

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

The Wheeler Times
Staff and their families:
Louis and Barbara Stas
and Mother Stas
The Kenneth Nelson Family
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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

FOURTH, FINAL DRAWING IS SATURDAY

CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR
By Louis C. Stas

\$410 'CASH' TO BE GIVEN AWAY TO EIGHT LUCKY WHEELER SHOPPERS

Good Luck, Charlie! May you and Arnel have many years to enjoy those grandchildren. And, lets hope you do not ever need that cane or have to be returned to Wheeler Care Center as the attached ID tag read.

Our first encounter 24 years ago was when I was serving at the barbeque the first night of the Wheeler Rodeo.

One of the many attending the reception was Mike Holt. I don't suppose I had seen Mike since his graduation. I would not have recognized him.

Ravonda is once again to be complimented for the refreshment treats.

I mentioned Wheeler Care Center in an earlier paragraph; it has been a while since I gave them a compliment and they deserve it.

As a member of the Wheeler Ambulance Service, I had reason to go to Wheeler Care Center to pick up a patient, who had fallen. That place is decorated from top to bottom. And, I believe this is the nicest and cleanest nursing home I have ever been in. Compliments to Mr. Hyatt and the Staff for doing such a fine job.

Don't forget the 'Cash' drawing Saturday. The first ticket drawn Saturday will be for \$10; my name taking resulted in our only giving out nine \$10 envelopes Saturday. Just proves they run the show better without me.

For the rest of you, like me, who don't want to miss out on any treats, the First State Bank in Wheeler and Mobeetie will be having their open house Friday. See you there!

Remember, The Wheeler Times makes an excellent Christmas gift; you will be remembered 52 times through the year.

Just to show you how busy it has been around the Stas household, I have not played cards in about two weeks. Worries you doesn't it.

Season's Greetings to one and all. I hope your wishes for the season are fulfilled.

For a donation of \$10 the donor will

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The fourth and final of the four Chamber of Commerce 'Cash' Drawings will be held Saturday, December 24, 1994. During the month of December a total of \$1500.00 will be divided into 58 envelopes for the individuals who shopped in Wheeler. \$300 was given away Saturday, December 3 and \$400 was given away both Saturdays, December 10 and 17. \$400 will be given away Saturday, December 24.

The time of the drawing for Saturday will be 2:30 and the amount to be handed out will be \$400. Eight people will have a few extra dollars to spend on those last minute Christmas items. The 'money' will be divided 4-\$25's, 2-\$50's and 2-\$100's. The person stepping forward to claim the first ticket drawn Saturday will receive a \$10 envelope which was not handed out last Saturday.

As has been the practice for the past several years, script is given away to the lucky individuals instead of cash. The script can be spent like money with any of the participating merchants. The 'money' will be in \$5 increments. Remember, each time you enter participating stores, you are entitled to a ticket; ask for it, sign it, deposit the ticket in the containers, which are conveniently located in the sponsoring firms.

You will receive one ticket per each dollar of the purchase value-up to a maximum of \$500.

When the day of the drawing arrives, all of the tickets will be placed in a large container and the winners drawn. You **MUST** be present to win; however, husbands and wives may claim each other's prizes.

Each sponsor giving tickets will display a poster in their window, indicating they are giving drawing tickets.

Drawing tickets have been available since Friday, November 25, 1994 at sponsoring businesses.

Those merchants sponsoring the drawings and giving tickets are: After Hours Video, Albert's Shamrock Service Station, Appearances, Cross Car Center, Frankenbery's Texaco,

Hyland's Pharmacy, Johnny's Shamrock Service, L. & F. Repair, Lee Hardware and Furniture, Marshall Discount Auto, Bob's Tackle Shop, McIlhany Dry Goods, Speedi-Mart, Thriftway, V. & S. Variety, Ware Chevrolet, Wheeler Flower & Gift Shop, The General Store, Video's & More and Wheeler Lumber Company.

Those sponsoring the drawings but not giving tickets are: Dr. Larry Barbour, Britt Ranch, Burton Ford-Mercury, Inc., Canadian Production Credit, Steve Emmert, Attorney at Law, Wheeler Banking Center, First State Bank of Mobeetie & Wheeler, Heritage Beef Cattle Co., H&R Block, Jennings Plumbing Co., Mr. Bar-B-Q, West Texas Gas Co., KPDR Radio, Charles Kuntz, CPA, Maxey's Steakhouse, Dr. Louis Mendiola, Eastern Panhandle Insurance Agency, Parkview Hospital, R & M Quality Car Wash, Dr. Mike Smith, Southwestern Public Service, Sparlin's Restaurant, Wheeler Care Center, Wheeler Plumbing, The Wheeler Times, Wheeler TV Systems, Wheeler Vet Clinic, Wheeler County Farm Bureau and Wright Funeral Home.



PRESENTATION: Charles R. Brown (left) was honored with a reception at Wheeler Banking Center Friday, December 16, 1994. Mr. Brown will retire December 31, after 24 years of banking in Wheeler. Chuck Hogan presented Mr. Brown with a painting, "Easy Riders" by Kenneth Wyatt; the painting was a gift from the former board of directors of First National Bank in Wheeler. Numerous other gifts were presented to Mr. Brown, including a watch from Wheeler Banking Center.

Sixteen People Lucky in Third 'Cash' Drawing Sat.

The number of people "standing around" waiting for their name to be drawn at the third of the chamber of Commerce 'cash drawings Saturday, December 17, remained about the same with the temperature in the high 50's.

The 1994 drawings had their first "no show" Saturday. Forty-five tickets were drawn and claimed this year before an individual failed to step forward. Lauren Sams failed to step out of the crowd to claim her \$25 in Wheeler 'cash' Saturday.

Louis Wright was the last to have his name drawn Saturday and Inez stepped forward to claim the \$100 envelope.

Joe Dan Glassey had his name drawn twice from the hopper of tickets and received a total of \$60 in 'cash' from the Wheeler Chamber; his name was drawn for a \$10 and a \$50 envelope.

The \$10 envelopes are the first given away at the drawings. Sheila Mick was the first to receive 'cash' Saturday. The eight other individuals receiving \$10 were Michelle Shorter,

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TOYS FOR TOTS: Wheeler County Sheriff Jimmy Adams reports the most successful year yet in the Toys for Tots drive in Wheeler. The "elves", Cheryl Stevens and Jennifer Davis, deserve a special "Thank You" for the time and patience spent on the cleaning, sorting and packaging of the many gifts donated. The Sheriff's office will deliver the gifts on Thursday and Friday; they have twenty-one names of youngsters to receive the gifts. The Salvation Army, local civic organizations, Wheeler Banking Center, First State Bank and Thriftway

need to be recognized for their help with the project.

Eric Wade Snowden, 19, Buried in Abilene Mon.

Eric Wade Snowden, 19, died Thursday, Dec. 15, 1994.

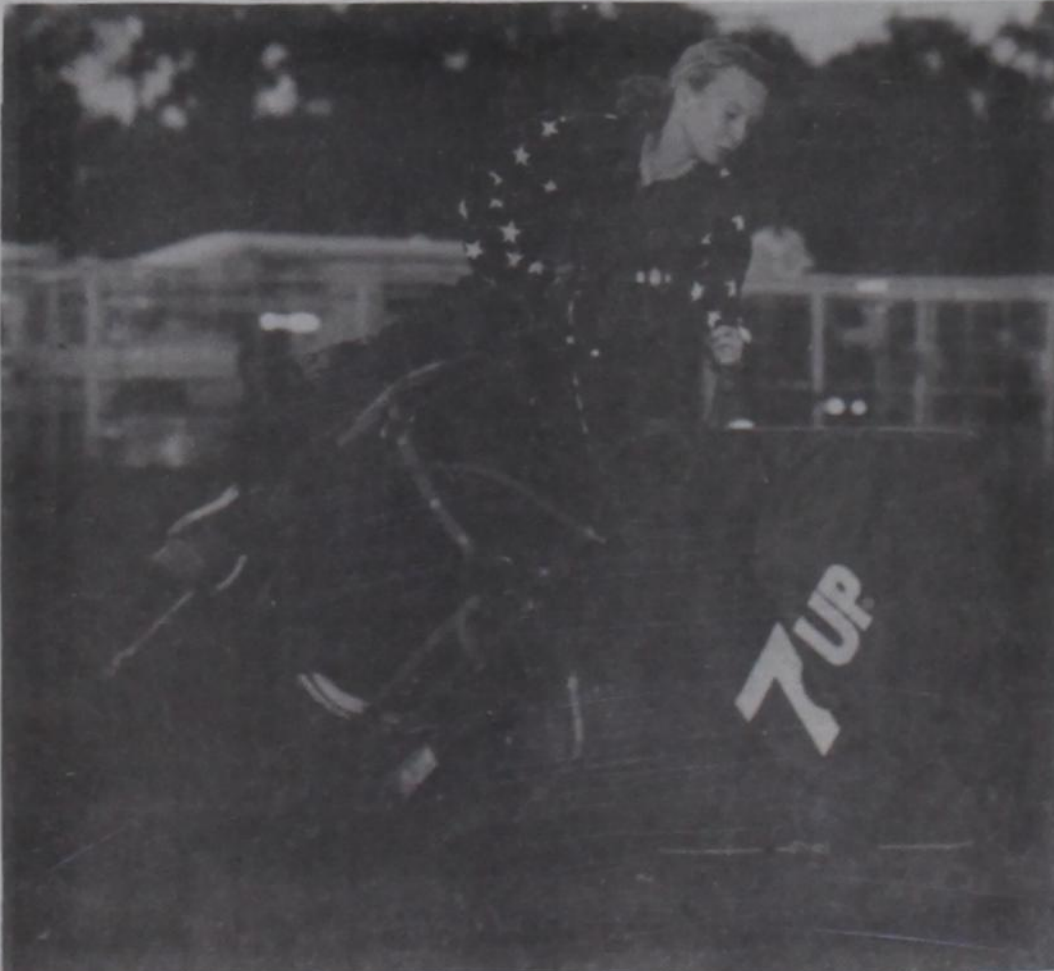
Services were at 2 p.m. Monday in Tye Baptist Church with Dr. Robert Jeffress, The Rev. Jim Ritter and the Rev. Mike Woodward officiating. Burial was in Tye Cemetery by Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home of Abilene.

Mr. Snowden was born in Abilene and attended Wheeler High School. He lived in Abilene from 1975 to 1979. He was a mechanic's apprentice and a Baptist.

Pallbearers were Steven Sheppard, Travis Goad, Clay Hunt, Heath Sabbe, Craig Hunt, Eugene Smith and Stephen Maulden.

Survivors include his parents, Mike and Gay Snowden of San Antonio, a brother, Joshua Snowden of San Antonio, a sister, Sara Snowden of San Antonio; paternal grandmother, Margie Snowden of Tye; maternal grandparents, Louis and Joyce Martin of Wheeler; and maternal great-grandmother, Ardie Martin of Wheeler.

The family requests memorials be to the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation, Box 636, Norman, Okla. 73070.



IN TOP TWENTY-FIVE: Jaicee Herren and Angel are shown competing in the Youth and Junior World Barrel Racing Championship held recently at the State Fair Arena in Oklahoma City. Jaicee was one of the top twenty-five who qualified for the finals on Saturday night. There were over two hundred Youth and Juniors competing in this barrel race Jaicee is the 13 year old daughter of Bobby and Becky Herren of Allison

COUNTY 4-H'ers ATTEND DISTRICT FOOD SHOW

One hundred sixty-four youth from the top 21 counties of the Texas Panhandle competed in the District 4-H Food Show at Caprock High School on Saturday, December 12, 1994. Youth participating in the show have demonstrated skills in food preparation, knowledge of nutrients, knowledge of dietary recommendations, leadership and community service.

Four youth earned the opportunity to represent the Panhandle District in state competition next June in College Station. They include: Shelly Davenport and Kim McDonald of Gray County and Karis Blain and Cady Auckerman of Deaf Smith County. These youths will compete for \$750 college schol-

arships that are sponsored by Morrison Milling Company of Denton, Texas.

Competing from Wheeler County were Rebecca Lee and Kristin Lee from the Wheeler 4-H Club, Lindsey Hill, Danica Manahay and Charla Kinkle from the Shamrock 4-H Club. These youth completed the foods and nutrition project in October and November and competed in the County Food Show in November earning the opportunity to compete in the District Food Show held in Amarillo.

The District 4-H Food Show is sponsored annually by Morrison Milling Company. Area sponsors include the Texas Association for Family and Community Education.

Rites Are Read Wed. For Mildred Blanch Porter

Mildred Blanch Porter, 84, died Saturday, Dec. 17, 1994.

Services were at 11 a.m. Wednesday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Robert Helsey, pastor, and the Rev. Robert Parrish of Gatesville officiating. Burial was in Wheeler Cemetery by Wright Funeral Home.

Mrs. Porter was born in Ireland, Tx. She married George W. Porter in 1930 at Ireland; he died in 1973. She moved to Wheeler in 1930. She graduated from Tarleton State University in 1972. She taught in Mobeetie and gave private Spanish lessons. She was a former worthy matron of the Wheeler Eastern Star Lodge and a former member of the Wednesday Study Club. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include two daughters, Georgie Snyder of Bethesda, Md., and Jo Ann Talor of Wheeler; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Milton Dunlop, Richard Porter, James Hampton, Lavon Williams, Duane Porter and David Zybach. Honorary Pallbearers were Wayne Edwards, Cecil Pierce and Jim Porter.

The family request memorials be to First Baptist Church or a favorite charity.

Two Las Vegas Trips To Be Given Away In Jan.

Wheeler Livestock Boosters are once again sponsoring the Las Vegas, Nev. trips to be given away in January. The drawing for one trip will be given away at the auction following the annual Wheeler County Livestock Show in January. The second trip will be given away the week following at the Ribeye Steak Supper.

For a donation of \$10 the donor will

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WEATHER

DATE	DAY	Hi	Low	Prc
12-14	Wed.	61	29	0.00
12-15	Thurs.	42	24	0.00
12-16	Fri.	60	32	0.00
12-17	Sat.	63	30	0.00
12-18	Sun.	58	29	0.00
12-19	Mon.	68	34	0.00
12-20	Tues.	61	33	0.00
Low for the Year:		01-31	0	
High for the Year:		06-25	109	
Total Moisture for the Month			0"	
Total Moisture for the Year:			13.93"	
Total Snow:			10.00"	

Courtesy: KPDR-FM Radio

Hospital Notes

Old Admissions

None

New Admissions

12-15 Vetola Parker

12-18 Nora Babb

Dismissals

12-12 B. J. Bailey

Lauren Stone

Gordon Stiles

Peggy Ford

12-13 Jewel Moore

12-14 Alejandra Trevino

Jeff Wall

12-16 Vetola Parker

Mobeetie News

By Melba Corcoran

Happy Birthday to Joe Lackey, Gladys Kysar, Lois Hudson and Pete Corcoran on Dec. 22. To Bobby Ka Greene, Wade Hathaway, Martha Meek on Dec. 23. To Harrell Hooker on Dec. 24. To Jean Shugart and Debbie Stinnett on Dec. 25. To Nancy Shelton, Chase Miller and Porter Rogers on Dec. 26. To Pearl Darby and Tommy Corcoran on Dec. 27. To Sue Harrison and Chris Fillingim on Dec. 28.

Happy Anniversary to Leon and Vea

Fillingim, Oden and Lois Hudson, Dale and Jeanie Bimion on Dec. 22. To Bobby and Mary Risner on Dec. 23. To Rick and Janet Hefner and Mike and Dalena Freeman on Dec. 24. To Melvin and Fay Farrar on Dec. 25. To Garland and Charlene Dukes on Dec. 27.

The Ft. Elliott School K-5th Grade put on a very good Christmas Play "Titled Christmas Around the World" Everyone did a Great job.

Our sympathy goes out to the family of Dorothy Walker. She passed away several weeks ago in North Carolina where they had moved to when they left Mobeetie.

Those having Christmas with Pauline Hooker Dec. 18 at the City Hall were Bill and Mearlene Scott, Wayne, Brenda, Brandi, Misty and

Cassey Long, Bill Long and Joyce McIntire all of Amarillo, Mac and Peggy Shelton, Loretta Mick, Audrey Brillhart and Jenny Brillhart of Perryton, Cindy, Bill, Mary, and Gary Gorley of Quanah, Leslie Harrison of Elk City, Inez Moore, Wanda, Justin and Tamara Helley, Gene and Sue Harrison, Choice Scott and Pauline Hooker of Mobeetie.

The First Baptist Church put on Grandpa Real Christmas Sunday night. Then held their Christmas card exchange and fellowship following the services.

Dale and Melba Corcoran, Pierce Walker, Joe and Melba Darnell, Kent and Debbie McLaughlin, Nathan and Corey all attended the Christmas party at Wheeler Care Center Fri. night one of the high lights was Andy Copeland playing Christmas songs on the Saxophone.

Robert and Geniva Hogan and Louise Hogan went to Amarillo Mon. for Geniva's doctors appointment.

Tyler and Caitlyn Burch of Wheeler spent Mon. with Dale and Melba Corcoran. They also visited Jud and Lorene Rector.

Dale and Melba Corcoran visited Earl and Pauline Barnes Sat. night in Wheeler. Others there were Denzie and Fren Reed.

Billy and Kathy James visited with Red and Barbara James in Canadian. Clifford and Euline Walsler visited Amy Walsler in Canadian.

Doyle and Bulah Grimes shopped Tues. in Pampa.

Bill Randolph of Borger visited Charlotte Coward, Mon.

Charlotte Coward visited several days in Borger with Randy and Diane Jones Nicole and Kari, Fri. She returned home and Kari came home with her to spend a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Blues of Canadian visited Charlotte Coward.

Rev. Robert and Mona Cook visited Charlotte Coward, Mon.

Edith Cross took R. St. John to the doctor in Wheeler, Mon.

Melba Corcoran took Lorene Rector to the doctor Mon. in Wheeler.

Katie Henning spend several days in the hospital in Pampa. She is home now.

Our Sympathy goes out to Alesha Moffett on the death of her uncle in Amarillo.

Tammy and James Red, Teri and Coby of Sunray visited Ariza and Anna Belle Corcoran, Sat.

Orville Greenhouse spent last week in Borger with her sisters Pearl Morris and Jewel Holt Miles Mixon would take Orville to Amarillo to see Virginia Mixon who had surgery.

Fri., Calvin and Leola Stuart went to Amarillo and met Dennis and Vanessa Stuart of Lubbock and Randy and Julie Stuart, Zack and Jessee for dinner at the Cattle Call. Then went back to Randy's for Gift exchanges and visiting. They returned home Sat.

Sunday Calvin and Leola Stuart went to Erick, Ok and picked up Gladys Richardson and took her to Elk City for Dinner. After dinner Calvin and Leola

visited in Shamrock with Bulah Stuart and Gerald.

Bulah Stuart of Shamrock and Calvin Stuart went to Pampa and picked up Donald Stuart and met Leola Stuart for dinner.



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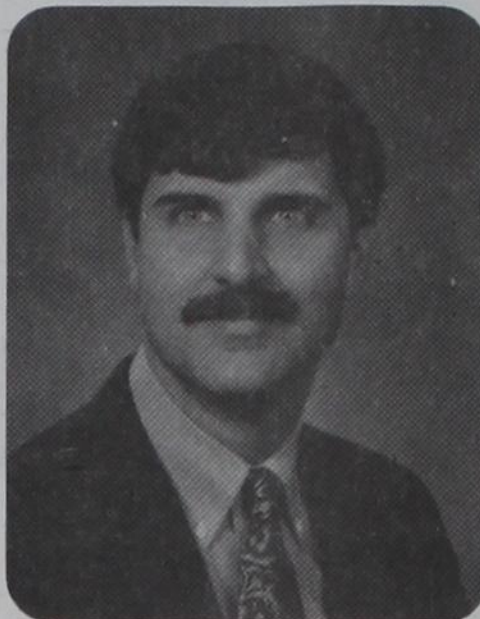
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Last Week's Wheeler J.V. Basketball Games

The Wheeler J. V. Boys took on the Panhandle Panthers last Saturday morning here in Wheeler. The J. V. in only playing their 3rd game of the

season played a tough game but lost 56-43. The Mustangs fell behind early, missing some easy baskets that should have fallen. It appeared that the J. V. did not have a great deal of continuity in their offense and were being hurt inside by a taller Panhandle team. The Mustangs changed to a zone defense that helped the rebounding effort and began to play better. The transition to basketball will happen for this team if they continue to work hard. The Mustangs were led in scoring by Ramon Meraz with 10 points followed by Jason Bradley and Andy Francis both adding 7 each. The J. V. will not play again until Friday due to dead week and will take on Wellington.



