



Howe's That

by Monte Walker

1957, 1990, 2007 and now 2015 - the supposed 100-year event of the Lake Texoma spillway going over has happened now four times within that period and each occurrence is more frequent than the one before. Early Sunday morning, the lake level reached the 640 foot elevation point which is the magic number to reach the crest and go over the spillway. With another flash flood in Grayson County on Sunday morning, this means trouble for the upcoming week east of the Red River and downstream.

Howe citizens who had signed up for CodeRED had alerts going off all weekend due to the flooding. It's nice to be 'Summit' in these times.

The 1957 flood video that was posted on HoweEnterprise.com has had over 8,000 views as of publication time Sunday night. The website has now had over 110,000 visits from over 44,000 different visitors since July 1, 2014 when we started tracking it via Google Analytics. That's some pretty heavy traffic for those advertisers who are paying pennies on the dollar compared to other local media outlets.

Lady Tigers steal home; Lady Bulldogs steal hearts

When all was said and done, the Howe Lady Bulldogs traveled further in the playoffs than any other Howe softball, football, baseball or girls basketball team before them. They were oh so close to advancing to yet another round if it weren't for the talented and well-coached Whitewright Lady Tigers.

If there were such a thing as ESPN Instant High School Classic, both games of the two-game region II semifinals would have already aired by now.

Game one featured dominant starting pitchers, senior Tori Perkins for Whitewright and Howe freshman Torrey Stubblefield. Howe, being the visiting team had a great opportunity to score in the first inning when freshman Peyton Streetman, batting second in the order singled through



Senior Christina Counts gets a hug from father Chris Counts after her last game as a Lady Bulldog. Photo by Michelle Carney

for the first hit of the series. She then stole second base and third place Kayla Anderson's grounder to second, but with two outs, Stubblefield popped up to the first baseman and advanced to second and third on

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Whitmire talks rain, roads and re-election



Grayson County Precinct 1 Commissioner Jeff Whitmire said that the rainy spring has forced the plans for 2015 to be completely set aside due to the impact the excess water has had on the Grayson County roads that they are responsible for maintaining.

Whitmire said on Tuesday that the county didn't see as much

rain anticipated which allowed the flood control lakes to dissipate. Those lakes were completely full and Lake Texoma was up to 635 feet as of Wednesday. The Army Corps of Engineers claimed last Monday that Lake Texoma would not go over the spillway level of 640 feet.

However, it crested the barrier yesterday morning at 4 am.

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Belden elected to State Bar Board of Directors



Micah Belden, newest member of the Texas State Bar Board of Directors

Howe High School Class of 1998 graduate, Micah Belden has recently been elected to the Texas State Bar Board of Directors to represent 18 counties in Northeast Texas.

The State Bar is a self governing organization of lawyers who to some degree govern themselves. The Texas Supreme Court is in charge of the practice of law in Texas but disciplinary, administrative and accountability aspect is managed by the State Bar.

Belden needed 100 signatures from attorneys for the nomination to the Board of Directors. After the nomination, he had to win an election that saw him start with an opponent and end unopposed.

"Ralph Hall once told me, 'you either run unopposed or you run scared.'" said Belden.

Belden says that one of the most important jobs of the board is to appoint a Grievance Panel which consists of five attorneys and two non-attorneys. Currently, another former Howe graduate Kim Carson sits on the Grievance Panel.

Belden will represent the district which includes 18 counties from Grayson, Collin and east to Bowie.

Belden says one of the biggest issues coming up is the Texas Sunset Commission which reviews monetary spending and accountability. That is being done for each organization that the legislature creates.

"Not everyone agrees with lawyers governing themselves and being willing to appoint lawyers to these grievance committees. They are not necessarily anti-lawyer, but aren't going to let lawyers slide into misconduct." said Belden.

Belden graduated from Texas A&M in 2002 and then graduated from the University of Houston Law School in 2005. He is the son of Johnny and Cheryl Belden, both of which are also Howe High School graduates. He is the grandson of former Howe Enterprise and Allied Office Supply owner and Howe Chamber president, the late Bob Walker.

After obtaining his law degree, he started renting an office from Johnny Brown in Sherman, but has always had his own practice.

"The first six months I was eating beans, paying bills and sweating it out." said Belden. "It took about a year to really get going and things have really worked out."

After a minimum of five years, Belden sat for the Criminal Law Specialty Exam and passed it.

Belden will serve a three-year term and will visit each of the 18 counties and represent them in Austin. He says that he was able to gain experience for this by serving previously on the board of the Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Assoc.

"This is something that I've always been interested in." says Belden. "Robert Guest, of Kaufman County is our outgoing representative. And he gave a talk and update in Fannin County and that inspired me to get involved."

When Belden was first placed on the ballot, he was to be opposed to Ron Chapman, but he backed out of the race due to circumstances.

Belden says he has no other political aspirations beyond this scope. "I just want to be the best criminal defense attorney I can be. What I do is not always very politically popular but it's very important to support the poor and downtrodden. 90 percent of people that violate the law are first time offenders. Everyone deserves a fair voice and work as hard on their side as the prosecutors are fighting on their side."

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Farmers praying for rain...to stop



With the rain that has saturated North Texas for most of the entire 2015 year so far, farmers caught with the strangest scenario in as long as anyone can remember. Howe crop farmer Jack Norman says that the wheat is about two weeks away from typical maturity and harvest.

