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Super Santa Celebration Held Saturday

Santa Claus Flies Into Eldorado

The Super Santa Celebration held Saturday, December 16, was a success despite the cold temperatures. A large crowd was on hand to watch as prizes were awarded and Santa visited with the children.

A list of the winners of the drawings and what they won follows:

Top Package - Mary Spears, gift certificate.

Kent's Automotive - Marvin Furgerson, gift certificate.

Glidden Foods - Vivian Rodriguez, gift certificate.

Super S Foods - Mario Robles, gift certificate.

Roadrunner - Jim Furgerson, woman's watch.

Perry's - Ester Arispe, bicycle.

Cathy's - Prissy Paxton, decorated Christmas tree.

Piddler's Porch - Litane Kothmann, jacket.

Shot's - Lori Santellano, ham.

Eagle Dairy Mart - Jon Calcote, 2 buffet fish dinners.

Charlotte's Hair Shop - Vanda Estep, gift certificate.

H&G Automotive - Marlene Mitchell.

Pat's Hair Salon - Jerry Whitten, hair supplies.

Handy Mart - Bill Radle, case of cokes.

Meyer Grocery - Dora Arispe, \$50 cash.

Hayloft - Rosa Arispe, wine gift box.

Tooter's Hair Supplies - Jon Calcote.

George Gower - Manuel Pina, gift certificate.

Mittel Insurance Agency - Eloise Day, gift certificate.

Chevron Station - Elaine Pina, car wash and grease.

Rene's Beauty Shop - Edgar Arispe, curling iron and cut and blow dry.

Helen Faye - LaNette Doran, permanent and Kim-et Nelson, pedicure.

Main Street Cafe - Kim-et Nelson, turkey.

Bertha's Galmourama - Norma Otwell, hair supplies.

Punkin's - Nancy Lester, gift certificate.

First National Bank - Patsy Kellogg, \$50 Savings Bond.

Chamber of Commerce - Carolyn Maxwell, television.

A big thanks is extended to all the merchants for participating and also to the fire department for providing Santa Claus with a ride into town.



Jacki, Lisa and Joseph Wade pose with Santa during the festivities held Saturday at the ag barn.



Carolyn Maxwell poses with Santa after winning the television, donated by the chamber of commerce, during the Super Santa Celebration Saturday in Eldorado.

Band, Music Students Present Christmas Programs

The Eldorado Schools music departments, in two separate performances, presented their annual Christmas programs to the community.

The band department, under the direction of Mike Marsh and Manuel San Luis, presented their program last Thursday, December 14, at the high school auditorium.

The fifth grade beginners band was first on the program with seven Christmas favorites and under the direction of Manuel San Luis. They played "Jingle Bells", "Good King Wenceslas", "Deck the Halls", "Up on the Housetop", "Jolly Old St. Nicholas", "O Come all ye Faithful" and "We Wish you a Merry Christmas".

The sixth grade band was second with three Christmas melodies under the direction of Manuel San Luis. They played "God Rest ye Merry Gentlemen", "Silver Bells" and "Tis the Season".

The middle school band, under the direction of Manuel San Luis, played three songs. The first was "Do you Hear What I Hear". The second song "Echo Carol", was played by the band on stage and a four piece brass quartet at the back of the auditorium playing the echo. Their final number was a collection of "Christmas Favorites".

The high school band, under the direction of Mike Marsh, con-

cluded the program. They played four selections which included "An Old English Christmas Carol", "Greensleeves", "Ukrainian Bell Carol" and "A Carol Festival".

Kindergarten through second grade presented their Christmas program Tuesday night, December 19, in the high school auditorium under the direction of Joella Parker. Shari Wink wrote the play and Debbie Joy played the piano.

First on the program was "Frosty the Snowman" followed by "O Christmas Tree" being sung with audience participation.

Top of the Housetop was next, followed by "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer" and "Jingle Bells". "Away in the Manger" and "Deck the Halls" were sung, again with audience participation.

This was followed by "Little Drummer Boy" and "You Better Watch Out!" The audience participated once again with "We Three Kings of Orient Are".

The program was concluded with "Silent Night".

SCISD Trustees Hold Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Schleicher County Independent School District was held on December 11 at 7 p.m. in the administration building.

Steve Goode spoke on behalf of the PTA, requesting input concerning what the PTA could do to serve the school.

Glen Nix then showed a video of students in the Peer Assistance Leadership Program (PAL) working with elementary students.

The Board was informed that James Glidden, Phil McCormick, Lynn Meador, Raymond Mittel and Ross Whitten were elected to the Schleicher County

Appraisal Board of Directors for the 1990-91 term.

It was reported that of 35 students tested with the Exit Level TEAMS in October, five failed to master the math objectives. All students mastered the language arts objectives. Mastery of both sections of the test is a prerequisite to graduation in Texas.

Bodie Gilstrap is scheduled to return from Dallas sometime after Christmas. Plans are presently being made to serve his educational needs.

Plans for a proposed city ordinance that will better facilitate traffic flow around the school to alleviate a dangerous situation was discussed.

The final information item was a report on the progress and costs incurred to date on the new tennis courts.

In action items, the board voted to approve the low bid of \$10,948 from Simmons-Huggins for lighting for the tennis courts; adopted a long-range plan for the use of technology; adopted dyslexia guidelines; and approved the list of teachers to be placed or maintained on the Career Ladder for 1989-90.

Board members also adopted a Freeport Tax Resolution and adopted resolutions to receive clearance from the Department of Justice to allow the Plateau Underground Water conservation and Supply District to participate with other governmental utilities in local elections.

The financial report for the month of November as well as budget amendments were approved in final board action.

Sales Tax Rebates Top \$1 Billion

First Time In State's History

State Comptroller Bob Bullock said Monday that sales tax rebates to Texas cities in 1989 topped \$1 billion for the first time in the state's history.

"People are spending more money and that means more tax dollars are going back to communities for fire fighting, police protection and safe roads," Bullock said.

This year's total payments to cities reached \$1.04 billion, nine percent more than last year's total of \$956 million at this time, Bullock said. Payments to cities this month totaled \$72 million, over 13 percent more than last December's payments of \$64 million.

Houston received a check for \$12 million, which is 12 percent more than last Decem-

ber's payment. Dallas received the second largest payment at \$8.2 million.

Payments to counties totaled \$7.1 million, compared to \$6.4 million last December. Bullock noted that this year's total payments to counties show an increase of 40 percent over last year's because more counties collect the tax this year than last year.

This month's checks to cities and counties reflect taxes collected in October by businesses that file monthly tax returns.

Also included with this month's checks were quarterly payments totaling \$130 million for the state's six metropolitan transit authorities and one city transit department. The payments to MTAs reflect taxes collected in

August, September and October.

Merchants collect the state and local sales tax and send it to the Comptroller's office with their tax returns. The state keeps its six percent share and returns the local sales taxes each month to local governments. Cities and counties may levy a combined tax of up to two percent above the state's sales tax, Bullock said.

Eldorado's city sales tax payment for this period was \$4,120.95 as compared to \$4,068.44 for the previous year, an increase of 1.29 percent. The 1989 payments to date are \$63,649.80 as compared to this time last year \$60,380.71, an increase of 5.41 percent.

The county sales tax payment for this period was \$1,865.11. The 1989 payments to date are \$23,040.67.

Bea Porter Announces For Office Of County Treasurer

By Bea Porter

I am formally announcing that I am a candidate for the office of County Treasurer of Schleicher County. I will be listed on the Democratic Primary Ballot in the March election.

I am presently serving in the position of Deputy Treasurer and have held this position for six years. My decision to run for this office is an indication of my desire to see a continuation of the high level of service rendered by the County Treasurer's office. I feel that the experience I have gained as Deputy Treasurer will

enable me to do this. I have been a resident of Eldorado and Schleicher County since 1974. I am married to Clay Porter. I have raised five children. Three of them are graduates of Eldorado High School.

I am involved in community activities and a member of the First Baptist Church.

I want the voters in this county to know that I consider the office of County Treasurer to be a position of trust and confidence and if elected will do my best to be responsible to them.



# The Editor's Journal

## Life Among The Fishes

By Thomas Giovannitti

I know, I know! No one wants another one of those articles about joy and peace and the holiday spirit. To tell you the truth, I didn't want to write one of those maudlin essays on the Spirit of Christmas. It shouldn't be maudlin.

There was an English writer, G.K. Chesterton, who said, (and I am quoting him loosely) "the trouble with Christianity is not

that it has been tried and found wanting, but that it hasn't been tried at all".

