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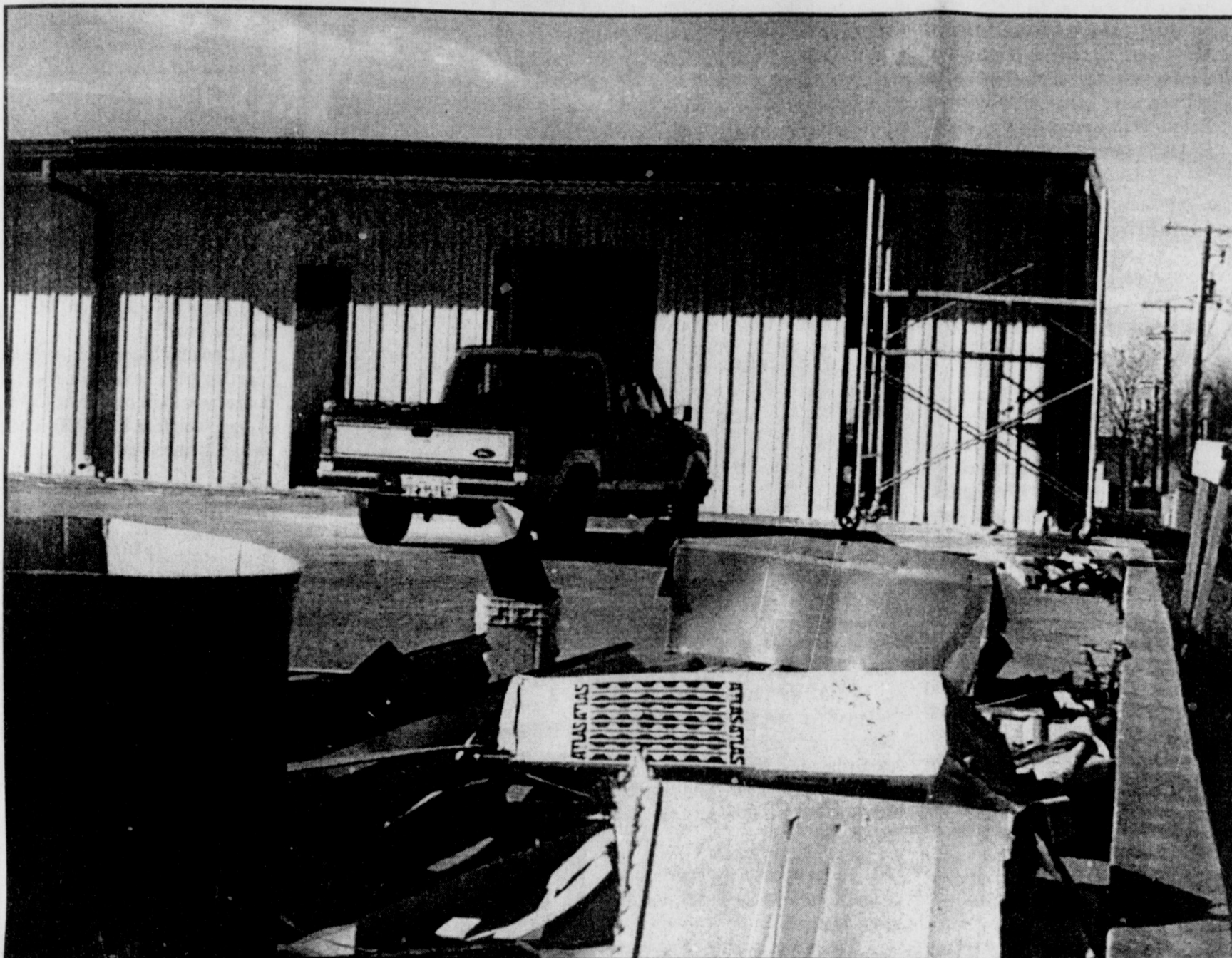
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NEARING COMPLETION - An addition onto the Wichita County annex building on the northwest corner of Bank and Wall is expected to be ready to use shortly after the first of the year. It will be occupied by newly-elected Justice of the Peace

Marc Newman. Ironically, that same corner was the site of an old service station which served a number of years as the office of former JP Bob Brubaker.

Continued construction enabled by city council

Construction of new homes is expected to continue on a steady schedule in the future, at least in one residential addition in the northern part of the city.

The city council approved a proposal by developer Tommy Key to continue its "partnership" in the expansion of Park Place Addition, during Monday night's meeting.

Monday's meeting is the only one to be held during December by the council.

Park Place Addition is located east of Johnson Road and north of Mary Drive.

The agreement the city will continue with Key is for the city to put in the streets, water and sewer, and the developer repaying the city as lots are sold, plus interest. In addition, should the development not be sold within a specified period of time, Key has agreed by contract to pay the balance back in full.

Cost of developing the newest phase is expected to be \$111,883, according to City Administrator Mike Price.

Key, during his presentation before the council Monday, pointed out that homes in his development are producing some \$20,000 annually in tax revenue for the city.

In other business Monday, the council approved a resolution which terminates employment of a former police officer, a two-part proposal to permit groups of churches to hold a Christmas march, and also approved expenditures for equipment and state-

mandated programs.

Following a 30-minute executive session of the council, a resolution terminating employment of D'ian Alderman was approved, effective Dec. 9.

A formal statement concerning the termination was read by Mayor Tim Hunter.

"The city council has approved a resolution ratifying the termination of D'ian Alderman's employment as a police officer with the Iowa Park Police Department. DeDee was off work for a lengthy period of time. Since the Iowa Park Police Department is a small department, the City found it necessary to fill her position during her absence in order to maintain the proper functioning of the police department. When Ms. Alderman expressed an interest in returning to work, several positions were offered to her but she did not express an interest in those positions. The City also told DeDee that she was welcome to apply for any future police officer positions that come open and would be considered with other applicants. We wish DeDee the best of luck in her future employment pursuits."

Shortly before Monday's meeting, Price said a hand-written statement from Alderman had been delivered to his home, in which she asked for a hearing before the council. That request will be approved, if she submits formal confirmation to city hall at least 72 hours prior to the

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Student activities, projects reported

Student activities and projects to benefit the community were the highlights of Thursday night's school board meeting.

The Iowa FFA Park Public Relations team, that won first place in state competition recently, presented their program, "The Door to Golden Opportunity," for board members and visitors in the audience.

The team coached by Wendy Meadows, is composed of Heath Hodges, Tara Godwin and Dustin Hicks. They swept District and Area competition, and then won the first state FFA leadership title in Iowa Park's history during competition at Sam Houston State Univ.

They will represent the state of Texas at the National FFA Conven-

tion in Louisville, Ky.

Following the program, board member Jeff Watts presented each member of the team with a certificate and emphasized how proud the school board is of their accomplishment.

Several eighth grade history students of Sheila Gholson put on a skit to explain Learn and Serve Grants.

The students are wanting to apply for another grant (they were awarded two grants for use during the school district's 100-year celebration) to develop a visual display of highlights of the community's history.

The finished product would be placed on display at Lake Gordon during the Christmas season with lights illuminating the scene.

Mrs. Gholson said having a work area large enough to build the display might be a problem.

Other options for use of the grant money include a junior high journalism class, a greenhouse, and a Hawk Hall of Fame.

Trustees decided to table the request in order to give Mrs. Gholson more time to gather information.

A request by a committee from Kidwell Elementary School to erect a memorial on that campus in memory of Ricky Alsup was approved by the board.

Estimated cost of the project which includes a bronze sculpture by Jack Stevens, "A Tribute to Iowa Park School Children," and landscaping is \$15,000. With the initial donation by the Alsup family of \$2,000, the committee already has \$5,000, and is planning fundraisers for the balance.

In his report, Supt. Mike Caplinger pointed out that even though utility costs at Iowa Park schools were higher than usual this year, our campuses are well below the regional average.

Referring to a district plan, Caplinger said that new community members will be asked to serve on the district committee to prioritize needs and come up with a new dis-

trict plan over the next year and a half.

He also announced that the state had approved a waiver on classroom size at Bradford for the fall semester.

Caplinger said that Michael Marrs, who is reevaluating facility needs on each campus, will soon have a report ready.

The superintendent and board members also discussed the Texas Education Agency's new proposal for student assessment which would shift exit-level testing to the eleventh grade; looked over the State Testing Program for 1999-2000 school year; and the proposed State Licensing Structure for school personnel.

Alan Seay, high school princi-

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Police arrest four persons

Iowa Park police took four persons into custody during the past week who were involved in three separate incidents.

Officers were alerted at 8:31 p.m. Monday that a domestic disturbance was underway at a residence in the 900 block of East Cash.

Upon arrival the police reportedly observed two persons involved in a fight, and they arrested India Allen Troutman, 41, and Dean Evan Troutman, 40, charging each with Class C assault, family violence.

After being booked at the police station, the couple was transported to the county jail, according to the police blotter.

Jason Ralynn Routh, 18, was picked up Saturday on an commitment warrant, for not paying his fine of \$275 after previously being found

guilty of family violence. Routh was transported to the county jail.

Police picked up a 15-year-old Wichita Falls male at 1:39 a.m. Wednesday, who had been transported by cab to a residence in the 600 block of South Wall.

The youth had previously been issued a criminal trespass warning for going to that location. He was transported to the juvenile detention center in Wichita Falls.

A clear plastic bag containing white powder was found Saturday evening in the Allsup's parking lot, and turned over to police. The content was later tested and determined to be methamphetamine.

No one had claimed to have lost it, seeking its return, police said yesterday.

School holidays set to begin

Iowa Park schools will begin two weeks of Christmas holidays when classes are dismissed Friday afternoon.

