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Pipe break interrupts water supply

Residents who arose from bed early Christmas morning, to see what Santa Claus had brought, likely had to wait a while before they could make their morning coffee.

Two separate breaks in water lines caused water service to most of the city to be shut off, while water department workers repaired them.

Because of the areas where the breaks occurred, most of the entire water delivery system had to be shut down.

Water began flowing through the lines, however, shortly after 6 a.m.

Administrator Mike Price said the subsoil is so dry it is beginning to constrict, causing fractures in the water lines.

Some other breaks have since been detected in other areas, including one on Wall directly in front of city hall, and workers are already scheduling repairs on them.

Ham winner named

Gay Muse likely enjoyed ham for Christmas.

The ham was given by Burditt's Truck, Trailer and Auto Repair, as part of the free ham drawings promotion coordinated by the Chamber of Commerce, and not reported in time to be included in the original report.

News Briefs

Chamber banquet date nears

Residents have only slightly more than a week in which to purchase their tickets for the biggest local social event of the year, the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet.

The tickets, at \$10 each, are available at the Chamber office, Parkway True Value, Hughes Pharmacy, and the Iowa Park Leader.

The banquet will be held Satur-

day, Jan. 8, in the Iowa Park High School cafeteria.

Highlights will be the announcements of residents being recognized for contributions to the community, installation of new Chamber officers, guest speaker Justice of the Peace Janice Sons, and the usual outstanding meal prepared by the Iowa Park Mule-Skinners.

Junior high hours are changed

Iowa Park Junior High School will have a new schedule beginning Monday, Jan. 3, according to Principal Randy Lovelady.

Classes will start at 8:05 a.m., instead of 8:00, and end at 3:10 p.m., instead of 3:00.

City picking up Christmas trees

City crews are continuing to pick up Christmas trees being discarded, if the owners call city hall and tell them where the trees were left.

Administrator Mike Price said the city usually continues the annual project until mid-January, because so many

Friendly Door launches fund drive

The board of directors of The Friendly Door this week launched a fund-raising drive to assist in construction of a new building.

The new hours will continue to be in effect every school day.

"Several parents have spoken to me concerning the starting time of school and hopefully this will relieve some of the problems we had starting at 8:00," Lovelady explained.

people don't take their decorations off until after New Year's.

Residents should call city hall, at 592-2131, and tell the clerk that the discarded tree has been left either at the curb in front of the house, or in the alley, and giving the clerk the address.

Land for the building already has been provided, on a long-term lease basis, and is located on the north side of the Recreational Activities Center.



TWO-VEHICLE COLLISION Monday afternoon resulted in Pamela Moss, 35, being transported by ambulance to a Wichita Falls hospital. Moss, who's address is 4957 FM 258, was westbound on that highway when she was struck broadside at the FM 368 intersection by a pickup driven by Horace Kelly, 62, of Salado, who was southbound and failed to observe the stop sign.

Christmas present becomes problem

A young boy who lives in Garden Valley didn't have very long to enjoy one of his Christmas presents.

His father destroyed it Dec. 26. A resident in the area called police Sunday and reported that two children, a boy and girl, who had been playing in the park on Valley Drive had been hit by BB shot, fired by a boy in the area.

Police responded, and found the youth with the gun. Explaining to him, and his father, that it was against a city ordinance to fire a gun of any kind within the city, and more especially at someone, was enough to convince the father that his son didn't need the gun.

Police said the father "dismantled" it immediately.

Neither of the children who had been hit was seriously injured.

Two reports of criminal mischief were received within the same hour Wednesday morning of last week, and

from adjoining blocks on South Texowa.

One reported hose on a water truck had been cut in several places, and the other related to a window on a backhoe cab being broken out. They were in the 1100 and 1200 blocks of South Texowa, respectively.

Another criminal mischief complaint was filed at another area in the south part of town, on Thursday.

A resident in the 700 block of South Colorado reported wires on outdoor Christmas lights having been cut.

Police received two unrelated theft complaints Friday.

The operator of a video store in the 900 block of West Highway said a video tape that had been turned in was missing. He suspected it was taken by one of several youths in the business at the time, but the tape was not found and no charges were filed.

The other report was filed by the mother of a male junior high student, who said the youth had put a 14-inch gold necklace and a school ring in the coaches' desk drawer on Dec. 10, and they were missing.

They were valued at \$70.

A resident in the 1100 block of Comelia told police her son had taken a complete book of personal checks, and had cashed several at businesses here and in Wichita Falls.

She filed a formal complaint for theft and forgery.

When James Randel Brookshire, 39, showed up in municipal court Monday, he reportedly refused to pay the fines on either of two traffic warrants that had been issued against him.

Municipal Judge Dan Thompkins signed a commitment document against Brookshire, and he was then transported to the county jail.

1993 was year of growth, change, improvements

Growth, improvement, change and accomplishments were the major stories concerning Iowa Park during 1993.

Most of the growth concerned new housing in the community, as well as expansion of the city limits to make room for the new homes. The anticipated influx of new families was based on the closing of two Air Force bases, sending those families to Sheppard AFB, construction of the new state prison on FM 369, expansion at Cryovac, and various other families moving into the area.

