



Howe's That

by Monte Walker

Not since I started this venture have I ever sat down to write an article and ended in tears. The story of Joe Davis is just tragic and still seemingly so unfair. To have played against Joe was an experience to say the least. He, being two years older than me, I had the monumental task of guarding him my freshman year on varsity while he was on his way to be All-State as a junior. He was 6'9 and I was 6'1. I did somehow out-rebound him in the first game I ever played against him and after the game he told me I was pretty good. That was quite an honor, I thought, for him to even notice I was on the floor. But, come to find out in the 24 months that we were competitors, that's who he was. He was a genuinely nice guy who cared for others.

I often think of what could have been and I know many people do. But I've learned that everything is in perfect order whether we understand it or not.

Even take basketball out of the equation and I would hope my sons grow up to be like Joe.

Howe All-School Reunion set for September 19



Norman Bennett, Bettye Mullins and their students at the 2010 All-School Reunion

Now that the homecoming date has been announced for Friday, Sept. 18, the Howe Ex-Students Association has announced that the Howe All-School reunion will take place that weekend.

Not only will the Ponder

Lions be traveling to Howe on Friday, but many people across the country will make their way back to a place they call home, even if Howe is not thousands of miles from where they currently reside.

Every five years, Howe holds an all-school reunion and the last one took place on homecoming of 2010. About 400 former students and teachers of all ages gathered on Friday night and all day Saturday for events that were held in conjunction

with the reunion. The events that normally accompany the reunion are gatherings on Friday night at the game and at the current high school grounds.

On Saturday, the high school doors will open at 9 a.m. for the coffee and donuts "Meet and Greet." Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. followed by a short presentation by the Ex-Students Association.

And in 2010, the day was finished off with a concert by "Elvis" performed by Kraig Parker. This year, the committee is looking to jump from a 50's theme to 60's theme.

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5K event to raise money for Chad Key scholarship fund



Proud father Chad Key win son Colt. On April 20, 2013, Key was

It's been nearly two years since a senseless act of drunk driving took the life of Grayson County Sheriff's Deputy and Howe resident Chad Key. The widowed wife of the late officer wants to keep his memory alive by raising money for the scholarship fund in his honor and is asking the community to participate in a 5K event to help raise money for that scholarship.

directing traffic on Highway 82 east of Sherman after Clinton Espy ended a high-speed chase. While directing traffic, Ricky Trent Stanley of Whitesboro struck Key with his truck. Key was rushed to Texoma Medical Center where he later died.

It was Stanley's fourth time to be arrested for DWI in a span of 11 years. After the arrest, Grayson County District Attorney Joe Brown

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Reunion

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Some of the 2010 Ex-Students Association committee members have held over and will serve again in 2015.

Former students are asked to update their contact information by visiting howehsalumni.wufoo.com/forms/m7x3k1/ or by emailing information to howehsalumni@gmail.com. The committee will be sending out information in the near future about the event and the schedule of events. Those wanting to have a lunch ticket will have to purchase those in advance.

Teachers and administrators that were on-hand in 2010 were Arthur Boyle, Norman Bennett, Norman Dickey, Bettye Mullins, Betty Cordell, Donna Jarma, Billy Hill, Larry Macon, Katie King and many others.

The committee is expecting to be able to

designate classrooms for individual classes that would like to participate in their own class reunion at some point during the weekend.

Those committee members are Michelle Smith Walker, Randy Hayes, Janie Finney, Susan Lilly Swindell, Archie and Connie Sutton, John Haigis, Kathy Aaron, Dale Bonner, Donna Houston Crook, Regina Mitchell Roberts, and Monte Walker.

"Without Janie Finny, this reunion doesn't work." said Howe Ex-Students Association President Monte Walker. "She makes everything click from websites to directories to concerts to meetings. She's indispensable to the committee."



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1983 All-School Reunion



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told a reporter, "We're going to come like a hook and bull at this kid because he has repeatedly been out on the road when he's been ordered not to, He's not going to be on the streets, as far as I'm concerned until he's an old, old man, if at all."

Brown got his way and Stanley was hooked and bulled for 99 years in prison for felony murder, and 42 years for the assault charge, along with fines totaling \$20,000.

But for Key's wife April and sons Lance (22), Seth (12) and Colt (2), the sentencing is not true vendication.

"I feel bad for his (Stanley's) family, but they can still talk to him and see him. We can't get to talk to and see Chad." said Key.

Key is starting a scholarship run in her late husband's honor that will benefit the Grayson County Police Academy and the Austin State Memorial for Fallen Officers. Half of the proceeds go to the scholarship fund and half will go to the memorial.

On April 18 at Loy Lake Park, people can participate in a 5K run/walk to honor Chad Key and other officers. Registration is \$25 right now and will increase by \$5 each week. The run would cost \$45 on the day of the event. The registration fee includes a t-shirt and awards for the top three places.

"We're doing a one-mile walk also and it's a flat \$20 fee now through the race." said Key. "A kid run will also be one-mile and it will be \$10."

It's the bagpipes and drummers that will be present at the race that will stir the emotions before the race. Squad cars and officers will be on-hand to cheer on the runners.

"I had this idea about a year after Chad was killed." said Key. "I wanted to do a scholarship and had several friends suggest doing a run. I reached out on Facebook a couple of weeks ago and it just kind of took off from there."

After two years, Key says that she has her good days and bad days. Their son Colt was two-months old at the time of death. Dealing with a new-born and then an ugly custody battle with Seth made for a busy and difficult 2013. Seth's mother died when he was young and the maternal grandparents fought April

Key for custody of the 12-year-old.

"That's finally done. He's adopted and he's finally mine." said Key. "We also had Chad's trial and that went well and is done, so the first year was kind of a fog. I just went through the motion and I didn't get to take it all in. So this year has been a lot harder, but I have amazing support with family, friends and the sheriff's department. The boys help me get through it. I just keep pushing through. Chad wouldn't want me to give up. There are days where I don't want to do anything. Now that I'm doing this event, it gives me a purpose and it helps me be a part of something that means more to a lot of people.

Key says she doesn't remember much of the first year and didn't sleep the first week after her husband's death.

"I never thought at 28, that I'd be widowed and planning a funeral with two kids and fighting custody for a kid that wasn't mine." said Key. "Overnight, my entire life just changed."

That overnight started with a phone call from a jailer that was one of Chad's good friends. Key didn't

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5K for Key

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Sheriff Keith Gary with family recently at FBC Sherman.

answer the call immediately due to the time. However, when her phone rang again, she felt it might be serious.

"He said, have you talked to Chad?" said Key. She answered that the last time she talked to him that he was headed out to an accident scene and that he would call later. He then asked if anyone had come to the house. At that point, Key knew something wasn't right. She hung up the phone and heard a car in the driveway and thought it was Chad. After running to the front door, it turned out to be a captain and two sheriff's deputies.

"I asked Captain Braziel if Chad was okay." Key said. "He said no. I just sat down on the front porch."

Mr. Key died at the scene, but was transported to Texoma Medical Center for life preserving methods.

