



Howe's That

The lot between Abby's Restaurant and City Hall sold recently. Jack Leavenworth purchased the property from the city back in 2015 with the understanding he would expand the restaurant. However, Leavenworth sold the property to a group from McKinney who will put a coin-operated ice machine there instead. One wonders if this was in the plans during "Operation Renovation" of Downtown Howe. Probably not.

Roger Tidwell of FBC Howe is celebrating 25 years this at the church. He was given a tribute by the church on Sunday with a video from several former church leaders, current church leaders, members of the congregation and members of his family. Tidwell's legacy in Howe will be one of trust and humor. But his true gift seems to be the way he can dissect one verse and preach for weeks on one small topic and make it relevant to today's time.

There is so much that goes into being a one-man newspaper. It means school board meetings on Monday nights, City Council meetings on Tuesday nights, Chamber mixers on Thursday nights and then family time somewhere in between. This was one busy week in Howe and we think this edition will tell that. But there was a lot of help this week as Gay Brennan, each school principal and Facebook friends helped to tell each story.

This week is the annual Loy Lake Stock Show, as we call it. It has a different name and we will officially call it by that in next week's edition. The editor of the Howe Enterprise always has a challenge during this week, not being raised in the animal showing ring. This week will require much help from those that are in the ring and those that know a lot about it. When it comes to stock shows, I'm a new born animal.

Howe ISD to explore construction for new school as 55-year-old campus nears capacity



Double modular buildings next to the elementary school show the need for more room on campus.

At the monthly school board meeting on Monday night, Howe ISD Superintendent Kevin Wilson made mention to the school board that it is time to start having discussions about a new campus facility to relieve pressure from the elementary and middle school campuses that are growing out of room. With four modular buildings on that campus and the demographics report showing that the elementary will very quickly reach maximum capacity, several options were mentioned during the discussion with Wilson and the board.

The elementary enrollment currently is at 434 with a projected enrollment next year of 485. The following year would push it up over 500 at 507. The demographer study

showed the maximum capacity is 506 students, however, Wilson said the number is closer to 475 with 22 students in each classroom. Above that creates an overcrowded issue.

"We do have some extra spaces lined out if we need to add extra classrooms, but we're going to run out of space at some point." said Wilson.

With an extraordinarily large third grade class, it will put pressure on the middle school campus in two years which is expected to be at 365 students next year.

The high school has no issue currently due to it being constructed 17 years ago for a capacity of 600 students.

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Tidwell celebrating 25 years at FBC Howe

At this time of the year 25 years ago, the First Baptist Church of Howe began to prepare for a new pastor to replace the recently departed Jim Koonce. Their search ended with a young 32-year-old mustached husband and father of two that was seeking a small town with values. After hearing Tidwell preach at a Sherman church, members of the oldest baptist church in Howe thought that his wit and humor would be the perfect fit for a church that had grown restless and perhaps grumpy at times. Even the community was on edge as allegations that a Howe baseball coach had inappropriately touched a



Roger Tidwell

student. What the church and the community needed was to relax a little, and simply smile again. And for 25 years every Sunday, the non-traditional baptist

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Palio's says hello to Howe



Rhonda Ray was greeted as the first paying customer. Enterprise photo

The long-awaited opening of Palio's Pizza Cafe took place on Wednesday at noon, however, Rhonda Ray ordered four pepperoni pizzas to go at 11 am and was declared the first paying customer. The pizza place with 45 other locations recently opened a similar store in Melissa. Traffic at

Howe's newest restaurant was steady all week even with construction to Haning Street in front of the store.

Renovation to the building that was built for a Dairy Queen in 1967 began in early 2015. But the wait was forgotten by slice one.

Vandals targeting Howe athletics



Destruction of vents in auxiliary gym.

After remarkable upgrades to the athletic facilities over the past three years, the Howe Athletics Department seem to be primary targets of vandalism since the beginning of February. Early in the month, Feb. 6, the auxiliary gymnasium on Denny Street was damaged with wooden vent racks ripped from the walls and slammed to the newly resurfaced floor. Also, trash was dumped and soda was poured on the flooring. The ISD recently spent \$80,000 in renovations to the building including the new

flooring.

Also, the varsity baseball field had four rye grass seed bags busted and poured in the dugout. The vandals also painted lines on the sidewalks with pink paint and sprayed white paint on the sidewalks and fencing areas.

"We've already cleaned it up and we're not asking help to do that. We just want it to stop." said Howe ISD Athletic Director Zack Hudson.

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Campus

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A modular building sits between Charles R. Thompson Gymnasium and the middle school campus. *Enterprise photo*

"At the earliest, we could have a November election for a bond and open the school in the fall of 2019," said Wilson. "If you wanted to delay another year, we could do a May or November of '18 election and open the school in 2020, but we're going to be looking at a number of portables by then."

Wilson said the \$15 million question is whether the new campus be a middle school or an elementary school. With 24 acres owned by the ISD at the corner of Smith Road and Matthews Road, one would imagine that to be the logical future location. Other properties within future developments have been set aside for new school facilities, though not currently in possession by the ISD as the 24 acres near Summit Hill is.

"I don't need to make this decision because I'm a short-timer," said the longest tenured Howe ISD superintendent in 40 years. "That building is going to be here a whole lot longer than my career. We need to involve the community. School buildings are not a superintendent's decision. That's a board and a community decision. Superintendents come and go, but you are here and it's going to serve your kids."

Wilson's original thought was for a new middle school campus which would allow for the elementary to virtually take over the entire facility that is now the elementary and middle school combined. The gymnasium is sufficient for elementary activities. He also said the middle school building classrooms are very small and not equipped with technology capabilities that they could with a new building.

"I understand that everyone wants

their elementary kids to be in a new school. I get that," said Wilson.

He stated that the new campus could very well be an elementary school or serve as a split intermediate school and didn't want to seem as if the middle school was already a commitment.

Howe ISD would have to fit a bond under the capacity level that is allowed. With the cost of a new campus ranging from \$15-\$20 million and construction cost increasing by one percent per month (\$2 million per year), it affects the time frame in which to build and how to structure a bond. Currently, the ISD is paying \$0.23 towards debt payment and can go as high as \$0.50. Consulting with a financial adviser, they were told that \$16 million would be the limit of what the ISD could afford to build based on current numbers. However, with property values continuing to increase and with the addition of new homes and businesses, the ISD could afford a little more. Admittedly, Wilson said it would be tough to build a middle school campus on undeveloped property for \$16 million. He created other scenarios including a Kindergarten - third grade campus which could leave fourth and fifth grade in the current elementary building.

The board approved to from a steering committee involving community members to discuss the future campus options. They also approved a \$250,000 expenditure for facility projects which includes covered bus parking to extend the life of the assets, weightroom renovations, middle school lockers, middle school locker rooms, tennis courts, rock and gravel the auxiliary gym parking lot, and upgrade the 50-year-old elementary campus restroom fixtures.



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Grisham homers in opener; Dogs win 10-0



Mason Riggs (left) and Tyler Grisham (right) jump into each other after Grisham's homer in the second inning.

Photo by Michelle Carney.

Last we reported in error that the season began with a win over Melissa, however, it turned out to be the final scrimmage. Howe actually did open their regular season with North Hopkins on Tuesday at home and walked away with a 10-0 win thanks in part to Tyler Grisham's 2-run homer in the bottom of the second inning. Grisham would later drive in a run with a single in the third.

Sophomore Mason Riggs got the win by throwing three scoreless frames, allowing one hit and striking out seven while walking four. Bryce Krantz threw two no-hit innings in relief, fanning three and walking a pair.

Multi-hit games were had by Brennan Ross, Peyton Reagan, Matt Griffin, Jaden Matthews and Grisham. Riggs and Ross drove in

a couple of runs each.

Howe played in the Weimer tournament this past weekend. Howe lost the first game to Weimer, 7-2, but rebounded in walk-off fashion to come from behind to beat Smithville, 8-7. Howe finished the tourney to beat Cedar Creek, 11-7.

Cade Courtney doubled with two outs in the bottom of the sixth to drive in Mason Riggs for the winning run. Riggs was also the winning pitcher, going three innings, striking out four. Peyton Reagan led the team with three hits.

Against Cedar Creek, Reagan also had three of the team's 18 hits. He also got the win by going 3.1 innings though allowing five earned runs.

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Tidwell

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preacher has helped those on Davis Street and throughout the community to love the Lord and love to smile.

Tidwell came to Howe from Elroy, Texas outside of Austin where he was preaching at a church and wasn't sure if he'd get paid every week. Seeking a church with a steady income to support his wife and two daughters (5-year-old and a fifth grader), he looked at North Texas due to family ties in Whitewright. He found out through another church that he was interested in that FBC Howe was seeking a pastor. After preaching an "audition" sermon at

Crutchfield Baptist in Sherman in November of 1991, members of the church went to Austin in January of '92 to hear another sermon. He was then contacted by Harold Finney, the committee chair and was in Howe in February of '92.

"I didn't really think Howe would take a look at me, coming from a little town." said Tidwell.

With the average stay for a pastor ranging from two to five years, Tidwell jokingly said that he has been here for 25 years because no other church would have him. But he recognized that North Texas, in particular the Grayson County area has a reputation of sticking with pastors. He pointed out Houston Garner, who has been at Hebron Baptist in Bells for over 50 years.

