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## Welcoming a new school year



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Clara Wolff, a teacher at Gatesville Elementary, shows a parent and student an area to store backpacks during Meet the Teacher Night on Aug. 9. Gatesville ISD students began the school year on Aug. 11.

## Wildfire danger leads to limits

BY JEFF OSBORNE  
SENIOR WRITER & EDITOR

Despite some recent rainfall, extreme fire danger caused by hot and dry weather has prompted the Coryell County Commissioners Court to prohibit burning trash as well as the use of certain types of incendiary ammunition for recreational purposes and also the use of metal or hardened targets that may produce sparks when hit by bullets.

Those were just some of the restrictions and requirements enacted to help prevent wildfire tragedies. The county has been under a declaration of local disaster since wildfires this spring scorched parts of the county and resulted in the evacuation of Flat.

On Aug. 9, the commissioners court got an update from County Emergency Management Director Bob Harrell and Gatesville Fire Chief Billy Vaden about the fire dangers plaguing Coryell County and much of the state.

"We've had quite a few fires, and only two that I know of were acts of God - caused by lightning," Harrell said. "The others were caused by human negligence, grinding and gunshots from a firing range."

The required time and resources necessary to fight the fires has put a drain on local fire departments, and the Texas A&M Forest Service has

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## City sets tax rate

BY JEFF OSBORNE  
SENIOR WRITER & EDITOR

Although no members of the public were present to speak on issues related to the proposed 2023 fiscal year budget or tax rate, the Gatesville City Council approved a preliminary tax rate of 56 cents per \$100 valuation and the upcoming annual budget.

Property taxes and sales tax allocations account for just over 71% of the city's general fund revenue.

Budgeted expenses are \$7,230,866, and 69.3% of funds are allotted to the police department, street department, administration and parks and recreation department. The police department is set to receive \$2,572,967, or 35.6% of the city budget, followed by the street department/fleet services at \$1,414,316, or 19.6% of the budget, and \$1,026,393 of administration, or 14.1% of the budget.

Other expenses include the fitness center, library, fire department, building inspectors, municipal court, planning, convention and visitors bureau and the swimming pool.

Projected revenue from water/wastewater services is \$8,788,634.

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SE'VETTE EARLY | THE GATESVILLE MESSENGER

Brit Campbell greets a parent and students at Gatesville High School during Meet the Teacher Night on Aug. 9.

## GISD modifies policy to allow beards, nose studs

BY JEFF OSBORNE  
SENIOR WRITER & EDITOR

The Gatesville Independent School District Board of Trustees approved a couple of modifications to the student handbook on Aug. 8 that will allow students to have neatly trimmed beards as well as nose studs.

One change that had been considered previously was to allow different hair colors, but a decision was made that only natural hair colors would be allowed.

Because of legal issues, school districts no lon-

ger regulate hair length.

GISD Superintendent Barrett Pollard said he noticed over the summer several girls who had nose studs which are barely visible. The board approved those but are prohibiting the more noticeable hoops.

Regarding beards, Pollard said there are not many students who would be impacted by that.

"I don't know if we have many students who would be able to grow them," he said.

Board member Jimmie Ferguson said he rarely is contacted about anything related to school

policy, but he has gotten several calls and comments from people and that "100% are saying no nose rings. That's all ages telling me that, from students to older adults. I haven't heard from anyone in support of them. When I ask them why, they say it's not appropriate in school. I am getting more feedback on that than everything else combined. Based on that, I can't support nose rings. On beards, I don't care one way or the other."

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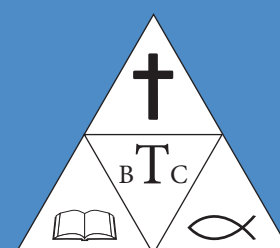


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also provided help. "We are in this for the long haul," Harrell said. "The forecast for the next three months is for higher than normal temperatures and below average rainfall."

Chief Vaden said in the month of July, there were 59 grassfires in Coryell County, and "only one or perhaps two of them were caused by lightning. It's been very expensive for all of us."

He said it cost the Gatesville fire department \$18,000 to respond to a fire caused by bullets from a local firing range, and there were additional costs for the forest service and other local fire departments.

Through the first week of August, Vaden said there had been five area grassfires.

"The biggest cause of all these fires is not welding but grinding," he said. "There are a lot of weekend guys building their own fence. You can't put out a (wildfire) with a five gallon jug of water."

Vaden said firefighters are responding to an average of two calls per day regarding wildfires "and it takes a toll on equipment and manpower. The fuel impact is astronomical."

Vaden said from January through July 2021, the Gatesville fire department spent \$7,000 on fuel. Through the same period in 2022, the expense had risen to \$20,000.

"We are also spending more time on fires," he said. "It takes three to five hours for a five-acre fire. You cannot leave anything smoldering. You have to put it out nearly 100%."

"This year is reminding me of 2011 but I think it's worse



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**Area firefighters responded to an average of two wildfires per day in July.**

than 2011 because it got hot earlier this year."

Harrell asked if the stage one drought restrictions countywide had caused water shortages when responding to fires.

"The only time I had a problem was when the Gatesville water system went down, and Multi-County (Water Supply) has had some problems as well."

Based on the fire hazards, County Judge Roger Miller asked for amendments to the local disaster declaration.

"There are three critical areas," he said. "First is how to address weapons and ammo being discharged in the county." He suggested prohibiting the use of the hardened targets and prohibiting the use of any rounds that were incendiary tracers or explosive. There is no prohibition on being able to purchase that type of ammunition or discharging a firearm that does not use an incendiary round.

"The second piece of this is that (burn bans) usually do not prohibit burning trash," Miller said. "With these ex-

treme conditions, I feel it is warranted to prohibit burning trash. If this continues for several weeks, we could designate certain days to allow burning of trash.

"Number three is establishing for welders to have at least 20 gallons of water on hand and the ability to spray it and also have a backup source (of water) to extinguish a fire."