With virtually no available rental housing, sale of available houses began early in the year, and construction of new homes began, causing the building permit total for the year to exceed the \$2-million mark by mid-November. One new housing area is in the process of being annexed into the city, and another is being proposed, both of which are north of US 287, and a third is under construction at the corner of Magnolia and Third Street.

Improvements were primarily those of the city's, where water and sewer improvements continue to be ongoing projects. Bids are being sought for construction of a third elevated water tower, larger sewer lines are being installed, and general beautification projects, primarily those of the newly-created parks department, are ongoing. The three-block median of West Park had a new lighting system installed, using natural gas to replace electricity, and the street was extended through the Park West Shopping Center parking lot, to Pacific Street. In addition, a completely volunteer effort, "Iowa Park Clean & Green," was organized with the intent to improve the appearance of the community.

Change, primarily in the business sector, included the closing of the TU Electric office building on West Park, and being replaced by the community's third bank, when Parker Square Bank in Wichita Falls opened a branch there. The long-vacant area in the 100 block of West Park was filled with a new office and greenhouse of Southern Gardens and X-Pert Weed Control. The community's skyline is in the process of changing at the turn of the year, with another expansion of the Cryovac plant. And two full-service gas stations closed within a month, leaving only two such stations remaining open.

Finally, most of the accomplishments were reports concerning the schools, where student grades continued to improve, athletic teams (the baseball team made it all the way to the state tournament for the first time since the 1970s) excelled, and the Hawk Band continued to be one of the more outstanding such programs in this part of the country.

A brief review of 1993 follows.

JANUARY

Recognized at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet were: Sheri Kennedy, Outstanding Citizen of the Year; Virgil Woodfin, Outstanding Senior Citizen; Gene Jordan, Outstanding Agriculturist; Dorothy Palmer, Outstanding Educator, and Entex Fabrication Inc., Outstanding Business. During the same event, Larry Dutton was installed as Chamber president, Kathy Riggins first vice president and Glen McGee second vice president. The school board extended Supt. Glen Mitchell's contract an extra year. Police recovered several electronic items taken two weeks earlier during a burglary of Jim's Conoco. During the annual banquet of the Iowa Park Volunteer Fire Dept., Archie Layfield received the "Fireman of the Year" award and Lewis Skinner the "Special Service" award; Layfield was installed as president, Lee Uhren vice president, Lewis Skinner secretary/treasurer, and Danny Skinner and Charles Wright were retained as

chief and assistant chief, respectively. Rev. Phil McLarty, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, observed his childhood friend, Bill Clinton, become the nation's 42nd president. By a 3-2 split vote, the city council approved installation of natural gas lights for the median of West Park. TU Electric filed a request for an average 15.3 percent rate increase. Iowa Park athletes placed fourth in their own powerlifting meet.

FEBRUARY

The Lady Hawk varsity basketball team finished the season with a 20-13 season record, but failed to qualify for the state playoffs. The Seventh Grade boys' basketball team completed its 14-game season undefeated. Local Camp Fire members sold 2,441 boxes of candy during their annual fund-raising campaign. Lake Buffalo overflowed for the first time since its construction, following weeks of heavy rains. City Administrator Gary Jones accepted a similar position with the city of Seymour; Mike Price was elevated from director of public works to succeed him, and David Collins filled Price's vacancy.

MARCH

Iowa Park Recreational Activities Center announced an outreach program to assist elementary students in need of assistance in the areas of homework and/or peer relations. IPHS athletes earned the coveted All-Sports Participation Trophy during the annual Golden Gloves Boxing Tournament in Wichita Falls. Iowa Park's Susan Esley was reunited with her long-lost sisters, half sister and brother. Construction was begun in the 100 block of West Park on Iowa Park's newest business building, which would be occupied by X-Pert Weed Control and Southern Gardens. Former administrator Gary Jones won his appeal for two weeks salary, after arguing he was unjustly terminated after giving his two-week notice that he had accepted the position in Seymour. A total of 233 entries were judged during the annual Iowa Park FFA and 4-H Project Show. The city was notified its application for a grant from the Government Services Administration, in the amount of \$87,000 to upgrade the sewer line on Texowa, had been approved.

APRIL

The first storm of spring sent some 2,000 athletes and fans attending the local junior high's track meet in Hawk Stadium scattering midway through the meet, as almost two inches of rain flooded the field and wind gusts estimated at 70 mph blew over a light tower and damaged two others. The city council voted to lower the emergency spillway at Lake Buffalo, fearing potential damage to the dam might be caused by the lake's sustained high level. The community's annual Clean Up Week project, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, was again termed a "huge success." Joe Voyles purchased Jimmy's Barber Shop on West Park. More than 100 motorcycles showed up for the fifth annual Red River Harley Davidson April Fool Run, which benefits The Friendly Door. Senior Jason Young placed second in his weight division of the state powerlifting contest. Work crews began clearing trees in the right of way, as a contractor began rebuilding Washington Street. The newly-installed gas street lights on Park West were lit. The Lady Hawk track team placed second in the Dist. 4-AAA meet, qualifying six contestants for the regional meet. Iowa Park police solved a "smash and grab" burglary case at a local grocery store with the arrest of two young men. For the 10th consecutive year, the Hawk Band of Iowa Park High School earned the coveted Sweepstakes Award. Dorothy Palmer, Anita McShan and Becky Lovelady were awarded Texas Life Memberships during the district

Parent-Teacher Association conference held here. City council incumbents Mark Raby, Virgil Woodfin and Bob Hamilton were re-elected, as were school trustee incumbents Randy Catlin and Keith Fisher.