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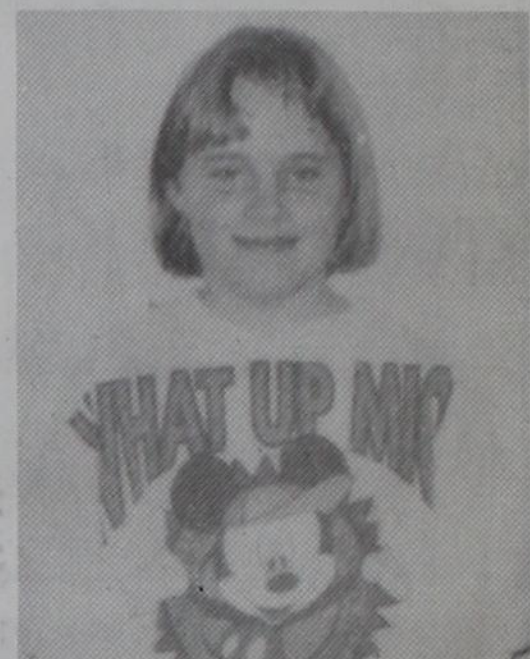
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STUDENT OF THE WEEK: Jackie Dukes was the Student Of The Week at Fort Elliott Elementary for the week of November 28 through December 2. Jackie is in the fourth grade and the daughter of Clyde and Jane Dukes of Briscoe.

MEALS on WHEELS

MENU

December 26 thru December 30, 1994

MONDAY: Liver & onions, mashed potatoes & gravy, mixed veggies, yogurt.

TUESDAY: Fried steak & gravy, baked potato, harvard beets, banana pudding.

WEDNESDAY: Veal parmesan, au gratin potatoes, green beans, fruit cobbler.

THURSDAY: Chicken enchiladas, spanish rice, pinto beans, tossed salad with sliced onion, tapioca pudding, crackers.

FRIDAY: Fish, cream corn, winter mixed veggies, lemon pudding cake. (Menus are subject to change)

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banking needs.

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SWEETWATER NEWS

By Lois Flowers

Christmas is just around the corner. I'm about ready. I took the coward's way out and gave everyone money to spend at the half price sales the day after. Have my Nativity scene set up. Perhaps none of the ACLU will be by and see that it doesn't have a Santa Claus. Santa asked me what I wanted. I told him another roll of stamps. I already have 3 gifts. I must have been better than I realized.

Really had a treat Wednesday afternoon. The Junior 4-Hers had their Christmas party and then came by carolling. They were wonderful. Members were Terri and Andrea Calverley, Brandee Elam, Lindsay Coffey, Ricky and Jana Hanson, Becky, Kim, and Jenny Gracey. Mothers were Glenda Calverley and Randa Coffey. They also visited Con Kahoa, and Charles Fourier. Found the Arnold Rices gone.

The Kindergarten thru eighth went

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to the Sayre Nursing home and sang carols for the residents this week.

Will J and Marie Roberts are from Africa on an eight month leave. He preached Sunday at the Sayre Church. Will J and Marie, Don and Oralee Roberts, Pauline Roberts, Ray and Margie French, OKC, Alva French, LA., Lolabell and Jim Elliot of New Mexico helped Lola French celebrate her 97th birthday.

Maurice and Freda Coffey of Tulsa were out to spend an early Christmas with Bertha Coffey. They all visited Elec Atchley, Donaleta and Y. C. Fuchs.

Lena Luman, Shamrock, and Birdie Whipkey visited Tuesday with Esther Dickey.

Denzel and Fern Reed, Wheeler, Odean Rasco, Dallas, and Gwenell Thompson, Huntsville visited Iona Miller this week.

The Assembly of God Church and the Baptist Church both had their Christmas dinners last Sunday. The Baptist choir has been practising on the Cantata "Great Day" that they will present Sunday morning.

The School will have their Christmas program Tuesday night. Most of the students have parts. School will be dismissed then for two weeks.

Been lots of ball games. The teams lost their final games at the Burns Flat Tournament. The boys won and girls lost at Sentinel. They play Canute tonight. Won both games at Eldorado. We got out Tuesday and went to

Cheyenne to get the car tag. Sure ruined a \$300 bill. Saw Joe Whitson who cut Joe's curls, the girls at the Bank, Casey Paxton, and the UPS man. Went to Sayre today and got the getalongs plus groceries. Found the gallon of milk only cost \$45 instead of the usual 47. The checker said it was because I had some coupons.

Met some of my readers there. Mr. and Mrs. Warner. She is kin to the Dave Thorntons and a cousin of our neighbor Sally Sites. Also saw Mary Burch and Lucille Ward.

Fifty years ago we were in a terrible

war. Fighting on two fronts. The home folks had it hard too. Besides the worries about our soldiers, many things simply couldn't be bought and others were rationed. Joe was allowed a few yards of pillow ticking once. I made Tony some striped overalls. He was so proud. A visitor straightened up while I was helping Joe in the field. Burned all the papers and the sugar stamps. We had to do without quite a while. This was before the days of electricity and things had to be done by hand.

Arnold and Bonnie Rice attended



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the funeral of his step brother Junior Roles at Carter Baptist Church. Burial was in the Carter Cemetery.

Services were Monday at the Sayre Baptist Church for Douglas, Julie and Alyssa Lowrance. Burial was in the Lone Oak Cemetery.

Services were at the Elk City Assembly of God Church for Gary Tucker. Burial was in the Delhi Cemetery.

Services were at the Cheyenne Church of Christ for Lois Sprows. Burial was in the Cheyenne Cemetery. She was the sister of Loyd Beals.

Ola Mae Coop and Zuma Sutton were out Saturday to visit Billy and Gail Sutton. Sonny is home for a few days.

Les Pyeatt was named to the All Tourney team at the Western Oklahoma Basketball Classic held at Elk last week.

Virgie Kahoa is a patient in the Sayre Hospital.

Judy Tipton, Mollie Carlson, Junior Carlson, and Leroy Allen have all been out to see Mildred Allen and bring her early Christmas.

Iva Thompson, Ollie Anderson, and Norma Zellmer went to Amarillo Saturday to be with sister Ruth Pyle at the Christmas party in the home.

Doris and Ray Smith went to Owasso last weekend to see Gene and Kim Smith. Came back by Yukon and visited her son Arnold Wagner and family. Stopped by Clinton to see Leonard and his family.

The food collected by the postal service has been turned over to the pastors of the two churches to be given as needed.

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Ant It The Truth

By Ab Gunter

Bein a widows youngest sort uv gave me a first hand idea how hard it can be to get ready for St. Nicolus when the Cookie Jar is nearly empty. Papa had been gone just a few years an he had been striving to accumulate something for a family of six children an a wife. Oft times just don't work out as you plan and things in the Panhandle of Texas wernt fitting quite together for Dad an then his emergency trip to a far away hospital ended when he expired on the train on the way to Houston.

Mother had to change her bonnet to a working womans suddenly and to handle all the accumulated debts that fell in her lap just didn't have the funds when Christmas confronted her. Being of pioneer stock she did what her Mother and Grandmother had to do in this frontier country and sort uv Made Do. Made Do is what you do when you have quite limited funds an no time.

From under the bed she brought out some recycled tissue paper an in the front bedroom closet some scrap material she had tucked away for a rainy day. Mother got to the treadle sewing machine and made this and made that and redid that and quietly she got out some ribbon an bows an used the tissue paper to conceal the gifts she had made with her loving hands and then to the kitchen where she diligently made pies, cookies and taffy candy and cornbread dressin for the turkey we had raised and found some home canned peaches and finally from somewhere she found some nuts an a couple of oranges an then from under another bed she brought out apples and pears she had carefully wrapped in paper back in the fall.

On the weekend of Christmas my older sister and her family came in to our home from the ranch, she and husband had, and we would sing and enjoy Mother playing on our old piano there in the living room.

Christmas morn we all were up early and had a home cooked breakfast with fresh milk, homemade butter and homemade syrup for the hotcakes an biscuits an a thick sliced cured bacon an henhouse eggs, not them that wuz made in China er Japan, but honest Wheeler County home laid eggs from Mothers white Leghorn hens. Yep, we lived in town but had country ways such as churned butter, clabber an butter milk an even cottage chese. There was homegrown popcorn an even sorgum brittle an peanuts out of our garden. Behind the house we had some wild plums growing and we knew where we could get persimmons in the woods an honestly I think we fed better than the Banker there in town.

Right after breakfast Mother had everyone to go in the living room near the Cedar tree that wuz cut off the creek an decorated with cranberries an popcorn with a few real candles on the tree. Us little ones got our gifts first an we oohed and oggled to find the wonderful things Santa had brought us an then the older ones got gifts and somehow we had gotten Mother some gift that the older girls had purchased and all in all none was disappointed.

We little ones got to go out in the snow and romp for a while and the older ones visited and then we had Christmas Dinner with all the trimmings. Oh what a wonderful meal with pumpkin pie with honest whipped cream on top

an delicious fruit cake made by Grandma from her grandmothers recipe. By the way I forgot to mention Mother said the prayer to the Good Lord thanking him for this privledge.

Sittin here trin to figer out what to write I think of my lovely bride in the kitchen rite now davin her thing with Christmas goodies an has every Christmas for near 50 years. I wonder how our womenfolk can do all of this on such a short notice, to make us all happy and have filled tummies. You don't recon LOVE has anything to do with do you??? I'm afraid it has the most to do with it as most of the things we get is directly caused by Mama, one way or the other so: Mama, I want to thank you from my heart for all the things you do for us all year long an expect nothing in return but a kiss and I LOVE YOU Darling.

Our blessings to all of you and Merry Christmas an Happy New Year.

Ab an Benita (MAMA)

Top O' Texas District FFA Banquet Is Held Dec. 5

The Top O' Texas FFA District held its annual banquet at White Deer High School on Monday, December 5. Approximately 221 members and guests were served steak dinners by the White Deer Agricultural Advisory Committee.

Following the meal the banquet moved to the auditorium where the district officers began with the opening ceremony.

Larry Johnson, superintendent of White Deer School welcomed the banquet participants. Pam Scott the Area I state vice president then addressed the banquet on facing the "tests" of everyday life.

The district officer team presented Honorary Lone Star Farmer plaques to individuals who had given their time and support to chapters from throughout the district. Those receiving the honor were Mr. Wayne Stribling of Pampa, Mrs. Tresa Miller of Miami, Mr. Merle Miller of Booker, and Mr. Danny Krienke of Perryton.

Voting delegates selected this year's winning talent teams. Clint Chase from the White Deer chapter was voted the best of the evening and will represent the Top O' Texas District at the Area I Convention in May. Chad Johnson from Perryton was second and Amy Miller of Miami placed third in the talent contest.

The Mr. and Ms. FFA Contest was also held in conjunction with the banquet. The Mr. and Ms. Team will also represent the district at the area convention. This year's Mr. and Mrs. FFA for the Top O' Texas District is Tyler Maxfield and Wendy Munsell of Booker.

The district officers would like to thank everyone who donated their time and effort to make this year's banquet such a huge success.

Attending from the Kelton FFA Chapter were Keli Crockett, Brandon Lewis, J. W. Ray, Shane Shugart, Brandi Conner, Jennifer Kirkland, Star Smith, Elissa Ray, Melissa Reynolds, Zac Smith, and advisor Mr. Andy Reed.

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Wheeler County Court Records

List of instruments filed in Wheeler County Clerk's Office, December 2 thru December 7, 1994

DECEMBER 2, 1994

RDT—First National Bank in Wheeler to Robert Nelson Brown, et ux, 11-30-94, Lot 5, Blk. 20, Wheeler. **ROY D MD—Lon Moser,** et al to Rodney Barker, et al, 12-1-94, See Instrument.

D—Morgan, et al to Rodney Barker, et al, 12-1-94, S 1/2 SE 1/4 SW 1/4 & Pt. S1/2 SW 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec. 87, Blk. 17, Surface. **AOL—D. Lyman Stubblefield,** et al to Rodney Barker, et al, 12-1-94, See Instrument.

P OF ATTY—Nationscredit Financial Services Corporation to Joe M. Fields, 3-23-94. **AOL—ORYX Energy Company,** et al to Samson Resources Company, 11-1-94, E 1/2 Sec. 23, N 1/2 Sec. 45, Blk. A-7.

D—Leonard Fulks, et ux to Robby Lee Schafer, 11-30-94, Lots 3-5, Blk. L, Park Add., Wheeler. **AOL—Victor Mitchell,** et ux to Mitchell Royalty, 11-1-94, E 1/2 Sec. 33, Blk. 17.

ASSIGN—Geappl Corp. to American Exploration Company, 11-7-94, See Instrument. **ASSIGN—Unum Life Insurance Company of America to American Exploration Company,** 11-7-94, See Instrument.

RDT—Rural Telephone Finance Cooperative to Texas RSA No. 2 Limited Partnership, 11-9-94, S 1/2 Sec. 75, Blk. 23. **RDT—First Bank & Trust,** Shamrock to R.L. Griffin, et ux, 11-29-94, Lots 2 & 3, Blk. LV, Shamrock.

COR MD—Irene E. Zybach to The Irene E. Zybach Trust, 12-29-92, SW 1/4 Sec. 16, Blk. RE, Secs. 10 & 14, SW 1/4 Sec. 12, Camp Co. School Land.

D—K. D. Douthit, et ux to Scott Luttrell, et ux, 11-30-94, Lots 1-14, Blk. 14, Briscoe, Exc. Mins. **DT—Scott Luttrell,** et ux to K. D. Douthit, et ux, 11-30-94, Lots 1-14, Blk. 14, Briscoe, Exc. Mins. **DECEMBER 5, 1994**

AFF—Kelly H. Baxter to Richard Gail Souders, 11-30-94, W 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 42, Blk. 24, H&GN. **ROY D—Upland Resources, Inc. to Lonestar Royalties,** 12-1-94, Sec. 41, Blk. A-3, H&GN.

ROY MD—Ruth L. Waters to Ruth L. Waters Revocable Trust, 11-30-94, Sec. 35, Blk. OS-2. **D—Evelyn H. O'Gorman to Walter O'Gorman,** 11-21-94, NE 1/4 Sec. 77, Blk. 17, H&GN.

ASSIGN—Edward H. Leede, et ux to ROCA Development LLC, 11-1-94, Sec. 51, Blk. A-7, H&GN. **AMEND DT—Petro-Hunt Corporation to Bank One, Texas, N.A.,** 11-22-94, See Instrument.

ASSIGN—New York Life Insurance and Annuity Corporation to American Exploration Company, 11-7-94, See Instrument. **OL—Pacific Enterprises ABC Corporation to Hanna Oil Properties Inc.,** 9-30-94, Sec. 19, Camp County School Land.

ASSIGN—Malouf Abraham, et ux to Abraham Oil & Gas LTD, 12-31-92, See Instrument. **CORR ASSIGN—Petroleum International, Inc. to Whiting 1988 Production Partnership, LTD,** 11-1-94, See Instrument.

MML—Edwin J. Ellison, et ux to Erickson Supply & Construction, 11-21-94, Lot 20, Hefley Add. #2, Wheeler. **D—J. T. Kidd,** et ux to David Kidd, 12-3-94, Lot 15, Blk. 9, PBA, Shamrock.

MD—Doris Fay Finsterwald to Billy Wayne Finsterwald, et al, 12-5-94, E 1/2 Sec. 79, Blk. A-5, H&GN. **DVL—Iva Alexander,** et al to Melinda Parker, 12-5-94, Lots 1 & 2, N 1/2 Lot 3, Blk. 11, Stanley 2nd Add., Wheeler, Exc. Min.

DT—Melinda Parker to United States of America, 12-5-94, Lots 1 & 2, N 1/2 Lot 3, Blk. 11, Stanley 2nd

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Here & There
By Laura Guthrie

It's that time of year again. We drove over town last night to see the Christmas Lighting. Our village is just beautiful. The down-town lights, the courthouse and around the square look so neat. Somebody took a lot of time and care to edge the business building beautifully straight. A lot of people have done a magnificent job on their houses and lawns. One different, and impressive thing I saw was "the tree with tassels". At Dr. Mendiola's house there was "bunches of lights" hanging like tassels and moving in the breeze. It is a clever idea and very attractive.

There are other signs of Christmas around here. The nurse that came today from Shepherd's Crook Health Service, had a new wrist watch. And you know what? If you pressed a small button there was music. Imagine That!

Students are out of school. Two of my great granddaughters, from Borger, are spending the week with us. Traci and LaDonna Milburn are 6th and 8th graders. They are doing some homework, but most of their time they can relax.

The mail is another sign of the Holiday. My box is doing pretty heavy work right now. And do I love it! The Season's Greetings and the personal messages, lift my spirit.

Gifts are dropping in, too. But mostly I'm waiting until Christmas Eve and Santa Claus.

Then there's extra groceries, and signs of feasting. Melinda promised me I could do the "turkey and dressing again."

All these things I love and appreciate. But that is not the main point of the celebration. As tradition goes this is the Birthday of the King, Jesus our Lord. A time of praise, and singing and thankfulness for a Messiah, the Savior of all who believe that Jesus is the son of God. It is a glorious time! We are told that God is Love. Let us accept it.

So let's believe, and love and enjoy. It's Christ's Birthday.

We had dinner guests last Saturday evening. Melinda's High School friend, Dana and husband Ed Kochs and two small sons who live at Lipscomb were with us.

Word came today (Tues) that Stan Collins had died in his home at Reno, Nev. He is the husband of Betty Ripley Risner, the ex sister-in-law of Adrian Risner. The funeral will be in Amarillo on Wednesday.

By way of Amarillo, Adrian and Dorothy Risner will use a week for Christmas visits with relatives in Matador, Abilene and Longview.

Ed and Patricia had a Christmas time gathering at their home last weekend. There will be another one this weekend. Patricia can't be located this morning, so I can't give details.

Have a Happy, Happy Christmas.

GAGEBY NEWS
By Verna Fillingim

"Christmas began in the heart of God. It is complete only when it reaches the heart of man."

Isaiah 9:6 For to us a child is born, to us a son is given — And he will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Happy Birthday to Debbie Stinnett and Kenny Reed on Dec. 25. Nancy Shelton on Dec. 26, Chris Fillingim and Sue Harrison on Dec. 28, Pauline Hefley, Andy Maslek, Maurine Brotherton and Kimberly Winter on Dec. 29, Elva Wood, T. J. Cole, Mike Wash, James Red on Dec. 30, Liz

Shipp and Martha Helton on Dec. 31. Happy Anniversary to Garland and Charlene Dukes on Dec. 27, Cliff and Pauline Hefley and Danny and Mary Nelson on Dec. 29, Raymond and Isabel Moore on Dec. 30, Al and Sharon Ryan, Greg and Mona Worley and Thad and Tammy Greene on Dec. 31.

"God the Gift Giver — Jesus Christ the Gift."

Better watch out for deer crossing the roads. Georgia Tipps had the misfortune to run into one on the county line road. She was driving slow and car or people weren't hurt. Kinda scary. They were very lucky.

Fort Elliott Junior High girls and boys played Wheeler Christian Academy at Mobeetie Monday night and won both games. Good playing, kids. Lots of fans to watch.

Saturday night Oden and Lois Hudson were enjoying supper with B.F. and Margie Meadows at Maxeys. Big crowd there.

Vickey Nelson and Keri shopped in Pampa Saturday. Vickey is off from her nursing course till January 11 - nearly three weeks. She wasn't expecting to be bored.

Evelyn Meek, and Kathy Meek and Sandra Meek all went to Kelton Friday night to the ball game to see Jocelyn Meek play with junior high girls and Kaleb with High School boys. Jocelyn went home with Sandra to Panhandle to help her fix her Christmas Village. Saturday Evelyn met them in Pampa and brought Jocelyn home.

Doc Wilhelm got a good checkup Thursday on the treadmill at Dr. Chaffin's office. The young man helping with it was Gravy Burgess' grandson, who is going to school to be a Physician's Assistant and is married. Doc remembers playing baseball in the late 40's with Allison or Briscoe against Gravy on the Wheeler team.

Nice to visit a little with Donnie and Kathy Shorter and Michelle and Michael Monday night after the ball game at Mobeetie.

Jimmy and Tammy Maddox and Jennifer and Amber went to Wheeler

Care Center Friday night for the Christmas Party. Lots of good food and music by Andy Copeland with his sax. Santa came with gifts for residents. Amber Maddox sat on his lap. Also there for Bob Maddox were Mike and Cindy Maddox and Melody and Chris.

Kenneth and Lou Dean Douthett went to the Livestock sale at Shamrock Wednesday and to Pampa Friday.

Pat Smith and Mae Helton visited Rosalie Keelin Tuesday afternoon. Pray for Rosalie Keelin. She's not been feeling very well.

Wednesday Jean Pollack and Evelyn Meek went to Amarillo and had lunch with Lucille Barker and Adeline Barker.

