



Howe's That

It's hard to find a good police chief, but it's harder to lose one. The City of Howe has been fortunate to have such a remarkable chief over the past several years. Carl Hudman is a true professional in all aspects. He has been a supporter of Howe in all areas in the community and he will leave some mighty large shoes to fill.

I've been enamored at looking at the "Top Headlines of the Day" on emails that I receive from other news publications. I've seen a trend over the last couple of months that have just as many *Texas Tribune* pot-stirring, emotion prodding headlines just to get you, the consumer, to click on that article and get the hair to stand up on your back. I think this is garbage, to be honest. If you want to run a publication, have some integrity and leave the headlines to the local news department and the great journalist that are on staff. Don't use third party headlines to bolster your clicks and visits. Integrity matters here at the *Howe Enterprise*. There have certainly been mistakes made here, but we correct them and try not to do them again.

You the reader of news has to decide whether the content of what you're reading is really news or it is just something that the newspaper-turned click generator wants you to click on to increase their revenue. Emotions and tragedy sells. Keep your cool and move on to a local news story that doesn't boil your blood.



Lady Bulldogs head to round four; equal longest playoff run



The Lady Bulldogs display the "number four" which represents the round that they will be playing this week. *Michelle Carney/Howe Enterprise*

Two years and two coaches ago, the Howe Lady Bulldogs entered the fourth round of the softball playoffs for the first ever time in school history. Back in that 2015 season, a tough matchup with Whitewright ended on a steal of home and a heartbreak. This year's Lady Bulldog seniors were sophomores and they

remember the tears that followed the series. Whitewright was coached at the time by Phil Shope, but now in Pottsville, he brought his talented Lady Cardinals to Bonham to face Howe in the regional championship. This time it was Shope's team who was left with heartache as Howe took both games in quick

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HHS Band Banquet sees many awards presented



2017 HHS Band Beau and Sweetheart Brent Masters and Kaylee Dwyer. *Photo by Kim Taylor.*

The Howe High School Band and Band Boosters held their annual banquet Tuesday, May 9th. Students were recognized for their individual and group achievements for the 2016-17 school year, special individual awards were given and the seniors were honored. The seniors also presented a surprise video they had made expressing the impact the

Howe band program, directors and students had made on their lives. Seniors are Kaylee Dwyer, Kurt Friedman, Alec Gregg, Isaac Huerta, Kylie Krauss, Brent Masters, Cody Partridge, J.P. Queen, Kaycie Taylor, Joshua Van Deren, and Autumn Wasden. The following awards and recognitions were given:

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Howe Police Chief resigns



Howe Police Chief Carl Hudman started in Howe in January of 2013

Carl Hudman was hired by the City of Howe back in 2013 to take over a police department that was in need of a strong arm to steady the ship after the resignation of previous chief John Cherry. For four years, the department, under Hudman, has been

not only steady, but envied by other local small town police departments. But Hudman, while struggling with the decision to leave Howe, could not turn down a federal position that will take him to Alaska for his new job.

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Save the Church group gets \$5,000 from anonymous donor



The First Christian Church before its current transformation into Summit Gardens.

On Tuesday afternoon, a \$5,000 check was delivered to the Save the Church organization to be deposited in the Collins Memorial Fund for the purpose of helping renovate the former First Christian Church of Howe. The was one and only stipulation put forward when the money was exchanged was that it had to be held in complete confidence of who made the donation.

The committee says that the donation will go a long way in the completion of the project and now increases the donation total of 2017 to around \$18,000.

"This is a pure act of

kindness and selflessness which reflects the true identity of this community," said Howe Economic Development Director Monte Walker.

The church was gifted to the City of Howe in 1982 and the current project to make the 1893 structure a wedding and event venue named, "Summit Gardens."

Interior construction is currently taking place at Summit Gardens thanks to volunteer efforts.

An Interurban Alley luncheon is scheduled for November 7 as the first booked event. However, one could come before.

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Lady Bulldogs

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Shortstop Erin Blackburn turns the double play up the middle.
Michelle Carney/Howe Enterprise

dominating fashion. The Lady Bulldogs (18-4) have had what is as close to back-to-back walk-the-dog championship as it gets by pulverizing Sunnyvale and now quickly obliterating Pottsboro.

Howe will face Hooks later this week in what appears to be a location in Paris.

In game one, Torrey Stubblefield, the hardball pitcher for Howe was dominating. She went all seven innings, allowing one run, four hits, and striking out eight. She also helped herself out at the plate by driving in three runs on one hit, which was a double.

The Lady Bulldogs put together a total of nine hits with Emily Sanders being the only Howe player with a multi-hit game. Erin Blackburn, Madisyn Hargrove, Sanders and Stubblefield each recorded doubles in the game one win.

Howe took an early lead in the first inning by putting a 3-spot on the board. Blackburn led off with a double, followed by Peyton Streetman being hit by a pitch. Hargrove's intentions was to sacrifice bunt both runners over, but her execution was flawless and she beat the throw to load the bases. That set up the Stubblefield hard lining double to left that scored all three.

In the fourth inning, the Lady Bulldogs tacked on some insurance runs as Sanders drove in Payton

Griffin and Hargrove doubled home Kamryn Fulenchek and Sanders. Streetman also scored on an error on the same play. Howe put the bow on the 7-0 win and prepared for game two on Friday.

Madisyn Hargrove was in the circle for game two and she pitched five and a third innings, surrendering three runs, five hits, and striking out three in the 7-3 win. Streetman was the offensive force in game two with three hits and two runs scored.

The Lady Bulldogs hit five doubles of their 11 hits in the game. Stubblefield led Howe with two RBI.

Howe found themselves trailing after the first inning, 1-0 to Pottsboro, but tied the game in the second thanks to a Dani Ross sac fly that scored Griffin. Howe took the lead in the top of the fifth with a 3-run inning. Blackburn doubled to score Sanders, Blackburn scored on a fielder's choice by Hargrove, and Streetman scored on a Stubblefield sac fly. Ross scored an insurance run in the sixth inning thanks to a Pottsboro error.

Pottsboro scored two in the sixth inning to cut the Howe lead to 5-3 before Stubblefield came on in relief of Hargrove to put out a fire. Howe added two more runs in the seventh inning to extend their lead to 7-3. Stubblefield drove in Streetman and Kayla Anderson doubled home Stubblefield for the final two runs of the game.



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Police Chief *Continued from page 1*



Outgoing Howe Police Chief Carl Hudman awards Officer David Morris with the 2015 Officer of the Year Award. Staff photo.

"It was a very difficult decision. My wife and I have mixed emotions. We're excited about the opportunity, but if you can be sad at the same time - we are, because these last four years have been the most enjoyable of my career." said Hudman. "Being in Howe was as big of an opportunity that I could have hoped for. I'm grateful for Joe Shephard (city administrator), and the mayor and all of the city council members. They've all been extremely professional. I've seen other cities with in-fighting, but we have had none."

Hudman, a US Marine Corps veteran, is no stranger to packing throughout his life. He was born in McKinney but bounced around much of his youth. Post military, he served as a reserve officer in North Carolina in 1985. Upon returning to North Texas, he worked as an officer in Bonham before landing in Sherman, where he spent the next 24 years of his career and eventually retired in 2011. He says he was too young to retire and became interested in the open chief's desk in Tioga and applied, never really expecting to get the job. When the chief position became available in early 2013, he was enticed to land here. The plan was not to leave Tioga but Hudman was familiar with Howe due to the fact that his children attended school at Howe ISD.

"We had a good feeling about Howe, but I just had never thought about working here." said Hudman who has lived in the Luella area even prior to becoming the Howe Chief. "My kids went to school here and graduated here, so I liked Howe even before I came to work here."

Hudman was hired officially in the January, 2013 Howe City Council meeting and took over shortly thereafter.

Hudman says that the city council has always supported the police department to their very best despite the limited budget.

"The hard part is not getting good officers. The hard part is keeping good officers." said Hudman. "It's a challenge this town and all other small towns face."

Hudman says that he is most proud of his officers during his time in Howe.

"There were great officers here when I got here, so I can't take credit for bringing in better officers." said Hudman. "We've increased training and have increased in technology but in my job, whatever your officers do reflects on you. They have made tremendous drug seizures on the highway. We've had a four year period without any bad publicity, controversy, or misconduct. Our officers treat the public with respect and that's what I'm most proud of. The way they've behaved and performed says a lot and if I could take them all with me I would."

Hudman says that he first thought about Alaska on a hunting trip he took a few years back.


"When I was there, I thought it would be a great place to live and that was part of the attraction. But the job was the draw. We've been comfortable in Howe and we know we're taking a risk. This is us leaving home and it will always be our home regardless of the physical address."

Hudman says that the City of Howe's next police chief is should be one that cares about Howe.

"Hopefully you'll get one that cares

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Band

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Howe High School Band Students. Photo by Kim Taylor.

Band Beau & Sweetheart: Brent Masters & Kaylee Dwyer

Most Spirited Boy & Girl: Jordan Griffin & Madison Mosier

Rookie of the Year: Riley Underwood

Outstanding Band Students: Kindle Catching & Shellby Armstrong

Outstanding Percussion Award: Bethany Masters

Outstanding Brass Award: Isaac

Huerta & Greg Snider

Outstanding Woodwind Award: Kaylee Dwyer. Band Booster Scholarships went to Brent Masters, Kaylee Dwyer, and Kaycie Taylor

The annual Howe High School Band Spring Concert will be held on Tuesday, May 16 at 7 pm at Howe High School.

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this story.

Bigfoot book signing



Howe native Jerry Hestand gave a presentation at the Howe Community Library on Saturday regarding his adventures hunting Big Foot. He has recently published a book and held a book signing on the same day as the presentation. Photo submitted

Underwood and Davies are HHS Prom King and Queen



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Howe High School held their annul prom on Saturday night. Gage Underwood and Megan Davies were named Prom King and Queen. The prom was held at "Best Day Ever Ranch" in Whitewright.

