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Jerry Gaines Files For County Sheriff

Carson County Deputy Jerry Gaines this week made his announcement to seek election to the office of Carson County Sheriff in the March 8 Primary Election.

Born and raised on a cotton farm near Mangum, Okla., Gaines is an honorably discharged veteran of the United States Air Force and the U.S. Coast Guard.

He attended the University of Connecticut and Yale having gained a background in business administration and time study.

He has served 11 years with the Carson County sheriff's office. He has attended numerous police schools including many classes taught by the F.B.I. See Gaines, Page 3

City Decoration Winners Announced

Cash prizes were awarded to winners of the home decoration contest sponsored for Christmas by the City of Groom.

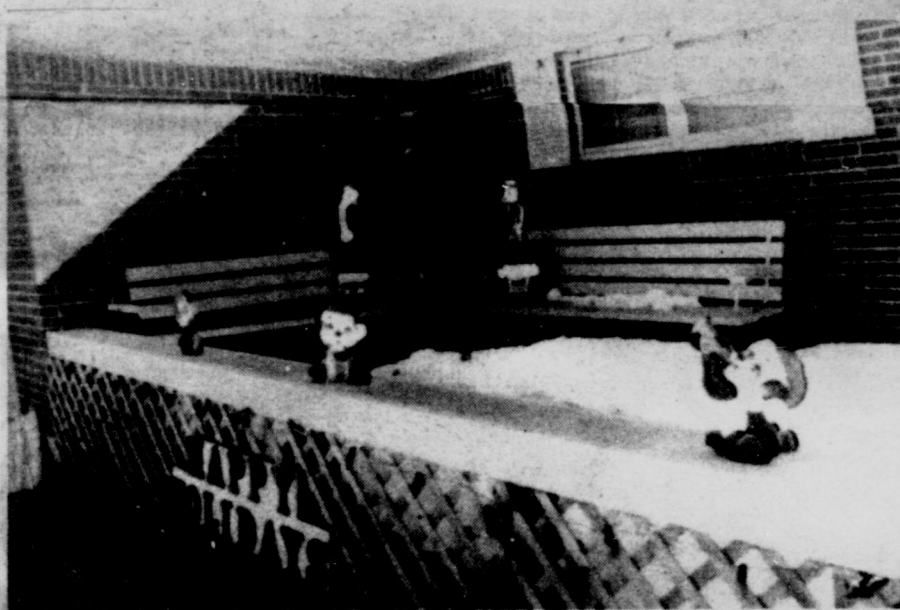
Darlene Jones took first place and won a prize of \$25. Darlene hand painted each of the forms in her decorations which she also designed and cut from wood herself. The decorations include a Cowboy Santa leading nine reindeer pulling a wagon full of toys. Her porch decorations include a decorated Christmas tree, mom and pop goose and three little bears and a reindeer on the porch signal happy holidays to all who pass by.

Greg Lamb took second place outlining his arched porch in colored lights and two trees in the front yard were also trimmed with lights.

Third place went to Jim Kingston whose house was outlined in red lights.

Judges also gave honorable mention awards to Ross Nix and Helen Witt.

Other homes lighted for the holiday season include Jerry Ashford, Johnny Brumley, Burniece Johnson, Cecil Culver, Art Britten, Mary Ann Koetting, Rex Peebles, Terry Coffee, Ruth James and Louis Ruthardt.



Darlene Jones handcrafted the decorations in her front yard that won her first place honors in the contest sponsored by the City of Groom. A Cowboy Santa along with a Mom and Pop geese dressed in Santa suits and teddy bear elves complete the decorations.



Sarah Hutnell, daughter of Steve and Pam Hutsell, has a visit with Santa during the Christmas party for the Kindergarten held at the School on Friday, the day classes were dismissed for the holidays.

Business Closings Announced For Holidays

No newspaper will be published next week as staff members of The Groom News and The McLean News will take their annual vacation. The News office will reopen on Monday January 4 with the next issue of the paper to be published on January 7.

All local businesses plan to close on Christmas Day and almost all on New Year's Day. Those businesses observing special closings in addition to the two holidays are as follows:

Brumley Insurance closed Christmas Eve and

New Year's Day. Pav's Service will close on Christmas Eve at noon and New Year's Day.

Raney's Steak House will be closed Christmas Day.

State National Bank will close at noon on Christmas Eve.

Groom Grocery will close at 5:00 Christmas Eve and

be open New Year's Day

from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Groom Post Office will close at 1:00 p.m. Christmas Eve.

City Hall will be closed Christmas Eve.

Groom Branch Library will be closed Christmas Eve and reopen December 28.

Vivian's will be open on Christmas Eve.

Wheeler Evans Elevator will close at noon on December 24.

Duck, Duck, Goose & Co. will close early on Dec. 24 and be closed Dec. 25 and 26.

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Six Traffic Accidents Related To Bad Weather

DPS Officers were kept busy last week during the snow which caused hazardous driving conditions on I-40 beginning on

Sunday, Dec. 13. Six accidents were reported during the bad weather, all involving vehicles losing control on the icy roadway, and all traveling westbound at the time of the accidents. Officer Gary Davis investigated three wrecks on Sunday. Laura Potter of

Amarillo was charged for unsafely changing lanes when her car struck a semi driven by Robert Spaeth when she lost control on the ice.

Jorge Castro of California had stopped on the roadway and began pulling back into the traffic lane in front of a car driven by Shaun Dady of Oregon. Castro was cited for an unsafe parked position and for having no insurance. Derrill Jester of
See Accidents, Page 3

Local Happenings

Weekend visitors at the Robert Kuehler home were Robbie of Portales, N.M., Loretta of Canyon, Karen of Perryton and Margaret of Plainview.

Jennifer and Jarred Hanging of Wheeler spent the weekend with Zoah Britten while their mother attended the Wheeler/Bremond game at Abilene. They returned to their home Sunday.

Jack Stephens was surprised December 12th with a birthday party on his over 30 birthday. Those attending were Margaret Crowell, Leslie Crowell, Jo Ann Britten, Beverly, Brent, Michael and Michele Stephens, Larry, Kay, Adam and Lori Stephens, Alan Stephens, Lola Brebresca and Margie Stephens.

Guests were invited to share the joy of Christmas at the annual Christmas coffee, December 12th in Margie Stephens home. Other hostesses were Jo Ann Britten, Leslie Crowell, Margaret Crowell, Beverly Stephens and Kay Stephens.

The coffee has been a tradition for 36 years. Eunice Major and Nancy (Kotara) Paronto served as hostesses for several years.

About 50 guests were served miniature sausages, quiche, apple rolls and cheese blisstzes.

The theme for this year was burgundy and gold. The table was centered with burgundy poinsettias and the tree was decorated with gold swag and ornaments.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Lacy attended the funeral service of Bion Meadows a brother of their daughter-in-law Ava Lacy at Schooler Gordon Chapel in Canyon Wednesday. They reported a terrible driving situation being on the road six and a half hours.

Vivian and Jake Lacy attended church at Turkey Sunday and had Christmas with Jake's sister-in-law Velma and his sister Tella Gilmore Sunday.

Ronny and Pam Downing and children of Watkins, Co., were weekend visitors of Cecil Culver.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Pruitt visited Sunday in Groom with the Jerry Crowell family and attended the Christmas program Sunday night at United Methodist Church.

Letter To Santa

Dear Santa,
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Drunk Driving Fatalities Hit America's Cross-section

Drunk driving remains the number one killer on our roads, striking with a frequency and ferocity that would be national news if its victims were reported in

total each day instead of individually in the obituaries in thousands of cities and towns where the tragedies occur. Its victims are a cross-section of America; the rich,

the poor, the young, the old, the safety-conscious and the not-so-safety-conscious. But they share a common demise that is always unexpected, always needless and often grudgingly tolerated because our social norms won't quite permit them to be characterized as other than accidental deaths.

For many years in this country we talked about drunk driving in statistical terms only; lives lost and public expenditures. The higher the numbers, the more the public would pay attention, or so we thought. But the opposite was true. The numbers were largely ignored because they were, after all, just numbers. There were no faces or shattered lives attached to tug at the heart strings.

But something changed all that in the early 1980's. Citizen activist groups, like Mothers Against Drunk Driving, moved drunk driving off the bar graphs and brought it up close and personal, laying its dire consequences squarely on the doorsteps of virtually every American community.

Suddenly the blinders came off, the outrage swelled and things began to change—and change dramatically.

Thanks to that awakening, the United States, to its credit, has made remarkable progress in just a handful of years. Forty-one percent of the total traffic deaths in 1986 involved at least one driver or pedestrian who was intoxicated, a shocking figure but one that represents a significant decline from the 46 percent that was tallied in 1982. The percentage of intoxicated teenage drivers involved in fatal crashes also dropped from 28 percent in 1982 to 21 percent in 1986, the largest decrease among all age groups.

As promising as the improved statistics are, they are not much comfort to the families and friends of the 19,000 people who were killed last year in alcohol-related crashes. We are

holding our own—keeping things from getting worse—but we are still a long way from the point where we can drive our roads, reasonable assured that the approaching car or truck is not driven by someone who has had too much to drink. Alcohol has played and probably will continue to play a major role in how we socialize in this country. The challenge is to convince people to use alcohol in moderation and to avoid driving after drinking. This is especially true during the Christmas and New Year's holiday season when travel increases, office parties abound and it's common to get together with family, friends and neighbors for "a little holiday cheer."

Tougher laws, more enforcement and increased public and media attention over the past few years helped reduce alcohol-related crashes by nearly 30 percent in some parts of the nation. Many responsible

people have gotten the message and have modified their drinking habits for the better. But the problem is far from solved and complacency should not replace the concern and anger of the early 1980s that motivated government, the private sector and citizen groups to stop wringing hands over drunk driving and start fighting it.

It may be difficult as a host to stick your neck out and actively prevent some-

Accidents

California was driving a semi that jackknifed in front of a Ford driven by Arthur Kuznicki who was unable to stop before striking the semi. Jester was cited for failure to control speed and not wearing a seat belt.

Officer Greg Eatmon investigated two wrecks on Dec. 16, the first near the 98 mile marker on I-40 occurred when Mike Enos of Morton, Texas lost control and began sliding on the pavement. He struck a car driven by William Delay of Norman, Okla. The Delay vehicle was knocked into the ditch.

The next accident also happened at the mile 98 marker when Larry Liggett of California lost control on the ice and struck an already disabled vehicle on the north side of the highway.

No injuries were reported

one from driving who has been celebrating too much. But isn't it better to call a cab, offer a ride or provide a bed than to allow friends or co-workers to put themselves and everyone else at risk?

Drunk driving is not only a national tragedy—it is a national disgrace. As we begin 1988, let each of us individually resolve to do our part to eliminate this disgrace and make it a resolution that is kept.

in any of the accidents.

The other wreck involved a semi and the patrol car driven by Don King. Officer King stopped Roger Ritch of Pennsylvania on a speeding violation. King was directing Ritch to pull his rig in front of his patrol car when the semi struck the left front fender of the vehicle while pulling off the roadway. The patrol car received an estimated \$250 damage.

Gaines Files

He is certified by the State of Texas to train police officers in the use of firearms. He also served five years on the Groom City Commission.

"I will do my best to organize and maintain a department that every citizen of Carson County can take pride in," said Gaines. "I will build a good working relationship with all neighboring law enforcement entities and in particular the Department of Public Safety. I consider day and night police coverage of the entire county to be a major priority."

"I have other goals as Sheriff of Carson County to achieve. I will outline as many as possible in newspaper ads prior to the Democratic Primary."

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Now, the Texas Department of Health (TDH) has extended maternity services to many such women through contracts with 37 clinics and other health care providers across the State.

For the Texas Panhandle area, Panhandle Health Care Coalition has been named to serve these women. The PHCC is a non-profit organization made up of hospitals, physicians, and pharmacists throughout the Panhandle to provide services to pregnant women with high-risk conditions throughout the Texas Panhandle.