Somewhere along the line of history we have allowed sentimentality to overtake what is essentially a feast of abiding love of a God for his people. This God risked everything at the hands of two rather ordinary human beings, a stepfather and his young bride.

There are all sorts of fanciful tales of this infant talking to the animals (and the animals talking back) and many other apocryphal stories of this infant, but the accounts that have gained credibility with most of the world have none of the sentimentality with which we now surround this feast. Has it ever occurred to anyone that maybe the message of Christmas Love is not that life will be easier but that it will be heroic. Christ's coming as a defenseless infant should tell us that his love is not always going to show itself in the form of solutions to problems but in the problem itself. God as a helpless infant could not have brought grand ideas of earthly wealth into the heads and hearts of the holy couple but one of a life of real consequence and maybe a little danger.

One of that family's first moves is from a cave to escape in

a foreign land, even then hostile to Jews. Have we let some part of this mystery of God slip from us and now we are all caught up in giving "things" when the one great gift we can give we keep to ourselves. Even the increase in charitable contributions, although laudable, is only a sign of our increased sentimentality, isn't it?

Aren't all the hungry of the world hungry in February and March? If we don't discipline our children and then once a year give them multiple material trash can we expect them to grow up and care for us when we are older? All they will have to do is give us new slippers and robes and let us shuffle off to our end alone.

The Spirit of Christmas is "Giving Spirit" but let's give to each person his/her self-worth, even to the most helpless of infants.

## Editor's Clips

By Mary Jenkins

Christmas is nearly here again. It seems to come a little faster each year. I have my tree up -- put it up the first of December. It is a real tree and it only took me ten minutes to pick it out. That is a record for me. Yes, it is plenty dry now.

The stockings are hung, the decorations are up, presents are under the tree -- everything is ready for Christmas.

In all our hurrying around getting ready for the big day, I think we very often get lost in this merriment -- we forget about the Star of Bethlehem and what it stands for.

Maybe we should sit down

and think for just a minute how much we owe others for the happiness we enjoy. We might remember our parents, our friends, even remember the memory of someone. How many of these have helped to mold our lives?

Let us remember that Christmas is a time of giving, not only of presents, but also of ourselves, our time, doing something for somebody every day of our lives.

Let this Christmas be one of happiness and hope. If we can do this, maybe some peace will come into our lives and the lives of those we come into contact with. Merry Christmas, everyone!

## Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor,

I no longer live in Eldorado but I do have some very close connections of relatives and friends that do. To put it bluntly I do support the medical facility in Schleicher County. It upsets me that a few people there do not respect the need of this facility. The hope of every person is that we or our loved ones or friends do not have to use the emergency facilities that are available in Schleicher County or at any other place. But the question is what if you need it in a life or death situation? What if it were not there when something happened that was death threatening. Maybe not to you but to someone you loved or your neighbor or your best friend? How would you feel if they died while you watched?

It was a very cold winter day in December 1970 when an event happened that made us very glad for the Schleicher County Medical Center. Our five month old daughter was playing in her bed and knocked the birdmobile off the music box hook and it fell in bed with her. She raised up and the wire with a hook on the end of it went down her throat. My wife and five year old daughter found her. Blood was everywhere. My wife called the operator after getting the baby out of bed and was holding her upside down. The operator immediately called Schleicher County Medical Center. Almost immediately Dr. Brame and Sheriff Orval Edmiston appeared and took my little family to the hospital.

I was working and was south of Sonora in a company vehicle. The call came with only "get home quick there's an emergency". Driving as fast as we could I returned to our home just east of Eldorado. Dr. Brame's car was in front of my house running. Upon arriving at my house, blood was in the beds, down the hall and outside on the porch and walk. Dr. Brame's coat was in the hall floor.

Upon arriving at the hos-

pital our baby daughter was in the emergency room in good hands of the doctors and staff. Everything turned out fine thanks to these dedicated people and the medical facility in Schleicher County. Today we are still very thankful that our 19 year old daughter is well and fine. Please think about it very seriously before you want to cut a few dollars to risk the lives of your family, friends, neighbors, the lives of people you don't even know, or maybe yourself.

Frank Williams

Dear Success:

Thanks so much for sending the Success to Carl Farrar of Senatobia, Mississippi. He enjoyed it so much, he dearly loved Texas. He was a Texas cowboy in his earlier days, but we had lived in Mississippi since 1942.

He passed away in November at the age of 93. We had been married 59 years.

Thanks again for sending the Success to him, he read every thing in it.

Sincerely, his wife  
Jessie May Farrar

Dear Editor:

In the past few weeks I have been paying close attention to the tax (Roll-Back) situation.

First of all let me state I did sign the petition requesting a review and election. My main purpose for signing, as well as many others, was not for the purpose of reducing the tax needed. It is as a matter of fact to find out why and when our problem began.

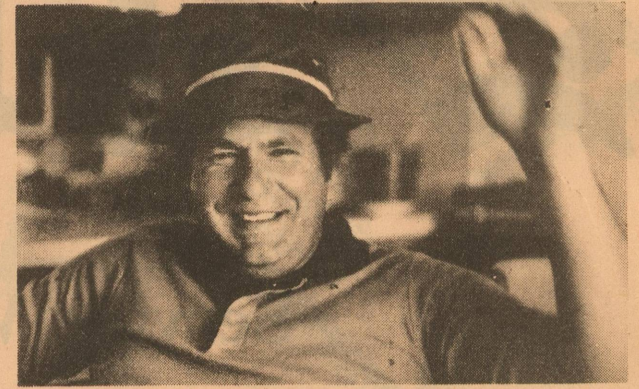
Mr. Goode has written some interesting and informative articles of things we need and cost of things that must be to keep our hospital open. However, neither Mr. Goode nor anyone else has said anything about how we got into this problem. If none will ask then I will.

1. What is our current debt situation at our medical center?

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## Laugh and Live

by Gary Smith



The tissues of the life to be  
We weave with colors all our own;  
And in the field of destiny  
We reap as we have sown.

Anon.



Ah... CHRISTMAS. Love it.  
Love it. Love it.

Seems that this is that time of year when people really look for the good in other people... A time when people put away pettiness and find the best in others.

Ever hear of Luther Burbank? Luther Burbank was a great American naturalist. He was constantly working on hybrid plants that would produce greater yields. Spent his life working to help others. Still, there were those who would find fault.

Seems that Burbank was walking in his garden one day when he was accosted by a "friend" of his who said:

"Well, what are you working on now?"

"Trying to cross an egg-plant with milk-weed," said Burbank.

"And what under heaven do you expect from that?"

Burbank calmly resumed his walk.

"Custard pie", he said, "Custard pie."

No matter who you are or where you are this Christmas, may all your milk-weed and egg-plant be Custard Pie.

'Til the next time...MAY GOD BLESS.

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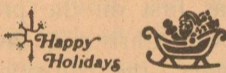
## An Apple A Day

by Lee R. (Smoky) Taylor, R.Ph.

Mammograms at 40: Eleven professional medical organizations have issued guidelines on mammography screening that include the recommendation that women get baseline mammograms by the time they are 40 years old.

In an attempt to find breast cancer at the earliest possible stage, when it is the most treatable, they further recommend annual clinical examinations with mammography every one to two years up to the age of 50 and both examinations and mammography annually after that.

Journal of the National Cancer Institute



## Mittel Insurance presents... Eagle Spotlight



MINDY AND TANNER HAYNES

This week we spotlight Mindy and Tanner Haynes, children of Mike and Stacy Haynes.

Mindy is ten years old and in the fifth grade at Eldorado Middle School. She is in beginners band, loves music, movies, camping, dancing and shopping.

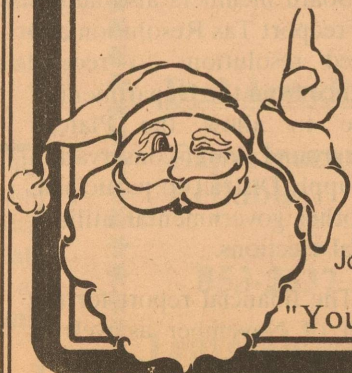
Tanner is five years old and in kindergarten at Eldorado Elementary School. He enjoys playing outdoors, riding his bike, camping and swimming.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

## Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

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# Christmas Activities

## Sewing Club

The Sewing Club Christmas Party was held at Eagle Dairy Mart on December 4. A large crowd enjoyed a turkey dinner at noon in the party room. The room was decorated and had a Christmas tree.

Everyone enjoyed visiting as well as crocheting or sewing.

## Nixon Sunday School Class

**First Baptist Church**  
The Nixon Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church held their annual Christmas dinner and party in the party room of Eagle Dairy Mart on December 13.

Christmas Carols were played on a video tape during the meal.

