**Bible Promises** 

Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7



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#### Maybe if I look hard enough —

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ALEX PETTY, 4-year-old son of Claudia and Zane Petty, keeps tabs on how full his stocking is getting as he piles in the candy thrown during the annual Winters Christmas parade.

# Annexations, sprinkler system ordinance approved by Council

During the regular meeting of the Winters City Council on Mon- descriptions). day, December 18, Council members set January 2, 2001, as the first public hearing date regarding annexations. The following properties were approved for this round of annexations:

Charles Bahlman Chevrolet at 7065 Texas Hwy. 153 Susan Green at 1100 W. Dale Robert T. Hagle at 116 Novice

Security State Bank at 708 S. Main J. D. Wilson at 212 Jewell Billie Gerhardt at 204 Bishop Irene Rios Meredith at 811 Reeves John Magee at 300 Roselane

these annexations is scheduled for January 15, 2001, with final annexation proceedings set for February 5.

All of these public hearings will be at 6 p.m. at the city hall.

Also approved at Monday's meeting was a sprinkler system ordinance, officially known as "Cross-Connection Control and nance states that all sprinkler systems in the City of Winters need of Winters stating that their sys-

(Please see page 10 for legal to have a back flow prevention tem is connected to well water. assembly installed. This includes The second public hearing on all presently existing systems and all future systems.

> The ordinance also states that all sprinkler systems are subject to inspection by the City of Winters, and that all systems are required to be tested once a year by a certified back flow prevention assembly tester who is registered with the City.

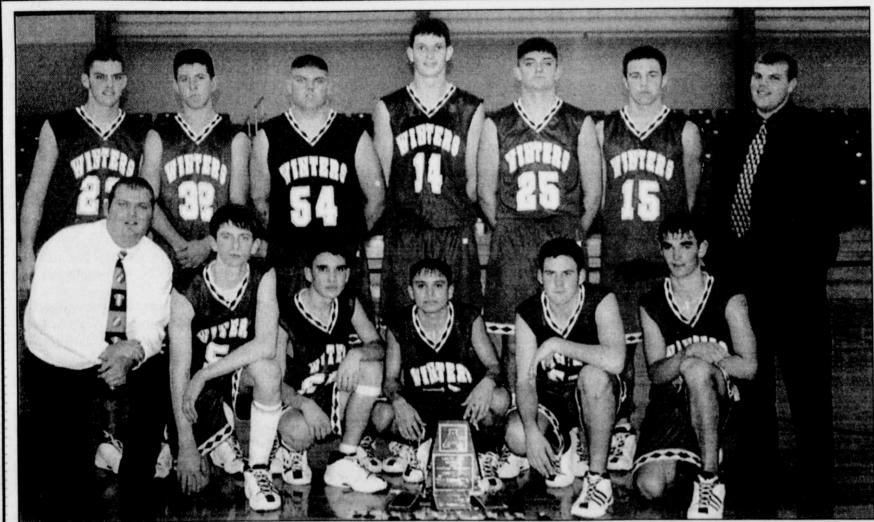
> Any owner of an irrigation sysneed to write a letter to the City

The back flow prevention assembly is not required for well water systems but these systems are still subject to inspection.

This ordinance has been added to the Winters City Code to comply with Texas Natural Resource and Conservation Commission (TNRCC) regulations.

Property owners with questions are encouraged to contact City Hall at 754-4424, or go by Prevention" ordinance. This orditem connected to well water will 310 S. Main and pick up a copy of the ordinance to ensure proper

See COUNCIL, page 8



TEAM CHAMPIONS IN THE LION'S DEN INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT two weeks ago were the 2000-01 Winters Blizzards. Taking top honors in the Albany tourney were (front, I-r) Assistant Coach Richard Buchanan, Colby Walker, Artemio Lopez, Tony Aguero, Jeremy Hope, Aaron Pritchard, (back) Wade Parramore, Ben Blaine, Samson Jackson, Josh Minzenmayer, Rusty Jackson, Shane Colburn, and Head Coach Zach Boxell. Boxell said the men came out "looking like a new team" after struggling in the first game against Throckmorton. "That's why things turned out well for them. When we play hard, we're a hard team to beat." Winters defeated Munday, 49-32, in the championship game.

# North Runnels Hospital earns Critical Access

Passes "make or break" turning point Dick Stout, Administrator, has away; however, the Critical Ac-

announced that North Runnels Hospital has been recommended for designation as a Critical Access Hospital with Swing Beds as a result of the recent successful Medicare survey. This new designation will not significantly change the way the hospital presently takes care of patients.

"It's more of a change in the way we are paid by Medicare," Stout explains.

The hospital will be paid on a cost-based system, which will benefit the hospital. The Swing Beds will allow patients meeting certain criteria to stay in the hospital for longer periods of time. Care Financing Administration

cess designation and the "cost based" reimbursement can begin immediately.

Stout says that congratulations were the order of the day on December 15, 2000, for all hospital staff after they received word that the hospital had passed the Medicare inspection with "zero" deficiencies.

The facility had undergone rigorous inspection on December 14 and 15.

"The employees worked hard to achieve this wonderful result," said Stout. "We are very proud of

"This was pretty much a 'make The Swing Bed designation is or break' situation," Stout continsubject to approval by the Health ued. "Prayers have been answered and this will be a special Christand will not be implemented right mas for North Runnels Hospital."

#### From the Editor —

#### No Enterprise on December 28

So that our employees may enjoy the holidays with their families and friends, there will be no issue published on Thursday,

The Winters Enterprise office will be closed on Monday, December 25, and will re-open on Tuesday, December 26. We will also be closed on Monday, January 1, 2001, and re-open on Janu-

We wish all of our readers a very blessed and safe holiday

#### **Runnels County to participate in** weather modification program

Runnels County commission- Abilene on a Case 621C wheel ers met for less than 10 minutes loader was accepted by the comon Friday morning to handle three missioners. Price of the wheel agenda items.

Commissioners passed a resolution agreeing to participate in er on a five-year lease program. the West Central Texas Weather Modification Association for a period of four years. Discussion was held on the item at their Tuesday meeting, but no action could be taken because it was not a listed agenda item. No monetary figures were provided in the reso-

lution to participate. The bid of C.A.S.E., Inc. of ing.

loader was bid at \$82,200. The county will pay for the wheel load-Commissioners then voted to reject all bids for a Caterpillar 120G road grader the county was interested in selling.

Following action on the three items, commissioners adjourned. Commissioner Skipper Wheeless was out of town on county business and did not attend the meet-

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Dec. 21-11:30 a.m, Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center SCHOOL HOLIDAYS BEGIN

Dec. 22-11:30 a.m, Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center

7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco

Dec. 23-9:30 a.m.-Noon, Post Office Open Dec. 24-CHRISTMAS EVE

Dec. 25-10 a.m.-8 p.m., Christmas Day Meal, First Baptist Church Senior Citizens Activity Center Closed The Winters Enterprise Closed

CHRISTMAS DAY

Dec. 26-Senior Citizens Activity Center Clos 7 p.m., WVFD, Fire Station

WVFD Auxiliary Dec. 27-7 a.m., Industrial Board, Chamber Ottice

11:30 a.m, Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center Dec. 28-11:30 a.m, Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center 5 p.m., Hale Museum Board

NO PUBLICATION OF THE WINTERS ENTERPRISE Dec. 29-7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco

11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center

Jan 1-NEW YEAR'S DAY

Senior Citizens Activity Center Closed The Winters Enterprise Closed

Jan. 2-7:30 p.m., Genealogical and Historical Society, San Angelo 9 a.m., Winters Ministerial Alliance, First Baptist Church 11:30 a.m, Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Cente Noon, Lions Club, Sr. Citizens Activity Center

7 p.m., WVFD, Fire Station 7 p.m., American Legion

Jan. 3-7 a.m., Industrial Board, Chamber Office WISD CLASSES BEGIN AFTER HOLIDAY BREAK

11:30 a.m, Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center 6 p.m., Chamber Directors, Chamber Office

Jan. 4-10 a.m.-Noon & 1:30-3 p.m., Immunization Clinic, Dept. of Health 11:30 a.m, Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center



It's time to make my annual predictions of what oil and gas prices will do in the coming year. I will postpone having my head examined just long enough to pen this column.

Let me start out by saying I did not predict what has happened to prices this year, particularly in natural gas prices. I am sure that it surprises you that I was wrongagain.

But, enough about the past. On to 2001 and the new millennium. What to expect for oil prices?

Well, I expect a drop in prices that will continue into the spring and moderate in the summer. There is actually a lot of oil coming into the market, including overproduction from OPEC, resurgent production from the former Soviet Union, strong production from South America and the North Sea, and increasing rates from renegade Iraq.

OPEC foresaw this circumstance when they refused to increase production in late fall. Consumer groups were fighting mad when OPEC said they might even have to cut production in the spring. This didn't set well as prices were actually increasing to new highs at the time.

Despite the bad PR resulting from the comments coming from OPEC ministers in Vienna, these guys know the potential for overproduction will be very real as the weather warms up in the spring. I note that oil prices, including futures three months out, are dropping as we speak.

But, down to brass tacks. I believe oil prices will stay in the high \$20's during the first quarter of 2001, then drop to the lower \$20's in the second quarter. The summer may bring a temporary resurgence in prices as the driving season starts and gasoline inventories become the center of attention, again. Prices will firm to the mid-\$20's and possibly a few dollars more. But, analysts will begin to understand that the refining industry continues to work on a thinner margin of stored product to maximize profit, reduce costs, and reduce risks.

Low stocks no longer necessarily indicate a coming shortage.

Oil prices will likely fall back during the fall and end the year in the low \$20's. We may have seen the last of \$30 oil for a while, but I think we are also much less likely to see oil less than \$20 per

Now, on to the current industry darling: natural gas.

Prices are outrageous right now. The inability of the U.S. fuel transportation system to deliver has sent shock waves through the natural gas market. Pipelines are backed up, and wells can't be drilled fast enough to keep up with increasing demand.

The current hysteria will almost certainly drop back to some reasonable level, likely about \$6 per cubic foot by March. I do not see prices falling back beyond that, though. It is unlikely that new natural gas supply will hit the market like the additional oil will. There is really a significant amount of oil productivity in the world that can be turned on to meet increasing demand in the blink of an eye. There is no such excess capacity of natural gas. Yes, drilling for natural gas is accelerating, but natural gas is more localized and an increase in production in Indonesia does little to heat homes in Kansas. Plus, the amount of accelerated activity in the U.S. is just not enough to increase production to the level to calm markets next winter. Prices will moderate as they always do during the summer, but, come fall, worries about supplies will rise again, I'm afraid. Prices will be at risk to return to current extreme levels.

That's it. I have laid myself bare to potential ridicule. Much like the last time I sang in public... but that's another story.

Season's Greetings and Happy New Year.

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#### **Obituaries**

#### Beryl S. Morris

MIDLAND-Beryl S. Morris, 92, formerly of Winters, died Sunday, December 17, 2000, in Midland.

She was born January 19, 1908, in Wolfe City, Texas. Her family moved to Runnels County when she was a baby. She married P.J. (Snap) Morris on December 15, 1933, in Coleman, and they moved to a farm east of Winters where they lived until her husband died in 1989. She then moved to Midland.

Mrs. Morris was a homemaker and a member of the Southside Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband; two brothers, Ernest and J.C. Stephens; and one sister, Clarice Gray.

Survivors include her daughter and son-in-law, Eva and Warren Edwards of Midland, and one grandson, Curt Edwards of Big Spring.

Family visitation was at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 19, at Winters Funeral Home. Graveside services were at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 20, at Lakeview Cemetery in Winters with Reverend Dwayne Andrus officiating. Burial was directed by Winters Funeral



# In Loving **Memory**

#### Lydia Lopez Maldonado

Lydia Lopez Maldonado was 57 when she went to be with her Lord Jesus on Wednesday, December 30, 1998, in Ranger. Her giving spirit touched the lives of many. She was a blessing to us all. While many people slept, Lydia prayed. We will continue what you started and never forget you.

If I walked side by side with you for 100 miles—I could never fill your moccasins.

We love you & miss you Sis!

Evelyn Garcia & I.D. Lopez

# Subscription rates will increase on January 1

Due to increased prices in longer. newsprint, postage and general in subscription prices.

Beginning January 1, 2001, subscriptions in Runnels County will be \$17.00 per year; out of county will be \$21.00 per year, and out of state will be \$24.00 per year. Newstand prices will remain

50¢ per issue. "We strongly dislike being forced to increase our rates," says Jean Boles, Enterprise editor. "We've held our prices down as long as possible, but, unfortunately, we cannot hold off any

"White we know that consumcost of operations, the manage- ers don't like to pay more, we feel ment of The Winters Enterprise that The Winters Enterprise is still announces an upcoming increase an exceptional bargain, especially when you consider that one soft drink or cup of coffee costs more than a week's worth of community news.

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#### Mary "Jo" King

WINTERS-Mary "Jo" King, 73, died Tuesday, December 12, 2000, at an Abilene hospital.

She was born July 16, 1927, in Winnsboro, Texas, and grew up in that area. She married Donald Lee King on August 10, 1957, in Rosemead, California. They moved to Winters in 1988.

Mrs. King had worked for Beckman Instruments, making medical instruments in South Pasadena, California.

Survivors include her husband, Donald L. King of Winters; four brothers, Horice Chilton Brown of Winters, Robert D. Brown of Fort Worth, Nello Brown of Arlington, and Delbert Brown of Yantis.

Graveside services were at 2:00 p.m. Friday, December 15, at Lakeview Cemetery in Winters with Reverend Barry Taylor officiating. Burial was directed by Winters Funeral Home.

#### John Hurley Gambrill

WINTERS-John Hurley Gambrill, 73, died Friday morning, December 15, 2000, at Heritage Oaks Estate Nursing Home in Ballinger. He was born March 14, 1927, in Salsbury, Maryland.

Mr. Gambrill was a veteran of the Korean Conflict and Vietnam War. He had retired from the military.

Survivors include one son, John A. Gambrill and wife Kathy of West Columbia, South Carolina; one sister, Peggy Hughes of Maryland; two brothers, Bo Gambrill and James Gambrill, both of Maryland; and three grandchildren.

Cremation was directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home of Ballinger.

#### Nora Williams Schroeder

MEXIA-Nora Williams Schroeder, 84, formerly of Paint Rock, died Wednesday, December 11, 2000, in Mexia.

She was born on August 8, 1916, in Cameron to Berry R. and Susan Whited Williams. In 1919 the family moved to Rowena where she attended school and later attended Ballinger High School. On January 18, 1936, she married Henry F. Schroeder in Ballinger. They farmed at Lowake until 1956 and moved to San Angelo.

Mrs. Schroeder served as a medical secretary for Shannon Hospital. They moved to St. Lawrence in 1972 where they farmed until 1976 and moved their farm near Paint Rock.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1994; her parents; three brothers; two sisters; and one son.

Survivors include one son, Don Schroeder of Paint Rock; one daughter, Lynette Schroeder of Teague; one daughter-in-law, Dot Schroeder of Ballinger; one grandson, Eric Schroeder of Cedar Creek; one granddaughter, Julie Doniger of Dallas; one brother, Douglas Williams of San Angelo; one sister Dorothy Borgmann of Burbank, California; and two great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, December 14, 2000, in the Protestant Cemetery in Rowena with Deacon Leroy Beach officiating directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home in Ballinge

#### Dickie Lloyd

BENJAMIN-Dickie Lloyd, 91, formerly of Winters, died Friday, December 15, 2000, at her residence.

She was born March 22, 1909, in Wingate and lived in Winters most of her life. She had lived in Benjamin the past eight years. She married Raymon Lloyd on March 26, 1933, in Winters.

Mrs. Lloyd had a lifelong interest in youth activities and served in school organizations, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, and was a Bible teacher for youth classes and ladies groups for several years. As a registered professional nurse from Scott and White Hospital in Temple, she was active in state and community health interests. She and other local RNs did private duty nursing in patients' homes. The health facility that now serves as "Our House" was built as Winters Hospital where she worked. At that time, Winters had seven physicians, three dentists, a certified laboratory technician, three drug stores, and four reg-

She was preceded in death in 1975 by her husband, Raymon, a local pharamist in Winters, and in 1997 by a son-in-law, Bud Clower of Benjamin.

Survivors include two sons, Kenneth Lloyd of Lexington, Kentucky, and Rodney Lloyd and wife Lawanna of Houston; two daughters, Martha Johnson and husband Cullen of Dallas and Debbie Clower of Benjamin; nine grandchildren, Jennifer and Jill Johnson, Lana Lloyd, Stacy Lawson and husband Jerry, all of Dallas, Jeffrey Johnson and wife Lisa of Austin, Michael, David, and Sarah Clower of Benjamin, Vickie Clower of Seymour; and two great-grandchildren, Ellen Ann and Carter Johnson of Austin.

Family visitation was at 7:00 p.m. Sunday, December 17, at Winters Funeral Home. Services were at 2:00 p.m. Monday, December 18, at North Main Church of Christ in Winters with Hank Wagner officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery in Winters, directed by Winters Funeral Home.

#### Mattie Lucille Talley

AMARILLO-Mattie Lucille Talley, 91, formerly of Shep died Monday, December 11, 2000, in Amarillo.

She was born March 3, 1909, in Comanche County. She married William Clarence Talley on December 3, 1927, in Sweetwater and moved to Runnels County after her marriage.

Mrs. Talley lived in Amarillo for several years and she worked for Woolworth's in Amarillo for 17 years and returned to Shep in 1965. After her husband's death in 1992, she returned to Amarillo. Mrs. Talley was a member of the Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by her husband and one daughter, Ann

Survivors include six sons, Bill Talley, Tommy Talley, Vernon Talley, Jerry Talley, and Pete Talley all of Amarillo and Hollis Talley of Houston; four daughters, Frances Oglesby, Dorothy Moreland, Marita Evans, and Marilyn Leach all of Amarillo; two sisters, Ruth Thomason of Levelland and Iris Blevins of Matador; 37 grandchildren; 62 great-grandchildren; and 11 great, great-grandchildren.

Services were at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, December 14, 2000, in Winters at the North Main Church of Christ with Hollis Talley officiating. Burial followed in the Shep Cemetery directed by Winters Funeral

A memorial service was held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, December 16, 2000, in the Plum Creek Fellowship in Amarillo. Pallbearers were grandsons.

Memorials may be made to Christian Relief Fund, P.O. Box 19760, Amarillo, Texas, 79114.

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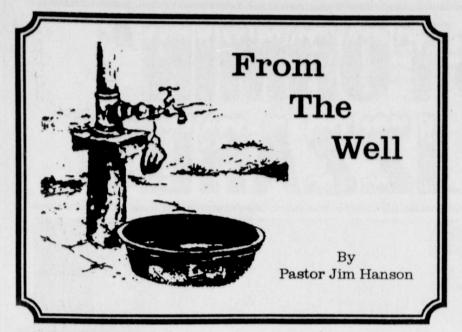
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Pastor Jim Hanson

I love Christmas cards. I love to write them. I love to receive them. I suppose it goes back to my roots. Every December, early in the month, my dad and mom would get their act together. Mother was responsible for the list... the annual Christmas letter.