Dave Clark at the Panhandle Health Care Coalition

said, "Our contract with the state is to provide prenatal care, delivery and follow-up services to certain women whose infants are at risk of being born unhealthy because the mothers can't afford care and have medical problems that affect the health of the baby. We especially need to serve women whose pregnancies are medically 'high risk' by finding and treating their problems early to avoid long-term health problems, or even death, of their babies."

Eligibility requirements for MIHIA services are based on the family's level of income and the presence of a high-risk medical condition. "Although not every pregnant woman can qualify for special services under this program," Dave Clark said, "we urge all pregnant women to begin prenatal care as soon as they know they are pregnant."



Evan Crowell, son of Jerry and Leslie Crowell, gives Santa a list of gifts to be delivered to his house in time for Christmas.



Visiting Santa at the State National Bank Monday were from left, Jill Howard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Howard; Karri and Lorri Britten, daughters of Tony and Wamyth Britten and Opie Blackwell (standing) of Riverton, Wyo. son of Dan and Debby Blackwell and grandson of Page and Irma Blackwell.

Johnny Burgin of Africa is home for the holidays visiting his mother Mildred Burgin, other relatives and friends.

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Schools Have Christmas Program and Concert

The McLean Public Schools presented their annual Christmas Music Program Monday night at the auditorium. Roger Myers directed the program and Bobbi Stalls was accompanist.

The show began with music from the Elementary School classes. The welcome was given by Barton Roseberry. The entire group performed "Winter's In The Air", "The Twelve Days Of Christmas", "Let It Snow, Come Down", "Jingle Bells?", "Away In A Manger", "Joy To The World", and "We Wish You A Merry Christmas."

There were several poems and narrative pieces including:

"More Christmas" by Monty Joiner;

"Waiting" by Eddie Willis;

"Getting Ready" by Shannon Hughes, Erin Gibson, Stephen Wallace, David Fuller, Justin Phillips, Jennifer Pennington, Shanna Littlefield, Angel Passmore, Seth Brown, and Tobey Purcell;

"Birthdays" by Jill Hefley, Shelly Holland and Jessica Anderson;

"I Love You" by Heather Hess and Jamie Barker.

After the grade school performance, the various McLean bands gave a concert.

The Fifth Grade Band played "Jingle Bells", "Up On The Housetop", and "Jolly Old St. Nick."

Members of the Sixth Grade Band played "Chorale and Recessional" by Edmondson, "It Came Upon A Midnight Clear" arranged by Peters and "Two French Carols" arranged by Balent.

The Junior High Band played "Tis The Season" arranged by Balent, "White Christmas" by Berlin, arranged by Van Auken, and "Frosty The Snowman" by Nelson and Rollins, arranged by Beeler.

The program concluded

with a performance by the Tiger Pride Band. They played "Let It Snow! Let It Snow! Let It Snow!" by Styne, arranged by Nowak, "The Christmas Song" by Torme and Wells, arranged by Nowak, "Carol of the Bells" by Leontovich and Wilhousky, arranged by Balent, and "Greensleeves (What Child Is This?)" arrangement by Dillon.

Businesses Tell Holiday Closings

Santa Claus is rewarding the McLean and Groom News staffs for their good behavior by giving them next week off. Our offices will close at 12:00 noon today and we will return on Jan. 4, 1988. Our next paper will come out on Jan. 7 so save up all your Christmas news and send or call it in to us after the holiday.

Lots of other folks in town will also be taking a few days off for a much needed and deserved holiday. The following are school, business and government office closings:

-McLean and Alanreed schools will close today at 1:30 p.m. and classes will resume Jan. 4. The McLean School Business Office will be open Dec. 29-31 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

-The Post Office will close about 2 p.m. today and on New Year's Eve and will be closed on Christmas and New Year's Day.

-McLean City Hall, the office of the Justice of the Peace, Southwest Public Service, B&B Electric and Simpson Agency will be closed today and tomorrow, Dec. 24 and 25, and on Jan. 1.

-Lovett Library is closed and will reopen on Jan. 4.

-The Bank of Commerce, and Richardson's Texaco will close at noon today and will be closed Dec. 25 and Jan. 1.

-McLean Pharmacy will close at 1:00 p.m. today and on New Year's Eve and will close on Christmas and New Year's Day but will be open

for the next two Saturdays.

-Puckett's Grocery, Cantrell Oil and Gas and the Dairy Queen will close on Dec. 25 but will be open on Jan. 1.

-Hambright Building Supplies, Panhandle Community Services, Mertel Boot Shop, Windom Auto Supply, The Clothes Line and the McLean-Alanreed Area Museum will be closed on Dec. 25 and Jan. 1.

-The Cowboy will close at 3 p.m. on Dec. 23 and 24 and will be closed on Christmas. It will also close at 3 p.m. on Dec. 30 and will be open for lunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Jan. 1.

-The Texas Restaurant will close from Dec. 24-27 and on Jan. 1.

-McLean Hardware will close on Dec. 25 and 26 and Jan. 1.

-McLean Variety will be closed on Dec. 25 and Dec. 31-Jan. 2.

-Corinne's Style Shop will close Dec. 25-28 and Jan. 1.

-Lamb Flower Shop will close Dec. 25-28 and Dec. 31-Jan. 2.

-The Country Corner Texaco and Taylor Food Mart will be open through the holidays.



Colonel Hefley Completes Course

Col. James L. Hefley, has just returned from Kansas City, Missouri, where he successfully completed the course in Auctioneering and Auction Sales Management at Missouri Auction School.

He received his diploma and the honorary title of Colonel along with men and women auctioneers from throughout the United States.

The concentrated two week course is conducted by Missouri Auction School at the world's largest auction training center located in the

Kansas City Stockyards. His training included lectures and workshops featuring prominent auctioneers from throughout America.

He participated in selling numerous auctions in Kansas City and nearby communities in Missouri and Kansas.

Subjects covered included antique auctions, livestock, furniture, business liquidations, real estate, rare coin, auto, machinery, general merchandise, all types of estate auctions, and the rapid fire chant of the tobacco auctioneer.

Former McLean Superintendent Dies

Services for E.A. Kimmins, 72, former superintendent of McLean schools, were held Wednesday, Dec. 16, in Memorial Park Funeral Home Chapel of Memories in Amarillo. H.L. Gipson, retired minister of the West Amarillo Church of Christ, officiated. Burial was in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mr. Kimmins was born near Bonham. He

moved to Amarillo in 1931 and married Polly Pitts in 1935 in New Mexico.

In 1939, he graduated from West Texas State University where he had played basketball. After graduation he worked at Dalhart High School as athletic coach. He later became principal at Dalhart High where he served until 1945 when he became superintendent of McLean schools. After four

years in McLean, he taught for 5 years at Margaret Willis Elementary School in Amarillo. In 1953, he began working in the circulation department of the Amarillo Globe News and retired as circulation manager in 1978.

He was a member of West Amarillo Church of Christ and was past president of San Jacinto Kiwanis Club.

Survivors include his wife;

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Choirs Give

Christmas Cantata

The combined choirs of the McLean First Baptist and United Methodist Churches presented

"Christmas Tapestry: A Christmas Cantata" by David T. Clydesdale and Claire Cloninger on Sunday night.

Directed by Bonnie Fabian the program included the following selections:

"Christmas Tapestry" and "It Was Love" performed by the choirs;

"Interlude I" by the choir and narrator Carl Dwyer;

"Follow, Follow" by Sam and Linda Haynes;

"Interlude II" by choir and narrator;

"Glory" and "It Was Love" (reprise) by the choir;

"Little One, Little Son", a soprano solo by Jacque Riley;

"Interlude III" by choir and narrator;

"Jesus My Lord" with the choir and with solos by the tenor section of the choir and Cynthia Hauck;

"Humble Gifts" by the children's choir, "Crown Him Lord" by a men's trio and "Humble Gifts, Crown Him Lord and Glory" by the children's choir and all the other choirs;

"A Tapestry of Carols" with all choirs and audience participation. Selections included "O Come, All Ye Faithful", "Angels We Have

Heard on High", "The First Noel", and "O Holy Night."

The program concluded with a reprise of "Christmas Tapestry" by the entire choir.

Members of the adult choir were:

First sopranos: Karen Brass, Angel Harris, Cynthia Hauck, Lela Kennedy and Jacque Riley;

Second sopranos: Ruth Magee, Maudine Rutherford, Rose Shank and Laura Willis;

Altos: Mary Lee Boyd, Mary Dwyer, Dollie Haynes, Linda Haynes, Jane Hennon, Linda McDonald, and Suzanne Wilson;

Tenors: Sam Haynes, Toby Northcutt, John B. Rice and Marc Wilson;

Basses: S.A. Cousins, John M. Haynes, Jerald Gardner, Jean Longino and Ted Longino.

Members of the Children's choir were: Joetta Dawn Bailey, Karen Brass, Angel Harris, Bonnie Hauck, Christopher Hauck, Heather Hess, Shelly Holland, Mindy Magee, Erin McCracken, Moriah McCracken, Terron Messer, Toby Northcutt, Angel Passmore, Jennifer Pennington, Tommy Pennington and Heather Wilson.

Musical accompaniment was provided by Ida Hess on the piano and Joyce Haynes on the organ.

Don't Forget

The Alanreed PTO meeting will be on Jan. 5 at 7:00 p.m. The Community Improvement Committee will meet Jan. 9 at 7:00 p.m.

Basketball Scores

VARSITY BOYS
Samnorwood Tournament

Dec. 10-Kelton 70. McLean 50; Kyle Woods-19; Sid Brass-14; Donald Harris-7;

Cal Holwick-4; Dale Barker-2; Huey Green-2; Grant Mann-2;

Dec. 11-McLean 67, Hedley 46; Cal Holwick-15; Kyle Woods-14; Sid Brass-11; Donald Harris-10; Dale Barker-9; Huey Green-2; Jim Anderson-2; Tres Hess-2; Floyd Morris-2;

Dec. 12-McLean 64, Lakeview 54; Sid Brass-30; Kyle Woods-15; Dale Barker-5; Cal Holwick-4; Huey Green-4; Tres Hess-2; Grant Mann-2; Donald Harris-2

Alanreed News

On Saturday, the R.D. McLains' granddaughter, Michelle, and family of Borger were visiting.

The Robert Bruces went to Amarillo on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Davis brought the Hartley Davises home on Sunday after they had spent several weeks in Amarillo.

December Birthdays and Anniversaries

Dec. 6-Bud Steele
Dec. 7-Dawson Jackson
Dec. 11-Mrs. Otis Ford
Oct. 15-Heather Wilson and Angela Wolfe
Jan. 21-Jana Davis
Jan. 23-W.A. Davis

Anniversaries

Dec. 27-Mr. and Mrs. Otis Ford

Services For Resident's Brother

Funeral services for Charles Fred Waters, 85, brother of a McLean resident, were held Monday at the First Baptist Church in Wheeler. Rev. Rodney Weatherly, grandson of the deceased, the Rev. Ralpy Hovey of Mobeetie and the Rev. Robert Helsley, officiated. Burial was at Wheeler Cemetery.

Mr. Waters died Friday. He was born in Stonewall County and moved to Wheeler County in 1905. He married Edna Hathaway in 1925 at Wheeler. She died in 1986. He moved to Wheeler in 1943. He had been a farmer until his retirement 10 years ago. He was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include one son, Doyle Waters of Borger; two daughters, Mary Weatherly and Wanda Herd, both of Wheeler; three brothers, Leslie Waters of Happy, Cecil Waters of Amarillo and Roy Waters of Briscoe; three sisters, Mildred Mantooth of McLean, Bessie Walker of Manteca, Ca. and Alma Jackson of Amarillo; 8 grandchildren; and 9 great-grandchildren.

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Resident's Mother Buried

Funeral services for Ethel L. Cline, 93, mother of a McLean resident, were held Friday at the Polk Street United Methodist Church in Amarillo. Rev. John Maurer, pastor, officiated. Burial was at Llano Cemetery in Amarillo.

Mrs. Cline died last Wednesday, Dec. 16.

