



Howe's That

This week, I was fortunate to get to see my old math teacher Norman Bennett along with a lot of other great teachers that I had. It's just a reminder of how blessed we were to be able to come through the school system at such a great time. But, then again, I guess it's always a pretty good time to come through the system here in Howe town.

Mr. Bennett taught me a life lesson of tough love back in '91 and I'll never forget it. Some of you have heard the story. If you haven't, just ask me some day. It was a turning point for me in the area of leadership. What a teacher. What a human being.

I spent many a days roaming the hallways of McKinney High, McKinney North High, McKinney Boyd High, Denison High and Sherman High while broadcasting football games and doing coaches interviews back in my old radio days. But, I have to admit, it's a lot more fun when you're covering your own home town.

I hope everyone gets sick and tired of me saying, "It's Touchdown Time In Texas."

Howe Lady Bulldogs Volleyball starts with new coach



Howe volleyball prepares with new starters, new direction.

As so often when new athletic directors come to town, it's pretty soon that those they know and trust end up on their coaching staffs. When Zack Hudson was looking for a volleyball coach, he quickly found one in a former student of his at Weimer High School in Jordan Dusek.

Dusek, actually played volleyball for Hudson's wife Carrie, who was the varsity volleyball coach there for a number of years. During that time, Dusek played defensive specialist on three varsity teams,

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Former HHS teachers reunite



Bettye Mullins and Norman Bennett

Last Monday, several former high school teachers gathered together at the home of Bettye Mullins' house to have a reunion of sorts. This close-knit group of teachers were at Howe High together for a number

of years and apparently are still close to this day long after many of them have left the hallways of Howe High. The last retiree of the group was Janie Finney, who was also on-hand. But the biggest attraction to all of the teachers is always

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Community pep rally this Friday



For a few years now, Howe has invited all citizens to Bulldog Stadium to have a community-wide pep rally for all fall sports programs from kindergarten through seniors.

feature an open-house setting to show off the upgrades at the facility.

Howe Youth Football and Youth Cheerleaders will be introduced on the field. The event covers each sport

This year's even will also

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Jordan Dusek prepares her volleyball girls for the 2014 season at a practice on Wednesday

two, of which went undefeated. They made it to the regional tournament in her junior and senior year and the regional finals her senior year and eventually lost to the defending state champions, Poth, who won three consecutive state championships.

"Coach (Carrie) Hudson was from Weimer, so I watched her play there. I was very fortunate to be able to be a part of a such a good group of girls and we had awesome coaches. They played a big part of me wanting to be a coach."

Dusek, 25, after graduation, played softball at Concordia for a year and then transferred to Texas State University in San Marcos, Texas to continue to play softball. After graduation, her first coaching job came in Fayetteville, Texas last school year. But when the Howe position came open, she sent in her application knowing that

the business is often times, "who you know." Dusek says that it only took a few weeks to get through the interview process and get hired.

"I love it here," said Dusek. "The kids here are so much different. Everything you ask the kids to do, they do it, and then some. They're so polite and respectful and they work so hard."

Although there are cousins in Fort Worth, Dusek says she's five hours away from her immediate family.

As far as the volleyball season, Dusek says that she has high expectations.

"There's a lot of potential here," said Dusek. "I've heard some things about the other teams in the district, but I think we can compete with anyone and I would love to get a playoff spot."



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Dusek says that there are some little things that the girls need to work on, but she feels like they have the team to be highly competitive in district play.

She says that she'd like to stay in Howe for quite some time and build up the volleyball program. Dusek says that she's also excited to get to be the assistant softball coach this season.



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West in search of gold "rush"



Offensive Coordinator Dale West

25 years ago right here in Howe, Texas, the Bulldogs started one of the first spread offenses ever seen in Texas under then Head Coach Jim Fryar. However, it was only because of a type of quarterback in Jay Skipworth that comes around about every 20 years in a small school that they were able to run that type of offense. Otherwise, Fryar understood that in small school Texas high school football, it's about 'ground and pound' with quickness. Just as Fryar had so much success in the 80's with his wing-T offense, Head Coach Zack Hudson sees the same approach as being the best fit for the kids of Howe.

That's where Hudson has inserted new Offensive Coordinator Dale West and his expertise of the slot-T offense, which is similar in many ways to the wing-T of days old. Older Bulldogs fans that remember the success that the offense produced in the 80's and made local heroes out of names like Brian Ross, Rob Boaz, Stephen Ogle, Michael Bailey and so on. The similarity of all of those great backs are that none were taller than 5'7.

West envisions the same type of runner being successful in Howe in this style of offense for years to

come.

West grew up in Quinlan, Texas and graduated from Quinlan Ford High School in 2003 where he played quarterback in the slot-T offense under offensive coordinator Paul Kilby and Head Coach Billy Butler. West credits Kilby as the biggest influence in his life. Not only did he teach West the slot-T, but also became a father-figure to him.

At 15, while in high school, West's father passed away which led him to move in with his grandmother and then later his aunt. With both of them also soon passing, West found himself going from house to house without a place to call home. It was Kilby who took West under his wings and made sure he was okay.