And duplicated... back in the days of mimeograph machines, it was sometimes a real chore. I sometimes heard him say one of his cuss words when the stencil wouldn't do its job, or the machine would balk. "This PESKY MACHINE!" would ring out of his mouth. I could almost feel the poor machine cower in fear. But, sooner or later, the Christmas letter was duplicated, and together they would stuff the envelopes, seal them, and send them off.

People really looked forward to receiving them. They were good. Just the right mix of humor, of family news, and a thought for the season. Just vesterday, I found a couple of them. I'll share a portion of one:

Notice we did not say friends — just folks. Frankly, it is hard to know who are your friends. Through the year some one says, "We look for your Christmas letters," while others in just as kind a voice say, "Don't write any more of those junky letters." So, we write to people. No one needs to open the envelope, but the cancelled stamp will buy a glass of milk somewhere — not in America.

Getting back to this friend's business. I met a couple of them last summer, who greeted me seemingly with joy, and then said, "When did you retire?" What a blow! I went home and really looked myself in the face, in the best mirror in the house, and had to admit that these boys had something. Then I took a long look at Marie (his wife, my mom), of whom these same yokels said, "You look younger than ever," and decided that if she could look young, after living these 42 years with me, why should I retire? But, it will have to come soon. When you begin forgetting where you parked your car, and your necktie gets in the way of dinner, and your teeth jump up and down when you start hollering in the pulpit, it's time to think of another way of carrying on.

Then some reflections on his upcoming retirement. And some comments on the family, children, and grandchildren. He closed his letter with the words, "Well, it's fun to be foolish. But, it's a joy to remember that He, whose birth we emphasize these days, came that 'We might have life and have it more abundantly,' and that His romise is to be with us to the 'end of time.' In this may we all rejoice. Joy to you all in Christ.'

I have a collection of about 10 or 12 of these letters. They are a real treasure. To read them reconnects me with him and mom. And encourages Ramona and me to do with the same each year... We send between 150 and 200 of them. I write and duplicate. She gets the addresses on the envelopes. And, together, we stuff and seal.

We rejoice in the Postal Service's self-adhesive stamps. So also our tongues! But, this year, we can't really figure out the meaning of the message that comes with the cancellation of the stamp. What I see are these words, if they're not too smudged: HAPPY WHO-LIDAYS. What is this? Some new spin on the greeting, "Happy Holidays!" The original greeting was "Happy Holy Day," and then shortened to "Happy Holiday." I really respect our postal employees, who take such good care of us, almost always with a smile. But whoever thought up this slogan to cancel our stamps... must have had another motive, or instructions. Namely, to cancel "Holy" out of the days. Politically correct, I suppose. But, not historically.

Anyway, we like Christmas letters. To write them, and to receive them. We do not see them as an invasion of our home, or of our time. They are not stupid. They are more like a SACRAMENT... a "visible means whereby God bestows on us His invisible grace." Only, in this case, it is humans bestowing on us their invisible grace... in, with, and

under their words. Or, maybe even more like an EPISTLE, like what Paul and John and James and Peter wrote in the Bible. For sure, they contain "Good News... and some hard, but all from the heart." I can't imagine any of the New Testament writers seeing their letters as a chore. Rather, as seeing them as writings that contain the message of the angels, "For, to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ, the Lord!"

I suppose that I might be a little carried away on this subject. But, when we are involved with a season that celebrates God coming down from heaven to be with us, and make it possible for us to go up to heaven at the end of our days... His people have a right to rejoice. And to be encouraged to send cards, and write letters to friends. Or folks. Whatever. Besides, the ones who send them... we could add their names to our prayer list, and lift them up all during the year. And then when Christmas came... can you imagine what they'd be writing? And, for that matter, what we'd be writing?





'TANA' WHISPERS TO 'CHARLIE' in the Dessert Theatre performance of "A Birthday in December" presented Friday, December 1, by the drama team of First United Methodist Church. 'Tana' is played by Tana Gibbs and 'Charlie' by Reverend Don Roath. The delightful comedy drew members and the community together for an evening of fun and fellowship. Other cast members were Millie Northup (also director of the play), Dewey and Kay Whitfield, Kenny and Saffron Gibbs, and Maudella Reeves as the stage hand. An Easter drama is planned in April

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Monday, Dec. 25: Closed for

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Tuesday, Dec. 26: Closed for

Wednesday, Dec. 27: Steak &

gravy, mashed potatoes, green

Thursday, Dec. 28: Salmon

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Friday, Dec. 29 Boof casse-

role, pinto beans, coleslaw,

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Monday, Jan. 1: Closed fo

Tuesday, Jan. 2: Meatloaf,

mashed potatoes, peas & car-

rots, cornbread, and dessert.

Wednesday, Jan. 3: Chicken &

gravy, scalloped potatoes, corn,

Thursday, Jan. 4: Spaghetti

with meat, tossed salad, green

beans, garlic bread, and des-

Friday, Jan. 5: Chicken &

dumplings, pear and cottage

cheese, cheese sticks, crack-

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New Year's! Happy 2001!

Home Health Agency

cornbread, and brownie

cornbread, and dump cake.

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Christmas.

North Kunnell Home Health Agency

First United Methodist Church was cancelled due to the recent death

The gospel quartet was formed more than 65 years ago by three brothers and a nephew in Choctaw County, Mississippi. Membership has changed during the years, but Cecil Blackwood had sung the bari-

Don Roath, pastor at FUMC, said the Blackwood family regrets that they are unable to continue their tour for the remainder of the

The performance may be rescheduled at a later date.



ico. They were named after America's first ambassador to the country, Joel Poinsett.

#### Women's Service League elects new secret pals

The Women's Service League selected new secret pals for the upcoming year at their December 4 meeting. The meeting was held at the home of Carla Hooper.

Plans for the Christmas party were finalized, and prior business was discussed.

#### Want to know where Santa is Dec. 24?

NORAD tracks Santa every Christmas eve, following his trek around the world for children everywhere.

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#### cancelled due to singer's death The Blackwood Brothers Concert scheduled for Dec. 12, at the

tone part for over 45 years.

#### **FBC Good News** Class enjoys **Christmas** party

The Ladies Good News Class and their husbands of First Baptist Church in Winters met in the home of Jerry Lloyd for a Poinsettias are native to Mex- Christmas supper and social. Mr. A.L. Mitchell led the invocation.

Those present were Mrs. A.L. Mitchell, the teacher, Loretta Pierce, Lavonda Herrington, Mr. and Mrs. Royce Mears, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Sneed, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Boles, and the hostesses Louise Seals and Jerry

#### **Retired Teachers** entertained with Christmas songs

In their December 11 meeting, members of Runnels County Retired Teachers Association were entertained by Mrs. Cheryl Sneed, Mrs. Fran Kidwell, and members of the Winters Select Choir.

Sneed sang "Nuttin for Christmas" and was accompanied on the piano by Kidwell. Selected boys and girls from the 5th and 6th grade choir sang a reindeer

Marthiel Russell, president, presided over the business meeting. A money donation was given to West Texas Rehab Center in honor of members who had died during the year. Honored were Eula Mae Kruse, Lucy Kitwell, Emma Mae Munson, and Margie Routh.

Present at the meeting were Pat Hambright, Lynda Gottschalk, Ann Patterson, Horte Joyce, Ouida Nichols, Sarah Parker, Cordelia Yocham, Linda Blackwell, Nina Hale, Freddie Gardner, Lela May Shelburne, and Marthiel Russell.

The next meeting will be February 12, 2001, at First United Methodist Church in Ballinger.

#### Please contact **Larry Meyers**

Larry Meyers of Winters will be in Houston for approximately the next three months to receive cancer treatment at M.D. Anderson Hospital.

He would appreciate your cards, letters, and calls.

His address and phone number

Larry Meyers 7219 Cecil Street, Apt. 7 Houston, TX 77030 713-383-7453

#### JP announces office hours

Justice of the Peace Bill Bredemeyer has announced his

Located at 114 S. Church, Bredemeyer's office will be open Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 7:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

The office phone number is 754-4270. Bredemeyer may also be reached on his mobile at 365-

#### **Health Notes**

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#### **High Blood Pressure: What You** and Your Family Should Know

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You can look and feel terrific and still have high blood pressure. Some people think that when they have a headache or feel dizzy or anxious, their blood pressure is up— and so that's when they take their medicine. They are wrong; they should follow their doctor's advice. Just because a person feels well doesn't mean his or her blood pressure is normal.

#### HOW TO CONTROL HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE

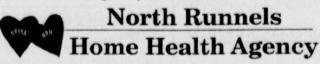
Most high blood pressure cannot be cured, but it can be controlled. Daily treatment usually must be continued for life in order to get your blood pressure down and keep it down.

Your doctor or nurse will tell you what to do to control your high blood pressure. Follow their advice and feel free to ask questions about your

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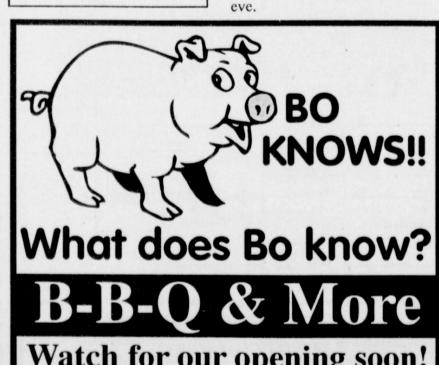
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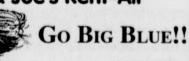
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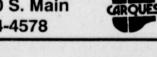


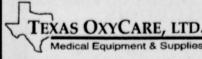
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Monday-Jan. 1 Holiday Tuesday-Jan. 2 Holiday

Wednesday-Jan. 3 Toast

Cereal Juice

Thursday-Jan. 4 **Biscuits** Sausage Juice

Friday-Jan. 5 Waffles/Syrup Cereal Juice

#### Lunch Monday-Jan. 1 Holiday

Tuesday-Jan. 2 Holiday Wednesday-Jan. 3 Pizza

Corn Black-eyed Peas Chocolate Pudding Thursday-Jan. 4

Turkey Roast/Gravy Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Sliced Peaches

Hot Roll Friday-Jan. 5 BBQ on Bun French Fries Sliced Pickles Brownie

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Dec. 21—Cross Plains, TBA. Here, JVB, VB Dec. 28-29—Coleman Varsity Tournament, TBA,

There, VG Dec. 28-29—Brownwood Varsity Tournament, TBA, There, VB

Jan. 4—Hawley\*, 5 p.m., There, JVG, JVB, VG, VB

VG Varsity Girls VB Varsity Boys JVG Junior Varsity Girls JVB Junior Varsity Boys 9B Freshman Boys 9G Freshman Girls 8B 8th Boys 8G 8th Girls 7B 7th Boys 7G 7th Girls

\*Denotes District Games

**BOYS** INVITATIONAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT 10-TEAM BRACKET IN BROWNWOOD **DECEMBER 27 & 28** 

F 3:00 pm

Friday

Game 10 9:00

Game 11 10:30

Game 12 -12:00

Game 13 1:30

Game 14 3:00

Game 15 4:30

Game 16 6:00

Game 17 7:30

\*all games at the coliseum



"IF IT WEREN'T FOR US, Santa would be nuthin'," rap Santa's cool reindeer, Tory Burns, Dalton Frierson, Steven Kruse, Keegan Kurtz, Bryan Mikeska and Luke England The sixth graders were part of the Elementary Select Choir who performed a bit of their Christmas musical program at the Lions Club on December 12. The 100-member choir performed their program in its entirety for the public on December 19, under the direction of music teacher Fran Kidwell (in center background of picture).

# Students of the Month

Each month the junior high teachers select students from the 7th and 8th grades to be Boy and Girl of the Month. These selections are made on the basis of academics, leadership, and citizenship.



Katy Wilkerson December Girl of the Month

Ysaias Rodriguez has been chosen as the "Boy of the Month" for December 2000. He is the son of

Juanita Rodriguez and Roy Torres. Ysaias, 13, is in the seventh grade and enjoys math and read-

His hobbies include reading his Bible, taking walks, and playing football.

In his spare time, he enjoys his hobbies.

His duties include opening the doors for teachers, cleaning his room, taking out the trash, feeding the dogs, and doing home-

work assignments. He plans to graduate from high school and find a job. Ysaias most admires Mrs.

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12 F 12:00 pm

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F 9:00 am

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Th 5:30 pm

F 1:30 pm 13

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Th 8:30 pm

\* Top team in bracket is home team!

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\* Home team will wear white or light colored jerseys!

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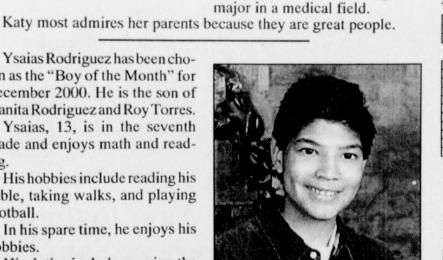
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Ysaias Rodriguez



Katy Wilkerson has been se-

hay, 13, is in the eighth grade

Her honors include being jr.

high cheerleader (two years) and

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University Talent Identification

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She plans to attend college and

vision, and talk on the phone. Her duties include washing the

In her spare-time, she likes to

lected as "Girl of the Month" for

December 2000. She is the daugh-

and enjoys math, social studies,

and science.

Program.

merous animals.

for of Jim and Mary Wilkerson.

December Boy of the Month

F 7:30 pm

# \*Denotes high point individual for Winters Coach's Comments: We missed too many shots under the goal. Played pretty good defense. The kids are playing hard, but just are not shooting very good Team: Junior Varsity Boys Coach: Richard Buchanan Opponent: Wall Date: Dec. 5, 2(80)

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Matt Moreno		2				
Yul Gibbs		2				
Eric Lopez		5				
Will Blaine*		8				
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Mark Moreno		2				

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Lauren Hogan		()	1	0	()
Macy Hopson		()	0	()	()
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nts: Kids played really well. Proud to se

# Rodriguez earns All-State cross-country honors

Jimmy Rodriguez, outstanding cross-country runner for Winters High School, has been named to the All-State Cross-Country Team by Texas Track & Field News magazine.

Rodriguez, a senior at WHS, has amassed an outstanding record during his four years at Winters. He finished as district runner-up his freshman, sophomore and junior years, winning his first district title

His freshman year he placed sixth at regionals and eighth in state. The Blizzard cross-country team placed third in state that same year, arning Rodriguez two state medals.

His sophomore and junior years were identical with a runner-up finish in district, fourth place at regionals, and sixth in state.

During his senior year, he won eight consecutive meets including district and was regional runner-up before his third place finish at the

Rodriguez has been coached by Deb Whittenburg.

# Basketball Hoopla

Date: Dec. 18, 2000



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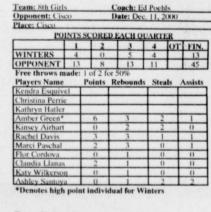
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POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER WINTERS | 10 3 4 OT FIN. \*Denotes high point individual for Winters Coach's Comments: The first and third quarter was played against their 8th B team, and the second and fourth quarter was played against their 7th B team. It doesn't take an Eienstein to see we were a little outmatched. What I like about our kids is the fact that they don't care — they just

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Game 8 7:00

Game 9 8:30

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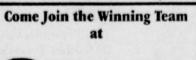
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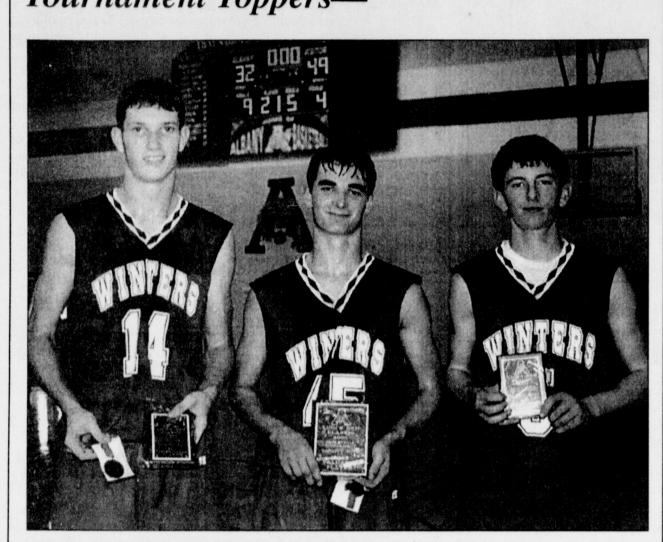
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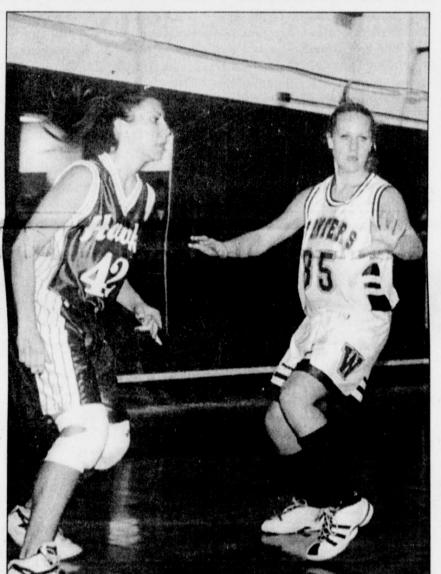


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Tournament Toppers—



THREE WINTERS BLIZZARDS earned individual honors at the Lion's Den Invitational Basketball Tournament in Albany. Named All-Tournament were (left) Josh Minzenmayer and (right) Colby Walker. Aaron Pritchard (center) was named Most Valuable Player of the tourney.



JENA BAHLMAN uses peripheral vision to guard the Lady Hawk from Wall while watching other action for the varsity Lady Blizzards.



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The office will re-open Tuesday, January 2, 2001.

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Gifted/ Talented

nominations to

begin in spring by Charles Murphy WHS counselor

The Texas State plan for the education of Gifted/Talented students requires that school districts provide services to students identified in one or more of the following academic areas: Math, Science, Social Studies, and Language Arts.

Due to this State requirement Winters Junior High and High School will assess all nominated seventh through 11 grade students. This assessment will occur

in the spring of the school year. If you believe your child might benefit from a Gifted/Talented program in one or more of these academic areas, we welcome your

nomination. The identification process includes a parent nomination, a teacher nomination, a general intellectual abilities test, and an achievement test. Nomination does not necessarily mean acceptance into the program, however, it will initiate the identification process.

Nomination forms must be completed and returned to the counseling office. A deadline will be set in the spring. If you have any questions or concerns, please call Charles Murphy at 754-5516.

#### available in January 2001 The Texas Association for Col- may also request information lege Admission Counseling (TACAC), the Texas Association

College information hotline

of Student Financial Aid Administrators (TASFAA) announced its 16th annual toll-free College Information Hotline (877-782-7322).