And the students as well as the teachers will be ready for it, because semester examinations began Wednesday and will be completed Friday.

Classes will dismiss early and buses will run both today and Friday. Dismissal times for both days include: Kidwell, 1:00; Bradford, 1:30; High School, 2:00, and Middle School, 2:05.

Classes will not resume until Monday, Jan. 4, according to the school calendar.

NEWS BRIEFS

Continued showers benefit area

Showers continue to bring relief to the Iowa Park area, benefitting the young wheat crop as well as residential yards.

Virgil Woodfin reported having measured .55 of an inch of precipitation from Thursday's shower, bringing the month's total to 1.43.

Christmas baskets, toys to be given

Saturday and Monday will be big days for families that have registered for commodities which are distributed at the First United Methodist Church.

Christmas food baskets will be

distributed from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Saturday, and Santa Claus will be at the same location between 4 and 8 p.m. Monday, distributing Toys for Tots.

Business continues to increase here

Business in Iowa Park continues to show a steady increase over the previous year, according to a release from the state comptroller's office.

The City of Iowa Park received a sales tax rebate recently in the amount of \$19,829.85, which was a 7.04-percent increase over the same month in 1997.

For the year, sales tax rebates are 3.72 percent greater than the previous year, amounting to \$284,371.25, according to the report.

December's payment includes local sales taxes collected by monthly filers on October sales, and reported to the comptroller in November.



HOLIDAY FEAST - Members of the Iowa Park and Kamay volunteer fire departments were joined by Iowa Park police personnel for an "appreciation" meal Monday night, compliments of the Iowa Park MuleSkinners.



Neiman Marcus Brownies

1 box butter pecan cake mix
1 stick margarine, melted
1 egg
1 box powdered sugar
1 (8 oz.) pkg. cream cheese, softened
1 stick margarine, melted
2 eggs

Mix first 3 ingredients together and pat into 11x13-inch pan. Set aside. Mix all remaining ingredients together and pour over cake mix. Sprinkle with chopped pecans. Bake 45 minutes at 350 degrees.

Kathy Crozier

Chocolate Caramel Bars

2 eggs
3/4 cup sugar
3/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar
1/2 cup Miracle Whip
1 tsp. vanilla
2 cups flour
1 tsp. baking soda
1 pkg. (14 ozs.) caramels
1/4 cup milk
1 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips
1 cup chopped pecans

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Beat eggs, sugars, salad dressing and vanilla at medium speed on electric mixer. Add flour and baking soda. Set aside 1 cup of the batter. Spread remaining batter into lightly greased 13x9-inch baking pan. Bake 12 to 15 minutes or until lightly browned. Cool 10 minutes.

Melt caramels with milk in heavy saucepan over low heat. Top crust with caramel mixture; sprinkle with chocolate chips and pecans. Spoon reserved 1 cup of batter by teaspoonsful over pecans. Continue baking 12 to 15 minutes or until lightly browned. Cool and cut into squares. Makes 24.

Kathy Crozier

Cranberry Fruit Salad

1 - 8 oz. can crushed pineapple
2 Tbsps. lemon juice
1 - 3 oz. pkg. raspberry gelatin
1 can whole berry cranberry sauce
1/2 cup chopped celery

Put drained pineapple in bowl. In a saucepan, add pineapple juice, 1/2 cup water & lemon juice. Heat to boiling. Remove from heat and add gelatin, stirring thoroughly. Break up cranberry sauce with a fork and stir into gelatin mixture. Refrigerate until mixture begins to set. Stir in pineapple and celery, pour into a 4-cup mold. Chill until firm.

Lois Mitchell

Double Layer Pumpkin Pie

4 oz. cream cheese, softened
1 Tbsp. milk
1 Tbsp. sugar
1 - 8 oz. Cool Whip, thawed
1 - 6 oz. graham cracker crumb crust
1 cup cold milk
1 can (16 oz.) pumpkin
2 - 4 oz. pkgs. vanilla instant pudding mix
1 tsp. ground cinnamon
1/2 tsp. ginger
1/4 tsp. cloves

Mix cream cheese, 1 tablespoon milk and sugar in large bowl with wire whisk until smooth. Stir in 1/2 cups of the whipped topping. Spread onto bottom of crust.

Pour 1 cup cold milk in large bowl. Add pumpkin, pudding mixes, and spices. Beat with wire whisk until well mixed. (Mixture will be thick.) Spread over cream cheese layer. Refrigerate 4 hours or until set. Garnish with remaining whipped topping.

Lois Mitchell

German Apple Cake

2 cups sugar
2 cups flour
2 tsps. cinnamon
1 tsp. soda
1/2 tsp. salt
4 cups sliced apples
1 cup chopped nuts
2 large eggs
1 cup oil
1 Tbsp. vanilla
Grease and flour 13x9-inch pan. Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Stir together in bowl, sugar, flour, cinnamon, soda & salt. Stir in apples and nuts. Beat eggs, oil and vanilla. Pour into dry ingredients and stir just to combine thoroughly. Do not use mixer. Bake 45-60 minutes until done.

Icing

1/2 stick margarine
8 oz. pkg. cream cheese

1 box powdered sugar
1 Tbsp. vanilla
3 Tbsps. milk
Cream together margarine and cream cheese. Add powdered sugar, milk and vanilla. If too thick, add a little more milk to easily spread.
Lois Mitchell

Chicken Turnovers

1/2 lb. margarine
8 oz. cream cheese
2 cups flour
2 cans Underwood's chicken spread
Mix margarine, cream cheese and flour together and chill about 2 hours.

Roll out very thin on floured board and cut in circles (I use one of the spread cans). Put small amount of chicken spread in half of the circle of dough. Fold over and seal edges. Bake 12 minutes at 400 degrees.

Pat Ikey

Stuffed Turkey Breast

1/3 cup vegetable oil
3 cups sliced fresh mushrooms
1 1/2 cups chopped celery
1 1/2 cups chopped onion
3 cups plain stuffing mix or bread crumbs
1 cup dried cranberries
1 cup chicken broth or water
6-8 lb. breast of turkey, thawed
Garlic salt and pepper, optional

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Heat oil in large skillet and saute mushrooms, celery and onions until vegetables are tender and mushrooms are golden brown, about 8-10 minutes.

Remove from heat; stir in stuffing, cranberries and broth. Place stuffing in turkey rib cavity according to package directions. Brush skin with additional oil and season with garlic salt and pepper. Place turkey, skin side up, on flat rack in 13x9x2-inch baking dish. Bake 2 3/4 to 3 1/4 hours to an internal meat temperature of 170 degrees and stuffing temperature of 160 degrees. Remove from oven and let stand 10 minutes before carving.

Sherrie Williams



Dear Santa
How are you? How are the reindeer?
I would like a playstation for christmas.
Love
Eric

CAMP FIRE NEWS



FOURTH GRADE CAMP FIRE GIRLS

The Iowa Park fourth grade Campfire Group has decorated a Christmas tree at Lack's Furniture and needs your help in winning the decorating contest.

You can vote for their tree by bringing nonperishable food items to Lack's and placing the items under the Brown Bag Noel Tree.

To make it even more simple, a donation box has been set up at B&R Thriftway.

The nonperishable food must be turned before December 19, for the group to get credit for the contest.

The group handmade each ornament on the tree from some form of brown bag.

The tree is covered with Santa's, angels, snowmen, candy cane's, bows and more, all from brown bags.

Thanks goes to B&R Thriftway for donating bags.

The kids worked many hours on this project. Their tree is the only one from Iowa Park, so they are asking

you to get out and show the Iowa Park spirit.

Your support for the area Camp Fire group and the Food Bank is greatly appreciated.

Blood donors to receive holiday t-shirts

The holiday season will come early for many who receive blood, and an extra chance at life, from those who donate at the Iowa Park Masons community blood drive slated next Wednesday from 1:30-6:30 p.m.

Blood donors can experience the joy of giving because the one pint of blood they donate can help save the lives of up to three people. The donors can also experience the joy of receiving, as every donor will receive an American Red Cross holiday t-shirt.

"Many people who need blood, such as accident victims, chemotherapy patients, and premature babies would not survive without someone's caring and vital donation of blood," said Lynn Gast, American Red Cross representative. "By donating one pint of blood, you're saving a life. There is no better gift that anyone can give."

Donating blood is a simple process that takes less than one hour. To donate you must be at least 17 years of age, weigh at least 110 pounds, and be in good health.

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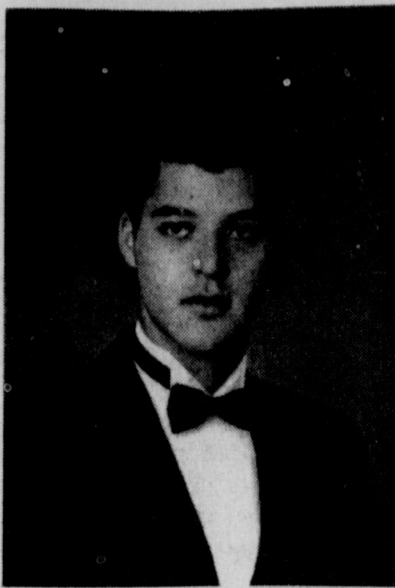
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CLAYTON SALES



MELISSA MARRS

Marrs, Sales selected students of the month

Melissa Marrs and Clayton Sales, both seniors at Iowa Park High School, were selected as December Students of the Month by the Iowa Park Rotary Club.

They were recognized during the Rotary Club's noon luncheon last week.

Melissa, the daughter of Kenneth and Deborah Marrs, was recognized as the Academic Student of the Month. She is a member of the Wichita County Teen Court, National Honor Society, and FCA.

