

# HOWE'S THAT ?

by Monte Walker

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year Howe!

2015 was a year that saw five of the downtown units renovated. It was a year that saw every downtown building occupied and open for business for the first time since guys named Chisum, Mack and Yonce were running the commercial district. It was a year for new upscale apartments (again, they are not low-income Section 8 apartments that some coffee shop drinkers will have you to believe). It was a year for the demolition of the Howe Center to make way a brand new job creating company called Ben E. Keith. Without hard research, it was probably the most gold footballs, basketballs and softballs ever purchased by Howe ISD in one year.

For me, 2015 was the second straight year for a new full-time position. A year ago, I was thrust into the position of owning my own business - this here newfangled Internet newspaper. In October, I took the role as President of our EDC in Howe. The benefits are greater and the pay is steadier and who else could sell our city like this black and white pom-pom waving, bulldog hand-sign showing homegrown opinionated fool? The only down-side to my intertwining jobs is that sometimes I have to quote myself. That is the stupidest thing ever. Thank you all for supporting the home town news and dealing with the grammatical errors.

## 2015 in review



### The year of the selfie stick

It the annual edition that recaps the entire year from front to back. 2015 was a year of the continued turnaround of a city with the reputation of an over helping scoop of apathy. It was the year that the city got serious about its economic development future, the rebirth of the chamber of commerce, new businesses, new developments, and a new attitude. 2015 saw one of

the most inspiring nights in the city's history by rallying to save one of its most historic structures. Howe also publicly honored the leaders of yesteryear.

It was a year of gold footballs, gold basketballs, gold softballs, baseball state champions, and FFA state participants which all led to a season-ending parade and video entitled "Victory Town."

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## January



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### Howe's That

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The Cable ONE and KXII showdown that happened this weekend had a smell of high-stakes poker with advertising rates at the stake. Knowing a little about marketing and media since my days of working radio at age 19, I've learned a little about how things work in the media world. Cable ONE advertising is a much cheaper alternative to KXII and even KTEN television rates. If KXII could eliminate cable advertising,

### New Year wreck on US75 sends five to hospital, two to jail



A five car accident that happened three hours into 2015. Photo courtesy of HFD

to the hospital with non-life threatening injuries. Witnesses reported that the Chevy Cruze was traveling at a high rate of speed and that she was swerving as if she may have been intoxicated. After further investigation by Howe PD and Van Alstyne PD, the 43-year-old Sherman resident driving the Chevy Cruz was arrested for Driving While Intoxicated, and could face charges of Intoxication Assault pending the outcome and severity of the injuries

2015 started with a wreck on US75 in Howe that sent five to the hospital and two to jail. Howe Fire Department's brush truck also caught on fire. The Howe Area Chamber of Commerce was officially reborn. Three downtown units were sold from O.B. Powers to Georgia Caraway. Howe Girl Scouts planted daffodils to help Keep Howe Beautiful. Airianna Smith was named

All-State Band. The Lady Bulldogs recorded their 20th win of the season and sat 21-5 but lost a crucial district game with Pottsboro that would change the playoff bracket. Meanwhile, the Bulldogs were 17-7 and turning around a 9-19 season from the year before. A mural began on the 101 E. Haning Street building with the inscription of "You Are Here" and "1872."

undefeated district champs. Lady Bulldogs lose leading scorer Riley Harvey to injury, but Alissa Smith scores 37 vs. Whitesboro to close out the regular season. The girls finished 26-7 and back-to-back-to-back bi-district champions after beating Jacksboro and losing to Brock. After 38

years, Clinton Upholstery relocates from downtown. The Bulldogs captured the third seed in the playoffs. Garrett Fulencheck returned to Howe to pitch in the alumni game, but Devin Hargrove stole the show and was named MVP with the Howe Alumni win over the Bulldogs.

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## February



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### Howe's That

by Monte Walker

It was a year ago that I found myself searching for what I would do in life after being let go from a successful career in the wholesale fuel business. It's amazing how things just fall into place in the most unlikely of circumstances.

A year and a half ago, Bill French talked me in to heading up Keep Howe Beautiful which led me inside the old Christian Church building to see what Keep Howe Beautiful could

### Back-to-back-to-back Bi-District Champs



a stingy defense by the Brock Lady Eagles spelled trouble for the Howe Lady Bulldogs at the hands of one of the best teams in the state. Brock is an eight-time state champion and is currently ranked 4th in the State of Texas according to the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches. They will play Sunnyvale on Tuesday night at Saginaw High School.

Howe ISD Board of Trustees extended Superintendent Kevin Wilson's contract through 2016. Construction began on Howe's newest apartment complex - Abbington Meadows.

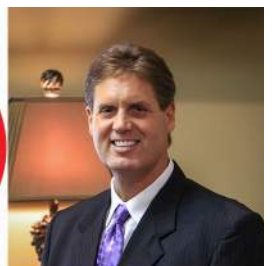
John Cherry received Scouts Award of Merit. Jared Brussow won the Pinewood Derby. Howe's new softball field was completed. A John Deere rolled over by Southwest Auction. 7th grade Lady Bulldogs were



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# March



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### Howe's That

by Monte Walker

I just thought that I was going to be neighbors with Paris Palacios. Technically, we have been neighbors downtown since August, but I haven't exactly moved in yet. By the time I move in, she will have moved out.

Paris' idea of downtown was the same as mine. She envisioned it to be fun. The downtown area was fun when Paris decorated for Halloween. She spearheaded the downtown candy giveaway and made it a downtown tradition. After I



103 E. Haning St. has sold from Paris Palacios to Tom and Leslie Defrange

### Another downtown building sold

makes me more comfortable to let it go."

The sale of the building makes six of the seven units having been sold to new owners in a little over a year. The building that houses Don's Smokehouse was the first to sell. In August, M.E. Curtis sold the corner hardware store to Monte Walker, who is currently renovating it to become the Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development office. In January, Georgia Caraway purchased the three

Paris Palacios agreed to sell 103 E. Haning St to Tom Defrange which resulted in six of the seven north side downtown units sold to new owners in a little over a year. Defrange planned to house TLD Design Consulting by Founders Day. Five individuals announced that they were running for school board. Amber Krantz-Dimayuga, Micah Belden and Janie Finney ran against incumbents Bruce Dawsey and Mark Abner. Three seats were open with the resignation of Pat Stewart. There were no opponents in city elections for mayor and two council positions. A wintry-mix cancelled school in early March and pushed back Howe's bi-district championship basketball game in Decatur. The boys basketball season came to an end with a 61-56 loss to Holliday in bi-district. Howe finished 21-11 in Tim Short's first year as head coach. Howe improved from a 9-19 record the previous season. Tori Abner and

her Barrow stole the pig show by winning Grand Champion Swine. Taylor Hartsfield also captured Breed Champion with her Hampshire. Lady Bulldogs' Riley Harvey named District MVP for third straight year and All-State. Howe ISD placed an electric marquee sign in front of Howe High School. Bulldogs' Michael Kehrer, Griffin Underwood and Levi Mrozinski named first team all-district. Lady Bulldogs of softball open their new stadium with a 12 strikeout, one-hit win over Pottsboro by Torrey Stubblefield. A new mural was painted on the downtown 101 building. EDC spends \$18,000 to improve lighting on ballfields. Brandon Ozuna and Keith Milks added to Howe Police Department. Howe Winterguard finished third in state. Assistant Superintendent Ritchie Bowling accepts superintendent position with Maypearl ISD.