She was born in Girard, Kan. on Dec. 23, 1893 and had lived in Amarillo since 1906. She had been retired from the retail business. She was a member of the Polk Street United Methodist Church where she had taught Sunday school for 15 years. She wrote the newsletter for the Vaughn-Selby Sunday School Class and also led the singing for the group. She was a charter member of the Northwest Texas Nursing Auxiliary and was the past president of the Amarillo Federation of Women's Clubs. She was also a member of the Philomatic Study Club, Women's Forum, Tuesday Study Club and the Amicitia Club.

Survivors include one daughter, Evelyn Stubblefield of McLean; one son, C.T. Cline, Jr. of Amarillo; two sisters, Peggy Eastus of Dallas and Twila Johnson of Springfield, Ore.; 5 grand children; 10 great-grandchildren; and 6 great-great-grandchildren.

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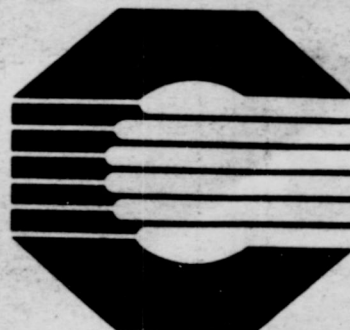
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By Ace Reid



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military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

Morriss is a 1987 graduate of Lefors High School.

Kimmins Buried

one son, Kent Kimmins of Manhattan, Kan.; two brothers, John Kimmins and Irvin Kimmins, both of Borger; and one grandchild.



Meet The Tigerettes

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Junior Wendi Smith, a third-year Tigerette, plays wing and post. The 16 year old daughter of Casper and Jean Smith, she is also a member of the McLean golf team, where she went to regionals during her Fresh-

man and Sophomore years. The recipient of an M award of perfect attendance During all of her years in school, she enjoys collecting bears, being with friends and having fun.



Sally Worsham is the 16 year old daughter of Frank and Jackie Worsham. A Junior, she has been a Tigerette for three years. She plays point and wing. She has been a member of the tennis and golf teams.

She is a member of the Student Council and was a Harvest Candidate.

Sally's hobbies include riding horses, being with friends, shopping and having a good time.

McLean School Board Meets

The McLean School Board met Monday evening at the school business office. The session was delayed one week due to the snowstorm which hit the area last Monday and Tuesday.

In the major items of business the board:

-Approved a committee to review and approve textbooks for the 1988-89 program year.

-Gave Christmas bonuses to school employees.

-Agreed to send superintendent Jim Rutherford to school to learn about the new regulations on asbestos being used in the school buildings.

-Changed the school calendar to make up one of the days school was dismissed last week because of the storm. On Jan. 15, which had originally been scheduled as a teacher workday, classes will be held as usual.

-Approved the 1986-87 audit report.

Services For Joe Spradlin

Memorial services for Joe C. Spradlin, 67, brother of a McLean resident, were held Saturday at East Wentachee Grace Missionary Baptist Church in East Wentachee, Wash. Burial was at Evergreen Cemetery last Wednesday.

Mr. Spradlin died last Monday.

He was born in Blum, Tx. on Feb. 21, 1920. He and his family moved to this area in 1926 and he was raised south of Alanreed. He lived here until 1944 when he

joined the service. After the war, he moved away from the area. He was a retired pastor of East Wentachee Missionary Baptist Church. He had pastored in Arkansas, Texas, California and Washington. He was a Navy veteran of World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Agnes; two sons, Jack Spradlin and James Spradlin, both of East Wentachee, Wash.; two sisters, Juanita Fish of McLean and Joyce Gouddy of Amarillo; and three grandchildren.

Peace on Earth



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McLean Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year please bring me a doll and a puppy. I want a Crystal Castle and a Barbie Dream House.
I Love You,
Melissa

Dear Santa Claus,
A play kitchen set and a Barbie Doll House with furniture is what I would like for Christmas.

Also I want a water Bed. But my own bedroom would make me happy.

Merry Christmas
Santa Claus
Love
Misty

*Merry Christmas
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Joy to the World

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McLean Care Center
Bill & Tina Thomas

Dear Santa,
My name is Aaron. I have been a good boy this year. Please bring meagocart, and lots of toys this year.

Dear Santa,
I love you. I hope you will bring me a Rambo bike.
Love,
Charlie

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year I would like a talking doll, ring, barbie doll, watch, a toy for my cat, a big teddy bear bigger than my sisters, and new clothes.
Vanessa

Dear Santa,
I want a football, a BB gun, a four wheeler, and a big foot and some GI Joes. I have been a pretty good boy. Please bring my sister a little doll.
I love you Santa Claus.

Daniel

Dear Santa,
This is my list: Barbie dolls and house, 4x4 pick up, boots and clothes, a coat and house for my dog Rags, tape player and tapes, unicorn stuff. I love you I will leave you cookies Milk.
Love,
Wendy

Dear Santa
I would like a Four wheel-er and all of the G.I. Joes.

Christopher

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. Please bring me a trampoline, Barbie icecream Shop, Growing Baby Doll Talking baby doll and a playhouse. Please bring my baby sister anything you want to. she is 8 months old. We love you,
Donna Gail and Samantha Jo

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. Please bring me a make up set and a pink bike and Baby Heather. I love you Santa.
Sara Ann
age 6
McLean, Texas

Dear Santa Class,
I want a remote contorl car and I want devstaor and I want a remot contorl boat and I want some Gobotes and I want some autobts, and I want a remot contorl truck and I want a remote contorl plane and I want a sled and I want all rubber tubes and I want a new pair of tinne shoes and I want a new bicycle and I want a new backpack and I want a new lunk box.

Love,
Ben

Dear Santa,
I would like a leather football suit with shoulder pads and a helmet. I also want a soccer ball and a football tee.

Love,
Chad

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a new bike, I would like a Heman, I want some gloves a hat, I would like a book, I would like clock, I would like a sled, a pair of clothes, a pair of shoes, I would like football, I would like basketball, I would like a red corvette, I would like a pair mattits, I would like a bat, I would like a socket-ball.

Love,
Charles

Dear Santa Clause,
I have been very good this year. I want a Wild Puffalump, a new scooter, and a Jewels Secret barbie. I left you lots of cookies and milk.

Love,
Kristi

Dear Santa,
I want some make up and a Barbie ice cream shop a Keper and Mr. game show and the mapel tower fanly kep boyd skooter and a bike baby Hether and baby grows. You da not have to get me all this or any of this. P.S. I want a wild pufalump coler purplele.

Love,
Pamela Gail

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good

boy this year. (Even my mom says so.) For Christmas I would like to have a truck, bike, BB gun, an airplane, hot wheel cars and a whole lot of friends. Also please bring my new little brother something. (He's little, just 6 months old.) You can bring our sisters something too. (They haven't been as good as us guys though!) Thank you Santa. Merry Christmas.

Love,
Clinton Ray

Dear Santa,
I wont a Zero Grality Cliff Hanger race set. And a Slot car set containe a 1940 Ford Coupe and a 1957 Chevy. And a watch.

From Jonathan

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a football Popples, Heman sword, building block gun, football, books, and a cowboy hat.

Love,
David

Dear Santa,
My name is Rosa Linda. I want you to stay with me all the time. I want a talking doll and pony and doll house.

Love Love
Rosa Linda

Dear Santa,
My name is Rebecca and I'm six years old, and I wish that you would get me whatever you want.
to Santa
Love,
Rebecca

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Merry Christmas

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GREETINGS

To our many fine customers: may your Holiday Season be full of happy blessings and Christmas cheer.

Corrine's Style Shop
Corrine Babe Jean
Norma



Ted Glass Buried in Hillcrest

Funeral services for Lee Thompson (Ted) Glass, 83, former McLean resident, were held Sunday at 3:00 p.m. at the McLean First Baptist Church. Rev. Jeff Messer, pastor, and Rev. Buell Wells, retired pastor, officiated. Burial was at Hillcrest Cemetery under the direction of Lamb Funeral Home.

Mr. Glass died Dec. 18 at his home in Clarendon.

He was born April 16, 1904, south of McLean in Donley County. He married Imogene Smith in Pampa on July 29, 1934. He moved to Clarendon in 1986. He was a retired retail and wholesale gasoline dealer. He was a member of the Baptist Church and McLean Masonic Lodge No. 889.

Survivors include his wife, Imogene, of the home; and one sister, Margaret Glass of Shamrock.

Brownlee-Vineyard Vows Exchanged in Austin

Laurie Beth Brownlee, of Austin, and Charlie Don Vineyard, of Johnson City, were united in marriage on Sunday at 3:00 p.m. in the Walnut Baptist Church in Austin.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Brownlee of Austin. She is a 1984 graduate of Texas A&M University. She is currently employed with Ernst and Whinney in Aus-

tin.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Vineyard of Glen Rose and the grandson of Onie Gibson of McLean. He is a 1979 graduate of Texas Tech University. He is the defensive coordinator of the varsity football team and head track coach for Johnson City High School.

After their honeymoon, the couple plan to make their home in Johnson City.

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Tax Report

The State Comptroller's office recently sent checks totaling \$57.6 million in local sales tax to 852 cities that levy the one-percent city tax.

This month's allocations showed an increase of \$33.3 million over last year's December allocations, an increase of 6.2%. However, state wide year-end totals for the monthly city allocation decreased to \$850.7 million from the 1986 total payment of \$886.3.

The monthly payment to McLean was \$1,109.13, down from the \$1,481.36 sent during the same period in 1986. Year-to-date payments totaled \$18,311.40 compared to \$19,636.37, for 1986, a decrease of 6.75%.

For Gray County as a whole, the payment for this period was for \$86,693.07, up from \$82,367.68 for last year. However, the year to date county-wide payment was \$1,226,995.94, compared to \$1,414,971.97, a decrease of 13.28%.

There was no payment to Lefors during this reporting period but year to date payments are down from \$4,460.42 for 1987 compared to \$6,022.68 for 1986, a decline of 25.94%.

The City of Pampa showed an increase during the period: \$85,583.94 compared to a payment of \$80,886.32 for the same period last year. However, year to date payments to Pampa are still down by 13.32% compared to 1986.

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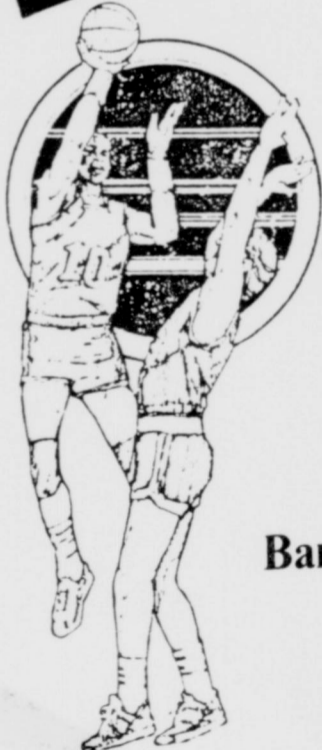
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Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
I would like a microscope, roller skates and a Barbie vette. I have been pretty good this year. I love you.
Love,
Jennifer

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a play kitchen, cash register, snow sled, Barbie, skates, play house, and toy box.
Victoria

Dear Santa,
My name is D.J. I have been good this year. I would like a Tonka road grider and loader. A blue, a green, a white, and a yellow Hot

Dear Santa,
My name is Max. I want a bike for Christmas.
I really work hard. I make good grades. First, come see me.
Love,
Max

Dear Santa,
I would like a little bike for Christmas. The end.
Heather

Dear Santa,
I would like a puppy dog for Christmas. Thank you for all the presents you brought me before.
Love always,
Destiny

Dear Santa,
I want a red bike for Christmas.
Frankie

Dear Santa,
I want a remote control car. I also want an A.M. F.M. cassette player and a Renew rope. I need a new watch. I also want lots of surprises and clothes.
I love You
Shandon

Dear Santa,
I want a bicycle for Christmas. Next year I want a play Mushen gun. My brother chad wants a stereo for Christmas. and my sister Amy wants a boy freind.
Love,
Dale