Danny Woods has been at West Sherman Baptist for over 30 years. Bobby Fletcher was at Dorchester Baptist for nearly 20 years.

Tidwell says he never had thoughts of moving on to a big city church. Growing up in inner-city Dallas as a minority, he was looking for a place to raise his kids in a small conservative town with values.

"The only way to get to a bigger church is get to a bigger community and I just had no desire to do that." said Tidwell. "It's not a trade I wanted to make."

Tidwell says he has initiated a plan called "Operation 2025" which would be steps to lead to finish his ministry at the age of 66.

"The worry is, at what age do you become irrelevant, that you're an old pastor that can't reach young families? When I was younger, I always thought that a 58-year-old pastor was too old.

The ability to plan out his retirement, unlike many other pastors is largely due to his ability to connect with the congregation by being himself.

"The first thing is that they have let me be me." said Tidwell. "I'm not much of the baptist pastor mold. I wear overalls and tie-dye and typical things that pastors don't do. The second thing is humor."

Not only humor, but self-deprecating humor has allowed

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Real estate market was topic at Howe Chamber mixer



Ben Vincent, past president of Greater Texoma Association of Realtors discusses the housing market in North Texas to a crowd gathered at the Howe Development Alliance office on Thursday evening. *Enterprise photo*

City approves and denies zone requests

The Howe City Council denied two zone changes and approved two zone changes during Tuesday night's monthly council meeting.

Rebecca Luna had three properties listed on the agenda for rezoning. The first was to change from SF-2 (single family) to C1 (commercial) at 101 E. Young Street. The property is located at the corner of Young and Denny Streets.

Luna stated to the council that she had been to the city council meetings a number of times and heard discussions of needed commercial property.

"I'm moving back to Dallas and this would be a good thing for Howe." said Luna. "Who knows if a doctor could come in or a CPA. I think it would be good for the town."

Mayor Jeff Stanley said that the P&Z approved the zoning change on Monday with 19 letters sent to surrounding property owners and the city received one approval and three protest letters. Stanley went on to ask Luna if she had a buyer interested in the properties. When she said no, the mayor asked why she would request a zone change without a buyer.

"The people in front of my have their business and the people catty corner to me, it looks like the right spot for a commercial place to be." said Luna.

Stanley said that there is not enough parking space at 101 E. Young for a commercial business. But Luna indicated that they were trying to sell the three properties as one package and indicated that there was enough parking at 105 E. Young St. and 501 N. Denny St. to serve parking needs for the properties.

Luna's real estate agent, Emily Wilkin told the mayor that the reason they requested the zone change was to make it more attractive to a buyer.

Lowery said that since more letters opposed the zoning change than favored it, she made the motion to deny the immediate change and told Luna that once she has a buyer that it could be brought up for a zone change at that time. The motion carried three to one with Sam Haigis the descending vote.

The same motion was carried and the same results were put forward on 105 E. Young St. However, the council approved the zone change at 501 N. Denny St. from residential to commercial. The building is the former laundromat and had been zoned residential because the business existed before the time that the zoning was enacted. Typically everything was zoned to single family and then changed at the time. The council approved the zone change to commercial for that property.

The City Council will held a public hearing to consider a request from Leland Bush for a zone change from SF-2 (single family) to multi-Family at 512 Maple Street for a proposed triplex on the site. Micah Belden spoke against the use of a triplex and hoped that Bush would consider a duplex, if any, due to the crowding of the lot and the corner.

Bush told the council that he is a custom home builder and that his name and reputation would be on it and it would be quality. He showed examples of a duplex for a general idea of what he had in mind.

The city received no approvals and one protest. The council approved the zone change three to one with a motion by Haigis. Lowery opposed.



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Howe Police Officers awarded

Howe Police Chief Carl Hudman said that one of the most rewarding things about his job as police chief is getting to reward the officers that protect the citizens of Howe. At Tuesday night's city council meeting, Hudman recognized four officers on accomplishments.

"Since I've been here for four years, I've had nothing but exceptional police officers." said Hudman. "Almost everyone remembers April 26, 2016 when a tornado came through Howe. Some people say it didn't impact Howe that much, but it was extremely chaotic and extremely hazardous and some of those officers that calmed the waters are here tonight."

Brandon Ozuna was recognized for his efforts with the Police Commendation Award. The award read:

In recognition of Officer Brandon Ozuna outstanding performance of duty while serving as a police officer for the City of Howe, he is awarded the Police Commendation Award. On the evening of April 26, 2016, an F1 tornado touched down in Howe, crossing Hwy 75 and continuing east. Several motorists were struck by the tornado, causing a complete shutdown of a major highway and risk of injury to other motorists. Numerous homes east of Howe were hit by the tornado and downed power lines added to the chaos. Without hesitation, Officer Ozuna responded and assisted motorists struck by the tornado. Officer Ozuna served under extreme hazardous conditions to ensure the safety of the public. His efforts during the disaster were noteworthy and brought credit upon himself and the Howe Police Department.

Officer Jordan Clark, who has since moved on to the Grayson County Sheriff's Department also received the Police Accomodation Award along with an award for an arrest he made on Sept. 21, 2015 when he made a traffic stop on Hwy 75 recovering nearly a pound of methamphetamine, marijuana, stolen vehicle and a handgun that had been altered - all in one stop.

"If he got an award for every drug bust that he made, it would be as tall as he is." said Hudman. "If you don't already know, we're losing a significant officer (Clark) who has made a tremendous impact on the drug activity that has occurred in the past that travels up and down the highway." said Hudman. "He's passed on some of his skill set in which he does have a true skill set. that will benefit the other officers in this agency."

Officer Keith Milks was honored for the work of he did on the night of the tornado as well as an investigation collision on May 6, 2016 that resulted in the death of a woman and injury of three children. Hudman said that Milks conducted the investigation with extreme tenacity and



2016 HPD Officer of the Year
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Jordan Clark



Brandon Ozuna



Sgt. Michael Hill

professionalism. Milks was also named Howe Police Department's Officer of the Year for 2016.

Hudson also recognized Sergeant Michael Hill, who was on a police call and unavailable for his recognition.

"He too was there the night of the tornado and was the first supervisor on the scene and handled himself extremely well." said Hudman.

The department answered 209 calls to service in January and made nine felony arrests. They made 10 misdemeanor arrests, generated 38 reports, investigated or responded to eight vehicle accidents, and issued 60 citations.

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Howe History Minute: Howe's Will and Grace

The history of the Will Collins family's involvement in Howe begins with William Whitley Wheat, who in 1854 settled near Farmington, one of the more promising communities in Grayson County until the Houston and Texas Central Railroad bypassed it, favoring a location which later became Howe, Texas. In 1861 a daughter, Phoebe Wheat, married Josiah (Si) M. Collins, who had come to Grayson County in 1857, buying land adjacent to the Wheat place. They were married by - and in the home of - Dr. B.F. Hall, who was active in organizing Christian Church congregations throughout North Texas, including the one at Howe. W.W. Wheat served eight years as a county commissioner and was one of the founders of the Old Settlers Association. Si and Phoebe Collins reared four daughters, two sons, and two orphaned nephews. One son, William Wheat Collins (Will), lived in or near Howe for most of his life. He married Gertye Etter in 1895 and fathered one child, a daughter, Neva, and lived for a short time in Wise County. Gertye died in 1908, and in 1912 he married Grace Lillian Roberts, a daughter of James Melton and Martha Baxter Roberts. Their only child, William Wheat Collins, Jr., was born in Howe in 1913.

Will and a partner, Porter Harding, owned a drugstore on the northeast corner of what is now Highway 5 and Denny Street and is currently the Howe Development Alliance/Howe Chamber of Commerce building. One of Howe's doctors, Dr. Sadler, had an office in the rear of the drugstore. He often irritated the owners by telling patients to "go home and drink a lot of water," rather than prescribing medicines sold in the drugstore. At that time the Interurban line ran right beside the drugstore building, which also served as the Howe "Interurban Station." Collins and Harding were agents for the Interurban, and their families got free passes. Consequently, trips to Dallas were popular. True or not, it has been told that Grace Collins would take her young son, Bill (three or four years old), to Dallas and let him entertain himself on the Sanger's escalator while she shopped.

In 1900, Will's brother, Joe Collins, married May Smith and one of his sisters, Mary Collins, married Ben Smith in a double ceremony at the Si Collins home near Farmington. Both May and Ben Smith were children of G.B.R. Smith, who owned a flour mill in Sherman. With financial help from one of the nephews reared by Si and Phoebe Collins - Izzy Bobbitt, who had become fairly wealthy building levees and railroads in Louisiana - G.B.R. Smith, shortly before World War I, built a large new flour mill in Sherman and established two satellite grain facilities, one in Howe and the other in Celina. About that time, Howe was one of the largest grain centers in Texas. When prices for farm products rose dramatically after World War I, Will decided to return to farming because farmers seemed to be doing so well. In 1919, he moved his family from Howe to the homeplace near Farmington, where they lived through the Great Depression and World War II. Throughout this time,

however, they maintained strong ties with Howe, loyally patronizing local stores and services. For several years Will served as Sunday School Superintendent and Grace was a Sunday School Teacher at the Howe Christian Church, where Si and Phoebe were among the original members.

