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How Long Before Freeze Takes Away The Blooms?

This rose bush in front of the City Library is just one of many blooming around town this second week of December. Even though the temperatures dipped to the mid 30's early Tuesday morning and again Wednesday, this area has still not experienced a killing frost. However, according to weather reports, a freeze may come this week as more-cold weather is expected during the next few days. Whenever the freeze comes, the National Weather Service in San Angelo says it will be the latest first freeze of the season on record for this area.

Christmas Cantata Will Be A Special Gift By Community Choir Sunday Evening

The annual Christmas Cantata presented by the Community Choir will be Sunday evening, December 13, at 6 p.m. at the First Baptist Church.

The cantata entitled "Angels of

Christmas" will be directed by Lois Ann Harper with Gail Loyd as pianist.

Members of the choir are Kay Gray, Shirley McEwin, Cathy Ellis, Oma Dean Horner, Leanna Jones, Sue Sorrells, Sarah Boyd,

David Powell, Judy Powell, Marty Donham, Nikki Donham, Dickie Horner, Cathy Hale, Richard Easterling, Rachel Easterling, Ricky Jones, Sandra Guthrie, Novelle Boylston, Deborah Long, Orabeth McIver, Freddie Dodson, Edith Dodson and Mike Hosch.

Marty Reed will be the narrator.

"Love Feast" Set For Sunday

A benefit lunch in honor of Margaret Mobley is set for Sunday, December 13, at 12 noon in the CLC Building of First Baptist Church.

Faculty members of Santa Anna schools and other friends are sponsoring the "Love Feast" hoping to help defray some of Margaret's medical expenses.

The lunch is being sponsored by Santa Anna School faculty and other friends of the honoree.

Everyone in the community is invited to come to the luncheon. No price has been set but love offerings will be accepted.

Please call Janet Neff or Michelle Morgan if you have not put your name on any of the sign-up sheets that have been at various locations.

Students To Be Dismissed Early Next Friday

Students and teachers in the Santa Anna ISD will begin their Christmas holiday at noon on Friday, December 18. Buses will run at that time.

School will resume on Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1999.

Bands Will Give Concert Monday Night

The Christmas Band Concert will be held in the high school auditorium on Monday, December 14 at 7 p.m.

The junior high and high school bands will be performing.

Following the concert, refreshments provide by the band boosters will be served in the foyer of the high school.

Santa Expected To Make An Appearance In Christmas Parade Saturday

Christmas Stories At Library and Bison Lunch Will Follow

The annual Christmas Parade will begin Saturday morning at 10:30 a.m. The parade will form at Wallis and Fourth Street and travel east to Wallis and First Street.

Kelly Lambert with his saddle broken Texas Longhorn Steer will be in the parade and will be available for pictures following the parade.

It is expected that Santa Claus will make his first visit to town during the parade so youngsters should be on the watch for the jolly old man Saturday.

Leading the parade will be an honor guard from the 4th Infantry Division from Fort Hood. The National Guard unit of Coleman will also appear.

The parade is a great opportunity to make your organization or yourself a little cash. All you have to do is decorate a float and enter it into a parade. This year's theme for the Santa Anna Christmas parade is "A Frontier Christmas". The Santa Anna Chamber of Commerce is the sponsor.

Prizes will be:
Float: 1st \$100; 2nd \$50; and 3rd \$25.

Other decorated vehicles: \$25, \$15, and \$10;

Bicycles and Walkers: \$15, \$10, and \$5

To enter the parade, contact Celeste Simmons or Jackie Smith or call the Chamber office at 348-3535.

School Library Open House Wed.

The Santa Anna ISD is inviting the public to an Open House at the new library on Wednesday, December 16 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.

New textbooks which are up for adoption will also be on display for the public to view.

Librarians are Connie York and Mary Mobley with assistance from Dahlia Wetsel and Eddie Hartman.

Light refreshments will be served.

Everyone is invited to come celebrate the season with the school library staff and visit the new library.

The City Library will be open Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Christmas books will be on display and available or check out. From 11 a.m. to noon, "Gramma" will be reading favorite Christmas stories for young and not so young. There will be a table of used books for sale.

Everyone who is in town for the parade is invited to come by the library and enjoy the Christmas stories.

A Bison Lunch will be served beginning at 11:30 a.m. in the Lions Club Building with the 4th Infantry Division Honor Guard from Fort Hood and the National Guard unit from Coleman as special guests. Those attending the lunch may visit with these guests to our town and learn about their duties.

Cost will be \$5.00 per bison plate lunch and may be purchased at the door.



Holiday Events

Friday, December 11:

Coleman County Telephone Cooperative Open House; 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Saturday, December 12:

Christmas Parade; 10:30 a.m.
Bison Lunch, immediately following parade
Santa Anna Library reading Christmas stories, 11 a.m. to 12 noon

Sunday, December 13:

Remission Celebration Dinner, First Baptist Church CLC Building, 12 noon honoring Margaret Mobley

Christmas Cantata, First Baptist Church, 6 p.m.

Monday, December 14:

Santa Anna Schools Band Concert, 7 p.m. high school auditorium

Wednesday, December 16:

Santa Anna ISD Library Open House, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Thursday, December 17:

Delta Omicron Sorority Senior Citizens Christmas Party, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Santa Anna Community Center

Friday, December 18:

K-6 grades Christmas Musical; 9 a.m.; high school auditorium

West Texas Utilities Open House, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

City of Santa Anna Open House, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Wednesday, December 23

Santa Anna National Bank Open House, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Santa Letters



Children are invited to write letters to Santa Claus to be published in the Santa Anna News Christmas issue.

School children will write their letters at school and they will be delivered by the school. Younger children may bring their letters by the NEWS office or mail them to P.O. Box 399, Santa Anna, Texas 76878. Letters should be signed with the child's full name.

Letters must be received in the NEWS office on or before Wednesday, December 16.

Methodist Youth Holding Toy Drive; Selling Chances For A "Furby"

The youth of the Methodist Church of Santa Anna are sponsoring a Toy Drive to collect toys for needy children. They are looking for new or good used toys. If you are unable to supply a toy they will accept cash donations.

Toys may be dropped off at Holt's General Store and those wishing to sign up for Christmas

toys for children may do so at Holt's also. Delivery will be made on December 23.

The youth are also selling chances for a "Furby". Chances are 1 for a \$1.00 or 6 for \$5.00. Money raised will go toward toys for the toy drive. The "Furby" will be given away on December 23.

Council Hears Questions On Burn Ban; Also Unkept Vacant Houses

The City Council meeting held Tuesday night was pretty much routine even though the posted agenda listed an executive session for discussion of Police Department personnel.

According to Mayor Karen Morris, the executive session was held in order to clear up some questions and no action was taken as a result of the discussion.

