a lunch, but the choice of foods will be limited. Coward had proposed an alternate meal of vegetables and fruit, which led to concerns and discussion among board members.

"You have to offer an alternate meal and I recommend doing a fruit and veggie tray and milk rather than offering pizza or a burger," Coward said.

Asked about keeping parents informed of a student's inability to charge lunches when

they reach their limit, Coward said emails are sent out to notify parents, and the district does not wait until a student has "maxed out" his or her account.

She said parents are also encouraged to fill out applications so that students who qualify for free or reduced price meals will be able to receive them.

Board member Mary Anne Leib asked what options might be available to provide students with a more substantial meal beyond a veggie and fruit tray with milk. Peanut butter and jelly was one sandwich option that was

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Back to School Bash



Deena Bone (left) and Mary McCartney test children's hearing during the Back to School Bash held Aug. 6 at the Gatesville First United Methodist Church.

Getting 'em ready for school

The annual Back to School Bash on Aug. 6 at Gatesville First United Methodist Church offered an opportunity for local students to receive vision and hearing tests, haircuts and get school supplies including backpacks in advance of the 2022-23 school year.

The event was the result of community-wide involvement including 4-H, Freedom Reins Counseling, Canyon Creek Behavioral Hospital, Texas AgriLife, National Guard, Fort Hood, U.S. Army, Gatesville ISD, Scott and White Clinic of Gatesville, Coryell Health Clinic, Acrewood Dental, Gatesville Fire Department, Gatesville Police Department, Gatesville Public Library, Gideons, H-E-B, Coryell Child Welfare Board, Walmart, and Coryell Community Church.



Several local hair stylists offered free haircuts to local children during the Back to School Bash.

County exploring jail options

BY JEFF OSBORNE
SENIOR WRITER & EDITOR

As overcrowding at the Coryell County Jail continues to be an issue, Coryell County officials moved another step closer to finding possible relief as discussion focuses on portable buildings as a temporary solution.

Several vendors are being considered, including those already doing business in Texas.

"Travis County has used Sprung (portables) to alleviate their problems," said Coryell County Sheriff Scott Williams.

Commissioner Kyle Matthews said he has talked to the representative of a company that placed modular facilities in Del Rio, including a large tent.

"The state gave Del Rio (in Val Verde County in southwestern Texas, on the border with Mexico) a three-year waiver (from its jail overcrowding issues) for that."

Williams asked about the county requesting proposals or quotes from companies that could provide temporary jail facilities.

"When I reached out to our inspector, I didn't get much," Matthews said. "We're dealing with a different situation here."

Williams said the county is looking at different options, and hopes to work with the Texas Jail Standards Commission to find a resolution.

One of the big unknowns is what the bill will be to address the overcrowding issue.

"I don't know what it will cost," Matthews said.

If a temporary building is placed near the jail, Williams said perimeter security is also required.

The majority of those housed at the jail - or sent to other jails that do have space - are considered to be medium security. Most of those who are considered low security risks are released and monitored.

"Medium is my biggest population," Williams said. "We can place medium security (inmates) with either minimum or high security."

A lack of space for a portable facility is another concern, Williams said. He added that jail overcrowding "is not just a Coryell County problem - it's statewide and nationwide."

Commissioner Scott Weddle asked about requirements for housing inmates and the number that a temporary facility could accommodate.

"We are limited to 48 inmates (per jailer)," Williams said.

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Local students had plenty of backpacks to choose from during the Aug. 6 Back to School Bash.

Local Methodists to vote on future of their church

BY JEFF OSBORNE
SENIOR WRITER & EDITOR

Methodist church congregations statewide and nationwide – including those in Coryell County – are in the midst of deciding whether to disaffiliate from the United Methodist Church and affiliate with the newly formed Global Methodist Church or another option.

After a series of meetings focusing on the issue, members of the Gatesville Methodist Church are scheduled to vote on the matter at 6 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 14. Members of the Pidcoke Methodist Church will make that same decision at 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 14.

The following information was posted on the Pidcoke church’s website:

“Following the continued postponement of the 2020 General Conference of the United Methodist Church on March 3, 2022 and continued failure to address the Protocol for Reconciliation and Grace through Separation, the Global Methodist Church announced that it would begin on May 1, 2022. Due to these developments, the Board of Governors for Pidcoke United Methodist Church voted unanimously to submit a letter of disaffiliation from the Central Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church. This letter was submitted as required on March 27, 2022.

“The next step is to conduct a vote of the membership of the church at a called Church

Conference.... With a minimum 2/3 vote of the professing membership present at the called Church Conference favoring disaffiliation, Pidcoke would move one step closer to no longer being part of the United Methodist Church. The results of the process would be to affiliate with the Global Methodist Church should the resolution pass.

“If you are currently a professing member of Pidcoke UMC, please be present for this important vote. If you require additional information regarding this process or the reason behind these actions, please contact a member of the Governing Board or Pastor Bill Jones.”