At the height of the Great Depression, the Howe grain facility that Will once managed became a subsidiary of Kimbell Milling Company, and in 1932, Will accepted a personal invitation from Kay Kimbell to return as a manager. He retained this position in name until his death in 1956, although Grace actually did most of the managerial work in later years because of Will's poor health. In addition, she found time for church and club work, especially in connection with the Howe Christian Church and the Howe Sesame Club. Two of her brothers operated businesses in Howe for many years, and a sister - affectionately called "Miss Mame" (Roberts) - became widely known for her work with garden clubs and her leadership in efforts to beautify smaller communities. The Rotogravure section of the *Dallas Morning News* in the Sunday, June 18, 1939 edition had a full front page pictorial story about Howe's beautification program, entitled "We Think We Can." Part of the accompanying narrative says, "Howe can be a beautiful town. Its 565 people...intend to make it the sort of place that will cause all travelers...to remember it as an outstanding example of what a little town can do." Pictured by a Howe City Limit sign, Miss Mame is called "Leader and tireless worker to make her hometown the prettiest one in Texas." In 1944, the *Dallas Morning News* ran a series of articles on Small Town Planning prepared by Miss Mame. Advance publicity stated, in part, "If town planning seems to pretentious a term, start with a local cleanup and beautification program. Howe, a little town in Grayson County, did it several years ago and won statewide acclaim. Miss Mame Roberts, guiding spirit in that program and other campaigns conducted through the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs and other channels, will tell Dallas News readers how every small town in Texas can do likewise." While Miss Mame received well-deserved recognition for her work, it was all inspired and made possible by Grace Collins, who provided a home for Miss Mame for many years, preparing meals, keeping house and serving as a driver, and who, in the background, conceived projects for her sister and encouraged her to apply her talents to them. Grace is the unsung hero of Howe's beautification efforts.

In 1942, William Wheat Collins, Jr. bought 125 acres north of Howe between Highway 75 and the railroad, and right after World War II acquired 77 adjoining acres, which included the former Brodhead home. Because of the more convenient location, Will and Grace moved from the Collins homeplace to this house. Subsequently, William Jr. bought additional acreage south of the Brodhead place and several tracts on FM 902 west of Highway 75. In the mid-1960s, during a dispute with Sherman over city-limit lines, he indicated preference for his land to be included in the Howe city limits, to which Sherman generally agreed. This partly accounts for Howe's irregular north city limit lines. Also, in the mid-1960s, while serving as

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Blood Drive @ High School
 Parking Lot
 March 1 @ 2:00 pm

V Baseball @ Lindsay
 Tournament
 March 2

<http://howenterprise.com/events/>

Local Church Calendar

First United Methodist Church of Howe

Tuesday
 8:15-1:00 pm - Wee Care Learning Center
 9:30 am - Women's Bible Study
 6:30 pm - Boy Scouts

Wednesday
 8:15-1:00 pm - Wee Care Learning Center
 9:00 am - Wednesday Workers
 6:00 pm - Wednesday Night Family Night
 6:30 pm - K4J Children's Program
 6:30 pm - Jr.High and Sr. High Youth

Thursday
 8:15-1:00 pm - Wee Care Learning Center

Saturday
 9:00 am - Feed My Sheep (1st and 3rd Sat
 each month)

Sunday
 8:40 am - Fellowship and Donuts
 9:00 am - Sunday School
 10:00 am - Worship service
 3:00 pm - Cub Scouts

First Baptist Church Howe

Tuesday
 7:00 pm - Bible Study

Wednesday
 6:30 pm - Kids Ministry
 6:45 pm - Adult Bible Study
 7:00 pm - Youth Bible Study
 7:30 pm - Choir

Sunday
 8:30 am - Traditional Worship service
 9:45 am - Bible Fellowship
 11:00 am - Modern Worship service

First Baptist Church Dorchester

Wednesday
 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
 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
 10:00 am - Terrific Tuesday Bible Class

Wednesday
 7:00 pm - Bible Classes (all ages)

Friday
 7:00 pm - Friday Bible Study Group

Sunday
 9:00 am - Bible Classes (all ages)

10:00 am - Worship Service

5:00 pm - Worship Service

New Beginning Fellowship

Wednesday
 7:00 pm - Radiate Youth

7:00 pm - Sanctuary of for prayer

Sunday
 9:30 am - Sunday School (kids, youth,
 women, men)

10:30 am - Worship Service

10:30 am - Kids Church

10:30 am - Kids Church

A Christian Fellowship, Luella

Wednesday
 6:30 pm - Potluck Meal

7:00 pm - Worship Service

7:00 pm - Jr & Sr High Youth

Sunday
 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
 7:00 pm - Luella home group Bible Study

Wednesday
 6:30 pm - Food and Fellowship

7:00 pm - Children's Ministry

7:00 pm - Youth and Adult Bible Study

Sunday
 10:30 am - Worship Service

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HHS Winterguard competes for second time of season



By Gay Brennan

Howe Winterguard competed for the second time this year on Saturday, Feb. 25 at Wakeland High School in Frisco. Both groups of boys and girls have started in the Novice division. The girls came in eighth place with a score of 68.1 and the boys earned third place with a score of 80.8, both in the Novice Division.

The boys were promoted to Scholastic Regional AA Division. The next competition will be Mar 18 in

Lewisville. State Championships are Mar 24 and 25 in Mansfield.

Summit Gardens

Wedding & Event Center

The Save the Church committee has formally approved a motion to rename the former First Christian Church to Summit Gardens. They will be moving forward with the process by placing it in front of the city council in the March council meeting. Janie Finney is credited with the naming.

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Tidwell

him to disarm many would-be disgruntled church members. It is quite hard to be upset at someone who might joke about themselves in the very subject someone might take issue with. Tidwell has nearly perfected that art.

Perhaps the third thing that has allowed Tidwell to stay in one place for so long is trust. When you're a pastor, you have lots of information about people in your congregation and if any of that were to be spilled over to anyone, a pastor can be quickly driven out of town.

"A lot of pastors get themselves in trouble by talking. I don't even tell Cecile (his wife) things. I protect myself by keeping my mouth shut." said Tidwell. "I think that's why pastors move every two years."

Tidwell says that pastors are normally given a two-year grace period in a congregation because of their position, or title of pastor. But without trust built during those two years, they can quickly find themselves out the door.

"You kind of go from position to permission where, they say, 'I'm giving you permission to lead me.' That's where the long-tenured pastors come."

When Tidwell came to Howe in 1992 and took leadership by position at FBC Howe, he says that it was a quick turnaround of attitude by the congregation. The discontented members became rejuvenated within six months. But it could have been because of his rejuvenated attitude of feeling as if he were in the right place.

"I came from a church that was in a small building and it grew and we didn't have room to grow." said Tidwell. "It was an 'other-side-of-the-track' church and community. So I didn't get paid very much and I didn't get paid every week sometimes. The lack of space kept us from growing and when I came here, I thought, 'we don't need all of this space and I get paid every week. Six months later, we started growing. People started coming to me saying, 'we need to start a second worship service.' So we spent the last six months talking about it and after one year, we went to the second service. People started filling up the church again."

In Tidwell's ideal situation, he would like the church to grow from the current 300 to 600 by 2025 so that he can help transition with the new called pastor and serve as an associate pastor for senior adults.

"One of the things that hurts a new pastor is that the old pastor is called to do a funeral." said Tidwell. "If I'm still here, I can make sure that doesn't happen and help him transition. What you don't want is for someone to say, 'that's not how Roger did it.'"

For that very reason, when a pastor stays as long as Tidwell has in Howe, the next pastor typically stays for two years or less. But the one that follows him has a good ministry.

Tidwell says that he's always believed that whatever age he was, was the perfect age to be a pastor. At 32, he was the young pastor with energy. At 42, he was the same, but more experienced. At 58, he says he doesn't have the energy and the strength and health, but his wisdom and experience makes him a much more effective pastor than ever before.

People are not seeking the same thing from churches in 2017 as they were in 1992 and Tidwell says that the future of churches largely depend of trying to figure out the 'millennials.' He says that they are not seeking large mega-churches and would rather be in small auditoriums with five services to choose from with 200 people than one service with 1,000 people. He also thinks the "metroplex mentality" has crept into the community over the last five years. Much like the mid-1970s when a new group of residents came to live in Howe due to job relocations of Texas Instruments. Under different circumstances, today a lot of new people are living in Howe. The city is starting a transition period again. The hope is that the new citizens are influenced by the existing values and not the other way around.

"I've tried to slow down the activities. So much of church work is relationship oriented and when you get right down to it, programs and buildings don't grow churches. People grow churches." said Tidwell. "That took me a long time to figure out. We don't

have to be busy."

Tidwell also says that the new-age church members want softer sermons and do not want to be yelled at.

"They want candles instead of lights, softer, no yelling and screaming sermons and certainly no 'hell, fire and brimstone sermons.'" said Tidwell. "They're coming to church, they're about to lose their job. Their marriage is on the rocks, their kids are on drugs; they don't want a preacher yelling at them for 30 minutes. They want to know how to handle life on Monday. You don't water the gospel or change the gospel, but the presentation is different."

He says that with the changes in the country that the challenge for Christianity will be relevance.

"How does Christianity help me

tomorrow? Is it better than Islam? Is it better than an eastern mystic religion? They won't help or care about your marriage or your job."

Throughout the years, Tidwell has had Cecile by his side. He joked that they were married 30 minutes after graduation from high school in 1977.

