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# Top news stories of 1999 reviewed

The final year of the century produced major news events that were covered by the *Iowa Park Leader*.

After experiencing a very wet period in the early months, however, the area has been hit by a drought which has brought on water use restrictions and concerns about water supplies from the local lakes.

The following is a brief review of news highlights from 1999.

#### JANUARY

The new year of 1999 was begun with the swearing in of newly-elected Wichita County office holders, which included Marc Newman, who became the sixth person to serve as Justice of the Peace for Precinct Three. First class postage stamps were increased in price to 33 cents, effective Jan. 10. Iowa Park Volunteer Fire Department Chief Danny Skinner was recognized by department members as Fireman of the Year. Karen Schell and Zac Miller were named to the All-State Band. Rica, the newly-acquired drug detection dog for the Iowa Park Police Department, was introduced to the city council members. Highlighting the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet was the presentation of awards, including: Outstanding Citizen of the Year, Richard Hicks; Outstanding Senior Citizen, Margaret Sheets; Outstanding Educator, Mike Caplinger; Agriculturist, Dan Glass, and the School District as the Business of the Year. The Iowa Park Optimist Club donated \$10,000 to help finance the Lake Gordon walking track.

dent of the Athletic Booster Club for 1999-2000. A huge crane was used to relocate an old bridge from South Peterson Road to its new location, on the north side of Lake Gordon, for the walking track. Iowa Park's 1600-meter relay team of Tommy Duerson, Dustin Shierry, Malcolm Wise and Jeff Duerson, which broke the school record three consecutive meets during the season, placed third in the state meet. Visitors estimated in the hundreds turned out for the first annual Parkfest event at Lake Gordon. The Hawk baseball team was defeated in the Area round of the state playoffs by China Spring. Christine Baka was Valedictorian and Lydia Adams Salutatorian of the senior class.

#### JUNE

Winners among the 45 participants in the annual All-Iowa Park Golf Tournament, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, were Randy Alsup, Keith Gillen and Dolores Hamilton. An algie bloom at Lake Iowa Park affected the taste of water caused numerous complaints called in at city hall. Ross Dillard was named recipient of a \$5,000 scholarship from the National FFA Foundation. Steve Moody was named principal of W.F. George Middle School, and Debra Brandt was named to succeed him as principal of Ethyl Kidwell Elementary. Iowa Park CISD was awarded a "High Schools That Work" grant by Tech Prep, Texas Education Agency, and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. Don Pellikan was named pastor of the First United Methodist Church. Though he remained athletic director and head football coach through the fall, Weldon Nelms was appointed Dean of Students at the high school. Local mail carriers reported picking up 2,650 pounds of food during their annual food drive to help the needy. Some 42 W.F. Middle School students and their sponsors made an educational trip to Washington, D.C.

#### OCTOBER

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This year's KidFish event at Lake Gordon attracted between 200 and 250 participants. Iowa Park Optimist Club financed the purchase of a new van for the Friendly Door. Dr. Steve Watson, Class of '71, was the guest speaker for the annual Alumni Banquet. The city council, in response to a request from Electra Mayor LaJune Lewis, offered to permit her municipality to lay a water line to a local tower, should her city's water supply lake be unable to serve its residents. The Hawk Band earned another Division One rating in marching. Lisa Nichols was crowned Homecoming Queen, prior to Iowa Park's 42-6 victory over the Bowie Jackrabbits. Margi Negri was recognized for her 30 years with the U.S. Postal Service. The Lady Hawks won the district volleyball championship.

#### NOVEMBER

The pilot of a small experimental airplane survived after crashing it near Wichita Valley Airport. For the second year, Steven Raby's project of holding a Halloween haunted house at the old RAC produced \$600 to help finance the Lake Gordon walking track. Bobby Loyd qualified to participate in the state cross country contest. Mike Price was elected to serve as president of the Chamber of Commerce in 2000. Local veterans received

#### FEBRUARY

Wal-Mart announced it would close its Iowa Park store in the spring of 2000, due to plans to build two new facilities in Wichita Falls. Iowa Parkan Brian A. Lillie was graduated from the Department of Public Safety training academy. Tommy Duerson signed a letter of intent to play football at Angelo State Univ. The city council received and accepted petitions to annex 15 acres of land into the city limits, including 10 acres on Bell Road and 4.962 acres on Johnson Road. Four persons received minor injuries as result of a head-on collision between a car and school bus on River View Road. Dr. Richard Carver announced he was retiring after practicing 38 years in Iowa Park. County deputies investigating an open door at John Ray Enterprises on Rifle Range Road discovered incendiary devices. Eddie Keith Edge, 41, was arrested on a charge of sexually assaulting four young females. Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Alsup donated \$2,176 to help fund a \$15,000 project which included commissioning artist Jack Stevens to develop a bronze sculpture that will be displayed on the grounds of Kidwell Elementary School.

#### MARCH

Kerri Dorner Vajnar was inducted into the Iowa Park Track Hall of Fame during the annual Iowa Park Lions Club Hawk Relays. Kerry Perkins presented the Masonic Lodge's Community Builders Award to the Iowa Park MuleSkinners. The city council approved an additional \$60,000 to finance completion of the Lake Gordon walking track, to go with \$65,000 in donations and tax dollars.

#### APRIL

The Iowa Park school board called a \$5.2 million bond issue for May 1, for new construction and renovation projects on all four campuses. The Masonic Lodge presented Charles E. "Chuck" Seets the Golden Trowel award. Because Randy Brown was the only candidate to file for a school trustee post being vacated by Randy Catlin, and incumbent Keith Fisher was unopposed, the board declared both candidates and no formal election would be necessary. For the 16th consecutive year, the Hawk Band earned the coveted Sweepstakes Award. The Hawk baseball team earned the District 5-3A championship. Epsilon Eta Sorority observed its 50th anniversary.

#### MAY

Former mayor Wayne House successfully unseated incumbent city alderman Bob Hamilton, who was seeking his fifth term of office, but Tracy Fears and Bub Mercer were successful in their bids for re-election. Randy Lovelady, principal of W.F. George Middle School, was hired as assistant superintendent of the Burkburnett school district. Roger York was elected presi-

#### JULY

Mickey Robertson was hired as assistant principal at the middle school. After a construction worker cut through the city's water main just east of the city, residents responded to requests to cease yard watering until it was repaired, averting a serious disaster. The city council approved spending \$6,859 to bring the city's computers into Y2K compliance.

#### AUGUST

Local school officials received notice from the American Civil Liberties Union, putting them on notice that "outside of the context of high school graduation, schools may never officially endorse, sponsor or promote prayer" prior to football games. Dolores Hamilton, co-publisher of the *Iowa Park Leader*, was named to the Media Honor Roll of the Texas Association of School Boards. The "final school year of the millennium" in Iowa Park was begun on Aug. 12. Two men were arrested when Iowa Park police discovered a methamphetamine lab in a wooded area a few yards north of Woodbriar Apartments. Due to drought conditions, the county commissioners enacted a ban on all outdoor burning in unincorporated areas. James Skeeler was reassigned from high school social studies teacher to assistant principal at the middle school. City aldermen voted to lower the tax rate from .6899 per \$100 valuation to .672.