MAY

Local residents interested in beautifying the community, later adopting the title of "Iowa Park Clean & Green," heard a talk by Burk Burnett beautification project co-chairman Mary Lou Wolf, on how the community can participate in the Keep Texas Beautiful contest. School trustees placed 33 local teachers on Career Ladder Level Three and 36 on Level Two. Alert action of two men led to the arrest of two other men on charges of theft over \$750, during an early-morning burglary. Cody Cole and Tess Goodwin were named Iowa Park High School valedictorian and salutatorian, respectively. IPHS graduating seniors were named recipients of 23 college scholarships. Local Girl Scout members established a new local record by selling 5,532 boxes of cookies during their annual fund-raising project. Under first-year head coach David Fuhrman, the Hawk baseball team finished district play as runner-up to Graham and advanced into the state playoffs. The city council agreed to assist developers Tommy Key and Tommy Hammond in the initial paving and installation of sewer and water of an 88-acre housing development in the north side of town. Eighth Grade valedictorian was Alora Foster, and Lori Wiggins the salutatorian.

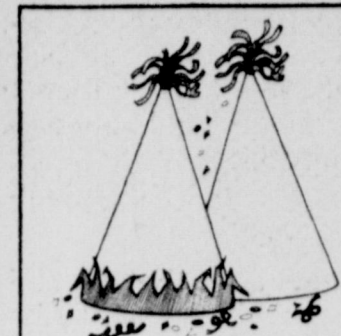
JUNE

Mickey Boulware bought Harveys, the West Highway business his late father Everett had initially built and operated, from Mrs. Frank Guyette. Time virtually stood still at Iowa Park High, after all the clocks in the halls were stolen, along with some fire extinguishers. School trustees advanced 13 more teachers on the Career Ladder, and accepted seven resignations. Republican Kay Bailey Hutchinson defeated Democrat Bob Krueger for the Senate seat, in local, county and state boxes. Earl Bennett, Jeff Brookshire and Connie Patterson were the three winners in the third annual All-Iowa Park Golf Tournament, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. After defeating Denver City 7-6, Abilene Wylie 9-7, Canyon 7-6 and Graham -- the team that had beaten the Hawks three times during the season -- 5-2, the Hawks made it back to the state baseball tournament for the first time in 18 years, but lost 7-0 to the eventual champion, Bellville in the semi-final game. The city council accepted a re-plat of land at Magnolia and Third, where developer Bill Swan plans a new housing development. Iowa Park High's Jazz Band competing in the UIL contest at San Marcos was selected the "Outstanding Medium Ensemble." The annual Oil Bowl in Wichita Falls had an Iowa Park flavor, in that two coaches, Tommy Watkins and James Ivy, formerly coached here, and the Texas kicker was Phillip Dawson, son of former Hawk quarterback Robert Dawson and grandson of now-retired IPHS principal Bob Dawson. Thirty-six Iowa Park seventh and eighth grade students, accompanied by eight adults, made a trip to Washington, D.C. Aldermen voted to hire Belvin Lytle to replace David Collins, who resigned to move elsewhere, as public works director.

JULY

Iowa Park Evening Lions Club named Lem Tate as its "Lion of the Year" member; new officers include Harvey Troutman, president; Joe Lynn Strickland, Gordon Callahan and Gordon Griffith, vice presidents; Milton McWhorter, secretary; Virgil Woodfin, treasurer; Claude Johnson, Lion tamer, and Sam

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1993 RECIPE REVIEW

As has become our custom, in this final 1993 edition of the *Leader* we are featuring a sampling of the many good cooks who have shared their recipes with our readers during the year.

Herb Rolls

1/2 cup butter or margarine, softened
1 1/2 tsp. parsley flakes
1/2 tsp. dill weed
1 Tbsp. onion flakes
2 cans biscuits
2 Tbsps. Parmesan cheese

Butter bundt pan. Mix all ingredients together and dip biscuits individually in the mixture. Stand biscuits up side by side around the bundt pan. Bake at 425 degrees 12 to 15 minutes.

This will be a break-apart bread-delicious to serve with baked fish.

Mrs. Wayne Snyder

Breakfast Squares

1 cup flour
1 cup oatmeal
2/3 cup brown sugar
1/4 tsp. baking soda

Mix above ingredients and cut in 1 stick oleo. Reserve 2/3 cup of mix. Pack remainder in a greased 9x9" pan. Spread 10-12 oz. jar of your favorite fruit preserves, and sprinkle reserved mixture on top. Bake 30 minutes at 350 degrees.

Eddie Cockburn

Frito Salad

2 lbs. ground chuck
1 or 2 onions, chopped
1 can green chiles, chopped
1 can ranch style beans
1 bag Fritos corn chips
1 large jar picante sauce
1 pkg. sharp Cheddar cheese
1 can black olives
1 head lettuce, chopped
3 or 4 tomatoes, diced

Brown the meat with onions; drain well. Add ranch style beans, green chiles and picante sauce and simmer 5 minutes.