Afterward, Mary Robinson brought an interesting devotional on "Let's Keep Christmas" by Peter Marshall. A gift of money was given to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering in honor of the teacher, Mary Robinson, and also to the associate teachers, Jake Spencer, Alma Williams and Dorothy Ratliff.

The group sang Christmas Carols after the devotional, ending with "We Wish You a Merry Christmas".

## Nursing Home

A Christmas Party was held at the Nursing Home Sunday afternoon. All the patients gathered in the lobby where they sang Christmas Carols and Rev. Gary Smith, pastor of First United Methodist Church, brought a devotional.

Santa Claus was present and helped hand out gifts to residents which had been purchased by the Hospital Auxiliary.

## Children's Choir

**First Baptist Church**  
The Children's Choir of First Baptist Church presented a musical "Starshine" Sunday night, directed by Marilyn Whitten with the help of Eva Jo Sessom, Lucille McWhorter and Glenda Nix as narrator.

There were about 30 children in the choir. In addition

to choir numbers, there were several soloists -- Jerry Clifton, Nicole Rabb, Misty Milby, Sundi Nix, Toni Whitten and James Jones.

The mothers hosted a reception in the Fellowship Hall with Melinda Hunley as chairman. All the mothers brought decorated cookies.

**First Presbyterian Church**  
Christmas music "God's Rainbow of Promise" was given by the youth of the First Presbyterian Church Sunday night.

A candlelight Christmas Eve service will be held this Sunday evening beginning at 6:30 p.m.

## Merry Makers 42 Club

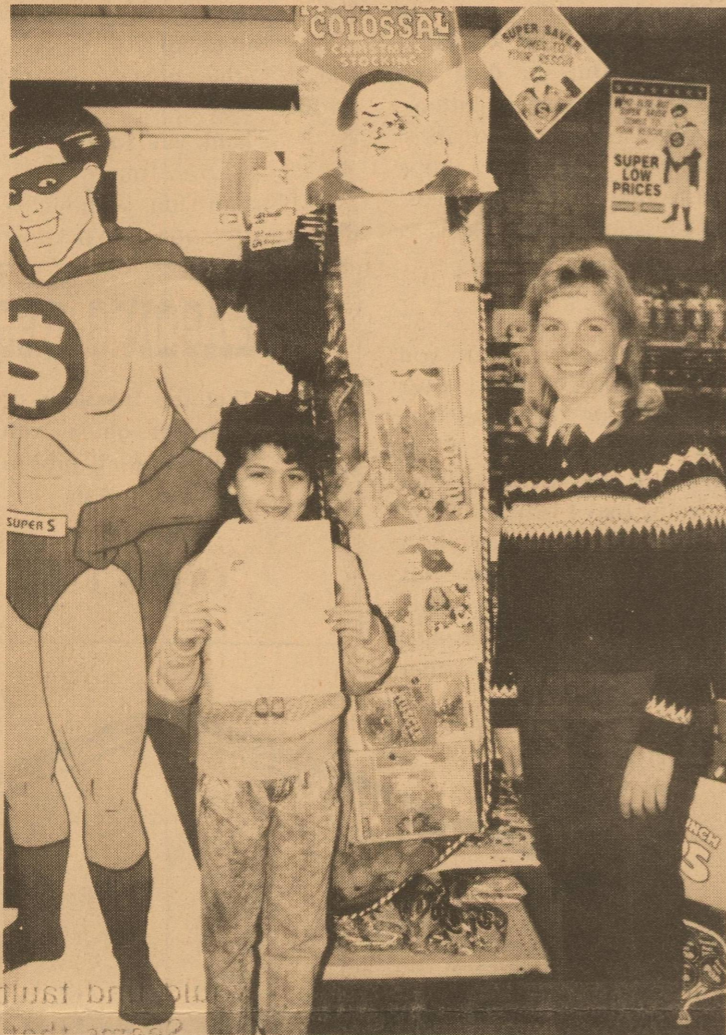
The Merry Makers 42 Club

held their Christmas party with Wilma Logan as hostess and Louise Logan as co-hostess. Special guests of the club were the 84 clubs. The party was held at Eagle Dairy Mart. A lunch was served at noon.

There were five tables of players. The evening was spent playing games.

Gifts were exchanged and everyone had an evening of fun.

Those present were: Maudie Bassinger, Bessie Clifton, Lillian Mikeska, Zelma Henderson, Jake Spencer, Jessie Sudduth, Estelle Baker, Virginia Griffin, Opal Parks, Ada Bell Taylor, Florence Hinton, Pearl Enochs, Bell Neff, Allie Cheatham, Lois Etheredge, Edith Shaw, Gladys Gunn, Evelyn Wimer and the hostesses.



Yvonne Rodriguez at left poses with Susan Lloyd, manager at Super S, after winning the giant Christmas stocking.

# Junior Firefighters Program To Benefit Rehab Center

Firefighters and children in Eldorado are teaming up between now and January 13 to help the handicapped of West Texas through "Junior Firefighters for Rehab", a program which benefits West Texas Rehabilitation Center

in Abilene and San Angelo.

Youngsters may get their official collection envelopes at Jerry's TV between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. and then contact friends and neighbors for donations.

Prizes such as watches,

radios, T-shirts and family tickets to Six Flags Over Texas will be awarded to qualifying Junior Firefighters, courtesy of Six Flags.

In addition, community collection totals will be announced on television during the Rehab Center's annual Telethon January 13.

Interested youngsters who would like to be Junior Firefighters should contact Bessie Jones at 853-2314 or Kathy Smith at 853-2046 or WTRC-San Angelo at (915) 949-9535.



# Our Sympathy

## MARY RUSSELL

Mary Russell, 29, died Sunday, December 17, 1989, in Shannon Medical Center. Services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Burial was in Eldorado Cemetery directed by Kerbow Funeral Home.

She was born December 17, 1960, in Sonora. She was employed by Instachek.

Survivors include her husband, David Russell, of San Angelo; her mother, Rebecca Graham of Eldorado; one brother, Wesley Garcia of San Angelo; and two sisters, Neria Pina of Eldorado and Irene Pinney of Odessa.

## CLAUDIA GALBREATH

Claudia Galbreath, 95, passed away Monday, December 18, 1989, in Schleicher County Nursing Home. Services were held Wednesday at 10 a.m. in First Baptist Church with Rev. Chris Graham officiating.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors are nieces and nephews.

Merry Christmas &  
Happy New Year

**Shaw's Motel**

Edith Shaw  
Christine Hodges

# Super S Coloring Contest Winner Announced

Super S Foods held a coloring contest, the prize of which was a giant Christmas stocking. The winner of the contest is eight year old Yvonne Rodriguez.

Honorable mention went to the following: Yollanda Hui-chapa, Ashley Finley, Chris Conatser, Casey Griffin, Phillip Otwell, Christy Estrada, Ruby Estrada, Andrew Sauer, Catherine Lloyd, Hillary Hodges, Haley Edmiston, Russell Clark, Sonia Herrera, Rikki Bosmans, Corey Reeves, Enrique Rocha, Gregory Fuentes, Desiree Anchondo, J.L. Mankin and Maria Ibarra.

Santa's on his way, speeding boundless treasures to every girl and boy. As he makes his rounds, spreading good cheer, we join him in the spirit of the holiday with wishes for

A very Merry Christmas to All

McCormick's Exxon

## LETTER

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2. How long has this situation been in existence?

3. Was this a problem of mismanagement in the past or at the present time?

4. Is this tax increase proposed to clear previous problems? Or is it proposed to incentive raises as has happened in the past?

In conclusion, let me state that I too want to keep this hospital and current staff here in Eldorado. I also plan to vote for the full tax increase as proposed by the hospital board. I do, however, feel unless we are told the whole truth about the situation, I doubt that the increase will pass. It is good to know about new equipment needed and current efforts to curtail expenses, but PLEASE tell the public, how, when and if you desire, who got us into this current mess.

I have my own ideas as to when this started, but would like to know for sure when this got out of hand.

Once again, let me state I am going to vote for the increase to keep our hospital and with a simple answer to these questions, I am sure the majority will also back the tax increase as proposed.

Willard W. Gentry

**GLAD TIDINGS**

May your holidays be filled with happiness and wonder!

Greetings from the entire staff and management of

Jerry's T.V.

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The true Christmas spirit is Peace on Earth. Let's make it a gift to one another.

Charlotte's Hair Shop

## GIGANTIC OVERSTOCK SALE

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# Letters To Santa

Cory Lloyd  
Dear Santa Claus, December 7, 1989

I wut inteddo for Christmas. And a skatebord. And that is all. I want a soccer ball. I will leth you a smach.