Nice to have Sue Chandler and Jana and Bridget eat lunch with us at the Dairy Queen in Wheeler Sunday. Also there were Gertie Cornell with Peggy Chandler and Jennie Walker (all dressed up so pretty) Clarence and Eldon Walsler, Dr. Bob and Glenda Galutia and Yancy and Susie, Lynn and Leesa Sims and Serena, Kent and Debbie McLaughlin and boys.

From Eldon Walsler "Can you spell hard water with three letters? (Ice)" From Clarence "What did one big toe say to the other? (Don't look now, but there are two heels following us.)"

Jimmy Maddox and Jennifer went to Allison Saturday night to see Allison High School play San Jacinto Christian. Jimmy refereed. Allison girls won; Allison boys lost.

Kathy Meek spent Friday night with Evelyn Meek. Saturday Kim came and picked her up and they ate lunch with Evelyn.

"Don't expect a thank you. Work for the satisfaction of achieving. Work for the joy of serving, work for the thrill of discovery. Then if someone does thank you, your day will be made and you expectations exceeded."

Dean and Georgia Tipps are expecting Terry and Becky Tipps and Zachary, Adam and Casey to come Friday to visit them and Dick and Ruth Irvine through the holidays. Iona May will also come to help them celebrate.

Bob and Gena Zybach went to the Cantata at Wheeler Methodist Church Sunday night and thought it very good. Especially enjoyed the new pipe organ played by Sylvia Schuler. Allison Methodist had their Christmas program and dinner Sunday morning. Little Travis Glenn Elmore, son of Melissa and Mark Elmore was baby Jesus.

Micah 5:2 O Bethlehem — you are but a small Judean village, yet you will be the birthplace of my King who is alive from everlasting ages past.

Vetola Parker is in an Amarillo Hospital for tests. Pray for Vetola. Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Mildred Porter, a dear little lady who died Saturday.

At R. L. and Rozena Zybach's home Sunday to celebrate Josh Purcell and Melody Goad's birthdays included the hosts and honorees and Mac and Gay Purcell and April, Phillip Wiggins, Mike Goad and Travis and JaNae, Royce



and Deedy Zybach and Julie and Sarah Beth, Shane and April Goad, Shane and Lori Baird, and Charity and Jessica Lauren, Jim Goding, Irene Zybach and Mary Lou Carter.

Mark and Annette Meek and Kaleb and Jocelyn plan to have a family Christmas celebration for Annette's family at the home of Lee and JoAnn White in Amarillo Saturday and be at Evelyn Meek's house on Christmas Day.

Addie Swift went with Wayne and Pat Childress and Amanda, Jackie

Dukes and Wanda Childress and rode around Sunday night to see all the pretty lights. Bobby and Mary Nell Finsterwald and April and Andy have a gorgeous display and many fantastic ones in Wheeler and other places. Some visiting Addie have been Brandi Luttrell and Wanda Childress and Amanda.

Bob and Sue Ratliff and family plan to go to Bob's sister's Paula and Don Wilson's home at Lake Tanglewood Amarillo on Saturday. Sue's family plan to be at Ratliff on Sunday Christmas Day.

Gageby Church youth ate lunch at Church Sunday and did a great job decorating cookies for the program fellowship. Very good. Some helping were Boyce, Jodie and Londa, John Moffett, Misty Morgan, Elizabeth and

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Gageby

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Sarah Hale, David and Doug Helton, David Hale, Gaye Hale and Charles and JaJo Crownover and Terri. They really had some masterpieces in shapes of bells, donkeys, trees, wreaths and others.
We had a very good program at Gageby Sunday night to celebrate the birth of Jesus in song and story. Nice

to have Don and Cindy Hartsfield and children there.

Willie Fillingim was planning her family Christmas celebration for Christmas Eve Day. Crownovers planned to go to Canyon to Frank and Bess Crownovers Christmas Day.

I guess Willis is in his second childhood. He got some little cars for Christmas.

I finally got our Christmas Tree up and ornaments we've collected and been given over the years on it. But it still looks an awful lot like I threw it together.

Fort Elliott went to Hedley for High School Basketball games Tuesday night. Our girls lost 33-43. (We won 47 to 38 Saturday night against Hedley to win first in Samnorwood tourney). Fort Elliott boys beat Hedley 45 to 41. Good playing kids.

Nice to see Dale Meadows at Walmart on his day off. He has worked for IRI for 21 years and makes a good living. Saw Birdie Hudson, Myrtle Verden and Nelda Dukes eating at Furr's Wednesday. We swam and shopped a little.

From a Christmas letter:
"We like to live in a little town where trees meet over the street."

You wave your hand and say 'Hello' to everyone you meet.

We like to stop for a minute outside the grocery store.

And hear all about the new folks moving in next door.

For life is interwoven with friends you learn to know.

And you feel their joys and sorrows as they daily come and go.

So we are glad we live in this little town and care no more to roam.

For every house in a little town is more than a house, it's a Home!

Our Fort Elliott Boys, girls and J.V. girls had some rough games at White Deer Friday night. Boys lost 68-78; girls lost 46 to 56; J.V. girls lost 12-48, but lots of good playing. Tera Hefley made three 3-pointers early in the game for J.V. Justin Brown did a good job for White Deer.

You might like to try Ethel Grimes' grandma's Cranberry Salad for your Christmas dinner. Very good.

Cranberry Salad
1 pkg. cranberries rinsed and ground
1 box jello - (raspberry or strawberry) dissolved in one cup hot water
Add one cup sugar then
1 small can pineapple (crushed)
1/2 cup chopped nuts, if desired
1 apple chopped
Mix and let congeal in refrigerator.

J. P. and Martha Meek went to Amarillo Wednesday and visited Don and Cindy Hartsfield and Hayden and Glory and had a doctor's check up. Hayden and Glory came home with them for a visit. Nice to have them at Church Sunday. They also visited the Chuck Harline's.

Thanks so much for beautiful cards and thoughts and notes. Such joy to receive them, but I'm slow to get them answered. But I haven't forgotten you.

Joe Lackey from Amarillo and Jeffrey and Jennifer Lackey from near Hallettsville came Friday to visit a few days with David and Rita Pearson and Dallas and Lindsey Fillingim. Joe also visited his mother, Mrs. Nellie Lackey and went to the Wheeler Care Center Christmas Party for residents and family and friends. Coming later to visit the Pearsons were Pat and Christi Steffek and Bailey and Jerry and Marian Lackey from Hallettsville. Carrol Lackey from Abilene spent Wednesday night with the Pearsons



and attended a Dekalb meeting in Amarillo Thursday. Carol and JoAnn Lackey also visited while the others were there.

Nice to have Don and Cindy Zumstein and Daniel eat lunch and visit with us Monday. They were giving calendars to spray customers. They hope to go to California (San Diego) to visit relatives during school holidays.

Nice to see Mural and Loretta Hazel at Walmart. Mural is a prison guard and Loretta works for Dunlaps, as does Christina Ogle. Saturday Loretta and Christina met Esther Brown for a nice visit over lunch. Kevin Hazel is in Air Force in Germany. Dale is married, lives at Albuquerque.

There was a very large crowd out to

Mobeetie Gym Thursday night for Fort Elliott Elementary Christmas program. Good job, kids! All kids from kindergarten through fifth grade sang and had short speaking parts and did a great program. Pam Jones directed. Then Santa came (he needed to lose weight) and sat on the stage and all the little kids came and visited with him and sat on his lap and got some treats.

Lois Meadows is expecting Lucy and Rick Lucas and Russ from Westport, Kentucky to visit a few days during the holidays and also visit Rick's family at Abilene. Charissa has to work.

Rev. Charles and Olivia Abercrombie will be celebrating their 71st wedding anniversary on Dec. 23. Congratulations!

Niceto have Cliff and Pauline Hefley and Susie Erwin come by Friday afternoon.

Nice to visit with J. R. and Maurine Hefley at the Appraisal Board supper Saturday night at Maxeys. Some others there were Larry Schoenhals, Chief Appraiser, Raymond (president of board) and Isabel Moore, Larry and Bobbie Jennings, Jeannine and Jerry Hawkins, Jimmy and Bobbie Hill, Mark and Annette Meek, Johnny and Hollie Burrell, Dusty and Joyce Oldham, Jerry and Carolyn Hefley and Olaf Siviage, secretary of the board and Willis and me.

Thanks Eddie George for clueing me in to that good Christmas Show on Channel 10 Sunday night.

Doris Finsterwald is expecting most of her family at her house on Saturday for a Christmas celebration and includes Bill and Tonya Finsterwald and Randy and Brandon, Bob and Mary Nell Finsterwald and April and Andy, Claudy and Ina Mae Brotherton, C. B. and Maurine Brotherton, Gary and Kathy Brotherton and Ryan and Janae from Amarillo and Julie Gilmer. Sunday night Jerry and Janice Finsterwald and Matt and Megan from Monrovia, Maryland are expected to fly in to Amarillo and Bill Finsterwald will meet them and bring them to Doris'. They will stay about a week and visit everyone.

Sincere sympathy to Mary Finsterwald and others in the death of Mary's sister, Geneva Cook Wilson, at Wichita Falls.

"God be with you till we meet again" Mary's Party

Ma Mary Hudson's family gave a big party at the Elizabeth Jane Bivins Home Sunday December 18 to celebrate Mary's 94th birthday. Some there besides the other residents were Sharon Grandstaff - (chef planner, cook and organizer) Robert Gatlin and Debbie, Randy Gatlin and Lori, Ray and Pat Hudson from Perryton, Sonya Hudson and Shawn Patrick, Cheryl Hudson and Steven John, Cindy Sweet and Jesse Ray, Logan and Nathan and Wanda Rains (used to live at Briscoe). Also Mary has a cousin, Irene Veasley 97, who lives there and was present. And of course Oden and Lois Hudson were there. The shingles are really giving Mary fits. Pray for her. Oden and Lois spent Sunday night with Sharon. They went back by Monday afternoon to see Mary and she was feeling some better. But she can't see to read and is real hard of hearing, but a very dear lady.

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We would like to thank the Wheeler and Mobeetie Fire Departments, and the Wheeler Ambulance Crew for their quick response to the grass fire on our place. We are fortunate to have dedicated people willing to volunteer their time to protect our property. Thanks.

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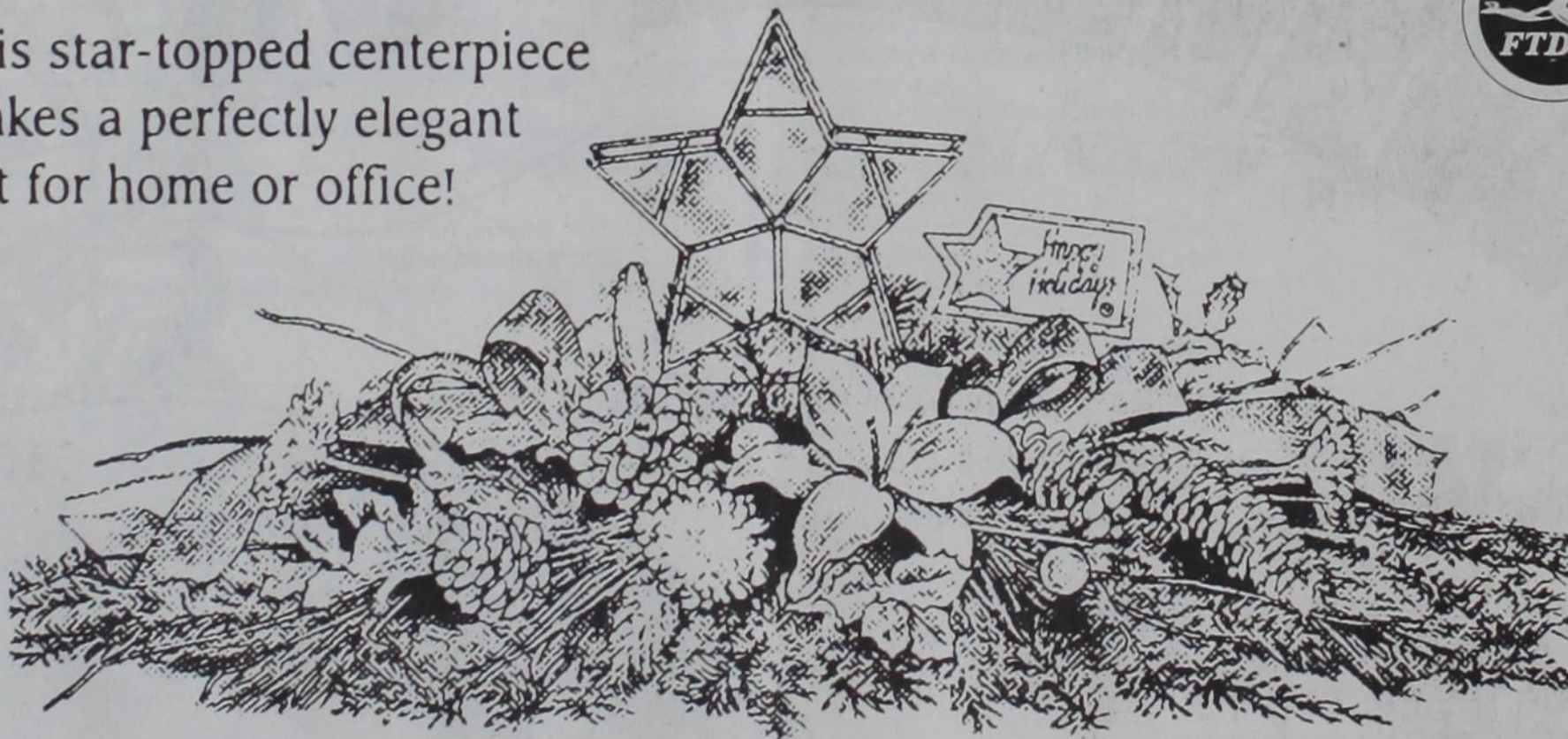
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The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? Wait on the Lord; be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart; wait, I say, on the Lord.

Another nice Monday morning here in Allison with clear skies and south wind which are cold.

Ruby Craig and Wilma Gilmer shopped in Elk City last Tuesday. Lisa Farmer and boys from Albuquerque, New Mexico came to Ruby's last Tuesday night to spend the holidays. Ruby and Wilma shopped in Pampa last Saturday.

Bob and Lou Cornell took Gertie Cornell to Elk City last Wednesday night for supper and to see the Christmas lights in Elk City. Last Friday night Bob, Lou, Anthony and Judi attended the Christmas Party at the Care Center at Wheeler, they enjoyed the entertainment and the delicious food and the gift giving.

Last Sunday Bob and Lou's dinner guests were Ginger Moore and Sherman Alsip from Elk City, they were celebrating Ginger's birthday.

Gary and Julie Boydston and Ammie's weekend guests were Greg and Misty Boydston and Tori from Amarillo.

Last Monday Len and Betty Brown had a Christmas get together with some of their brother and sisters and Juanita. Those there other than Juanita Boydston were Opal Boydston, Warren and Charlene Brown from Amarillo and Roma and Billy Brown, they had a meal together and gift exchange.

Last Saturday Forrest and Janice Boydston had a early Christmas dinner at their home, those there were Opal and Juanita Boydston, Robbie and Sa Rita Green and Carissa from Minco, Oklahoma and Neal and Tia Boydston, Corinna and Kendra.

Roma and Billy Brown went to Purcell, Oklahoma and visited their son Merlyn Brown Friday and Saturday. Roma and Billy shopped in El Reno, Oklahoma on their way home.

Nelda Dukes and Becky Zybch were in Amarillo last Monday and met Nelda's from Earth, Texas and two of her cousins from Canyon and they all had lunch together, then Becky did some shopping and went out to Bishop Hills to see the Christmas lights and then came home.

Cheryl Dupont and Cody were in Elk City last Friday doing some shopping.

Clifton and Louise Boydston had an early Christmas at their home last Sunday with some of their children and their families, those there were Wanda Walker, Jonathon and Justin, Gary and Julie Boydston and Ammie and Greg and Misty Boydston and Tori from Amarillo, Bennie and Debbie Boydston, Heather and Jason, Henry and Cheryl Dupont, Sabrina and Cody, Kim and Chuck Thompson and Kimber from Amarillo, Bruce and Pearl Harrison and Opal and Juanita Boydston.

Glen and Nona Elmore went after church last Sunday morning to Elk City and ate dinner and then did some shopping.

(Marginal Note) Keep your fears to your self, but share your courage with others.

Pete and Margaret Gilmer, Linda and Rodney Ingersoll and Andrew met Becky and Jeannie Gilmer of Amarillo last Saturday in Pampa and they all ate supper at Dyers Barbeque place, then they finished their Christmas shopping.

Rita Grayson's Saturday afternoon visitors were her sister Estelle and Herman Topper from Borger.

Bruce and Pearl Harrison's dinner guests one day last week were Clifton and Louise Boydston and Bennie Boydston. Last Friday Eddy and Wanda Walker were dinner guests with Bruce and Pearl.

Lanora Morse spent five weeks with her sister in law Norvetta Robertson at Dalhart helping take care of Norvetta who had hip surgery two months ago.

Vance and Caroline Boydston went to Canyon last Wednesday night and spent the night at Kyles apartment and then shopped in Amarillo on Thursday.

Last Friday night Kevin Boydston and two of his friends Leonard and Susan Barbee from Lubbock, Texas spent the night with Caroline and Vance and Kevin spent the weekend. On Sunday Vance and Caroline took Kevin to Pampa where he met his friends and from there they went on home to Lubbock.

Kyle Boydston was in Canyon last weekend and did some shopping. On Sunday morning he went to Dalhart and picked up his grandmother Morse and brought her home to Allison.

Ray and Arlene Nokes' 50th Wedding Anniversary that was held Saturday afternoon at the Allison School Cafeteria was real nice and both of their son's were able to attend, Dave Nokes flew in from Austin and Steve Nokes flew in from Washington State, they arrived in Amarillo on Wednesday before the Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, Ray's brother Edwin Lewis and wife Carrie from Kemp, Texas near Dallas were also there.

(Marginal Note) It is the simple things in life that make living worthwhile — love and duty, work and rest, living close to nature.

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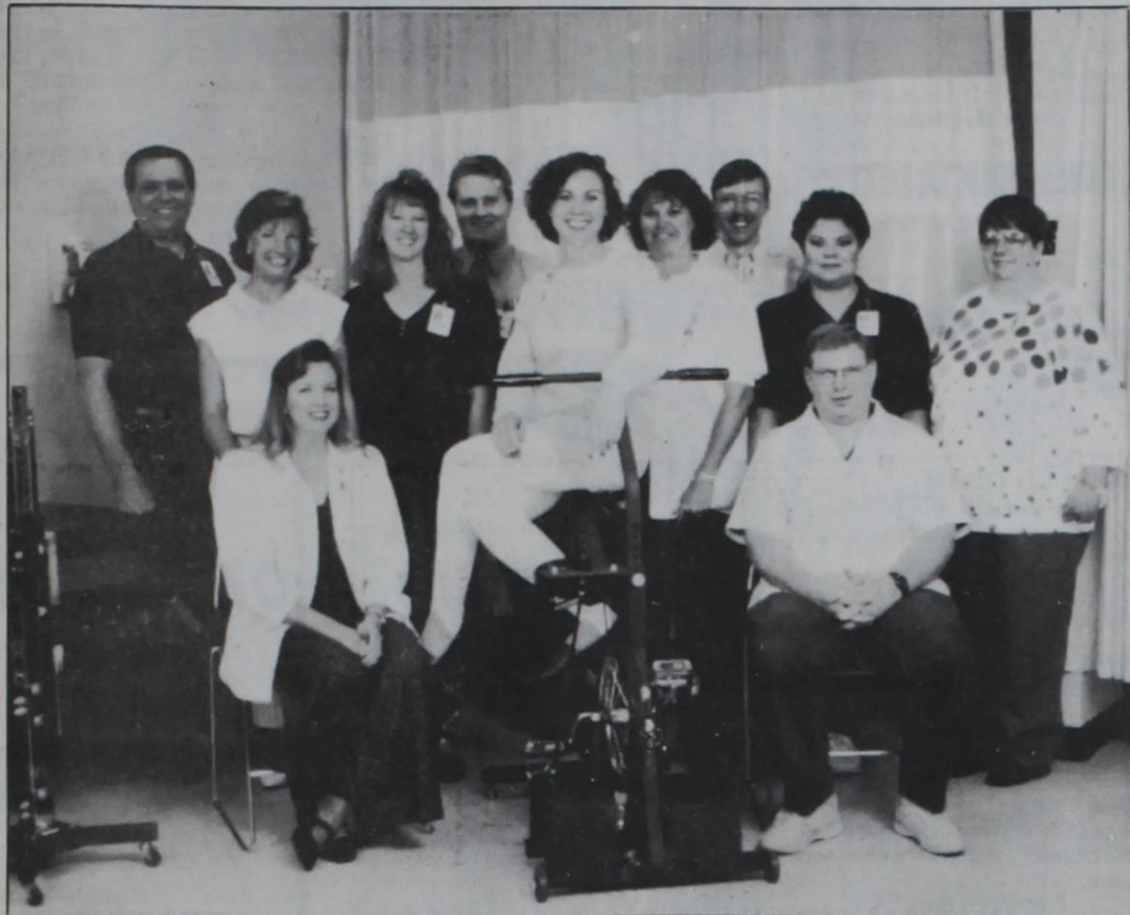
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Wheeler SANTA LETTERS:

(Mrs. Porter's FIRST GRADE)

Dear Santa,
I want a super nintendo, Kalvin Klien Obsession, 4 wheeler, Pot bellied pig, MKII Mighty Morphin Power Rangers Super Punch Out. I am thankful for my family, Chris Mullins autograph Reggie White autograph.