To this day, the Grayson County Sheriff's office is still actively involved with April Key's family. Both boys were dedicated to First Baptist Church in Sherman recently and Sheriff Keith Gary asked to go down with the family for that.

Key says that Lieutenant Ricky Wheeler has become an like an

uncle to the boys.

Key is working on scrapbooks with every news article from the day it happened to recent publications so that the boys can see it, and in for Colt's case, learn about what happened.

Every memorial service, the boys go with Key.

"Unfortunately, that's what our life has become now. Memorials," said Key. "It's just very honoring and very humbling, but to us, we just want him back. We're coming up on the last big memorial. It's been non-stop for two years. A little bit of me is kind of ready for them to be over. Every time with the 21 gun salute and the bagpipes is hard for me. It's great, but you just have to move on."

This 5k event should serve as a final salute to Chad Key, but April Key and the boys hope that this is an annual event so that the scholarship can remain in honor for her husband and father of her children.

For complete information, go to the Facebook page of GRAYSON County Officers Down 5K Run/Walk.

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Lady Bulldogs hit 20 wins



Kayla Anderson drives to the bucket. Photo by Michelle Carney

32 combined points from Riley Harvey and Alissa Smith was enough to outscore Pilot Point on Tuesday night in Pilot Point. Harvey's 19 points and Smith's 13 points led the way for the girls who ended up with a 42-29 win.

The Lady Bulldogs moved to 20-5 on the season and 7-1 in District 10-3A.

Holly Hawkins added four points, while Madisyn Hargrove, Darci Foster and Kayla Anderson each added two.

Harvey also finished with 15 rebounds and four blocked shots. She was seven for 11 from the field, while Smith was four for 11 including one for seven from three-point range.

'Dogs Beat Pilot Point, 53-45



Levi Mrozinski adding two of his 16 points on the night. Photo by Michelle Carney

Levin Mrozinski had a big night by scoring 16 points. He and Griffin Underwood led the team with that amount.

Mrozinski got the 'Dogs off to an early lead by hitting two three-pointers in the first period and half

of his 16 points came in the first. The Bulldogs moved to 16-7 on the year and 4-2 in District 10-3A.

Other scorers were Michael Kehrer with 10, Easton Ross with 9, and Nick Wilson with two.

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No ordinary Joe



Tom Bean's Joe Davis died 25 years ago this week. Article from Sherman Democrat in January of 1990.

This region is mostly known for the grand Lake Texoma and it's majestic man-made marvelous feat complete with spillway protection. But a Monday evening tragedy sparked a week-long river of tears from the Texoma region. Enough to envision the spillway busting.

In the obituary for Joseph James Davis read that he was born in Sherman, the son of William J. and Carol Vermillion Davis and that he played basketball for the Tom Bean Tomcats. All of that is true, but possibly a made-for-television movie was left out somewhere after his parents names and the period after Tomcats.

Davis, who stood at 6-feet-9, 230 pounds, was averaging 28 points and 15 rebounds for Tom Bean, who was 21-3 and ranked No. 5 in Class 2A. Davis was coming off a Friday night 93-53 drumming of Howe where he amassed 23 points and 21 rebounds. All of that was over by Monday night.

Davis and teammates had their normal Monday basketball practice with Head Coach Brent Hollensed. After practice, Davis gave a ride to teammate Brent McLain to Sherman where McLain's ill mother

was at Wilson N. Jones Hospital. En route to Sherman on Highway 11, Davis' Dodge car collided nearly head-on with a 1979 Ford truck occupied by Thomas E. Sanderson, 65 and his wife Dolores Sanderson, 67, of Whitesboro.

Texas Department of Public Safety Officer C.C. Wade was unable to determine why Davis' car entered the eastbound lane of Highway 11. Alcohol was not a factor in the accident. All four people involved in the accident sustained injuries and Davis and Dolores Sanderson had to be pried for them vehicles before they were taken to Wilson N. Jones Hospital.

Davis was pronounced dead at 11:44 from multiple injuries.

"He was a self-motivated individual and very intelligent." said Hollensed, his former coach. "He excelled in the classroom and was planning on being an engineer. He took the SAT and made a 1360 on it his junior year."

Hollensed talked about how nice Davis was and even wanted him to get meaner on the basketball court. In Texas, an athlete is expected to play football and Hollensed tried to

get him to play. However, Davis' love was basketball and his heart just wasn't in it for football. Hollensed set him up on an off-season program which eventually had Davis bench pressing 315 pounds his senior year.

"He was gangly his freshman year." said Hollensed. "He was good and you knew he was going to be good, but he needed to add weight. During football, he'd be in there in the weightroom and then would run sprints and agility and footwork drills. He worked out everyday and was self-motivated. I never had to worry about him doing his work. He was kind of a one-man off-season because everyone else was playing football."

Back in 1986, Hollensed, a young coach, would practice with the team and would get physical with Davis during his freshman year.

"I'd push him and when he'd turn to shoot, I'd hack him." said

Hollensed. "I did it on purpose. He'd cry foul and I'd tell him, 'Joe, there's no such thing as a foul in the paint.' I could root-hog him out as a freshman, but his sophomore year, it got a little tough as he got stronger. By the time he was a junior and senior I couldn't mess with him. I'd try, but he got so strong."

Hollensed said that Davis had a lot of offers, but chose early on to go to Baylor University. He really liked the recruiter, Kim Anderson, who is currently the head coach of the Missouri Tigers and former assistant commissioner of the Big 12.

"He had a lot of people coming in to look at him and he could shoot. He could shoot the three." said Hollensed.


The college head coaches and recruiters would come watch Joe practice and Hollensed recalls that they put together a three-point

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Local Church Calendar

First United Methodist Church of Howe

Tuesday, January 27
 9:30 am - Women's Bible Study (Beth Moore's Children of the Day)

Wednesday, January 28
 9:00 am - Wednesday Workers
 6:30 pm - Discover Christ (Children)
 6:30 pm - Women's Bible Study (Beth Moore's Children of the Day)
 6:30 pm - Jr. High Youth
 7:30 pm - Sr. High Youth

Thursday, January 29
 6:00 pm - Boy Scouts

Sunday, February 1
 9:00 am - Sunday School
 10:00 am - Worship service
 3:00 pm - Cub Scouts
 7:30 pm - Men's Bible Study

First Baptist Church Howe

Tuesday, January 27
 7:00 pm - Ladies Bible Study
 7:00 pm - Men's Bible Study

Wednesday, January 28
 6:30 pm - Fuel
 6:45 pm - Adult Bible Study
 7:00 pm - Youth Bible Study
 7:30 pm - Choir

Sunday, February 1
 8:30 am - Traditional Worship service
 9:45 am - Bible Fellowship
 11:00 am - Contemporary Worship service

Community Bible Fellowship

Monday, January 26
 7:00 pm - Luella home group Bible Study

Wednesday, January 28
 6:30 pm - Food and Fellowship
 7:00 pm - Children's Ministry
 7:00 pm - Youth and Adult Bible Study