December 7, 1989

Dear Santa, I want for Christmas is upsy daisies. I love you Santa. I will leve you some hot chocolate and some chocolate chip cookies.

I hope I can see you.  
Your freind,  
Judith Sanchez

Dear SANTA CLAUS, Nintendo Little Mrs. Dressup Car For My Mother Super Mario Brothers Game Boy Nintendo I love You SANTA CLAUS, VERY Much.  
YOUR FRIEND  
KASEY GRIFFIN

Leticia December 7, 1989  
Dear Santa Claus. pleas buy me a game of hot potato and a star light house and a big pretty Barbie car and som Makeup for my mom and a gun for my brother and a Miss up little make up little doll and barbie and a rockers and some skats to and some erings to and a new dockter boy

David December 7, 1989 Dear Santa, What I want for Christmas is a real car. Mrs. santa I want a shirt with a picture of santa and my car. santa bring me a pet puppy for me. I want a musen gun and a fifty seven chevy that is blue.  
Your freind David

Dear Santa I won't a bik a race car a rode n rill a dog. a nitindo tap. a pokit nife a drokbord. a pictr book a new sleeping. bag a bunch of book. Waht I won't most is a new sweeter ter.  
Your frind  
Kary

Dear Santa, I just want to tell you seven thing I want a bike that's one thing. And a doll that's two things. And I want a vesayare and a tv that's four thing. And a bareby doll that's five thing. And a kitten.  
Your friend Dee

Dear Santa, Will you gev me a gocrold and a toy casly and a fill liv bulfo and a rill liv hose and a up sterntheos?  
Yuor friend,  
Chris

Dear Santa, I hope you will give me a modol airplane. With and a jet for my pezit. Also I wood like to give a prizit to my mom and my dad and my grandmother and grandfather.  
Your friend,  
Lance

Dear Santa, I wish you would bring me

Zeldaz Mike tysons punch out and castle vonia and jaws I a Qariam and have a happy hoiday.  
Your freind Blake

Dear Santa, I wood like a woch. and, a basket ball. I woud like a Football and a little car, and a truck.  
Your friend,  
Rocky

Dear Santa, I want a scKuter and a traplen. and a cat for my mom and a Dog for my Dad. And a rabbit an a bb gun. Santa I wunt a wach.  
Your friend,  
Joe David

Dear Santa, I wit to Santa will get my slip. I will get a price adi glab. I want a coin a my price. I rich a coin and a pric. I rich a pupe q coin I like a coin and a cat  
Yoer Friend,  
Wayne

Dear Santa, I want peachsspoks gools and soopdayseas. I want a hors for Christmas. I want a wash. I want a cat. My sister a peak car.  
Your friend,  
Crystal

Dear S.C. I want a watch and a Cool time Barbie. Merry Christmas Hi ho ho hi!  
Love  
Ashley Barton

Dear Santa, I love you And please breang me a hova craft And it is a boat and I will give you a snack on the table and I want a football sut please with shoter pads and neu pads and a helmet with rell pads please And this is from Clayton Sykes And I Love your deer and you.

Israel Joiner  
Dear Santa will you ples bring me a cb radeow and that all have a merry christmas

Louis Santellano  
Dear, Santa I will give milk and cokies. Nintedo games

Remote control car  
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Bad out glasses  
Bike  
Skate board  
Go card  
B B gun  
Water gun  
fishing rode  
and some bate.  
Santa I love you.  
I hope you get all that I got on the list dont get in truble comeing here.

Dear Santa, I Love you Santa I want little Miss makeup I will liev you a snack and a bike, Rudolf, I want Lance Mitchell for a boy friend.  
By Jennah Richters

Dear Santa Claus, For Christmas I want a doll and her name is Little Miss Dress Up. And a game that is named Game Boy and a Nintendo and a Ten Speed. I Love you Santa.  
Love  
Sarah Mankin

December 7, 1989 Aubrey Gonzales  
Dear Santa, I wont a doll and a bike and I wont a hot potato, I wont a bike. I wont a baby girl. I wont little Miss makeup. I wont a baby bear. I wont a baby hosas.  
Love Aubrey

Dear Santa, December 7, 1989 Is want I want is I want to see snow. I want to see you. I want to see the Dears, I will leve you a snack. I want to go to the north pole. I want a bike.  
MY NAME IS  
Beatrice

December 7, 1989  
Dear Santa For christmas I want a jazzy Barby I cant wait teel Christmas I wile Leev you cookies pleas bring me a jazzy Barby I Love you Santa  
Katherine Sullivan

Dec 7. 1989  
Dear Santa I want some slim and that grean slimy stuf that gos through yor

shower and I also want a robot dog.  
Derek Stevesen.

DeAnn Rodriguez  
Dear Santa I want a camera, and a walkman, and a Super Mario Brother calender, And a baby cabbage patch kid. I will leave you a snack for Christmas. Say hi to your elves for me. My friend is sarah mankin. Be careful coming over here. I love you santa claus.  
Love DeAnn Rodriguez

Dear Santa. I hope you bring me what I want for Christmas. Oh, I forgot "Hello!" Santa I have a problemum my friends don't believe in you but I do I gold them that my family believes in you. How are your raindeers. I got the letter that you sent last year. But we don't have those kittens any more because we moved but we had a nother kitten But she died and now we have two more kittens. There names are Clark and Chris. Do you have any cats? I hope you write me back this week. Merry Christmas Santa have a happy Christmas.  
Ashley Finley

Dear Santa It's me again! How are you up in the North Pole. I over heard some kids the other day talking about that there is no such thing as Santa. But I want you to know that I believe in you and, that your one of my best friends. You see I have this problem, that you can only solve. I lost my dog John wich was also a good friend of mine. My other

dog and me want another dog if it would be possible if you could bring me one for Christmas I would be the happiest girl alive today. I will do anything to get a dog. I have not told anyone except you because you are the one I want it from. I really don't want to be selfish, but a dog is all I want for Christmas. This dog does not have to be expensive or a certain breed, all though I do kind of want a Border Collic or a Austrailian Sherperd. See you Christmas Eve, and I leave you some cookies. Oh I almost forgot. How are your funny Reindeer I love them so much. Tell them I said Hello. I hope you can read my writing. Have a Merry Christmas  
Love  
Summer Finley

Dear Santa I would like a ten-speed, and a barbie house, and barie forore.  
Thank you Santa,  
Love, Irma  
It isnot fun without you. Please write soon so I'll know if

you are bringing my presents. Please bring me one of them I mostly want the ten-speed.

Sincerely,  
Irma Diaz  
Please bring me a girl ten-speed if you can. it is pink, and gray!!! the seat is pink. it is at perry's at Eldorado. Have a happy Christmas!!!!

Dear Santa I want a ten-speed for Christmas, but my parents can't afored it. That is the only thing I want. It is at perry's at Eldorado Tx it is gray, white, pink, it has a white seat the seat has Huffy on it. The bike is \$84.95

Please get it for me it is the ONLY thing I want.  
Thank you,  
Patricia Diaz  
Merry Christmas

P.S. Write soon and tell me if I will be able to get it. It is a girls Huffy ten-speed. You are my best friend Santa!!  
Christmas is fun. it is not fun with out you. Have a happy Christmas and a happy New Year.

