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# MERRY CHRISTMAS



## Peace on Earth

Good will to all as we celebrate this sacred season together. Thanks to all.

### Staff and Correspondents

Joe - Lonnie - Herman - Estelle

#### LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa;  
I want a tent, Nerf Bow and Arrow set and Ninja Turtles 3, and I want the best gift ever for my mom, dad and my sister.  
And Jarassic Park movie and an Elf suit, hat and shoes and clothes and a new bear, and a bunch of snow this Christmas.  
Thanks,  
Seth W. Griffith

Dear Santa Claus;  
I want a present medicine baby, Ariel movie, dishes, baby Jesus movie, Barney movie, clothes for kid sister.  
Thanks Santa,  
Love, Tessia

Dear Santa;  
I want a horse to keep at my house a gentle mare. I also want a collector itme of horses and dogs.  
My mom wants dimon studs or shirp earrings or a Lorie Morgan tape or CD.  
My dad wants a John Deere Tractor and John Deer combine.  
My dogs want lots of snacks and goodies.  
Love, your friend,  
Mandy Warren  
P.S. Have a Merry, Merry Christmas

Dear Santa;  
How are you? I have been good.  
Please bring me some toys for Christmas. I would like a baby doll in a play pen, a little people's house, a baby doll stroller for two, a bride barbie, a barbie swimming pool and a Disney play set for Snow White.  
Please bring Sabrina something too. She has been good.  
Love,  
Clarissa Glasson

Dear Santa;  
My name is D. J. Brown. I am 7 years old. I live in Gorman, Texas on Roberts Street. I have been a good boy this year.  
Here is my Christmas list: Remote Control Car, Games for my Nintendo Match Box Cars and clothes.  
Thank you. I love you Santa.  
D. J. Brown

Dear Santa;  
My name is Jimmie Edward Murphy. I am 4 years old. I live in Gorman, Texas on McCall Street. I have been a very good boy this year.  
Here is my Christmas list: Talking Barney, Fire Truck, Cars, and clothes.  
Thank you. I love you Santa.  
Jimmie Murphy

Dear Santa;  
My name is Dezirae Murphy. I am 2 years old. I live in Gorman, Texas on McCall Street. I have been a good girl.  
Here is my Christmas list: Baby Playpen, Triplet Babies, Mickey Toy, and clothes.  
Thank you. I love you Santa.  
Dezirae Murphy

Dear Santa;  
I have been very good this year.  
Please bring me a new bike, pink and purple one to ride with my brother and my mom. Also I want a gum machine with lots of gum in it.  
We will have a snack for you when you come to our house. Be sure to wear a warm coat.  
Love,  
Tecia Jones

Dear Santa;  
Skylar wants me to tell you that he has been a good little boy and tries to love everyone.  
He would really like to have a play kitty with kittens that meao when he squeezes or kicks or sits on them. So the real kitty will get some relief.  
Love,  
Skylar Jones (by mom)

Dear Santa;  
My name is Kristina Turner. I am 10 years old. I am a 5th grader at Gorman Grade School. I live at 803 E. Hall St. in Gorman, Texas. I have been a good girl this year.  
Here is my Christmas list: computer, Cabbage Patch Baby that cries, Barbie Doll, style her hair, Mario game, perfection game and clothes.  
Thank you. I love you Santa.  
Kristina Turner

Dear Santa;  
I wit a baby doll.  
Siyros

Dear Santa;  
My name is Krista Brown. I live in Gorman, Texas on Roberts Street. I have been a good girl this year.  
Here is my Christmas list: Baby doll, bed for my babies, things for my baby dolls, and clothes.  
Thank you. I love you Santa.  
Krista Brown



Dear Santa;  
1. new dog bingo; 2. new Barbie Ken; 3. new pickup red; 4. new pickup red; 5. new minivan; 6. new shoes red; 7. new shoes blue; 8. new Thanksgiving good; 9. new bunk beds; 10. help my mama stop smoking; 11. cap gun.  
Ryan

Dear Santa;  
1. Fits her type; 2. Aladdin lamp; 3. Hollywood Hair; 4. Sally Secret; 5. pet rabbit.  
Hollyann

Dear Santa;  
I have been very good and my sister to, but please bring me a telescope and a computer and a superman suit and a train set too. Please bring me race cars and a football and pumpond games and a big wheel and keyboard. And moon shoes.  
Tak you. I will leve your milk and cookies.  
Love,  
Thomas

Dear Santa;  
I have been very good this year. I have been a good brother to Tecia and Skylar. I would really like you to bring me a Super Nintendo and a surprise for my stocking.  
Please bring my mom and dad something too.  
I'll see you nxt year.  
Love,  
Clint Jones

Dear Santa;  
I help that you can bring me a saga gennious and I want the highjacker.  
Rodney  
Dear Santa;  
I want a t and gone. It holds BBs and pellets. and bring me BBs and pellets.  
Thank you  
from Chad

Dear Santa;  
My name is Stormy. I have tried to be good. I hope you come to see me.  
I would like a baby checkup doll. Also I would like a big candy cane, a toy to ride. I would like some skates. Maybe a game.  
Thank you Santa.  
Love, Stormy



## Scott Bailey To Seek Reelection As County Judge



Judge Scott Bailey has authorized the media to announce that he is filing for re-election to the office of County Judge. In making the announcement, Bailey said, "If re-elected, I will continue to serve in a manner which reflects that our legal system is based on the principle that an independent, fair and competent judiciary will interpret and apply the Laws that govern us." Bailey is filing to run in the Democratic Primary and says that "he favors the democratic form of government where the majority governs and the minority is recognized and respected".

Judge and Mrs. Scott Bailey, their children, John and Melissa, wish to express their appreciation to the people of Eastland County for the opportunity to be of service to some of the finest and best people on God's great earth.

Respectfully,  
Scott Bailey  
Democratic Candidate  
for Eastland County Judge  
—GP—

### GETTING OLD AND LOOKING BACK

Seasons greetings to the following girls that were teens when I moved back to my hometown, Gorman.

At that time their names were Connie Park, Carolyn Clark, Lana Stacy, Jean Munn, Carole Rae Rankin and Jimmie Dee Belyeu. And I hope I didn't forget anyone.

These girls welcomed me back home and when my children were very small, helped me take care of them at the football games.

God bless you. Merry Christmas.  
Mildred Bennett

## Services For Glenn Jordan Held At Kokomo

Glenn O. Jordan, 68, of the Kokomo community, passed away on Sunday, December 12th in the Eastland Memorial Hospital after a sudden illness.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, December 14th at the Kokomo Baptist Church with Rev. Clarence Wilson officiating, assisted by Rev. Randy McDonald and Dr. Jimmy Nelson. Burial was in the Simpson Cemetery at Kokomo, directed by Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Glenn was born in O'Brien, Texas on July 20, 1925, and had lived in the Kokomo community since moving here at age 2 with his parents. He married Zelta Ruth Lewallen on October 18, 1946 in Eastland. He was a semi-retired farmer-rancher and had been employed as a fieldman by Southwestern Peanut Growers' Association for 15 years before retirement.

He was a veteran of World War II, serving with the U. S. Army in the Pacific Theater and Korea. He was a member of the Kokomo Baptist

## Kokomo F.C.E. Club Caters Rotary Banquet

The Kokomo Family Community Education Club catered the Christmas banquet for the Eastland Rotary Club on Monday, December 13th at 6:30 p. m. at the Kokomo Community Club House.

W. C. Hoffman, Jr. gave the invocation.

A delicious dinner of turkey, dressing, ham and all the trimmings was served buffet style. The tables carried out the Christmas theme.

Mrs. Marsha Carr was the M.C. for the program and exchange of Christmas gifts.

Club members and husbands who prepared and served the meal were Mr. and Mrs. Larry Strube, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Burreson, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bishop Mr. and Mrs. Cullen Rodgers, Mr. and Mrs. Oren Webb, Zelta Jordan, Velma Bennett, Jerry Koonce, Nancy Hendricks, Berniece Rodgers, Anna Laura Clearman, Johnnie B. Griffith and Naoma Morrow.

Reporter, Nancy Hendricks

Church where he served as treasurer for 35 years and as a deacon for 22 years.

He was preceded in death by a son, Teddy Jordan, in 1992, and by his parents, Jim and Clyde Jordan.

He is survived by his wife, Zelta Jordan of Kokomo; one daughter and son-in-law, Glenda and Bill Priest of Abilene; a daughter-in-law, Cindy Jordan of Portales, N.M.; one sister, Lurline Nelson of Carbon; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; a niece, a nephew, four aunts and several cousins.

Pallbearers were Bill Brown, Vernon Fields, Claude Fuller, Gene Snider, Kenneth Whitley and Glenn Glasson.

Honorary pallbearers were Cullen Rodgers, Wayne Eaves, Lester Seaton, E. G. Henderson, Jim Burleson and Larry Strube.

## Political Announcements

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County Judge:  
SCOTT BAILEY  
(Incumbent)

Congressman - 17th District:  
CHARLES STENHOLM  
(Re-Elect)

## Frankie Jo Shipman Hosts Edna Smith Class Party

On December 14th the Edna Smith Class of the First Baptist Church met with Frankie Jo Shipman for their class meeting and Christmas party. Her whole house looked like Christmas with tree, packages and all.