Love
Josh Britt

Dear Santa,
I am thankful for family and friends. I would like a Dreamboat, Make-up Beauty, Bottle Tops, Go Go Worms, Roller Blades, and My-size Barbie. I love you.

Love,
Samantha Chapman

Dear Santa,
I want a doll house and a doll, and I want some poinsettia flowers. And I be whit all my family. And I want christmas balls for my christmas tree.

Love,
Sue Hernandez

Dear Santa,
I want a new bike, and I also want a Christmas tree. Santa I am thankful for my family, and where I live. I want a whole bunch of money.

love,
Dustin Lee

Dear Santa,
I am thankful for my family and my food. I would like some cloths and dolls. I would also like some animal toys like cats, horses or dogs. I would like to have some markers and colors. I would like my family to have a happy Christmas. I want my brother and sisters to get lots of presents.

Love,
Kayla Andis

Dear Santa,
I am thankful for presents and toys and I want a Stimpfy for Christmas and a Tyrannasarus rex and a mascadon for my power rangers the colors of the power rangers is the red ranger and the black ranger.

love,
Loran Rose

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. Thank you for the presents you brought me last year.

Please bring me some books, some tapes and a truck. Please bring mom, Dan and Michelle some real nice things.

I will leave cookies and milk out.
Love,
Timmy Andris
P.S. Please bring Becky a 13 inch color t.v. She has been good, too.

Dear Santa,
I want a bike, I want a recorder, nintendo tape, power rangers, Christmas tapes, Sled, color books and crayons.

Love
Bo Compton

Dear Santa,
I want a new bike I am thankful for my pets.

Love
J. D. Brown

Dear Santa,
I am thankful for Chrims tree cas it is fun.

I want a Doctor BarBie, and a T.V. and a stereo and a stuffed rabbit.

Love
Kayla G

Dear Sata,
I am thankful for Christmas tree it is pretty

I want a play house and a Christmas book.
Love
Connie



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(Mrs. Batton's FIRST GRADE)

Dera Santa,
I want a barbie doll and I want a dancint twirl barbie. My Bother wants the whole Jraskit park set. Thank you for the computer. Please give my dogs some bones. I want bikesickl barbie. I'll be waiting for you with cookies and milk. I want a barbie van that can turn into a house. My Mother wants a pair of sock. My Father want a new peir of tools.

Heather Hampton

Dear Santa
I need a nintendo.
I need Super Mario brother.
I need a go cart.
Thank you Santa.
Wesley McIntyre

Dear Santa,
I want rollerblades.
My sister wants jewelry.
My brother wants a t v.
Thank you for the gifts from last year, I will set cookies and milk out for you.
I want games, I will wait for you.
Lezil Finsterwald

Dear Santa,
I want some roller blades. I will leave cookies for you. Thank you for the football you gave me last year.
Love,
Derek Murray

Dear Santa,
I would like a t v bigger than my brother's. And a lot of games. Will you bring something for my baby cousin.
Love
Whitney Holland

Dear Santa,
How are you? I hope you are fine. I would like a new baby doll to rock. please. I hope you have a Merry Christmas.
Love,
Haley Jones

Dear Santa,
I will like rollerblades, a basket ball, some games, and a bike. We will make you some cookies with some milk.
Thank you,
Justin Lee

Dear Santa,
I would like tekno zoids for Christ- mas, Also I will leave you sum cookies and milk.
Your Friend,
Tyler McWhorter

Dear Santa,
I want a pair of cowboy boots and I would like a gun. I want a train and if you have time bring me a knife and a motor sicle. I will have milk and cookies.
Love,
Colton Brown

Dear Santa,
I like last Christmas
I want rollerblades.
I want a remote control car.
I want a nintendo.
I like to leave cookes foor Santa.
I want a quilt foor my mom and dad.
I want shoos foor my sister.
Love,
Zane Hubble

Dear Santa
I would like a bike and a car. I will leave you some cookies and juice. Thank you for the super nintendo you gave me last year.
Love,
Benito Lopez

Dear Santa,
I would like a Barbie Doll. My Brother wants a truck. I will leave you cookies and milk. Will you bring my Mom something?
Thank you,
Brenda Guerra

Dear Santa.
I want power rangers. I want gloves please. Please bring me and my Brother sega games. I will try to leave you Some cookes.
Your friend,
Jansen Moore

(Mrs McCains' 2nd grade)
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a pooltable
And a racecar
And a sega
And a Madden 95 game
And some rollerblades
Love
Jarrod

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bike for christmas that is all different colors with a water bottle. I hope you are ready for Christmas. I am. How are your reindeer? I am finished with my letter now bye bye.
See you on Christmas Eve,
Brook Anderson

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing Santa claus and your reindeer? Are you ready for christmas? I hope you are. I want a new doll for christmas.
Jandle Taylor

Dear Santa Claus,
Can you bring me a Polly Pocket if you can? And I wish Santa Claus A Merry Christmas.
Saharay Barboza

Dear Santa Claus,
Riquetsayed, I want a racecar and Lincoln log fort biding set and Eletroik Football super Bowl game.
Cameron Burton

Dear Santa Claus,
Will you bring me a talking simba and a rekorder and how are your randdeers doing and I wish you a Mary Christmas
Love
Melissa Diera

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like some roller blades.
Carl Scales

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Sonic 3 Sega Game
Erick Mendoza

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a new pair of roller blades with pads and a bike I hope it won't be eny trouble and I want a doll that has rollerblades on it and a helmet.
Savanna Shipp

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a skateboard and knee pads and elbow pads. I hope you are reddy for christmas because it is coming up soon.
Rachel Howard



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Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year and I would like some Power Ranger stuff, New boots, and PaPa's new saddle to go on my horse Sam. I would like to

see my Cousin Clinton for Christmas and he would like some Power Rangers too. I'll leave you some milk and cookies.
Love,
Matraca Bradstreet, age 2
Wheeler

Ft. Elliott SANTA LETTERS:
(KINDERGARTEN)

Dec. 12, 1994
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good boy. For Christmas would you please bring me a skateboard?
Love,
Josh

Dec. 12, 1994
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good boy. For Christmas, would you please bring me a mansion?
Your Friend,
Trey

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a toy choo choo train.
Love,
Serena Sims

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a babydoll and some clothes. I also want a colorbook.
Love,
Randi Lyn Barr

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Spiderman Collection, a car crusher, a little z-bok guy, a Turtle on a motorcycle and a Turtle Tele-Com.
Love,
William Hodges

Dear Santa,
Please bring me Newborn Nancy, Water Barbie, Gymnastic Barbie and her friends, and a chocolate chip cookie.
Love,
Sarah Moon

Dear Santa,
Please bring me Newborn Nancy, Water Barbie, Baby Burpee, a coat and some clothes.
Love,
Jennifer Roe

(Ft. Elliott FIRST GRADE)
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good I would like to have a McDonald Maker, a desk, roller skates, and a toy Santa Claus.
Love,
Sarah

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good I would like a power ranger tape, a diamond neclace, a light up Rudolph with bells, and an angel doll.
Love,
Cassie

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been very good. I would like to have a talking Rudolph, a sega game, and jewelry to make and a topsy tail doll.
Love,
Carrie

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been very good I would like a light up Rudolph with a parachute, a talking Buggs Bunny and a Sega and Nintendo.
Love,
Michael

Dec. 12, 1994
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl. For Christmas would you please bring me these things - a big dog and cat and a sled.
Love,
Tamara
(Ft. Elliott SECOND GRADE)

Dec. 12, 1994
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a very good boy. For Christmas, would you please bring \$8,000,000?
Love,
Steven Kephart

Dec. 12, 1994
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a very good girl. For Christmas, would you please bring me a life-size Barbi?
Love,
Stormy

Dec. 12, 1994
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good boy. For Christmas, would you bring me a Game Boy?
Love,
Jason Reed

Dec. 12, 1994
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a very good boy. For Christmas, would you send me a house and a toy truck?
Love,
William

Dec. 12, 1994
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a very good girl. For Christmas would you please bring me a new bike?
Love,
Andrea

Dec. 12, 1994
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a very good boy. For Christmas, would you please give me a very merry Christmas?
Love,
Clayton May

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Ft. Elliott SANTA LETTERS:

(THIRD GRADE)

12/15/94

Dear Santa, I hope you are o.k. How are your reindeer? I have been good this year. I would like a color writer, fantastic stickers and a jump rope for Christmas. If you can't get these I understand. I know anything you get me will be fine. Merry Christmas to you also!!!
Love,
Holly Lea McCurley
XOXO

December 15, 1994

Dear Santa, I have been very good this year. How many elves do you have? I want a Jumpsie and a cute teddy bear that talks for Christmas. Hailey wants a Barbie jeep so does Bailey and Bailey also wants a Winnie-the-Pooh and rabbit with a carrot in its hand. Ashley wants a new coat. Amber wants a new ring.
Your friend,
Savannah Estes

December 15, 1994

Dear Santa, How are you doing? Are your elfs fixing toys, for little girls and boys? If you are, I'm ready for you to come. I want a Polly Pocket, and I know you will give it to me, because I've been very good this year. Oh!! And my name is Brittany, of course you know. Oh, I forgot something, I want a baby puppy.
Your friend,
Brittany Daniels

12/14/94

Dear Santa, For Christmas I want five things a sega genesis, a CD player, some CD's, sega video game, and a million dollars. Since your so fat you probably can't fit down our chimney so ring the doorbell and I will answer the door. I will keep my eyes closed so I won't see you. I not supposed to see you.
Love,
Shane Simms

(Ft. Elliott FOURTH GRADE)

12-6-94

Dear Santa, I would like to have a game gear and a new bucket of lego and a B-B-gun and some tractors. Can I have some of them. P.S. Please bring all of them.
Your friend,
Seth Meadows

12-6-94

Dear Santa, I would like to have a horse, a my size barbie and a new teacher and a new friend. I also want a sheltand pony and a new bike and a new rules in the class room.
Love,
Shana

December 15, 1994
Dear Santa,
How are you doing? How many present have your elves made? How many elves do you have? I have been a good girl this year. All I want is a hamster or a gerble. I want my own golden retriever. For my brother he wants a Power-Ranger doll, and for my sister she wants a Bubble car. And

I gusses that's it.
Your friend,
Chrystal Selby

12/8/94

Dear Santa, I want a game for my game gear. I also want some clothes. Maybe some toys too. P.S. If you can try to bring

them all.
Love,
Melissa Kephart

12-6-94

Dear Santa, May I please have a game gear and 5 diffren games and a sega geneses with mortal combat land 2. Please. Merry Christmas!
Your friend,
Cody

12-6-94

Dear Santa, For Christmas I would like a ultamator and a Thunder Strick 20 to blask my sister and I would like a new nintendo tape and a Sega genesis and a go cart thats only a one seater.
Love,
Jason Hathaway

12-6-94

Dear Santa, May I please have Knex, walkman some facts about New York, Markers, crayons, Map colors, and one of my last things are I want what I said up there on my letter. Merry Christmas.
Sincerely,
Mark Helton

12-6-94

Dear Santa, This year I have been a good girl. I will leave you cookies and milk. I will tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a cd player, cd's, a bicycle helmet. Thank you!
Your Futer Elfe,
Jackie Dukes

Kelton SANTA LETTERS:

(FIRST GRADE)

dear santa claus, all i want is a toy truck and a rocket and a snake. merry christmas.
love,
justin levi henley

dear santa, i love you santa i will be good have you sent two girls a letter
I want a dog with puppies.
love,
tanelle eckert

dear santa claus, i wish you a merry christmas. i have been a good girl. i want a bike.
love,
shanieka

dear santa, i want a red power ranger. i want a blue power ranger. i want a white power ranger. i have been good this year.
love,
bruce gray bael

dear santa, i have been good this year. i want power ranger for christmas. it can be any color.
Love,
josh fathergill

dear santa, i have been good santa, i want a blue power ranger and i want a bear.
love,
troy ledford

dear santa claus, i would like gun also i want to have a watch i have been a good boy i would like a toy gun also.
love,
david fathergill

dear santa claus, all i want is a power ranger have a merry christmas.
i love you,
mari ann reynolds

dear santa claus, i love you santa claus. all i want is a pink barbie.
love,
melody conner
kelton 1st grade

dear santa, merry christmas. i would like a baby in a basket.
love,
renee henley
kelton 1st grade

Season's Best...

We would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone the happiest Holiday season ever. As we celebrate the memory of Christ's birth.

May everyone have a joyous and safe journey whether coming or going.
God's blessings to each and everyone.

Our Love in Christ

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Season's Greetings To All

During the Christmas season more than ever, our thoughts turn gratefully to those who helped us through the year. And in the spirit we say, thank you and best wishes for a wonderful holiday.

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Happy Holiday Friends

You have our insurance of a Merry Christmas season, filled with happiness!

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Happy Holidays!

We wish to you and yours the best of the season... thanks for your patronage!

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Merry Christmas

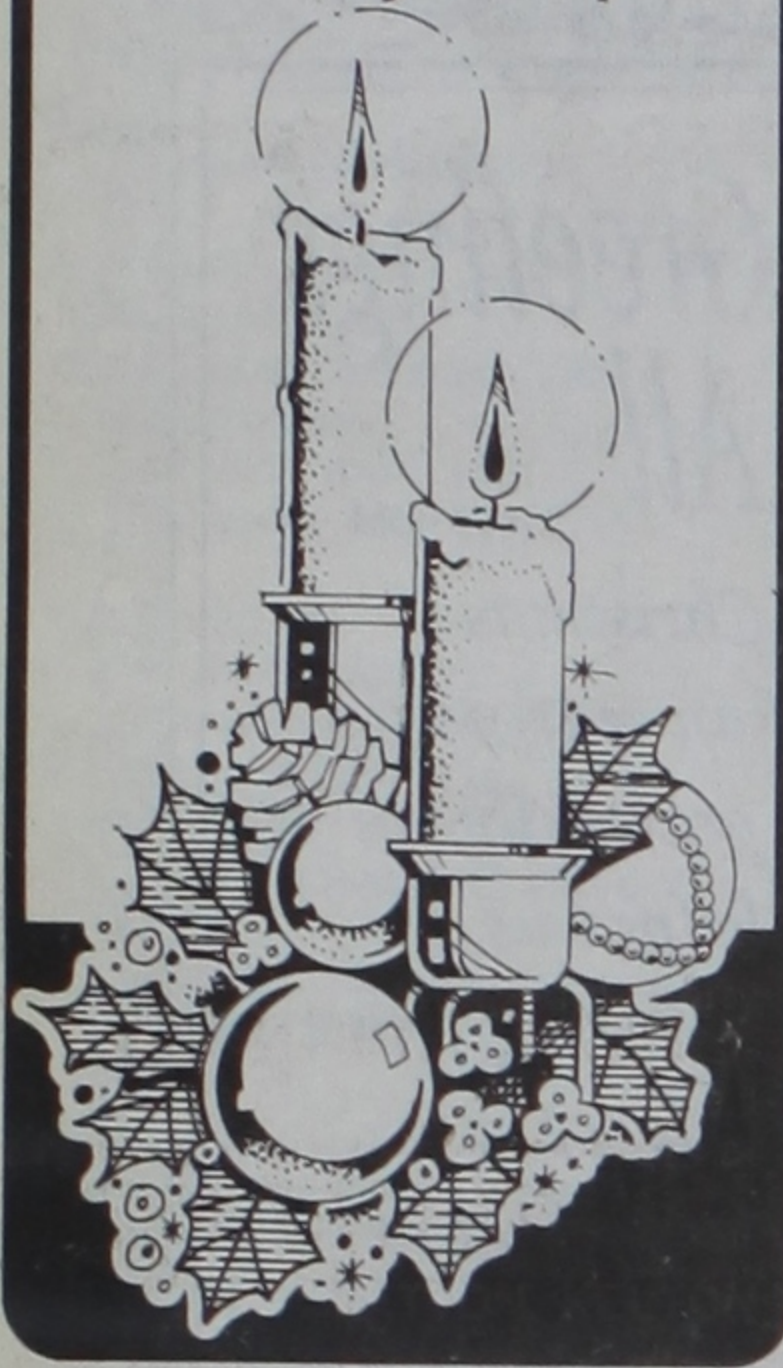
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Thanks, all.

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WARMEST WISHES

Here's to a bright and beautiful season.
Claudine's Beauty Shop



Kelton SANTA LETTERS: (SECOND GRADE)

Dear Santa,
I have tried my hardest to be good. I want a bee gun have a merry christmas.
Love,
Billy blacksher

Dear santa Claus,
I have been a good girl. I hope everyone has a good Christmas, I want for Christmas a walkman, a pink power ranger and a real puppy. I want one song Santa Claus do you know that song on cops! That's what I want please.
Love,
Sierra Atherton

(THIRD GRADE)

DEAR SANTA,
For Christmas I want a walkman, basketball, fishing pole a new radio and that's all. P.S. I hope that's not too much to ask. MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!
LEANDRA LISTER

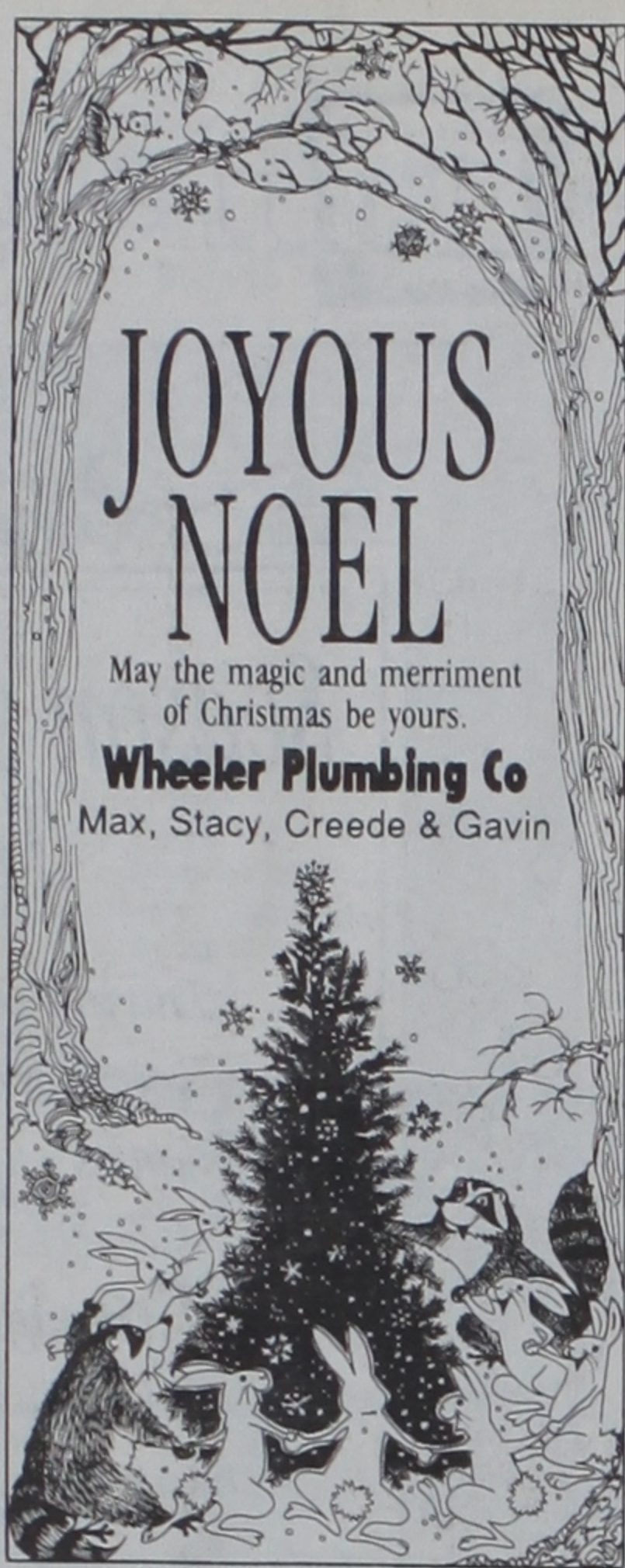
dear santa,
I hope everybody has a good christmas and I WOULD LIKE SOME TOYS. ONE MORE THING A BEE GUN.
LOVE,
BOB KILPATRICK

Dear santa,
Merry christmas. I want some clothes and shoes and a walk men. And some Barbies and One of your bells from your sleigh. I have been good this year.
Love,
Breanne

dear santa,
MERRY christmas I have been good this year. I wood like a sega, superninedo, super game boy, creepy crawlers, shot gun, cunputer.
LOVE,
Billy graybeel

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a great time delivering presents. I know you are busy but I only want one wish and it is to have a wonderful time. And merry Christmas. And a good merry Christmas. I have been good and hope I have a merry Christmas and lots of fun. And joy with love.
Yours truly,
ERIC SLATTON. KELTON

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a happy Christmas and will you please give me some toys. a cat please and a watch and a



JOYOUS NOEL

May the magic and merriment of Christmas be yours.
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walkmen and please one of your bells and please let me see my real dad and have a happy new years. ps. I hope it's not too much.
love,
Mickie Jarvis

Dear Santa,
All I want for Christmas is a gameboy, a batmobile, and tools. Have a merry christmas.
Love,
James Leff

Dear Santa,
How are you me I am fine. What I want for christmas is a walkman for and some new shoes and a silver bell off your sleigh.
BY ANGIE

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

A basketful of joy to all of our friends, along with our heartfelt thanks.