"She's been a really good pastor's wife. She loves this community and her job at the school. This church and this community have been really good to us. Better than we deserve."

When Roger Tidwell first arrived in Howe, he thought to himself, 'God will never bless me here.' As it turned out, the blessings not only have been stowed upon him, but to thousands that have heard the honest, funny, and trustworthy preacher on Sundays for 25 years.

Howe History

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Regional Administrator for the Southwest Region of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, he persuaded, through his staff, the City of Sherman to accept and treat Howe's sewage at substantial savings to Howe residents. A few years later, he sold to Howe, at below-market price, a tract of land on FM 902 for a water well.

In 1947, William Jr. married the former Margaret Binkley of Sherman. They reared two children in Fort Worth, where he was employed until his retirement in 1972. Their children are wililam Wheat Collins III and Ann Collins Florsheim. After retirement, he served on the Baord of Directors of the Merchants and Planters National Bank (later MBank and Bank One), on the Board of Trustees at Austin College, and as a Trustee for the Old Settlers Association. He strongly opposed the sale fo the M&P National Bank and was the only Director to vote against it. He was also one of the original investors in teh Howe State Bank and retained his proportionate interest when the holding company was formed. Margaret Binkley Collins' maternal grandfather, B.H. Zauk, was vice president of the old Commercial

National Bank in Sherman and was an ivestor in the Farmers National Bank in Howe before it failed during the Great Depression. Her paternal grandfather, Rev. J.M. Binkley, was the first pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Sherman, and his brother, Judge C.C. Binkley was the first president of the M&P National Bank.

In 1981, William W. Collins, Jr. and Margaret B. Collins created the Will and Grace Collins Memorial Fund through a gift of \$25,000 to the City of Howe, with the stipulation that the principal should be treated as a separate permanent fund and be invested to produce income that would be used for public purposes. While not specifically required, the donors preferred that the income be used for cultural and community improvement purposes not usually supported by tax revenues. *(Editor's Note: The account is still in existence and funds have been used to help restore the old First Christian Church building).*

This information was published in the 1991 book entitled, "90s...Then and Now - A Historical Cookbook."

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Learn about antiques and collectibles with Dr. Georgia Caraway



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Early 19th-century to early 20th-century wooden-handled choppers are worth from \$20 to \$200. It depends on whether they are hand forged, the intricacy of the design, size, and condition. Animal shaped choppers are worth the most. Like most kitchen collectibles, choppers in good condition are becoming scarcer, and consequently, their value is increasing. These two choppers are probably from the late 19th-century and are valued at \$45-\$85. Some examples of wooden handled, hand forged mincers of Pennsylvania origin have sold for as much as \$4,000.

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. She has written five Denton history books. Her latest, North Texas State Fair and Rodeo, is available at Howe Mercantile. She hopes her next book will be the history of Howe. If anyone has photos that she can copy, please bring them to Howe Mercantile.

Downtown Howe has three gift and antique shops—Howe Mercantile, Texas Home Emporium, and Stark Farms Gifts. SHOP LOCAL. We can show you Howe!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: April 8 is the date for the Annual BBQ and Auction for the Save the Church restoration project. If you wish to donate to the auction, please bring your item(s) to Howe Mercantile or to 101 East Haning (Howe Chamber office).

Q What are these old tools?

A. These are chopping knives or mincers (an ancestor to the food processor). They are also known as a mezzaluna (from the Italian meaning "half moon") because of their shape. A mincing knife is a semicircular curved blade with a handle that allows the blade to be rocked back and forth that is perfect for mincing and chopping. Some choppers/mincers have two blades that are parallel to each other to increase their mincing power. Due to the sharp blade, the surface upon which the food was placed had to be a very hard surface.



Choppers



Fifth grade all-star tournament champs



Bottom left: Marshall Larsen, Kaleb Taylor, Gage Troxtell. Middle left to right: Luciano Maldonado, Cooper Jones, Jacob Campbell, Mahlon Walker. Top row: Coach Katrina Vest. They were undefeated.

Keep Howe Beautiful Yard of the Month



501 Cassandra Street

Keep Howe Beautiful spruces up Miss Mame Roberts Garden



Members of Keep Howe Beautiful, including Executive Director Donna Wormsbaker, President Curt Beckemeyer, Becky Hogenson, Marilyn Keller and others contributed several hours of cleaning up the berm and pruning the tree. Nathan Gray also offered his time to cleaning up with a chainsaw.

Genealogy Class to meet at library

Are you interested in knowing who your ancestors are? The Genealogy Club will meet in Howe Community Library every Wednesday afternoon until the end of March from 1 pm to 4 pm. The dates are March 1, March 8, March 15, March 22, and March 29. Everyone is welcome.

Texas History Minute:



Dr. Ken Bridges

Dr. Bridges is a Texas native, writer, and history professor. He can be reached at drkenbridges@gmail.com.

The machineries of government can be used for good or ill. Some politicians abuse their offices or use them strictly to destroy their political opponents while others try to uplift their communities and make life better for others. With his more than four decades in Congress, Jack Brooks became an iconic figure who instituted many changes for Southeast Texas.

Jack Bascom Brooks was born in Crowley, Louisiana, in 1922. His family moved to the Beaumont area in 1928. They struggled in the midst of the Great Depression while Brooks attended Beaumont schools. He earned a scholarship to attend Lamar Junior College when he graduated high school in 1939 and majored in journalism. In 1941, he transferred to the University of Texas where he earned his bachelors degree in 1943.

The nation was in the midst of World War II when Brooks graduated. He enlisted in the Marines in November 1942 as a private while still a student and was sent to the Pacific after graduation. He saw action in some of the fiercest battles of the war, including Guadalcanal and Okinawa. He was honorably discharged as a first lieutenant in 1946. He would later return to the Marine Reserves and serve until his retirement as a colonel in 1972.

Brooks was part of the wave of veterans turning to public service after the war. He was elected to represent Jefferson County in the Texas House of Representatives in 1946. While serving in the state legislature, he started attending law school at the University of Texas in order to better understand the lawmaking process, earning his law degree in 1949. He also pushed

through legislation making Lamar Junior College a four-year college as Lamar University.

He decided not to seek re-election in 1950. In 1952, the ailing Congressman Jesse Combs announced he would not be seeking re-election to the seat he had held since 1945. Brooks jumped into the race to succeed Combs and defeated twelve other candidates to win the Democratic nomination. He went on to win the general election with 79 percent of the vote and was unopposed for re-election in 1954, 1956, and 1958.

As a congressman, Brooks was an early protégé of Sam Rayburn, who ultimately became Speaker of the House. He was also a strong supporter of the oil industry and worked to bring federal projects to the Texas Gulf Coast. In 1963, he was part of the tragic motorcade that included President John F. Kennedy, Vice-President Lyndon Johnson, and a host of other Texas dignitaries in Dallas when Kennedy was assassinated. Brooks was aboard Air Force One later that day when Johnson was sworn in as president by Judge Sarah T. Hughes.

Brooks was a strong supporter of Johnson's Great Society programs, helping write groundbreaking civil rights legislation, voting for the establishment of Medicare and Medicaid, and expanding federal aid for college students. During his years in Congress, he served on many committees and ultimately came to chair the House Judiciary Committee and the Committee on Government Operations.

As the Watergate Scandal unfolded during the presidency of Richard Nixon, Brooks became an outspoken investigator into the crimes Nixon had committed. It was Brooks who drew up the five articles of impeachment that the House Judiciary Committee voted on in July 1974, which led Nixon to refer to Brooks as his executioner. The committee rejected two articles and instead approved the three articles of impeachment that dealt strictly with the events surrounding the break-in of Democratic headquarters at the Watergate complex. Nixon resigned rather than face the humiliation of impeachment.

In 1994, Brooks narrowly lost re-

election with 49 percent of the vote as part of an anti-incumbent wave. It was his only electoral defeat. He had one of the longest tenures of service in Congress ever and the second-longest for any Texas Congressman, second only to Sam Rayburn. After 42 years in Congress, Brooks moved into a quiet retirement.

Brooks became a respected figure in the region. A statue of him was erected at Lamar University. A park in Galveston was named for him. In 2010, Jefferson County renamed the Southeast Texas Regional Airport near Port Arthur in honor of Brooks. He died in 2012.