Each member brought a covered

**ROBINETT FAMILY EXPRESSES APPRECIATION**  
My family and I would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to everyone for the help you have given to us in so many ways following the recent loss of our home. It is a blessing to this community and to us to have friends and neighbors like you.

Hopefully, each of you will have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.  
May God's blessings be with every one.

DeWitt, Vicki, Nikki, Keltha and Derek Robinett

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dish so there was an abundance of food for everything Christmas. Bonnie Croft offered the blessing.

After dining we had our tree with lots of gifts for everyone. Also it was Beth Welch's birthday, so she was doubly blessed.

Frankie Jo led the devotional with prayer by Anna. Frankie Jo read the second chapter of Luke, then read a story from Mature Living Magazine. She asked each member to tell what Christmas was remembered most in our lives. Those were quite interesting.

Minutes were read and approved. All reports were given. Louise handed out our new yearbooks and the cover was beautiful, made by Eula Lee Mears. The books were dedicated to Neth Welch for faithfulness in teaching and our appreciation to her.

Before we said good night we were served pumpkin pie and cherry chocolate cake with coffee and punch. It was a beautiful party and everyone felt blessed for being there.

Those present were Beth Welch, Geraldene Wright, Louise Brown, Bonnie Croft, Anna Rush, Gladys Chambliss and hostess, Frankie Jo Shipman.

**CARD OF THANKS**  
Our sincere thanks, appreciation and gratitude to all of you wonderful people who are helping us get through this time of deep sorrow, at the loss of our dear loved one, Glenn Jordan, through your prayers, sympathy, love, cards, telephone calls, visits, beautiful flowers and memorials, all acts of kindness and concern shown to us. Because you care, our sorrow is made easier to bear.

A special thanks to Revs. Clarence Wilson, Randy McDonald and Dr. Jimmy Nelson for the comforting messages, the pianist, Juanita Fuller and the choir of the Kokomo Baptist Church under the direction of Woodrow Browning for the beautiful music that meant so much to our hearts; and to the pallbearers; and to all the friends and relatives who came to our home or the funeral home and to the service; to the staff of the Higginbotham Funeral Home; to those who prepared and served food at our home and the church; and to those who have helped with the livestock.

We are very grateful to all of you and your loving kindness will always be remembered. Our prayer is that God will bless each of you in a special way.

Zelta Jordan  
Glenda and Bill Priest and family  
Cindy Jordan and family  
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# HERITAGE MANOR NEWS

NANCY HENDRICKS - REPORTING

The monthly birthday party will be on Thursday, December 30th at 2 p. m. Honorees are Veno Hale, Garnett Adams, Garland Perry, Willie Wolfenbarger, Laverne Kennedy. Everyone is invited to attend.

Those visiting Effie Mae Brown were Mary Fickler of Desdemona, Louise Hollywood and David Camobell.

On Thursday evening Heritage Manor had an appreciation dinner honoring the Gorman Fire Department and a generous check thanking the fire department.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Gene Foster, Mr. and Mrs. George Simmons, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ervin. Also present were Joan Fraley, Frances Renehart, Janet Sanders and Glen Hamill.

Linda Baler of Galveston visited Cynthia Earles and Ina Mae Tarrance and her cousin, Ina Scitern.

On Friday Ina Scitern helped with bingo. Players were Cynthia Earles, Ora Mae Atchison, Emma Shugart, S. D. Gilmore, Ina Mae Johnson, Veno Hale, Ola Walker and Orlena Perdue.

We are happy to report G. O. Boyd has returned from the De Leon Hospital.

Those visiting Orlena Perdue were Pat Hagood, Nelda Mauney, Neva Robertson and Frances Warren.

On Friday those coming for the musical were B. M. and Ann Keith, Vivian and Raymond Hart, Tami Sanders, Roy Parker, Dewey Bailey and Joe O'Neal. Residents were Veno Hale, Ina Mae Tarrance, Lois Buchanan, Ruby Vandergriff, Theresa Parker, Cleo Clement, Effie Mae Brown, Cynthia Earles, Lovenia Blair, Dorothy Beaty, Ora Mae Atchison, Jess Roberts and Nancu Holloway.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Jones visited Eulon Perry.

On Saturday Rev. Jim Greer brought the devotional for Ruby Vandergriff, Veno Hale, Effie Mae

Brown, Cynthia Earles, Ora Mae Atchison, S. D. Gilmore, Emma Shugart, Ina Mae Johnson, Ina Mae Tarrance and Effie Mae Brown.

Juanita Fuller visited Lois Buchanan, Mary Choate, Lorene Jay and Theresa Parker.

At 10 a. m. on Sunday Rev. Ron Carroll taught the Sunday school lesson for Cynthia Earles, Veno Hale, Ina Mae Tarrance, S. D. Gilmore, Emma Shugart and Ora Mae Atchison.

Those visiting G. O. Boyd were Mr. and Mrs. Don Loudermilk and Freda VanZandt of Comanche, Venee and Paula Breeden of Arlington, Bill, Sheri, Ashley and Shannon Breeden, Butch and Brenda Boyd.

Those visiting Mary Choate and Stella Thurman were Odella and Emma Bethany of De Leon, Wynogene Brightwell, Durwood Webb, Zena Simpson and Odie Brightwell.

At 4 p. m. on Sunday those coming from the Church of Christ were Curtis and Meta Maness, Janda Taylor, Durwood Webb, Odie Brightwell, Bud and Dee Smithy, Zena Simpson, Eunice Love, Georgie and Frankie Stacy, Lorene Foster, Floydene Gilbert and Dora Faye Brewer.

Those visiting Emma Shugart and S. D. Gilmore were Idell Warren, Modess Burgess, Durwood Webb, Dixie Pack of Desdemona and Durwood Webb.

On Monday morning Ina Scitern helped residents address Christmas cards.

Those visiting Theresa Parker were Roy Parker, Pat Cornwell, Brent Lasater, Nancy Hendricks, Louise Hollywood, Effie Mae Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Woody Wislon, Mr. and Mrs. K. D. Hester and Mae Gibson of Mineral Wells, and Marge Duncan.

On Monday afternoon Ina Scitern helped with bingo. Players were Theresa Parker, S. D. Gilmore, Emma Shugart, Dorothy Beaty, Ola Walker, Ruby Vandergriff, Veno Hale, Effie Mae Brown- Ora Mae

Atchison and Ina Mae Johnson.

Those visiting Lorene Jay were Wanda Campbell of Austin, Mayvis, Brent and Jean Lasater.

On Tuesday at 2:30 p. m. those coming for the singing were Irene Hallmark, Melba Frasier, L. C. and Mary Lou Landers, Wanda Rainey, Faye Ables, Willo Rice, Denzel Ables, Hazel Campbell, Elizabeth Sandlin, Cricket Walker, Dorothy Light, Billie Stacy, Myrtle Hastings, Joanne Williams, Anna Rush and Myrtle Higgins.

Those visiting Varona Taylor were Bonnie Cox, Billy, Janda, Tracey and Steve Taylor, Bro. Curtis and Neta Maness, Paula Lewis, Megan, Scotty and Kevin and Nancy Hendricks.

Mrs. Betty Duke came and played the electric keyboard for Ora Mae Atchison, Ina Mae Tarrance, Cynthia Earles, Dorothy Beaty, Veno Hale, Rev. Marion Dennis, S. D. Gilmore, Emma Shugart, Jess Roberts, Laverne Kennedy, Ruby Vabdergriff, Garnett Adams and Cynthia Earles.

Those visiting Rev. Marion Dennis were Annie Dennis, Robert Abbott, Doyle Poyner, Billy Joe Dennis, Ruby Lee Kinser and Odie Brightwell.

We certainly appreciate the nice Christmas cards and postage stamps given by Mrs. Coleen Lamb.

Those visiting Marie Welch were Roger Carroll, David Price, Jeremy and Donna Parrigan.

On Wednesday Ina Scitern played volleyball with Varona Taylor, S. D. Gilmore, Emma Shugart and Ora Mae Atchison.

