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Icy weather impacts Coryell County



Icicles of varying lengths hang off a house east of Gatesville in the Pecan Grove area. Freezing weather had a big impact on the area, resulting in the closure of local schools for three consecutive days, Jan. 31 through Feb. 2.

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Schools, businesses, government disrupted

BY JEFF OSBORNE
Senior Writer & Editor

Two days of icy weather brought much of Central Texas to a standstill, and Gatesville was no exception as schools, Coryell County government and many businesses closed or reduced their hours to cope with the deep freeze that gripped the area.

Although it wasn't a welcome situation, it's also not an unfamiliar one, as icy conditions and below-freezing weather has hit the area for three straight years.

Despite slippery roads, traffic remained steady on Highway 84 on Tuesday as local residents braced for even more treacherous weather on Wednesday. The cold weather lingered into early Thursday.

Hidden Gem Family Center, located at 115 S. Seventh St. on the Coryell County Courthouse square, had a warming station in place Jan. 31-Feb. 1 to help people stay out of the cold.

A bit of good news is that temperatures were expected to reach the 60s by Sunday, following up the Arctic blast with a welcome dose of warmer weather.



Icicles hang off a red tip photinia bush in Gatesville during the winter freeze which gripped the area Jan. 30-Feb. 2.

JEFF OSBORNE | THE GATESVILLE MESSENGER

Seven options remain for city manager

BY JEFF OSBORNE
Senior Writer & Editor

Gatesville City Council members made an important step forward in the city manager selection process during a special meeting Jan. 31, narrowing the list to seven semifinalists for the position.

"We started out with 31 candidates who applied for the job, and it was narrowed down to the top 12, and then to seven semifinalists," said Mayor Gary Chumley. Assisting the city with the process is Strategic Government Resources, the search firm that recently helped with the selection of a police chief in January.

Chumley said each of the seven semifinalists has experience working in either city administration on the military sector in Texas.

"We were looking at their experience level and the size of the communities where they have been employed," Chumley said. "Each has something different to bring to the table. Some have been at smaller communities and were looking to ramp it up to the next level."

Chumley said the Council meeting lasted about an hour and a half, and participants were able to take part online via Zoom.

"The next step is questions will be given to the candidates to answer in online interviews, and they will have until February 15th," Chumley said. "Sometime between the 15th and 17th we will discuss the results and narrow it down to three to five finalists."

Those finalists will be invited to participate in a meet and greet event with the community similar to the one held in January for the police chief finalists.

Current City Manager Bill Parry's contract with the city will end Feb. 28, and it will take some time for the new city manager to give notice to their current employer and relocate to Gatesville.

Chumley said he hopes that Parry will continue with the city on an interim basis during the transition.

"In all likelihood we will retain Bill Parry as a consultant to help maintain the city's day to day operations until the new city manager can start," Chumley said.

The original list of applicants included several candidates from outside Texas, including one person who lives in Canada.

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Gatesville Lions serve chili for the community



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Charles Talbott, center, the Gatesville Lions Club president, holds a bowl of chili during the 46th Annual Homer Davis Memorial Chili Supper on Jan. 27 in the Gatesville High School cafeteria. Standing with him are Jorge Trujillo, district hunger chair, Randi Wilde, first vice district governor, Darie McCleaves, district governor, and Renee Kettler, second vice district governor.



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Joyce Talbott, wife of Gatesville Lions Club President Charles Talbott, shows how deep she has to scrub in the pots to make sure everything is clean.

Surviving another winter deep freeze in Gatesville

Experiencing frozen conditions once per decade is far too often, in my opinion, and these last three years we have had some Arctic blasts that have resulted in some of the coldest weather of my lifetime.

Hopefully, we won't see any more of this brutal stuff for quite some time (never again if I get my choice). It's time to catch up with Lu and get her thoughts on the frigid conditions.

Jeff: Well Tallulah, we survived another deep freeze. It's hard to function in weather below freezing, and add ice to that and you just increase the misery index exponentially.

Lu: I don't understand everything you said, but yes, it was very cold. Too cold to chase squirrels, to growl at cats, to bark back at the neighbors' dogs through the fence. It was too cold to go out for more than a couple minutes. You know how much I love walks. Well, I don't think I could have enjoyed a walk in that weather.

Jeff: Yes, we were very fortunate to be able to stay inside. I feel bad for those who had to stay outside during the latest chill - whether people, animals or plants.

Lu: Going outside was very uncomfortable. The extreme tempera-

Jeff's Reflections & Lu's Views

By Jeff Osborne & Tallulah

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



ture, the cold wind that was too much even for all my fur, and the uncomfortable crunchy ice I had to walk on in the back yard.

Jeff: At least you didn't have to stay out long. It was nice and at least mostly warm inside our home. Although I will feel the impact of heating the house when the electric bill comes.

Lu: I'm glad I don't have to worry about that. Thank you for taking care of that for me.

Jeff: Any time, Lu. I am happy to help keep you comfortable no matter if it's bone-chilling cold or blast furnace like heat that we have to deal with.

Lu: I like the heat better. I can stay inside most of the time, and at least when I go outside for a few minutes it doesn't hurt. It got so cold that it actually hurt to stay outside for even a couple of minutes.

Jeff: You are definitely right about that, Lu. I don't think that people who live up north like the extreme cold either. But for those of us who live in Texas and other parts of the south, brutally cold weather just seems unnatural.

Lu: Why does anyone want to live up north and be in the cold more often?