"After I bounced from friend to friend's house, I went to live with him for a little while. As I was going in to college, they did a thing at their church to make sure I had money to start college with. He's just a great guy. I don't know where I'd be without him." said West.

He did attend college and went to Texas A&M Commerce and played tight end under Head Coach Eddie

Brister. They ran a two tight end, I-formation offense, but when A&M Commerce fired Brister and hired Scott Conley, he brought the spread offense and that left West without a position.

"I had already put on 25 pounds to play tight end and once they eliminated my position, I just focused on school and was done with playing football."

After graduation, West's first coaching position came at Mathis High School as the offensive coordinator under his mentor Paul Kilby, who was the head coach.

"We were 8-4 our first year there. They had lost multiple games the year before." West said. "We went two deep (in the playoffs) and lost to Devine. The second year we went 10-3 and ended up getting beat by Navarro by a field goal in the third round."

With the success at Mathis and completely turning that program around, Kilby and West took their

talents to Lockhart. They had also been a perennial losing football program and had gone 1-9 before they arrived. In the second year, Kilby's coaching staff, including West, took them to the playoffs.

Coach Kilby then put his name in the hat for the head coaching job at Sweeny because they have the reputation of being a higher echelon football program. Kilby got the offer and West followed him there.

"We were there for a year and went 8-4 and went to the second round of the playoffs and got beat." West said. "It was a fun year, but I had the opportunity to come here and here I am."

West has run the slot-t offense ever since high school. He says that he would be a fool to try and run anything else.

"I don't know anything else. From high school to all of my career of

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coaching." said West.

It was actually Billy Butler at Quinlan who brought the slot-T to North Texas from South Texas by way of Orange Grove and Gregory Portland back in the 1980's.

When Butler arrived at Quinlan, he brought Kilby with him and they turned the entire program around by using that offense.

"Coach Kilby taught me the offense when I was in high school and then I coached with him ever since. This is my first year to not be with him." said West. "It's a learning curve for me because he's the slot-T guru. He knows everything there is to know about it."

If West has problems, he's quick to call or text Kilby who just resigned from Sweeny in April. Kilby's vaunted slot-T offense last season accumulated more than 5,000 yards, including more than 4,500 yards on the ground. Senior Dorland Fields rushed for more than 2,000 yards and junior Anthony Simmons ran for more than 1,400.

One of the most impressive things that you'll find about this year's Bulldog offense will be between plays. The 'Dogs have a goal of getting out of the huddle and

snapping the ball in three seconds.

"We went and visited Lago Vista High School and they run the slot-T. Alan Haire is their head coach and he's the one we got sprinting to the ball from. They run the most impressive practice you'll ever see." said West.

"Those kids don't stop. They break the huddle and they're snapping the ball in less than three seconds from the huddle."

West said they will preach a three second goal to the kids, but realistically expects four in the first season with the group.

"We'll even have the quarterback speaking fast on the line of scrimmage. We want to push the pace" said West.

Normally, it's a no-huddle spread offense that pushes the pace of the game and confuses defenses, however, West is hoping that this style of huddle-breaking pace should dictate the pace of the game as well as anyone in any type of offense.

West expects to score a lot of points this season. The offensive line will be young. Freshman,

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Clay Marshall is slotted to start at strong tackle. Sophomore, Matt Griffin, will start at strong end, and sophomore, Tanner Hartsfield will start at center. Senior strong guard will be Keifer Rodgers. Senior quick guard, Charlie Overbey has never played offensive line before and senior quick tackle, Josh Griffin, hasn't played football in three years.

"They're going to be young, but I expect a lot out of them," said West. "They're a fun group and they've bought in to what we're selling."

The backfield will consist of Tyler Grisham at halfback, Anthony Hawthorne at fullback, Stratton Carroll at tailback and Joaquin Lopez will be the quarterback. The quarterback will not be asked to throw the ball in this type offense

On a bad night, Howe will throw the ball about nine times. One a good night, they'll throw the ball about six or seven times.

"We always joke and tell the kids we'll throw the ball about eight to ten times, but six of them are going to be in pregame," West said.

"Usually when we throw, they're going to be wide open."

West was happy with last week's intersquad game. He's also happy that the kids haven't questioned the philosophy. Last year, the Bulldogs had around 12 receivers and this year there is one position that catches the ball.

"Now that the kids have learned the rules about what we're trying to do, we're just trying to work on speed," said West. "We want to do things as fast as possible, because when you go fast, it eliminates a lot of the

issues. A lot of teams try to blitz us, but if we go fast, it eliminates that."

West's goal for the offensive line is to play lower and faster than anyone. The objectives for the backs are to carry out fakes, block for each other, and then carry the ball. In that order.

"If you can't do the first two, you can't do the third one," said West.

"Our kids are going to buy in to that or we're not going to be very good on offense. They've bought in to it so far."

West bragged about the hard-working effort that the kids are showing. He says that they could be outmatched athletically by some of the bigger schools, but claims that the hard-working blue-collar kids from Howe could overcome any challenge presented to them.