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City sales tax at \$34,299 for May

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar announced Wednesday that he would send cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts \$787.8 million in local sales tax allocations for May, which is 2.6 percent more than in May 2016. These allocations are based on sales made in March by businesses that report tax monthly, and sales made in January, February and March by quarterly filers. Howe's portion of the distribution came to 34,299,10 for the month which still has the city 10 percent ahead of the 2016 pace.	Howe	\$34,299.10
	Sherman	\$1,763,683.58
	Denison	\$660,427.14
	Celina	\$173,161.41
	Gunter	\$20,748.83
	Dorchester	\$447.41
	Southmayd	\$61,020.53
	Pottsboro	\$52,812.58
	Whitewright	\$31,706.63
	Tom Bean	\$9,450.62
Local cities	Leonard	\$30,475.58
	Bonham	\$179,759.75
	Ector	\$2,702.61
	Savoy	\$4,223.60
	Bells	\$20,686.95
	Whitesboro	\$118,974.21
	Oak Ridge	\$7,780.44
	Gainesville	\$590,199.67
	Melissa	\$192,284.57
	Anna	\$168,662.21
	Van Alstyne	\$115,929.73

Feed My Sheep monthly report

The Feed My Sheep program in Howe fed a total of 73 families in April. That covered 80 children (17 and under), 85 adults (18-59) and	35 seniors (over the age of 60). Feed My Sheep says that 90 percent of the food used came from the North Texas Food Bank.
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Volunteer replaces roofs on youth ballpark facilities



Above: Scott Thurman, a volunteer of Howe Youth Baseball Board, placed a new metal roof on the concession stand at Ferguson Field. Below right: Ferguson Field's concession roof prior to Thurman's improvement.

There are volunteers and then there are people like Scott Thurman who take matters into their own hands when it comes to the well-being of the community and especially the kids. Thurman recently replaced the roof of the North Field storage building and also the concession stand at Ferguson Field.

Thurman, along with his brother Brad, have been involved in youth sports in Howe for a number of years. They both have coached and volunteered much of their time to not only their kids, but to many other kids in the community.



New metal roof on a storage building at the North Field of Bicentennial Park on Collins Freeway.

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Howe History Minute: Dorchester Schools

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

The Frisco Railroad came to Grayson County in 1902 and a string of stations were established from six to eight miles apart between Sherman and Fort Worth. Dorchester was one of these. The town was named for C.B. Dorchester, one-time president of the Merchants and Planters National Bank. The first house was erected in 1902 by Paul Bean of Sherman.

Some of these railroad towns thrived and became bustling communities for a time. There is no doubt each served as a home community and start of life for hundreds of people. They saw families through World War I and experienced strong growth in the years following. The depression brought the closing of their small banks and loss of part of their trade. However, World War II saw them as a stronghold of patriotism and community pride. The years following the war brought fast changes featuring better transportation.

The small towns' people could go to the larger towns and cities to shop and find entertainment. The new technology demanded a broader education for the new generation. The schools consolidated. Those towns that were no on a major highway and were dependent on a railroad for life fell on hard times. The automobile became the way to travel.

Central to the life fo community were the church and the school. Their activities often overlapped. In the earliest days, country schools with one teacher were established within walking distance for children. The Dorchester school came into being with the consolidation of two of these. Will Higgins who first came to the area in 1900 recalls that one school east of Dorchester and one southeast of the town were brought together in a frame building in the south part of the township. A picture of this building with the date 1907 on it is owned by Fannie Privette Crone. Harrison Davis recalls attending classes in this building. A teacher in the picture is Mrs. Riddings whose husband was the town physician. Her daughter Hope was one of the pupils. Hope became a journalist in Washington D.C. and was honored as an outstanding alumnus of Austin College in 1972.

Other teachers in this frame building were Miss Brown, Bertie Alsup, and Gussie Campbell. Gussie later married Bert Mackey.

Sometime between 1910 and 1912 the two-story brick building was built in the northwest section of town. Harrison Davis recalls going there one year before going to the high school in Howe. Harrison grew up to be a renowned raiser of sheep and at one time served as an international chairman of one of the breeding organizations. Ernest Jackson reports that the building was several years old when he became superintendent in 1920. There were four teachers for the 10 grades. The senior year was taken in Sherman. Mr. Jackson's sister and brother were two of these teachers. Jackson recalls outstanding community baseball teams. There were not enough students at this time for a school team so anyone played. Once the team won out against Southmayd because the Dorchester people went to Sherman and paid Homer Rainey \$25 to pitch for them. This is the same Mr. Rainey who later became president of the University of Texas. A petition by the school board commending Mr. Jackson for his successful year was signed by 128 of the town's citizens at the close of the 1920 year. He served three more years before returning to Denton to complete his degree.

The T.L. Taylor and the Hill family as well as

others recall their relatives building small barns to house horses they rode to school. As many as three children could ride a horse. When the family grew past that, there had to be a carriage of some sort.

The old school building had an auditorium on the second floor that serves as the community seat of entertainment. It was the meeting place and is remembered fondly by those people who grew up there in those years.

Carl McBee, who graduated in 1935, was the leading scorer in a basketball game with Highland Park in the SMU gymnasium. Highland Park won 25 to 24. The Dorchester team was referred to in the newspaper story as the Grayson County champions. Carrollton, another Frisco railroad town, was one of the contenders in this tournament. Carl's sister, Mabel McBee, was high scorer for Dorchester in a girl's tournament at Collinsville the same year.

The winning trend continued for Dorchester through the late 1930s with R.L. Cook coaching the boys and H.L. Harding the girls. Clynn Braden was an outstanding player, described by reporters as "lanky" and called "Skis" by his friends. The girls team was headed by Wanda Cavender, Bobbie Jim Wilson, Evelyn Laughlin, Joy Patterson, Genell McBee, and Dorothy Newman.

Money for extras, such as basketball uniforms or letter jackets was hard to come by and events were held to raise money. Wrestling matches were among the more spectacular events. John Blevins recalls when Less Tribble of Sherman was matched against a less than fair contender in what turned into a blood affair. Benton Davis, who was a sheriff of the county as that time, had to break it up. Less disastrous affairs included box suppers and ugliest man contests.

The Dorchester community and school was very family oriented with persons attending school there and coming back to teach. Also there were married couples who taught together and most of these people had their own children in school.

The first school bus was built by Pete Patton who was provided with a truck frame and constructed an oblong, flat roofed, facility with seats for the children. One was inclined to say seated since it was impossible to stand up straight in the contraption. It was dubbed, "The chicken coop" and was kept in service until after World War Ii when civilian vehicles again became available.

At the end of the 1938-39 year, the old two-story building was razed. It had been the scene of the first cafeteria. Mrs. E.A. Miller started the program by convincing the children to bring items for a soup pot and the first hot lunches were served that last year of the building's existence. There was no indoor plumbing and two large "privys" served the students and teachers. The 1930-40 term was a makeshift classroom year. The first four grades were housed in a converted home and the rest were in boarded off rooms in the gym. Coupled with the constant sound of construction, it was less than ideal learning atmosphere. However, the school was thriving and had one of its largest graduating classes in 1942. The new one-story building opened in the fall of 1940 having been built by the WPA program. It had full cafeteria facilities, a library, a study hall, a bunsen burner, and art room and indoor toilet facilities added to the gym.

The gym doubled as an athletic facility and auditorium. It had an adequate stage with

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availability of 17 months of inventory, the 75459 zip code is a definite buyer's market.

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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

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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 - Childrens'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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Optimistic thinking is a learned behavior



Dr. Billy Holland

As a minister, I am always being updated about what is happening in the daily news and regularly reminded about how the world is falling apart. I do appreciate the hard work from the news agencies to keep us informed, but we must also realize there needs to be a balance between constantly absorbing what everyone else is doing and concentrating on the life we have been called to live. While it's true there are many bad things that happen every minute, we should also remember this does not mean that everyone is a criminal or that the entire world is a valley of death and darkness. There have always been bad people that do evil things but it just seems worse now because the population has grown and with advancing technology we can instantly know what is going on everywhere. Unfortunately, this constant flood of negative information can overload our emotions and cause fear, anxiety and stress. It is also not a coincidence that technology and anti-depressant medications have grown together.

Years ago, people lived somewhat isolated from the constant bombardment of bad news which by the way gave them much less to be upset and worried about. The average person was more focused on their family and investing their time working to make sure they had everything they needed. Albert Einstein is quoted as saying, "there is no substitute for hard work" and I believe the concept of perseverance and determination should be included in our education curriculum. Excuse me

if my views are old school, but playing on a cell phone all day and watching television all night is not the formula for accomplishment. OK, back to our subject. Another point that we can consider, is there are many decent people that are doing good things. They may not receive the same amount of attention but they are out there. I see this side of the spectrum a little more than the average person because I am in and out of places where these individuals devote their time and resources. In my small community, I know lots of people that volunteer behind the scenes and are making a huge difference in the lives of others. Just imagine all the ones that support charitable organizations, those who work in the churches and others who are actively involved in community outreach and then multiply that around the world. Nonetheless, like I said earlier, we rarely hear about these secret agents that are driven with love and concern and are not afraid to act upon their convictions. To them, I say; Praise the Lord for you!

The old illustration of the glass being half full or half empty is a timeless truth. We have the choice to think negative thoughts or positive thoughts and whichever we choose will have a direct influence on what we do and say. Do we really want to be known for being the first one to be the bearer of bad news or the one that always declares, "it will never work?" Do we want to be remembered as someone that has a dark cloud of negativity that follows them everywhere they go? I realize that inquiring minds want to know, but we should not receive pleasure from shocking others with the gory details that will give everyone nightmares. Being concerned and broken-hearted about a tragedy is one thing, but getting excited about it is dysfunctional. I personally believe the most important act we can do is to begin our day in prayer and ask God to help us be a positive person. When we take the time the time to connect with God, we are being equipped with His attributes to face the day in a higher state of spiritual awareness. His divine wisdom and

discernment will help us live under His control and prevent us from being influenced by our emotions. Whether we embrace it or not, a Christian is accountable for what they think, how they act and what they say and it would be a wonderful testimony and would bring glory to God if we would demonstrate His optimistic light

of love, hope and encouragement in every situation.

Dr. Holland lives in Central Kentucky where he is a Christian minister and author. Ask for a free copy of his new CD called, "Keeper of my soul" at: billyhollandministries.com



Lunch Special

Chicken Fried Steak
Lunch size hand breaded chicken fried steak served with two sides

Chicken Fried Chicken
Lunch size hand breaded chicken fried chicken served with two sides

Catfish Plate
One deep fried catfish fillet served with two sides

Spaghetti Plate
Served with our homemade meat sauce and dinner salad

Pot Roast
Tender beef roasted in natural juices, served with two sides

Pork Chop
Smothered with sautéed onions and pork gravy

Chopped Steak
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Learn about antiques and collectibles with Dr. Georgia Caraway



Dr. Georgia Caraway

Q. What is the value of my bitters bottle? I contacted the National Bottle Museum and they said that the Dr. Fisch bitters bottle was patented in 1866 by W. Harrison Ware of Philadelphia. Is mine a reproduction or an original?