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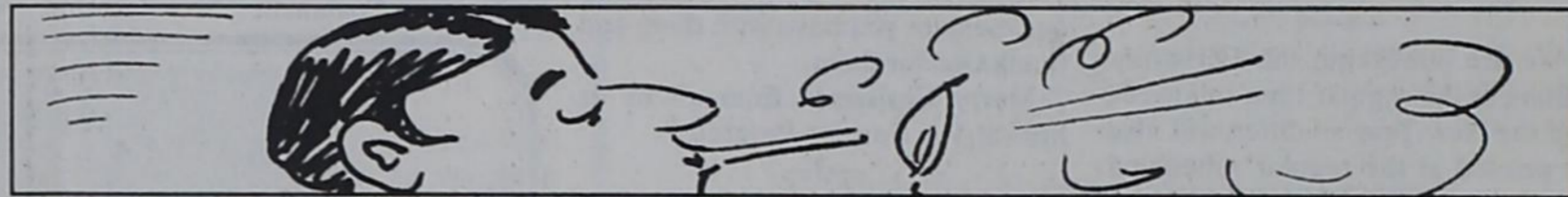
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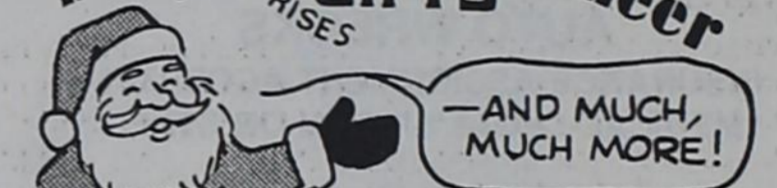
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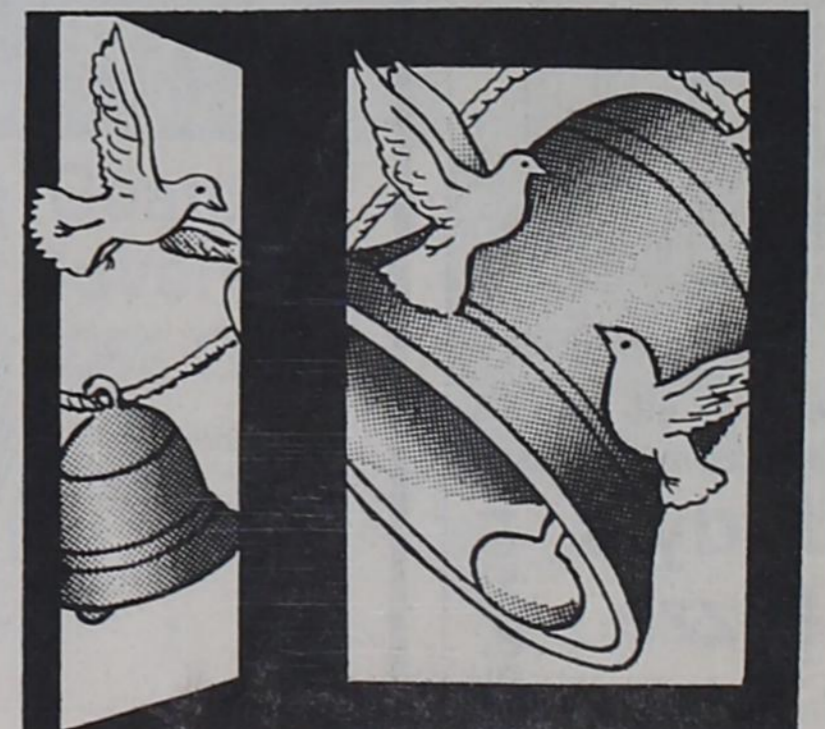


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We greet our friends and say thanks at this special time of year.

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**PEACE**

May all the joys of the Yuletide season be yours, good friends.

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**GP**  
**PRESS POINTS**  
JOE BENNETT - PUBLISHER

fall on. It sure does make it great when the holidays fall on the right days so it doesn't mess up the printing schedule for us.

—J—  
Lonnie and I wish to express our sincere appreciation to the advertisers in the Gorman Progress for making it possible for the paper to be printed another year. Without your great cooperation and fine support, the Progress could not survive. It continues to get harder and harder to keep the paper going with the loss of local advertisers. However, we will continue to try to publish "your hometown newspaper" as long as we can survive.

We sincerely hope and pray that you and your family have the greatest Christmas you have ever had and that you will enjoy the precious moments that you have with your family and loved ones. This is the most important thing about this joyous season of the year, being with your loved ones. You never think much about how important this really is until you lose a loved one. That is the time that you really find out just how important time together with the family is. So have a super Christmas and holiday season with your loved ones, enjoy every precious moment you have with them and thank God for them.

Merry Christmas from all of us here at The Gorman Progress.

—J—  
Received a couple of notes recent-

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The weatherman hit us with some fairly warm temps on Sunday, then here comes some of that "ole north wind and its suppoed to get "really cool" around about this week. Sure wish it would make up its mind to be warm or cold so folks could maybe shake this old bug that's going around. There are a lots of folks feeling rather sickly with colds, the bug, flu or something. I was hoping it would be good warm, clear weather for the holidays so folks could get out and go visit the folks or whatever if they wanted to. Maybe it won't get too bad.

—J—  
We are publishing the Christmas edition at the regular time this week and the New Year's edition will also be printed at the regular scheduled time because of the days the holidays

ly.  
Dear Joe,  
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—J—  
And remember to smile -- because God Loves You!

**Earl Redwine Buried On Sat.**

Earl Houston Redwine, 92, passed away Thursday, December 16th in a Ranger hospital.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Saturday in the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel in Gorman with the Rev. Sy G. Underwood officiating. Burial was in the Howard Cemetery near Desdemona. Born in Comanche, Mr. Redwine

**Mayvis Lasater Honored on 80th Birthday Dec. 5**

Mayvis Jay Lasater was honored on her 80th birthday December 5th at the Gorman Senior Citizens Center. The surprise celebration was hosted by her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Those hosting were Gene and Lou Rodgers; Terry, Linda, Catherine and Ross Weaver, Danny, Cindy, Ryan and Hillary Rodgers; Joe, Nicole and Jacob Rodgers of Midlothian; Brent, Jean and Brian Lasater of Gorman; Hal, Jo Rhea, Anthony and Jessica Lasater of Midlothian.

Family members enjoyed a dinner of turkey and dressing and all the trimmings. Family members were represented from the Jackson, Jay, Underwood and Lasater families. Approximately forty relatives were present.

After the noon meal a reception was held from 2 to 4 p. m. Many

was a farmer. He was a Methodist and was the widower of Iva Lavina Tresner Redwine.

Survivors include three sons, Curtis Redwine of Monahans, Grady Redwine of Grand Prairie and Floyd Redwine of Fort Worth; one daughter, Ruby Saint of Ranger; 18 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

friends came to wish Mayvis a very happy birthday. Many cards were received.

Thanks to all the guests who helped make the occasion a memorable event and to those who worked so hard to make it possible.

The Jackson family members present were Dorothy Jackson of Dallas, Fred and Margaret Jackson of Floydada, Jackie and Joellen Myrick Lori and Jessica McCullough of Midlothian.

Jay family members present were Hazel Handley of Clifton, Wanda Campbell of Austin, Thurman and Claudia Jay of Gorman, Bill and Donna Jay of Abilene, Phala Jay of Abilene, Mary and Lee McCormick of Gorman, Ann Jay of Gorman, and

Frances Warren of Gorman.

Lasater family members were Gene and Lou Rodgers of Midlothian Terry, Linda, Catherine and Ross Weaver of Midlothian, Danny, Cindy, Ryan and Hillary Rodgers of Midlothian, Joe, Nicol, and Jacob Rodgers of Midlothian, Brent and Jean Lasater of Gorman, and Hal, Jo Hrea, Anthony and Jessica Lasater of Midlothian, Annis Lasater of De Leon, and Irene Joiner of Dublin.

Underwood family members present were Jo Nell Leonard, Jerry Underwood, Floydene Gilbert of Gorman and Howard Hagood of Gorman.

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# KOKOMO NEWS

By Zelda Jordan

I sit at my typewriter with a broken heart at the loss of my dear, wonderful husband, Glenn Jordan, who passed away very suddenly on Sunday, December 12th. We had 47 wonderful years together and he was just the best Husband, Daddy and Pa-Pa there ever was and we miss him so very much. The family has such precious memories to draw strength from to help us get through this difficult time.

We know that he was a Christian and loved the Lord, and we will see him again when the Lord calls us home to be with him.

I want to thank everyone who has helped in anyway during this time, and ask God's richest blessings upon you all.

Out of town family and relatives who came to be with me were Bill and Glenda Priest of Abilene, Joe Miles of Groton, Conn., Jesame and Justin Miles of Lisbon, Ohio, Sheri and Wade Daniell of Abilene, Robert Diane and B. J. Miles of Abilene, Cindy, Kyle and Kayla Jordan of Portales, N.M., Danielia Priest and friend, Kevin and La Donna Priest of Stephenville, Jess and Lawrence Winn of Muleshoe, Arvel and Etta Lewallen of Lubbock, D. C. and Barbara Bell of Denver City, Wanda and James Ed Russell of Floydada, Jim Winn, Judy and Jacie Bruns and Audree Tipton of Lubbock; Carl (Bubba) Lewallen of Lewisville; Clifford and Lurline Nelson and Cassie Rasco of Carbon; Jimmy and Maggie Nelson of Stephenville, Tena Danley of North Richland Hills, Wordene and Clint Hawthorne of Dallas, Don and Ronnie Wharton of Fort Worth, Bob and Floy Lewallen of Odessa, Little Mae Brandon of Eden, June Lewallen of Brady, Gladys Garner and Emma Webb of Coleman, Avell Tedder of Dallas, Richard and Barbara Lewallen of Dallas, Doyle and Ruby Lewallen of Shamrock; Buddy and Eythel Lovell of Brownwood, Sheron Graham of Lake Brownwood, Jerry and Lavell Hallmark of San Angelo, Nelda Fails of Arlington, Edward and Nora Black of Clyde, Ora Mae Jordan, Ray Neal and Melissa Little of Eastland, James and Jill Little and Jimmy and Verna Little.

And also a host of friends from out of town, and from the community and the surrounding Eastland County towns.

I'm very sorry for the misprint of the service day in the Tuesday Reporter-News as being set for Wednesday. It was an error beyond our control. I sincerely apologize for any inconvenience it may have caused anyone.