"Our main concern now with the wheat is the head sprout," said Norman. "Once wheat is mature and you have moisture that keeps it damp, the seed will start to germinate. When that happens, it reduces the quality of the wheat and you can't sell it for milling purposes and it's discounted heavily."

Even if that doesn't happen, the farmers are facing low test weights.

Wheat is 60 pounds per bushel by standard. Anything below that is discounted. If the test weight comes in around 56 or 57 pounds per bushel, it can see discounts of 10-30 percent, which obviously is a tremendous devaluation of the crop.

The other main concern with the wheat is just the sheer ability to even harvest it. The ground is so soft, that it's almost impossible to walk in, much less drive a combine in.

"We're making preparations and putting rice tires on our combines," said Norman.

Rice tires have heavy cleats with cleats designed to run in wet ground.

"Either you're going to have to have four-wheel-drive combines or rice tires or both to harvest it," said Norman.

As far as the corn, a lot of it wasn't able to even be planted in the first place due to the wet season. According to the Farm Service Agency in Sherman, only 20 to 30 percent of all of the acres in Grayson County were planted due to the lack of opportunity to do it. Those that were planted are turning yellow and water-logged.

"What we're having to do there is fly on fertilizer," said Norman. "That's a last resort because it's very expensive and if this rain continues, we're just digging ourselves deeper and deeper in a hole. We're not going to make anything anyway. But we're trying to be optimistic and try to have the opportunity to make an average crop."

Another problem is that a spray for alphatoxins has to be applied to the corn in the next two weeks. Alphatoxin is a fungus that if it prevails in the corn, it cannot be sold for human or animal consumption.

"We had some agronomist look at

it the last couple of days and we're two weeks away from spraying," said Norman. "Typically, most of that stuff is done with ground rigs, but it will also have to be done with airplanes."

Usually right now, they will be applying Roundup to the corn to clean up the weeds and grass in the corn. However, they can't do that with airplanes because it is too hazardous.

"We're just kind of up against the wall on the corn," said Norman. "All of us plant genetically modified corn and we don't till the corn anymore. We used to have to cultivate it or work it with hoes. But now when the corn is about three foot tall right before the leaves canopy, we spray Roundup with ground rigs and it's safe doing that. But in airplanes it's real risky unless you're in an isolated area."

Norman says that the last 20-30 years have never had the exact duplicate of this weather pattern. He says that in 1984 and 2007 were wet years, but it was a different time frame. This one, he says, has been the most challenging.

The rain hasn't affected just the crop

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Precinct 1 *continued from Page #1*



Jeff Whitmire
Grayson County Commissioner,
Precinct 1

"This has been a pretty difficult year." said Whitmire. "Through today (Tuesday) in Grayson County, we've had just over 21 inches of rain and normal through the end of May is 17. We've already has as much rain as we normally would have through mid-July."

As of Tuesday, Grayson County had ten rainy days where May normally sees seven.

"The ground is completely saturated. If it rains, everything is runoff." said Whitmire. "There is nothing that is going to be absorbing into the ground. With that condition, most of our ditches, roads, culverts and bridges weren't designed to take that level of runoff."

Whitmire says that it's been so wet that even the good roads are now having the underlying structure getting soft and trucks and tractors are crumbling the pavement and asphalt.

After spending six weeks analyzing a budget for the 327 miles of roads in Precinct 1 to upgrade and repair,

Whitmire says that the plan has been thrown out the window and all of the resources now have to go to repairs on an as-needed basis.

"We've got to hit the worst things first." said Whitmire. "Once we get past that, then we'll evaluate somewhere between the condition of the road and the demand of the road. But right now we've just got to try to patch pot holes and repairing backwalls of culverts to keep the roads safe."

Whitmire says that when the roads were blacktopped over the last 20 years, they weren't prepared properly and that the cost of asphalt oils were pretty cheap, therefore, the county paved a dirt trail rather than going in and putting a good lift of road base and now those issues are that the life of the roads are not holding up as if it were properly constructed.

A few years ago, the county did an experiment by using decomposed granite. Whitmire says that decomposed granite will make a great rural gravel road or a driveway but never solidifies or packs in. Therefore, when the asphalt was placed on top of it, the granite moves around and lets the asphalt break off.

"Now I've got roads that may be only five or six years old that I'm having to rebuild because of what they did there." said Whitmire. "When you rebuild a road, half of the cost is in going back with good road base."

Whitmire was elected and took over two and a half years ago and immediately had to remove two county maintenance employees

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Lady Bulldogs *Continued from Page #1*



Dani Ross congratulated by her father and fans
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Whitewright escaped trouble with two runners in scoring position. In the bottom of the second, the Lady Tigers went three-up-three-down. Perkins settled down in the top of the second by striking out the side. Stubblefield was just as impressive by not allowing a run until the bottom of the third.

Whitewright's Tucker Caraway walked and later scored the game's first run when she stole third base and Emily Sander's throw from home sailed over Peyton Griffin's head. Caraway came home on the throw.

Whitewright would later add to their 1-0 lead in the bottom of the fifth when the pitcher Perkins led off the inning with a single. After a walk to the nine-hole hitter, Sierra Cate hit a liner to the alley in right field in which the ball bounced off of Streetman and was retrieved by Christina Counts. Perkins scored on the play, but the relay was able to get Cates out at second. The Lady Tigers led 2-0 at the end of five.