Hotline 2001 will be available on January 13 and 14 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (CST).

The College Information Hotline, which is the largest project of its type in the nation, provides information about postsecondary educational opportunities to students and their families.

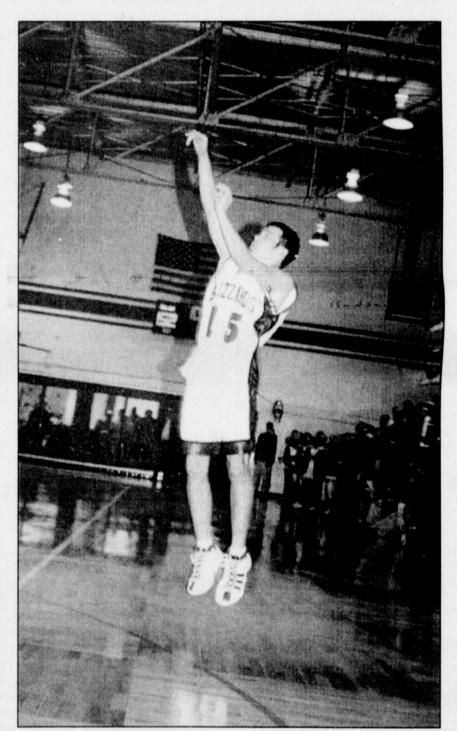
The College Information Hotline is available to anyone in the state who has questions about any aspect of college admission, financial aid, degree programs, housing, student life and activities, or special programs. Callers

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In previous years, callers have predominantly been high school students and their parents, but an increasing number of information requests are beginning to come from middle school students, current college students, adults who did not complete college or have never attended, and veterans with

questions about their benefits. In 2000, volunteers handled approximately 600 college admission and financial aid related

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SHANE COLBURN, WHS sophomore, goes high for the jumper during varsity Blizzard action.

#### **GIRLS INVITATIONAL HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT** IN COLEMAN **DECEMBER 28 & 29, 2000**

THURSDAY

9 AM San Saba vs. Winters 10:30 AM Coleman vs. Sweetwater 2:30 PM Panther Creek vs. San Saba 6 PM Sweetwater vs. Winters

Winters & Coleman have agreed to play only 3 games rather than play each other in this tournament. San Saba, Sweetwater & Panther Creek will play 4 games.

7:30 PM Coleman vs. Panther Creek



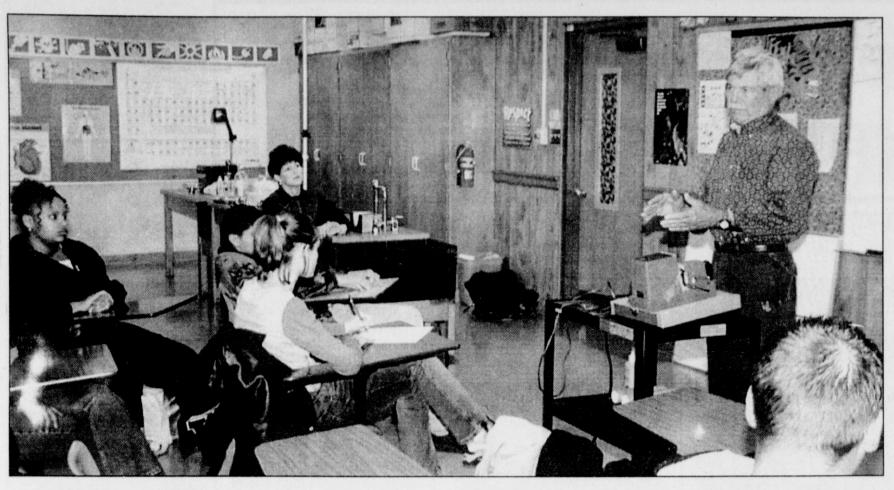
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FORMER NASA BIOLOGIST, Rudy Halfmann of Ballinger, speaks to Mandie England's biology class at Winters High School. Halfmann, a veterinarian with a PhD., talked about working with chimpanzees for the space program during the 1960's.

#### **ASU accepting Carr Scholarship** applications; deadline Feb. 2001

seniors are being accepted by Angelo State University for Carr Academic Scholarships for 2001-2002.

Scholarships for 2001-2002, ranging in value from \$1,500 to \$6,000, are available to qualified high school seniors. During the current year nearly 1,000 students from throughout Texas and the nation, as well as numerous foreign countries, are attending Angelo State University on Carr Academic Scholarships.

In order to be eligible, students must normally be in the top 15 percent of their high school class, and present a combined math and verbal score of 1140 or higher on the SAT1 or a composite score of 25 or higher on the Enhanced ACT Assessment. Financial need is also a criterion for selection.

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Applications from high school scholarships may be renewed annually by the University for students who maintain the required academic record and personal standards. During a four-year Over 300 Carr Academic course of undergraduate study at ASU, Carr Academic Scholarships can be worth up to \$24,000.

> The priority deadline for submitting applications and all supporting materials is February 1, 2001, although completed applications from outstanding students may be considered up until June 1, 2001, to the extent that funds are still available.

Application materials and information regarding the Carr Academic Scholarships can be obtained by contacting or writing to: Financial Aid Office, Angelo State University, Box 11015, ASU Station, San Angelo, Texas 76909 (915-942-2246 or toll free 800-933-6299). Additional information and the application form are

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It happens to the best of us. Nonetheless, it is important to practice safety when you're behind the wheel. Stressed drivers with sore feet and spent pockets can lead to a holiday tragedy, when not concentrating on the task at hand. Here are tips to all commuters out on the roadways this season:

Going to Grandma's house—

· It's best to leave early, allowing more time to reach your des-

 Make sure everyone has had something to eat and drink before a long drive. Hungry or thirsty passengers can elevate stress levels when you're stuck in traffic.

· Do not speed; it causes stress for you and other drivers, more so when roads are congested.

Mall traffic-

· Wear your walking shoes. Wherever you go, you will probably have a long hike from your parking spot.

• Expect crowds. You can try to dodge some of this by shopping during non-peak hours, such as weekdays.

• Don't weigh yourself down with packages. Make trips to the car to store your purchases safely in your trunk

Parties should be approached responsibly-Appoint a designated driver and keep an eye on bim or her.

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Attend gatherings that offer a safe ride home.

· Never drink and drive.

## Letters to the Editor

# Resident thanks helpers for children's home Christmas

Dear Jean,

Christmas is here and I haven't thanked all the wonderful people who helped with the children's Christmas at Henderson Settlement Mission in Frakes, Kentucky.

By the October 15 deadline we were able to mail 37 boxes of toys, stuffed animals and 78 dolls, (about half of these dolls were new Barbies)

I want to thank Billie and Ray Alderman, Estella Bredemeyer, Edna England, Elaine Miller, Dawn Bryan, Mrs. Melvin Mathis, Linda Dry, Tammy Young, Mattie Braussard and Clo Hills from Louisiana, and Mickie Oates from Lubbock.

We collect dolls and stuffed animals all year. This gives us time to clean everything and sew new clothes for the dolls. All donations are welcome - new or used. We try to renew almost everything, no matter what condition it is in.

I would again like to say thank you to all who helped Elaine and

Sincerely, Nadine Bedford 207 N. Church Winters, Tx. 915-754-4593

# Former Talpa resident remembers monkey

Dear Editor:

Please print this true story about the monkey that was in The Winters Enterprise (Dec. 7 issue), as it is probably the same monkey that was at our house in Talpa, Texas many years ago.

My parents were Tom and Della West of Talpa. Della, Maraget, Sue and Lue West were on the way to the field to take water to the men, and saw a monkey in the tree down by the creek. We told the men and they said for us to go back to the house and they would come

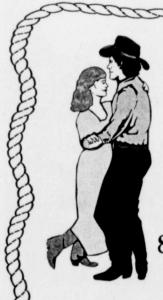
When we got back to the house the monkey was already on top of the house. We gave the monkey a banana, he peeled it and threw the peeling on the ground. We then gave him a canteloupe. He smelled it and threw it down. Gave him a watermelon that he ate and spit the seeds on the ground.

We gave him other fruit — some he ate, most he didn't.

Daddy and Uncle Oliver got ropes to catch the monkey but he only threw the ropes back to the men. We called the circus people from Coleman to come catch him, but before they could get there, he had gone on down to Oscar Brown's house down from us, and was gone from there also. They never found him again.

I feel sorry for the monkey that was killed. He was only eating and would have gone on. He was just as afraid of man as man was of him. He was certainly a monkey I'll never forget.

> Sincerely, M. Lue (West) Bowden P. O. Box 558 Tye, Texas 79563



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Samuel Colton Parramore

Keith Dudley Fields

Keith and Kimberley Fields are very proud to announce the birth

He was born November 5, 2000, at 1:39 p.m. at Abilene Regional

Paternal grandparents are Tommy and Betty Fields of Tye. Maternal

grandparents are George F. Roberts II of Miami, Oklahoma, and Vince

Senior Citizens Nursing Home News By Billie Ruth Bishop

Thanks to all who made

Christmas party a success

with "Thank You" to so many for Parramore for being Santa; to the

I have to begin this newsletter Sew Club for the gifts; to John

Then, there are those who Leona Witt, Ruby Walker, and

and Family Dollar stores for Center. We welcome her back to

To the ladies of the Church of and Happy Holiday!

working hard.

Elva Barbee.

our midst.

Hospital. He weighed 7 lbs. 12 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches long.



MISSION COMPLETED: Samuel Colton Parramore landed at 2:23 a.m. on Thursday, November 23, 2000, at the Pensacola Navel Air Station. Sam weighed 8 lbs. and was 19 3/4 inches long. Proud parents are Russell and Pam Parramore.

Paternal grandparents are Robert and Rhea Parramore of Winters and Jerry and Audrey Thomason-Mohnton of Pennsylvania. Great-grandparents are Clayton and Yvonne Geib of Lancaster, Pennsylvania; Elbert and Betty Thomason of Star, Idaho; Jack and Bonnie Vaughan of Hamlin; and Edna Parramore

of their son, Keith Dudley Fields.

all the wonderful ways you have

expressed your love and care for

the residents of the nursing home.

so faithfully week after week. I

can't say enough. You are so

helped make our Christmas Party

and Family Night a big success.

Thank you to the Dollar General

displaying the Christmas trees with names of the residents and

for you all who chose names and

appreciated.

bought gifts.

First, for volunteers who come

and Jean Bustamante of Cushing, Oklahoma.



of Winters. Great-great grandmother is Cleta Black of Hamlin.

musicians and of course to our

own staff for pitching in and

was held Thursday, December 14.

Hostesses were the Church of

Christ Ladies. Honorees were

Mrs. Nora Wuistinger has

We, at Senior Citizens Nursing

returned from Hendrick Medical

Home, extend to each of you a

very Merry Christmas and a safe

The monthly birthday party

Davy Wayne Winkler & Bori Nicole Jobe

#### Lori Jobe, Davy Winkler engaged

Archie and Doylene Jobe of Winters are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Lori Nicole Jobe of College Station, to Davy Wayne Winkler of Ballinger.

Davy is the son of David and Donna Winkler of Ballinger.

The bride-elect is a 1996 graduate of Winters High School, attended Tarleton State University, and is currently in her second year as a

veterinary student at Texas A&M University.

The prospective bridegroom is a 1996 graduate of Garden City High School. He is currently employed by Ballinger Communications.

School. He is currently employed by Ballinger Communications.

A March 10, 2001, wedding is planned at the First Baptist Church in Winters.

#### **Lions Club moves to Activity Center**

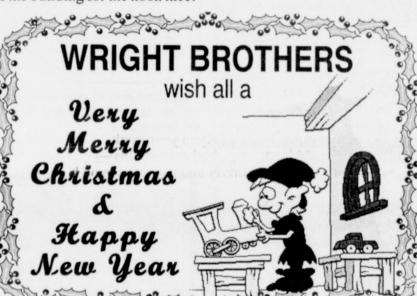
Beginning January 2, 2001, the Winters Lions Club will be meeting at the Senior Citizens Activity Center at 601 Wood Street.

Members and guests are asked to use the entrance on the east side of the building for the noon meet-

The club has previously met at the Winters Community Center. For more information, please contact Lions Club president Dale Montgomery at 754-4888.

San Angelo

Genealogical





I learned that the Lord didn't do it all in one day. What makes me think I can?

#### TOTOTOTOTOTOTOTO

Sunday visitors in Hopewell Baptist Church were Dusty, Casey, and Annie Ledbetter of Alexander of Tucson, Arizona.

Juanita Shields was transferred from North Runnels Hospital in Winters to Hendrick Rehab in Abilene, room 2003.

Doris Wood visited her kiddos, Mr. and Mrs. Maloey Bryant in Abilene, during the week. All visited a few days with Louise and Ronnie Walter of Fort Worth.

Selma Wilkerson had a nice visit with Juanita Shields on the phone at Hendrick Rehab.

Judy and Lee Harrison of Winters came to Selma's and had a nice visit on Thursday. Lee worked on Selma's computer, and he and Judy also brought Selma a nice ham.

Nila and Therin Osborne spent Thursday evening with Karen and Wesley McGallian in Wingate. They also enjoyed supper with Stefanie and Simon.

Helen Alexander's grandkids of Tucson, Arizona, came Sunday evening and is staying through the Christmas holidays.

Lanny Lacy of Granbury and his grandson and girlfriend spent the weekend with Pat and Earl Cooper.

Melvena and Marvin Gerhart had an early Christmas on Saturday night with their children and families. Present were Delbert Kruse; Rodney Kruse; Scott, Debbie, and Stanley King; Roger and Rhonda Kruse and children; Brett and Sherri Mikeska and boys; Keith, Cathey, and Caylie Gerhart; and Sally Mae Gerhart.

Visiting on Saturday with Connie and Georgie Gibbs were Norma Jo Sudduth, Tammy and Haley Kaczyk, and Saffron and Lane Gibbs.

We are thankful

for your patronage throughout the

year and would



Visitors over the weekend with Dale and Linda Duggan were Katy and Kelton Grigsby. Linda and Katy went to visit Susan and Chauncey Mansell on Sunday.

On Sunday night, Bob and Janice Pruser had Christmas dinner for Dale, Linda, Will, and Leslie Duggan; Elwood and Becky Brown; and Katy and Kelton Grigsby.

On Thursday, Joe and Betty Pierce were in Temple for the day. On Friday, they were in Round Rock to do some shopping at the Antique Mall. From there, they went to Boerne and visited with Joe's nephew and his family, Ray and Dorothy Tierce, and James and Nadine Pierce. On Sunday, they returned to Round Rock to shop some more then went on to Tow to visit with Joe's sister and brother-in-law, Wanda and Mack Dawkins.

My daughter and her husband, Hildegarde and Calvin Schovajsa of San Angelo, spent Saturday with me. While Calvin was getting firewood, Sis got things looking like Christmas around here. Merry Christmas to all!

Jimmy and Amantina McAden of Winters visited Harvey Mae and Noble Faubion on Sunday and brought some Christmas goodies.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Schrarer of Miles, Helen Ullrich of Rowena, and Evelyn and Margie Jacob attended a surprise birthday supper on Sunday in Brownwood.

Evelyn spent the weekend with Margie. They enjoyed visiting and playing cards.

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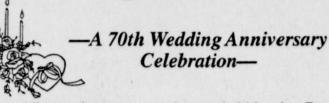
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Then 1930

# Mr. and Mrs. Glen Bryan honored by family and friends on special occasion



A 70th wedding anniversary reception was held Sunday, December 3, 2000, at the Norton Community Center in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Bryan.

The couple married December 12, 1930, in Norton. They were pronounced man and wife by R.L. Denton, after school, around 5 p.m., while sitting in a Model T car. Witnesses to their wedding were Harry and Anne Lou Steele.

Mrs. Bryan was born Bennie Isbell Curry, the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ben F. Curry of Norton.

Mr. Bryan is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Bryan of

Family and friends attended the surprise celebration.

Glen and Bennie want to thank everyone, family, friends, the Norton Community, "all" who had part in this grand occasion, their 70th wedding anniversary.



Now 2000

#### From the Editor -

#### No Enterprise on December 28

So that our employees may enjoy the holidays with their families and friends, there will be no issue published on Thursday, December 28.

The Winters Enterprise office will be closed on Monday, December 25, and will re-open on Tuesday, December 26.

We wish all of our readers a very blessed and safe holiday

# Social security notifies beneficiaries of new law eliminating earnings limits

Social Security notices were sent recently to 9 million beneficiaries age 65-70 telling them that because of recent legislation they can work without having their Social Security benefit reduced.

When the law was passed earlier this year, Social Security notified working beneficiaries, whose benefits were affected, about the change in the earnings limits and paid them back benefits \$3 he or she earns above a limit where due. Now Social Security is making sure that those who were not working understand the change in the law.

The notice indicates that higher future benefits could result if a beneficiary works while receiving benefits.

Benefits will still be reduced for beneficiaries under full retirement age. The following formula is used to determine how much a benefit is reduced.

· If the beneficiary is under full retirement age (currently age 65) when he or she starts getting his/ her retirement benefits, \$1 in benefits will be deducted for each \$2 the beneficiary earns above the annual limit. For 2000, that limit

• In the year the beneficiary turns full retirement age, \$1 in benefits will be deducted for each (\$17,000 in 2000) but only counting earnings before the month he or she reaches the full benefit retirement age.

· Starting with the month the beneficiary reaches full retirement age, there will be no limit on his or her earnings.

For more information, visit Social Security's website, <www.ssa.gov>, or call toll free, 1-800-772-1213.

#### **Holiday Greetings and Thanks**

The Mid-West Texas Artist's Guild would like to show their appreciation and thanks to the following business and their friendly staffs for their continued support of our local artists and their generous offers of exhibition space.

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We look forward to another year of sharing our work with you! A very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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## Subscription rates will increase on January 1

Due to increased prices in Pinkerton, Tommie Sparks, and ters. newsprint, postage and general cost of operations, the manageannounces an upcoming increase approved by the Council. in subscription prices.

will be \$17.00 per year; out of Campbell Foundation for renova- Co. of Abilene, presented the aucounty will be \$21.00 per year, and out of state will be \$24.00 per year. Newstand prices will remain 50¢ per issue.

"We strongly dislike being forced to increase our rates," says Jean Boles, Enterprise editor. "We've held our prices down as long as possible, but, unfortunately, we cannot hold off any

"While we know that consumers don't like to pay more, we feel an exceptional bargain, especially cross-country. when you consider that one soft drink or cup of coffee costs more than a week's worth of community news.

"The staff of the Enterprise will continue to work diligently to provide the finest in news coverage for Winters and the surrounding area. We deeply appreciate our readers and the support we receive."

The last increase in The Winters Enterprise rates was in January, 1995.

#### **Social Security** launches work website

Social Security recently launched a new website, The Work Site, to bring together employees looking for new workers and Americans with disabilities looking for jobs. "Go to <www.ssa.gov/work> and you'll find information on everything from training programs for people with disabilities to tax incentives for the employers who hire them," states Fredi Franki, Social Security manager in San Angelo. "We all win when all Americans have a chance to work."