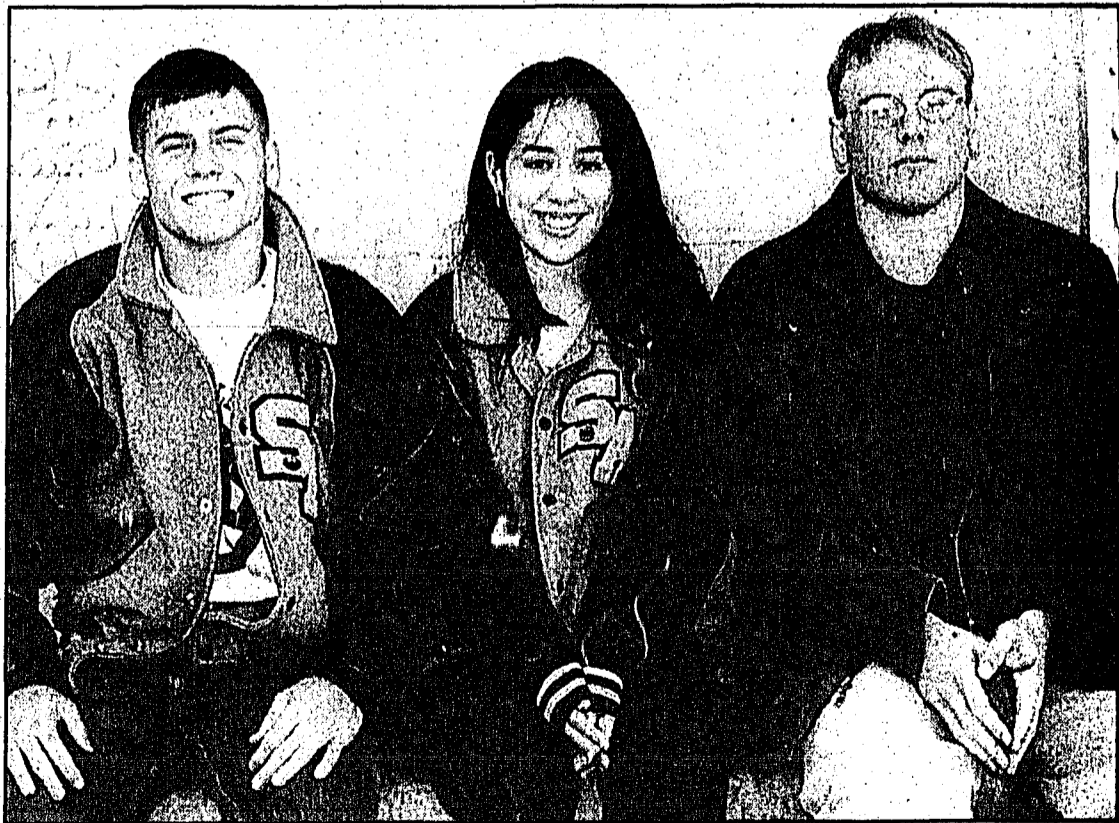
A citizen requesting permission to burn some brush and debris was again told the Council will seek the advice of Fire Chief David Huggins to set up criteria for granting occasional variances to the burn ordinance.

Following questions from a citizen regarding unkept vacant houses and unsightly vacant lots the council advised it would begin more forceful enforcement of an ordinance regarding that situation. The council indicated that if owners do not pay fines imposed, they may have to serve jail time.

In his maintenance report, Superintendent of Operations Doug Watson said that the City's pump at Lake Brownwood was out and had been taken to Waco for what may be considered as routine repair.

The Council granted a request from the Chamber of Commerce to

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Three SAHS Seniors Receive All-Tourney Honors

Santa Anna High School seniors Clay Crossley, Maria Ellerbe and Jesse Goodman were named to the All-Tournament team following the Santa Anna Booster Club Classic held last weekend in Perry Gym. SAHS boys placed second in the tournament.

Santa Anna — A Town Of Friendly People

Saying "Hello" to Willie Mae (Cruger) Skinner of Danison, Mich.

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SERIES SEVEN OF TEN: "FESTIVAL FEVER"

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Match wits with "HyperTex"! He knows everything about Texas...do you?
Test your Texas know-how by answering the 10 questions below.
Some are tougher than you think!

Answer all 10: You're a Texas star!
Answer 7-9: You're elected sheriff!
Answer 3-6: Proud to call you partner!
Answer less than 3: You must be from Oklahoma!

1. Where would you see the Paseo Del Rey, Battle of Flowers Parade and Fiesta Flambeau all in one week?
2. In what Texas city is every week rodeo week?
3. Where is Chilympfad, the Texas official state champion chili cookoff, held each September?
4. What Texas city hosts the State Championship Frog Jumping Contest in July?
5. Every August, Wichita Falls draws thousands of cyclists for its annual bicycle race. What is the name of that race?
6. What Texas city annually hosts Sparramarra, an event that includes recipe-sharing, Spam dish contests and food sports?
7. Where would you go to participate in the annual hummingbird festival?
8. Every January in San Antonio, a Mud King and Mud Queen are crowned for what festival?
9. This Texas town honors its native, the late pop legend, Roy Orbison, in a festival every June.
10. What Texas city hosts the world's largest rattlesnake roundup every March?

BONUS QUESTION (for the title of Cattle Baron): What Laredo festival lasts for ten days and is celebrated both in Texas and in Mexico?

To find out the answer to the Bonus Question, and learn more about Texas destinations, events and trivia, go to www.travelstx.com and click on "Let's Ride." For a free Texas Travel Guide, call

1-800-888-TEX

Check It Out

By Alice Anna Spillman

The Texas State Library is encouraging each library to stress reading as a family. This library will have people reading stories on Saturday, December 12. We invite boys and girls to bring their brother and sister, mother and father. Come listen to a story. One of the Christmas favorites. Then go home and read together each day during your holiday. There's an announcement in this paper with more information. Don't miss the parade and our stories.

During the Christmas season come in to see the Nativity that Nell Myers has put on the round table. She made each piece and they are wonderful. The colors, textures and faces are like nothing you have seen. Nell is a blessing to this library.

Call before you come in on Thursday. There is a regional meeting at Coleman. We are expected to attend and learn about plans for the year 2000. Perhaps someone can be here, but call to see.

The library has received a copy of the Who's Who Among American High School Students in Texas for 1997. Haven't checked to see if SAHS has anyone. Do you know? Come Check It Out.

Mrs. Robert Barstow brought a sack and a box of large print Readers Digest magazines. If you have a shut-in or a person with poor sight who needs these, check, some will be available.

Large print books are one of our most called for items. If you know any to give away, send them this way. Seems people around here either want paperbacks or these large prints.

I find it encouraging that a high school student was in looking for one of the great classics *Great Expectations* by Charles Dickens.

An adult wanted a poem written by John Donne and another checked out a book about English literature. Maybe TV isn't as interesting as it once was. Did you know that adults average reading one book a year? Some people must never read because we have lots of friends who read hundreds. Have you read even one book this year?

Coleman County Court Report

Coleman County Judge Sherrill Ragsdale reported the following court action during the month of November:

Linda Nell Malone pled guilty to Possession of Marijuana and was assessed a fine, court costs, probation and community service.