She has held the honor of being Who's Who in Debate '98 and Speech '97. Melissa has placed in District in several competitive events. She be-

lieves that a person can be whatever they want to be in order to serve a purpose and fulfill their life.

Melissa plans to attend the University of Texas in Austin or Baylor University, with a major in pre-law, and minor in business.

Clayton, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Sales, was recognized as Vocational Student of the Month.

He belongs to FCA and FFA, and has played basketball four years and football one year. His main interest is in computers.

Clayton plans to attend college in New Mexico to pursue the study of computers and an advertising career. Another option would be to become a teacher or high school coach.

RAC News

By JO LYNN WALKER

Bridge Results

With three tables in play, Billie Dowell had the high score of 5830 at bridge on Monday. Ann Guthrie had the second high of 5130.

Tour of Homes

The annual Christmas Tour of Homes was great fun! We would like to thank the many people who helped make it a success. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Singer, Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Kidwell, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ross, and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Singleton for opening their homes to us. David Phillips for placing the yard markers. Carrie and Beckie Turner, Cheryl York, Patty McLemore, Jean Gilstrap, Jake Jacobi, Robert Quick and Jeff Nolen for assisting at the homes. Without our volunteers our programs could never be as successful.

Instructor Needed

Applications are now being accepted for an aerobics instructor at the RAC.

We would like to offer aerobics classes beginning in January. Applications may be picked up at the RAC office at 806 N. Third, or for more information call 592-4471.

Guitar Lessons

Plans are being made to offer guitar lessons at the RAC after the first of the year. If you are interested in taking lessons, please call the office so we can place you on the waiting list.

RAC PAC Plans

RAC PAC Kids will be held at the RAC building during the Christmas holidays from 8:00 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. Christmas Eve and Christmas Day we will be closed. Advance reservations are required. To reserve a spot for your child, call the RAC at 592-4471 or let the RPK staff know this week.

New officers installed

Installation of new officers for the Iowa Park Arts & Crafts Association was held during a meeting held Tuesday night at the home of Ann Harper.

Officers for 1999 are Debbie Richards, president; Deborah Williamson, vice president; Melba McLroy, secretary; and Shirley Hicks, treasurer.

Committee chairmen are Debbie Williamson, Program; Martha Dudley, Publicity; Nancy Heacox, Display; and Ann Harper, Outreach

and Correspondence. Billie Railsback, who was in charge of the installation, used candy bars as a theme.

During the meeting, members showed projects they had made or purchased, and secret pals were revealed.

Shirley Hicks won the doorprize, which was Victorian Christmas ornaments made by Loretta Stevens.

The next meeting will be Jan. 19 at the Chamber of Commerce building.

Parenting Tip:
Encourage your child when genuine compliments can be made. Avoid ridicule and sarcasm. Bring out the best in your child by praising him frequently for what he does best. Help your child with his best activities by staying in close touch with his school and neighborhood life.
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Club holds annual Christmas luncheon

Members and guests of the Iowa Park Garden Club had their annual Christmas luncheon Friday, at the Tom Burnett Memorial Library.

Tables were decorated by the social committee using gold poinsettias with white accents. At each place setting there were candy canes covered with felt portraying Rudolph, complete with a red nose.

The covered dish buffet luncheon was a bountiful variety of food

made from members' favorite recipes.

Evelyn Thompson gave the thought for the day, "If you see someone without a smile, give them one of yours."

A special Christmas story was told by Rev. Larry George. There was a gift exchange and visiting.

Garden Club members will meet again Dec. 28, to pack away the Christmas decorations at the library.

Letters to Santa

Merry christmas Dearsanta.
How are you?
How is your raindeer?
How is reodofthered nose raindeer?
I want a horseandabike. If you got a bike please give it to me.
How is Mrs.clase?
How are your elfs? I hopetheir ok.
How are you santa?
please.

Love Elizabeth

Dear Santa, how are you? how are the raindeer today. how is roundoff? this is what I want for Christmas, A cd player and the savage garden and Backis street boys and the hannsans and my tooth to come out well, I could pull that out but I still want my tooth to come out. And I want a walkman and the spice Girls tape that you play in a walkman.
Love Tori
Dear Santa
How are you?
Can you bring me a long pencil please?
may you bring me a neacals?
May you bring me a new back pack?
may you bring me a doll?
May you bring me a new desk?
Love
Jessica

Look Who's New

Posey

A daughter, Haylee Don, was born Dec. 4, weighing six pounds and nine ounces, to Jeff and Sheila Posey of Iowa Park. She was 20 1/2 inches long. The new baby has a sister, Destiny, and a brother, Blake.

Grandparents are Richard and Gwen Clark of Wichita Falls, Chester and Ruth Posey of Iowa Park, and the late Terry Don Allen of Waurika, Okla.

Great-grandparents are V.C. and Vivian Helms of Waurika, Marie Allen of Ryan, Okla., and the late Tena Glenn of Wichita Falls.

Pharries

A son, Bradley Lee, was born to Brad and Lisa Pharries of Wichita Falls Dec. 7, at a Wichita Falls hospital. The baby weighed six pounds, 10 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

He has a brother, Tyler, nine, and a sister, Haley, four years old. Their mother is the former Lisa Byrd of Iowa Park.

Grandparents are Darwin and Andrea Pharries of Charlie and Cindy Ainsworth of Iowa Park.

Great-grandparents are Bonnie Pharries of Charlie; Olive Dunn of Byers and Dan and Earline Ainsworth of Iowa Park.

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- organization for the performing arts in Dallas (abbr.)
- TXism: "___ hombre" (mean)
- ex-Astro Darryl
- TX ___ Mae Morse sang "Cow-Cow Boogie"
- Luling's "Watermelon Thump" features this melon contest
- TXism: "full of spit ___ vinegar"
- TX Johnny Horton's "Battle of ___"
- TXism: "let it ___"
- aviation prefix
- Buddy Holly's bass player Tommy
- TX Charley Pride's "Wonder ___"
- Live There Anymore" Nacogdoches FM
- Beeville AM/FM
- favorite abbr. of Jerry Jones
- oldest in Houston: ___ of Christ Church
- TX Gary Morris' "Sweet Red ___"
- TX belonged to this in Civil War (abbr.)
- dreary, dismal
- TX-based Haggard makes ___ slacks
- TXism: "right ___" (specific location)
- TXism: "green as ___ corn"
- fixes socks
- TXism: "ain't ___ hill for a stepper"
- to "tan his hide" in TX
- vitamin B acid type
- TX actress Parker (init.)
- TX-sized phone co.
- awaken from sleep
- picture show places
- 50 rich Texan's boat
- 51 Texan born between July 23 and Aug. 22
- 52 he's Tiny and definitely not a Texan
- 53 TXism: "___-horse town"
- 1 TXism: "___ to rope him" (large man)
- 2 home of the Reporter-News
- 3 TXism: "___ it a day" (quit)
- 4 TXism: "you're buying oats for ___ horse" (wasted effort)
- 9 this Sam won Dallas Open in '45, '57 & '58
- 10 UT grad Fernando Belaunde-Terry was pres. of this country
- 11 Harlingen has ___ Jima monument
- 12 TXism: "put ___ bed with a shovel" (bury)
- 13 choo choos
- 14 TXism: "___ a monkey's uncle"
- 15 Kilgore Rangerettes founder: Gussie ___ Davis
- 16 Lone Star ___ Co.
- 19 annoying one
- 20 TX singer Billie Jo ___
- 22 TX band: "___ the Wheel"
- 24 Aikman's college state (abbr.)
- 25 TXism: "dull as week-___ soda pop"
- 26 New Mexico Indian
- 27 TX-filmed "The ___ Picture Show"
- 28 suffocates in water
- 29 toys in the wind
- 30 TXism: "got a heart as big as Texas"
- 33 union at Arlington GM plant
- 34 TX Raina English performed for Lawrence ___
- 35 C&W singer LeDoux
- 37 in Hidalgo Co. on 88
- 38 Texans call it an "ankle"
- 40 SMU actress Bates
- 41 TXism: "dead as a ___ nail"
- 44 worry
- 47 TX golfer Byron Nelson's place of birth (2 wds.)
- 49 "You Gotta Have an ___ the Hole"

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As I See It... By Bob Hamilton



In case you haven't noticed, Christmas is almost here!

Most people can tell because they look at the calendar, look at all the beautiful decorations around town, see the long lines at the post office, and things like that.

My major indication came about Sunday. Dolores spent most of the day at daughter Kari's, where they cooked buckets and baskets full of cookies, candy and other goodies.

This is the time of the year that every member of the family looks toward with great anticipation.

The kids are busy trying to convince their parents how badly they need a new bike or jacket or toys or games or computer or bunk bed or BB gun or car or

Meanwhile their parents are concerned whether they can afford all the things their kids want, or all the outside decorations they need to

keep up with their neighbors, or how they will get all the shopping done in time to get gifts in the mail in time to be received by Christmas.

As usual, I let Dolores take care of all the usual stuff, like buying presents for all five of our children, their spouses and their 10 children. That is, if she can find the time while working here at the paper, decorating the house, and squeezing in time to fix me a meal on a somewhat regular basis.

For me, it's more of the usual. The workload here at the paper always seems to increase (for which I am grateful), and I manage to keep busy while enjoying all the beautiful decorations around town -- and they somehow improve each year.

But when it gets down to doing what really needs to be done for Christmas gifting, I continue to observe my time-honored routine.

That is, I don't do my Christmas shopping until I get that annual Christmas issue printed and out for the subscribers.

Which means, I'll have Christmas Eve this year, since Friday of next week is THE DAY!