Jeff: That's a good question. I guess some people were born there and just don't want to leave. Others would leave in a heartbeat but can't because of jobs, family or finances. And some people actually prefer the intense cold to the summer heat.

Lu: What? No way!

Jeff: It's true. I worked with a man in Waxahachie - south of Dal-

las - back in the 1990s who left the area and moved back to Michigan because he and his fiancée couldn't stand the thought of another Texas summer.

Lu: Wow - didn't they have air conditioning?

Jeff: I'm sure they did, but I guess even that just wasn't enough.

Lu: Well, I am glad we don't live where it's cold a lot. Even what we get here is too much.

Jeff: You've got that right, Lu. Cold is bad enough, but freezing and wet is a terrible combination. All we can do in those circumstances is endure and wait for warmer days. Fortunately, in Texas we don't have to wait too long for those.

Lu: Yay! Then we can take our evening walks. I hope the cold stays away. It's not welcome here.

Jeff and Lu remind you that whether it's freezing cold or scorching heat, be sure to take precautions to make sure that people, pets and plants are protected as much as possible from extreme conditions.

It's not a bad idea to check on neighbors to make sure they have the supplies they need to help them make it through the tough times so that we can all enjoy better days ahead.

Upcoming Events

- * The North Fort Hood Community Council, a partnership between local organizations and military personnel stationed at North Fort Hood, will meet at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 7, at The Feed Mill, 108 N. Sixth St. in Gatesville.
- * The Gatesville Lions Club will meet at noon Wednesday, Feb. 8 at The Junction on Route 36 restaurant, 1216 N. Texas Highway 36.
- * The Gatesville Exchange Club will meet at 7 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 9, at The Junction on Route 36 restaurant, 1216 N. Texas Highway 36.
- * The Jacob Austin Band will perform at 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 17, at the Gatesville City Auditorium. Admission is free.

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MEDICAL LODGE

Gunnery readiness tested

BY SGT. DARRELL STEMBRIDGE
U.S. Army

FORT HOOD - 1st Battalion 82nd Field Artillery Regiment, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team "IRONHORSE," conducted Table XII Gunnery from Jan. 17 to Jan. 24 at Fort Hood.

Table XII Gunnery is a platoon level culminating training exercise, building on the individual and crew level gunnery tables.

Table XII qualifies and validates a Field Artillery platoon's ability to execute collective tasks in a live fire environment, in order to deploy, fight and win whenever called upon.

"Table XII is our bread and butter," 1st Lt. Daquan Bowman, fire direction officer, 1-82 FA, said. "Gunnery helps build teams and strengthen the camaraderie from the smallest of teams all the way up to the brigade."

This training exercise builds trust as well as team cohesion and tests their ability to process fire missions by engaging targets in unique situations, to ensure crew members of each battery are certified and mission ready for future rotations or deployments.

"Our job and what we do supports freedom of maneuver," 2nd Lt. Steven Gib-



COURTESY PHOTO

Troopers from 1st Battalion 82nd Field Artillery Regiment, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division, improve their gunnery skills, by conducting Table XII Gunnery at Fort Hood.

son, fire direction officer, 1-82 FA, said.

Mission readiness and lethality will always remain a top priority for the Army and the "First Team." Qualification for gunnery happens about every six months, ensuring each battery, from the loader to the fire direction officer, is trained and ready to respond with lethal and accurate force when needed.

"Gunnery is what a tanker does and maneuvering as an FDO is what I do best," Gibson added.

Safety measures are taken with extreme caution when conducting training in the military. All batteries must first go through their safety checks and balances which is known as "dry

runs," before firing a single live round.

Safety has everything to do with our job," Spc. Anthony Vargas, fire direction specialist, 1-82 FA, said. "It is the number one priority for us."

A Paladin crew consist of four positions. Paladin commander, gunner, loader and driver. The table of organization determines the ranks held by each of those positions. Overall, the troopers are preparing for long distance fights and keeping the enemy contained.

Troopers finished the gunnery table proud and motivated as the IRONHORSE Brigade looks forward to a rotation at the National Training Center, this summer.



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Jacob Austin Band

Jacob Austin Band to perform Feb. 17 at Gatesville Country Music Hall of Fame

The Gatesville Country Music Hall of Fame is proud to announce that The Jacob Austin Band will be performing on the Gatesville City Auditorium stage on Friday, Feb. 17, starting at 7 p.m. Admission will be free.

Jacob Austin has been singing since age 3. He became an active member of Brazos Valley TROUPE in the Bryan-College Station area and began performing in public at the age of 10. Soon the director of TROUPE began to give him solos in various productions. As he got older, Austin began to discover that he enjoyed singing and vocalized his desire to take voice lessons.

From singing karaoke style as a member of TROUPE, Jacob branched into live music forming a duet with his father, David (who was in a band back in the "old" days). David plays the 12- and six-string rhythm guitars and is learning the resonator guitar. One thing led to another, and the duo began to sing at Jamborees, opra's, churches, and jubilees around Texas. Austin began

playing the mandolin, mountain dulcimer, guitar, and the harmonica (all self-taught) to add more texture to the sound. During the summer of 2006 they recruited his Mom to join them playing the autoharp, adding another dash of bluegrass flavor to the band's already unique sound.

Currently, The Jacob Austin Band continues to play all over the United States. They love to play traditional country, ballads, spiritual/traditional gospel music, oldies, and show tunes as well as some of their original material.