The Christmas program and supper at the Kokomo Baptist Church was held on Wednesday night, Dec. 15. Shirley McDonald rendered the special music and Kathy Collum of

Huckabay gave a talk about her remembrances of growing up at Kokomo and what they mean to her.

Santa came to visit with the little folks. After the gifts from under the Christmas tree were all passed out by Santa and his helpers, everyone went to the fellowship hall for a meal of barbecue and buns and all the trimmings, and fellowship with one another.

Shannon Bond of a Christian Camp near New Braunfels was a visitor at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning.

Norma Webb gave a talk on missions and evangelism at the Sunday night service.

Clifford and Lurline Nelson and Cassie Rasco visited on Sunday in Stephenville with Jimmy and Maggie Nelson and attended church services at the Green Acres Baptist Church where Jimmy is pastor. Jimmy and Maggie's son, Travis Nelson, is visiting with them while on leave from the Andrews Air Force Base, near Washington, D.C.

Visitors with Nancy Hendricks were Sylvia Buchanan of Stephenville, Phyllis Sessum of Eastland, Naoma Morrow, Betty Strube, Hope Joiner, Ruth Bryant, Betty Little, John and Troy Scitern, and Zelda Jordan.

I wish for you and yours a very Merry Christmas. Be sure and call your news to me after Christmas.

The City Of Gorman Office will be Closed On Friday, December 24th Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve December 31st.



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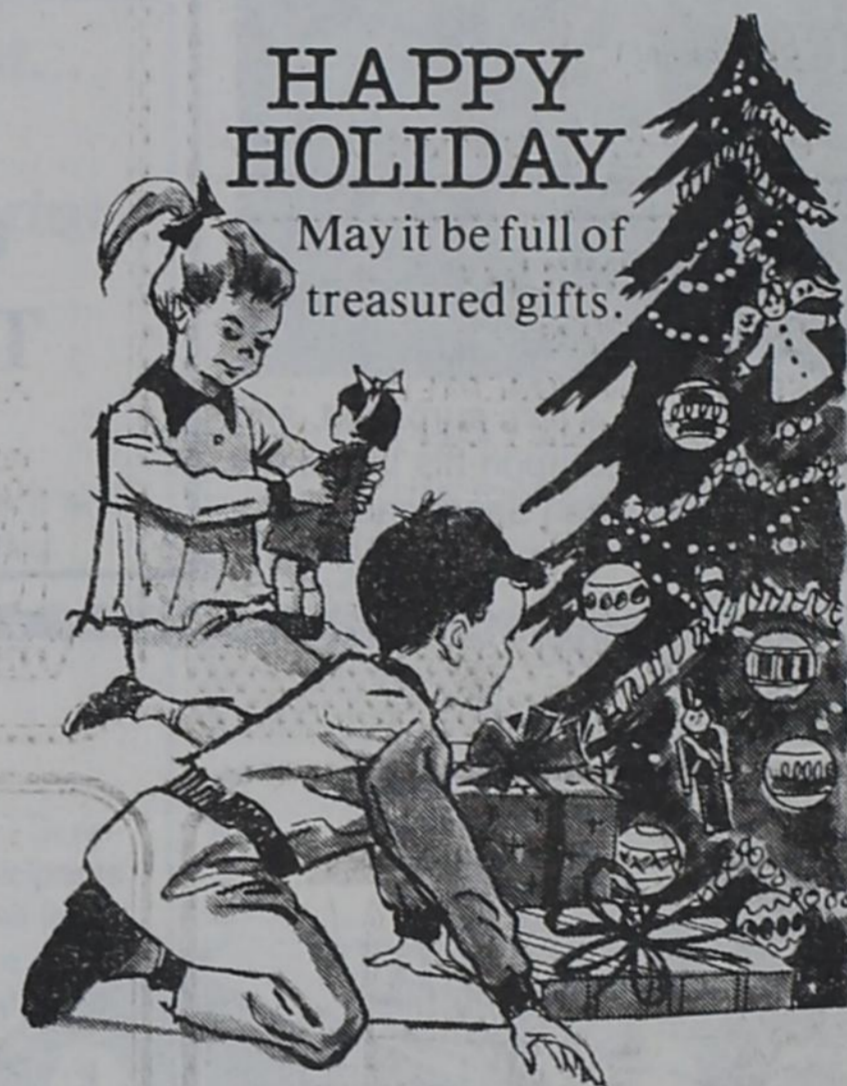
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## Tommie Tucker Buried Tuesday In Eastland

Tommie Tucker, age 67 of Eastland, passed away Friday, December 17th in the Veterans Medical Center in Big Spring.

Graveside services were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday in the Eastland City Cemetery with Jim Pennington officiating, assisted by Bennie Baker and directed by Edwards Funeral Home of Eastland.

Mr. Tucker was born to Thomas Monroe and Dessie Seabourn Tucker on September 4, 1926 in San Angelo. He moved to the Eastland area at an early age. He attended the Eastland Schools and was a graduate of Ranger Junior College and Hardin Simmons University. He served in the U. S. Navy during WWII. He taught school in Hobbs, N.M. and Fort Stockton for several years. He had worked for the Bakker Funeral Home in Eastland for several years. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

He is survived by his wife, Esmá Tucker of Eastland; two sons, Tommie L. Tucker of Polvadera, N.M. and

## Homemakers Class Holds Christmas Party

The Homemakers Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met in the home of Claude and Juanita Fuller on Tuesday, December 14th at 6 p. m.

Upon arriving guests were greeted and welcomed by Claude and Juanita into a warm, cheery home decorated

Bobby Tucker of Port Angeles, Washington; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



Christmas is a gentle season. May you know its wonders! Peace!

for the Christmas season.

Special guests for the evening, Rev. Ron and Connie Carroll, were acknowledged by Frances Bobbitt, class president. She also presented a Christmas gift of love and appreciation to Juanita for her service and commitment as teacher of the class.

Connie Carroll voiced the opening prayer, blessing the food and reminding all of their blessings and the

reason for the season, the birth of Christ.

Juanita presented for the enjoyment of all a delicious buffet dinner consisting of lasagne, baked ham, squash casserole, salads of fruit and vegetables, a variety of vegetables, hot rolls, followed by an array of wonderful desserts, peach cobbler, fruit bread, pumpkin and pecan pies with whipped cream for topping.

Upon completing the dinner those present gathered as Rev. Carroll sang several Christmas selections. He then gave a thoughtful and inspiring devotional going beyond the birth of Jesus from Luke, Chapter 2. He emphasized the growth of Christ and the message

Christ brought to mankind. Everyone joined in the singing of Silent Night. The members of the class presented their gifts of offering to the Lottie Moon Foreign Mission Drive. It has become a custom for the class to do this rather than exchange gifts with one another.

Bruce Hirst gave the closing

prayer. Those attending this warm, friendly Christian fellowship were Rev. and Mrs. Ron Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hirst, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Zink, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bobbitt, Mr. Fred Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Maxfield, and the gracious host and hostess, Claude and Juanita Fuller.



**A BIG OLD BOY** — Santa Claus was a little surprised, and overloaded, when Loyd Glasson crawled upon his lap to tell him his Christmas wishes on Saturday when Santa came for a visit with "the kids" in Gorman.

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## Elementary School News

**FIFTH GRADE** (Mrs. Bear) This six weeks we had a lot of things happen in the fifth grade. First I'll tell you who made the A

and A-B honor roll in Mrs. Bear's class. Michael, Irma, Emerald and Lucas made the A Honor Roll. Kendra, Eva, Joshua, Jackson, Ter-

ry, Matt, Beatriz, Amanda, T. J., Raul, Amanda, Mike and Jessie made the A-B Honor Roll.

In case you didn't read last week six weeks newsletter, Michael Foster is president; Emerald Guthery is vice president; Kristin Gibbs is secretary and Mike Torres is treasurer.

In art class we've colored career pages to make a booklet.

We also had several Thanksgiving art pages to do. We are dividing two and three digit numbers in math. We will be glad to get through this unit.

Kristin Gibbs' birthday was November 5th.

Mrs. Bear's class was selected to participate in a field testing for TAAS reading the first full week in November.

Merry Christmas.

Kristin Gibbs, secretary  
—GP—

## Methodist Mission Home To Conduct Adoption School

Prospective adoptive parents are invited by the Methodist Mission Home of San Antonio to attend an all-day orientation at Walnut Hill United Methodist Church, 10066 Marsh Lane, Dallas, on Saturday, January 8th from 10 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. Advance registration is requested (call 210/696-7021) to assure you of space and materials. The registration fee is \$50 per couple. You can register at the door.

Adela Jones, Adoption Counselor for the Home will conduct the meeting. She will give you all the information and forms necessary to begin the process. Prospective adoptive couples will learn about open adoption from both the Home's experienced staff and a couple who have recently adopted with the

## DESDEMONA NEWS

VONNIE GUTHERY - PHONE 758-2665

"Congratulations" to James and Freda Riggs on the arrival of their new granddaughter. Jordan Jenell arrived November 23rd, weighing 8 pounds and 6 ounces. Parents are Mike and Mary Riggs and she is welcomed at home by two proud sisters, Callie and Mica, all of Corpus Christi.

Bro. Joe, Cozette and Misty Wortham visited Saturday night in Granbury with their daughter, Michelle Wortham. They enjoyed attending the Christmas play where Michelle played the part of Mary.

