We know it was bound to come to an end those beautiful warm suri-shiny days we've enjoyed the past couple of weeks. After a high of 32 on Tuesday, early Wednesday temperatures' dipped to 14 degrees in downtown. Santa Anna. Lows for Thurs. and Fri, are expected in the single digits with highs in the '20's.
A warming trend is expected to begin Saturday.


 Thursday, December 19.....................................................................
 Friday, December 20...............Senior Citizens Christmas Party Friday, December 20 High. Rise Hospitaility Room, 2 to 4 p.m. 20............Santa Claus At Hospitality Room of Coleman County Telecommunications, pictures for a small fee.. 6 to 8 p.m.
Saturday, December 21.

Rockwood Family Christmas Party, 6 p.m.
Monday, December:23....
..Santa Anna National Bank Open House, 9 a.m. 103 p.m.
Monday, December 23.
....Coleman County Telecommunications Open House 10 to 3 Tuesday, December 24.....Christmas Eve Candlelight Service First United Methodist Church 7 p.m.

Rockwood Family Christmas Party To Be Held Sat. December 21
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The Rockwood Family
Christmas Party will be held Christmas Party will be held
Saturday, December 21 at the Saturday, December 21 at the
Rockwood Community Center at 6 Rockwood Community Center at 6
p.m.
$\quad$ Gifts will be exchanged between men, women and children.
Those attending are asked to
bring chips, dips, sandwiches or bring chips, dips, sandwiches or
Crristmas goodies. After the party,
cemetury meeting.
cemetury meeting.
Hope to see you there.
Business Breakfast Thursday At Mata's The monthly Santa Anna
Chamber of Commerce Business Chamber of Commerce Business
Breakfast will be held on Thursday December 19 from 7 to $8: 30$ a.m. at Mata's Restaurant. All Santa Anna business people

Get Picture Made With Santa Friday Santa Claus will be in the
hospitality room at Coleman County Telecommunications fro $6-8$ p.m. Friday to talk with
children. Pictures will be made for small fee.


School Music Dept.To Present Christmas Program Thürsday
The music department of Santa Anna schools will be, presenting its annual Christmas program Thursday night, December 19th at the high school auditorium. The program, which begins at 6:30 p.m. will feature band students under the direction of David Powell and music students of Lois Harper from kindergarten through 4th grade. The young music students shown above were practicing for the program when the photographer visited the school last Friday. There is no admission charge for this program when he photographer visited the school last friday. There is no admission charge for thi
special program which is a gift to the community from the students. Everyone is invited to attend.

Santa Anna News To Be Closed For Vacation During The Holidays
Due to hollday print schadules, the newspaper will be printed
on Monday of next week and the office will be closed most of on Monday of next week and the office will be closed most of
Monday for that reason. Area folks will receive their paper Monday for that reason, Area folks will recive their paper
betore Christmas. News tiems for that edition will need to be betore Chiristmas. News tiems for that edilion will neer of de
submitted by 4:00 p.m. Friday of this week. submitted by $4: 00$ p.m. Friday or this weok.
The Santa Anne News staft will be taking tt annual vacation from Tuesday, Dec. 24 through Monday, January 6. Atter the Christmas Edition yo
January 9th edtion.


New Restaurant Opens With Ribbon Cutting Mata's Restaurant opened last Saturday morning with a ribbon cutting ceremony conducted by the Chamber of Commerce. Chamber members, rriends arid family members joining in the ribbon cutting were Lee Coffiman, Chamber president Michelle Morgan, David Robinett, Armando Mata Sr. holding little daughter Paula, Rob Cheaney, Moses Mata, Laura Mata cutting the ribbon, Rod Musick, Chamber office manager Dena Gonzales, Jeannie Patterson, Armando Mata Jr., Annelle Clark and Jackie Smith.

Photo by Polly Warnock.

## Jean Findley To Fill Council Vacancy

The Santa Anna City Counc
met for their regular monthly mee met or teir regular monthly meet-
ing on Tuesday, December 10 with Mayor Danny Kellar calling the meeting to order. Council members present were
Mike Pritchard, Bobby Morgan, Mike Pritchard, Bobby Morga
Karen Morris and Jim Spillman. Others present were Shirley Sansom representing the Abilene ederva Credit Union, City Secretary Alys Pelton.
A motion was made and carried to amend the agenda to add the appointment of the new council member to fill the vacancy left town.
Jean Findley was appointed to fill regular election in May 1997 in
accordance with the Texas Election accordance with the Texas Election
Laws. She is employed at Santa Anna national Bank where she is an administrative assistant. The daughter of Robert and Maggie
Robinett, Jean was reared in Santa Robinett, Jean was reared in Sant Anna. She and her husband Ray, coach with Santa Anna schools, moved here in 1991 from Coleman Supervisor Doug Watson and City transferre to Cisco by WTU. Mrs. CONTINUED PAGE 5

Holiday Scenes Brighten The Community
This lighted holiday scene, part of a display in the yard of Raymond Don and Doris Cupps, brightens their neighborhood and is enjoyed by all who pass. There are many such enjoyable displays that help spread the Christmas spirit throughout our community. If you haven't already done so, you will want to make a drive around town to see all the beautiful lights.