In large bowl, combine Fritos, lettuce, tomatoes, cheese and olives. Add meat mixture and serve.

Mrs. Ray Smock

Chicken Quesadillas

6 skinned, boned and sliced chicken breasts
1 bottle Claude's fajita seasoning

Marinate chicken as directed on bottle. Saute chicken in hot oil until done - or grill. Keep warm.

3 bell peppers, sliced
2 medium onions, sliced

Saute peppers and onions until tender. Drain and keep warm.

12 large flour tortillas
1 lb. Monterey Jack cheese, grated

On 1/2 of tortilla arrange a few slices of chicken, peppers and onions. Top with shredded cheese and fold over. Place on nonstick griddle or skillet. Toast on both sides until lightly browned and cheese is melted. Cut into pie-shaped wedges and serve with sour cream, guacamole, olives, and pico de gallo.

Mrs. Ray Dillard

Swiss Cheese Chicken

6-8 skinned chicken breasts
6-8 slices Swiss cheese
2 cans cream of mushroom soup or cream of chicken soup
1/2 cup milk
1 pkg. Pepperidge Farm stuffing mix
1 stick melted butter

Place chicken breasts in a greased 9x13 casserole and place cheese slices on top of chicken. Mix soup and milk and pour over top. Place package of dressing over all and drizzle with melted butter. Bake 1 hour in 350 degree oven.

Mrs. John Clubb

Oriental Pepper Steak

2 Tbsps. oil
1 lb. round steak (cut into thin strips)
1 envelope Lipton onion soup mix
2 cups water
1 med. green pepper (cut into thin strips)
2 tsps. soy sauce
1/2 tsp. ground ginger
Garlic salt
1 Tbsp. cornstarch
Strips of onion
Hot cooked rice

Add oil to skillet and brown meat. Drain and stir in soup mix with 1 1/2 cups of water. Bring to a boil and simmer, covered, 20 minutes. Stir in pepper and onion strips, soy sauce, ginger and garlic. Simmer covered 15 minutes or until meat is tender. Add cornstarch blended with remaining water. Bring to a boil then simmer, stirring constantly, until sauce is thickened - about 5 minutes. Serve with rice.

Mrs. Randy Billingsley

Chuckwagon Corn

2 cans whole kernel corn, drained
1 stick margarine
1 large pkg. cream cheese
1 small can green chiles

Chunk margarine and cream cheese in a casserole dish. Add corn and chilies. Heat at 350 degrees until melted and stir.

Mrs. Glen Blackmon

Beef Pie

1 1/2 lb. ground beef
1 onion, chopped
2 Tbsps. green pepper, chopped
1 clove garlic
1 1/2 - 2 Tbsps. chili powder (or to taste)
1 can condensed tomato soup
1/2 cup grated cheese
Double pie crust
1 can green chilies (chopped or whole)

Brown meat, onion, green pepper and garlic in small amount of oleo. Drain off fat and add salt, pepper and chili powder to taste. Add tomato soup and mix in 1/2 cup grated cheese.

Line bottom of pie crust with green chilies, then add meat mixture on top of green chilies. Put top pie crust on and bake one hour at 350 degrees.

Mrs. Mark Toby

Derby Pie

1 - 9-inch unbaked pastry shell
2 eggs, slightly beaten
1 cup sugar
1/2 cup all-purpose flour
1 stick oleo, melted and cooled
3/4 cup chopped pecans
3/4 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips
1 tsp. vanilla

Combine eggs, sugar, flour and oleo in a medium mixing bowl. Beat until just blended. Stir in pecans, chocolate chips and vanilla. Pour into pie shell and bake at 350 degrees 40-45 minutes or until knife comes out clean. (This makes its own top crust.)

Alpha Hammett

Dixie Pork Chops

8 pork chops
3 Tbsps. shortening
1/2 tsp. salt
1/2 tsp. sage
4 apples, cored and cut in rings
1/4 cup brown sugar
2 Tbsps. flour
1 to 1 1/4 cup hot water
Few drops vinegar

Brown chops in hot shortening. Remove chops to baking dish; sprinkle with salt and sage. Top with apple rings and sprinkle with sugar. Combine flour, water and vinegar with fat in skillet; cook until thick. Pour over chops. Bake uncovered at 350 degrees 1 hour.

Mrs. Matt McKnight

Sausage and Noodle Casserole

1 lb. sausage
1 cup chopped onion
1/2 cup chopped bell pepper
1 can cream of chicken soup
1 1/2 cups water
1 - 8 oz. pkg. egg noodles, cooked and drained
1/2 cup canned onion rings, crushed
Salt
Pepper

Crumble sausage in a large frying pan; add onion and bell pepper. Cook over medium heat until meat is brown and vegetables are tender. Drain well. Combine soup and water; add meat mixture, noodles, salt and pepper and mix well. Spoon mixture into a greased 2-quart baking dish. Sprinkle with onion rings and bake at 350 degrees 30 minutes or until bubbly.