Merry Christmas!



Sends personal note

Dear Bob -

Sorry the postal service mangled our check (her subscription check was mangled in the mechanical equipment). Thank you for your personal note and a Merry Christmas to you and your's too. I eagerly await each issue. Haven't been back to the old home town since 1986. Relatives and my parents passed away some time ago. So the paper keeps me informed. I'm proud of the people and the town. It's thrived where many towns have failed, because of the people and the farsightedness of the town leaders.

Sincerely,
Helen Harbour Hunt

times. My recipes of all of the good Mexican dishes we made and were so good, were also stolen. They stole a lot of things from me. I am going to ask you to please send me all of those good recipes you have there. Every one of mine are gone. They went through everything I had and have as yet. You also have the cherry salad my family just loves too. Will you be so kind and send them to me again. I was going to make the one yesterday, and to find out they were all stolen. Thank you very much.

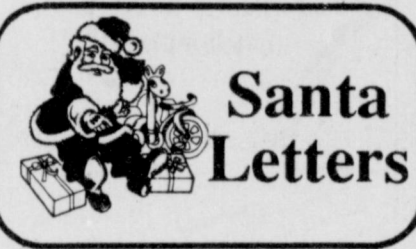
Sincerely,
Mrs. Ronnie McDonald
Amarillo
Merry Christmas to you all.

(Editor's note: Your request is a big one, Mrs. McDonald. After all, you have been taking the Leader for a number of years, and we just don't have those clipping laying around. We'll try to do what we can. We're very sorry about your situation.)

Needs recipes replaced

To Iowa Park Paper,

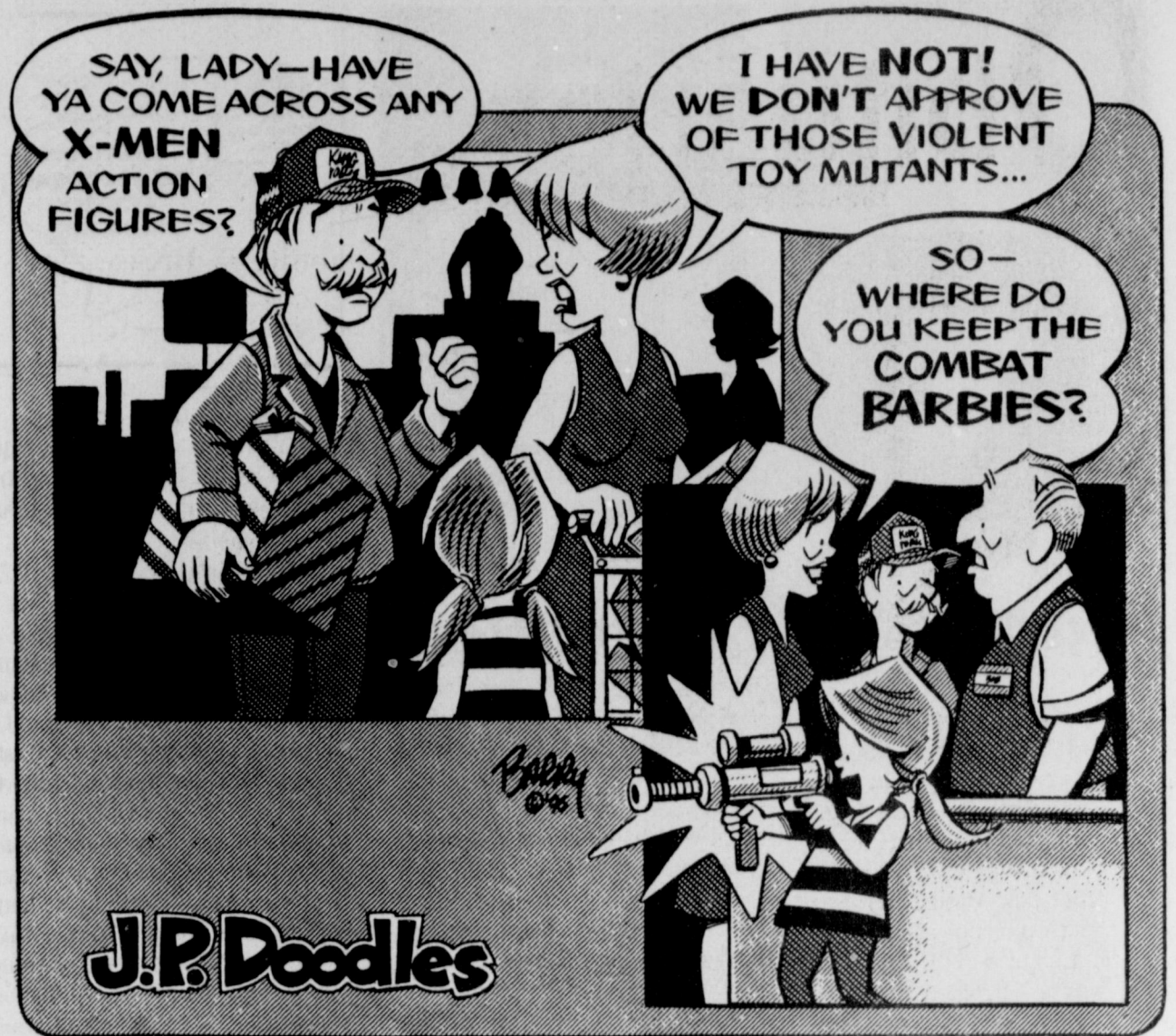
I am Mrs. Ronnie McDonald. My home was broken into about 8



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ME A NEW BIK, AND
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I LOVE U
JADE

Helpful Facts

Any dog or cat in the city is required to have a current rabies shot.



Trustees

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pal, talked to the board about the Teen Leadership course he wants to start in the spring semester. Deborah Moody and LaRae Collins, who have gone through training, gave their views on what the course would accomplish.

In other business, the board conducted the first reading of a board policy update; discussed updating the present computer system used for financial and student accounting before the year 2000; and agreed to advertise for bids the replacement of air conditioning units at the high school.

Following a closed portion of the meeting, the board accepted a letter of resignation from Mary Wright, remedial teacher at Kidwell, who is moving from the district.

Council

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council's next meeting, which will be Jan. 11, Hunter said.

OTHER BUSINESS

* The council approved a request from Rev. John Besse to allow a Christmas procession on city streets between the Christ the King Catholic Church and the Methodist Church, and also for youths to post notices at residences concerning of the Christmas events.

* Approved two other resolutions, one authorizing the city's continued participation in funding (\$7,751) the North Texas Regional Drug Enforcement Task Force, and purchase and installation of state-mandated equipment at the wastewater treatment plant.

* The council tabled action on a resolution in which the city would pay \$5,000 as its share in the state-

mandated Regional Water Plan for Area B.

* Approved a bid to purchase a backhoe/loader from Construction Ag. of Wichita Falls for \$37,376, and also a truck from Pruitt Ford of Burkburnett for \$16,780.

* Approved amending a city ordinance which restricts property owners from bringing fences to their front property line and requires all fences, walls, hedges and plant materials to be set back 10 feet off the front property line.

Helpful Facts

The city's Board of Adjustments meetings are at 6:15 p.m. on Mondays when there is an agenda, in Council Chambers, 103 North Wall. Public notices for all Board of Adjustments meetings are published two weeks in the Iowa Park Leader, and are open to the public.

WARMEST WISHES AND AFGHANS from the Iowa Park Lions Club

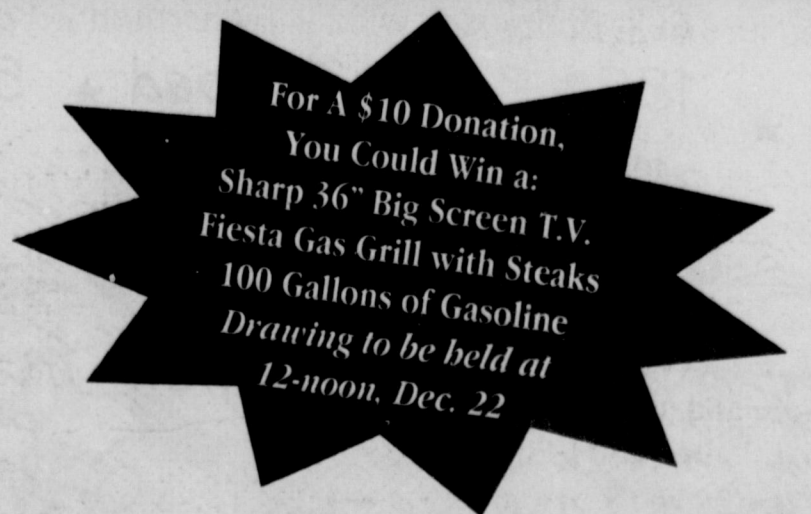
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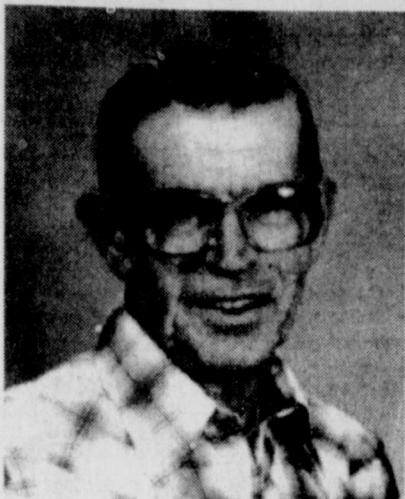


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PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT THE IOWA PARK LIONS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Obituaries



Lloyd 'Bill' Strome

Lloyd "Bill" William Strome, 65, died Friday in a hospice center. Memorial services were Monday at First United Methodist Church of Burkburnett with Rev. Ben Read, pastor, officiating. Masonic services were under the direction of Iowa Park Masonic Lodge # 713 AF&AM. Burial was in Highland Cemetery under the direction of Dutton Funeral Home.