APPEARANCES

Rovanda/Marla



Dear Santa,
I wish everybody a merry christmas. I want a jukebox, radio, 5 tapes, cd player, 5 cds, and a backpack.
Love,
Evan Reed

Dear, Santa
I hope that everyone has A Merry Christmas and has a good time with there families. I have been good this year would you please buy my brother some pampers and would you please buy me some toys.
Love,
David Sturdivant



PEACE ON EARTH THIS CHRISTMAS

Arrow Water Well Service
Jerry & Barbra Koelzer

SANTA LETTERS:

Dear Santa,
I want a boy Cabbage Patch doll for Olkaseven. I also would like some roller skates, please. I Love You, Santa Claus! I will leave you a coke in a little bottle.
Love,
Elsabeth Johnson, age 5

Mobeetle
P.S. Nina needs a dress and some new hairbows, even though she hasn't been very good.

Dear Santa,
I Love You! I want some roller skates and a Snow White Doll. I've been a very good girl. Bring my daddy a calendar, and bring my Mommy a baby. You can land your sleigh between our house and the Moffett's house, then you can give John his toys too!
Love,
Anna-Rebecca Johnson, age 3, Mobeetle

Dear Ho Ho,
I have been a good girl. Please bring me some toys. I really would like a Newborn Nancy that sucks her thumb, her bottle and her passie. I will leave you some cookies and milk.
Love,
Amber Dawn Maddox
Three years old,
Briscoe, TX

Dear Santa,
I want a singing sword and I guess a truck. I would also like a basketball goal for my room. And, could you bring Randy a Sega, so I can play with it - a power ranger one. And a Super Nintendo. Be careful on your trips.
Love,
Brandon Finsterwald

Dear Santa,
I want a dolly, 2 new puppies, skates and a guitar.
Love,
Crissy Lovell

Dear Santa,
I wish for a Nintendo tape, a jeep that I can ride in. I also wish for a nice year for love to be all over the world.
Landon Sams

Dear Santa,
I wish I could have My Life Size Barbie, a computer, checker board, and a baby that can cry and eat. I would also like to have a game boy.
Yuri Soto



Rejoice

As we recall the birth of the Infant Jesus, may the joy of that first Christmas fill our hearts and renew our hope.

McIlhany Dry Goods

Dear Santa,
I would like a Bride Barbie and a bicycle. I also would like to have a game.
Nancy Calcote

Dear Santa,
I would like a big truck, sleigh to ride in and a bird dog of my own. I would also like a ship, book and a drum.
J. D. Cole

Dear Santa,
I'll be at Grandma and Grandpa's for Christmas. We will be downstairs. I would like a computer, moon shoes and my two front teeth for Christmas.
Lindsey Lewis

Dear Santa,
I will like a Sega tape for Christmas, a pair of walky-talkies, shoes, clothes and I wish you a Merry Christmas.
Hector Emiliano

Dear Santa,
I would like a Python truck, and for wars to stop. I would like for snow on Christmas Eve and for everyone to enjoy the holiday.
Clint Matthies

Dear Santa,
I would like a Phoenix Suns shirt, NBA Jam for gameboy, a Dallas cowboy cover, a calendar for all the football games, a poster of Charles Barkley.
Jarod Scott

Dear Santa,
I will like soccer pal, sunglasses, and a watch. I wish for a bulldog, horse, a cat and a bird. I wish for a hottub and a suburban for my family.
Leslie Weaver

Dear Santa,
I would like a stereo, some CDs, and a new phone. I will leave you some cookies.
Savannah Hampton

Dear Santa,
Here's our lists:
Jennifer Roe, age 5: Bike, Lite Bright, Newborn Nancy, Water Baby, Barbie Playhouse, Little Barbie Car, Play School Doll House, Cool Tools, Water Gun, McDonalds Play Restaurant, Tonka Truck, Easy Bake Oven, Tea Party, Games, Race Track, Baby Carriage, and Purr Kittens.
Jessica Roe, age 1, 90 Age group: Rattle, Doll, Play Keys, Teething Ring, Learning Center, Mirror With Different Colors, and Blanket.
Johnny Roe, age 4: Bike, Robot, Airplane, Cool Tools, Tonka Truck, Motorcycle, Play Tractor With Animals, and Water Gun.
Jacob Roe, age 3: Tractor Riding, Race Track, Play Tractor To Pull, Water Gun, Blanket, Play Cars, and Toy Keys.

Dear Friends,
With the holiday season comes thoughts of sharing our blessings of the present and hopes for the future with you.

We count among our blessings the privilege of serving you. Our hopes for the future is that we may continue to serve you.

Wishing you all a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**The Sparlins
Faye & Glen**



GREETINGS TO ALL!

May the holidays abound with all the warmth and goodness we wish for you and yours... wrapped in love and happiness.

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May the gifts of the season be yours as we celebrate the miracle of Christmas. We appreciate your loyal patronage. Merry Christmas!

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

May the beauty of this season renew each heart with hope.

Dr. Louie L. Mendiola & Family and Staff

'Tis the season of carols and good wishes. Many thanks for allowing us to serve you!

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Wheeler SANTA LETTERS:
(Mrs. Baize's THIRD GRADE)

Dear Santa,
I have been a pretty good girl, I hope. How are you? How is Mrs. Claus? I hope you're ready for Christmas. I will make cookies for you

to eat. How am I? I'm okay, I guess. It would be great if you would bring me a C.D. boom box. That is all I want. Everybody in my house needs socks, too, except Rowdy, my dog, and Simon, my bird. We wrote a creative writing story about you, Joe Don wrote mean stuff about you, but I didn't.
Your truly,
Karry Meadows

HOLIDAY
Memories



As we think back on Christmases of long ago, it makes us appreciate our many blessings. Happy holidays!

Vise Energy
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From all of us to all of you... a wish for a very Merry Christmas!



Merry Christmas!

Rain Bow Monograms
Charles, Margaret,
Darin, James &
Janet Kuntz

Happy Holidays

Old Saint Nick joins us in wishing you the merriest of Christmases.



Thanks for your continuing support.

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Home For The Holidays

May the many blessings of the season visit you and your family this Christmas.

Jim & Beth Alvey



Dear Santa,
How is Santa? I'm doing fine. I want a super nintendo, a dog, a Harley bicycle, a 4-wheeler, maybe a T.V., go-cart, c.d. player, power ranger toys, new shoes, and a ricisha mocinro car.
Your friend,
Joe Don Glassey

Dear Santa,
How is the North Pole? I was sorta good, I think. If you would please bring me two things, a C.D. player that is on a radio and a go-cart. Please don't knock down the stocking hangers.
Your friend,
Brad Masters

Dear Santa,
How are your elfs? I am going to have fun. Well I want for Christmas a doll that talks and close and something for my teacher. That is all.
Your friend,
Adriana Perez

Dear Santa,
Is Roodoof ok? I hope he is because he is so red on his nose. I wish I had a shetland pony, a boom box, and a rabbit. So I hope you can bring those three things.
Your friend,
Robert Brown

Dear Santa,
How are things going in the North Pole? How is Mrs. Santa and the elves doing? How is Roodolf doing? I want a toy truck and a toy car, a bike, shoes, radio, and clothes and a picture of Roodolf. And a picture of Mrs. Santa and you. Happy Merry Christmas.
Your friend,
Cris Vega

Dear Santa,
How is Mrs. Claus? I hope your reindeer are being good. If you could, I want some fish to put in my acwareim and a toy. And if you can maybe some closths. I hope you have a Merry Christmas.
Your friend,
Chelsea Brooks

Dear Santa,
How is the North Pole? How is Mrs. Claus and how is Vixson? Well, let's get started. I want a new Sega Genesis tape, a c.d. player, a football, a new bed and a new jacket. The thing I want mostly is a big-screen T.V.
Your friend,
Joe Salas

Dear Santa,
Things must get very cold down there. How are you doing? I would love to come down some time. Say.....How many elfs do you have? I want the Lion King game. Have a good Christmas. Bye!
Your pal,
Randy

Dear Santa,
I am a good boy, Santa, and I want a skateboard, helmet, Sega, bike, jersey, shoes, gameboy games, tools, bath robe, hat, t.v., a toe football, Stretsh Arm, Strang and three-wheeler.
Love,
Nic Gaines

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a my size bride doll. A barbie house and a esey bake even and telephone, tammy and a dream land baby. I even want a play limazoen. Please put something in our stockings a home. P.S. how are the raindeers is Mrs. Claus having fun.
Merry Christmas
Love,
Courtney

Dear Courtney,
I got your letter yesterday. One of my elves types real good on the computer his wife gave him last year so he is typing this letter for me. The reindeers are resting and getting ready for the trip south. Mrs. Claus always has fun at Christmas. She loves to wrap gifts and make candy and cookies. I guess you have noticed that Mrs. Claus does not have time to wrap all of the gifts that I leave for you. There are just too many children. I hope that I can find all that you have asked for. Please be careful with the oven. The oven gets real hot and can burn your finger and that would make me unhappy.
Love,
Santa

Dear Santa,
I want a machine gun, a bow and arrow, a play knife, a play jeep to ride in. P.S. I wi you were here wright now.
By,
Ethan

Dear Ethan,
Thanks for mailing your letter early so I can try and fill your wish list. I wish I could be in Wayside to visit you early, but there are millions of children in the world that I am getting ready to visit. That is why I don't always have time to talk to you. You have always been asleep when I come to your grandmother and grandfather's house. Thanks for the cookies and milk last year.
Love,
Santa
(Mrs. Hall's THIRD GRADE)

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I am looking forward to Christmas because it's my birthday! I have been a little good. I would like a Electro Lights bike, a Python (remote control car), and a Power Rangers set. I would like to have these.
Your friend,
James Chapman

Dear Santa,
How are you? I have a brother, and sister that have been really bad. I have been really good. I would like a tapeplayer, C.D. player, and a phone. I hope that you would not give them

anything for Christmas. Thank you for everything you have given me over the years.
Your friend,
Taryn Matthies

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I am fine. I hope that your reindeer are fine. Here is my Christmas list: I want the white ranger and the other rangers, B.B. gun, go cart, computer, and a t.v., Macie, my little sister, wants a Lion King tape, a new doll, and a bicycle. I wish you a Merry Christmas. I have been good some times.
Love,
Josh Miller

Dear Santa,
Sometimes, I'm a little bit good. I help my dad. How are your reindeer doing? I want the whole set of Jurassic Park, the white ranger, Megazord, Tigerzord, and Dragonzord. I wish you a Merry Christmas.
Your friend,
Dustin Hampton

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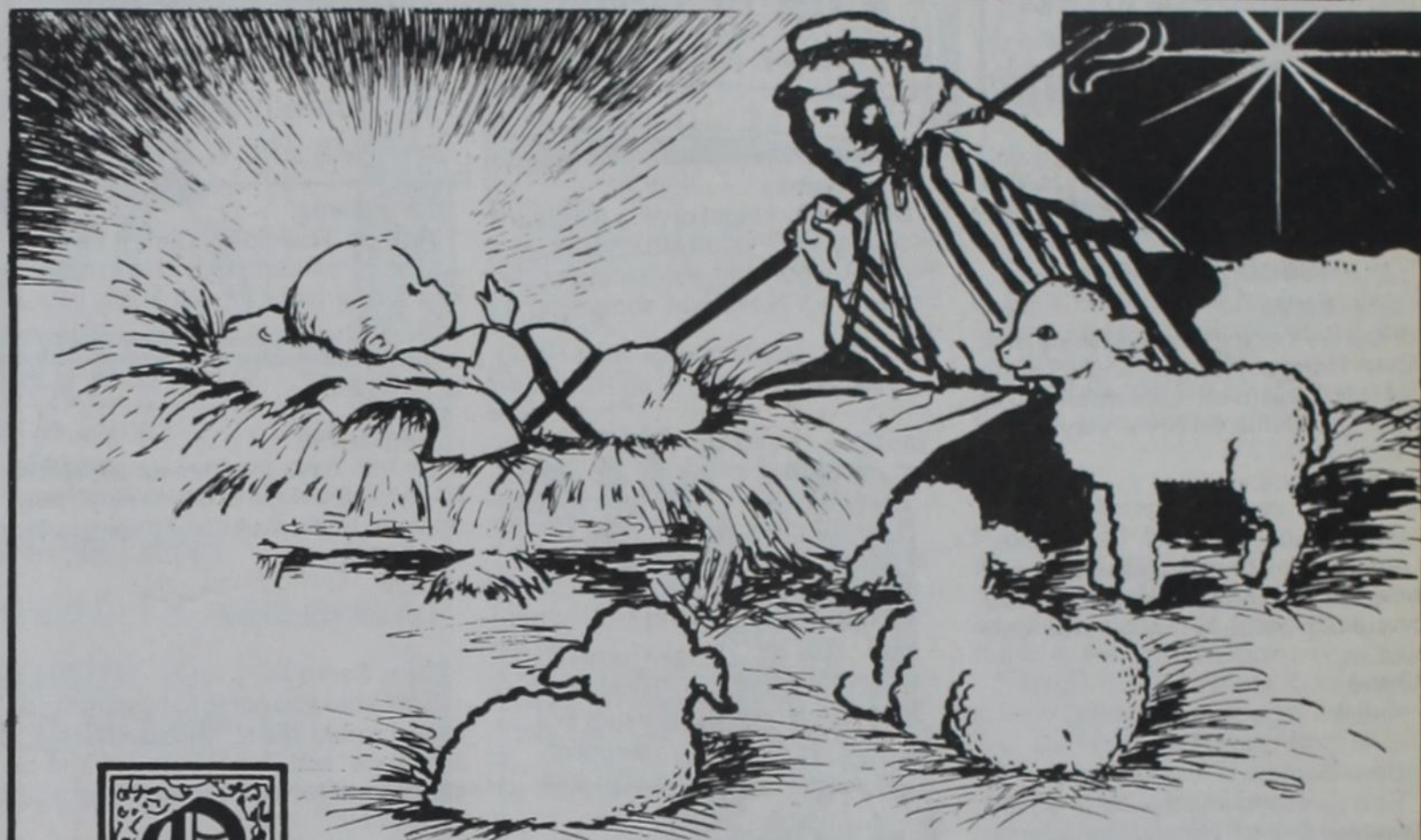


MERRY CHRISTMAS



May your stockings be filled with love and cheer, as we thank you for a successful year.

Wheeler Lumber Company



come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord! How the shepherds of Bethlehem must have rejoiced when they first saw the newborn Babe... we wish their joy to you and yours!

Jack's Discount Center

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At this wonderful and magical time of the year, our thoughts turn to those who have made our progress possible. Thank you, dear and loyal friends, for your continued patronage and goodwill.

Merry Christmas!



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PEACE ON EARTH



May this Christmas see fulfillment of prosperity and brotherhood for all mankind. Our thanks to you, loyal friends for your continued patronage.

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Allison SANTA LETTERS:

(SECOND GRADE)

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph? I would like a new Power Ranger, play gun, and a "Game Boy" for Christmas. Have a safe trip to my house. Santa, I love you very much.

Love,
Isaac Jackson

Dear Santa,
How are you? I would like a gun, a radio, and a tape for Christmas. How is Dancer doing? I will leave you cookies.

Love,
Andrew Ingersoll

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph, the Red Nosed Reindeer doing? I would like a fancy Barbie a Barbie house, and a motorcycle. Don't forget my brather, too, Santa.

Love,
Sabrina Dupont

Dear Santa,
How is it going up there at the North Pole. I want a little pool table, and a "Super Game Boy" with mortal combat, for Christmas. I will leave you cookies and milk.

Love,
Jason Boydston

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am fine. I am picking three things that I want for Christmas. I want a nerf gun, X-men, game gear with adaptor, and any game. How are the reindeer?

Love,
Tyler Copeland

Wheeler SANTA LETTERS:

(THIRD GRADE from Page 11)

Dear Santa,
I hope you and your reindeer are ready because it is almost Christmas. I would like to have a go cart, a richasha remote control car, a drum set, and a remote control rattle shake car with ten wheels. I hope you have a good Christmas. I have been good.

Your best friend,
Dustin Lee White

Dear Santa,
Are you ready for Christmas? Are your reindeer ready for Christmas? I hope they are. I want a bike, bear, and for my brother: a bike and for my other brother: a little bike, a Micky Mouse doll, and all of us want a nintendo and a go cart. I hope you can give us a little of that.

Love,
Amanda Retana

Dear Santa,
How are you? Are you ready for Christmas? How are your reindeer, Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, and Vixen, Comet and Cupid, and , Donner, and Blixen? I hope they are ready to carry that heavy load. Because my sister, and I would like to have one each of a 10 Speed Bike, please sir. P.S. Have a Merry Christmas.

Love,
Trenton Galnes

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? I'm doing O.K. Oh, and by the way, how is Mrs. Santa doing? Santa, I have been a good girl. Santa, I would like a puppy and a head set. Are you ready for Christmas? I am.

Your friend,
Blanca Emillano

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you and your reindeer? Well, I'm doing fine. I would like to have the Power Rangers set and Sega C.D. I would like the Dragon Zord, and the Tyrannasaurus Rex. Have a happy Christmas.

Your friend,
Joe Meraz

Dear Santa,
I hope your reindeer are doing good so you can go your Christmas route. I have been a little good and little bad. P. J. has been a pain most of the time but sometimes she can be good. I want a new phone and some flowm. My sister wants a remote control Barbie Car. Merry Christmas!

Your friend,
Megan Ford
P.S. I hope you have a Merry Christmas!

Have a Bear-y Merry Christmas!

We're so happy to have you as our customers and friends. Thanks.

Jenning's Plumbing & Electric Service
Larry & Bobby

Dear Santa,
Do you have eight or nine reindeer? I would like a "Python Monster Truck," Power Ranger stuff, and a motorcycle. Santa, I will leave you something to eat.

Love,
Azriel Krulik

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO EVERYONE

Eastern Panhandle Insurance Agency
Kenneth & Glenda Maurita & Sybil

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph? Can I have a Jarassic Park Dinosaur? May I have a dog and a globe? I will leave you a

Love,
Tom Lane

Dear Santa,
Do you have the toys for the world ready? I would like a "Game Boy", play animals, and a race car. Thank you for everything.

Love,
Russell Lohberger

Dear Santa,
Santa are you going to Missouri this year. I would like a "My Size Barbie," a "Dance and Twirl Barbie," and a motorcycle for Christmas. I love you very much.

Love,
Krista Hall

Dear Santa,
I missed you. Santa, I would like a motorcycle, a four-wheeler, and a 8

foot Barbie doll. See you at Christmas. Was I good Santa? I will love you all my life.

Love,
Jessica Hendry

May you share in the joy that is Christmas. Many thanks to all.

Albert's Shamrock
Albert & Hannah Von, Sindy, Dirk, James Albert & Samantha Ashden

foot Barbie doll. See you at Christmas. Was I good Santa? I will love you all my life.

Love,
Jessica Hendry

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I hope you come to see me on Christmas. I would like a hockey goal and some roller blades. I want a real rabbit for a pet.

Love,
Jerry Tice (age 6)

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a play stuffed animal dog for Christmas. It needs to be brown and black. I will name him Pincher. I want roller blades for Christmas too. I want a real radio so I can listen to real songs. I want some play cowboy and indians and a real kitty cat.

From,
Jacob Jackson (age 6)

Dear Santa,
I want a G. I. Joe and Batman action

MERRY CHRISTMAS

May this season of cheer hold lots of good times, good friends and happy surprises in store! Thanks.

The Shear Delight & Delightful Crafts
Melody Goad Tina Lee
Debbie McLaughlin

figure. I want a Power Ranger who kicks and fights. I want a Power Ranger Zord.