Commissioner Scott Weddle asked what the repercussions would be if someone violated these rules.

"At this point, it's a Class C misdemeanor," Miller said. Those violations are punishable by fines of up to \$500.

"I bet the federal government can still shoot incendiary rounds (at Fort Hood) and set the countryside on fire," said Sheriff Scott Williams.

As a veteran of the U.S. Army, Miller said he has been on the other side of that, and that the Army says being able to fire those rounds during drills "is in the interest of national defense and I can't trump that."

# GISD

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Board member Calvin Ford said he heard opposite reactions from people regarding nose rings or studs.

"Students, teachers and people in the community said, 'It's about time,' Ford said, adding that some said that "too much time was spent worrying if you have a nose ring or a beard."

Board member Cheyenne Kizer said she received similar comments.

"People said, 'Man this is great - so much time is wasted' worrying about those things," Kizer said. "In light of whether it's a distraction in the classroom, it's more of a distraction trying to monitor those things and send kids out of the classroom (to the office)."

Board member Linda Maxwell said she had talked to

people and they told her they were not opposed to the nose studs, "but they're very opposed to the rings."

Ford said he received positive feedback from staff who want to focus more on education.

"Teachers I talked to are all for it," he said. "They're ready to teach (instead of focus on dress code issues)."

Kizer said she talked to a teacher "who was thrilled" to focus more on instruction.

Maxwell said it is more difficult for teachers who enforce dress code issues.

Pollard said that is a big reason for the changes.

"The impetus behind this is all the time and effort spent enforcing this," he said. "It's been a draining, taxing process. It's so divisive and polarizing."

Some board members said that staff should have to follow the same dress code set for students, but board Vice

President Charles Alderson said he believed it was fine to offer more privileges to staff than to students.

"I think you give more leeway to a teacher than to a student," he said. "I disagree that students should be allowed to have whatever teachers have."

Board President Charles Ament suggested revising the policy for one year "and then coming back and revisiting it. It's a one-year experiment to see how kids behave. If it causes all kinds of problems and disruptions, then we can change it."

Pollard said the decision to allow nose studs but not rings is "a nice compromise - finding middle ground. It allows administrators to focus on whether doors are being locked (to protect students in the classroom) and classroom instruction. This is a good middle of the road decision."

# Reskilling grant funds can help at CTC

Central Texas College (CTC) recently announced the Texas Reskilling Support Grant has reopened with limited funds and may help some students pay for fall semester classes. Initiated by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, the Reskilling grant can help pay for tuition if a student is returning to college to complete a certificate or degree. Students previously enrolled at CTC as well as students who were previously enrolled in another college are eligible.

Students with financial needs who are eligible for federal Title IV aid can qualify up to \$2,500. Those who do not have financial needs can qualify for up to \$500.

The Reskilling grant is designed to help cover tuition and fees for adults who started college but had to stop before earning a degree or certificate. This can benefit individuals who want to come back to college to finish a certificate in a high-demand field and help them get into the workforce or advance their career. The grant may also be used for graduates who can benefit from earning ad-

ditional training such as applying their Certificate of Completion towards an associate degree.

The Reskilling grant money is available to Texas residents who meet the following criteria.

- Students who:
  - have attended college at some point in the past but have not been enrolled in an accredited post-secondary institution in the previous fall or spring or semester or previous six months.
  - enroll in an eligible undergraduate program or short-term workforce credential program on either a full- or part-time basis.
  - file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for 2022-23.
  - have been impacted by COVID-19 in some way.

Students interested in applying can visit [ctcd.edu](http://ctcd.edu), use the Student Forms link under the Student Tools tab, log on, click on Forms and scroll down to the Texas Reskilling Support Fund Grant form.

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A total of 41.6% of this comes from residential and commercial water sales, as well as sales to Texas Department of Criminal Justice facilities; with 25.2% from wholesale water sales and 27.9% from sewer services.

"Weather plays a role in water sales," said City Manager Bill Parry. "The impact of El Niño (a weather pattern

resulting in above normal rainfall) suppressed water revenue in 2019. We have experienced La Niña (a pattern resulting in drought) and will continue to experience that for at least the first six months of the fiscal year."

Major general fund items listed in the 2023 fiscal year budget include a targeted pay increase and cost of living allowance for city staff; eight cemetery mowings; up to 11 miles of work on streets; focusing on six struc-

tures in the city identified as substandard; adding two patrol officers and a narcotics detective; purchasing a portable pitching mound to accommodate a large number of baseball/softball tournaments/games; an increase in healthcare premiums; an increase in liability insurance costs; a full time custodian and \$25,000 for fireworks.

After projected expenses, the city is expected to have a \$22,369 surplus.

# Mayor, 2 GISD board members seek re-election

Three candidates have filed so far for the Nov. 8 Gatesville City Council and Gatesville ISD Board of Trustees elections.

Mayor Gary Chumley is seeking re-election

along with school board members Mary Anne Leib and Cheyenne Kizer.

The filing deadline is 5 p.m. Aug. 25 for the city or Aug. 22 (for the ballot) for GISD.

**Thank you**

**Congratulations on 39 years as the Gatesville Messenger's Mound News Correspondent, Barbara Hopson! We appreciate you!**

From The Gatesville Messenger staff

## BIG CITY MEDICINE

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# TxDOT announces road repair to begin Aug. 15

Texas Department of Transportation and its contractor will begin an overlay project on Business Route 36 in Gatesville this Monday, August 15. The project will span from U.S. Highway 84 to SH 36. The project will resurface

the roadway, extend culverts, and crews will install school zone flashing beacon signage along Business Route 36 to promote safety in the area. The project will require various lane closures, which will primarily be performed

at nighttime. The project is scheduled to complete by December this year. TxDOT encourages motorists to slow down, eliminate distractions and pay attention in work zones and school zones.