Gatesville FUMC Pastor Stephen Schmidt was scheduled to have an Aug. 7 meeting at the church to talk about the disaffiliation decision.

Schmidt noted that on Aug. 14, voting on the issue will be limited to “only those who are professing members of our congregation - full members who are present and voting. There can be no proxy vote by virtue of the Book of Discipline.”

Those who want more information about reasons for either disaffiliation or continued affiliation with the United Methodist Church can view a series of videos posted on the Gatesville First United Methodist Church Facebook page.

Shows slated at Mayborn Science Theater

The Mayborn Science Theater, located on the campus of Central Texas College, 6200 W. Central Texas Expressway in Killeen, has several Saturday shows planned this month.

These shows begin at 11 a.m. with “Molecularium: Riding the Snowflakes,” a musical cartoon about the world, of atoms and molecules.

At noon, “Khrumka and the Magic Rocket”

will include information about a solar eclipse and exciting visits to the sun and planets in the solar system.

“Zula Patrol: Down to Earth” will focus on fossil hunting.

Other shows will focus on astronauts, the beginning of planet Earth, and laser shows. For more information, visit starsatnight.org.

Higher insurance costs hit GISD

BY JEFF OSBORNE
SENIOR WRITER & EDITOR

Rising costs for property and casualty insurance are among the issues the Gatesville Independent School District faces — along with a lack of options among those providing it.

“We rejected the only bid we got because it didn’t meet specifications and went with the existing carrier,” GISD Chief Financial Officer Darrell Frazier said. That provider, Property Casualty Alliance of Texas (PCAT) increased the amount GISD will pay for the insurance by \$85,786 — a 33.2% increase from the previous rate. The total cost for GISD will be \$344,155.

The new agreement with PCAT will continue for three years.

“With property values going up, the cost of construction is also going up,” Frazier said. “You can bet property insurance costs will go up as well. This three-year renewal is basically capping increases at 10%. If it goes beyond that, we can get out of (the contract).”

Frazier said the district has had its property and casualty insurance with PCAT for

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Darrell Frazier

several years.

“Why aren’t we getting more bids?” board member Jimmie Ferguson asked.

“It’s a tough market,” Frazier said.

GISD Superintendent Barrett Pollard said natural disasters are among the factors driving the increase in insurance costs.

“A lot of insurance companies took a beating with the winter storm,” he said. “It’s just not lucrative.”

“Options are limited,” Frazier said, adding that another option to consider in the future is self-insurance, which presents its own level of risks.

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“One of the biggest hardships in my opinion is that the state jail commission doesn’t want to allow waivers,” Matthews said.

“It’s frustrating but what do you do,” Williams said. “You have to do the best you can with what you’ve got.”

Weddle said he would reach out to some of the vendors to find out if their portables were options to meet Coryell County’s needs and also comply with state

standards.

“There’s a process to follow,” County Judge Roger Miller said. “If we clearly know what we want, we can put together a bid package.”

Among the issues are being able to connect to water and sewer and the maximum size facility the city would allow based on available space.

“Designs would have to be in compliance with Texas Commission on Jail Standards standards to meet a specific security level,” Miller said. “We set the parameters for what (vendors) need to bid on. We need to look at all

the things to be considered as part of the bid process.”

Williams said the county’s 92-bed facility could focus on housing the maximum security inmates, with the portable facilities used for lower risk inmates. He said the county had 32 inmates housed out of county at other jail facilities, “which is really low” compared to previous numbers.

The commissioners agreed to further explore solutions and talk about viable options at a later meeting.

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suggested. However, because of peanut allergies, that cannot be offered. Coward said one possibility is to offer a sun butter sandwich — made of sunflower seed butter. However, that option would result in an added cost for the district and its food vendor.

A representative from that food vendor, SFE, said she

did not want any students to go hungry and the company would abide with whatever decision the district makes.

Board member Linda Maxwell said she saw both sides, while board member Jimmie Ferguson said he thought the fruit and veggie tray with milk was sufficient.

Asked for staff input, Gatesville Junior High Principal Suzy Penrod voiced her concerns.

“We have hungry kids,” she said, adding that she would

prefer to see them be able to eat more substantive meals. She added that some of the students don’t eat much unless it is at school, and come back to campus on Monday after being hungry over the weekend.

After further discussion, the board voted to approve an alternate meal for students that consisted of a sun butter sandwich if they chose it, along with fruit, a vegetable and milk.

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Coryell Health to host dementia workshop

Coryell Health RehabLiving at The Meadows will host a workshop opportunity to healthcare professionals and caregivers in Central Texas - "Living with Dementia Workshop." Nurses, social workers, therapists, administrators, and any healthcare attendees earn 7.4 CEUs. Caregivers are encouraged to attend.