Dear Santa,
I want a corn silk and some Drums and a new bike. And I want every one in the world to be happy. Merry Christmas Santa.
P.S. have a jolly good Christmas.
Love,
Audrey

Dear Santa,
I want a hookles tv a tiperriter and lots of toys a big big big big Bardy doll house and I will want a Date to be my friend to I want a bike.
Santa Love,
Jennifer

Dear Santa,
I wish I could have 3 barby dolls and a bear that talks thank you.
I love you, Santa
Whitney

Love,
Krystle

Dear Santa,
I want a tran set, a sweing set to, some rock lords some tranc formers some Gig men and Gijo vickles.
Love,
Justin

Dear Santa,
I want a pocket popple and Baby Heather. We will be in Raden, Oklahoma. Our Christmas tree has a lots and lots of presents. We could not go to school for four days.
Love
Kimberly

Dear Santa,
I am three years old. I haven't been real good but my parents are working on that. I want some Ghostbuster Play-dough, an Ecto I, a Ghostbuster Sapper and Backpack, a pair of red boots, a Football Popple and a Winston.
I love you, Santa
Matt

Dear Santa,
I am one year old. I don't act much better than my brother, but my parents are working on that, too. I want all of my brother's toys and a doll buggy, Disney baby, Big Bird Choo-Choo, play food, a vaccum cleaner, new shoes and some new clothes.
I love you, Santa
Whitney

Dear Santa,
I want A heart to hart bear A bike another cabbage patch and another popple.
Lorin Luan

Dear Santa,
I am seven years old and I want a new traepen for Christmas and a doll too and a cook set and a boll that is red an blue.
Love,
Bonnie

Derr Santa,
I want some skats. I want a scoter. I want a Christmas tree of my oen. I want a new swimming pool that is big.
Love,
Bonnie

Love
Melissa



JOY

A cheery hello to all our many friends, with warmest wishes for a very happy Christmas season.

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Christmas Blessings

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Peace and good will to everyone this Christmas Season and always.

Creed & Wanda Lamb

Best Wishes



Listen to the glad tidings of the season, bringing our best wishes for a wonderful Christmas to one and all.

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Ring out, O Christmas bells, across the countryside. Our wishes to all for a Happy Yuletide.

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The Lord has comel We pray that peace may reign in all hearts as we celebrate this holiest of seasons.

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Joy and peace

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W.A. & Lois Bentley

**McLean Letters
To Santa**

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. And I would like some snow boots. And some gloves. And some more sweaters. And a little raft that I can use in summer. And a color tv.

Nathan

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie ice cream Shop, a Barbie doll with coke Cola clothes, and a hot rockers set. I also want a Baby Poppie, and a splashing Cabbage Patch. And I also want lots of colthes too, and lots of sprises. Please bring me a Furrever Friend.

I love you,
Shaley

Dear Santa,
I am three years old. I would like a Dallas Cowboy football outfit with shoulder pads, helmet, and a football. I would also like a tractor that raises dirt. Thank you.

Love,
Nikki Jo

Dear Santa,
I would like a Basketball popple, and a Animator, jeans and shirts, and color TV.

Love
Lori Ruth

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am fine. I have been very good this year. So if you can I would like some of the things one big brown bear. The New Heart Family, One New Doll too.

Love
Moriah

Dear Santa Love Santa Clos,
I want a new bike with 2 hanel brakes.

Love,
Sy
P.S. My brother, Seth, wants a bike, too.

Holiday Greetings

May the wonder and beauty of Christmas be yours all year long. Best wishes for a Merry Christmas.
Shelton and Maybell Nash

We want to wish everyone the happiest of holidays. We hope Santa brings you lots of goodies. May good health and happiness be yours and may we all enjoy a prosperous 1988.

The Fishes
Bob, Jeanette, Joe and Dan
The Swansons
Larry, Lynn, Tony, and Ryan

May the blessings of the season be yours and may the New Year be full of joy and good cheer.
Mary Dwyer

Best wishes for peace, joy and friendship at this beautiful season.
Sid and Doris Lamb

**Former Heald
Resident Buried**

Funeral services for May Moore, 98, long-time resident of the Heald community, were held Saturday, Dec. 12 at Schooler-Gordon Colonial Chapel in Amarillo. Rev. Carol Messer, pastor of Pleasant Valley Pentecostal

Church of God, officiated. Burial was in Llano Cemetery.

Mrs. Moore died Friday, Dec. 11, in Amarillo.

She was born in Cook County and lived in Amarillo for 44 years. She was retired from Northwest Texas Hospital as a linen supervisor. She also worked at Texas Coffin Co. as a seamstress. She was a member of the Church of Christ. Her husband, William F, died in 1960.

Survivors include two daughters, Lydia Smith and

Nadine Dunn, both of Amarillo; one sister, Cressie Hood of Pampa; 12 grandchildren; 12 great-grand-

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children; and several great-grandchildren.

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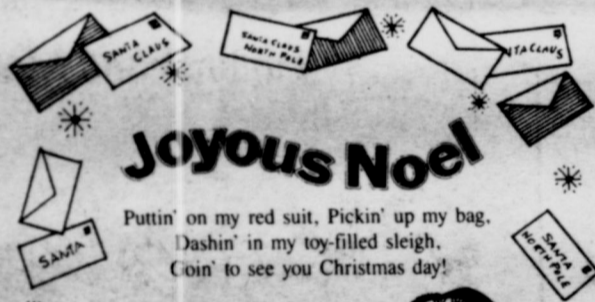
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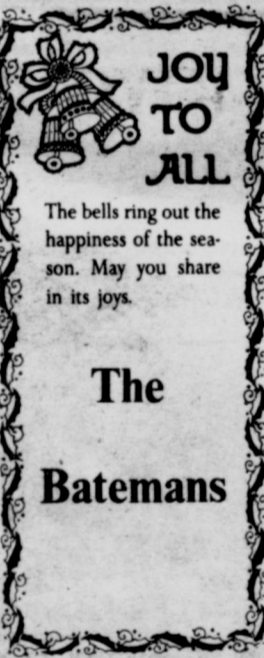


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GREETINGS

May the peace and happiness of Christmas be yours today and everyday throughout the coming year.—Joe and Barbara Homer, Tony, Daryl, Robert and Standley

Love, Faith, Peace—May you and your dear ones share the quiet wonder of the Yuletide.—Bertha Knight

May this holy time bring to your hearts His clear message of Christmas love.—Agnes Homer

May you have the spirit of Christmas which is peace, the gladness of Christmas which is hope and the heart of Christmas which is love.—The Hinsons, Bill, Georgann, David & Daniel

Wishing each of you a very happy holiday season as well as the best of everything.—Bill, Roberta & Robbie Ellington

May the true meaning of Christmas dawn once again and bring its blessings to the world and its people. Wishing you all the best this holiday season.—Euddy & Charlene Weller

May the spirit of the Christ Child strengthen and brighten your life and bring countless blessings to you.—Ronny & Linda Fields, Shannon, Kim & Roni Michelle

Christmas joy and a New Year filled with happiness and peace.—Martin & Betty Hermesmeier

May Christmas bring to you the music of laughter; the warmth of friendship; and the spirit of love.—Bill & Doshia Cornett

May happiness abound in your home on Christmas Day and fill the hours with love and contentment.—Panhandle Health Service, Windy Miller & Charlene Weller

May the meaning of Christmas be deeper, its friendships stronger and its hopes brighter as it comes to you this year.—Robert, Carolyn & Vicki West

May every happiness be yours at Christmas and throughout the New Year.—Mr. and Mrs. Jim Babcock

May faith be your guide this Christmas to the blessings of the season.—Elizabeth Meyers

Wishing you the best gift of the season, happiness at Christmas and always.—Troy & Betty Treadwell

God be with you. May He fill your Christmas with His love and light your life with His joy.—Kent, Kellye & Kaci Reed

Wishing you joy during this Holy Season and throughout the New Year.—Wallace & Jackie Bichsel

May joy and peace abide with you throughout this holiday season and may all the days of the New Year be very bright.—Gaylon, Lenora, John & Kristi Nepper, Kirksville, Mo.

May every home be bright and every heart filled with love at this happy holiday season.—Gary Don, Cindy, Marci & Cody Babcock

May the Christmas hour sing with joy for you and those you love.—Don, Mary Sue, Julie, Aimee and Darcee Lyles

Thinking of everyone at Christmastime and wishing you all every joy.—Bill and Lois Campbell

Holiday greetings and best wishes from our house to yours!—Charles & Kay Burk

A Christmas Wish! That you and those you love will enjoy the best Christmas ever.—Kevin, Rena', Kylie & Kaci Kuehler.

Best Wishes for a wonderful holiday season and healthy and prosperous New Year.—John, Mary, Kyle & Jill Howard

Love came down on Christmas Day so many years ago and brought the greatest happiness the world would ever know. Merry Christmas—Bill, Rose & Phillip England

To everyone far and near a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.—Mr. and Mrs. L.D. Littlefield

May Christmas light your life and warm your heart with the peace of His presence and the joy of His promise.—Ross & Cleo Nix

Wishing you every happiness for the holiday season and throughout the coming year.—Zoah Britten

Here's hoping for all of you a Merry Christmas with a lovely winter. Let's all show appreciation for a wonderful Community Center.—The Goodletts

Greetings and sincere good wishes for a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.—Ruby Swank

In the spirit of the season we wish all our good friends a very Merry Christmas.—Ray & Edna Copeland

Wishing you all the joy the love, the hope and wonder of Christmas.—Julia McGee

A new wish for all my old friends this Christmas and a Happy New Year.—Irene Kotara

What better time and what better season, what greater occasion or more wonderful reason to kneel down in prayer and lift our hearts high to the God of creation.—A.D. & Ethel Neal

Season Greetings to all our friends. We hope everyone has a nice Christmas. With love to all!—Opal Buffkin and the Charles Mitchell Family

Merry Christmas to you during these busy, happy times—when families get together and reminisce and new memories are made. May God keep you in the New Year.—Bud & Margaret Babcock

May the spirit of Christmas be yours throughout the New Year.—Stella Patterson

Christmas Greetings and Best Wishes for your happiness in the New Year.—Ethel Blackwell

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of our Groom friends.—The Bridges Family, Truman, Mary Beth, Tom, Jimmy and Becky

Merry Christmas and best wishes for the New Year.—Max and Helen Wade

May the Peace and Joy of Christmas be with you through all the Year.—Dan & Sarah Farley

To friends far and near who are all so dear. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.—Helen Witt

The light was for all time, and the love was for all men. May the light of His love always shine on you! Merry Christmas from Randal, Nancy, Heather & Rhett Patterson

May Joy and Happiness be your gifts at Christmas and may all of you have a very happy and prosperous New Year.—Nath, Bertie & Mike Helton

Happy Holidays from Jay & Dottie Clark, Monroe Falls, Oh.

May you share richly in all the blessings of the Holy season.—Monica Weinheimer

May all the peace and beauty of that wonderful Christmas night enrich your heart and bless you through a new year ever bright.—Jack & Billie Bivens

Wishing all our good friends a holiday filled with love and laughter.—Bill, Brenda, Bronte & Brink Lee, Pflugerville

May the spirit of Christmas fill your heart and home with happiness.—Leta Phillips

May your home be blessed with the laughter of friends and family, the joys of the season, and the love of God.—Nellie Ford

Somehow, not only for Christmas but all the long year through, the joy that you give to others is the joy that comes back to you. Merry Christmas—Cleo Musser

Glad Tidings



We hope the Season finds you well and happy.

Mrs. R.W. Wills,
Melvin, Sue & Floyd Wills

**Happy
Holiday
Friends**
Donna & Dean
Burger

Deck The Halls
Charles & Nettie
Fields

Good Tidings

In the spirit of the season, may we wish you a blessed Christmas.

First Baptist Church

Christmas Wishes

May the peace of that blessed night be with you and yours this Yuletide.

Al & Agnes
Homer



May your homes be blessed with joy and love.