# GISD announces student IDs will be required in 2022-2023

Starting with the 2022-2023 school year, all fourth through 12th grade GISD students will be required to wear their student ID at school. Students in fourth through 12th grade will be issued a traditional lanyard and their ID during the first week of school. These students need to wear their ID in a visible location every day after they receive it. This is an important measure for school safety.

All students in kindergarten to third grade will be issued a yoyo lanyard and ID that will be attached to their backpack. All these students need to have their ID on their backpack every day after that.

Bus riders used their IDs to scan on and off the bus dur-

ing April and May last year. GISD will continue that process this year. All bus riders must have their ID and scan on and off every day.

Some things to be aware of with IDs:

- These IDs were made last year.

- The pictures are old, and some students don't even have a picture on their ID.

- Students who changed campuses this year will have the wrong campus on their ID.

- Students who were not in the system at picture time last year will not have a picture on their ID until new pictures are taken.

New IDs will be made after fall school pictures. Until then, students will need to

wear the ID they are issued.

- Students should not cover up or alter their picture in any way. Having an ID with a visible photo that matches the student is important.

- The replacement fee for lost IDs is \$3. This includes replacing an ID because the picture was altered. IDs that are damaged at no fault of the student will be replaced for free.

- Students who lost or damaged their ID last year will get a free one to start this year.

- Students will always be allowed to ride the bus, even if they don't have their ID. They may receive consequences at school for not having their ID, but this will not prevent them from riding.

## RECOGNITION OF SERVICE



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Gatesville Fitness Director, Patrice Gilbert, pictured center, recently received The Outreach Service Medal from The Military Order of the World Wars for her years as Fitness Center Director, her service to the community and her dedication to the people of Gatesville. Pictured right presenting her with the certificate and medal is retired LTC James Marques and the Director of Parks and Recreation, Seth Phillips.

# The DISPATCH

The following is a breakdown of activity reported through dispatchers during the period of August 7 - 10. 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. 7**  
12:18 a.m., a prowler was reported in the 9500 block of E. Hwy. 84.

2:38 a.m., a disturbance was reported in the 1400 block of St. Louis Street.

1:30 p.m., suspicious activity was reported in the 400 block of State School Road.

9:08 p.m., a burglary was reported in the 1200 block of College Street.

**Aug. 8**  
4:19 a.m., a disturbance was reported in the 1200 block of Pleasant Street.

8:09 a.m., a brush/grass fire was reported in the 16000 block of FM 107.

11:41 a.m., a theft was reported in the 1000 block of Scenic Drive.

10:07 p.m., a disturbance was reported in the 1000 block of Highland Drive.

**Aug. 9**  
2:26 a.m., a missing person was reported in the 3100 block of E. Main Street.

5:18 p.m., a reckless driver was reported in the 3100 block of S. State Hwy. 36.

7:03 p.m., a disturbance was reported in the 2800 block of S. State Hwy. 36.

8:33 p.m., illegal dumping was reported in the 2500 block of Business Hwy. 36.

**Aug. 10**

2:57 a.m., suspicious activity was reported in the 900 block of Bridge Street.

2:34 p.m., a utility pole was reported down in the 1600 block of E. Main Street.

9:26 p.m., a theft was reported in the 3100 block of S. State Hwy. 36.

9:56 p.m., a welfare concern was reported in the 200 block of Old Waco Road.

**Aug. 8**  
6:45 a.m., animal neglect was reported in the 7100 block of W. FM 217.

5:34 p.m., animal neglect was reported in the 15000 block of N. Hwy. 36.

5:49 p.m., illegal dumping was reported in the 2700 block of FM 931.

7:27 p.m., a runaway was reported in the 800 block of CR 334.

**Aug. 9**  
6:26 a.m., a minor accident was reported on E. Main Street and 27th Street.

12:28 p.m., a murder was reported in the 100 block of Spotted Fawn.

7:53 p.m., a neighbor dispute was reported in the 1600 block of CR 341.

9:55 p.m., suspicious activity was reported on FM 116 at Pidcoke.

**Aug. 10**  
1:47 a.m., property damage was reported in the 11000 block of E. Hwy. 84.

9:57 a.m., an animal complaint was reported in the 200 block of Bone Road.

2:04 p.m., harassment was reported in the 1600 block of CR 341.

4:41 p.m., identity theft was reported in the 1500 block of CR 272.

11:41 p.m., a break-in attempt was reported in the 600 block of CR 317.

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### CORYELL COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

**Aug. 7**  
12:27 a.m., a break in attempt was reported in the 9500 block of E. Hwy. 84.

9:33 a.m., illegal dumping was reported on FM 1829 and Greenbriar Creek.

5:40 p.m., a welfare concern was reported in the 200 block of CR 230.

6:03 p.m., an out-of-control child was reported in the 1800 block of CR 251.

## MEMBER OF THE MONTH



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The Gatesville Chamber of Commerce recently selected First National Bank as its Member of the Month for August. The business is located at 3411 E. Main St. in Gatesville. They can be reached by calling 254-865-2783. The Chamber Member of the Month is sponsored by Extraco Banks and The Gatesville Messenger. Each month, the Gatesville Chamber of Commerce recognizes a chamber member, and those winners will also be in the running for Chamber Member of the Year, an honor that is awarded each year at the annual Chamber Banquet. Pictured are employees of First National Banks as well as representatives of the Gatesville Chamber of Commerce.

## Travel Club to meet August 16

The next meeting of the Central Texas Travel Club

will be Tuesday, August 16, at 11 a.m., at Johnny's

Steaks and Bar-be-Que in Salado. They will share stories of recent travels, travel tips and advice, and options for upcoming trips including Nashville, San Antonio, and Iceland. The meeting is open to anyone interested in travel and there are no membership dues or requirements. For more information contact centraltexastravelclub@outlook.com.