#### SEPTEMBER

School trustees adopted a budget for 1999-2000, calling for \$11,533,031, which was \$1.5 million more than the previous year's budget, and raised the tax rate from \$1.30 to \$1.41. Marcus Johnson achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. Former reporter for the *Iowa Park Leader*, Louis Simmons, joined the staff of State Rep. Rick Hardcastle. Kaycie Myers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Myers of Kamay, submitted her 4-H record book in Gardening and Horticulture in state competition, and won first place. The *Leader* began its 31st year of publication. Kidwell Elementary teacher Kimberly Dawn Mogg was charged with taking money from the school's P-TA organization. Roger Alan Taylor was arrested on a charge of aggravated kidnapping by use of a deadly weapon and aggravated assault with deadly weapon, and held under \$350,000 bond. Bellvue Trucking, the trash division of the Bell Group, was acquired by EISI Corp. a standing ovation from the audience attending the secondannual Veterans' Day ceremony in Hawk Stadium. For the second year in a row, the Hawks were defeated in the Regional Championship game by Crane.

#### DECEMBER

Two major events relating to the history of the school district were held: a dedication ceremony was held for the unveiling of a historical marker located in front of the administration building, and a ceremony relating to the burial of a 100-year time capsule at the high school attracted celebrities, including U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm. Due to continuing drought conditions, the city council enacted restrictions on water consumption. Long-time resident Johnny Cole, 70, was arrested on a charge of having sexual relations with a child, for the second time in six years. School trustees approved the purchase of a house that was located immediately west of the administration building. Former Kidwell Elementary teacher Kimberly Dawn Mogg pled guilty in court to stealing more than \$8,000 from the PTA treasury.

## **Two drug arrests reported**

Only two arrests were reported by Iowa Park police during the past week, and both of them were for drug possession.

Jonathan Michael Munsey, 18, was taken into custody at 2:57 a.m. Tuesday in the 400 block of South Wall, after officers found a bag containing less than four ounces of marijuana. He was transported to the county jail.

At 10:49 p.m. Tuesday, Brooks Edward Payne, 40, was arrested in the 400 block of South Bell after a search of his vehicle uncovered less than two ounces of marijuana. He also was taken to jail.

Local police stood by until emergency personnel responded to a hazardous materials spill early Saturday morning at the north-bound rest area on US 287.

A 55-gallon drum of poisonous chemicals reportedly blew up and

spilled into the drive area.

Representatives of a chemical company in Fort Worth were summoned to take care of the spill.

## Chamber banquet tickets now on sale

Tickets for the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet, to be held Saturday, Jan. 15, are now on sale.

Tickets are available at the Chamber office, Hughes Pharmacy, Parkway TrueValue, and Iowa Park Leader.

Advance tickets will be available through Jan. 12, at \$12.50. Tickets at the door will be \$15.

In recognition of Iowa Park's heritage, Chamber officials have decided the banquet theme this year will be "Black Gold - Now and Then".

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# Year in Review Recipes

In keeping with tradition, in this week's issue of the Leader we are featuring a review of recipes that have appeared in the Cook of the Week column during 1999.

#### **Banana Split Cake**

- 2 cups graham cracker crumbs
- 5 Tbsps. butter, melted
- 2 cups powdered sugar
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1 stick butter
- 2 eggs
- 3 bananas
- 1 can crushed pineapple
- Large container Cool Whip

Salted sundae or other nuts, crushed a bit

Mix crumbs and melted butter; press into bottom of a 9x13-inch dish. Beat powdered sugar, vanilla and one stick butter together for 10 minutes: this step is important. Add eggs; continue to beat. Spread over crumb layer.

Peel bananas and cut in half lengthwise; place over creamed layer. Drain pineapple thoroughly; spoon over bananas. Cover with Cool Whip. Sprinkle with nuts. Chill four hours. If desired, garnish each serving

with a cherry. To serve, cut into squares.

Lisa Crosby

**Gloria King** 

## **Rum Raisin Rice Pudding**

- 1 cup rice 5 cups half & half
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 1/2 tsps. vanilla extract Seeds of one vanilla bean 1/2 cup of golden raisins
- 1 large egg, lightly beaten 1 cup heavy cream
- 1/4 cup dark rum

Combine the rice, half and half, sugar, vanilla extract, vanilla bean seed and raisins in a large saucepan set over low heat. Simmer about 25 minutes or until rice is done.

Add the egg and cook for another one to two minutes, or to thicken. Shut off the heat, add the cream and rum. Mix well and chill before serving.

Venison Sausage Supper 1 lb. ground venison sausage (pork will work) 1 cup chopped onion 1 green pepper, chopped 1 cups stewed tomatoes

- 2 cups sour cream
- 1 cup un-cooked elbow macaroni
- 1 tsp. chili powder 1 tsp. salt
- 1 Tbsp. sugar

drain and add onions and green pep-

pers. Cook slowly for five minutes. Stir in tomatoes, sour cream,

macaroni, chili powder, salt and sugar. Cover and simmer 30 minutes or until macaroni is done, stirring fre-

quently. **Travis Bever** 

#### Ravioli Lasagna

- 1 25 oz. pkg. frozen cheese ravioli rice.
- 1 28 oz. jar pasta sauce
- 1 lb. browned hamburger meat
- 1 1/2 cup grated mozzarella cheese
- Preheat oven to 400 degrees. In a greased 9x13" pan, layer half of the sauce, then half of frozen ravioli, half the browned meat, then three fourth of the cheese. Begin layering again with remaining sauce, ravioli and meat. Bake 35 minutes. Top with remaining cheese and bake 5 more minutes.

NOTE: Can use frozen meat ravioli in place of cheese ravioli. Can use browned Italian sausage in place of beef.

#### **Ginger Seay**

### **Easy Lemon Pie**

- 2 cups sugar 1 cup butter (room temperature) 4 eggs 1 lemon, seeded, cut into pieces in-
- cluding rind Put into blender and blend until

well mixed and lemon is in shreds. Pour into 2 unbaked the shells, and bake 35 minutes at 325 degree Tracy Faton

Los Mochis' Sopa de

Torulla

#### **Nacho Fries**

1 - 32 oz. pkg. Ore-Ida Golden Crinkles 3 oz. jar real bacon bits 1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese 1/2 cup sour cream 1/2 cup guacamole 1/4 cup tomato, diced 2 Tbsps. green onion, chopped Following directions on the package, deep fry fries. Arrange on a plate. Top with bacon bits, cheese, sour cream and guacamole. Garnish

with tomato and green onion. **Jenny Hembree** 

**New Orleans Gumbo** In large skillet, cook sausage, 1 pkg. frozen okra, or 1 lb. fresh okra 2 bell peppers 2 onions, chopped

- 1 can tomatoes
- 1 cup celery, chopped

Cook all ingredients in two cups of water until tender, adding okra and tomatoes last. Season to taste with salt, pepper, garlic salt, and butter. Bits of bacon or ham can be added. Cook down on low and serve over

**Desiree** Collins

#### **Black Forest Dump Cake** 1 can cherry pie filling

- 1 can crushed pineapple 1 1/2 sticks butter
- 1 box dark chocolate cake mix

Grease 9x13 pan. Pour in cherries and pineapple. Spread dry cake mix over the top, then pour melted butter over it evenly. Bake at 400 degrees 15 minutes, then at 350 degrees for 40 minutes.

You can also use a yellow cake mix. This is wonderful and very easy. **Donna Wells** 

#### **Cheese Soup**

1 stick margarine 1 med. onion, chopped fine 4 stalks celery, chopped fine 1/2 bell pepper, chopped fine 3 med. carrots, grated Sauge onion, celery, pepper and

carrots in margarine. Put in large pan and add: 2 cans Swanson chicken broth 2 cans cream of potato soup 2 lbs. Velveeta cheese

> Simmer 30 minutes on low. Sue Garrett

### Pork Chops and Wild Rice

- 1 small green onion, chopped 6 pork chops 3 Tbsps. butter
- 1 pkg. long grain and wild rice 1 cup thinly sliced celery 1 can cream of chicken soup 1 1/2 cups water
- 1/2 tsp. salt 1/4 cup pimentos

Brown chops on ONE SIDE ONLY in 2 tablespoons butter; remove and add remaining 1 tablespoon butter. Stir in rice and seasoning package, celery, onion, soup, water and pimento. Heat til bubbly. Pour into a shallow dish, top with chops, browned side up. Sprinkle with salt and cover with foil. Bake at 375 degrees 1 hour, uncover and bake about 10 minutes more. Can substitute chicken for chops.