Mrs. Larry Green

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Chicken Spaghetti

5 chicken breasts
1 1/2 onions, chopped
1 large bell pepper, chopped
2 cans cream of chicken soup
1 stick of butter
1 pkg. spaghetti
1 1/2 lbs. Velveeta cheese

Boil chicken in water with 1 teaspoon salt until done. Save the broth. Debone chicken and put in large bowl.

Saute onion and bell pepper in stick of butter. Pour this into bowl with chicken and add soup and Velveeta cheese and spaghetti, which has been cooked in the chicken broth.

Mix all together and pour into large baking dish and bake at 350 degrees, stirring occasionally, until all the cheese is melted.

Mrs. Billie Brown

Momma's Chicken Wings

3 lbs. chicken wings
Sauce:
1/4 cup soy sauce
1/2 cup vinegar
1/2 cup sugar
3 Tbsps. ketchup
1/2 tsp. salt
2 Tbsps. lemon juice
1/2 cup blackberry jelly

Cut wings into 2 sections, discarding tips. Flour and brown. Arrange in a sheet cake pan and cover with sauce. Bake 30 minutes in 350 degree oven, basting wings every 10 minutes.

Vickie Beeman

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Jambalaya Dressing

1 1/2 cup long grain rice
1 pkg. Italian sausage
1 Tbsp. vegetable oil
1 cup chopped onion
2 cloves garlic, minced
2 Tbsps. butter
1 green pepper, diced
1 can Ro-tel tomatoes
1/2 tsp. sugar
1/2 cup chicken broth
1 tsp. basil
1/2 tsp. lemon juice
1/4 cup chili powder
Pinch thyme
1 cup diced ham
1 bag shrimp
Salt and pepper

Cook rice according to package directions. Saute sausage and ham in oil. Saute onion, garlic and peppers in butter about 6 minutes. Add tomatoes, sugar, broth, basil, lemon juice, chili powder and thyme. Cook 5 minutes.

Transfer to large bowl. Stir in ham, sausage, shrimp and rice. Add salt and pepper. Pour into glass baking dish and bake 30 minutes at 350 degrees. This freezes well.

Mrs. Robert Britt

Sauerkraut Casserole

1 can sauerkraut, drained (save juice)
1 can Italian tomatoes, cut and drained
1 small onion, chopped fine
1/2 cup brown sugar
1/2 cup white sugar
1/2 lb. bacon, cooked crisp and crumbled into mixture

Stir well and add a little kraut juice. Bake covered for 20 minutes at 350 degrees, then remove cover and cook an additional 10 minutes.

Gordon Callahan

In The MILITARY

Sadberry completes training

Seaman Recruit Cody J. Sadberry recently completed basic training at Recruit Training Command, San Diego, Cal.

The son of Susan McBroom of Holliday, Sadberry is a 1992 graduate of Holliday High School and joined the Navy in August 1993.



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Hunter, tail twister. Installed as Iowa Park Lions Club officers were: Robert Palmer, president; Jeff Nolen, first vice president; James Edwards, second vice president; Kenneth Via, secretary; Derrell Monday, treasurer; Gene Jordan, tail twister, and Bob Hamilton, Lion tamer. IPHS graduate Jim Rowell was named athletic director and boy's head coach at Anderson-Shiro High School. Mike Hoover was named new principal of Kidwell Elementary, replacing Ron Woods, who retired. Building permits issued by city hall went over the one-million dollar mark for the year when June's total was counted. Parker Square Bank opened its branch office in the building formerly occupied by TU Electric, with Iowa Park native Doug James as manager. Joel McIlroy was injured and in a coma following a one-vehicle accident in Colorado, near Grand Junction. Dale Cox was elected to replace Glen McGee, who moved to Graham, as second vice president of the Chamber of Commerce. Retired county agent Don Decker announced his second retirement, this time as vice president of State National Bank. Residents of the Kamay-Valley View area began an extensive effort to have their telephone bills reduced, by acquiring toll-free calling to Iowa Park and possibly other communities. Robert Cook resigned from the school board because he was moving outside the district, and Dennis Yeager was named his replacement.

AUGUST

Construction was begun at the high school on a special education classroom, at a cost of approximately \$90,000. TU Electric put in its "temporary" rate increases, pending final approval by the Public Utilities Commission. Iowa Park schools opened the 18th of the month, possibly the earliest starting time in local education history. A new TOPS chapter was formed here, led by these officers: Carrolia Lunney, leader; Carolyn Evans, co-leader; Velva Curry, secretary; Mary Lou Alderman, treasurer, and Wanda Beavers, weight recorder. Another addition, this time 17,000 square feet, was announced for the local Cryovac plant building. First-day enrollment at Iowa Park schools was reported as 2,020, 16 more than began classes the year before. Rev. Mike Grubbs, pastor of the First Christian Church, announced he would lead a group of volunteers to assist flood victims in the Kansas City, Mo. area. Most streets in the community were crowded with shoppers the second Saturday of the month, when residents participated in a city-wide garage sale that was coordinated by the Chamber of Commerce. The city council voted to sell its landfill and all garbage collection equipment to the Bell Group, rather than attempt to continue that program in the face of new costs mandated by the Environmental Protection Agency. An 18-year-old Iowa Park man, Jason Priddy, was killed in a two-vehicle collision in Wichita Falls. Iowa Park received its first measurable precipitation since June 25, .37 of an inch, on the 24th. Iowa Park Clean & Green volunteers undertook their first project to beautify the community, by trimming underbrush and tree limbs at Gordon Lake.