The
Raphael Brittens

Letters To Santa

May your holiday season be a time of special happiness.—Loula Wall

May all the blessings of the Holy Season be yours in abundance.—Martin Britten

Good health, good friends, all the best to you and the ones you love.—Butch, Charlene, Jason Rhealene Brown, Floydada

Here's wishing you a holiday blessed with love and happiness.—Sybil Brown

At this Christmas Season and throughout the new year, may you be blessed with good health and happiness.—Pete & Gladys Fields

A hope is rekindled in hearts everywhere, may you and yours enjoy a happy holiday season.—Johnny & Mary Brooks, Jowannah and Raymond

The blessings of Christmas are many. May you enjoy all of them.—Emalea London

Joys of the season to you and yours.—John, Glynda, Darron, Jason and Erin Eschle

May the season bring you and yours every happiness. Merry Christmas!—Pauline Looten

May the spirit of the Christ Child strengthen and brighten your life and bring countless blessings too.—Ellen Dickerson

May the Spirit of Christmas bless you and yours and bring you the joys of the season.—Gloria Ledwig

Thinking of you and wishing you a wonderful Christmas season.—Johnny & Nancy Brumley

Wishing you a bright, happy Christmas and a wonderful New Year.—Brent, Bea, Michele & Michael Stephens

Best wishes for a wonderful Christmas and happiness in the New Year.—Tina & Tony Painter

Our best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all our friends.—Gene & Edith Wade

Wishing you the joys of Christmas and happiness all through the year.—Keith, Kathleen & Chance Barkley

Peace on Earth—May the blessings of the season be with you always.—Evelyn Hubbard & Edna Russell



Joy and peace

The best greetings of the season to all our great friends. We thank you for your continued support. Groom Ambulance Service



season's best


May this Christmas bring all the best for you and your family.

Keyes Pharmacy
Merlin & Martha Rose
928 N. Hobart Pampa, Texas

JOYOUS NOEL

Here's wishing a holiday decorated in love and laughter. Merry Christmas.

Bobby, Mary & Kevin Wood



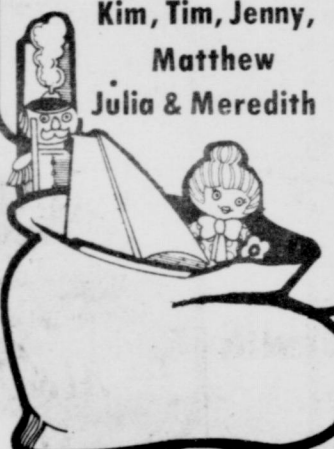
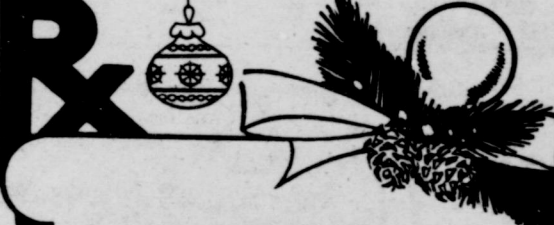
Noel

Good health, good friends... all the best to you and the ones you love.

The Howards Harris & Clea Craig, Monica & Carey

The Howertons Sue, Hal, Shan, Kendy & Ashley

The Hoelschers Kim, Tim, Jenny, Matthew Julia & Meredith

MERRY CHRISTMAS

May the joy of Christmas fill your hearts, now and always.

DEAN'S pharmacy
2217 Perryton Parkway 669-6896

Happy Holidays



The season is the reason for wishing you the very best!

Brumley Insurance

Greetings

May the spirit of Christmas abide with you throughout the coming year.—Peggy Ham

Happy Holidays! Here's hoping your Christmas is a merry one.—Essie Cooper Knowles

Especially for you at Christmas with warmest thoughts and wishes.—Curtis & Margaret Whatley

Holiday greetings and best wishes from our house to yours.—Donald & Juandell Ritter

May the Infant Jesus bless you and all your loved ones.—Dorothy Rose Kuehler

Love and best wishes of the season to all our friends and family.—Norris & Allie Hoyt

Whatever the years may bring... whatever changes come... Christmas remains a time of happy recollections, a time to remember treasured friends.—Mary Lou Homer

May the peace and happiness of Christmas be yours today and everyday throughout the coming year.—Theresa Hermesmeier

Just a cheery little greeting to say, may your Yuletide season be merry in every way.—Edna Frederiksen

Here are wishes expressly for our friends and relatives: the happiest of holidays and the best of everything.—Richard & Donna Crump, Rocky, Stoney, Brandon & Dusty

The holy spirit of Christmas reaches out with our good wishes to each of you.—Doris & Arnold Kuehler

Wishing you a Christmas that is bright with promise, warm with hope, and blessed with joy, peace and love.—Marvin & Jean Morrow

May the beauty of the season bring you hope and joy. Merry Christmas!—Mrs. H.F. Britten

Best wishes for the Holiday Season and the coming year.—Wayne & Adela Kotara, Kim, Lindy, Staci & Halee

May warmth and joy fill your house at Christmas and throughout the coming year.—Jack & Margie Stephens

May your holidays be bright, beautiful and bountiful. Merry Christmas—Rip and Joy Snyder

Wishing you love, happiness, peace and joy throughout the holiday season. Merry Christmas!—Bobby & Darlene Jones

May your Christmas be blessed in a multitude of ways by Him who is worthy of all our praise.—Ray & Alice Britten

That Christmas Feeling

I rejoice in the beauty of the Christmas tree, each cherished ornament bringing special memories I rejoice in the row of stockings spanning the festive mantle, waiting to be filled with love.

I rejoice in the tempting aromas of baking cookies, cakes, turkey and ham to delight homecoming ones.

I rejoice in the array of cards renewing ties of friendship that defy times and distance.

I rejoice in our home, glowing with lights and color, that welcomes friends and loved ones, proclaiming to all who pass, "Rejoice."

Helen Martin Witt



Best Wishes
Best wishes to all for a happy and joyous Christmas!

**Phil, Ila
Matt & Marc
Miller**



Greetings

May those you love surround you,
To share your Christmas Day;
May the blessings of the season
Come in your life to stay!

Bivens Automotive
Jack, Billie, Mark, Kieth & Barbara



**Joy and
peace**
*Duck, Duck
Goose & Co.*
Pat, Laura & Brett
Britten



JOY

Have a delightful holiday season that's filled with laughter and fond feelings for all.

**The
Crowells**
Bill, Lou,
Joe, Melissa
Christy & Cindy



As We've Had Our Fiftieth Christmas Together, We Remember

All the cherished moments that we've kept with loving care
That have blossomed into months and years of happiness we've shared

And, as the Holiday draws near, we love recalling, too, all the special
Happy moments we've shared with loved ones and friends like you.

May the warmth of our relationship grow in the years ahead.

Merry Christmas! Happy New Year!
Glynn D and Sybil Harrell



**BEST
WISHES**

We're setting our hopes on a Great Christmas Season for all our terrific customers. From head to toe, they're tops with us!

**Yvonne's
Beauty Shop**
Yvonne Barker & Karen Brown

Greetings

May the blessings and joys of the Christmas season be yours with you all.—Ted & Mary Lee Friemel

May you share the joy of the Holiday Season with the special ones you love!—Dan Pat Ashford

At this holy season, may we wish you and yours every blessing.—W.H. & Evelyn Ollinger

Christmas trees and candles aglow, remembered friends and crisp white snow. It's Christmas' warm and cheery touch, that makes the season mean so much. Merry Christmas—Ruby Milton

May you and all you hold dear be graced with Love and Peace at this holiday time and throughout the new year.—John, Patsy & Trisha Fraser

Christmas is the joy of wishing you all the special gifts of Christmas, peace, goodwill and abiding happiness.—Larry, Kay, Adam & Lori Stephens.

This Christmas greeting comes your way to wish you all good cheer, enough to fill your holiday and last the whole new year.—Earl & Yvonne Barker

To friends and loved ones seen each day, to friends and loved ones far away warmest wishes for Happy Holidays—Howard and Dorothy Mansel

May this sacred season bring its finest blessings to you and those you love.—C.L., Ludeen & Aaron Wieberg

Wishing all a blessed Christmas with gifts of love and laughter and peace unending.—Donnie Conrad Family

Wishing you the gifts of peace and happiness this Christmas and always.—Bud & Evelyn Schaffer

May the seasons of your life be filled with peace and love.—Thelma Pool

In the blessed Christmas story, love was born in Bethlehem, and may that love bring joy to you as Christmas comes again.—The Robert Kuehler Family

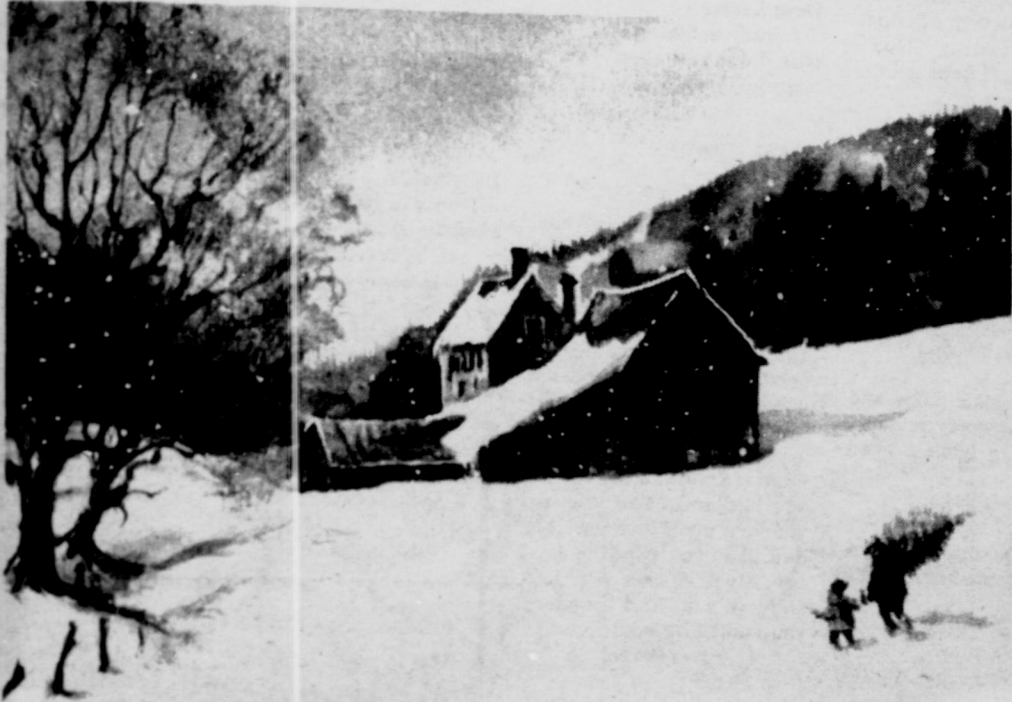
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May the spirit of the season fill your house and remain there with you throughout the year.—Mrs. Josephine Britten

Season's Greetings—The season is the reason for wishing you a very Merry Christmas!—Larry Brown Family

May God's special blessings be with you throughout Christmas and 1988.—Keith, Shirley, Matt and Stacy Fields

Best wishes to all for a happy and joyous Christmas.—Truman, Nina, Cory, Sean & Michele Richey, #9 Terrace Drive, San Angelo, TX 76903.



HAPPY YULETIDE

May all the joys and happiness be yours this Christmas season and always. Happy holidays to all.

City Of Groom

Mayor Al Homer
Bill Homer
Pat Ashford

John Eschle
Jerry Thornton
Don Case

Jimmy Britten
Ronny Babcock
Jack Barnett



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Greetings of the season to young and old alike. Merry, merry Christmas.

Images

Tina Painter and Kathleen Barkley



May all the blessings of the Holy Season be yours in abundance!

John, Janice, Brent,
Bruce & Sheri
Koetting

Christmas Blessings



May you know His peace at Christmas.

David W. Cory
C.P.A.

Kindergarten

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
I luv you. I want a computer. I would like a babydoll.
Love, Kristi



JOY TO ALL

May this sacred season bring its finest blessings to you and those you love!