The workshop will take place on Thursday, Aug. 18, from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. at the Gatesville Civic Center located at 301 Veteran's Memorial Loop. Attendee cost will be \$10 per person with snacks, beverages and lunch provided. Vendor spots will be available for \$75. Those wishing to attend will need to reserve a seat by calling Juana Marez at 254-248-6250 or by emailing her at juana.marez@coryellhealth.org.

Registration deadline will be Aug. 12. Masks will be required at the workshop.

The guest speaker will be dementia expert Tam Cummings, a PhD, who is a gerontologist dedicated to untangling the complexities of dementia. Her mission is to inspire, educate and empower dementia caregivers. A Baylor University and Texas A&M graduate, Cummings is the author of the book "Untangling Alzheimer's."

Dr. Cummings' educational events clearly explain dementia and how it progresses in the brain. A master at translating medical jargon into easy-to-understand terms, she walks the audience through how the disease starts, how it presents itself in each stage of dementia and how to provide care for a loved one or resident,

even when their behaviors may be challenging. From diagnosis to death, her expert advice and explanations change families' lives.

Her book, "Untangling Alzheimer's," is designed to allow the first-time caregiver and the longtime professional to gain the understanding and skills they will need to work effectively with persons with dementia. Her dementia staging tool, the DBAT, is adapted from the Global Deterioration Scale. Updated with the behaviors easily recognized in each stage of dementia, the DBAT allows families to track the disease process, prepare for the future and recognize how the behaviors of their loved ones are directly related to damage in the brain's lobes.

POPCORN WITH THE PRINCIPALS



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Gatesville Elementary School recently hosted an event called "Popcorn with the Principals" held at the school's gymnasium. The elementary principals enjoyed meeting all the new students and their families and welcoming back the returning students. Pictured are Elementary principal Keegan Webb, left, and new assistant principal, Karrie Judd.

Coryell County disaster relief

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 if you suffer 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 online.

Spurfest coming September 17

The annual Spurfest, hosted by the Coryell Museum and Historical Center, draws attention to the city's designation as the "Spur Capital of Texas." The designation commemorates the massive spur collection of the late Lloyd and Madge Mitchell, which is on display at the museum.

Inside the museum, visitors can view about 6,000 out of a collection of 18,000

spurs that are on permanent display on two floors of the museum. The collection includes those worn by Pancho Villa and Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis. The spur collection is recognized as the largest collection of spurs in the U.S. and perhaps in the world.

On-site demonstrations include butter-making and visitors can explore an old-time soda fountain. There's a vintage doctor's office to

visit, a beauty shop, general store, post office and a blacksmith shop. Visitors can also tour the old log jail which was built in 1854.

Spurfest 2022 will be held on Saturday, Sept. 17 and will include games and activities for children as well as activities and contests for adults.

Coryell Museum and Historical Center is located at 718 E. Main Street.

Golf Scramble set for Sept. 10

Gatesville's Exchange and Lions Clubs will be hosting their 22nd Annual Golf Scramble on Saturday, Sept. 10 at the Gatesville Country Club. Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. and there will be a shotgun start at 9 a.m. Team prizes (based on 14-

team field) will be \$500 for first place, \$400 for fourth place, and \$200 for eighth place. Those interested can form their own four-person team or sign-up for a team list which will be \$200 per team or \$50 per member. The price includes green

fees, golf cart, and food. There will be a \$5,000 Hole-in-One contest plus three other Hole-in-One prizes.

For more information, contact Alan Mathis at 254-289-1651 or Tom Creek at 254-774-5933.

Hill family reunion Saturday

The family of Albert and Florence (White) Hill reunion will be held on Saturday, Aug. 13 at the Jonesboro Community Center, located

at 11625 Highway 36. Doors will open around 10 a.m. Barbecue brisket and tea will be provided. Those attending are asked to bring their

favorite side dish and any items they might want to donate for the raffle. For more information, contact Elizabeth Lord at 254-679-1090.

Whatever happened to...

20 YEARS AGO (2002)
Construction of the new 7,000-foot Gatesville Public Library was expected to be completed in mid-November.

Reba Brown held the winning ticket in the drawing for a quilt that was being raffled during a benefit/fundraiser held for Mike Kuzenka.

Bob and Carol Arnold presented a piece of patriotic art to American Legion Post 42.

A marker in memory of the late Stephen Williamson was dedicated during the annual Williamson family reunion.

Sara Valenzuela received a certificate of appreciation at the American Legion Post 42 for singing "God Bless America" at their July 4 patriotic program at the courthouse.

Three local junior rodeo participants, Lauren Barnard, Chelcie Latham and Crockett

Carothers received numerous belt buckles for outstanding performances in several area junior rodeo competitions.

30 YEARS AGO (1992)
Justices of the Peace Jimmy Wood and Larry C. McDonald attended a conference on "Multi-Death Inquest/Disaster Planning" held in San Antonio.