Santa Anna - A Town Of Friendly People

Gladys Wardlow Leo Moore
Oladye Wardlow, 72, of Santa Anna, died Sunday, Dec. 15,1996
at $7: 30$ a.m. in the Brownwood Regional Medical Center. 1 Services were held Tuesday, Dec. 17, 1996, at 2 p.m, at the
Henderson Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Raymond Jones officiating. Burial followed in the Santa Anna Cemetery under the direction of Henderson Funeral Home of Santa Anna.
Brady to the late Robert E. and Lillie A. Williams McCartney. He was raised in Bangs where she attended the Bangs schools.
She was a lifetime resident of
Santa Anna where she ber of the Baptist Church and lunchroom supervisor for the Santa Anna schools for many years and later worked for Ranger Park a
Holiday Hill Nursing Holiday Hill Nursing Homes.
She married L. K. Wardlow July 17, 1939 in Bangs and he preceded her in death in 1983 .
Survivors include a daughter and
son-in-law, Mary Ann and Orvel son-in-law, Mary Ann and Orvel Pape of Santa Anna; four sons and
daughters-in-law, Bobby and Judy Wardlow of Copperas Cove, Larry and Shela Wardlow of Los Alamos, NM, Tommy and Marcia Wardlow
of Glen Cove and Brad and Tammy of Glen Cove and Brad and Tammy
Wardow of Midland; Wardlow of Midand; three sisters,
Leona Chaney of Brownwood,
Lillie Jo McCartney of Abilene and Allene Middleton of San Angelo; brother, I. M. McCartney of Palm Bay, Fl.; 11 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and several
nieccs and nephews. She was preceded
granddaughter, great-grandson, a sister and three brothers. Leo Moore, 63, died Friday, Dec 13, 1996 in Denver, Colo. Services were held at 7 p.m
Tuesday, Dec. 17, 1996, a Community Baptist Church o Frankiown, Colo. An additional service will be held at 2 p.m
Saturday, Dec. 21, 1996 at Firs Baptist Church in Santa Anna under the direction of Stevens Funeral Home. Graveside services with full military honors will follow Coleman Cemelery. Coleman. On Sept. 4, 1955, h and Patsy Williams were married. He retired from the United States Air Force in 1974 and from the
Watersaver Company in 1993. He Watersaver Company in 1993. He
was active in Republican fund rais ings and Franktown, Colorad Chamber of Commerce: and was a member of Community Baptist Church. sons, Tommy Moore of New
Orleans, LA and David Moore of Denver, Colo.; a brother, Earl Moore of Fort Worth; and two sisters, Inez Davis of Coleman and
Dalvia Havner of Santa Anna.
Santa Anna
Nutrition
Center Menu

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20 green beans, pineapple cake, ice cream
MONDAY, DECEMBER 23 Survivors include his wife; two Dressing, golden sweet potatoes,
green beans, cranberry sauce, pecan pie and fruit salad
MONDAY, DECEMBER 30 Vegetable soup, cheese fand


COW POKES
By Ace Reid

"I need money to buy some expensive hay to feed them inexpensive cows that a banker let me pay too much money for."

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## John C. Gregg

John C. Gregs, 77, of Santa
Anna, died Tuesday, Dec. 10,1996 Anna, died Kuesday, Dec. 10, 1996 County Medical Center Services were held Friday, Dec. 13, 1996 at 2 p.m. at the Nortiside Baptist Church of Santa Anna with Revs. Don Pruitt, Raymond Jones followed at the Santa Burial Cemetery directed by Hendersa Funeral Home of Santa Annia. He was born to the late Joseph
and Clara Buchanan Gregg in
ising Star on Oct. 19, 1919, He was raised in Colem, 1919. He where he attended the Buffaly School and graduated from Santa Anna High School in 1938. He was an Army AirCore veter of World War II and married Billie Cole in Coleman County on Jan. 4, 1947 and they have of marriage.
yeal He was a lifeti
He was a lifetime resident of
Santa Anna where he was a member of the Sainta Anna Lions Club and Northside Baptist Church. The Gregg family owned and op1921 until 1967. He was postmaster of the Santa Anna Post Office from 1965 until retirement in 1985. Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Darlene Pirrello of
Carson, Calif. and Juanell Stiles of Coleman; a son, John Gregg of Coleman; two sisters, Eris Munneck of Bishop and Mary Jo Teel of Rush Springs, Okla.; two brothers, Jack J. Gregg of Austin and Burton Gregg of Ingram; 9
grandchildren; and 7 great-grandchildren.

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He was preceded in death by a
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brother and two sisters.
Pallbearers were Fred Cawthon, Dr. Charles Fuller, Robert
Robinett, John Smiley, Bob Tuner and Donald Strickland. Honorary pallbearers were R. C. Smith, Lee Moore, Danny Kellar, Edwin Hipsher, Cullen Perry,
Quinton Daniel, Gary Patterson Quinton Daniel, Gary Patterson,
Danny Cook, Joe Ed Wise, Rob Danny Cook, , oe Ed Wise, Rob
Cheaney, Carlos Torres, Lee Ray Huggins, and members of the Santa Anna Lions Club.