Jacob Austin has written several original songs and has co-written others with his father and mother on all their albums — Fresh Hay in 2008, Renewed in 2012, Jacob Austin Band Original Selections (digital only), in 2018, and Step Inside in 2020. All are available at live performances (except for "Original Selections"). Their newest release is also available worldwide on digital media stores.

The group has performed with or alongside many

well-known acts such as Jim Ed Brown, Terry Smith, The Redhead Express, Bobby Awe, Jack Langley, Michael Martin Murphy, Matt Boone, and Rayne Magill. In 2012, they were recognized for several honors. The group has been awarded Best Bluegrass Gospel Group of the Year twice by the Coastal Bend Gospel Music Association, and Traditional Gospel CD of the Year by the Rural Roots Music Commission. Austin also placed first in the mandolin contest held at the Traditional Country Music Festival in LeMars, Iowa, twice.

The public is invited to come and hear The Jacob Austin Band. The Gatesville Country Music Hall of Fame seeks to provide good, wholesome music with a family-oriented flavor at their free concerts. The programs are held on the third Friday of each month.

The Gatesville City Auditorium is located at 110 n. 8th St. in Gatesville just across from the Gatesville Public Library.

FROM MY FRONT PORCH

Our choices in life, past and present: Facing forward, never turning back

SAM HOUSTON

Sam Houston is a newspaper publisher, an actor, author, playwright, performer and entertainment producer/promoter.



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Modern science consistently can surprise and sometimes shock me. In the short period of the last 50 years, inventions like the microwave, cell phones, and the internet have transformed our lives in many astonishing ways.

Once breakthrough discoveries or inventions become reality, the world is changed for everyone to one degree or the other.

Even if you resist the change, so much of the world adapts to the newness, it makes it impossible to stand on the sidelines and act like the change never happened. One way or the other, slowly but surely, change is going to come to each of our doorsteps and take us in.

It is nice to long for the past. It is a safe place we have already lived through, and we know no matter the troubles or conflicts, we will be OK because we know we survived to get to the present. Oh there may have been struggles or pains to endure, but the truth is we made it through. The uncertain future is what makes us fearful. What might change next? What problems might arise? How do we know we will make it through?

It is not only science and technology that changes our lives. The choices we make stamp our lives with permanent ink, and we live with the consequences. Deciding to drop out of school, getting pregnant at an early age, or rushing into marriage are all decisions that impact a life's

course. The change could be for the positive, or perhaps for the negative, but without a doubt, it impacts how the rest of your life plays out.

It doesn't do any good to look back and reconsider each decision we have made. Heck, I have made more than my fair share of decisions that impacted me significantly, but when I made a choice, I knew I would have to live with the consequences. Sometimes those consequences have been a bitter pill to swallow. Other decisions led me to success and happiness. Looking back and trying to reevaluate what might have, or could have happened, is nothing more than lost time. The past cannot be changed, nor the consequences that stem from it. The only hope one can have is to take the experience of living through the past, and make better choices going forward.

Perhaps deliberation is a trait we learn from life. How jumping into a marriage, a business deal, a relocation, or a job change, all are cause for reflection, analysis, and calm deliberation. It is best to make decisions about the future based on the knowledge and wisdom gained over years of living,

than to haphazardly "jump" without knowing how deep the water might be. 'Cause once you jump, you will be in the "water" dealing with the consequences.

Most of the big decisions in my life have been made. I decided on where to live, who to be married to, what work I would do, and how I would conduct myself in relation with others. Now, the remaining life decisions to be made are much more finite: when will I retire, where and how will I spend my final days, and how I spend my remaining time. There is no reason to be afraid of the uncertainty. My remaining life decisions will be based on what I have learned in the past and optimism about the future. There will not be uncertainty or fear, for I know life is to be lived looking forward, not looking back and wanting to repair the roadway I have made. Look forward, that is where we are all headed.

Thought for the day: The past is your lesson. The present is your gift. The future is your motivation.

Until next time I will keep ridin' the storm out.

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Coryell County Youth Livestock Judging Team to hold bake sale Feb. 11

The Coryell County Youth Livestock Judging Team will hold a bake sale on Saturday, Feb. 11. The team qualified to compete at the 2023 Royal Highland International Livestock Judging Con-

test in Scotland. Make sure to stop by the bake sale to support our Coryell County Livestock Judging Team so they can make their way to Scotland this year.

The bake sale will be held

at Vintage Royalty and will begin at 10 a.m. There will be plenty of goodies including lemon bars, pecan toffee bars, and fudge. Pre orders are available by contacting 254-223-3502.

Cowgirls To Lace, local vendors to hold shopping event Feb. 11

Cowgirls To Lace invites the community to a wine and chocolate fountain shopping event on Saturday, Feb. 11. The event will last from 10 a.m. through 4 p.m.

Other participating vendors will include the 1854 Mercantile, which will be serving spiked hot chocolate, fudge, and truffles. Hinds Fine Jewelry will have adult punch, brownies, cookies, and homemade chocolates. For each jewelry purchase, you will be entered in a drawing to win a gift basket. The drawing will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 14. Vintage Royalty will have hot chocolate and chocolate covered strawberries.

Cowgirls To Lace is located at 712 E. Leon Street; Hinds Fine Jewelry is located at 119 S. 7th Street; 1854 Mercantile is located at 501-A East Main Street; and Vintage Royalty is located at 2401 South Hwy 36 Ste. 100.