The Lady Bulldogs answered right back in the top of the sixth inning when Anderson homered down the line on a shot that just cleared the wall at the 200 foot mark.

Stubblefield then singled and Dani Ross hit a game-tying single up the middle to drive in Kamryn Fulenchek, who was running for the pitcher Stubblefield. Counts then had a huge RBI double to bring in Ross to give Howe the 3-2 lead headed to the seventh inning.

Stubblefield, still on the mound, quickly struckout Perkins for her sixth strikeout of the night. Needing only two outs for the win, Stubblefield walked the nine-hole hitter and then walked the leadoff hitter Caraway. Cate bunted to Anderson at first, who fired to third to try and get the lead runner, but Clark was safe at third and that made the bases loaded with one out for shortstop Hatty Shope, the sophomore daughter of Head Coach Phil Shope. The sophomore roped a hard single up the middle that would score the tying and winning runs. Whitewright took a 1-0 series lead headed to game two on Friday night in Prosper.

With more rain, the field crew had to do extra work to get the infield ready for the game than the night before. Sophomore Madisyn Hargrove was the starting pitcher for Howe, while Whitewright threw senior Caraway. Howe was the

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home team and Hargrove would face Caraway to lead off the game and promptly sent her to first on a free pass. Caraway would eventually score the game's first run when the hero from the night before, Hatty Shope laid down a perfect suicide squeeze. She would later score on a wild pitch by Hargrove and Whitewright took the early 2-0 lead before Howe had even taken a swing.

Just as the night before, the Lady Bulldogs answered right back when senior Peyton Tinney hit a three-run bomb over the left center field wall that drove in Erin Blackburn, who had singled and Streetman, who walked.

Whitewright would tie the game in the third when Shope led off with a single and scored on an RBI single

by CJ Crane. Stubblefield then came in to relieve Hargrove and struckout two of the next three hitters to get out of the inning with the game tied at three.

Whitewright went ahead 4-3 on a solo homer by Caraway in the fourth, however speedster Blackburn it a single and a two-base error that put her at third. She would later score on a wild pitch.

In the top of the seventh, Shope walked to leadoff the inning. She advanced to second on a groundout by her sister, senior Anna Shope. She then stole third base after Crane popped out to Blackburn at short. Jaidyn Melichar hit a grounder to Hargrove, who made a diving stop to keep it in the infield and save a run, but a walk to

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Farmers

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growers, but the cattle farmers have also experienced problems due to the fact that one cutting of hay normally has already been produced by this time. However, not only has the one cut not happened, the ground is too wet for there to be a cut now. Just to feed the cattle has been a challenge due to not only the rain, but the ice that was prevalent in March.

The crop farmers have had to also deal with other uncommon issues that have crept up. Norman says that this weather pattern can cause a fungus on the wheat called rust. Its a spore that gets on the leaves and doesn't spread in dry weather. However, in this current climate, it spreads and eventually will kill all of the leaves on the plant and wheat wouldn't make.

"When all of these cropdusters were flying around a few weeks ago, they were spraying a product for rust." said Norman. "Typically we spray that with ground rigs too."

The airplanes are very good, but are very expensive to utilize. It cost anywhere from \$7.50 to \$20 per acre just for the flying.

"We're fortunate that we've got an airport at Sherman that we're able to utilize." said Norman. "If you're in Fannin County, you have a difficult time to operate. Some of those guys fly out of Sherman to go all the way to Leonard and Trenton and it's very expensive because they charge you by the mile."

The worst case scenario is that it continues to rain for the next two or three weeks and the wheat would have bad head sprouts. At that point, the farmers could see an insurance claim if it's not harvestable. The probable scenario is that they are able to harvest it and then see a 10-20 percent reduction in value.

Most farmers are required to have crop insurance in place mandated by their lending institution. Most people insure 60 to 70 percent of their crops after the insurance requirements of a 10 year history production record based on the calculation of bushels.

"It's pretty expensive, but it's the way you get money loaned to you and it's some security." said Norman. "You're not going to make any money, but you're not going to lose your input cost."

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Local Church Calendar

First United Methodist Church of Howe

- Tuesday, May 26**
9:30 am - Women's Bible Study
- Wednesday, May 27**
9:00 am - Wednesday Workers
6:30 pm - Discover Christ (Children)
- 6:30 pm - Women's Bible Study
- 6:30 pm - Jr. High Youth
- 7:30 pm - Sr. High Youth
- Thursday, May 28**
6:00 pm - Boy Scouts
- Sunday, May 31**
9:00 am - Sunday School
10:00 am - Worship service
3:00 pm - Cub Scouts
7:30 pm - Men's Bible Study

First Baptist Church Howe

- Tuesday, May 26**
7:00 pm - Ladies Bible Study
7:00 pm - Men's Bible Study
- Wednesday, May 27**
6:30 pm - Fuel
6:45 pm - Adult Bible Study
7:00 pm - Youth Bible Study
7:30 pm - Choir
- Sunday, May 31**
8:30 am - Traditional Worship service
9:45 am - Bible Fellowship
11:00 am - Contemporary Worship service

Community Bible Fellowship

- Monday, May 25**
7:00 pm - Luella home group Bible Study
- Wednesday, May 27**
6:30 pm - Food and Fellowship
7:00 pm - Children's Ministry
7:00 pm - Youth and Adult Bible Study
- Sunday, May 31**
10:15 am - Worship Service
7:00 pm - Howe home group Bible Study