## Santa Anna

Cemetery
Memorials
The Sania Anna Cemeter Association has received the following memorials:
In memory of John Doris Griffin and Gwendolyn

Animal Damage Control Fund Ends Year On Posiîive Note The Coleman County Livestock
and Widdife Protection Association had their final monthily meeiting of 1996 on Monday, December 9 in the county judge's office of the
courthouse. Eight members were courthouse. Eight members were cial repoit from chairman Curtis Jamison. The committee is responsible for raising funds for
Animal Damage Control in Coleman County. This years association will finish the year with all bills paid in full with a few hundred dollars remaining to roll over into
next year. This was a welcome next year. This was a welcome since the association has been running three to four months behind in collecting donations for Animal Damage Control. This was possi-
ble thanks to many local bussiness band ranchers in Coleman County who have contributed to this fund. Contributors for the months of
November and December include November and December include
the following: Willie Wilson, the following: Willie Wilson,
Debra Little, Mrs. Darrell Slate, Jamie S. Summuld, Dorothy Webb, Mrs. Donald Strickland, Lorie McMahan, Wm. S. Wilson, Bobbie Valicek, B. R. Laws, Cody
Golson, Mrs. Carlton Parks, Winifred Walton, Mrs. Thelma Ragland, Gerald Kasberg, Mrs. M. E. Campbell, Richard Lutz, Jean Downey, Mark Griffis, Burnell
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Sitterle, Dwan Cozart, James Neill, Jackie Smith, Mike Priddy, Dorothy Dillingham, Don J. Straud, Malcolm Ellison, W. G. Stearns, Curt W. Skelton, Tommy
Robertson, J. S. Livingston, Nonnie Smith, Novella Stearns, Mrs. W. G. Maxwell, Lester Stephenson, R. T. Payne, Davis Investments, Schwethelm Co... Carl
S. Cook, Janice Parker, Jo S. Cook, Janice Parker, Jo
Featherston, Mrs. L. B. Slagle, Mrs. Dean Morgan, Hochheim Branch \#154, Lucy Samson. C. S Tomlinson, Ted Triplett, Gforge
Gould, Dave and Ruth Ann Gould, Dave and Ruth Ann Blake, Bunckholtz, R. M. or Sharon Tobin
and Wylie Hear. and Wylie Hearn.

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By Alte Ania Sullman
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A very special little book came in recently. Unfortunately it was lost between several other boxes of
donated books and magazines. We do hope the person whazines. We book will tell us. Martin Luther Christmas Book. Roland H Bainton. The illustrations are woodcuts by people of his time. This was a special art where pic-
ures were actually cut inte thes were actually cut into wood then inked and printed. The written
material is taken from sermons of Luther. These spread over 30 years time. Included is a song that may ime. Included is a song that may
have been written by Luther's children. This book might explain some of
event.
Our fr
Our friends, Dr. Elizabeth Kelly Antila, sent another box of books-among. them-a history of the
Crimean War and an in depth study Crimean War and an in deph study of the Hungarian Uprising.
Personally, I believe this incident Personally, I believe this inciden
still brings shame upon the U.S.A I plan to read this book for more information.
Maribee Pritchard brought 16 paperbacks and three hard backed books. There are mysteries, ro-
mance and gothic type. Don't Cry Now Joy Fielding. Bonnie Wheeler has a perfect life. One morning she finds her husband's ex-wife murdered. Now her daughter and she are in danger.
Silent Treatment Michael Palmer. Doctor Corbett's wife checked into the hospital. Now he is charged with her murder. One of his favorite patients is murdered. Now Corbett realized that a doctor may be responsible. The House Next Door Anne R. Siddons. When a
house is built on the lot next door, strange things start happening. Is it haunted? A. Knight In Shining Armor Jude Deveraux. A lady of today is rescued by a knight in
shining armor from another world. A real fantasy.
Thank all of you for these gifts.
How generous you have been this How generous you have been this ${ }^{\text {year. }}$ Did you know that several women meet every Friday morning
at the library to share their handat the library to share their hand-
crafts? Have you made or received an unusual article? Maybe you would like to show and tell--with
the other ladies. the other ladies.
Please remember that the library will be closed December 24 and 25 . Come this week or Monday to
stock up on books. stock up on books.
Merry Christmas Merry Christmas to you all from
everyone at the Santa Anna City everyone at the Santa Anna City
Library.