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Participating Vendors:

Cowgirls To Lace – Wine & Chocolate Fountain

Hinds Fine Jewelry – Adult Punch, Brownies, Cookies & Homemade Chocolates

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CORYELL MUSEUM

Coryell County News February 1948, Mamie Sue Halbrook

JANN DWORSKY
Coryell Museum Volunteer

The Municipal Concert Association had arranged for the third concert of the series brought to Gatesville by William Z. Rozan. Mamie Sue Halbrook wrote this article, and it appeared on the front page of the paper.

The artists, Tomiko Kanasawa, lyric soprano, and Gabor Carelli, tenor, gave an excellent program of opera and operetta favorites. The beautiful blending of voices in the numbers was keenly enjoyed. There were two excellent scenes from the operas of "La Traviata" and "Madam Butterfly." The concluding numbers of the program consisted of duets from well-loved operettas: "Will You Remember," "Tru-turi-turi," "Make Believe" and "Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life" and the "Italian Street Song." There were many curtain calls from a very pleased audience.

It is fun to ask your phone to play these songs and enjoy being able to hear them.

For a more common entertainment the theater was always popular. Showing at the Palace Theatre was "The Swordsman," and "Sweet Genevieve." At the Regal Theatre was "My Wild Irish Rose," "Angel and the Bad Man." At the Ritz was "Cowboy Millionaire" and "Key Witness."

Most women could sew very well in 1948. Stillman's was selling piece goods, which was lengths of material to make a dress. The beautiful spring colors of fabric sold for 79 cents a yard and seamstresses could make their dress for \$2.40. Dresses bought in a department store ranged from \$7 to \$14.

Nylon stockings were a luxury item at Alvis-Garner Department Store and the ad says NoMend stockings were



Coryell Museum and Historical Center

beautiful and came in five different sizes to fit their customers and they cost \$1.65 a pair.

Leaird's Department Store had men's overalls at \$2.98 and came in liberty stripe, express stripe, or white back denim. Carpenter overalls were \$4.25 while painter overalls were \$3.50. Ladies' blue jeans with the zipper side opening were \$3.50. Work shoes ran in price from \$3.98 to \$10.95 at Stillman's.

In 1948, Newton Tucker was the owner of the Cozy Café. He advertised a grand baked chicken dinner, with all the trimmings, but did not list the price. At that time, he was located at 715 Main and his phone was 117. A nice young fryer chicken could be bought for 30 cents a pound and were not usually even three pounds. So, you could buy an uncooked chicken for supper for 90 cents.

The Community Public Service Company advertised the new automatic blanket. Most people turned off the heat at night, so you needed lots of heavy blankets to keep warm. This new kind of blanket was amazing. Advertisers said, "Just set a dial and the warmth you want is maintained automatically all night long." It was built to rigid safety standards and was approved by Underwriter's Laboratory. You could

buy it on an easy payment plan, but, it cost a whopping \$39.85. A monthly payment on a new, small house from Cameron Lumber Company cost about the same as the total cost of the blanket.

The Want Ad section listed Dead Animal Service out of Hamilton, and you could call collect to the Hamilton Soap Works. This same section also listed, "Let Madam Rose help you solve your life problems. Phone 4913 or come one mile west out of Gatesville on Highway 84."

Another Want Ad read as follows: Fine 210-acre farm 2 miles off Flat on Paved Highway No. 184, (turn by Cold Springs Church now) a farm is being sold to settle estate, 125 acres cultivated, 85 acres pasture. REA (Rural Electrification Act), mail route, school bus, fine water supply, priced at \$57.75 per acre. See Andrew Kendrick at National Bank.

Coryell Museum is open 10 to 4 Wednesday thru Saturday. We have a fine Gift Shop with many books by local authors. We also have 24,000 square feet of exhibit space from Coryell County showing a doctor's office, old log jail, school room, and military exhibit, of course spurs, and much more. Come by to see us to arrange a tour or call at 254-865-5007.

Michael Flexon and Casundra Lee Redmon; Mike Gomez and Zoe Dawn Herry; Christopher Ray Harris and Jeannelly Moreno; John Raymond Hopkins and Shonna Lynn Woodbury; Alexander Miguel Maldonado and Shannon D'Ann Coalston; Jordan Travis Morrison and Kailey Michelle O'Donnell; Jaime Matthew Mulford and Taylor Raye Dryden; Joseph Franklin Nolte and Lusianna Christina Rendon; Jonah Max Andrey Partridge and Kiley Anne Stewart; Carl Fitzgerald Pruitt and Marilyn Poe; Dennis Ray Richmond and Tina L. Long; Edward Anthony Weber and Margaret Ann Collier.

Marriage licenses filed at Coryell County Courthouse in January

Marriage licenses filed during the month of January at the Coryell County Clerk's Office included:

Benjamin Michael Timothy Ashworth and Shelby Marcella Vinzant; Cody Lee Bray and Casey Jo Wilson; Tyler Larry Dennis Cotton and Hailey Leigh Checkfield; Tyron Ducette and Lasonia Dianne Ford; Jonathan

Michael Flexon and Casundra Lee Redmon; Mike Gomez and Zoe Dawn Herry; Christopher Ray Harris and Jeannelly Moreno; John Raymond Hopkins and Shonna Lynn Woodbury; Alexander Miguel Maldonado and Shannon D'Ann Coalston; Jordan Travis Morrison and Kailey Michelle O'Donnell; Jaime Matthew Mulford and

Taylor Raye Dryden; Joseph Franklin Nolte and Lusianna Christina Rendon; Jonah Max Andrey Partridge and Kiley Anne Stewart; Carl Fitzgerald Pruitt and Marilyn Poe; Dennis Ray Richmond and Tina L. Long; Edward Anthony Weber and Margaret Ann Collier.