Augustine Lopez Escobar pled not guilty to Assault and was released on bond.

Clifford Daniel Kirkpatrick pled true on a Motion to Revoke Probation and was assessed a jail term.

Guy Scott Watts and Sandra Watts pled not guilty to Possession of Marijuana and were released on bond.

Rebecca Dorene Ingerson and Brent Cordell Ingerson pled guilty to Possession of Marijuana and were assessed a fine, court costs and placed on probation.

Darrell Wayne Woodcox pled not guilty to Possession of Marijuana and the charge was dismissed.

Matthew Wayne Parks pled guilty to Assault and was assessed a fine, court costs and a jail term.

Mandy Milligan pled guilty to Possession of Marijuana and was assessed a fine, court costs and placed on deferred adjudication probation.

Preview of the 76th Session Of The Texas Legislature

By State Representative Bob Turner

On Jan. 12, 1999, the 76th Texas Legislature will be officially in session. Legislators will be back in Austin with many issues on the table, including the state's budget surplus, electric industry restructuring and reforming the state tax system. In just 180 days legislators will chart the course for Texas until 2001.

The state's budget surplus is conservatively projected to be in the neighborhood of \$3 billion. The budget surplus should make for a unique session in that during the recent past the legislature has been forced to make budget cuts, in contrast the surplus will bring with it an unprecedented wish list for

First Baptist Church Adult IV Class Enjoys Mexican Supper

Contributed
The Adult IV Class of First Baptist Church met Friday evening, December 4, for a Mexican supper and gift exchange. Christmas decorations were used in the Fellowship Hall of the Christian Life Center.

Those attending were Warren and Marion Aldridge, Carlyle and Evelyn Howard, Carl and Jean Langford, Alwyn and Sam Jacobs, C. and Barbara Jones, Royce and Wanda McIver, Sam and Imogene Powers, Robert and Mary Smith, Ron and Wanda Lewis, Raymond and Lodema Jones, Marly and Donna Reed, Pat Bell, Lula Havner and Ruby Hosch.

Rockwood Women's Club Makes Christmas Wreaths

Contributed
The Rockwood Women's Club met at the Rockwood Community Center on Tuesday, November 24. Vera Faye Wise brought the club to order and LaNell Brusenhan led in the pledges to the U. S. and Texas flags.

Bettie Duus read the minutes from the last meeting and gave the treasurer's report. They were approved as read. Faye and LaNell each read a thought for the day.

During the meeting, we discussed folding doors and where to get them. We also discussed our Christmas party for next month.

We made Christmas wreaths out of rope, grapevines or bought wreath frames and decorated them in our own fashion.

Rose Cooper was hostess and served refreshments to Vera Faye Wise, Bettie Duus, Peggy Flynn, Minnie Bray, Claudia Rutherford, LaNell Brusenhan and a visitor Mrs. Bill Mueller of San Antonio.

Memorials To Santa Anna Cemetery

The Santa Anna Cemetery Association has received the following memorials and donations: Memorials have been received in memory of Lucille Wylie from Era Walters and Derriel and Polly Warnock.

A donation was received from Frances Pearce.

Memorials or other donations may be sent to Santa Anna Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 97, Santa Anna, Tx. 76878

spending by special interest groups. The governor, house, and senate will spend a great deal of time negotiating the allocation of these monies. As you know, the governor has made it his priority to use the surplus for a \$2 billion reduction in property taxes similar to the one the legislature passed in 1997. It will be my priority, along with State Senator Steve Ogden, to see a small portion of the budget surplus used to implement the proposed state agriculture cost sharing program for those in production agriculture devastated by the 1998 drought. A portion of the surplus is also being proposed to give classroom teachers a pay raise. This proposal has support from Governor Bush, Senator Teel Bivins who chairs the Senate Education Committee and Lt. Governor Perry.

Deregulation of industries has been one of the biggest changes in government policy this decade. In Texas, we have seen the telephone, railroad and trucking industries opened to competition. And now, the legislature will be facing the next major move to open another long-time regulated industry to competition, retail electric power.

During the 1997 session of the Texas Legislature a bill to bring competition to the electric industry failed. The groups on both sides of this issue have since come together and developed compromises on how Texas can restructure this industry. With their differences aside, former adversaries from the 1997 session will come as allies in 1999 to ask the Texas Legislature for competition in the retail electric industry. For those of us who represent rural legislative districts this raises a big question: If the legislation to re-

structure the electric industry is successful, hopefully certain provisions will be made to ensure that everyone, including rural Texas, has an opportunity to benefit.

Most of the 1997 session was spent trying to develop a new taxing system for the state of Texas that would make public education less dependent on property taxes. However, the house and senate could not come to a compromise on the tax legislation before the legislature adjourned. During the 1998 interim, Speaker Laney continued the special committee he appointed to analyze the revise the governor's 997 tax plan. He asked the committee to provide the legislature with an in-depth study of the state's tax system, and make recommendations it felt would provide our state with a well-financed and fair system to finance public education. The committee's work will likely result in tax reform legislation. If tax reform legislation is the result, then much of this legislative session will once again be spent negotiating a new system of taxing.

In addition to these three major issues, many other issues will be before the legislature for consideration. Annexation, tougher sex offender laws, offering a life sentence without parole for capital murder, and county government's authority to regulate development outside of city limits to name a few. If these issues or others concern you, please call your state representative and senator. A public educated on the issues makes for a better state government.

Firemen Extinguish Fire On Santa's Sleigh During Coleman Parade

Santa Claus "aka Rev. Jeff Robinett of Coleman", elves Mary Griffin, Coleman Chamber of Commerce Manager and John Mark Weathered, chamber board member, Lori Needham, representing Coleman County State Bank, and Coleman firemen Gary Driskill, John Hensley and John Gregg were in their usual positions aboard the 1928 LaFrance Fire Truck for the annual Coleman Christmas Parade last Thursday evening.

Upon reaching the 300-block of Commercial near the J. C. Penney

building smoke began pouring out of the truck and lights began blinking as if shorting out.

Everyone immediately began piling off with Gregg and Hensley grabbing hoses and extinguish the blaze. No flames were located and it was determined the radiator hose had broken and water landing on the hot motor created the smoke.

Santa Claus and elves climbed on another fire truck and continued with the parade.

Parade winners were: Float Division: 1st Coleman Police Department; 2nd Leaday Baptist Church; and 3rd Coleman Kiwanis Club.

Decorated Vehicle: 1st Coleman Head Start; 2nd Brooks Farm of Hawley; 3rd Coleman Head Start

Walkers and bicycles: 1st Jorie Nanny of Valera; 2nd Charlotte Springer of Santa Anna; 3rd Holiday Hill Nursing Home

Thank You
To all our friends for all their kindness and sympathy at this sad time.
The Family of Lucille Wylie
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COW POKES

By Ace Reid



"Well, ole cow, I reckon the joke's on me. I thought you were somethin' else."