West was honest when asked about his future. He said his goal is to become a head coach and athletic director. He says that he's had a couple of opportunities, but decided to stay with Kilby at Sweeny and turned the opportunities down.

"I work hard to be in that position. It was hard to turn down those opportunities because you never know when you'll get another one," said West. "It may be 20 years before I get another chance to be a head football coach, but I'm right where I need to be. God put me here and I'm in the right spot for where I want to be."

Howe averaged a school record 33.83 points per game in 1998. If all goes as planned, that new scoreboard could be tested in 2014.



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Tori Abner shows her form



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| 9/5 | Sacred Heart Muenster | 7:30pm |
| 9/12 | Lindsay** | 7:30pm |
| 9/19 | @Ponder | 7:30pm |
| 9/26 | Pottsboro | 7:30pm |
| 10/3 | Bye | |
| 10/10 | @Gunter | 7:30pm |
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First United Methodist Church of Howe

Wednesday, August 20

9:00 am - Wednesday Workers

6:30 pm - Jr. High Youth

7:30 pm - Sr. High Youth

Thursday, August 21

6:00 pm - Boy Scouts

Sunday, August 24

9:00 am - Sunday School

10:00 - Worship service

First Baptist Church Howe

Tuesday, August 19

8:00 pm - Ladies Bible Study

8:00 pm - Men's Bible Study

Wednesday, August 20

6:45 pm - Adult Bible Study

7:00 pm - Youth Bible Study

7:30 pm - Choir

Sunday, August 24

8:00 am - Traditional Worship service

9:45 am - Bible Fellowship

11:00 am - Traditional Worship service

6:00 pm - Evening Worship

Howe Church of Christ

Tuesday, August 19

10:00 am - Terrific Tuesday Bible Class

Wednesday, August 20

7:00 pm - Bible Classes (all ages)

Friday, August 22

7:00 pm - Friday Bible Study Group

Sunday, August 24

9:00 am - Bible Classes (all ages)

10:00 am - Worship Service

6:00 pm - Worship Service

First Baptist Church Dorchester

Wednesday, August 20

7:00 pm - Children's Ministry

7:00 pm - Youth Ministry

7:00 pm - Adult Prayer & Bible Study

Sunday, August 24

9:00 am - Men's Prayer Time

9:45 am - Sunday School

10:45 am - A.M. Worship Service

5:00 pm - Adult Chior Practice

6:00 pm - Evening Worship

New Beginning Fellowship

Wednesday, August 20

7:00 pm - Adult Bible Study

7:00 pm - Kids Church

7:00 pm - Radiate Youth

Sunday, August 24

10:00 am - Kids Church

10:00 am - Morning Service

Howe Elementary Meet the Teacher Night

Howe Elementary Principal Darla

Williams has announced that Thursday,
August 21 will be "Meet the Teacher
Night" from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm.

Parents and students are asked to bring
their school supplies at that time.

The first day of school will be
Monday, August 25.

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Faith

by Debbie Wallis

I'm old enough to know that the world we live in keeps getting farther away from God's perfect design. Once I discovered that it's not going to change, I decided that it was my approach to God's standard that I was responsible for. I needed to change.

I invited Jesus into my heart as a young child but my home life did not nurture that decision or help me mature in my walk to make Him Lord. I lived a lukewarm life for God but a very social life for myself. When I was in my twenties I had a dream that changed my life and opened my eyes to the importance of living for Christ.

I dreamed that I went to a fancy restaurant alone but had intentions of meeting friends there. After all...I'm a popular butterfly! The Maître D' sat me at a table alone. I ask if I had friends here and was told, "No". I ask if I could be seated with another group. He answered, "No". I started getting uncomfortable as I looked around. The restaurant was beautiful with tall ceilings and long white curtains. There were large and small tables all with elegant white chairs and white flowing table cloths. There were large groups of people, small groups of people and they were all smiling, laughing and full of joy. I did see a few people sitting by their selves and, like me, they seemed very aware that they were alone. "Can

I sit with her? She's alone, also," I asked. "No," he responded politely. Finally I told him that I did not want to be by myself and that I would love to be with whoever would let me eat with them. When I looked up at the Maître D' he appeared as an angel, "This is Heaven and I'm sorry but you never made an influence on anyone's life for the Kingdom of God. You'll sit alone." I woke crying! I decided at that very moment that I would live my life out loud and deliberate for the purpose of being a witness to God's saving grace.

I'm not advocating that Heaven looks like a fancy restaurant. What I'm saying is that through that dream the Lord showed me that I hadn't been a witness to the people He gave me to live life with. Are you satisfied being "godly enough" to get yourself to Heaven? That dream convinced me I wanted to be more. I want everyone I loved in Heaven with me. I want everyone I meet to be in Heaven with me. I want you to be in Heaven with me.

The goals of Christianity in America are often a nice marriage, kids that make good grades and get along with other nice kids, fairly good church attendance, being charitable as long as it doesn't affect our way of life and not to be a "Jesus Freak" who is radical and unbalanced. The lukewarm Christian rarely shares their faith with their neighbors, coworkers, or friends. They don't want to be rejected or to make people uncomfortable by talking about private issues like religion.