HPU Advancement Office Adds Two New Members To Staff


University in Fort Worth and the master's degree from Abilene
Christian University. He and his wife Pat have four children--Andy, Molly, Amanda and Nathan. Reynolds holds' broad-based expelic relations, sales and marketing. She has worked in healthcare, public relations and marketing for a lechnical writing company; project management for BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and pub-
lic relations for Jefferson State Community College. She has also taught at the public schools and college levels.
Reynolds received the bachelor's degree from the University of North
Alabama and the master's degree Alabama and the master's degree
from Samford University. She has two sons-Matt and Marc.
BROWNWOOD-Craig Adams of Dallas and Melanie Reynolds of irmingham, Ala., have been
named development directors at named development directors at
Howard Payne University, announced Dr. Michael Nealeigh, vice president for university advancement.
A native of Brownwood and now a resident of Santa Anna, Adams holds 25 years experience in sales and marketing, with the last 10 planning. planning. He has worked with Buadential, CUNA Mutual and Bank One. He is corrently earring
certification as a Chater Financial cerrification as a Charter Financial
Consultant. He hosted a national radio talk show dealing with finan-
cial planning cial planning, and helped produce a
television special on financial inde television special on financial inde
pendence which aired in Dallas pendence which aired in Dallas.
Adams received the bachelor's de Adams received the bachelor's de-
gree from Texas Wesleyan
'Round
\& About

Weekend visitors with Eddie and Mary Ann Hartman were their son James, Tanya, Maegan and Katie of Midand and Edd and Ruby Hartman

Mrs. E.E: (Lena) McClintock, ongume Santa Anna resident, has me of Berckenridge to be near most happy thildren. She will be $t$ her new address, 1110 Shirley ourt, Breckenridge, Tx 76424 Her phone number is $1-817-559$ -

## ${ }^{6}$ Happy 35 th Anniverarary

Charles \& Diane Wetsel December 23

Mike, Dalia, Crystal, Mishelle and Stathor $3{ }^{\circ}$


## Opeta House

## Monday, December 23

10 a.m. - 3 p.m.


## Coleman County Telecommuniations \& Neb lcoess



Come visit a while. Share this special time of year with us while enjoying some refreshments.

## Santa Anna Ex-Student Scholarship Fund Receives Donations, Memorials

The Santa Anna Ex-Students Scholarship Fund was established in June, 1994. in the amount of $\$ 5000$ tharship in the amount of $\$ 500.00$ was student at Texas State Technical College in Brownwood. This scholarship is funded through donations and memorial
gifts. gifts.
Rece Student Scholarship Fund hav been received from the following: In memory of Stuart Williams, a member of the Class of 1937 from Former Santa Anna Resident Will
Autograph New Book In Abilene David and Suzie Wells will be Wealth, published by HarrisonHouse of Tulsa, Oklahoma at th B. Dalton Bookstore in the Mall of Abilene, Saturday, De
from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. David and Suzie have pastored
Methodist churches in Cros Plains, Breckenridge, Mineral Wells, Fort Worth, Loving and Jean. They have pastored in the oil and oil for many years.
They originally published, but rights to the book and are making it available world-wide. Elowing Wealth show the biblito have great wealth to establish God's ethics in all the busines world. It shows the three-fold financial teachings of scripture to gain, manage and give in balance to ever increase personal and business
wealth, which puts you in a position to maximize giving. The book sells for ten dollars. Davi and Suzie would love to meet with you and sign your copy of Elowing $\frac{\text { Wealth. }}{\text { David }}$ David attended the Santa Anna

FBC Dorcas Sunday School Class Holds Christmas Party

## Conibured

 of the First Baptist Church met Annelle Clark, Syble Huggins Thursday, December 12 in the beau- Dorothy Harris, Etta Earl Buse and iful decorated home of their teachers.ad luncheon was njoyed by all and cards and gifts Jons

Nance Ford
Named To
President's Honor Roll At TSTC

Nance Ford of Santa Anna has reHonor Roll at Texas State Technical Center Brownwood Center for the Fall 1996 Quarter. Ford is study Info Management Technology. the residents honor roin is point average.


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Annelle S. Clark; In memory of John C. Gregg from the Class of 1938;
In memory of Richard Horner, a member of the Class of 1941 from Sybil Eubank; and In memory of Annie Louise Smith, a member of the Class of
1934 from Mrs. Raymond Eubank Donations have been received from the following: The Class of 1934, The Class of 1946; Billie W. Stephenson, a member of the Class. of 1951 and James Rice, a member of the C
of 1951 from his book sales.
 Hold Special Holiday Services
First United Methodist Church of Santa Anna will be holding Christmas Eve candlelight service Tuesday, Décember 24th starting at
7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
On Tuesday, December 31, the church will have a Covenant
Service, also beginning at $7: 00$ p.m.
Start the new year off with hope and joy by attending this special service and reaffirming your
comittment to God's grace and love. grace and love.
fellowship, food and games in the annex following the service. Bring some snacks and join friends and
neighbors to say goodbye to 1996 neighbors to say go
and hello to 1997 .

## Birthdays \& <br> Anniversaries

DECEMBER 19
Katharine Simmons Liz Warnock
DECEMBER 20 Gayla Pritchard Lishka
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DECEMBER 21 Charles Hosch
Frankie Gregg Christi Wade Peyton Kuykendall

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| Lois Avants | Blake Williams DECEMBER 23 Fernando Castillo Jr. DECEMBER 24 Manuel Salazar Mr. and Mrs. John ZuZu

DECEMBER 25 Christy Noel Strothèr

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Celeste Simmons
Mr \& Mrs Danny Mr \& Mrs Danny Wheatley *

Married couples who love A good marriage is that in thousand things without talking. guardian of his solitude. other
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Chinese Proverb Members present Rutherfordy,
Morgan, Winnie Relle Clark, Syble Huggins, Guests attending were Frances arce, Marty Reed and Raymond Jones.