See you Christmas,
Ryan Adams (age 5 years old)

Allison First Grade
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a red kick ball, a monster truck, and a drag lizard.

Love,
Josiah Krulik

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Barbie toy Lamborgini car, a cat, and a dog.

Love,
Vanessa Huff

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a piano, a beach Barbie, and a Barbie toy Lamborgini car.

Love,
Jessica Helton

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a real fish, a real lizard, and a real turtle.

Love,
Jordan Newsom

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a real puppy, a real cat, a Barbie toy Lamborgini car.

Love,
Shealee Phillips

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a cat, a dog, and a bike.

Love,
Amy Kliewer

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a toy train, a cat, and a big play car.

Love,
J.W. Lane

Over the river and through the woods, we're sending special holiday wishes to you! Thanks all.

Dr. & Mrs. Mike Smith
Kristin, Lacey & Staff

A Joyful Note...

Hope the season rings in all sorts of happiness for you!

Elva Wood

Best wishes and our sincere gratitude for a cheer-filled holiday season.

Darve & Sammie Atherton

HAPPY HOLIDAY

May you enjoy the gifts of friendship, joy and love this Christmas.

Hibler Implement Co.
Lee, Pam, Joannie & Mike

SEASON'S GREETINGS

An old-fashioned Christmas wish to all our friends.

Ed & Patricia Forrester

The Management and Staff of

WHEELER CARE CENTER

... wish to take this opportunity to thank the citizens of the community for the help and support we have received during our twelve years of operation.

We are especially grateful to the Care Center Auxiliary, the other volunteers, families of the residents, the ambulance crews, the fire department and the staff of Southwestern Public Service, the Sheriff's Department, the students of Wheeler I.S.D., Medical Director Dr. Larry Barbour, Pharmacy Consultant Sharla Weaver, Dietary Consultant Betty Brock, Accounting Consultant Charles Kuntz, as well as others who offer assistance in times of need or unusual circumstances.

We also wish to thank the ministers and churches who fill such an important place in the spiritual guidance of the residents.

THANK YOU SO MUCH!
We Wish You All A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS AND A BOUNTIFUL NEW YEAR

Thanks so much for your help, valued patrons, for a very successful year!

L. & F. Repair
Frank & Leona Coates

Dear Santa:

5205 Kingswood Circle
Amarillo, Texas 79109
December 1, 1994
Carver Elementary Academy 2
Grade

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the 10 speed that you brought me. How are the elves. Do youelves wear little green hats? What are their names? This is what I want for Christmas. I need a trampoline a big one. And I need a game called Mall Madness and Dream Phone. And one more thing a Dallas Cowboy jacket. Thats about it for now. When is your birthday? Do you have lots of candy canes at your house? How are your rain deer. And how is Rudolf. I can't wait for Christmas. What do your rain deer eat? Did you know that I had a bike rack. I looked like I just got beat up. How many friends do you got? Did you know that our substitute Mrs. SoRelle is the best substitute I ever had. I am 8 years old. My birthday is September 10. I was born in 1986. My mom is 32 years old. My dad is 33 years old. My sister is 3 years old. How do you like the North Pole? Is it really cold there? Do your elves wear candy cane colored socks? Did you know that my mom's birthday is on thanksgiving? She is really lucky. Please write me back soon.

Your friend,
Meredith Schooler

Ms. Meredith Schooler
5205 Kingswood Circle
Amarillo, Texas 79109

Dear Meredith,

It was great to hear from you. Because your letter came so early, I may be able to fill your order. I will sure try real hard to get everything you asked for. Those Dallas Cowboy jackets are hard to find up here so far North.

Let me warn you about the trampoline. While a trampoline can help you learn to turn your flips for gymnastics, it can be very dangerous if it is not used correctly. You must always jump in the middle and remember — only one person at a time should jump on a trampoline. Please, so I do not feel sad if you get hurt, always have an adult with you when you work out on your trampoline.

After I heard about your wreck on the bicycle I brought you for Christmas last year because you were careless and did not wear your helmet, I decided to give you one more chance to listen to your parents and learn safety rules.

My elves are very busy. Their names are Freckles, Jolly, Whisper, Snowflake, Chilly, Rosie and Billy Ray. The elves wear candy cane striped socks on Sunday and holidays, but on other days they just wear red, green, or white socks. I am giving them new candy cane socks for Christmas. Mrs. Claus knits them for me you know.

My reindeer have been in the barn



Dolly Madison, wife of our fourth president, James Madison, was the first person to serve ice cream in the White House.

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Wheeler, Texas

since Thanksgiving, resting for the Big Trip at Christmas. I am fattening them up with sweet corn, molasses coated grain, and alfalfa hay. When we leave here they don't get to eat for 72 hours so they really need to rest now.

You are very lucky to have such good teachers and substitutes. I hear all the substitute teachers in Texas are fantastic and they are all smarter than their students too. Your mom is indeed lucky to have a Thanksgiving birthday, but is her birthday always on Thanksgiving Day?

I had better go gather firewood for the fireplace and wood stoves. It is very, very cold here and has been snowing since September. Mrs. Claus

Santa Letters

Santa Claus
North Pole
Ryan Farmer

1. sega
2. mini's TV with VCR
3. game boy games
4. cd's contry
5. comic's lo cool one's
6. moterbike
7. video tapes
8. hole tube full of pogs with slazeks
9. mighty ducks jacket
10. Loony toon's boxer's
11. nat's
12. Rebeo

Dear Santa,
I want a truck, Dr. dreadful, fix-me, Bat-man things, GI-Joes, men and stuff, hockey stuff, Batman shirt, soccer boxers. See you Christmas!

P.S. I want new batman shoes.
Love Matthew

needs a hot stove to make fudge, peanut brittle and cookies.

Please go to bed early Christmas Eve in Wheeler, at least by midnight. Would it be okay if I leave the tram-

poline in your backyard in Amarillo so your parents do not have to move it back to Amarillo? It is kind of big.

Love,
Santa

Here's wishing all our friends and customers all the hope, joy and wonder of Christmas. Thank you for your loyal patronage.

Wallace Tax Service



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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

Instrument.
D—Milan P. Mertel to John Mertel, 6-29-94, E 1/2 Sec. 4, Blk. 24, H&GN.
D—North Little Rock Medical Properties Inc. to Joe K. Lester, 12-5-94, Pt. Blks. 207 & 208, Addison Add., Shamrock.
D—J. K. Lester to D. E. Blacketter, 12-3-94, Lots 19-26, Blk. 1, Tarbet Add., Shamrock.
D—IBH Investments, Inc. to Joe K. Lester, et al, 12-5-94, E 175' Lots 24-26, HSA, Shamrock.
DECEMBER 7, 1994
DVL—Mickey L. Porter to Shelley M. Hudgins, 12-5-94, Lot 2, Sub. Div. H. E. Cole, Exc. Mins.
DT—Shelley M. Hudgins to United States of America, 12-6-94, Lot 2, Sub. Div. H. E. Cole, Exc. Mins.
ASSIGN—William W. McNamara to Norvel Douglas Trust, 11-19-94, Pt. Sec. 55, Blk. 24, H&GN.
PARTIAL RDT—First Bank & Trust to Gene Seymour, et ux, 11-29-94, N 50' Lot 3, S 50' Lot 4, Blk. LXXXV, OT, Shamrock.
RDT—First Bank & Trust of Shamrock, Texas to Kathy Lynn Seymour, et vir, 11-29-94, N 50' Lot 3, S 50' Lot 4, Blk. LXXXV, OT, Shamrock.
RDT—Wellington State Bank to Joe Frank Knoll, et ux, 11-28-94, See Instrument.
DVL—Kathy Seymour, et vir to Joe Frank Knoll, et ux, 11-23-94, N 50' Lot 3, S 50' Lot 4, Blk. LXXXV, OT, Shamrock.
DT—Joe Frank Knoll, et ux to Wellington State Bank, 11-28-94, See Instrument.
ASSIGN—First Bank & Trust, Trustee, et al to Forked River Resources, LLC, 11-16-94, Pt. SE 1/4 Sec. 52, Blk. 24, H&GN.
AOL—William Wimberley to J. B. Petroleum Corporation, 7-29-94, E 1/2 Sec. 34, NW 1/4 Sec. 35, Blk. 17, H&GN.
AOL—William Wimberley to J. B. Petroleum Corporation, 7-29-94, W 1/2 NW 1/4; NW 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 26, Blk. 17, H&GN, SE 1/4; N 1/2 Sec. 69, Blk. 23, H&GN.
AOL—Mrs. William Wimberley to J. B. Petroleum Corporation, 7-29-94, W 1/2 NW 1/4; NW 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 26, Blk. 17, H&GN, SE 1/4; N 1/2 Sec. 69, Blk. 23, H&GN.
AOL—Mrs. William Wimberley to J. B. Petroleum Corporation, 7-29-94, NW 1/4 Sec. 35, E 1/2 Sec. 34, Blk. 17, H&GN.
AOL—William Wimberley Farms, Inc. to J. B. Petroleum Corporation, 7-29-94, SE 1/4; N 1/2 Sec. 69, Blk. 23, H&GN, W 1/2 NW 1/4; NW 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 26, Blk. 17, H&GN.
AOL—William Wimberley Farms, Inc. to J. B. Petroleum Corporation, 7-29-94, SE 1/4 Sec. 34, NW 1/4 Sec. 35, Blk. 17, H&GN.
STL—Texas Employment Commission to Billie J. Clay, et al, 12-5-94.
ASSIGN—Mary K. Bonial Fund, et al to Mary K. Bonial, 9-30-94, Pts. Sec. 7, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey, NW 1/4; W 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 2, H&GN, S 214 acs. Sec. 2, D. Tindale Survey.
District Clerk's Filings
#10015—Case Corporation vs. Mike Gallagher, 12-2-94, Note.
#10016—Tommy Cole, et ux vs. Farmer's Home Administration, 12-2-94, TRO-Property.
List of instruments filed by Wheeler County Clerk's Office, December 8 thru December 15, 1994
DECEMBER 8, 1994
DT—D-S Pipe Line Company to Diamond Shamrock Refining and Marketing Company, 11-30-94, See Instrument.
DECEMBER 9, 1994
RDT—Maurita M. Smith to Mickey L. Porter, 12-9-94, Sec. 2, H. E. Cole Sub. Div.
DECEMBER 12, 1994
D—Helen M. Anderson to Ruby Anderson, et al, 11-23-94, Pt. NE 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec. 37, Blk. 17, H&GN.
ASSIGN—Excel Production Company to Spindletop Exploration Company, 12-2-94, N 1/2 Sec. 56, Blk. 24, H&GN.
ASSIGN—Texona Acquisition Company to Mark A. Chapman, 11-4-94, S 1/2 —, H&GN, Cert. 5/1720.
ASSIGN—Orion Properties Inc. to Beede & Stephens Oil Co., 11-10-94, S 3/4 Sec. 74, Blk. A-5.
MD/ROYD—Dorothy M. Penn Trust to Bank One, Texas, National Association, 11-28-94, See Instrument.
ASSIGN—Geappl Corp. to American Exploration Company, 11-7-94, SE 1/4; NW 1/4 Sec. 90, Blk. 13, W 1/4 NW 1/4 Sec. 7, Blk. A-8.
RDT—First Bank & Trust to Crossroads Oil & Gas Inc., 12-7-94, S 1/2 Sec. 23, SW 1/4 Sec. 38, Blk. 13, H&GN.
RDT—First Bank & Trust to Crossroads Oil & Gas Inc., 12-7-94, Lot 9, Blk. 3, HSA, Shamrock.
DT—Nina Swink to Pacesetter Corporation, —, —, Lots 14 & 16, Blk. 57, WSSA.
TDT—Pacesetter Corporation to Pacesetter Corporation, —, —, Lots 14 & 16, Blk. 57, WSSA.
AMEND DT—Las Collinas Energy Corporation to Texas National Bank of Midland, 10-26-94, See Instrument.
EXECUTOR QCD—David Henry Gilmer to Jimmy Dean Gilmer, 12-6-94, 460'x150' Sec. 10, Blk. RE.
D—Nellie E. Petersen, et al to Jimmy W. Adams, et ux, 12-12-94, S 10' Lot 4, Lots 5 & 6, N 15' Lot 7, Blk. F, Wheeler, Park.
DT—Jimmy W. Adams, et ux to First State Bank of Mobeetie, 12-12-94, S 10' Lot 4, Lots 5 & 6, N 15' Lot 7, Blk. F, Wheeler, Park.
DECEMBER 13, 1994
DT—Forked River Resources, LLC to Bank One, Texas, National Association, 11-15-94, SE 1/4 Sec. 52, Blk. 24, H&GN.
DT—Forked River Resources, LLC to Bank One, Texas, National Association, —, —, SE 1/4 Sec. 52, Blk. 24, H&GN.
AFF—Walter Pendleton, Inc. to The Public, 10-27-94, Lot 5, S 1/2 Lot 4, Blk. 8, PBA, Shamrock.
D—Walter Pendleton, Inc. to Rose Brashears, 10-27-94, Lot 5, S 1/2 Lot 4, Blk. 8, PBA, Shamrock.
EXECUTOR—Henry K. Johnston to Mary Edna Cheshier, et al, 12-9-94, Sec. 88, Blk. A-5, H&GN, Exc. Mins.
AJ—First Deposit National Bank to Dorothy Gish, 12-5-94.
D—Richard A. Gilmore to Gilmore Family Living Trust, 11-22-94, SW 1/4 Sec. 47, Blk. 24, H&GN.
ASSIGN—Union Pacific Resources Company to Whiting Petroleum Corporation, 10-14-94, E 1/2 SE 1/4; W 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 49, Blk. 24, H&GN.
AMEND DT—Axcon Corp. to New York Life Insurance Company, 9-28-94, See Instrument.
QCD—John S. Mertel to John S. Mertel Trust, 12-13-94, SW 1/4 Sec. 4, Blk. 24.
RDT—First National Bank in Pampa to Michael C. Miles, et ux, 12-9-94, 5 acs. SE 1/4 Sec. 2, Blk. A-4.
RDT—Farm Credit Bank of Texas to Billy E. White, et ux, 11-28-94.
P OF ATTY—Mae Welch to Hazel Miller, et al, 12-12-94.
D—Robert Laycock, et ux to Eastern Panhandle Insurance Agency Inc., 12-13-94, S 1/2 Lot 3, Blk. 12, Shamrock, Exc. Mins.
RDT—Wheeler Banking Center to McCasland Smith Agency, Inc., et al, 12-13-94, Lot 9, Blk. 29, Wheeler.
D—Kenneth E. McCasland, et ux to Eastern Panhandle Insurance Agency, Inc., 12-13-94, Lot 9, Blk. 29, Wheeler, Exc. Mins.
DT—Eastern Panhandle Insurance Agency, Inc. to First State Bank of Mobeetie, 12-13-94, Lot 9, Blk. 29, Wheeler, S 1/2 Lot 3, Blk. 12, Shamrock, Exc. Mins.
DECEMBER 14, 1994
STL—Texas Employment Commission to Paynes Truck Stop & Restaurant, Inc., 12-12-94.
AFF—Peggy J. Anderson to Buena Vista Baird, 11-17-94.
DT—Frank Young, et ux to First State Bank of Canadian, Texas, 12-5-94, Sec. 32, Blk. A-3.
ASSIGN—Frank Young, et ux to First State Bank of Canadian, Texas, 12-5-94, Sec. 32, Blk. A-3.
MD/ROYD—Horace E. Reynolds to Spindletop Exploration Company, Inc., 11-2-94, Sec. 48, Blk. 24, H&GN.
D—David Kindrick, et ux to Sandra K. Hatfield, 7-6-93, Pt. Lot 1 Blk. LX, OT, Shamrock.
DECEMBER 15, 1994
A OF JUDG—Texas Employment
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ALLISON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1994

EXHIBIT A-2

DATA CONTROL CODES	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES		TOTAL (MEMORANDUM ONLY)	
	100-199 GENERAL FUND	200-499 SPECIAL REVENUE	98 AUGUST 31, 1994	97 AUGUST 31, 1993
REVENUES:				
5700	Local, Intermediate, Out-of-State	\$ 1,034,298	\$ 1,044,778	\$ 935,248
5800	State Program Revenues	23,296	23,731	21,154
5900	Federal Program Revenues	-	32,868	8,597
	Sub-Total Revenues Excluding Function 14	\$ 1,057,594	\$ 1,101,377	\$ 964,999
0014	Revenues Collected for Function 14	1,215,434	1,215,434	-
5030	Total Revenues	\$ 2,273,028	\$ 2,316,811	\$ 964,999
EXPENDITURES:				
0011	Instruction	\$ 437,666	\$ 458,407	\$ 459,877
0021	Instructional Administration	-	3,156	-
0022	Instructional Resources and Media Services	7,608	7,608	7,812
0023	School Administration	49,936	49,936	33,712
0025	Curriculum and Instruct. Staff Development	3,948	3,948	-
0031	Guidance and Counseling Services	7,092	7,092	5,310
0033	Health Services	2,259	2,259	2,256
0034	Student Transportation	14,168	14,168	11,010
0036	Co-curricular Activities	19,294	19,294	17,640
0037	Food Services	-	50,468	52,957
0041	General Administration	112,995	112,995	143,974
0051	Plant Maintenance and Operations	154,748	154,748	202,270
0052	Facilities Acquisition and Construction	-	-	32,552
	Sub-Total Expenditures Excluding Function 14	\$ 809,714	\$ 884,079	\$ 969,370
0014	Instructional Services Between Public Schools	1,215,434	1,215,434	-
6050	Total Expenditures	\$ 2,025,148	\$ 2,099,513	\$ 969,370
1100	Excess (Deficiency) Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ 247,880	\$ (30,582)	\$ (4,371)
7990	Other Resources	813	67,537	-
8990	Other (uses)	(66,724)	(66,724)	-
1200	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Resources over Expenditures	\$ 181,969	\$ 36,142	\$ (4,371)
0100	Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	839,287	(34,633)	804,654
1300	Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance (Note L)	(25,267)	(1,350)	(26,617)
3000	Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$ 995,989	\$ 159	\$ 804,654

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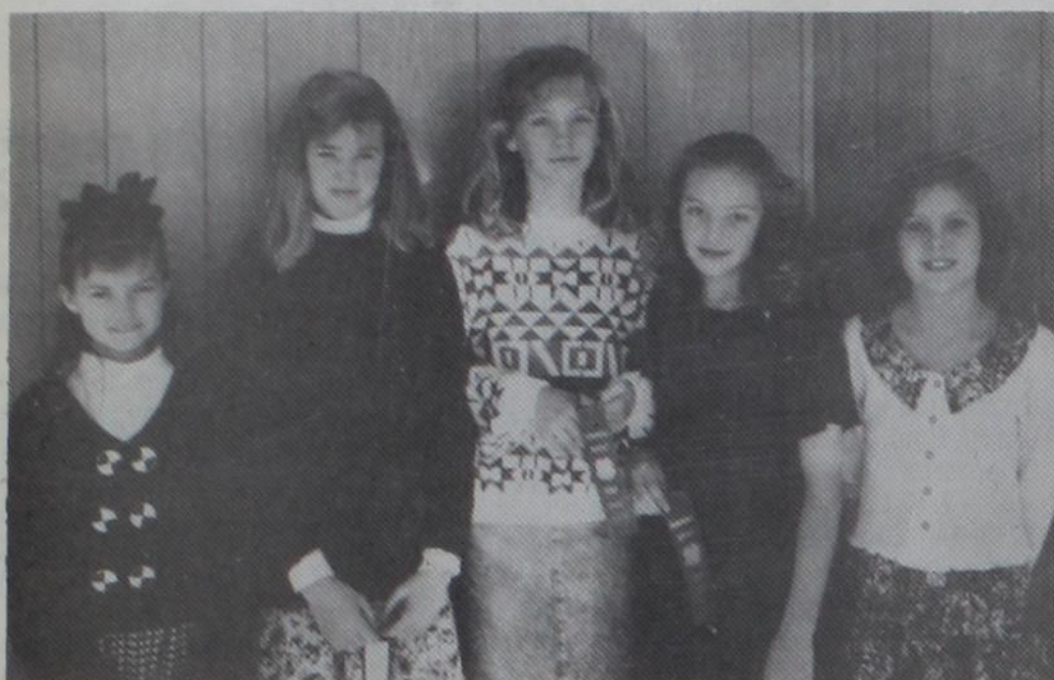
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FOOD SHOW PARTICIPANTS: Wheeler County was represented at the District 4-H Food show by five young ladies, two from Wheeler and three from Shamrock. Pictured (l. to r.) are Rebecca Lee and Kristin Lee from Wheeler 4-H Club and Lindsey Hill, Danica Manahay and Charla Kinkle from Shamrock 4-H Club.