Earl Redwine, age 92, of Ranger was buried Saturday, December 18th in the Howard Cemetery, north of Desdemona. Survivors are their sons Curtis Redwine of Monahans, Grady of Grand Prairie, and Floyd of Fort Worth; one daughter, Ruby Saint of Ranger. This family were former residents of Desdemona.

Lillian Carr Shook, age 73, of De Leon, was buried Tuesday, December 21 in the Victor Cemetery. Survivors include her husband, Alfred Shook of De Leon; two sons, Tommy Shook of Robert Lee and Jerry of De Leon; one daughter, Leona Morris of Coppers Center, Alaska; one brother, Henry Ford

Methodist Mission Home's assistance.

Call today to assure yourselves a place at this orientation! Find out how the Methodist Mission Home can help you realize your dreams for a family.

See you on the fourth Saturday night in January, 1994.

Georgia Iley fell while shopping and injured her foot. We send our get well wishes out to her.

"Congratulations" to A. J. and Nellavee Stewart on their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, December 19th. A reception was given by their two sons, Mike and Monty Stewart and families in the home of Monty and Mary Ann Stewart.

Please contact this reporter with your news items and help keep this column going each week.

Pug and Vonnie Guthery would like to wish all of their friends and neighbors a very Happy Holiday Season. Hope '94 is "Great" for all.

## Proposed Fireworks Amendment To Ordinance No. 240

THE CITY OF GORMAN IS PLANNING THE FIRST READING OF AN AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 240 BUILDING CODE AND FIRE LIMITS. THIS AMENDMENT FORBIDS PERSONS TO SELL, USE, OR DISCHARGE ANY KIND OF FIRECRACKER, TORPEDO, OR OTHER DETONATOR WITHIN THE CITY. THIS AMENDMENT WILL BE READ AT BOTH REGULAR MEETINGS IN JANUARY.



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## TWAS THE NIGHT

Twas the night before Jesus came and all through the house  
Not a creature was praying, not one in the house  
Their Bibles were lain on the shelf without care  
In hopes that Jesus would not come there

The children were dressing to crawl into bed  
Not once ever kneeling or bowing a head  
And Mom in her rocker with the baby on her lap  
Was watching the late show while I took a nap

When out of the East these arose such a clatter  
I sprang to my feet to see what was the matter  
Away to the window I flew like a flash  
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash!

When what to my wondering eyes should appear  
But angels proclaiming that Jesus was here  
With a light like the sun sending forth a bright ray  
I knew in a moment this must be THE DAY!

The light of his face made me cover my head  
It was Jesus! returning just like he said  
And though I possessed worldly wisdom and wealth  
I cried when I saw Him in spight of myself

In the Book of Life which He held in his hand  
Was written the name of every saved man  
He spoke not a word as He searched for my name  
When He said "It's not here" my head hung in shame

The people whose names had been written with love  
He gathered to take His Father above  
With those who were ready He rose without a sound  
While all the rest were left standing around

I fell to my knees, but it was too late  
I had waited too long and thus sealed my fate.  
I stood and I cried as they rose out of sight  
Oh, only if we had been ready tonight.

In the words of this poem the meaning is clear  
The coming of Jesus is drawing near  
There's only one life and when comes the last call  
We'll find that the Bible was true after all!

(Author Unknown)

(Submitted By Charlene Richardson)

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# CARBON NEWS

FOR WEEK OF DECEMBER 16

Church was well attended Sunday at the First Baptist Church. Bro.

Keith brought a very good lesson on Ephes. 2:8-9-10. Visitors were Ken and Ellen Henson of Breckenridge.

Several members were out with colds and other ailments. The Henson children are home and doing well.

Marvon and Gladys Hale spent the weekend in Fort Worth with their daughter, Peggy, and Charlie Stephenson and Tonya and Terry Cox.

R. Lee McDaniel and Ruth Knowles attended the Living Tree Christmas program at the Wylie Baptist Church last Monday evening. They reported a very interesting and inspiring program.

Henry and Barbara Lentz had their daughter, Monica, in the Brownwood Regional Hospital for several days last week. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Visiting with Coy and Jessie Mangum last week were Tonya Mangum of Fort Worth, Bro. Claud Harris of Eastland, Cooky Petree of Cisco and Shirley Tucker of Rising Star.

Marc Morgan and Kim Miller of Azle visited his mother, Maxine, over the weekend while Charles was visiting in Imperial with Marla, Ande and Andrea Paulk.

Visiting with J. L., Mary and J. C. McDaniel last week were Kenneth of Athens and Betty Joyner of Asutin. On Thursday Betty and Mary went to Crowley to visit Jeanette Webb and family. They attended the band concert of which grandson, Chris, participated.

Kathy Sandlin had the misfortune of falling and hurting her foot last Friday. We hope it gets well soon.

The Eastland National Bank had their Christmas party at the Community Room last Tuesday evening. It was catered by the center and those serving were Melody Norris, Dee Dee Bledsoe, Lachell Vestal, Mitzi McGaha and Jonna Cerventez.

The Sunshine Ladies met in the home of Leo and Alice Brooks last Monday. Kay Aguirre of Eastland gave a report on foot care for diabetics. Those attending were Elizabeth Sandlin, Billie Stacy, Vadis Phelps, Corothy Light, Hazel Campbell and Jeniose Allison. Refreshments of pumpkin cake, apple cidar and coffee were served.

The Christmas dinner and auction Saturday evening was enjoyed by many at the Community Center. Christmas carols were sung also.

Our thanks to all who brought baked goods and crafts to sell and for the canned food for the Food Pantry that the Christ Center Church has charge of. Also to those who bought at the auction.

Leon Valley, Inc., their employees and spouses enjoyed their Christmas party and dinner at the Caffish Corner in Carbon Saturday evening. The place was beautifully decorated and the food was delicious. There was a thousand dollars worth of prizes given for eighteen door prizes. There were 121 people present and all had a very good time of fun and fellowship together. We really appreciate having LVI in our community.

The Carbon Agri-Center had their Christmas party and dinner at K-Bobs in Eastland Saturday evening for their employees and their families and stockholders. They had lots of fun and fellowship. We are proud to have the Agri-Center in our community also.

I hope everyone has a Blessed Christmas with family and friends. Let's not forget those around us who are not as fortunate as we, and show our love to them in some way.

FOR WEEK OF DECEMBER 23

Attendance was down at the Baptist Church Sunday morning due to illness and some were having early Christmas with family and friends. Bro. Keith brought a very good message on "It is more blessed to give than receive." Justin Light of Long Beach, Calif. was a visitor.

Sunday evening at 6 p. m. we had our Christmas program. Starting with hot stew, cornbread, chips, dips, cookies, cakes and brownies. Bro. Keith was sick and unable to be with us, so we watched a Christmas video of Christmas songs by Bill and Gloria Gaither. It was enjoyed by all. We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Elizabeth Sandlin, Carol, Jim and family, Bill and family, Kathryn Coburn and family, Larry Sandlin and family all attended the Sandlin reunion at Springtown on Sunday.

LaVada Tucker, Andy and Erin of Sweetwater, came by Sunday evening to spend the night with her mother, Dorothy Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. John Light are happy to have their grandchildren visit with them a few days. They are Justin Light of the USS Ogden, serving with the U. S. Navy; and Jancey Hamilton of Fort Jackson, South Carolina, serving with the U. S. Army. Visiting them for a Sunday morning breakfast were Frances Hamilton, Chad, Sylvia and Bryce Gosnell, Stacy, Janet and Kelli Rose Tooke of Garland.

Visiting with Ima Brown of Gorman were Earl and Virginia Stone of Granbury last Thursday and they met Billie Stacy at Granny's Cafe in Carbon for a get-together at noon.

Mr. and Mrs. James Smith and Jo Ann were visiting in Stephenville Friday afternoon with Janet Girtz, Angie and Kevin. Saturday they visited in Weatherford with James' sisters, Billie, Pauline and Nathan. Friday morning visitors with the Smiths were Edith Ball and Veda Moore of Rising Star.

R. Lee McDaniel and Mattie Donelson were supper guests of Joyce and John Berry of Cisco on

Saturday.

Visiting with Coy and Jessie Mangum last week were Arlene McCurry and Don Mangum of Eastland, Cooky Petree, Ruth and Charlie Livingston of Cisco and Mary Lou Hodges.

J. L. and Mary McDaniel visited her sister, Margie Fleming, at Santa Anna on Sunday.

Billie Stacy, along with Ava and Cullen Rodgers of Gorman, were in Midlothian Wednesday evening to attend the party at the Holiday Inn in Duncanville. A surprise tour of the

Christmas lights in Turtle Creek, Dallas in a limousine was really something to see before the party. After the party they toured Duncanville to see the beautiful sights. It was a wonderful time for all. Ava and Cullen were married 61 years on December 17th. They will never forget this wonderful experience their sons, Gene and Jim, had for them. They spent the night with Gene and Lou Rodgers.

I hope everyone has a Blessed Christmas and a prosperous New Year.