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## CENTEX CRIME STOPPERS

### Home burglarized on Mears

Centex Crime Stoppers can use your help in solving a case of burglary of a habitation. On August 5, sometime between 8:45 a.m. and 11 a.m., unknown person(s) entered a residence in the 2600 block of Mears Drive while the homeowners were away, and without the effective consent of the homeowner. While inside the residence, the actor(s) stole a PlayStation 4 gaming console, sev-

eral pieces of jewelry and native American artifacts.

The estimated value of all the stolen items is somewhere between \$1,900 and \$4,500.

If you have any information about any case or any local crime, call Centex Crime Stoppers 24 hours a day at 1-254-865-8477 (TIPS) or visit our website at www.Centexcrimestoppers.org or by downloading the "P3"

mobile app available on both the Apple app store and Google Play Store. You never have to give your name, and if your information leads to an arrest, you may be eligible for a cash reward.

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## MOUND NEWS

## Mound lost former resident; kids start back to school

**BARBARA HOPSON**  
Mound News Correspondent

Mound lost one of its former residents, Mrs. Dorthiea (Dot) Odenbach, who died on Tuesday, Aug. 2. Funeral services were held Saturday at Scott's Funeral Home in Gatesville. Burial was in Mound Cemetery. Mrs. Odenbach will truly be missed in our community.

Chris Miller and Neal Fisher were honored for their birthdays on Wednesday evening with a dinner by their families.

Little Mr. Max Ryan McClellan will be starting his very first year of school as a kindergarten student at Greenfield Elementary in Fort Worth. Max is the son of Kyle and Summer McClellan, and his grandparents are Clay and Carolyn McClellan, Frank and Susie Hopson.

Little Mr. Noah Truett Hopson will be starting his very first year of school as a kindergarten student at Gatesville Primary School. Noah is the son of Paul and Rachel Hopson, and his grandparents are DeElva Grubbs and David and Pam Hopson.

Miss Emily Rose Cupps will be starting her very first year of school as a kindergarten student at Academy Elementary School in Academy. Emily is the daughter of Angie Cupps and her grandmother is Margaret Hopson.

Miss Aubree Ann Long will be starting her very first year



of school in first grade at the Gatesville Elementary School. Aubree is the daughter of Zach and Amanda Long and her grandparents are Milton and Cindy Long and David and Pam Hopson.

Recent visitors with Nancy Dixon and Barbara Hopson were Jackie Pullen and Deb Gray of Rockwall, Jeanette Kattner, Kerry Courtney and Dana Henderson of Meridian, Debbie Gonzalez of San Antonio, Rev. Bruce Cox of Robinson, Trisha and Zianna Cole, Debbie Luedtke, Leigh Carroll, DeElva Grubbs, Leigh Carroll and Delecia Reynolds and some of Nancy's classmates from 1972 were Sue Jones, Debbie Maxwell, Nancy Wheat and Kathy Sievers.

Barbara's Notes: Monday, Aug. 15, will mark my 39th year writing the Mound News for The Gatesville Messenger & Star Forum. I want to say thank you to my community and all of you for supporting me all these years. I really appreciate everyone who has given me your news. Thank you so much.

## Meet the Hornets Aug. 17

Gatesville ISD Athletics will be hosting a community-wide pep rally to "Meet the Hornets" on Wednesday. The event will begin at 7:30 p.m. at Tommy Davidson Field at McKamie Stadium. During the evening, members of the

GHS athletic teams will be recognized. There will also be an ice cream social for fans and athletes to get the chance to meet all GISD coaches and staff members. The GHS band, cheer and dance teams will also perform.

## AMERICAN LEGION OFFICERS INSTALLED



COURTESY PHOTO

The American Legion Post 42 recently installed their new officers for 2022-2023. Seated on the front row, left to right, are Don Voss, chaplain; Chuck Dare, finance officer; Ron Harkcom, commander; Justin Necessary, historian. Standing, left to right, are Joe Considine, 1st VP; Ervin Adams, 2nd VP; Mike Everling, Sgt. At Arms; and Gary Albers, adjutant.

## Coryell Health to host dementia workshop Aug. 18

Coryell Health Rehabilitation Living 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 long-time 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.

## OBITUARIES

**BERNIE LEO SYMM**  
Jan. 8, 1929 - July 17, 2022

Bernie Leo Symm, age 93, of The Grove passed from this life during the morning hours of Sunday, July 17, 2022, at Hillside Medical Lodge. He was born on Jan. 8, 1929, at The Grove to parents Johnnie and Frieda (Draeger) Symm.

Bernie has been a resident of The Grove for his whole life. He graduated from Belton High School and joined the U.S. Army soon after, serving in the Korean War. Bernie worked as a farmer, rancher and mechanic at The Grove for many years. He also worked for Fletcher Enterprise, American Desk, and Clawson Fertilizer in Moody. On Jan. 8, 1953, at The Grove, Bernie married the love of his life, Doris Boriack. The couple went on to build a family and home together including one daughter and two sons. Bernie loved his farm and working with his cows. He was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church his entire life, where he held several offices including elder and treasurer for many years. He loved spending time with his family and grandkids. Bernie loved going to church, and in his free time, he loved to go fishing.

**CHARLES HADLEY DALTON, JR.**  
June 6, 1960 - July 19, 2022



Charles Hadley Dalton, Jr., age 62, passed away on July 19, 2022, at his home, in Waco. He was born on June 6, 1960, in Franklin, New Hampshire to Charles Hadley Dalton and Mary (Caldon) Dalton.

Services were held at the Central Texas State Veteran's Cemetery on Thursday, August 11, 2022, at 11 a.m.

Charles grew up in Lampasas and graduated from Lampasas High School in 1978.

Bernie will be deeply missed by many friends and family.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Elmo, Ervin, and Alton; sisters-in-law, Imogene, Irene and Betty; as well as son-in-law, Mike Hebert.

Bernie leaves behind to cherish his memory his wife of 69 years, Doris Symm; daughter, Pamela Hebert, sons, Ron Symm and wife, Leslie, Michael Symm and wife, Susan; seven grandchildren, Jason Morris and wife, Sladjana, Jeffery Morris, Justin Symm and wife, Maddie, Megan Symm, Jordan Symm, Abby Frank and husband, Alex, Tannon Symm and wife, Abby; and four great-grandchildren; Maksim, Micah, Isaac, and Owen.