"WHY I LIKE AWANAS"

Why I Like Awanas

There are a million reasons why I like Awanas, but I am only going to tell you three. They are I like it because you learn more Bible verses and it adds to your ability to know the Bible. Another reason is that we get points. And last, but not least I like Awanas because I like game time.

Sincerely,
Katie Shipp

Why I Like Awanas

I like Awanas because it is a place to have fun and to LEARN ABOUT GOD and Bible verses. Awanas is a place to share and get rid of your problems. Awanas, Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed, is where I like to go on Wednesday Nights. It is a place to pray.

Rachel Riemer

Why I Like Awanas

I like Awanas because I like learning about the Word of God. Also I like reciting His Word. I like being in Mrs. Miller's class. I like game time with Larry. I like Awanas because I got saved here and Mrs. Miller witnessed it. God answers prayers here every day. That is all!

Shelby Brown
11-29-94

Why I Like Awanas

I like Awanas because of game time, council time, and the awards. Game time is when you play relays and other games, too. Also you have prayer and come to know the I Lord. JESUS LOVES YOU!

Iris Immel
11-30-94

COURT

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Commission to Elden Duane Shirley, 10-12-94.

ASSIGN—Seagull Mid-South, Inc. to PMC Reserve Acquisition Company II, 12-4-94. See Instrument.

RDT—Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation to Harold Haning, et ux, 11-16-94, NW 1/4 Sec. 24, Blk. A-4.

RELFTL—United States of America to Prince James Art, 12-4-94.

C/C FINAL ACC—Kalleem Kay Haddad to Ex-Parte, 12-12-94, Sec. 49, Blk. A-9.

District Clerk Filings

#10017—In Re: Minor Child, 12-12-94, Paternity.

#10018—Christie Sue Marren vs. Kenneth Jay Marren, 12-12-94, Divorce.

AREA BASKETBALL PLAY FOR WEEK

WHEELER

Playing at home last Saturday, Wheeler J.V. got another chance at Spearman. At the 1st quarter the score didn't look too good, but the ladies held out, at the end of 1st the score was Wheeler 9 - 16 Spearman. Looking at the board the ladies decided it was time to show Spearman who they were dealing with. With their head in the game Wheeler played a great second quarter, and kept the score tied at 23-23. Going into the locker room looking forward to a great pep talk, came out third quarter ready to win the game. Putting great effort into the game, and buckling down, swept the floor with Spearman and won the game, 55-41. High scorers were Cassi Wallace, 10 pts and Rachel Smith, 17 pts.

Friday, Wheeler played Wellington, here. Not really knowing what to expect Wheeler played hard like they always do. Keeping the score fairly close in the 1st leaving the board 14-12. Playing harder in the second quarter put more point on the board going into the locker room with the score Wheeler 29 - Wellington 18. After having their pep talk, Wheeler was ready to play another round. Playing tough defense, and having great offense Wheeler, left Wellington in the dust, with the score Wheeler 55 - Wellington 36. High scorers were Penny Dollar 10 pts, Cassi Wallace 12 pts and Rachel Smith 14 pts.

FT. ELLIOTT

The Lady Cougars defeated Wheeler Christian 51-7 Monday night at Mobeetie. W.C.A. has very young girls and Ft. Elliott used all players and all scored. Leading scorer was Devin Deibel-10, Reagan Meadows 8, Candi Hilburn 6, Susie Lottard 5, Carissa Dukes 4, JaNae Gaud 4, Amber Estes 4, Terri Crownover 4, Kirby Kinnaman 2, Ashley Estes 2 and Julie Zybach 2. The Lady Cougars are 6-0.

The Cougars defeated W.C.A. 52-29 after trailing in the first quarter 2-8. The boys really picked it up and hit their shots as we scored 23 in the 2nd quarter. Leading scorer was Curt Smith 19, Tanner Smith 8, Clay Zybach 7, Ty Wood 5, Michael Hilburn 4, Bryan Moran 4, Doug Helton 3 and Travis May 2. The Cougars are also 6-0 for the year.

Both of these teams play hard and give all they have when their on the court. We shoot the ball well and always play good defense. Next game is Jan. 2 at Ft. Elliott vs. Kelton.

ALLISON

ALLISON ANTELOPES OVER AMARILLO CHRISTIAN 51 TO 44

The Allison Antelopes beat the Amarillo Christian Cougars last Thursday night by a score of 51 to 44. Leading the scoring for the Lopes was Brandon Dukes with 18 points. Also scoring were Toby Keys with 9 pts, Clint Miller and Jeremy Sutterfield with 8 pts each, Jamey Herren with 6 pts, and Joe Davis with 2 pts. After trailing at the end of the 1st period and being tied at the half at 21 each, the Lopes pulled out in front in the 3rd period and kept the lead for the rest of the game. Jerome Grayson, a senior, was out with injuries and was not able to play.

The Lopes record stands at 8 wins and 6 losses. That includes a 3rd Place trophy won in the Allison Classic Tournament. The next games for the Lopes will be on 12/22 at 1:30 vs. Bible Heritage, and on 1/3 at home against the Lefors Pirates.

LADY LOPES BEAT AMARILLO CHRISTIAN

The Allison Lady Lopes outscored Amarillo Christian by a score of 65 to 9. Top scorer for Allison was Keri Grayson with 30 pts. Amie Boydston added 16 pts, Amber Dyer added 7 pts, and Tina Keys and Darla Donaldson scored 6pts each. Daredah Weldon helped out on defense. The Lady Lopes jumped out to an early lead and never looked back. Halftime score was 28 to 7.

The Lady Lopes have posted a 10-4 record thus far. They placed 2nd in the Allison Classic, and won Consolation in the Ft. Elliott and Samnorwood

Drawing

(from Page 13)

Naomi Speck, Joe Dan Glassey, Dan Langdon, Ariza Corcoran, Susan Gearhart Brenda Calloway and Bridget Chandler.

Raymond Burk, Rob Hogan, Bill Kelley and Carson Moore each were handed \$25 worth of Wheeler 'money'. Carson Moore was probably the youngest of the winners for the day; he is 20 months old.

The \$50 envelopes went to Joe Glassey and Sue Brittain.

Thanks to Lyndon Loyd for serving as the announcer, Ricky Pfeil and KPDR-FM for carrying the drawing on the radio. John David Wright and Charlie Finsterwald furnished the pickup with the hopper and helped with the drawing.

Remember, the final of the four drawings will be held Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24.

Las Vegas

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has a chance at a trip for two to Las Vegas for three days and two nights.

An individual donating \$50 will attend a ribeye steak dinner in January and have a chance to win a three day, two night trip for two to Las Vegas.

The money will go to the Wheeler Livestock Boosters and will be used to purchase animals at the auction following the 1995 Wheeler County Livestock Show.

This is the second year for the trip give-aways.

If you are interested in making a donation, contact any Wheeler Livestock Booster or call 826-3563 (Wheeler County Farm Bureau office).

Tournaments. They will play Bible Heritage on 12/22 at 1:30 and are at home against Lefors on 1/3.

ALLISON JH BOYS RECORD STANDS AT 4 - 2

The Allison JH Lopes have played 6 games this year and have posted a 4-2 record. They opened with a pair of wins over Wheeler Christian. They won the first game on 11/7 by a score of 43 to 9. Monty Dukes scored 20 pts, Nathan Rainey added 12 pts, and Ashley Lane put in 11 pts. The second game was won by a score of 33 to 18. The scorers for Allison included Nathan Rainey with 24 pts, Terry Keys with 4 pts, Monty Donaldson with 3 pts, and Mark Copeland with 2 pts.

The JH Lopes lost the next game with Higgins on 11/21 by a score of 25 to 18. Scoring for the Lopes were Monty Donaldson with 6 pts, Nathan Rainey with 3 pts, Tucker Reames, Mark Copeland, and Ashley Lane with 2 each. On 11/28, the Lopes hosted Lefors and came away with another victory 40 to 23. Nathan Rainey scored 21 pts, Mark Copeland scored 5 pts, Monty Donaldson and Terry Keys had 4 each, and Ashley Lane scored 2 pts.

The Lopes travelled to Briscoe next to take on Ft. Elliott and came up short by a score of 39 to 27. Monty Dukes scored 9, Ashley Lane scored 5, Monty Donaldson added 5, Nathan Rainey put in 4, Terry Keys added 2, and Mark Copeland scored 1. On Monday, Dec. 12th, Allison went to Lefors and came away with a victory by a score of 39 to 19. Monty Dukes scored 22, Nathan Rainey and Ashley Lane each scored 6, and Monty Donaldson and Terry Keys added 2 each. The JH Lopes next game will be in the Kelton Tournament which begins on Jan. 5, 1995.

ALLISON JH LADY LOPES ROLLIN' ALONG

Even though, the Allison JH Lady Lopes only have 5 players, their record stands at 5 wins and 1 loss. The opening win was vs Kelton back on 11/7, the score being 24 to 9. Scorers for Allison included Jaicee Herren with 8 pts, Glenda Dukes and Jamie Greene with 6 pts each, and Hattie Grayson and Celeste Huff with 2 pts each. On 11/15, the girls played Pampa Christian and won by a score of 40 to 8. Glenda Dukes Hattie Grayson, Jaicee Herren and Celeste Huff all had 10 pts each.

Higgins visited Allison on 11/21 and lost to the JH Lady Lopes by a score of 33 to 21. Jaicee Herren scored 11 pts, Glenda Dukes added 10 pts, Jamie Greene had 8 pts, and Celeste Huff scored 4. The next victory came



CHRISTMAS DECORATION: This Christmas decoration, a cut-out, is a cooperative effort of Tim and Melinda Whorten and is on the front lawn of the Whorten-Guthrie home on Main Street. Mrs. Guthrie notified the Times that this same decoration in Amarillo made the front page of the Amarillo paper. Decorations all over Wheeler represent a lot of work on the part of the residents. Once again, if you haven't taken the time to tour the town and view the decorations, do so—it's worth the time.

against Lefors by a score of 35 to 18. High scorer was Glenda Dukes with 15 pts, Jaicee Herren scored 9, Jamie Greene put in 5, Celeste Huff added 4, and Hattie Grayson scored 2.

The JH Lady Lopes recorded their only loss, so far, to Ft. Elliott by a score of 35 to 22. Leading the effort for the JH Lady Lopes was Jamie Greene with 10 pts, Glenda Dukes added 7, Hattie Grayson scored 4, and Celeste Huff put in 1. The girls beat Lefors a second time on 12/12 by a score of 32 to 8. Jaicee Herren was leading scorer with 10 pts. Also scoring for Allison were Glenda Dukes with 9, Hattie Grayson with 6, Celeste Huff with 4, and Jamie Greene with 3. The next game will be on Jan. 5, 1995 in the Kelton Tournament.

Nathan Rainey Active In Talent Identification Prog.

Nathan Rainey, a seventh grader from Allison, participated in the Talent Identification Program's 1994-1995 Talent Search. Nathan, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Winston Rainey, took the SAT I Reasoning Test December 10, 1994 at Amarillo College. The SAT includes tests of your mathematical and verbal abilities.

Seventh grade students of any age qualify if they have scored at the 97th percentile or above on the National Norms of a standardized Achievement, Aptitude, or Mental Ability Test battery.

The Talent Identification Program which has conducted fourteen Annual Searches involving thousands of Junior High students, has found that this test has validity in predicting scholastic achievement for very gifted seventh graders. In the Spring, students achieving outstanding scores are recognized at ceremonies in each of the 16 states which comprise the Talent Search Region. Congratulations Nathan and Mr. and Mrs. Rainey!

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Congregational Concerns:

On Sunday, December 25th and January 1st, the Sunday morning Bible classes and the evening worship service will not be held. The 11:00 A. M. worship service will be held on both Sundays.

Congratulations must be expressed to Monk and Norma Bowerman who celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary on Friday, December 16th.

Gene White is scheduled to return in the next few days to Cancer Treatment Center in Tulsa for another series of treatment.

Sympathy must be expressed to Louis and Joyce Martin upon the death of their grandson, Eric Snowden. Eric was killed on Wednesday, December 14th, in Atlanta, Georgia. His funeral was held last Monday afternoon in Tye, Texas.

From The Minister's Desk:

When I was a student at Abilene Christian University, my favorite Bible professor was Dr. Carl Brecheen. Dr. Brecheen was truly a Bible scholar who could teach the great truths of the Bible with simplicity and clarity.

This simplicity and clarity can clearly be seen in an article that he recently wrote about the Christmas season. This article was entitled, "He Is No Baby Savior" and it said:—

I love the Christmas season with its gifts and laughter, with its family times and celebration. But there is something hollow about a baby Jesus that the world will not allow to grow up. It holds him at arm's length. It freezes him in time as a baby. It keeps him in a manger, and the world worships Jesus once a year. The world loves a Jesus who cannot talk. It turns away when he begins to preach. It wants his love and his gifts, his forgiveness and his acceptance, but it will have none of his commands.

I want to cry out, Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.

I suppose the Christian should be glad that the world pays any attention to Jesus at all. But I must admit that it makes me very sad that only his birth is celebrated. His life, his teaching, his sacrifice for sin, his resurrection, his return—all these other things that make his birth important—are ignored.

Let us spend our energies not in condemning the world for its failures and sins, but looking within. Let us ask ourselves, Are we the children of God the Lord came into the world to help us become? Have we let him grow up and preach to us? Is he Lord of our lives?

Epilogue
With this article, Dr. Brecheen emphasized the greatest truth of Christianity. This truth is that Christianity consists of more than seasonal worship services that people attend. Christianity consists of an obedient commitment to Him who said: "If anyone wishes to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily and follow Me."

Bill Morrison, Minister
Church of Christ
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It takes 2-aminoacetophenone to make tortilla chips taste so good

WASHINGTON (AP)—It takes more than salt to make tortilla chips taste so good.

Agriculture Department researchers say the reason that tortillas and taco shells please the palate with that hearty, corn flour flavor can be summed up in one nearly unpronounceable word: 2-aminoacetophenone.

The natural compound has been shown to be the key ingredient in yellow corn tortilla flour's flavor and aroma, according to the department's Agricultural Research magazine.

Before this research, other studies of tortilla flavor had failed to even identify the compound within the food. In addition to discovering 2-aminoacetophenone, the scientists have pinpointed four other previously overlooked compounds that contribute to the flour's flavor.

According to the researchers, knowing what makes the chips taste good will help producers enhance the flavor of their products.

The study, done by the Agricultural Research Service in Albany, Calif., involved a range of corn tortilla products purchased at a local supermarket. Using a gas chromatograph and a mass spectrometer, scientists Ronald Buttery and Louisa Ling identified and measured 30 chemicals crucial to the taste of the products.

They then isolated the compounds and turned the process over to 20 people, who followed their noses to determine which smelled most like the characteristic aroma of tortilla chips.

Combining the laboratory analyses and the panelists' assessments, Buttery and Ling ranked the chemicals. The winner was 2-aminoacetophenone.

Improving the flavor of corn tortilla chips could boost an already skyrocketing market. Among snacks, they have already topped sales of microwave popcorn and stand second only to potato chips in popularity.

About \$2.5 billion worth of tortilla chips are marketed annually, according to the Snack Food Association, which said the average American spends about \$10 a year on tortilla chips.

Dollars & Sense

By Bryon Elson

The beginning of the year is a good time to assess your financial situation and needs so you can ensure your financial security now and in the future.

Make a list of all your assets, including securities, retirement accounts, life insurance, real estate, and collectibles. Be sure to include cash in money market accounts, certificates of deposit, and checking accounts. Determine whether your assets are allocated in a way that will help you achieve your short and long-term financial goals, such as saving for a larger home or providing for a secure retirement.

Also, take a close look at how your investments fared over the past year and decide whether you should reallocate your assets to obtain greater returns.

Review all outstanding loans, such as your mortgage, home equity, and car loans. You might want to refinance these loans at lower interest rates if you can recover the costs of refinancing in a year or two.

If your current credit card debt is more than 15 percent of your after-tax income, adopt a strategy for reducing it. One way is to pay off high-interest credit card balances with a lower interest home equity loan. Also, look at the interest rate on your credit cards and shop around for those that offer lower rates.

No matter how young you are, it is wise to save money every year in a retirement plan. Take advantage of an employer-sponsored program, such as a 401(k) plan. If your company does not offer such a plan, open an Individual Retirement Account. Your contribution will earn interest, tax-deferred, until the time of withdrawal and also may be tax-deductible.

Whether you hire someone to

prepare your tax return or do it yourself, take the time now to locate receipts and documents that can help you claim tax deductions.

(WOMEN)

past relationship. They also didn't plan to abuse the friendship by using it as an unfair advantage over workers. As for feelings of resentment, while many may have felt they were overlooked by those who arranged the promotion, they took it as part of life which, they remind you, isn't always fair.

One personnel executive told me that the problem is often more difficult for the person who has been promoted. The difference in rank forces that person to set up a line between her and her one-time associate. This can strain a friendship, but it's probably better for both people in the long run.

(OILSEED)

due to a lowered crop estimate in Canada, the report said. Rapeseed is now forecast at 29.4 million tons.

Despite the lower monthly estimates, this year's global estimates overall are significantly larger for rapeseed and sunflowerseed than 1993-94 forecasts. The report attributed the increase to higher production in the United States.

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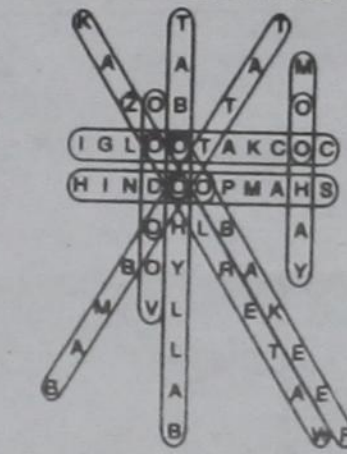
Q. We have a stucco home and want to paint it as soon as weather permits. In preparation of outside cleaning, one of the walls has a problem where climbing ivy and honeysuckle vines were attached. In pulling these down to control at ground level, wherever the vines clung, there remain pieces embedded in the wall. We have experimented with a wire brush with absolutely no success, as well as overall deep steam cleaning. Is there some other method you know of to remove this vegetation?

A. Despite your failed efforts, take heart. There are ways to combat your problem. However, you must use extreme caution so you won't disturb or damage your fine stucco finish.

You will need to purchase a commercial root killer product that can be found at your hardware store or major department store. This item is used primarily for killing deep roots, such as those that remain after cutting a tree down to its stump. The method employed is with a large, powerful drill. A very long drill bit is drilled through the top of the stump as far as possible and the chemical is then poured in the holes.

In your case, you will drill much smaller holes and carefully funnel the root killer into the openings. If at all possible, drill your holes at a slight angle (45 degrees) above the roots. Be careful when handling the product and always follow the manufacturer's instructions. You should have favorable results in a short time and will be able to paint over your stucco finish.

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Small Texas restaurant packs in customers looking for ribs, fajitas and good cheer

By GINA AUGUSTINI
QUITAUQUE, Texas—There's no blinking neon sign beckoning visitors to stop by the Sportsman Restaurant and Club, the

Panhandle version of "Cheers." In fact, there's no sign at all.

So how do people find this small town cafe and bar? "I have no idea," own-

er Roye Pigg says with a chuckle, ushering me through the entrance.

But people do find the Sportsman, located across from the Allsup's in down-

town Quitaque. They come from all over the region, and from even as far as Fort Worth and Austin, to graze on the Sportsman's famous ribs and fajitas.

Friday and Saturday nights are so packed, I hear, that it's hard to find a table. Roye says he serves between 200 and 250 people each weekend.

The night life in this town of 500, about 90 miles northeast of Lubbock, perks up after 9:30 p.m. on weekends. They push the tables aside in the Sportsman, clear the wooden floors and let the two-steppin' begin.

"It's all in fun. It's not wild—it's just fun," says Roye, 45, taking a quick sip of coffee and proudly surveying the bar. He bought the place five years ago.

Just looking at the interior of this place is fun.

A black-and-white sign above the bar bluntly proclaims, "No Sniveling." Placards from area towns and from cities as far away as Canada grace the rustic room. All of them were donated by customers, Roye says.

Other items cover the walls, too. Railroad crossing signs. A chair that a patron broke one night. Stuffed sheep heads, and the furry head of a snarling, wild hog. And my personal favorite, the hide of Old Bob.

Of course, there's a story behind Old Bob and how he came to be tacked to the wall. Warren Merrell, the town's grocer, leans in his chair and tells the tale.

Old Bob was a wild bobcat that was befriended by Cody Bell, a local rancher.

"He caught that cat going across the road at the edge of town. He kept him for 60 days and petted it every day in a cage," Warren says, taking on the solemn voice of a storyteller. "(Cody) said he (the cat)

was just as wild, but the old cat stayed around there. He'd come up to the house at night. Cody would put feed out on the porch."

"One day (Cody) decided to call ducks," Warren says. "He walked about a half a mile from his house, started calling, and he turned around and there was a cat over there under a tree. So he just zeroed down on it and shot it."