A. You included the letter that the bottle museum research coordinator wrote so I will quote him here. “This bottle was listed in Druggist catalogs in 1880 . . . and is fairly well known in amber colors. Bitters bottles are very collectible, and though yours is quite prolific, it is a desirable bottle, Be aware that this bottle has been reproduced over the years. All the reproductions will show a side mold seam that runs over the top of the lip or they have a screw-on top. If the base has embossing other than some form of ‘Patented H. W. Ware,’ it would probably be a reproduction.”

It would be easier if I could see the bottle, but I will do the best I can with the information and the picture you sent. You did not address any embossing on the base. Is it there?

I can detect the side mold seam up through the top of the lip in one of your photos, but you can better determine this with the original

bottle. Several of these bottles appeared at a recent estate sale I attended and all were reproductions. They sold in the \$8 to \$12 range and were purchased strictly for decorating purposes.

If yours is an original, the Fisch bottle, pat. 1866 by W. H. Ware is valued at \$180-200. Examine your bottle very carefully, searching for the clues about embossing and seams, and you will be able to determine the value based on the prices I have given. I hope yours is the real thing, but it seems fishy to me that this bitters bottle is so available. If a repro, that would be a bitter pill to swallow.



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. 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 two gift and antique shops—Howe Mercantile and Stark Farms Gifts. SHOP LOCAL. We can show you Howe!



Howe History *Continued from page 6*

heavy velvet curtains. Senior plays, interscholastic league competition, womanless weddings and PTA programs with crepe paper dresses and rhythm performances kept it well-used. Many children had their first experience before an audience on that stage. The gym was magically transformed into a gala carnival each Halloween. It was the major fundraiser each year. Another means of fundraising was to maintain a skating rink in the gym when basketball was not in season. This attracted skaters from all over the county. It was done in Dorchester in the early 1940s and again in the late 1940s. The floor would have to be refinished when basketball season returned.

As the young men graduated all through the 1940s they immediately went into the armed forces. Of these several died in World War II. Jimmy Savage was an outstanding flyer. He is credited with sinking of a Japanese submarine off of California. Later he was commander of the Blue Angels. His brother Ewell flew 40 bombing missions over Germany and later was a pilot for General Harmon Street when is plane disappeared in the Pacific. Hugh Dale Hamilton graduated from Annapolis and was killed aboard ship at Salerno.

After the war was over and the draft was still in effect, most of the

young men left school a few weeks before the actual graduation ceremony in order to beat the draft and going into the Navy. Dorchester really became a Navy town.

Following World War II, the student population dropped following the trend of former tenant farmers leaving the rural areas for urban jobs. Better transportation also allowed busing of the students further. In 1948 the population of Dorchester was about 400. Lowell Cook was school superintendent. The last high school class to graduate was in 1949 with six students. The high quality of education this small school gave was evident in the number of who went on to college and did well.

The high school students were bused to Sherman for several years while grade school continued in Dorchester. Finally in 1959 the district consolidated with Howe.

The school had opened around 1907 with the consolidation of two one-room country schools. Between 1913-15, a two-story brick building was built. It was later torn down to make room for a one-story building constructed in 1940. Dorchester High School closed in 1949 and the elementary closed and consolidated in 1959 with Howe. On Aug. 18, 1985 a historical marker was placed at the location of the Dorchester School.



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Texas History Minute



Dr. Ken Bridges

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

John Wesley Hardin was one of the most violent figures of a violent age. Born in Bonham to a Methodist preacher in 1853, he quickly moved to a life of crime. By the time he was 18, he killed perhaps eight people. This was only the beginning of a bloody career as a gunfighter.

He escaped Texas authorities in 1871 after killing the Waco town marshal and found work on a cattle drive. According to several sources, he engaged in several gunfights with would-be cattle thieves that left maybe five men dead before arriving in Kansas.

It was August 1871 that saw one of his most notorious killings. He was in Abilene, Kansas, then a notoriously riotous trailhead town. He had fallen into a drunken stupor after a night of gambling and retired to a hotel room for the night. A neighbor in the room next door started snoring loudly, the noise reverberating through the thin walls. Hardin started shouting at the man about his snoring, to no avail. Still drunk, Hardin pulled out his guns and started firing through the walls, shooting the snoring man in the head, killing him instantly. Hardin then jumped out of his second-story window to avoid arrest, stole a horse, and then rode back to Texas.

Two months later, he found himself in another gunfight with two Texas state policemen, killing one and wounding another. He claimed to have killed three members of a posse near Austin. After several more gunfights, he injured another state policeman near Hemphill in July 1872. In August, he was shot after an

argument over a poker hand in Trinity. Once his identity was confirmed by local authorities, he was arrested but accidentally shot while in custody. After recovering from his injuries, he escaped the county jail and was on the run again.

In May 1874, he killed Deputy Sheriff Charles Webb in a saloon in the central Texas town of Comanche. The killing enraged townspeople, resulting in the lynching of Hardin's own brother as he escaped from Brown County to Florida. Texas authorities set a large reward for his capture. Hardin was on the run for nearly three years before Texas Rangers captured him on a train in Pensacola in August 1877. Rangers knocked him unconscious and dragged him back to Texas for trial. This time, there would be no escape.

He was found guilty in June 1878 and sentenced to 25 years in prison, a surprisingly light sentence for the time. He served his time at the state prison in Huntsville, and tried and failed several times to escape. In spite of his crimes, he studied law and theology and eventually ran the prison Sunday School. In February 1894, he was released for good behavior, though he still had eight years left on his sentence.

After his release, he plotted his next career move and somehow decided that becoming an attorney was the best fit. He passed the bar exam and moved to Gonzales. He left shortly afterward when he shot a man on a \$5 bet. His next move was to El Paso where he spent time scrambling for money in poker games and trying to find law clients.

In August 1895, his girlfriend was arrested in El Paso police officer John Selman, Jr., on a charge of possession of a firearm within the city limits. Hardin angrily confronted Selman and supposedly pistol-whipped him. The next day, Selman's father, John Selman, Sr., had his own argument with Hardin over the incident. The elder Selman had his own problems with the law and had killed a number of men in his own gunfights. Hours later, finding out that Hardin was gambling at the local Acme Saloon, Selman

walked in and shot Hardin in the back of the head. He was quietly buried in El Paso the next day.

In the end, the man who lived by the gun died by the gun. As for Selman, he escaped conviction but was killed in a gunfight with a U. S. Marshal the next year.

Since Hardin's death, many studies have been done on his wild career. Hardin recounted his own life in a

book that was published posthumously in 1895. As in life, so many details of his career were embellished or could never be verified. The 1956 film *The Lawless Breed* was loosely based on Hardin's autobiography. He was also featured in Texas writer Larry McMurtry's *The Streets of Laredo* in 1993. More than a century after Hardin's death, he still draws fascination over a life as a gunman that left more than two dozen people dead.

You know you're from Howe when

Everyone knows all the news before it's published; they just read the hometown paper to see whether the publisher got it right.

You leave your jacket on the back of the chair in the cafe, and when you go back the next day, it's still there, on the same chair.

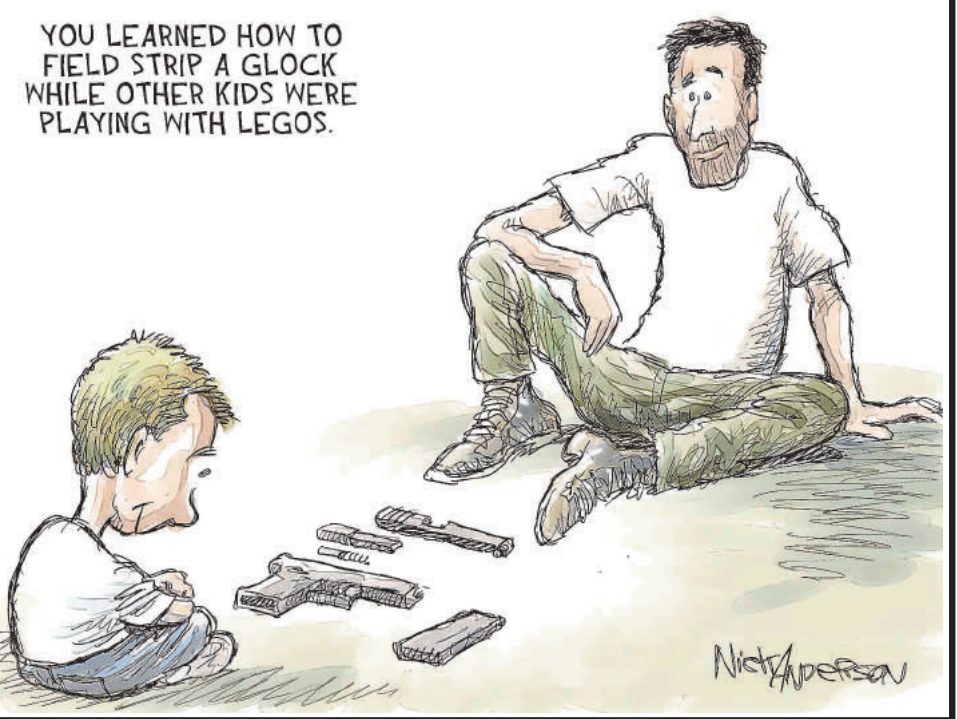
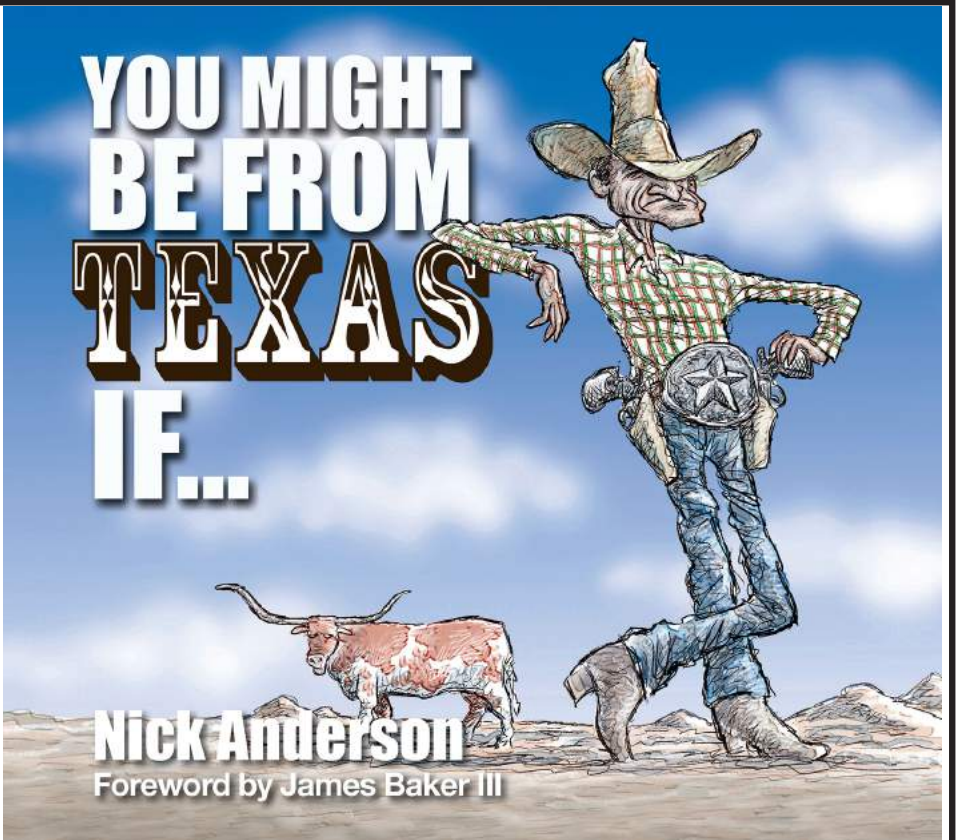
Running from the cops consists of hiding in the cornfield.