Mr. Strome was born Jan. 14, 1933, in Anthony, Kan. He and Anne Lowe were married Nov. 5, 1960, in Altus Okla. He served in the Army with the 747th Engineering Heavy Equipment Co. during the Korean War, and was a descendant of Brig. Gen. William G. Balknap, for which Fort Balknap of Young County, was named. He was a retired school bus driver for the Burkburnett Independent School District. He was also a member of Ingalls Masonic Lodge No. 128 AF&AM in Stillwater, Okla. He attended schools in Glencoe, Okla. Strome worked with the construction of 12 Atlas Missile Silos in the 1960's during the Cuban Missile Crisis. He was the owner of B & S Equipment.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Sonja Rush of Burkburnett; and a brother, Marion L. Strome of Stillwater. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Wichita Falls Tree of Lights, P.O. Box 4804 Wichita Falls, Texas 76308.

Bobby Hurton Hayes Sr.

Bobby Hurton 'Bob' Hayes Sr., 71, died Dec. 8 in Electra. Services were Friday at Dutton Funeral Home Chapel in Electra with Rev. Jimmy Leath of First Baptist

Church of Henrietta, officiating. Burial was in New Electra Cemetery.

Mr. Hayes was born Aug. 9, 1927, in Electra. He and Doris Bunch were married March 28, 1948, in Kamay. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Electra. He retired in 1992 after 25 years of service for G.E. Kadane and Sons.

He was preceded in death by two sons, Bobby Jr. in 1973 and Ricky in 1954.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Scott Hayes of Miami and Terry Hayes of Gardendale; two sisters, Joyce Haddox of Wichita Falls and Patricia Leath of Iowa Park; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Memorials maybe made to a favorite charity.



Aleta Virginia Curry

Aleta Virginia Curry, 82, died Friday.

Services were Monday at First Baptist Church with Rev. Steve Beckwith, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Highland Cemetery.

Mrs. Curry was born Aug. 31, 1916, in Elmore, Okla. She and Cecil Curry were married Nov. 15, 1936, in Hobbs, N.M. She was a homemaker and a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband; a son, Donald Lee of Amarillo; two daughters, Melba Virginia McIlory of Iowa Park, and Mary Janice Carpenter of Lubbock; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Juanita D. Brown

Juanita D. Haynes Brown, 91, died Friday in Wichita Falls.

Graveside services were Monday in Crestview Memorial Park and Mausoleum with Rev. Ricky Allen, pastor of Valley View Country Church, officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Dutton Funeral Home.

Mrs. Brown was born Dec. 27, 1906, in Shirley, Ariz. Her first husband, Jack Dennison, died in 1976. Her husband, Bill Brown, died in 1996. She owned and operated Dennison Cafe in Wichita Falls several years. She was a member of First Baptist Church and worked as a nurse's aide.

Survivors include three brothers, Herbert Haynes of Chicago, Ill., Clyde Haynes of Iowa Park, and Fletcher Haynes of Pine Bluff, Ark.; and a sister, Marie Gross of Pine Bluff, Ark.

Hillard 'Hank' Snow Sr.

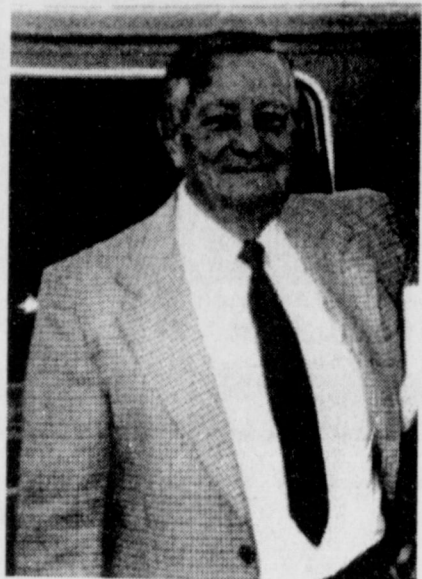
Hillard Eugene "Hank" Snow Sr., 70, died Friday, in a Wichita Falls hospital.

Services were Monday at St. Mark's Methodist Church of Wichita Falls with Rev. Sonny Cole of Saint Jo, and Rev. Fred Uts, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Rosemont Cemetery.

Mr. Snow was born April 29,

1928, in Geronimo, Okla. His wife, Zaylea Ann, died April 21, 1985. He and Kathleen Livingston Emmons were married Dec. 29, 1994, in Henrietta. He was retired from the Texas Department of Highways and Public Transportation and owned the Snow Lawn Mower Repair Shop.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Hillard Eugene "Gene" Jr. of Texarkana; two daughters, Paula Ann Reid of Austin and Becky Jeanelle Roberson of Wichita Falls; a step-son, Gary Lynn Emmons of Vernon; two sisters, Margerree Gentry of Henrietta and Jewel Fulfer of Kamay; 10 grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and four step-great-grandchildren.



Loyd 'Shorty' Holmes

Loyd "Shorty" W. Holmes, 71, died Saturday in Wichita Falls.

Services were Tuesday at Faith Baptist Church with Dr. Greg Ammons, pastor, officiating. Graveside services were at Saint Jo Cem-

etry. Arrangements were under the direction of Dutton Funeral Home.

Mr. Holmes was born Oct. 14, 1927, in Holliday. His wife, Violet Tuggles Holmes, died Jan. 1, 1990. He graduated from Valley View High School in 1945 and served in the Army during World War II. He worked in the oil industry for 20 years and worked as an accountant for the government before retiring in 1983. He coached Little League Baseball for many years. He was a past member of the Board of Directors of Friendly Door Senior Citizens of Iowa Park and had lived in Iowa Park all his life. He was a member of Faith Baptist Church of Iowa Park.

Survivors include his daughter, Sherry Holmes of Iowa Park; three sisters, Merle Hicks and Linda Rannila, both of Wichita Falls and Clemmie Hackworth of Benbrook; and four brothers, Wendel Holmes of Russell, Kan., and Thomas Holmes, Jerry Holmes, and Doug Holmes, all of Wichita Falls.

Memorials may be made to Friendly Door Senior Citizens of Iowa Park.



Monday Dec. 21

Ham slice, glazed sweet potatoes and apples, cabbage wedges, wheat bread, banana cream pudding.

Tuesday Dec. 22

Oven fried chicken, cream gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed greens, cornbread, peach cobbler.

Wednesday Dec. 23

Meatloaf, macaroni and cheese, okra, tossed salad, cornbread, fruited gelatin.

Thursday Dec. 24

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Friday Dec. 25

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Between Friends by Sandra Kitt
The White Flower by Grace Livingston Hill
Continental Lover by Cathie Linz
Forget Me Not by Stef Ann Holm
Rising Tides by Nora Roberts
Special Effects in Film and Television by Hamilton
War of the Gods by Poul Anderson
Out of the Silent Planet by C.S. Lewis
The Last Unicorn by Peter S. Beagle
O Pioneer! by Frederik Pohl
Sioux Slaughter by Chet Cunningham
The Fugitive's Mission by Max Brand
Nolo's Will Book
The Guinness Book of Records 1999

New Videos

Parent Trap
 King Kong
 Fright Night
 Wolf
 America's Haunted Houses

Thank You

Santa's castle attendance this year was 470 children. Without the

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We would also like to thank these businesses: B&R Thriftway, The Bake Shop, Homestead Ceramics and Wal-Mart for their help.

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 Thursdays - Communion Service & Rosary
 7:00 p.m. Chapel

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 Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY
 Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
 Children's Mission Programs 6:30 p.m.
 Youth Worship 6:30 p.m.
 Choir Rehearsal 7:30 p.m.

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 Community Advent Vespers 7:00 pm

Christmas Eve
 Thursday December 24

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GARDENING HINTS

By MARK TERNING, COUNTY AGENT - HORTICULTURE

Q. We are new in Wichita County. We love the beautiful Poinsettias we are seeing at your local nurseries, but I have always been told that these plants are poisonous. We would like to use several in our home for holiday decorations. What can you tell us about these plants? How can we properly care for the plants?

A. Poinsettias are often labeled as being poisonous, however, they have been proven by major university research to be non-toxic. The milky sap within these plants is irritating to some people's skin and eyes. As with any plant, we never know how every individual will respond to ingesting a plant. For example, some people are highly allergic to tomatoes. The best advice is to simply enjoy the Poinsettias in your home, but, keep them out of children's reach and of course they are not for consumption. I always wash my hands thoroughly after handling Poinsettias to avoid any irritation or exposure to my eyes or skin.

The selection of Poinsettias is outstanding at local garden centers and nurseries. A trip through the greenhouses is worth your effort because the massed color is overwhelming. Don't forget to bring some plants home as the selection is best now. These holiday beauties are a joy in the home during the holiday season.

As far as care, place the Poinsettia in a bright indoor area away from heaters, vents, cold drafts, etc. Remove the foil on wrapped pots and use a saucer under the plant to catch water. The foil tends to hold water and can result in an overwatering problem. Keep the growing mix moist, but not water-logged. You should be able to enjoy the Poinsettias throughout the next few months. These plants are tropical, so make sure and carry them home inside your vehicle and protected from wind and potentially cold weather.

Q. I have a Chinese Pistache tree in our Wichita Falls landscape. The tree was transplanted a year ago. Now I have noticed a growth on the trunk (sample enclosed). What is this unusual growth?