Jody Nottingham, a 1992 graduate of Evant High School enlisted in the U.S. Navy for guaranteed training at the Navy's Nuclear Power school.

Timothy Muegge of Gatesville took part in the 1992 Lone Star Shoot-Out National Junior Limousin Show and Congress held in Fort Worth.

John Shugart, a graduate of Gatesville High School, was awarded a FFA Lone Star Degree at the 64th Annual

Texas FFA Convention held in Amarillo.

Erin Carroll Whitt was honored on her 90th birthday with a reception held at the home of her daughter, Corinne Erwin.

40 YEARS AGO (1982)
Estimates to restore the old Cotton Belt Railroad ranged from \$48,500 to \$85,500.

Kris J. Bates, son of Leo Bates of Gatesville, had made the Dean's List for the 1982 spring semester at Saint Leo, Florida College.

Lloyd P. Brown, Jr., Randy L. Hefner and Kelly Miller were

recognized for their academic achievements at Texas A&M University.

Allen Jones, pilot of the Gatesville Volunteer amateur baseball team displayed the trophy his club was awarded after winning the 1982 championship of the Central Texas Stan Musial League.

Delbert Smith and Don Freeman were both awarded certificates of appreciation by the Gatesville Lions Club.

50 YEARS AGO (1972)
The Gatesville Messenger reported a 1970 Census that showed that Coryell County

households had more bathtubs than televisions. Of the households, 8,215 had bathtubs while 7,617 had at least one television set.

C.R. Dunahoo of Gatesville had escaped unhurt when his small, one-man "gyro" helicopter fell from a height of about 30 feet onto the local airport runway.

Talented Gatesville riders,

Beverly Bankhead and Bobby Hahn, won the high point trophies at the Gatesville Riding Club's all-trophy play day held at the Firemen's Arena.

Wanda Shelton rolled both the high series and high individual game in a women's bowling league competition held at the Gatesville Bowl. Shelton's series score was 478, with a high game of 168.

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Some words are over-used, and some aren't used often enough



SAM HOUSTON
Sam Houston is the Publisher of the Hood County News. He is also an actor, author, playwright, and entertainment producer and promoter.

Sometimes words are overused. I admit I want to pull my hair out when I hear someone repeatedly use the word "like" in a sentence. For example: "Like I was going down the street and like I saw my friends and like we went into the movie." I appreciate this is contemporary slang and a lot of young people speak this way, but I keep finding myself wanting to say, "Did you really go into the movie, or "like" did you not?" I wish people could hear themselves!

Now days the word awesome is so overused it makes me shake my head in dismay! I don't think every sandwich, a pair of socks, nor most everything else which happens to a person in the course of an ordinary day needs to be described as such. If a person utilizes "awesome" to describe most everything, what do they say when something is truly extraordinary?

One word in our society which is not used often enough is "kindness." Kindness is defined by Webster as the human quality for being considerate, friendly and generous. I love seeing kindness in action and I work hard to practice kindness in my own life.

The past week I placed

my dear friend and second mother, Miss Jayne, in an assisted living facility. She is 90 and it was simply time for her to be in a place where she could have some help when she needed it. Jayne had lived for over 60 years in the same house and the thought of leaving the homestead she and her husband Marcus had built was tough. It caused her a lot of stress and discomfort. Add to this, and I mean this with all my love and affection, Miss Jayne is accustomed to being in control and giving the orders. The contemplation of going someplace where she might have to conform rather than dictate, was difficult for her.

Jayne got moved and is settling in nicely. A lot of that has to do with the kindness of the facilities maintenance man, Richard. When Jayne was moving in Richard was there to mount the TV on the wall, to hook up the cable, and do a thousand other little things she needed him to do. What separates Richard from most, is you can tell by his actions and his words, he is a kind man. Even after Miss Jayne was totally moved in, Richard would stop by her room and visit for a minute and ask her how she was doing, and whether he could do anything to help her. Richard is the epitome of kind. He made quite an impact with Jayne, and it gave her a friend in new surroundings.

I wrote a note to the management of the facility, commending Richard and suggesting they would be crazy if they ever let Richard go. He is one of the best things at the Wheeler Place in Gainesville. The world needs more Richards. He is terrific! In fact, he is like "awesome"!

Thought for the day: Wherever there is humanity, there exists the opportunity for kindness.
Until next time..
sam@hcnews.com

The DISPATCH

The following is a breakdown of activity reported through dispatchers during the period of August 4 - 6. While there were many calls to the dispatcher, this is a partial list of more significant activity. Persons are reminded that only 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

Aug. 4

11:05 a.m., harassment was reported in the 100 block of N. 27th Street.

1:55 p.m., a theft was reported in the 2700 block of Jackson Drive.

4:06 p.m., a welfare concern was reported in the 300 block of S. 34th Street.

5:30 p.m., suspicious activity was reported in the 1600 block of E. Main Street.