Wendy Meadows

#### **Buttermilk Pie**

- 3 cups sugar 2 sticks butter 6 eggs
- 1 Tbsp. vanilla 1 cup buttermilk
- 1/2 tsp. salt 1/2 cup flour
- 1/2 cup coconut (optional)

Mix 1/4 cup sugar with 1/2 cup

of flour first. Gradually add remaining sugar and salt. Add one egg at a time, then buttermilk. Melt butter; cool; then add to mixture. Beat well until buttermilk foams. Add coconut and beat some more. Pour into 2 unbaked pie shells. Place pies on bottom rack of oven and bake 40-45 minutes at 350 degrees.

**Rosie Flanigan** 

Tuna/Macaroni Salad 1 can tuna (drained) 2 cups macaroni (cooked and drained) 6 green onions, chopped 5 hardboiled eggs, sliced 1 cup celery, chopped 1 cup Miracle Whip Salt and pepper to taste Mix all ingredients together in a large bowl and chill. **Sherry Fowler** 

## Vernon Regional Junior College

### **Barbecued Green Beans**

Jalapeno Chicken Wraps

Split jalapenos into halves, clean-

Cut bacon in half and wrap

Sprinkle with lots of garlic pow-

Place in 350 degree oven for

**Special K Cookies** 

Melt margarine in medium

saucepan. Slowly add Karo syrup

and sugar to melted margarine; stir

well and bring to a boil over medium

heat. Boil two minutes, remove from

heat. Add peanut butter, mix well.

Add vanilla, mix all preceding ingre-

dients well. Pour over the Special K

cereal and spoon onto serving trays.

about an hour before serving.

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Ms. Hoagland

at W.F. George

Middle School

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Makes 2 1/2 dozen. Let cool

Linda Perry

3/4 cup Karo light corn syrup

3/4 cup granulated sugar

3/4 cup peanut butter

1 tsp. vanilla extract

5 cups Special K cereal

John Lindsey

ing the seeds out. Then fill each half

with cream cheese and place a small

around jalapenos and chicken and

strip of chicken on top of it.

approximately 30 minutes.

1 stick margarine

15 medium sized jalapenos

1 pkg. of boneless chicken

1 pkg. smoked bacon

1 pkg. cream cheese

Garlic powder

place in a pan.

der

2 - 16 oz. cans whole green beans,

drained 1 - 10 1/2 oz. can tomato soup, undi-

### 2 Tbsps. brown sugar

2 Tbsps. barbecue sauce

**Carole Gilbert** 

#### **Spanish Rice**

3 cups rice 1/2 cup diced bell peppers 1/2 cup diced onion 1/2 cup diced tomatoes 1 tsp. garlic salt 1 tsp. chili powder 4 cups hot water

Brown rice with 1 tablespoon of grease. Add peppers, onions, tomatoes, and seasonings. Turn heat down. Add 4 cups of water and bring to a boil. Cook on high heat 30 minutes. Stir only once. Cover and let simmer 20 minutes or until done. Serves 4. **Rita Perez** 

#### **Chocolate Pie**

1 cup sugar 1 cup milk 1 cup whipping cream 3 Tbsps. cornstarch 2 squares Bakers unsweetened chocolate 4 egg yolks

### Mix well. Cook until thick; beat

mixture until smooth and pour into baked pie shell. **Mary Haught** 

4 slices bacon, diced 1 med. onion, chopped

luted

Fry bacon in skillet. Add chopped onion and cook until golden. Add remaining ingredients. Mix thoroughly and pour into a greased 1 1/2 quart casserole. Bake at 350 degrees 30 minutes or until heated through.

**Cap's Fajita Seasoning** 1 part white pepper 1 part onion powder 1/2 part garlic powder 1/2 part salt

Marinade skirt steak or chicken breasts overnight in pineapple juice. Drain; coat lightly with salad oil, then apply fajita seasoning liberally. **Mike Caplinger** 

#### **Potato Casserole**

- 2 lbs. frozen hash rowns
- 1 cup grated cheese
- 1 cup oleo divided and melted
- 1 can cream of chicken soup
- 1 small ctn. sour cream
- 1 tsp. salt
- Pepper to taste
- 1 1/2 cups crushed Post Toasties

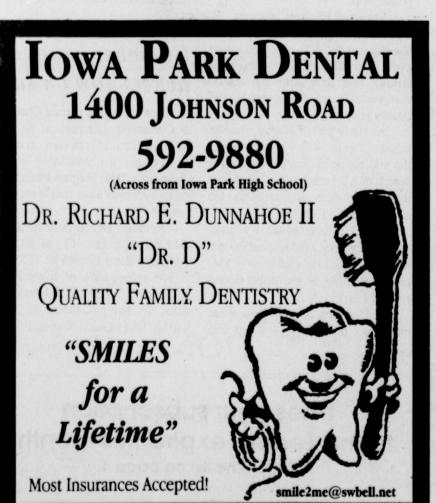
Mix potatoes, soup, cheese, sour cream, 1/2 cup oleo, salt & pepper. Press into 9x13 pan. Mix remaining 1/2 cup oleo and Post Toasties and sprinkle on top. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Bake casserole, uncovered, 1 hour.

(Tortilla Soup) 10 tortillas (cut in julienne strips) 1/4 cup oil 1 green pepper, cut in strips 2 tomatoes, peeled and chopped 1 onion, minced 1 or 2 avocados, depending on size, chopped 1/2 tsp. cumin 2 Tbsps. cilantro 8 cups chicken broth 2 cups cooked chicken, diced 1/2 cup Monterey Jack or casino brick cheese, cut in 1/4 inch cubes Salt to taste Sour cream

Fry tortillas in oil, adding more oil if needed, until golden brown. Drain on paper towels. Saute onion and garlic in same oil.

Add chicken broth and chopped chicken. Add salt and seasonings. Bring to boil about five minutes. Divide tortilla strips, chopped tomatoes, avocados and cheese among six bowls and pour boiling soup over them. Top with sour cream. **Bea Tate** 

**Leslie Pruett** 





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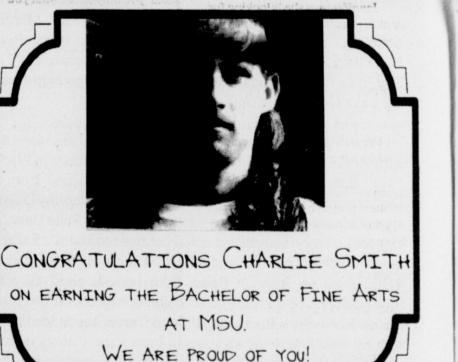
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vest his /her first lifetime big game

animal in Texas this year is eligible

for recognition. This is a non-scored

category. Any big game animal, re-

gardless of sex or score, is eligible.

Youth Division - Any youth hunter

(under 17 years of age when they

purchase their hunting license) with a

Special Resident Hunting License

(license type 102, \$6.00) who har-

vests a legal deer is eligible. Any big

game animal, regardless of sex or

score, is eligible. A maximum of one

Youth Division certificate will be

800-792-1112 or contact Kyle Wells.

has been harvested around the Iowa

Park area this year. He also stated that

several residents from Iowa Park,

including Wanda Hunter, have had

good Boone and Crockett scores.

