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**READY FOR THANKSGIVING** - These three turkeys are draining, after being removed from 50-gallon deep-frying vats. But they were among the hundreds of pounds of various types of meats that were cooked last weekend by the Wichita County

**Young Farmers.** Members of the organization spent more than 60 hours smoking and frying hundreds of pounds of meats which had been ordered by residents. Monies raised help finance various youth projects.

## Clerk arrested for false report

When police responded at 3:24 a.m. Thursday to a reported drive-off theft of gasoline at Allsup's, they noticed something different than what they had seen only a few minutes earlier.

The only car on the store's parking lot was that of the employee's, and it had been moved.

That led to questioning of the employee, who eventually admitted he had filled his tank with \$11.60 worth of gasoline, and then reported that a customer had driven off without paying.

Jeremy Allen Peirce, 18, was arrested on a charge of filing a false report to an officer, and was transported to the county jail.

His company was also reportedly intending to file a complaint against him for theft under \$50, police reported.

Two residents of the Vernon area were arrested on charges of theft under \$50, after being detained by the Wal-Mart security agent and turned over to police.

Police were called to the store at 3:06 p.m. Friday, where the pair, Alton Clarence Harp, 56, and Ann Mildred Deel, 44, were turned over to them.

The two were taken to the police station, where each paid fines of \$83.50 on charges of theft under \$50, and were released.

Acting on a warrant issued by the Wichita County sheriff's office, police took David Mark Spruiell, 50, into custody Saturday afternoon.

The warrant was for bond forfeiture criminal trespass, with a bond of \$2,500, according to the police blotter.

Spruiell was later transported by a county deputy to the jail.

After receiving a report that a man was soliciting pecans for sale, and did not have a permit to do so, officers took John Hoggatt Jr. into custody Thursday afternoon.

He was transported to city hall, where he purchased a permit, and was issued a warning to not violate the city's ordinance in the future.

Police were called Friday evening to Wal-Mart, where someone had cut off a lock on a coin-operated machine in the lobby, and carried off the coin box, according to the blotter entry.

A resident in the 400 block of West Magnolia told police Monday evening that someone had apparently stolen three books from that home.

The books, all relating to the subject of babysitting, are due this month at the Tom Burnett Memorial Library.

## Free turkeys in time for Thanksgiving

A great number of Iowa Park homes will have turkey for their Thanksgiving meals, thanks to local businesses.

The businesses participated in the annual free drawings, which are coordinated by the Chamber of Commerce.

The drawings were held last Thursday, and each participate notified their winners.

Participating businesses and their winners included:

- All Occasions - Kim Boland
- Auto Craft Collision/Engine - James Cockrum
- B&R Thriftway - Rowena Rice
- Barbour Trucking - John Knapp
- Dr. Richard Carver - Tim Sidlauskas
- Catlin Quick Change - Randy Heidrich
- DC Auto - Pete Putman
- Dutton Funeral Home - Dennis Neal and Marvin Parks
- Dudley's Deli - Janis Wilson
- Edward D. Jones - R.E. Gant
- Food Depot - Hubert Lyons
- Harvey's - Geneva McWhorter
- Gene James Air Conditioning - Ollie Nichols
- Hughes Pharmacy - Mary Biddy
- IHS - June Lane and Millie Jones
- Iowa Park Florist - Ruth Welch
- Iowa Park Leader - Frances Park
- Jack's Pharmacy - Robert Reid
- JC's Auto - Loyd Bell
- K&K - Steve Lisch
- Ken's Pizza - Jack Blagg
- King's Kids - Donald Everett
- Louis Jewelry - Susan House
- Norwest - Pat Maxwell
- Park Clinic - Tommie Reeves
- Park Home Health - Albert Young
- Parkway TrueValue - Curtis Cobb
- Dr. Carter Pirkle - Harold Smith
- Pizza Hut - Kim Calloway
- Professional Nurses - Zola Smith
- RAC - Doris Berry
- Regency One - Vera Cantwell
- Sam's Body Shop - Donald Potter, O.N. Newman and Scott Sneed
- Schram & Cluley - Dorothy Baker
- Sincerely Your's - Don Bohannon
- State Farm Insurance - Donald Jones
- State National Bank - Victoria Loggins and Stanley Wright
- Subway - Lynell Hare
- Tangles - Jeannie Lovelady
- Texas Realty - Bo Watson
- Texoma Realty - Linda Park
- G.M. Via Insurance - Jim Wright
- Wal-Mart - Mary Rogers and Kitty Riter

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## First winter storm hits area

The season's first winter storm proved uncomfortable to several residences, and expensive to one business, but otherwise Iowa Park escaped all the vehicle accidents that were reported in neighboring Wichita Falls.