Aug. 5

8:51 a.m., harassment was reported in the 4700 block of S. State Hwy. 36.

12:09 p.m., a burglary was reported in the 2600 block of Mears Drive.

5:56 p.m., a theft was reported in the 400 block of Park Street.

8:09 p.m., a brush/grass fire was reported in the 3400 block of Crown Drive.

Aug. 6

4:21 p.m., a theft was reported in the 100 block of N. 26th Street.

4:29 p.m., a burglary was reported in the 100 block of FM 107.

8:55 p.m., an accident was reported in the 1200 block of Golf Course Road.

11:22 p.m., a disturbance was reported in the 300 block of S. State Hwy. 36 Bypass.

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Aug. 4

12:31 a.m., a domestic disturbance was reported in the 4800 block of CR 137.

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10:48 a.m., harassment was reported in the 300 block of FM 107.

6:03 p.m., a telephone pole was reported down in the 9000 block of N. Hwy. 36.

6:25 p.m., a livestock complaint was reported in the 1000 block of Old Pidcoke Road.

Aug. 5
9:27 a.m., a welfare concern was reported in the 100 block of Sims Circle.

11:32 a.m., a scam was reported in the 5900 block of TX Hwy. 236.

8:13 p.m., a domestic disturbance was reported in the 300 block of CR 137.

10:25 p.m., a major accident was reported in the 5300 block of FM 107.

Aug. 6
1:24 a.m., a possible fire was reported in the 4300 block of CR 107.

9:26 a.m., shots fired was reported on Straws Mill Road.

12:35 p.m., the burglary of a habitation was reported in the 1600 block of CR 341.

9:07 p.m., a minor accident was reported on Surrey Lane and Golf Course Road.

Museum to hold quilt raffle during Spurfest

The Coryell Museum and Historical Center is currently selling tickets for a quilt raffle which will be held during Spurfest on Sept. 17. Local

resident Grace Dallimore donated a YoYo Quilt to the museum to help raise money for the museum during Spurfest. Tickets will be \$10 each

and can be purchased from any Museum Board member or in the Museum Gift Shop. Any volunteer interested in selling tickets can contact Erv

Adams at 254-223-0014. The Coryell Museum is located at 718 E. Main St. in Gatesville.

Form 50-878

Statements required in notice if the proposed tax rate exceeds the no-new-revenue tax rate and the voter-approval tax rate and the de minimis rate exceeds the voter-approval rate, as prescribed by Tax Code §§ 26.06(b-1) and 26.063(d).

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CITY OF GATESVILLE

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VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$ <u>0.495961</u>	per \$100
DE MINIMIS RATE	\$ <u>0.575004</u>	per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2022 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for CITY OF GATESVILLE from the same properties in both the 2021 tax year and the 2022 tax year.

The voter-approval tax rate is the highest tax rate that CITY OF GATESVILLE may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate, unless the de minimis rate for CITY OF GATESVILLE exceeds the voter-approval tax rate for CITY OF GATESVILLE.

The de minimis rate is the rate equal to the sum of the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate for CITY OF GATESVILLE, the rate that will raise \$500,000, and the current debt rate for CITY OF GATESVILLE.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that CITY OF GATESVILLE is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2022 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON 08/16/2022 05:30 PM at Gatesville City Council Chambers, 110 N. 8th St, Gatesville, TX.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the voter-approval tax rate but not greater than the de minimis rate and does not exceed the rate that allows voters to petition for an election under Section 26.075, Tax Code. If CITY OF GATESVILLE adopts the proposed tax rate, CITY OF GATESVILLE is not required to hold an election so that the voters may accept or reject the proposed tax rate and the qualified voters of the CITY OF GATESVILLE may not petition the CITY OF GATESVILLE to require an election to be held to determine whether to reduce the proposed tax rate.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE TAX RATES MENTIONED ABOVE CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

$$\text{Property tax amount} = (\text{tax rate}) \times (\text{taxable value of your property}) / 100$$

(List names of all members of the governing body below, showing how each voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase or, if one or more were absent, indicating absences.)

FOR the proposal: Meredith Rainer, Billy Sinyard, Greg Casey, John Westbrook, Barbara Burrow

AGAINST the proposal: _____

PRESENT and not voting: Gary Chumley

ABSENT: Claude Williams

Form developed by: Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Property Tax Assistance Division

For additional copies, visit: comptroller.texas.gov/taxes/property-tax

50-878 • Rev. 4-22/3

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

Form 50-878

Visit Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

The following table compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead by CITY OF GATESVILLE last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by CITY OF GATESVILLE this year.

	2021	2022	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	0.543300	0.560000	3.07 increase
Average homestead taxable value	125,076	144,191	15.28 increase
Tax on average homestead	679	807	18.85 increase
Total tax levy on all properties	2,238,942	2,715,506	21.28 increase

(If the tax assessor for the taxing unit maintains an internet website)

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for CITY OF GATESVILLE at (254) 248-3152 or tac@coryelltax.com, or visit w.coryellcountytax.com/#/property/ for more information.