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Fellowship Club Holds Christmas Party Meeting

Contributed
The Fellowship Club met Sunday, December 6 at the home of Mrs. Joy Benjamin. This was the meeting for our Christmas Party where each member brought gifts and good.

Most of the members were absent due to illness.

Songs were sung and talks were given. Prayer was led by Mrs. Ruby Edwards and scripture was read by Mrs. Benjamin from Psalms 39, four verses.

The next meeting will be in Santa Anna at the home of Mrs. Barton on the first Sunday in January.

City Council

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close Second Street between Wallis and Santa Fe for a while on Saturday. This would allow a safe place for people to visit a longhorn steer for picture opportunities following the Christmas parade.

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Jack Kingsbery Pens Book On Anecdotes In Ranching

What started as a "continuing education" course in creative writing for Santa Anna native Jack Kingsbery evolved into a book of short stories just off the press. Entitled "Cowboy Wrecks & Rattlesnakes" the book includes the stories that were published in the Santa Anna News earlier this year. Some excerpts have been published in *The Cattleman* and *The Beefmasters* magazines.

You'll be glad Kingsbery survived his wrecks to write this fascinating collection of true stories about the life of a South Texas cowboy and rancher, spanning eight decades of Texas ranch life. Kingsbery says that besides roping calves, he has lassoed a javelina, coyote and a big buck. "I roped that deer on a sudden impulse, but at least I can say I roped a deer," he wrote of the animal he later released.

These are a few of his stories that will make you sore...*The World's Slowest Horse Race; Buford the Javelina; The Best Horse I Ever Owned; Love, War & Cattle Prices; Wild Steers In A Garage;* and many more.

The writer, who is married to the former Evelyn Bruce, also of Santa Anna, drew on his lifetime experience of "cowboying", from his childhood days in the Leedy Community, south of Santa Anna to the present. "I wrote everything in long hand and Evelyn typed them on a PC. An English teacher, she also corrected my grammar mistakes," Jack said. The stories are some to which any rancher or cowboy can relate—the wrecks and near-wrecks that can occur when work-

ing livestock or dealing with the industry.

The Kingsberys live in Crystal City where they are still active in ranching in the "brush country", raising registered Beefmaster cattle. For many years he also raised horses and until this year owned and operated Kingsbery Manufacturing Co. in Crystal City. They are both active in civic and church activities in the community.

The Kingsbery's son, Bob, a writer in his own right who has published several books on cattle-raising practices and is in demand as a speaker for agricultural seminars, put Jack's stories in book form. "Bob was the one who kept pushing me and he had the experience to put it all together," Kingsbery said of the 145-page paperback that has a subtitle of "Tales of a Texas Brush Country Rancher." Copies of the book are available through Kingsbery Communications, P. O. Box 12247, Mill Creek, Washington 98082.

A book-signing party will be held Friday, December 11 at the Holiday Inn Express Airport in San Antonio from 2 to 7 p.m.

Delta Omicron Plans Senior Citizen Christmas Party Dec. 17

Contributed
Delta Omicron Sorority will hold its annual Senior Citizens Christmas Party on Thursday, December 17 from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. at the Santa Anna Community Center.

Refreshments will be served and a drawing for a special Christmas Gift will be held.

We invite all Senior Citizens to attend and share in the food and fellowship.

Rockwood Christmas Party To Be Held Saturday, Dec. 12

Contributed
The Rockwood Women's Club will sponsor a Christmas Party Saturday, December 12 at the Rockwood Community Center. It will start at 6:30 p.m.

Turkey and dressing, bread and drinks will be furnished, you may bring a covered dish, a salad or a dessert.

Instead of exchanging gifts this year, bring a white elephant gift for bingo prizes and bring a food gift for a charitable organization such as Fishes and Loaves. If all the bingo prizes aren't used they will be given to a rest home or some charitable organization.

We hope to see you there. So keep December 12 in mind.

Everyone is invited.

New Government Internet Service Affects Millions

FALLS CHURCH, VA: At 10:30 a.m. at December 2, a "switch" was thrown, giving millions of young men an easier way to fulfill a civic and legal responsibility. As of that moment, 18 through 25-year-old male U. S. citizens everywhere (as well as male non-citizens residing in the U. S.) were able to register with the Selective Service System using the Internet.

Although the U. S. relies on an all-volunteer military today, the Selective Service System and the registration program help American remain prepared to reinstate a timely and fair draft in a future crisis, should a draft become necessary.

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Dear Editor

I want to thank the people of Texas for the great honor and privilege of serving in the Texas Legislature, as Railroad Commissioner, and finally as Comptroller of Public Accounts. Ours is a unique and mighty state that is special in every sense of the word.

Those of us who have had the privilege of running for and serving in statewide office have a special appreciation for the diversity, beauty and majesty of the Lone Star state.

You have given me the opportunity to make a positive difference in this state and I will always be thankful for that. Although my race for Lieutenant Governor was not successful, it does not diminish the thankfulness and appreciation I have for the people of our great state.

On behalf of my family and myself, I thank you all for the opportunity you have me to serve Texas.
JOHN SHARP
Comptroller of Public Accounts

Although I've lived in Pennsylvania some 53 years now, I still enjoy the Santa Anna News. I especially enjoyed the articles sent in by Jack Kingsbery.

I miss seeing the Cleveland and Whon news item but still enjoy the "Trickham Tidbit".

Keep up the good job of publishing the Santa Anna News.

Most sincerely,
Fleda Perry Asta

CAP High School Plans Open House Thursday Evening

In recognition of Parent's Day, CAP High School invites the community to an Open House on December 10 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. CAP is located on Farm Road 503, three miles north of Valera.

Eden Pesticide Recertification Training Set

By Jeffrey Osbourne
County Extension Agent-Agriculture

Pesticide applicators can earn five (5) Continuing Education Units (CEUs) during a special pesticide recertification training set for Tuesday, December 15 in Eden's Multi-Purpose Center. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. The program runs from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

The Extension-sponsored training includes five hours of credit: 1 in Laws and Regulations, 1 in Drift Minimization, and 3 in Integrated Pest Management.

Cain Cline, Area Texas Department of Agriculture Inspector at San Angelo will open the training with a session on Laws and Regulations. A team of County Extension Agents (Jerry Kid, McCulloch County, Terry Millican-Menard County and Lance Rasch-Concho County) will give instruction on minimizing drift through proper nozzle selection. Dr. Michael Masser, Extension Fisheries Specialist at College Station will close the morning session with "Control of Aquatic Weeds for Renovation of Existing Stock Tanks".

A catered lunch will be served on-site at noon.

The two afternoon speakers and their topics will be: "Pasture Weed and Brush Control-Chemical Selection of Targeted Plants" by Dr. Allan McGinty, Extension Range Specialist-San Angelo and "Integrated Pest Management Decisions and Insect Identification" by Dr. Chris Sansone, Extension Entomologist-San Angelo.

The training will conclude with the distribution of CEU certificates.

Registration for the training is \$10.00 per person. The fee includes the price of the noon meal. Those interested should RSVP by December 11 by calling any of the following Texas Agricultural Extension Service offices: Concho County, McCulloch County or Menard County.

