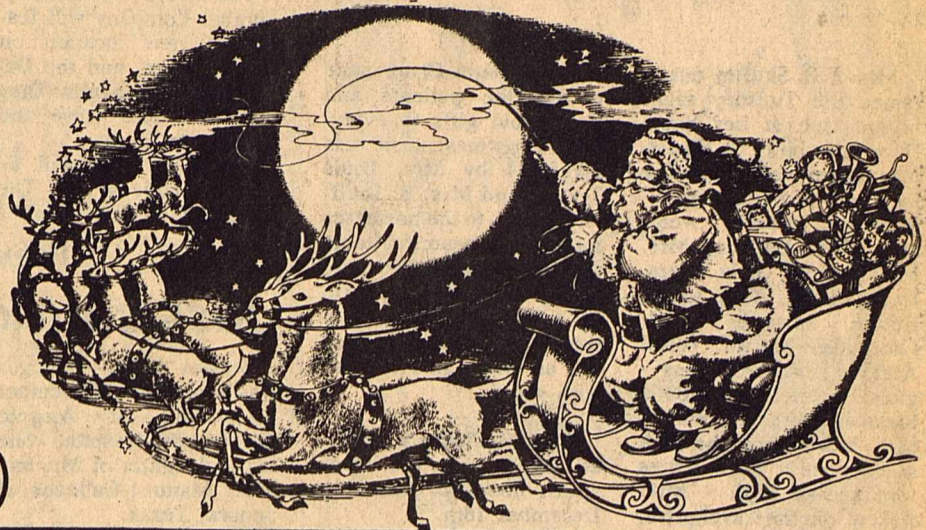




Merry Christmas

(Only 3 more days til Christmas)



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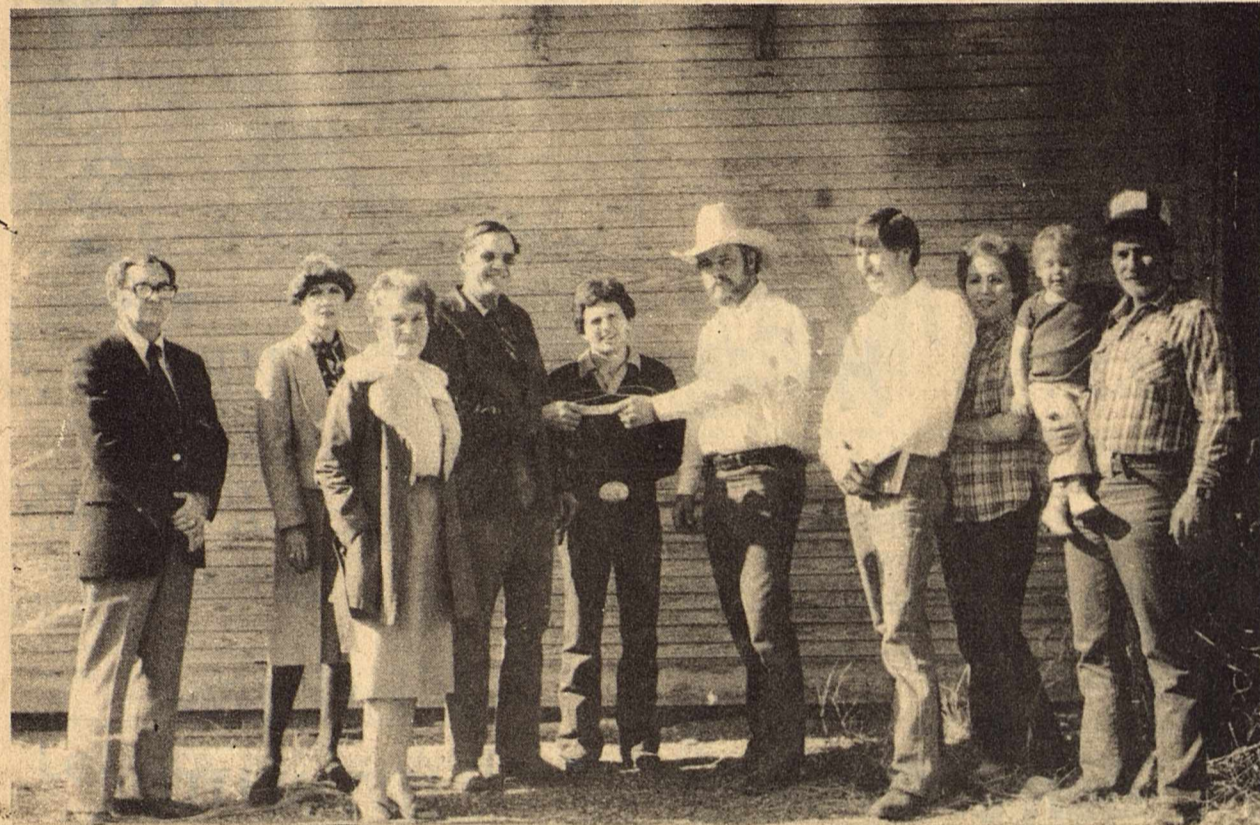
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\$1000.00 check presented by Sutton Days Assoc. to Chamber of Commerce for Santa Fe Depot Fund

by Edith James

The Sutton County Days Association presented a check in the amount of \$1,000.00 to the Chamber of Commerce for the Santa Fe Depot Fund.

Mr. Bob Scroggins, President, Les Robertson, Treasurer and Jim Garrett presented the check to Jim

Cusenbary, Treasurer of the Chamber of Commerce and Chairman of the Depot Committee. Mr. Cusenbary received this check for the Santa Fe Depot Fund on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce and wishes to thank the Sutton County Days Association for this donation given to help memorialize the depot and its contribution to the growth of Sonora.

Those present were Jim Dover, City Manager, Hal Spain, President of C/C, Carol Parker, Mrs. Jan Robertson, Les Robertson, Bob Scroggins, Jim Garrett, Tamatha Robertson, Jim Cusenbary and Edith James.

Herbert Fields and Food Center gave \$250.00 each on Friday, December 17th.

Fire Department elects new officers Dec. 8th

12-18-82
10:30 a.m. unit 50 responded to an auto accident 7 miles West on IH 10.
12-19-81
9:30 p.m. units 40 and 50 responded to auto accident, 31 miles east on IH 10.

3:15 a.m. units 40, 50 and 60 responded to a grass fire at 384 mile marker on IH 10.
The Fire Department held its annual election on December 8th and elected the following officers for 1983.

Fire Chief-Louis Olenick; 1st Assistant Fire Chief-Gene West; 2nd Assistant Fire Chief-Tim Thorp; President- Harold Martinez; Vice-President-Troy Heffernan; Secretary Treasurer-James Blackman; Assistant Secretary Reporter-Nelson

Malik; Chaplain-Vernon Humphreys; Directors-Sammy Odom Jr. Al Bougher, and Trustees-Julio Saminiego Jr., James McLaughlin.
The annual Christmas Party was held December 18th at the Fire Hall and was well attended by the

firemen and families, ambulance personnel, city and county officials. Everyone enjoyed the good food and festivities.
The fire department would like to encourage people not to use flammable liquids to start fires in your fire place, and not to use light bulbs

to warm your pets house.
The Fire Department, Firemen's Auxiliary, and Sutton County EMS would like to thank the Citizens of Sonora and Sutton County for support this past year and wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Santa Claus arrives at Chaparral Motors



Santa Claus made it to Chaparral Motors. He arrived by airplane and then was escorted to Chaparral Motors by the police with sirens and all.

Joni and Darrell Splinks were there to talk to Santa as well as big crowd of other kids.

Joni told Santa that she wanted a Strawberry Shortcake doll and a record player. Darrell wants a 4x4 truck.

Santa Claus arrived at 6:30 p.m. but had to leave at 8 p.m. so he could get back to the North Pole and get his sleigh and reindeer ready for their big journey on Christmas Eve night.



Turkey Walk winners

Roberta James won the trophy for the Turkey Walk this year. She brought in \$605.00. This is the 3rd year she has won the trophy. Brenda Whitworth walked for The Jug bringing in \$550.00. She also won a plaque and gets to keep it for one year. Featured in the picture above are (L to R): Mario Sotelo, Brenda Whitworth, and Roberta James.

Santa will be in Sonora

by Edith James

In a joint venture of good cheer for the little children of Sonora, the Sonora Volunteer Fire Department and the Chamber of Commerce will

play Santa Friday December 24 at 2 p.m. right after the last Ticket drawing.

All parents be sure and bring your

children to this event so Santa can give each one a Christmas Gift of Candy...and a chance to talk to Santa Claus.

Last ticket drawing Dec. 24th

The winners for the drawing December 18th were first place Jenny Sue Trainer and second place Shelly Ellison, each won certificates worth \$200.00 given by the Merchants participating in the SHOP SONORA PROMOTION.

The last ticket drawing will be held Friday, December 24, 1982 at 2:00

p.m. at the Courthouse Lawn and Water Street. The lucky winners this week will win certificates totalling \$280.00 each. The merchants giving these certificates are: First National Bank, Spain's Inc., Hill's Jewelry, Western Auto Store, Food Center, Gosney's and Westerman's drug and all wish to thank the people for

Shopping Santa in Sonora this Christmas Season and wish all a Merry Christmas.

Also, an extra feature at this drawing will be Old Santa Claus in Person, bring gifts to the children, so be sure and bring the children Friday at 2:00 p.m. to see Santa.



Christmas Caroling

The Girlscouts gave a Christmas caroling presentation at the City Hall Friday, December 17. Featured above is Troop #124.

"Ginger Bread Lane"



Every year the Jr. High classes decorated their doors for Christmas and are awarded prizes. This year Mrs. Carol Love's class won the trophy winning door prize. It was called "Ginger Bread Lane" and was decorated of baked gingerbread cookies. Other winning doors are featured inside the newspaper.

Letters to Santa

provided by the first and second graders

more letters cont. on pages 6,7,8,&9

Der Santa,
I like a gun and a bow and a crow. Dot let eny-theng hapn.
Armanbo MaRtinez

Dear Santa
I want a Donkey kong game that you can take it any where you go. Tell Rudolph, Dancer, Dasher, Prancer, Vixen, Comet and Cupid, Donder, Blitzen that I love them and I Love you to Santa and Mrs. Claus too.
Your friend,
Reiley

Dear Santa
I want a new bike pleas. I want a new book for Chimasi And I want the He Man set pleas.
From Brad Shaeffer

Dear Santa,
I don't want you to fargt my toes.
Love Cole Wade Crenwelge

Dear Santa
I am not very good at school. But I am pretty good at home. I have already go a BB gun and some skates But my brother ruendit for me. because his bb gun can be pumped 20 times and it will shute just like a pellt gun. I yusto get to shute my gun in the house. Is what I want for christmas is a go cart and a mortercici.
from Garnck Childers.