Heavy rains, accompanied by

high winds and lightening, moved over the city Saturday night, and deposited 1.25 of moisture all told, according to Virgil Woodfin.

The storm ushered in freezing temperatures, and as the thermometers fell, the rain began collecting in frozen form on everything it struck.

Rain began turning into sleet, and a greater portion of the afternoon saw heavy snow flakes blanketing the ground.

Electric service was knocked out in most of the city residences north of US 287 at 1:30 p.m., but most of them were back in service some five hours later.

The problem was apparently caused when the upper half of a 200-foot radio tower at Park Tank Truck broke off, falling into the business' building and breaking a major electric transmission line.

Gary Rusk said ice had apparently accumulated on the tower, and, with the accompanying winds, it broke in half.

The falling metal punctured the roof of the firm's shop area, but no one was injured. The tower was erected almost 30 years ago.

No vehicle accidents were re-

ported in the city, but two occurred in the immediate area. One was reported Sunday afternoon on the US 287 overpass at Burnett Road, and another Monday afternoon on FM 368.

Iowa Park schools delayed the start of classes by an hour Monday, and none of the bus drivers reported any problems during their routes.

## Wood chairman of facility task force

Brenda Wood was selected chairperson, and Kari Collins recording secretary, by members of the Facility Task Force during a meeting Thursday night at the junior high school library.

The Facility Task Force, which

is made up of around 60 citizens, was formed at the request of Supt. Mike Caplinger to study the needs on all campuses of the Iowa Park C.I.S.D. and, if necessary, make recommen-

## Council meeting is brief

An unusually light agenda allowed the city council to take care of its business and dismiss in about 15 minutes Monday night.

Aldermen approved the purchase of a new police cruiser from Ron Roberts Ford of Wichita Falls, which submitted the lowest bid of \$19,361.50.

Administrator Mike Price was given authorization to advertise for bids to purchase a new pickup for the water plant.

Council members decided to hold only one meeting during December, instead of the usual two. That meeting will be on Monday, Dec. 9.

Aldermen authorized Price to expend \$5,000 to lay concrete for a boat-launching ramp at Lake Buffalo. Preparatory dirt work has been accomplished by city employees.

Some half dozen interested

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## NEWS BRIEFS

### Schools, businesses to be closed

Schools, most businesses and most governmental offices will be closed Thursday, for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Though all businesses will open as usual Friday, students and teachers are not scheduled to resume classes until Monday, Dec. 2.

### Leader's issue is printed early

Because of Thursday being a holiday for postal workers, this issue of the Iowa Park Leader was printed a day early, even though it carries the usual Thursday dateline.

The paper has long observed a policy of printing early, whenever a holiday falls on Thursday. That is because the staff wishes for subscribers to have their papers before, rather than after the holiday.

As of next week, the paper will resume its normal Thursday publication date.

The paper's office will remain open until 12-noon Wednesday, close for the holiday, and resume regular hours Friday.

### Christmas lighting event slated

The annual Christmas lighting ceremony will be held Thursday evening of next week at the Tom Burnett Memorial Library.

The library also will hold its open house in conjunction with the event. Refreshments will be served.

Santa Claus is scheduled to make

his pre-Christmas appearance. He will visit with the youngsters in the gazebo, weather permitting, and hand out candy canes.

Entertainment will be furnished by the Hawk Band, and students of DancePlus.



**FOUR-WHEEL VEHICLES** are just as likely to skid on icy pavement as any others, as a driver learned Monday morning. The accident took place on FM 368, just south of the split from FM 367. The unidentified driver is shown uprighting his vehicle with another.