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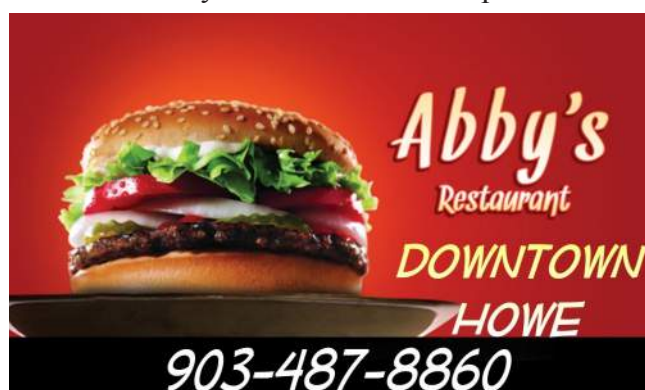
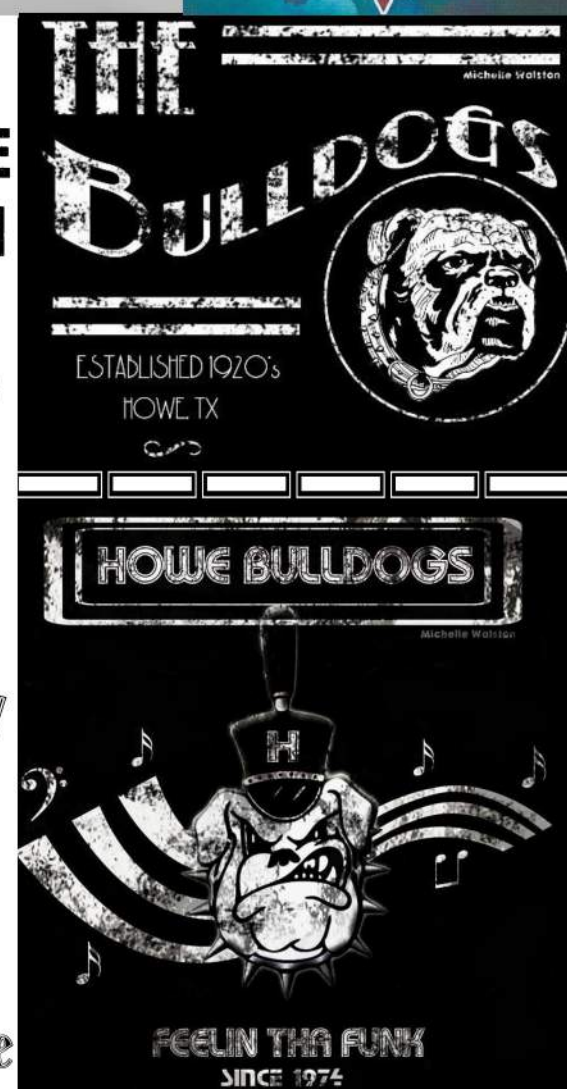


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The Aug. 15 through Sept. 1 campaign coincides with the national increased enforcement period sponsored by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. During this time, Texas law enforcement officers step up their vigilance to arrest drunk drivers.

“Drinking and driving puts you and others at risk of being killed or injured,” said John Barton, TxDOT deputy executive director. “At the very least, you can face expensive fines, jail time and loss of your driver’s license. It’s just not worth it and it’s entirely preventable.”

In 2013, one-third of 1,100 roadway deaths in Texas were DUI-alcohol-related traffic fatalities. During last year’s Labor Day weekend in Texas, nearly half of the 35 known holiday traffic fatalities were caused by drivers under the influence of alcohol.

Even small amounts of alcohol can impair a person’s ability to safely operate a vehicle. Alcohol slows reaction time, reduces the ability to

properly gauge speed or distance, and impairs vision. All 50 states have established a threshold making it illegal to drive with a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of .08 or higher. Drivers can be arrested with a BAC below .08 when a law enforcement officer suspects that an individual’s driving is impaired.

To remind people to plan ahead for a sober ride, TxDOT conducts media and outreach events across the state in the weeks leading up to Labor Day. Many of these events feature a vintage-style “DWI Not So Fun House,” which allows participants to experience the simulated effects of alcohol on their motor skills.

TxDOT also has developed SoberRides.org to help people quickly and easily find sober alternatives to drinking and driving. Options include:

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Pep Rally

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Howe ISD will show off their new stadium facilities on Friday

from football, volleyball, cheerleading, cross country, band and everything in between.

The event will have free drinks and watermelon provided by the youth programs.

Athletic Booster Club President, Michael Mosier says that they will introduce all football teams and cheerleaders from kindergarten through varsity. Also being recognized will be high school volleyball, cross country and the marching band.

The Athletic Booster Club will have a membership drive that night and will have an open house featuring the new upgrades at Bulldog Stadium.

The start time is set for 6:30 p.m. Participants should be there at 5:45 p.m.