Dear Santa,
I whnt to heve 25 toys on Crismis and a reg for my Muthr and my Futhr.
David Cearly

Dear Santa,
I want a krash helmt and Tethr Ball. Thank you.
Samuel Hernandez

Der Santa Claus,
I like Dogs gon, A mot sak. I love you
Jamie Espinosa

Dear Santa,
I wot a bick. I wot a Sopr Man. I wot a Roben.
Love Anthony Brown

Dear Santa,
I want a pac-man gam I want a strobere Shrt cake doll
Love Hannah Reschman

I want tpe tos, bik, rgdol
Love Lolly Hernandez

Hola Santa Claus,
Feliz Navidad. Por favor traigame una bicicleta.
Gracias, Michelle

Dear Santa,
I want a roket and a tethrball.
Jesse Martinez

Hola Santa Claus,
Feliz Navidad. Por favor traigame una muneca.
Gracias, Erica



Around Town

by Hazel McClelland

Mrs. E.D. Shufley entertained the Tuesday night bridge club at her home December 14th - A Christmas dinner was served the members exchanged gifts - Members present were: Mrs. R.A. Halbert, Mrs. Mary Barrow, Guila Vicars, Davie Taylor, Alice Jones, Edwin Sawyer, W.O. Crites, Leo Merrill, Vestal Askew, Lena Bell Ross - guests were: Mrs. Belle Steen and Mrs. Rip Ward - Mrs. Merrill won the high score prize - Mrs. Crites won second high - Mrs. Askew won the travel prize, Mrs. Sawyer won the bingo prize.

Mrs. Bernice Savell and Mrs. Charlie Shannon were in San Angelo Tuesday.

Mrs. Clyde Hill has returned home from the Hudspeth Hospital. Glad you are better Etta.

In San Angelo this week were: Mrs. John McClelland, Mrs. Justine Fields, and Mrs. Lee Roy Whitworth, Mrs. Guila Vicars, Mrs. Davie Taylor, Mrs. Margarite Turney and Hazel McClelland.

Mrs. James Hunt and Mrs. Norman Rousselot honored Miss Patti Merrill with a coffee December 17th at the Hunt residence. The table was laid with a beautiful liner cloth and the house was all decorated with Christmas trees and decorations - about 50 guests were there.

The Hudspeth Memorial Hospital Auxiliary held their Christmas party at the nursing home - Friday 17th - Mrs. Edwin Sawyer, Mrs. W.O. Crites and Mrs. Donald Jones were hostess - Eggnog and punch - sandwiches and cake were served to the patients and

visitors. Santa Claus came to see the patients and passed out gifts to everyone. Christmas music was furnished by Mrs. Louis Trainer and Mrs. Si Loeffler. Thanks to the hostesses for such a beautiful table and decorations - Everyone had a wonderful time - Go out and visit the patients in the nursing home - They are all ways glad to visit with you.

John McClelland returned home from the Hudspeth hospital Saturday December 18th.

Mrs. Harva Cooper was visiting in San Angelo over the week end.

Mrs. Mack Cauthorn and Mrs. JoNell Johnson have returned from Dallas where they were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Janet.

Mrs. Dymple Thomas of San Angelo and Miss Jaymie Trainer of Tuscon, Arizona were here this past week end visiting Mr. and Mrs. Louie Trainer-Dymple and Jaymie are sisters of Louie. They all will go to San Angelo to have Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Marion Smith and Lee, daughter of Metha and Louie and with Mr. and Mrs. Guy Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thomas, sons of Mrs. Dymple Thomas.

Chip, Cody and Scott Savell sons of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Savell, and Matt and Savell Shannon, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Shannon, are in Colorado for a skiing vacation.

Thanks to all the wonderful people who gave us money to buy food for our Christmas baskets for people who are less fortunate. The Welfare Council - Hazel McClelland.

Church prepares for program

Primera Baptist Church cordially invites each and everyone to their Christmas Program Wednesday, December 22, 1982 at 7:00 P.M. This year program will be titled "El Regalo" ("The Gift" again written and directed by Nelda Yorba.

Rev. Cresenio Rodriguez from Mertzson will have the Christmas sermon.

The cast as follows: Mother-Nelda Yorba, Friend-Estelle Gamez, First Daughter-Veronica Aguila, Second Daughter-Gina Gamez.

Angels
Garcilla Hernandez,
Sara dela Garza,
Sulema Hernandez,
Connie Aguilar, and
Patricia Yorba.

Pastors
Lingo,
Joe Yorba, and
Chuckie Yorba.

Wise Men
Salome Perez,
Ruben Yorba, and
Julio Hernandez.

Mary
Bonnie Gamez,
Joseph

Peter,
Music Director-Ricky Sanchez.

Come and share God's Love with each other.

Foxworth Galbraith Lumber states new location

Foxworth Galbraith Lumber Company will feature a new location on Crockett Ave. and the Del Rio Hwy. 277 South. They will have their store and warehouse there.

The sales floor will be approximately 60 x 90. The warehouse and lumber

storage bins will be 110 x 97.

Foxworth Galbraith will carry mostly the same products with expansion of some items.

The completion of the store and warehouse will be around spring.

New Born

Jessica Marie Gallegos

Jessica Marie Gallegos was born Friday, December 10, 1982 at Angelo Community Hospital. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Gallegos of Sonora, Texas.

Jessica is welcomed by her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Jesus Flores, one

uncle, two uncles of Sonora, Mr. and Mrs. Santos Gallegos, four aunts, and five uncles of Rocksprings, Texas.

Jessica weighed 6 lbs. 6 ounces and was 19 inches long. Her great grandmother is Mrs. Margarita Flores of Rocksprings, Texas.

New Arrivals

Jacob Cole and Joseph Kyle Born

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Percifull of Sonora are the proud parents of twin sons

born December 1, 1982 at Angelo Community Hospi-

tal in San Angelo. Jacob Cole was born at 11:12 a.m. and weighed 4 lbs., 4 ozs.

Joseph Kyle was born at 11:29 a.m. and weighed 4 lbs. 6 ozs. They have one



Coach Richard Lopez's class won 1st place in the door contest at the Jr. High. It featured a paper Christmas tree with angels and stars.

Fire Department holds Christmas party Dec. 18th

The Sonora Fire Department held their Christmas Party December 18 for their family and guest. There were 115 present at the party. A delicious supper was served. After the supper everybody got together and Santa Claus came in and deliver all the gift to the children. Even the Mother of the Year got a gift from Santa which are Mrs. Pauline Luttrell and

Mrs. Mollie Hite. After Santa Claus left all the children got together and they had a good time trying to hit the Pinata.

The Sonora Fire Department would like to thank all the guest for coming to the party.

Sonora Volunteer Fire Department would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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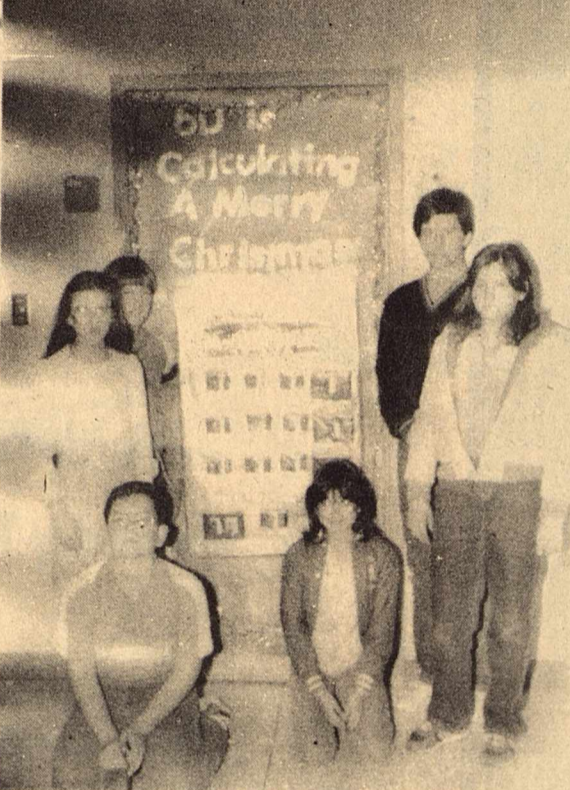
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Mr. Reed Jennings' class won 2nd place in the door contest at the Jr. High. It featured a Christmas tree with blinking lights, packages, and other decorations to set off the Christmas spirit.



Mrs. Jinger Wagner's class won 3rd place in the door contest at the Jr. High. It was made up of fireplace scene.



Mrs. Janis Salsbery's class won 4th place in the door contest at the Jr. High and; was made up like math calculators.

Volunteer fire ladies

The Sonora Volunteer firemen's Ladies Auxiliary held its regular monthly meeting last Tuesday at the fire department.

Hostess for the meeting was Nova Olenick. During the business meeting plan were made to have the Christmas Party on Decem-

ber 18. After a delicious refreshment. Everyone played yahtzee. Winning yahtzee Benita Martinez, High-Donna Keese, Low-Patti Bougher. Other members present were Patti Bougher, Jean Humphreys, Cookie Heffernan, Donna Keese, Trevlin Luttrell.

Connie Malik, Benita Martinez, Linda Odom, Nova Olenick, Patti Prather, Melissa Teaff, and Frances West.

The Sonora Volunteer firemen's Ladies Auxiliary would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Hill's Bridal Registry
 Lesa Smith, bride-elect of Charles King
 Pattie Merrill, bride-elect of David Cutbirth
 Rachel Oehler, bride-elect of Louis Hall

Hill's Jewelry
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Westerman Drug

Extension News by Rachel Oehler

With the holidays season, more and more turkey and chicken products will be used in many of our homes. There are four main items which we should be concerned with: (1) thawing (2) cooking (3) carving and (4) storing.

There are several ways to thaw a frozen turkey. Thawing in the refrigerator is most often recommended although it takes the longest. Thawing with cool water or at room temperature or in the oven may also be used. Regardless of the method used, the turkey should be checked from time to time and cooked as soon as possible. Do not keep a turkey unthawed for more than one day in the refrigerator.

ture than 325 degrees will shorten cooking time, but increase dryness and toughness in the turkey. A turkey is done when the internal temperature reaches 180 degrees or when the drumstick can be easily removed.