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Needed to finish = \$20,000

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spent on:

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New tower louvers, Updated plumbing,

Replaced all electrical,

Vestibule reconstruction,

Porch construction

Current balance = \$7,849

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 Mark Roberts Mothers Day Fairy. Donated by Howe Mercantile.
 "Go Dawgs" Bag with candle, two homemade soaps, Bulldog drinking cup and straw, "Bulldog Paws" bracelet and \$5 discount off purchase coupon. Donated by Stark Lane Farms Gift Shop.
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 Large Bottle Fly Spray and Watering Can. Donated by Garner Feed and Seed, Sherman.
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 Basket of Goodies. Donated by North Texas Fair and Rodeo.
 Howe Bulldog Black and White Sweatshirt. Size Medium. Donated by Georgia Caraway, Howe Mercantile.
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 Manicure. Miss D's Nail Design.
 Handthrown Crème Pottery Pitcher. Donated by Gayle Strange, Denton.
 Bottle of Wine. Donated by Gayle Strange, Denton.
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 St. Martin Vintage Sequin and Beaded Designer Evening Blouse with Dolman Sleeves. Donated by Gayle Strange, Denton.
 Mistletoe Design Christmas Serving Bowl, Mistletoe Napkins. Donated by Gayle Strange, Denton.
 Large Handthrown Grey and Crème Pottery Pitcher. Donated by Gayle Strange, Denton.
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 Bulldog Pillow. Donated by Georgia Caraway, Howe Mercantile.
 Cut and Etched Glass Bud Vase. Donated by Brett Jones, Texas Home Emporium.
 Autographed Book. "The Orphan Syndrome" by Dr. Nick Eno. Donated by Watt Wealth Management.
 Bag of Paris Items. Lavender Soap, Paris sign, Donated by Marilyn Kubalak and Georgia Caraway, Howe Mercantile.
 Large Egyptian Blown Glass Perfume Bottle with 12K Gold Trim. Donated by Howe Mercantile, Georgia Caraway.
 Italian Cream Cake. Donated by Jean Norman.
 Howe Bunting. Donated by Howe Mercantile, Georgia Caraway.
 Vintage Flower Garden Decoration. Donated by Trudy Whitney, Howe Mercantile.
 Handcrafted Bird Feeder. Donated by Cindy Puckett, Howe Mercantile.
 Franz Blue Magpie Porcelain Sugar Jar with Cover. Donated by Robyn Lee and Graham Phipps, Denton.
 Antique Tiger Oak Dining Table with 5 leaves & 6 chairs. Donated by Tamela and Scott Shadden.
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 Christmas in April. Four (4) 12K gold-trimmed Handblown Egyptian ornaments. Donated by Georgia Caraway, Howe Mercantile.

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 Herald Democrat, advertising
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 LeAndra Beckemeyer, beans
 Lanette Barrett, onions
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 Potato Salad, Sheri Folkes
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8th grade District Champions



Left to right: Katie Grogan, Marissa Agee, Courtney Hopper, Brooke Robinson, Sierra Copeland, Gracie Lankford, Grace Brennan, Sydney Rector, Hannah Dwyer, Laine Watson, Holly Cavendar. *Submitted photo*

HMS Students of the Month



Students of the Month January

- 5th: Caden Garner and Kimberly Gonzalez
- 6th: Jenna Carter and Dakota Tinker
- 7th Grade: Avery Snapp and Drew Cowin
- 8th Grade: Marissa Agee and Seth Key

Employees of the Month
Dixie Crabb and Debbie Walters

HHS Career Cruising

Howe High School Principal James Teafatiller introduced students to a program called Career Cruising. Students begin with a comprehensive assessment to review their strengths and interests. From a list of potentially interesting careers is presented to the student matching their own strengths and interests based on their responses. Students explore

career possibilities that support multiple pathways through engaging content, including interviews, job descriptions, salary expectations by region, and more. In addition, students were also getting access to college and technical school details that would help prepare them for their desired education path.

HHS Bulldogs of the Month



Elementary Top Dogs



- Fourth: Kennadi Barrett, Cynthia Clarkson, Preslee Harrell, Emily Foster
- Third: Christian Biesel, Dillon Patterson, Quinn Owens, Kyler Heilman
- Second: Elizabeth McLaughlin, Kason Windon, Macie Bryant
- First: Hannah Ingram, Emilee Nelson, Kennedy Garner, Javier Gutierrez
- Kindergarten: Sophie Tonga-Hall, Truitt Allison, Abriella Gilbert, Brooklyn Bjorn (not pictured)

Howe UIL Students recognized at School Board meeting



- Third Grade * First Place Spelling Team**
Sage Weatherly Second place Storytelling
Gavin Rodgers Sixth place Storytelling
Sydney Martin First place Spelling
Bowen McAdams Fourth place Spelling
Lauren Catching Sixth place Spelling
Allyson Dobecka Sixth place Music Memory
- **Third place Music Memory Team****
Sophie Cherry, Jalyn Devore,
Allyson Dobecka, Riley McCollum
Brooklyn Upton
- Fourth Grade * First Place Spelling Team**
Kai Hudson Third place Ready Writing
Bergen Bjorn Third place Oral Reading
Brynn Riley Third place Spelling
Preslee Harrell Fifth place Spelling
Annastasia McAdams Sixth place Spelling
- Fifth Grade (not pictured - to be recognized at a later date)**
Sandra Nitchman Fifth place Ready Writing, Fifth place Spelling
Haley Richardson Second place Music Memory
- **Third Place Music Memory Team****
Kimberly Gonzalez, Haley Richardson, Kara Wimbish
Cameron Pugh Third place Maps Charts Graphs
Caden Garner Fifth place Maps Charts Graphs
Kendall Griffiin Third place Number Sense
Zeb Montgomery Fifth place Number Sense

Texoma Hot Jobs



Job Title WEBMASTER
workintexas.com Posting ID 5202600
Location Sherman
Posting Close Date 03/24/2017
Posting Link <http://bit.ly/2jVNdOQ>

Description A local company is looking for a WEBMASTER who will work with a busy antique and classic car restoration shop as an in-house Web Master to continue the building of existing departments as well as to incorporate new aspects of our web site. In addition to the Web work we are looking for a person with a good PC and networking background.

This position requires a High School Diploma or Equivalent, and a minimum of 3 years of related experience.

Job Title OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR
workintexas.com Posting ID 2987200
Location Sherman
Posting Close Date 03/23/2017
Posting Link <http://bit.ly/2mpN321>

Description A local company is looking for an OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR who will work in a fast paced job requiring attention and accuracy. Must have experience with MS Office Software and prefer someone to have a working knowledge of QuickBooks.

This position requires a High School Diploma or Equivalent, and a minimum of 1 year of related experience.

Fourth grade all-star tournament champs



L-R: Braden Ulmer, Parker Daniels, Logan Duty, Anthony Lowder, Triston Williams, Talan Haley, Garren Lankford. Coaches Charles Haley and Kristy Duty. They were undefeated.

Howe Elementary/Middle Breakfast

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mon - 2/27/2017 Cinnamon Roll Cereal Cinn Toast/toast Trix w/toast Bahama Salad Orange Juice Assorted jelly	Tue - 2/28/2017 Breakfast Pizza Cocoa Puffs w/toast Honey Nut Cherrios/toast Apple Juice Apple Sliced Assorted jelly	Wed - 3/1/2017 Brk Burrito Cereal Cinn Toast/toast Trix w/toast Pineapple Orange Juice Assorted jelly Picante	Thu - 3/2/2017 French Toast Cereal Cinn Toast/toast Cocoa Puffs w/toast Diced Peaches Apple Juice Assorted jelly Syrup	Fri - 3/3/2017 Breakfast Sandwich Trix w/toast Honey Nut Cherrios/toast Apple Sliced Apple Juice Orange Juice Assorted jelly

Howe Elementary/Middle Lunch

Mon - 2/27/2017 Cheeseburger Hamburger Chicken Sandwich Lett-Tom-Pickle-Onion Ranch Beans Potato Smiles Bahama Salad Orange Juice Chocolate Pudding Mustard Salad Dressing Ketchup	Tue - 2/28/2017 Beef Fingers Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Apple Sliced Apple Juice Wheat Roll Ketchup Country Gravy BBQ Sauce Honey	Wed - 3/1/2017 Beef Taco Crispy Brd Mozzarella Chs Stick Taco Fixins Refried Beans Tortilla Soup Pineapple Orange Juice Gelatin Jewels Picante	Thu - 3/2/2017 Mini Corn Dog Fish Strips/Hush Puppies Carrot Sticks Steamed Corn Coleslaw Diced Peaches Apple Juice Macaroni & Cheese Ketchup Mustard	Fri - 3/3/2017 Pepperoni Pizza Chicken Spaghetti/Brd St Garden Salad Broccoli Apple Sliced Orange Smiles Frozen Juice Cup Ranch Dressing
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Howe High School Breakfast

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mon - 2/27/2017 Cinnamon Roll Cereal Cinn Toast/Toast Trix w/toast Bahama Salad Orange Juice Assorted jelly	Tue - 2/28/2017 Breakfast Pizza Cocoa Puffs w/toast Honey Nut Cherrios/Toast Apple Juice Apple Sliced Assorted jelly	Wed - 3/1/2017 Brk Burrito Cereal Cinn Toast/Toast Trix w/toast Pineapple Orange Juice Assorted jelly	Thu - 3/2/2017 French Toast w/Sausage Honey Nut Cherrios/Toast Cocoa Puffs w/toast Diced Peaches Apple Juice Assorted jelly Syrup	Fri - 3/3/2017 Biscuit & Sausage Cereal Cinn Toast/Toast Trix w/toast Apple Sliced Orange Smiles Orange Juice Assorted jelly Country Gravy

Howe High School Lunch

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mon - 2/27/2017 Cheeseburger Hamburger Chicken Sandwich Stuffed Potato/Ham Boat Chef Salad Lett-Tom-Pickle-Onion Ranch Beans Potato Smiles Bahama Salad Orange Juice Chocolate Pudding Mustard Salad Dressing Ketchup	Tue - 2/28/2017 Beef Fingers Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Apple Sliced Apple Juice Wheat Roll Ketchup Country Gravy BBQ Sauce Honey	Wed - 3/1/2017 Beef Taco Crispy Brd Mozzarella Chs Stick Taco Fixins Refried Beans Tortilla Soup Spanish Rice Pineapple Orange Juice Gelatin Jewels Picante Marinara Sauce	Thu - 3/2/2017 Mini Corn Dog Fish Strips/Hush Puppies Stuffed Potato/Ham Boat Chef Salad Carrot Sticks Coleslaw Steamed Corn Diced Peaches Apple Juice Macaroni & Cheese Mustard Ketchup	Fri - 3/3/2017 Pepperoni Pizza Chicken Spaghetti/Brd St Garden Salad Broccoli Apple Sliced Orange Smiles Frozen Juice Cup Ranch Dressing

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Dr. D. Howes
Box 276



HOWE'S THAT

Slick magazine articles portray the youth of today as a wholly new breed. As events continue to prove, the portrayal is about as substantial as the froth on a milkshake. One of these events is the annual observation of National FFA WEEK--February 19-26. The theme of FFA WEEK in 1972 is "Youth With A Purpose". And, in spite of the cynics and skeptics, youth does have a purpose, now as always.

