



## Howe's That

Jean Norman will go into the Howe Hall of Honor in less than a month. But right along with her could very well go her husband Pete, or Alton, whichever you prefer. Pete and Alton are one in the same and often get overlooked due to Jean's vivacious personality. But Alton's quiet and stoic presence has been the oar to the Save the Church canoe, keeping reason and logic in full perspective. Also, his behind-the-scenes nature coordinated most all of the chairs and tables that were at the fundraiser at the fire department on Saturday night. Watching Alton sit in the back of the room during the live auction was almost as inspiring as seeing Jean at the very front of the room. He was sitting down in a relaxed position with a grandkid on his knee and family members nearby - all while a proud smile covered his face as his wife worked the room like a modern day Minnie Pearl.

There's a lot of people that deserve a lot of credit for pulling off such a great night that took place in downtown on Saturday night. Near the top is Alton, er uh, Pete Norman.

I recently visited with Mo, the owner of Palio's in Howe. He was amazed at how close-knit this Howe community is. Having locations in other towns, he stated that Howe needs to somehow maintain that bond as we go through the growth period.

What we have here in Howe is akin to a really good glass of sweet tea in a big massive pitcher. If we just add regular old water into the pitcher, it will no longer be sweet tea. Over the next 10-15 years, we still need to be sweet tea.

"When all is said and done, the real citadel of strength of any community is in the hearts and minds and desires of those who dwell there." - Everett Dirksen

## Howe's community servant heart displayed at auction

If an old church building could talk, it might say something about the need of a community to have a servant's heart. If that were truly the case, the old building would be blushing at Howe's public display of affection for the building, the volunteers, and the community in general on Saturday night during a fundraising barbecue dinner, silent auction and live auction. The event raised \$7,200 on Saturday night but the grand total is expected to be closer to \$10,000 after all silent auction items are picked up.

Perhaps the community servant's heart could be seen at its most evident when the Lowder family bid a 12-gauge shotgun up to \$450 and then donated it back into the live auction so it could be bid on again. The gun went for another \$450.

For the second year in a row, Save the Church president Jean Norman's Italian Cream Cake sold in the live auction as the highest priced item. Her cake sold to her son Jay Norman for \$850.

Back in 2015, an

organization was formed called, "Save the Church" to help with the renovation of the once First Christian Church building from the dilapidated state it was in to magnificent grand venue it will soon be. The old building was erected in 1893 and while it hasn't been a church since 1982, most citizens still refer to it as "the old church." The building is slated to soon become "Summit Gardens - a Wedding and Event Venue." A four-chamber luncheon has already been scheduled for Nov. 7 of this coming year, therefore, this summer will need to be a busy one.

Two years ago, former Howe City Administrator Joe Fenton informed a volunteer of how Muenster raises a lot of money for their Fire Department. The idea was copied and Howe has now raised an estimated \$35,000 in two auctions to help with renovations to the historic building.

The evening came together due to a large gamut of volunteers including Keep Howe Beautiful, the Howe Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Howe Middle School Student Council and more.

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Howe Middle School Student Council members serve Patricia Creekmore during the event on Saturday

## Bulldog Run was well attended in its fifth year



Around 60 runners turned up for the 5th Annual SHAC (Student Health Advisory Council) Bulldog Run and Fun Run. The participant level far exceeded 2016 which was a down year of the five year tradition.

The Saturday morning event started at 8:30 am with a one-mile walk followed by a 9 am 5K. CampGladiator.com was a sponsor and had trainers on-site for proper stretching before each run.



## Hargrove throws no-hitter in Lady Bulldogs win



Hargrove blanked Commerce on Tuesday. Michelle Carney/Howe Enterprise

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# Photos of the Auction



Mary Stonebarger displays a toy plane that represented a 15-minute plane ride over Lake Texoma donated by Jimmy Finney.



The silent auction scene at the Howe Development Alliance.



Many bids on many items took place on Saturday night.



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# Lady Bulldogs *Continued from page 1*



Smiles and waves from a good Howe softball team.

*Michelle Carney/Howe Enterprise*

Madisyn Hargrove was electric, yet lights-out on Tuesday night as she struckout six of the 13 total hitters she faced, allowing no hits, and walking two in a complete game four-inning 15-0 shutout over Commerce for the Lady Bulldogs (10-4).

Sanders. Hargrove and Dani Ross led Howe with three hits each.

On Friday, things didn't go as well as the Lady Bulldogs were blanked by Lone Oak, 5-0. Howe out-hit their opponents, 7-3 but couldn't push the runners across.

Kayla Anderson led off the third inning with a bomb over the centerfield wall on an impressive seven-pitch at bat. That opened the flood gates for a 9-run third inning which followed a 4-run second inning for Howe.

Torrey Stubblefield took the loss for the Lady Bulldogs. She threw six innings, surrendering five runs, three hits, and striking out 11. It was the five walks that hurt her performance as back-to-back walks in the third inning each scored on a three-run blast.

The Lady Bulldogs racked up 17 hits in the win with two-hits coming from Erin Blackburn, Peyton Streetman, Anderson, Peyton Griffin, and Emily

Howe's four losses have come to Bells, Leonard, and Lone Oak twice. The girls will play Whitewright on Tuesday at home.



Kayla Anderson poses with homer ball. *Submitted photo*

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### Caption this:



Norman Dickey appears to have something in store for Howe Athletic Director Zack Hudson. Dickey fires the starting gun for track events and 5Ks.

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# Dogs walk-it-off over Commerce



**Brennan Ross scores the winning run in the bottom of the eighth inning. Photo by Tammy Griffin**

Seniors Matt Griffin and Brennan Ross ensured victory on Tuesday night when Ross scored the winning run in the bottom of the eighth inning to break a 2-2 tie. The run came thanks to Griffin's fly ball to right that Ross tagged and scored on to give Howe (14-5) the 3-2 win.

The inning started when Ross beat a throw for an infield single. David Dillard walked and Peyton Reagan singled to load the bases. With one out, Griffin's fly ball was the game-winner.

Tanner Hartsfield tossed six and a third innings, giving up two runs, five hits, striking out four, and not permitting a walk. Matt Griffin was the pitcher of record during the walk-off and picked up the win by going two-thirds innings, giving up no runs, one hit, striking out four, and walking one.

Howe had two-hit games from Ross, Dillard, Griffin, Hartsfield, Tyler Grisham, and Jaden Matthews. Sophomore Mason Riggs led Howe with three hits.

Howe dropped a district game with Lone Oak on Friday despite scoring the game's final six runs and making an attempt at a comeback.

Howe scored the game's first run in the first inning when Ross led off the game with a single, a steal of third. He later scored on Reagan's single. Lone Oak answered back quickly and tied the game in the first. In the bottom of the second, Lone Oak singled their way to a 5-1 lead.

Sam Akins, who singled, would score on a Ross single in the third to cut the lead to 5-2, however, in the bottom of the fourth, Howe saw their deficit climb to 8-2.

Hartsfield doubled scoring Reagan and Wall in the seventh inning, but Howe couldn't keep the rally alive and finally fell, 8-6.

Riggs started the game for Howe, tossing four innings, giving up eight runs, ten hits, striking out seven, and walking one.

# Lady Bulldogs place first in golf tourney, again



**The Lady Bulldogs once again finished first in a golf tournament - this time in Commerce. Peyton Groves finished first with a score of 99 while teammate Meradith Ross finished second by shooting 102. Anna Counts hit a 102, Chelsea Carter and Molly Wilson each finished with 114 for a combined team score of 423.**



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# Photos of the auction



Harold Finney is tempted to try on a game-worn Howe Bulldogs varsity helmet. The helmet auctioned off for \$225 to Todd Creekmore.



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Brice Harvey brings in 200 pounds of brisket that he cooked. The meat was donated by Walmart. Harvey has been instrumental in each of the two auctions.



Georgia Caraway (left) was responsible for the silent auction organization and display. She has single-handedly raised a great amount of money for the restoration



Jean Norman, the emcee of the evening, had her Italian Cream Cake auction off for \$800. Her son Jay Norman purchased the cake.



Keep Howe Beautiful's Donna Wormsbaker coordinates with the HMS Student Council to serve food.



Don Anderson donated his time for this community event. He kept the crowd laughing throughout the evening.



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# Howe History Minute: Summit and Howe

From "90s...Then and Now; A Historical Cookbook", 1991

Howe's birth in 1874 was an accident. A little north and east of the present downtown area (Editors note: on the north side of East FM 902 between Ponderosa Road and Bennet Road), there was a town called "Summit" because it occupied the highest elevation (810') between the Red river and the Gulf of Mexico (Editors note: The elevation is 873' at the crest of Cassandra Street). The site overlooked dense timbered areas with an ample supply of jimson weeds and cockleburs indicating strong fertile land. The area is the heart of some of the richest black land in Grayson County. In 1836 when Texas gained independence, squatters inhabited the "Summit" and the last battle with the Indians in Grayson County was said to have been in 1843 in a large grove in the area known as Old Howe road.

The main building was a store and a post office run by Samuel Wilkerson Young. In about 1872 or 1873, the Houston and Texas Central Railroad came through the area laying tracks, and they came upon Summit. They wanted to buy some land and establish a townsite in this area, but were unable to purchase the land they wanted. So they accepted the offer of Jabez Haning. Haning wanted to donate the land for the city of Howe, plat the town and deed every other lot to the H&TC Railroad with the stipulation that the railroad build a depot. The town was named for Milton G. Howe, a superintendent of the H&TC Railroad and former Civil War captain. (Many years later, the H&TC became the Southern Pacific Railroad).

The plat of Howe, as well as the deed, is on file at the Grayson County Clerk's office in Sherman. The deed was filed June 17, 1876 (Book 32, pages 565-566, Grayson County Deed Record Book). The streets on the original plat are Denny, Davis, Haning Ave., O'Connell, Tutt, Kosse and Allen. (Plat filed 1876.) Mr. Haning is said to have built the first log house in Howe and it was located close to the creek at the west end of Davis Street.