Letting turkey stand at room temperature for 30 minutes before carving will allow juices to settle inside the meat. A sharp knife is very important for cutting the meat.

It is a good idea to purchase market specials on turkeys and cook them on the same day and storing the meat for future use. Two turkeys, if not too large can be cooked in the oven at the same time, saving energy. Additional amounts can be frozen to use later in vegetable dishes, stews, soups and sandwiches.

Enjoy cooking with turkey or chicken this holiday season! Merry Christmas!!

The goal for turkey cookery is to have the meat completely done, but juicy and tender. Following cooking instructions on the bag will give good results. Cooking at higher tempera-

Letters to Santa Cont. from page 1

Dear Santa,
 I want a bike. I want a watch.
 Love Mike Gonzales

Dear Santa,
 I want toys in Christmas. I want a cat and I want a dog. I want you to come in Christmas.
 Love Becky Lumberras

Dear Santa,
 I want a tackl E.T. and a bb gun.
 Love Jack Barcroft

Dear Santa,
 I want a ball. I want a kitten. I want a wagon.
 Love Becky Gronski

Dear Santa,
 I want key car.
 Love Trini Banda

Dear Santa,
 I want a train. and I want a toy boat. and I want a book.
 Love Michel Padgett

Dear Santa,
 I want toys on Christmas. I want a sled Santa. I want a wagon.
 Love Bryan DeLa Rosa

Dear Santa,
 I want to get a E.T. toys and a big toy. and my Name is Lisa luera. I Love you Santa.

Dear Santa,
 I want a coat. I want a wagon. I Love you Santa. I want a bok. I Love you,
 Becky Medina

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It's Christmas
 Can't bear to wait another minute to wish you a Merry Christmas and to express our thanks.

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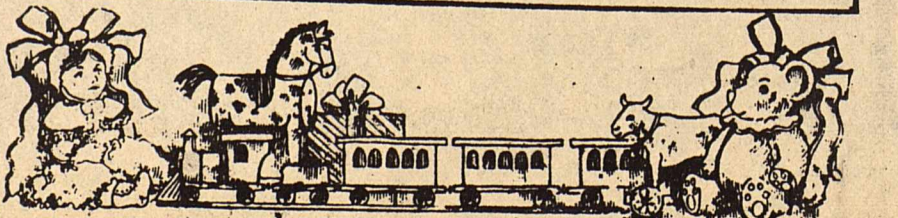
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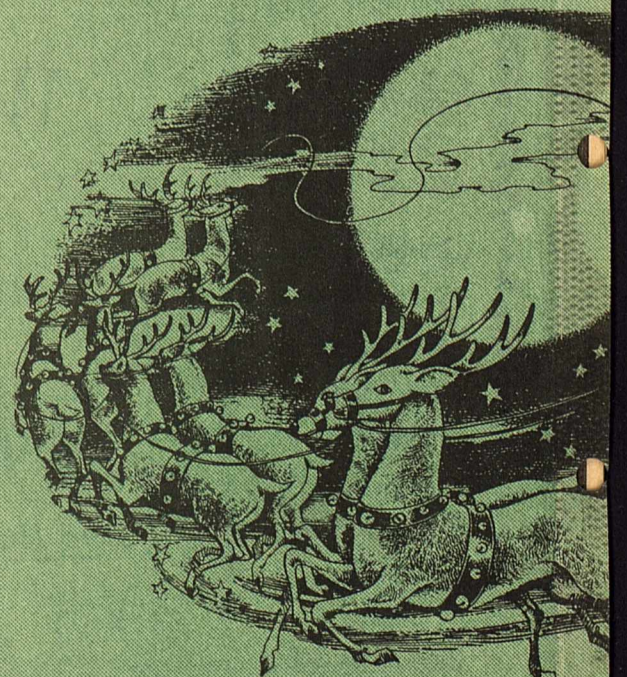
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Christmas



Produce

Bananas	Central American	3 lbs. /89¢
Apples	Red or Golden Delicious	49¢ lb.
Oranges	California Navel	49¢ lb.
Avocados	Hass, Rough Skin	2/\$1.00
Yams	East Texas	3 lbs. /\$1.00
Celery	California Large Stalk	3/\$1.00
Lemons	Sunkist	10/\$1.00
Potatoes	All Purpose 10 lb. Bag	\$1.19
Jumbo Walnuts or Mixed Nuts	Mix or Match	79¢ lb.
Cello Nuts	1 lb. Bag Walnuts, Almonds, Mixed	99¢

Meat

Chuck Roast	U.S.D.A. Beef	\$1.29 lb.
Chuck Steak	U.S.D.A. Beef	\$1.59 lb.
Arm Pot Roast	U.S.D.A. Beef	\$1.49 lb.
English Cut Roast	U.S.D.A. Beef	\$1.39 lb.
Arm Shoulder Steak	U.S.D.A. Beef	\$1.69 lb.
Ground Chuck	U.S.D.A. Beef	\$1.39 lb.
Sliced Bologna	Armour Star 12 oz. Pkg.	\$1.39
Ground Round	U.S.D.A. Beef	\$1.79 lb.
Boneless Hams	Mini-Maple River	\$2.69 lb.

Letters To Santa

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Dear Santa Clause,
How are you doing. I hope you have a happy Christmas day. I wish for good health and happens and for a tensesp 4 scaste and a wash for my mother and father. and a racker named micky. and I wish I will not be mean to my sistey. and I wish god bless my tow grandmothers and my grand father.
from Carmen Chavez
God Bless you all!

Dear Santa,
want toys key
Love, Marcus Reed

Dear Santa,
I want a watch with Strawberry Shortcake on it. I want rudof doll.
Love, Summer Bennett

Dear Santa,
I want a Bike. I Love you Santa I want a Doll
Love, Claudia Luna

Hola Santa Claus,
Feliz Navidad. Por favor traigame navion una bicicleta uncarro.
Gracias, Francisco Unab

Hola Santa Claus, Feliz Navidad Pori favor traigame unebicicleta.
Graics, Jose

Dear Santa,
I want a Black!
Love Kim Owings

Dear Santa,
I want a dog. I want a cat.
Love, Raquel Sanchez

Dear Santa,
I want a pakman for Christmas.
Love, Cesar Elquezbab

Dear Santa,
I want a bike for Christmas and I Love you Santa,
Priscilla Dominguez

Dear Santa,
I Love Santa to bing a bick for me.
Love Cynthia Ramirez

Dear Santa,
I have be good so has my bruthr. I want a brb swimming pool and a big hend that has makup on it and a Ken doll and a brb car vat and a bick.
Love Beverly Cooper

Dear Santa,
I hot a big bick and I hot atore four Crism toys.
Peter Noriega

Dear Santa,
I want a doll, but 3 toys. I have ben a gud girl. I Love Santa, too.
Love, Sabrina Dozier

Dear Santa,
I have being good. I want the candy land. I want a doll. I want a bicke.
Love, Virginia Talamantes.

Dear Santa,
I whnt 2 E.T.
Love Shelly Kirby

Dear Santa
I love you. I want a bicke.
Mark is good.
love, Mark Martinez

Dear Santa
I want a book. I bin good and my Sisters bin to. I love Santa. I love Kelly. I love Kelly Barton.

Dear Santa,
I want a E.T. and I want a gio and I want a big Pig and I want a big bik.
.Love, James Jones

Dear Santa,
I have being a good boy this year. I Love you Santa. I want a big Pac man game. See you.
Love Travis Morgan

Dear Santa,
I want 2 dolls and doll has.
Love Jody Trianer.

Der Santa,
I like a gun and a mot sak and a cat and a Bic.
I love you.
Alberto Contreras

Der Santa, Claus,
I liked Brbe and a teb Bear. I Love You.
Diana Galindo

Dear Santa Claus.
I like a Brbe and a Bic. I lov you.
Charlene Rojas

Der Santa Claus,
I like a Brbe. and teb Bear. I Love you.
Erica Ramos

Der Santa Claus,
I like Dogs a gon, A mot sak. I love you.
Jamie Espinosa

Dear Santa,
I want a bick and a big doll. I want a E.T.
Love Monica Alvarado

Dear Santa,
I wot a bick. I wot a boll. I wot a etre. I wot a Batman.
Love Brandon Lock

Dear Santa,
I want a boats book, and a crayolos, and a game, and a dog.
Love Stephanie Sentena

Hola Santa Claus,
Feliz Navidad. Por favor traigame uncarro, unavion.
Gracias, Jose

Hoja Santa Claus,
Feliz Navid. Por favor traigame, unavion.
Gracias, Claudio

Hola Santa Claus,
Feliz Navidad. Por favor taigame unamuneca yun a bicicleta.
Gracias, Teresa

Dear Santa,
I want a red watch and a pink and pretty Barbie.
Love, Jenny Purvis

Dear Santa
I want a ball. I want a I want a top.
Love, Liz Bradshaw

Dear Santa,
I want truk and a Kar.
Thanks.
Miguel Luna

Dear Santa,
I want a doll and prs. Be krefol.
Brenda Lopez

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Santa Letters

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Dear Santa,
I want a itre and Telefon.
Be kfl.
Elida Gandar

Dear Santa
I want a gocart and I
want a stomper and a
Pac-Man watch. recerd
player. How is your rein-
deer.
Your Friend, Tammy

Dear Santa
I wood like to have a
Bairby love Boat, and my
ears perst agen, and Bairbs
to play in the Love Boat.
Love Jennifer Tankersley

Dear Santa
I want Atari and a game
and a BarBey house and a
teddy bear and a doll and a
skaits size 12
From Eva Castilleja

Dear Santa
I can't wait for Christmas
for my bike.
Freddie Chavarria

Dear Santa
I want a doll and I want
my dad back so mush
your friend Marie Luna

Hola Santa Claus,
Feliz Navidad. Por favor
traigame una muñeco yuna
bicicleta.
Gracias, Cynthia

Hola Santa Claus,
Feliz Navidad. Por favor
traigame unaviony uncarro.
Gracias, Julio

Hola Santa Claus,
Feliz Navidad. Por favor
traigame bicicleta y una
pistole.
Gracias, Roberto

Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs.
Santa, and your helpers?
How are your reindeers?
I would like a barbie
house, and a Annie doll or a
E.T. doll and a watch.
Love, Michele.