A memorial service will be held at St. Paul Lutheran Church at The Grove on August 17, 2022, at 10:30 a.m. with Rev. John Heckman officiating.

In lieu of flowers please make any contributions to St. Paul Lutheran Church in The Grove or Amedisys Hospice in Temple.

Hewett-Arney Funeral Home of Temple is entrusted with these arrangements.

After high school, he joined the Army in 1980 and served for 3 years. He received the Army Service Ribbon, Sharpshooter (M-16 Rifle), Good Conduct Medal and was honorably discharged in 1983, achieving the rank of Specialist. After his military service, Charles began work for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice as a Correctional Officer where he worked for 30 years.

Charles enjoyed spending time with family and friends, recreational shooting, taking care of his cat, Meatball, driving his Mustang, and fixing up old stereo equipment. Additionally, Charles was a very loving and caring grandfather to his two granddaughters.

Charles was preceded in death by his father, Charles Dalton; his sister, Patty Dalton; and his brother, Jeff Dalton.

Survivors include his mother, Mary, of Waco; his son, Christopher, of Killeen; his sister, Diane Hayes and her spouse, Eddie, of Glasgow, KY; his grandchildren, Gracee and Ivy Nelson; and his nephew, Josh Bates of Waco.

## Museum to hold quilt raffle at this year's Spurfest set Sept. 17

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 Dal-

imore 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 Museum is located at 718 E. Main St.

## Employee Spotlight

Department Head of the Month:

**Nikole Tatum**

During the month of July, Nikole shined more than usual with an extra workload. She took the challenge and, of course, rocked it!

Employee of the Month:

**Janie Suttles**

Janie has received multiple compliments from the residents themselves, as well as their families lately! Keep up the good work, Janie!

Congratulations and thank you to these amazing employees for going above and beyond in all you do!

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# Welcome, New Teachers & Staff!

## GATESVILLE ISD Primary School

**Kim Smith** will be teaching Kindergarten at the Primary. She is a graduate of Stephen F. Austin State University. This is her first year to teach.

**Katrina Neason** will be teaching Kindergarten at the Primary. She is a graduate of SWT/Texas State University, San Marcos. She has had two years of teaching experience at Ranger ISD and Spur ISD.

**Joshua Hubik** will be teaching physical education along with football and track. He is a graduate of Tarleton State University. He is beginning his 19th year of teaching. He previously taught at Midway High School.

**Jessica Hill** will be teaching Early Child Special Education (ECSE) at Gatesville Primary. She is a graduate of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. She has three years of teaching experience and previously taught at Clifton Elementary.

**Lauren Buss** will be the new school nurse at the Gatesville Primary. She is a graduate of Del Mar College and Grand Canyon University. She has nine years of nursing experience.

## Elementary School

**Stacia V. Smith** will be teaching 3rd grade math at Gatesville Elementary. She is a graduate of Tarleton State University. She has had 25 years of experience teaching. She previously taught at Evant Elementary – 21 years in 2nd grade and 4 years in kindergarten.

**Victoria Skiles** will be teaching 2nd grade at Gatesville Elementary. She is a graduate of the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor. This will be her first year to teach.

**Caylee Schiff** will be teaching 3rd grade at Gatesville Elementary. She is a 2017 graduate of Gatesville High School and a graduate of Tarleton State University. This will be her first year to teach.

**Bradi Necessary** will be teaching math and science at Gatesville Elementary. She is a 2016 graduate of Gatesville High School and a graduate of Sul Ross State University. She taught from January to May 2022 at Gatesville Primary School.

**Brittany Ellison** will be teaching 2nd grade at Gatesville Elementary. She is a 2007 graduate of Jonesboro High School and a graduate of Tarleton State University. She has had one

year of teaching experience at Killeen ISD.

## Intermediate School

**Zach Tyler** will be teaching Behavior/PASS at Gatesville Intermediate. He is a graduate of Tarleton State University, and this is his first year to teach.

**Katy Simmons** will be teaching 5th grade science and social studies. She is a graduate of Cottey College and Texas A&M, Corpus Christi. She has had one year of teaching experience at Gatesville High School.

**Sarah Pender** will be teaching 6th grade social studies at Gatesville Intermediate. She is a 1995 graduate of Gatesville High School and a graduate of Ashford University. She spent three years as an Inclusion Aide, and this will be her first year of teaching.

**Kyanne Jones** will be teaching English Language Arts Reading at Gatesville Intermediate. She is a 2005 graduate of Gatesville High School and a graduate of the University of Texas, El Paso. She has had one year of teaching experience at Harker Heights – Eastern Hills Middle School.

**Vanessa Dubay** will be teaching 5th grade math. She is a graduate of Texas Tech University and has had six years of teaching experience – four years as a teacher aide at GHS Life Skills and two years at Let's Grow Learning Center.

**Breanna Cardenas** will be teaching 5th grade math. She is a graduate of Texas A&M University and has had one year of teaching experience at Parkdale Elementary School, Waco ISD.

## Junior High School

**Sarah Wright** will be teaching 7th grade reading language arts at Gatesville Junior High. She is a graduate of Northwestern College. This is her 15th year of teaching. She has taught in New Mexico, Boston, Virginia, and Oklahoma.

**Dana Whittenburg** will be teaching in Life Skills / Special Education at Gatesville Junior High. She is a 2003 graduate of Gatesville High School and graduated from Texas A&M University and Grand Canyon University. She has eight years of teaching experience and previously taught for Waco ISD and Lampasas ISD.

**Staci Pruitt** will be a counselor at Gatesville Junior High. She is a graduate of Tarleton State University and has had 18

years of experience at Cleburne ISD.