## Holy Night

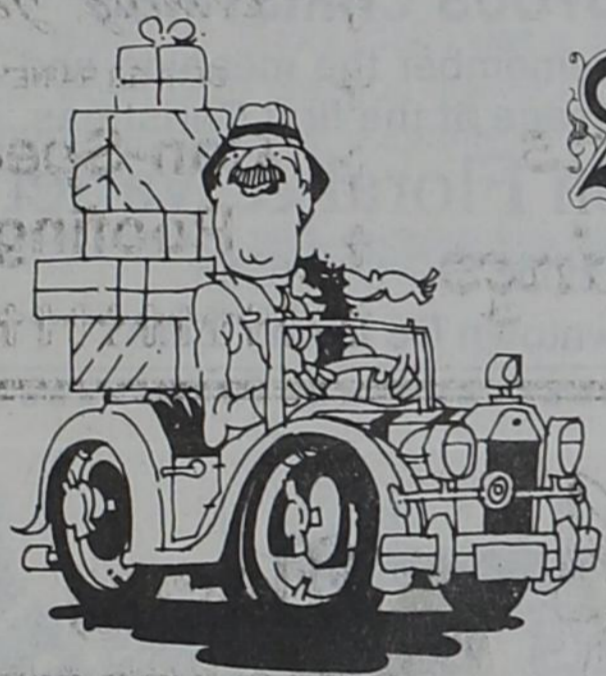
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## Seasons Greetings



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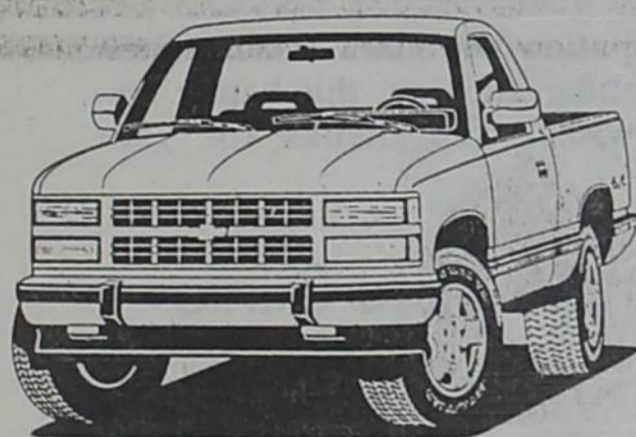
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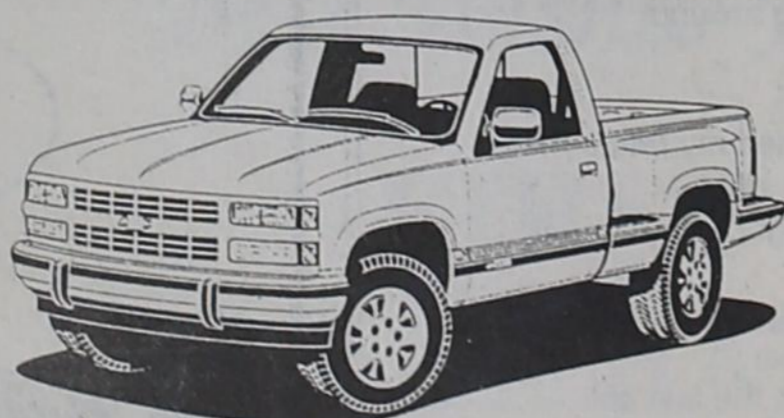


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"Practically every risk families face in fast-paced world will be covered in the Texas Family Forum this year," says Janet Thomas, Eastland County Agent-HE. The forum takes place January 18th from 9:30 a. m. to 3 p.

m. in Waco as part of the Blackland Income Growth Conference (B.I.G.). The conference is being held jointly with the Mid-Texas Farm and Ranch Show and the Texas Farm Bureau Leadership Conference Jan-

uary 18-19 at the Waco Convention Center. "We have scheduled concurrent sessions on most topics families are concerned about today," said Thomas. "Each issue has the potential to determine the security of those family members of all ages, whether it's crime and how to avoid being a victim; drugs; gangs and cults; medication for older adults; money management for retirement or estates; home-based businesses; and the skills to work with others, not only to survive the challenges of family life but to build a secure family life." "Personal security is a basic human concern and we have scheduled Randy Plemons, DARE Officer and Larry Lynch from the McLennan County Sheriff's Department to discuss how to avoid becoming a crime victim. DARE is the Drug Awareness and Resistance Education Program conducted by the sheriff's department for specific grade levels in schools. Barry Browne, clinical pharmacist at Scott ? White Hospital, addresses the other end of the drug spectrum, safety and the elderly, in session on "Medication for Older

Adults." The keynote speaker, Jan Hargrove of the University of Houston and owner of Communication Concepts Limited, sets the forum tone with her presentation on "Being Committed to Being the Best That You Can Be". Hargrove also takes part in the morning sessions on "Understanding and Working with Various Personality Styles."

Two sessions dealing with finance issues feature Texas A&M Economist Wayne Hayenga on "Preparing for Being a Survivor," and where to go for advice and how to structure estates, and "Tips for managing a Home-Based Business" by Rusty Feed, Small Business Development Director of Tarleton State University. Advance registration by January 10th includes lunch. Mail \$10 with registration form to Wilma Hall, CEA-HE, P. O. Box 191, Groesbeck, Texas 76642.

**Cong. Charles Stenholm Files For Gen. Ballot**

Stamford — On Friday, December 3, Congressman Charles Stenholm filed for an application for a place on the General Election Ballot for 1994. This was the first day candidates could officially file.

"Although we announced for reelection in September, Cindy and I want to re-affirm our dedication to serve the folks in the 17th District to the best of our ability. We ask for your support in 1994," Stenholm said.

A farmer and conservative democrat, Stenholm has been identified in national publications as the "spiritual gadfather of fiscal austerity among House Democrats"—an accolade he accepts with pride. As the founder and coordinator of the Conservative Democratic Forum (CDF), he brings a voice of reason to some of the leading issues of the day, including the budget, health care reform, federal regulation, and international trade. In his capacity as chairman of the Subcommittee on Department Operations and Nutrition, he is a nationally recognized spokesman for agriculture, and will play a key role in the reorganization of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. In these times of military cutbacks, Stenholm understands the key roles that Dyess Air Force Base in Abilene and Goodfellow Air Force Base in San Angelo have in being sure we have a strong national defense.

To keep in touch with constituents, Stenholm has continued his tradition of spending time in each of the district's 32 counties. Last year he participated in 168 public events and, so far this year, he has been in over 150 meetings in the 17th District.

"Keeping in close contact with people is crucial to our representative form of government," said Stenholm. I urge everyone to let me hear from them so that I can represent our area in the best way possible.

**Seasons Greetings**

**Willie Broom Family Enjoy Early Christmas**

On December 19th the family of Willie Broom mer in the dining room of the Housing Authority for an early Christmas dinner.

Those present were Willie Broom, Mildred and Johnnie Landreth, Mary and Gene Underwood, Bob, Toni and Jace Underwood, Joe, Rosie, Chance and Cole Underwood, and Bill, Angelina and Matt Underwood, all of Gorman; Dorothy and Jay Bowling, Earnest, Paula, Nick and Amanda Aguire, and Mark, Kristy and Chance Bowling, all of Fort Worth; Mike, Bobbie, April and Ashley Bowling of Arlington; and Jeff Bowling of Denton.

It was a very happy occasion for all.

—GP—



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**WHEAT**

Be on the lookout for greenbugs and winter grain mites. Producers need to scout closer for these two pests which can quickly deplete a field of healthy growing plants.

**Nature of Damage:** Greenbugs are aphids that suck plant juices and inject toxins into small grain plants. These aphids are pale green, approximately 1/16 inch long, with characteristic dark green stripes on the back. Greenbugs develop in large numbers under favorable conditions and may cause economic losses. Greenbugs reproduce rapidly at temperatures between 55 and 95 degrees F. Natural enemies, however, reproduce slowly when temperatures are below 65 degrees F. Thus, in cool weather the greenbug may increase to enormous numbers while its natural enemies multiply slowly. The average temperature must be below 20 degrees F for at least a week to kill 99 percent of the greenbugs. The population also must be without protection from snow cover. During the winter, infested fields may have yellowed spots preceding the appearance of small, "deadened" areas. Later, greenbugs in these spots may increase and spread throughout the field. Greenbugs cause more damage when small grain crops suffer from deficient moisture during a mild winter and a cool spring. Greenbug damage may be confused with moisture stress and/or nitrogen deficiency or foot rot.

**Sampling for Greenbugs:** While walking diagonally across the field, make a minimum of five random counts per 20 acres of field area, each consisting of one linear foot of row. Greenbugs can be counted on small plants. On larger plants, slap the plants against the ground to jar greenbugs loose for counting. If

greenbugs are numerous, estimate the number present. Make counts during the warmest part of the day when greenbugs are most likely to be exposed on the aboveground part of the plants. During periods of cool, dry weather, greenbugs may congregate in loose soil at the base of the plants, making detection and chemical control difficult.

**When to Treat:** The need for applying insecticide depends on the number of greenbugs present, size and vigor of plants, temperature, time of year, moisture conditions, stage of growth and effectiveness of parasites and predators. Irrigated small grains can withstand larger greenbug populations than dryland grains without yield loss.

It is impractical to outline specifically all conditions under which insecticides should be applied for greenbug control. However, information in the following notes may serve as a general guide in determining the need for treatment.

3-6 in. plants: 100-300 greenbugs per linear ft.; 4-8 inches: 200-400; and 6-16 inch: 300-800 greenbugs per linear foot.