Margaret Hensley MSN, RNCS Family Nurse Practioner

Family Health Care $\begin{gathered}\text { Donald Popom.D.D. } \\ \text { Medicial Diococior }\end{gathered}$ Clinic


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## Trickham On The Map

Trickham and its population of 12 once again gained some notoriety when the name of the News, Some folks in Austin wher map published in the November 1. edition of the Dallas Morning newspaper often shows a small Trickham is one the most hiltoric commu on we weather map along with the major cities. and again and each time anioyed by us .
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FBC Adult IV Sunday School Class Meets For Christmas Dinner And Party Christmas party Wednestay evening. Deceemer 11. Hosts for
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Frances Malone. Royce and Wanda Maceer, Carol Sims and the host couple.
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 Open House $\varepsilon$ Customer Appreciation Day Thursday, December 19

Noon-3 p.m.


STEAK HOUSE


School To Dismiss
For Christmas For Christmas Holidays Friday, Dec. 20 At Noon Students in the Santa Anna school will be dismissed for the Christmas holidays on Friday, December 20 at noon. Lunch will Teachers will return to the classroom on Monday, January 6 with students beginning the second semester on Tuesday, January 7 .

## School Board

 Accepts Bids For Car And Bus The Santa Anna I.S.D. Board ofTrustees met in a special called Trustees met in a special called
meeting on Tuesday, December 3 . Board members presents were Roddy Dean, Marty Donham, Sharon Guthrie, Dickie Horner,
Barbara Simmons, Edwin Hipsher and Gay Abernathy.
Also present were Superintendent of Schools Dean Bass, District Principal Lee Coffman, Business Manager Judy
Lowry C.P.A.
Lowry C.P.A.
Students recognized for achieve ment in football were Josh Lewis, Chris Lewis, Chris Boyet, Chris Cheaney, Shane Watson, Clifton
Blaine, Cesar Patino, Hector Patino and Lupe Castillo. Volleyball girls recognized were Ami Beal, Briana Horner, Amanda Lishka, Maity Siller, Rachael Guerrero, Jennifer Yolanda Frausto. Burl Lowry, CPA presented the
annual audit for the 1995-96 school year which was accepted as presented.
The bo The board agreed to purchase a
1996 Ford Crown Victoria from Bledsoe Ford Mercury. They will Bledsoe Ford Mercury. They will
also purchase a 35 passenger Thomas built bus from Longhorn Bus Sales on a lease
agreement for three years
The Board agreed to change the date of the regular meeting to December 17.
The administrative instrument for the superin
approved.
Policy
vided to the board for has been proing.
Superintendent of S , Bass informed the board that Dean in surance adjuster has inspected the elementary roof and the school has received a check for repairs. The Neogard Co. of Dallas will be re roofing the building in the near fu
ture. rooting

SHOP AT HOME!


TERI JONES
Family: Husband Sam owns Brown County Welding; son Ryan a freshman at HPU and plays
football for Yellowackets; daughter Lori a senior at Santa Anna High Chool; and son Evan a 6th grader Gt Santa Anna Elementary teaching: Grades 9-12 Special Education
Previous schools taught in: 2nd grade at Lamesa ISD for 3 years and substituted for 6 years
Klondike ISD Education: A Bachelor of
Science in Education from Texas Tech University in Lubbock What influenced you to
become a teacher: My parents become a teacher: My parents
have been educators and administrators all my life. I have always felt the desire to educate children of all ages. I love to see light bulbs light up in their heads. but for the enjoyment in seeing students learn.
Children learn in all different ways and at all different levels. I'm here to teach them all.

## THANK YOU

The Santa Anna Booster Club would like to give a special thanks to the following for their contributions to the High School and Junior High School Basketball Tournaments held recently at Perry Gym:

Santa Anna National Bank
Philips Drug
Simmons Feed and Seed
Santa Anna News
Art Fabrics estern Auto
Holt's General Store
Coleman County Telecommunications
Thrift Mart
Coleman County Telephone Cooperative


JULIE FITZPATRICK
Family: Husband Don; 2 daughters Kristi and Jamie Wade; a step-daughter Steffany Fitzpatrick Position: Meat Cook
What you like about your ob: Being around people and kids. I enjoy kids.


ANNA BOZARTH
Family: Two dogs Peg and
Gordon or subject you are teaching: Junior High English
and Reading and Junior High girls and Reading and Junior High girls
basketball, track and volleyball
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combine my love of reading learning and kids.