# April



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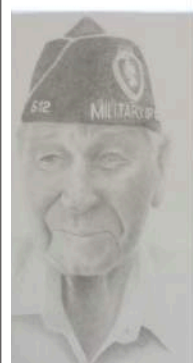
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### Howe's That

by Monte Walker



L.B. Kirby drawn by Carl

### Grand opening for new chamber building

Several county officials were in town despite the threat of bad weather on Friday night. On-hand for the ribbon cutting opening of the office that will house The Howe Area Chamber of Commerce, Keep Howe Beautiful, and Howe Development Alliance was County Judge Bill Magers, District Attorney Joe Brown, County Commissioner Jeff Whitmire and Justice of the Peace Rita Noel. Also in attendance were each of the city council members other than Dennis Bozeman, who was out of town. Each member was recognized as well as Howe Mayor Jeff Stanley and City Administrator Joe Shephard.



Howe Development Alliance Director Monte Walker cuts the ribbon

cutting was a dedication ceremony. Haning was the owner of the land that After a few words from Chamber donated a portion for the townsite

The ribbon was cut at exactly 7pm on

FBC Howe held community Easter service at Howe High School and nearly 500 were in attendance. Joaquin Lopez represented Howe in the state powerlifting competition. Howe ISD meets \$1,000 goal in 3rd Annual Bulldog 5K and Fun Run SHAC event. Howe's Chase Anderson earns rank of Eagle Scout. Peyton Tinney hits the first ever homer at the Lady Bulldogs new home softball stadium. Howe's Easton Ross named Hitter of the Week by txhsbaseball.com. Erin Blackburn wins 100 meter dash at district meet with a time of 13.20. Easton Ross wins district with a long jump of 20.09. The Howe Chamber of Commerce and Howe Development Alliance cut the ribbon on their new office in Downtown Howe. The 115-year-old building was completely refurbished from a hardware store

to the economic central hub of the city. Founders Day saw a decent crowd with the highlight of the day going to Todd Creekmore by way of winning the first annual lawnmower race. Sgt. Michael Hill and Damien Carr were winners of the horseshoe tournament. Laura Duree was named Citizen of the Year. Chris McCandless gave a free concert downtown. Twelve members were inducted into the chamber's inaugural Hall of Honor. Members were W.P. Thompson, A.M. Ferguson, Mame Roberts, Charles R. Thompson, Arthur Boyle, Tony Brinkley, L.B. Kirby, Norma Wallace, Ray Bledsoe, Carrie Waller and Elmer Schenk. Lady Bulldogs win the district championship. Anthony Hawthorne, Easton Ross and Christina Counts win the Norman Dickey award for the best athletes.

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# May



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### Howe's That

*by Monte Walker*  
While researching for the article on the 30-year anniversary of The School Zone Academy and looking at the May 23, 1985 edition of *The Howe Enterprise*, I noticed that the then Howe Chamber of Commerce had just reformed and one of the first things they did was to honor some longtime Howe business leaders as well as cut a ribbon for a new business. Honored were the first Citizens of the Year, which were Marshall Robertson, James Chisum,

### Lady Bulldogs reach new heights

It's moments like these that capture the heart of a community. A team whose foundation, in which, is built by a load of freshman and sophomores and a coach willing to stand up for his team during the biggest moments. The Howe Lady Bulldogs advanced to the fourth round for the first time in school history after a three-game series vs. the Brock Lady Eagles, who have recently had their number in a variety of sports. That was until 'Shotgun Saturday' when the girls, whose theme is 'on the hunt,' shot down the Eagles and now turn their focus on longtime foes, the Whitewright Lady Tigers.



Lady Bulldogs are region II quarterfinal champions.

Lady Bulldogs shoot down Bowie for bi-district championship in a one-game playoff. Howe Bulldogs eliminated from playoff contention by a freak situation when the lights go dark at Bulldog Stadium with Howe having the bases loaded and no outs. The game was moved to Gunter and resumed later in the evening. Whitesboro changed pitchers and got out of the inning and eventually won the game to eliminate the Bulldogs. Easton Ross and Kendall Nelms are named Prom King and Queen. Lady Bulldogs spend most of a Friday night in shelter from a tornado warning before winning the area championship over Glen Rose. Janie Finney is leading vote getter for school board. Incumbents Mark Abner and Bruce Dawsey also return to board. High winds and saturated ground pushes grown trees to the ground in the middle of the month. The Lady Bulldogs reached the fourth round

of the playoffs for the first time in school history after defeating Brock in a three-game series to capture the region II quarterfinal championship. School board member Scott Renfro announces that he will run for County Commissioner. Chamber hosts first downtown evening mixer. The School Zone Academy celebrates 30 years in Howe. The Howe High School Band celebrated the 40th year of the band program in style by handing out numerous awards and scholarships. Howe Mercantile has ribbon-cutting. Diane Richardson named Howe ISD Teacher of the Year. Whitewright eliminates Lady Bulldogs in the semifinals. Micah Belden elected to State Bar Board of Directors. Farmers pray for rain...to stop. Mayor Jeff Stanley sworn in for another term along with council members Bill French and Debbie Lowery.

# June



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### Howe's That

*by Monte Walker*  
Pat Stewart, affectionately known by so many as simply, Mrs. Stew, will be so very missed by Howe ISD as she steps aside from her role as school board member. Mrs. Stew had a passion for the children of Howe and also had a passion for making sure the teachers were represented by the school board.

### Stewart recognized for 12 years on school board



Pat Stewart receiving an honor from Superintendent Kevin Wilson

### Abner is valedictorian; Rodriguez is salutatorian



Tori Abner - valedictorian

Leslie Rodriguez - salutatorian

She taught my parents and was my teacher in high school also. About the time Bo Jackson's commercials



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Pat Stewart recognized for 12 years on school board. Tori Abner is valedictorian; Leslie Rodriguez is salutatorian. Howe's own Summit Salsa Company hits the shelves at Kroger. Great Days of Service announce plans to earmark the old First Christian Church on their cleanup list. Salvage Junky moves from downtown to 200 S. Denny Street. Independent Bank hosts chamber's first breakfast. Howe ISD elementary and middle schools get 50 years of grime power washed from the brick. Howe Fire Department gets a new brush truck to replace the one that was in a fire in January. Wee Care celebrates 20 years in Howe. A headstone was placed for Chris Gray after a former classmate started a fundraiser. Darren Foster named to the city council after the resignation of

Dennis Bozeman. Howe teachers Tammy Camp and Elizabeth Friedman participate workforce program by spending a week at Sunny Delight and Heritage Park Surgical Center, respectively. The City Council approved another two year term for Howe City Prosecutor Laura Wheeler and Howe Municipal Judge Larry Ashley. Deigner Cuts moves to new location on FM 902. Howe ISD sets 11 million budget. Howe's Garrett Fulenchek starts season with Danville Braves. Renovation begins on old Dairy Queen building on the 300 block of W. Denny Street. David Wortham celebrates 40 years with the City of Howe. Howe 14U and 12U Bulldogs head to state tournament in baseball. Water main breaks on West Haning Street.