SEPTEMBER

The city council adopted a balanced budget of \$2,762,700, but retained its previous year's tax rate of 80-cents. The school board established a budget of \$7,763,906, and also retained its previous budget of \$1.12. A wind storm struck primarily the area northwest of the city, wrecking the front porch of the Jimmy Alsup home, as it had about a year earlier. With the completion of the new county agriculture building at Wall and Bank, the offices of the county clerk's annex, Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation, Soil Conservation Service and Farmers Home Administration moved from their old location on West Park. A 17-year-old stole an automobile from the 500 block of West Highway, leaving his bicycle in its place, and the vehicle was found wrecked the following day, wrecked in Oklahoma. Cody Franks, secretary of the Wichita County Young Farmers chapter, was elected Area president; David Bogart the Area Outstanding Associate Member, and Ray Dillard was recognized for "outstanding tenure."

OCTOBER

With the transfer of the city's landfill and trash collecting operation, Bell

announced it would commence observing a once-a-week collecting program in the residential areas. Mayor Wayne House appealed to county commissioners to increase its funding to the local volunteer fire department, which fights more fires outside the city than inside. Twenty-one classmates from the Class of 1943 attended their group's 50th reunion during homecoming. Bradford Elementary fifth grade teacher Cheryl Frederick was chosen the recipient of the "Partners in Education" award, presented by the Red River Optimist Club. Senior Melinda Motl was elected 1993 IPHS Homecoming Queen by the student body. After receiving a telephoned tip, Iowa Park police stopped a man and woman at Peterson Road and recovered two bicycles the couple had reportedly stolen from a local home. Iowa Park volunteers exceeded the community's \$70,000 goal of contributions to the United Way Fund, collecting \$74,145. Margaret Denton was elected president of the Iowa Park Arts and Crafts Association, along with Cindy Lane, vice president; Sheri Albus, secretary, and Cathy Price, treasurer. IPHS senior Chris Schlaud was named among four state-wide winners of the "Chief Auto Parts Outstanding Vocational Student Awards," in which 418 Texas schools competed this year. The city council voted to purchase a 3.62-acre tract on the access road west of Johnson Road as a site for a new, 300,000 gallon elevated water tower. The Hawk Band earned a Division One rating in the regional University Interscholastic League marching contest. Forty-one merchants and businesses participated in a Chamber-sponsored program to give away free turkeys in drawings. The first college football game ever played in Iowa Park was between Midwestern State Univ. and McMurry Univ., and the Abilene team won 25-20. The Lady Hawks cross country track team, composed of Christi and Dusti Welch, Brandi Catlin, Randi Tigrett, Alora Foster, Lori Spruiell and Briana Stalker, won the Dist. 4-AAA championship. According to all records, the city's earliest measurable snowfall was reported on the 29th. The majority of the city council voted to not spend the \$14,400 that was budgeted to fund a feasibility study that could possibly have resulted in the installation of a golf course here.

NOVEMBER

Police arrested a local 31-year-old woman and her 14-year-old daughter on charges of injury to a child, after it was determined an 18-month-old youth had been beaten more than once. Jenny Chitwood was chosen a recipient of the Wichita County 4-H Gold Star Award. The Hawks finished their football season with a 4-6 record, finishing in a tie for third place in the district, and catching a lot of attention with their 17-14 win over Vernon in the conference opener. Iowa Parkan Jim Grove was elected Optimist Club district governor. Police arrested two women, ages 19 and 22, on charges of burglarizing two local businesses. Chamber of Commerce members elected new officers for 1994, including Kathy Riggins as president, Dale Cox and Janice Newman as vice presidents, to be installed in January. Fifteen Hawk Band members made outstanding showings at auditions, with eight placing on the All Region Band and seven on the Small School All Region Band.

DECEMBER

The city agreed to issue up to \$1 million in certificates of obligation to Parker Square Bank, at an interest rate of 4.98 percent over a 12-year period, to finance construction of a new water tower, related equipment, and also make improvements on a major sewer transmission line. Winners of Christmas shopping script, given by local merchants, included: O.D. Davenport, \$500; Mrs. Billy Joe Carter, \$250, and Jack McGuinn, \$100. Similar to the free Thanksgiving turkey giveaway, businesses also gave away 33 Christmas hams to lucky winners. Jeremy Dale Kingcade, 21, died of multiple gunshot wounds in an incident in Wichita Falls.

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Dealing With The Common Cold

Each winter, millions of people suffer from the unpleasant effects of "colds".

Despite popular opinion, you do not get colds from sitting in a draft, getting wet feet or staying outside too long in bad weather.

The common cold is a viral infection which is found in the respiratory system (the nose, throat and lungs).

Colds can last for just a few days or as long as a couple of weeks.

Colds are spread through the air or by contact with hands.

You can help keep your cold from spreading to others if you are careful to cover your mouth when you sneeze or cough.