Love Michele

Dear Santa,
I been a good boy. I want
a Atari for Christmas.
Your Friend,
Louis

Dear Santa,
I want a mans woch, and
I want a mount on master,
and I want a stopper set.
Your friend,
Chase

Dear Santa,
I want Klif hanr tap pla,
fir racer E.T. Racrd, Dose
of Hand gi jo set
Love Robbie Yeates

Dear Santa,
I want a buck I want a bik
I want a clock
Love, Heather Chapman

Dear Santa,
I want a dog and I want a
footh and I want a game
Love Abel Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
I want a biku I want a
frog I want a cat I want a
dog
Love Alma Sanchez

Dear Santa,
I want a dog, dol, boll,
Snoman buc, bar
Love Patsy Rodriguez

Dear Santa, I want a bik
Love James Carnachan

Dear Santa, I want futbol
GJloe, atvktk Candy Land
Love Jesus Capuchina

Dear Santa,
I want a strawberry
shortcake berry busy bug
for Christmas and a little
pac man video game. My
brother wants a bike and a
Dukes of Hazzard speed
jumper. Santa I want a
clock. How's Dancer and
Dasher and Rudolph and all
the other reindeer. How's
Mrs. Santa Claus and the
elf's. I hope the toys are
ready. I hope the sled and
the reindeer are ready for
Christmas eve. I am doing
good work at school. I finish
my work before recess. We
are having a Christmas
party. We are going to
string cranberries and pop-
corn. We are going to make
Christmas tree ornaments.
We are going to put up a
Christmas tree and put
ornaments on it.
Your friend,
Leslie

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and a doll
for christmas.
I like your Deers and I
Love you to Santa.
from your friend,
Nora
Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,
I only want three things
for this year. 1. U.S. one
Electric tracking. 2. Atari 3.
Star wars ATAT
Love, William

Dear Santa,
I want a Sorry game and
a Trap door game and a
white kitten and a doll and
a Smurf doll. I am trying to
be good. But it is hard to be
good.
Merry Christmas Santa.
with Love,
Truesha
I live at:
704 Water

Dear Santa,
I've been a good girl and
I want a new doll. I want a
strawberry shortcake.
Joanna

Dear Santa,
I want a videogame, a
diesel truck and a Et watch.
I Love Santa,
Stoney Holmes

Santa Clus,
Por, favor traigame una
guitarra Si tiene volunta.
Leoncia Rodriguez

Sadclos:
Como esda usde odres
llocyero hugetes. Hyo te
pido
Isaac Mendoza

Santa Clos:
Como estar? Hyo te pido
ce esteyes vien. I cesteyes
muy vien pa Crismes i ce
mera Jas algo d ropa.
Trinidad Galindo Guerra

Dear Santa,
I want a Pac Man dol and
a E.t. dol and a carol grl
Love Yvonne Madris

Dear Santa
I want jep, gun, fir Dr,
man.
Love Waylon Thomas

Dear Santa,
I want dog, str wr gam,
bik, mkca ptr
Love, Roman Flynn

Dear Santa,
I want motr knotrl, gam,
Love Joey Guerra

Dear Santa,
I want a dog, dol, boll,
Snoman buc, bar
Love Patsy Rodriguez

Dear Santa, I want a bik
Love James Carnachan

Dear Santa, I want futbol
GJloe, atvktk Candy Land
Love Jesus Capuchina

Dear Santa
I Want a new bike, and a
ball, a game named pac-
man and a cat.
from Annette Gamez
to: Santa
7-5230 307 San

Dear Santa
I wood like a ARte and
my sister home and a
Christmas gift and a doll
and a Teatherdall and a
puppy and a gocarte. And
a big doll house. For Christ-
mas and a sockrball
baseketball. and a neckles.
With a puppy on it.
Yvonne Harrison
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Dear Santa, I Love Christ-
mas I want a Biaek
Love Javiel Jimenez

Dear Santa,
I want a bike i want a dul
i want a dog
Love, Yvonne Mata

Dear Santa,
I want you to reing me a
Dolls I Love yeu Sants
Love Jamie Wilson

Dear Santa,
I want to got a dol that
dol four Christmas
Love Tammy McGinnis

Dear Santa,
I want a Bike Brobe dol
Brobe dol haos
Love Adrienne Noriega

Dear Santa,
I want a game and a bik
and a motr contrl and a
goob jep.
Love Chris McCrawey

Dear Santa,
I want et, Annie Boby,
Pac-Man Book Surprises
Love, Nicole Earp

Dear Santa,
I want a BB gun. I want a
E.T. set.
Love Will Matthews

Dear Santa,
I wat a dog, and I want a
dall.
Love, Jacque Chinetti

Dear Santa,
I want a pink Pretty
Barbie.
Love, Erika Rangel

Dear Santa,
I want a dog and a kitten
Love, Danny Gomez

Dear Santa
I want a new bike. An
E.T. shirt. Mrs. Pac Man
shoes. And a E.T. doll.
Annie belt. Belle doll. And
a HiHo Cheery O Game.
Daisy underoos. And a
T.V. An Phone. Annie
Dishes. An Strawberry Sort
Cake doll That kisses.
And I hope I get what I
want
I have been good
your friend Melissa Creek
104 Oakwood

Dear Santa
I Want a bike and a
barbie and I want a brook
Shelds barbie and I want a
Annie doll will you please
get it for me I ben good
From Debra Sanchez

Dear Santa.
I want a wacht and a
book and a lips sticks I like
a dall.
I am a good girls
from Gloria Araceli

Dear Santa
I wot a petit gun and I
wot a bike too, and losl I
wot a bise for my cust. Jeok,
Oleb.
Henry Gonzles

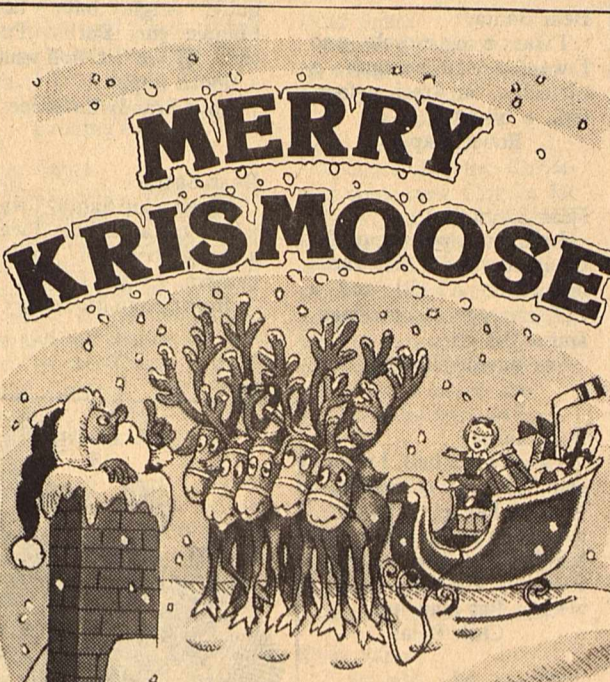
Dear Santa
I wand the car toy and I
wand the present on my
Christmas tree and I wand
the toys.
from Maxie Gamez

Dear Santa,
I have bin a good girl. I
wish you merry Christmas.
And this is want I want a
t.v. and a digdig doll. I
wood love a town house and
a boy doll but most of all I
want a Baby doll.
I Love you Santa
your friend JoAnna Teaff

Dear Santa
I Love My causien but.
She is swet I Love He toys
Doll cats and Dogs Bears
and stigs and chemns
Wooow Wooow
from Cenisa cauthorn
I Love you Santa

Dear Santa,
I want a nicholas and a ring
and a walch and Pac-man
Lets be friends, Santa
Love Juanita Gandar

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MERRY KRISMOOSE

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will be packed
with love and laughter
for our thoughtful
friends and patrons!

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hearth and home.

Seeing Red
by Elizabeth Allen

We're out of school for
Christmas, thank God. The
Sonora High School Drama
Dept. is currently rehearsal-
ing for their upcoming
play, "A 1940's Radio
Hour." This play portrays a
radio station in 1942 in New
York. The characters in this
play perform as well as
show the audience a bit of
themselves on and off the
air. The station manager,
played by Ronnie Munns is
always upset by his
employees' inefficiency. So
is stage manager Lou Cohn,
played by James Dixon,
who works desperately to
get the show together.
Sound and technical man-
ager is Stella Johnson, play-

ed by Clayann Cates, who
does her job. The cast is a
different story. First, there
is Johnny Cantone, a man
with talent who throws it
away in drink (Mike Polcek).
There's Ann Collier, the
really good, sensible
young woman (Laura Pres-
ton). Ginger Brooks, who
has about the sense of a
retarded rabbit (Clalene
Stewart). Neal Tilden,
everybody's funny guy who
really just wants to be lead
singer (Drew Wallace).
Geneva Lee Browne is an
aggressive, forward south-
ern girl. (Kathryn Parker).
B.J. Gibson, (Craig Hop-
per) a serious young college
student, can't seem to keep
his star-struck young girl

friend Connie Miller,
(Elizabeth Allen) away
from Johnny. Or from Biff
Baker, (Rodney Speers) a
soldier and all-around good
guy. Then there's every-
body's millstone Wally
Ferguson (Greg Stewart)
the delivery boy who
dreams of getting on the
show. But to keep the show
together, there's pianist
Dottie Doubleman (Char-
lotte Wilson) and her per-
cussionist, Victor Fuentes.
The director, James Buch-
anan, has been working his
cast for several weeks,
now, and will soon be
joined by the crew. Be sure
and come to this definate-
ly entertaining musical!