# July

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### Howe's That

by Monte Walker

Times have certainly changed in Howe. I had a special delivery last Saturday of some historic Howe items that were donated to the chamber. Some of those items included some drill team boots, a 45-year-old Howe youth baseball jersey, some 1975 football cushion bleacher seats and a whole mess of *Howe Enterprise* newspapers from the 1980s. In the August, 1987 edition, the front page feature was a mobile trailer set up on the service road at the

Baseball players are superstitious and that does not just happen at the major league level. The quirkiness of ballplayers happens even at the 14-year-old level. A plastic toy dog that hung on the Howe dugout fence all year, traveled with them to the state tournament in Lonview and "hung with them" even to the final pitch when the Howe boys clinched the championship.

On the field, there was

### STATE CHAMPIONS



The 14U Howe Bulldogs just after winning the state championship.

Howe City Council approves a budget of \$2,876,321 for 2015-16. Howe Fire Department's 5th Annual Fireworks Festival gathers hundreds. Howe holds baseball and softball camps. Fire Department cuts budget. Howe's Garrett Fulenchek is traded from Atlanta Braves organization to the Tampa Bay Rays club. The old First Christian Church has the foundation repaired after renewed interesting in restoring the

building. Lone Star Hoops camps sets record in Howe with 181 campers. Howe 14U dominates state tournament and comes home as state champions. Water leak in Howe leaves the city dry. City repairs streets in the "tree street district." Fulenchek nabbed his first career victory. Kids attend a week-long football camp by Howe coaches. Howe's Matt Hayes plays in 10U World Series.

# August

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### Howe's That

by Monte Walker

And the day has come for us parents of school-age kids to drop them off and run like crazy. The kindergarten parents will be easy to find. They'll be the ones crying and driving the wrong way on Roberts Street. For the rest of us seasoned veterans, we'll be crying in our own vehicles on our way to work clearly out of the way of the road hazard newbies.

It is a new school year and that brings excitement as well as the realization that

### Season 72 starts at Bulldog Stadium Friday night



(photo by Michelle Carney)

The chamber and Keep Howe Beautiful partnered together to construct the 2nd Annual Back to School Blues Downtown Block Party featuring the Bill Boyd Band. Also, an announcement was made that a "Save the Church" committee had constructed and they would have an auction on Nov. 7 to raise money for the church. A one-month old baby was brought to the Howe Police Department that was having trouble breathing. The baby girl was

then taken to a local hospital. Sonic celebrates 10 years in Howe. Howe youth football practices started. Howe Athletic Booster Club held their 5th annual community pep rally at Bulldog Stadium. Jean Norman was named president of the "Save the Church" committee. Darla Williams replaces Ritchie Bowling as assistant superintendent. Clarissia Doty replaced Williams

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as elementary school principal. Wes Rhoten begins his Bulldogs coaching career after being Whitewright's athletic director the previous year. Horses and riders named Riding4Justice make a trip through Howe on their way to the State Capitol in Austin. Bulldogs look sharp in a scrimmage with Boyd. The city council made a C-2 zoning change to allow Salvage

Junky at 200 S. Denny to have merchandise outside of her store. Texas Home Emporium opens in Downtown Howe. The old First Christian Church gets new siding placed on the exterior of the 122-year-old building. Bulldogs mascot Spike turned 31-years old. Bulldogs open season with a penalty-ridden thumping of Bonham, 41-14.

# September



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### Howe's That

by Monte Walker

I remember when my grandfather told me that the edge of Dallas was Lovers Lane. It's a bit hard to imagine now that Dallas' edge is somewhere between, say, McKinney and Melissa. Change is a scary word. It's hard for me as someone who's been here from day one. As a matter of fact, the Walkers moved six miles from here back in 1895 when Howe and Van Alstyne were just over 20-years-old. I would love for Howe to always be the quaint little small town that it is and that I love so dear.

### A kiss for the queen



### Grisham scores five TDs; Howe remains unbeaten



Tyler Grisham on his way to one of his five scores (photo by Michelle Carney)

In Howe's second game of the season, Nick Wilson intercepted two passes as Howe shuts out Sacred Heart, 27-0. Students and citizens gather on the FM 902 bridge to "Back the Blue." The 'Dogs strip Lindsay, 40-14 to move to 3-0. The old church had new windows installed. Riley Harvey is named homecoming queen for 2015. Grisham scores five touchdowns as Howe moves to 4-0 with a 49-0 win over Ponder. Howe Ex-Students Association holds an all-school reunion and hundreds of exes come back for the

weekend. Beatles cover band "Hard Nights Day" raises nearly \$2,000 for scholarships. Tomlin Investments announces a master planned community for Howe that has a full phase development of over 2,000 homes. City sets tax rate of \$0.69 and receives a grant for street repair. Howe finally loses a game, 49-7 at Pottsboro. Howe Chamber hosted the first Blue Bell Ice Cream party in North Texas thanks to Chris Cavender. Clark Cavender and Zachary Spillman advance to rank of Eagle Scout.

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# October



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## Howe's That

by Monte Walker

It was October of 1991 and we had heard early on Friday that S&S was going to boycott the game with us. However, they showed up, sort of. We ended up winning that night, 76-0 and if I'd have made all of my extra points, we'd have won 79-0. However, a 30 mile-an-hour wind and a slightly above average toe-puncher missed three one-pointers. 24 years later, I'm glad that I missed those because the 77 point total Friday eclipsed

## Fall Festival is well attended again



## Bulldogs set school record; score 77 on Tom Bean

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(photo by Michelle Carney)

TLD Design Consulting opens for business in Downtown Howe. The Lady Bulldogs volleyball team takes down S&S. Howe ag students Bethany Van Deren, Mati Abner, Zach Braswell and Joshua Van Deren place at the State Fair of Texas. Salvage Junky hosts their first Farmers Market at their location on Highway 5. Scouts paint Mame Roberts Memorial Gazebo. Howe stops an 11-game losing streak to Gunter by winning 21-19. HHS Band dominates at Ponder competition. Ben E. Keith announces they will have a shuttle location in Howe located on West Haning Street. Howe's annual Fall Festival is well attended again. The Bulldogs broke a 24-year-old school record by scoring 77 points in Tom Bean. The win moved Howe to 6-1 for the first time since 2010. HHS Marching Band advanced to the area round of competition. "Not in Grayson