A. The growth as you have described is actually attached to pieces of the bark. This is a fungal growth like a mushroom. The tree must have been damaged at some point in time. Fungi actually work to break down decaying organic matter. This means that a wound to your tree has been severe enough to cause wood decay. The fungal growth is really secondary to the primary problem which is the wound. Perhaps a mower, weedeater, or other mechanical device has hit the trunk of your Pistache at some point in time.

The best you can do now is to avoid any future wounding of the tree at any cost. Clean out the wound area to sound, living tissue with a sharp pocket knife or small chisel. Avoid damaging any healthy tissue. If there is a cavity left that might hold water and cause future wood decay, then you must fill the cavity.

Fill the cavity with polyurethane insulation foam as is used for filling in around windows and cracks in a home. This material expands as it dries and makes an easy-to-use filler that can be shaped to be smooth with the remaining bark. This will give the healthy tissue something to seal around and keep moisture out of the cavity or hole. Chinese Pistache trees are vigorous growers that tend to recover from moist moderate wounds.

Q. We still have not planted our Pansies this year. Can we still plant these bedding plants?

A. The very warm winter we are experiencing has delayed many Pansie plantings, but you really should go ahead and pull out any warm-season bedding plants and replace them with these cool-season colorful annuals. This will allow the Pansies to establish a decent root system prior to any colder weather we may experience. The pansies that have been planted since October (or normal time for planting) look excellent this year. Go ahead and plant.

Q. I have a Tropical Hibiscus on my sunny, back porch in Iowa Park. My question is can I cut the plant back before moving it indoors now?

A. Tropical Hibiscus needs to be moved indoors now prior to any cooler temperatures. Even temperatures above freezing can damage this very tropical plant.

You can cut the plant back by a third which will probably make it much easier to move the Hibiscus indoors after a season of growth outside. Treating the plant and soil mix with appropriate insecticide might be a good idea also. Do this before moving the plant inside for the winter.

Q. We have grown Birdhouse Gourds all through the summer. I want to know when to harvest the gourds and how to properly dry them?

A. You can harvest the gourds now leaving several inches of the stem attached. This will help prevent decay of the gourd before drying.

Dry the gourds inside or out in an area with good air flow around the gourds. A rack or elevated table works well. When the seeds rattle on the inside upon shaking then you will know that the gourds are properly dried.

You can then then cut holes in the gourds to make a birdhouse. Some folks polish or paint the gourds to improve the look and help preserve the gourds. Indians used to simply rub the gourds for hours with the natural oil of their skin accomplishing the same objective.

The gourds make excellent birdhouses to hang from trees and other structures.

Q. This unusually warm weather we are having this winter has caused our St. Augustine to stay very green. Should we fertilize again? What can we do to help protect our lawn from a hard freeze? We lost the entire yard several years ago to a late freeze.

A. St. Augustine lawns are always the last to go dormant in the fall and the first to come back in the

spring. This is one reason why St. Augustine gets nailed by freezes on a regular basis.

Don't fertilize now by any means. This would encourage new growth and increase the chance of freeze injury. The best you can do is to continue to water during the absence of rainfall.

Water at least monthly even during the dead of winter. Water weekly now given the extremely warm temperatures we are experiencing this fall. Plants that are watered will be better able to survive an extreme drop in temperatures if this occurs. Wet soil also tends to hold heat better than a dry soil.

Q. We have been harvesting pecans in Burkburnett. Enclosed is a sample of some of our pecan kernels. They are fuzzy and smaller than normal. What is causing this fuzzy material? Is it a fungus of some type?

A. The fuzzy material on the pecan kernels and the fact that they are not well-filled out is plain and simple moisture stress from a long and hot and dry summer. This is all too common in pecans when we experience an extremely dry summer growing season.

Of all the complications possible with pecan production, the most frequently cited problem associated with kernel quality is lack of water. Pecans require an inch of water weekly during the growing season to really fill out properly and develop quality kernels.

We certainly did not have this kind of help from Mother Nature this summer.

Receives scholarship

Ashli Renee Thomas of Iowa Park is one of two students at the University of Nebraska who recently received scholarships.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Verne Thomas was named the recipient of the Edward and Catherine Martin Scholarship, valued at \$1,000.

Thomas is a junior majoring in nutritional science and dietetics.

The other Texan who received a scholarship is from Fort Worth.

Junior high to use new bell schedule

A new bell schedule will go into effect at W.F. George Middle School following the Christmas holidays.

According to the school principal, Randy Lovelady, the start and end times for the day will be the same, however tutorials will occur outside the regular school hours of 8:05 a.m. to 3:05 p.m.

Lovelady said the schedule during the first semester was used in hopes of increasing the pass rate of the students.

When the pass rate remained unchanged, and other problems developed, it was decided to put the new schedule into effect when students return to classes following the Christmas break.

Following is the new bell schedule for the second semester:

7:30-8:05 - Tutorials (enter front door)
8:05 - 8:55 - 1st period
9:00-9:50 - 2nd period
9:55-10:45 - 3rd period
10:50-11:40 - 4th period
11:40-1:10 - 5th period and lunch
1:10-12:10 - 6th grade lunch
12:10-12:40 - 7th grade lunch
12:40-1:10 - 8th grade lunch
1:15-2:10 - 6th period
2:15-3:05 - 7th period
3:10-3:45 - Tutorials

Tutorial students will be given at least one day's notice so that transportation arrangements can be made. Students will be assigned tutoring by their teachers on an individual basis. Students not attending assigned times will be assigned lunch detention.

Athletic Booster Club sets Tuesday meeting

The Athletic Booster Club will meet in the high school cafeteria immediately after the JV girl's basketball game Tuesday night.

The main topic of discussion will be the football banquet scheduled for the second Saturday in January, and other upcoming events.

AG AGENT'S REPORT

By JOE RAFF, Wichita County Agriculture Agent

Marketing Meeting

I am writing this on December 1, during a 70 degree day. What, December 1 and it's 70 degrees? And, according to the weather men, we don't have a freeze in the forecast.

Yes, we need a freeze and a hard freeze. No, I don't like chipping ice in the morning or fixing broken water lines. But, if we don't get a good freeze, we are in for a horrible insect population this next spring and summer.

I am not sure the last time we have had a hard winter, but we sure need one to control the insects. I think everyone saw the damage grasshoppers and walking sticks did this year, and it can be worse in 1999 if things don't change.

Now I know that if you live in the city you may not be concerned about the insects that I have mentioned. But how about all the ticks and fleas that got on your pets this year, or the flies, gnats, and mosquitoes that terrorized you and your's last year. Think about it.

Starting last March a group of growers started a marketing club in the county. We have had guest speakers at these meetings and have learned a lot in the past year.

The club has met each month (with the exception of the last two, in which we were waiting for everyone to get through planting) since March with a different topic for each meeting. It has served as a great tool that has helped several growers in the county market their commodity more effectively.

1999 will mark the first full year of the marketing group. If you have not attended a meeting in 1998, you will have a chance to get involved on Thursday, Dec. 17. The meeting will start at 7 p.m. at the MPEC kitchen.

We will have two speakers at the meeting. Stan Bevers, Extension Economist Specialist, and Rob Borchardt, Extension Risk Management Specialist, who will provide leadership for the meeting. They will be talking about the 1999 markets

and different marketing strategies that growers may want to look at for the 1999 year.

In January, Rob Borchardt will be back in the county talking about web sites that can be useful to growers. This will be a good meeting with answers to all the questions I have had lately on internet sites.

If you have any questions about the marketing club, or would like any information about marketing, feel free to give me a call at the office at 716-5580.

And, my door is always open.

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Love, Mom & Dad

Destiny and Blake are proud to announce the birth of their new sister, Haylee Don Posey, born December 4, at 2:33 p.m. She weighed 6 pounds, 9 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. Parents are Jeff and Sheila Posey of Iowa Park.

Grandparents are Richard and Gwen Clark of Wichita Falls, and the late Terry Allen of Waurika, and Chester and Ruth Posey of Iowa Park.

Great-grandparents are V.C. and Vivian Helms of Waurika, Marie Allen of Ryan, Ok., and the late Tena Glenn of Wichita Falls.

Haylee was named after her granddad, Terry Don Allen, who passed away Sept. 7, 1998.

10 TOM
is pushing 10!
Happy Birthday
December 19.
Love,
Mom, Dad & Sis

Letters to Santa



Dear Santa,
How are the reindeer doing? Is it very cold in the North Pole? How is Rudolf.
For Christmas I would like, A microscope, The Lion King II. I hope you, get to my house safely on Christmas Eve.
Love, Jordan

Dear Santa,
How are you?
For Christmas, I would like to have talking baby Breakable Angel Roller Blades Lots of hair bows jewelry high heels New Clothes Tox Jeep Shoes Barbies gacet
Love Kay

Dear Santa
How are you this year? How is your reindeer this year to? Well for Christmas I want a Barbie doll, a nuntindow 64, some games, a tv, a cable box and some Barbaie clothes,
Love Kristena

Dear Santa
How are you? How are your reindeers?
Is it cold at the South Pole? How is Mrs. Claus?
For Christmas I would like a science kit(OfRocks)(orshells). An Nintindo 64 and you can pick the rest.
Love,
Jodie