(If the tax assessor for the taxing unit does not maintain an internet website)

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for _____ at _____ for more information.

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OBITUARIES

J.W. FEATHERSTON

July 15, 1984 - Aug. 3, 2022



J.W. Featherston, age 38, of

Gatesville, passed away suddenly on Wednesday, August 3, 2022, in Midland.

A memorial service was held at 2 p.m. Monday, August 8, 2022, at Coryell Community Church in Gatesville, with Rev. Wayne Conger officiating.

James William Featherston Jr. was born on July 15, 1984, to James and Jackie Featherston in Sulphur Springs. J.W. attended Jonesboro High School, graduating in 2002. He worked alongside his dad at Featherston's Wrecker Service, as a mechanic and wrecker driver for many years. He married Brandy Byrd on April 16, 2016. He was known for his caring heart, helping others, and stubborn personality. You could always depend on him

for giving you a hard time and a great laugh.

J.W. was preceded in death by his father, James Featherston Sr.; grandparents, Rev. J.B. and Mary Helen Featherston, Jack and Vera Aslin; and sister, Dana.

J.W. is survived by his wife Brandy Featherston; sons, Blane, Levi, Jameson, and Jace; mother, Jackie Featherston; sisters, Tricia Featherston, Carrie Perez and husband, Tony; granddaughter, Oaklynn; many nieces and nephews; along with his closest friends.

In lieu of flowers, an account for the family has been established at BancorpSouth in Gatesville.

DORTHIEA ODENBACH

Nov. 7, 1937 - Aug. 2, 2022



Dorthiea Odenbach, age 84, of West, formerly of the Mound community, passed away on Tuesday, August 2, 2022, at her home, surrounded by her family that loved her so dearly.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Saturday, August 6, 2022, at Scott's Funeral Home Chapel in Gatesville with Rev. Wray Nunn and Rev. Terry McElrath officiating. Interment was at Mound Cemetery.

Dorthiea (Dot) Odenbach was born on Nov. 7, 1937, in Lubbock to the late Carl

Clyde Warren Waldie and Daisey Marie Wallace Waldie. She attended school in Lubbock. She was united in marriage to Ed Neal Odenbach, Sr., the love of her life, on March 24, 1988. She loved any occupation that she worked at. She spent many years with Syble Davidson at Davidson Upholstery in Mound, Post Mistress at Mound Post Office and at Mound I.S.D. She retired after 17 years as a lieutenant in the Law Library with T.D.C.J. She loved reading, playing Texas Holdem, country dancing and piddling in the yard. She loved visiting with her family, either in person or on the phone. She especially loved her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Halloween was one of her favorite visits to see her "little ones." She was a devoted Nana and momma to her fur baby, Toby. She was a member of the Tokio Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents; daughter, Sheila Ann Prueett; sister, Carlene Waldie; brother, Steve Waldie; and companion, Doye Elmore.

Dot is survived by her children, Jimmy Glenn and wife, Delores; Linda Ussery and husband, Robin; Debora

(Debbie) Janisch and husband, Jimmy; Donnie Prueett and wife, Mary Jane; Sharon (Dodie) Horton and husband, Randy; Dickie Prueett and wife, Natasha; sister, Edith Finn; sister-in-law, Donna Biancosino; grandchildren, Bryan Glenn and wife, Jennifer, Dee Ussery and wife, Bri, Jenny Ussery, Garrett Ussery and wife, Shannon, Amy Cawthon and husband, Shane, J.J. Janisch and wife, Tiffany, Josh Janisch and wife, Morgan, Zach Prueett and wife, Blakeley, Latana Franks and husband, Travis, Julie Courtney and husband, Jesse, Rachael Kocian and husband, Tim, Quane Pate and wife, Amanda, Laci Jirasek and husband, Josh; great-grandchildren, Paige, Hannah, Kaylee, Linda Quinn, Tyler, Jackson, Braden, Trystan and wife, Chevy, Ian, Callaway, Zinnia, Alianna, Uriah, Aubriella, Kendrick, Faith, Addison, Caidn, Conner, Zane, Kella, Rush Roberts, Aria, Noah, Ezra; and great-great grandchildren, Reese and Ryder.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be designated to the Mound Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 177, Mound, TX 76558.