Sunday, February 1
 10:15 am - Worship Service
 7:00 pm - Howe home group Bible Study

Howe Church of Christ

Tuesday, January 27
 10:00 am - Terrific Tuesday Bible Class

Wednesday, January 28
 7:00 pm - Bible Classes (all ages)

Friday, January 30
 7:00 pm - Friday Bible Study Group

Sunday, February 1
 9:00 am - Bible Classes (all ages)
 10:00 am - Worship Service
 6:00 pm - Worship Service

First Baptist Church Dorchester

Wednesday, January 28
 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, February 1
 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, January 28
 7:00 pm - Adult Bible Study
 7:00 pm - Kids Church
 7:00 pm - Radiate Youth

Sunday, February 1
 10:00 am - Kids Church
 10:00 am - Morning Service

A Christian Fellowship, Luella

Wednesday, January 28
 6:30 pm - Potluck Meal
 7:00 pm - Worship Service
 7:00 pm - Jr & Sr High Youth

Sunday, February 1
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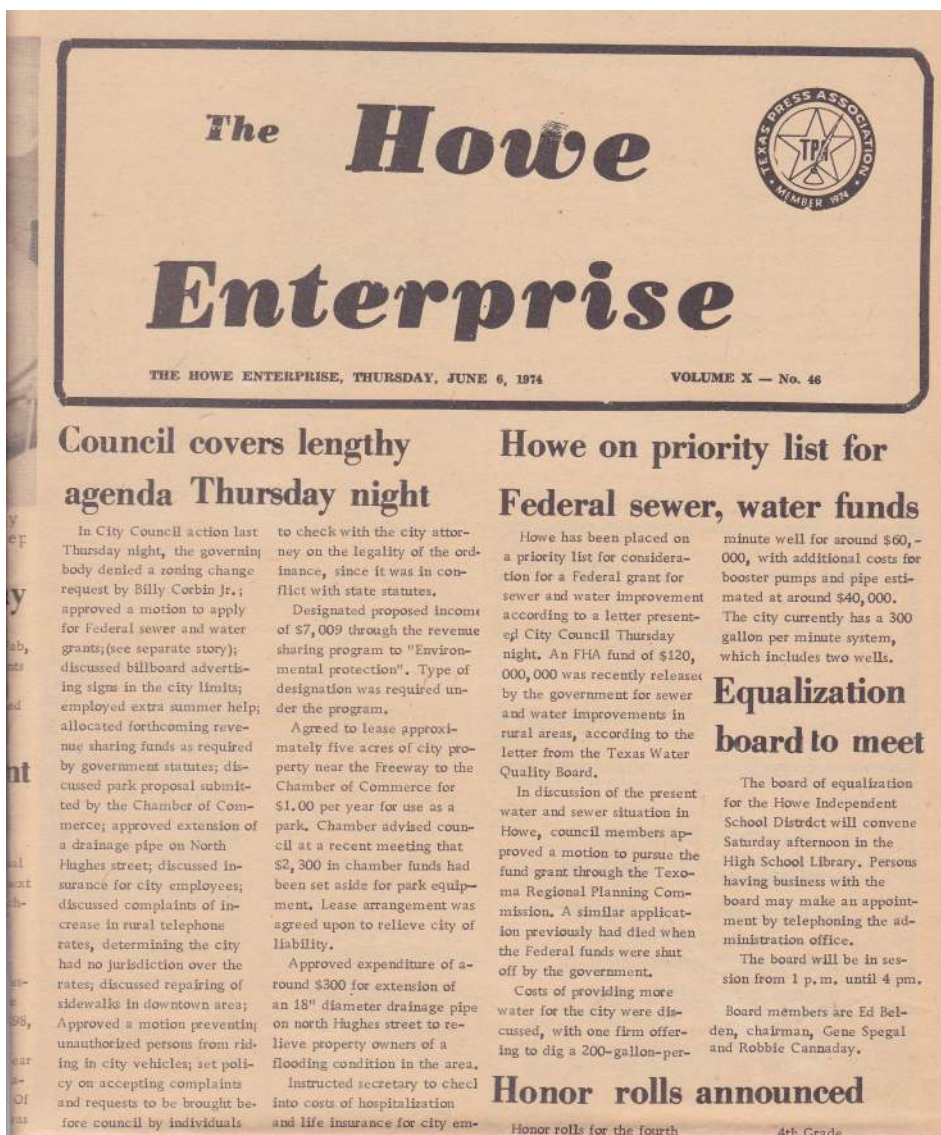
Faith

by Debbie Wallis



“Love... is not self-seeking,” 1 Corinthians 13:4-5. Macmillan Dictionary and Thesaurus defines self-seeking as the act or practice of selfishly advancing one’s own interest; selfish, greedy, not generous, cynical, self-centered, self-seeking, self-serving, inward-looking, self-absorbed, self-focus or showing an exclusive preoccupation with one’s own profit or interest; a self-seeking attitude and taking advantage of opportunities without regard for the consequences for others. Love does not insist on its own way. “Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but to the interest of others,” Philippians 2:4. A person who demands his own way is taking advantage of opportunities without thinking how it will affect others. Love is always considerate. Love is willing to forgo recognition and serve others. “He did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many,” Mark 10:45. We are to love like Jesus did considering the needs and interest of others, and denying your own desires in order to serve those in need. The Bible tells us to bear one another’s burdens and

look out for the interest of others. To find real joy and contentment in your life you must learn that love is not self-seeking. This is a critical lesson to be learned in a culture that has grown to a sense of entitlement. The idea that love isn’t self-seeking is a foreign concept to many in our society. There has been a cultural shift in the last half-century regarding relationships; parental/child, teacher/student, husband/wife, employer/employee, etc. The current view is that relationships exist nearly exclusively for the purpose to provide personal happiness. That’s self-absorbed thinking and as a parent I would be doing my child a disservice to allow that attitude to take root in my child’s life. Looking after your personal interest isn’t wrong and taking care of yourself is a good life skill. Success is great; don’t hurt others to achieve it. You can look good without making someone else look bad. Christ-like love isn’t self-focused in its motives. “Humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time He may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on Him, because He cares for you,” 1 Peter 5:6-7. God will promote you. God takes your motives, your work ethics and your talents and promotes you to where He knows you need to be in His timing. “Whatever you do, work hard with your whole heart. Work as if it’s for the Lord and not for men. Know that the Lord will promote you as your reward. You are serving the Lord,” Colossians 3:23-24. You don’t have to toot your own horn because your Father in Heaven is a proud daddy, He will brag about you. He will direct the right person to see your work. He can lay it on the hearts of bosses to promote. You are important to Him. The more you focus on Christ the



less you will focus on yourself and the easier it is to think of others before you think of yourself. You will give generously without an expectation of return. The more you trust that Jesus has your back the less likely you are to think no one does. Christ loves you and His love is not self-seeking. He has no motive other than your best interest. If you don’t have a Bible please contact me at sfdebbe@yahoo.com and I will provide you one.



FAITH

IS TAKING THE FIRST STEP EVEN WHEN YOU DON'T SEE THE WHOLE STAIRCASE.

-MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR

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Scrapbook about the accident and death of Joe Davis.

competition with two-minute drills. The idea was to see how many you could make in two-minutes.

"I put time on the clock and they'd start shooting. Colorado and Texas Tech's head coach were there with others." said Hollensed. "Joe made his first eight three-pointers. He'd rebound his ball and go anywhere on the court and turn and hit it."

Camps are huge in basketball these days, but they were just starting in the late 1980's. Hollensed remembered seeing Greg Ostertag at

a camp and he was the marvel. But Hollensed said that Davis was far superior to Ostertag athletically.

"There's no doubt in my mind that he'd have been big time." said Hollensed. "He'd have played in the NBA at some point. It was a passion for him. He could run the floor. He was big. He wasn't through growing. He was so strong and could run the floor and shoot the three. It was a shame."

The most common theme in talking about Davis off of the court was that everybody liked him. His smile was infectious and had a great sense of

humor. But what set Davis apart from others was his ability to be self-motivated.

"There's been some good players around here. But I don't think there's ever been the caliber of a player like Joe, ever, in this area." said Hollensed. "And there's been some good basketball players around here, but he was the whole package."

After Davis passed away, Baylor wore a band on their jersey for him and a mention in their program about him. Baylor also retired his jersey number 15, which is quite a tribute for a recruit that never even got to put it on. Tom Bean also retired the number 15 in their basketball program.

At 2 pm, on the Thursday after Davis' Monday night passing, the city of Tom Bean was overflowing with students, teachers, and basketball players all throughout the region. Honorary pallbearers were district opponents Jay Skipworth of Howe, Mark Towery of Pottsboro, Ryan Mask of Celina, Patrick Williams of Van Alstyne and Matt Penton of S&S.

Representing Baylor at the funeral were Head Coach Gene Iba and Anderson along with Assistant Coach Danny Kaspar. Baylor players Tim Schumacher, Joey Fatta, Dennis Lindsey and Toby Christian also were on-hand.

Hollensed actually drove up on the scene of the accident. After practice, he and his family were headed to Sherman. He learned first-hand

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Lady Bulldogs easily handle Gunter



A 21-2 Howe lead after the first period was all that the Lady Bulldogs and Coach Derek Lands needed to cruise to an easy win over the Gunter Lady Tigers.

Jordan Streetman and Madisyn Hargrove each added five points, while Kayla Anderson had four. Holly Hawkins had three and Darcy Foster and Kamryn Fulenchek each had two points.

Alissa Smith led all scorers with 18 points by shooting five of 16 from field including 2 of 6 from three-point range. Riley Harvey was right behind her with 16 points, shooting 7 of 12 from the field. Harvey also pulled down eight rebounds.

The girls moved to 21-5 on the season and sit at 8-1 in District 10-3A.

S&S Lady Rams will travel to Howe on Tuesday, Jan. 27.

Bulldogs win nail-biter, 62-61 over Gunter

With 4:11 left, Michael Kehrer hit a three-pointer to give Howe a nine point lead. However, Gunter made it interesting late by closing the gap, 62-61 which became the final.

"We did a great job of rebounding tonight." said Short. "We didn't give up a lot of offensive rebounds. We didn't have as many turnovers as we did against Pilot Point, so we're getting better."

"#24 hit two three's in a row and it was tied just like that." said head coach Tim Short. "He's a heck of a shooter."

Howe now is 17-7 on the season but more importantly 5-2 in district.

Coach Short was happy with some quite a few aspects of the game.

"We're trying to stay right there under Whitesboro and Ponder so we can have a shot at a gold ball." said Short.

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Youth baseball to use bigger barrel bats



Not to be confused with the normal big-barrel bats that are 2 3/4 size, Dixie baseball has approved the use of the mid-range big barrel of 2 5/8.

Dixie Youth Baseball, in which Howe and most surrounding communities participate in have made concessions to use bigger barrel bats such as those allowed in USSSA leagues.

However, Dixie is not allowing the full big barrel size of 2 3/4 but the medium big barrel size of 2 5/8.

Parents intending on purchasing a bigger barrel bat for this spring season, must check the label on the bat to make sure of the right size allowed.

According to the Dixie handbook for 2015, Wooden, metal, or graphite bats with either a 2 1/2 inch barrel or a 2 5/8 inch barrel diameter are required for play. Bats must meet approved bat performances standards. There are no weight to length limitations.

Aluminum/alloy barrel bats and all composite handle (only) aluminum/alloy barrels are allowed. Only composite barrel bats certified and marked BBCOR .50 will be allowed. Point of Emphasis: All bats having a composite barrel must be BBCOR .50 certified.

Scott Thurman, Howe Youth Baseball Commissioner has released the dates

of signups in Howe. The first day to sign up is on Saturday Feb. 7 at Charles R. Thompson Gymnasium at the Howe Middle School from 11 am to 2 pm. There will also be signups at the same location and times the following two Saturdays of Feb. 14 and 21.

The cost for players is \$85 and \$65 for each additional sibling. Howe Youth Baseball is also offering t-ball for ages three and four which is a co-ed program. The cost for t-ball is \$75 per player. All t-ball games will be played in Denison.

Thurman also announced that there will be a field clean-up day scheduled for Saturday, Feb 21 for those interested in getting the baseball field prepared for the season.

Sign-up dates will be available on the events page at HoweEnterprise.com. Check upcoming online and in each coming edition for more information.

The baseball board consists of Scott Thurman, Catrina Portman, Julie Riggs, Kent Akins, Laura Duree, Michael Portman, Monte Walker, Rodney Hough and Steven Hance.

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Howe ISD preparing for third annual SHAC 5K in April



2014 SHAC 5K runners hit Beatrice Street.

The Student Health and Advisory Committee will begin work in collecting donations and support for our 3rd Annual Bulldog Run (5K and Fun Run), Health Fair, and Silent Auction. If you would like to support this event feel free to contact

Ritchie Bowling at Howe Independent School District at 903-532-3228 or by e-mail at bowling.ritchie@howeisd.net. This year's event will benefit the American Heart Association.