Seating is limited to 120 persons.

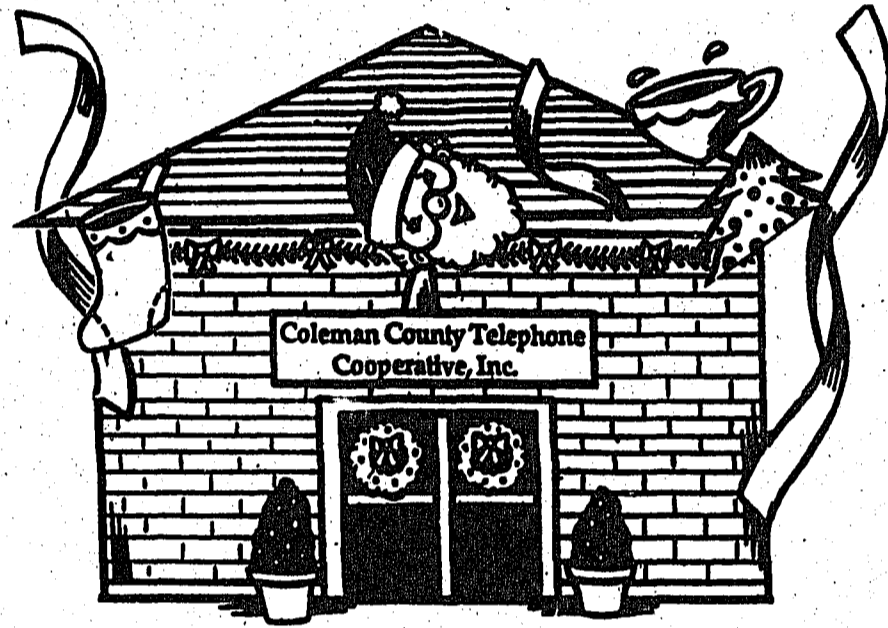
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News For And About Santa Anna Mountaineers



SAHS Basketball News, Tournament Results

LADY MOUNTAINEERS TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1

The Lady Mountaineers traveled to Lohn for non-district competition. The shots didn't fall and fouls became a problem for Santa Anna as they fell to Lohn 28-43.

Scoring was as follows: Mackenzie Johnson 6; Buffy Martin 6; Davia Rankin 5; Maria Ellerbe 5; Sabrina Martin 4; and Andrea Siller 2.

BOOSTER CLUB CLASSIC: 1st: Panther Creek; 2nd Jim Ned JV; and consolation: Ballinger JV THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3

In the first game for the Lady

Mountaineers, they faced an aggressive Jim Ned JV team and really struggled with turnovers. The final score ended up 35-70 in favor of Jim Ned JV.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4

For the second game, Santa Anna met Sidney for the second time this season.

Coach Cristy Isenhower said, "We struggled in the first quarter but then played pretty closely with them for the rest of the game. We outscored them 18-13 in the second half, but they had a 12-point lead at the half so they ended up on top 41-34. Our girls have improved a lot. Last time Sidney beat us by 29

points. I was very proud of the way we played them this time."

Total points for the two games combined were: Davia Rankin 12; Mackenzie Johnson 8; Jaci Kuykendall 14; Sabrina Martin 6; Andrea Siller 1; Maria Ellerbe 20; Jenna Hensley 1; and Buffy Martin 7.

ALL TOURNAMENT: Maria Ellerbe

MOUNTAINEERS: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1
Santa Anna 58
Lohn 53

(OVERTIME)
Scoring:
Brian Coyle 2 points; 1 steal
Clay Crossley 11 points; 5 rebounds; 4 steals

Chris Boyet 7 points; 7 rebounds; 2 steals
Jesse Castillo 18 points; 9 rebounds; 2 steals

Brent Beal 10 points; 3 rebounds
Chris Powell 2 points; 2 rebounds
Jesse Goodman 8 points; 23 rebounds

BOOSTER CLUB CLASSIC THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3

Santa Anna 64
Jim Ned JV 50

Scoring:
Brian Coyle 2 points; 1 rebound; 1 steal
Clay Crossley 15 points; 1 rebound; 8 steals

Chris Boyet 14 points; 4 rebounds; 1 steal
Jesse Castillo 8 points; 10 rebounds; 2 steals

Brent Beal 11 points; 7 rebounds; 1 steal
Chris Powell 2 points; 5 rebounds; 1 steal

Jesse Goodman 12 points; 12 rebounds
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4
Santa Anna 59
Panther Creek 43

Brian Coyle 4 points; 2 rebounds; 1 steal
Clay Crossley 10 points; 3 rebounds; 2 steals

Chris Boyet 13 points; 8 rebounds; 3 steals
Jesse Castillo 8 points; 6 rebounds; 1 steal

Brent Beal 10 points; 7 rebounds
Chris Powell 6 points; 7 rebounds

Jesse Goodman 8 points; 16 rebounds; 2 steals



SAHS "A" Honor Roll Students Recognized

Santa Anna High School students who were listed on the "A" Honor roll for the second six weeks of the school year were recognized in assembly recently and received an achievement certificate. Recognized were bottom, Jenna Hensley, freshman; Chrystal Pelton, sophomore; and Logan Brown, sophomore; and top, Jaci Kuykendall, sophomore; Jennifer Johnson, senior; Randa Watts, senior; Steffany Fitzpatrick, junior; and Buffy Martin, sophomore.

J. J. Beloit 1 rebound SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5

Santa Anna 39
Coleman JV 44

Scoring:
Brian Coyle 1 rebound; 1 steal
Clay Crossley 8 points; 1 rebound; 3 steals

Chris Boyet 1 points; 7 rebounds; 4 steals
Jesse Castillo 4 points; 4 rebounds; 4 steals

Brent Beal 7 points; 1 rebound
Chris Powell 3 points; 1 rebound

Jesse Goodman 6 points; 9 rebounds; 2 steals
Santa Anna finished second in Tournament