The mill that was owned by John Despain Stark went out of business and John and wife Rosella McKinney Stark moved two and one-half miles north and east of Summit to the Stark home place, where Una Lois Stegall McCoy now lives (Editor's note: This was text from 1991). With the closing of the mill and the moving of the post office to Howe, Summit passed into history.

The S.W. Young store and post office were relocated to the southeast side of Haning, east of the railroad track. From what we've read, the block of land east of the railway tracks and between Haning and Tutt Streets was the location of much of the early building in Howe. The first school was built in 1877 in this area and a larger one in 1884. Records show that the Methodist Church built their first church in the same block in 1877. The Baptist Church first met in the homes of members and then rented the school building in 1880 (this church had its beginning in 1879; in January of 1884 they moved into their new church building located on the southwest corner of Davis and Denny Streets (Skinner Plumbing Supply is now in this location).

Also along the railroad tracks were located grain companies. At one time Howe had four: G.B.R. Smith (which later became the Kimball Million Co.), Paul Bean Grain Co., Luper

Wheat Co. and Ferguson Seed Farms (located from Ferguson Field south to Duke Street). There was also a cotton gin, maybe even two in this area. G.T. McDonough's father built a cotton wharf where Corbin's Garage was located (east of tracks on Tutt Street). A senior citizen of Howe remembers one night while he was still in school, the night watchman came to his house and had him and his brother get out of bed. The man also got some other local boys and made them put the cotton bales back on the wharf. The night watchman did not ask them if they dumped the bales from the wharf, but the boys did not argue with him. The night watchman knew he hadn't dumped the bales!

The train depot was located on the east side of the tracks on the north side of Haning. At one time there were several trains coming into town each day. The railroad built side tracks and each grain company and gin were furnished the use of railroad cars for transporting their wares.

In 1872 the First Christian Church was founded. They met in members' homes until 1893 when they erected their building on the southeast corner of Denny and O'Connell Streets (this building is now being renovated as Summit Gardens - A Wedding and Event Venue).

Howe continued to grow. By 1880, it is said that population was 500. Early settlers coming into Howe came down east Davis Street. Out in the field at the east end of Davis Street is a creek. In the early days of Howe, the creek ran very shallow at that point so the settlers were able to cross the creek in their wagons. It was very important for these families to cross at the shallowest spot for they had everything they owned in their wagons, including seeds and such for planting their crops the first year they lived in Howe.

In 1884, an election was held to incorporate Howe. There were only 40 people to vote. Thirty-seven voted for the incorporation and three voted against it. After Howe was incorporated, George M. McCrary was named the first mayor. Aldermen were W.W. Smith, J.T. Edwards, Henry Stevens, and S.W. Young. J.W. Culver was named marshal. He was later mayor of Howe for 20 years.

The 1880s brought a lot of changes to the City of Howe. Some of the changes we know of include the organization of the Bank of Howe by W.H.H. Bean and William Tolbert. In 1901, the bank was chartered as the Farmers National Bank. Tolbert also promoted the first water well in Howe. In about 1885, Mayor J.S. Quinn built an inn, located about where the first station is now located on the southwest corner of Haning and S. Hughes Streets. Major Quinn sold the inn in 1916 or 1918 to J.F. McCoy and it was moved two and one-half blocks southwest of where it was built. For the next 35 years it was used for a duplex as well as a private home. It was torn down in 1967.

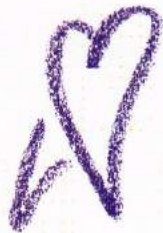
About the same time, Howe got its first marshal (1984 J.W. Culver), it took on an atmosphere of law and order. This was timely for horse traders were thick and one dispute led to the town's first killing. The vices of gambling and drinking always thrive in boomtowns and Howe had three saloons (one on southwest corner of Haning and Denny, and another on S. Hughes just behind where Mack's Cash stood for many years (now apartments), and the third just east of the railroad tracks on the south side of Haning.)



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The Save the Church Committee posed last week before the auction. They are (L-R) Curt Beckemeyer, Donna Wormsbaker, LeAndra Beckemeyer, Boyd Dunn, Georgia Caraway, Monte Walker, Janie Finney, Jean Norman, Alton Norman, Daisey Smithwick, Dick Smithwick.

# 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

**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  
 7:00 pm - Howe home group Bible Study

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# There is more to being rich than having money



Dr. Billy Holland

lifestyles and then suddenly find themselves with a mind-boggling amount of financial power. However, many of these testimonies have not turned out as one might think and in the end, have actually been more like a curse. I am not knocking money, in fact I need it and it can do a lot of good, but in the hands of those who pay no heed to God's instructions it can become like a blind man operating a wrecking ball. Instead of wealth being used as an instrument to help others, if we are not careful it can actually use us by capturing our mind and possessing our soul.

We often hear the term "it's all about the money" but nothing could be further from the truth when it comes to hope and a sense of spiritual well-being. Humans use their creativity and imaginations to dream about being satisfied and I would say that fantasies about power, fame and money are the most common. The recent record-breaking lottery generated quite a bit of excitement and like everyone else I was amazed at how the jackpot grew and what a mesmerizing effect it had on the masses. It is our lust and greed for money that increases its influential power to deceive and distract us from what's really important.

Certain religious interpretations declare that gambling is a sin and it might be, but casting lots is not always associated with wrong doing. I can agree that someone who cannot afford to pay their bills and yet will waste money on daily lottery tickets needs more than a financial advisor. Nonetheless, I personally do not see anything wrong with someone spending a couple of dollars every now and then to have a chance to be financially secure. It is true, money cannot bring happiness and I question whether or not even winning the lottery would truly be a blessing for many, as I believe that would depend on how mature and level-headed the individual is. I have also pondered that instead of praying to have more money, maybe we should spend more time asking God how to better manage what we have.

We have heard about the stories of those who have lived modest

The Bible mentions a lot about wealth and there is no shortage of books and sermons to help further explain the benefits and dangers. One camp teaches that God desires to bless His people with material abundance while the other side emphasizes the need to give everything we have away and to live by faith alone. I personally fall into the category of trying to find a reasonable balance that can enjoy God's blessings while also learning how to be compassionate and generous toward others. Yes, Jesus told His followers to sell all they have, give it to the poor and take up their cross and follow Him, but does this mean literally or to just be willing? Surely there is no condemnation to work, earn a paycheck, pay our bills, have a home, and support our family all the while faithfully representing Him as a true Christian.

I have also wondered if winning the lottery is strictly by chance or if God has a hand in who wins? We realize He already knows in advance who will have the correct numbers, but how in the world with so many people praying to win, does He choose one winner? Let's just say it's possible that God could give us the numbers through road signs or a dream, but we must remember that more important than having a bank filled with money is to make sure we are not in love with it. Hopefully, we all can agree that having money and being rich are two different things, and even if we have small finances, our true joy, peace and contentment will always be found in the secret place of His presence. "For the love of

money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have turned away from the faith and pierced themselves through with many sorrows" (I Timothy 6:10).

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This gold-colored button is interesting in that it has a compass in the center. It measures 2 inches across and is made from the star of all plastics, Bakelite. Collectors call these buttons “realistics” or “goofies” since they are shaped like an object from real life. In this case, this button is a useful one as well as decorative. The compass embedded in the center of the 5-pointed star shape is a neat component and adds to its interest and desirability. Realistics are popular with collectors and can be relatively easy to find (with the exception of this compass button). They are made from just about every material—glass, vegetable ivory, bakelite, and celluloid plastic, wood, metal, mother-of-pearl, and rubber. There are thousands of examples including

animals; people; musical instruments; fruits, veggies, and other food items; Disney characters; all brands of cigarette packs; sporting equipment; numbers and letters; good luck charms; military insignia; garden implements; nursery rhymes; college pennants; tools; toys; and weapons.

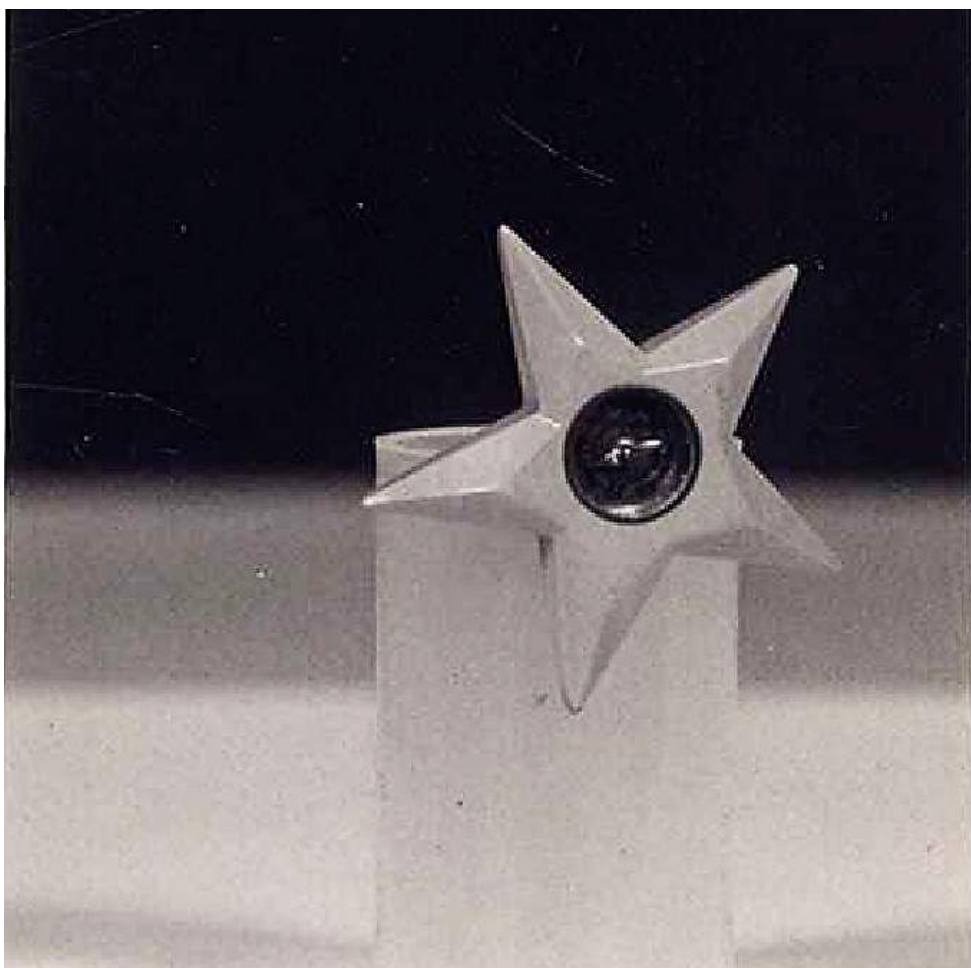
Contemporary buttons (those offered in fabric shops and discount stores that sell sewing notions) are a good way for new collectors to get started as they are very affordable and plentiful. Extras on cards can be traded to other collectors.