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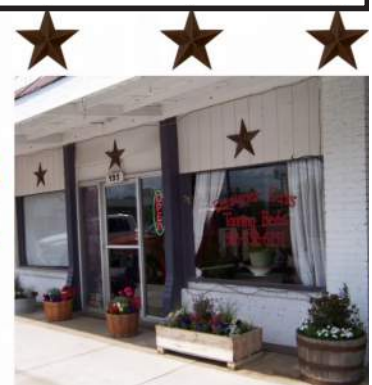


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First Grade:

Remington Barker, Noah Christman, Kyler Heilman, Zoie Kemp, Vincent Molina, Garrett Rodgers, Eli Stoner, Abigail Buttery, Gage Carr, Kelton Denham, Kylie Johnson, Ayla Jones, Riley McCollum, Amarise Morris, Aubri Pittman, Elias Roberts, Devon Wallace, Gradin Weinmann, Eisley Zolfaghari, Brandon Caballero, Lauren Catching, Shelby Gard, Jackson Moreau, Andronica Morris, Harper Park, Dillon Patterson, Kamryn Robertson, Logan Smith, Clayton Stallings, Sage Weatherly, Brody Colvin, Lysell Hawkins, Nowlin Langford, Addelyn Leakey, Aidric Smith, Zoe Thompson

Second Grade:

Kai Hudson, McKinzy McCollum, Bailey McDonough, Presley Quintero, Hunter Roberson, Emaleigh Sweeden, Triston Williams, Kasen Wilson, Allie Armstrong, Nathan Hernandez, Mia Wilson, William Fuhr,

Talan Haley, Garren Lankford, Anthony Lowder, Brynn Riley, Hunter Shaw

Third Grade:

Sandra Nitchman, Dax Foster, Kendall Griffin, Autumn Owens, Jacob Campbell, Caden Garner, Zeb Montgomery, Payton Stapleton
Fourth Grade:
 Ryan Hough, Olivia Morris, Yair Ayala, Korie Bouse, Mackenzie Bryant, Jentrie Doty, Teagan Stubblefield, Austin Haley, Audie Martin, Madison Morrow, Janna Nitchman

A-B Honor Roll:

Kindergarten:

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Third Grade:

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Fourth Grade:

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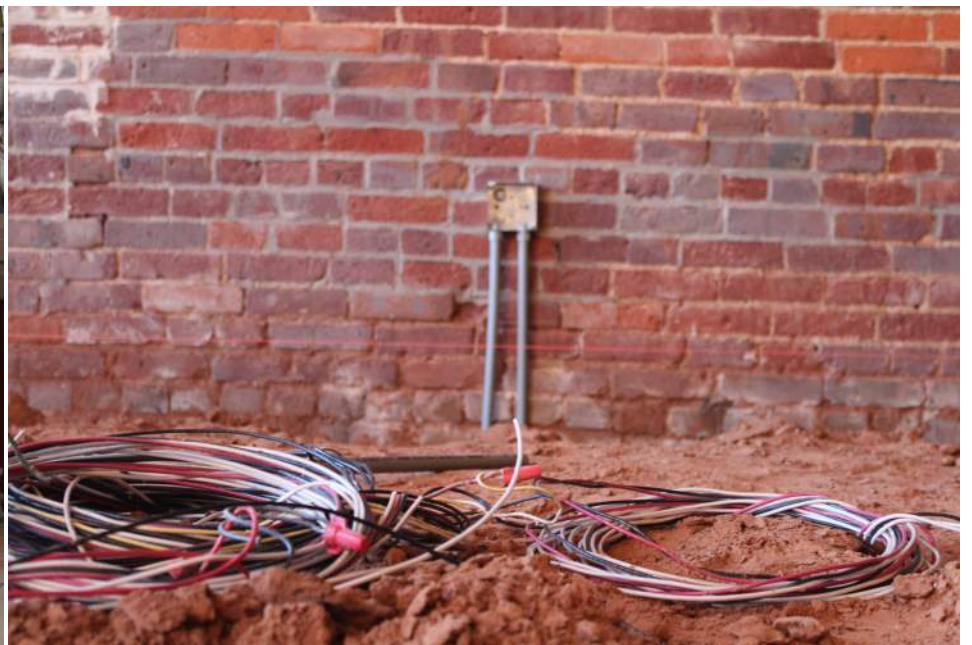
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Progress on historic Haning Street corner building



Howe's downtown is starting to have a bit of an Austin flavor with the paint. What does the 1872 stand for? 1872 was the year the city of Howe was founded. Also, Jim Jackson Electrical Services completely rewired the entire building preparing for concrete this week.

Gooseneck lights will hang on the exterior wall shining down on the mural.

Howe Development Alliance is new name for Howe's economic development program



Back in September of last year, Howe announced that they were forming an economic development sector within the city and hired Monte Walker as the Director of the Economic Development program. Since then, not only has Walker been working with Realtors and investors, but also working on a name for the organization and a logo.

Howe Development Alliance will serve as the city's economic development name and will move into the new office at 101 E. Haning St. as soon as the location is ready after construction. The name was derived with a tip of the cap to Denison's DDA (Denison Development Alliance) because of their extreme willingness to help Howe with the formation of the program.

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Howe Elementary/Middle School breakfast and lunch menu

<p>Mon - 1/26/2015</p> <p>Blueberry Muffin/sausage Cereal Cinn Toast/toast Trix w/toast Shamrock Pears Fruit Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Assorted jelly</p>	<p>Tue - 1/27/2015</p> <p>Breakfast Pizza Cocoa Puffs w/toast Honey Nut Cherrios/toast Fruit Fresh Apple Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Assorted jelly</p>	<p>Wed - 1/28/2015</p> <p>Pancake on Stick Cereal Cinn Toast/toast Trix w/toast Pineapple Fruit Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Syrup, Pancake Assorted jelly</p>	<p>Thu - 1/29/2015</p> <p>Scrambled Egg/Toast/Link Cocoa Puffs w/toast Cereal Cinn Toast/toast Peaches Fruit Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Assorted jelly</p>	<p>Fri - 1/30/2015</p> <p>Breakfast Sandwich Trix w/toast Honey Nut Cherrios/toast Fruit Fresh Fruit Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Assorted jelly</p>
<p>Mon - 1/26/2015</p> <p>Cheeseburger Hamburger Chicken Sandwich Lett-Tom-Pickle-Onion Ranch Beans Tater Tots Shamrock Pears Fruit Chocolate Pudding Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Mustard, pc Salad Dressing-PC Ketchup</p>	<p>Tue - 1/27/2015</p> <p>Beef Fingers Oven Roast Chicken w/WG Roll Mashed Potatoes Country Gravy Green Beans Fresh Apple Fruit Wheat Roll Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Ketchup Bar B Q Sauce Honey, PC</p>	<p>Wed - 1/28/2015</p> <p>Beef Taco Crispy Red Chili Burrito Taco Fixins Refried Beans Tortilla Soup Spanish Rice Pineapple Fruit Gelatin Jewels Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Picante</p>	<p>Thu - 1/29/2015</p> <p>Brd Mozzarella Chs Stick Chili dog Glazed Carrots Steamed Corn Peaches Fruit Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Ranch Dressing</p>	<p>Fri - 1/30/2015</p> <p>Pepperoni Pizza Chicken Spaghetti/brd st Garden Salad Carrot Sticks Fruit Fresh Fruit Slushie Milk, choc. Milk, Strawberry FF Milk, White 1% Ranch Dressing</p>