Howe Church of Christ

- Tuesday, May 26**
10:00 am - Terrific Tuesday Bible Class
- Wednesday, May 27**
7:00 pm - Bible Classes (all ages)
- Friday, May 29**
7:00 pm - Friday Bible Study Group
- Sunday, May 31**
9:00 am - Bible Classes (all ages)
10:00 am - Worship Service
6:00 pm - Worship Service

First Baptist Church Dorchester

- Wednesday, May 27**
6:00 pm - Meal (Donations for adults and kids eat free)
6:30 pm - Praise service
7:00 pm - Youth Bible Study
7:00 pm - Adult Bible Study
7:00 pm - RA's/GA's/children's group
- Sunday, May 31**
9:00 am - Men's Prayer Time
9:45 am - Sunday School
10:45 am - A.M. Worship Service
5:00 pm - Adult Chior Practice
6:00 pm - Evening Worship

New Beginning Fellowship

- Wednesday, May 27**
7:00 pm - Adult Bible Study
7:00 pm - Kids Church
7:00 pm - Radiate Youth
- Sunday, May 31**
10:00 am - Kids Church
10:00 am - Morning Service

A Christian Fellowship, Luella

- Wednesday, May 27**
6:30 pm - Potluck Meal
7:00 pm - Worship Service
7:00 pm - Jr & Sr High Youth
- Sunday, May 31**
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“Above all, my friends do not swear by anything. Let your yes be yes and your no be no. Otherwise you will be condemned,” James 5:12.

It is difficult for some to simply say yes or no. It could be several reasons; the vagueness of not having to follow through with what you say, deceitfulness and not wanting others to know your true intentions, or the avoidance of making a decision. It could be that you had good intent but changed your mind. Whatever the reason, God expects His children to be clear cut with their words. We aren't to wade in the subtle grey areas of uncertainty with our words. Rather we are to be people who speak plainly, clearly, and truthfully so that we aren't condemned by our own words. Think before you give a yes or no, words are powerful.

This type of swearing James is referring to isn't using profanity, although scripture clearly condemns using coarse language among believers. Swearing in this scripture is about making oaths or promises to others. Having the urge to swear reveals someone

may feel they have to prove themselves to others. Believers don't feel the need to make promises if they're living righteous lives.

God cares about our promises. As children of the King, we represent our spiritual family by our words and actions. In Matthew 12:36-7, Jesus said, “But I tell you that everyone will have to give account on the Day of Judgment for every empty word they have spoken. For by your words you will be acquitted, and by your words you will be condemned”.

One day we will have to give an account for our broken promises so it would be easier to live and speak words of integrity. Speak the truth in love and your righteous actions will speak volumes as to who you represent. Honor is given to God when His people keep their word.

Paul wrote about how a person in the world speaks, “Do you think I couldn't make up my mind about what to do? Or do I seem like someone who says ‘Yes’ or ‘No’ simple to please others,” 2 Corinthians 1:17. “Christ says ‘Yes’ to all of God's promises so through Him we say ‘Amen’ to the glory of God” (2 Corinthians 1:20).

Because we have this hope of “Yes and Amen” in Christ, we should live as people of faith who mean what we say and follow through with our actions. Believers are walking testimonies that Jesus changes us and makes us different than the ungodly, the unchanged and unsaved. Say what you're going to do and do what you say. “Above all, my friends do not swear by anything. Let your yes be yes and your no be no. Otherwise you will be condemned,” James 5:12.

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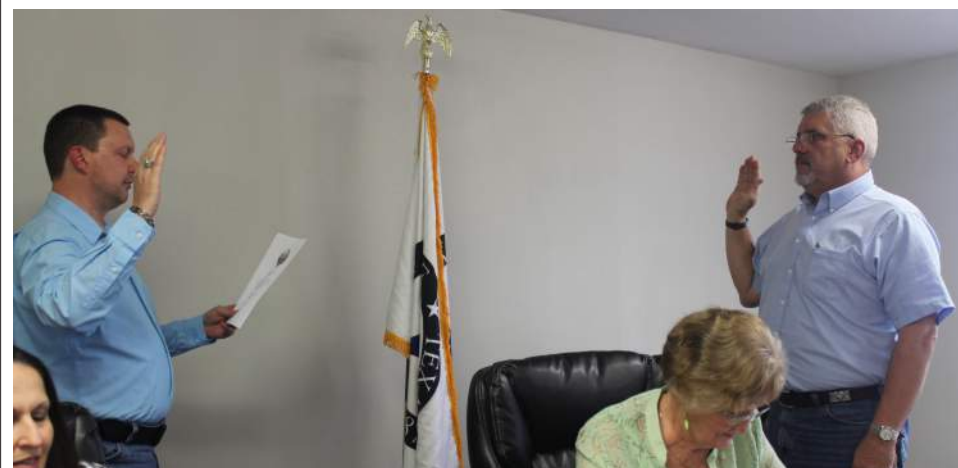
Mayor Stanley and council members sworn in for another