For more information call 1-

Wells said some very large deer

issued per hunter per year.

# Hunters, game more common in Iowa Park area

#### **By SHERRIE WILIAMS**

The end of deer season will leave some families with a void to fill.

It seems that more and more the sport of big game hunting is becoming a family affair.

Lester Givens and his wife Joyce began hunting together after Lester invited Joyce to join him on a hunt four years ago.

Deer hunting has now become a family activity for the Givens. Joyce's two youngest children, Jennifer age 11, and Robert 13, are learning gun safety this year and will begin hunting in the deer blind with an adult next year.

Lester's two grown sons, Les and Shane, hunt on the deer lease just west of Iowa Park, as well as a family friend, Dallas Tomlinson.

The family also spends time watching hunting videos and hunting programs on T.V. as well as reading many books and magazines on the subject.

Joyce says big game hunting is more than just going out and sitting in a blind until you see a deer, then firing a gun.

She says the family all works together in building blinds, keeping their equipment in shape, learning gun safety, target shooting, and other activities that go with hunting. They also plant plots of wheat and set up deer feeders with corn near their deer blinds.

Joyce says she and her family are not just hunting for the deer antlers, they eat their harvest.

This is one of the thrills of hunting for Joyce. The thrill of taking down a game that will be feeding her family. She added that venison is an excellent meat.

This year she harvested a 10 point buck, and last year a nine point.

Joyce or Lester sometime take Jennifer and or Robert into the bind with them so they can be taught what it entails to watch for and harvest deer.

Joyce says gun safety is a big issue with the family and one they spend a lot of time teaching the children.

Jennifer says she is looking forward to possibly getting to hunt next season.



## husband in the business.

Stacy says their oldest son likes to help label the meat packages.

The processing plant is a side business for the couple. Bruce works in Lawton at a grocery as Market Manager. When he gets home from work they start to work on the deer, sometimes until midnight and from 4 a.m. until 10 p.m. on week-ends.

The Whitakers see a lot of the area hunters. Women hunters are not uncommon to the Whitakers. They have seen many women bring their deer in to be processed.

There are a couple of things that Bruce feels new hunters should know about the processes of cleaning deer. First, if they leave the hide on it keeps the meat from drying out so fast. The hide also works as an insulator and helps keep the meat fresh, particularly with the warmer weather. And it depends on where the deer is shot as to how much meat one might lose.

The couple have seen some big deer that have been harvested around Iowa Park.

The Whitakers don't get much time to hunt, but they do hunt when time permits and have taught their oldest son to hunt.

Stacy said, "we started teaching our children gun safety while they were still in diapers. I don't believe they can be taught too young to respect guns and that they are not toys."

She says their children understand you only shoot what you want to eat. They also squirrel and rabbit hunt.

The family has a place near their

hunters, game wardens, a taxidermist, a biologist, and processor there are now an abundance of deer in this

area. However there do not seem to be an abundance of deer leases available in this area. A lot of land owners in this area hunt on their own land.

According to Bruce Whitaker, ten years ago there were not any deer in this area. Most of the deer processed by his father years ago came from other parts of Wichita County or surrounding counties.

According to Whitaker, people seem to be reluctant to harvest a doe because many times a hunter is after the rack (antlers.) Also, most people don't think of the doe as the reason for the over-population.

Deer season is designed to control over-population. A hunter is allowed two does and a buck in Wichita County. The doe must be harvested the first two weeks of the season. The number and sex of the deer may vary year to year.

A study is conducted by the Wichita County biologist each year to determine how long doe season needs to be open.

According to Game Warden Pat Canan there are residents on the outskirts of Iowa Park who have deer in their back yard. (Of course they must be outside the city limits to shoot a fire arm.)

Canan also noted the surge in deer population in the county.

There are two creteria the game wardens uses to judge the population of deer.

#### over by mid-season.

Canan says the population will continue to grow as long as the deer are harvested legally and the weather isn't too harsh on them.

The drought conditions were hard on the deer this year as was noted by the smaller size and antler of te deer.

Interestingly enough, deer hungtin actually increases the deer population in an area. If deer become over-populated they will starve or become a nuisance by coming into town

Most who hunt plant food or put corn out for the deer. They take care of the deer year around so the deer are larger and healthier.

There are stiff laws that protect wildlife, and this year the laws have become more strict on poachers, (Poachers are defined as anyone taking wildlife illegally) including but not exclusively spot-lighting and road hunters.

A law went into effect this year states that if a deer is harvested illegally on land without the land owner's permission the offense is a State Jail Felony. Punishment may be 180 days to two years in jail and a fine of \$1500 to \$10,000 fine plus restitution and loss of license from one to five years.

Canan says citizens could help gamewardens stop poaching by calling the sheriff's department or the Iowa Park Police Department with information such as license number, direction of travel, type and color of vehicle, how many in the vehicle, and where the offense occurred.

Landowners make up 95% of the callers that report offenses. Only fire percent of the general public get involved.

Canan says the new laws have cut down on road hunting, but hunting without the landowner's consent has increased.

Another proedure hunters should be aware of is to tag their deer correctly.

The tag must be attached to the Saturday, Jan. 1, for New Year's.

deer. (Electric tape works well for taping the tag on the deer leg or antler.) The tag must be filled out completely and the dates must be cut out.

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If a deer is not tagged properly, the harvest is illegal.

Kyle Wells helps the area biologist with aging deer and other studies done on wildlife in this area.

They can also be scored. Anyone harvesting a nice buck interested in the Boone & Crockett scoring system can get information by calling 1-800 460-5494 or contact Kyle Wells, who is a certified scorer.

Texas also has a Big Game Awards program.

Any hunter who has a valid Texas hunting license and lawfully harvests a white-tailed deer, ( Mule Deer or pronghorn antelope in other counties where it is legal to take the deer) is eligible for entry into the TBGA.

Country Living Handmade Scrap-

Country Living Handmade Frames

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Codes of Love by Mark Bryan

Guiness World Records 2000

by Barbara Randolph

**New Juvenile Books** 

Beginner's World Atlas

**Holiday Closing** 

The Looking Glass by Paul Evans

American Country Living Christmas

The Bone Detectives by Donna

A Long Way From Chicago by Ri-

Close Encounters by Elaine Scott

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## LIBRARY NEWS **New Adult Books**

## LOOK WHO'S NEW

#### Lyles

Scott and Connie Lyles of Valley View are the parents of a son, Riley Scott, born December 9. He weighed six pounds, seven ounces and was 19 inches long. He has two brothers, Payton, eight years old, and Reid, two years old.

Mrs. Lyles is the former Connie Feix of Iowa Park.

Grandparents are Gayle and Gary Lyles of Valley View, Judie Morgan of Kamay, and Bob Feix of Wichita Falls.

Great-grandparents are Howard and Opal Lyles of Holliday and Judy Raybourne of Iowa Park.

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The library staff wishes each of you a very "Happy New Year." Reflections on the Civil War by Bruce

Joyce says she recommends that women try hunting. She says," Don't be afraid. Sitting in the blind gives you quite time to think and going hunting with your companion is a way to bond." She added, "Everyone should try it at least once."

Hunting has also taught Joyce patience. "Sometimes you see a deer but there is just no way you can get a safe shot so you just let it walk away." Joyce said.

The couple are at their deer blinds and settled in by sun-up, and unless they get a deer, they stay in the blind until about 9 a.m. For the evening hunt they get in their blind by about 3 and stay until sun down.

This year they were able to get a lease just west of Iowa Park.