Letters to Santa

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Dear Santa,
I want a pac-men
Love Cherie Morrow

Dear Santa,
I want gijoe taenk thanks
for Christmas
I Love You
Adam Waggoner

Dear Santa,
I Love Christmas
Love, Becci Merrill

Dear Santa,
I want a bike
Love Erica Martinez

Dear Santa,
I want yuo to brea me a
dol and cat
Love, Flena Barrera

Mrs. Solis, 2nd grade

Daer Santa
I want a gocart and I
want you to bring my sister
glamer girl ship. And my
mother a stofe. And my dad
a tool box.
from Adrian Sanchez

Hola Satn Clas,
Feliz Naviddad. Por
fdvorr traigame.
Craccis, Slemea

Dear Santa
I want a gocart and a race
set and
from Jerry Maskill

Hola Santa Claus,
Feliz Navidad. Por favor
traigame unamuneca y una
bicieleta.
Graacias, Rosalba

Dear Santa
I have bin very good this
year. I would like a pin and
pretty and Straberry Short-
cake record player, car and
a Et shrut.
From April Holik

Dear Santa
I want an football a
little car an I want a game
for Christmas an I want a
E.T. bellt for Christmas
an I want an E.T. vest an I
want an I want a book to
an I want a dollhouse for
my sister. an I want a bike
to. I want an treehouse to.
an I want a puppy to. an I
want a birdhouse for
Christmans.
Mark Galindo Anthony

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want
wights, teatherball and a
trampalin. I have ben a
good boy.
From Shane Keller

Dear Santa
We might not be here for
Christmas. But if we are I
won't a game and a tereney
a BasketBall. and a Bike
and a E.T. shoelases. I
won't a tapeketer. and a
pair of shoes and a woch
and a ring. and a pacman
game. and a E.T. Belt. and
a stroberry Shortcake. and
a ET shirt. packman shirt. I
have bin good.
Love Nita Barber

Dear Santa
For Christmas I won't a
pac-man game and I won't
a doll and a puppy I won't a
pac-man shrut.
from Silvia Dominequez

Dear Santa,
I have bin good this year.
I want a football and
please git my sister a doll.
Please git my brother a
truck.
From Brian Faris

Dear Santa
I have bin a very good
girl. I wish I wood have a
bike and a t.v. and a big
doll and a play house and a
dress with a boots and a
E.T. moster that is wan't I
wot.
From Prissy Sanchez

Dear Santa
I want a Bye Bye Dipers,
tippey toes, shcedery
shorcake, pac-man stickers.
Let's be Friends Santa
From Tina Heffernan

Dear Santa,
I want a Big. I want a
woktge.
Love Kenny Zortman

Dear Santa,
I want a Black
Love Felicia Sentena

Hola Santa Claus,
Feliz navidad. Por favor
traigame una muneca.
Gracias, Maria Elana

Hola Santa Claus,
Feliz Navidad. Por favor
traigame unamuneca una
bicicleta.
Gracias, Maria

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle. and
I want a 410 shotgun,
a cartridge, an Atari, a foot-
ball, a bike.
Robert Zapata

Dear Santa,
I want a pelet gun for
Christmas and a Bike and a
motorcycl. ATARI and a
E.T. cartrege and pac-man.
and a BB gun.
David Williams

Dear Santa,
I want a football, I want a
Don Key Kong game, I
want a Pac man game, I
want a Frogger game, I want
a E.T. game, I want a Bike,
I want a Pac-man, Book, I
want a Pac-man bed
Chris Rojas

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I
want a Jean Barbie and a
strawberry shortcake. I
want a Atari and a Magic
Curel barbie. I want donkey
kong and a watch, I want a
Pac-man book.
Love Kathy Cooke

Dear Santa,
I want a nother race car
for my racetrack that I got
last year. I want a Frogger
and Donkey kong Atari
game. I want a stuffed
animal and the name of it is
Bugs Bunny and Scooby-
Doo.
Stephanie Ducioame

Dear Santa
I want a toy Santa and a
dal of barbe.
loev Veronica Perez

Dear Santa,
I want a pocketknife and
a racing car, and a bike,
and a football, and bebe
gun, and a basketball, and
a pacman game, and a E.T.
game, and a bugs bunny
game and a frogger game
and a pelet gun, and a ET
Book and a back pack and a
pacman Book.
Love Nicky Castilleja

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie Dolls and
Atir PAC-MAN?
Suzie Gutierrez

Dear Santa,
I want a Bike and I want
a motorcycle and I want a BB
gun and I want a DonKey
kog and I want a Pecman
Billy Ray Aleman

Hola Santa Claus,
Feliz Navidad. Por favor
traigame una pistola.
Gracias, Victor

Dear Santa,
I want Atari Pac-Man
clock Gi Joe Am Raido
watch stomper-for. E.T.
wide-up doll E.T. school
bag Spider-man car
Love Lance Castro

Dear Santa
I want a dog, and a
barbie hous, and Atari
whith a E.T. cartrege and
Mrs. Pac-Man, donky
kong, and scooldoodl 900
dolers in cash, and straw-
berry shortcake whith
custerd the cat.
from, Elaine Martinez

Dear Santa,
I want Pac-man bubbie
gum Pink and prutty Baine
Barbie car, Strawberry
baby, Angla baby doll,
Magaic curl Barbie Pup-
cake, Gi Joe Girl doll whith
4 Books puppy
Love Brandy Bauldree

Dear Santa,
I been good Santa, I want
a bike and a BB gun. I want
a song book. I want a
camera. I want E.T.
from Gregg McCravey

Dear Santa,
I want a football and I
want a bike. and I have bin
good and I want a gun and I
want a baseball grove. and
I want a atari and I want a
Pac Man carteg.
Pete Perez

Dear Santa,
I want a train and a
motorcycle and a whatch
and a atari and a bopcar
and a T.V.
Fernando Tobias

Dear Santa,
I ben good Please bring
me a bike and bring me a
dog and a doghouse. and a
motorcycl and E.T. atary
tabe.
Willie Garcia

Dear Santa
I insted of the drum. I
want strawberry shortcake
and some of her friends
love Carmen Burch

Dear Santa,
I want a bb gun an bike a
T.V an a E.T. shirt an Atari
Wil Trainer

Dear Santa,
The Christmas holiday
is getting closer. I want a
dirt bike and Centipede
atari cartridge.
love Patrick McAndrew

Dear Santa,
I want a gun, I want a
motorcycle, I want a bike, I
want a Deer, I want a
football, I want a pacman, I
want a ET, I want a 33, I
want a 22, I want a 44,
Mike Harris

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Letters to Santa cont. from page 8

Dear Santa
I have bin a veay good. I wot a dog and a kitten. I wot a taerr boll. and a gun and in my stauta I wot sow cade and I wot to now the radeeder namnes.
From Mark Young

Dear Santa,
I ben good Please bring me a barbie and a doll house and a puppy and Atari with Et and pac-man tape and a barbie car,
Love Mary Martinez.

Dear Santa,
I want a toy and that I want a camera and pocket knife. And I want a littel T.V. pretty gral.
Adam C. Mirike

Dear Santa
I want a toy and I want a camra and I want a poct-knife and a real gun.
Elbaclent Schwiening

Dear Sata,
I want a red bike. and a microphone. and a basket-ball. and a pac-man game.
love Jeannie James

Dear Santa Claus,
I wish I had a new Deer riful and some bulisn. and Artre frogger. and that all.
Your friend Tracy Critse

Dear Santa and elves
I want a bike for me this yern and 8 prasss I will heve to go by
by Gabriel Barrera

Dear Santa Clause
How are you doing I hope your doing fine how are your reindeers doing I hope there are doing fine I hope I will get a dog for Christmas and I hope it is a girl?
Jessica Ortiz

Dear St. Nick
When I wake up I wude like to see stuf hanging out of my stocking and when I open the door I want the presents setting on the porch.
Your friend Misty James

Dear Santa,
I want a pelli gun and a baseball bat and glove and 4 x 4.
friend, Daniel Anderson

Dear Santa,
I would like a strawberry shortcake watch a strawberry shortcake desk,
Love, Your friend, Imelda Abrego

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Thank you Santa Clause!
Love, Griselda Ozuna

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I want some paints and a train and a new bike and donky kong and frogger a fish and a poon pick up!
Your friend Lizzy Lilly

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I want a neman space ship and neman and a pacman game.
love Frank Guzman

Dear Sant,
I want a gun I want something big under the Christmas tree and in my stocking I want a whip I Love Santa Claus
love yor friend: Jessie Medoza

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I want some Games the tree and want some things in my stocking from you. I Love Santa Claus.
Love your friend: Cristina Ramirez

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Thank you.
Love Mayra Garza

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I please for a tetrboll woch trapoulene.
From Matt Hazelton

Dear Santa,
I woot a monter sickel. I have den a goub boy.
Jason Wood

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Love Monja Chavez

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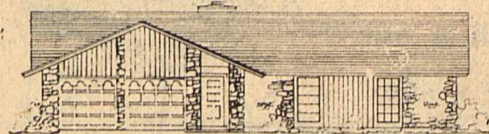
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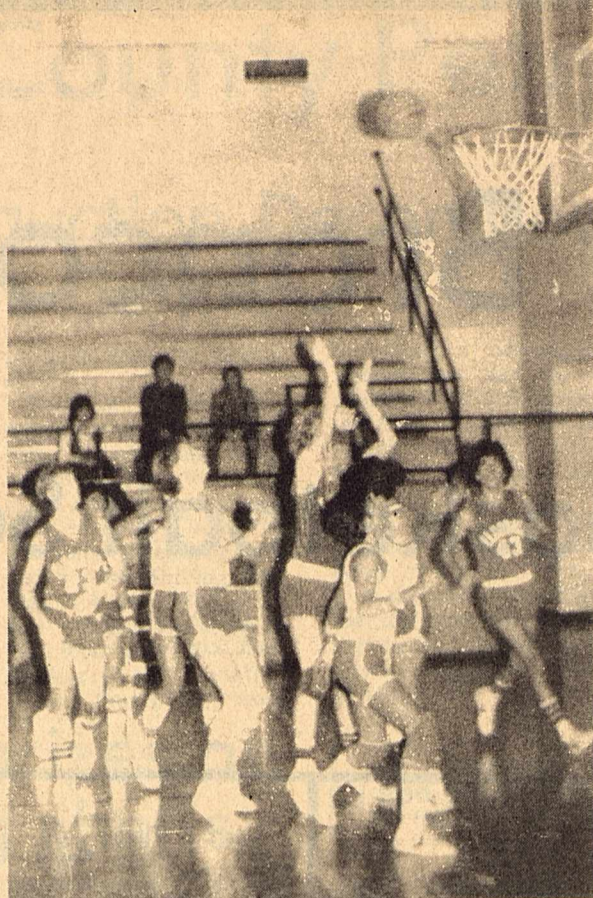
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"Buckle Up" for holiday season

With the Holiday Season fast approaching, the Texas Safety Association urges all motorists to drive defensively, buckle up and remember to protect children with crash-tested safety seats.

More children are killed every year in traffic accidents than from all childhood diseases combined. Those that are injured are often left victims of epilepsy or paraplegia.

The saddening fact of the statistics released by the National Safety Council is that the majority of these deaths and accidents could have been avoided. Of the 1500 children under the age of five killed last year in automobile accidents, as many as 90 percent could be alive today if they had been protected by a crash-tested child safety seat. Despite these figures it is estimated that less than 18 percent of the children in this age group ride restrained.

Many concerned parents who wouldn't think of letting their children play in a busy street or go swimming alone still harbor some very dangerous misconceptions about protecting their children in automobiles.