The website contains important information and support for people who collect Social Security or Supplemental Security Income disability benefits, employers, service providers, advocates, and anyone else who wants to help people with disabilities work.

The site is fully accessible for all people with disabilities," explains Franki. "Fewer than 5 percent of all Internet sites are accessible to people who are visually or hearing impaired or have limited dexterity. The Work Site puts important, but often hard-to-find information in one easy-to-access location."

Franki said the work website will help increase public awareness of the new law that expands opportunities for work for people with disabilities.

To find out about Social Security's return-to-work programs and work incentives, visit this important, new information source at <www.ssa.gov/work>.

# COUNCIL, cont'd.-

compliance. In other action, the Council reappointed members to the Winters Housing Authority Board. Members include Melinda

Dwayne Williams. ment of The Winters Enterprise Kraatz as lakekeeper was also

City Manager Aref Hassan re- funds toward this project. Beginning January 1, 2001, ported to the Council that the city subscriptions in Runnels County has received a \$500 grant from the counting firm of Davis, Kinard & Jr.

tions to the Scout Building on North Main. Hassan also reported that a \$1,500 grant had been received from the Texas Historical Commission to assist in compil-Tucker, Lisa Nitsch, Bettye ing a brochure for and about Win-

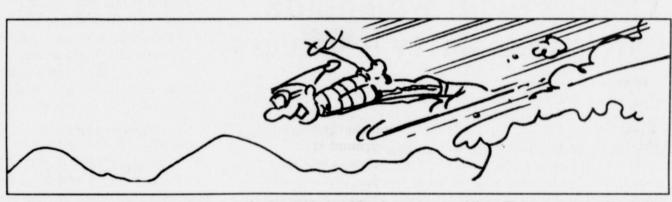
Winters Chamber of Com-The appointment of Vera merce and the Winters Area Business and Industrial Corporation pledged \$750 each as matching

Don Ashmore, with the ac-

dit report for the City of Winters. Ashmore related that there were no major concerns in their findings. The report was accepted by the Council.

Present for the Dec. 18 meeting were Councilmen Tommy Russell, Mike Meyer, Steve Esquivel, Jimmy Butler, and Joe Gerhart, Mayor Dawson McGuffin, City Attorney Ken Slimp, City Manager Hassan, and Water Superintendent Jack Davis,

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A good way to give unwanted pounds the cold shoulder, it seems, is skiing. The average adult uses up that The Winters Enterprise is still to 160 calories for every 20 minutes of downhill skiing, 180 calories for every 20 minutes spent skiing

Some questions are difficult:

"Mommy, where do babies come from?"

But sometimes there is an easy answer:

"Honey, everyone knows that babies come from Coleman County Medical Center."





Dr. Michael Bailey, Family Practice Dr. Paul Reynolds, Family Practice Dr. David Tyson, Family Practice (915) 625-3533 310 S. Pecos Coleman, Texas 76834

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# Winter tips for the home

ing, now is a good time to take tage of nature's heat, keep blinds stock around your house so you or draperies opened on sunny can be comfortable and safe this winter. Officials at TXU Electric This is especially important on and Gas say that taking a few pre- any windows or glass doors recautions now can help you keep ceiving direct sunlight. And conyou house cozy and also save serve energy by keeping doors money and energy.

First of all, it is a good idea to have your heating system inspected by a professional technician. This will reduce your chances of equipment failure and will help the unit run more efficiently. You should also replace or clean the filter on your furnace every 30 days.

#### **Economy Issues:**

Inside your house, make sure weather stripping around your doors and windows is in good condition, and replace if necessary. Also check to see if the attic, basement, or crawl space have rials. the recommended level of insu-

With cold weather approach- lation. In addition, to take advandays to let the sun's warmth in. and windows closed when the heater is on.

#### **Space Heaters:**

If you have a space heater, remove any cobwebs, dust, or dirt and make sure the grill is intact and in place. If the heater is vented, make sure the vent is operating properly. If there is no vent or oxygen cut-off switch, provide outside ventilation such as a slightly open window.

make sure you keep space heaters away from furniture, draperies, and other combustible mate-

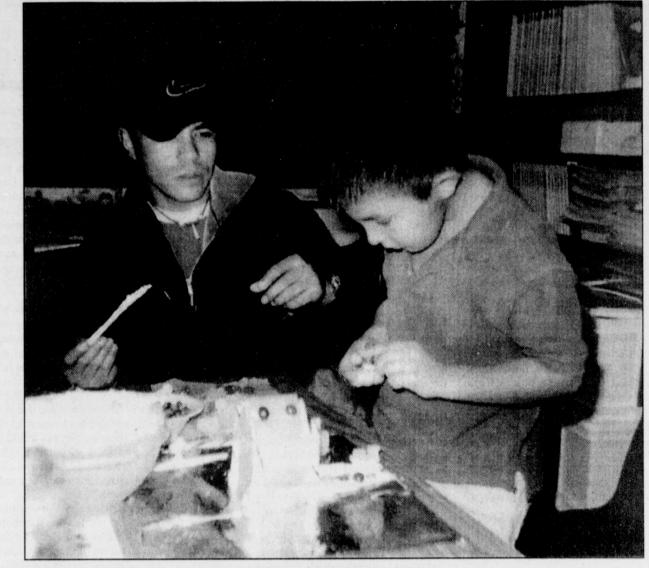
**Natural Gas Safety:** 

Be sure pilot and main burners on gas appliances produce a blue flame, indicating the gas-and-air mixture is safe. If the flame is yellow or red, call a certified heating and air conditioning contractor immediately.

When you re-light a pilot light, first strike a match and hold it to the opening. Then slowly turn the gas on. You should find instructions attached to the appliance.

If you smell gas in your house, don't touch any electrical switch and don't strike a match or do anything that might cause a spark. Leave your house immediately, go to a neighbor's home, and call TXU Gas at 800-817-8090. Don't call from your home because And as an added precaution, some telephones use a small amount of electricity that may produce a spark.

> After you call, then wait until the technician has found the cause before you re-enter your home.



CHARLIE TAMEZ, age 6, carefully ponders his next move while getting a little help from dad, Peno Tamez, as they participated in the first graders' project of building gingerbread houses.

## FAX Service Available **Send or Receive SPEEDY FAX** The Winters Enterprise 754-4628



TWO DRIVERS WERE ARRESTED and charged with driving while intoxicated as a result of this two-vehicle accident which occurred around 1:15 a.m. Sunday, December 17. According to police reports, Jose Vega, 23, of Winters, was southbound on Rogers street in a 1992 Pontiac Sunbird, when he was struck by a 1993 Dodge Shadow driven by Maria Gonzales, 36, of Ballinger. Gonzales, traveling west on Jones street, apparently ran a stop sign, causing the accident. She was arrested and also cited for failure to stop and render aid and for disregard for a stop sign. Both drivers refused medical treatment and were taken to Runnels County Jail. Ann Vasquez, 27, and Mary Esquivel, 40, passengers in the Sunbird, were taken to North Runnels Hospital where they were treated and released. Winters police officers were in the process of arresting another drunk driver when they were called to the scene of this accident.

#### Card of Thanks

First, it is the time of year to say thanks to my loyal customers and to wish each of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Also, I am taking the time during this Christmas Season, to say thanks to everyone who offered prayers for my recovery from the accident in September. Whether you whispered your prayers or joined in your church congregational prayers, your prayers were answered and I offer my sincere gratitude.

May each of you be blessed as I have been.

My humble thanks, Joe A. Martinez

#### Post office extends Sat. hours

Lewis Alambar, Officer in Charge at the Winters post office, has announced extended holiday hours for Saturday, December 23, from 9:30 a.m. until noon.

Regular hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Alambar encourages everyone to mail their letters and packages as soon as possible.

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#### **VA** applications available online

Veterans can now apply for benefits and health care online with the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). Two new systems will allow veterans quick, easy, and secure access to apply for compensation, pension, rehabilitation benefits, and health care.

According to Acting Secretary of Veterans Affairs Hershel W. Gober, veterans can fill out and submit an Internet-based 10-10 EZ application for heath care benefits directly to the VA health care facility selected by the veteran.

Designed for veterans to apply for compensation, pension, and vocational rehabilitation benefits through the Internet, "Veterans On Line Applications" (VON-APP) are processed right away, and veterans receive a response letting them know the status of their applications.

"Of course, security is of paramount importance," said Gober. "These forms are individually encrypted, ensuring the privacy of veterans' personal data."

VA aims to eventually put all its health care and benefits applications online. However, veterans are not required to apply online and can continue to use paper applications.

To access Internet applications: <a href="http://vabenefits.vba.va.gov/>.">http://vabenefits.vba.va.gov/>.</a>

# Warm holiday wishes

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#### Official Records -

**County Court Criminal Cases Filed** Dec. 7

Pamela Jones, filed for driving while intoxicated

Willie Walter Calvin, filed for failure to identify

Dispositions Karl W. Vancil vs. Cam Ohlemacher, breach of contract, court ruled that plaintiff recover \$1,142.71 plus 10 percent interest and recovery and court costs until payment made

Johnny Molina Rodriquez Jr., driving while license suspended, dismissed, defendant convicted in another case

Gabriel Castaneda, burglary of a motor vehicle, dismissed, complainant requested

Lester Eugene Antilley, driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in county jail probated to one year, fined \$750 plus \$250.25 court costs Jerry Wayne Kraatz, two counts (criminal trespass and illegally carrying a prohibited weapon), both dismissed, defendant convicted in another case

Melissa Lesley Laabs, driving while intoxicated, dismissed, completed community service restitution

Roy Lee Wrinkle, criminal trespass, dismissed, insufficient evidence Sergio Ricardo Marin, leaving scene of

an accident, pleaded guilty, fined \$524.75, plus \$225.25 court costs Sergio Ricardo Marin, driving while intoxicated, dismissed, convicted in an-

David Wayne Secrest, possession of marijuana, pleaded nolo con-tendre, fined \$750, plus \$210.25 court costs

David Wayne Secrest, driving under influence of drugs, dismissed, convicted in another case

Gerald D. Yates, theft of merchandise by check, pleaded guilty, fined \$100, plus \$210.25 court costs, \$30 hot check fee, \$120.27 restitution

Richard Ochoa, making alcohol available to a minor, pleaded guilty, sentence of six months in county jail suspended pending payment of \$1,289.75 fine and \$210.25 court costs by Feb. 7, 2001

Richard Ochoa, assault, dismissed, convicted in another case

Ruben Hernandez Jr., driving while intoxicated (subsequent offense), pleaded guilty, fined \$750 plus \$210.25 court costs

Rosalia Taylor, criminal trespass, dismissed, insufficient evidence

Gabriel Zapata, two counts (making false report to peace officer and failure to maintain financial responsibility, appealed from municipal court), both dismissed, defendant convicted in felony

Jennifer Ann Edington, driving while license suspended, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in county jail, fined \$500 plus \$210.25 court costs; fine and jail sentence suspended if defendant: continues to live at father's residence until June 18, 2001, continues to attend school and maintains A-B honor roll, attends family counseling, is in company of Johnathon Escobar at home or as family permits, violates no state laws

Sylvia Medina, two counts of failure to have child attend school, both dismissed, complied with agreement

Marisol Martinez Acevedo, theft, dismissed, insufficient evidence

Derrick Von Krug, possession of marijuana, dismissed, insufficient evidence

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#### **Marriage Licenses** Dec. 8 Richard Tamez Jr. and Jodie Louise

Dec. 11

Pedro C. Nieto Sr. and Helen Ann James Dec. 14 Sergio Gonzalez Hernandez and Biatris

Vasquez Luna Michael Bruce Minzenmayer and Nancy Gay Miller

#### **District Court Divorces Granted**

Dec. 6 Avel Rodriguez and Connie Escobar **Divorces Filed** Dec. 12

Barbara Coppage vs. Richard Benjamin

Dec. 14 Isabel Garza vs. Stephen Garza **Civil Cases Filed** Dec. 6

Alan Hudgens dba Ballinger Auto Parts and Repair vs. Nick Carter, suit on ac-

#### Dec. 11

Albert Johnson Jr., trustee of the revocable trust agreement dated Sept. 8, 1988, vs. Albert Johnson III, removal of lis pendens and exemplary damages

> Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 **Criminal Cases Filed** Dec. 12

Quindabeth Alicia Wolfe, filed for possession of tobacco products by a minor **Felony Cases Filed** Dec. 13

Tayna Whittenburg New, filed for possession of marijuana in a jail facility

#### **Police Beat**

The information below is taken from reports on file with the Winters Police Department. Some of the information is provided to police by citizens, and in some cases, police have not finished investigating the reports. These reports make up a small percentage of the total calls the Department receives and responds to each week. Winters Police Department reports received and/or investigated from Sunday,

December 10, 2000, through Saturday, December 16, 2000. Winters Police Officers: • stopped a 1998 Chevy car on S. Main Street for several traffic violations. A strong odor of alcohol was detected on the driver who exhibited signs of intoxication. The driver was offered and subsequently passed several field sobriety tasks, but due to his age being under 21, he was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol by a minor. The male, who is 16 years old, was taken to Runnels County Jail then released into his parents' custody. A female passenger was determined to have been consuming alcohol and was issued a citation for minor in consumption of alcohol and released to

• received a report of a burglary in the 100 block of N. Arlington Street. A 52-yearold female of Winters reported finding an empty home she owns broken into with damage to the interior of the house including fire damage. The female stated on several prior occasions she had caught several local juveniles inside the home, but never reported the incidents to the police. The juveniles have been identified, and this case is under investigation as burglary of habitation with intent to commit arson.

• received a report of a theft occurring in the 100 block of N. Grant Street. A 35year-old female of Winters alleged that a 17-year-old male of Winters had removed a rented video game from her home while the male was visiting. The female stated if the game was returned, no charges would be filed. The male was located and denied any involvement in taking the game. The female called a short time later to report the suspect male had returned the game and allegedly stated he borrowed the game while everyone was asleep and felt it would be rude to awake anyone for something as trivial

• received a report of an accident with property damage in the 900 block of S. Meeks Street. Investigation revealed that a vehicle of unknown make or model had left the roadway in the 300 block of Reeves Street and collided with a chainlink fence, knocking a large portion of the fence down. Evidence was collected at the accident scene. As of this date, no person has come forward to report any involvement in the

accident. This case is under investigation as fail to stop and leave information. • received a report of threats in the 600 block of S. Main Street. A 40-year-old male of Winters alleged being threatened with serious bodily injury by a family member. The suspect male has been named, and this case is under investigation as terroristic

• received a report of a break-in in the 700 block of Roberts Street. A 24-year-old female of Winters reported returning home to find a back door to her residence forced open. No items were reported missing, and there are no suspects at this time.

• received a report of a stolen car in the 100 block of S. Magnolia Street. A Winters female reported waking up on the morning of 12-14-00 and finding her car gone. As a stolen report was being broadcast, the vehicle was returned and a 17-old-female of Winters was identified by the victim female as having taken the car. No further action has been taken. This case is filed as unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

• received a report of a theft occurring in the 200 block of Jones Street. A 13-yearold male of Winters is alleged to have broken into approximately five lockers at the Winters High School gymnasium during a basketball game. The alleged suspect male was observed wearing one of the stolen items. Charges are pending against the male for Class B theft.

• received a report of phone harassment in the 600 block of N. Main Street. A Winters female reported receiving numerous hang-up calls. The phone company was contacted for a phone trap, and this case is under investigation as phone harassment.

• stopped a 1988 Chevy car on S. Main Street for several traffic violations. A license check of all occupants revealed an outstanding Runnels County warrant for a probation violation. Lupe Roman of Winters was arrested for motion to revoke obation driving while intoxicated and taken to Runnels County Jail.

Runnels County Crimestoppers offers a cash reward for information which leads to the grand jury indictment or conviction of offenders and the caller does not have to give his or her name. To give a Crimestoppers tip, call your local law enforcement agency at:

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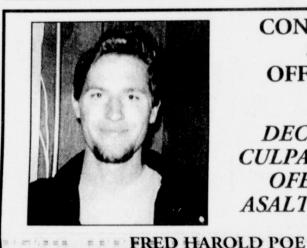
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Lewis Alambar, Officer in Charge at the Winters post office, has announced extended holiday hours for Saturday, December 23, from 9:30 a.m. until noon.

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Charles N. & Jeanie Bahlman (Charles Bahlman Chevrolet, 7065 Texas Hwy. 153)

6 acres of land in Runnels County, Texas, of the Dolphin Floyd Survey No. 519, Abstract No. 192, being a part of the tract conveyed by Clara now of record in Vol. 181, Page 132, Nitsch, et al, to E.J. Adami, et al, by Deed Records of Runnels County, deed dated April 19, 1940, now of record in Vol. 178, Page 169, Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, described by metes and bounds as follows: BEGINNING at an iron pin located 313 feet West and 663-1/10 feet South from the Southeast corner of the Spill Third Addition to the City of Winters, Runnels County, Texas, said corner being the most Easterly Northeast corner of the E.J. Adami tract; THENCE South 402 feet to an iron pin in the North line of the highway; THENCE South 89 deg. 41' West 650 feet along said right-of-way line to an iron pin; THENCE 402 feet to an iron pin; THENCE North 89 deg. 41' East 650 feet to the place of beginning; being the same land described in the deed executed by Dr. Gilbert E. Adami, Independent Executor of the Estates of Emma Adami and Ernest J. Adami, both deceased, to Claude Mansell, now of record in Vol. 458, Page 577, Deed Records, of Runnels County, Texas.

Susan Green c/o Jose Cruz 1100 West Dale St.) Lot 1, Block 1, Dry

Robert T. Hagle (116 Novice

Road)

A 0.59 acre tract in the M. Fitzpatrick Survey No. 492, Abstract No. 195, Runnels County, Texas, descrived as follows by metes and bounds: BEGINNING at a 1/2-inch pipe found in the North right-of-way line of F.M. Highway No. 1770 that is 358.5 feet East and 2624.1 feet South of the Northwest corner of Survey No. 492; THENCE North 06 degrees 13'49" East 150.75 feet along a fence to a corner post; THENCE South 89 degrees 28'36" East 163.20 feet to a 1/2-inche iron rod set in a fence; THENCE South 00 degrees 52'12" West 150.00 feet to a 1/2-inch iron rod set in the North right-of-way line of F.M. Highway No. 1770; THENCE North 89 degrees 28'36" West 177.28 feet along the North right-of-way line of F.M. Highway 1770 to the PLACE OF BEGINNING containing 0.59 acres.

Security State Bank (708 S. Main St.)