The FFA is a national organization of 430,000 students studying vocational agriculture in 8,200 public schools. The foundation upon which FFA is built includes leadership, character development, sportsmanship, cooperation, community service, thrift, scholarship, improved agriculture, organized recreation, citizenship and patriotism. The goal of FFA members is to learn the technology and get the practical experience for a career in agriculture. The strength of FFA lies with the local chapters where student officers and members are developing into the agricultural leaders of tomorrow under the guidance of advisers and teachers of vocational agriculture.

The youths who follow their dreams of tomorrow in the work of the Future Farmers of America can hardly be called a new breed. They are a new generation seeking to build a better future on the knowledge and experience of the past which is what each generation must do if mankind is to advance.

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The role of a roll of toilet tissue by three Federal prisoners was presented to members of county law enforcement agencies in a meeting here Monday night. (This was not purpose for the meeting, but used in an example of some of the problems of the county department).

Sheriff Woody Blanton said three of 27 Federal prisoners housed in the county jail at the time, as "witnesses" during a trial, were placed in one cell and issued one roll of tissue. Blanton said next morning the three requested another roll, stating that one of the men "had a virus." Not a newcomer to tricks by prisoners, the Sheriff called for a shakedown of the cell, with deputies finding the first roll of tissue, taken apart, sheet by sheet and staked in a neat package.

"They planned to get more paper, start a fire, which might offer them a chance to escape," Blanton said.

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Principal's Contract Renewed Year; Superintendent declines to sign

Contract for High School Principal L. H. Linker was renewed for one year by vote of the board last Wednesday night. Board had voted a similar contract for Superintendent Charles R. Thompson the previous Monday night. However, in a letter to President of the Board Dr. Ned Culp, Thompson declined the con-

tract. The letter to the board president stated:

"I have decided that I should not sign my contract for the coming year. This action is being taken in, what I consider, the best interest of the boys and girls of the Howe Independent School District.

"I shall always be grateful for the corporation of the board and the staff during my 37 years tenure at Howe.

"I shall be available to assist my replacement in any way possible."

(s) Charles R. Thompson In a statement this week, the board president said, "I know I speak for a majority of the board and the taxpayers of this community in expressing thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thompson for 37 years of selfless devotion to the children and young people of our community. May God bless you, Mr. Thompson for what you have accomplished for our community's school system."

Vote for renewal of Linker's contract was 4-0, Dr. Culp said.

Three file for school board positions

Three persons have filed for positions on Howe School Board, it was reported this week.

Candidates are Joe King, R. W. Hill and Raymond Turner. Filing deadline is next Wednesday, March 1 for either school or city positions.

No new names appeared on the city list this week.

Two places are to be voted (continued on page 4)

Committee is appointed at civic meeting

Steering Committee was appointed last Thursday night to make recommendations on aims and objectives of a civic organization here.

A group of business men and women and other interested citizens met at Howe State Bank to discuss the formation of the organization.

During the meeting, representatives of the Magni-Fab plant here, outlined progress and aims of the company, which began production here last June.

Appointed to the committee were Claude Reeves, representing Reeves Cleaners and Fabric Shop; Bob Jensen of J & H Gulf and Fina Stations; M. B. Swanner, Developer; Dwain Roberts of Dwain's Paint and Body Shop; George Baker, White Auto Store; Mrs. L. H. Linker, Linker's Antiques; and Carrie Waller of Howe State Bank.

Following completion of a study by the committee, another general meeting will be announced to further the program.



Officers and ambulance attendants remove accident victims from car following a three-vehicle collision last Friday.

Three vehicle accident here Friday

Two Howe residents were treated and released from a Sherman hospital last Friday afternoon following a three-vehicle collision at the intersection of Highway 5 and Young Street here.

Taken to the hospital in a Flesher ambulance were Mrs. Lynn Sasser and her 13-year old son Steve.

A 1972 Ford pickup driven by Mrs. Sasser was attempting to cross Highway 5 heading west, when it was struck by a

one-ton truck being driven south on Highway 5 by Louie Don Rutherford. The impact knocked the Sasser auto into a station wagon waiting to cross the highway, heading east. The station wagon was occupied by Mrs. Vivian D Kirkpatrick of Gunter. Two of the vehicles were heavily damaged.

Investigating the accident were Highway Patrolmen Billy Jack Kelly and Dick Bennie.



Caesar remains receives Scout Award from Cubmaster Don Baird for his efforts with the continuing paper drive by the scouts.

Scouts honored at Methodist banquet

Boy Scouts of Troop 45 were honored Tuesday night

February 15, 1972, by the Howe Methodist Church. The banquet was attended by 52 scouts, parents and special guests. Mr. and Mrs. Chaney Corse, Scout Executive of the Texoma Valley Council attended. Other guests were troop committeemen, E.F. Arterbury, C.L. Pool, Lowell Thompson and their wives, Mr. and Mrs. L.H. Linker, high school principal and Joey Elliott and Mac Shields.

Jimmy Sutton, Scoutmaster was master of ceremonies, Rev. Johnny Johnson was the guest speaker. He spoke on the importance of living the Scout Oath.

The Court of Honor began at 8:00 in the church sanctuary conducted by Jim Sutton and Harold Taylor, Asst. Scoutmaster. The group sang God Bless America.

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Law officers meet here for problem airing

A promise of complete cooperation was the result of a meeting held here Monday night between law enforcement officers of the smaller towns of Grayson County and Sheriff Woody Blanton and Oscar Lyons.

Representatives of the law agencies met to hash out differences regarding use of the county jail, and coverage of the smaller towns by the Sheriff's Department.

Members of the smaller units met the previous Monday to discuss the situation, with the result of calling this week's meeting with the County Department.

Lloyd Butts, Chairman of the group, opened the meeting with the statement that "We are here not to create problems, but to solve existing problems."

Patrolman Charles Williams of Van Alstyne opened the discussion, regarding use of the county jail, with the question of whether or not the county would hold a suspect arrested and taken to the county on a city municipal warrant, citing an example of one of his prisoners being released from the county jail.

Officer Lyons said the county does not have authorization to keep a prisoner on a city commitment.

"We realize that the smaller towns do not have facilities for keeping prisoners," Sheriff Blanton added, "and I think you should take this problem to the Commissioners Court."

In regard to a question by Howe Policeman Trammell on why the county refused to place a prisoner in jail recently, Blanton said there had been a misunderstanding; that he had advised Trammell to release the man at the time, since JP McGuire of Sherman had refused to accept a complaint, "Since it wasn't during his regular hours. However Williams of Van Alstyne said McGuire appeared at his request a couple of hours later and fined a speeder.

Lyons assured the officers that "You'll get our full cooperation. The sheriff and I are never out of reach by telephone at the same time.

Problems aired by other cities of the county which have no law officers locally, included failure of the department to send a deputy when called, and increasing vandalism, "with no way to stop it"

Blanton cited an example (continued on page 2)



NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY MEMBERS, front row left to right, Theresa Cooper, Kathie King, reporter, Kathie Cate, Cindy Cloud, Debbie Melton, Carla Wortham, Cindy Newman; second row, Steve Underwood, president, Davis Finney, Donald Pearce, and Mr. Bennett, sponsor. (Photo by Joey Elliott)

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NANA LANA UPDATE - Grandson Jordan is almost 17 months old. He is getting more and more mobile. He climbs up on the sofa and chairs with ease. He is learning how to navigate stairs. Since he is able to move faster and get into more things, his Nana has to be more careful about what she leaves lying about - at the office and at home.

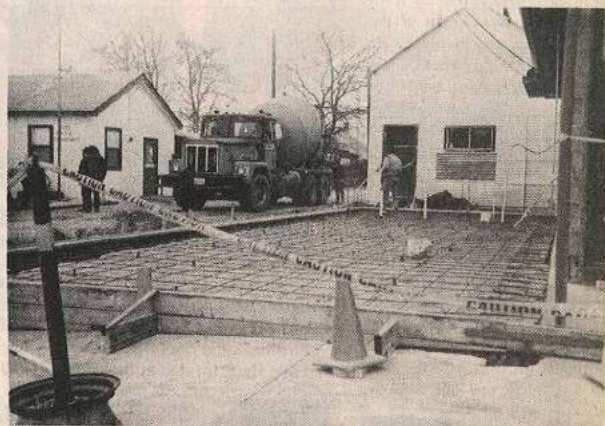
Often on Thursdays and Fridays I get to babysit Jordan from about 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. On those days I can get very little done at the office (someone keeps wanting me to play with him); so usually I leave and go home where he has more toys to play with. Thursdays and Fridays are usually light work days at the office anyway and I have often closed early on those days.