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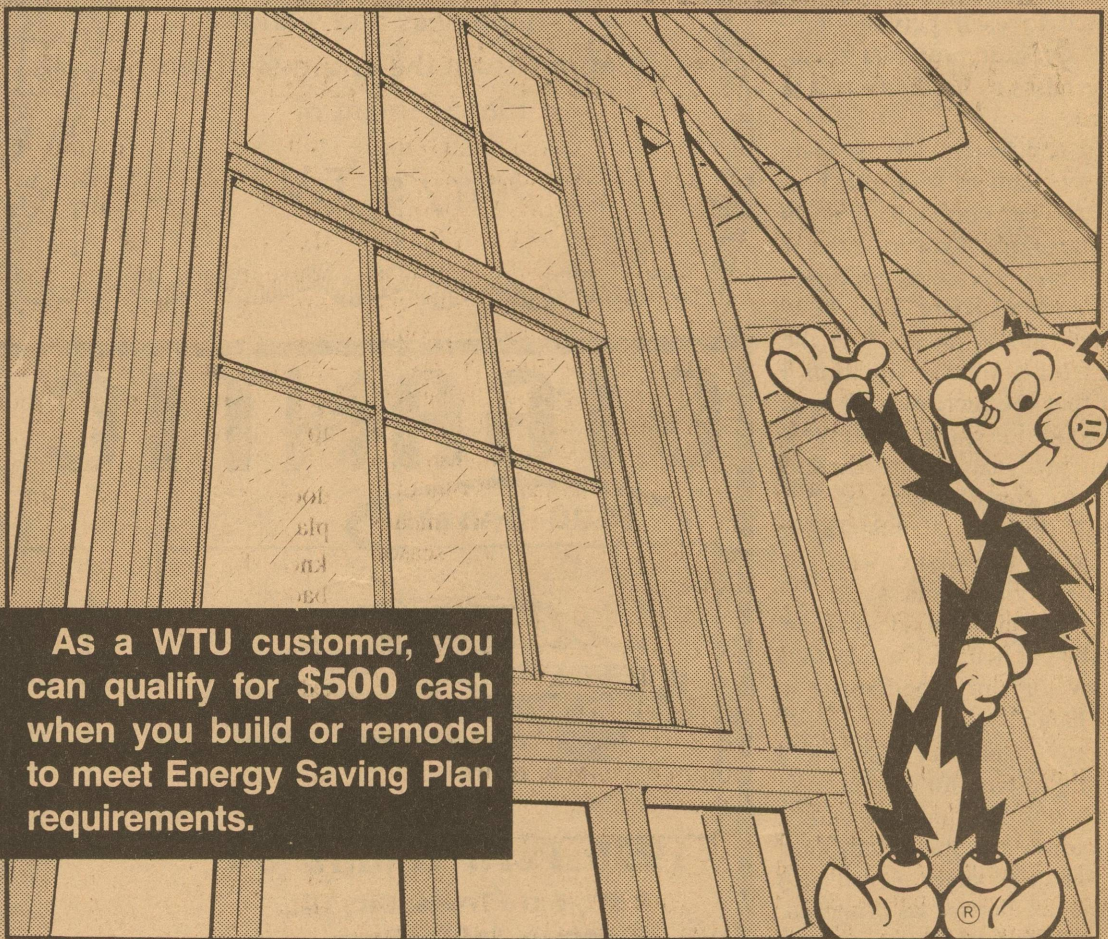
That the blessings of Christmas abide with you as lasting gifts is our holiday wish.



Griffin Fuels

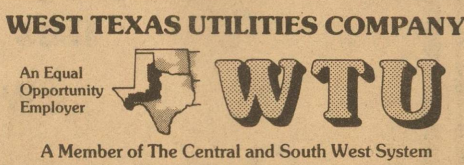
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# Basketball Update

## 7th Grade Girls

by Coach Sonny Dunlap

The 7th grade girls team was split into two teams for the December 18 game at Iraan.

The first team to play consisted of A. Hamilton, C. Joy, C. Gower, C. Thoms, M. Belk, C. Cardenas, E. Olson, T. Robledo, J. Wink, L. Fuessel, J. Hooten, D. Lloyd and L. Lloyd. They played extremely hard and won 16-0.

The second team consisted of E. Schooley, R. Gonzales, K. Williams, I. Pina, J. Holguin, M. Rodriguez, J. Cheatam, C. Ramirez, S. West and M. Stevenson. These girls won 33-4.

## 7th Grade Boys

by Coach Larry Mitchell

The 7th grade boys team beat Iraan 40-17 on December 18.

Those boys scoring were McCravey and Nix with 8 points, McGinnes, Whitten and Bounds with 6 points, Thomerson with 4 points and Fuentes with 2.

The 7th grade boys record is 8-2. The two losses coming to Ozona, who we play next in Ozona on January 4.

## 8th Grade Girls

by Coach Teresa Baker

We traveled to Iraan on Monday, December 18 and played the Bravettes. We lost 29-12.

The girls played a real controlled ballgame. I was real pleased with the way they ran their offenses. Every time they ran their offenses, they scored and they did a good job. Over-all we hustled hard, but we just got out-scored.

Our next game is on January 9 against Ozona.

## 8th Grade Boys

by Coach Rick Singleton

We didn't play real well, we just played good enough to win. The score was 24-11.

Everyone on the team got a chance to play. To be able to win with all 16 kids shows that they can really play together. We aren't real consistent right now, but we need to keep working on that and get to where we can play four full quarters.

## Freshman Girls

by Coach Monte Althaus

On Friday, December 15 the freshman girls basketball team played Sonora. They lost by two points 25-23.

Leading scorers were Hope Martinez with 8 points, Pamela Whitten with 6 points and Lee Ann Lamb with 4.

Our record is 2-2. Our next game is on January 4 against Ozona. Then on January 5-6 we play in a Freshman Tournament in San Angelo.

## Freshman Boys

by Coach Harvey Wink

The Eldorado freshman boys beat Iraan 45-44. The leading scorers were T.C. Willis with 16 points, Matt Williams with 15 points, Trey Morrison with 8 points, Chris Meador with 4 points and Daniel Martinez with 2.

The boys played a good defense, but they need to improve on their free-throw shooting. They played consistently the whole game.

## Varsity Girls

by Coach Bobby Helmers

On December 12, we played Ballinger. After suffering a 30

point defeat at their hands earlier, we came back and got a one point victory in over-time 41-40.

Our kids played real aggressively defensively. We spread the scoring out offensively with Claudia Martinez leading the scoring with 14, followed by Kati Hardy with 8, and Carrie Sauer, Kris Agüero and Amy Henderson each contributing 4 points.

After suffering a severe defeat earlier, I was real proud of the kids in the way they came back in this particular ballgame.

On Friday, December 15, we played Sonora. This was the second time we played them. We beat them by 5 points earlier in the season, and we won this game 42-32.

Kati Hardy and Claudia Martinez each had 10 points,

followed by Dena Lloyd with 8, Amy Henderson with 6, Crissi McCormick with 4, Chris Agüero and Tonino Gonzales each with 2.

We played a good defensive ballgame, only allowing 32 points. Our offense was still stuttering a little bit, but a good team effort enabled us to win the ballgame.

## J.V. Girls

by Coach Frankie Hardy

We played Ballinger on Tuesday, December 12. We had been beaten by Ballinger before. They were one of our two defeats earlier, so we were really out for revenge and we won.

We were ahead of them by a good margin most of the game, but we did finally let them come back a little, but we still won 41-37.

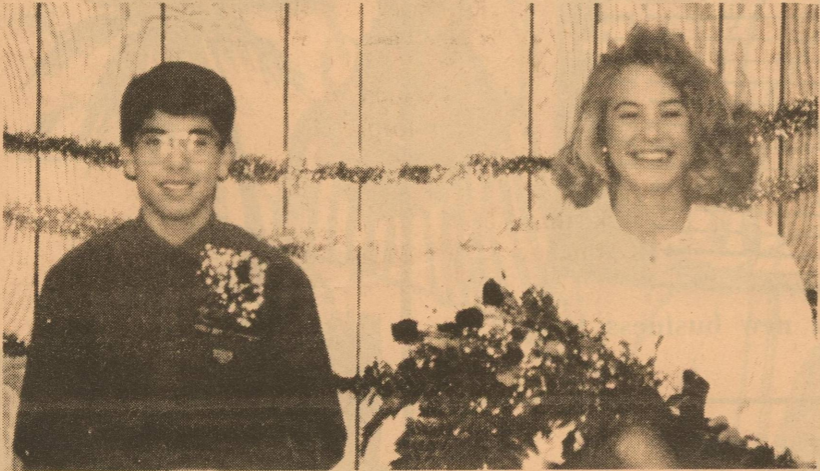
Stephanie Ledbetter was the leading scorer with 11 points followed by Cory Barton with 9 points and Roxanna Martinez with 8.

Defensively we played a much better game than we had earlier. I think the girls really wanted it. They wanted to show them that they could beat them.

We then traveled to Rankin for their tournament. We beat Rankin that morning 46-18.

Everyone scored well. Whitney Fuessel scored 10 points followed by Lesa Romero with 9 points, Lindy Hardy and Roxanna Martinez each had 8 and Stephanie Ledbetter scored 7.

Then we had a real test when we played for the Championship against Iraan J.V. We were behind by one point with



The Christmas Favorites for the Middle School were announced on Friday, December 15 at the annual Christmas Dance. Winning the honor this year were Michael Martinez (left) and Angie McGregor (right). The favorites must be eighth graders and are selected by the entire student body. The dance is sponsored by the Middle School Student Council. Door prizes were given away to local merchants as were two belt buckles that were donated by Mr. and Mrs. Blair.

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## Boys Varsity & J.V. Basketball Highlights

### Varsity Boys

by Coach Greg Cleveland

We played Ballinger here on Tuesday, December 12. We won 54-50.