Howe High School breakfast and lunch menu

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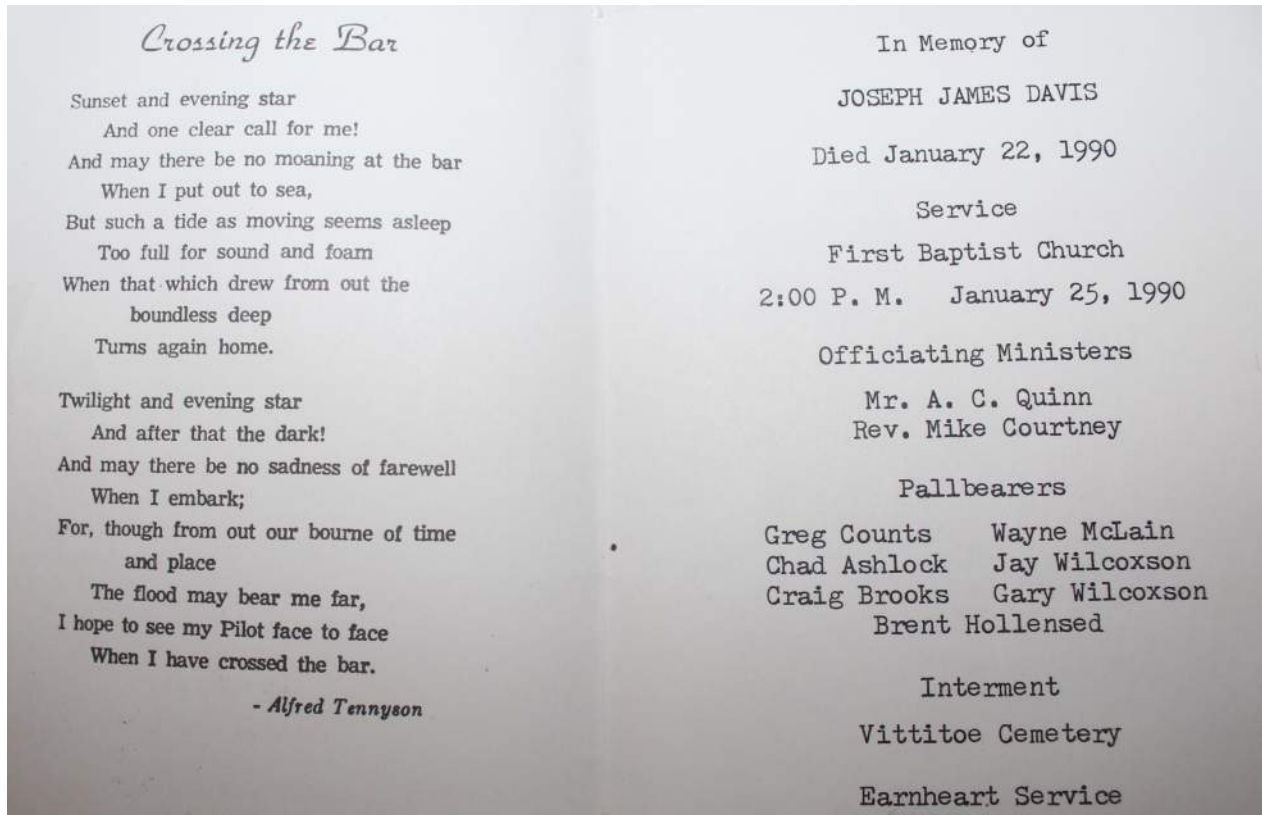
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individuals formed a team that beat Krum in the second game of the season. Krum eventually went on to win the state championship in Class 2A that year. But most people involved with that team are pretty confident that things would've been different had Davis been able to avoid Highway 11.

Baylor Head Coach Gene Iba said in 1990, "It goes without saying Joe was as good a player as we've recruited. It's devastating. When you recruit players, you really get to know them. He was a fine person."

Davis' size 15 shoes awaited him in his locker the next day as if nothing had happened and awaited to be laced back up. The community of Tom Bean was rattled and shook and left with a blank stare and a creek bed of tears.

of what had happened. The accident had taken place 15 minutes or so before he arrived.

With the unusual circumstances of the star player's passing during the season, it left the team to move on in an emotional wreck. The Tomcats were a very talented team even without Davis, but he was their anchor and the team just wasn't the same. Tom Bean not only lost Davis, but also lost McLain for the rest of the season with injuries.

The immediate game with Van Alstyne was postponed and the Tomcats were clinging to a 21-3 record and a 5-0 record in District 11-2A.

Hollensed gave the team the option of abandoning the season or finishing without Davis. Teammate Chad Ashlock firmly said, "It's understood. We're going to play."

"It was a grind." said Hollensed. "We ended up winning the district. We had a band on our jersey and we put his jersey on the bench next to me. Adam Ball stepped in to take McLain's

place and we wound up playing Caddo Mills and they tipped one in at the buzzer to win at McKinney High School.

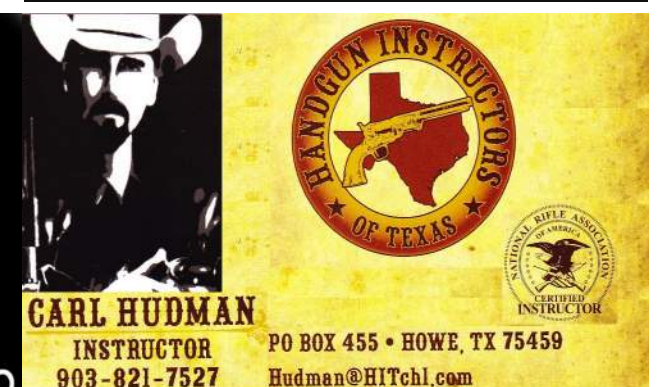
The players of the 1989-'90 Tom Bean Tomcats couldn't have a sense of closure until the season was finally over. Everyday in practice and especially every Tuesday and Friday night, they had to relive the death of their friend. Only after the season was over could they move on work on getting on with their lives.

"After the final game, there were a few tears and I told them that we've got to move on." said Hollensed. "I told them that I loved them and that things were going to be alright. That's all I could say. That feeling in that locker-room, I'll never forget."

Davis' teammates on the 1989-'90 Tomcats were McLain, Ashlock, Craig Brooks, Chad Anderson, Brad Low, Kris Hensley, Ball, Mark Morgan, Barry Cox, Jay Wilcoxson, Shane Pennell, Micahel Cooper, David Bryan, Charles Skipworth, and Chris Hall. Those

Joe Davis' gravesite at Vittitoe Cemetery in the Kentuckytown community, just a few miles from the home he grew up in, is in what will become the Davis family's final resting place. In the years since the death of Davis, the county road in which he grew up on has been renamed to Joe Davis Road in his honor.

They say that a light that shines twice as bright only lasts half as long. That is true in the case of Joe Davis. Every mom and dad dreams of having an All-American type of boy with an infectious smile.





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Howe's that...

GRAYSON COUNTY has lost another young person. Joe Davis, 17, of Tom Bean, died late Monday, Jan. 22, of injuries sustained in a car wreck. This tragedy comes just two weeks after the death of another teenager, Monty Monk, who was a senior at Van Alstyne High School. And in recent months Pottsboro and Sherman have each suffered the loss of a student through car accidents.

Davis was a star athlete on the state-ranked Tom Bean basketball team and he had received a scholarship to play basketball at Baylor. Now his young life has been snuffed out and we all share in the loss. We think of all the things he could have accomplished with his life. And now he is gone.