For this and more realistics, visit Howe Mercantile. We have hundreds of realistics and thousands of other collector-quality and useful buttons in stock.

Collecting realistics like the star compass button is a step in the right direction.

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.

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**Description** A local company is looking for a SENIOR ENGINEER - DESIGN (ROCK DRILL ENGINEERING) who will be responsible for providing surface rock drill engineering support to multiple product & systems groups for new design and quality improvement projects.

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



## Texas History Minute:



**Dr. Ken Bridges**

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

The decade between the eruption of the Texas Revolution in 1835 and American statehood in 1845 would long define the historical character of Texas. The era would produce many legends as well as many controversies. The events of this time thrust ordinary men into the history books. Among these figures was the interim president of the Republic of Texas, David G. Burnet.

David Gouverneur Burnet was born in Newark, New Jersey, in 1788. His father was a physician and one-time member of the Continental Congress. However, fate intervened in the life of the younger Burnet as both parents died and left him and his siblings orphaned at a young age. As he matured, he was ambitious and increasingly restless.

He left for New York to serve as an accountant, but the business failed in 1805. Seeking adventure, Burnet volunteered to fight in the revolutions in Venezuela and Chile against Spanish rule. He moved to Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1812 to live with his older brothers. His family was becoming increasingly powerful politically in Ohio, and Burnet began studying law. However, he moved again in 1817, this time to establish a dry goods store in Natchitoches, Louisiana.

He contracted tuberculosis not long after his arrival, prompting him to move to Texas as doctors advised him that the drier air further west would help his lungs. However, he collapsed along the trail during his trek and a party of Comanches found him and spent the next year

nursing him back to health.

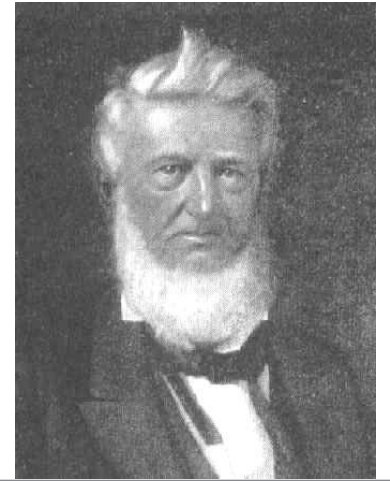
By 1826, Burnet settled in San Felipe, and worked as an attorney for incoming settlers. He also established a Presbyterian Sunday School society, the first in Texas. He attempted to recruit colonists and invest in mining and real estate, but his efforts were disappointing.

In 1833, he chaired a special convention asking for separate statehood for Texas, an appeal that was rejected. The next year, Burnet was appointed as a judge and worked with other leaders to establish a provisional state government for Texas. Mexico fell into chaos, and Gen. Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna declared Texas in rebellion as clashes between settlers and troops intensified.

The Texas Revolution was underway, and Texas settlers and volunteers from the United States gathered to fight. By March 1836, leading figures seeing months of war and no sign of resolution from Mexico decided that independence was the only option left for Texas. At Washington-on-the-Brazos, a convention met and declared independence on March 2.

Burnet had not been elected as a delegate, but instead was supposedly on his way to assist William B. Travis and his defense of the Alamo when he stopped in an effort to recruit the delegates to fight. The decision to stop in Washington saved his life as all the defenders at the Alamo were killed on March 6 and news reached the convention a few days later. Delegates considered Sam Houston as the interim president of the independent Texas, but he was away commanding the army. Stephen F. Austin was in Washington, DC, lobbying for support from the United States. The convention instead settled on Burnet as interim president by a narrow vote on March 17, with Lorenzo de Zavala as interim vice-president. Presidential runner-up Samuel P. Carson was named secretary of state and immediately left for the United States to seek recognition of Texas independence and possible annexation.

Texas settlers were now fighting for their lives as the Mexican Army seemed unstoppable. Fearing the new government would be captured, Burnet chose to flee to a safer location. He ordered the government to move to Harrisburg (later renamed Houston). The retreat touched off a wave of panic and led to the decisive battle at San Jacinto.



### Visit the Mayo Agency



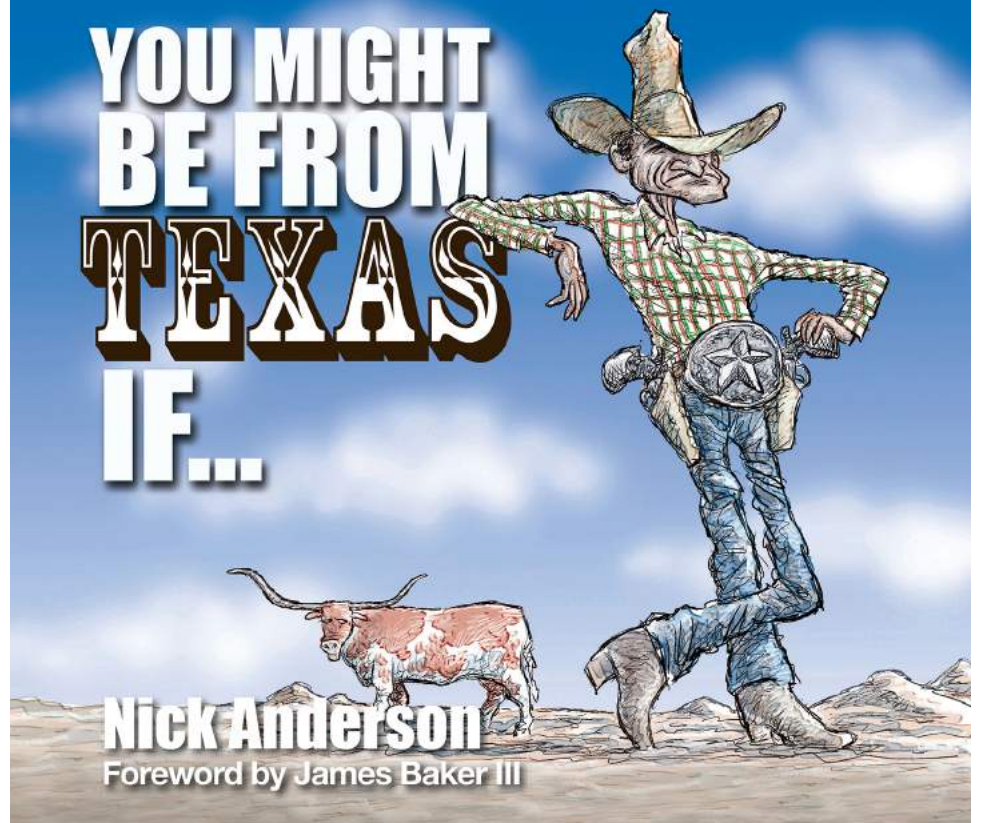
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# Ruiz 4 Kids 2018 'Mini-Grants For Teachers' Application On-line

Ruiz Foods, CA: Ruiz 4 Kids has opened the application process for the Mini-Grants for Teacher for the 2018 school year. The deadline to submit an application on-line is June 15, 2017.

“Investing in the education of our children, is investing in our future,” said Rebeckah Flanagan, Ambassador, Ruiz 4 Kids Denison. “We understand that the needs of the teachers to provide a quality education should not weigh on just the budgets of the school districts, but come from all available resources. This is why we created the mini-grant program. Our goal is to help teachers grow the creative side of education and show their students there is more to learning than sitting in a classroom.”

The grant is open to public school teachers in grades K-12 in Grayson County, Texas. Grant awards range from \$300 - \$1,000. To align with the objectives of the Ruiz 4 Kids organization, teachers interested in submitting a grant are reminded to ensure their intended projects are creative and will enhance their students learning experience. Grant recipients are also expected to report on the expenditure of grant funds and results of the supported project at the end of the funded school year.

The Mini-Grants for Teachers Program is funded solely by Ruiz Foods employee donations. Ruiz 4 Kids does not use any of the donated money for administrative or other costs. In other words, all funds donated to this program by Ruiz employees go directly to the Mini-Grants Program. For the 2016 school year, Texas Ruiz employees donated and distributed

\$12,473.03 to Grayson County teachers who applied for a Mini-Grant.

For additional information on grant criteria which includes Funding Priorities and how to apply visit, <http://www.ruiz4kids.org/programs-mini-grants.aspx> and click on the Teacher Grant link.

About Ruiz 4 Kids  
Ruiz 4 Kids is a non-profit organization founded in 1991 when employees of Ruiz Food Products, Inc. approached Founder Fred Ruiz asking him to help them explore ways to assist families with children in need. Today, Ruiz 4 Kids works to fund two children/education programs: scholarships to high school seniors as well as community college and the Mini Grants for Teachers program.

About Ruiz Food Products, Inc.  
Ruiz Foods is a privately owned corporation with corporate offices in Dinuba, California. Kim Ruiz Beck, the elder daughter of Co-Founder and Chairman Emeritus, Fred Ruiz, is Chairman. Rachel Cullen is President and CEO.