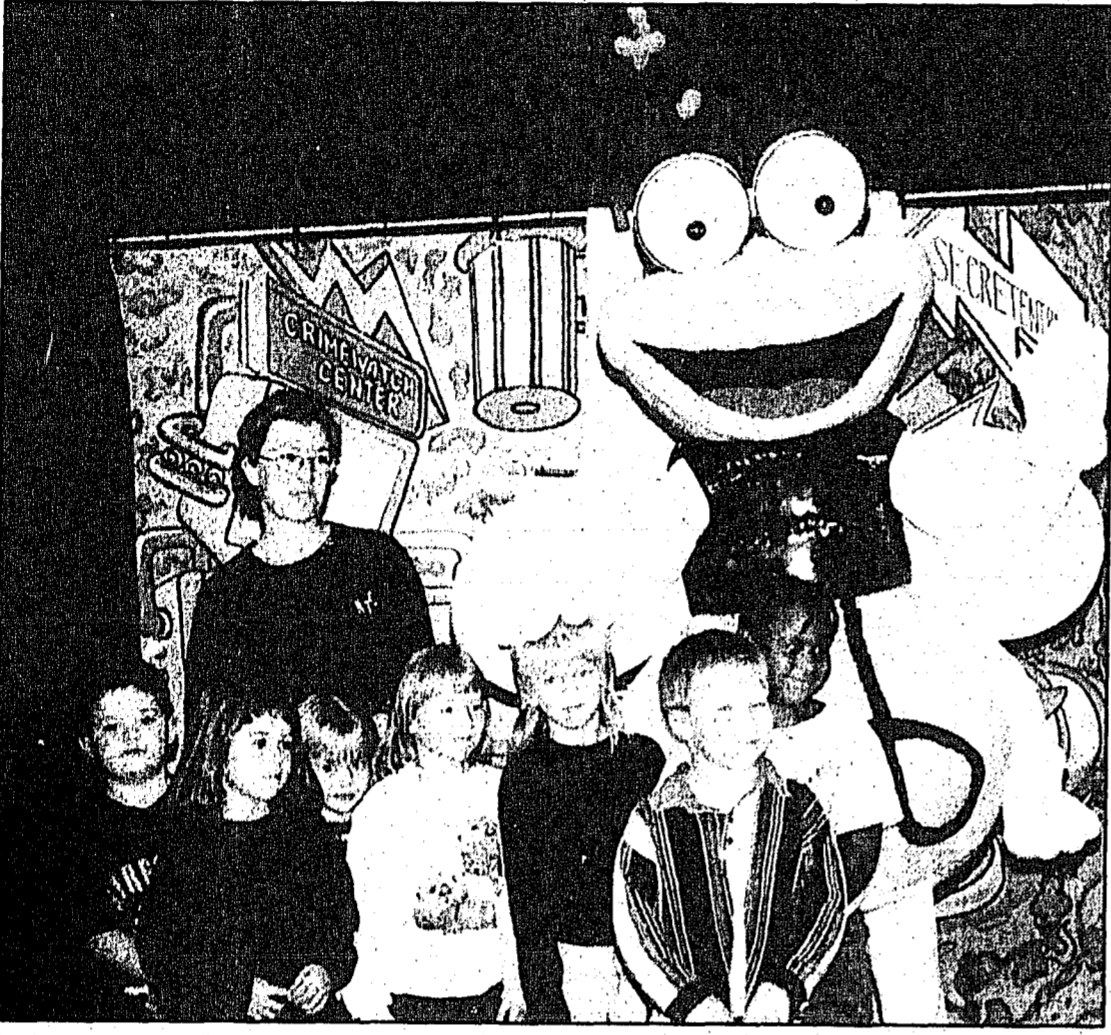
ALL TOURNAMENT Jesse Goodman and Clay Crossley

Little Dribblers Registration To Be Held Saturday

In an effort to try to avoid the ever present conflict with baseball/softball we will be starting the season a little earlier. Registration for the 5-6 grade girls and boys will be held on Saturday, December 12, at 12 noon. Registration forms will be sent to school. Cost will be \$10 per child.

Coaches for the 5-6 grade will stay much the same as last year, however, coaches and assistant for the 3-4 grade are needed.

Sooo...Moms and Dads start considering!!! In one way or another, this is a FAMILY AFFAIR.



Louie Lightning Bug Visits At School

Louie Lightning Bug and friend visited on Monday with kindergarten, first and second graders at Santa Anna Elementary. They presented a program which was brought to the youth by West Texas Utilities. Louie discussed safety with and around electricity.

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School Menu

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14
Breakfast: Cinnamon roll
Lunch: Chili and beans, mexican salad, cornbread or crackers and peppers

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15
Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, toast and jelly
Lunch: Cheese nachos, refried beans, toss salad w/dressing, peppers and picante sauce

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16:
Breakfast: Pancakes and syrup
Lunch: Salisbury steak, green beans, hot rolls, steamed rice, brown gravy and honey

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17
Breakfast: Biscuits, sausage gravy and jelly
Lunch: Turkey and dressing w/gravy, whipped sweet potatoes, english peas, hot rolls, cranberry jello w/fruit and honey

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18
Breakfast: Malt o meal, toast and jelly
Lunch: Ham and cheese sandwiches w/lettuce, potato chip and rice krispie treat

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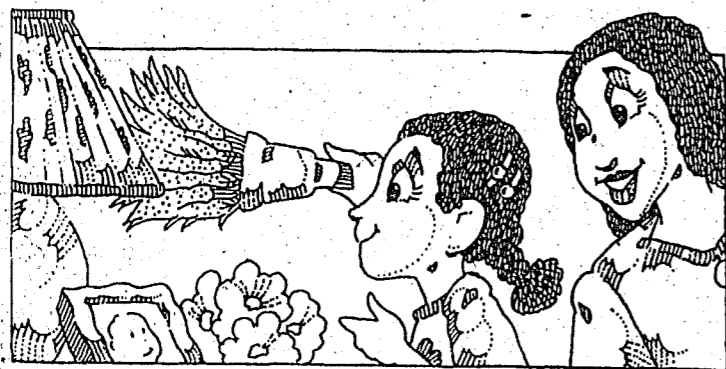
READING READINESS

Encourage Your Child to Tell the Story as You Read

A big part of reading is following a story. There are lots of fun ways you can help your child learn this skill. At the library, check out some books

with only pictures. Ask your child to tell the story. In regular books, encourage your child to ask questions about what is going on. Ask him questions too. For example, "Why did the third

pig choose bricks for his house?" Source: Evelyn Petersen, "Teaching Children an Appreciation of Reading," ParentTalk newsletter, The National Reading Center, <http://www.nrc.com/parenttalk/preschoolers/presch35.html> (8/98).



Build Responsibility at Home By Providing Jobs for Your Child

A child can't learn to be responsible unless she has things to be responsible for. Your child can probably do much more than you think. It may take longer, and you may have to do some clean up. But that's a small price to pay for her personal growth and self-esteem.

Toddlers and preschoolers love to help out with household chores. Let them do as much as they want, as long as it is safe. They can learn to make beds, dust, and take dirty clothes to the hamper, for example.

If a child wants to do a task that is clearly beyond him, don't say, "you can't." Instead, try to find some way to involve him in the job. Let him watch you, or take turns. After some practice, let him try on his own, with your supervision.

Give your child "real things," such as dinner plates and appropriate tools. She can learn to care for them.

Source: Christine Olson Gedy, "Guiding Principles," an article based on the principles of the Montessori Foundation, on the Sesame Street Parents Website, <http://www.cw.org/> (8/98).

Trickham Tidbits by Anna York

Rev. Clyde Majors brought a good sermon Sunday morning at church. His scripture was taken from Luke cp. 8:39 vrs. After church and his wife visited a while with Mrs. Florence Stearns.