It was a good ballgame on the standpoint that we won, and we avenged a loss at their gym the week before. It was also tough in the fact that it was the third time we played them. They were very familiar with the way that we played offensively and defensively.

We played them in the Sonora Tournament and won 32-30, then they beat us 54-49 in their own gym.

They were ahead most of the game here. We tried mixing our defense up this ballgame and playing zone earlier in the game, and it worked very successfully and kept them off stride. The bad thing about it was that we didn't get into any kind of rhythm offensively and couldn't pull ahead or pull away.

When we finally did get the lead, or close to it, we went to our man-to-man with about four minutes left in the fourth quarter and completely took them out of anything they were trying to do.

We forced several turnovers

that allowed us to pull through and win the ballgame. We had some good free-throw shooting down the stretch with Jeff Patton and Michael Kotsch and had an excellent effort towards the end of the game by perimeter people, not allowing any three pointers.

It was a very satisfying win in the fact that Ballinger is known for a good program and we have beaten them 2 out of 3 times so I guess that we means we have taken a season advantage.

Our next ballgame was Friday, December 15 against Sonora. This was the third time we played them. We beat them the first two times and they improved and were really waiting for us. They felt like we had really slipped passed them in the last ballgame.

Their teams start out playing very flat. We didn't make any special preparations for Sonora, we just tried to execute offensively and defensively. Most of the game, the kids played hard, but not very well. We had numerous unforced turnovers and we didn't really get into a good flow defensively.

We went into the second

half tied 21-21. Towards the end of the third quarter, we had jumped to an 8 point lead, but by the end of the quarter we squandered it and they had a 6-0 run that cut us to a two point lead going into the fourth quarter. That's when we used our defense and free-throw shooting to pull away with a victory.

The Sonora coaching staff does a good job with their players, and being close rivals I know they wanted the game very badly.

The crowd helped us when it was close. Our players exhibited a good air of confidence, even when the game was close, but we need to learn that when we have somebody down that we have to have the killer instinct to put them away to where they don't even get a chance to come back.

The final score of the game was 58-50, but it should have been 68-50. We made a few more mistakes in this ballgame, but we're still learning.

Our next game is here Tuesday, January 2 against Alpine. They are led by Brian Wilson, who was voted one of the states top 100 players. We then

go to the Bronte Tournament which is highlighted by Bronte who is 11-0 and is ranked in class A.

If we play well, we will end up winning the rest of our non-district games.

### J.V. Boys

by Coach Matt Chalmers

We played Ballinger on Tuesday, December 12. We played them a lot tougher than we played them over there, but Gabe Schooley played here, and he didn't play there. He helps us rebound quite a lot, but we still lost 56-30.

We then played Sonora on Friday, December 15. They beat us to death there 70 something to 20 something. Here it was an 11 point ballgame, 65-54.

In the last minute and a half we had it down to 8 points, so I feel like we played a lot better here. We're improving and the kids keep working, but we have an uphill struggle. We're getting better all of the time.

After the holidays we play Alpine here, then we play in the Reagan County Tournament before we start district play.

So far we haven't played any of the district teams and I have no idea what anybody has so it will be a new experience.

JAN. 2	ALPINE	6:00 P.M.	JVG	VB
JAN. 4-6	@ BRONTE TOURN.	T.B.A.		VB & G
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# Riggs-Detrixhe Exchange Vows

Cindy Riggs, formerly of Eldorado, became the bride of Mike Detrixhe of Ft. Stockton on November 25 at the Pecos County Annex Building with Judge Charlie Warnock performing the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Brown of Ft. Davis. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Detrixhe of Ft. Stockton.

Mrs. Ricky Carreon served the bride as maid of honor and Tony Brooks was best man. Mrs. Detrixhe is a 1985 graduate of Sanderson High School and a 1988 graduate of Midland College. She is presently employed by Shannon Skilled Nursing Facility and Meadow Creek Nursing Center of San Angelo. Her husband is a 1984 graduate of Ft. Stockton High School and a 1988 graduate of Sul Ross Police Academy. He is presently an E-2 in the army and is stationed at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio.

The couple will live in San Angelo and take a wedding trip next summer.



MR. AND MRS. MIKE DETRIXHE

# New Businesses Open In Eldorado

Two new businesses have opened up in Eldorado recently, Treasures and Such and Punkin's Fashions.

Treasures and Such is located in the building which originally was Poochie's Barber Shop, and is owned by Pam Daniels.

Ms. Daniels is carrying all kinds of stocking stuffers and birthday gifts for children, and adult gifts such as lamps, china, glasses, picture frames, blankets and handmade handbags.

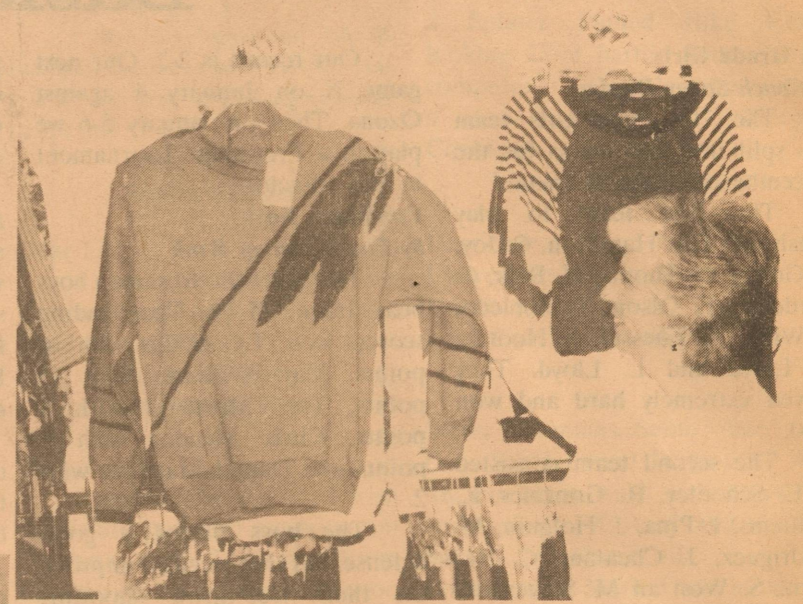
Also available are children's and adult's clothes -- sweat shirts,

girl's dresses, boys pants, sweaters and shirts.

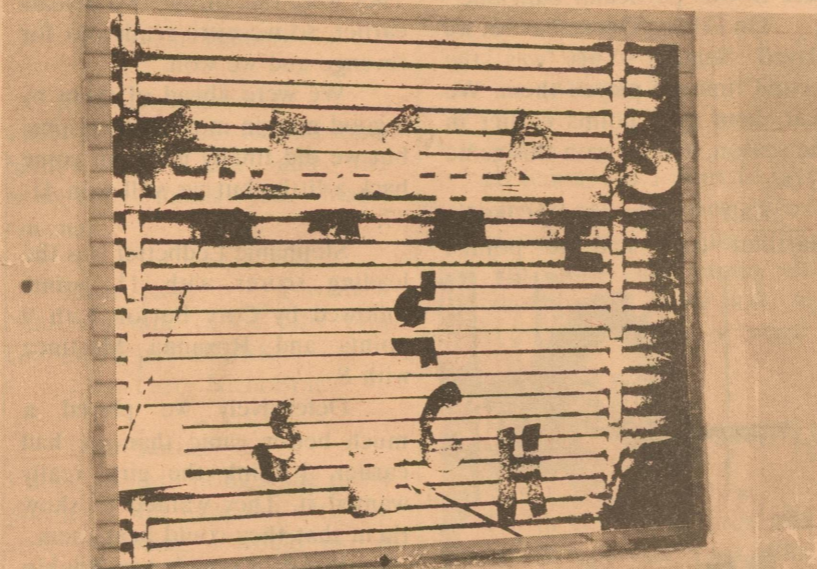
Gift wrapping is available upon request. Purchases of \$10 or more will be wrapped free of charge.

Punkin's Fashion Shop is located between Rene's Beauty Shop and Charlotte's Hair Shop and owned by Jean Danford.

Ms. Danford is featuring ladies and junior size dresses, slacks, sweat shirts, blouses, skirts and sweaters. She carries large sizes from 36 to 52 in blouses and pants in King Fashions.



Jean Danford, owner of Punkin's, is pictured here with one of many selections in her new fashion shop.



Treasures and Such is a new business located in down town Eldorado.

# Reminder To Stock Show Exhibitors

The Women's Division of the Schleicher County Livestock Show wishes to remind everyone that entries for this year's show will be received on Wednesday, January 10, from 1 to 6 p.m. at the exhibit building. It is not too late to work on your entries.

This year cash prizes will be offered for the "Best of Show".