Mayor Jeff Stanley sworn in by City Secretary Joy Stevens



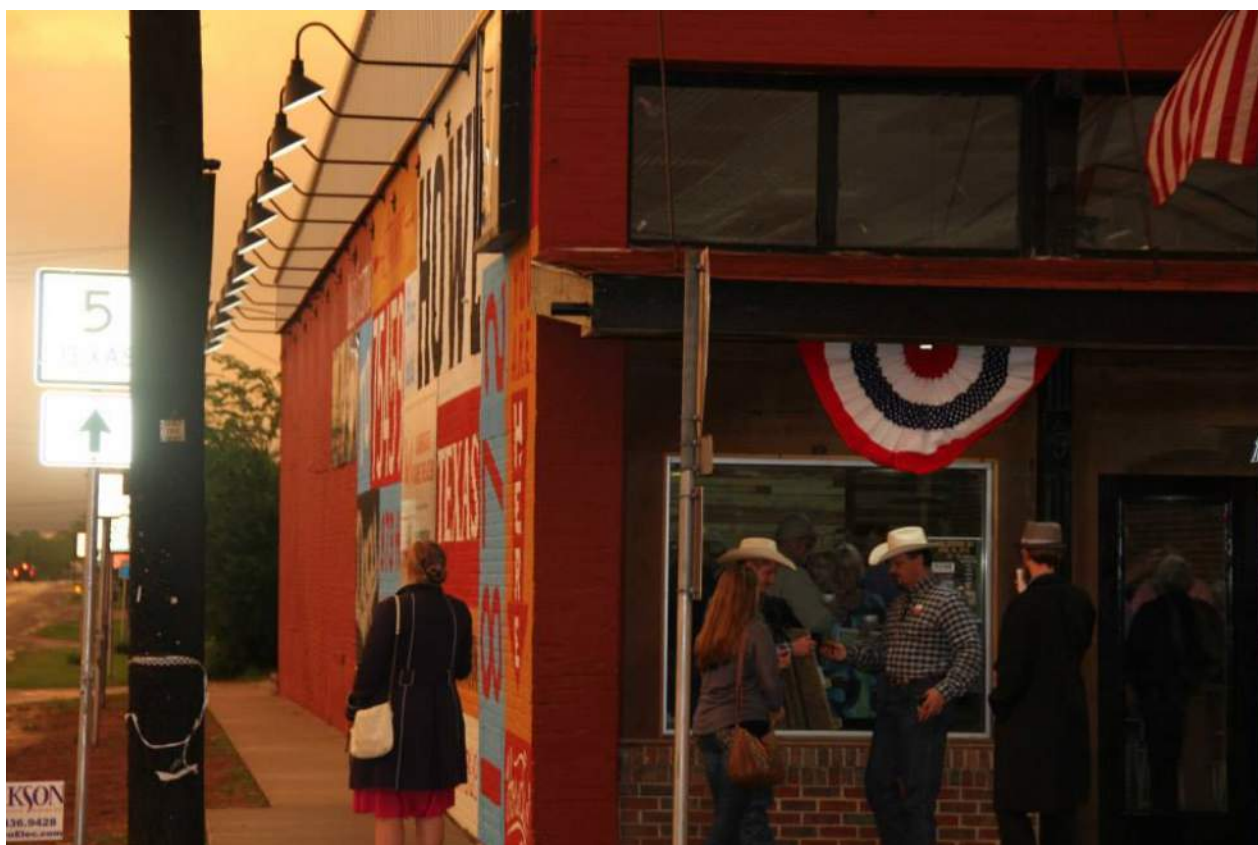
Council Member Debbie Lowery sworn in by Mayor Jeff Stanley



Council Member Bill French sworn in by Mayor Jeff Stanley

Sworn in for two more years were Mayor Jeff Stanley and council members Debbie Lowery and Bill French. All ran unopposed in their bid to return to their respective seats. Jeff Stanley has been Mayor of Howe since 2008 and is one of the longest tenured mayors in Howe's history.

Chamber to host first evening mixer downtown



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Area Chamber of Commerce



Chamber Mixer
May 28, 6:30pm
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On Thursday, May 28, the Howe Area Chamber of Commerce will hold their first downtown mixer and are inviting all of the new chamber members along with any prospective members who might want to be a part of the newly reformed chamber.

Chamber President Robert Cannaday says that the event will feature a fun way for people to get connected to each other. Cookies and other refreshments will be available.

This is the first chamber function outside of the ribbon-cutting and Hall of Honor Induction Ceremony on April 24.

Cannaday says that the evening mixer events

will take place on a monthly basis and will be held on the fourth Thursday of the month at the new HDA/Chamber office at 101 E. Haning St. in downtown Howe.

Chamber members are Bethel Baptist Church, TekWav, The Howe Enterprise, Howe Mercantile, Abby's Restaurant, Sheryl Bentley -- Ebby Halliday, Howe ISD, El Patio Escondido Mexican Restaurant, Howe Community Library, Joe and Sandra Shephard, Norman Farms, Bob Utter Ford, Linda Wall, Loretta Anderson - Texas Farm Bureau, Servpro of Sherman/Denison, Sheep Boutique, Kathy McGarry - Mayo Agency, Atmos Energy, GCEC, Got Signs & More, 3G Brand, Bill French Properties, Jim Jackson Electrical

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The original chamber of commerce in Howe started in 1964 with Cleon Hamilton as president. It was reorganized in 1972 with Ray Houston as president. In 1984, James Ogle was elected president when it was restarted for the third time. After a 24-year run, the Howe Chamber folded in 2008. Current President, Robert Cannaday, grandson of Robby and Marty Cannaday, is 25 years old, which makes him the youngest chamber president in Howe history.

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Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, is a day of remembrance for those who died in service to the United States. Memorial Day was born out of the Civil War and the desire to honor our heroic dead. In his capacity of national commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, General John Logan officially proclaimed "The 30th of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers, or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village and hamlet churchyard in the land."