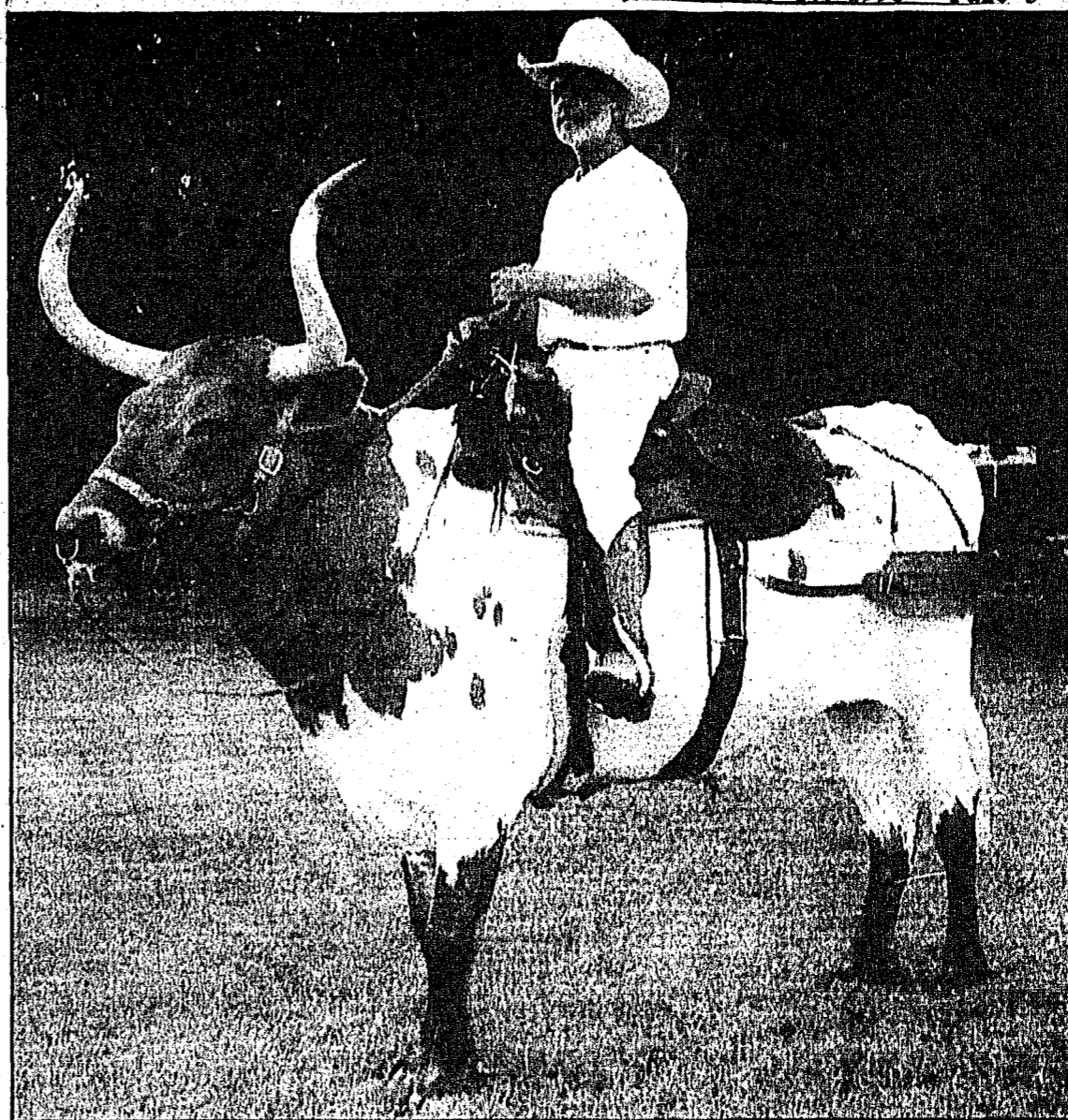
Royce and Wanda McIver returned to their home on Wednesday after spending two days at Lubbock where they attended the state convention for the Farm Bureau. They report that they are proud of a new little granddaughter named Madelyn Nicole Smith, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Smith of Wisconsin.

Talmadge and Laverne McClatchy met Joel and Diane McClatchy of Rockwall at the Section Hand Restaurant in Brownwood Tuesday evening for dinner and visiting.

Bettie Martin visited with her mother Mary Crawford in Brownwood Saturday. Rev. and Mrs. Clyde Majors and Mrs. Gertrude Martin were luncheon guests of Bettie and Felton Sunday.

Natalie McIver along with other ladies of the Brownwood Women's Club worked with the tour of homes Sunday.

Leona Henderson visited Sunday afternoon with Novella Stearns.



"Buster", Texas Longhorn Steer, Will Be Here Saturday For Parade And Pictures

Buster is saddle broke to ride and lives in southern Jones County, just a few miles north of Abilene. Born June 1, 1988, Buster now weighs approximately 1700 lbs. Buster, with owner Kelly Lambert, will be in the Santa Anna Christmas Parade Saturday. After the parade, Buster will be on Second Street between Wallis and Santa Fe so you or your children can have pictures made riding the huge animal. This event is sponsored by the Santa Anna Chamber of Commerce.

Red Cross Teaches CPR, First Aid Class At School Students

Two members of the Abilene Red Cross were in Santa Anna recently where they taught a CPR and First Aid class to members of Santa Anna High School Health Occupations Classes, a number of the staff and faculty at the school and members of the community. Jesse Castillo is shown applying a bandage to the arm of Dustin Maedgin during the class.

Jerry Haynes of Odessa visited with her mother Ilene Haynes in Santa Anna and Thursday he and Ilene along with Reba and Elvis Cozart and Lois and Frank Wallace all had lunch together. Billy Joyce and Gene Deal of Weatherford were Sunday afternoon visitors with Reba and Elvis.

Mrs. Zonell Hultz of Garland visited Wednesday morning with Annie Lou Vaughn. Others who dropped by were Tona Holland and children Jonathan and Charity and Reba Cozart. Saturday visitors were Rodney and Cella Guthrie and sons Gary and Mason of Bangs and Earlene Dockery.

Ladies that met at the community center to quilt were Reba Cozart, Ilene Haynes, Leona Henderson, Novella Stearns and Annie Lou Vaughn. They will not quilt anymore until after the holidays. There were fourteen present Thursday night for the eighty-four club meeting.