County" organization donates \$10,505 to the "Save the Church" organization. Howe wins mud bowl vs. S&S, 28-0 in a lightning-shortened game. City of Howe sells a section of downtown to Jack Leavenworth. Howe Center buildings were razed to make room for Ben E. Keith Co. Howe's 3rd and 4th grade Howe Bulldogs win the Super Bowl for the second time in three seasons. They went 9-0, scoring 270 points and giving up 12. Bulldogs earn the title district champions for the first time in five years with a win over Whitewright, 29-0. Circus comes to Howe and elephant activists try and stop it. Howe Mayor Jeff Stanley has photo made with elephant and sends message to activists. Nick Wilson is named Mr. Touchdown and Jaylyn Mosse is Football Sweetheart. HHS Marching Band barely misses cut for state competition.

# November



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## Howe's That

by Monte Walker

After what I witnessed on Saturday night in Downtown Howe, I have never been more proud of my hometown as I am right now. You, the citizens of Howe and surrounding areas moaned and groaned (along with me) about how bad that old church had become. It was a true eye-sore in our community and a reflection of ourselves. When it came time to put your money where your mouth is, you stepped up to the plate and hit a \$25,000 homerun. So

## "Save the Church" raises over \$25,000

When an Italian Cream Cake auctions off for \$750, something special must be happening. That was the case Saturday night in Downtown Howe when 355 individuals went through the serving line to eat a barbecue dinner and attend a live auction for the purpose of raising money for the complete restoration of the old First Christian Church located at the southeast corner of O'Connell and Denny streets.



Don Anderson auctioning items on Saturday night.

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The "Save the Church" event raises over \$15,000 giving the entire fundraiser over \$25,000 for renovation of the old First Christian Church. The plans are announced for the building to be a wedding venue. Bulldogs sweep District 5-3A with 34-13 win over Leonard. Howe's 3rd and 4th grade Bulldogs win at AT&T Stadium for second third straight year. K-2nd graders also play there. First United Methodist Church hosts 44th annual successful Bazaar. Margie Lovelady was the winner of the quilt. The Bulldogs win the bi-district championship over Edgewood in the most dramatic way possible with a comeback victory that at one time saw them dead in the water, trailing 27-0. The 'Dogs rallied to take the lead, 36-33 late in the third quarter. The final score was 43-33. National Honor Society holds annual Veterans Day program. Riley Harvey announces her signing to Stephen F. Austin

University on the same day that Darci Foster signs with Lubbock Christian University. Lady Bulldogs start their basketball season by taking down Class 4A #7 ranked Melissa, 76-56. Band Boosters hold another successful craft show. The Bulldogs finish the season 10-2 after losing to West Rusk, 31-14. The 'Dogs finish as the best scoring team in school history, averaging 34.17 points per game. Lady Bulldogs win the Bells Tournament. Peyton Streetman and Riley Harvey are named to the All-Tournament Team. Tyler Grisham is named District 5-3A District MVP. High-speed chase through Downtown Howe ends in arrest of John B. Rowland II. Allie Morgan, Mati Abner, and Jessica Doty present the "Greatest Show on Dirt" and finish third in state competition for FFA's LDE program. Interior construction began on the old church by Boyd Dunn. Massive amounts of rain has Grayson County roads washed out.





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January 8, 2016 @ 4:30 pm - 11:00 pm, Howe High School Gymnasium, 200 E. Ponderosa Rd. Howe, TX
- Callisburg Wildcats at Howe Bulldogs**  
January 8, 2016 @ 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm, Howe High School Gymnasium, 200 E. Ponderosa Rd. Howe, TX
- HS Area Band Auditions @ Argyle HS**  
January 9, 2016 @ 8:00 am -
- Peggy’s Porch**  
January 9, 2016 @ 9:00 am - 11:00 am
- Peggy’s Porch, behind City Hall**  
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- Keep Howe Beautiful Meeting**  
January 11, 2016 @ 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- Howe Development Alliance, 101 E. Haning St**  
Howe, TX
- Bulldogs basketball: Leonard Tournament**  
December 28 - December 30  
Leonard High School, #1 Tiger Alley , Leonard, TX
- Lady Bulldog @ Whataburger Tournament – V**  
December 28 @ 8:00 am - December 30 @ 9:00 am
- Howe Chamber of Commerce board meeting**  
January 4, 2016 @ 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm, Howe Community Center, 700 W. Haning St. , Howe, TX
- Howe Bulldogs at Pottsboro Cardinals**  
January 5, 2016  
Pottsboro High School, 901 Hwy 120 , Pottsboro, TX
- Lady Bulldog Basketball @ Pottsboro – JV/V**  
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- First United Methodist Church of Howe**  
**Tuesday, December 29**  
8:15 - 1:15 Wee Care Preschool  
9:30 am Women's Bible Study  
6:00 pm Boy Scouts  
**Wednesday, December 30**  
9:00 am - Wednesday Workers  
6:00 pm - Wed Night Meal & Family Night  
6:30 pm - Women's Bible Study  
6:30 pm - Jr.High and Sr. High Youth  
6:30 pm - Chidren's Program - "Encounter"  
**Thursday, December 31**  
8:15 - 1:15 Wee Care Preschool  
**Sunday, December 13**  
8:40 am - Coffee and Donuts  
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, December 29**  
7:00 pm - Bible Study  
**Wednesday, December 30**  
6:30 pm - Fuel  
6:45 pm - Adult Bible Study  
7:00 pm - Youth Bible Study  
7:30 pm - Choir  
**Sunday, January 3**  
8:30 am - Traditional Worship service  
9:45 am - Bible Fellowship  
11:00 am - Contemporary Worship service
- First Baptist Church Dorchester**  
**Wednesday, December 30**  
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, January 3**  
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
- Howe Church of Christ**  
**Tuesday, December 29**  
10:00 am - Terrific Tuesday Bible Class  
**Wednesday, December 30**  
7:00 pm - Bible Classes (all ages)  
**Friday, January 1**  
7:00 pm - Friday Bible Study Group  
**Sunday, January 3**  
9:00 am - Bible Classes (all ages)  
10:00 am - Worship Service  
5:00 pm - Worship Service
- New Beginning Fellowship**  
**Wednesday, December 30**  
7:00 pm - Adult Bible Study  
7:00 pm - Kids Church  
7:00 pm - Radiate Youth  
**Sunday, January 3**  
10:00 am - Kids Church  
10:00 am - Morning Service
- A Christian Fellowship, Luella**  
**Wednesday, December 30**  
6:30 pm – Potluck Meal  
7:00 pm – Worship Service  
7:00 pm – Jr & Sr High Youth  
**Sunday, January 3**  
9:30 am – Sunday School (all ages)  
10:30 am – Worship Service  
10:30 am – KidZone Children’s Service (5yr – 12 yr)
- Community Bible Fellowship**  
**Monday, December 28**  
7:00 pm - Luella home group Bible Study  
**Wednesday, December 30**  
6:30 pm - Food and Fellowship  
7:00 pm - Children's Ministry  
7:00 pm - Youth and Adult Bible Study  
**Sunday, January 3**  
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7:00 pm - Howe home group Bible Study

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# Faith

by Debbie Wallis



"Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing," Isaiah 43:18-19.