SAHS Basketball Schedule

| Dec 20 | NovicePanther Creek Tournament |  | $5 \cdot 0$ | 㖪 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jan. 2-4 |  |  | 5.0 | Hero |
| $\text { Jan. } 10$ | Richland Springs | 4 games | 4:00 | Here |
|  | Eden | 4 games-2 gyms |  |  |
|  |  | JV | 5:00 | There |
|  |  | V | 6:00 | There |
| Jan. 14 | Mullin | 4 games | 4:00 | Нёе |
| *Jan. 17 | Cross Plains | 4 games | 4:00. | Here |
| *Jan. 21 | Evant | 3 games | 5:00 | There |
| *Jan. 24 | Lomela | 3 games | 5:00 | Here |
| *Jan. 28 | Cross Plains | 4 games | 4:00 | There |
| *Jan. 31 | Evant | 3 games | 5:00 | Here |
| *Feb. 4 | Lometa | 3 games | 5:00 | There |

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Junior High Boys

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CROSS PLAINS 47
Santa Anna scoring: Bible 2 Farley 10, Coyle 13; Haie 2; Beloat

Santa Anna Junlor High Basketball Toumament GirLs $\begin{array}{ll}\text { BLANKET } & 23 \\ \text { CROSS PLAINS } \\ 21\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\text { COLEMAN 7B } & \mathbf{1 0} \\ \text { SANTA ANNA } & \mathbf{3 3}\end{array}$ Santa Anna scoring: Kuykendall Guthrie 2. Lishka 2

CROSS PLAINS 40
BLANKET 20 Santa Anna scoring: Kuykendall 2; Balderas 6, Martin 5;
1st Blanket; 2nd Santa Anna; 3rd

Santa Anna All-Tournamen Balderas, Lishka, Kuykendall

BOYS
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SANTA ANNA 37 COLEMAN 7B
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Bible $1 ;$ arley 7; Coyle 15; Hubbard Hale 2; Beloat 10; Donham
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CROSS PLAINS 42 $\begin{array}{ll}\text { SANTA ANNA } & 31 \\ \text { Santa Anna scoring: } & \text { Bible }\end{array}$ Santa Anna scoring: Martin 10; 'Farley 3; Coyle 14; Hale 2; Beloat
Kuykendall 8 ; Weaver 2; Balderas 8

## Fishing

 Lake IvieBy Durwood Strickland Don't expect too many
fishermen out the next few days with temperatures in the teens to 30 , but sounds Crappie fishing is fair to and jigs in deep water. Its that time of year when the water temp has begin to drop and the
winter crappie fishing will begin to pick up considerably.
Winter crappie usually run in schools and when you find one, you are in luck to limit out.
Black bass and smallmouth are slow to fair on worms
fished in deep water with most fished in deep water with most
of the smallmouth being caught on rocky outcrops of main lake points. Catfish are fair on trotines
baited with live bait; yellow baited with live bait; yellow
catfish are fair on live perch fished in the river.

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AUSTIN - Republicans a majority in the state Senate last week when state Rep. Robert
Duncan of Lubbock was elected to vacant seat representing 21 counties in West Texas.
"West Texas made history ight, ${ }^{n}$ Durican told supporters to a post-election rally.
The Dec. 10 numoff victory gave
the GOP its. first majority in Texas legislative chamber since 1872, and a 16-14 seat edge. Sen.-elect Duncan will fill the
seat vacated by John Montford, a seat vacated by John Montford, a take a position as chancellor of One seat University.
One seat remains to be filled Crockett. Turner won a U.S. House seat in November, so a special lection will be held next year to fill his state Senate seat.
While the new majority gives The GOP power in numbers, the Senate is still ruled by Lt. Gov. ob Bullock, whose authority it is make committee assignments. In welcoming Duncan to the
Senate, Bullock said,' "The most mportant thing now is to focus on he state's business in the upcoming party labels or party agendas."

- Brown Files No-Reversal Bill Texas appellate courts would not be able to use technical errors as criminal convictions under a bill filed by state Sen. J.E. "Buster" Brown, R-Lake Jackson. Brown's bill would prohibit convictions from being reversed for
o-called harmless errors. He filed similar legislation in 1995 that died in the House.
John Boston of the Texas Crim-
inal Defense Lawyers A\&sotiario inal Defense Lawyers Association less than 1 percent of criminal conictions are overturned on appeal.
Bomer Blasts Settlement
Consumer rip-off" is what Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer
called a proposed class-action setcalled a proposed class-action set-
tement for millions of Allstate and Farmers insurance policyholders who were over-charged for automobile insurance.
Bomer asked Attorney General
Dan Morales Dan Morales to intervene in a
lawsuit against the two companies because a settlement resolving the suit gives nothing to millions of policyholders who are entitled to Compensation, The Dallas Morning
News reported. News reported.
And, while the settlement in
October totaled $\$ 35.7$ million, October totaled $\$ 35.7$ million,
Bomer said the two companies will have to pay out only $\$ 20$ million


## WALKER <br> funeral home <br> Pre-Arranged <br> Funerals <br> Coleman, Texas

 Maúd Hints at Run At a Democratic fund-raiser in
Austin last week, Land Comisissionier Garyy Mauro said, "A
Texas races' toward promise you I will be in the race." His comment has becn inter preted to mean that he plans on run-
ning for gevernor in 1998 ning for governor in 1998. Mauro also said he had "no plans os go to
speculation that he might seek a post in the Clinton administration or as chairman of the Democratic
National Committee National Committee.