Ruiz Foods is dedicated to premium quality, authentically prepared frozen foods selling to all channels of distribution: retail, convenience store, clubs, vending, industrial and foodservice. The El Monterey® brand is the #1 frozen Mexican food brand in the U.S.. Tornados®, the company's snack brand, is the #1 roller grill item across the nation. Ruiz Foods employs over 3,500 Team Members in four facilities located in the U.S. For more information, please visit [www.ElMonterey.com](http://www.ElMonterey.com) or [www.myTornados.com](http://www.myTornados.com). a

## Keep Howe Beautiful to have Community Garage Sale

On the morning of Founders Day, May 6, the Keep Howe Beautiful organization will hold a Community-Wide Garage Sale at Memorial Park starting at 8 am and

running through noon. They are charging \$10 per space for those who want to participate and bring their garage sale to the park.

## Founders Day will have Interurban Kid Train

Thanks to Marla Butler of Fairway Independent Mortgage Company in Van Alstyne, there will be an "Interurban Kid Train" at Founders Day to run the same route as the old

Interurban train that ran in the alleyway in the 1940s. The train will run from First Baptist Church to O'Connell Street from 3 pm - 7 pm on May 6.

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April 15, 11am - 1pm  
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# HOWE COMMUNITY-WIDE GARAGE SALE

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## Howe Elementary/Middle School Breakfast Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mon - 4/3/2017	Tue - 4/4/2017	Wed - 4/5/2017	Thu - 4/6/2017	Fri - 4/7/2017
Cinnamon Roll Cereal Cinn Toast/toast Trix w/toast Bahama Salad Orange Juice Assorted jelly	Breakfast Pizza Cocoa Puffs w/toast Honey Nut Cherrios/toast Apple Juice Apple Sliced Assorted jelly	Brk Burrito Cereal Cinn Toast/toast Trix w/toast Pineapple Orange Juice Assorted jelly Picante	French Toast w/Sausage Cereal Cinn Toast/toast Cocoa Puffs w/toast Diced Peaches Apple Juice Assorted jelly Syrup	Breakfast Sandwich Trix w/toast Honey Nut Cherrios/toast Apple Sliced Orange Smiles Orange Juice Assorted jelly

## Howe Elementary/Middle School Lunch Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mon - 4/3/2017	Tue - 4/4/2017	Wed - 4/5/2017	Thu - 4/6/2017	Fri - 4/7/2017
Cheeseburger Hamburger Chicken Sandwich Lett-Tom-Pickle-Onion Ranch Beans Potato Smiles Bahama Salad Orange Juice Chocolate Pudding Mustard Salad Dressing Ketchup	Beef Fingers Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Apple Sliced Apple Juice Wheat Roll Ketchup Country Gravy BBQ Sauce Honey	Beef Taco Crispy Brd Mozzarella Chs Stick Taco Fixins Refried Beans Tortilla Soup Pineapple Orange Juice Gelatin Jewels Picante	Mini Corn Dog Fish Strips/Hush Puppies Carrot Sticks Refried Beans Coleslaw Diced Peaches Apple Juice Macaroni & Cheese Ketchup Mustard	Pepperoni Pizza Chicken Spaghetti/Brd St Garden Salad Broccoli Apple Sliced Orange Smiles Frozen Juice Cup Ranch Dressing

## Howe High School Breakfast Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mon - 4/3/2017	Tue - 4/4/2017	Wed - 4/5/2017	Thu - 4/6/2017	Fri - 4/7/2017
Cinnamon Roll Cereal Cinn Toast/toast Trix w/toast Bahama Salad Orange Juice Assorted jelly	Breakfast Pizza Cocoa Puffs w/toast Honey Nut Cherrios/toast Apple Juice Apple Sliced Assorted jelly	Brk Burrito Cereal Cinn Toast/toast Trix w/toast Pineapple Orange Juice Assorted jelly Picante	French Toast w/Sausage Cereal Cinn Toast/toast Cocoa Puffs w/toast Diced Peaches Apple Juice Assorted jelly Syrup	Biscuit & Sausage Cereal Cinn Toast/Toast Trix w/toast Apple Sliced Orange Smiles Orange Juice Assorted jelly Country Gravy

## Howe High School Lunch Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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## The Howe ENTERPRISE

THE HOWE ENTERPRISE, THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 1972--VOLUME VIII--No. 38

### HOWE'S THAT

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Women's lib has finally come to Howe. Or at least, if it's not here, it soon will be, what with the election of Carrie Waller to the City Council last Saturday.

We're not positive on this, but will lay odds she will be the first city council woman in the 100 year history of the city.

This will cause us problems in reporting the meetings, also. No more can we say city councilmen. It's going to be council members, or the council, or something else.

We've Known Carrie Since Hector was a pup (no reflection on her age). She attended the Van Alstyne Public Schools part of the same time we did (she was in one of the lower grades, which makes her somewhat younger).

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And during the school and city elections last Saturday, voters turned out as they should--in numbers, based on the number of registered voters in the city.

Out of 438 registered within the city, 379 went to the polls Saturday in the city election, which is a pretty good percentage. More than 400 voted in the trustee election, which includes the area surrounding the city.

In city election past, 100 votes would place a candidate in office. This year, a couple of the losers polled more than 150.

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Had a man come into the office this week to place a classified ad, offering \$500 reward for the return of his wife's pet cat. Now before you start rounding up all the cats in the area, read on.

We commented that it must be some cat, for him to offer that much reward.

"Nothing to worry about, he said, "I drowned it."

### Local stock show deemed success

Mark Akins showed the Grand Champion steer in the local project show here last Saturday for the third consecutive year.

Showing the Reserve Champion steer was Greg Akins, brother of Mark. The show, held on the Little League ball field on South Hughes street, was termed very successful by FFA Advisor Jim Rogers.

Girls division of the show was held the previous Thursday in the homemaking room at the high school. Winners were;

Arts and Crafts division, Carole Johnson; Needlework, Debbie Melton; Foods, Charlotte McDaniel, and Clothing, Jeanie Newman. Judge was Mrs. Alton Norman.

Other Grand Champions and Reserves in the FFA and 4-H Class were: Rabbits, Roger Usrey; Dairy, Debbie Melton; Breeding Swine, David Baird, gilt; Barrow, Kenneth Schneider with reserve honors going to Steve Allison, Fat Lambs, Jackie Crockett, grand, and Dickie Thornhill, Reserve.

Winning the Showmanship award was Mark Akins, winner in the Steer division. Reserve showmanship was won by Kathie King.

Other placings in various divisions included:

Lt. Wt. Angus Steers were

shown by the following: First place Mark Schneider; Second place, Kenneth Schneider; Third place, Scott Shadden; Fourth place, Donny Matthews; Fifth place Mike Neall.

Heavy Wt. Angus Steers were shown by the following: 1st. Mark Akins, 2nd-Greg Akins; 3rd. Kathie King; 4th. Steve Hollensed; 5th. Randy Matthews; 6th. Mark Wrede.

Top Angus: 1st. Mark Akins; 2nd. Greg Akins.

Lt. Wt. Hereford Steers: 1st. David Baird; 2nd. Teena Matthews; 3rd. Steve Newman; 4th. Susie King; 5th. Donny Matthews.

Heavy Wt. Hereford Steers: 1st. Kathie King; 2nd. David Wortham; 3rd. Mark Wrede; 4th. Randy Matthews; 5th. Terry Brown.

Top Hereford Steers: 1st. Kathie King; 2nd. David Wortham.

Cross Breed Steers: 1st. Steve Hollensed; 2nd. Jeff Hall; 3rd. James Vineyard; 4th. Mike Hall; 5th. Susie King.

Rabbits: Roger Usrey-Blue Ribbon, Tamela Melton- 2 red ribbons.

Dairy: Debbie Melton-Aged Jersey cow-Blue & Rosette-- Grand Champion Dairy Class. Debbie Melton-Yearling heifer (continued on page two)

### Project entries in girls' division

Entries in the Girls Division held last Thursday in the homemaking room of Howe High School included:

Needlework, champions-Debbie Melton, grand and Bonnie Armstrong, reserve.

Arts & Crafts, Carole Johnson, grand, and Cherie Sasser reserve.

Clothing, Jeanie Newman, grand and Kathie King, reserve.

Food, Charlotte McDaniel, grand and Deborah Davis, reserve.

Blue ribbons received in

the show were:

Needlework-Karen Drake, Debbie Melton, Linda Malnory and Debbie Adams.

Arts & Crafts- None  
Clothing- Sherry Bledsoe, Debbie Melton, Peggie Melton, Kristi Smith, Carole Johnson, Sherry Muse, Becky Allen, and Jeanie Newman (4).

Food- Kathie King, Ginger Lankford(2), Benny Harmon, Pam Littrell, Patty Harrah and Sharon Waller.

Red ribbons received in the (continued on page two)

### Sales Tax receipts increase in 1971

City sales tax collections for 1971 exceed the previous year by more than \$2,000.00 according to records at city hall.

Receipts for the last quarter of 1971 were received last week, amounting to \$1,738.43. Other quarterly receipts were, January, February and March, \$1,740.84; April May and June, \$2,807.16, and July, August, September, \$2,363.74 for a 1971 total of \$8,650.17. Total for 1970 was \$6,536.35, all based on one percent of retail sales.

### Baseball meetings, registration set

Registration of Howe's young baseball players is scheduled at 9:00 a.m. Saturday, according to Ray Bledsoe, Commissioner. Boys ages 10, 11 and 12 are to register at the park in the North part of town, with first graders through age 9 to register at the new park on South Hughes Street.

A meeting of workers is set for 7:30 Thursday night at the high school, Bledsoe said.

### TP&L rate increase in effect on this month's billing

Texas Power & Light Company this week began applying a 6% rate increase to the bills of its customers here and in surrounding areas, Charles Parkman, Manager, announced.

The Federal Price Commission recently approved the increase sought by the company.

The increase is being applied for the first time this month, Parkman added.

### Record turnout in city, school voting

Record number of voters turned out last Saturday to elect three school trustees, a mayor, three city council members and a municipal judge.

Largest turnout was in the school election, with 463 ballots cast. In the city election there were 379 votes cast.

Elected to three year terms as school trustees were Jack Norman with 299 votes, and Grady Lankford, 176. Elected to a one year term was Joe King, who polled 260 votes, compared to 164 for his opponent, Raymond Turner.

Other candidates and number of votes were: Billy J. Wheeler, 158; James L. Davis, 158 R. W. Hill, 45; and Donald Baird, 22. New members of the school board were seated

Monday night at the regular monthly meeting.