Being 1 acre of land off of and entirely across the South part of a certain tract of 2.91 acres, more or less, conveyed by J.S. Roe to Ira Brannon by deed dated February 20, 1946, now of record in Vol. 200, Page 87, Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, and being out of the Thomas Green Survey No. 490, Abstract No. 232, this one acre tract herein described by metes and bounds as fol-

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All that certain lot, tract of parcel of land lying and being situated in the County of Runnels, State of Texas, and being 50 feet by 120 feet tract out of the 2.91 acre tract conveyed by W.G. Bedford, Receiver, to J.S. Roe by deed dated May 7, 1941, Texas, to which deed and the record thereof reference is hereby made for more complete description of the lot hereby conveyed, and being out of Thomas Green Survey No. 490, Abstract No. 232, and for metes and bounds of the tract hereby conveyed. BEGIN at the N.W. corner of the 1 acre tract conveyed by J.S. Roe et ux to Ira Brannon by deed dated 20th day of Feb. 1946; and now of record in Vol. 200, Page 87, Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, to which deed and the record thereof reference is also hereby made for better description of this tract hereby conveyed; THENCE North, following the present established E.B. line of the highway 50 feet for the Northwest corner of this tract; THENCE East 120 feet for the N.E. corner of this tract; THENCE South 50 feet to point on the N.B. line of said tract conveyed by J.S.Roe et ux to Ira Brannon, for S.E. corner of this tract; THENCE West 120 feet to the place of beginning.

Johnny and Juanita Wilson (212 Jewell St.)

FIRST TRACT: 70 feet by 200 feet out of Lots Seventeen (17), Eighteen (18), Nineteen (19), and Twenty (20), in Block No. Twenty-Seven (27) of College View Heights Addition to the City of Winters, with metes and bounds as follows: BEGIN 50 feet N of SW corner of Lot 20, at SW corner of tract conveyed by Clara Williams to R.L. Briley by deed recorded in Vol. 326, Page 130, Deed Records, Runnels County; THENCE E. 200 ft.; THENCE N. 70 ft.; THENCE W. 200 ft.; THENCE S. 70 ft. to beginning; (subject to easement of record as to East 20 ft. of said tract for alley purposes). SECOND TRACT: 50 feet by 200

feet out of Lots Nos. Seventeen (17), Eighteen (18), Nineteen (19), and Twenty (20), in Block No. Twenty-Seven (27) of College View Heights Addition to the City of Winters, with metes and bounds as follows: BEGIN at the SW corner of said Lot. No. 20; THENCE North 50' to the SW corner of a tract conveyed by Clara Williams to R.L. Briley by deed recorded in Vol. 326, Page 130, Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas; THENCE East 200' to the SE corner of a tract conveyed by R.L. Briley et ux to D.L. Moreland; THENCE South 50' to the SE corner of said Lot No. 17; THENCE West 200' to the place of

THIRD TRACT: Being a 15-foot alley way between Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5,

Heights Addition to the City of Winters, Runnels County, Texas, closed as said alley and projection of Tinkle Street, also known as State Street in the City of Winters, Runnels County, Texas, as same appears on the map and plat of record in the office of the County Clerk of Runnels County, Texas.

FOURTH TRACT: Being the North 13' of Lot Nos. Eleven (11) through Twenty (20), Block No. Twenty-Seven (27), COLLEGE VIEW HEIGHTS ADDITION to the City of Winters, Runnels County, Texas, as shown on the map and plat recorded in the County Clerk's office of Runnels County, Texas, to which reference is hereby made.

FIFTH TRACT: The South 1' of the alley in said Block 27 lying between Lots 1-6 and 15-20 and all of the alley in said Block 27 lying between Lots 7-10 and 11-14, all in the COLLEGE VIEW HEIGHTS AD-DITION to the City of Winters, Runnels County, Texas, as shown on the map and plat recorded in the County Clerk's office of Runnels County, Texas, to which reference is hereby

Roy (Dixie) Calcote (Calcote Dirt Contracting, 102 Bishop St.) Lots 9-10, Block 5, Reeves

Billie L. Gerhardt (204 Bishop

One-half of Lot 6, and all of Lot 7 and 8, Block 6 of the Reeves Addition to the City of Winters, Texas.

Irene Rios Meredith (811 Reeves St.) Lot 6, Block 3, Reeves

John D. Magee and Jo Roznovsky Magee (300 Roselane

TRACT I: 120 feet by 140 feet out of the D. Floyd Survey No. 519, Abstract No. 192, described by metes and bounds as follows: BEGINNING at the Southwest corner of the 100 ft. by 140 ft. tract of land described in a Deed from E.J. Adami et ux to Willie B. Williams, Jrs., dated March 7, 1955, recorded in Vol. 290, Page 600, Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas; such beginning point being 100 ft. South of the SW corner of Lot No. 26, in Block No. 2, of Sunlawn Addition to the City of Winters, in Runnels County, Texas; THENCE East 140 ft. to the SE corner of said 100 ft. by 140 ft. tract; THENCE South 120 feet for the SE corner of this tract; THENCE West 140 ft. for the SW corner of this tract; THENCE North 120 feet to the place of begin-

TRACT II: 100 ft. by 140 ft. out of the D. Floyd Survey No. 519, Abst. No. 192, and described by metes and bounds as follows: BEGINNING at the Southwest corner of Lot No. 26, in Block 26, of Sunlawn Addition to the City of Winters: THENCE East 140 ft. to the Southeast corner of said Lot No. 26; THENCE South 100 ft. for the S.E. corner of this lot; THENCE West 140 ft. for S.W. corner of this lot; THENCE North 100 ft. to the place of beginning.

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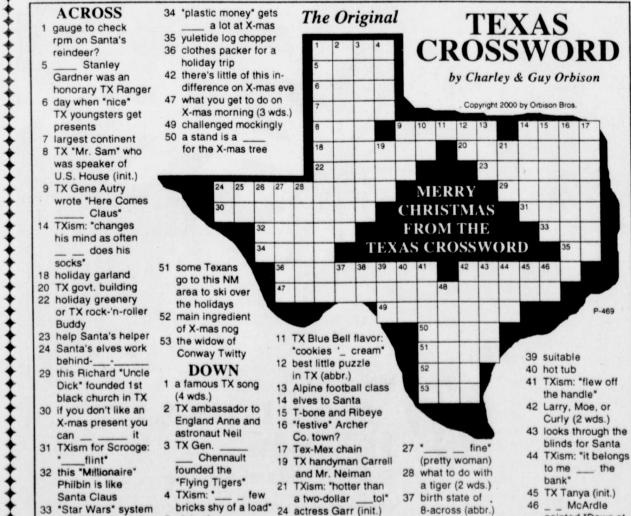
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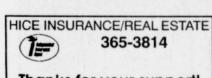
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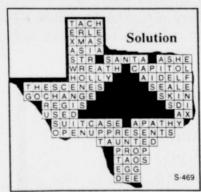
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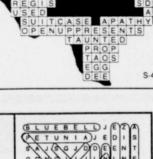
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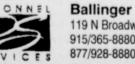
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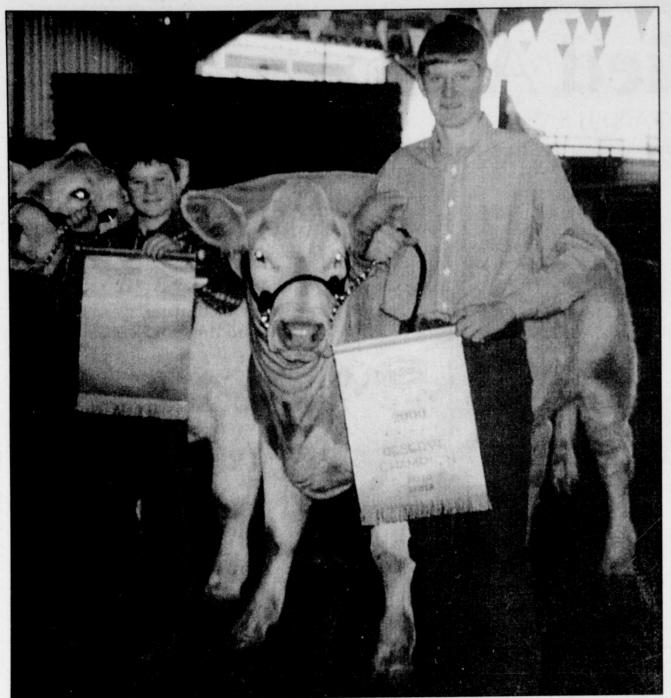
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# **Texas Beef Industry Summit** Workshop planned Jan. 15-16

Texas Beef Industry Summit Workshop hope to provide some solutions to the challenges facing the beef industry in Texas.

"Everyone is talking about these challenges: drought, disease, the cattle cycle, slipping consumer confidence, retail price margins, high costs and low returns to producers," said Dr. Charles Long, resident director of the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Overton and one of the summit workshop organizers.

"What's needed, though, is a strategic plan to address these problems in a coherent manner," Long said. "To function, the plan must be designed and implemented by all the stakeholders in

Organizers of the upcoming the Texas beef industry. Industry leaders will be invited to participate."

The summit is set for Jan. 15-16 at the Ramada Plaza Hotel Convention Center in Fort Worth. Long and other summit organizers hope to attract ranchers, cattle feeders, agribusiness leaders, meat processors, retailers, and consumer and natural resource advocates as participants in the summit workshop.

The overall goal of this workshop is to develop a plan that will help the Texas beef industry from production to retail, capturing the full potential of new technology, management strategies, organizational structures, and marketing methods. Doing so will benefit all segments of the industry and add to profitability, Long said.

Overall, beef production accounts for 40 percent of farm and ranch sales in Texas. In 1999, Texas producers marketing beef cattle totaled \$5.8 billion, which generated a total economic impact of approximately \$12 billion.

The preliminary agenda includes a kick-off banquet on Jan. 15. After breakfast the next morning, participants will be divided into workgroups. They will be asked to offer possible solutions before lunch, and then develop action plans before the end of the

For more information about the beef summit, go to <agsummit. tamu.edu>. Registration information for the summit will be made available at a later date.



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# Weather Modification Plan approved

Weather Modification Committee and Commissioners Court thank contributors

by Randall Conner, director of Economic Development

sioners Court approved the participation of Runnels County in an eight-county weather modification association at a special meeting on Friday, December 15. This is a change from the original 23-county organization originally proposed and will reduce Runnels County's cost in the project.

County Judge Marilyn Egan and Commissioner Thurman Self met with the organizers of the association on Monday, December 18, and stated that all eight counties are ready to go. They are pro-January include Monday through ceeding with the legal steps of Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. organization. Counties included annual 17-day run January 19 and Sundays from noon to 5 p.m. are Nolan, Taylor, Callahan, Rodeo tickets may be ordered Eastland, Comanche, Brown, Coleman, part of Coke, and Run-

> Although we did not reach the orginial goal for business and individual participation in the project, \$8,325 was raised. Donations will still be accepted. Businesses and individuals who made pledges are asked to send the donation to Runnels Weather Modification Fund, P.O. Box 310. Ballinger, Texas, 76821, by February 1, 2001.

The Weather Modification

SUNDAY

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Lo 25° F

**FORECAST** 

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Prefiling of legislation for 77th Legislature began

Last day governor can sign or veto bills passed

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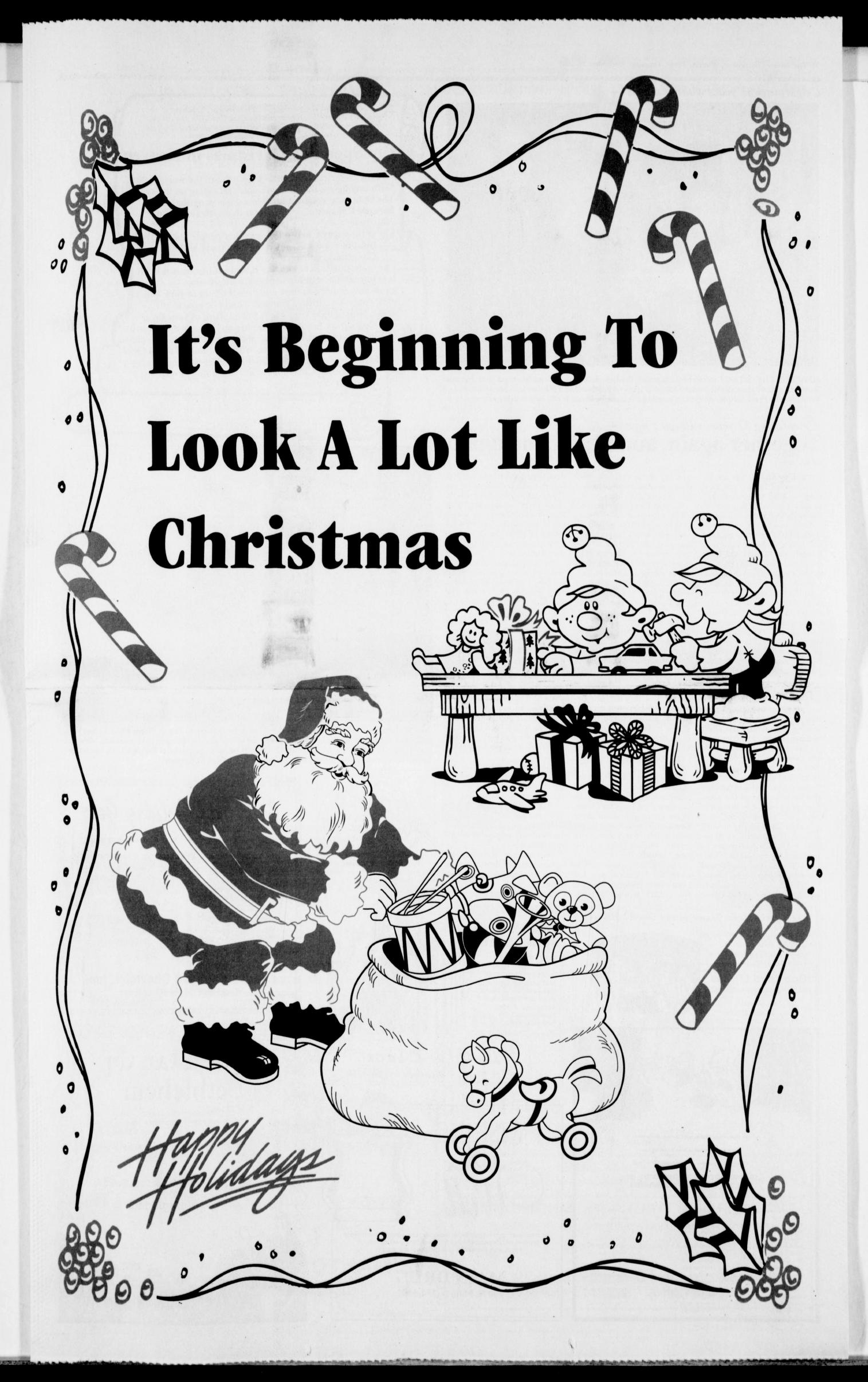
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#### Celebrating 32 years without a miss—



KEEPING THEIR PACT to celebrate together the first Saturday in December are (l-r) Joe and Sarah Cortez of Haskell, Rose and Gilbert Garces of Eastland, and Nadine and Joe DelaCruz of Winters. The three couples have been meeting the same weekend for 32 consecutive years.

#### Celebrating 32 years without a miss —

# Together again, and again, and again

ways special. But for one local couple and their four friends, their camaraderie and punctuality go

beyond being regular cronies. Nadine DelaCruz have gathered with Joe and Sarah Cortez of Haskell and Gilbert and Rose Garces of Eastland on the first Saturday night of each December.

For 32 years — without fail. Not even a relative's funeral could cancel the annual shindig. Sarah said that a few years back, her uncle died and his funeral was scheduled for "The Saturday" so she politely asked the appropriate relatives if they could hold the funeral early in the day because she had "another obligation."

When asked about their consistency, all six friends giggle and are quick to say that they simply tell everyone not to plan a wedding, a party or even surgery on their special Saturday. Even their children and grandchildren know the rules about the special December gathering. "They think it's wonderful that our friendship has lasted this long," says Rose.

The men are quick to point out that the wives do all the work, "except for what I go through to wear a tie," says Joe DelaCruz.

The annual party may be small in number of attendees but the devotion and celebration are as bright and festive as all the Christmas lights decorating the home of Joe and Nadine, this year's hosts.

Dressed in their finest party wear, the group enjoys good food

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Gene, Jeanie,

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Lifelong friendships are al- on fancy dinnerware and reminiscing over albums of pictures of past Christmas celebrations.

Some of the most fun pictures are the "self portraits" taken by For the past 32 years, Joe and Joe Cortez who tries to hold the camera at arm's length while snapping the picture of his friends' faces around his. The group laughs and spares no feelings in poking good fun at Joe's pictures, especially the ones showing only the top of his head. Comments also include DelaCruz of Winters, and the trio Joe's "increasing forehead" through the years.

After dinner, the six pile into one vehicle and set out for their annual "bridge dancing," where they drive around the area, stopping at each bridge they cross, hop out of the car and dance a jig before moving on to the next bridge. Once they did their December dancing when the tem-

perature was only ten degrees. Also on the yearly agenda are treks to friends' homes where they stand in the front yard and sing Christmas carols and other favor-

The evening's activities wind down some time in the wee hours of the morning, "not nearly as late as we use to be," says Joe Cortez, as the group smiles and shake their heads in agreement. "We get tired earlier but while we're awake, we sure have a great time," he adds.

The friendship dates back to when Joe DelaCruz and Joe Cortez were friends at Winters. Joe Cortez worked at Hei-

denheimer's from 1948 to 1958, before being transferred to the Cisco store for three years, Hamlin for eight years, then Haskell where he became a partner in the business in 1974. He retired in 1998. His wife Sarah has been a teacher's aide for more than thirty years.

When Joe Cortez's friend, Gilbert Garces, needed some electrical wiring done on his building in Eastland, he called Joe plus wives quickly became fast friends. Garces has operated a tire and general mechanics business in Eastland and Cisco for fortytwo years. His wife Rose owns and manages Rose's Mexican Restaurant in Cisco.

Nadine is also in the food industry having worked in the Winters school lunchroom for the past twenty-seven years. Joe owned his own business for nine of the forty years he's been an electrician. For the past eight years, he has driven a bus for the Winters

In keeping with their tradition, the rotation schedule for hosting the December party has been set for the next five years.

"We made a pact thirty-two years ago and we plan to keep it as long as we possibly can. It's an absolutely wonderful thing," says Nadine.

With such an abundance of enthusiasm and determination, this is one friendship that's rock

So until next year . . .

(Editor's Note: The following poem was read at the funeral of Theo McKinney on Dec. 18 at First Baptist Church in Sweetwater. Her daughter, JoAnn Brown, submitted the poem because she said "the service truly was a Moment of Grace to the family and all who attended.")

#### I'm Spending Christmas in Heaven

see the countless Christmas trees around the world below,? With tiny lights, like heaven's stars reflecting on the snow. The sight is so spectacular, please wipe away that tear, Because I'm spending Christmas day with Jesus Christ this year.

I hear the many Christmas songs that people hold so dear, = But the sounds of music can't compare with the Christmas choir up here.