**DelRay Judd** will be teaching math inclusion at the Junior High. He will also be coaching football, basketball, and track. He is a 2019 graduate of Copperas Cove High School and a graduate of Tarleton State University. This will be his first year to teach.

## High School

**Charlie L. Von Staden** will be teaching SPED at the Gatesville High School. He will also assist the high school boys' and girls' soccer coach and will head the boy's junior high soccer coach. He is a graduate of Concordia University in Austin. He has had six years of experience coaching and teaching. He previously taught at Academy ISD.

**Kayleigh Tennison** will be teaching algebra and geometry at the high school. She is a 2018 graduate of Gatesville High School and a graduate of Texas A&M University, Central Texas. This will be her first year to teach.

**Brooke Seabolt** will be teaching geometry and pre-calculus. She is a graduate of Texas A&M University, Commerce. This year begins her 27th year of teaching. She previously taught at Temple High School.

**James "Corbin" Myers** will be teaching Band at the Gatesville High School. He is a graduate of Baylor University, and this will be his first year to teach.

**Kelsey Hunter** will be teaching English at the high school. She is a graduate of the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor. She has seven years teaching experience and previously taught at Belton High School.

**Chelsi Duncan** will be teaching Biology, Anatomy, and Physiology at the high school. She is a 2006 graduate of Gatesville High School and a graduate of Tarleton State University. This will be her first year to teach.

**Ryan Dillon** will be teaching math and will be coaching quarterbacks, girls' basketball, and boys' track. He is a graduate of Abilene Christian University. He has nine years of teaching and coaching experience and previously taught at Roscoe Collegiate High School.

**Kim Chaffin** will be teaching College and Career English and will be head coach of girls' basketball and an assistant in Tennis. She is a graduate of the University of Texas of the Permian Basin. She has had 14 years

of teaching experience and previously taught at Muleshoe ISD.

**Melanie Catsoris** will be teaching secondary mathematics/Algebra 2, OnRamps pre-calculus, and calculus. She is a graduate of Tarleton State University, Central Texas. She has had 13 years of experience and previously taught for 11 years at in the Killeen ISD and Frisco ISD districts. She also has one year experience of subbing at Pasadena ISD and Gatesville ISD.

**Jose Aguirre** will be teaching U.S. History, Personal Financial Literacy, and will be coaching football and track. He is a graduate of Texas State University. He has 14 years of experience and previously taught at Georgetown High School.

## JONESBORO ISD

**Kimberly Foy** will be teaching 6th to 8th grade math and 7th grade Texas history. She graduated high school from Cranfills Gap in 1996 and later from Texas A&M. She has had five years of teaching experience at Irving ISD, Round Rock ISD, LAMAR CISD, and substituted at Bristol, TN City Schools.

**Liane Scott** will be teaching 2nd grade at JISD. She is a graduate of Stephen F. Austin State University. She has had five years teaching experience previously working at Reynolds Middle School – Prosper ISD.

**Chelsea Young** will be teaching high school English at JISD. She graduated from Gatesville High School in 2003 and later from Texas Tech University. This will be her first year to teach.

**Allysen Miller** will be teaching 1st grade at JISD. She is a 2016 graduate of Gatesville High School and a graduate of Texas A&M, Central Texas. This will be her first year to teach.

## OGLESBY ISD

**Christopher Niswonger** will be teaching secondary history. He is a 2007 graduate of Copperas Dove High School and later a graduate of Texas A&M University – Central Texas with a BS and MA. He has been in education for 10 years, 4 years teaching at Lometa ISD and Copperas Cove High School.

**LeighAnn Virnau** will be teaching 4th and 5th grade math and science. She is a graduate of Baylor University and has had 13 years of teaching experience at Lorena ISD, Eagle Christian Academy.

## EVANT ISD

**Shana Wooton** will be the new principal at Evant ISD for grades Pre-K to 12. She is a graduate of Tarleton State University and UTPB. She has had 18 years of experience being the principal at Rule ISD.

**Sara LaComb** will be teaching 2nd grade at EISD. She is a 2011 graduate of Evant High School and a graduate of Texas A&M, Central Texas. She has had five years of teaching experience and previously taught at Suzhou Science and Technology Town Foreign Language School.

**Andy Lauby** will be teaching social studies, and coaching girls' basketball and cross country. He has had seven years teaching experience and previously taught at Big Sandy ISD and TK Gorman High School.

**Elvis Shuler** will be teaching SPED/Inclusion at Evant ISD. He has had four years of experience at New Horizons Charter School.

**Carolyn Stanford** will be teaching ELAR at Evant ISD. She is a graduate of Texas Tech University and has had experience teaching at Mineola High School.

**Kara Andrade** will be an Instructional Coach at Evant ISD. She is a graduate of Angelo State University, Texas A&M University, Corpus Christi, and Lamar University. She has had 12 years teaching/coaching experience and has previously taught at Sheldon ISD, Damon ISD, San Angelo ISD, Comal ISD, and Evant ISD.

**Kyndall Ingram** will be teaching math and will be an assistant coach for volleyball, basketball, and track. Ingram is a graduate of Baylor University, and this will be her first year of teaching.

**Elaine Martin** will be teaching Kindergarten. She is a graduate of Central State University in Edmond, Oklahoma. She has had eight years of teaching experience and previously taught

at Ysleta ISD.

**Heidi Partain** will be teaching math to the 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders. She is a graduate of Texas State University. This will be her first year to teach.

**Clarence Dixon** will be teaching science and social studies to the 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders. He is a graduate of the USAF Academy and LeTourneau. He has had eleven years of teaching experience and previously taught at Zephyr ISD.

**Christon Haydon Hill** will be teaching all level Special Education. Hill is a 1994 graduate of Gatesville High School and a graduate of Tarleton State University and the University of Phoenix. Hill has had seven years of teaching experience and previously taught for the Windham School District.

**Chelsea Novosad** will be teaching Pre-K at Evant ISD. She is a graduate of Texas A&M University and has had six years of teaching experience at Huntsville ISD, Conroe ISD, and Weatherford ISD.