You have to name six surrounding towns to explain to people where you're from.

There is no point in high-school reunions because everyone knows what everyone else is doing anyway

Driving cars up and down Haning Street is a universal high school experience.

One word: Cafetorium



Keep Howe Beautiful cleans downtown, prepares for more community garage sale events, names Yard of the Month



Marilyn Keller cleans the flower bed in the free parking area in Downtown Howe. Becky Hogenson and Donna Wormsbaker also assisted in the beautification effort.



The scene from the Keep Howe Beautiful Community Garage Sale on Saturday, May 6.

Keep Howe Beautiful had such a great community garage sale on May 6 that they have planned another one in the fall on Nov. 4. The organization is planning to still have the garage sale at Memorial Park, but are in talks of options of growing the event across the street in front of the old middle school on Highway 5.

The organization also had a work day downtown on Thursday and cleaned the flower beds by the free parking area on Haning Street.

To make a nomination for the Keep Howe Beautiful Yard of the Month, please text a photo to Curt Beckemeyer at 214-514-4065



Howe ISD job posting

HOWE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT EMPLOYMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

Job Title:	Help Desk Technician	Work Year:	226 days
Reports To:	District Technology Director	Salary Range:	per HISD pay scale
Department School:	Information Technology Administration		
Primary Purpose: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Resolve problems relating to technology related services, including computers, iPads, projectors, phones, etc.Perform administrative duties integral to the operation of the technology departmentCompile, maintain, and file reports, records, and other documents as required			
Qualifications: <ul style="list-style-type: none">High school diplomaKnowledge of general helpdesk functions			
Special Knowledge Skills: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Proficient keyboarding and file maintenance skillsStrong communication, interpersonal, and organizational skillsKnowledge of software used to develop spreadsheets, databases, and do word processingAbility to detect and resolve technical or technology-related problemsBroad knowledge of computer hardware and software as well as Windows and iOS experience			
Major Responsibilities and Duties: Technical Support <ul style="list-style-type: none">Work with district technology staff to ensure students, teachers, and administrators have the support and equipment needed to implement technology-based instruction.Process helpdesk tickets and assign priority and staff to tickets as needed to resolve end-user issues in a timely manner.Analyze and identify trends in issue reporting and devise preventative solutions. Records and Correspondence <ul style="list-style-type: none">Assist technology department in preparing correspondence, forms, requisitions, and reports for the technology department.Serve as liaison to software and hardware vendors to maintain appropriate product support. Other <ul style="list-style-type: none">Perform other duties as assigned by the District Technology DirectorAssist with the deployment and collection of devicesComply with policies established by federal and state law, State Board of Education rule, and local board policy			
Application Procedure: Applicants: Apply online at HoweISD.net , TeacherJobNet.org or email resume and letter of interest to gandillon.joe@howeisd.net			
Application Deadline: Until filled			

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Keep Howe Beautiful named 104 Curtis Lane as the Yard of the Month

Hudman *Continued from page 3*

not only about the employees, but also the public and what their concerns are and knows how to treat people." said Hudman. "A good chief will train his or her people up to the point where they no longer need you."

Hudman believes that there's a stigma that is associated with small town officers that they aren't as good as larger city cops. However, he actually thinks it is the other way around.

"The officers here handle a lot more complex issues here, whereas in the larger cities it gets passed up to someone else. They (small town police officers) don't have the administrative support that a larger city has, so they find themselves learning how to do those administrative things. Some large city police officers, never in their entire career, learn how to write a search warrant or arrest warrant, but our police officers learn it all."

The veteran officer will hang up his guns and belt in Howe in July. He says that the police department is in good shape and they could run without him immediately if they needed to.

"I can say that this town is just fine with me leaving." said Hudman. "Nothing is going to stop. They know how to handle the day-to-day operations of the PD. They're not just street cops. They're evidence processors, crime scene technicians, detectives."

Hudman says that he has promoted Keith Milks to the position of sergeant to go along with current Sergeant Michael Hill.

It is true that the most famous law man perhaps in the history of the United States, Wyatt Earp, left his law position and headed north to Alaska. But it will not be faro that Hudman will be dealing. Once a law man, always a law man.

Top Dogs



Fourth grade: Wyatt Renfro,
Ozzie Gutierrez, Mikey Weimer,
Triston Williams (not pictured)

Third grade: Marely Meneses,
Elias Roberts, James Reese,
Caleb Cox, Baylie Marr

Second grade: Andrew

Boatright, Shaelyn Tillett,
Jericho Comer

First grade: Vivian Davis,
Caden Crosson, Bella Fleming,
Deyse Garcia

Kindergarten: Hazel Tibbits
(not pictured), Delaine McCloud

HHS alumnus organizes softball tourney to benefit booster club

Howe High School graduate Devin Hargrove wanted to do something for his former school so he came up with the idea of having a co-ed softball tournament that will benefit the Howe Athletic Booster Club. He initially wanted it to be a scholarship fundraiser, but was told by the school that a booster club donation would be a good use of funding.

The tournament will take place on June 24 this summer at the Howe Baseball/Softball Complex. The entry fee is \$225 per team and only two homeruns per game are allowed. However, there will be opportunities to purchase more homeruns.

There also will be a homerun derby (slow pitch softball) where men will hit from home plate at the baseball field and the girls will hit from second base at the softball field.

If there are more than 25 entries in the homerun derby, the winner will receive their choice of any 2017 USSSA bat. If there are less

than 25 teams, the winners will receive half of the pot.

"I just thought that I wanted to be able to give back to the school that I went to," said Hargrove. "I contacted Coach Hudson and he thought it was a great idea and he and Mr. Wilson met about it and decided it would be best to benefit the booster club."

Hargrove says that the alumni is holding the tournament but it is not just an alumni tournament.

"I've got the lights and the fields for as long as I can," said Hargrove. "If we need to use the old softball fields or the ones across the highway, we'll use them."

The tournament will be a slow-pitch tournament starting early morning.

Check the Events page at howeenterprise.com for more information on this

Howe Elementary/Middle School Breakfast Menu

Mon - 5/15/2017	Tue - 5/16/2017	Wed - 5/17/2017	Thu - 5/18/2017	Fri - 5/19/2017
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 Fruit Cocktail Assorted jelly	Pig n Blanket Cocoa Puffs w/toast Honey Nut Cherrios/toast Orange Smiles Orange Juice Assorted jelly Syrup	Breakfast Sandwich Trix w/toast Honey Nut Cherrios/toast Apple Sliced Orange Smiles Orange Juice Assorted jelly	NO SCHOOL TODAY

Howe Elementary/Middle School Lunch Menu

Mon - 5/15/2017	Tue - 5/16/2017	Wed - 5/17/2017	Thu - 5/18/2017	Fri - 5/19/2017
Cheeseburger Hamburger Chicken Sandwich Lett-Tom-Pickle-Onion Ranch Beans Potato Smiles Bahama Salad Orange Juice Chocolate Pudding Mustard Salad Dressing Ketchup	Beef Fingers Popcorn Chicken Wheat Roll Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Apple Juice Fruit Cocktail Country Gravy Ketchup BBQ Sauce Honey	Beef & Cheese Nachos Nachos w/ch sauce Fajita Quesadilla Carrots & Celery Broccoli Orange Juice Orange Smiles Sugar Cookie RF Picante	Pepperoni Pizza Cheese Pizza Garden Salad Steamed Corn Apple Sliced Orange Smiles Apple Juice Ranch Dressing	No School

Howe High School Breakfast Menu

Mon - 5/15/2017	Tue - 5/16/2017	Wed - 5/17/2017	Thu - 5/18/2017	Fri - 5/19/2017
Blueberry Muffin/Sausage 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 Fruit Cocktail Assorted jelly	Brk Burrito Cereal Cinn Toast/Toast Trix w/toast Orange Smiles Orange Juice Assorted jelly	Biscuit & Sausage Cereal Cinn Toast/Toast Trix w/toast Apple Sliced Orange Smiles Orange Juice Assorted jelly Country Gravy	NO SCHOOL TODAY

Howe High School Lunch Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mon - 5/15/2017 Cheeseburger Hamburger Chicken Sandwich Stuffed Potato/Ham Boat Chef Salad Lett-Tom-Pickle-Onion Ranch Beans Potato Smiles Bahama Salad Orange Juice Chocolate Pudding Ketchup Mustard Salad Dressing	Tue - 5/16/2017 Popcorn Chicken Beef Fingers Wheat Roll Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Apple Juice Fruit Cocktail Country Gravy Ketchup BBQ Sauce	Wed - 5/17/2017 Nachos w/ch sauce Beef & Cheese Nachos Fajita Quesadilla Carrots & Celery Broccoli Orange Juice Orange Smiles Sugar Cookie RF Picante	Thu - 5/18/2017 Pepperoni Pizza Cheese Pizza Garden Salad Steamed Corn Apple Sliced Orange Smiles Orange Juice Ranch Dressing	Fri - 5/19/2017 NO SCHOOL TODAY