In the city race, James W. Hall, edged a write-in candidate, J. D. Finney, 174 to 163 for the Mayor's seat.

Another pair of write-in candidates for the Municipal Judge position ended with J. W. Reed polling 207 votes and J. W. Schmidt, 48.

Elected to the three council seats were Dwain Roberts with 208 votes, Mrs. J. C. (Carrie Waller with 196, and Ralph G. Muse with 167. Other candidates and the totals were: Gary Frantz 152; Bob Jensen 78; R. L. Cate 157; A. C. Gailey 66 and Tim Belden 86.

Newly elected city officials will assume their duties at the regular monthly meeting tonight (Thursday).

### Architect hired for building program

School Board Monday employed an architect to undertake a building program at the elementary school building.

Preliminary work will include a growth study prior to deciding what additional housing will be necessary for the next year, and over a period of years, if possible. Discussion centered around three additional classrooms for next year. Architect is Bill Lightfoot of Paris, who served as architect at Paris Junior College, Trenton, Ivanhoe, and other area schools.

Ray Bledsoe, appointed at last month's meeting as chairman of a band study committee reported to the board that instruments could be rented by students on a lease-purchase plan, with uniforms costing around \$100 each. A need was also cited for a building to house the practice sessions if a band were organized.

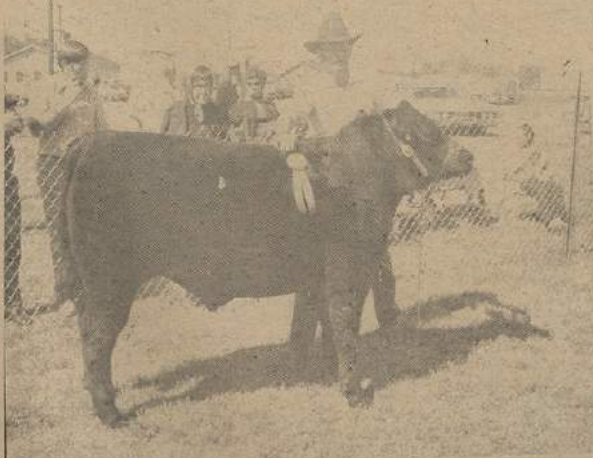
Bledsoe said a Sherman music store owner offered to conduct a student survey in regard to a band program. Band study was

begun following receipt of a petition by the board requesting a band here.

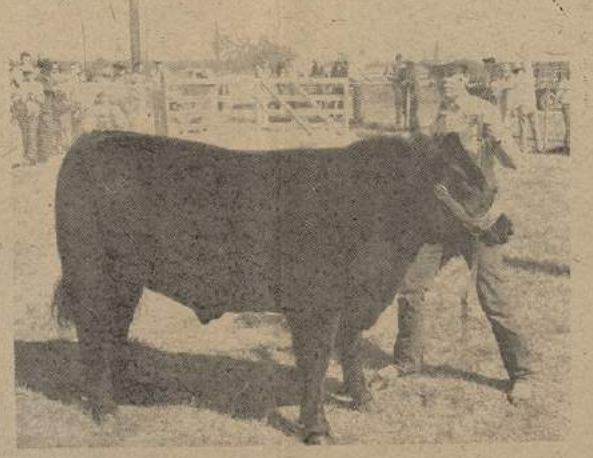
New board members were seated during the meeting, and officers elected for the coming year, with Dr. Ned Culp re-elected as chairman of the board, Vice President is Leon Thornhill, with Bledsoe named as secretary.

During reading of minutes of a special meeting March 11, Supt. Thompson said that the board had employed a consultant to assist with selection of a superintendent, at a fee of \$350, and that Howe's three Coaches had been voted three year contracts at present salary levels.

Called school board meeting has been scheduled Wednesday, April 12, Dr. Ned Culp, Board Chairman, said this week, Board is in process of reviewing teacher contracts and screening applications for the superintendent's position. Meeting is slated for 6:30 in the administration office.



MARK AKINS with Grand Champion steer of local Project show held here Saturday. Mark also son Showmanship, and, this was his third consecutive year to show the Grand Champion



GREG AKINS came in second behind his older brother with the Reserve Champion of the Howe Project show last Saturday at Little League baseball park.



Champions of the girls division are left to right, Carole Johnson, Arts & Crafts; Debbie Melton, Needlework; Charlotte McDaniel, Foods, and Jeanie Newman, Clothing.

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### Howe's that...

**SURVEY** - State Representative Bob Bush did a survey of residents in the Grayson County area which he serves as an elected official in Austin. He has released the results of that survey. Nearly 11% of the 32,500 questionnaires were returned and about 50% of those returning the survey took the time to add comments and suggestions. Here are the results of that survey:

**Do You Favor?**

1. Providing a substantial salary increase to teachers - 4.4% no response; 58.5% yes; and 37.1% no.
2. Increasing student tuition at state colleges and universities - 5% no response; 33.5% yes; 61.5% no.
3. Banning open alcoholic beverage containers in motor vehicles - 1% no response; 85.3% yes; 13.7% no.
4. Stricter punishment and enforcement for drunk drivers - 1% no response; 94.5% yes; 4.5% no.
5. Increasing fines up to \$1,000 for a first DWI arrest - 3% no response; 77.3% yes; 19.7% no.
6. Compelling blood or breath tests for all drivers involved in accidents - 2.7% no response; 61.5% yes; 35.8% no.
7. Requiring mandatory jail sentences for repeat DWI offenders - 1.5% no response; 92.3% yes; 6.2% no.
8. Electing Commissioners of the Public Utility Commission - 8.8% no response; 73.5% yes; 17.7% no.
9. Ratification of a federal balanced budget amendment by the Texas Legislature - 15% no response; 70.2% yes; 14.8% no.
10. Requiring a deposit on all beverage containers - 6.2% no response; 47.7% yes; 46.1% no.
11. Permitting pari-mutuel horseracing on a local option basis - 3.1% no response; 50.3% yes; 46.6% no.
12. Requiring more safety features in cars, such as airbags - 4.9% no response; 18.1% yes; 77% no.
13. Allowing a short bow season in certain areas of the Hagerman Wildlife Refuge - 8.4% no response; 42.9% yes; 48.7% no.
14. Expanding the existing prison units to house more prisoners - 7% no response; 67.8% yes; 25.2% no.
15. Instituting a mass transit system for Grayson County - 7.7% no response; 40.7% yes; 51.6% no.
16. Mandating continuing legal education and training for state judges - 5.1% no response; 83.7% yes; 11.2% no.
17. Rendering judges subject to discipline for willful violations of the Code of Ethics - 2.3% no response; 96% yes; 1.7% no.
18. Raising the gasoline tax to finance the construction and maintenance of state highways - 3.9% no response; 47.9% yes; 48.2% no.
19. Reducing taxes even if it means cutting back on services - 7% no response; 46.2% yes; 46.8% no.



**FIRST GRADE TEACHER** Mrs. Glenna Hutchens is retiring at the end of the school year following 31 years of teaching. She will be honored at the PTA meeting Tuesday, April 12, at 7:30 p.m. at the high school cafeteria.

### Teacher Retiring

Mrs. Glenna Hutchens, first grade teacher at Howe Elementary, will be retiring at the end of this school year. Mrs. Hutchens has taught in Howe for 10 years. She taught for 11 years at S&S and for 10 years in Oklahoma. The Howe PTA is planning to honor her at the April 12 PTA meeting to be held at the high school cafeteria.

### Rabies Clinic

An Animal Clinic will be held Saturday, April 9, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Howe Fire Hall, downtown Howe. Dr. Henry Bing of the Van Alstyne Veterinary Clinic will give the shots. Cost of shots will be \$5.00 for rabies, \$7.00 for distemper, and \$7.00 for parvo. State law and city ordinance require dogs and cats to be vaccinated annually. A portion of the money for the shots will be given to the Howe Volunteer Fire Dept. for their sponsorship of the clinic.

### Camping Trip

Eight scouts of Troop #45 and two leaders went to Blue River at Tishomingo, Oklahoma for a weekend of camping and fishing. The rainy and cold weather did not stop them from enjoying a good time. Leaders attending were Tex Hazelton and Jimmy Sutton. Regular troop meeting will be Tuesday, April 12, at 7 p.m. at the Methodist Church. Anyone interested in being a part of the scouting program is welcome to attend.



**MEMBERS OF BOY SCOUT TROOP** enjoyed a weekend of camping and fishing at Blue River in Oklahoma recently.

### Classifieds

#### Pay!

#### Watch For Tax Return Mistakes

About one-third of all taxpayers wait until April to file their federal tax return, according to IRS officials. Some of the most common errors are:

- Failure to sign return (on joint return, both spouses must sign)
- Failure to attach W-2
- Failure to attach Schedules
- Failure to include social security numbers
- Using wrong tax tables
- Math mistakes
- Using wrong line to request refund
- Be sure to double check all these things before mailing your return.

### Senior Citizen Fair

The Altrusa Club of Sherman will sponsor a Senior Citizen craft fair on Saturday, April 30, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Sherman Municipal Ballroom. The Craft Fair is a new Spring Project developed by Altrusa Club of Sherman after a study of community needs. This year Club members felt there was a real need to salute the Senior Citizens of the Tri-County area by providing a special time and space for them to display to area residents their varied crafts and talents and sell them to the public. As cutbacks in Federal Funding occurs, many services to the elderly have been reduced or deleted. Altrusans felt it is within the concepts of community service to provide a means for Senior Citizens to help themselves and at the same time make the public aware of the original and beautiful handwork and crafts available for purchase from our Senior Citizens. The Fair is free to the public. The Senior Citizens will provide entertainment all day. Any Senior Citizen interested in having booth space for the Fair should contact Janis Gray at the Texoma Regional Planning Commission, 786-2955 before April 11.