Colds are spread when a healthy person makes hand contact with a sick person or touches contaminated objects, such as doorknobs.

One of the best ways to reduce your risk of catching a cold or spreading colds to others is to wash your hands frequently.

There is no "cure" for the common cold. The best way to treat your cold is rest, drink plenty of liquids, and take proper medication to relieve your cold or cough symptoms. Your pharmacist or doctor can recommend the best medicine for you.

If your child has a cough or a cold be sure to ask your doctor or pharmacist about the amount of medicine to give your child.

Remember a cough can be serious. If your cough lasts longer than 10 days or is accompanied by a fever of 102 degrees or higher for more than three days, see your doctor.

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LETTERS TO SANTA

Letter to Santa Claus
(Editor's note: this letter arrived after the paper's deadline for the Christmas issue, but was faxed to Santa in time.)

Dear Santa I love you!
How did you get the tree in here what you bring us. I whout makeup, lipstick, my size Birbe, rolrskats.
Love
Carrie King

Dear Santa Claus,
I wont a puppy surprise and a don key and a bicycle and a baby puppy and my size barbie and a penny bank with Kiddies on it and a make up and a tyrannasaurus Rex and a babby kitten and a teddy bear and a baby Christmas tree and animals like Zedars horses a Pig and a bunny and a new wagon.
I Love you,
Carmen King

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- TXism: "if ___ rooster, he'll crow"
- description of TX actress Lovelace
- OPEC's 2nd largest oil producer
- you see 'em on Austin's Drag (2 wds.)
- cable network
- what TX DPS uses to catch speeders (3 wds.)
- TXism: "that chaps ___ hide" (angers)
- type of exam
- used for shootin' practice
- TX helped this country begin new airline
- TXism: "wouldn't hurt ___" (gentle)
- "Machine Gun" Kelly and his TX wife got ___ sentences
- Olton h.s. class
- TX Walker tune: "Up Wall"
- TXism: "burn some ___ leather" (run)
- heart test (abbr.)
- Big ___
- Natural Area
- this Shivers ran for governor in '52
- TXism: "if he ___ giddyup, you better go" (mean hombre)
- TXism: "useless as ___ a sow"
- ___ life!"
- "Capricorn ___" was filmed in Galveston
- TX Morgan Fairchild TV show: "Falcon ___"
- ___ mel" (despair)
- TXism: "take a look ___"
- football cheer or yes vote
- Ann wore blue ___ suit to inaugural gala
- today's cowboys get ___ beef as part of wages
- TX Holly wrote "True Love Ways" for wife Maria
- pie ___ mode
- TX singer Stuckey
- in Taylor Co. on I-20
- nice Texans find their gifts under this (2 wds.)
- Tex Schramm had ___ pass surgery
- TX Benton's "Kramer vs. Kramer" won six ___ in '79
- Brownwood has ___ Howard ___ Univ.
- this Steve sang "San Antonio Girl"
- Luby's food carrier
- oldest winery in Texas: ___ Verde
- "Too Tall" Jones
- Denton's TWU is largest woman's university in ___
- 12 down was 1st round ___ choice
- monster
- TXism: "___ rat" (kid)
- TXism: "___ an egg-sucking dog"
- TX Prentiss film: "The World ___ Orient"
- G.I. "dog" ___
- Houston's Space Center has Sky ___ training module
- TXism: "in a coon's ___" (long time)
- TXism: "I'll ___ your hide!" (spank)
- TX Rex's "Personal Guide to Home ___"
- TXism: "touched in the head"
- space under a roof
- Texas suffered in savings and ___ scandal
- TXism: "hot as road ___ in July"
- TXism: "couldn't pass an ink ___ test" (slow)
- "table graze" at home
- TX Belle Starr shot by unknown
- TXism: "sling it on the wall and ___ it sticks" (try it out)
- TX Gambell Goose Refuge inhabitants
- TXism: "Sunday ___ meelin' clothes"
- TXism: "if he ___ dog he wouldn't wag his own tail" (lazy)
- TX Benson & Tower were in U.S. ___
- there's never a rain ___ in Astrodome

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As I See It... By Bob Hamilton



Same song, same verse: Where did the year go?

I haven't look back in our file copies, but I suspect I've said that same thing in this space of the New Year's issue several times in the past few years.

Honestly, I've just about completed my changeover to using 1993 when writing dates, and this issue is the last time I'll use it as a current date.

Besides having to learn to use a new year's number in articles, I must admit I have widely mixed emotions about 1994.

I am seriously concerned about all the new programs Pres. Bill Clinton is

promoting, especially the health care plan and its costs to businesses, and continued mandates of departments, such as the Environmental Protection Agency.

Considering the effects of such programs, businesses across the nation are likely to be facing hard times. At least, that's the way it looks from my perspective.

But my concern likely isn't nearly as serious as it must be for our people involved in the oil business. The independents have got to be having a hard time, with the low prices they are currently receiving.

And then there is the optimistic

side of the future's picture.

Our area is experiencing growth, the likes of which have been absent more than a decade and beyond.

With all the families moving into the area, including those connected with Sheppard AFB, the new prison, the construction people, and all those who are expected to come to take advantage of all the new business, this area's business picture is good.

With growth, we should have additional business, more people employed, and new friends to meet.