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HOWE'S
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A newspaper editor up in Montana recently composed a list of answers to a questionnaire on what a weekly newspaper subscriber would like to read. Here are the responses to his questionnaire:

1. My name.

2. A front page article showing how crooked the local governments are most of the time.

3. My wife's name.

4. A feature article showing 25 ways on how to cheat on income tax forms.

5. My kids' names.

6. A local news item about the affair my neighbor is having.

7. A classified ad offering a new home for sale for \$4,000.

8. More news about lawbreakers.

9. Less news about lawbreakers. I was picked up last night and I shouldn't have to pay a fine.

10. An editorial condemning high school teachers for being too liberal with "F's".

11. A wedding picture of the groom instead of the bride when he is more handsome than she is pretty.

12. A sports picture of me when I bowled 183.

13. More advertisements on things that merchants are giving away.

14. A front page picture of my neighbor being hauled out of the bar by his wife.

15. A front page spread about the deadbeat who lives across the street from me who just had his car repossessed.

16. Forget the last one; I just got word from the band that they're coming after my car.

17. More letters to the editor naming crooks we have in town.

SURPRISE

I dreamed death came the other night and heaven's gate swung wide;

With kindly grace an angel ushered me inside.

And there to my astonishment stood folks I'd known on earth—

Some I'd judged and labeled as unfit or little worth.

Indignant words rose to my lips, but never were set free.

For every face showed stunned surprise—

No one expected me!

Outstanding man and woman of the year of Howe will be honored Saturday night at annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet to be held in the Homemaking



LEE HERRING

Department of the new high school. The banquet will begin at 8:00 o'clock.

Lee Herring of Grand Prairie will be featured speaker for the evening.

Ray Bledsoe will serve as master of ceremonies. Invocation will be offered by Rev. Bill Hindman, followed by dinner. Bledsoe will introduce guests, with outgoing president Ray Houston introducing new officers and directors, and recognizing outgoing officers.

Presentation of awards will be made by Bledsoe.

Officers and new directors for the coming year will also be installed, with Postmaster James Davis as president, replacing Ray Houston.

Other officers include Coy Pool, Vice President; Fred Newton, treasurer, and Bob Walker, secretary. New directors are Pool, Chester Ruffin, Newton, and J. W. Reed.

Michael Jones To
Receive Degree

Michael David Jones will be awarded a Bachelor of Science degree at Stephen F. Austin State College in Nacogdoches, the college announced this week.

Commencement exercises for the more than 700 receiving degrees will be held in Memorial Stadium on the SFA campus May 18 at 8 p.m.

Record Number Of
Voters Turn Out
For Demo Primary

A record number of voters turned out Saturday in the Democratic Primary election, handing three referendums on the ballot a 5 to 1 defeat, as compared to about two-to-one for the rest of Grayson County.

A total of 398 votes were cast locally, election judge Albert Reeves reported.

In the liquor-by-the-drink proposal, Howe voters turned back the referendum, 223 to 62; and 316 voted against pari-mutuel betting on horse racing, with 64 voting for. Three hundred-four turned down the proposed dairy commission, with 53 favoring such a committee.

In the three-way race for commissioner of precinct 1, incumbent Cliff Hestand polled 266 votes, R. C. Ersch, 65 and Carrel Canada, 52.

In other balloting statewide through county elections, Howe voters contributed the following totals:

For Governor:

Preston Smith, 128; John Hill, 21; Johnnie Mae Hackworth, 1; Dolph Briscoe, 18; Don Yarborough, 74; Eugene Locke, 42; Waggoner Carr, 76; E. L. Whittenburg, 1; Pat O'Daniel, 19; Al Veloz, 0.

Lieutenant Governor:

Gene Smith, 44; Don Gledden, 21, Ben Barnes, 300.

Comptroller of Accounts:

Dallas Blankenship, 97, and Robert S. Calvert, 240.

Unopposed county candidates:

State Representative Vernon Beckham, 295; District Judge R. C. Vaughn, 312; District Judge David Brown, 295; County Attorney Clifford Powell, 302; Tax Assessor Collector George Schumacher, 320; Sheriff G. W. (Woody) Blanton, 319; Surveyor, W. W. Bruce, 285; Constable, Precinct 1 E. Y. McKinney; County Democratic Chairman, Charles E. Hughes, 303, and Precinct 35 Chairman Albert Reeves, 323.

Overall, Grayson voters turned out fairly heavy in the primary voting, casting approximately 11,000 ballots. Total voting strength of the county is around 25,000.

Only three county contests were involved, for county commissioner in Precincts 1 and 3 and justice of peace at Sherman.

Cliff Hestand won re-election as Precinct 1 Commissioner with 2,823 votes to 1,283 for R. C. Ersch, Sherman insurance adjuster, and 463 for Carrel Canada.

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ANNUAL UPPER ELM-RED SOIL
BANQUET TONIGHT IN NOCONA

Nocona will be the host city for this year's 19th Annual Upper Elm-Red Soil and Water Conservation District Awards Banquet. The banquet will be held in the High School Gymnasium located in the north part of Nocona, and will begin at 8 o'clock.

A crowd of 550 or more is expected to attend this year's program, sponsored annually by the twenty banks, eleven newspapers and six radio and TV stations located in the three-county district. Sponsors try to pass the program around to different towns each year so as to equalize driving and to maintain interest throughout the district.

Persons to be spotlighted in festivities tonight are the outstanding conservation farmers

and ranchers of the District's five zones. Others include the outstanding landlord-tenant team of conservationists, the best town or country conservationist, and the farmer doing the best job of restoring productivity and improving a run-down farm.

Zone winners this year are: Ross Littell, Forestburg, zone 1; Howard Paine, Nocona, zone 2; Norris Dill, Rosston, zone 3; Vernie L. Cook, Pilot Point, zone 4, and Rush A. Stewart, Dorchester, zone 5.

Eldon Pace from Gainesville as owner and Kenneth Alexander of Era were winners in the landlord-tenant division. Wayne Sitzes of the Bloomfield Community near Pilot Point is this year's best comeback farmer. Bill Jones of Dallas and Saint Jo is the best town and country conservationist.

Virginia Thompson Is Valedictorian;
Nita Sue Williams, Salutatorian



VIRGINIA THOMPSON
VALEDICTORIAN—1968



NITA SUE WILLIAMS
SALUTATORIAN—1968

Virginia Thompson is valedictorian of the 1968 graduating class, it was announced this week by High School Principal Arthur Boyle.

Virginia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Thompson, finished her senior year with a grade average of 95.86.

Salutatorian is Nita Sue Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy L. Williams. Her four-year grade average is 92.74.

Virginia plans to attend Howard Payne College, and Nita Sue plans to enroll in Draughts Business College.

Art Classes Scheduled

Free art classes for students who will be in grades 4 through 7 will begin here June 4, Supt. Charles Thompson announced this week.

Survey forms were sent by youths in the four grades to parents earlier in the week, to determine how many would be interested in the project which is sponsored under the Title I co-operative program. No charge will be made for either lessons or materials, Thompson said.

Thompson said the forms should be returned to school this week.

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Howe's that...

SMALL BUSINESS: MAKING AMERICA WORK - Small businesses, including those in our community, don't get enough credit for their role in keeping America at work. Small Business Week, May 9-15, seems the right time to give them a deserved pat on the back.

Big business gets plenty of media attention about layoffs and hiring plans. Yet big business creates no more than a fourth of our new jobs, nationally. Where do the jobs come from? The dry cleaners, the data processing service, the auto repair shop, the high-tech whiz kids, and more than 11 million other small businesses. Small firms generate **two out of every three new jobs** in this country.

To borrow a phrase from the Reagan Administration, small business also acts as a kind of safety net for a lot of people who lose their jobs. During the past 18 months, new small businesses have opened their doors at a higher than normal rate, despite all the obstacles. Economists explain that a lot of unemployed people go into business for themselves in a recession...so many that they more than offset the number of small firms going bankrupt!

The small business paycheck provides the livelihood for more than 100 million Americans. For making America work, we think small businesses deserve our gratitude.

"HOT WHEELS" AND CROSSING CAUTION - Although railroad grade crossing caution is a year round safety concern, the warm weather months bring with them additional factors that complicate safe crossing procedures.

In any weather conditions, motorists should STOP, LOOK, LISTEN and WAIT until the tracks are clear in both directions before proceeding. In spring and summer the situation is aggravated: Texas hot spells make most drivers roll up the windows tight, crank up the air conditioner and tune the radio to some cruisin' music.

This can mean big trouble if the driver can't hear clearly when approaching railroad tracks. Even if hearing is only partially blocked, attention may be distracted or fragmented by the auditory interference the driver has set up.

Where a crossing is equipped with electronic gates, the situation is a bit less hazardous. But only a little bit, since drivers have been known to race around gates trying to beat the train - and often getting killed. When the crossing is not physically barred, it becomes even more important that the driver keep ears open and mind alert for the rumble of the train and the sound of the whistle.

So if the heat gets to you while you're behind the wheel, enjoy the modern conveniences, by all means. But at railroad grade crossings, stop, turn off the radio, turn down the air conditioner (especially if your "dragon" really roars), crack the windows and listen, says the Texas Safety Association. If you do hear that tell-tale rumble or whistle, wait 'till the train passes, check the tracks again in BOTH directions, and if the way is clear, let the good times roll...

CAN INTEREST BE COLLECTED AT A RIVER BANK? - In an elementary school in the early stages of the decade of the 1980's, a span of ten years that proved to be slightly detrimental to the environment, off-pitch voices could be heard during second grade music lessons. These voices could be heard throughout the halls. They could be heard throughout the playground, as the wind rustled in the trees.

"...this land was made for you and me..."

Various choruses of patriotic Americana in vocal octaves were directed by a cheery, pudgy man in his mid-fifties. These kids were all aligned on the risers, dirt still on the knees of their trousers from recess.

"...from sea to shining sea..."