\_\_\_ I have no words to tell the joy their beautiful voices bring. It is beyond description to hear the angels sing. I know how much you miss me, I see the pain in your heart, But it's only for a little while that we will be apart. I'll ask Him to light your spirit as I tell Him of your love,

So please pray for one another as you lift your eyes above. can't tell you of the splendor or the peace here in this place. Can you just imagine Christmas with our Savior face to face? Please let your hearts be joyful and let your spirit sing-I'm spending Christmas in heaven, and I'm walking

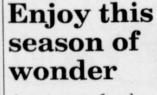
with the King.



and Billie Ruth Bishop, Senior Citizens Nursing Home activity director (background), view the joy brought to the elderly by the youth. Fran Kidwell, music director at Winters ISD, has set the tradition of bringing the groups together every year at Christmastime.

The custom of kissing under the mistletoe may have derived from the Scandinavians. They associated the plant with their goddess of love, Frigga.





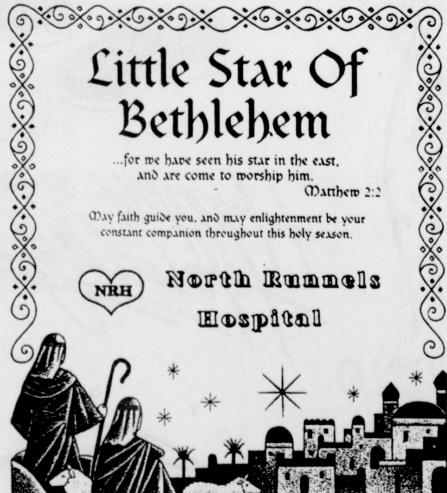
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#### Cousin Eddie & family create "time-honored" Christmas traditions—if that's what you want to call 'em

by Deb Pritchard, assistant editor

Christmas is just a few short days away, and I've been reminiscing in my mind about Christmases past. You know-not the warm fuzzy kind of holiday memories, but the "give va a good belly roll" kind of memories.

I've tried real hard to create some traditions in our household that our children can look back upon in years to come with fond memories—the way I remember my family's Christmas traditions.

Somehow though, I just don't feel like I've achieved that for Johnny and the kids. I mean when most families are sitting around stringing popcorn and watching Bing Crosby's White Christmas or Miracle on 34th Street on Christmas Eve night—the Pritchards sprawl out on the living room floor with coke floats for that festive holiday favorite... Chevy Chases's Christmas Vaca-

lating to the Griswold family! My daughters can recite the entire dialogue of the movie from memory. Eddie talk about his son's lip fun-

Johnny, loading me and the kids up in the suburban a few years back for a "big surprise" right before the holidays. He drove and he drove and he drove some more as he missed the turnoff and had to back track to Celebration Park near Clyde.

In case you've never been there, it is quite spectacular—a rather large wooded area decked out in millions of Christmas lights with various holiday themes throughout.

You enter the front gates along with several hundred other cars and approach the attendant hut to pay a small—yet necessary gratuity to help offset the \$100,000 electric bill those lights



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**Runnels County** Commissioner Precinct 3 Thurman Self

if my electric bill looks like the grand national debt, I can only imagine how fast that electric meter in the Christmas light park is a spinnin'.)

Upon paying to enter, the attendant offers a glorious holiday musical accompaniment cassette tape to enjoy while you drive. This will definitely put us into the spirit!

We pop the tape in and crawl along at a snail's pace—the music begins and.....DECK THERRR-RRFMLSLLSLDF. THE TAPE IS STUCK—the player is eating it!!

Oh my gosh—get it out—we'll have to pay for it! So while Clark drove, I tried prying it out with a pencil, a nail file, a screwdriver, and who knows what else. The kids are oooohhing and aaahhing at the lights. "Mom, look at those! Daddy, daddy, did you see Rudolph jumping over our car? And the sad part is, we're re- He's a nice ten-point—shoot him! Pow...pow...pow."

Clark and I were laughing and arguing at the same time, the girls The boys yell, "There's Uncle were rolling their eyes, and the Dave!" (referring to my oldest boys were thoroughly enjoying brother) as they watch Cousin the Christmas-filled sights of lights upon lights.

Finally within 10 feet of reach-I remember Clark, I mean ing the attendant hut at the end of the tour (and feasting my eyes only on the lights at the entrance) the cassette belched out of the dash much to our relief with shouts of glee from all around. I don't know how I finally coerced it out, but now each year we go

are generating. (Because I know here—remember the time that north. tape got stuck and dad was hollarin' at mom....." I guess in its own special way that might be a tradition, huh?

Clark Johnny and I have always tried to make the annual Pritchard family Christmas tree selection special and memorable,

I like a real tree...you know, the fragrant smell of evergreen (and rancid water in the stand), the (with the gaping hole you hide up against the wall), and the lovely, ornament-inviting branches (and needles that dry out all too quickly and stick in your carpet until Eas-

I'll never forget our first Christmas together when Johnny said we'd take the kids to the pasture and chop down a West Texas cedar for our holiday centerpiece. (What the heck—I'm all for becoming a part of a sacred timehonored tradition.)

Marie and Misty were the only ones at home at the time, so they bundled up against the chill and off we went, ax in hand (Daddy Bunyon's that is).

He drove us out into this grazstopped the pickup in the middle for the giant spruces we Yankees are so accustomed to, but all I see are these dumpy, sparselybranched shrubs with blue berries on them—the kind we plant as and the kids say, "We've been adornment in our front yards up

"There's one," he shouts to the girls with joy. He's so proud— I'm near tears. It looks like something from a Charlie Brown Christmas Special. "You're not serious," I plead. Now I've done it-wounded his masculine pride. So "Father Christmas" has now turned into "The Grinch," complete with sarcasm and disinterest in only a matter of moments.

The girls are freezing from beautiful, perfectly-shaped fir head to toe and trying to make peace in a war zone where daddy and I are concerned. Marie, ever the conflict resolutionist—bless her heart, tries to patch daddy's pride while warming him to the idea that since mom's new to the family and far away from her own—maybe we should drive to Abilene and look for a tree— "you know, dad,...maybe start a new tradition with mom," she whispers.

> Needless to say we drove home in silence, each going our own way when we got there. Much to her relief I think, Marie had a date that night...so she made herself busy primping for the occasion.

After an hour or so, Johnny came in and announced that "HE" ing pasture I'd never seen before, thought we needed to go to Abilene and pick out a tree of nowhere and out we all "HE" really hadn't seen anything jumped, invigorated for the in the pasture that struck his fancy search. I'm looking and looking and "maybe we should start a new tradition with You, mom."

"Oh what a thoughtful idea daddy!," I cooed. Misty stood between the both of us and looked from one to the other as if she'd just witnessed an alien experience. (She's grown used to them over the years.)

Once on the lot, as has been the

drawn instantly, like a magnet, to the ugliest bit of fir there while I'm checking out the one grand enough to be chosen for the White House lawn. It's amazing—but he just has a natural born knack for it! We inevitably end up with a disfigured Christmas tree.

It varies...sometimes P.T. or A.T. (pre-tree or after-tree) there's the "Hanging of the Lights" tradition. The mood has to hit him—but when it does, he's possessed...just like Clark Griswold. The outside of our home is transformed into an airport traffic control tower.

And the competition begins! The ever loved tradition of...Let's outdo the neighbor!" Phil Colburn across the road usually does good to get his lights strung up on Christmas Eve night. WELL not this year-no sirree, he's got his youngest son, Aaron, out tightrope walking the roof after turkey and dressing on Thanksgiving night.

'We're gonna put a different strand up everyday 'til Christmas," he boasts. Well, you know Johnny isn't gonna stand for a bit of that. In fact, we have a hundred strands (or somewhere thereabouts) of white lights from Marie's wedding reception three years ago, and who knows how many multi-colored strands.

Phil Smith (our ex-neighbor to the west) even bequeathed us all his Christmas lights and yard decorations before he moved to San Angelo a few years back. He would put lights up the night after Halloween and secretly plug them in late each evening and stand in the front yard to admire them for a brief minute. He could routine each year, Johnny is hardly wait for Thanksgiving day

to "officially" plug them up!

Anyway—none of that is good enough for ole Clark this year. We had to go with a Winters Blizzard motif-you know blue and white lights. While he's cheerfully stringing those along the top and edge of the house (because he's always soooooo happy to bond with our four sons on the roof top this time of the year), Katy and Bryce Wilkerson (our neighbors to the east) are untangling a fur ball of lights on their roof.

Bryce got mad at Katy and stormed off to the house leaving her there with a heap of lights to rival the mess Russ had to dislodge for his dad Clark in the movie. (They quite obviously did not use a case and a half of electrical tape to bind them up at the end of last season!)

And you know we can't just string some lights up, we've got to create artwork on the roofand so do the neighbors. Katy has a lovely angel, Aaron has a beautiful cross, and we've got...a big fat "plus sign" or a helicopter landing pad"X". Whichever you choose. We finally told Johnny this weekend when the son-in-law was in—the rest of us hadn't dare tell him it didn't look like a cross—but we had ours up before anyone else though! That counts for somethin' doesn't it?

Clark gets his nose put out of joint so easily about his artwork take for instance the star he created one year. It was really very well done-particularly if we'd been of the Jewish faith—since it was shaped like the Star of David.

After who knows how many dollars worth of lights Johnny called Colburn and said "That's it—I quit—finito—I'm done—no more." Then Johnny's just beside himself when we find Aaron and sister Kayla in Abilene the next night buying MORE Christmas lights ... not to worry though, they're just replacing the ones the dog ate.

So as traditions go—I guess in our own warped way we have established a few. Who's to care that someday as our children remember "Christmases past..." they may be sent off to the Sunny Farm," for dementia—at this rate...mom and dad will be greetin' 'em at the gate.

O Christmas

Tree

Festive tidings



COMPLETE WITH A BLINKING RED NOSE is Cody Bean who portraved Rudolph during the third grade play "Christmas on Candy Cane Lane." Orlando Rodriguez and Ronak Patel (right) were among the 8- and 9-year-olds who sang holiday







We wish all our neighbors and friends a joyous holiday season. We're very grateful for your valued business.

# HIGGINBOTHAM'S

Dawn, Kristi, and James

# Christmases Remembered...

It was 1926 and my fourth Christmas. We were spending it with my maternal grandparents, Wash and Lela Nance. Mama thought that it would be a nice thing if we put a cake and a pitcher of milk by the fireplace for Santa Claus. And, so it was done. The next morning, lo and behold, the cake was gone and the pitcher was empty Only a few crumbs of the cake and a few drops of milk

As usual, my great uncle and great aunt, Frank and Myrtle Pumphrey, and the rest of our two families were gathered for Christmas Dinner at Mom and Pop's house. With roving eyes I took in the sights around the dinner table. With wide eyes I said to my grandmother, "Mama, look on the buffet. There's a cake just like the one you cooked for Santa." With a smile on her face she replied, "Why, so it is." And it was.

Alex Orr Tyler, Texas

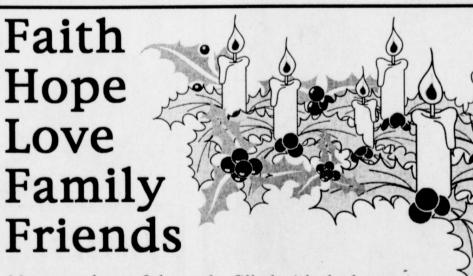
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# Dear Santa

All I want for Christmas ...

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I want a choo-choo train, a car, a truck, and computer. Santa, I have been a good little boy. I love you.

vid Sanchez

I want a bike, a lady bug, Hot Wheels Fire Station, and a puppy. I have been a good little boy.

Love, Joseph Deanda

I want a Barbic doll, a Barbic rubbing plates, a Barbie heart jewelry box, and a racing car. I also want a purse. I have been good.

Love, Raquel Nunez

Please bring me an alphabet robot, candy, hat, fire truck, and fire station. I'm hoping I have been a good boy. Please come to my house.

I love you, Michael Chavis

Please bring me horsey, a bike, a fishing reel, a fire truck and fire station, and a choo-choo train. I know I have been a good boy. I'll be waiting for you at home. See va.

I love you, John Wright

Please bring me a Nintendo, a choochool train, a big dump truck, puzzles, and a scooter. I hope I have been a good little boy. I sure would like some of these gifts.

Love, Dakota Wooten .

I have a present for you. Santa, I want a Barbie Volkswagon beetle, Barbie and her doggie Lacy, Holiday Surprise Barbie, and Barbie heart jewelry box. I also have been very good this year. I will be very good so I will get all my gifts. Love,

Magally Mendoza

I want a watch, a new bed, a new house, a weather chart, Alphabet Ready To Read Robot, Mouse Play deluxe, and a See Me Go Driver, and a K'nex Super Value Multi-Pack and jets or airplanes, and a Hot Wheels funny car. I have been a very good little boy. Love,

Alan Martinez

Hello Santa, get me some toys. I want a new bike, a robot doggie named Tiger, Pro Guide Bass Fishin' Talking Fish Game, K'nex sand surfers with tool box, a K'nex Mud Runner and Ranger Patrol, a Tonka dumptruck with candies in the back, and Tonka bucket set with helmet, and jet. I'll try to be very good so I will get all my toys.

Love, Christopher Franco

I love you, Santa. I want a Barbie doll, ladybug quarters, some new shoes, a new princess, and puppy (Tiger) dog. I also want a little teddy bear and a little frog. I have been real good so that I will get all my gifts.

Love, Gabrianna Peña

Hello, Santa, my name is Adreanna. I want a doggie named Tiger, a Minnie mouse radio, a Barbie doll, a Barbie Heart Jewelry box and a doll of Glinda, the good witch from the Wizard of Oz. I have been a good little girl. Santa, what do you want for Christmas?

Love, Adreanna Lopez

I want a doll house, a Maisy baby, a little baby, and a radio that turns into a Barbie house. I love you, Santa. I have been a good little girl.

Love. Vanessa Sanchez

I want poochie for Christmas, a vaccum cleaner, a talking doll named Ms. Golly, and a car that runs with batteries so I can drive it. I have been very good. I also want a Barbie doll that shows on TV.

Love, Marcela Moncada

I love you, Santa. I like Christmas. I want a Barbie doll, a car that runs with a battery, so I can drive it, books to read because I love to read, and beautiful lights. I have been really good this year.

> Love, Athena Mata

I love you Santa. I want a scooter, and a bow and arrows. I have been a very good little boy this year. Love,

Ty Cortez

I want a puppy named Tiger, a pull'n play phone, Alphabet Ready To Read Robot, Chest beads, and a Barbie Volkswagon beetle. I have been good. I love you, Santa. I'll be waiting.

Love, Samantha Marrero

I want a Barbie doll, choo-choo train, a small puppy, books, puzzles, and a bike. I have been a good little girl. I'll be wait-

Amber Craker

I love you,

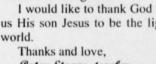


I would like world peace, hopefully a new president, and all of my family to be healthy and filled with happiness. And all of the people of the world to have plenty of food and shelter.

Thirty-nine years ago on Christmas eve, I received a new husband for Christmas, so I can't ask for anything more, because he is a gem.

I would like to thank God for giving us His son Jesus to be the light of the

Patsy Staggs, teacher





MRS. CLAUS AND SANTA, aka Kathleen Mills and Joseph Stoecker, were important decision-makers to fellow third graders who displayed musical talents and speaking abilities during their rendition of "Christmas on Candy Cane Lane." In deciding whether red or green was the better color, the Clauses made red, green, and white candy canes to satisfy all.

I hope your year has been a good one. Well that time of season is here, again. And here I am writing you my letter of what I want for Christmas. What I want for Christmas, it's not material things, but special things like for example that there would be less violence in this world, children would not have to suffer hunger or violence, and that my whole family would have prosperity, joy, health, and lots of love for the coming year.

Well, that's all Santa. Take care of yourself and we will be looking for you. Love.

Mrs. Elma Campas Flores

This Christmas all I want is for my children and grandchildren to be healthy and safe. During this season I would like & to see more world peace, especially in Israel. I would like for more people to work together to help stamp out hunger. Let us all remember the reason for the season, Jesus.

Barbara Jones

#### MRS. BRYAN'S & MRS. BERGMAN'S PRE-KINDERGARTEN CLASSES

I would like a thing with trolls on it. I have been good. Thank you, Jake Ruebush

I would like a ballerina house. I have scooter. I have been a good boy. been good. Merry Christmas

I would like a scooter Barbie. I have been good Merry Christmas,

Jamron Jamez

I would like a racing car. I have been Merry Christmas,

Fermin Cruz I would like a puppy. I have been good.

Thank you, Sophia Reyes

I would like a book and a doll who cries. I have been good. Merry Christmas, Ashlee Hollis





**Elesa Ocker** & deputies Billie, Carlene, and Cheryl

THE THE TAXABLE OF TAXABLE OF THE TAXABLE OF TAXABLE I want a helmet, football shirt, foot-I would like a Woody and a Buzzlight. ball pants, and football shoes. I have been a good boy.

Merry Christmas, Justin Ventress

I have been a good boy.

Christopher Potts

Have a Merry Christmas,

I want a car for Christmas. I have been

I want blue, red, yellow, green, white

I want a coloring book, a Barbie ste-

I want a Franklin that is on TV and a

I want a scooter and a bird. I have been

I want a Barbie and a Barbie radio

I want a baby doll and a Minnie

P.S. And my bubba, my mama, and

I want Woody and Buzz. I have been

I want a stroller with a baby and a little

I want a motorcycle girl and a car that

I want a bike and a football uniform.

I have been a good boy. I want some new

shirts too. I promise I won't eat a hole in

I want a scooter. My brother wants a

I want a scooter and a scooter bike

I want some reindeer. I have been a

with tires. I have been a good girl. I lis-

is for girls (a toy one). I have been a good

Merry Christmas and I love you,

baby with a party. I have been a good girl.

Mouse and a bear. I have been a good

I love you and Merry Christmas,

reo, and a bracelet. I have been a good

and black playdough. I have been a good

Thank you,

a good boy.

Thank you, Nathan DelaCruz

I love you, Amanda Horton

Thank you, Santa

Destiny Cravens

Merry Christmas,

Angel Ochoa

Destiny Chavis

I love you.

a good boy.

Sadie Smith

my daddy have been good.

Merry Christmas,

Kendall Ferguson

Merry Christmas,

Sabrina Esquivel

Merry Christmas

Corey Pritchard

the new ones.

Love,

I like you,

Daryl Hagle

ten to my mommy.

Thank you,

good girl.

Julie Famez

Merry Christmas,

Vicki Madrid

Amber Lara

Barbie. I have been a good girl.

house. I have been a good girl.

Katie Lara

I love you,

a good boy.

I would like a bracelet for Christmas. I have been a very good girl. I love you,

Stormy Jamez I want a super tri-megasaurus. I have

been a good boy. Merry Christmas, Marshall Scates

I want a farm tractor with horses. I have been a good boy. Thank you,

I want a frog game and a whole bunch of pencils. I have been a good boy. Thank you, Michael Garcia

I want My Size Barbie, a book and a baby. I have been a good girl. I love you, Santa Claus!