Morris Federation to meet Feb. 11

The Morris Federation will hold its next meeting on Saturday, Feb. 11, at 10:15 a.m., in the James Coryell Room at the Coryell Museum and Historical Center.

The program will be titled

"Off the Beaten Path." It will be presented by Dona Gallagher, based on her personal experiences and interesting observations from some of her many travels. Morris Federation members are en-

couraged to attend and may bring guests.

The Coryell Museum is located at 718 E. Main Street in Gatesville.

GHS Band mattress fundraiser today

The Gatesville High School Band will hold a fundraiser on today, Feb. 4, from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. at Gatesville High School located at 205 S.

Lovers Lane. The event will be a "mattress fundraiser" and every purchase will benefit the school's band program.

The mattresses are brand new with full factory warranties. All forms of payment are accepted with financing available.

Oglesby Lion's Club to present annual Rattlesnake Roundup

The Oglesby Lion's Club is scheduled to hold its 53rd annual Rattlesnake Roundup on Saturday, Feb. 25, and Sunday, Feb. 26. The Rattlesnake Roundup will include a snake show and vendor fair, which will take place at the Oglesby Community Center.

General admission will be \$5. Children under six years of age are free to enter. Oglesby Independent School District will provide breakfast on Saturday and Sunday mornings from 7 a.m. through 10 a.m. Concessions will be taken care of by the Oglesby Volunteer Fire Department and Oglesby ISD.

Snake registration will be on Saturday morning, Feb. 25. Registration will open

at 7 a.m. with a fee of \$5. There will be no professional snake hunters, and snakes will not be registered after 10 a.m. on Feb. 26. A Safety Pledge will need to be signed, and a correct hunter's license will be required.

World famous snake handler Jackie Bibby will perform live demonstrations at 10 a.m., noon, 2 p.m., and 4 p.m. Bibby has more than 50 years of snake handling experience. Bibby is known for taking risks to break records. In 2006 Bibby held 10 western diamondback rattlesnakes in his mouth for 12.5 seconds, setting the Guinness World Record in the "Most Live Rattlesnakes Held in Mouth" category.

The Vendor Fair will be Saturday from 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday from 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m. There will be live entertainment from "Ed Leonard & Friends" on Saturday from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. On Sunday, "Tell Runyan" will perform from 1-4 p.m.

A car/motorcycle show will take place on Feb. 25, and a community blood drive.

For more information call 469-450-4973, or email oglesbyrattlesnakeroundup@gmail.com. Information can be found online at <https://oglesbyrattlesnakeroundup.com/> or on Facebook at Oglesby Lions Club Rattlesnake Roundup.

The DISPATCH

The following is a breakdown of activity reported through dispatchers during the period of January 30 - February 1. 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

Jan. 30
5:53 a.m., a reckless driver was reported in the 13000 block of E. Hwy. 84.
8:36 a.m., criminal mischief was reported in the 800 block of S. 7th Street.
12:52 p.m., harassment was reported in the 2300 block of Ransom Road.
2:37 p.m., a welfare concern was reported in the 200 block of Lakewood Drive.

6:19 p.m., a theft was reported in the 2000 block of Saunders Street.
9:12 p.m., a structure fire was reported in the 4300 block of FM 932.

Jan. 31
9:01 a.m., an accident was reported in the 15000 block of E. Hwy. 84.
2:39 p.m., an assault was reported in the 300 block of FM 107.

4:25 p.m., animal cruelty was reported in the 14000 block of Westview Drive.
8:43 p.m., criminal mischief was reported in the 100 block of Mulberry Avenue.

10:21 p.m., suspicious activity was reported in the 2800 block of S. State Hwy. 36.
11:19 p.m., an accident was reported in the 400 block of Schelle Road.

Feb. 1
1:05 a.m., a disturbance was reported in the 1300 block of St. Louis Street.
4:44 a.m., an accident was

reported in the 15000 block of E. Hwy. 84.

8:15 a.m., criminal trespass was reported in the 100 block of Chicktown Road.

2:21 p.m., a brush/grass fire was reported in the 1000 block of FM 215.

7:31 p.m., a disturbance was reported in the 100 block of CR 347.

8:37 p.m., animal cruelty was reported in the 100 block of Whaley Lane.

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Jan. 30
6:44 a.m., a minor accident was reported on CR 197 before CR 196.

1:33 p.m., a fire was reported on FM 116 at Shell Mountain.
4:57 p.m., a civil matter was reported in the 500 block of Mountain Road.

5:18 p.m., criminal trespass was reported in the 100 block of College Avenue.
5:56 p.m., a domestic dis-

turbance was reported in the 6600 block of Harmon Road.

6:38 p.m., a livestock complaint was reported in the 400 block of Greenbriar Road.

Jan. 31
5:17 a.m., a minor accident was reported on CR 197 and N. Hwy. 36.

9:28 a.m., a minor accident was reported in the 14000 block of S. Hwy. 36.
12:55 p.m., criminal mischief was reported in the 500 block of E. Leon Street.

1:40 p.m., a domestic disturbance was reported in the 300 block of FM 107.