These youngsters were taught well and educated not to be wasteful with their natural resources but why should they? The land and the waves and the trees and the birds will be around forever and ever. Always had, always will.

In an elementary school under a protective dome in the early stages of the second decade of a brand new century, off-pitch voices could be heard. They could be heard throughout the halls, but there was no playground. There was no dirt on the knees of these kid's trousers. There were no trees through which the wind could blow. The ancestors of these second graders had not done what they were taught. They had been wasteful. The water had turned rancid and the soil had lost its gift of life.

The people of earlier generations had never saved what was most important. Leisure time was thought to be most valuable, but how can a day at the lake, a picnic in the woods (not excluding the ants), flying a homemade kite in a grassy meadow be enjoyable without a lake that doesn't stink with contamination, without trees to make up a forest, without a fresh breeze brought by the natural process of our ecological counterparts implanted in nutrients of soil.

"...this land was made for you and me..."

"Excuse me, sir," one of the kids inquired, "but when do we get to see this 'land'?"

(Editor's Note: This essay on soil and water conservation was written by Jeff Augustine, a junior at Denison High School, for the annual contest held by Zone 5 of the Upper Elm-Red Soil and Water Conservation District as a part of Soil Conservation Week, May 16-23. It won first place and is printed here for your consideration.)

Dumpster To Be Set Up For Large Trash Items

On Thursday, May 13, a large roll-off trash dumpster will be placed on Hughes St. near the Howe Fire Hall for everyone to put limbs, castaway furniture and other large items too large for the regular trash pick up. The container will remain at this location until Monday, May 17.

This dumpster is for the convenience of people who have sanitation service in the city of Howe and no charge will be made for this service. Howe residents are encouraged to do a little "spring cleaning" to get rid of their tree limbs and large items.



REGIONAL SHOT PUT first place was won by Jeff Farris last weekend. Jeff threw the shot put 51'9 1/4" to advance to the State Track Meet this week in Austin.

Jeff Farris Wins Regional Title

Jeff Farris won first place at the Regional Track Meet in the Shot Put with a throw of 51'9 1/4". He will be going to the State Meet in Austin Thursday, May 13.

Last year Farris competed in the State Meet and placed fifth with a throw of 52'2". Scott Taylor placed third in the High Hurdles with 14.90 at the Regional Meet.

Small Business Week

Despite continuing economic uncertainties, the determination to start a new business remains strong as the Nation celebrates Small Business Week, May 9-15.

Statistics compiled by government and private sources show a sharp rise in business bankruptcies over the past 18 months. But at the same time, new small businesses have opened their doors at a higher than normal rate, the U.S. Small Business Administration reports.

Incorporations of new businesses for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1981, totaled about 575,000 - ten percent higher than the previous year. The bulk of these incorporations represented small companies.

"The American dream of owning your own business, of being your own boss, clearly remains strong in our country," says Frank Swain, SBA's Chief Counsel for Advocacy.

Other SBA studies show that small firms continue to be the main source of new jobs. Businesses with fewer than 20 employees, SBA said, create two out of every three new jobs.

Small businesses already account for about half of total U.S. employment - about 50 million jobs, providing the livelihood for more than 100 million Americans.

These and other small business contributions to the economy will be highlighted during National Small Business Week, May 9-15. During that annual event, which is sponsored by SBA, outstanding small business entrepreneurs from each state will be honored at ceremonies in their home towns and in Washington, D.C. The week will be climaxed by selection of the Small Business Person of the Year at the White House.

Crop & Livestock Report Being Taken

The Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service will begin interviewing Texas farmers & ranchers in mid-May on 1982 crop acreage and midyear livestock inventories. State Statistician Doug Murfield has announced.

Results of the confidential interviews, conducted through the mail or in person by field enumerators, will be published in June. Murfield is urging farmers and ranchers to complete and return mail questionnaires promptly. Information will be combined for state and county estimates.

Murfield said estimates give Texas farmers and ranchers planning information for planting, breeding, feeding, storing, producing, and marketing. "Without these reports, most producers would have to depend on trade and other sources for information on crop and livestock prospects," he said.

Reports are also used by farm organizations and legislatures to plan and develop farm programs, extension economists and farm and ranch management consultants to advise farmer and ranchers, and exporters to plan and promote sales of Texas agricultural products in foreign markets.

Estimates are published annually for livestock, dairy, poultry, cotton, small grains, vegetables, fruits and pecans, and cash receipts from the sale of Texas farm commodities.

For free copies, write the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service, P.O. Box 70, Austin, TX 78767, or Agriculture Commissioner Reagan V. Brown, Texas Dept. of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, TX 78711.

Cheerleaders Chosen

On Wednesday, May 5, students trying out for J.V. and Varsity Cheerleader performed before judges - three cheerleaders from Austin College. The JV squad was chosen at this time - Laurie Stewart, Mindy George, Sherri Powell, and Jeannie Freeman. The Varsity tryouts were critiqued.

On Friday, May 7, those trying the Varsity squad went before the student body for an election. The 1982-83 Varsity Cheerleaders are Shannon Powell (Head), Mary Crates, Cheryl Goldson, Susan Conrod, Tammy Gray, and Kristi Banner.

All these girls are to be congratulated along with the others who tried out - Robin Taylor, Kris Calhoun, Karen Abernathy, Missy Meister, and Angie Cavender.

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Howe-Sherman Tax Dispute Settled

School board trustees for Howe and Sherman have reached an agreement on a dispute over a 1965 contract between the two school districts concerning tax money from property owned by Texas Instruments.

Representatives of both school districts signed the agreement in 15th District Court Tuesday, May 4, after Howe and Sherman school officials called special meetings to accept the terms.

The agreement calls for Sherman to pay Howe \$20,000 a year for ten years, beginning in 1983. After 1992 Sherman will keep all taxes that it collects from the TI property.

In 1965 Sherman ISD agreed to make payments to Howe ISD each year based on enrollment ratios from the two districts. In exchange Howe allowed the Sherman ISD to annex property on Hwy. 75 into the Sherman district. However, the duration of the contract was not specified.

When Texas Instruments first made plans to locate in Grayson County, they understood the land they were interested in was in the Sherman school district and made tax negotiations with the Sherman school board. When it was learned that the land was actually in the Howe school district, it was feared that TI would not come. In order to benefit Grayson County as a whole, the two boards made the agreement to allow Sherman to annex the land.

In Feb., 1981 dispute began between the two schools when Sherman questioned the validity of the contract and Howe threatened to sue if the payments were discontinued. Sherman felt the payments should halt after Howe paid off its bond indebtedness - which was \$60,000 before TI announced its move to Sherman. But Howe was already considering adding about \$500,000 because of the expected increase with the plant's location near the town.

Howe school officials wanted the payments to continue "in perpetuity" because of the tax revenue it would lose each year off the TI property.

Former Howe Supt. Arthur Boyle said last year the school district had sold \$1,175,000 in bonds to cover student growth since 1965 - growth caused in part, he said, by the proximity of the TI plant. He said Howe's bonded indebtedness consumes about one-third of its local money.

Present Howe Supt. Dr. Howard Tucker said the Howe School Board was united in its agreement to accept the new contract although they were not entirely pleased (because of the eventual loss of this source of income). "Our lawyer (Earl Luna of Dallas) recommended it. He said the wording of the previous contract would make it hard to enforce. Accepting the new contract was the best thing to do for Howe."

Tucker added that the Howe board is putting the TI money into a building fund and hope to use only the interest in order to set up a perpetual fund which will cover the loss of the TI payments ten years from now. (He said this would depend on the economic situation and the desires of future board members.) He added that TI has been a tremendous asset to Sherman, Howe and Grayson County. He felt the settlement will help avoid any hard feelings between the two school districts.

Sherman School Board President Darold Adami said, "The settlement is in the best interest of the (Sherman) school district and of the taxpayers of this district."

The more than \$100,000 paid to Howe by Sherman in the past 16 years is less than 10 percent of the tax money Texas Instruments has paid to the Sherman district, according to Tucker.

Former Supt. Boyle said last year that Howe had voted the extra bonds on the assumption that the payments from Sherman would continue.

The agreement was the result of many months of negotiations between attorneys for both districts.

School Board Applies To Begin V.O.E. Program

The Howe School Board voted to apply for the V.O.E. program as a part of their vocational classes to be offered at Howe High School next year.

The board met with all members present Monday, May 10, at 7:30 p.m. Carolyn Cavender made the motion to apply for the program and the board was unanimous in voting for it.

Mrs. Pat Stewart, high school business teacher, and Supt. Dr. Howard Tucker, explained to the board the advantages and cost of the program. Mrs. Stewart said that 60 students have expressed a desire to participate in the training program and she said, "It will be a great asset to the school and to the students." The training would help them get a job when they leave high school, she added, especially if they are not able to go to college. It could also help students pay their way through college by working.

The training would include a one hour lab for sophomores, a two hour lab for juniors and an office station (part-time job) for seniors. (Several area businesses have already promised to hire V.O.E. students.) The training provided would include secretary, general office, typing, bookkeeping, accountant, computing, teller, medical or legal secretary, receptionist, clerk, stenographer, etc.

Dr. Tucker explained a break down on the costs which will be included in next year's budget. Howe will have to pay one-half of the teacher's salary (\$10,000) and \$5,000 to \$6,000 for teacher travel, remodeling, and service contract on equipment. The school district would get \$30,000 from state grant money for equipment to start up the program.

If Howe's application for the V.O.E. program is approved, Mrs. Stewart would teach the classes. She would have to take four courses over the next two years, but she said she would probably take all four this summer.

In other business the board voted to enter three separate agreements for programs that the school participates in. These agreements must be renewed each year. They include an agreement with Region 10 for media services, an agreement with the Commodity Division, and an agreement with Child Nutrition Program (free and reduced lunches).

Board President William Powell and trustee Alton Norman volunteered to represent the board at the May 28 graduation exercises.

Dr. Tucker reported the school enrollment is now 760, up four students from the last meeting.

The board approved wording changes in several board policies to update or clarify meaning on these policies. No major changes were made in policy. "Most of the changes are an update to meet state requirements," said Tucker, "to keep the policies current with recent changes in state law."

The board voted to table the possibility of moving fencing and line posts from the baseball field to the Little League field.

Scouts Learn To Use Old Rifles

Civil War? No, it was only Troop 45 firing muzzle loaded rifles and pistols south of Van Alstyne on April 25.