Perhaps the most common and naive of these beliefs is that children, as well as adults, do not need to "buckle up" because

accidents always happen to somebody else. However,

accidents don't always happen to somebody else no matter how carefully you drive, and many times it is the children who are seriously injured if they are not properly restrained.

An unrestrained child weighing 30 lbs. involved in a traffic accident at 30 m.p.h. can sustain injuries akin to a fall from a three-story building.

Another reason children are hurt in traffic accidents is that adults think they can protect children by holding them in their arms or laps.



Texas Department of Public Safety

This is also a myth. In the event of an accident the child runs the risk of being thrown helplessly about the

car or being crushed between the adult and the dash-board.

Crash-tested safety seats

which have been manufactured after December 31, 1980 can protect children from such injuries. These seats, which are moderately priced, can be found

in the children's section of most retail and discount stores and make excellent gifts for young ones who are still riding unprotected.

TIPRO urges the public to help support delay of 1983 congressional session for the natural gas issue

"We urge your support in delaying to the 1983 congressional session consideration of the natural gas issue."

Fuller said that TIPRO wants a full hearing on natural gas deregulation in Congress early next year. He pointed out that while domestic producers currently receive an average of \$2.35 per 1000 cubic feet at the wellhead, the proposed freeze would have no effect on Canadian natural gas

being sold for \$4.94, or Algerian LNG at \$7.16 per 1000 cubic feet. "Such high-priced gas is a large component of the price midwestern and eastern consumers pay for natural gas," Fuller said, "and we believe any legislation should carefully address all factors relating to federally-regulated gas prices, which continue to rise while producers have a temporary surplus that they can't sell at reasonable prices."

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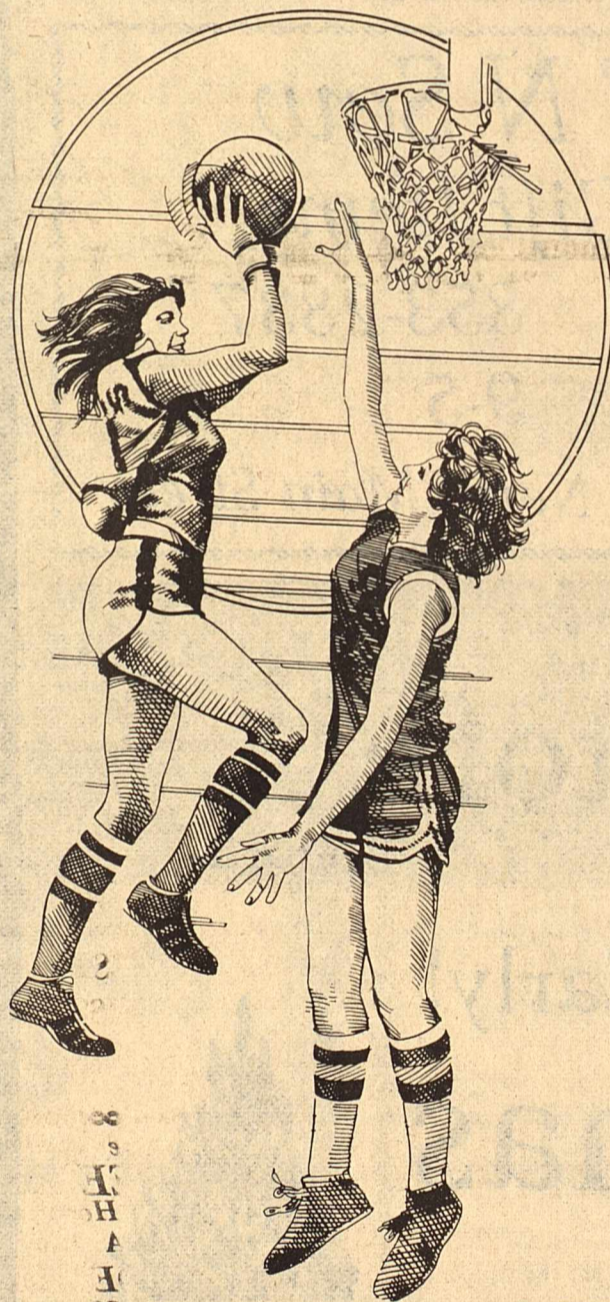
Date	Opponent	Place	Time	Teams
Nov. 29	Del Rio JV	Here	6:00	Var, JV
Dec. 2,3,4	Sonora Varsity & JV Tournament			Var, JV
Dec. 7	Iraan	There	5:00	Var, JV
Dec. 9,10,11	Ozona Varsity Tournament			Var, only
Dec. 9,10,11	Junction JV Tournament			JV only
Dec. 14	Eldorado	Here	6:00	VAR, JV
Dec. 17	Sanderson	Here	6:30	Var, JV
Dec. 21	Junction	Here	6:00	Var, JV
Jan. 4	Iraan	Here	5:00	Var, JV
Jan. 7	Menard	There	6:00	JV & Fr.
Jan. 6,7,8	Big Lake Varsity Tournament			Var, only
Jan. 11	Del Rio JV	There	6:00	Var, JV
Jan. 14	†Colorado City	There	5:00	Var, JV
Jan. 18	†Ballinger	There	5:00	Var, JV
Jan. 21	†Crane	Here	5:00	Var, JV
Jan. 27,28,29	Eldorado JV Tournament			JV
Jan. 28	†Coahoma	Here	8:00	Var
Feb. 1	†Ozoma	There	5:00	Var, JV
Feb. 4	†Colorado City	Here	5:00	Var, JV
Feb. 8	†Ballinger	Here	5:00	Var, JV
Feb. 11	†Crane	There	5:00	Var, JV
Feb. 15	†Ozoma	Here	5:00	Var, JV
Feb. 18	†Coahoma	There	5:00	Var, JV

†Denotes District Games

Girls

Date	Opponent	Place	Time	Teams
Tues. Nov.9	Brady		5:00	Scrimmage
Tues. Nov.16	Lakeview	Sonora	4:00	Scrimmage
Mon. Nov.22	Reagan Co.	Sonora	4:30	Fr.,JV.,VAR.
Tues. Nov.23	Eldorado	Sonora	5:00	Fr.,JV.,VAR.
Tues. Nov.30	Del Rio	Sonora	4:30	Fr.,JV.,VAR.
Dec.2,3,4	Sonora Tournament			JV.,VAR.
Tues. Dec.7	Eldorado	Eldorado	5:00	Fr.,JV.,VAR.
Dec.9,10,11	Iraan Tournament			VAR.
Dec.9,10,11	Junction Tournament			JV.
Dec.14	Menard	Menard	5:00	JV & Varsity
Dec.16,17,18	Colorado City Tournament			VAR.
Dec.21	Iraan	Iraan	5:00	JV.,VAR.
Tues. Jan.4	Reagan Co.	Reagan Co.	4:30	Fr.,JV.,VAR.
Fri. Jan.7	*Coahoma	Coahoma	5:00	JR.,VAR.,
Tues. Jan.11	*Ozoma	Sonora	5:00	Fr.,JV.,VAR.,
Fri. Jan.14	*Colorado City	Colorado City	5:00	JV.,VAR.
Jan.14,15	Del Rio Freshman			FR.
Tues. Jan.18	*Ballinger	Ballinger	5:00	JV.,VAR.
Fri. Jan.21	*Crane	Sonora	5:00	JV.,VAR.,
Sat. Jan.22	Sonora Freshman Classic			Fr.
Tues. Jan.25	Iraan	Sonora	5:00	Jr.,VAR.
Jan.27,28,29	Eldorado Tournament			JV.
Fri. Jan.28	*Coahoma	Sonora	5:00	VAR.
Tues. Feb.1	*Ozoma	Ozoma	5:00	JV.,VAR.
Fri. Feb.4	*Colorado City	Sonora	5:00	JV.,VAR.
Tues. Feb.8	*Ballinger	Sonora	5:00	JV.,VAR.
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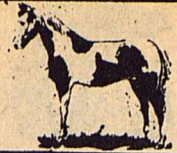
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How farmers can boost their income

With 1982 winding down, farmers and ranchers need to take a close look at their income tax situation. A few smart decisions to adjust income or expenditures before the end of the year might save considerable tax dollars.

"The key thing is for farmers and ranchers to consider the tax impact before making any major sale or purchase," points out Dr. James Ahrenholz, economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System.

"The general purpose of year-end tax planning is to level out taxable income from year to year to avoid jumping through several tax brackets from one year to the next," notes the economist.

However, 1982 offers a certain dilemma for many agricultural producers. With another tax reduction (about 10 percent) slated for 1983, producers may feel inclined to shift some taxable income into next year, particularly if 1982 taxable income will be above average.

On the other hand, pushing income into 1983 could

be a costly mistake if income prospects for next year look better or if such action will create a new operating loss (NOL) this year.

"Avoiding a NOL is important from several standpoints," says Ahrenholz. "Personal deductions and exemptions should add up to at least \$5,400 for a couple with no dependent children and \$7,400 for a family of four. If income does not equal these levels, these allowances will be lost."

Social Security retirement benefits also will be affected by low net earnings in preretirement years. And contributions to a Keogh or IRA retirement plan may be affected if taxable income falls too low.

"To find out where you stand on 1982 taxable income, use last year's tax tables and schedules and subtract 10 percent," says the economist. "For a rough estimate of 1983 taxes, subtract another 10 percent. Remember that the maximum capital gains tax on the sale of land, machinery or other investments is 20 percent."

Delaying expenses is a

sure way for the cash basis taxpayer to shift taxable income from 1983 to this year, says Ahrenholz. This can be done by postponing purchases until next year or by waiting until next year to pay for fertilizer or lime that's needed before the end of the year.

Certain soil and water conservation and land clearing expenses can be capitalized and depreciated rather than taking them all this year. If this election is made for soil and water conservation expenses, then it must be continued in future years. However, the choice to expense or capitalize land clearing costs is an annual election, the economist points out.

Producers might also be able to defer paying certain taxes and interest until next year. And shifting assets bought before 1981 from a rapid method of depreciation to straight line depreciation can postpone deductions.

"Farmers also can boost their 1982 income by making sure they receive payment for grain and livestock sales before yearend," Ahrenholz explains. "In addition, they can receive advance diversion and defi-

ciency payments when they sign up for the 1983 wheat, feedgrain and cotton programs."

CCC crop loan proceeds can also be included in income in the year received. Once this practice is started, however, it must be continued in the future years.