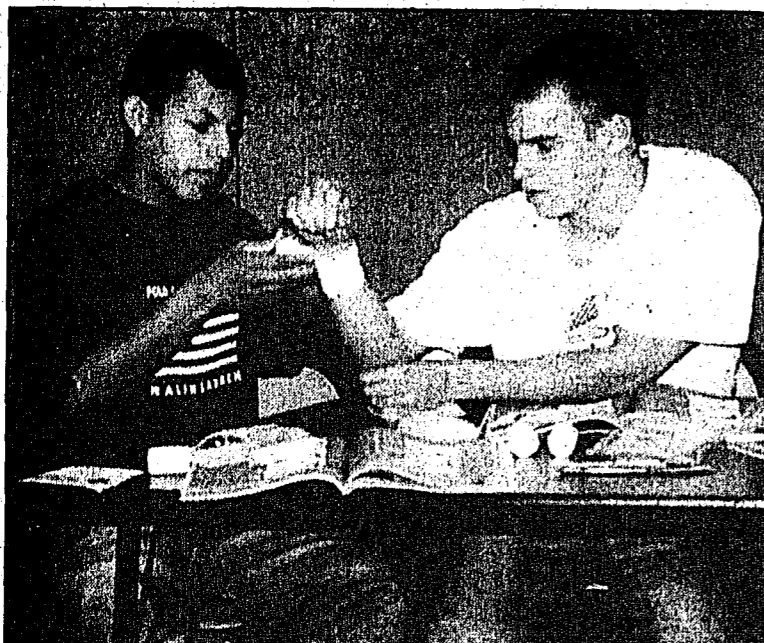
Alice Wells of Coleman spent Sunday with her mother Florence Stearns. Another daughter Verna Bolton has been in and out several times.

Mary Lou Jones and daughter Barbara Horner attended the tour of

homes in Brownwood Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Carlyle Howard and wife, Evelyn of the Whon Community were Friday visitors with Arvil and Verna Bolton.

Before plugging in new or used electrical decorations, do you carefully inspect each for potential hazards? Cracked sockets, frayed, loose or bare wires, and loose connections may cause serious electric shock or start a fire. Replace damaged items with new decorations that bear the UL Mark.



Santa Anna Livestock Show Set For Sat. Jan. 9

The Santa Anna Livestock Show has been set for Saturday, January 9 at the local show barn.

Pigs will be weighed in between 1 and 4:30 p.m. on Friday afternoon.

Rabbits and arrive will arrive at 7 a.m. on Saturday with rabbit judging to begin at 8 a.m. in the Ag Building.

Goat will show at 8:30 a.m. followed by lambs, steers and pigs.

A lunch break will be held from 12:00 noon until 1:30 p.m. with a barbecue lunch being served in the Ag Building.

At 1:30 p.m. the pig show will continue.

Judge will be Tracy Womack who is the Agriculture Science Teacher at San Saba.

Show superintendents will be Michelle Morgan, rabbits; Montie Guthrie and Rob Cheaney, goats and sheep; and Roddy Dean, swine. Gary York is the Santa Anna Agriculture Science Teacher and Jeffery Osbourne is the Coleman County Ag. Agent.

Santa Anna Livestock Association officers are Curtis Fellers, president; Donald Carter, vice president; Gay Martin, secretary; Rob Cheaney, treasurer; and Shirley Rankin, reporter.

Santa Anna FFA Members Attend District Banquet

Several Santa Anna FFA members attended the District FFA Banquet at Jim Ned High School on Monday, December 7. Attending from Santa Anna were FFA members Clay Crossley, Buffy Martin, Erwin Loyd, Sabrina Martin, Jala Rankin and Heather Bradley. Also in attendance were Becky Martin, Gail Loyd, Connie York and FFA Advisor Gary York.

This is an announcement to recognize all FFA members in the Big Country District FFA and also a time to gather to make new friends and have a good time together.

Santa Anna FFA received recognition for placing third at the District FFA Banquet in the Greenhand Quiz Contest held recently at Cisco Junior College.

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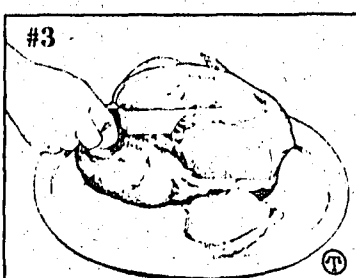
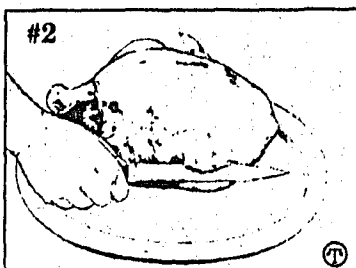
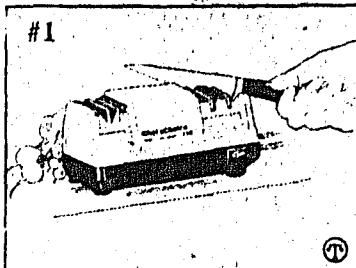
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• Younger turkeys have thinner skins that permit harmless oven gases to reach the flesh and cause a color change;

• The amount of fat in the skin also affects the amount of pink color in cooked meat;

• Poultry grilled or smoked outdoors can also look pink, even when well done.

Using a meat thermometer is the only way to be sure that the turkey has been cooked to a safe temperature. If the temperature of the turkey as measured by the thermometer placed in the thigh has reached 180°F, then the bird is done and safe to eat. If stuffed, the temperature of the stuffing should reach 165°F before it is removed from the cavity to be safe.

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"Consider keeping the focus simple on gift giving," said Marianne Gray, president of Consumer Credit Counseling Service, "the receiver will sense your kindness, and you won't feel overwhelmed about finances to enjoy the season."

CCCS offers these suggestions for last minute shoppers:

• Scale down your holiday gift list. Limit your purchases to family and close friends. Consider giving baked goods or inexpensive gift alternatives to others such as

neighbors or co-workers.

• Call ahead to save time and money. When looking for a specific gift, call stores to find out if they carry it. Read sales flyers for specials on the day you are going to shop and use the newspaper to comparison shop.

• Make expensive gifts look great with presentation. Dress up photos of family or children in handmade frames or make a photo calendar as a gift. Put gifts in baskets with ribbon woven through them. Use colorful tissue paper or cellophane for food gifts.

• Try to shop malls and shop early in the week. At such a late date, time is a necessity. Confine shopping to a location with a variety of stores so you won't waste

time and energy getting from place to place. On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, stores are less crowded than weekend.

• Involve guests when entertaining. Have everyone bring something; give everyone a "job" to help prepare dinner; or have an "open house" instead of a number of smaller dinner parties.

• Send gifts by the most inexpensive method. Compare mailing options and rates and be sure to allow enough time so that you can avoid overnight or express shipping.

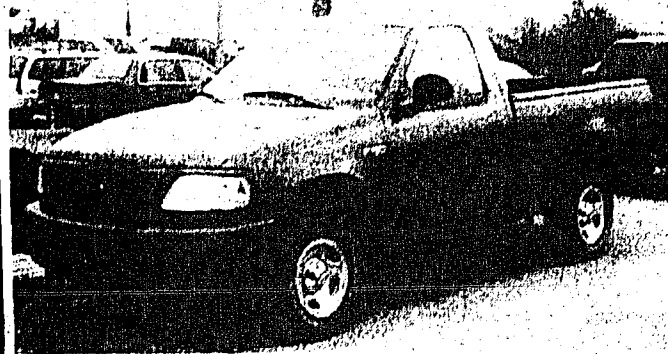
• Contact CCCS to set up a free budgeting counseling session or order a "Holiday Survival" kit if you feel that your holiday spending has gotten out of control at 1-800-374-2227.

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