Other Caplial Highlights - Seventeen Texans licensed to
carry concealed handguns have had their licenses revoked, the Texas Department of Public Safe!y
announced. According to the DPS, announced. According to the DPS,
112,483 Texans had been granted 1icenses as of Dec. 3. Sixteen men and one woman had their license تevoked. Seven licenses were taken
away because of criminal activities. away because of criminal activities.
The Texas Transi गration In :The lexas Transi jrtation In-
stiute released a report ranking Austin as the third-most trafficcongested city in Texas, beling
Houston and Dall l s. Ausin' Houston and Dall 3 s. Austin's con-
gestion index was 33 rd-worst in the gestion index was 33 rd -worst in
nation, based on 1993 figures.


Firefighters Respond To House Fire The Santa Anna Volunteer Fire Department was called to a firs of unknown origin late tast friday night on Bowie Street. - The

## City Council <br> Continued from page 1

Shirley Sansom present the ees' salaries in the budget. council and city employees with City Supervisor Doug Watson
brochures brochures about the Abilene Federal Credit Union and told what is avail-
able to those associated with the able to those associated with the
city. She will return to other employees.
other employees.
The maintenance agreement, or
dinance and resolution with the Texas Department of Transportation on the maintenance of highways
that are in the ciyy limits was apthat are
proved.
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A decision on whether to join the
Coalition on the 4 A and 4 B Sales
Tax was tabled. Tax was tabled.
Following an executive session,
the council agreed to issue a three percent cost of living raise to empercent cost of living raise to em-
ployees with City Supervisor Doug Whatson having the authority to give up to a two percent merit rase
to employees which he recomto empl
mends.
The council approved issuing the
annual Christmas bonuses which
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are included as part of the employ-
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his woek his say he will decelde
this week his candidacy for the
national GOP cladirmanship. The
new chairmain will beielected by the Committee at a jan. 17 meeting. - Austin's annual cedar for 10 Endemic was featured, in a Dec. Mountain cedars "exploden with allergen-laden pollen from December through February.
$\square$ Conquest Airlines, the Austinbased regional airline, emerged
from bankuiptcy last from banknuptcy last week, and
can now carry out plans to expand within Texas and into other states. - Texas Instruments has announced that it will stop making. notebook computers at its factory in Temple, cutting 200 jobs immeis shifting the manufacture of its laptop computers to Asia. After the uts, TI will have 500 employces in Temple.
a An inmate's attempt to get
garettes back in Texas prisons has cigarettes back in Texas prisons has
failed. The 3rd Court of Appeals in Austin rejected Samuel. Jackson's contention that prisoners' rights were violated when the Texas a smoking ban for prison inmates. and employees in 1995. vacant house vas declared autotal loss. Phe ol whe
 Mrs. Weems
Moved To
Brownwood Laverne Weems, the Rockwood woman who was critically injured
in an auto accident the 12th of August, has been moved from Abilene to Brownwood. Mrs. Weems was first a patient a Hendrick Medical Center, Abilene and most recently has been in the Hendrick Rehab Unit. Along with
rehabilitating broken bones, her rehab time has included learning t use an artificial arm and hand.
Mrs. Weems will


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Golden Caramel Corn
(3 quarts)
bag ( 3 to $31 / 2$ oz.) microwave popcorn, popped cup dry roasted peanuts cup firml
sugar
sugar
tablespoons margarine or
butter
butter
tablespoons light corn syrup

1 teaspoon baking soda
teaspoor vanilla fodavoring $\quad 1$ package ( $1 / \frac{\mathrm{Or}}{2} \mathrm{oz}$. dry mild taco Coring, seasoning mix

1. Combine popped corn (discard unpopped kernels) and peanuts in large (4 quart) glass mixis in et aside.
2. Combine sugar, margarine and corn syrup in 1 -quart glas measuring cup. Microwave at Helts ( $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ ) until margarine Microwave uncovered minute. Stir. Microwave uncovered at HIGH ntil mixture comes to a full boil (about one minute); then microwave at
utes longer.
3. Stir in soda and vanilla until mixture is foamy. Pour over popped corn and peanuts, mixing until evenly coated.
4. Microwave uncivered at HIGH for 5 minutes, stiring twice. Spread mixture on buttered jelly roll pan to cool. Store tightly roll pan
covered.
NOTE: Mixture is very hot Use hot pads.
Jazzy Flavored Popcorn
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package (1/4oz.) dry cheese
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## TRICKHAM TTIDBITS <br> By Anna York