The whole community and school of Tom Bean are mourning this loss. And because of a community feeling between all the schools of Grayson County, we in Howe mourn too - just as we did two weeks ago when Van Alstyne suffered a similar loss.

At times like this we may rail at the fact that life is not fair to take one so full of potential, one so young with so many possibilities for the future. And yet, we know that life is not fair. Accidents happen and unfortunately, people die, sometimes very young people.

Those of us who are left to mourn must not dwell in the past and in what might have been. Instead, we have to go on with our lives, not forgetting the loss of those we love, but doing the best we can with our lives and with our potential - and remembering how fragile and precious life is. Tell those you love how much you care for them. Help others when you can. And don't take one moment of your life for granted! We never know when will come our turn to die.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

BIKE RALLY, Howe, Texas, May 5, 1990. 100K-65K-35K routes. Cost: \$10. Write Howe Community Library, PO Box 960, Howe, TX 75059 or call 214-532-5519.

CHILI SUPPER - Howe Fire Dept. will hold their annual Chili Supper on Saturday, Feb. 17, at the Fire Station. Tickets for supper and raffle will go on sale next week.

LIONS CLUB - Tom Thumb-Page Party Fare fund-raising dinner will be held Tuesday, Feb. 13, at 7 p.m. at the school cafeteria. Tickets are \$5.00 each, on sale from Lions Club members.

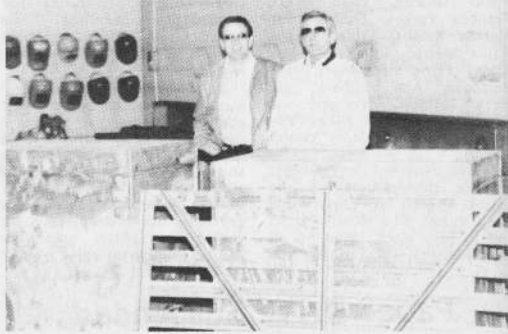
AG BOOSTERS will meet Monday, Feb. 5, at 7:30 p.m. in Ag Classroom.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will meet Monday, Feb. 5, 7 p.m. at Flesher's community room. Work session on banquet and Founders' Day. Everyone welcome to attend.

HOWE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Annual Banquet, Monday, April 2, 7 p.m., school cafeteria.

Due to a staff development meeting for all teachers, Howe students will be dismissed early on Friday, Jan. 19, and Friday, Jan. 26.

Elementary school at 1:15 p.m. Middle school at 1:20 p.m. High school at 1:25 p.m.



DONATIONS FROM MAGNI FAB SOUTHWEST - The Howe Ag Dept. has received donations of materials and supplies from Magni Fab. Shown here are, left to right, Bill Large and Jim Bearden of Magni Fab, with metal pieces and show boxes.

Magni Fab Donates Materials To Howe Ag Dept.

Supplies and materials donated to the Howe Ag Dept. by Magni Fab Southwest have greatly benefitted Howe ag students, according to Shy Riggins, ag teacher.

Jim Bearden, vice president of Magni Fab Southwest of Howe, has generously donated both new and used metal fabricating materials and supplies, Riggins said.

The Agriculture Mechanics classes received materials to make aluminum panels for the ag students to use at livestock shows. The Ag Mechanics class members welded the materials together to make the panels.

New work and welding tables were furnished by Magni Fab Southwest and the Ag Mechanics students welded these together as a class project.

Also Bill Large of Magni Fab Southwest fabricated aluminum show boxes for the students to use at livestock shows.

Riggins added, "Our agriculture department is very grateful for the materials and supplies we receive from Magni Fab. We want to express our thanks to Mr. Bearden, Mr. Large, and all of those who work for Magni Fab for their help."

It's Closer Than You Think

Arbor Creek Hospital Opens With Quality Professional Help For Texoma

Just a short of a year since breaking ground, Arbor Creek Hospital has opened a state-of-the-art facility in Sherman for the treatment of adults, children, adolescents and families with emotional, adjustment or addiction problems. More significantly, the presence of this comprehensive treatment center has attracted a number of experienced, skilled mental health professionals to our communities.

"In the past, local inpatient and outpatient services have been limited. Many people were forced to seek professional treatment outside the community in Dallas or Oklahoma City," explains Medical Director David Baker, M.D.

Dr. Baker adds, "Thankfully, that will no longer be necessary."

He also expressed pleasure at the caliber of professional staff who have chosen to join the hospital. "A number of excellent physicians and therapists from Texas and beyond have eagerly accepted this opportunity to move into our small, traditional communities. The Sherman-Denison area is a wonderful place to live and raise a family. Even our own psychiatric professionals, like residents seeking care, had to drive into the Dallas area to work. No more."

The influx of professional talent to the hospital and the community has made a significant impact already in services to schools, service organizations and business. Arbor Creek has sponsored a number of community and professional education programs, supported local civic groups and provided inservice training to countless schools and businesses.

According to David Brockett, Administrator of Arbor Creek Hospital, community education is one of the hospital's missions. "Emotional and adjustment problems, including alcohol and drug dependencies, effect one person in four. That's a lot of suffering, not just for the one person in four, but that person's entire family. Much of it is unnecessary pain, because treatment can be so effective.

"Our primary role here is to provide those effective treat-

ment programs. But a secondary mission," Brockett continues, "is to make the community aware that today's mental health care can literally change their lives. Even healthy families can face a temporary crisis or difficulty that short-term outpatient counseling can resolve. And as everyone knows, good health is not a constant in life.

"If Arbor Creek can get one message across, I'd like it to be that good mental health, like good physical health, is something to value and care for. When emotional pain signals a problem, seek out a specialist the same way you would for pain in any other part of your body," Brockett adds.

Arbor Creek, in fact, operates a referral system for mental health professionals just as other types of hospitals provide physician referral services free of charge. By calling the hospital number 214-868-3600 or their toll-free Wats line 800-359-1452, you are put in touch with a trained psychiatric professional almost immediately - anytime of day or night. An intervention specialist will actually meet with the individual or family, free of charge, to help match them with the right therapist or counselor.

The new hospital facility itself is located near the intersection of Lamberth Rd. and U.S. 75 in Sherman. In addition to 60 inpatient beds for adults, adolescents and children, the hospital has recreational and gymnasium facilities, an on-campus school, therapy and group rooms, and an exciting new experimental therapy course -- The Challenge Course.

"People learn in different ways. Traditional individual and group therapies are usually very productive, but some people only learn by doing. That is the premise of experimental therapy," explains Dr. Baker. "By deliberately creating physical challenges and encouraging people to face and conquer their fear, we teach them how to meet and conquer the

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Council Denys Zone Change

On Thursday, Jan. 18, the Howe City Council voted to deny a re-zoning request from R.O. McWain to change from residential to a commercial (C-3) designation property located on Denney Street, south of Howe State Bank.

The Planning & Zoning Board had unanimously voted to deny the change and recommended that the council also deny the change. Councilmembers Marion Allison and Buddy Baker voted to go along the P&Z recommendation; Billy Joe Wheeler cast a dissenting vote on the motion.