The Bible doesn't mention making resolutions at the beginning of a new year, but it does urge us to examine our lives regularly, and to seek God's help to become a better person every day. "Let us examine our ways and test them, and let us return to the Lord," Lamentations 3:40. I used to make a long list of New Year's resolutions every year, but I would get discouraged because I never kept them. I've decided to concentrate on just one this year; that I might become more like Christ during the coming year.

One reason resolutions are so hard to keep is that they were not realistic. Maybe you didn't have a clear plan for reaching them. Many New Year's resolutions are more like a "wish list." Sometimes even self-centered and little to no thought about whether or not they are God's will. I've failed to keep resolutions before because I tried to reach them in my own strength instead of with God's help. Because of the fall of Adam and Eve, we are born with a sin nature. That means we are spiritually and morally weak. We will never be the person God wants us to be unless we turn to Him for the help

we need. "My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth," Psalm 121:2.

Every day we are tempted to live for ourselves, but God's will is for us to become more and more like His Son, Jesus. This happens as you stay close to Christ and allow His Holy Spirit to change you from within. When you submit your heart and life to Christ, 2 Corinthians 3:18, says you will be "transformed into His likeness ... which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit." To be like Christ simple means to behave like Jesus behaved. He was tempted in His flesh to be an example for us to follow. Jesus rejected sin. He lived a pure and godly life. He shared His love with others. He gave all without regard to His own emotions, and He trusted His Father in Heaven for His daily needs. He loved all and confronted the sin in their life. It also means to be like Him in your character. "But the fruit of the Spirit makes us love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. There is no law against behaving in any of these ways," Galatians 5:22-23. Paul is reminding us in Galatians exactly what that is. We are to love and to have peace, joy and patience. We are to always be kind, expressing goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. We hear and see the Gifts of the Spirit in lessons, on shirts, pictures, coffee mugs and signs for our home and office. Verse 22 starts with a "But" and 23 ends with telling us that it isn't against God's law to have these attributes. When someone says, "Yea, but..." we need to back up and understand where it's coming from. "The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and dishonesty; idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like of these things. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God," Galatians 5:19-21.

A resolution puts your wishes into action. You may wish you'd lose weight, but nothing will happen unless you develop a realistic plan

of discipline, diet and exercise to follow. You may wish you had more faith or wish you had patience. Maybe you are bad at expressing kindness and no one that knows you would call you gentle. Much of what God calls us to do is about self-control and discipline. Proverbs 5:23 warns that a wayward man "will die for lack of discipline and led astray by his own great folly". But this isn't the only problem. You can make noble resolutions and develop great plans and still fail. The problem is within you, within your own heart and will. Paul said, "I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do, I do not do, but what I hate, I do," Romans 7:15. This is why we all need Jesus. He can help you overcome your weakness by His Spirit and give you the strength to change your behavior to be like His behavior. Only through Jesus can you have the character of Christ which is the

fruit of His Spirit.

The start of a new year is a natural time to stop and look at your life. What needs to be improved in your life? What needs to be eliminated... or added? What does God want you to do to be fully engaged with His plan for you? Make sure your resolutions are realistic and not vague dreams or wishes. Don't focus on self-centered goals; focus on what God wants to do in your life. Make sure of your commitment to Christ. Do you really put God first? Begin the New Year by giving your life totally to Jesus and thanking Him for second chances. I pray the Holy Spirit will show Himself real to you this coming year and draw you to a closer relationship with your Creator.

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### Howe's That

by Monte Walker

"Don't call it a comeback, I've been here for years" is a lyric from L.L. Cool J and it could represent the mood of our fair burg. A good parade is a good way to gauge the heart of a community. If that is true, then Howe's heart is far from life support that many had claimed only a few short years ago.

### "Victory Town" Christmas Parade had 30 floats

The 2015 Howe Christmas Parade was themed "Victory Town" because of the success the town has had this year in Howe sports and Howe development. The Howe Area Chamber of Commerce officially held their first parade since reorganizing at the beginning of 2015. It turned out to be a joint effort with Keep Howe



Lady Bulldogs move to 7-0 by coming back to beat Muenster, 60-59. They find themselves ranked #14 in Class 3A poll. Bulldogs basketball season begins with a ringing of Bells, 68-48. They start 2-2 after games against much larger schools in the Sanger Tournament. Downtown is decorated for Christmas. Howe band students Kaylee Dwyer, Jessica Doty (1st chair), Airianna Smith (1st chair), Greg Snider, Lindsey Krueger,

Isaac Huerta, and Jordan Griffin earned the right to advance to the area level of the All-State process of the ATSSB (Association of Texas Small School Bands). Akins and the Bulldogs dethrone Princeton with dramatic comeback 37-36 win. City of Howe hits \$300,000 in sales tax revenue which is the most ever for a single year. The 12.44 percent increase ranks Howe 265 out of 1152 Texas cities in that category. Lady

Bulldogs' Alissa Smith puts Princeton in timeout with her three straight 3-pointers. The win puts them at 8-0 on the season. The girls lost back-to-back games to Lubbock Christian and Sanger before rebounding to smash Pilot Point and Gunter. Howe Fire Department hosted Breakfast with Santa. Howe's Christmas parade was pushed back a week due to rain. Curt Beckemeyer is named president of Keep Howe Beautiful after Monte Walker stepped down in November. Howe's Victory Town Christmas Parade has 30 floats participate. Fourth graders collected canned food items for a local food bank. Bulldogs lose to #1 ranked Van Alstyne. The Lady Bulldogs score 91 on S&S to set a believed school record. Derek Lands says it's the most points his team has scored. The girls moved to 13-2. Meanwhile, the boys also hammer S&S by a score of 80-35.