The Rechardson family had their Brownwood lake where she will anual Christmas party on Saturday visit a couple of days with her
at he Trickham Community Cenzer sister Maxine Keller and mother at ine Trickham Community Cencer generations present with, Mr. Johnny Richardson being the oldest at 94 and lititle Cheynne Edwaris 3
months the youngest. Everyone months the youngest. Kit Dean and daughiter Jennie of
Comanche spent the weekend with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dean and son Wyindham.
. and Mrs Pelton Martin visited in Waco on Monday and Iuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Warren Barton. The two of them along
with Janice Snow and son Toylo Scott of near Brown and son Taylor day in Fort Worth and had lunch with Bill Marton. On Sunday
Fetton took


We will not have a column next Cody, Haley, Travis and Julie atweek and the newspaper will be tended, some participating and
closed until after the first of the others watching. Panther Creek's year. Save your Christmas news Kindergarten through fifth grade and I will get it in the first paper of Christmas play.
the new year. Again, Happy Claudia Rutherford and Faye Holidays to one and all. Wise attended the Christmas play at Bill and Sadie Bryan were in
Brady Tuesday and visited P. L. Brady Tuesday and visited P. L. Jennifer Rutherford spent the week-
Ustad, Rachel Fowler and Wilburn
end with Claudia. Visiting with Tucker. Cecil and Pat Vance spent the Rutherford and Larry Rutherford. weekend with their daughter and Rutherford and Larry Rutherford. son-in-law Mark and Tammy in our area.
Alberthal of Boerne. Fred and
Last week I neglected to include Alberthal of Boerne. Fred and Last week I neglected to include
Verra Cross of Stephenville met my distinguished Friday night guest them and they did some shopping LTC Benny Brooks, in charge of and had a great time.
Norma Briscoe visited with training for Texas National Guard, Norma Briscoe visited with training for Texas National Guand, Minnie Bray Saturday. They went Austin at the Military Academy and
to Coleman shopping and had lunch CPT. Randell M. Casey comman with Lucille Hunter. CPT. Randell M. Casey, comman-
der of Brady National Guard had with Lucille Hunter. der of Brady National Guard had Bible study Wednesday night. Bro. spopper and spent Guard meetings the nex Jeff, Loma and Sara Dean, Minnie doy. Kemp Slayton and Herbie
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them. Friday they were at Simpson evening We were in Coleman them. Friday they were at Simpson evening. We were in Coleman
Lake and visited with Mr. and Mrs. Wednesday and had brunch with Bailey Hull. Saturday they were Charlies Smith. Saturday I attended business visitors in Brownwood. Julie and Clint's wedding and recep-
Monday they were in Brady for a Monday they were in Brady for a a tion and I visited Randy, Holly and doctors appointment and visited Nathan Casey and Jane Smith in
with Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Hull. Sunday Denny Densman visited Santa Anna. Sunday 1 attended a with Elec and Rose Cooper. Jack Casey in Coleminin.
and Skeeta Cooper visited with them Monday.
Blake Williams and Tony Rehm
were in Coleman on Wednesday shopping. Blake visited with Doris in Hillsboro, and Carolyn and eronica in Houston via telephone.
Jimmy and Jimmie Gail Hafner

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Christmas without Mom's cheese grits or Grandma's blackberry cobe-
bler. Whether hosting the boliday bler. Whether hosting the holiday
meal or attending as a guest, you are meal or attending as a guest, you are
expected to make that one special dish for the family gathering year after year. This year, try something new
and introduce this soon-to-be-favorite and introduce this soon-
recipe to your family! For a great-looking, great-tasting
change, make Perfect Potuck Potatoes. "This colorful side dish uses chöpped red bell pepper and green onions topgive it the festive look of Christmas," says
Rene Bosiger, tecipe development speRene Bosiger, recipe development s
cialist for Pioneer Four Mills.
If you have to travel to see your
family, make the casserole before you leave and pop it in the oven when you arrive. The potatoes will be hot and tasty in 20 minutes, just long enough give everyone a holiday hug!
Perfect Potluck Potatoes
1 cup chopped red bell pepper 1 cup chopped green onion 1 bag (24 oz.) or 5 cups frozen
southem-style hash brown southem-style hash
potatoes, thawed

## $1 / 2$ cup water

1 package ( 2.75 oz.) Pioneer Country Gravy Mix,
No-Fat or Regular No-Fat or
2 cups milk
2 cups milk.
1 cup ( 8 oz.) sour cream
$11 / 2$ cups shredded Colby,
Monterey Jack or Cheddar cheese 1 can ( 2.8 oz ) French-fried onions Spray large skillet with nonstick cook-
ing spray. Cook and stir bell pepper ing spray. Cook and stir bell pepper
and onion until tender. Add potatoes and water, stir over medium heatu until
water has evaporated and potatoes are water has evaporated and potatoes are
hot, about 10 to 12 minutes. Blend hot, about 10 to 12 minutes. Blend
Gravy Mix and mikk; add to potato
mixture. Cook, stiring until thickened. mixture. Cook, stirring until thickened.
Remove from heat; stir in sour cream. Pour mixture into greased $21 / 2$-quart
baking dish ; bake at $350^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ for 10 min bates. Top with cheese and French-fried onions; bake 10 minutes more or until chesse melts. Makes 8 to 10 servings. For a copy of Pioneer Flour Mills' newest
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