At my office, Jordan likes to sit at my computer and type. He also likes to push buttons on the copy machine. He likes to look out the window and watch trucks and cars go by. I gave him a box with some old mail in it and he really enjoys playing with that, putting the mail in the box and then taking it out again (over and over).

At my house, he enjoys several books we have bought for him. He also likes to watch "Sesame Street" which I usually record for him to watch since it's not on around noon. He also likes "Where Is Carmen San Diego?" - another PBS program. It deals with geography - maybe he wants to be an explorer or archeologist. My grandson; "Indiana Jordan" (After all my favorite movie is "Raiders of the Lost Ark")

CONGRATULATIONS to Michelle Hefner and Karmen Ireland. Their essays were printed in last Sunday's **SHERMAN DEMOCRAT**. Each year in celebration of American History Month, the Martha Jefferson Randolph Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution sponsors an essay contest for local students. Michelle was the winner for 8th grade entrants and Karmen for 7th grade in the county.

WANTED: YOUR NEWS - This newspaper is interested in what happens to you and your family. We want to print stories about the people of the Howe area and their accomplishments. We want to receive information on births, weddings, deaths, etc. We count on you to let us know. Sometimes we are aware of the news that is happening, but other times we don't hear about it at all. Don't be shy. Share your news with the whole community. Call 532-6012 or 532-6476. Our motto has always been, "If it's news to you, it's news to us."



CITY HALL EXPANSION
Howe City Hall is being expanded to give more room for office space and meeting area.

Council Awards Bids On City Hall Renovation

On Jan. 30 the Howe City Council held a special meeting. They approved the following bids on the City Hall renovation project:

- Gary Spencer for foundation, \$3,554.50
- Leonard Paul for carpentry, \$4,650
- M&M Air Conditioning & Electrical for electrical services, \$2,422; and for plumbing, \$1,475
- Baker Service Co. for a 3 ton Rheem Heat & Air Unit, 10EER,

\$2,550

Payless Lumber Co. for lumber and supplies, \$5,591

Frank Garcia for masonry at \$250 per 1000 (est. \$2,425)

And additional cost of \$9,300 for a total estimated cost of \$32,000.

The council also approved the 1990-91 audit reported presented by Mike Snyder of Snyder & Co. and approved the Howe State Bank as the city's depository for funds.

Howe Couple Purchase Associated Travel Of Sherman

Jim and Delinda Lough of Howe have announced the purchase of Associated Travel of Sherman from John Morris. Delinda Lough will serve as president and general manager of the travel agency which is affiliated with American Express Worldwide Travel Network.

Mrs. Lough was previously employed by Hitchcock Industries and was associated with several other affiliated companies as a corporate officer and member of the board of directors. She is past president of Sherman Business an Professional Women's Club and has served as Director 12 B&PW Woman of the Year. She is currently serving as co-chairman for the Texas Federal BP & W State Convention.

Mrs. Lough has been active in the Adopt-a-School Program of Sherman Chamber of Commerce and has previously served on the advisory board of both Sherman High School and

Grayson County College. She currently serves as a trustee of Howe United Methodist Church.

Jim Lough is employed by Texas Instruments of Sherman. He presently serves as a member of the Howe ISD Board of Trustees, Sherman Boys Club Board and is chairman of the Administrative Council of Howe United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Lough anticipates expanded corporate and international services with emphasis on the many financial services provided by the American Express Worldwide Travel Network, including international foreign exchange, in-house Eurail Pass ticketing service, complete passport service including photos and American Express travelers checks in domestic and foreign currency.

The staff of Associated Travel will have an open house Thursday, Feb. 27, at their offices, 2007 Texoma Parkway. A ribbon cutting will be held at 5 p.m. with open house until 8 p.m.

Jim Hunt Seeks Office As Tax Assessor-Collector

Lifelong Grayson County resident Jim Hunt is seeking the office of Grayson County tax assessor-collector on the 1992 Democratic primary ballot. The office is currently held by John Ramsey.

Born in Gunter, Hunt is a Denison resident. He is associated with Jerry Easter State Farm Insurance Agency and will continue his association there. Hunt said if elected he hopes to make a contribution to the county, particularly in the area of dealing with fiscal management, citing his "expertise in banking."

Hunt spent 31 years with State National Bank of Denison (now NCNB) and two years with Grayson County State Bank in Sherman, which put him in "the capacity of helping the



JIM HUNT

people of Grayson County. I wish to continue doing the same thing if elected to this position."

Hunt is serving his third term representing Denison ISD Ward 3 residents on the DISD board and director for the Texoma Council of Governments.

Hunt and his wife Lois have three daughters, Cari, Leslie and Kellie, and five grandchildren.

Hunt has lived in Denison 50 years, having moved there from Gunter. He is a graduate of Denison High School and the Southwestern Graduate School of Banking at SMU.

Chairman and co-chairman for his south Grayson campaign are Mary Lou Hanning, 532-6110, and Yvonne Howdeshell, 532-6931.

Howe PTA Sets Film "Children At Risk" For March 10

The Howe PTA is sponsoring James Dobson's newest film "Children At Risk" on Tuesday, March 10.

"Children At Risk" discusses the battle for the hearts and minds of our children. Who is influencing our children and where will this lead us?

This is a film that anyone who cares about our young

people and the future of our community should see.

Dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. that evening with the film starting at 6:30 p.m. Child care will be provided.

Plan to attend this very special PTA program and encourage your friends to come also.



Council Upholds P&Z Vote

The Howe City Council voted Thursday, Feb. 20, to uphold the P&Z denial of a Specific Use Permit requested by Tom Kirby for property on Denny street, just south of Howe State Bank. The council suggested that those requesting the change get back with the P&Z to see if a zone change or other solution can be worked out to allow the manufacturing business to be operated in the building.

Howe's Zoning Ordinance does not allow for a Specific Use Permit on a property zoned residential. The building which at one time housed the Kirby Oil Co. has been vacant for many years. The zoning reverted to residential several years ago when the zoning ordinance and zoning map were updated.

The council suggested that a zone change might allow the business to operate. The P&Z will meet with those interested in the matter Thursday, Feb. 27, at 7 p.m. at City Hall.

In other business, the council: *Approved 2nd reading of Ordinance #436 on the building code and 1st reading of Ordinance #437 making the alley beside City Hall one way going north. (This one way applies only to the one block of alley from Davis to Haning.)

*Voted to change regular meeting time from 7 p.m. to 6 p.m.

*Voted in favor of a resolution to be sent to the Grayson County Commissioners asking for a 10% increase in funding for library services. The county libraries have received no increase from the county since 1984. If approved, the increase would amount to \$150 for the Howe Community Library.

POLICE REPORT

The police report for February listed: 5 arrests, 26 traffic citations, 9 warnings, 9 complaints, 29 motorist assists, 19 police dept. assists, 23 open doors/alarms, 6 disturbances, 2 burglaries, 3 accidents, 3 prowler calls, 2 thefts, and 2 stolen items recovered. Total miles driven per 24 hour patrol was 204.4, average miles per gallon were 10.8.

SEWER GRANT

Mayor Ray Bledsoe reported to the council that the City of Howe has once more lost out on a State grant for repair and renovation of the city's sewers. He said that at the regional meeting Howe's application scored very high with need, impact on the community, and percentage of low to moderate income residents. But when the application was taken to the State Board, Howe was knocked down three points and lost out on \$250,000 funding by one point. On Feb. 13 he and State Rep. Curt Seidlits went to Austin to appeal the rating to a review board, but the review board rejected the appeal.

World Champion Trick Roper To Perform At Chamber Banquet

World champion trick roper and rider J.W. Stoker will make a special appearance in Howe at the annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet on Monday, April 6, at the Howe High School Cafeteria.

Stoker, who did the riding and roping stunts in the Clint Eastwood movie "Bronco Billy," appeared in Howe several years ago when the Howe Lions Club sponsored the PRCA Rodeo.

Stoker's act features impressive black lighting stunts. Stoker's horse will also appear on the stage of the school cafeteria.

Additional entertainment will be provided by Cancil Kirby and the Barr K band. Awards this year will include a new "Citizen of the Year" award to be given to a Howe area resident who has worked to make the Howe area better.

The meal will be catered by Robert Potts of Potts and Pans. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. Tickets will be available March 2 at Allied Printing & Office Supply, Howe State Bank, Howe Enterprise and Luttrell Agency. All area residents are invited to attend the banquet.

Baseball Team Begins Quest For Third Trip To State Playoffs

The Howe Bulldogs "boys of spring" began workouts last week in preparation for the upcoming season. The Dogs will play a 30-game regular season schedule in hopes of going to the state playoffs for the third consecutive season.

The Bulldogs are defending District IAAA Champions and Bi-District Champions with a 21-7-1 record from last year. There are 11 lettermen returning including 9 starters.

Coach Tim Smithart said, "We are looking forward to this season in hopes of winning the district title and going farther into the playoffs than any Howe team has gone before. We aim to have fun and play some exciting and sound baseball."