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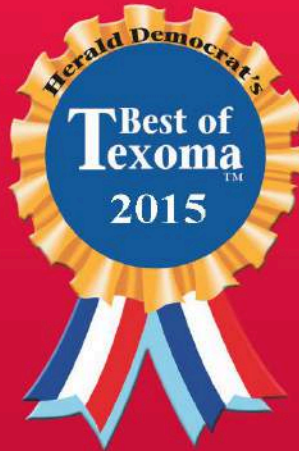
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## Learn about antiques and collectibles with Georgia Caraway



I welcome questions about your antiques and collectibles and will try to answer them in my column. Here is one I received from someone who came into Howe Mercantile. I prefer answering questions this way rather than in the shop. HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

Q. I own four Tuck postcards that appear to be of Civil War age. The cards are in color with the edge border and the message background gilded. The figures are pressed in relief. There are no dates on the cards. They were printed in Saxony by royal appointment. Can you give me any information regarding their history and approximate value? The postcards are in exceptionally good condition. E.S. Smith, Howe

A. Raphael Tuck started his business in a small shop in 1866 selling and framing pictures and chromolithographs printed by other companies primarily from Germany. Raphael Tuck sold his wares in the streets of London from a wheelbarrow. In 1871, his three sons had joined the firm and that Christmas Raphael Tuck and Sons published their first Christmas greeting. That same year reduced postal rates added to the popularity of mailing greeting cards. In 1880 the trademark of palette and easel was adopted, and the following year Raphael Tuck retired.

In 1894, Tuck's son, Adolph, began experimenting with a picture postcard, and produced one photo postcard of Mt. Snowdon in Wales. But it wasn't until 1898 that an issue of 12 lithographed vignette views of London was produced. These were followed by more London views and views along the Thames (36 in all). All were produced in Saxony from watercolor sketches. By 1903,

postcard collecting had caught the public's imagination in the United States and Tuck established an office in New York. Postcards printed in the Tuck facilities in England and Germany were sent to the United States to be sold.

Famous American artists such as cartoonist Clare Victor Dwiggins (signed "Dwig"), F. Earl Christy (the University girls), Katherine Gassaway (wide-eyed children), Richard Outcault (father of "Buster Brown" and his dog Tige), Grace Drayton (innovator of the Campbell Kids), Frederick Opper (Happy Hooligan), and Frances Brundage (children) created Tuck designs for the American market. The vast surviving numbers of cards are in the U.S. and are comparatively scarce in England. The Tuck collectors' sets include butterflies, Dickens' characters, gallery art, the Presidents and Presidents' homes, state belles and capitols, army and navy uniforms, Indians and Blacks. Some consider the finest Tuck cards to be the lithographed private mailing cards and embossed heraldic views of several cities.

Regrettably all records of the Tuck Company were destroyed when Raphael House was bombed in the blitz of London in 1940. Also destroyed were the original paintings from which the cards were reproduced, the lithographic stones, and all records of production.

You have a part of one of the sets published for our Patriotic holidays. The Decoration Day cards (Memorial Day) consist of the largest groupings. There are twelve cards to each set, embossed, and generally make use of flags as the motif. Yours is series #179 that has a gold wreath and star border and is striking in appearance. It heaps praise upon our country and it's fallen heroes and is a lovely but difficult set to find. One card reads, "It is little we can do to show our love for you, O warriors blest." Another reads "Let the Stars and Stripes be waving, O'er their generous sacrifice," another "Bring bright flowers the graves to garland, Let the sweetest music rise," and "A grateful land

remembers all her promises today." Your cards have what is called in the postcard collecting field "divided backs." Divided backs were introduced in England in 1902, however, they were introduced in the United States after 1907. Divided backs allowed room for the address on one side and a short message on the other side of the back. Prior to this only the address was allowed on the reverse side, causing senders to write on the picture side. The wording "Tuck's Post Card, carte postale, postkarte, with the trademark artist's easel and palette, Printed in Saxony, By Appointment, Art Publishers to their Majesties the King and Queen," all indicate that these were printed for the American market.

My estimate of value is \$20-25 each, more if you had the complete set. It might be fun to search for them on the Internet or at postcard shows. I suggest you put these cards in protective plastic sleeves made especially for storing postcards and tuck them away for future generations to enjoy.

Dr. Georgia Caraway, former director of the Denton County Museums for 14 years, and her friends opened the Howe Mercantile at 107 East Haning. Store hours are Thursday through Saturday noon until 8 p.m. In addition to Tips, Tools, & Techniques: Caring for Your Antiques and Collectibles, she has written four Denton history books and is finishing a 5th history about the North Texas State Fair and Rodeo. Reduced after-Christmas markdowns throughout the Howe Mercantile!

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## Lady Bulldogs unofficially set school record with 91 points scored against S&S



Howe's Riley Harvey is fouled during the 91-40 win over S&S

If it weren't for Derek Lands taking his foot off of the gas, the Lady Bulldogs would have put up at least 100 points on S&S on Tuesday night. Lands says that it is the most points scored by a team that he's coached. The 91-40 win over S&S moves the girls to 13-2 on the season and 3-0 in district play.

If you showed up a little late and missed the first five minutes of the game, you missed over 25 percent of the total scoring output by the Lady Bulldogs. Howe was leading 25-8 at the five minute mark when this procrastinating "sports reporter" made his way to the friendly confines of the Howe High School Gymnasium. And it didn't take

long to figure out that this game was going to be unlike any other seen in Howe. They finished off the first period by leading, 28-13.

Alissa Smith finished the game tied with Riley Harvey for the most points in the game with 16. Smith shot 66 percent, while Harvey shot 60 percent, respectively. In somewhat typical fashion, the spectators saw the tremendous complimentary inside-out game that has been good enough rank them #15 in the state in the TABC 3A poll.

Sophomore Peyton Streetman handled the ball well which set up the inside game of Harvey and the outside shooting of Darci Foster and Smith, who combined for five three-pointers. Foster finished the game with 14 points and shot 60 percent from the field.

The Lady Bulldogs took a 57-21 lead into the half and didn't slow up coming out of the break. S&S did have their best quarter in the third, but still saw Howe win, 21-13. The Lady Bulldogs had 12 different players score and Howe won the fourth quarter, 13-6.

Behind Smith, Harvey and Foster, other scorers were Peyton Streetman (10), Hunter Brockelman (7), Madisyn Hargrove (6), Kayla Anderson (5), Holly Hawkins (4), Jaylyn Mosse (4), Payton Griffin (4), Landry Rhoten (3) and Kamryn Fulecheck (2).

## Bulldogs light up S&S, 80-35



Nick Wilson drives the bucket vs. S&S on Monday night.

For those frustrated football fans that wanted a glitz and glamour offense where the ball is thrown around all over the place and hardly anything is traditional, you might want to come to see the Bulldogs basketball team. I don't know head coach Tim Short's political affiliation, but his style of basketball leans toward the liberal run-and-gun style of this new age. That in itself says a lot about the way a coach, who has been around this area coaching basketball for 25 years or so, can

make adjustments to the style of play that fits his players. The game has changed since, say, the 1980s when he was coaching against Howe while he was Pottsboro's head coach. While the style of basketball has changed, Short's winning ways have not. The Bulldogs got off to a slow start trailing 14-12 after the first period. Howe had a more "Bulldog-like" second period by winning that frame, 29-20 taking a 43-32 lead into the half. But the third quarter saw Howe score 30 to put the game completely out of reach and the 'Dogs took a 59-29 lead to the fourth. S&S then rolled over in the final frame as Howe finished out a 21-6 final period and an 80-35 win.