I can only hope that 1994 will allow my optimism to overshadow any pessimism I have.

Hawks, Lady Hawks in tourneys

With all their tournaments out of the way, the Lady Hawks will open their Dist. 4-AAA schedule next week.

But before then, the girls have one more nonconference game, at Archer City on Tuesday.

The Hawks will travel to Graham on Friday of next week, for their first district game.

The Hawks will not open their conference schedule until the following Friday, when they travel to Vernon.

Prior to leaving Tuesday for the West Texas Girls Invitational meet at Slaton, Iowa Park dropped a non-conference game Monday night to Wichita Falls Rider.

Playing the game at Burkburnett, Rider rallied in the fourth quarter to edge Iowa Park 58-46. Rider is coached by Lisa Stone, who was an outstanding member of the Lady Hawks during her high school days, playing as Lisa Yeakley.

Iowa Park jumped out to a 26-18 halftime lead, and still was ahead 35-30 going into the final stanza. Dusti Welch was the only Iowa Park player in double digits, scoring 17.

The Lady Hawks were to take on

Crosbyton Tuesday afternoon at Slaton. Other schools represented in the tournament, which attracts some of the major teams from that hot bed of girls athletics, include Morton, Levelland, Sundown, Denver City, Post and Abilene Wylie, in the bottom half of the bracket.

In the top half are Slaton,

Monahans, Ralls, Sweetwater, Dalhart, Wall, Perryton and Roosevelt.

Results of Tuesday's game, as well as those played last week, were not available.

No results also were available on any Hawks' games. That team is entered in the Bearcat Holiday Classic at Aledo.

Letters to the Editor

Expresses appreciation

Dear Iowa Park Leader,

I want to thank Bob Hamilton, his wife Dolores, and Myrna - for the opportunity I have had to get better acquainted with you.

I have always enjoyed the paper but have never had the chance to know the personnel.
Your Friend,
Pearl E. Pace

Thanks for recognition

Dear Mr. Hamilton and Staff;

Thank you very much for featuring our dedicated employee, Linton Lowrance on the front page of the December 16, 1993, issue of The Leader. Mr. Lowrance is thrilled to be featured in his hometown newspaper and his friends/coworkers at City View are very appreciative to you for honoring him this well-deserved honor.

Yours truly,
Sue Paschall, Counselor

The WCCC (Wichita County Crime Commission) is an organization of citizens concerned about crime in Wichita County.

Remember back in the 40s and 50s, for those of you like me are old enough, no one ever locked their doors and left their windows open. Most folks

then didn't have air condition, you could leave your car all day or weekend with the keys in it and windows down. Most of the time when you came back to it, the only thing wrong with it was the dust and sand the wind had blown in it.

Don't do these things today or you'll come back to an empty house. If your car is still there it will be ripped. You need 3 or 4 locks on your doors and windows, peep holes, alarms on doors and windows and your car.

Chief Mayfield in Electra ask me when this crime rate started going up to what it is today. I told him it started in the 60s when my comrades in arms and I were in Vietnam. When Hanoi Jane and Moscow Bill was protesting our being there. The hippies and war protesters were fighting the establishment.

The establishment being us in the military, the police, the government and anyone in charge.

You folks in Iowa Park have a good police force and after talking with Chief Smock he is concerned about the citizens of Iowa Park. Your police force can't be every where and do every thing, they need the help of citizens who want to stop crime in Wichita County. Electra, Iowa Park and the out line towns don't have all the problems Wichita Falls do but you still have robberys, drug problems, and if you

see something not right, call the police give vehicle license number, color and description of person, hair color, weight, clothing, sex, race. Don't confront the person yourself you may get hurt or worse.

I'm not a big fan of Jerry Falwell but he said America is not spoke of in the Bible and if America gets what America deserves it will be judgement.

We have the greatest nation in this old world and in 20 years of military I've seen a big part of this old world, we are going down fast. We need to stop this trend now.

I've listened to people talk, they say, "If anyone in that school whips my kid I'll sue the school." Well I'm here to tell you that board didn't bother me. The part that hurt was when I got home and my dad got hold of me. Now that hurt.

Please folks join us in the WCCC and make the meetings. Learn what you can do to help kids and law enforcement in putting a stop to crime.

Because of Christmas there will not be a December meeting. The next meeting of the Wichita Co. Crime Commission will be Jan. 17, 1994 in the school administration building on Broad St. The school board room. Hope to see some of you folks there.

Jack W. Sellers



Only three schools in Dist. 4-AAA, Iowa Park, Breckenridge and Vernon, have ever won a state championship in football.

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Iowa Park defeated Houston Klein 31-14 in 1969 for the AA crown, and the next year was tied by Refugio, 7-7.

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Breckenridge has been the most prolific winner of the current conference membership. Competing in what was then the AAA class, Breckenridge beat Temple 20-14 in 1951; Temple again, 28-20, in 1952; Port Naches, 20-7, in 1954; Kingsville, 42-14, in 1958, and Cleburne tied the Buckaroos, 20-20, in 1959.

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Vernon has won the AAA title once, defeating Crockett 41-20 in 1990. The year before that, the Lions lost 22-21 to Mexia.

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