On the first Decoration Day, General James Garfield made a speech at Arlington National Cemetery, and 5,000 participants decorated the graves of the 20,000 Union and Confederate soldiers buried there.

The first state to officially recognize the holiday was New York in 1873. By 1890 it was recognized by all of the northern states. The South refused to acknowledge the day, honoring their dead on separate days until after WWI when the holiday changed from honoring just those who died fighting in the Civil War to commemorating Americans who died fighting in any war.

Memorial Day is now observed in almost every state on the last Monday in May with Congressional passage of the National Holiday Act of 1971, though several southern states have an additional separate day for honoring their Confederate war dead.

In 1915, Moina Michael, who was inspired by the poem "In Flanders Fields," responded with her own poem:

We cherish too, the Poppy red,
That grows on fields where valor led,
It seems to signal to the skies
That blood of heroes never dies.

Ms. Michael conceived of the idea of wearing red poppies on Memorial Day in honor of those who died serving the nation during war. She was the first to wear one, and sold poppies to her friends and co-workers with the money going to benefit servicemen in need. Shortly before Memorial Day in 1922 the VFW became the first veterans' organization to nationally sell poppies.

Although many towns claim to be the birthplace of Memorial Day, Waterloo N.Y. was officially given this distinction by President Lyndon Johnson in May 1966.

The "National Moment of Remembrance" resolution was passed in 2000 which asks that at 3 p.m. local time, for all Americans "To voluntarily and informally observe in their own way a moment of remembrance and respect, pausing from whatever they are doing for a moment of silence or listening to "Taps." God Bless America and our brave members of the Armed Forces, not only on this day, but every day.

Dr. Georgia Caraway, former director of the Denton County Museums for 14 years, and her friends opened the Howe Mercantile on April 25. Store hours are Thursday through Saturday, noon to 8 p.m. In addition to Tips, Tools, & Techniques: Caring for Your Antiques and Collectibles, she has written four Denton history books and is working on a 5th history about the North Texas State Fair and Rodeo.

Howe Police Reports

May 18 – Howe Police Sgt. Mike Hill and Officers David Morris and Brandon Ozuna arrested a 41-year-old Howe resident on outstanding warrants for Child Pornography, Aggravated Sexual Assault of a Child, and Indecency with a Child. Police say the charges did not originate from any offense in Howe. The suspect was booked into the Grayson County Jail.

May 19– HPD Officer Robert Todd arrested a 51-year-old Denison woman on outstanding warrants for Felony Bail Jumping, Failure to Appear, Motion to Revoke (Poss CS PG 2 > 1), Failure to Appear (Man/Del CS PG 1 > 1g) and 2 Capias warrants. The arrest was the result of a traffic stop on NB US Hwy 75 in which the Denison woman was a passenger. The woman initially lied about her identity. She had additional charges added for Failure to Identify and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. And yes, the stop was on Hwy 75. And for the few who believe our officers shouldn't work the highway, our officers' efforts there have resulted in the identification of bank robbers, the recovery of stolen vehicles, the arrests of countless wanted individuals, the arrests of numerous drunk drivers, and the seizure of large amounts of drugs (some even headed to Howe). They will continue working the highway.

Scout to construct 'Welcome to Howe' sign



Boy Scout Cody Hartleben made a presentation to the Howe City Council Tuesday night to construct a 'Welcome to Howe' sign at the northeast intersection of Haning Street and Collins Freeway. The property is owned by Quick Check, but approval has been granted. The sign will be made out of brick and stone with iron letters. This will serve as Hartleben's Eagle Scout project.

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City Reports

Police Chief Carl Hudman reported 249 calls for service in the month of April. They also had six felony arrests, 13 misdemeanor arrests, generated 32 reports, investigated two crashes, and issued 22 traffic citations. Hudman also told the council that they had a significant investigation in April. He reported no on-the-job injuries, and no use of force issues.

David Wortham of the public works division gave a report for two months since the March city council meeting was cancelled. He reported 10 leaks, six dog calls, and 81 work orders. He says that the county has done some prep work on the streets and that all of the wells had been checked and paperwork turned in to TCEQ and received no violations. The TCEQ agent remarked that the City of Howe had the best procedures followed that he had seen.

Fire Chief Robert Maniet reported 47 calls from the beginning of April. Maniet said that they were on many medical calls and three structure fires as well as seven mutual aid request. The department was called to power line issues with the weather that Howe has experienced. He reported two water assists with the flooding.

Monte Walker, Director of Economic Development told the council that a small industrial business is interested in leasing the facility at 700 S. Collins Frwy owned by Hugh Hawkins.

Walker said that the owner of the vacant building across from the fitness gym on Haning Street is about to start interior construction in June and has an offer on the table from a restaurant chain to lease the property.

Walker says that he courted an Arkansas real estate investor for a week looking at options.

HDA will send a teacher through the BET program again this year to job-shadow for the benefit of students. One permit was pulled to build a home on Young Street and is under construction. He reported that the chamber of commerce is up to 33 members in the first four months.

City Administrator Joe Shephard told the council that there were some flooding issues in town due to the heavy rainfall, but improvements made previously, such as the lift station, reduced that damage that would have happened.

Shephard said that code enforcement has slowed down and the city is giving people a break due to the rain.