## Howe Students Win Honors At Loy Lake

The Grand Champion market steer of the Texoma Junior Livestock Show was shown by Howe 7th-grader Lesa King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe King. Reserve Champion was shown by Jeff Sargent, senior at Howe High School. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dub Sargent of Dorchester. Results of the show are:

**Market Steers**  
Class I - 1) Stephen Ogle  
Class II - 2) Rob Catching, 3) Kevin Stephens, 4) Matt Helms  
Class III - 4) Jan Rodgers  
Class IV - 2) Amy Belden, 3) Gay Rodgers  
Class V - 1) Jennifer Reed, 4) Paula Powell  
Class VI - 1) Wendi Sollis, 2) Brent Lankford, 3) Kristi Hill, 4) Shane Cavender, 5) Kerri Norman  
Class VIII - 1) Jamie Akins, 3) Christi Sollis, 4) Mike Adcock  
Class IX - 1) Brent Lankford.  
Class X - 1) Kent Akins, 2) Bubba Ogle  
Class XI - 1) Lesa King, 2) Jeff Sargent, 5) Thomas Troxtell  
Showmanship, junior division - 2) Christi Sollis, 3) Lesa King  
Showmanship, senior division - 1) Jeff Sargent, 3) Kent Akins.  
Howe had the best pen of five.

**Breeding Beef**  
Tena Scott was fourth in Brahman & Brahman Cross, 12-18 months.

**Breeding Hogs**  
Showmanship, junior division - Michelle Chumbley  
Reserve champion Suffolk - Richard Lankford.

**Market Lambs**  
Lightweight Hampshires - 5) Lisa Adcock  
Lightweight Suffolk - 1) Jan Rodgers, 3) Sherry Markham  
Lightweight Crossbred - 3) Richard Lankford  
Medium Crossbred - 2) Bruce Arnold  
5) Sheila Hayes  
Heavy Crossbred - 3) Jeri Douglas, 4) Scott Slaughter  
5) Rhonda Naquin  
Five Wool Cross & other pure breeds - 2) John Armstrong, 3) Vickie Willing-

Champion Crossbred - Douglas, Chumbley, reserve champion - Foster. Reserve champion market hog - Kimberly Chumbley. **Poultry** Top Ten Pen of Broilers - 2) Joel Douglas, 5) Jeri Chumbley, reserve champion - Foster. Reserve champion market hog - Kimberly Chumbley. **Rabbits** Best of breed Chinchilla - Shannon Smith, Howe 4-H Best of breed and best of opposite - New Zealand - Chad Kannenberg, Howe 4-H.

## ELECTION RESULTS

### Kirby Elected Mayor

Approximately 39% of the registered voters in Howe\* turned out Saturday, April 2, to elect a mayor and two councilman. Jerry M. Kirby collected 245 votes to win the mayor's seat. R.L. Cate had 142 votes. Elected to the city council for two year terms were Duward L. Mills with 256 votes and William H. Burns with 231. Other candidates and their vote totals were Jerry Campbell with 148 and Dale Rideout with 111. \*Total registered voters in Precinct 35 are 1218, but this number includes a number of people outside the city limits (such as the Ranch Estates area and others in the Howe School District but not in the Dorchester voting area). Total number of ballots cast in the April 2 election was 390.

### Two Elected To School Board

In the Howe School Board election Bill Estep and Bobby Sollis were elected with 288 and 285 votes respectively. Incumbent L. Glenn Fulton lost his seat with 268 votes.

## Track Results

The Howe High School track teams came in third at the Collin County track meet held in Frisco Saturday, April 2. Scott Taylor and Randy Geer pulled first or second spot in several events to give Howe a total of 56 points. (Little Elm had 75 and Allen had 63). Taylor took first place in 300 hurdles (41.63), 110 hurdles (14.13) and high jump (6-2). He was second in the long jump with 21-5/8. Geer won first place in 100 dash with 10.99 (a tie with Johnson of Pottsboro), and second in 200 dash with 22.30. For the girls Chantel Oakley took first place in 100 dash with 13.16. Kristi Banner was second in 400 dash with 68.61. Lee Ann Hixson was third in 800 run with 2:43.72 and fourth in long jump with 16-2 3/4. The 1,600 relay team was third with 4:46.29.

## Youth League Registration Continues

The Howe Summer Sports League held registration Saturday, April 2. Thirty-eight girls and 66 boys registered. Registration will continue through Saturday, April 9, at 6 p.m. No registrations will be accepted after that time. Forms are available at the elementary and middle school offices or from league officers. The registration fee is \$13. A registration session will be held Saturday, April 9, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Howe Fire Hall, 120 E. Hanning, downtown Howe. The Youth League will hold a work day, Saturday, April 9, beginning at 10 a.m. at the north baseball field at the city park. The league will meet Monday, April 11, at 7:30 p.m. at the SNAP Center to pick teams. A new scoreboard has been erected at the north baseball field. It was donated by Dr. Pepper Bottling Co. of Sherman. The league plans to fence all the fields this year. Estimate on cost is \$3.00 per foot. Anyone who would like to donate money for a foot or more of fencing should send the money to the Sports League, Box 214, Howe, TX 75059. A plaque with the names of the contributors will be set up at the park.

## Two Attend VOE Leadership Conference

Howe High School was well represented at the State VOE Leadership Conference held during Spring Break March 16-19 at San Antonio. Kim McKinney and Angie Cavender attended the conference. Kim McKinney advanced to State as a result of winning first place at Area in the General Clerical Contest. Angie and Kim both competed in an open contest - Business Spelling and Proofreading. About 500 students took the test and Angie placed fifth.



**DAVID BEMENT** Won Reserve Champion in foods and in needlework



**MIKE NICHOLS** Of the Howe FHA won Grand Champion in crafts.



**TANIA BEMENT** Winner of Grand Champion in clothing for the fifth consecutive year. She is a member of the Howe 4-H and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Bement.

# The Howe Enterprise

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### Howe's That . . .

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:** Wherever a man or a woman turns he can find someone who needs him. Even if it is a little thing -- do something for which there is no pay -- but the privilege of just doing it. Remember, you don't live in the world all on your own. - Albert Schweitzer

**SHARING WITH KITTY** - I have mentioned before how much grandson Jordan likes hot dogs. He usually eats 2-4 when he comes to Nana Lana's house. However, he always leaves the last inch or so to give to the kitty. At his house, the kitty, named Catsup, always gets a share of Jordan's hot dog. Nana doesn't have a kitty but the neighbors (on both sides) do. So we give part of Jordan's hot dog to the lucky kitty!!!

**NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK** - This week's edition includes an article on National Library Week, April 5-11, telling about favorite books of local and national people. I really enjoyed researching the article. I am an avid reader and I hope that some of you readers will share with us your favorite books (other than the Bible). Some folks like fiction and others like true stories. What's your favorite? Call 532-6012 (leave a message if no one is here) or drop a line to PO Box 488, Howe, TX 75459. Give the author of the book if you know it and include your comments on the book if you wish.

Lately I have been reading a lot of mysteries. I love Lillian Jackson Brown's "The Cat Who..." series. Also Dorothy Gilman's Mrs. Pollifax is a delightful and unlikely heroine, a grandmother who works for the CIA!!! My husband really likes Stephen King and my son Kirby enjoys J.R.R. Tolkien and C.S. Lewis as well as science fiction and fantasy.

**NOTICE:** Due to lack of time and space, some articles submitted this week are being held over to the next edition of the ENTERPRISE.

### Easter Egg Hunt

Children ages 0 to 12 are invited to participate in an Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 11, from 2-4 p.m. at the high school band practice field (grassy area in front of high school gym).

The Easter Bunny will be on hand and children are also invited to have their photos taken for \$2 each (Polaroid photos).

Prizes will be given for each of the following age groups: 0-3, 4-6, 7-9, and 10-12.

In case of rain, the Easter Bunny will be at the Fire Station (corner of Haning and Hughes, downtown) to pass out candy and to have photos taken.

The hunt is sponsored by the Howe Volunteer Firemen's Women's Auxiliary and the Chamber of Commerce.

### Mark Your Calendar

**FOUNDERS' DAY PLANNING** is being done each Monday at 5 p.m. at Flesher's Community Room in Howe. Everyone is welcome to drop by with ideas, etc. (There will be no meeting on April 6 due to chamber banquet)

**HOWE COMMUNITY LIBRARY** board will meet Tuesday, April 21, at 3:15 p.m. (instead of April 14).

**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.

**SCHOOL CALENDAR** - see page three.

### Bulldog Baseball: The Winning Attitude

by Brandon Belden (freelance writer)  
In 1845, Alexander Cartwright of the New York Knickerbockers Baseball Club set down the first rules of baseball. In 1858, the National Association of Baseball Players was born. The Cincinnati Red Stockings became the first professional club to play in 1869. The famous National League was organized in 1876. The first "Fall Classic" took place in the year 1903.

In the year 1990, the Howe Bulldog Baseball Club developed a new attitude. This attitude was the key to making Bulldog baseball just as successful as Bulldog football. This attitude was and still is what makes a Howe Bulldog a Bulldog. It's the winning attitude.

In 1988, the Bulldog program got a new look. With the resignation of Coach Burkhardt and his wife, the Howe school board voted to hire Tim Smithart, a 1977 graduate of the Howe system, as a business teacher and as head baseball coach. Smithart had experience with the players in the Howe organization, as well as having experience with Bulldog baseball by playing hardball at Howe High, 1974-77. Smithart knew that the task that lay ahead of him would not be easy, but through hard work, determination, and a little "Bulldog Magic", he could help put together the winning ingredients on the diamond.

Coach Smithart's first season as Bulldog skipper was in 1989. That year, he fielded a team that went 17-7 on the year, a new record for wins in a season for the Howe Bulldog baseball organization. That same year marked the beginning of new careers for freshmen Chris Garner and Monte Walker, who are now valuable seniors on the 1992 team. Another big asset on this year's state-ranked club is senior Trey Dedman, who also saw a bit of Varisty action as a "fish." Smithart admits he has taken a chance by playing so many freshmen on the varsity staff, but as you can see, it has paid off great dividends for this year's team.