Former Howe Administrator Dies



Arthur Boyle, 1977 (*Howe Enterprise photo*)

Former teacher, coach, principal, and superintendent of Howe Arthur Boyle passed away on Sunday, August 17 about 1 p.m. Arrangements are pending.

Boyle twice served as principal of Howe High School and was the head coach of the Howe Bulldogs upon their return to varsity football action after a 10 year absence. His record during that time was 9-8 in two seasons (1958 and 1959) in 8-man football.

He was also former superintendent at S&S Consolidated. Before returning to Howe as superintendent in 1977, he was the

elementary principal at Cross Plains, Texas, where he and his wife were from.

Then Board of Trustees President Jack Norman stated in July of 1977, "We felt Mr. Boyle has excellent qualifications because of his education, experience and especially his ability to relate with people, faculty members and students. He has broad experience in the teaching profession as a classroom teacher, coach, principal and superintendent, and the board felt that he was the man for the job in this community."



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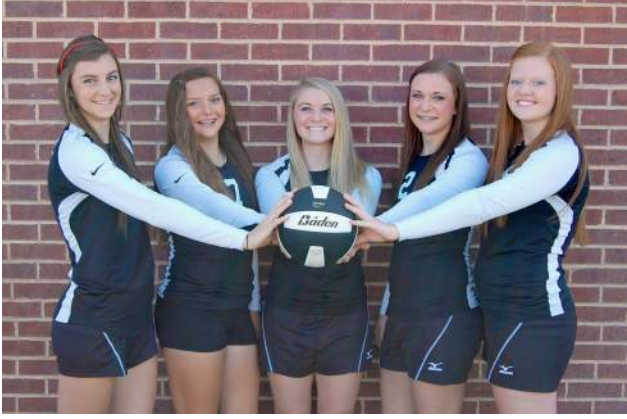
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Norman Bennett. Bennett made the trip in from New Mexico, where he lives now.

"It's wonderful to be back. I haven't laughed this much in a long time." said Bennett. "It's great seeing everyone."

Bennett said he missed teaching the first couple of years after retirement, but now is into other things such as walking and riding a bike.

"I don't think I could teach anymore because I couldn't do all of these things with the computers." said Bennett with a smile. "I don't think the chalkboard is in the classroom anymore."

Donna Jarma, made her way from Oklahoma and said that the greatest thing about these get-togethers is that after all of years they can just slide in the door and pick up like they never

left each other.

"I know people say that all the time, but it doesn't happen to everybody. And I think that's what we realize when we get back together. We had something special." said Jarma.

For those that saw Larry Macon walk on his hands in class, those days have passed. However, his sharp wit and enthusiastic charisma is still highly intact.

"It's just like old times. It's almost like an old-time faculty meeting again." said Macon. "It brings back good memories and makes you feel young again."

Pat Stewart, who is now on the Board of Trustees for Howe I.S.D. said that all of the people there brought back so many memories.

"We're family." said Stewart.

Former Principal Donal Gilstrap said that it is so special. It was the second time that he'd been able to be a part of it.

"I just feel happy that I got invited back after the first one we had several years ago." said Gilstrap.

Bill Martin attended the reunion for the first time and jokingly said that he lost a lot of hair listening to the stories that were being told.

The most famous story was when a foreign exchange student was in Mr. Bennett's geometry class and once pronounced pi as pee. At Awards Day, Mr. Bennett recalled the moment and said he'd heard pi called (expletive) before, but never pee. That Awards Day made Mr. Bennett even more of a legend than he already was.

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Howe Police raid drug house



Howe Police Sergeant Michael Hill with the seized drugs

On August 13, 2014 at approximately 6:38pm, Howe and Sherman police officers executed a narcotics search warrant at a residence in the 400 block of FM 902 West in Howe.

According to a press release, 19 year old Lane Rye Lewis was arrested for Possession of Marijuana Over Two Ounces.

Howe Police Chief Carl Hudman said officers found nearly 3 pounds of high-grade Marijuana, less than 28 grams of Xanax, Soma tablets, a small amount of mushrooms, and suspected Codeine in Lewis' bedroom.

Officers reportedly found digital

scales, drug paraphernalia and a drug ledger in his room as well.

Hudman said the search warrant was a result of a several month investigation by Howe and Sherman PD into reports of drug distribution occurring at this residence.

Hudman said officers seized \$579 in currency and a 2008 Honda Civic and intend to file civil forfeiture proceedings.

"Additional arrests are anticipated for those involved in distributing drugs with Lewis," Hudman added.

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District, Bi-District, Area Champ, 1989 Howe Bulldogs will hold 25-year reunion

Homecoming will be just that for a lot of former players, cheerleaders and coaches from the fall of 1989.

That was the year of the "runnin' shoot" Howe Bulldogs led by Head Coach Jim Fryar that won the District, Bi-District, and Area Championships. Fryar and his wife Connie, who was the cheerleading sponsor will be on-hand for the special event.

The coaching staff consisted of Fryar and assistants Billy Hill, Vernon Richardson and Steve Simmons.

The offense led by quarterback Jay Skipworth scored a then school

record 370 points. Their 28.46 points per game was second only to the 1940 Howe Bulldogs.