United Methodist Church
Jerry Moore, Pastor



Glad Tidings

Peace and joy and friendships strong; may these blessings be yours this Christmas!

Attebury Grain Inc.
Bob Byrd-Manager

Dear Santa,
I want toy transformer and a bike. Most of the time I have been a good boy. Please come to see me on Christmas Eve.
Love, greg

Dear Santa,
I want a bik. I am a good boy.
Love, Dusty

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbe doll. I want a Bear book. Have been good.
Love, Carrie

Dear Santa,
I want a Gost bustr man and a Lazr gun with a lit on it and a police car.
I love Santa. I been good!
Dustin

Dear Santa,
I want a bik for Christmas. For my Mom She wants a Dust Bustr. I am a Good Boy.
Luv, Evan

Dear Santa,
I want a bik and a Gumbe and Poke. I have been good.
Love, Travis

Dear Santa,
I want a walkie-talkie and a bik and a motorcycle and a watch. I have been a good boy.
Love, BJ

Dear Santa,
I want a noo tipitr and a pone soeng mushen. I have been good.
Love, Lysie

Dear Santa,
I want a rolr rasr. I want a Santa toy. I like you. I want a dol named Criket. I want a book. I have been a good girl.
From Sarah

Dear Santa,
I hope you cum sun. I want a lot of stuf. I have been good. I want a baby doll.
Love, Allison

Dear Santa,
I want a skootr. I want a Popl sleeping bag. I have been good.
Luv, Jodi

Dear Santa,
I want a bik for Christmas. I want a toy cat. I am a good girl. My sister wants a toy cat.
Love Christy

Dear Santa,
I want a noo BB gun. I am a good boy.
Luv, Justin

Dear Santa,
I want a wagon. And a kik ball. I have been good.
Love, Josh

Dear Santa,
I want a wagon. I have been good.
Byran

Dear Santa,
I want a bik. And a fire truk. I want a wagon. I have been good.
Love, Joey

FIRST GRADE

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. Santa I want a car and forwel and new home. I am happy with you brane me last year. I have a good mom and dad. Tami have been a good girl. Toby have been a good boy. David is a good boy. I am a good boy. I have a good dad. I have a good mom. I knoy you or rell. Do you like me. I like you. Do you love me. I love you. My dad likes you. And he love you. My mom likes you. And she love you. And they love you and I love you.
Love, Daniel

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this year. I want a bick. I want a rel threeweeler. Six-shot is wat I rely want. I want a be-begun. I want a motecunthrow car. I want a thrater with a disk. I want a moteconthrow thracter. The end.
Your, Bud Lee
By Lonnie Lee Green

Dear Santa,
I wish for a doll and a bed. And my sister Jamie wishes for a bed.
Dear Santa,

For Cimisms I want a Turbohoper. A big Foot and Sum surprises.
Wyatt

Dear Santa,
I want a cat for Csmis. I want a dog for Csmis. I want a fish for Csmis and a catfish.
Dean

Dear Santa,
I want a my little pony for Christmas. I have been a good girl.
Love, Brandi

Dear Santa,
I like Santa. Santa likes my dog. Santa likes cats.
Love, Jim

Dear Santa,
I want a trbow hopr. My sister wants a car that she can jriv in and some new shoes that are violet blue.
Sam

Dear Santa,
I want a rabbit. I want a cat fish. I want a snake.
Love, Alberto

Dear Santa,
I want a red bik and a red dog. I also want a red cat and a red fish. I also want a red pig and a rabbit.
Love, Katrina

Dear Santa,
I want a Suzeki forwelr 250. I want a boy donkey. I want a lion. I want a deer. I want a modrsycl 600. My Dad wants a forwelr 900. My Mom wants a forwelr 500.
Cody

Dear Santa,
I want a tiger. I want a brown teddy bear. I want a red wagon. I want a yellow vas. I want a bik. I also want a vase.
Love, Kelli

Dear Santa,
I want a saxaphone that I can play and I want American Airline krds and I want a rabbit that I can play with and I want a goldfish.
Jacey



Greetings

May those you love surround you. To share your Christmas Day; May the blessings of the season Come in your life to stay!

Pat & Maggie Weinheimer
Pat Jr., Tim, Matt, Ben, Luke, Jarret & Paul



GOOD TIDINGS

Hope you are surrounded with joy and happiness this Christmas season. Our best wishes to you and your family. We thank you for your support throughout the year.

Groom Flying Service
Harris & Cleta
Craig, Monica & Caren



Dear Santa,
I like your beard. I want a scotter. I want a red Bear and a dog. Do you like to play?

Love, Dara

Dear Santa,
I want a saddle. I want a horse. I want a goat. I want a fox. I want a pet snake. I want a bull. I want a pet pig.

Love, Blake

Dear Santa,
Hi! How are you? I am fine. I want a rodeo arena. I want a trbohopr. I want a belt buckle.

Love, Caleb

Dear Santa,
I want a bik that is penk and purpl. I also want a Hot looks doll. I have been good. How is Rod off?

You frind, Sara Britten
Dear Santa,

I want a cabbage patch. I want a Barbie. I want sum lipstick. I want a Ril Babe. How are your randir: How is Rodof? How is Miss Santa? How are your elfs?

Love, Kori

Dear Santa,
I want a car, santa. My sistr wants a doll, santa.

Clinton

Dear Santa,
I want a bik, Santa. I do not know if we get our crsms tree up. Mom is planning if we get our crsms tree up. Mom want a shrt. I have Rebecca's name for crsms. I haven't got Rebecca present. I have been good Santa Christmas. We have our crsma tree up. Do you have your tree up?

Love, Karen

Dear Santa,
I want modrsycl equipment. I want an elektrik getar. I want some toys. I want a modrsycl 500. My bruthr wants a modrsycl 600. My dad wants a 80 125 and a 100 200 and a 500 600. My mom wants a vase. I want a suzeki modrsycl 80.

Jeremy

Dear Santa,
How are you this year? I've been a pretty good boy this year. This is what I want for Christmas: Dissect an Alien, boot skates with toe stops (size 1), want my bike painted hot pink, tape player with head phones and a bell from your raindeers harness. Hope you like the milk and cheese crackers.

Love, John Adam Stephens
Dear Santa,

I want a vacumn cleaner, and an iron. I want a Barbie car. I want a baby puppy too. I'm trying to be good. I love you.

Macie Anne Britten

Dear Santa & Reindeer,
Can you ride a reindeer? I bet I can ride a reindeer. I want a bubble weed eater. I love you. I'm not going to cry anymore.

Wyatt Anthony Britten
Dear Santa,

I want bubbles. Thank you for the candy cane. It was good. I love you.

Lainie Sue Britten
Dear Santa,

Please bring me a chop-chootrain for Christmas. I love you Santa Claus.

Luke Pavlovsky
Dear Santa,

Although Mommie and Daddy say I'm in my terrible two's, I think I have been a good girl all year. Please bring me toys and lots of candy canes. My new baby sister, Kaci, would like a little toy, too. Thank you.

Love, Kylie

Dear Santa,
Thank you for all the nice things you left me last Christmas. This year I would like to have a Monster Mash game, an Indy racer, a blue robe and a remote control car. My baby sister, Lindy, would like a doll. Thank you.

Love, Bryan Vasek
Dear Santa,

Thanks for all the good things from last year. I want a fruit market, pictionary Jr., Wilf Buffalump and a ring. We are going to stay at home this year. And Granny and Papa are coming. So don't go to the wrong house. We will be home.

Love, Amber

SECOND GRADE

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. I want a lot of stuff. I want a doll and a water bed. A dimen ring and some ear rings. I want a rado that is black. I have a fish. Do you like Christmas? I do.

Love, Angie

Dear Santa,
I been a good boy this year. Are you going to give me nise toy? I want a red boat and I want a truk. I want a nise bedroom. Are you goint to my house? I want you to can.

Love, Todd
Dear Santa,

I want a Dallas Cowboys soot with a helmet. And a new bike and a rascar. Rtac

Love Jamie

Dear Santa,
I want a Dallascowboys football suit with a number 34 or a number 11 and a real Dallascowboys hailment and 4weller and reamotcantrole car. Thanks for the presents from last year.

Love, Toby

JOY
The bells ring out the happiness of the season. May you share in all its joys.
J.L. & Lucille
Case

Blessings
A Christmas Wish! That you and those you love will enjoy the best Christmas ever!
Groom
Girl Scouts

Joy
Let us spread His message of love and peace throughout the land. To all men of good will — a blessed Christmas!
Amos, Loretta,
& Charles Britten

Season's Greetings

Marvin & Katie Talley

MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS!
Mr. & Mrs. Pravin Patel
L.A. Motel
Groom, Tex.

GOOD TIDINGS

Let happiness and goodwill abound during this most joyous of holidays.

Circle B. Meat Company
Bill & Linda Bohr & Family Leon & Mary Bohr & Family
And Employees

Merry Christmas
May your holidays be bright, beautiful and bountiful.

Ed, Lola Faye
& Billy Dan Hughes

Best Wishes
Best wishes to all for a happy and joyous Christmas!

Jim & Donna Burton
Melody & April

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl this year. I liked the presents you gave me last year. I want you to give me a lot of presents. I like Christmas because Santa comes on Christmas Eve to bring us toys and clothes. We open presents on Christmas Eve. I like my toys and clothes he brings me. Do you have a lot of help at the North Pole? Is it cold at the North Pole? I like the North Pole because Santa makes toys and clothes for us. He makes a lot of things. He makes good things for us.

Love, Jessica

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good girl this year. I have a hard queshten I have to ask you. How do you deliver the toys in one night? I really liked the toys you gave me last year. I eseshely liked the

Walt Ddizne train you gave me. My sister liked the pony house the best. Do you like cookies? You must because you eat a hole lot of them on cristmas.

Love, Mary
P.S. I hope you write back.
Dear Santa,

I have already sent you a letter. I think I have been a good girl. Will you put a dollar bill in my stocking. I beleav that you are ril.

Love, April

Dear Santa,

I want a camputer for Christmas. And I want a robot too. Last but not least sherts. I like Christmas. Do you?

you'r good boy', Kyle

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl thes year. I have a nice teacher this year. I liked wote you gave my last year. You are nice to me. I wish I cood see wote you are geve me for cristhsemus. Wel I haft to go now biey.

Love, Martie

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl this year. I want pop out watches. I want a black stero. I want some taps to. Thank you for last years presents. I really liked them. I might leave you some cookies this year. I belev in you. I like you. Have a happy christmas.

Love, Kay Lynn

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl this year. I would like a bunch of things. I want a teady bear and make-up set. And I want read rite or drowl it is a game we watch it on TV. I can not think of eney more then I put. I love you Santa.

Love, Tami

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy this year. I want a wetbick and a dertbick.

Love, Michael

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl this year. I want a new jewrler boy for Christmas. I

liked the presets you gave me last year. Are you rede for dlevering presets? I want a bunch of resents this year. My brother wants a Air Head. Air Head is a game. I also want a moon boper. I am rerd for Christmas. Are you rerd for Christmas? I like you Santa. Do like me? Tami has been a good girl. Have I been a good girl? How do you dlever the pretnt all in one night? Kay has been a good girl. Do you think they have been girl? Please write back. My brother likes you. And I like you too.

Your Friend, Amy

Dear Santa,

I want a horse. I want a forwels. I want a labrgee. I want a milun dors. And some surprises.

Love, Marcus

Dear Santa,

I want a car and a traller and a Bat and a ball and a rocking chir and a hole bonch of toys.

Love, Randy

THIRD GRADE

Dear Santa,

Hi! How are you doing? I have been being good. I want a saddle for Christmas. I want a saddle blanket. I want one with my initials and I want it to be dark brown. And I think that is all.

Sincerely, Juli

Dear Saint Nick,

I bet you and your elves are busy. WELL, I have alist for you that won't take long to make: a Walkman and a My Buddy. That's not a long list. There's one more. I want a lot of strawberry candies in my stocking. I'll ask my mom is I can leave some goodies for you!