The City of Howe currently has over \$530,000 cash on-hand according to Shephard. Of that, \$120,000 is in savings. Another \$56,000 is in another savings account. Auditors are scheduled to be in town in June.

Council gives \$1,000 to HFD for fireworks show

Howe Fire Chief Robert Maniet gave a presentation and asked the City of Howe to donate \$1,000 towards what is now the annual 4th of July Fireworks Show held on the grounds of Howe High School.

Maniet says that the length of the show will be the same as in 2014.

Council votes to spend \$25,000 to replace Jaws of Life unit



Howe Fire Chief Robert Maniet.

Earlier in the year, Howe Fire Department's Jaws of Life unit became inoperable according to Fire Chief Robert Maniet. The unit, which was a 1974 model will be replaced thanks to his successful request to the city council for a total of \$25,000. It was unanimously approved, but councilman Bill French requested better spending practices by HFD.

Curfew for minors renewed by council

On Tuesday night, the city council voted the continuance of the curfew for minors. The city curfew is 11:00 p.m. on any Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday until 6:00 a.m. of the following day. On weekends it changes to 12:01 a.m. until 6:00 a.m. on any Saturday or Sunday. Offenses are punishable up to \$500.

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Divine Equine makes presentation

On Founders Day, Divine Equine donated a \$200 gift certificate as a door prize for Keep Howe Beautiful to give away. The organization decided rather to find someone who could greatly benefit from the experience. Howe's Steven Sloan was chosen as the recipient as was presented the gift last week by Divine Equine worker Megan Bearden.

"He's one of the ones I know and have talked to before." said Bearden. "He's pretty special."

Divine Equine is owned and operated by Bill and Nell Ward. They experienced the emotional and financial roller coaster of having children with Muscular dystrophy. According to The Mayo Clinic, it's group of genetic diseases in which muscle fibers are unusually susceptible to damage. These damaged muscles become progressively weaker. Most people who have muscular dystrophy will eventually need to use a wheelchair.

Last July Divine Equine qualified as a non-profit and do various fundraisers for the



Megan Bearden and Steven Sloan

business because their intention is to not charge families for the therapy.

"We know what it's like to be a one-income family and have disabled children." said Nell

Ward in an interview for the Vol. 52, Edition 21 Howe Enterprise.. "One parent has to stay home or they may have multiple disabled children where both parents aren't able to work."

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which took his staff to 12 plus an office clerk. He says the two people that were let go due to circumstances were not replaced and he took the money from the personnel and bought more materials which created more roadwork.

"It stretches us pretty thin, but we're getting the job done." said Whitmire, who is seeking re-election in 2016.

Born in Dallas, the Whitmire family moved to Memphis, Tennessee where he went to school. He returned to this area in 1989 to start Whitmire Container where he was president until 2007 when the business sold, which included plants in Sherman and Blue Mound, Mississippi.

"When we sold, I had 140 employees and 18 production lines." said Whitmire. "It wasn't for sale, but we were approached by company called Consolidated Container, who is much larger than I was so we worked out a deal and we sold."

Whitmire spent a few years being retired and traveled with his wife but says he was too young to retire. The 54-year-old commissioner said that the most frustrating thing that he deals with is the fact that most people don't understand the role of a county commissioner.

"It goes back to the old rural concepts that he's the road commissioner." said Whitmire. "Roads and bridges take up about 40 percent of my time. The Commissioners Court is the board

of directors of Grayson County which includes health department, human resources, I.T. and all of that. Where a city has a city manager, the county does not have that. The Commissioners Court is responsible for that. Because of my financial background is why someone suggested I run for County Commissioner."

The Grayson County Commissioners Office also works on expansion and growth into the county with options such as tax abatement deals in conjunction with the cities in the county. Precinct 1 consists of the vast majority of South Grayson County as well as East Sherman.

Whitmire says that road bores are issues as well. "Anytime someone wants to access a county road with a driveway, culvert or anything like that, they have to get permission. As a commissioner, I can't just grant permission. It has to go in front of the commissioners court.

Budget processing will be interesting this year due to the extreme weather. All of the departments will turn in their proposed budgets to the auditor in early July.

"While I can't tell the sheriff how to do his job, we do control how much money he has to do his job and how many positions he has. So he has to request increased employment.

Whitmire will be running against Scott Renfro of Howe for re-election. No others have made their candidacy known.

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Great Days of Service looking for volunteers

Its nearly that time of year again as the Great Days of Service workers serve the Howe Community on various projects. They are asking for help. The organization is designed to aid homeowners of our community who are either physically or financially unable to provide needed maintenance to their homes and or properties.

All volunteers are welcome and they need workers of all ages. Be a part of our 10th year. If you are in need, know of someone who is in need, or if you would like to volunteer, please contact: Clyde Hepner 1-903-814-5753 or Bruce Evans 1-469-951-6042

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HES/HMS breakfast and lunch menu