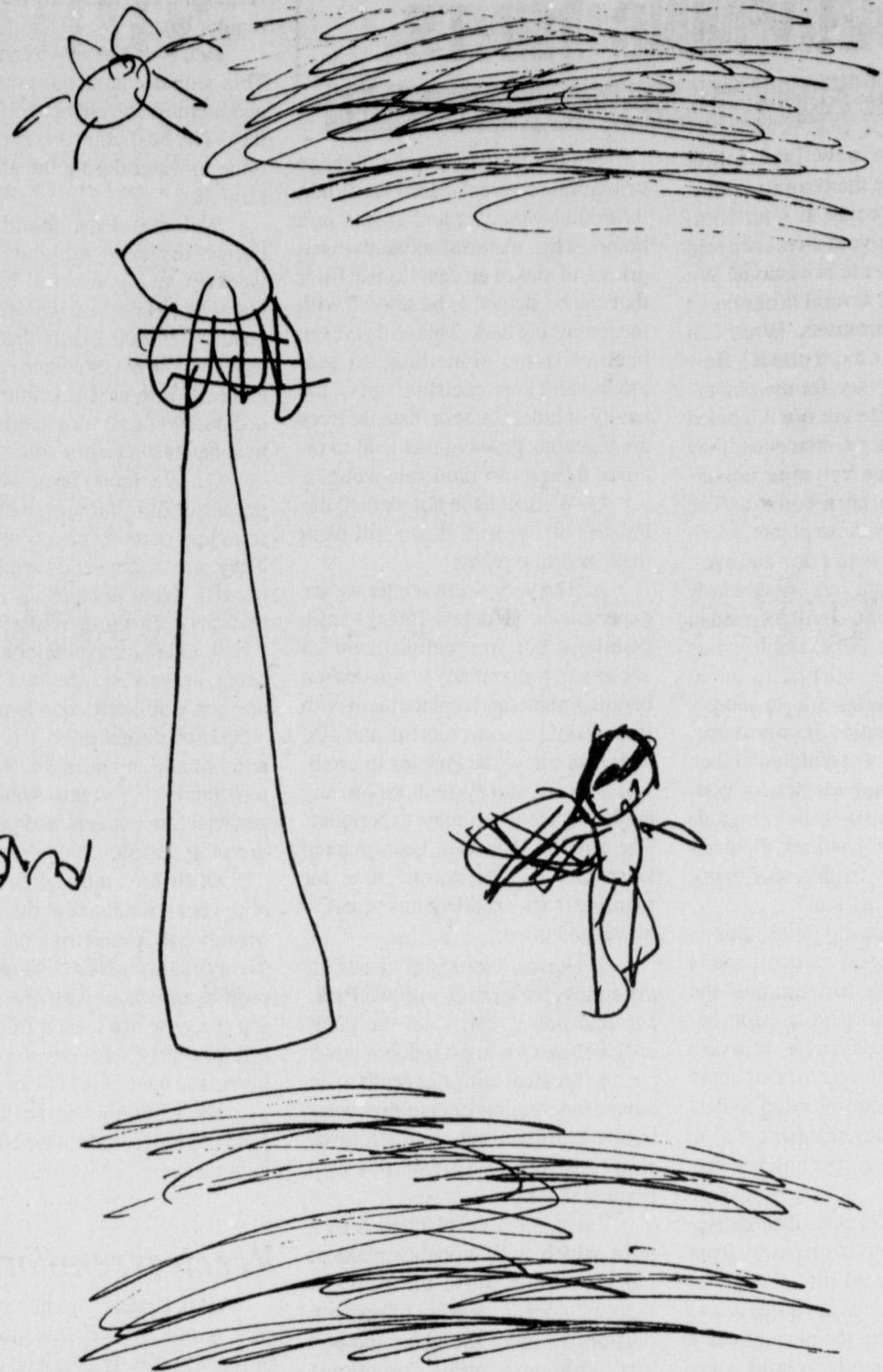
Dear Santa,
How are you? How is your reindeers?
I would like a whach and a nowdoke.
Love Jacob

Dear Santa,
How are you doing today Santa
How are your rainer doing today?
How is Ruboff and the 8rainders ding
Santa I would Like to haf a win suet.
Santa I would Like to haf a my size Barby.
Santa I would like a shirt.
Santa I would like some jeans.
Santa I would like to haf something that you want me to haf
Love Britteny Thomas

Dear Santa,
How are you? Is it coldat the north pole. How are your reindeer. May I have a bike may I have a racecar.
Love Brady

Dear Santa,
How are you? I'm wondering how is roodof? did the other reindeers willy call roadof names? can people see you in the dark? please do not bring meor my famly iny presents. all I would like, is for my big brother Jaime to go to disney world with us becus he said he wouldent.
Love, Jenna

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Hawk names common on All-District list

What many thought was going to be a rebuilding year for the Hawks turned into the most productive season for Iowa Park in over a decade.

Iowa Park posted its first two playoff victories in over 10 years, finishing the season with a pair of gold footballs representing the Bi-District Title and the Area Title.

On Monday, following the Childress loss to Dangerfield on Saturday, the District 5-3A All-District selections were released, with Iowa Park being well represented. The Hawks grabbed eight first-

team selections in all and had the Newcomer of the Year in sophomore Chase Wright.

Here is a complete listing of all selections.
District MVP - Willie Thomas - Jr. Childress
Offensive MVP - Chederick Ricks - Sr. Vernon.
Defensive MVP - Juan Sierra - Sr. Childress.
Newcomer of the Year - Chase Wright - Soph. Iowa Park.

FIRST TEAM OFFENSE QUARTERBACKS

Jim Walker - Sr. Henrietta
Jeremy Richey - Sr. Bowie
RUNNING BACKS
Willie Thomas - Jr. Childress
Chederick Ricks - Sr. Vernon
Tommy Duerson - Sr. Iowa Park
Travoy Brown - Sr. Childress
Jeremy Rickles - Sr. Graham
Chase Wright - Soph. Iowa Park
WIDE RECEIVERS
J.R. Holder - Sr. Vernon
Doug Evans - Sr. Bowie
Chris Duncan - Sr. Graham
TIGHT END
Kevin Keys - Jr. Childress

OFFENSIVE LINEMEN
Jonathan Ochoa - Sr. Vernon
Jay Stroud - Jr. Childress
Jeremy Hernandez - Sr. Childress
Michael Harris - Sr. Graham
Josh Arrington - Sr. Iowa Park
Shane Dunn - Jr. Iowa Park
CENTER
Chris Tipa - Sr. Childress
KICKER
Dustin Hunter - Sr. Bowie
Jim Walker - Sr. Henrietta

SECOND TEAM OFFENSE
QUARTERBACK
Jason Klappenbach - Sr. Vernon
RUNNINGBACKS
Dustin Hunter - Sr. Bowie
Bryan Miller - Sr. Iowa Park
Lee Atkins - Sr. Henrietta
WIDE RECEIVERS

Eric Green - Sr. Childress
Kyle Jeffries - Jr. Henrietta
TIGHT END
Thomas Brake - Sr. Iowa Park
CENTER
Daniel Parks - Sr. Vernon
Jeremy White - Sr. Bowie
OFFENSIVE LINEMEN
Scott Railsback - Jr. Vernon
Justin Richardson - Sr. Bowie
Wayne Mitchell - Sr. Childress
Kevin Haggart - Sr. Graham

FIRST TEAM DEFENSE
DEFENSIVE BACKS
Willie Thomas - Jr. Childress
Eric Green - Sr. Childress
Jim Walker - Sr. Henrietta
Malcom Wise - Sr. Iowa Park
Chase Wright - Soph. Iowa Park
Ed Cherry - Sr. Vernon.

LINEBACKERS
Juan Sierra - Sr. Childress
Toby Williams - Sr. Iowa Park
Ricky Lira - Sr. Vernon
Patrick Cotton - Sr. Graham
DEFENSIVE ENDS
Caleb Seal - Sr. Childress
K.C. Green - Sr. Iowa Park
Matt Matus - Jr. Vernon
DEFENSIVE LINEMEN
Jonathan Ochoa - Sr. Vernon
Skye Richey - Jr. Bowie

Ben Rhodes - Jr. Childress
PUNTER
Alar Jacoba - Sr. Graham
SECOND TEAM DEFENSE
DEFENSIVE BACKS
Tommy McLaughlin - Jr. Vernon
Justin Marsh - Sr. Vernon
Jeremy Richey - Sr. Bowie
Jaycin Smotherman - Jr. Childress
Jeff Wisner - Sr. Graham
LINEBACKERS
Joe Rivera - Sr. Bowie
Chris Kirby - Jr. Henrietta
Justin Lane - Sr. Childress
Matt Byars - Sr. Vernon
DEFENSIVE ENDS
James Williams - Jr. Iowa Park
Brandon Ford - Jr. Graham

DEFENSIVE LINEMEN
Russell Duggins - Soph. Iowa Park
Cody Mason - Sr. Vernon
Charles Huitt - Sr. Graham
PUNTER
Thomas Brake - Sr. Iowa Park

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Ross Dillard - Linebacker
Daron Blackerby - Kicker

Hawks suffer 1-3 week

It was another tough week for the varsity Hawks, as they posted a 1-3 record for the week after playing in the Vernon Tournament and a road game at Burkburnett.

In the first round of the Vernon Tournament, Iowa Park beat Memphis 55-49. The Hawks were led in scoring by Landon Miller with 10 points followed, by Chase Wright and Justin Penn with seven each. Bryan Lyons and Johnny Dillard each scored six.

In game two Iowa Park fell 62-32 to Sherman. Chris Simmons led the Hawks in scoring with eight points, followed by Aaron Duran with five. Clayton Sales, Casey Evans and Jeff Duerson all scored four points for the Hawks.

In the final game of the tournament, Iowa Park lost to Graham by the score of 59-37. Ryan Huff led the Hawks with 20 points, nine of those coming in the fourth quarter, followed by Simmons with six points. Duran, Wright and Evans all scored four points for the Hawks.