4:00 p.m., a structure fire was reported in the 100 block of Harrell Drive.

10:12 p.m., a threat was reported in the 1700 block of CR 132.

Feb. 1
5:32 a.m., a minor accident was reported in the 14000 block of E. Hwy. 84 near CR 306.

6:58 a.m., criminal trespass was reported in the 100 block of Main Street in Oglesby.

9:27 a.m., a theft was reported in the 3300 block of CR 318.

2:10 p.m., a threat was reported in the 300 block of FM 107.

4:26 p.m., a minor accident was reported in the 500 block of FM 1783.

7:31 p.m., a domestic disturbance was reported in the 100 block of CR 347.

CENTEX CRIME STOPPERS

City property damaged with graffiti

Centex Crime Stoppers can use your help in solving a case of graffiti with a pecuniary loss of more than \$2,500. Between Jan. 24 and Jan. 30, 2023 an unknown person(s) damaged city property by spray-painting gang related slogans. The acts were committed at Raby Park and Faunt Le Roy Park. Depictions relating to Latin gangs, the Bloods, anarchy, and assorted slurs were spray-painted in various locations throughout the two parks. No suspect description is available.

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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, Gatesville; 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; 200 Live Oak Street, Evant; 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: 9775 TX-36, Gatesville; 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, Gatesville; 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; 2819 South Hwy. 36, Gatesville; 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, Gatesville; 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.

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JONESBORO BAPTIST CHURCH: Matt Dossey, pastor; 11420 North State Hwy. S, Jonesboro; Sunday services - Sunday School 10 a.m., morning worship 10:50 a.m.

KING BAPTIST CHURCH: Charles W. McKamie, pastor; 6730 FM 1783, Gatesville; Sunday services - Sunday School 10 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m., evening worship 6 p.m.

LIBERTY BAPTIST CHURCH: Royle T. Cockrell, DMin., Pastor; Corner of FM 107 & HWY 36, 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: David Crosby, Interim Pastor; 113 FM 107, Gatesville; Sunday services - Sunday School 9:15 a.m., morning worship 10:30 a.m., Wed. evening Youth and Children's Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

MOUNTAIN BAPTIST CHURCH: Rev. Kurt Fuessel, pastor; 6319 US-84, Gatesville; Sunday services - Sunday School 10 a.m., morning worship

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"Do not be wise in your own eyes."
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— Christopher Simon

11 a.m., evening worship 6 p.m. Prayer meeting 7:00 p.m. Wednesday.

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PEARL COUNTRY CHURCH: 2082 FM 1690, Gatesville; Sunday morning worship 10 a.m.

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TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH: Bro. Sam Crosby, Pastor; 1506 West Main, Gatesville; 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: trinitybctx2@centurylink.net. Church: 254-865-8495 or Pre-school: 254-248-0041.

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WESTVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH: Interim Pastor: Eddie Taylor; 1102 West Main Street, Gatesville; Sunday School 10 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m.

WHITE HALL BAPTIST CHURCH: Mike Barron, pastor; 2040 CR 238, Gatesville; Sunday school at 10 a.m.; Sunday morning worship services 11 a.m.; 254-679-3200.

WHITE MOUND BAPTIST CHURCH: Bruce Cox, pastor. Sun. services - Sun. School 10 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m. 642 CR 320. Mailing address: P.O. Box 103, Mound, TX 76558. **MOUND COWBOY CHURCH** Bruce Cox, pastor; Sunday services - morning worship 9 a.m., Sunday school 9:30 a.m. Men's breakfast every third Saturday of the month at 8 a.m. Inside: 3075 FM 931, outside: 2000 CR 321. Mailing address: P.O. Box 103, Mound, TX 76558. For more info. and location, call 254-865-5908.

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worship 6 p.m.

EVANT CHURCH OF CHRIST: Will Vann, Preacher; 310 West Brooks Drive, Evant; 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: 4605 St. Hwy. 36 South, Gatesville; Sunday services - Morning worship 10:30 a.m.

GATESVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST: Justin Hall, minister; 2417 East Main, Gatesville; Sunday Bible class 9:30 a.m., morning service 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday Bible classes 6:30 p.m.

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

MIDWAY CHURCH OF CHRIST: 1955 CR 3640, Copperas Cove, TX 76522; Sunday 9:30 a.m. Bible Study, 10:30 a.m. Worship; Wednesdays 5:30 p.m. Bible Study; Royce 512-734-5390 or Steve 254-865-3559.

PEARL CHURCH OF CHRIST: 6790 FM 183, Pearl; Sunday services - morning worship 10:30 a.m.

CHURCH OF GOD
CORNERSTONE, Greg Demmitt, pastor; 338 State School Road, Gatesville; Sunday services - morning worship 11 a.m. www.facebook.com/pages/cornerstone/140632994733

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IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH: David Reedy, International Interim Pastor; 922 Lutheran Church Rd. in Copperas Cove; Sunday morning Bible Study at 9:15 a.m.; Sunday morning worship at 10:30 a.m.

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH: Rev. Christopher Richman, PhD; 10801 FM 929, Gatesville, Coryell City; Sunday services - Morning worship 9 a.m., Sunday School 10:15 a.m.

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH: Rev. John Heckmann, pastor; Hwy. 36 and FM 1114, The Grove; Sunday services - Sunday School 9 a.m., worship 10:15 a.m.