Don Seelye and Lanny Rogers, assistant Scoutmasters, are real sharpshooters with the muzzle loaded rifles. They explained and demonstrated how to clean, load black powder from a horn, load the ball and fire the weapons. There was a 50 caliber and two 45 caliber rifles along with a 45 caliber pistol used in the demonstration.

Everyone got to try his luck at firing these weapons. One of the more difficult feats was to split a ball (bullet from rifle) on an axe blade and hit a target on each side of the axe. The was accomplished by Scott Taylor and Ashley Cadenhead.

The day was topped off by a rapid fire demonstration using a 30-30 by Lanny Rogers contrasting the modern fire power to that used by our forefathers.

Those attending the outing were: Scott Taylor, Ashley Cadenhead, Mike Madison, Grant Sutton, Tom Seelye, and Bryan Rogers. Also participating were these parents and leaders: Bob Madison, Harold Taylor, Millard Fairchild, Fran Fairchild and Scoutmaster Jimmy Sutton.

The Howe High School Band will present their Spring Concert tonight, May 13, at 7:30 p.m. at the Howe Middle School Gym.

Advance tickets are \$2.00 for adults and \$1.50 for students. At the door the tickets will be \$2.50 for adults and \$2.00 for students. Advance tickets may be purchased from band members or at the high school.

Among the musical selections to be featured are "Raiders of the Lost Ark" and Selections by Carol King.



FIRING MUZZLE LOADED RIFLES was demonstrated to Howe Boy Scouts recently by Don Seelye, center. Firing the rifles are Bryan Rogers, left, and Grant Sutton.

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CORRECTION: Last week I was telling you about Maurice Evans' cataract surgery. It should have read he "can now" read fine print (instead of can not). He had the second eye done on Monday of this week. All is well we hope. And now he can read the HOWE ENTERPRISE better!!

WORKING ON CHANGE-OVER - The Enterprise is working on using a new computer and laser printer for typing the columns of the newspaper each week. Right now the operator, me, is having a little trouble getting used to the new system. Fortunately, I have the other system for backup. Hope you enjoy reading our new type styles. Also it has a program to check the spelling - maybe there won't be as many spelling errors in the paper as there have been in the past.

ROUTINES - Last week I told you about grandson Jordan's routine when he helps me at the office. Every Wednesday night at church, after classes we have a short devotional in the church auditorium. He likes to sit in my lap and take EVERYTHING out of my purse. He then wants to look at all the pictures (mostly of him) that I have. Next he gets a pen and draws on a little pad of paper that I carry (just for that purpose). Unless he finds some new or different in my purse, he has to look at the pictures several times. And now, he doesn't always wait until Wednesday night. If he sees my purse, he has to go through his routine.

Mark Your
Calendar

HOWE CITY COUNCIL will meet Thursday, May 21, at 6 p.m. at City Hall. Meeting open to the public.

HOWE SCHOOL BOARD will meet Monday, May 18, at 7 p.m. at the Administration Board Room. Meeting open to the public.

HOWE HAW 92, presented by Howe Lions Club, May 15 & 16, 7 p.m. Tickets at the door will be \$3 for adults, \$2 for children 12 & under, children under 2 free.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meets every Wednesday at 8 p.m. at 114 S. Preston, Van Alstyne (old TU Electric bldg). Call 903-482-6246 for more information.

HOWE ISD CALENDAR - see page three for school activities.

Coloring Contest

KIDS: If you are between the ages of 5 and 12, enter our coloring contest and win tickets for you and your family to AstroWorld in Houston. See page two. The page to be colored will appear in next week's paper also.

Get out your colored pencils or crayons and enter today. Mail to: Howe Enterprise, Box 488, Howe, 75459 or bring by office at 106 E. Haning. Deadline for entries is May 29. Winners names will be published in the June 4 issue.

If you need extra copies of the page to be colored, contact Howe Enterprise at 532-6012. No purchase necessary. Extra sheets will be given out free of charge.

Cheerleaders

On April 30 Howe Middle School students elected the following as 8th grade cheerleaders for the 1992-93 school year:

Tela Troxell, head cheerleader; Whitney Farrington, Michelle Harmon, Shannon Mitchusson, Tiffany Orr and April Taylor.



PLANTING FLOWERS

Howe Elementary students in the first grade and two third grade classes helped the Howe Chamber of Commerce by planting petunias around the flag pole and two of the trees at Howe Memorial Park. Other elementary students planted flowers last fall. All the students enjoyed being a part of a City-Chamber effort to make the park look pretty.

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Red River Division, North Texas Chapter of the March of Dimes, we would like to thank all the walkers and volunteers who participated in WalkAmerica on Saturday, May 2. Over \$85,000 was raised to help the March of Dimes Campaign for Healthier Babies prevent birth defects, low birthweight and infant deaths.

Credit for the success of WalkAmerica belongs entirely to the people of Sherman/Denison and surrounding areas. Individuals, businesses, clubs and schools all

rallied together to improve the health of future generations. We are especially indebted to the more than 1100 walkers who participated.

The money raised will go to support the March of Dimes Campaign for Healthier Babies nationally and in the Red River Division.

Thank you, Sherman/Denison for your commitment to giving every child a healthy start in life.

Dirk Johnson, 1992 WalkAmerica

Chairman

J. Brent Reed, 1992 Division

Chairman

Agribusiness Tour

The 10th annual Grayson County Agribusiness tour has been set for Thursday, May 28, with visits to the north and northwest quadrant of the county. Each year a different quadrant of the county is visited. Two chartered buses will leave the parking lot of the Municipal Building in Sherman at 12:30 p.m. and will return approximately at 7:30 p.m.

Sponsored by the Sherman Area Chamber of Commerce, the tour will visit the Denison Dam, a Christmas tree farm, Waterloo Lake, Sherman Farmers Market, Case Power and Equipment Co and the Barker Ranch where the barbecue dinner will be served by TR's Barbecue. At the conclusion of the dinner the Farmer of the Year will be announced.

The tour and dinner are free. However, reservations must be made by calling the Chamber of Commerce office at 893-1184 not later than 5 p.m. on Tuesday, May 26.

County Extension Agent Gary Bomar, chairman of the Agribusiness Council, urges all persons interested in the agribusiness operations in the county to attend the tour and learn the value and importance of this industry to Grayson County and the effect it has on the county's economy.

Dorchester

City Election

The Dorchester City Council canvassed the May 2 election at a special meeting held Monday, May 4. Winners were Betty Sue Scott with 23 votes and Lynn Troxell with 21 votes, both incumbents. Incumbent Jimmy Aaron and newcomer David Smith tied with 14 votes each. Following a coin toss, Smith was declared winner of the third council seat. A total of 25 people voted in the Dorchester city election.

Summer Reading Program

The annual Summer Reading Program will be held at the Howe Community Library June 1 through July 24.

Parents may begin signing up their children now for the children to receive Free hamburgers from Burger King and Free paperback books. There will be two different reading groups. The "Read-To-Me" reading group may have parents reading to their toddlers through PreKindergarten; and Kindergarten through 4th grade may join the "Texas Reading Club 1992."

Toddlers-PreKindergarten(Read To Me) = 30 books FREE hamburger, a FREE paperback, and

certificate.

Kindergarten-2nd grade (Easy books) = 30 books FREE hamburger, a FREE paperback, and certificate.

3rd-4th grade (Advanced juvenile books) = 20 books FREE hamburger, FREE paperback, and certificate.

There will be a story time for 4 years - 1st grade each Tuesday morning from 10-10:30 a.m. Every Thursday morning the story time for 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grade will be held 10-10:30 a.m. Stories and films will be scheduled relating to the theme "Discover the New World of Reading."

Discover the
New World of
Reading

at the
Public Library!



Howe Bulldogs "Three-peat"
As District Champions

The Bulldogs defended their District 11AAA Baseball Title with a pair of convincing wins over Tom Bean, 10-0, and arch rival Van Alstyne, 15-5. For the third year in a row, the Dogs are District Champs in baseball.

Trey Dedman led the way against Tom Bean by pitching his first no hitter of the year and striking out six. Trey missed a perfect game by waling one batter i the 3rd inning. Offensively every starter had at least one hit, led by Chris Garner's 2 for 2, a double and 2 RBI's; Jeremy Francis, 1 for 3, a double and 1 RBI; Brian Freese, 1 for 1, 1 RBI; Steven Bannister, 1 for 1, 1 RBI; Trey Dedman, 1 for 1, 1 RBI; Scott Grogan, 1 for 2, 1 RBI; Jarrod Killough, 1 for 2, 1 RBI; Monte Walker, 1 for 3, 1 RBI; and James Fulenchek, 1 for 3.

Last Friday, the Dogs traveled to Van to play under the lights. A big crowd was on hand to witness the offensive onslaught the Bulldogs had in soundly defeating the Panthers. Howe had 14 hits included 3 triples and a homerun.

Also, in the decisive 4th inning which saw the locals scored 10 runs to pull away, the team had 9 consecutive 2-out hits. Garner, pitching for the first time in two weeks pitched a complete game to raise his season record to a perfect 9-0 with a 0.76 ERA.

Offensively, every players contributed. Leading the way was third baseman Walker going 3 for 4, a walk, a triple, a solo home run and 3 RBI's. Also Grogan, 3 for 5, 2 RBI's; T. Dedman, 2 for 5, 1 RBI; Francis, 2 for 4, 1 triple (almost an inside-the-park home run!) and 1 RBI; Jarrod "Taco Caso" Killough, 1 for 4, a triple and 2 RBI's; Garner, 1 for 4, 2 RBI's; Fulenchek 1 for 3; Bannister, 1 for 4; and Freese, 1 RBI.

The Bulldogs have one remaining regular season game, next Tuesday, May 19, at 5:30 p.m. at Austin College. The Bi-district game is still being determined at this time. The games against Farmersville/Caddo Mills, will be

next Thursday or Friday, May 21 or 22 at either McKinney, Denison or Frisco, game time unknown. Season record stands at 25-2 and district 8-1.



Band
Concert

The Howe High School Band Spring Concert will be Thursday, May 14, at 7:30 p.m. at the high school cafeteria. Tickets are \$2 for adults and \$1 for students, K-12.

Music to be performed includes Beauty and the Beast, Michelle (Beate's tune), Host of Freedom (march), Robin Hood, and Everything I Do.

Tennis Anyone?