Sam and Wanda Hunter hunt in West Texas with their children and grandchildren.

Wanda says she began hunting with her husband so she could be outdoors.

Wanda says she loves nature and deer hunting is a way to be close to nature. She enjoys just sitting in the blind and watching the wildlife. In a blind, she says a person can see more animals and birds.

Although she has been hunting several years, Wanda did not harvest a deer until a few years ago. She says she doesn't take a deer every year and she had rather not take one. But, this year she got a nice buck. She said she was in her blind and Sam, their son, Gary, or their grandsons were not around when she spotted the deer from her blind. It was such a nice deer she just couldn't pass it up.

Bruce and Stacy Whitaker are involved in deer hunting as a family in a different way. They run a meat processing plant west of Iowa Park.

Bruce got his experience processing deer with his father, who had Jim's Meat Market in downtown Iowa Park from 1979 until it burned in 1983. He began helping his dad process deer when he was in the seventh grade and his dad was processing deer for friends in his back yard.

Stacy says 12 years ago she would have never dreamed she would be processing deer. She was a city girl. She now works along side her home where they can hunt.

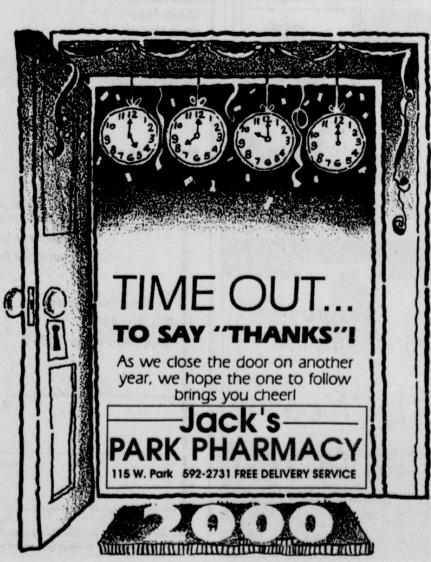
Iowa Park has not always been known for the deer that roam this area, but according to studies by

1. How many are harvested. 2. How many are run over.

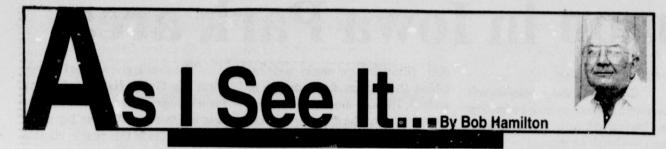
He said last year there were only two run over in this area, and this year there have already been four run



THE WHITAKER FAMILY PROCESSES DEER MEAT







I've been waiting a long, long time for this week to get here.

No, I'm not worried about any Y2K problems or anything like that. As of Saturday, I'll be able to use a term I heard so often from adults when I was a kid.

Saturday signals the use of the term "ought, ought".

Look it up in the dictionary. It means zero.

So, if you were going to spell out the date Saturday, it will be January one, two ought, ought, ought.

When the old timers were talking about something happening in "ought 8", they were referring to the

year 1908.

And, like I had fun writing out checks for my bills back on September 9, using the term 9/9/99, next month those checks will state 1/9/00.

Back to the Y2K situation, I wrote in this space several months ago that the problems being talked about would be nothing, or in other words, ought.

The main problem Y2K will mean is the fact that a bunch of computer program writers made a fortune with all the corrections they created when they failed to take the new ought, ought date in mind as they wrote.

And I also said that if there are any problems with supplies of food and things like that, it will be those of us who listened to the warnings and went out and bought up all the supplies we supposedly would need, leaving the shelves cleaned.

I'm so concerned about the turn of the new year, and century, that I plan to stay at home, watch the clock turn to 12 ought, ought, kiss my wife, and go to bed.

Happy New Year!!!

**Buffalo Lake Level** (measurements in Mean Sea Level) Last week - 1032.65 This week - 1032.63

## **Letters to Editor** policy explained

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Letters also must be free of libel. If not, they will not be published, because we will not edit the content of any letter.

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# WORTH QUOTING

It is with a large measure of disgust that I have been following all theories, spread over the pages of the weekly news magazines, and talked about endlessly on the television commentary shows, of what caused two young men to gun down their classmates in Colorado. Every liberal theory has a governmental "solution."

The liberals are quick to assign blame to a variety of inanimate objects. The leading blame catcher is guns, followed by lack of school uniforms, violent video games, violent television programming and violence in movies.

With each passing day, the "blame" list grows. Now the liberals are finding fault with two-income families, large schools, music lyrics, high fat diets, the Internet and any other non-human source for the violence in the Littleton high school.

It is the same path that the liberals have taken with the problem of poverty. They blame "root causes" for the fact that a person will not support himself. They never blame the person. This is one of the major problems with our modern society. We refuse to affix blame. It is the philosophy of relative morality. Under that social system, everyone decides for himself that is appropriate behavior. The credo is, "Well, it wouldn't be right for me, but I don't mind if you do it." "It" can be anything from illegal drug use to killing unborn babies on an abortionist's operating table.

multi-hues to becoming a hermit is just considered "normal." There is no judgement or blame.

The normal students at Columbine High were taken to task for teasing and ostracizing the members of the "Trenchcoat Mafia." Kids who go around the school halls speaking German, flashing Nazi salutes, praising Hitler and wearing black trenchcoats are not normal. That fact did not escape the other kids in school.

The lack of parental control is becoming more and more obvious. When the police searched the home of one of the shooters, they found the sawed off part of a shotgun barrel on his dresser. There were assorted bomb-making parts and supplies also scattered around his room.

At the minimum, parents should know if their child is sawing off shotguns or making bombs in the garage. But, even then we refuse to fix blame.

On CNN there was an interview with the mother of one of the children wounded in the attack. When asked about the shooters' parents, she said, "I can't judge the parents because I have never walked in their shoes." That one line speaks volumes. Our culture has become so seeped in relative morality that we can't even judge a parent who was oblivious to the illegal activities of their son. Until we, as a society, reject relative morality, there will be more Littletons. The only way to prevent our moral slide is to return to the basic concepts of absolute moral authority of the Word of God. JIM HUDSON Perryton Herald



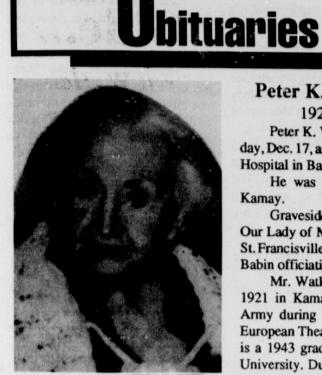
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Mae Lee Simmons 1908 - 1999 Mae Lee Simmons, 91, of Iowa Park died Saturday, Dec. 25, in Wichita Falls.

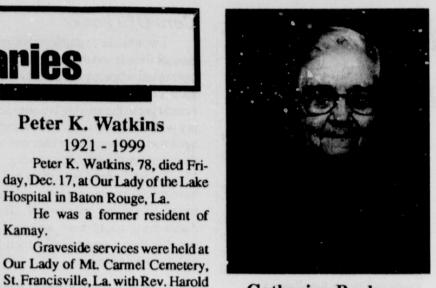
Services were Tuesday at Dutton Funeral Home with Rev. Clifton McFadden, pastor of Cash Street Church of God, and Rev. F. M. Small, retired minister of Weatherford, officiating. Burial was in Highland Cemetery.

Mrs. Simmons was born Nov. 16, 1908, in Denton County. She and James Robert Lee were married Nov. 13, 1924. He died Oct. 9, 1966. She and Curtis P. Simmons were married Nov. 5, 1971. He died Dec. 6, 1983. She was retired assembly line worker with Sprague Electric Company. She was a member of Cash Street Church of God, and Friendly Door Senior Citizens, where she played in their band.