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FIRST METHODIST CHURCH OF GATESVILLE: 2600 E. Main Street, Gatesville; Stephen Schmidt, pastor; Sunday worship - 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. WEDNESDAY WORD: Meal at 5:30 p.m. \$3; youth, Children and Adult Bible Studies at 6:00 p.m. AA meets Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6:30 p.m. Visit us at fumcgatesville.org for more information.

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099 PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of ANNA AGUIAR a.k.a ANNA AGUIAR MIER, Deceased, were issued on January 26, 2023 in Cause No. 22-10749, pending in the County Court at Law of Coryell County, Texas, to: JOE VELEZ. 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: Mary Wiley, Attorney at Law, 100 W. Central Texas Expressway, Suite 302, Harker Heights, Texas 76548. DATED the 30th day of January, 2023. MARY WILEY, Attorney for JOE VELEZ, State Bar No.: 24032669, 100 W. Central Texas Expressway, Suite 302, Harker Heights, Texas 76548, Telephone: (254) 634-6969, Facsimile: (254) 634-6587, E-mail: mary@lindleylawoffices.com

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► 2/1 brick home, 560 W Hwy. 84, Evant, TX. Recently painted, updated shower, garage/workshop, fenced in backyard, utility shed-boat shed. \$169,500
► 1.064 acres, 4/2 Doublewide Home, 509 W Brooks Dr., Evant, TX. Open floor plan, fireplace, island in kitchen, garden tub, walk-in closet, 2-car carport, shed. \$168,500
► 10.01 acres east of Evant, TX. Lot 8, Phase 5, Rio Escondido Subdivision. Good tree cover, rolling terrain, great views to build a home, gated subdivision. \$119,900
► 10.01 acres north of Evant, TX. Lot 85, Phase 4, Rio Escondido. Rolling Terrain, good tree cover, good views. \$129,500
► 10.01 acres, Lot 20, Phase 4, Rio Escondido, north of Evant, TX. Good tree cover, great views. \$150,000
► 10.01 acres, Lot 28, Phase 4, Rio Escondido, north of Evant, TX. Good tree cover, great views. \$200,000
► 10.01 acres, Evant, TX, Buffalo Creek Ranch Subdivision, Lot No. 53, Langford Branch. Nice home site, scattered tree cover, native pasture. \$225,000
► 11 +/- acres at Arnett, TX in Coryell County. Good tree cover, nice home site, the property will need to be fenced on the east boundary. You will need to drill a water well for water. \$179,500
► 11.64 acres, 3/2 home south of Evant, TX in Coryell County. Nice porch, large master bedroom and bath, barn, workshop, seasonal creek, Hwy. 281 frontage. \$850,000
► 20.02 acres, Evant, TX, CR 421, Hamilton County, Lot No. 21, Mulberry Creek. rolling terrain, good tree cover. \$250,000
► 20.02 acres, Evant, TX PR 42107, Hamilton County, Lot 43, Phase 6, Rio Escondido. Rolling terrain, good tree cover, season creek. \$265,000
► 21 acres south of Evant TX, CR 154 W, Coryell County. Rolling terrain, scattered tree cover, good views, electricity running across the property. \$252,000
► 25 acres west of Purnela, TX on CR 181. Stock tank, good exterior fencing on 3 sides, 1 side will need to be fenced, coastal and native grasses. \$275,000
► 25.06 acres, Pottsville, TX Hamilton County, Paloma Vista Subdivision, Lot 31. Rolling terrain, scattered tree cover, great views. \$275,000
► 33.43 acres near Coryell City, Coryell County, FM 929 & CR 260 frontage. Rolling terrain, good views. \$295,000
► 36 +/- acres west of Evant, TX, Hamilton County. Scattered tree cover & rolling terrain, Fiber Optic Internet Service, you will need to drill a water well. \$387,000
► 47.332 ac. south of Ireland, TX. Good tree cover, rolling terrain, good fencing on 3 sides, southside will need to be fenced. \$395,000
► 50.07 acres 8 miles south of Evant TX, Coryell County, CR 154. Rolling terrain, good tree cover and good views. \$425,000
► 50.28 acres 8 miles south of Evant TX, Coryell County, CR 154. Rolling terrain, good tree cover, good views, electricity on northeast corner of property. \$425,000
► 50.24 acres, 3/2.5 home, 2171 CR 419, Evant, TX. Rolling terrain, 40% being good tree cover, the remaining balance being open pasture, great views. \$675,000
► 52.73 acres, 3/2.5 barndominium, 1197 CR 404, Hamilton, TX. 1 water well, metal building, nice porch, good tree cover, rolling terrain, 2 tanks, good fences. \$899,000
► 68.9 acres, 3/2.5 rock home 101 Mac Dr., Gatesville, TX. Approx. 2900 ft. of Leon River frontage, ceramic tile floors, carpet in the bedrooms, vaulted ceiling, rock fireplace, granite countertops, breakfast bar, garden tub, metal building approx. 45 ft x 24 ft, older barn approx. 50 ft. x 30 ft., cattle pens, 1 stock tank, approx. 48 acres of coastal. \$1,375,000
► 74.264 acres west of Purnela, TX, FM 1241 & CR 181. Stock tank, barn, cattle pens, good exterior fencing, approx. 65 acres with coastal & native grasses. \$556,980
► 88.007 acres, 36 ft. Travel Trailer, 25 ft. x 30 ft. metal barn, electricity, 1 tank, seasonal branch, water well, scattered tree cover, good hunting. \$720,000
► 100.054 acres 8 miles south of Evant TX, Coryell County. Rolling terrain, good tree cover, good views, Electric on property. \$850,000
► 105 acres south of Pearl, TX on Self Rd. Good tree cover, rolling terrain, small barn, rain harvest system. \$743,775
► 179.562 acres 1.6 miles south of Gatesville, TX, FM 116 frontage, great views, stock tank, rolling terrain & scattered tree cover. \$1,230,000
► 252.87 acres, 3 Br, 2 Ba home, open floor plan, wood burning fireplace, breakfast bar, ceramic tile in kitchen, breakfast area & bathrooms. Laminite wood flooring in living room & carpet in 2 bedrooms, inground pool with slab that was pour for a future outdoor kitchen, 3 car attached carport with 12 ft. x 13 ft. storage building, a 60 ft. x 66 ft. metal building with 24 ft. x 60 ft. lean-to, there is also approx. 900 sq. ft. that has been framed out for living quarters inside the main part of the building, good exterior & interior fencing, set of cattle pens near the center of the property, rolling terrain with scattered tree cover and great views. \$2,150,000