The following year, in 1990, Bulldog history was made when the Howe captured district championships in both football and baseball. The '90 version of baseball saw something that had never been seen before on the "field of dreams" - a state ranking. The Bulldogs were ranked as high as #3 in the state, and twice knocked off the #1 team in the state (Van Alstyne) a couple of good old-fashioned Highway 5 routes.

**STATE RANKINGS**  
Smithart doesn't actually look at state rankings as being very important, unlike most of the players. He says you can't get carried away with it, but it's nice and people talk about the program more. He doesn't feel any different this year than last year when the 1991 team was unranked for most of the season.

The lack of ranking didn't stop the success of the players. The Bulldogs won district and eventually advanced to the area round of the playoffs. But not only did the Bulldogs add on another district title, they also added on a new coach. In 1991, Billy Hill, the defensive coordinator of the football team, took over as junior varsity head coach and assistant varsity coach. Hill realizes the importance of JV baseball, seeing it as the feeding system of the varsity.

Hill grew up playing baseball in Angleton, Texas, giving Howe one more advantage on the field: another coach with a good knowledge of the game. Hill uses this knowledge well stressing fundamentals to all of his players. He realizes a successful organization must be filled with good, dedicated players and coaches, something Howe is fortunate to have. If ever there was a dedicated coaching staff who makes their players work hard to be their best on and off the field, it is Coach Smithart and Coach Hill.

**1992 TEAM HAS POTENTIAL**  
This year's group of Bulldogs has probably the most potential of any team to come up through

the Howe system. These ball players didn't get their #2 ranking for free, but through hard work. Although a portion of the pre-season was washed out, it didn't stop the Bulldogs from flying out of the gate. The Dogs opened the year with an 8-1 drubbing of Callisburg, a game in which the ace of the pitching staff, Chris Garner hurled his first no-hitter of the year. Since the opening night victory, the team has chalked up 14 wins and 1 loss, a narrow defeat at the hands of a much larger Oklahoma school. In this time, the Dogs have also captured championships in two tournaments; the Sherman Umpires Tournament and the Van Alstyne Classic. Last week, the Bulldog squad took the consolation at Durant, and lost only the one game, an opening round upset by Madill.

**PITCHING STAFF**  
The 1992 lineup is a strong one indeed. For defensive Smithart believes he has the best pitching staff in the state of Texas. I do too. Pitchers are senior flamethrowers Chris Garner and Trey Dedman, junior Jeremy Francis, and Trey's younger brother, sophomore Stephen Dedman. Brian Freese also puts in time on the mound, but only if the team is up by 14 runs.

Garner has a great fastball and can throw an excellent curve. He is among the state leaders in ERA and strikeouts. He intimidates a lot of batters as well in that he is about 6'11" and 200 pounds of muscle. And he ain't afraid to knock someone down to get control of his game. Chris is probably one of the smarter pitchers in any classification.

Built like Chris, Trey Dedman has the pitching tools as well. With a very hard fastball and good curve, Dedman has also developed into an excellent pitcher. He may not try to intimidate as much as his left-handed compadre, but he does have a tendency to leave a few bruises on his opponents, as well as an unproductive appearance at the plate.

Jeremy Francis is a master of deception. His fastball may not look all that fast, but looks can be deceiving. His real talent is his ability to keep hitters off balance. You may look for the fastball, but you won't get it. Or, you may look for his curve, and you'll get caught by his fastball. He knows how to pitch.

Stephen Dedman, a varsity newcomer, has proven he can pitch just as well as the older team members. With a pretty good fastball and a good curve, he may not throw as hard as his big brother, but he still has two years of varsity left.

**THE REST OF THE DEFENSE**  
The rest of the Bulldog defense is solid too. Behind the plate: sophomore Brian Freese, a naturally gifted athlete with the ability to call a good game and a good throwing arm. It isn't often that someone 6'5" can play the position of catcher as well as Brian. He shares his time behind the plate with J. Francis, also a good catcher.

At first base is sophomore Steven Bannister who can stretch well and dig the ball out of the dirt most of the time. He even has a tendency to stretch for a pick-off attempt. Hey, he's young! Also playing first is Garner who can play there just as well as he pitches. Garner (we call him "Snake") has made some spectacular plays at first this year by doing the splits on close plays. Heck, he's so big, I can't understand how anyone could make an errant throw with such a huge target.

At second base is Scott Grogan, a fleet-footed athlete with a good fielding glove. He may not charge a ground ball, but he will throw out runners and I have never seen him drop a pop up. He can also turn the double play quicker than anyone around. Scott plays just about every game, but occasionally B.J. Sikes will get a little action at second. Bobby Joe is the Dogs' platoon second baseman, but he makes the most out of the time he gets by giving it 100%. Way to go, Bob.



**CITIZEN OF THE YEAR**  
Jean Norman

### Dramatic News

On Friday, April 3, the Howe One-Act players presented the UIL play, *A Midsummer Night's Dream* by William Shakespeare at Graycon County College.

The cast of 15 and crew of 4 did an outstanding job with this production. The show was staged in modern dress and on a relatively bare stage. This type of production causes a judge to have to focus on the actors' acting abilities, and the judge was pleased with the Howe thespians. The play won more individual awards than any other play in District 11AA competition.

Jeremy Francis was named Honorable Mention and All Star Cast. Also named to All Star Cast were Sam Garrison, Todd White and Jason Peak. David Brown won Best Actor.

The next performance of the play will be tonight (April 9) in the high school cafeteria at 8:15 p.m. Everyone is welcome to see the outstanding cast and crew perform.

Also in the cast are B.J. Sikes, Tasha Johnson, Julie Arnold, Laynie Williams, Kent Bearden, Brittany Conner, Chris Burk, Dustin Furbush, Rebecca Wester and James Fulechek. Crew members are Tom Catching, Damion Horton, Hilary Johnson, and Chris Zwinggi. The play is directed by Betty Cordell and Marty Hendricks.

### HELP

If you have met your pledge to the Howe School Band Uniform Fund, we would like to thank you for your support!!! If you have not yet fulfilled your pledge, we still need your help!!

Although our debt was paid in full for the uniforms, we had to deplete the Band Booster Club's account for new school instruments, sheet music, private lesson tutors and student trip funds to meet the deadline imposed upon us.

Your pledge is now needed to build those accounts back up. School year 1993 is a trip year for our band students. With the accounts almost empty and no projects in the planning or working stages, this trip will not be possible.

It is a memorable and rewarding event for all the hard work our students dedicate to their band program, for our instructors who put in many hard and long, long hours, and a goal accomplished for the committed boosters to be able to pay their way.

The many band trophies, medals and sense of pride makes the hard work worth the efforts put forth.

Congratulations to the band for a very successful 1991-92 and good luck to all for the coming year. Thank you to our director Mr. Schenk, music teachers and assistants Mrs. Rulla and Mr. Hall, and Mrs. Schenk our flag corp instructor. And thank you to all the parents and friends of the band and music program for your support, a job well done.

Thank you for your support,  
Ray Krantz  
Acting President, 91-92  
Howe Band Booster Club

### Jean Norman Named Citizen of Year

Jean Norman was named "Citizen of the Year" at the annual Howe Chamber of Commerce banquet Monday, April 6. Mrs. Norman was honored for her many hours of service to the community working for the chamber, her church, the library, the school, and many other activities.

The banquet had a patriotic theme with musical opening and closing. Entertainment was provided by world champion trickeroper J.W. Stoker who performed his black-lighted roping stunts to a cheering audience.

Certificates of appreciation were given to chamber board members Harold Taylor, Don Flesher, Jim Ogle and Lana Rideout.

New officers for 1992-93 are Duane Peters, president; Don Flesher, vice president; Lana Rideout, secretary; Rose Peters, treasurer; and board members Gary Elrod, Wanda Hunter, Scott Jones, Jim Ogle, and Linda Wall.

1991-92 president Lana Rideout honored board members Flesher, Hunter, Jones, Ogle, Taylor and Wall for their service to the chamber during the past year. She also honored Rose Peters for her work as Secretary/Treasurer and also for her hard work on the banquet.

A special "Lone Star Great" Award was presented to Duane Peters by Rideout. Mrs. Rideout said, "He has already served several terms as chamber president and here he is again. He promotes Howe everywhere he goes."

In addition Mrs. Rideout announced her intention to present a certificate of appreciation to Howe resident Gladys Davis, 91, who enthusiastically promoted the recently published historical/cookbook. Rideout said, "I know she's responsible for the chamber selling at least 30 books and maybe as many as 50; I lost count! The chamber appreciates her efforts."

### Reading Opens News Worlds

"Dennis the Menace" found an excellent use for libraries. In a recent cartoon he confided to his friend Joey that he gave his dad a library book for his birthday. The punchline was, "I hope he remembers to return it."

Books have a great influence on people of all ages. What do you like to read? Several folks in Howe list their favorites or books they have been reading lately.

At the Howe Community Library Peggy Bradley, librarian, said that self-help books are really popular right now and a new book at the library is RETURN TO LOVE.

Mrs. Bradley's favorite book is WATERSHIP DOWN by Richard Adams.

Leslie Taylor, assistant librarian and mother of three daughters ages 8, 9, and 12, said a popular book with the youngsters right now is this year's Texas Bluebonnet winner, SNOT STEW by Bill Wallace.

She also recommends THE TRUE STORY OF THE 3 LITTLE PIGS by Jon Scieszka and the SEARCH FOR WILD DOGS by Martin Handford.

Mrs. Taylor said the library has received some new children's books, soon to be on the shelf: RATS ON THE ROOF by James Marshall & THE HOUDINI BOX by Brian Selznick.

Jim Shannon, president of Howe State Bank, said when he was a youngster he enjoyed the Tom Sawyer and Huck Finn stories written by Mark Twain. Currently he is reading LONESOME DOVE by Larry McMurtry.

Jean Norman has worked with the Howe Library for many years and has served on the Howe Community Library Board since its inception. An avid reader, she often gives book reviews to area clubs and groups. She said a recent favorite of hers is SOUTHERN DAUGHTER, the story of Margaret Mitchell author of GONE WITH THE WIND.

According to an Associated Press story some months ago, actors Ted Danson and Martin Landau enjoy Mark Twain. Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney likes books about John F. Kennedy. And noted science fiction author who died this week, Isaac Asimov said he read Charles Dickens' PICKWICK PAPERS 25 times.