I want some dolls, I have been a good

girl. Thank you, Jesha Tamez

Kara Kraatz

Daniel Vasquez

#### MRS. DAVIS'S KINDERGARTEN CLASS

I've been good and try to help my mom. Will you please bring me some bananas, a Power Ranger mask, a fire station, the Star Wars station, Bat Man, Tarzan and Superman figures. I will leave you some cookies and milk by the Christmas tree. Love,

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Thomas Reyes

I've been very good this year and I would like to have a play station, new tennis shoes, and some new clothes. I would also like to have a "fighting" game and an Alien game and a scateboard. I will leave you some hot chocolate on the table in the kitchen.

Love, Nicolas Perez



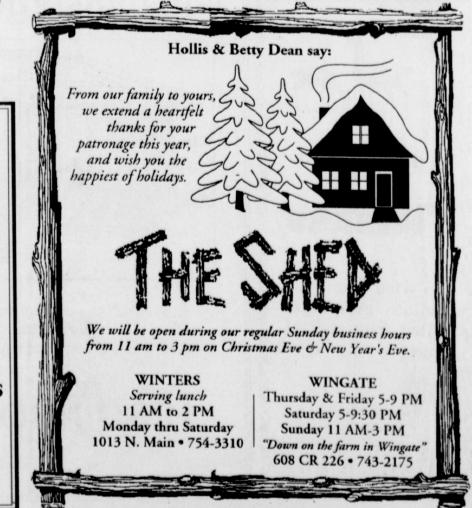
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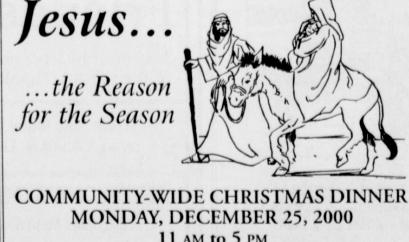




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I have been good to my Grandma and toys, a police station and some new clothes. I will leave you some milk and couch. cookies on a little table in the living room.

Love, Gabriel Martinez

·I love you so much. Would you please bring me a doll with a dress and a toy horse and a toy dog and a play bus. I try to be really good. I am going to leave you some milk and candy under the tree.

Love, Destiny Rodriguez

I have been good because I have been sitting down on the couch, so will you please bring me a Barbie doll, a pink bike, a Barbie blanket, pillow and a doll house for my Barbie. I will play with her all the time and I will leave some milk and cookies for you on the kitchen table.

Love,

I want a Barbie Doll, a teddy bear, a pink bike, a Barbie house, a little puppy that barks, some markers and a computer. I will leave you some cookies and chocolate milk on the table by the couch. Love,

Shelly Sota

I've been good and I would like to have some new white tennis shoes and some new clothes. I would also like to have a computer and some games. I will leave you some milk and cookies on the table in the kitchen.

Love, Andrew Silva

I have been good and I want you to bring me a mirror, some new tennis shoes, a skirt, a shirt and some other clothes. I would like some toys and some books to read and some crayons, and a bike.

Love,

I have been a good boy and I would I want you to bring me lots of presents. I like to have a Pokemon toy, a scooter, want some race cars, roller blades, some and some new tennis shoes. I will leave some cookies and milk at the table by the

> Love, Anthony Lara

I have been a good boy and I would like to have a Pokemon toy, the video tape Pokemon 2000, army guys, a computer Geo Safari and the cards to go with it. Your cookies and milk will be on the table by the couch.

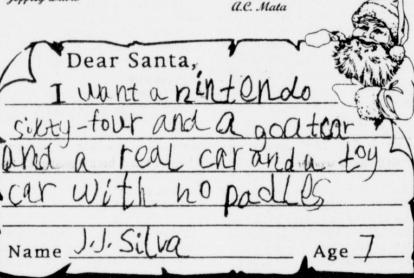
Love, Jeffrey Davis

I have been a good little girl and I would like for you to bring me a Pokemon toy, a scooter, and anew baby dog. I will also need some things for my new baby dog...a dish, a little bed so that he can sleep beside me in my room and a little collar with a bell. Love,

Hannah Wade

Love,

I have been a good little boy and I would like to have roller blades, Pokemon cards, and some red books. I will put some Coke and popcorn on the kitchen table for you.



I have been good and I would like to have a Barbie and the "King" doll. I will leave you some cookies and milk on the coffee table.

Heather Lincoln

I want a little black puppy for Christmas, a remote control car, a Pokemon 2000 cards and some Nike tennis shoes. star. I have been good for my Momma. I've been trying really hard to be good. I will leave some milk and cookies for you on Daddy's speaker.

Love, Jordan Taylor

MRS. BUTLER'S KINDERGARTEN CLASS

I want a scooter, a toy motorcycle and I want a Power Ranger. The red one. I want a Play Station and a Rugrat watch. My mom wants a telephone. My brother wants a Play Station. My dad wants scissors, so he can cut his paper to make a

Love, Darian Tanner

I want a Nintendo and a Mickey Mouse racing game and a football and a remote control truck. I've been good. Michael Alatorre

I want a Dancing Debbie and a Barbie Beach set and a make-up bag. I want a Dalmation set with some babies. I've

Jordon Busher

I want a Barbie and my brother Shane wants a dinosaur. I want a Barbie car and Shane wants a toy bus. I want a card game coloring book and crayolas. Bring Mark and Shane wants a puzzle. I want a heart a scooter. My Mom wants a Holiday pencil. I've been good.

Ashley Hodge

I want a scooter and a Techno puppy, a toy 4 wheeler, and Bryant needs new boots, Braden want a remote control 4 wheeler and Brendan wants a Techno puppy. I've been kind of good. Bryce Mikeska

I want the game Duck hunt, a new cowboy hat, a toy motorcycle I can ride, new chaps, I want a red, green and a blue Power Ranger to play with, and a new rope, a fishing pole and a watch. Tyler wants 2 movies and some books. My baby wants a baby toy to chew.

Janner Mayo

I have really been a good boy and I would like to have a new pair of tennis shoes, a scooter, a game, a donkey game and a new TV. I will leave you some milk and cookies on the table in the kitchen. Love,

Daniel Diaz

I would like to have a cat baby, a Barbie doll, some clothes for the Barbie, a house for the Barbie and some books. I have been a good girl. I will leave you some Coke and cookies on the table.

Yazmin Martinez

I would like to have a scooter and a scateboard and a brown teddy bear. I will leave you some cookies and milk on the table in my kitchen.

Love, Junior Espina

I've been a good girl and I want you to bring me a bike ... a pink one, some new shoes, high heeled, black ones, some new clothes and some books. I will leave you some cookies and milk on my dresser.

Love, Veronica Luera

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I want a scooter, a Dragon Ballzie, a green Teddy Bear, a book of puppies, a

Barbie. Bring Dad a microphone for church. Matthew wants a scooter, too. I have been good. I will leave you popcorn and rootbeer.

Love, Phillip Samaniege

I want a Barbie Beach set, and a Barbie house and a Barbie swimming pool. My sister Toni wants a Britney Spears doll. I've been good.

Teri Hagle

I want a scooter, Barbie Beach, a Winnie the Pooh, a play phone, and a real phone for my Momma. Give me a brown Teddy, baby earring that are tiny, a new shirt. I have been good. I will give you Santa cookie with milk.

Love. Elisha Mata

I want a scooter and a monster game and I want five action figures that move and a turkey taht gobbles when I push a button. I want to give my Poppa a toolbox and my sister wants a Beach Barbie and my Grannie wants a sewing box. My Momma wants all the games of Winnie the Pooh. My Great, Great Grandpa wants toolbox. I have been real good.

Love, Marcus Torres

Mom wants something breakable that we can just look at. I want a Barbie that can spin around, a Barbie that is getting married and a Barbie beach and my brother Taylor wants a Woody. I've been kinda good. Nanna wants something breakable too.

McKenzie Hooper

I want a scooter, a checker game, a blue bike, a basketball, a soccer ball and eleven cars. Bring my mom a Rudolph glass. Bring my Dad a Santa Claus clock. Israel wants a Rugrat watch. I want a watch, too. Becky wants a Barbie doll. I have been good. Would you like Oreo cookies and milk?

Love, Isaac Nunez

I want a real football, a stuffed animal cat, a coloring book, a Winters Blizzard football jersey, a desk that can go in my house. My Mom specially needs new shoes. Dad needs money, he is out. He also needs a watch. My brother needs a bed. My sister need clothes. My bigger sister needs shoes. Her other ones are crusty. I have been trying to be good!

Love, Jared Smith

I want a Scooter, a skateboard, a Backstreet Boys watch and a fishing pole. I've been a good boy. Kolton Garcia

I want Mary Kate and Ashley playing soccerball and a picture of my dog and a picture of my mom and dad and a doll like I get for my birthday in the big plastic box, the big Barbie doll. I want a picture of Mrs. Butler my teacher and a swimming Barbie doll

Kaitlyn Lindley

I would like to have a T-Rex, a trampoline and a toy train I can play with in my room. I want a gray watch. I want my Dad to have tools to work on wood. Mommy wants new shoes. My brother wants a motorcycle. I want a motorcycle, too. I have been perfect this year. I hope you like chocolate cookies and milk.

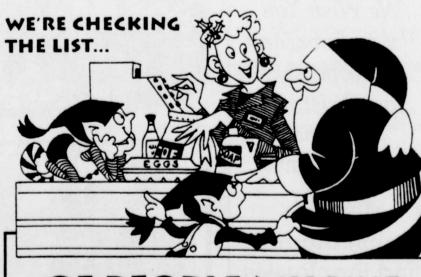
Love, Jake Prade

Please bring me a Jennie in the Bottle Barbie, a dog colorig book, GoFish cards, a Bingo game, colors and a stuffed rabbit and a cat. Bring Mommy a ring. Grandma wants a pink flower. I have been good this year. I will leave you a snack of chocolate cookies and milk. Love,

Samantha Rodriguez

I want a helicopter, a toy one, a toy roller racer, a toy nice boat. I want real skates. I want a toy night skater. They are hard to pay for. My brother I think wants a kind of thing that rolls with two wheels on the front and back. I have been some nice. I'll leave you a hamburger and fries.

James Wilkerson



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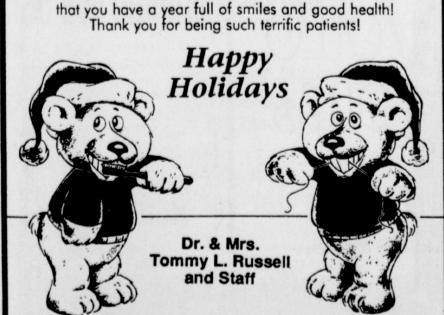


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Love, Cristina Tamez



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I want a dinosaur, a bicycle, a big monkey with stuff in it, some blocks that are black and white, glue, markers, crayons, a guitar, a cage with people and police, cars that brown and green, Pokemon stuff and new scissors. My brother wants the same as I do. My mom needs some with sparklers and my brother wants a and a book so she can read to us and a picture of Power Rangers. I want some light and some rice to cook and a tiger flowers for my mom and some pants for Blizzard and candy cones and a black marker. Dad needs paint, a trash can and a swing for me and my brother and a remote control race car and toy flowers. My sister needs a new dress and another dress. I have been kinda goot at home and

> Love, Edmund Tamez

I want a toy dog, and a little kitty and a little mouse toy, and a little teddy bear and a little toy star. My mom wants a ring. Dad needs a little flag that he can hang up outside. I have been real good this year. I will leave you chocolate cookies and milk.

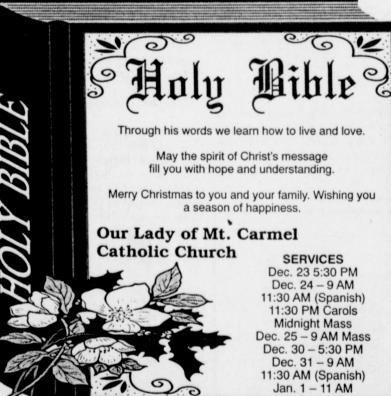
Love, Randa Watson

paper and a new book to cook lunch with, a new clock and some stuff for her lips

motorcycle. Love, Samantha Sanchez my dad a pair of gloves. Love,

for Ana and a cassette player for Cindy. Diego Sanchez

Love, Lane Gibbs



I love you! I want a skate board, a little I want some books to read and a toy horse, a real dog that is white and a Barbie with clothes, and a picture of you. toy rabbit. I want a toy gun. I want you My sister wants some pictures or someto bring my mom a mirror. Stone Cold thing of Ricky Martin and my brother toys for my brothers. Bring my dad some wants CD's and they have bad words in gloves and tools. I have been real good them. Dad wants stuff from Radio Shack and mom gold necklace or rings.

Love, Erica Lerma

CONTROL CONTRO

his year.

Love,

to my Grandma.

Eusebia Reyna

Love,

Love,

good this year.

need a puppy.

Love,

Tevin Starkey

Love, Audrie Reyes

Berenice Garcia

Nathan Rodriguez

I want a real horse. I like you Santa. I

want a real lion in the backyard that is

tied up and I will feed him everyday. I like horses and lions. Merry Christmas

to all the children. I want mom to have a

pretty angel and my dad a rabbit. I hope

you bring flowers to mom and a suprise

I have been very good and I clean my

room. Please bring me a pink motorcycle,

a doll that talks and a doll house with

dolls. I also want some painting things.

My sisters want clothes and books to

read. Bring my brothers some cassettes, a ring for my mom and a hat for my dad.

I love you! I want a baby doll and a

bike and a Barbie and an angel that's

breakable. Bring a doll for my sister and

a bike for my brother. My mom wants

some clothes and a jacket for my dad.

Bring my grandma an angel. I have been

I want Scratch #1 and Scratch #2, a Barbie car, and a Barbie. My brother wants a rumble packa and a remote control race car. For my mom I want a remote control truck. My dad needs some gloves. Amber needs a stocking holder. I have been very good this year.

Love, Hanna Johnson

I love you! I want lots of books and presents. I want 100 Barbies, girl and boy Barbies. My sister likes Barney and Tele Tubbies so bring her those. I hope that we are safe here and I want a Mermaid Barbie. My mom wants a ring and she is getting real baby. My dad wants a CD about wrestling.

> Love, Brittany Gray

I want a Barbie bike, a coloring book, a book to read, a bear, a Barbie, and a computer. Judy wants some shoes and a coloring book, crayons and some books and some markers. My mom wants some earrings and some rings. Dad wants a wallet.

Love, Veronica Garcia

Santa my birthday is February the 15th. I want a scooter and playmaster truck...My mom wants a candl. My dad wants a chanul chanjer... Hayden Nitsch, Age 6

I have been good at school. I would like a blue bike. Also a robot toy and a remote-control car. My little sister wants a baby doll. Could you please give my mom some money. My big sister wants clothes. My dad wants a real car. We also watch everybody.

I have been very good. Please bring me a Baby Bom, a Chucky cheese pizza, a Barbie nail salon and a doll that talks. Vanessa would like a Baby I know. We also would like a Barbie video game. My mom wants a jacket and my dad needs a

I have been a good boy. Please bring me a red motorcycle, a train set, a doll Also could you bring my mom a ring and

I want a Big Buz Lightyear, a Sony play station, a race car with remote control, and a big firetruck with remote control and a Panda bear and a toy Santa. I want a Barbie for my sister and a Barbie car. Mom and Dad don't get nothin' for Christmas because they are grown-ups.

I want a Barbie, a baby, and a toy stuffed dog and another stuffed animal. Thomas wants a skate board and Matthew wants a race car. Bring mom and dad something. I don't know what they want. I have been good this year. I know you

Love, Ashley Doty

I want you to bring me a race car. I want a blue truck and a game and a pool table. Bring my brother a car and lots of toys and my sister wants some Barbies, and for my dad something for the car and for my mom bring her something she likes.

Love, Rica Campos

I have been "kinda of" good this year. I want a wagon 'cause mine is all dirty. I want a little Barbie with remote control and a little car with remote control, a CD player and some new Adidas shoes. I want a new massager thing for my dad and for my mom a new thing with makeup, lotion and perfume. I love you.

Justice Hubbard

I want a remote control car and a Santa book and a Santa puzzle and a boy teeth necklace. My sister wants a Barbie and a Santa Book and an ABC puzzle. I want my dad to have flowers to give to my mom and some flowers to give to Maria. I love you Santa. I want a ring and earrings for my mom. Love,

Ryan Luera

I love you! I want a baby that has alot of stuff like a bottle and a little cup and Pampers for the doll. I want a real dog that barks, that barks real loud. My mom needs some shoes and a new shirt for my dad. I want a toy stuffed dog too. I want a plant for my mom.

Love, Daisy Martinez

I want a scooter, and a bicycle, a toy dog, and a scooter for my brother and some blocks. Both my sisters want a doll and Beck is the biggest. Bring some flowers for my mom and a scooter too for my dad. I have been good this year. My brother and sisters have been good too.

Jorael Nunez

MRS. SNEED'S FIRST GRADE CLASS

I want a racing car and a scooter and a robot dog and a truck and a CD that is wite and a skate brd. I luv you. Billy Ray



BRIANNA MESEY HAS HER "FIR" all decked out for the holidays during the third grade musical "Christmas on Candy Cane Lane." Joining in the festivities is (left) Lucy Butler.

I want to have a Barbe and a stuft dog and cat and a barbedall and a woch and I I want a barby and a pichr of you. I am am going to leev you a glas uv melk and going to leve you a snack. I am hoping same cookies and a robotodog. I have bin you like it. I want julry. I hope you git it a good girl. how is Roodoff? I want to for me. I want my mom to have a baby. get a reall dog!

Love, Michelle Kruse

My name is Mark. I am 7 years old. I want a bike. I want a pokeman cards. My brother wants some cards. I have been good. I am going to leave you milk and

Mark Zamahiego

I want a foobal for Christamas and my mom wahts a new frame and my dad wants a lawn mower and my brother wants a car and my siste wants a camaro. Joey Salinas

> With heartfelt gratitude for the pleasure of serving you this past year. We hope everyone enjoys a very happy and healthy holiday season. Hatler Insurance

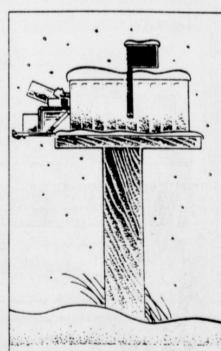
Agency Jim & Kim

THE BEST GUV. From the opening of the season to the wrap-up, may you enjoy many good times. You're the best! Winters Beauty Salon

Naomi Switzer

My name is Naomi Switzer. I am six.