Other offensive starters were Steven Hawthorne, David Cannaday, Clint Bray, Jerry Covington, Monte Walker, James Neely, Scott Nass, Tony McLain, Thomas Troxtell and David Bement.

The defense was impressive as well by allowing only 16 points per game. Defensive starters were Jared Powell, Daniel Williams, Kevin Gray, Blair Nelson, James Boatman, Thomas Troxtell, Jon Norwood, David Cannaday, Jerry Covington, Wade Carson and Matt



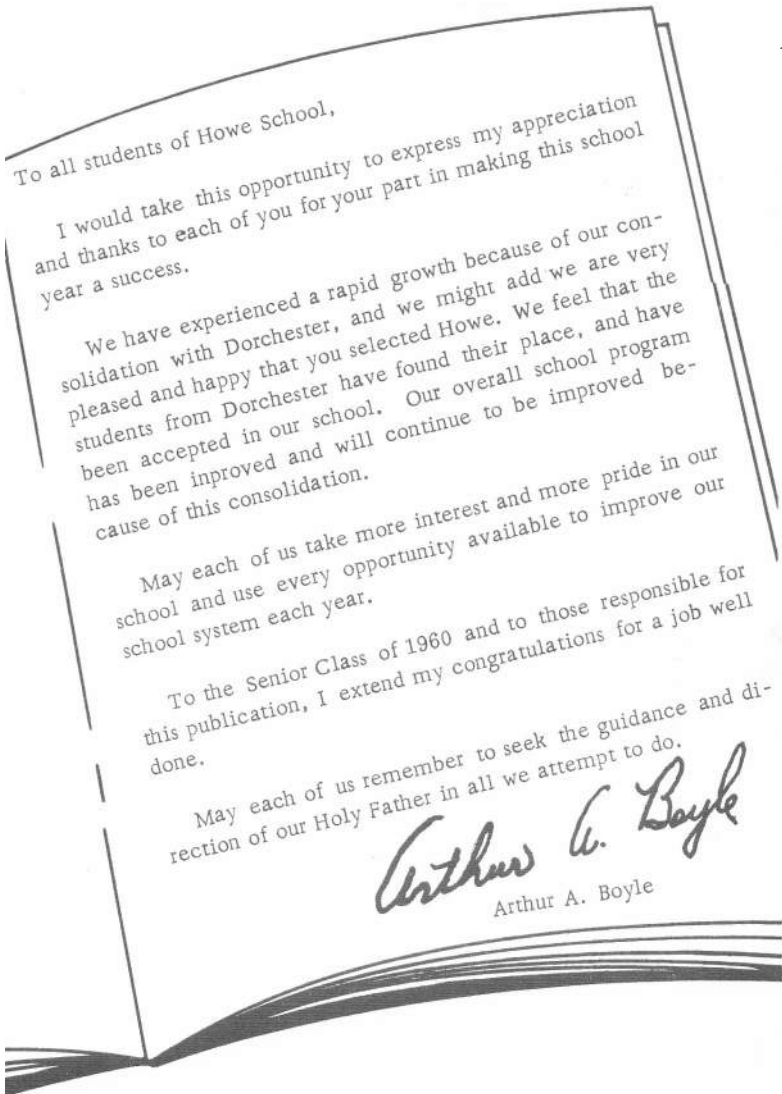
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Fryar had a record of 41-16-1 while at Howe. The 41 wins are second to Norman Dickey's 51. His winning percentage of .719 is highest among all Bulldog head

coaches (with more than 20 games coached).

The 1989 Bulldogs went 9-4 beating Royce City in Bi-District and beating Electra in Area before losing to McGregor in the Regional Finals.

Arthur Boyle



For the unselfish giving of his time, his leadership, and his guidance; For his spiritual example and his sense of fairness to all, we, the Annual Staff of 1969, dedicate this annual, with many thanks, to our Principal and Advisor, Arthur A. Boyle.

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Reverend Rafael Cruz will speak at the Texoma Patriots August 23rd



Pastor Rafael Cruz' talk is "The Christian Foundations of the American Dream."

Rafael Cruz was born in Cuba and lived under the cruel, oppressive dictator Fidel Castro. He came to the United States on a student visa and has been able to live the "American dream." He raised his son Ted to love and respect the American way of life. Of course, Ted Cruz is now our U. S. Senator. Rafael speaks to groups all around the country on the Biblical foundations of our nation. Through his passion he encourages Christians to return this country to the principles that made America exceptional.

Everyone is welcome. They invite you to come and bring your pastor and other members of your congregation to hear his inspiring message.

In August of 2009 the Texoma Patriots held its first event – a "Kill the Bill" rally. Together with our U. S. Representative Ralph Hall and other elected officials, they marched from the Federal Building to the Grayson County Courthouse. They ask you to come celebrate with them as they relive five years of active work educating and promoting conservative values. There will be cake and patriotic music. The event is no charge to the public.