Mon - 5/25/2015 HOLIDAY	Tue - 5/26/2015 Pancakes w/Sausage Country Gravy Cocoa Puffs w/toast Honey Nut Cherrios/toast Diced Peaches Blue Raspberry Smoothie Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Assorted jelly Syrup, Pancake	Wed - 5/27/2015 Breakfast Bagel Cereal Cinn Toast/toast Trix w/toast Strawberries Blue Raspberry Smoothie Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Assorted jelly	Thu - 5/28/2015 Oatmeal w/cin.toast Cocoa Puffs w/toast Cereal Cinn Toast/toast Watermelon Blue Raspberry Smoothie Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Assorted jelly	Fri - 5/29/2015 Breakfast Sandwich Trix w/toast Honey Nut Cherrios/toast Fruit Fresh Blue Raspberry Smoothie Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Assorted jelly
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mon - 5/25/2015 No School	Tue - 5/26/2015 Hamburger Cheeseburger Pork Rib Sandwich Lett-Tom-Pickle-Onion Steamed Corn Ranch Beans Diced Peaches Fruit Vanilla Pudding Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Ketchup Salad Dressing-PC Mustard, pc	Wed - 5/27/2015 Beef & Cheese Nachos Chicken Crispeto Garden Salad Refried Beans Strawberries Blue Raspberry Smoothie Spanish Rice Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Picante	Thu - 5/28/2015 Mini Corn Dog Fish Strips Broccoli Carrot Sticks Watermelon Blue Raspberry Smoothie Macaroni & Cheese Gelatin Jewels Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Mustard, pc Ketchup Tarter Sauce, pc	Fri - 5/29/2015 Cheese Pizza Fajita Quesadilla Garden Salad Peas & Carrots Blue Raspberry Smoothie Fruit Fresh Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Picante Ranch Dressing

HHS breakfast and lunch menu

Mon - 5/25/2015 HOLIDAY	Tue - 5/26/2015 Cinnamon Roll w/link Cocoa Puffs w/toast Honey Nut Cherrios/Toast Diced Peaches Blue Raspberry Smoothie Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Assorted jelly Syrup, Pancake	Wed - 5/27/2015 Breakfast Bagel Cereal Cinn Toast/Toast Trix w/toast Strawberries Blue Raspberry Smoothie Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Assorted jelly	Thu - 5/28/2015 Pig n Blanket Cocoa Puffs w/toast Cereal Cinn Toast/Toast Watermelon Blue Raspberry Smoothie Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Assorted jelly	Fri - 5/29/2015 Breakfast Sandwich Trix w/toast Honey Nut Cherrios/Toast Fruit Fresh Blue Raspberry Smoothie Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Assorted jelly
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mon - 5/25/2015 NO SCHOOL TODAY	Tue - 5/26/2015 Cheeseburger Hamburger Pork Rib Sandwich Stuffed Potato/Ham Boat Steamed Corn Ranch Beans Diced Peaches Fruit Vanilla Pudding Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Lett-Tom-Pickle-Onion Ketchup Salad Dressing-PC Mustard, pc	Wed - 5/27/2015 Orange Glazed Chix-Rice Chicken Crispeto Garden Salad Refried Beans Strawberries Blue Raspberry Smoothie Spanish Rice Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Picante	Thu - 5/28/2015 Mini Corn Dog Fish Strips Stuffed Potato/Ham Boat Broccoli Carrot Sticks Watermelon Blue Raspberry Smoothie Macaroni & Cheese Gelatin Jewels Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Mustard, pc Ketchup Tarter Sauce, pc	Fri - 5/29/2015 Cheese Pizza Fajita Quesadilla Chef Salad Garden Salad Peas & Carrots Blue Raspberry Smoothie Fruit Fresh Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Picante Ranch Dressing

Howe ISD retirement parties

Howe ISD will host several parties for the five teachers that announced their retirement after this school year.

Lori Gaston - Howe Elementary, Tuesday, May 26th from 2-5pm

Mike Marsh - Howe High School Band Hall, Saturday, May 30 2-5 pm

John Geier - Howe Elementary School, Monday, June 1st 2-4pm

Andrea Hurst and Rhonda Ledbetter - Howe High School, Tuesday, June 2, 3:30 - 4:30



Lady Bulldogs

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Zada Swoopes loaded the bases for Tori Perkins, who had entered the game as pitcher. Stubblefield, who had been battling control issues in each of the two games made numerous long trips between pitches to the back of the circle and even out of the circle to regroup and put some dirt on her right throwing hand. After one of these instances by the freshman pitcher, Whitewright Head Coach (who also coaches third base) sent home the go-ahead run, Hatty Shope, while Stubblefield had her back turned to the plate. Whitewright would take that 4-3 lead to the bottom of the seventh inning with ace Perkins on the mound to close it out.

Perkins got Ross to ground it back to her for the first out. Counts then struckout and the game ended when Sanders hit a fly ball to centerfield.

It was a bitter cold way to end the region II semifinal series with what amounts to a freshman mistake capitalized by a season veteran coach. The Whitewright Lady Tigers will advance to play the winner of Pilot Point and Hughes Springs, whose final game was delayed until tonight due to an apparent in-game heart attack by an umpire.

The Howe Lady Bulldogs are poised to be in this situation for at least the next three years. The team will graduate two senior starters in Tinney and Counts, but will return four freshman starters and four sophomore starters. The future is tremendously bright and the experience that these young ladies received will pay huge dividends down the road in later years. They will no longer be able to be the team full of underclassmen sneaking up on people. They will be expected to be in Austin at some point soon.



Above: Seniors Christina Counts and Peyton Tinney. Below: Howe and Whitewright pose together. *Photos by Michelle Carney*



Rotary honorees



Whitney Kirby (left) was selected for the Rotary's Rotary Youth Leadership Awards. She will spend a week in leadership camp.



Howe's Brooke Blum (middle) was selected for the Rotary Scholarship



Keep Howe Beautiful was finally able to finish their 5k mud run. The event had to be less muddy for safety purposes.