To avoid a NOL, producers might consider selling certain assets that will eventually be sold anyway. Gilts might be sold instead of sows to create ordinary income instead of capital gains. Machinery that is depreciated-out might be sold instead of traded, resulting in ordinary income in 1982.

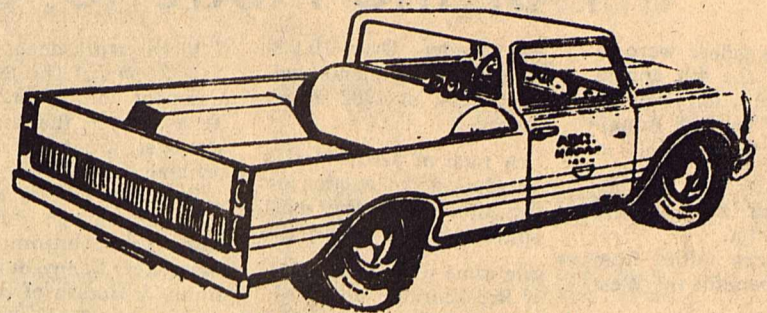
To delay 1982 income so as to take advantage of a lower tax rate next year, simply avoid receipt of income from any 1982 sales through a deferred payment agreement with the buyer, suggests the economist. Producers also have the option to delay counting until next year

"Farmers and ranchers can also step up deductions to postpone 1982 income," explains Ahrenholz. "This simply means to pay for and take delivery of equipment and supplies before yearend. Qualified farmers may also prepay certain 1983 expenses this year, including taxes, interest and lease payments. And contributions to a Keogh and an IRA retirement plan are deductible."

If a producer does everything he can to reduce his taxable income and still find this year's earnings to be much higher than in past years, income averaging can come to the rescue, says the economist. Averaging may save tax dollars is the current year's income will be 20 percent above the average taxable income for 1978 through 1981 plus \$3,000.

Ahrenholz advises farmers and ranchers to check with their tax advisors or consultants now for further information on year-end tax planning strategies. A great deal of detail is associated with most of the tax management strategies identified above.

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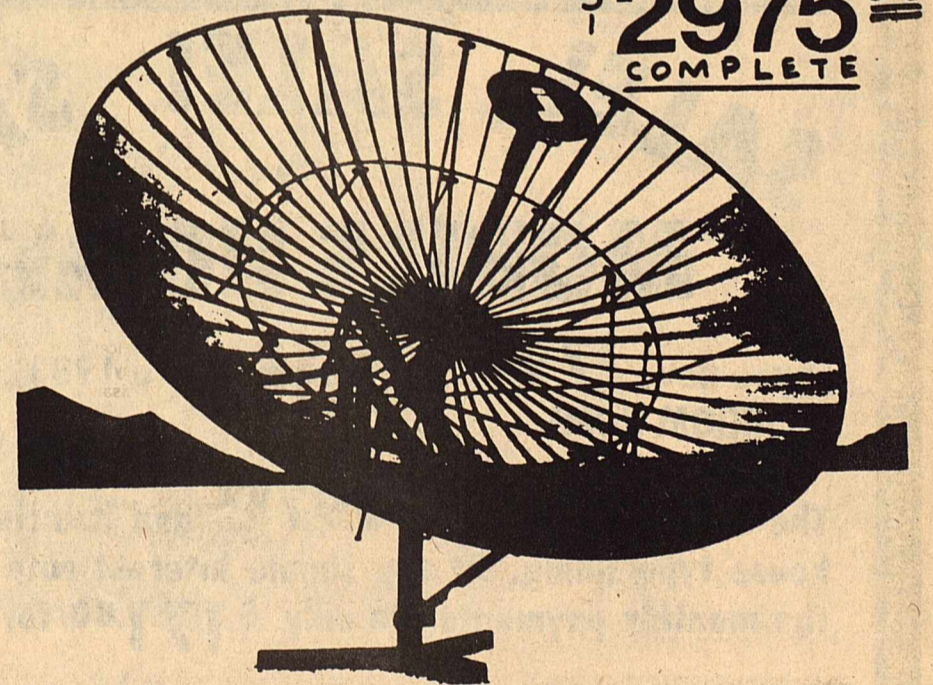
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American Sheep Producers Council adopts new strategic plan

The Board of Directors of the American Sheep Producers Council adopted a short term/long range strategic plan at their annual meeting.

This move into the future mandates unique changes from past programs for the American Lamb Council, a division of the American Sheep Producers Council. It also indicates restructuring of our internal organization to meet the new objectives.

Among the changes being made is major reorientation of communication services.

The agencies and the individuals who have been representing the American

Lamb Council in the various aspects of communicating including product publicity, have performed very well and in the best interest of the Council. But commensurate with our new goals, we are focusing on developing a strong in-house capability and are recruiting well-qualified professional to meet this objective.

Within this framework, it is my pleasure to announce that Georgia Doherty has accepted the position of Director of Communications.

Georgia comes well qualified to handle the diverse communication

demands for the American Sheep Producers Council. She holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Food and Nutrition with a minor in Business and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Elementary Education with a minor in Art...both from Texas Tech University. Her career experiences include positions as County Extension Agent-Home Economics, Texas Agricultural Extension Service; Home Service Advisor and then, Senior Residential Energy Consultant for Public Service Company of Colorado.

Georgia has broad work experience in the production of recipe publications

and audio-visual materials and the development of teaching materials and programs. She is currently Chairman-Elect of Colorado Home Economists in Business and Chairman of the Denver County 4-H Advisory Board.

I would appreciate your assistance in moving smoothly into the future by addressing all requests for American Lamb Council recipes, photos, cookery booklets and pamphlets or background materials to Georgia Doherty, American Sheep Producers Council, 200 Clayton Street, Denver, CO, 80206, or call (303) 399 8130.

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Beef Cow Overview

Texas continues to lead the nation in beef cow numbers, with 15 percent of the total beef cow herd.

In fact, Texas' 5.9 million beef cows are more than double those of the number two state, Oklahoma.

Beef cow numbers have been increasing slowly throughout the nation after bottoming out in 1979. They totaled 39.5 million head on January 1 of this year, says Dr. Ed Uvacek, economist in livestock marketing with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System. The nation's cow herd peaked at 45.5 million head in 1975.

Uvacek expects the next inventory of cow numbers

to be issued January 1, 1983, to be just slightly higher. Texas beef cow numbers increased by 45,000 head during 1981, but the total number will probably be down this year due to poor prices and the summer drought.

Leaders in cow numbers along the Texas and Oklahoma are Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Montana and South Dakota, notes the economist. There has been a shift of cow numbers in the past 40 years from the North Atlantic and South Central states.

Herd size also seems to increase as one moves westward and northward in the U.S., says Uvacek. However, distribution

among herd sizes within a state still varies greatly.

In Texas, for example, 86 percent of the cattle operations have less than 100 head, but these operations account for only 27 percent of all cattle in the state. On the other hand, a mere 2 percent of the cattle operations have 500 head or more but account for 43 percent of the state's cattle numbers.

The smaller operations are generally managed by part-time farmers and ranchers while the larger units are commercial operations that depend on cattle for a livelihood, notes Uvacek.

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Community attitude and environment help attract industry

Community environment and attitude are key factors influencing industrial development. To be a candidate for industry, a community should have a good business climate, adequate public services, good living conditions, adequate recreational facilities and available educational facilities, said speakers at a recent Rural Industrial Development Workshop at Texas A&M University. A positive, cooperative attitude toward industry among the people, Chamber of Commerce and elected officials is also vital.

The Old Shop invites Melinda Valliant McLain and Brett Phillips to perform Christmas carols



Melinda Valliant McLain of Sonora and Brett Phillips of New Orleans performed traditional Christmas carols at Mr. and Mrs. James Hunt's House, owners of The Old Shop, Dec. 16th.

Melinda Valliant McLain and Brett Phillips were at Mr. and Mrs. James Hunt's home, owners of The Old Shop, on Thursday December 16th along with a number of guests.

They performed traditional Christmas carols from gregorian chants to negro spirituals. The couple also spoke the history of the carols and how one carol was derived from another.

Melinda is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dean McLain of Sonora. She is a

Junior at Rich University in Houston. She is also on the music staff at St. Philip Presbyterian Church.

Brett is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Phillips of New Orleans. He is a Senior at Rice University and is majoring in law school. He is also the organist at his church.

They are both interested in theater and jazz music. They will be performing in a musical called "Chicago" at Rich University. Melinda is the director and Brett is the producer and pianist.

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Lloyd Bentsen improves legislation

At the urging of Senator Lloyd Bentsen, a senate committee approved legislation Tuesday which insures that no state will receive less than 85 cents in federal highway funds for every dollar paid in federal gasoline taxes.

The proposal by Bentsen, ranking Democrat on the Transportation Subcommittee, will mean an additional \$99.87 million in federal highway funds for Texas in fiscal 1983. It was approved unanimously by the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, as an

amendment to highway legislation being considered in conjunction with a 5-cent increase in the federal gasoline tax.

"As we consider an expanded highway program, the largest authorization level in its history, we must insure that those states which have consistently contributed more to the

Highway Trust Fund than they have received back in apportionments are guaranteed a minimum return of 85 percent," Bentsen said during consideration of

his amendment.

"My state, Texas, has traditionally been a donor state, with a return since inception of the Highway Trust Fund in 1956 of 76 cents for every dollar it contributes to the fund."

Throughout last week the administration resisted repeated calls by Bentsen for a minimum floor to protect the interests of states like Texas as part of the expanded highway program. Bentsen advised the administration he felt strongly enough about the issue to delay Senate consideration of the highway/gasoline tax

legislation.

On Monday, Secretary of Transportation Drew Lewis informed the Senator the administration would acquiesce and later that day an amendment was approved by the House of Representatives establishing the 85 cent minimum.

Last week the administration gave in to another demand by Bentsen and removed from its proposal a provision that would have

prevented cities in Texas and elsewhere, which seek to establish rail transit systems, from sharing in fed-

eral transit aid. "It would not have been right to collect this tax money from Texans, then use it only an older mass transit systems in the Northeast and Midwest," Bentsen said.

"The 85 cent minimum return on gasoline taxes, too, is a question of fairness and equity for states like Texas. This is a user tax and should be spent by the people who pay it," Senator Bentsen said.

John W. Morman completes recruit training

Navy Airman John W. Morman, son of John J. Morman of 1201 Orient, Sonora, Texas, has completed recruit training at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week training cycle, trainees studied general military subjects designed to prepare them for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 basic occupational fields.