The following classes are available for entries, but you should feel free to take anything you have: A class will be found for your craft.

Classes are: canned foods (jams, jellies, preserves, pickles, relishes, fruits and vegetables), art clothing, crafts, hobbies, needle-

work & stitchery, tatting, knitting, crocheting, quilting, ceramics and plaster art, and photography.



# FFA News

By Rufus Trimble

The FFA (Future Farmers of America) have been around since 1917. The Smith Hughes Act started the FFA. It has been in every American public high school system for more than 50 years.

FFA members have a lot of opportunities like winning awards, learning many new skills, learning about agriculture in the world and how it affects us.

This year FFA members sold fruit and jerky. The FFA has helped towns and cities in certain emergencies.

The FFA has eight kinds of membership. The four regular memberships are active, college, honorary and alumni, and the four active memberships are Greenhand, Chapter, State and

American. Active membership is only in high school. Honorary is an FFA member who supports the FFA and Alumni is an ex FFA member.



# New Business Opens Friday

Triangle H Tire and Auto Services, formerly Robles Tire Service, will be holding its Grand Opening Friday, December 22.

Curtis Homer, owner, will have 24 hour car and truck tire repair as well as auto servicing and washing, Monday through Saturday.

# Grand Opening

December 22, 1989

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Health, wealth and loved ones around you, is our wish for you at Christmas.

from Bertha & Rosa at Bertha's Glamorama

# Happy Holiday

Santa's sleigh bells echo our deep thanks to all our friends, with seasonal greetings.

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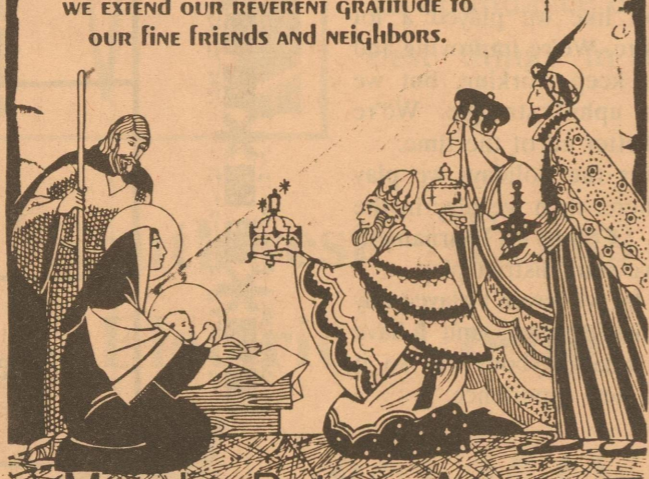
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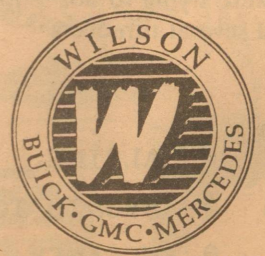
Merry Christmas to All

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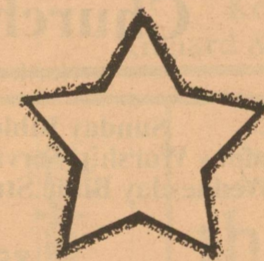


Like those shepherds on that first Christmas long ago, let us go to the manger and kneel before the newborn King...may His love fill every heart at this holy season.



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# Letters To Santa

December 7, 1989

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a doll called Little Miss make up. And Little Miss dress up. And I would like dress up clothes. And I will leave you some chocolate chip cookies.

Your friend,  
Nicole Althaus

Denisa December 7, 1989

Dear Santa  
I wan a Barbey.  
I want a so in shon.  
I want a bike.  
I want upsicadise.  
I want miss make up.  
I want dress indasol.  
I want miss dress up.  
I Love you Santa  
MeRRY CHRISTMAS  
Love Denisa

Dear Santa,  
I want a B.B. pistol gun and some huting boots. Love, Jon Calcote

Dear Santa, I want a Barbie car and a dress. 4 games and a fue

suris to. I want some clay and some Barbie closs. 5 chine dolls. Love Kimberly Brooke Edmiston

Dear Santa, I want a Barbie and a dress to wear and a play car to play with with a furcoat. bring me a cat and a dog for my sister and me.

LOVE  
Jackie Barrera

Dear Santa,  
My name is Holly Goode I'dd like little Miss dressup a computer and a few suprices! I am in 2st grade. My birthday is Jan. 2st. I've been a pretty good girl Merry Christmas to you and a happy new year. Ho Ho Ho!

Love,  
Holly Goode

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas Santa! Please bring me a pink football helmet. That's all.

Love,  
Lindsey Mendiola - Age 2

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike for Christmas. I

want to now if you are doing a good job. I wonder if it is snowing at the north pole. I have ben doing good at my house. I want some girl Nikes. Marry Christmas.

Love Monica Robledo

Deer Santa I have be good I want a panny ant a nintendo game

Love Ricky  
Huihapa

Dear Santa, I want ot have a doll. I want a BaBy car. have a happe December.

LOVE  
Lycynda Halbert

Dear Santa,  
I been a good greil. Id' like some bardy's. like Jem and the halugram's thank you. Maria Guzman.

Dear Sant, I want a Nintendo tape called billy biye you. and a pak of BBS.

Love Larry Nicholson.

Dear Santa,  
I hope you will bring some pritty presnts. I will have fun with the stuff you bring. I would like a stufft scott dog. And some new clothes.

Love,  
Hillary Hodges

Dear Santa,  
I want a skatebord or skates. Or a boketinif. Or a reymot controle hubcraft. Thank you.

Love Steve Valero.

Dear Santa,  
I have bend a good boy. And I would like a hubcraf or a 410 and erars. And what I want most is a drums.

Love Joseph Wink

Dear Santa I wish that I had a per of ramy clorsh.

Jesus Sanchez

Dear Santa,  
I want a snife.. And a new Nintindo game.. A bike.. And a new gun.. A bow an arrow.. A batting glove.. A Texas A&M costume.

Your friend,  
Jess

Dear Santa,

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Your friend,  
Kimberly

Dear Santa,

I wish you would bring me a bike, middle kid. I rilly don't want much. I wish I could come and visit you at the nourth pole and see the raindeer. I want to visit Mrs. Claus, too.

Your friend,  
Brandy N.

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa. All I want to say the thing I want. Well hear I go. Well a cumpter and Miss little dress up. And vido' games. A little chokbord. A plane doll. A poster of you. A pair of black shoes.

Your friend,  
Sonia

Dear Santa,

I wish you would breg me. Two nintidl tape. Aad a bike like dagle. Aad a gijol min and a gijol bot. And i love you.

Your friend,  
Shawn

Dear Santa,

That I want for Christmas is a bike. If you can not get it, it is ok. If you can get it for me. If you go down the chim you betr wach out the cheemy mite have a little fire.

Your friend,  
William

Dear. Santa,

Santa I wont a gutar and a tappaer with taps and a PJ sparkls and a cowgirlcap with one fether on it and a bell and I wont a rabbit.

Your friend,  
Kelli

Dear Santa,

I now yua havt see my at the mol lat lee i ben nrvs to see you at the mol will you ples cum in see my

Your friend,  
Bobbie Gault

Dear Santa,

I want a Nintendo for. Crismas. And some G.I. joe. And some transeformers.

To Santa Claws  
From Joseph Wade

Dear Santa,

I wourd like a bike. I wish you wourd cum too my home on Christmas nighth. I like you Santa. You are nice you olwes come too my houwes.

Your friend,  
Rachel. H.

Dear Santa,

I want a bike and a doll. But I really want a keyboard. And I have been a good girl. Have you a Merry Christmas.

Love  
Sarah Anchondo

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl this year. For Christmas I would like

a Splater Pained Bike Ken looking Cool barbie Soda Shop computer P.J. Sparkles Maxie and a few suprizes to. Merry Christmas

Love Haley Edmiston

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl I want a doll.

Love Courtney Fields

Merry Christmas. Santa Claus! Dear Santa I want Maga forse A toy gun a toy truck a nutcracker and one toy Mustang and a toy Santa Claus that is all!

Love Darren Mark Thunchorst:

LOVE SANTA

Dear Santa

Dear Santa I have ben to the mall. I want a bebe gun and a bick. I want backsin gluxs and a poster. I want a pare of water skesas and a nitt do game.

Love Gary Gibson

Dear Santa,

I want a pogostick and a Moakntro car and a tobrash. Santa I have ben a good boy this year. Love, Patrick Fuentes

May this be a holiday to remember, filled with the charm of cherished traditions... new-found hope and happiness.