CURTIS ALLAN SKIPPING

Sept. 22, 1936 - July 31, 2022



Curtis Allan Skipping passed from this life on July 31, 2022, at age 85. He was born on September 22, 1936, to Charles and Lois Skipping, two long time educators

in central and west Texas. He graduated from Iraan High School in 1955, having competed on the 1954 State Champion Golf Team. He went on to attend Sul Ross State College and then earned his letter for golf at Tarleton State in 1957. However, science was his true calling, and he ultimately earned his master's degree from Louisiana Tech in Microbiology. Curtis then spent his career in the lab serving the Rio Grande Valley community at McAllen Medical Center. Living in the Rio Grande Valley provided year-round golf opportunities to Curtis, and he didn't give up his clubs until well into his 70's.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and

Lois Skipping and survived by his dear wife of 57 years, Dana Skipping, now in Gatesville. He is also survived by his brother, Ray Skipping, of Copperas Cove, as well as two daughters and a son, fifteen grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

We consider ourselves sincerely blessed who could call him husband, father, brother, and Poppa. A memorial service will be held at Scott's Funeral Home in Gatesville on Saturday, August 27th, at 1 p.m.

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GISD transportation department announces important updates

The Transportation Department at Gatesville Independent School District recently announced three important updates for parents, guardians, and students.

1. Feel free to call the Transportation Department

- at 254-865-2062 regarding any questions you may have. Please leave a callback number if they are on the other line.
2. BUS ROUTE numbers have changed. Please call to ensure that your student will

- be on the correct bus at the correct stop and at the correct time.
3. Students will wear ID badges this year so that will help with tracking of your student while on a GISD bus.

PEARL NEWS

Sept. and Oct. are busy at Pearl

BETSY CLARK
Pearl News Correspondent



Clark

Lots of things going on in Pearl during September and October:

The next Pearl Bluegrass event will be September 10th. September is the only month that the Bluegrass event happens on the second Saturday of the month instead of the first Saturday. The Pearl Cottage Bookstore will also be open on the 10th, too. If you would like to be part of the stage show lineup, please contact Ronald Medart at 254-865-6013. You can also go on Liz Patton's Facebook page to Pearl Bluegrass Jam and leave a message there. It looks like Liz has been working on updating the web page. Check it out at <https://pearlbluegrassjam.org>.

Items for the September 4th Labor Day Sunday Scholarship Silent Auction and Fish Fry will be out and ready for bidding in the dining room on August 21st at the Pearl Church of Christ. All proceeds from this auction benefit the scholarship fund for local and His Kids students. Everyone is invited to attend!

The Pearl Baptist Church is now accepting donations for a silent auction to benefit the Evant Fire Department. The festival for the EFD will be held on September 17th from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. There will be games for young and old, the silent auction, music, and food. Everyone is invited to attend.

The Pearl Community Cen-

ter Flea Market will be held on October 14th and 15th, from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. each of those days. Booths may be set up prior to the event on October 13th. Contact Rhonda Dickey for booth spaces at 254-595-1096. Thank you, Rhonda, for overseeing the bookings! Booth spaces on the grounds are "First Come-First Park" at \$5 per space. Contact Rhonda Dickey for the prices for the inside booths. The kitchen will be open from 8 to 5 each day as well. If you would like to donate food items to sell, that will be greatly appreciated.

The Pearl Church of Christ will celebrate its 127th birthday on October 16th! The church service begins at 10:30 a.m. with dinner on the grounds to follow. All are invited to attend!

History of the Pearl Flea Market

The Pearl Flea Market was first organized by the ladies of the Quilting Club. After that, Joy Bates ran the Flea Market for several years. We thank the Quilting Club ladies and Mrs. Bates for overseeing this important event

during for those many years! Since 2007, Kay Prueett has organized the indoor Flea Market. (This year will be the first time the inside of the building has been used for the Flea Market since Covid began in 2020.) We want to thank Kay, her late son Russell Prueett, and her daughter-in-law Michelle Prueett for all they have done for overseeing the Flea Market and for taking care of the Pearl Community Center since 2007. Kay and Michelle will be moving to Gatesville soon and will be greatly missed! Thank you again, Kay, for all of the years of work in Pearl on the Pearl Cemetery, the Pearl Community Fellowship Church, The Pearl Cottage Bookstore, and the Pearl Community Center. Kay is definitely the Citizen of the Decades, and we would add the titles of Mayor and Sheriff of Pearl, too! We're sure Judge McDonald would approve!!

This week's Bible verse: "Pray always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." I Thessalonians 5:16-18 NIV (Please continue to pray for rain, our country, our law enforcement personnel, our firefighters, our teachers and students, our military, and our emergency personnel.)

Contact me at betsyclark47@yahoo.com to submit any Pearl news.

Check out Jennifer Rushon's Facebook page, Pearl Community Center, Texas!

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UNDERWATER SCHOOLS

Join fish expert Professor Pescados as *Kid Scoop* explores schools of fish.

School Days

Underwater schools are different from the school you go to. A school in the ocean is actually a group of fish that swim together. About 4,000 kinds of fish swim in groups called schools.

Schools of fish are always made up of one kind of fish swimming together. Sardines swim with sardines, and minnows swim with minnows.