U.S. Senator Ted Cruz and his father, Pastor Rafael Cruz



Norman Bennett (photo courtesy of Janie Finney)



Bettye Mullins and Larry Macon (photo courtesy of Janie Finney)



Pat Stewart, Norman Dickey and Don Gilstrap (photo courtesy of Janie Finney)

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Recently Redecorated Living Room Left in Charred Ruins by Fire

Fire Badly Damages Residence

A fire that apparently started in an overloaded electrical outlet badly damaged one room of a north Howe residence Sunday night, resulting in a total loss estimated at \$10,000.

Police Chief John Blake reported that the fire at the Charlie Norris home at 801 North Denney Street (Highway 5) consisted of about \$5,000 to the home and \$5,000 to the contents.

The family, including three children living at home, was away at a Sherman bowling alley when the fire broke out shortly after dark Sunday, but they arrived home shortly afterward.

Howe firemen, who confined the blaze to the living room of the frame home, said the contents of the living room, including a new couch, new television set and new carpet, were destroyed. The loss was at least partly covered by insurance.

Firemen said they felt they had traced the cause of the blaze to an electrical outlet on the south wall of the living room which had a number of electrical cords plugged into it.

"That's as sure a way for a fire to start as I can think of," said one fireman as he viewed the charred outlet.

The Norris family was residing with relatives at mid week. Besides the charred room, most of the other rooms sustained extensive smoke and water damage.

Arthur Boyle, who twice has served as principal of Howe High School, was named this week as superintendent of schools for the Howe Independent School District and will begin his duties Friday.

A former superintendent of S&S Consolidated Schools in Grayson County, Boyle since 1970 has been elementary principal at Cross Plains, Tex. Both he and his wife are from the Cross Plains area.

Howe School Board President Jack Norman announced early Tuesday morning following a board session that lasted past Midnight Monday that Boyle had been employed over 23 other applicants for the job.

Norman said the board had "an extremely well-qualified group of applicants to choose from," including four who had doctorates and several others who were working on their doctor's degrees. The board interviewed six candidates.

"We felt Mr. Boyle has excellent qualifications because of his education, experience and especially his ability to relate with people, faculty members and students. He has broad experience in the teaching profession as a classroom teacher, coach, principal and superintendent, and the board felt that he was the man for this job in this community."



QUICK RESPONSE—When it was announced Tuesday morning to school employees that Former Principal Arthur Boyle had been employed as Superintendent, School Custodian Glenn Newman lost no time in welcoming his new boss, via the signboard in front of Howe High School.

reach a decision until Monday night," Norman said, "because of the outstanding group of candidates we had." Boyle, who was interviewed initially by the board about a week ago, was in Howe again Monday night of this week and met with the board prior to the final decision.

Boyle holds a bachelor's degree from Ouachita College in Arkansas and a master's degree from East Texas State University.

He was coach and principal of Howe High School from 1955 until 1959. He left to become superintendent of S&S, and later served in the cooperative program under the county superintendent's office.

He then served as principal of Howe High School again from 1966 to 1970.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyle have two married daughters and a married son.

Boyle replaces Glen Mitchell as superintendent who resigned to take a job as superintendent of the Henrietta, Tex. school system.

The board apparently was also hoping to employ a band director at Monday's session, but at the regular session early in the evening it was announced that there had been "complications" which would result in a delay.

Boyle's salary has been set at \$1,000 above the level set by the special session of the State Legislature for superintendents of his experience level. As was the case with the previous superintendent, he will get the use of the driver education car when it is not being used for instruction, and he will be reimbursed for travel expenses.

The fact that Boyle was under consideration has been

common knowledge in the community for several weeks, and school board members privately concede that they have been deluged with statements of support for him from people in the community.

"However, we really didn't

Board Schedules School Study, Denies Proposed Voting Change

The Howe School Board Monday night agreed to a three-phase evaluation and priority plan, but turned down a request from a group of parents for a change in the school election laws that would require school board members to be elected by a majority vote.

The board, responding to a request from James Davis, who represented the parents' group, voted to initiate the evaluation and priority plan in the spring of next year. The plan as put forth by Supt. Glen Mitchell is actually a regular state evaluation program, and the board action the dates and the way it will be conducted.

Mitchell explained that when he came here as superintendent five years ago the district had just undergone an accreditation study and a regular evaluation and goal-setting study at that time was delayed.

The parents group had proposed an outside study at the June meeting and asked that it be used as the basis of a long-range plan for school development and construction. They cited the fast growth of the Howe district as the reason for their request.

Under the plan adopted by the board this week, phase one in the spring of 1978 would involve district-wide setting of goals or expectations. A committee of board members, administration, teachers and parents would set these goals.

Phase two in the fall of 1978 would involve a self study to determine local needs and improvements.

Phase three to be conducted during the 1979-80 school year would involve placing into operation a five-year priority plan.

Mitchell explained that the evaluation will be done with

the help of the Region X Education Center and the Texas Education Agency. Special emphasis would be put on evaluation by local people, but outside help would be available at no cost from consultants employed by the region center.

On the matter of the election law change, board member said they had studied the issue and found sentiment both pro and con in the community, but felt there was not sufficient reason at this time to change.