Love, Courtney Burgin

Dear Santa Claus,

How have you been doing this year? Well Santa you know how I'am doing. Hear is what I want for Christmas, Turbo Train, Stereo,

T.V., contrux-1000-pieces, Atari 7800, and boots. Have a Merry Christmas!

Sincerely, Jerret K.

Weinheimer

Dear Santa,

Boy Santa I beat you are busy today! Well I am to. Are your elves busy? Will I want a Nintendo, Atari and a Turbo Train and a Scooter and entey thing you want to get me. I can't wait to see what you got me. Will you tell me what you got me? I'll be waiting for you.

By now, Adam

Dear Santa Claus,

Hi! You must be very busy in the North Pole. I want a doll, a good book and a waterbed. I am going to leave yo cookies and milk. For Rudolf I will leave a bolw of milk.

Brenda

Dear Santa Claus,

I have been very good this year. Do you have any turbo hoppers? If you do get me one. Will you get me a .22 pistol and I want a football jersey?

Sincerely, Scott

Dear Santa,

I wish I could come see you. I want a radio cassette player, skoot board and a ghost zapper gun. You must be busy. There are a lot of boys and girls that want toys.

Sincerely,

Buck Austin Babcock

Dear Santa,

How are you doing this Christmas? I hope you are goint to have fun. I wonder if you can give me some toys. I want candy for Christmas. You can get down every-body's chimney. I bet you can come to Kansas. I think you can come to Texas too.

By Payal Patel

Dear Santa,

I hope you come to see me on Christmas Eve. This is my list. I want a ten speed and a Bravestar move. And the best thing I want is a tv that has aremote with it.

By Brad Sustaire

Dear Santa,

How are you? We have had a good year. I want a big iron wheel wagon and eight Clydsales and two Mother Belgiun Mules.

Your Friend, Leo

Dear Santa Claus,

How is your life? My life is grat. Do you know wear I'm going to live win I move from Groom? I will go to Kentucky. You can get me anything.

By, Tomara

Dear Santa,

I want a game set called Nintendo and I want a basketball and a Kentucky Pistol Kit (with no gun power) and a model kit B-79 ablivator and a lego set.

Sincerely, Sean

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a motorcycle, race clothes, boots, gloves, jersey, pants and kenya belt.

Love, Michael

Dear Santa,

I was wondering if you could give me some special water colors. And some wood figures and one more thing I would like to wish you a Merry Christmas.

From C.J.

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DPS Urges Safe Driving

Major V.J. Cawthon, Regional Commander of the Texas Department of Public Safety said, regional com-

mander s a i d, "Unlike last New Year's holiday, this New Year holiday period will make for a long weekend for many Texas motorists. The additional highway traffic and

the traditional New Year celebrations could lead to tragedy for some Texas motorists."

Major Cawthon said, "All available Department of Public Safety Troopers will be on patrol throughout the holiday period in an effort to prevent traffic accidents and fatalities. The troopers will

be watching for traffic violators, especially the drunk drivers, which is the leading cause of traffic fatalities. The troopers will be watching for traffic violators, especially the drunk drivers, which is the leading cause of traffic fatalities in the State of Texas. Department of Public Safety Troopers will also be available to assist motorists with any problems they might have."

Major Cawthon stated, "If the campaign to reduce fatalities is to be successful, then motorists must do their part." He suggested that adequate travel time be budgeted in holiday plans, stop frequently and rest, reduce speed for road conditions and drive defensively, always watching out for the other driver's mistakes, buckle up and don't drink and drive.

Major Cawthon also stated, "If you are going to host a New Year's party, you need to be a responsible host." He offered these suggestions: Non-alcohol beverages should be made available for guests, don't center the party around alcohol, don't double up drinks and don't rush the refills, have food available and above all do not allow anyone who has had too much to drink and drive.

The Christmas season is upon us again, and with Christmas falling on a Friday, Major V.J. Cawthon, regional commander of the Texas Department of Public Safety, said, "The long Christmas weekend will generate additional traffic on our Texas highways. To help combat this situation, Department of Public Safety Troopers will be out in force, watching for traffic violators, especially drunk drivers and speeders, which are the two major causes of traffic fatalities. Along with trying to make your Christ-

mas holiday safe, DPS Troopers will be out on the roadways to assist motorists with any problems they may have."

Major Cawthon said that Texas motorists can also help this Christmas holiday by insuring that if you have to travel, get plenty of rest before you start the trip. Once on the roadway, you need to drive defensively, always watching out for the other driver's mistakes.

He added, "One of your best defenses against the other driver is to insure that you and all of your passengers are wearing safety belts. Also, remember that

drinking and driving leads to tragedy, so this Christmas holiday, if you are going to drink, please don't drive."

As well as taking precautions while traveling, you need to take steps to protect your valuables. Another tragedy that could ruin your Christmas holiday is burglary. Take steps to insure this doesn't happen to you. Don't advertise what you have, and be sure that your home is properly secured.

Major Cawthon said, "Taking simple precautions can make a difference between a happy holiday and an unpleasant memory."

Greetings

Wishing all our friends and neighbors a joyous Christmas and Happy New Year.—Dwain and Linda Weller, Amber and Aaron

May the blessings and good wishes for this Christmas be with each of you.—David and Lanna Brown, Amy and Brody

This brings a prayer at Christmas time that God will always bless your home and you and those you love with lasting happiness.—Jerry Moore

*To All My Wonderful Friends In The Groom Area
Merry Christmas And
A Happy New Year!*

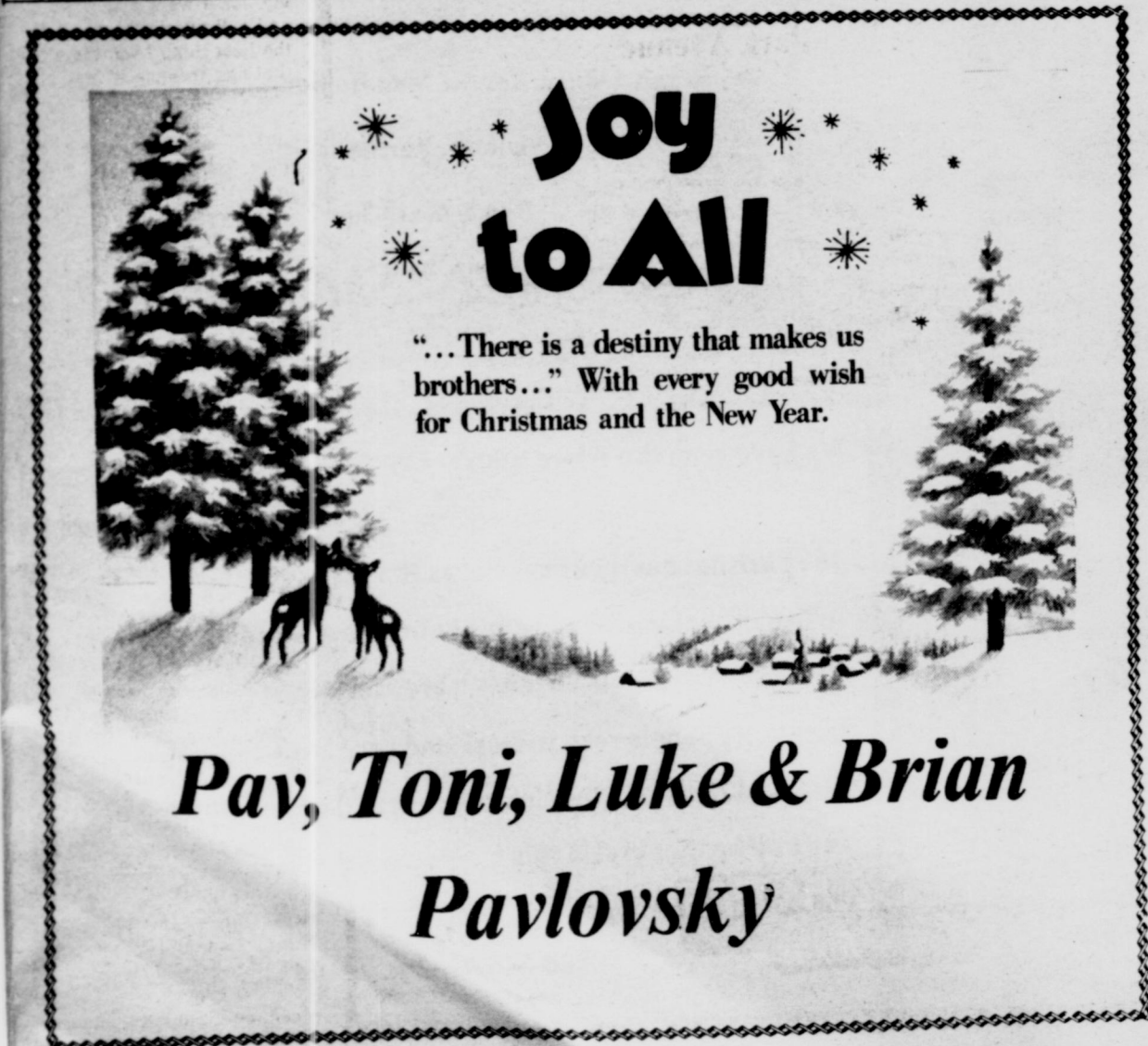
Miss you all.

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Bill West Jr.



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Pavlovsky*



Noel
There's no place like home at Christmas time! We wish you all the best!
John & Dorothy Krizan



JOYOUS NOEL
Ring out, O Christmas bells, across the countryside. Our wishes to all for a Happy Yuletide.
C.L. Culver

G.L. Sanders' Sculptures On Exhibit At Museum Beginning January 5

G.L. Sanders' old west and American Indian sculptures will be on exhibit at the Carson County Square House Museum Annex beginning January 5 through February 1. Sanders, who is listed in Contemporary Western Artist, was raised in Krum, Texas near the Fort Worth Stockyards. "Much of my work is that of a proud people, the American Indian and Old West figures," says Sanders. A young man who rodeoed for mount money feels honored to have recently shown his sculpture at Chatsworth Castle in England. The artist was also granted a special showing at the American Embassy in London.

Although Sanders is untrained, his animal anatomy and overall consideration for three dimensional construction indicates a capability found in schooled artist. The artist concludes: "I have a

God-given talent and I have decided to put it to work. My art career has been short, compared to many and I feel fortunate that someone like me who has never had any formal training can be accepted by his peers and art patrons."

A bronze sculpture entitled "After the Storm" commissioned by Southwestern Bell became the cover to the telephone directory, with a distribution of 14.5 million. In addition, Sanders' works are in many private collections throughout the United States.

The Square House Museum will host an artist reception on the afternoon of January 10 from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. for Sculptor G.L. Sanders. The reception and exhibit are free to the interested public. The Square House Museum is open Monday through Saturday from 8:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. and Sunday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.



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**HOLIDAY
GREETINGS**

The Groom News

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Let's all be thankful in this holiday season

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Scout Den Leaders Bea Stephens, Jerry Crowell and Judy Eatmon (Right) extend their appreciation to Barney Davis for her assistance with the scouting program in Groom.

Pack 429 Hosts Party And Presents Awards

Pack 429 of the Groom Scouts hosted their annual pack meeting with an open invitation to their parents and special guest of honor, Barney Davis. The scouts served hot dogs and the trimmings to their parents and guests. The Cub Scouts set the Christmas mood with lively decorations on the tables at the Groom Activity Center. A crowd of 50 people were served on Tuesday, December 8.

Mrs. Davis was honored for her contributions to the scouts. She was made an honorary member of the pack for her service to the youth of Groom.

Following the meal Judy

Eatman opened the meeting. Greg Eatman on behalf of the Pack 429 presented Barney Davis with a gift, for her support of the young people in Groom. Barney's dedication and support has been greatly appreciated by the local scouts.

Judy Eatman and Be Stephens presented several scouts with awards. Seth Ritter was presented his Geologist badge. Brian Crowell was the recipient of a Geology and Webelo

Commissioners

Approve Purchase

Carson County Commissioners gave their approval Monday to County Agents Kathy Gist and John Fields request for purchase of a computer for their office. The purchase of the computer at a cost of \$1040 was unanimously approved and an annual fee of \$1,000 was allowed for purchase of supplies for the computer.