Merry Christmas

Eldorado Wool Company

## Hospital Or 24-Hour Clinic?

By Steve Goode

What would it cost the taxpayers if we contract with Shannon to operate a 24-hour per day, seven day per week clinic instead of operating a hospital? Many people have asked this question, so let us look at it.

The revenue we budgeted for the hospital for 1990 is \$395,738; this would be sacrificed if we convert to a clinic operated by Shannon. What expense would we save to off-set this lost revenue?

1. In the office we would no longer need our insurance clerk or medical records clerk. Their combined annual salaries are \$26,000. The administrator and accountant would be retained to manage the nursing home.

2. Presumably the total budget for the nursing department would be saved, \$230,160.

3. The dietary department should save about \$3,360 in food costs. Salaries, supplies and equipment would not be significantly affected since all these items would still be needed in the nursing home.

4. The housekeeping department could probably do with one less housekeeper, saving about \$6,825.

5. About \$4,332 would be saved on contract laundry service.

6. About \$4,716 would be saved on oxygen.

7. EKG services would save about \$3,276.

8. Presumably the entire x-ray department expense would be saved, about \$49,582.

9. Also, presumably the entire lab department expense would be saved, about \$96,084.

10. Pharmacy expense should save about \$21,696.

11. E.R. physician coverage would save \$54,912.

12. Medical supplies would save about \$8,508.

13. Group insurance, as per our budget, would save about \$23,400. Worker's Compensation expense, per budget, would save

\$604. Social Security Taxes on \$332,255 salary saves about \$23,952. But our unemployment tax would go up due to workers who would be laid off.

Now let us add up the expenses saved and compare them to what it would cost. The saved expenses add up to \$558,407. But in a letter to me from Lawrence Leonard, senior vice president of Shannon, we would be expected to subsidize the clinic \$300,000. So we save only \$258,407.

But now consider the revenue of \$395,738 that we would be sacrificing and you can see that replacing the hospital with this clinic would actually cost us a net \$137,331. The revenue of \$395,738 that we sacrifice and the subsidy of \$300,000 of the clinic is \$137,331 more than the expense of \$558,407 that we would save. If this were done, your taxes would have to go up to pay for it!

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(North of Courthouse)

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Sunday Worship Services.....10:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study & Worship.....7:00 p.m.

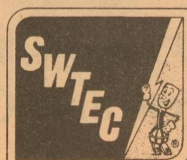
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### Public Notice

**CONTRACTORS' NOTICE OF TEXAS HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE WORK**

Sealed proposals for PICNIC AREA AND LITTER BARREL MAINTENANCE in Sutton/Schleicher County, and covered by Contract No. 070XXM4013, will be received at the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation's District Office, Loop 306 and Knickerbocker Road, in San Angelo, Texas 76906-1550, on December 28, 1989 at 2:00 p.m.; and then publicly opened and read.

Proposals and specifications can be picked up at the office of Louis Olenick, RMS, Sonora, Texas.

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### Lost & Found

**LOST** -- 3 month old female Blue Heeler, lost at 709 Lee Avenue in Eldorado on December 3. Reward offered for any information leading to her whereabouts. Contact Collier Shurley at 853-3203 or M.D. Shurley at 387-3236.

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### Real Estate

**TO SETTLE ESTATE** -- 3 bedroom, native rock dwelling in Glendale addition on large lot, garage, pecan trees, very good condition. Call E.C. "Pete" Peters 853-2681, after 5 p.m. and weekends phone 853-2843.  
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**FOR SALE:** 14x60 mobile home in good shape. Call 853-2616.  
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**FENCELINE** - 25 acres borders large ranch. Good hunting, deer, turkey. \$815 down \$146.48 monthly. 3W Investment Company 1-800-292-7420.  
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**SPECIAL** Like new 2 bedroom, 16' wide, only \$999 down, 8.99% APR, 96 payments of \$198 monthly, includes delivery, setup. Ref. air and 1 year insurance. A-1 Mobile Homes, 4750 Andrews Hwy., Odessa, 915-332-0881.  
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**FOR SALE:** 3 bedroom frame in excellent condition. Large lot, 2 car garage, central heat and air, fire place, hardwood floors, 2 bath, fruit and pecan trees, lots of storage, good location. Call E.C. "Pete" Peters 853-2681, after 5 p.m. and weekends phone 853-2843.  
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**FOR SALE:** New 1990 model doublewide. \$29,900 sale priced. Includes appliances, delivery, setup and anchors. A-1 Mobile Homes, 4750 Andrews Highway, Odessa, 915-332-0881.  
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**NEW 1990 MODEL** doublewide, 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Only \$1,535 down. 240 payments of \$352 each at 13.5% APR. A-1 Mobile Homes, 4750 Andrews Highway, Odessa, 915-332-0881.  
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**FOR SALE** -- 3 bedroom, 2 bath trailer. Add-on storage building. 1 1/2 lots. \$9,500. Call 853-2087.  
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**FOR SALE:** 2 Bedroom, 1 bath home on five acres. Call 853-2327 evenings.  
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**FOR SALE:** 3 adjoining lots with trailer house hookups. Fenced yard, 30x30 2-car garage, 24x12 patio. Small rock house. Several shade and fruit trees. Located at 801 Olive Street. Call Jerry Richardson at 405-928-5062.  
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**HOUSE FOR SALE:** 4 bedroom, 3 bath, ceiling fans, fire place, central air and new carpet. Spacious yard with fruit trees and fenced in back yard. Close to school. Reasonably priced. Call 387-2297 or 853-3005.  
1-(10-12-89)-b

**HOUSE FOR SALE:** Freshly remodeled 2 BR house in Eldorado, located at 604 Old Sonora Rd. (across from car wash). Call Ray Smith or A.W. Bishop at Sutton County National Bank 387-2593.  
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## CLASSIFIEDS

**FOR SALE:** 4 bedroom, 2 bath mobile home, payments of \$178 monthly includes 2 year warranty, 1 year insurance with down payment of \$1,590. 12.75% APR 180 months. A-1 Mobile Homes, 4750 Andrews Highway, Odessa, 915-332-0881.  
3-(12-7-89)-b

### Automobiles

**FOR SALE:** 1979 Chevy Van \$1,700. 1983 Chevy Cavalier, 2 door, \$1,950. 1982 Chevy Suburban, all electric \$4,200. 1981 Chevy Luv diesel, no transmission \$1,350. Call 853-2261 after 5 p.m.  
3-(12-7-89)-b

### Free

**MONEY** -- For information leading to the whereabouts of a 3 month old female Blue Heeler. Contact Collier Shurley at 853-3203 or M.D. Shurley at 387-3236.  
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### Services

**NOTICE** Mary Kay Cosmetics. Graduation, birthday, anniversary gifts. Martha Spinks, 701 Lee Street, Phone 853-3415 after 4 p.m.

**NOTICE:** Defensive Driving offered weekly in this area. Call 853-2777.  
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Call Charlotte's Hair Shop  
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**ATTENTION:** Does your TV need repairs? Ramon Avila can do the job! He can be reached on Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Courthouse, and at 406 Field Street on Saturday and Sunday.  
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**NOTICE:** Let me decorate your cakes. Just bring a picture or idea. No wedding cakes. Call 853-3136 after 5 p.m. Kim-et Nelson.

### Notice

**NOTICE**  
Coupon Sale at Foxworth-Galbraith Lumber ends Sat. Dec. 23.  
ALSO  
Peanuts For Sale  
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**ELDORADO SPECIAL**  
Say that you are from Eldorado and get \$20 off any radar detector or a \$1500 cam-corder for \$999 at **The Sound Box**, 2409 Sherwood Way, San Angelo.  
4-(12-7-89)-b

**NOTICE** -- Gift wrapping and wrapping for mailing. Christmas and All Occasion. Year-round service. Call 853-2079.  
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### For Sale

**FOR SALE:** New handmade quilts. \$250 Contact Rita Reeves 853-3178 or 853-2049.  
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**SALE NOTICE**  
25% Off all merchandise in stock. Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Open Sundays 1 to 5 p.m. until Christmas. Punkin's in Eldorado. 7 W. Gillis.  
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**REMODELING:** For sale, doors, windows, screens, counter top, large sink and misc. Call 853-2402.  
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**For Sale:** Baby Grand Piano, King Size Bedroom Suite nad 6 ft. Christmas Tree. Call 853-3178 or 853-2049.  
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### For Rent

**FOR RENT** -- 2 bedroom, 1 bath house 1/2 mile outside city limits of Eldorado on ranch. Water paid. Call 653-6979 or 655-1595 after 7 p.m.  
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**FOR RENT:** Trailer house lot. Call 853-2261 after 5 p.m.  
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