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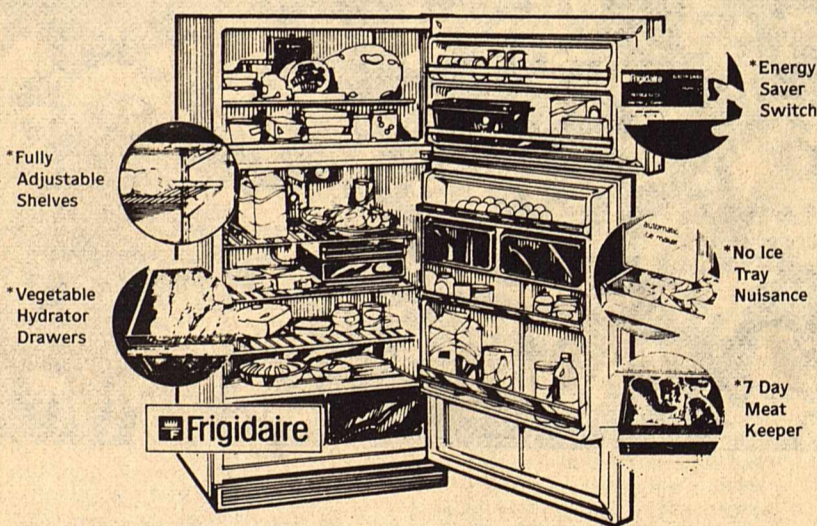
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4-H and the Community

What's so special about 4-H, a voluntary, educational program designed to meet the needs and interest of boys and girls?

4-H, which stands for Head, Heart, Hands and Health is a unique youth organization. First 4-H uses real life experiences to learn how to do jobs and make decisions. 4-H is a family affair; there is a place for all members of the family to participate. 4-H is a flexible program encouraging individuals to work together and to stand up for what you believe in. 4-H

provides ownership by allowing members to grow, make, care for, buy and sell their projects. These are

only a few of the unique characteristics of 4-H.

4-H is a part of the community. Many of the major events involved include: livestock shows, food shows, fashion shows, judging activities, and summer camps. These are only a few of the end results of projects requiring long hours of work by 4-Hers and leaders.

This week Sutton County 4-Hers had a Helping Drive for the "needy" at their monthly meeting. Food and other items were brought and collected for the needy and will be distributed during the Christmas Season.

If you know a 4-Her or a leader, ask them to tell you what can be learned in 4-H and encourage them to keep up the hard work.

Social Security Administration sticks with commitment to public

During the past year a great deal of media attention has been focused on the social security administration's review of the cases of all disability beneficiaries. The review has also primarily targeted and terminated those who have received benefits for many years, while it was originally determined that their disability should not last more than two years. The reviews have pinpointed that in fact these individuals are no longer disabled. Of course, the reason for such a review may have been obscured in the dust raised by its critics. Yet the review is being done to insure that only those individuals who are truly disabled within the definition set by the Social Security act remain on the rolls.

The Social Security Administration has a firm commitment to the nation's disabled. It provides a program of income and health maintenance that the average worker fails to provide for himself or his family. Additionally, once a person becomes disabled Social Security assists in helping that person return to a productive life in society. Only individuals who have a medically determinable physical, emotional, or mental impairment that precludes them from engaging in substantial gainful activity, and that has lasted or can reasonably be expected to last twelve consecutive months may qualify for disability benefits. If an individual has sufficient coverage, he and his family may receive benefits with certain exceptions as long as the worker's disability lasts. Additionally, by qualifying for Social Security disability benefits, the worker may

become entitled to assistance from Medicare, Supplemental Security Income, Vocational Rehabilitation, and other programs.

While Social Security benefits lay a framework for the family's income during the period of a worker's disability, the agency works closely with vocational rehabilitation re-training individuals or offering an alternate means of returning to the workforce.

The review instituted by Social Security not only identifies workers who no longer are medically disabled but assists them in reentering the workforce. Incentives in the form of a lengthened trial work period, where an individual returns to work and Social Security disability benefits continue and extended medicare coverage, allows a transition period for those who attempt to re-

enter the workforce. The review of disabled beneficiaries results in the savings not only to Social Security but to the individual tax payer by guaranteeing that only the truly disabled and not the "voluntarily" disabled receive benefits.

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Drinking and Driving can add up

Colonel Jim Adams, DPS director, says public support for reducing traffic fatalities continues to intensify.

"The Department receives calls and letters every day from persons who support our DWI and speed enforcement efforts," Adams recently said. "They want something done about the traffic safety problem, particularly DWI, and they're looking ahead to January to see how the legislature is going to address their concerns."

Adams said the growing sense of public outrage has been fueled by the inability of the criminal justice system to deal effectively with problem drivers.

"DWI arrests by the Highway Patrol are up, statewide traffic fatalities are down, and we've seen a gradual decrease in the top speeds on our highways," the DPS director pointed out. "Yet, people still feel anger and frustration when one of their relatives or friends dies in an accident caused by a repeat offender, and the violator just gets a slap on the hand. Each member of the Governor's Traffic Safety Task Force has sensed the public's interest about this life and death issue."

Adams chaired the 17-member task force which studied the Texas traffic safety problem in depth over an eight-month period before approving over 30 recommendations.

"Dealing with the repeat offender was our top priority," he said. "We proposed more stringent but reasonable laws designed to establish a certainty of punishment for the traffic scofflaw."

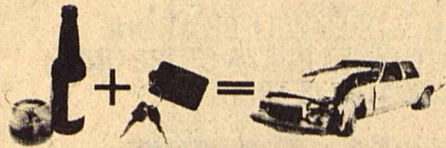
"Only 17 percent of the DWI cases filed each year by the Highway Patrol result in meaningful punishment for the offender and establishment of a record which could be used by prosecutors in the future," Adams explained. "We suggest treating DWI probation as a final conviction for more effective prosecution of subsequent drunk driving violations. The task force also proposed eliminating 'deferred adjudication' in DWI cases. This is the type of probation often given in which the final court judgement is delayed and frequently leads to dismissal of the charge."

Other task force recom-

mendations include an automatic 90-day driver license suspension for persons refusing a breath test, prohibiting open alcoholic beverage containers in moving vehicles, raising the legal drinking age to 21, increasing DWI fines and making jail terms mandatory for second and third DWI offenses.

"We also suggested tightening up the guidelines for suspending the licenses of habitual violators, and we endorsed the DPS request for 150 Highway Patrol troopers to be added over the next two years," Adams said. "That additional manpower is essential if we are to create an effective deterrent for violators."

The DPS director urged citizens to express their concern and continue offering suggestions for dealing with the traffic safety problem. He also asked motorists to review their own driving habits and take special care during the holiday season.

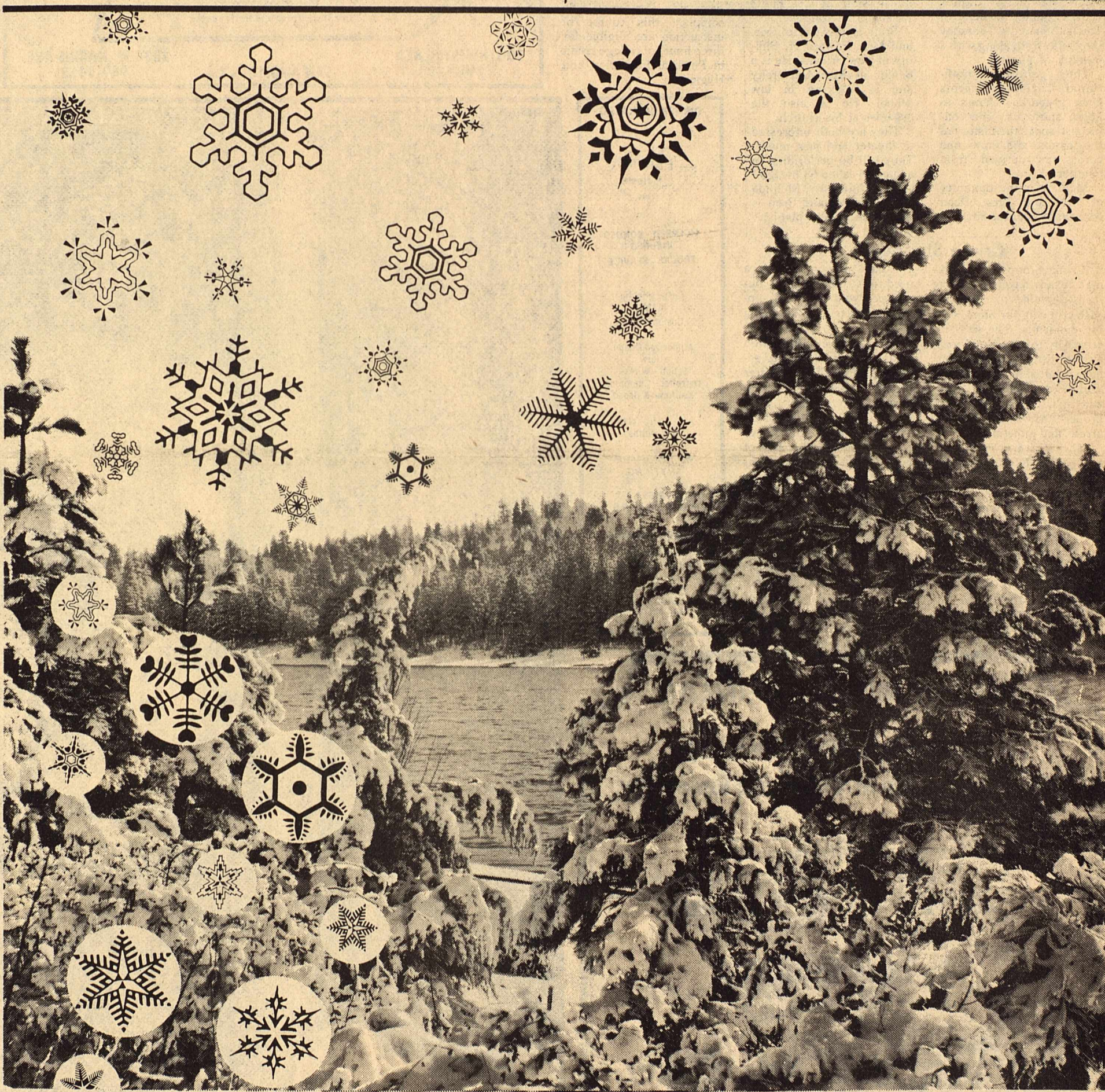


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