Mitchell said he had checked with the legal counsel for the Texas Education Agency and a change would be strictly up to the local board. Board President Jack Norman said he had studied election returns for the past five years "and the only time it would have made a difference was when 13 candidates ran a couple of years

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Painted PO Boxes a Nuisance? Mail Thieves Think So, Too

The beige paint on the postal box windows at the Howe post office are intended to discourage mail theft, and in areas where the windows have been painted over for some time, the theft rate is sharply reduced, according to the Post Office Department.

Howe Postmaster James Davis said he received orders from the Post Office Department a couple of weeks ago to paint the box windows so that people could not see inside.

While it is admittedly convenient to boxholders to see if they have any mail, it also has been convenient to postal thieves to see what boxes contain letters with checks inside.

Davis said Howe has not been bothered recently with any actual thefts, but there has been some "tampering" with some of the boxes and the mail inside them. He cautioned that mail tampering is a federal offense and can have serious consequences.

Patron Lauds Linker, Attacks Newspaper

A Howe school patron Monday night appeared before the school board to give what he termed an unsolicited testimonial for the school administration—and High School Principal L.H. Linker in particular.

At the same time he attacked The Howe Enterprise for "trying to run the schools and community...I won't buy a Howe newspaper...I think we should leave to the school board the running of the schools."

The parent, Boyd McPherson, did not say what prompted him to make the statement in behalf of Linker. Linker was at the meeting, and had with him his wife, his minister, Willis Dykes, and a number of members of the Church of Christ.

McPherson is a Baptist layman.

that a year or two ago he had a problem at school and Linker handled it to the satisfaction of everyone. "I feel that if ever I have any troubles I can

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Proposed Dress Code Adopted

The Howe school board Monday night adopted a proposed new dress code for the schools next year, but not before there was some spirited discussion from more than a dozen people attending the meeting in which stricter and more liberal rules were urged.

The board finally voted 5-0 to adopt a version presented by the school administration. (Board member Leon Thornhill was absent.) The administration version, printed in full in last week's Howe Enterprise,

usually eliminates restrictions on the attire of students if they do not do so, it

contains a number of restrictions on the attire for both girls and boys.

Ralph Boatman, a parent attending the meeting, suggested that the code, instead of being headed "Student Dress," should merely say "Dress Code," thereby implying that the faculty should also adhere to it.

Board members said, however, that they feel this would actually lower the standards for the faculty. Besides, the faculty members are expected to dress in a professional manner.

can be handled as an administrative matter, Board President Jack Norman said.

Mrs. Boatman asked if the new code permitted or banned sun dresses, pointing to a phrase prohibiting "bare backs."

"What is a bare back?" she asked.

Outgoing Supt. Glen Mitchell said that to him "a bare back is a bare back."

And there the matter rested. Board Member Bill Wardlaw initiated the discussion of the dress code with the statement that he would like to see the

entire code shortened to a statement that the objective of Howe schools is to provide an atmosphere conducive to learning—then make the parents responsible for seeing that the children are properly dressed.

The audience promptly split up into two factions. One consisted of the minister and several members of the Church of Christ, plus at least two other persons in the audience, who called for a strict dress code. They cited moral

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800 New Directories Delivered in Howe

Approximately 800 new directories are now being delivered to General Telephone customers in Howe. Delivery of the new directories begins today and should be completed within two weeks, according to Garnett Keithley, Sherman division manager.

A photograph of two boys fishing from a stream is featured on the directory cover.

This year the directory contains 82 white pages and 149 yellow pages as compared to 75 white pages and 141 yellow pages in the 1976 book. Over 22,000 listings are included in the 1977 directory white pages.

The Howe directory contains

740 listings this year, compared to 723 last year.

The directory includes listings for Collinsville, Gordonville, Gunter, Van Alstyne, Whitesboro and Sherman.

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A continental map of the U. S. showing 120 area codes and five time zones, charts relating to long distance calls, and other general information on the use of the telephone can be found in the directory.

"In an effort to conserve paper, one directory will be delivered for each two telephone per address," said Keithley.

Policemen Reinstated—One Will Get Hearing

One of two Howe police officers who was dismissed from the force week before last has been put on suspension with full pay and will get a hearing at the July 21 council meeting. The other was reinstated, then immediately resigned.

Howe City Council, acting on advice of attorney, reinstated both Danny Gouard and Billy Dobbins at an executive session last Wednesday. Dobbins then turned in his resignation, while Gouard was suspended pending a hearing. Gouard reportedly plans to seek full

reinstatement to the police force.

Both patrolmen were dismissed from the force the previous week by Police Chief John Blake after City Council was called into emergency session and council advised the chief to dismiss the officers for "conduct unbecoming a police officer."

Council did not expand upon the charge. Blake carried out the council directive.

Both officers obtained legal counsel and since that time

there have been negotiations between their counsel and City Attorney John Hill of Sherman.

Dobbins' attorney requested that his client be given an opportunity to resign, while Gouard's attorney wanted his client to have an opportunity to hear the charges and clear himself of them. Council last week agreed to both requests.

The possibility remains that a court suit could be filed in connection with the case, informed sources say.