045 SERVICES

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JEFF OSBORNE | THE GATESVILLE MESSENGER

Top photo, Taylor Coward looks to drive past a pair of Gatesville defenders in a home contest on Jan. 27 against China Spring. Because of freezing weather, a game that had been scheduled for Tuesday against Connally was moved to Thursday evening. Bottom photo, Kamryn Higginbotham runs past two China Spring defenders.



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Area Fishing Report

Belton

GOOD. Water lightly stained; 52 degrees; 13.89 feet below pool. The extended cold weather brought in by Winter Storm Mara will likely drive reservoir temperatures to their winter lows thanks to multiple days of unbroken below freezing temperatures, cold winds, frozen precipitation and lack of direct sunlight. White bass fishing will require anglers to reset expectations for lower than average results.

Top approaches include snap-jigging with intentional, long pauses between snaps using the smallest, 3/8 ounce Bladed Hazy Eye Slab in white for bottom-oriented fish, or using a deadsticking approach for suspended fish using a horizontally-oriented shad-imitating soft plastic of less than 3 inches in length on a jighead. Bird activity can be misleading, as gulls and terns turn their focus on feeding around loons and cormorants instead of around shad-eating game fish. Report by Bob Maindelle, Holding the Line Guide Service.

Catfishing has been great. With cooling water temperatures blue catfish can be found in deeper water flats with soft bottoms. Slow drifting has been productive with cut bait. Report by Brian Worley, B&S Catfishing.

Stillhouse Hollow

GOOD. Water lightly stained; 51 degrees; 11.92 feet below pool. The extended cold weather brought in by Winter Storm Mara will likely drive reservoir temperatures to winter lows thanks to multiple days of unbroken below freezing temperatures, cold winds, frozen precipitation and lack of direct sunlight. White bass fishing will require anglers to reset expectations for lower than average results.

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Waco

GREAT. Water stained; 55 degrees; 11.88 feet below pool. Crappie are good on brush piles and break lines in 15-25 feet using minnows and chartreuse and white or monkey milk 1/8 ounce jigs. Bass are in brush piles in 10-15 feet of water and also at the mouths of creeks with steeper break lines and rock. Fishing slowly with finesse jigs, shaky heads and squarebill crankbaits.

White and hybrid bass are moving with the shad right now, so fish just under the shad. Report provided by Justin Priscock, Priscocks Fishing Guide Service. Crappie are 30 feet deep suspended 15-20 feet in the water column, or on brush piles in 15-20 feet of water using ounce jigheads paired with ATX lures. Report by Zach Minnix, JigNjerk Guide Service. Fish continue to be scattered. Crappie are roaming in the creek channel suspending close to drop-offs or main lake points using crappie jigs paired with a 1/16 ounce eye hole jig. Report by Robert Stover, Workingman Crappie Guide.

Whitney

GREAT. Water lightly stained; 54 degrees; 6.81 feet below pool. Whitney fishing for striped bass continues to be good to excellent on jigs and live shad fished from Cedron Creek to the river near Plowman Creek. Look for the birds. Largemouth bass are good near the bluffs and in the river near deeper holes with structure. Sand bass catches are being reported in the river near Kimball Bend to Hamm's creek. Report by Michael Acosta, Unfair Advantage Charters.

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Hornet lifters have the power



COLLEEN FITZER | THE GATESVILLE MESSANGER

The Gatesville High School girls powerlifting team finished sixth at the recent Waco University powerlifting meet. Kasey Fitzer, pictured at left, won a gold medal for the Hornets, winning the 114-pound class. She had a three-lift total of 595 pounds at the event, which included 225 pounds in the squat, 125 pounds in the bench press and 245 pounds in the deadlift. Vielka Gonzalez, pictured at right, finished in fourth place. Also finishing fourth were Bayelyn Roberts and Brookelynn Byrd. Finishing fifth for GHS were Lindsey Cummings, Isabela Mondragon and Lena Clawson.



COLLEEN FITZER | THE GATESVILLE MESSANGER

Keyana Weeb, left, and Gab Charles, right, both lift for Gatesville High School in a recent powerlifting meet at University High School in Waco.

Making the transition from football to tennis for Gatesville High



SE'VETTE EARLY | THE GATESVILLE MESSANGER

Lucas Garcia, a varsity line-man for the Gatesville High School football team, won a tennis match recently against an opponent from Wall High School. Garcia earned GHS its only victory against Wall.