She was preceeded in death by two sons, Billy Lee died in 1952, and James Eugene Lee died in 1998, and a daughter, Virginia Cook, died in 1995.

Survivors include a son, Johnny Lee of Iowa Park; and two sisters, Ann Calvert of Burnet, and Ethyl Calvert of Copper Canyon.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Wichita Falls, P.O. Box 4804, Wichita Falls, Tx. 76308; or Cash Street Church of God, Iowa Park, Tx. 76367.



## **Catherine Barbara**

Cooney 1910 - 1999

Catherine Barbara Cooney, 89, died Monday, Dec. 27, in Iowa Park. Services were Wednesday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Rev. Ivor Koch officiating. Burial was in Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery in Wichita Falls.

Miss Cooney was born March 26, 1910, in Terrell. She was retired from the Wichita Falls State Hospital as a Medication Nurse, and was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church. She had been a resident of Iowa Park 67 years.

SHOP IOWA PARK FIRST ... SHOP IOWA PARK FIRST ...

She had no survivors.

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#### **Donna M. Perkins** 1916 - 1999

Donna M. Perkins, 83, of Paducah died Saturday, Dec. 25, in

Childress. She was the mother of Bernice Starnes of Kamay.

Graveside services were held Tuesday in Garden of Memories in Paducah with Rev. Keith Prather, pastor of the Missionary Baptist Church in Paducah officiating.

Mrs. Perkins was born Dec. 4, 1916, in Dawson. She and John Perkins were married Feb. 5, 1931. He died Oct. 5, 1979. She moved to Cottle County in 1948 from Cameron. She was a homemaker and a member of the Baptist Chuch.

Other survivors include two sons, Billy R. of Paducah and Don. E. of Childress; 12 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; and three greatgreat- grandchildren.

## **Residents generous** in blood donations

During the Red Cross blood drive on Dec. 22, 18 units of blood were donated by Iowa Park residents.

Mark Wicks and Marvin Parks were coordinators for the drive, which was held at the Masonic Lodge, who sponsored the event.

### **Alonzo Wigley** 1906-1999

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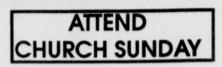
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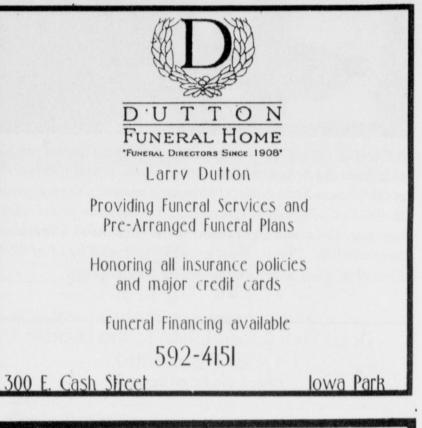
Alonzo (Hap) Wigley, 93, died Monday, Dec. 27, in Whitesboro. He was the brother of Ruth Robertson of Iowa Park.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Whitesboro.

Mr. Wigley was born Jan. 9, 1906, on Routh Ranch in Clay County, the son of Dr. and Mrs. V.R. Wigley. He grew up and attended school in Iowa Park. He and Judy Ray Fitch were married Oct. 9, 1929. She preceded him in death. He retired in 1973 as a driller for an oil field company.

Survivors include three sisters, Ruth Robertson of Iowa Park and, Erchell Davis and Wynogene Mann, both of San Diego, Calif.







On Sunday, November 21, NBC aired Y2K: The Movie, a made-for-TV suspense thriller about Y2K (Year 2000) in which the fabled computer bug causes widespread panic, including ATM (Automatic Teller Machine) failures.

The management of State National Bank of Texas would like to take this opportunity to reiterate the following facts about our preparedness for the year 2000:

The safest place for consumers' money is in an FDIC-insured account. All customer deposits are insured by the FDIC up to \$100,000.00.

#### **Pearl Willie Brooks**

1921 - 1999 Pearl Willie Brooks, 78, of Iowa Park died Friday, Dec. 24, in Wichita Falls.

Graveside services were Tuesday in Crestview Memorial Park with Maj. James E. Parrish of Salvation Army Church officiating.

Mrs. Brooks was born Nov. 2, 1921, in Poterdale, Ga. Her husband, Raymond M. Brooks died in 1969. She worked at Sheppard Hospital 10 years. She also worked at Red River Hospital and Wichita General Hospital.

Survivors include three daughters, Joan Borders of Collinsville, Ill., Judith Hessinger of Iowa Park and Nancy Scull of Biloxi, Miss.; a brother, Roy Henderson of San Antonio; two sisters, Lillie Mims of Fayetteville, N. C., and Edith Sterling of Savannah, Ga.; 11 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Salvation Army in Wichita Falls.

Ivan M. Krebs, 68, of Wichita Falls died Friday, Dec. 24, at a Wichita Falls Hospital.

Ivan M. Krebs

1931 - 1999

Peter K. Watkins

Hospital in Baton Rouge, La.

Kamay.

Babin officiating.

1921 - 1999

Mr. Watkins was born May 6,

1921 in Kamay. He served in the

Army during World War II in the

European Theater of Operations. He

is a 1943 graduate of Texas A&M

University. During school years, he

lettered in basketball and track and

was on the All-American Track Team

in 1942-43, achieving the personal

designation in High Jump. He is in

the Drake Relays and Texas A & M

Insurance business as a Special Agent

with INA (Now CIGNA) in Philadel-

phia. After training in Philadelphia,

he served in various managment po-

sitions in Dallas, San Antonio, New

York and Houston during which time

he recieved the CPCU designation.

In 1965, he became a partner in

Borden Insurance in Corpus Christi

and Houston. After Borden Insur-

ance was incorporated, he served as

Vice President and for a short time, as

President prior to its merger with

March & McLennan Companies, Inc.,

New York. He worked for March &

McLennan as Vice President until his

two brothers, William Worth and

Gordon Watkins; a daughter, Jeanie

Williams; two brothers, Herrick and

James Watkins; a sister, Maretza

Culwell; four grandchildren and two

He was preceded in death by

Survivors include his wife, Jane

retirement.

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great-grandchildren.

In 1946, he entered the General

Athletic Halls of Fame.

He was the father of Darrell Wayne of Iowa Park.

Services were Tuesday at First Christian Church of Wichita Falls with Rev. Larry Spradley and Rev. David Bradley officiating. Burial was in Rosemont Cemetery.

Mr. Krebs was born Dec. 9, 1931, in Wichita County. He and Virginia Bolen were married Dec. 8, 1960, in Wichita Falls. He served in the Army. He was a field engineer for NCR 41 years. He was a member of First Christian Church and a lifetime resident of Wichita Falls.

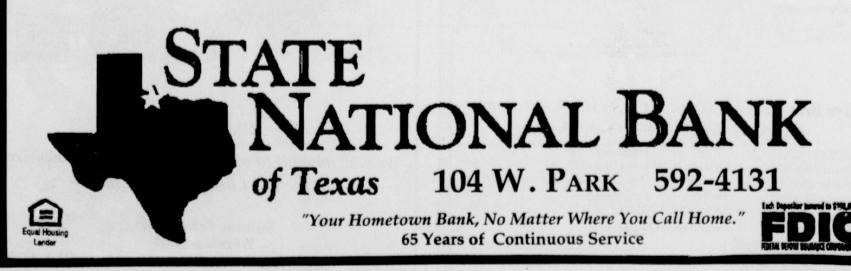
Other survivors include his wife; two sons, Gary Don of Galloway, Ohio, and Robert Marshall of Irving; a brother, Edwin of Wichita Falls; two sisters, Virginia Heginbotham of Wichita Falls, and Velma Bradley of Tennessee; and five grandchildren.