In a school, the fish are able to swim together, moving in the same direction or even changing directions in an instant without bumping into each other. This can make a school of thousands of fish look like one big fish.

Standards Link: Life Science: Living organisms depend on one another for survival.

Can you find these pictures in the school of fish?

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Why School?

Some fish travel in schools to confuse enemies that want to eat them. Traveling together also helps in the search for food. Having thousands of eyes and noses on the lookout for food gives the school a better chance of finding dinner.

Standards Link: Life Science: Adaptations in behavior improve an organism's chance for survival.

Do all fish school?

Not all fish school. For the most part, predator fish do not school. One exception is this fish. These fish are born into and live in large schools.

Circle every other letter to find the name of this fish.

P T I M R K A Y N M H O A B

All Groups Are NOT Schools

Some groups of underwater animals are not called schools. Use the code to find out what each group of animals below is called.

TROUT HERRING BASS

SHARKS WHALES

SECRET CODE ADEHILMOPRSVY

Standards Link: Life Science: Students know examples of diverse life forms in the ocean.

Extra! Extra!

Common Nouns and Proper Nouns

Look through the newspaper and find five common nouns and five proper nouns. Cut them out and glue them to Professor Pescados' chart in the correct column.

Common Nouns	Proper Nouns

Standards Link: Grammar: Identify nouns.

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032 MISCELLANEOUS

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HEAD START/EARLY HEAD START
Gatesville Head Start & Early Head Start ahora están aceptando solicitudes para el año escolar 2022-2023. El HS temprano está disponible para niños de 18 meses-3 años de edad. Head Start es una escuela preescolar que ofrece excelentes oportunidades educativas junto con beneficios médicos, dentales, de desarrollo y nutricionales sin costo alguno. El enfoque de Head Start de atención individualizada y orientación es muy adecuado para ayudar a los niños con discapacidades. No hay ningún cargo por participar en Head Start. Recoja su solicitud ahora en el centro de Head Start en 1105 Saunders St. o 1111 W. Main St. Para obtener más información, llame a su centro local al 254/865-5423 o 254/865-5555 o a la Asociación de acción comunitaria de Hill Country en 325/372-5167.

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070 LAND & LOTS

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099 PUBLIC NOTICES

Notice of Public Sale
Pursuant to Chapter 59 of the Texas Property Code, Ideal Self Storage 1611 East Main Street, Gatesville, Texas 76528 will have an online auction. The property is being sold to satisfy the landlord's lien. The sale will be at www.storageauctions.com beginning 8/8/22 @ 11am ending 8/17/22 @ 11am. Seller reserves the right to withdraw any property from the sale upon payment in full. Units to be sold are: Christopher Berry, Jonathon Barnes, Kari Ortega, Gail West, Regina Dixon, John Gregory, Chris Sharpe: furniture, clothing, electronics, household items, misc boxes/total
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with Chapter 152 SubChapter D, Section 152.905 of the Texas Local Government Code, the District Judges of Coryell County hereby notify the public that a meeting is to be held Thursday, August 25, 2022 at 8:45 a.m. at the location of the 52nd District Court Room, on the second floor of the Coryell County Courthouse, 620 East Main Street, Gatesville, Texas. A public hearing will be held for the purpose of setting the annual compensation of the County Auditor, Assistant Auditors, Court Coordinators, and Court Reporters.

Trent D. Farrell
Local Administrative District Judge
52nd Judicial District
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099 PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Birdie Belle Porter, Deceased, were issued on 7-11-22, in Cause No.22-10689, pending in the County Court at Law of Coryell County, Texas, to: Patti Jane Simonson.

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: Patti Jane Simonson
Estate of Birdie Belle Porter
2035 Dragon Trail
New Braunfels, Texas 78130
DATED the 15th day of July, 2022.

Dori Ray Mistic
Attorney for Patti Jane Simonson
State Bar No.: 040 180
P.O. Box 246, Coppe Cove, Texas
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Senior Hornets to lead the way



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Senior members of the Gatesville Hornet football team include, back row, from left: David Manear, Lucas Garcia, Ashtyn Culley, Mason Mooney, Kason Herbelin, Brayden Minton, Thiele Alvarado, Grant Erwin, and front row, from left: Cody Attaway, Kyle Shafer, Tatum Taylor, John Pearson, Devion Walker, Trevor Smith, Aydan Necessary and Steven Bomar and Tyler Shea.

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Hornets hammer Temple, Cove in tennis



Kasey Fitzer returns the ball for Gatesville in action on Aug. 4. The Hornets defeated Temple High School 17-2 and beat Copperas Cove 18-1.

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Alex Scott sends a fireball over the net during Gatesville's tri-match victories over the Temple Wildcats and Copperas Cove Bulldogs.

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Jahaziel Martinez is on the mark for the Hornets during action on Aug. 4.

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Carlo Martinez smiles while waiting for the ball during a match on Aug. 4.

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