**Matthew Weaver** will be teaching 6th grade social studies, 6th and 7th grad science, 7th grade health and coaching with the junior high and high school football, basketball, and track. He is a graduate of Texas A&M University, Kingsville. This will be his first year of teaching.

**Lisa Czajkowski** will be teaching Intervention and 8th grade English. She is a graduate of Tarleton State University. She has had ten years of teaching experience and previously taught at Midway ISD.

**Deborah Shuler** will be working in the front office of the Evant ISD. She has had twelve years of experience at New Horizons Charter School.

Becca Cobb will be a paraprofessional at Evant ISD. She is a 2007 graduate of Evant High School. She has had three years of experience working for Cranfills Gap ISD.



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FROM MY FRONT PORCH

Get ready to participate in voting for the Messenger's Best of Gatesville contest!



**SAM HOUSTON**  
Sam Houston is the publisher of the Gatesville Messenger. He is also an actor, author, playwright, performer and entertainment producer/promoter.

The Gatesville Messenger is excited to announce the inaugural Best of Gatesville competition! This exciting event allows you, our readers, to vote for your favorite businesses in a variety of categories such as "best electrician," "best plumber," "best Mexican food," "best hamburger," and many other

categories. Why is the "Best of Gatesville" competition a big deal? It allows you, the consumer, to support your local businesses with your vote — and to have your voice heard on what services or goods you enjoy most.

For businesses, winning the "Best of Gatesville" certificate allows you to promote your business in the marketplace as "the" choice for a specific good or service. For those visiting Gatesville, or recently moving into town, being the recipient of the Best of Gatesville award is like a shining beacon bringing new business to your door. Many times, businesses utilize the award in future promotions because they know being the "best" means even more business activity.

In other towns with a "best of" program, I have always enjoyed the healthy competition between businesses as they fight for the votes of consumers of their product. I have seen restaurants and stores go all out in promoting the event, to sway voters

and to beat their competition. A little competition is always fun!

So, tell your friends and neighbors to grab a copy of the Messenger and cast a vote. You are free to vote as many times as you would like. Show your support and let your voice be heard. This is going to be epic!

Ballots will be available in copies of the Messenger starting Aug. 17, and continuing, through Aug. 27. Clip the ballot out of the paper, vote for your favorites, and then turn in the ballot at the Messenger office either by mail or in person. Voting ends on Aug. 30 at 5 p.m. Winners will be announced and presented in a special tab insert to the Oct. 29 edition of the Messenger. Let the fun begin!

**CLOSE TO HOME: UVALDE TRAGEDY**

This past week I had the opportunity to go to the TPA statewide convention.

One of the speakers was the publisher of the Uvalde Leader-News, Craig Garnett. He gave an outstanding pre-

sentation on the difficulty of covering a mass shooting news event. It was heart-breaking as he explained how one of the members of his staff had a child who had died in the shooting. The employee had started at the newspaper some 10 years ago and at the time of the hire, was pregnant with the child who perished in the tragedy. The young girl was frequently in the offices of the paper to see her mother. The entire staff loved her and treated her like one of their own. Imagine the difficulty of covering a story of such magnitude and being emotionally attached to one of the victims. My hat goes off to the great work of the Uvalde Leader-News during the crisis. True professionals in every sense of the word. God bless the victims and the newspaper people who covered the story so well.

Thought for the day: To be the best, you must beat the best.

Until next time.

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WELCOME BACK



DAVID SCOTT | THE GATESVILLE MESSENGER  
Fort Hood soldiers were on campus at Gatesville Primary to welcome students on their first day back to school. School was back in session as of Thursday, Aug. 11 for Gatesville I.S.D.



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

**CANAAN BAPTIST CHURCH:** Jim Keever, senior pastor; 177 Coryell City Road, Crawford; Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m., Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

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

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

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF EVANT:** Dane Barron, pastor; Live Oak Street and Memory Lane; Sunday services - Sunday School 9:45 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m., adult Bible study 6 p.m.; Wednesday services - kids' and youth Bible study 6 p.m.

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

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

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF OGLESBY:** 120 College Ave., Oglesby, Tx 76561; Sunday morning services - Sunday School 10:00 am, Worship 11:00 am; Wednesday evenings - supper at 5:40 pm, Kids & Youth Group 6:00 pm, Prayer meeting 6:00 pm; Jeremy Sanders, Pastor.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**OSAGE BAPTIST CHURCH:** Chris Thomas, pastor; Sunday services - Sunday School 10 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m.

**PEARL COUNTRY CHURCH:** Sunday morning

## Creating a Better World



Philosophers and theologians have often argued that creation is ongoing, that it was not over and done with on the seventh day when God rested, but that the creation continues to unfold with every passing day. For a being who is eternal, who existed from the beginning, as it were, and foresees the end—if there even is an ultimate beginning and end, which is a very human way of looking at things—all of creation may be a single event. But from our earthly perspective, where time is relevant, we are clearly in the midst of an ongoing creation and development of the world. We contribute to this development in our own small way. Humans can divert rivers and build dams, or raise mountains and fill valleys by moving earth from one place to another. As in everything, we can take part in the ongoing creation for better or worse. We can indeed improve our world or make it worse. Ask yourself whose side you are on in the ongoing creation of the world. Are your actions making things better or worse? God needs good workers to help build up creation, so commit each day to making things better. Whether it's something really big, or something more modest, it's always good to be on the side of God and the angels.

— Christopher Simon

*"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."*

—Ephesians 2:10 NIV

worship 10 a.m.

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**SWEET HOME BAPTIST CHURCH:** 511 North 14th; Sunday services - Sunday school 9:30 a.m., Sunday morning worship 11 a.m.; Wednesday services - Wednesday evening worship 7 p.m.