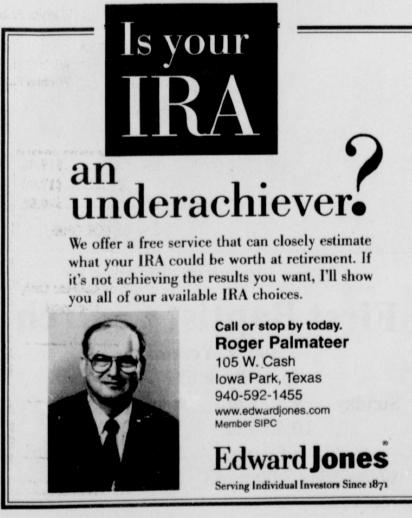
Memorials may be made to the First Christian Church Memorial Fund.

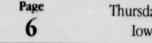
- 1. The banking system is ready for Y2K. State National Bank of Texas has been examined several times by our federal bank regulators who have made Y2K their top priority. By October 31, 1999, 99.9 percent of FDIC-insured banks and thrifts had achieved the highest rating (satisfactory) on their Y2K efforts from federal bank regulators; less than a fraction of 1 percent required improvement (5 out of 10,300 banks).
- 2. ATM networks have prepared for Y2K by upgrading software, replacing outdated equipment and establishing contingency plans. Regulators have examined more than 30 ATM networks throughout the country and deemed them ready for Y2K.
- 3. State National Bank of Texas has upgraded or installed new software that is Y2K compatible. We have established backup systems and keep backup records on all transactions and customers. We have contingency plans in place that provide for alternative methods of doing business, if needed, in the unlikely event of Y2K disruptions.
- 4. Customers should remember they have more than one payment option-cash, checks, credit cards, ATM cards, tellers - should one option be temporarily disrupted on account of Y2K. In the unlikely event that one ATM is not working, customers should try another. An ATM can be out of service for a variety of reasons it could simply be out of receipt paper.
- Customers can prepare for the Y2K date change by checking all transaction receipts and statements. These steps are sound practice for day-to-day management of financial affairs, and will help quickly resolve any questions that may arise at the time of the Y2K date change.

The management of State National Bank of Texas would encourage you to remember that Y2K: The Movie was for entertainment purposes only. The six items stated above are factual items concering State National Bank of Texas' preparedness for the Y2K change.

Bank management would encourage our customers to come in and inquire about our preparedness for the Y2K date change. Our management is confident that we are prepared for the Y2K date change.







Thursday, Dec. 30, 1999 Iowa Park, Texas



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BRANDE OVERMAN has received a departmental scholarship from the School of Civil and Environmental Engineering at Oklahoma State Univ. Overman, a master's degree student in OSU's College of Engineering, Architecture and Technology, is a 1994 graduate of Iowa Park High School. She is shown here with Dr. Robert Hughes, professor and head of OSU's School of Civil and Environmental Engineering.

# Smallwoods celebrate golden anniversary

Herb and Lona Smallwood are celebrating their fiftieth anniversary, by taking a trip to Florida. The couple were married Dec. 31, 1949 in Beloit, Wisconsin.

They moved to Iowa Park in 1970 from Germany where they were stationed in the Air Force.

Herb retired from the Air Force in 1973, after 26 years of service, he attended Midwestern State Univ. where he received his degree in business.

He stays busy golfing, and doing handy work as well as baking pecan pies. He enters his pies in the Charlie Pie Baking Contest and has won several awards. This past season his pie sold for \$100.00.

Lona is employed at MSU library where she has been employed since 1970.

She enjoys making crafts for their grandchildren and collecting porcelain dolls.

When time premits they enjoy camping.

The couple have two children, Cathy Loucks of Iowa Park and Jon Smallwood of Bedford, and three grandchildren, Jennifer Loucks and Sarah and Jacob Smallwood.

### **Card of Thanks**

To Christi, Jason and the fine folks at Wal-Mart Pharmacy, thank you for my basket full of Christmas gifts.

## Card Of Thanks

I would like to thank two of my dearest friends and their son for helping me out when my car quit running for good. They loaned me their car so I could get to the nursing home to see my mother and to work. I know they need their car because neither one of them can work and make a living.

I wish I could help them but I have trouble paying my bills without trying to get me another car. The dumb thing could have waited till summer then I could walk to work and the nursing home.

Ronnie, P.J. and Ronnie Lewis Berry Thank you and I love you.

God Bless. No one else would help!

Maggie Pendergrass

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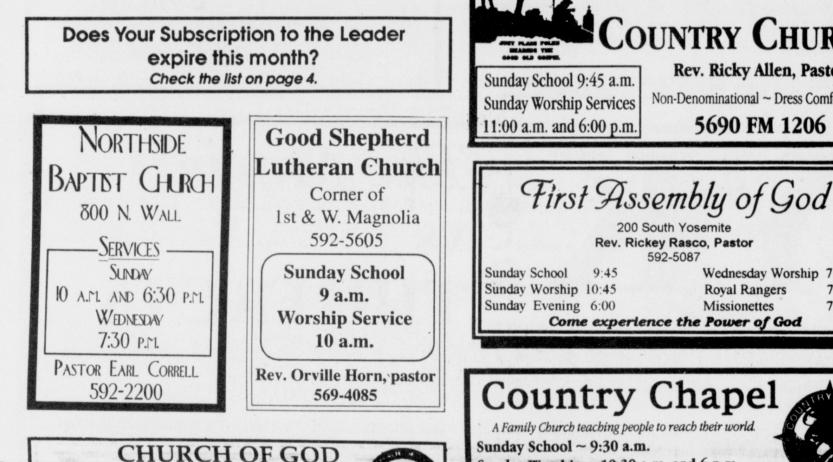
We wish to thank all of our friends who thought of us during this time with cards, flowers, food and memorials.

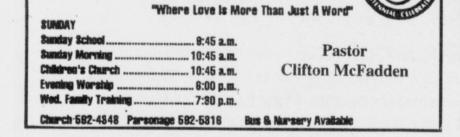
Thanks to the Rev. Steve Beckwith for conducting the service and all the counseling and visitation he did with our family. To Dr. Patrick Kelly, who was such a blessing to our family, we appreciated all your personal concern.

Thanks to the pallbearers, Dutton Funeral Home, and to the people at City Hall for their services and friendship. We want to thank all of Charlie's friends who came to say goodbye.

The family of J. C. (Charlie) Helms Louise Helms Linda Wynn and Family Karen Chitwood and Family

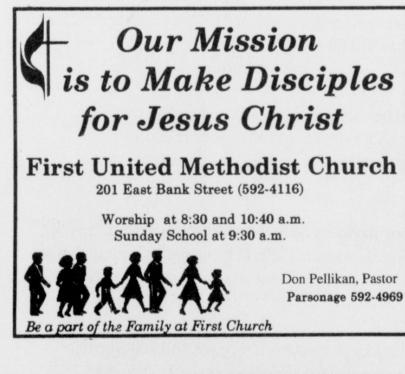






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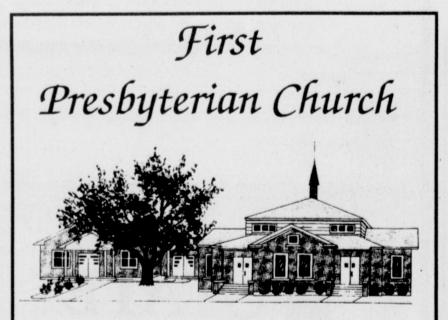




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#### **Recalling former Hawk**

Many of your older readers in this area may be interested in knowing of the death of Pete Watkins, an outstanding student and athlete in the late 1930s. Pete played on the Iowa Park High School football, basketball and track teams in 1937, 38 and 39. He won the state interscholastic championship in the high jump in 1938 and 1939, but was disqualified one year for going over the bar head first. He was salutatorian of his senior class in 1939.