Howe moved to 7-5 on the season and 1-0 in district play. Nick Wilson led the 'Dogs with 17 points followed by Sam Akins with 14. Griffin Underwood added 13 and Michael Kehrer 11. Other scorers were Brandon Wall (9), Levi Mrozinski (8), Stratton Carroll (4), and Ty Harvey (4). Howe will compete in the Leonard Holiday tournament starting today at 5:40 vs. Celeste.



## The Texas Minute: Frank Buck



Dr. Ken Bridges

In the early twentieth century, many city zoos did not have a significant number of animals to exhibit because of the difficulty in obtaining animals from the far corners of the globe. And fewer cities could establish zoos for that same reason. Frank Buck, an animal trapper and adventurer, helped bring countless specimens to zoos in the United States and inspired generations of Americans to appreciate wildlife, all the while thrilling the public with stories of his adventures. Because of Buck's early work with animals, he helped educate the public about wildlife and increased the popularity of zoos across the nation.

Frank Buck was born in the Cooke County community of Gainesville in 1884. He enjoyed collecting birds and other small animals throughout his childhood. His family soon moved to Dallas, where he attended the local schools. His most promising subject was geography, but he reported years later that the limited curriculum bored him, and he quite school in the seventh grade. After working a series of odd jobs, he eventually made his way to Chicago.

In 1911, he took an extended trip to Brazil and explored deep into the rain forests. Fascinated by the beauty and extensive wildlife he saw, Buck brought back dozens of exotic birds back to the United States with him. As he disembarked in New York, he found many people just as fascinated with the birds who then convinced Buck to sell them at a comfortable profit. Inspired, Buck then went to Asia to bring back more exotic animals to sell in the United States and began a life as an animal trapper.

For the next several years, he trapped and collected thousands of animals for zoos and

private collectors. Over the course of his career, he captured snakes, birds, elephants, tigers, lions, kangaroos, camels, giraffes, crocodiles, and hyenas. Buck estimated that his expeditions took as many as 100,000 animals altogether.

In 1923, he was hired to manage the new San Diego Zoo in California, with zoo directors impressed by his reputation and handling of animals. However, Buck reportedly had many disagreements with the board of directors and resigned after only a few months. Buck developed a steady following thanks to his exploits. In 1932, he co-authored with journalist Edward Anthony his best-selling memoirs *Bring 'Em Back Alive*. The book's success and his dramatic storytelling led to a movie and radio program of the same name. Later that year, buoyed by their initial success, Buck and Anthony wrote a second collection of Buck's stories titled *Wild Cargo*.

Frank Buck appeared in seven more movies between 1934 and 1949 and co-authored seven more books on his experiences. At the Chicago World Fair in 1933 and the New York World Fair in 1939, Buck created exhibits featuring thousands of animals that delighted audiences.

He was married three times. Shortly after his third marriage, he settled with his new wife and daughter in San Angelo. During World War II, he traveled extensively across the United States, speaking to different groups about his adventures. In March 1950, he died in Houston following a protracted fight with lung cancer.

In honor of his accomplishments, his home town of Gainesville in 1954 renamed the local zoo in his honor. The Frank Buck Zoo, which was originally founded in 1930, attracts thousands of visitors each year. In 2008, the zoo further commemorated Buck's impact by adding an exhibit detailing his life and adventures featuring memorabilia donated by his daughter.

Dr. Bridges is a Texas native, writer, and history professor. He can be reached at [drkenbridges@gmail.com](mailto:drkenbridges@gmail.com).

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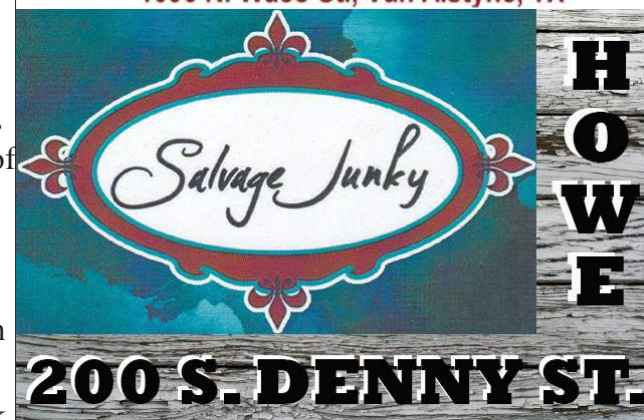


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Typical scene in Howe homes during the Christmas season. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hawkins pose with their children near the family Christmas tree. At left is Robin, observing Jeff, center, and Roderick, standing. The Hawkins will visit relatives in Oklahoma during the Christmas Holidays.

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# The Howe Enterprise

## 25 years ago this week

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### Howe's that...

**SAD NEWS** - Last week I learned the sad news that Howe ISD Supt. Pete Simmons is leaving Howe to take a job at Plains ISD. Well, the news is sad for Howe because we are losing a man who has done an excellent job for Howe in the 7 1/2 years he has been here. But the news is good for Pete and his family. The salary is better which will mean a lot to retirement benefits later. There are also interesting challenges in Plains to be met and beaten. And it is a move closer to family and roots - the west Texas area is home to them.

As the parent of three Howe High School graduates and as a taxpayer in the community, I feel Pete has done a super job working with the various school board members, staff, and community leaders to help our students reach their potential and to keep up with growing demands for various educational and extracurricular programs. It's not an easy job to keep staff, parents, students and taxpayers all happy - in fact, sometimes it is impossible to keep some of these folks happy - but Pete has done an admirable job. Howe will miss him. I'm not saying he cannot be replaced, but he will be a "tough act to follow." At least our new superintendent will find a district that is running smoothly thanks to his management and hard work.

On a more personal note, I've worked with Pete on the Howe Community Library Board since it was formed late in 1984. I have also worked with him on Chamber of Commerce programs and, of course, in the gathering of news about school board meetings and other school happenings. He is a friend. Both my husband and I will miss him and his wife, but we realize that the opportunity at Plains is one he just couldn't pass up. And we know that he still has strong ties to our community.

Good luck, Pete & Linda. You'll always be a part of Howe as we know Howe will always be a part of you.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**HOWE ISD ATHLETIC DIRECTOR** Joey McQueen will be the guest speaker at the Chamber of Commerce meeting set for Monday, Jan. 7, 1991 at Flesher Community Room in Howe. Topic will center around the athletic programs of Howe ISD and in particular on the exciting 1990 football season. Everyone is invited to attend.

**COMMODITY DISTRIBUTION** will be Tuesday, Jan. 8, from 8:30 to 11 a.m. at the Howe Community Center.

**PLUMMER FAMILY** Country Music Show sponsored by the Grayson County Sheriff's Reserve will be held Saturday, Jan. 19, at 7:30 p.m. at Eisenhower Auditorium in Denison. Tickets available at Mitchell's Supermarket in Howe. For more information call 892-3362.