The appearance of dead plants caused by greenbug feeding in spots within the field also may indicate a need for treatment. Occasionally, populations of 25 to 50 greenbugs per foot of drill row in very young small grain plants may warrant treatment.

**Control Techniques:** Low temperatures will slow the activity and effectiveness of most insecticides; therefore, it will take longer for them to kill when the temperature is low. It may take twice as long for an insecticide to kill at 45 degrees F as it would at 70 degrees F. For best results, apply control chemicals when temperature is above 50 degrees F. If you must apply them when the temperature is low, apply the highest rate recommended.

For further information on greenbugs in wheat, give me a call at the Extension office, 629-1093.

**Agriculture View Point**

By: M. Davy Vestal

**BEEF FORAGE SEMINAR**

A Beef Forage Management Seminar is scheduled for January 6th at the Baird Activity Center beginning at 6 p. m. This program is being coordinated by the Eastland County Livestock and Forage Committee and the Callahan County Agriculture and Natural Resource Committee.

A wide range of topics will be covered that evening including Stock Cattle Management, Calf Vaccination Programs, Prescribed Burning for Forage Improvement and Coastal Bermuda establishment from sprigging to harvest.

Speakers for the program include Dr. Matt Cravey, Extension Beef Specialist from Amarillo, Dr. Steve Hammack, Beef Specialist from Stephenville, Dr. George Alston, Agronomist from Stephenville and Dr. Tommy Welch, Range Specialist from College Station.

A meal will be sponsored by Farley-Seaton Feed, Inc., Gorman; Thornton's Feed Mill, Cisco; and Callahan County Farmers Co-op, Baird.

Pre-Registration is requested by calling the Eastland County Extension office at 817-629-1093 or the

**Holiday Hints**

Texas Peanuts Are Key Ingredient In Holiday Baking



(NAPS)—For the peanut lovers on your gift list this holiday season, the Texas Peanut Producers Board suggests baking some Lone Star Peanut Butter Cutouts. Kids can help bake these easy-to-make cookies with little adult help. Homemade cookies make great gifts, and baking them can be a fun family project. Don't forget to save some cookies to leave out for Santa on Christmas Eve.

**LONE STAR PEANUT BUTTER CUTOUTS**

- 1/4 cup smooth peanut butter
- 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- 3 tablespoons softened butter or margarine
- 1 1/4 cups buttermilk baking mix
- 2 tablespoons water
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 2/3 cup dry-roasted peanut halves
- 1/2 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips

In a medium bowl, stir together peanut butter, sugar and softened butter or margarine until smooth. Stir in baking mix, water and cinnamon until well blended. Shape mix-

ture into a ball. Wrap dough with plastic wrap and chill about 1 hour or until firm. Cut dough in half. Roll each piece 1/8-inch thick on a lightly floured board. Cut dough into shapes with cookie cutter. Transfer cutouts to ungreased cookie sheets. Press a few roasted peanut halves into the top of each cookie. Bake in a 375-degree oven for 8 to 10 minutes, or until golden brown around the edges. With a spatula, transfer cookies to a cooling rack. Melt chocolate chips in microwave on high power for 2 minutes. Stir until smooth. Drizzle chocolate glaze over each cookie. Refrigerate until frosting is set. Store cookies in an airtight container. Makes about 2 dozen cookies.

The Texas Peanut Producers Board has prepared a recipe brochure especially for kids. To receive this brochure and to become a member of the Texas Peanut Kids Club, send \$1 to Texas Peanuts, P.O. Box 398, Gorman, TX 76454. Membership includes a recipe brochure, membership certificate and two collectible stickers.

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## Foundation Beefmaster Board



Foundation Beefmaster Association's newly elected Board Members. Left to right (back row): Danny Safrit, NC; O. C. Rampley, TX; Bob Boswell, TX; Milford Denetclaw, NM; Gale Stafford, TX; Carson Scheller, CA; Steve Flake, AZ. (front row l to r) - Barbara Truitt, MO; Oran Tracy, KS; Joyce Campbell, TX; Gayle Evans, UT; Gerry Holmes, AL.

Bob Boswell of Boswell Beefmasters in Gorman, was recently elected one of the 12 members of the Board of Directors for the Foundation Beefmaster Association and will serve as a member of the Membership Committee during the upcoming year.

Beefmasters are a unique, American breed of cattle that have found

worldwide acceptance with both feedlot operators and commercial cattlemen. The Foundation Beefmaster Association is an international organization of purebred Beefmaster cattle producers. The Association's headquarters are located in Denver, Colo.

Following the general member-

ship meeting, the new board held their first meeting and elected officers for 1994. Gerry Holmes of Falkville, Alabama, was elected as the president of the association, and Carson Scheller of Scheller Beefmasters in Los Alamos, Calif. was elected as vice president.

The 1994 annual convention will be held in Springfield, Mo.

## Gramm Says NAFTA Passage Turning Point

"We will look back on the decision approving NAFTA as a critical turning point in the history of our nation. In considering this agreement, America stood at a crossroads. We could either embrace our neighbor or shun Mexico in favor of surrounding the United States with a wall of tariffs, quotas and barriers. It was a close vote, but the House made the correct choice. NAFTA is right and protectionism is wrong. "I intend to work hard to assure

Senate passage for NAFTA as quickly as possible. The sooner we open new markets for American agriculture and industry, the better.

"I am particularly pleased that in approving NAFTA, the House rejected the politics of protectionism. No nation in history has ever been hurt by a free trade agreement with its neighbors and no nation has benefited more from trade than America. When Americans looked at the facts, they found that while fear said "No"

to NAFTA, history and logic said "Yes".

"My view from start to finish has been that NAFTA will create jobs, growth and opportunity throughout North America."

## Eastland County Pecan Bake Show

EASTLAND — Denise Emert of Rising Star won grand champion honors for cookies in the Eastland County Pecan Bake Show.

Reserve champion was Dois Hodges of Olden.

Kimberly Reich of Cisco won both grand and reserve champion honors in the youth division.

Other results are:

- Adult**  
**Cakes** — 1. Mae Plowman, Eastland; 2. Dora Schaefer, Nimrod; 3. Sheri Sandeler, Cisco.  
**Candy** — 1. Shirley Cole, Cisco; 2. Debbie Gourley, Carbon; 3. Sheri Sandeler, Cisco.  
**Cookies** — 1. Denise Emert, Rising Star; 2. Glenda Weekes, Ranger; 3. Twila Lee, Cisco.

Bill McCleskey of Eastland exhibited both the Champion Native Pecan and reserve native entry in the 1993 Eastland County Pecan Show.

His pecans were among the first place entries that advanced to regional competition in Stephenville this week which runs through today there.

Lin Boch of Ranger also was a double winner. Boch had the Champion Commercial and Reserve Champion Commercial pecans.

Dan Childress of Cottonwood took the accolades for Champion Classic. James Cole of Cisco had the Reserve Champion Classic.

There were 101 entries. Other results:

- Apache** — 1. Vera Welch; 2. Morris Underwood; 3. Vera Welch.  
**Caddo** — 1. Lin Boch, Ranger.  
**Cheyenne** — 1. Lin Boch, Ranger; 3. Dale Walker.  
**Burkett** — 1. James Cole, Cisco; 2. D.P. Jones; 3. Charles Walker.  
**Choctaw** — 1. James Cole, Cisco; 2. Dan Childress, Cottonwood; 3. Billy R. Adams.  
**Comanche** — 1. James Cole, Cisco; 2. Lin Boch, Ranger; 3. Charles G. Walker.  
**Desirable** — 1. James Cole, Cisco; 2. Dan Childress, Cottonwood.  
**Kiowa** — 1. Lin Boch, Ranger; 2. Dan Childress, Cottonwood.  
**Mahan** — 2. Charles Walker.  
**Maramac** — 1. Dan Childress, Cotton-

- Pecan Snacks** — 1. Glenda Hernandez, Cisco; 2. Betty Gourley, Ranger; 3. Glenda Weekes, Ranger.  
**Nut Breads** — 1. Ann Larkin, Cisco; 2. Sheri Sandeler, Cisco; 3. Neil Henke, Cisco.  
**Pies** — 1. Dois Hodges, Olden; 2. Helen Phillips, Eastland; 3. Shirley Cole, Cisco.

- Youth**  
**Pies** — 1. Kimberly Reich, Cisco (grand champion); 2. Sana Christensen, Eastland.  
**Nut Breads** — 1. Josh Gourley, Carbon; 2. Kimberly Reich, Cisco.  
**Cookies** — 1. Becky Agnew, Cisco.  
**Pecan Snacks** — 1. Kimberly Reich, Cisco; 2. Stephanie Hernandez, Cisco.  
**Cakes** — 1. Jamie Agnew, Cisco; 2. Kimberly Reich, Cisco.  
**Candy** — 1. Kimberly Reich, Cisco (reserve champion); 2. Kelly Gourley, Carbon; 3. Dedria Emert, Rising Star.  
 In the centerpiece arrangement contest, Darla French of Eastland was first and Jannette Burreson of Lake Leon was second.