The commissioners next meeting will be Monday, January 11, at the Court-house.

Badge. Receiving their Wolf Badges were Michale Stephens and Kyle Pipes. Michale Lewis received his Bobcat Badge. Toby Burgin was recognized for the scout selling the most popcorn. He was presented a cap. Kyle Pipes was named scout of the month.

Tree Irrigation Systems

By W. P. Gilbreth, SCS
The major problem encountered in trying to establish trees is watering. A method of watering that can be adapted to most water sources and help insure that

Claude Couple Celebrating 60th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Cruse of Claude, Texas will be celebrating their 60th anniversary with an informal reception at the Community Center in Groom, Texas on Sunday, December 27, 1987 from 2:30 to 4:30 in the afternoon. Friends are invited to attend.

Clyde Henry Cruse and Jessie Mae Bullard were married January 1, 1928 in Lelia Lake, Texas. They have lived in the Panhandle area all their lives.

Children of the couple are Bennie Cruse of Amarillo and Juandell Ritter of Groom. They have five grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.



each tree is watered properly is a method known as trickle irrigation. This involves the application of small quantities of water at frequent slow applications through a network of small pipes or hoses, either above or below the ground.

Outlets are located at each tree which will allow the water to soak into the soil at a rate of 1-4 gallons per hour, depending upon the design of the equipment. Lines can either be run on top of the ground or underground, whichever fits the needs.

Underground lines with outlets above the surface will allow mowing between the trees. Lines run above the ground can be rolled up when not in use and the installation and maintenance is somewhat easier. There are advantages to both types.

The first year the trees are planted they will need at least 8-10 gallons of water per week. The second year

16 gallons of water per week.

If you have young tree seedlings or plan to plant a windbreak on your property,

a trickle irrigation system may be the best way of watering your trees. The trickle system can insure that each tree receives the proper amount of water

Joy to All

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Vivian & Jake

Hi

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**Bud, Connie,
Melissa, Scott,
Jeffery &
Davia Fields**

Noel

Here's hoping your holidays are fun-filled and delightful!

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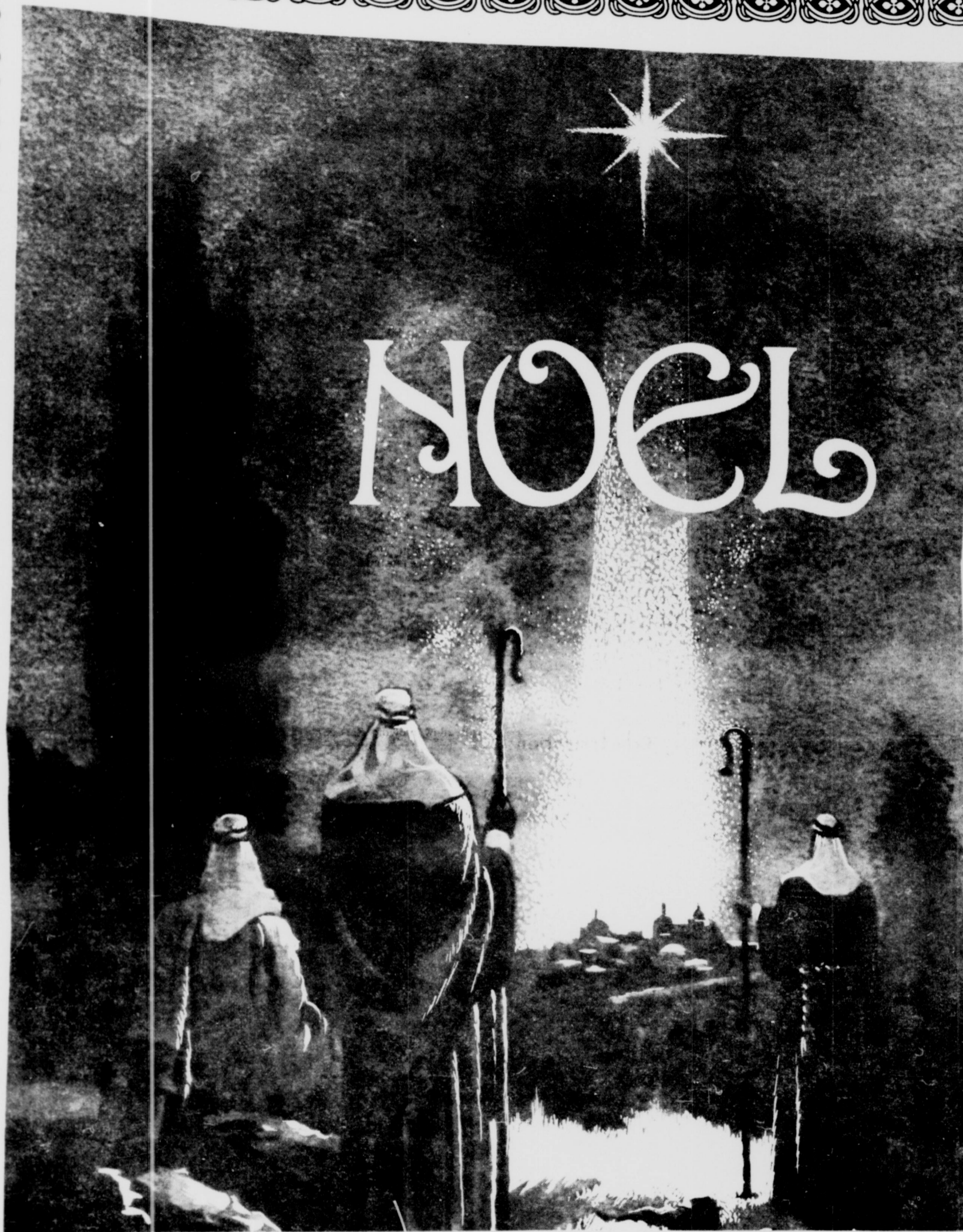
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Groom Wheat Growers

Judy Ruthardt Johnny Cline Larry Meeks Jerry Branson Ralph Robinson

Richard Crump Louis Leven Ismael Villeda Susie Ruthardt

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has published final regulations to identify and control asbestos hazards in public and private schools nationwide. The rules implement the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) of 1986.

Under the new regulations, which closely match those proposed last spring, every school district in Texas must inspect for asbestos. If asbestos is found, districts must submit a plan to the Texas Department of Health for eliminating, containing or monitoring the material by October 12, 1988.

Orby Holden, executive director of the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) said, "These inspection requirements, paperwork burdens, and maintenance plans will be extremely costly to Texas Schools already facing financial problems in hard economic times. The Texas Association of School Boards is working to get some relief on the unreasonable timelines, and is working on cost effective approaches for dealing with the new regulations. However, schools will be faced with having to move forward with plans to implement the Act."

Here are some highlights of the new regulations as they affect schools:

The district must see that each building owned, rented leased or occupied by the district be inspected for friable (easily crumbled) and non-friable asbestos. The inspections must be performed by an accredited asbestos building inspector who has received EPA approved training.

The district must have an accredited management planner develop the district's response actions in the event that inspections reveal the presence of asbestos.

Following the initial inspection, the district must conduct a periodic surveillance every six months in all buildings that were found to contain asbestos. The district is also required to thoroughly re-inspect these

buildings every three years.

The district must appoint an asbestos coordinator to ensure compliance with all training, notification and certification requirements.

Once a management plan has been submitted, the district must keep detailed records of its asbestos related activities.

"Two of the most disturbing aspects of these requirements are that no federal or state funds were provided to help defray the cost of these mandates, and the deadline of October 1988 for submitting the asbestos

management plan is really not that far away," Holden said.

Schools that fail to conduct inspections or to

submit an adequate plan to the state agent designated by the governor can be fined \$5,000 daily for each violation of the rules.

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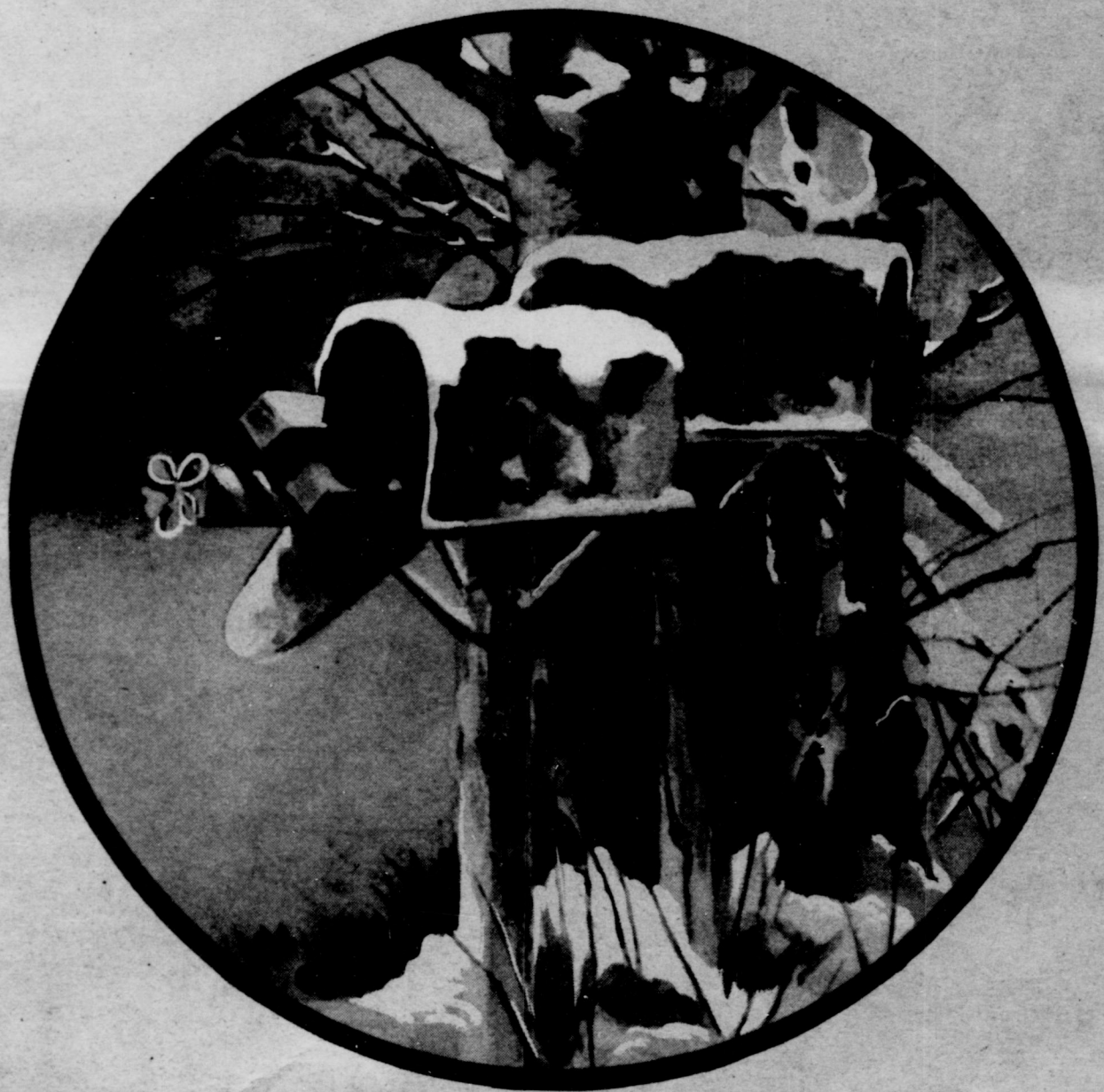
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Peace



May you share the joy of this Holiday Season with the special ones you love!

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Charlotte, C.J.
& Dara
Whatley

HOLIDAY CHEER



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The Groom News is authorized to present the names of the following candidates for office, subject to the Primary Election to be held in March. A fee has been paid by each candidate for a listing in this column from now through the election.

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