The Howe Community Library will be closed on the following days during the holiday season: Dec. 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 31, and Jan. 1. Regular library hours will resume on Jan. 2.

The library will be open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Dec. 20, 27, 28 and from 9 a.m. to noon on Dec. 29.



**CHRISTMAS DECORATION WINNERS**  
First place went to the Virgil Kight family, top photo - Santa and reindeer. Tying for second were, the home of Richard and Lanettie Barrett (middle) - nativity scene - and the home of the Mark Hardy family (bottom) - candy canes and lollipops decorate the driveway.

### All-District Players Named

A number of Howe Bulldogs were picked for the 11-AA All-District team. Coaches of the year were Howe's Joey McQueen and Jerry Jones of Pilot Point.

First team picks include: Kevin Gray, senior, offensive lineman; Damion Horton, junior, tight end; Chris Hartwell and Kevin Gray, both seniors, defensive linemen; Jon Norwood, senior, linebacker; Wade Carson, senior, defensive back.

Second team members from Howe are Monty Brown, senior, offensive lineman; Wade Carson, senior, quarterback; Michael Bailey, junior, running back; Joey McMillion, senior, wide receiver; Monte Walker, junior, punter; Jason Mitcheson, sophomore, defensive lineman; Monte Walker, junior, linebacker; and Shawr Stephenson, senior, defensive back.

### JV Boys Win Trophy

The JV boys basketball team opened the 90-91 season on Dec. 1 by sweeping two games in the Howe Tournament and claiming the Championship Trophy.

The first game saw the Dogs defeat Tom Bean, 56-42. Defensively, Howe was led by Brad Turner with 11 rebounds and Steven Bannister with 5. Jeremy Francis had 5 steals followed by Jay Carson and B.J. Sikes with 3 each. Offensively, 10 Bulldogs contributed, led by Carson's 11 points. Also scoring: Bannister with 10; Turner, 8; Mike Fawkes, 6; Josh Farrington, 6; Jeremy McDonough, 4; Francis, 4; Kent Bearden, 4; Sikes, 2;

and Jason Jester, 1.

In the championship game Howe overcame a 17-7 first quarter deficit to defeat S&S 53-42. Turner again led the Dogs with 10 rebounds, followed by Bannister with 7. Bearden led the offensive end of the game with 20 points, 1 in the second half. Also scoring were Carson, 13; Turner, 8; Bannister, 4; Farrington, 2; and Sikes, 1.

Coach Smithart said, "I was very proud of these young men for showing pride and desire to come back from such an early deficit to win. It just shows what kind of young men we have on the team."

## Howe ISD Supt. Resigns To Take Position With Plains ISD

The Howe School Board met Wednesday, Dec. 19, and accepted the resignation of Sup. Pete Simmons, effective Feb. 1. They appointed Norman Dickey to serve as interim superintendent while they take applications through Feb. 8 for the position.

Simmons will begin work on Feb. 1 as superintendent for Plains ISD. The class A school is located in an "oil-rich" area in west Texas southwest of Lubbock.

Simmons said, "I have mixed feelings about leaving Howe. Personally, my family and I have many wonderful friends and colleagues here. The positive side of that aspect is that our friendships will continue. Our sons graduated from Howe and enjoyed successful school days. We join with a recent statement made by Marty Cannaday in that the Howe diploma our sons received says to the world 'we care enough to send the very best!'"

He expressed his appreciation for the friendships and support received in the seven and a half years he served as superintendent for Howe ISD.

He continued, "I have enjoyed being the catalyst that has helped make an outstanding school even better. Working together, the Howe community has developed a physical plant and a product in our students and progress which is the example and envy of the whole area."

Simmons added, "I feel very proud that Linda and I have made a difference for a few hundred children as they have passed through Howe schools. Howe has an outstanding school system. We hope it is a little better because we have labored here."

He stated that he sees no real problems in the Howe schools and feels he is leaving Howe ISD in good hand to continue to excellent job Howe does in educating the students of the district.

Simmons also spoke reasons for taking the job in Plains. He said, "We will be returning to west Texas, an area where we were raised and spent most of our professional career. We will be going to a school very much like Howe. Plains is very successful in all its endeavors. It is respected in its area much as Howe is in this area. It will present new challenges and opportunities for both Linda and me. Financially and professionally, it is a wonderful step for us. We are very excited about it."

During the years that Simmons has been in Howe, he has been involved in several groups outside the school. He served on the Howe Chamber of Commerce board and has exceeded chamber banquets. He has been a member of the Howe Lions Club and the Hurricane Creek Rotary Club. He is a member of the First Baptist Church, serving as deacon and Men's Sunday School teacher. His wife, Linda, has taught kindergarten at Howe Elementary for a number of years. As soon as a teacher can be hired for her position, she will also leave the Howe ISD.

Simmons concluded his statement about leaving Howe with the following: "I would like to thank the members of the board for their strong support of me during my tenure here. I especially thank Alton Norman, Carolyn Cavender, and Bill Estep who have been on the board the entire seven and a half years, and Glenn Fulton who has been on the board for



PETE SIMMONS

almost seven of those years. My thanks and appreciation go also to current board members Jim Lough, Gail Catching and Kathie Allen and to former members David Catching, Bobby Sallis, Jimmy Bearden, Floyd Scalf, Lanettie Barrett and Dwan Roberts. These board members have provided the leadership and stability which has made my job very enjoyable. I express my deepest appreciation to the staff at school. They are outstanding people. I thank the students and community, it has been an honor for me to be your superintendent. There are many educating our young people. I know you folks will continue to show them 'Howe'."

The board is planning a reception to honor Simmons and his family. Details will be announced soon.

## House Destroyed By Fire

Howe firefighters were called to a house fire Friday morning, Dec. 21, at approximately 9 a.m. The house, located on Bean Street, several houses north of Stacey's Restaurant, was destroyed by the fire. However, there were no injuries and none of the four members of the Joe Hise family were at home at the time of the fire.

The cause of the fire in the one-story frame house is believed to be accidental. Extreme cold and falling snow and sleet hampered efforts of firefighters, but the members of

the Howe VFD were able to contain the fire and keep it from spreading to nearby homes or trees.

Money for the family was collected at Stacey's on Friday. The Howe Police Dept. is also taking donations of clothing for the family members which includes: father, pants with a 31-inch waist and 30-inch length; mother with size of 7 or 8; 6-year-old boy with size 7 pants; and 5-year-old girl with size 6 pants. Donations may be made by calling Howe Police at 532-5571.



HOUSE FIRE

On Friday, Dec. 21, Howe Volunteer Firefighters fought a fire which destroyed a house located in the 200 block of Bean St. (Staff photo)