- wood.**  
**Mohawk** — 1. Dan Childress, Cottonwood; 2. Billy R. Adams; 3. Marvin Maynard.  
**Pawnee** — 1. Lin Boch, Ranger; 2. Dan Childress, Cottonwood.  
**San Saba Improved** — 1. Dale Walker; 2. James Alexander.  
**Shawnee** — 1. James Cole, Cisco; 2. Dan Childress, Cottonwood.  
**Shoshoni** — 2. Dan Childress, Cottonwood.  
**Sioux** — 1. Billy R. Adams; 2. Dan Childress, Cottonwood; 3. Dick Hodges.  
**Stuart** — 1. Lin Boch, Ranger; 2. Dan Childress, Cottonwood; 3. T.E. Robertson.  
**Tejas** — 1. Charles Walker; 2. T.E. Robertson; 3. Dale Walker.  
**Western** — 1. Dan Childress, Cottonwood; 2. Warren Carlile; 3. Lin Boch, Ranger.  
**Wichita** — 1. Dan Childress, Cottonwood; 2. Warren Carlile; 3. Lin Boch, Ranger.  
**Barton** — 1. James Cole, Cisco; 2. Charles Walker.  
**Chickasha** — 1. Dan Childress, Cottonwood.  
**John Garner** — 1. James Cole, Cisco; 2. Dale Walker; 3. James Alexander.  
**Melrose** — 1. Dan Childress, Cottonwood.  
**Podsednik** — 1. Charles Walker.  
**Texas Prolific** — 1. Dale Walker; 2. James Alexander.  
**Texan** — 1. Dan Childress, Cottonwood.  
**Known hybrids** — 1. Lin Boch, Ranger.  
**Variety seedlings** — 1. Bill McCleskey, Eastland; 2-3. T.E. Robertson.  
**Other varieties** — 1. Dan Childress, Cottonwood; 2. Dan Childress, Cottonwood; 3. Joe Philpott.  
**Native** — 1. Bill McCleskey, Eastland; 2. Bill McCleskey, Eastland; 3. Dan Childress, Cottonwood.  
**Lightest Native** — 1. Ike Hickman; 2. Maybelle Trout, Eastland; 3. Charles Walker.

## Eastland County CPA suggests some changes in county money managing

By MAYBELLE TROUT  
 Correspondent

EASTLAND — Certified Public Accountant Kenneth Parker had several suggestions for Eastland County Commissioners Monday.

- After auditing county finances, Parker recommended:
- All funds received should be deposited within two business days.
  - Minutes of meetings should clearly state accepted bids and the amount approved for expenditures.
  - Reserve funds should be invested to bring the best return possible.
  - Reimbursements for expenses or return of travel advances should be credited back to the budgeted expense account to which the money was originally charged.

Parker also noted that delinquent taxes have increased over last year and that some departments were over their budget.

The sheriff was \$7,000 over budget, which Parker said was probably due to feeding prisoners the county was unable to send to state prisons.

The county's cash balance decreased by \$233,000, much of which was due to purchasing right-of-way, moving fences and moving utility lines so that two miles of Farm Road 570 can be widened next spring.

In other business, commissioners:

- Approved a cooperative ambulance service contract with the city of Eastland and Eastland Hospital District. The county contributes \$15,000 yearly toward ambulance expenses.
- Hired Leo Gann to change locks and make 50 keys for the courthouse. His fee is \$100.
- Learned the Eastland County Jail will be inspected Jan. 5. Thirty-two prisoners were in the jail, of which nine have been sentenced and are awaiting transfer to state prisons.

## Disabled Vets To Receive Increase

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has announced that disabled veterans will receive a 2.6 percent increase in their compensation payments, effective December 1.

The cost-of-living allowance was included in legislation signed by President Clinton on Veterans Day, November 11. Veterans will begin receiving the higher payments in their January 1994 checks.

Almost 2.2 million veterans are affected by the increase. Their monthly payments will now range from \$87 for a single veteran with a 10 percent disability rating to \$1,774 for a single veteran with a 100 percent disability rating.

Also affected are more than 340,000 survivors of veterans or service members who died from service-connected disabilities are rated 30 percent or higher may receive additional allowances for dependents based in the number of dependents and extent of disability.

## Beauty Q and A

**Holiday Time-Saving Tips** (NAPS)—As you ring in the holidays, you may care to ring in a new look for yourself. Here are a few easy beauty tips to consider.

**Q: I've tried every lip color on the market, but nothing seems right for me. Any suggestions?**

A: For an instant beauty lift, nothing beats lip color. Try true red lipstick—it brightens teeth beautifully and is just right for the holiday spirit. \*\*\*

## District 8 4-H Food Show

Eastland County 4-Hers did an outstanding job at the District 8 4-H Food Show this past Saturday, December 11th. The contest was sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Donors included the following: Adams Extract Company, Morrison Milling Company and District 8 Texas Association for Family and Community Education.



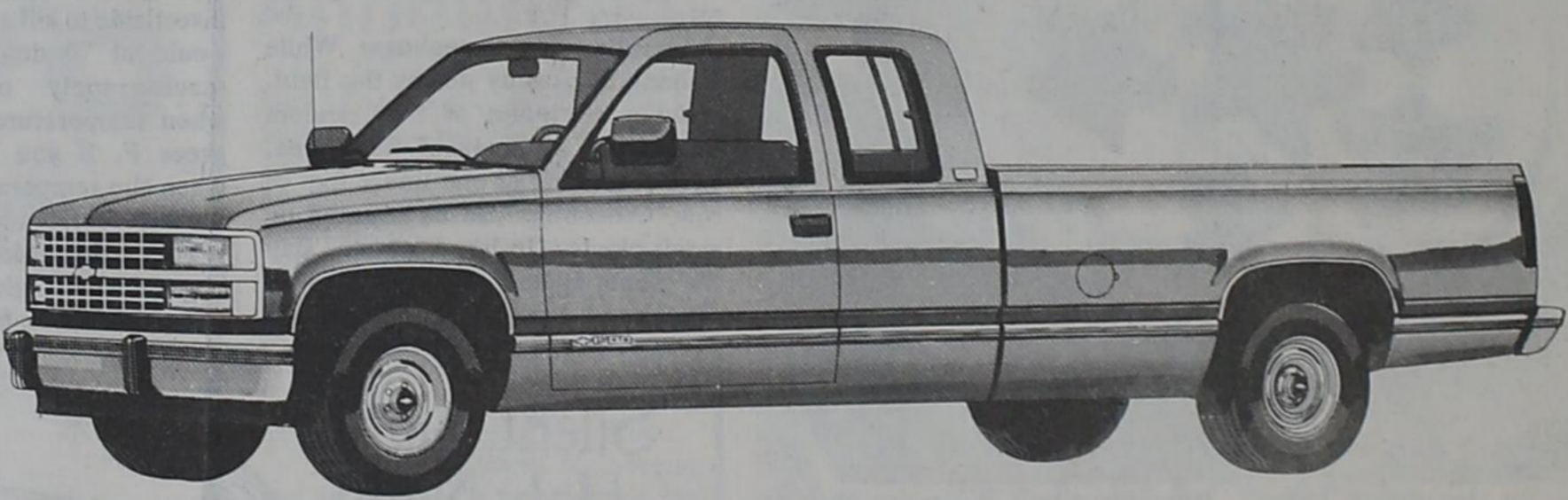
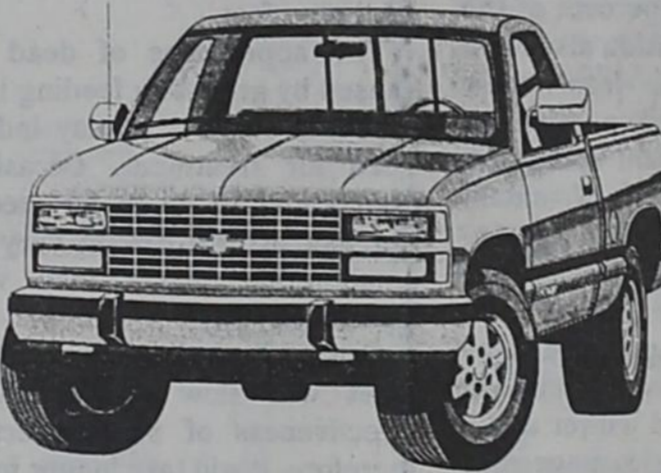
Results were as follows:

- SUB-JUNIOR:**  
**Main Dish:** Lacey Brown, Blue Ribbon, 3rd High Point, Best of Show For Division  
**Fruit & Veg.:** Amanda Luster, Blue Ribbon, 2nd High Point  
**Bread & Cereal:** Leigh Henke, Blue Ribbon, 5th High Point  
**Nutritious Snacks:** Shanda Price, Blue Ribbon  
**Nutritious Desserts:** Elizabeth Henke, Blue Ribbon
- JUNIOR:**  
**Bread & Cereal:** Pamela Osborne, Blue Ribbon  
**Nutritious Snacks:** Lane Gourley, Red Ribbon  
**Nutritious Desserts:** Racheal Bush, Blue Ribbon
- SENIOR:**  
**Main Dish:** Dedria Emert, Red Ribbon  
**Fruit & Veg.:** Niki Cozart, Red Ribbon  
**Bread & Cereal:** Kirby Bush, Blue Ribbon, 5th High Point  
**Nutritious Snacks & Desserts:** Jessica Keith, Blue Ribbon, 5th High Point  
 4-H contestants from twenty-one (21) counties participated. First place winners in the Senior Division advance to the State 4-H Food Show at Texas A&M University.

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