Members of this year's team are: Steven Bannister (all-district DH), Brandon Barnett, Stephen Dedman, Trey Dedman (all-district Pitcher), Jeremy Francis, Brian Freese, James Fulenchek, Chris Garner (all-district P, MVP), Scott Grogan, Darren Horrell, Damion Horton, Jarrod Killough, B.J. Sikes, and Monte Walker. Coaches are Smithart and Billy Hill.

"I hope people will come out and support us this year as they have in the past," Smithart added.

See varsity and JV schedules on page two.

TEAMS, TASS Set

Individuals who are no longer enrolled in a Texas public school and wish to register to retake the exit level TEAMS or TASS test(s) may pick up a registration packet at the high school office or from Melissa Evans at the administration office. Registration forms must be completed and returned in the pre-addressed envelope and must be received in Iowa City,

Iowa no later than 5 p.m. March 11, 1992.

The exit level test(s) will be administered at Howe High School beginning at 8:15 a.m. on the following dates:

- March 31 - TEAMS Writing
- April 1 - TEAMS Language Arts, TASS Reading
- April 2 - TEAM and TASS Mathematics

Christian Music Group To Perform In Sherman

The premier acappella Christian music group "Acappella" brings their Rescue Tour to Sherman Friday, Feb. 28.

Best known for their contemporary acappella vocal harmonies and performance, Acappella will perform songs from their all new "Rescue" album, along with hits from "Sweet Fellowship," currently their best selling album.

The concert is set for 7 p.m.

Feb. 28 in the Sherman High School Auditorium.

Tickets are \$5 each and are available in Sherman at The Book Shoppe, Wren Chiropractic Clinic and Travis St. Church of Christ; and in Denison at The Christian Book Store and Morton St. Church of Christ.

The Travis St. Church of Christ Pre-School is sponsoring the concert. For more information, call 892-9635.

Allen Files For Re-Election

Kathie King Allen has filed for re-election to the Howe School Board. Mrs. Allen is seeking her second three-year term on the board.

As of Tuesday morning no other candidates had filed for school board or for city council. Two positions are to be elected on the school board and three on the city council. Deadline for filing is Wednesday, March 18, at 5 p.m.

Election will be held Saturday, May 2, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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Baseball, Softball Registration Set

Registration for summer baseball and softball programs will be held Saturday, Feb. 22, and Saturday, Feb. 29, at the Howe Middle School Cafeteria from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Registration forms also available in the school principal's office. Registration will end March 8. For more information contact Vince Hash (532-6529) or Mark Keene (532-5462) for softball and Steve Allison (532-6535) for baseball.

Mark Your Calendar

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BANQUET will be Monday, April 6, at 7 p.m. at the high school cafeteria.

FOUNDERS' DAY activities are set for Saturday, April 25.

HOWE LIONS CLUB meets the 1st and 3rd WEDNESDAY of every month at 6:30 a.m. at the Community Room of Flesher Funeral Home in Howe.

HOWE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will meet Monday, March 2, at 6:30 a.m. at Potts & Pans. Everyone welcome.

COMMODITY DISTRIBUTION will be Tuesday, March 3, beginning at 8:30 a.m. at the Howe Community Center. First come, first served.

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Perks of Being Over 50

Kidnappers are not very interested in you.

In a hostage situation, you are likely to be released first.

No one expects you to run anywhere.

People call at 9 pm and ask, "Did I wake you?"

People no longer view you as a hypochondriac.

There is nothing left to learn the hard way.

Things you buy now won't wear out.

You can eat dinner at 4 pm.

You can live without sex but not your glasses.

You get into heated arguments about pension plans.

You no longer think of speed limits as challenge.

You quit trying to hold your stomach in no matter who walks into the room.

You sing along with elevator music.

Your eyes won't get much worse.

Your investment in health insurance is finally beginning to pay off.

Your joints are more accurate meteorologists than the National Weather Service.

Your secrets are safe with your friends because they can't remember them either.

Your supply of brain cells is finally down to manageable size.

You can't remember who sent you this list.

(Someone sent me this via the Internet, but I don't remember who is was!)

HISD

Residents to save

\$680,000 on bonds

Tax refunding bonds sold at low interest rate

by Lana Rideout

Thanks to a lower interest and an upgraded district financial rating, Howe taxpayers will save \$680,000 on tax refunding bonds. By authorizing new school bonds and redeeming old bonds (on the new high school), the district will be able to save local taxpayers a substantial amount on the pay out of the bonds.

At the Feb. 15 board meeting, school trustees authorized the project. Supt. Randy Hancock said, "This is a lot of money for Howe ISD."

Josh McLoughlin from RBC Capital Markets helping the district with the bond refund, noted that the district's financial rating had recently been upgraded by an independent rating company. He said, "Anytime an independent rating company upgrades a school rating, you know you are doing something right."

Following an executive session, the board voted to extend the contracts for the following principals and directors- Clay Wilson, Blake Stiles, Ritchie Bowling, Darla Williams, Jason Jones, Angie Cavender, Stony Coffman, Terisa O'Dowd, and Julie Snapp.

In other business, the board:

*Appointed Marilee Rentfrow and Rosa Shelton as election judges for the May 12 trustee election for Howe and Dorchester locations respectively. Alternate judge for Howe will be Georgia Richardson and for Dorchester Ruth Lankford. Francis Rayburn will be a clerk at the Howe location.

*Set the March meeting for March 22 due to Spring Break.

REPORTS

During the report section of the meeting, Elementary Principal Ritchie Bowling recognized school nurse Eva Smith for her outstanding service to the school. In the fall, she decorated three HES-bulletin boards with photos of area military personnel and veterans. She organized a Veteran's Day program with JP Larry Ashley, a veteran of the Viet Nam war. She also works on the school newsletter and helps get necessary medication for those who cannot pay.

Smith told the board, "It's not hard to do good things when you have good people to work with."

Middle School Principal Clay Wilson gave the following results from the 2006-07 Academic UIL Individual competition:

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FORT WORTH

Local FFA members win at Fort Worth Stock Show

Clay Marable and Josh Vincent, FFA members from Howe, exhibited winning entries in the Junior Barrow Show at the 2007 Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show on February 2.

Marable showed the First Place Medium Weight Crossbred Barrow.

Vincent exhibited the Reserve Champion Crossbred Barrow.

Junior show entries totaled 10,505 at this year's show which ended Feb. 4.

"The junior livestock show program provides youth with valuable lessons in life and business and builds a foundation that serves them long after their show years have passed," said W.R. Watt, Jr., president and manager of the show. "Our commitment to this program is a top priority."

Winning exhibitors are awarded cash "premiums" - this year to exceed \$89,000 - in addition to monies generated from the sale of animals in the show's sale of champion steers, lambs, barrows and wether goats. Besides record junior entries the show set an overall entry record of 22,673 cattle, sheep, swine, horses, mules, donkeys, llamas, goats, poultry, pigeons and rabbits.



Clay Marable with his Crossbred Barrow



Josh Vincent with his Crossbred Barrow

The Stock Show showcases the nation's dynamic livestock industry to over 950,000 visitors mostly from the Metroplex and surrounding areas. Approximately 20% attend from other parts of the nation and 89 countries.

Howe ISD Content on the Go!

The Howe ISD Technology Department recently traveled to Austin, Texas, to deliver two of their most innovative technology integration workshops at the Texas Computer Educator Association's (TCEA) state conference.

Technology director, Terisa O'Dowd; instructional coordinator, Janie Finney; technology integrator, Donna Wormsbaker; and technician, James Knowles



James Knowles

Knowles delivered two hands-on workshops for participants. "Podcasting-Content to go!" provides teachers and administrators with the opportunity to see how podcasting can be used in the classroom to enhance students' educa-



HISD technology staff present workshop at TCEA state conference.

tional experience. A podcast is an audio presentation a little like a radio show. Howe's presentation focuses on producing a student-created Podcast as a medium for student expression, news, interviews, and related themes specific to the student's own school. This can be a great study aid for students. For more information you can visit our website at <http://www.howeisd.net/~tknowles/>.

Members of the technology department and other Howe ISD teachers and administrators attend the TCEA conference regularly to stay informed and engaged in using technology in education.

The second workshop, "MASH- Bring Your Presentations to Life" enables teachers to use the software

HOWE

Candidates needed for May 12 election

City and school elections will be held Saturday, May 12, 2007

The city will elect a mayor and two council members. Also a one-year council term will be on the ballot.

In addition to the term of Mayor Michael Jones, the council positions of James Ross and Brian Ross are expiring this year. Also Scott Harris was appointed last year to fill a council seat that was left vacant. This position will be on the ballot for a one year term.

Persons interested in fil-

ing for mayor or city council must do so at Howe City Hall during regular office hours. Call 80.532-5571.

Two place on the HISD Board of Trustees will be on the ballot. Places expiring are those held by Roger Luttrell and Debbie Vineyard.

Interested persons must file an application at the Howe ISD Administration Business Office. For more information, call HISD at 903 532-5518.

Deadline to file is Monday, March 12

Celebrity Donkey Basketball

The Howe FFA Booster Club is sponsoring Celebrity Donkey Basketball on Monday, Feb. 26, beginning at 6:30 pm at the Howe Middle School Gym. Advance tickets are \$5. At the door, tickets will be \$7.

Come watch your friends ride a donkey!

The show features the world famous Buckeye Donkey Ball donkeys.