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

**TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH:** 1506 West Main; Sunday services - Sunday School 9:30 a.m., morning worship 10:50 a.m. Wednesday night services - activities for adults, youth, and children 6:30 p.m. Email: trinitybaptist@centurylink.net. Church: 254-865-8495 or Pre-school: 254-248-0041.

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

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

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

**GATESVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST:** Justin Hall,

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**LA IGLESIA DE CRISTO:** 2413 East Main; clases y servicios en Español, 10:00 a.m.–11:30 a.m., Solamente en domingos.

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**ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH:** Rev. Christopher Richman, PhD; FM 929 in Coryell City; Sunday services - Morning worship 9 a.m., Sunday School 10:15 a.m.

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060 **GARAGE SALE**

ESTATE SALE of Julie Wicker, 2408 Oak Drive, Gatesville, 8am, August 12 & 13. House and garage full.  
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099 **PUBLIC NOTICES**

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Application has been made With the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for A Private Club Registration Permit by Ed's Bar Non Profit Corp dba Dove Nest Motorsports Club Of Central Texas to be located at 2225 CR 342, Gatesville, Coryell Co., Texas. Officers of said Corporation is Toan Leung-Pres., John D. Woljevach II-VP and Samuel J. Summerlin-Sec/Trea  
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DATE: 08/13/22

To whom it may concern, The Coryell County Sheriff's Office has received some found property.

Description:

A component of a home Air conditioning system. If you are missing a component of an Air Conditioning system, please contact SGT Mike Cundiff at 254-248-3906. If no answer, please leave a short message with your Name, phone number and a brief description of the component and I will get back with you as soon as possible.

You may claim your property (BY APPOINTMENT ONLY) or make inquiries about your property by calling (254) 248-3906. (Leave message if no answer). In accordance with State statues article 18.17ccp, if you fail to make contact within 90 days from the date of this letter, the property will be disposed of in a manner prescribed by state law.

THANKS  
SGT MIKE CUNDIFF #716  
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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Carlton Robert Wilson, Deceased, were issued on 7-11-22 in Cause No. 22-10675 pending in the County Court at Law of Coryell County, Texas, to: Marizel Somejo-Wilson.

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: Marizel Somejo-Wilson  
Estate of Carlton Robert Wilson  
2308 Vernice Drive  
Copperas Cove, Texas 76522

DATED the day of 25 day of July, 2022

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## Evant opens volleyball season with win

Evant's Lady Elks started the 2022 season with a triumph over Three Way, winning 25-14, 25-17 and 25-20.

Harley Weeks had eight assists, four aces and four digs; Hailey Neri had three kills and four digs; Molly Waldrum had three kills; Bree Ramirez had four digs, eight assists and

four kills; Luwi Rodriguez had five digs and five kills; and Izzy Gandy had two aces, four digs and three kills.

Evant was next scheduled to play in the Riesel Tournament.

## Cheering for the Tigers



Oglesby High School cheerleaders recently held the Little Tiger Cheer Camp, offering younger girls a chance to practice their cheering skills. The Little Tiger participants are scheduled to perform at halftime Sept. 9 during homecoming festivities.

COURTESY PHOTO

## Area Fishing Report

**Belton**

GOOD. Water lightly stained; 85 degrees; 8.04 feet low. The white bass fishing on Lake Belton continues to be very tough and difficult to pattern. These nomadic fish are chasing the abundant young of the year shad in small schools above the thermocline here, there, and everywhere, only occasionally showing themselves for just seconds at a time as they burst to the surface to feed on shad, and then disappear again. Best chances are to look for brief topwater action at first light and last light, and anticipate this activity to be short-lived. MAL Original

Lures work well when white bass are feeding on mature shad, but the #13 Pet Spoons cast on light braid or mono with a fully-spoiled spinning reel work well when fish are feeding on young of the year shad. Downrigging will produce bonus fish in the first three hours of the morning and the last 90 minutes of the day. Report by Bob Maindelle, Holding the Line Guide Service.

**Stillhouse Hollow**

GOOD. Water lightly stained; 85 degrees; 8.05 feet low. The white bass fishing on Stillhouse is strong, but technical. Quality sonar and the ability to read it are a must as fish are found

in small tight schools at, or near, the bottom in up to 52 feet of water. Once fish are found, primarily using side-imaging, hover on top of the fish with Spot-Lock and work MAL Dense Lures with chartreuse tails vertically. Large-mouth bass are good working soft plastics in dark, natural hues along the deep edge of hydrilla in 22-26 feet of water. Quantities of smaller fish can be caught by sight-casting in the first three hours of the morning using small, clear soft plastics like grubs and small fluke-style baits. Report by Bob Maindelle, Holding the Line Guide Service.

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## Seniors lead the way for GHS tennis



Alex Scott sends a shot across the net against China Spring.

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Carlo Martinez leaps to make a play for the Hornet tennis team.

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Slone Early keeps his eye on the ball while waiting to strike.

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Ty Warren returns the ball for Gatesville in an Aug. 9 contest.

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## GHS upperclassmen dominate in win over China Spring

BY SE'VETTE EARLY  
STAFF WRITER

Seniors Slone Early, Alex Scott, Ty Warren, and Carlo Martinez dominated the China Spring dual match in both doubles and singles competition on Aug. 9. Slone and Carlo, playing in the number two position, paired up to defeat their opponents 8-3. Playing in the number one double position, Alex and Ty won their match 8-3. The fab

four went on to each win their singles match. Slone Early took the victory 8-5, while Alex Scott and Ty Warren both won their singles matches with shutout scores of 8-0. Carlo Martinez finished the day with an 8-1 victory over his opponent.

After six high school matches beginning July 28, the four senior boys are 6-0 in both doubles and singles competitions.

The fighting Gatesville Hornet Team Tennis remains undefeated at 6-0 in play for the fall season.

## Hornet volleyball opens 2022 season with win, loss



After opening the season with a win over Waco University on Aug. 8, the Hornet volleyball team fell to Fairfield on Aug. 9. The JV girls defeated Fairfield, but the varsity and freshmen teams lost.

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