On Monday, Iowa Park traveled to Burk, falling 81-43 to the Bulldogs. Burk had the hot hand from the outside, hitting five threes and

made 16 free throws, while Iowa Park made only one three and was only 8-of-15 from the charity stripe in the game. Wright and Evans both scored eight points to lead Iowa Park, Simmons added six, while Duran, Huff and Penn all scored four.

The Hawks will travel to Olney on Friday, then to Mineral Wells on Tuesday, then take off for the Christmas holidays.

JV

The JV Hawks had a busy week and despite playing hard, fell in all four games they played.

Iowa Park opened the week falling to Hirschi 58-57 in the first round of the Rider Tournament. Ryan Bess led Iowa Park with 13 points followed by Zack Miller with 11. Rowdy Hebel and Josh Lytle each added seven points.

In game two, Iowa Park fell to Wichita Falls High School 73-37. Miller led Iowa Park with 10 points followed by Chase Simpson with eight. Hebel and Ryan Hiliard each scored seven.

In the final game of the tournament, Iowa Park fell 68-35 to Graham. Miller led Iowa Park in scoring

with nine points followed by Michael Weeks with eight.

On Monday night, Iowa Park fell 65-28 to Burk. Bess led the Hawks with five points followed by Derrick Carlton and Tim Denney with four points each.

Iowa Park will travel to Olney on Friday, then to Mineral Wells on Tuesday then take off for the Christmas holidays.

Frosh

The freshman Hawks split their two games this week, beating a district 5-3A opponent, then falling to Burkburnett on Monday.

In Friday's game, Iowa Park defeated Childress, 46-40 thanks to a 20-10 second quarter. Andy Simpson led Iowa Park in scoring with 11 points followed by Kyle Chaney and Jereme Wilson with 10 points each. Jason Peters added eight points.

In Monday's game in Burk, Iowa Park fell 82-32 with Simpson again leading Iowa Park in scoring with 11. Wilson followed with eight and Chaney with seven.

The Hawks will play on the road in Olney on Friday and in Mineral Wells on Tuesday then take a break for the Christmas holidays.

Lady Hawks see improvement

The Varsity Lady Hawks were not able to crack the win column this week, but they can see the light at the end of the tunnel.

Iowa Park traveled to Altus to take part in the Altus Tournament, falling in all three games, then fell to Rider on Tuesday night. But it was Tuesday's game that gave head coach Kim Huff something to smile about.

The Lady Hawks opened the week, falling to Tulsa Hale in the opening round of the tournament 71-29. Iowa Park fell behind 22-2 after the first quarter and never made up the deficit. Erin Foster and Leanna Duran led Iowa Park in scoring with seven points apiece followed by Melissa Threut with six.

In round two, Iowa Park fell 58-30 to Wichita Falls High School. This time it was the third quarter that proved to be the difference in the game. Iowa Park led 10-4 after the first quarter and trailed by only two at the half, but a 19-0 third quarter by Old High put the game out of reach. Foster led Iowa Park in scoring with 10 points followed by Randi Nelms with five. Alisha Clements and Duran each added four points.

In the final game of the tournament, Iowa Park fell 44-35 to Hollis. Nelms led the Lady Hawks in scoring with 15 followed by Clements with seven. Duran and Robyn Dillard each added four points.

In Tuesday night's game against the Lady Raiders, Iowa Park led 11-9 after the first quarter, but was outscored 21-12 in the second, which proved to be the difference in the game. Both teams scored 21 points in the second half. Duran led Iowa Park in scoring with 10 followed by Lacy Wells with nine. Clements and Nelms each scored five.

"We played our best game so far without Lacy Downs," Huff said. "We had four or five minutes there where we didn't execute very well offensively which turned out to be the turning point in the game. Our guards are starting to pick it up and now our posts need to do the same."

Iowa Park will travel to Altus on Friday, then will play host to Electra on Tuesday, then break for the Christmas holidays.

JV-Frosh

Both the JV and the freshman

Lady Hawks came up short on Tuesday night falling to Rider.

In the JV game, Iowa Park led throughout the first three quarters by one. Both teams scored nine points in the first quarter, then Iowa Park won the second quarter 9-8 to take a one point lead. Both teams then scored six in the third, before Rider pulled away winning the fourth quarter 14-4 to post the 37-28 win. Audrey Wells led Iowa Park in scoring with 16 points followed by Christine Dillard with eight points.

In the freshman game, Iowa Park saw a chance to win the game at the buzzer rim out, allowing Rider to escape with a 44-43 win.

Rider led 21-16 at the half, but Iowa Park outscored the Lady Raiders 15-12 in the third quarter 15-12 to trim the lead to three. Iowa Park won the fourth quarter 12-11 and had a chance to win at the buzzer only to see it roll out. Sharron Veitenheimer scored 14 points to lead the Lady Hawks followed by Dana Smith with nine and Mary Knight with eight.

The JV Lady Hawks will travel to Altus on Friday, then play host to Electra on Tuesday.

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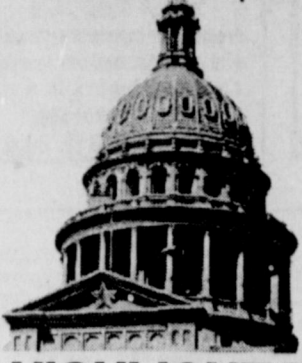
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AUSTIN — Texas Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer last week ordered cuts averaging 5.5 percent to the private-passenger auto insurance benchmark rate.

The cuts are to take effect Feb. 15.

Drivers carrying only liability insurance also will see cuts averaging 7.8 percent, Bomer said.

Bomer's action follows a 5 percent benchmark rate cut he ordered last January. At the time, he urged companies to file lower rates. Major companies in the personal auto insurance market responded by reducing rates 7 percent on average.

Insurance company claim payouts continue to lag behind premium collections because of tort reform, safer cars, less drunken driving and other factors, Bomer said.

"We need to close this gap so that consumers don't pay too much for their car insurance. All the evidence justifies a substantial rate reduction that still should leave the companies a fair profit on their Texas business," he said.

The rate changes apply only to drivers insured by rate-regulated insurance companies that cover

about 75 percent of the drivers in Texas.

Bomer did not order changes to rates for commercial auto insurance, following a recommendation by administrative law judges.

Minorities, Poor Pay More

Where a driver lives may have a bearing on how much he must pay to get behind the wheel with suitable insurance coverage in Texas, a new study shows.

State Rep. Lon Burnam, D-Fort Worth, last week told the *Austin American-Statesman* that data collected in the first quarter of 1998 by the House Insurance Committee show that "many lower-cost, standard insurers appear to systematically deny coverage to consumers who live in poor and minority areas."

Only 49.7 percent of drivers are insured by less-costly, rate-regulated lines of insurance if they live in areas where the minority population is 85 percent or greater.

In 1997, rate-regulated premiums in Texas averaged \$800 a year, while non-regulated premiums averaged \$1,300 a year, the study said.

Welfare Rolls Have Shrank

A study released last week by the Texas Department of Human Services gives a first look at the impact of the 1995 welfare reform law.

More than two-thirds of adults pushed off welfare rolls found work; those workers were paid an average of \$6.28 an hour; and most of them found jobs in the food service, clerical, retail sales or health-care fields, the study shows.

The average annual salary of the respondents was slightly more than \$11,000. The figure the federal government uses to mark the poverty level for a family of three is \$13,650.

Since 1994, state welfare rolls have dropped by nearly 400,000 recipients, and over the same period, food stamp rolls have dropped by 1.3 million recipients, the study said.

Work requirements and time limits on Texas welfare benefits took effect in 1996. Work or job training is mandated for most people between ages 18 and 59.

Scholarship Hike Proposed

State Rep. Henry Cuellar, D-Laredo, last week filed legislation that would give Texas high school students access to \$250 million more in financial aid for college.

Student loan and grant programs presently total about \$156 million.

Under Cuellar's proposal, an applicant's family's annual income would have to total less than \$75,000, among other criteria.

Teacher Reward Plan Proposed

Education Commissioner Mike Moses, in response to a legislative directive, last week announced a teacher pay-for-performance program that will reward teachers for gains in student performance.

Every year, cash awards of \$750 per person would go to 25 percent of the state's educators, under the commissioner's proposal.

Rewards would go to all teachers at campuses that have shown significant improvement in student performance, as measured by the state education agency's Academic Excellence Indicator System.

Other Highlights

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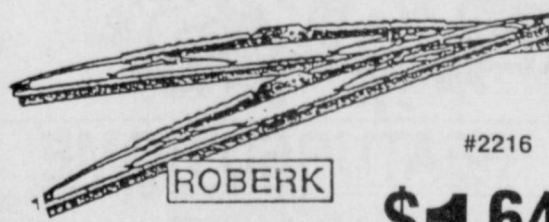
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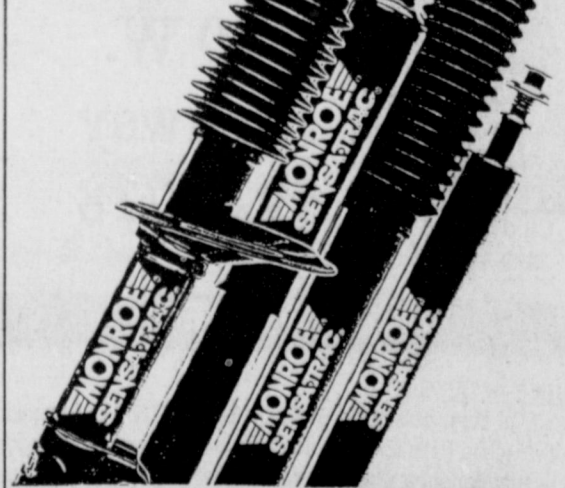
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