Mr. McWain noted that the building on the property (the old Kirby Oil Building) is a station, not a house and is equipped to be a service station, auto repair place.

Allison stated that he was a member of the P&Z Board in 1983 when the property reverted back to residential. He said that the P&Z sent out letters to all property owners where the property was not being used as zoned to let them know that the property would revert to residential. (At that time there was no business in operation on the property owned now by McWain.) No one appeared at the P&Z meetings or wrote to protest the change.

(The 1983 zoning changes were part of a long process of updating the city's zoning and the P&Z Board worked hard to make sure all property was listed as it was being used. Public notices were published and the legal steps were followed by the board and the

the repair or wait and pay a lot more to Sherman in a few years or to see what other options might be available. Once the mayor and city staff have some figures and

information, a town meeting will be set.

Following an executive (closed) session, council voted to draw up police job descriptions.

Tom Bean Basketball Star Killed In Accident

Joe Davis, 18-year-old senior at Tom Bean High School, died of internal injuries sustained in a head-on collision on Hwy. 11 near Luella between 6:15 and 6:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 22.

A star basketball player with the fifth-ranked Tom Bean Tom Cats and a Baylor University recruit, Davis was pinned in his automobile for about an hour. He was taken to Wilson N. Jones Hospital where he died at 11:44 p.m.

Davis was driving his 1989 Dodge west, going to Sherman with teammate Brent McLain following basketball practice to visit McLain's mother who is in

the hospital. According to police reports, Davis swerved into the eastbound lane and collided head-on with a 1979 Ford truck occupied by Thomas E. Sanderson, 63, and Delores Sanderson, 67, both of White-wright.

Neither vehicle was speeding. Davis and McLain were both wearing seat belts, but the Sandersons were not. Police have not determined why Davis swerved into the Sandersons' lane. Alcohol is not suspected as a cause of the accident.

All four people sustained extensive injuries. McLain was

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TU Electric Files For Rate Increase

TU Electric has filed a request with the Public Utility Commission of Texas and its municipal regulators for a 10.2% increase in rates, which would raise the company's annual revenues by \$442 million.

This increase, which is not expected to go into effect

costs, plus other efficiency and productivity improvements have allowed the company to absorb customer growth and inflation without requesting an increase in rates until now.

TU Electric has maintained a high level of service reliability while instituting strict cost

city to update the zoning

In other action, the council *Voted to cancel an agreement with the Howe Masonic Lodge concerning the renting of the lodge building. (The building is still for rent for family gatherings, etc. For more information contact Jack Turner, Jerry Stephens, or Knox Cook.)

*Read police report for Dec. 28-Jan. 18: 3 arrests, 71 tickets written, 18 warnings, 8 complaints, 9 motorist assists, 7 police dept. assists, 3 open doors/alarms, 4 disturbances, 3 cattle on roadway, 1 burglary, 1 accident, 1 prowler call, 1 theft report, 1 vandalism. Miles per 24 hour patrol averaged 149.

*Read municipal court report for December, 1989: 27 traffic violations, 1 class "B" case filed, 1 city ordinance violation, 13 trials, 2 defensive driving granted, 4 warrants issued. Traffic fines paid: to the city, \$1,137.55; to the state, \$260.50; total, \$1,398.05.

*Voted to approve a resolution authorizing the Steering Committee of TU Electric Service Area Cities to retain legal council and rate case consultants.

*Voted a resolution to suspend the TU Electric rate increase.

*Voted to authorize a one-time advance payment of 10 cents per capita to help pay for the fight against the TU Electric rate increase.

Also Mayor Ray Bledsoe asked council what they want to do concerning the needed manhole and sewer repair. Howe and Sherman agreed on a 5-year plan to raise the sewer rates paid by Howe, 20% each year, to allow time for the infiltration problems to be corrected.

Bledsoe noted that since the city has been unable to obtain grant money, the city needs to find some way to do the repair. Howe is now in the second year of the 5-year agreement. Due to the infiltration, Howe is "paying Sherman for treating rainwater." (City Administrator Eric Kuykendall estimated that due to the heavy rainfall last week, over one million gallons of water went through the sewers on Thursday alone.)

Council members suggested holding a town meeting to get some input from the citizens of Howe as to whether they wish to pay an extra amount on their sewer bills now to go toward

rates since 1984.

"We are requesting the minimum amount needed to restore the financial integrity that would allow us to continue providing reliable and competitively priced electricity," said Erle Nye, Chairman and Chief Executive of TU Electric. "Our present rate levels will not allow us to continue to attract capital necessary to maintain, improve and expand our services when our customers need them."

TU Electric's residential rates are sixth lowest among the 25 largest cities in the United States, and after the 10.2% increase they would remain below the national average, Nye said.

By taking advantage of declining fuel costs, TU Electric has been able to lower its rates since 1984. The 10.2% increase requested will only bring rates back to about their 1984 level. The percentage of the proposed increase is about half as much as the rate of inflation in the Dallas/Fort Worth area for the same period.

TU Electric's dedication to cost control, productivity and efficiency has brought about estimated savings of about \$80 million dollars since 1984, Nye said. The company is serving 480,000 additional customers with the same number of employees it had at the beginning of 1982. A corporate reorganization in 1984, which significantly reduced operating

company can no longer continue to provide the same level of service to its customers without a rate increase, he said.

The increase will recover costs in connection with the operation of Unit 1 of the Comanche Peak Nuclear Plant. The 1,150,000-kilowatt generating unit is expected to be providing service needed by TU Electric customers in the summer peak season of 1990. Comanche Peak Unit 2 is expected to begin operation in 1992.

Nye said that Comanche Peak is needed to assure continued reliable service. When customers set a record peak demand for electricity in the summer of 1988, the company had a reserve generating margin of only about 15%. Without short-term power purchased from outside suppliers, the reserve margin would have been about 10% which is far below the level needed to assure service reliability.

Comanche Peak will also provide additional fuel diversity to the mix of lignite and natural gas that TU Electric now used to generate electricity. In addition, the plant will generate electricity with a stable supply of fuel that is considerably less expensive than natural gas.

TU Electric serves more than 5 million people, about one-third of the state's population, in 87 counties in North Central, West and East Texas.

Cookbook

The Howe Chamber of Commerce is still working to publish a cookbook containing historical information about Howe as well as favorite family recipes and family histories.

Over 100 recipes and approximately 50 family histories or stories have been received. The deadline for recipes and/or histories has been changed March 15, 1990. If you would like to submit information, send it to Howe Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 250, Howe, TX 75059. If you have a question, call Lana Rideout at 532-6012 (days) or

532-6476. Or you may contact Linda Wall at 532-5575 or 532-5323; or Karen Krantz at 532-6042.

The chamber plans to have the book ready to sell in time for Founders' Day, May 5. Watch for more information on pre-publication orders.

All Howe residents and former residents are encouraged to send a recipe and a brief family history. Also if you have historical information concerning the communities of Howe, Dorchester, or Farmington, we would appreciate receiving it.