"And he never did think, until he got about half way to his house, that 'You know that ol' cat looked an awful lot like Old Bob,'" Warren adds, grinning.

Tales like this are just part of the charm of the Sportsman; the locals make up the rest. It's common to see a customer answer the phone or refill coffee cups.

"It's more like home," Roye says of the Sportsman's appeal. "It's real comfortable. You come in and do what you want."

But one thing isn't allowed: horse riding. A few years ago, an overzealous patron rode into the place on a wild horse. The beast fell, broke a table and lay flailing on the floor.

At the time, it wasn't funny, Roye insists over the snickers erupting from his customers. But he smiles eventually.

"We've got a good town here," Roye says. "In a little town, you grow so close to people. They can make you real mad. But after a while, you don't pay attention to that. It's just home."

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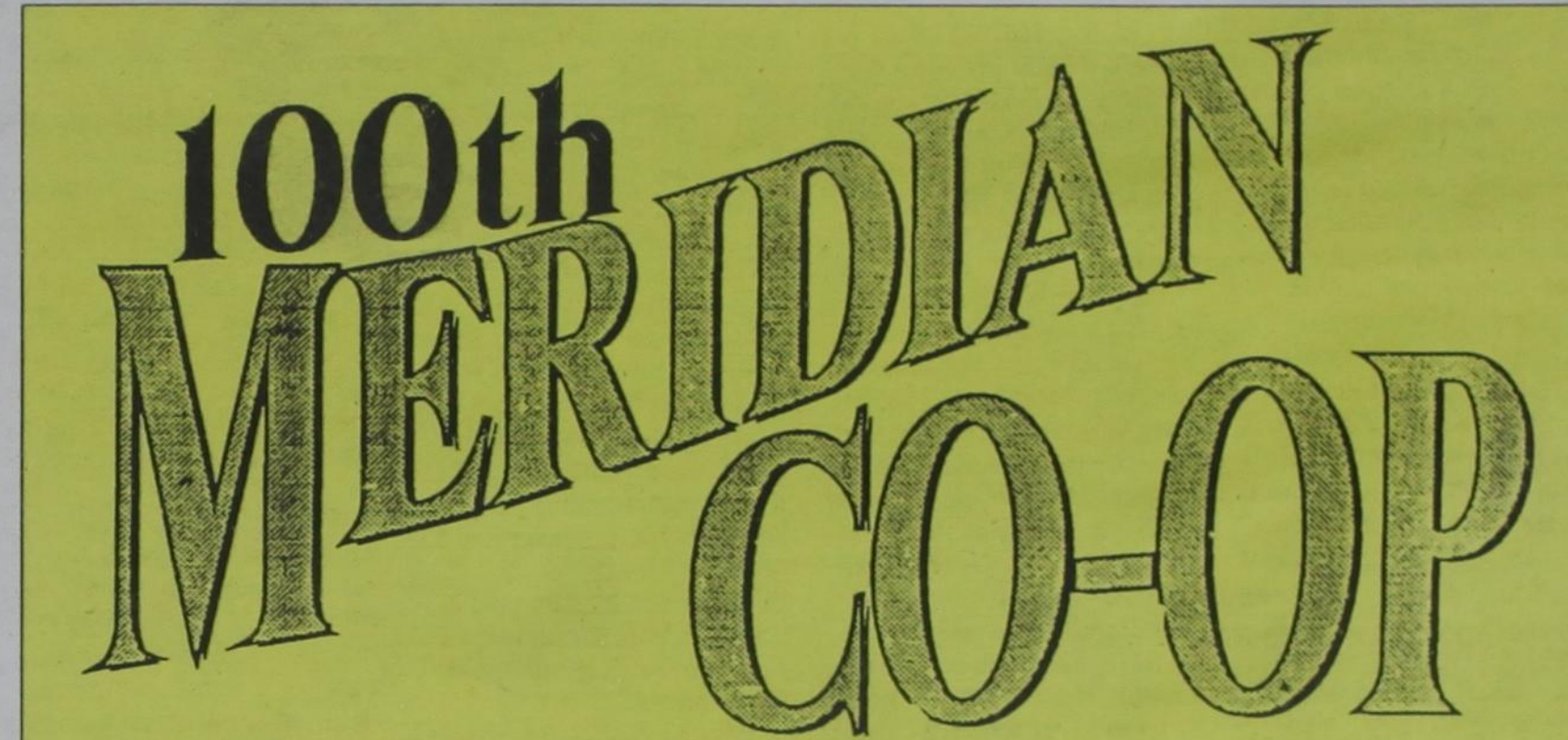
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Japan proves ripe for U.S. fresh vegetable exports

WASHINGTON (AP)—U.S. fresh vegetable exports have made record gains in recent years, and much of the success can be attributed to a buyer halfway around the world: Japan.

According to the Agriculture Department, sales of fresh vegetables to Japan have more than tripled since 1989, pushing the export value shipped to that country up to \$131 million as of the third quarter of 1994.

If the trend continues through the fourth quarter, the department expects total 1994 exports of between \$170 million and \$200 million.

Although most fresh vegetables are bought from local producers, U.S. vegetable exports have been making inroads around the world since the mid-1970s.

However, Japan did not start importing large amounts of vegetables until

1991, when a series of typhoons nearly wiped out domestic production. The resulting high prices allowed the United States and other countries to enter the market quickly and competitively.

Currently, the United States commands 20 percent of the Japanese fresh vegetable import market. China, New Zealand and Mexico are the other major suppliers, although no country controls the market.

Because unpredictable natural disasters are a mainstay of Japanese life, a steady increase of vegetable imports seems likely.

For the first three quarters of 1994, many fresh vegetables exported from the United States have posted impressive gains. They were led by broccoli, which set a record \$30.6 million, up 78 percent over the same period in 1993.

Cauliflower exports to

Japan also have hit record levels, nearly doubling the previous year at \$24.7 million. Asparagus has also found a home in Japan, which continues to be the top export destination for the vegetable, buying \$40.4 million in the first three quarters.

A bad growing season for Japanese onions also has boosted that vegetable's exports as processors turned to the United States for cheap supplies, buying \$17 million worth so far this year.

Exports of lettuce are also forecast to top the record set last year, as shipments for this year are already 25 percent over 1993.

Still, there are persistent

problems with exporting to Japan, the Agriculture Department noted. The Japanese are pickier than many other consumers, expecting completely unblemished, uniform vegetables.

At the same time, Japanese consumers have become increasingly more concerned with pesticide use, believing that American growers use too many chemicals. This has led to growth of the organic vegetable market, which is still largely dominated by domestic producers.



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Good-For-You sweet potatoes going to the dogs

Good-For-You Sweet Potatoes Go To The Dogs WASHINGTON (AP)— Sweet potato hot dogs, the next good-for-you treat? So says the Agriculture Department.

With their high beta carotene content and trace amounts of fat, an inexpensive frozen product made from low-grade sweet potatoes matches and could surpass the quality of fresh top-grade spuds, scientists at the Agricultural Research Service say.

Baked, fried, prepared with marshmallows—and even candied—sweet potatoes have fewer calories than spirach soufflé.

In these health-conscious days, one might think Americans would be serving up their fair share of the virtually perfect tuber. But since the 1930s, when the average American consumed about 23 pounds of sweet potatoes each year, consumption has fallen off to an all-time low of 3.9 pounds per person.

Used in ancient times as a diet staple, the sweet potato has become commonly regarded as a seasonal food. Along with squash, cranberries and pumpkins, sweet potatoes are served most often in the United States during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

Research service chemist William Walter hopes his "sweet potato sausage" will reverse the downward trend.

At the Food Science Research Unit in Raleigh, N.C., Walter and North Carolina State University scientists ground up the vegetable, added a small amount of sugar and mixed it with two types of cellulose texturizing agents. Then they stuffed the mixture in sausage casings and froze the "hot dogs."

One of the additives, methoxypropylcellulose, which is widely used in the food industry to texturize, stabilize, thicken and bind foods, has been

found to lower blood cholesterol levels.

A 30-member panel judged the baked finished product equal in taste, texture, color and overall quality to baked fresh sweet potatoes.

Global oilseed output up this year

WASHINGTON (AP)— Ideal growing conditions in Brazil, good yields in Canada and record crops in the United States should lifted world soybean production by 16 million tons from last year's level, the Agriculture Department says.

The Foreign Agriculture Service forecasts global world soybean production at 16.3 million metric tons above 1993-94 levels, as U.S. production sharply increased and soybean production abroad climbed to 64.2 million tons.

Brazil, where the 1994-95 crop is now expected to reach 24 million tons, accounts for much of the global growth. Estimates for this month of 132.9 million metric tons reflect growth of 400,000 tons from November's figures. A metric ton equals about 2,200 pounds.

But with a baking time of just 15 minutes, Walter's product takes a quarter of the time it takes to bake a fresh sweet potato in a conventional oven. That's good news, since most consumers were found to prefer baked sweet potatoes to those prepared other ways.

Walter and his colleagues also added an alkaline-neutralization treatment to french fried sweet potatoes, increasing their firmness by 100-fold.

The domestic soybean export forecast increased in December to 21.4 million tons, or 785 million bushels, up 408,000 tons or 15 million bushels from last month.

Soybean prices are expected to average \$5 to \$5.60 per bushel, up 15 cents from last month based on lower ending stocks and year-to-date price strength for soybeans and soybean oil.

Oil prices are forecast at 25 to 28 cents per pound, an increase of 5 cents from November.

Prices of soybean meal should be slightly lower, the report said, at \$145 to \$165 per short ton. A short ton equals 2,000 pounds.

But strong meal use abroad continues to produce an ever-larger import market.

"Strong soybean meal use in the European Union is expected to generate increased soybean and soybean meal imports in 1994-95," the report said.

"Expanded soybean imports by Brazil in 1994-95 are expected to be crushed locally and re-exported as soybean meal and oil."

World sunflowerseed production is expected to fall incrementally to 22.4 million tons, down 400,000 tons from November figures, as a result of lower yields and crop estimates in the former Soviet Union and European Union.

Estimates of global rapeseed output were also slightly lower this month (SEE OILSEED PAGE 4)

Start-up costs, low return driving youth from the farm

JAYTON, Texas (AP)— Ray Chisum defied a trend when he bought a used tractor and began raising cotton and grains on some land of his own.

None of his high school classmates stuck around Jayton to try their hand at the farm-and-ranch activity

that sustains this tiny town southeast of Lubbock. Chisum, 28, speculates he's the youngest farmer in Kent County.

"Getting started without family and friends would be next to impossible," said Chisum, who took over some of his grandfather's

fields and still shares equipment with his father. "Finances—wisdom, counts for a whole lot," he said. "... If it hadn't been for my granddad and dad, well, I probably wouldn't even tried."

Figures from the U.S. Census Bureau put the average Texas farmer at 56 years old in 1992. In 1978, that average age was 52.4.

The so-called "aging of agriculture" disturbs those who are witnessing young, rural people reject an occupation they consider too costly and risky.

"It's a huge concern," said Nancy Thompson, staff attorney for the Center for Rural Affairs in Waltham, Neb. "It may be one of the most crucial issues facing agriculture."

County agriculture agents and others say new farmers face start-up costs as high as \$500,000 for land and equipment.

Beginners can't secure much affordable credit, some ag experts say. Government regulations have mounted.

Net farm income, meanwhile, averages \$23,233 a year, according to the Texas Department of Agriculture.

"It's very difficult to get

into farming or ranching and make any money off it anymore," said Robert Kennedy, the TDA's deputy assistant commissioner for finance and agribusiness development.

Young people "are going off to Texas Tech. Texas A&M ... and seeing something better in their future than working on the land," Kennedy said. "At some point in the future, you'll see the family farm disappear, I'm afraid."

Little relief arrived with a program the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority set up for farmers and ranchers between the ages of 18 and 39. The Young Farmer Loan Guarantee Program contained \$2.4 million to help beginners buy feed, seed, fertilizer or equipment.

Some 9,000 people inquired about the loan guarantees of up to \$50,000, Kennedy said. Officials expected to grant 60 awards in 1994, its first year.

Only four applied. On the federal level, the Rural Economic and Community Development Services—formerly the Farmers Home Administration—provides various types of credit for beginners.

Federal figures in Texas for fiscal year '94 included 203 direct-operating loans worth \$9.6 million and 45 guaranteed-operating loans worth \$4.2 million.

"If you don't have somebody that's giving you a hand, you can't make it," said Phillip Johnson, professor of agriculture economics at Texas Tech University.

To name the best paths into farming, Johnson quoted an adage: Marry it or inherit it.

He predicts agriculture won't become a popular career choice again until it's profitable.

"I see a lot of kids who certainly want to go back or are farming with their grandparents," Johnson said. "They may or may not survive. If you have to borrow a substantial amount for equipment or operating expenses, a crop failure is just disastrous. You can't overcome it."

Ms. Thompson of the rural center in Nebraska said the traditional pool of prospective farmers shrank as fewer kids grew up on farms. Access to credit and access to land present their biggest obstacles, she said.

"The decline in the number of farmers was not so much people leaving agri-

culture, but because people weren't getting into agriculture," Ms. Thompson said.

But Kirk Edney, state director of agricultural education for the Texas Education Association, isn't alarmed by the trend.

"There will always be people who enter this industry. I certainly don't anticipate a food shortage," Edney said. "The opportunities are better somewhere else."

Women At Work by Tamara Jones

HOW TIMES HAVE CHANGED: When I was putting my notes together for this column, I recalled people saying that years ago this was the week to start looking for a new job. The rationale was simple: Everyone who planned to make a career move stayed on for their Christmas bonuses. Afterward, it was open season in the job market where there was almost always at least one company offering you the job you really wanted at the salary you assumed came with the deal, plus the opportunity to learn on the job.

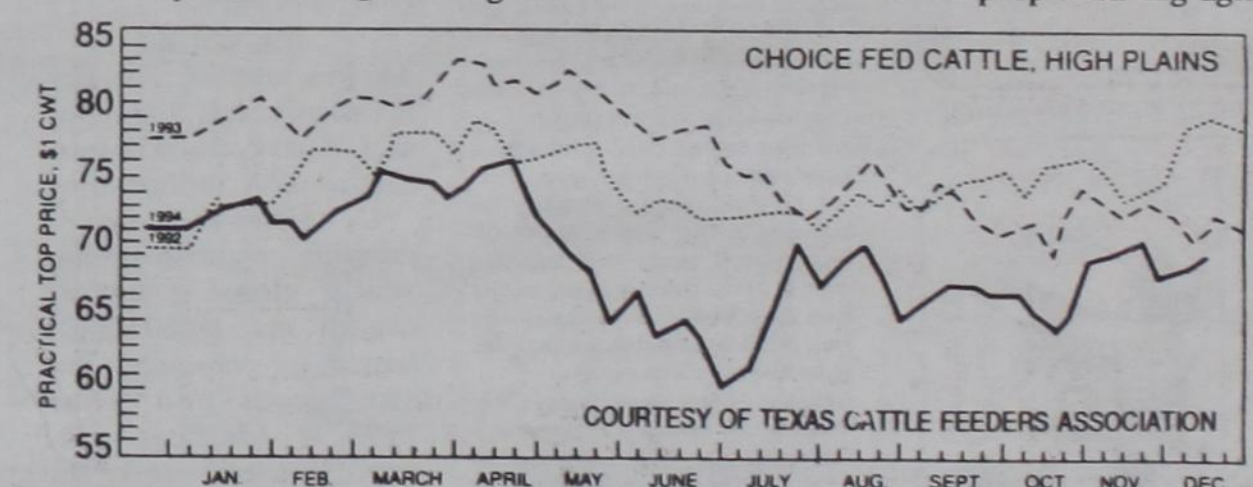
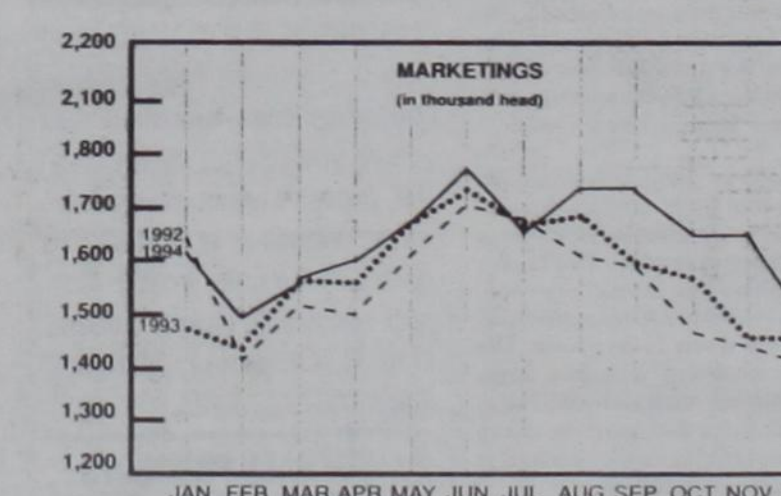
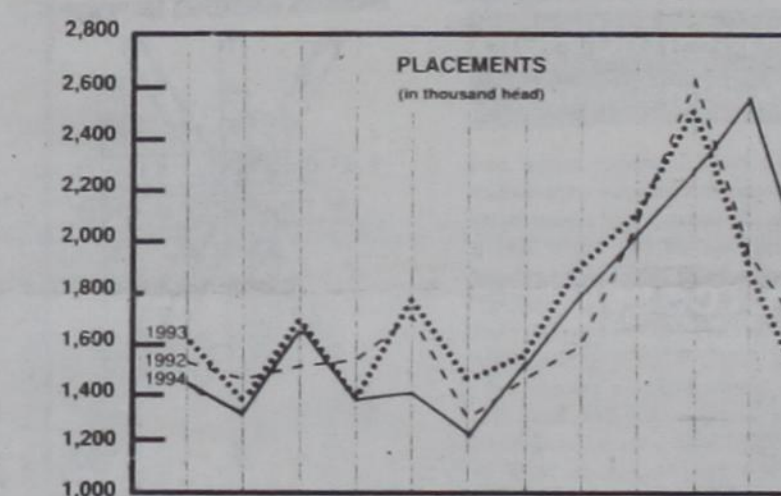
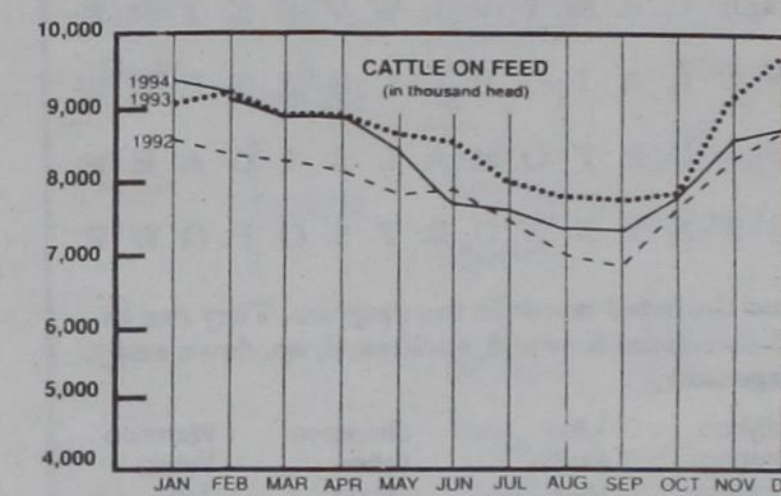
Will that buyers' market in jobs ever return? Possibly. But for the immediate future, the wise potential job-changer makes sure she has the skills another employer needs. There are very few companies that will hire someone who can't step right into the job from Day One.

Speaking of job changes, what happens if the person with whom you've worked for years suddenly becomes your boss? Does your friendship which you built up over this long association become an asset or a liability?

How would you expect your new superior to behave toward you? How would you expect to behave toward her or him? Would you use your friendship? Would you feel resentful or jealous that it happened to her and not to someone more qualified, namely you?

Some people say they could handle the shift pretty well. They didn't see any problems stemming from it. (SEE WOMEN PAGE 4)

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 4. Smart
 8. Cause of tires squealing
 12. Spelling contest
 13. Persuade with flattery
 14. Othello's undoer
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 17. Put away
 18. Diabolical
 19. Severe
 20. Peeled
 22. Cotton bundle
 24. — Thicke
 25. Priest's residence
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 30. Ante, sometimes
 31. Extinct bird
 32. Cheap liner
 34. Dog's name
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 36. "The 39 —"
 37. Like many mouthwashes
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 41. Opera solo
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- DOWN**
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 21. Oodles
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 23. Teen's woe
 25. Schnitzel base
 26. Current reading
 27. Sticky stuff
 28. Chow
 30. Beg
 33. Fancy home
 34. Headliner
 36. One of the senses
 37. "— the Knife"
 38. Mideast nation
 39. Perfect square
 40. Imperfect circle?
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 43. Mine yield
 44. Field
 45. Parisian season
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