Pete was recruited by Texas A&M, and had an enviable record there, both in the classroom and in athletics. He lettered 3 years on both the basketball and track teams. At one time or another he held the record or championship in high jump in the Southwest Conference, the old Border Olympics, National A.A.U., and set a new record at Drake Relays in high jump, jumping 2 inches higher than the old record, which had stood for 21 years. His record held for 14 years.

Pete was graduated from A&M after 3 years and was immediately inducted into the armed forces as a

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Second Lt., served in the European theater of operations during the Battle of the Bulge, and was one of the Aggies who held "Muster" while surrounded by the German army. He received a presidential citation for leading men 50 miles behind the German lines. After Germany surrendered, he was part of the Army of Occupation based in Berlin. While serving in this capacity, he toured many of the principal cities of Europe with an exhibition football and track teams.

After being discharged he worked for Insurance Cos. of North America later going into an insurance business agency in Houston and Corpus Christi. When bad health forced him to retire, he moved onto a small ranch near Fredericksburg, Tx. Pete died Dec. 17, 1999 in The

Bluffs, La.

When Mr. W.R. Bradford retired from the Iowa Park school system after some 40 years as superintendent, he was asked by a Record News reporter if there were any students he especially remembered . . . He named Pete Watkins and one other student. Of all the honors and acco-

lades Pete received in his lifetime, this is the one I would be most proud of.

Several years ago Pete was installed in the Drake Relays Hall of Fame in Des Moines, Ia. and was presented with a gold watch. A few years later he was again honored, being elected to the Texas A&M athletic Hall of Fame.

Pete came a long way for a kid born in a 2 room oil field shack in the K.M.A. oilfield in 1921. He had been showered with many honors but fame never "went to his head". He never tried to impress anyone how smart he was or how talented. His philosophy --- anybody could do it. He was just Pete until the end.

May God rest his soul in Paradise and swing wide and high the Pearly Gates for one of God's finest. F.H. Watkins 417 Anita St. Sherman, Tex. 75092

# Hawks fall 94-76 to Dragons

The Paducah Dragons are not 8-0 and one of the top Class A teams in the State for nothing.

Iowa Park got a first-hand look at the Dragons on Tuesday when they vraveled to Paducah for one of their final non-district games of the season.

The Hawks played with the Dragons for three quarters, but a 34-23 second quarter proved to be the difference, as Paducah defeated Iowa Park 84-76 to remeain undefeated. Earlier in the season, Paducah

defeated Childress 89-61.

In Tuesday's game, Iowa Park's Landon Miller had the hot hand early, scoring 12 of his team-high 23 points in the first quarter. Iowa Park finished the period with a 14-13 advantage.

The second quater looked like a track meet, with both reams running the floor. Justin Penn, who finished with 18 points for the Hawks, scored nine in the period while Landon Miller continued to score, adding five to give him 17 in the first half.

Down by 10 starting the third quarter, Iowa Park cut the lead in half, outscoring the Drgons 21-16 in the third quarter. Chase Wright, who finished with 21 points, scored 10 in the period while Landon Miller added six.

But in the fourth quarter, the Dragons proved to be too much, outscoring Iowa Park 21-18 to take the win. Wright and Penn combined to score 14 points in the period with Wright scoring eight and Penn six.

'They're the best Class A team I've ever coached against," said head coach Tim Clark." "They'e a very athletic team and they force you to change some of your shots. What hurt the most is that they would always seem to hit a big shot in crucial situations. I think they finished with seven three-pointers and all of them came when the game was close. I was real proud of our kids' effort. After being off the the Christmas break, I thought they played well. We just missed some easy shots and had a few too many turnovers."

The Hawks will not have much time to rest as they will play in the Archer City Tournament starting today. The tournament will continue Friday and Saturday, with the Hawks playing Thursday at 1:45 p.m., Friday at 7 p.m. and on Saturday at 1:45 p.m.

Following the Archer City Tournament, Iowa Park will have only one game remaining before the start of District 5-3A play.











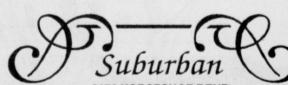
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# Lady Hawks edged out by Paducah

The Iowa Park Lady Hawks have shown all year long they can play from behind, mostly because of the slow starts they have been getting, and Tuesday's game in Paducah was just another example.

Iowa Park fell behind by 10 after the first eight minutes of play, trailing 18-8, but quickly answered by outscoring the Lady Dragons 22-10 in the second period to take a 30-28 halftime lead.

The third quarter saw both teams score a dozen points each, leaving the game tied heading into the final eight minutes of play. In fact, the game remained tied until Paducah made a pair of free throws with 3.3 seconds left in the game, giving the Lady Dragons a 51-49 victory.

"Once again we dug ourselves a big hole early," said head coach Kim Padgett. "In the second quarter we looked like a different team. We executed and got on the boards and really got after them. We just made too many mistakes and turnovers down the stretch. We had a lead and were trying to run some clock and we turned the ball over, giving them a chance to score late in the game."

Robyn Dillard led Iowa Park in scoring with 16 points and 14 rebounds, including seven offensive and

## Girls' JV plays Lorenzo

The rest of the Iowa Park basketball teams traveled to Paducah on Tuesday to take on either the Dragons or the Lady Dragons, except for the JV Lady Hawks.

Paducah did not have a JV team, so Iowa Park had to play the varsity team from Lorenzo.

Iowa Park fell behind 10-0 to start the first quarter and never managed to catch up. Lorenzo won the first quarter 19-8 and the second 14-2 to take a 33-10 halftime lead. Lorenzo finished with a 20-11 second half to take the win.

The Lady Hawks were led in scoring by Jessica Conklin who finished with seven followed by Heather Moody with six and Kristen Garcia with four. Iowa Park will be in action again on Tuesday in the District 5-3A opener in Vernon, starting at 6:30 p.m.

seven defensive. Christine Dillard Billington with eight points each. fensive glass. also reached double figures with 10

Shannan Veitenheimer finished with followed by Leann Duran and Kelley six rebounds five coming off the deThe Lady Hawks will travel to

district tune up game before the start Vernon. Archer City today to open play in the

Archer City Tournament that runs of District 5-3A play on Tuesday, through Saturday in their final non- when the Lady Hawks travel to



## **Paducah** tops **Junior Varsity**

The JV Hawsk got back on the winning track on Tuesday by defeating Paducah 46-31.

Iowa Park outscored the Dragons 13-11 in the first quarter, with Jereme Wilson and Michael Weeks each scoring three points in the period. Weeks finished with 18 points, including four three-pointers, while Wilson finished with 13 points. Kyle Chaney added six points.

The second quarater proved to be the difference in the game, as Iowa Park scored 16 while holding Paducah to only four in the period. Weeks added eight points in the quarter while Chaney scored all six of his points in the second.

Iowa Park lost the third period 9-8, with Wilson scoring all of Iowa Park's points in the quarater, finishing the third with eight points.

In the fourth quarter, Iowa Park outscored Paducah 9-7, with Weeks scoring eight points.

The JV Hawks will not see action again until Jan. 7, in their final non-district game against Decatur.

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