The Howe High School Tennis program will be sponsoring a "Fastest Serve Contest." There will be a division for middle school boys, middle school girls, high school boys, and high school girls. Adults will be welcomed in the open division. First place trophies will be awarded in each division.

The event will be held on May 22 from 4-6 p.m. at the high school tennis courts. Admission will be \$1 per 7 serves. All proceeds will go to benefit the Howe Tennis program.

For more information, contact Howe High School at 532-5222 or Dan Sieck at 892-0053 after 6 p.m.

City Working On Streets

The City of Howe is working on the following streets: Cambridge, Patterson, parts of Hughes, Walnut, parts of Pecan, E. Haning, parts of W. Haning, Western Hills from apartments to waterway, Keck Circle, Reed Circle, portion of E. Duke, alley behind and beside City Hall, W. Young and

Bean.

Some of these streets will just get a seal and chip coating while others are getting a new base before the seal and chip.

Depending on the weather, the work should be finished by the middle of next week, according to City Administrator Ray Houston.

Rural Development

The Texoma Association of Regional Councils appointed Frances Pelley, Texoma Council of Governments Executive Director as its representative t the Texas Federal Rural Development Council which met in Austin on March 25 & 26. The Texas Federal Rural Development Council was organized from the Presidential Initiative on Rural Development. Its mission is to strengthen the capacity of rural America to compete in the global economy. The Councils is composed of:

- 1) heads of federal agencies in Texas,
- 2) representatives from state and local government, and
- 3) representatives from private sector organizations in a partnership to unite government and businesses with a stake in rural

America.

Texas was one of the first pilot states, however, over 30 additional states are scheduled to initiate Rural Development Councils before the end of 1992. The focus of the Texas Council is: to improve communication between federal and state agencies and the local communities they are intended to help; remove barriers to address issues faced by local governments in accessing federal and state resources' and establish a system or process to continue beyond the Presidential initiative so rural communities will continue to have access to this partnership. The Council meets quarterly and is open to interested parties. For more information please contact Ms. Pelley at the Council of Governments - 903-786-2955.

Crime Watch Program
Set For May 28

A Neighborhood Crime Watch program will be presented Thursday, May 28, at 7 p.m. at Flesher Community Room in Howe.

The program will be presented

by the Howe Police Department and is being sponsored by the HOWE ENTERPRISE. All interested persons are urged to attend. For more information, contact the Howe PD or the Enterprise office.

Basketball Camp

Austin College will be hold their annual boys and girls basketball fundamentals camp, June 1-5. Classes are designed to assist young basketball payers in acquiring and refining some basic offensive and defensive skills through individual and team instructions. Specific attention is given to aggressive moves to the basket and playing off the floor offensively while gaining specific individual competencies and understanding of the transition game.

Section I, Grades 4-6, 9:30-11:30 a.m. and Section II, Grades 7-10, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Cost is \$40 per student per session. Call 813-2281 for more information.



HIGHLIGHTER OFFICERS for 1992-93 are Captain Brandi Hash, left, and Co-Captain Jennifer Moore



NEW HIGHLIGHTERS

From left, Autumn Baeza, Corie Palya, Vicki Parkman, Bridgette Tullos, Alida Oswalt, Kara Royston, Jennifer Jester, Sherain Conrad, Angela Farrer, Kristi Trotter, and Meiha Moreno. Not pictured, Delisa McDow)

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Coming next week - Are you smarter than a Howe 8th grader? and Who at HHS wants to be a millionaire?

New postage rates go into effect on Monday, May 14, including a two-cent increase in the price of a First-Class Mail stamp to 41 cents. Post Offices nationwide are now selling the new 41-cent stamps and also one and two-cent stamps for customers who still have a supply of 39-cent stamps.

Customers can also order stamps online at www.usps.com or by telephone at 1-800-STAMP-24. The new stamps are also available at Automated Postal Centers and ATM's nationwide (beginning May 14).

The below charts provide examples of some of the new rates and fees:

Selected Rates Effective May 14
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The Van Alstyne Lady Bugs won the U10 Spring season with a record of 7-0-3. The team is made up of girls from Van Alstyne and Howe. Only 5 goals were scored against the Lady Bugs during the 10 game season. Great job girls and coaches!

Front row (l to r)-Meaghan O'Connor, Kassie Oldham, Jamie Patterson, Madeline Ansley, Lexie Lauerhahs; Middle row--Ashley Hammond, Madeline Morris, Allie Dement, Madeline Urban, Madison Barton, Elina Martinez; Back row--Coach Jim Burts, Andrea Espitia, Ashley Burts, Kaelen Powless, Kristen Gentzler, Callie Dunkerson, Coach Dane Gentzler, Coach Tim Urban (not pictured Coach Lindsay Riggs)

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HOWE ISD BOARD

Candidates address PTA; election set for Saturday, May 12

Six local residents vie for two seats on school board

Howe's that ...

by Lana Rideout

I like to collect words. Every week day I get a special email of "A Word A Day." If you would like to sign up for this interesting service, go to <http://wordsmith.org/awad/subscriber.html>

While reading Lilian Jackson Braun's most recent "Cat Who" book, *The Cat Who Had 60 Whiskers*, I was amused by her use of the many lovely and somewhat unusual words.

There was even a word I could not find at Dictionary.com. I guess she made it up. Can you help learn if it is a real word? Here is the sentence with the strange work in bold.

"Joe had a cousin with a Ph.D. in **corvidology**, and she was a wacky as he was."

Did you know that a female chauffeur is called a "chauffeuse" pronounced *shah-fuz*? The word also designates a piece of French furniture --a fireside chair having a low seat and a high back

And while researching the word "teetotaler," I learned that in addition to meaning someone who abstains from alcoholic beverages, it can be spelled "tea-totaler." Especially in Ireland and Nova Scotia, this is a reference to their love of tea over coffee.

My husband and I are "tea-totalers" -- we drink tea and do not drink coffee. (By the way, we do indulge in other beverages such as lemonade and soft drinks. I guess that means we aren't exactly "tea-totalers!")



Greg Akins



James T. Johnson



Scott Renfro



Jeff Sanford



Troy Sloan

Five of the six candidates for Howe ISD School Board in the May 12 election spoke to the Howe PTA on Monday, May 7. Two seats are up for election this year.

Tracey Slawson was unable to attend the meeting. Mrs. Slawson has been very involved with the community having served on city boards and working with youth sports programs. Persons wishing to know more about her and her reasons for running may contact her at 903/532-6822.

A brief summary of statements made at the PTA meeting are given below. Candidates spoke in alphabetical order by last name.

Greg Akins, a graduate of Howe High School and manager/internal credit review, Lone Star Agriculture Credit Association, has concerns about the "No Child Left Behind" program and what Howe ISD must do to meet the requirements of this unfounded mandate.

He and his wife have a son in middle school; and he wants to make sure the school "does what is best for the children."

In his job he has extensive work with budgets and wants to make sure the district gets a dollar's worth of service/product for every dollar spent. He also advocates competitive compensation for teachers to help retain and hire quality

teachers.

Akins believes the district will face many challenges with the growth being generated by housing developments that have begun and are planned for the near future. He believes his experience will be helpful in this area.

James T. Johnson, a manager for CIGNA Healthcare in Sherman, is the father of three sons, ages 13, 11, and 9. He and his family moved to the Howe School District because of its great reputation. "The teachers really care about the children," he said.

For his job, he has received training in quality improvement, cost reduction, and analytical thinking. He believes this training would help him make informed decisions for Howe ISD.

He would like to ask the opinions of people in the community and ask for their expertise in various areas as he makes these decisions, adding "I am not afraid to say I pray; I listen to God; I pray for wisdom."

With each decision he makes, if elected, he would ask -- how does this improve the quality of education of the students and how will it affect the taxpayers.

Scott Renfro is a graduate of Sherman High School, and said he appreciates the difference a smaller district such as

Howe offers students and parents. He has been a business manager, but now is a farmer in Howe.

He said he feels obligated to help his community. This is his third try for a spot on the board and hopes third time is the charm.

Renfro wants to help each child get the education they deserve. "It's important to keep good staff here," he added.

He is also looking toward the coming growth, noting that he is on a new growth committee at the First Baptist Church where he is a member. This committee will be planning for how the growth will affect the church and this will be helpful in planning for school growth also.

He mentioned that Howe ISD has not been rated "Exemplary" since 2000. He believes the district needs to get back on track and receive that rating again. He would like to be a part of helping the district achieve this goal.

Jeff Sanford graduated from Howe in 1985. He mentioned three very special former HHS teachers he wanted to pay honor to for inspiring him

Norman Bennett, math teacher, inspired him to pursue an engineering career. Donal Gilstrap, principal, inspired him to serve his country by

serving in the USMC. Donna Jarma, high school literature and Spanish teacher, inspired him to believe in himself and to never give up. He added that there are many Howe teachers doing the same things today.

After serving in the Marines, he worked to receive a Masters Degree in engineering from Southern Methodist University. Working in the engineering field for over 15 years, he has been an Engineering Manager. He decided to further pursue the technical side, receiving 7 patent awards, and move up to the T.I. Technical Staff.

He and his wife have 3 boys.

He said, "I have always had a strong desire to make positive impacts in the lives of children." He has worked with children's programs at First Baptist Church and also with youth sports programs in Howe.

In preparation for running for the school board, he attended the Region 10 School Board Candidate training in February, and regularly attends the school board meetings.

He would like to help make decisions that will make a positive impact on the students and the administration. He knows that the growth of Howe will bring many important decisions for the district,

adding, "Mainly, I just have a strong desire and feel led to contribute my skills and services to the students, school administration, and community of Howe."

Troy Sloan, a graduate of HHS, is self-employed as Sloan's Kwik Load in Sherman. His sons are 7th grader Sam and 9th grader Dylan. He has been actively involved with the Howe Volunteer Fire Dept. and served on the Howe Youth Baseball board. He has also coached youth sports.

As the last speaker at the PTA meeting, he stated that all the candidates feel pretty much the same and echoed many of their points and positions. "I do ask questions," he said, adding he believes the whole board should work together to get things done for the district.

He is interested in helping to insure a superior education for our kids, a great work environment for the teachers and staff, and ability to fund it through a board that is making the absolute informed decisions possible. Sloan is willing to spend the time and effort needed to make sure these things happen.

Vote on Saturday, May 12, at Old Middle School Cafeteria, 105 W. Tutt, Howe, TX 75459 and Dorchester Town Hall, 373 Main St, Dorchester, TX 75459