April 5-11 in National Library Week and folks in Howe are fortunate to have a library which offers many services. The Howe Community Library, located on the school campus, is a public library for use by area residents as well as school students. Hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturdays, 9 a.m. to noon.

The HOWE ENTERPRISE wants to know what your favorite book is or about a book you've been reading recently. Call 532-6012 (leave message if no one is in) or mail to PO Box 488, Howe, TX 75459. We'd like to know what folks in Howe like to read.

A recent issue of the Book-of-the-Month Club news listed the results of a survey about a book that has made a difference in people's lives. Here's the list:

1. The Bible;
2. Atlas Shrugged by Ayn Rand;
3. The Road Less Traveled by M. Scott Peck;
4. To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee;
5. The Lord of the Rings by J.R.R. Tolkien;
6. Gone With the Wind;
7. How to Win Friends and Influence People by Dale Carnegie;
8. The Book of Mormon. Tied for the final two places were: The Feminine Mystique by Betty Friedan; Gift from the Sea by Anne Morrow Lindbergh; Man's Search for Meaning by Victor Frankl; Passages by Gail Sheehy; and When Bad Things Happen To Good People by Harold S. Kushner.



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### Howe's that ...

by Lana Rideout

**C**rossing the river - This past weekend my husband and I made a trip to Kentucky (see Cat Chat on page 10). It is a long drive from Howe to Murray, KY, but this time of year is beautiful with lots of green grass and leaves as well as colorful wildflowers. The dogwood blossoms in Kentucky and northern Tennessee were beautiful.

One of my favorite parts of the trip is crossing the Mississippi River. In fact, often when traveling, I watch for the rivers we cross, reading the names of the rivers. The Mississippi is my favorite river, perhaps because of all the stories by Mark Twain and others.

As for Texas rivers the Red and the Brazos are my favorites. I also read an interesting series of articles in the Dallas Morning News a year or two back about the Rio Grande. I have never personally seen that river, but the descriptions in the articles made me feel as if I were there to see it.

**H**istory is one of my favorite subjects. I especially love American history. Rivers played an important part in the settlement of our country. Rivers carried folks and goods long distances.

Rivers also provided barriers for some. Remember the stories of those who had to camp on one side of the river while they waited for the water level to go down and they could cross in their wagons. Or maybe they had to go several miles to find a ferry, so they could cross the river.

I have seen the Mississippi River at several locations - New Orleans, Memphis, St. Louis, and a couple of other places. To me the Mississippi is awesome!

by Caroline Hughes

For some of us, it's a grandparent, or our math teacher, or even the neighbor down the street, but whoever it is, most of us can credit a mentor's example with at least part of our success. For Tim Rose, who's been the HHS head boys basketball coach for 17 years, that mentor is Coach Leland Caffey, the first head coach that Coach Rose ever worked for. Although Coach Caffey is now retired, Coach Rose says, "A lot of the things I do today on the basketball court I learned from him. He's kind of a legend at Seminole High School in West Texas. Coach Caffey played point guard on a Seminole team that won the state championship, and later returned to coach a team that also won state." Apparently, Coach Rose picked up some helpful tips from Coach Leland Caffey, because he led his 2004-2005 team to the "Final Four" of the State Basketball Tournament.

It was during that race to the state tournament that Coach Caffey actually saw one of Coach Rose's teams play for the first time - adding extra magic to an already magical season, one that Coach Rose calls "destiny." Before the season began, the Bulldogs had set high goals for themselves: become regional champs; win 30 games; and make it to the state tournament in Austin.

By the end of an amazing regular season, they were well on their way to accomplishing most of their goals. On the road to state, though, the Bulldogs faced a huge hurdle - Ponder - who had beaten the Bulldogs the previous year by 21 points and had four starters returning off that team. The day before the game, as the Bulldogs furiously prepared for Ponder, Coach Caffey drove in from Lubbock to attend the

game and give the Bulldogs a pre-game pep talk.

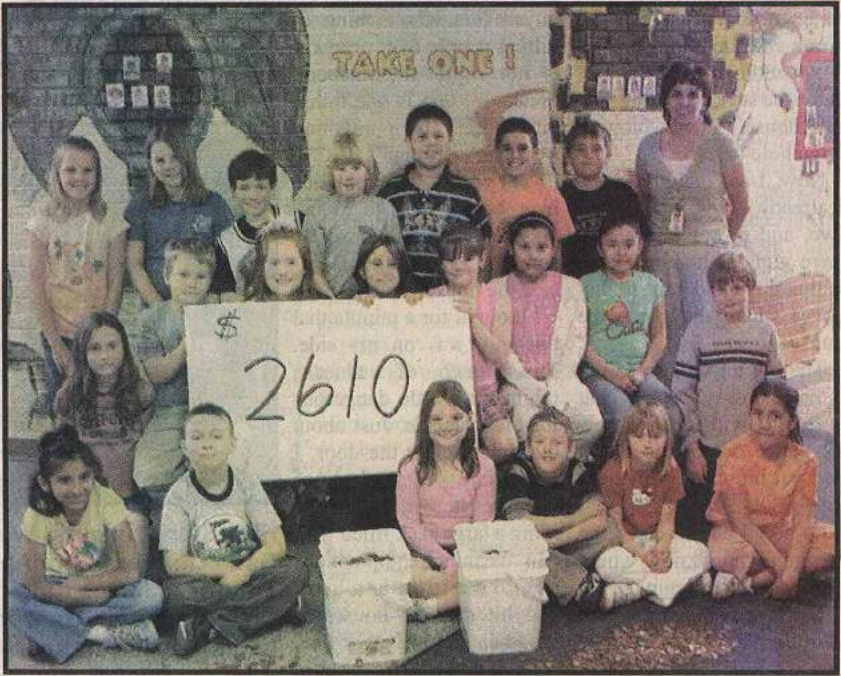
In a stirring speech the next day at pre-game practice, Coach Caffey told them that he had a good feeling about the night. He said, "You guys are going to win. I really believe that." Of course, no one knew at the time just how prophetic his words would turn out to be.

That night, the night Coach Rose will remember forever, Howe beat Ponder 48-45. And Coach Caffey watched his protégée for the first time. Then, ironically, three games later at the Regional Finals against Godley, the Bulldogs accomplished all three of the goals they had set for themselves in that one game, becoming regional champs, winning 30 games, and heading to Austin.

Whether that extraordinary season was a testament to his coaching and his players' talent, or to the mojo that his mentor brought into the gym, or that it really was destiny, Coach Rose says that after 27 years of coaching, participating in the Final Four of the State Basketball Tournament was his greatest coaching accomplishment "so far."

You never know," says Coach Rose. "There might be more championships." Our future Bulldogs are counting on it.

After a superlative season like this one, how does Coach Rose wind down? Fishing, of course. Just this past weekend, for example, he participated in the first fishing tournament of the year at Lake Ray Roberts. He finished 3<sup>rd</sup>, just .48 per pound out of 1<sup>st</sup>, weighing in 7.98 pounds of crappie. Also, two summers ago, he and friends caught 2,300 fish in two months. Coach Rose says that fishing, along with wife Brandy, "keeps him sane."



Mrs. Gaston's Third Grade Class

### HOWE ELEMENTARY

## Pennies For Patients

Howe Elementary students participated in raising money for leukemia patients and research by saving all their pennies. By collecting coins for 10 days, the students are helping thousands of people fight blood cancers like leukemia, which causes more deaths among children and young adults than any other cancer.

All of the elementary students were excited to be involved in the fundraiser. Some students brought money from their piggy banks, some did extra chores at home, and some asked their parents to donate their pocket change. The adults at the elementary had a contest among themselves also as to

the most collected-the losing group had to provide lunch for the winners.

The students collected over \$2700 in the short time period. The class that collected the most would win a pizza party and it was a tight race among the classes. Mrs. Lori Gaston's third grade class (shown above) came out ahead in the final hour. Her class collected \$360.92 in coins.

Everyone was excited and felt a sense of helping those patients who face serious health issues when diagnosed with leukemia. The money raised will be donated to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society and 85% will be directly used in North Texas.

### AUSTIN

## Secretary Williams Reminds Texans of Registration Deadline, April 12

Secretary of State Roger Williams joined C-SPAN and the Texas Cable & Telecommunications Association to remind Texans of the upcoming deadline to register to vote for the May election and to discuss the importance of voter participation. The last day to register to vote in the city, school, and constitutional amendment elections held on May 12 is April 12.

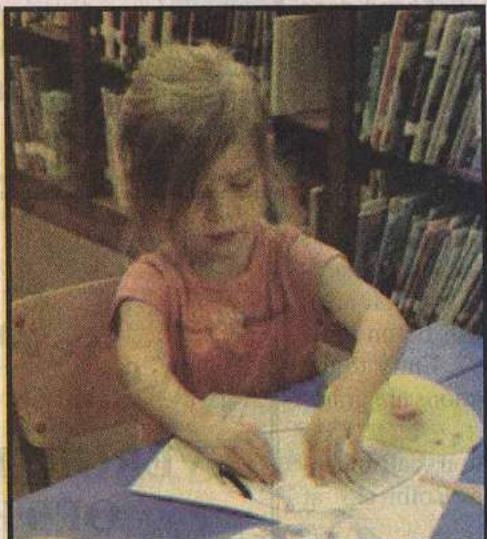
"We all have an opportunity to exercise one of our greatest patriotic duties this May in the upcoming city and school elections and in the constitutional amendment election," Williams said. "The last day to register for these important elections is only two weeks away and I encourage all Texans to take advantage of this opportunity."

During the last constitutional amendment election in November of 2005, only

18% of registered voters turned out to cast their ballot. Williams alluded to his recent voter education program, VOTEXAS, which touched more than 90% of the voting population in Texas, spreading the message that voting in Texas is easier, faster, and more secure.

"I believe it is important that we have an educated electorate."

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Van Alstyne Library Children's Story Time on Monday, April 2, children made chick Easter cards using their handprints for the wings. See more on page 5