Sheryl Webb

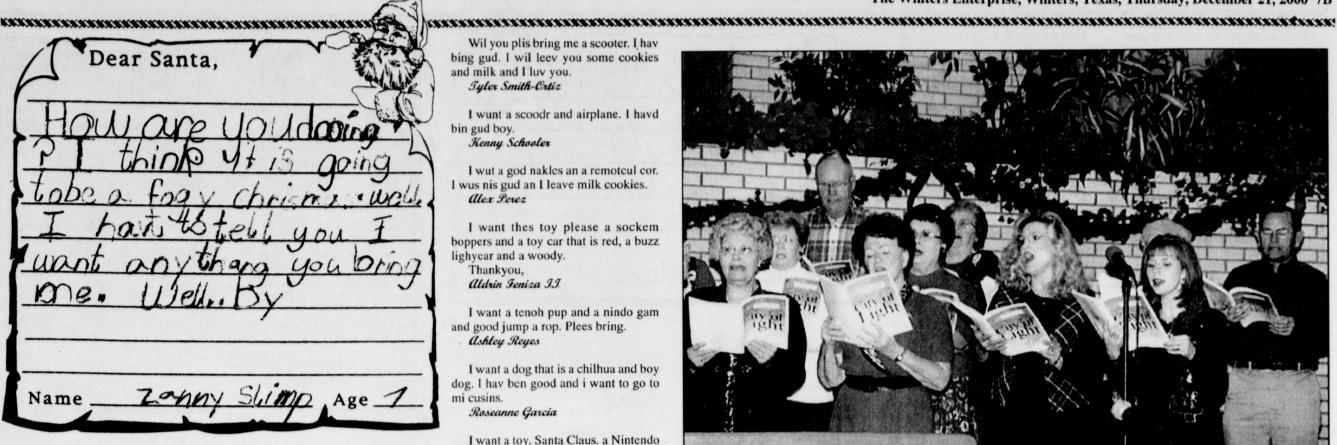


Just dropping you a line to say, hope your season delivers in every way!" Merry Christmas!

Precinct 2 Commissioner **Keith Collom** 



With our warmest wishes... The Lelon Bryan Family



I went a crish-coss-crash and boogie bass, and dinosaurs and 48 cronuons and some Pockemon cards and my Mom give her some joowerly like rings and a neckles. And my dad give him some tools and Ana give her a cd player and me a computer and III give you some cookes and milk.

Joe Gallegas

I want a bedset. I want a reel pupe. In I want a jeep big jeep. In I want a bode. In I want a big dohas. I will giv you cooke. I bin good Santa. I luv you,

Shantel Ware

I love you Santa? Please give me Santa. A cat and dog Santa. And give my Moma and Dad a car Santa. My brtha is in Jun 24. Santa please give me a Barbe Santa. I will give you a snack. I live at 205 Tickl Streat.

Lacey Jashea

I want a toy Woody and a Rockettop set. A toy Dinosaur set. A toy Reindeer sleal set. A toy Elephant. A stufft Bull. A Rinosrus. A power Ranger. A Ken's pet shop. I'll leve you a glass of milk. And a plat full of cookies. Archie Mills

I want a kicking T and a .22 gun, and my house is by West Dale and my mom would like a gold truck to go to whork and my dad wuold and my cousin Chris would like a footboll for his teme. Alex Brown

My name is Crystal. I want something like a barbie to play with it. Can I have polishnail and I have been a good girl. and I want a angel and I want a hairdeals

Crystal Sanchez

My name is Noe. I want stuff reindeer named Rudolf and a raccar and a stuff dog and a los of pass because my street is 504 Bowe.

My name is Chris Perez, could you bring me a X-men toy. And would you bring me a bunch of games. Are your ranedir bin good. I was just wunder if you were ok. Good luck! Chris Perez

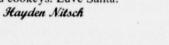
Mi name is Jonathan. Mi mom wunts a lonmor. Sartoi wunt a Jet. I wunt a helicopter. I bin good Santa. I wunt to have a lonmr. I wunt a pokemon. Mi sister wunts a doll. Ionathan Jamez

I want a scooter. I want a boat. I have been good. I will leave you crackers. Dillan Martinez

I would like a bike and a football. i bin good. I will lev you some milk anmd cooces. I like you James Martinez

Mom wants something breakable that we can just look at...I have been kinda good...Nanna wants something breakable, too.

Santa, my Birthday is February the 15 th. I want a scooter and playmastertruck and Pokeman theme set and football and football and scateboard. My mom wants a candl. My dad wants a chnul chanjer. I have ben good. I will give you sume milk and cookeys. Luve Santa.

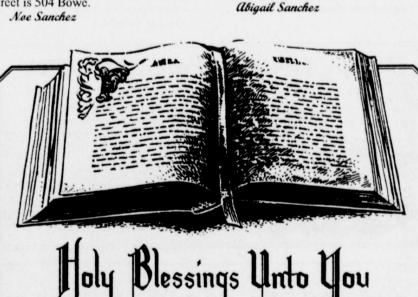


MRS. CAVAZOS'S

FIRST GRADE CLASS

I will bake the elves and you some coocies and milk. I want a jumprope for Christmas. The End. Aureliana Sout

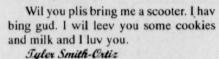
I wood lik a Brbe and i have ben good at scool. I love ou Santu Clos.



earth be filled with the blessings of peace, love, as we celebrate the Miracle that is Christmas.

Winters Funeral Home Mike Meyer Linda Dry





I wunt a scoodr and airplane. I havd bin gud boy. Kenny Schooler

I wut a god nakles an a remotcul cor. wus nis gud an I leave milk cookies. Alex Perez

I want thes toy please a sockem poppers and a toy car that is red, a buzz lighyear and a woody.

I want a tenoh pup and a nindo gam and good jump a rop. Plees bring. Ashley Reyes

I want a dog that is a chilhua and boy dog. I hav ben good and i want to go to

Roseanne Garcia

Aldrin Feniza II.

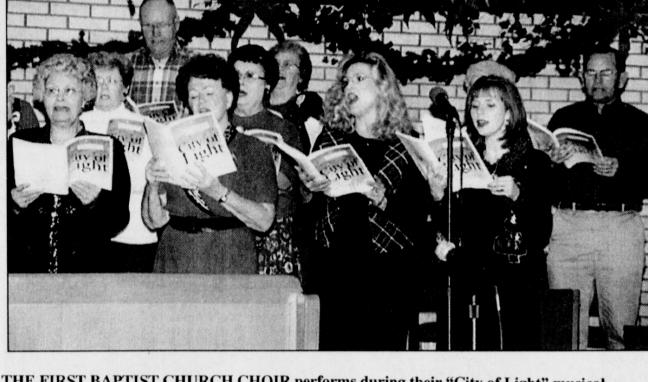
I want a toy. Santa Claus. a Nintendo game a puppy glue a football and a bat a football whiteboard football a Dragonball 2 movies with some stamps and an inkpad stamps and rabbit.

Sebastian Martinez

and so can you get a scoodre. Cristan Sandoval

I wanta Dijeemon toy and a Dijeemon mooves and a parag toy and a computer and a parag ced. I have bin good. Tomas Lugo

McKenzie Hooper, Age 5



#### I have good gradse on my homwrok THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH CHOIR performs during their "City of Light" musical.

I have been good this year please bring me a Barbie, shoes, a dress, a coloring book, some crayons, markers, and Barbie house, a book, stickers, glue and a pencil box. I love u. Thank you.

Basilia Aragon

I have been good this year. Please bring me a bike, a Barboy doll a Santa Claus doll and a boy doll Santa. I would also pants shirts, sweater, a watch, a book, a Teddy bear, and a new puppy. Thank you very much. I live in the house with my dad.

Luke Hernandez

#### MRS. PARAMORE'S **1ST GRADE CLASS**

I bin a good boy. I want a G.I. Joe. I want mitts for me. I want a vacumedenre. want a cloc. I want VCR. I love you

Nicholas Kraatz



HALEY KACZYK, age 7, was one of the Winters Elementary second graders who recently caroled for senior citizens at the nursing home. Residents Josephine Luna (left) and Nada McMillan were delightfully entertained.

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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

The Stitchin Post

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Have a jolly

good boliday!

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Wishing you and your family

health, prosperity, and joy.

Thanks for your kind patronage. We will be closed Friday,

December 22; Monday & Tuesday,

December 25 & 26; AND Monday, January 1, for the holidays. We will be

open Wednesday, December 27, through Friday, December 29.

ples and a bow and some erose. I wont a bike. I am 7. Cameron Bean I bin a good boy. I wont a scoodr. I

I am Cameron Bean. I wont a drtbike

wont two rolablas. I wont two woccetoce. I wont a reemot crl cat. What have you been doing Santa I bin

> wut a doll. Santa I wut a scoodr. Santa I wut a dog. Santa I wut a swimin pooll. Santa I wut a bolebol. Santa I wut a horse. Sara Perez I want reel hand cuffs with a ky and a

a good girl. Santa I wut a car. Santa I

big robot and a toy robot. I have ben a good boy. I am going to leve you coockees. How have you bin Santa. Rey DeLaCruz

I wont a basckbo and sckates with btatrs. I bin good. I wont a box uf colors. I Love Santa.

Megann Willborn

I bin a good girl. I wunt for crsms is a wagin and a toy. Toy hancubs. I wunt a boy doll. I wunt a toy BrBc hat with BrBs. I wunt rolrblas. I luv Santa.

Kristina Diaz

I luve Santa. I wot a bike. I wot my mom to mare har boyfrin, haw are yor

#### Robert Coppage

I wunt a brbe. I wunt a babayfrbe. I wunt a brbiedals. I wunt a cumpudre. I wunt a markers. I wunta a crayons.

ChelSea Lozano I what a play stayshin two and a backetball and a gameboy color and a play stayshin games. Dear Santa I bin a good boy. I what a scooder.

Fabian Esquivel I wut a little pup. I bin a good boy. a backet boll. I wut a car. I wut a toys. I wut big toy. I luf you Santa. I wut a little

red card. Paul Reyna

I wunt a baboyfrbe. I wunt a brbie dals. I wunt a compudre. I wunt a pokmon markers. I wunt a 24 crayola. Salena Aleman



My mom wants a Holiday Barbie. Please bring my dad a micorphone for church...I have been good...I will leave you popcorn and rootbeer.

Phillip Samaniego, Age 5

I wut a Brbe jet and a PlaStasn and I I wut a Brbe doll. I wut the moon. I love

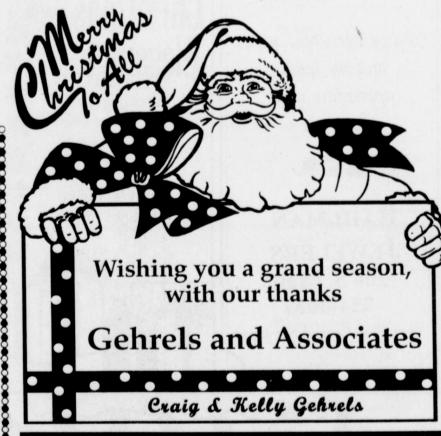
Emalee Roshovsky

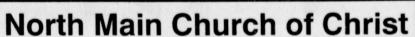
Can I hav a toy Santa for mc? I wunt a Brb. I wut a pikuch. Krissy Smith

MRS. COLBURN'S FIRST GRADE CLASS

I want a scooter and a soldier car and power ranger and a car. I been a good boy. I will give you some cookies and milk. That's all.

Love, Charlie Jamez







Wishes everyone a Very Merry Christmas

#### Schedule of Services December 24

Sunday School 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM No Evening Service

Robert Reed will be Guest Preacher

What wood you do with awl your reindeers Santa? I wont a bicke. And Santa what evr what you wont to giv me is arerite to me. And Santa I wont a litle pupply Santa pleas what wood you do with awl your elves? Santa what what. And Santa I wont you to giv us a lot uv Snow plees plees.

Caitlin Kurtz

I wish and wish to have a pup and a brbe and nicks and Ihave a big Tret for you and for you to Rudolph you are the best reindeer. Rudolph and I like your nos I Love you Santa Claus. Have a good Christmas.

Love, Leellnn Taylor

I hope you get me a scooder and a drumset for Crismis. How are you doing at the Northpole how is Rudolph doing Santa. We love you. how good have I bin? How does your elves make toys.

Payton Middleton

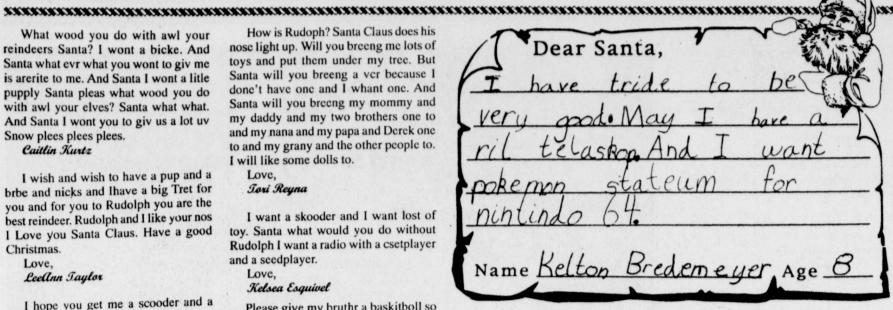
How is Rudoph? Santa Claus does his nose light up. Will you breeng me lots of toys and put them under my tree. But Santa will you breeng a ver because I done't have one and I whant one. And Santa will you breeng my mommy and my daddy and my two brothers one to and my nana and my papa and Derek one to and my grany and the other people to. I will like some dolls to.

Love, Jori Reyna

I want a skooder and I want lost of toy. Santa what would you do without Rudolph I want a radio with a csetplayer and a seedplayer.

Love, Kelsea Esquivel

Please give my bruthr a baskitboll so I can pracest for pips because we are going to do a pformis and we got to pacist. Pease give me a bo and ero. Hal are you doing?



On crismiseef I wunt a sedeplaer for crismis and sedes for it. One of uor randier has a red nones. Does it snos a lot at the norfpoe?

John O'Brien

I want a skate bers and skates and Rudolph the reindeer me Mom want robot dog pink. Me Dad want a big sepebag. Mchael wants Toy Mark wants cat Boo wants a gift.

Love, Andrew Chavis

I am good. Do you no that I wont a skuter and a brand now Skat bord and a yo yo and gogls and a pet rabit and ples a fish a hat and a jack in the box. How is Rodof

Strait Daniel

#### MRS. LINCYCOMB'S SECOND GRADE CLASS

I hope you and Mrs. Closs are doing fine in the northpole. Pleas come to my house. Can I have a new bike pleas Santa. And a horse and a cat please.

Crystal Trevino

How are you and Mrs. Clause. I hope roodof still has his shing nose. I have been tring to be good so you better come to Ableine because I would be there. I would like a skateboad shanan please.

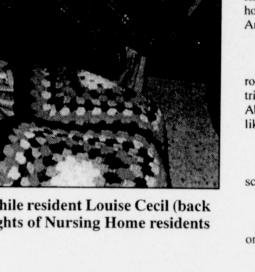
Kori Gallimore

I want a new craons plees, and a new scooter scatbord, and a new tricicl. Tyler Lincoln

How are you? I wont a hoow scooter or a bicke. If you hav a nuf mune. Roman Garcia

Evrebode thenks Kresmos is abowt geing toys at Kresmos. I have bene tryng to be good but a boy is makeing me be bade. I wont a gameboy. I thenk my brother wonts a gone. I wod like a amasing alcl.

Miranda Torrez



RAUL PEREZ GIVES A GREAT BIG HUG to Ethel Wheeler while resident Louise Cecil (back left) and second grader Roman Garcia (standing) take in the sights of Nursing Home residents and second graders sharing Christmas joy.



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m ishing}$  you a sterling holiday season, with an unbroken chain of

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golden moments.

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I have bin good so I woont a sled for Crismis. And a per uv gogls for Crismis. I wish and wish for a gotecart. But I wunt And how era you and miss Clos. Love,

Jack Pritchard

I wot a doll and a pet and it is fish. I wot to macke a gift for mi buthr and it is a pet dog. I wot to no what macks teh lit go on? I wot a gift for me and it is a cat.

I wold like a doll her name is Hether.

Ashley Castilla

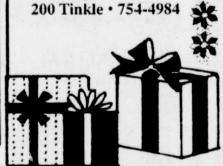
My brother wuntss a manster truck. My mom wuntss pyjase. My dad wantss a woch. I will leev you sum cookys and milk and youmust take sum cookys to misis clos. Sarah Lara

I wonte a dionosar not jist a dinosar the dinosaur I wont is a losturatr. Santa how is Rudolph. How are your reindeer fly. I luv you.

Wishing you

and yours the best Christmas ever!

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I wish for a game NFel blizz 2000 and a skooter and how is Rudolf doing and how are the aver reindeer doing and how are the elves doing how can you fly and how can you care toys. Love,

Riley Ripley



Where there is great love... there are always miracles.

Wishing you a miraculous Christmas! The Lairds Jeanene, Justin, Ashley & Jason





# GREETINGS OF THE SEASON

At AEP-West Texas Utilities, we value a good relationship with our customers and we will continue to work hard to serve you with safe, reliable power during 2001.

On behalf of the employees at AEP-West Texas Utilities, we extend to you and your family our wishes for a season filled with warm, happy memories.





CONTROL CONTRO I can't wait any longer for Chrismas to arrive. Santa I want a scooter with blue wheels on it and I want a new bike that is blue and green. Oh I forgot something I want a panda to.

Abby Guy

I have deer food will you mide if you feed the deers please. And Santa will you give us a lote uv toy my brother wants a scooder and I want two uv them. I hope your fine.

J.J. Johnson

Hi Santa. How are you and Mrs. Claws doing I want a skatbourd but I want a little one. I want a Pokemon, I want two Pokemon card. I want a bike that dosint go flat. I want some crayons. Scott Curry

I love you very much. I would like to meet ou and your raindeer. I would like all the Harry Potter books, a gameboy and all the games, all the pokemons and all

the Baily School kids and all the spensers Adventurs. Sencerely yours truly, Kayla Hightower

Hello Santa. How are you? Can I please have a playstation game cald Rugrats in Parise. C.J. Johnson

I cant wait for you. I want a scooter. I want a nekle. I want a dog. I want a leash. Your friend,

Devin Martinez I have tride to be a very good girl this year. I wood like a dog and a little house cullechshen.

Love, Haleigh Edge

> ...My bigger sister needs shoes. Her other ones are crusty...

Jared Smith, Age 5

For Christmas playstation, gameboy,

I want a doll it calls my real baby and

I wold like a fourweeler for Christ-

I want a Toy traeler and a toy cop car

I am happy about Chistmas. I hope

I feel so good, Christmas will be here

I want a playstation cd it is ajet fighter

cd. I want a present it is a playstation it is

called snowboard 2001 and a present for

my mom it is a base with water with flow-

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and civ

I was

Love, Jared

I want

Love, Riley

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Jared.

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pennys f boat 6000

so very soon! I'd like an ant farm, a set

up cheerleading bear. I will also feed your

raindeer too! Because I feed you too! But

could you try to bring me Snow!

you are too. And I hope you let it snow

because I can make a snow angel.

an a 105 pises puzzle and I want a big

Toy monster truck and a big big cd player

mas. And a truck and snow and a raindear

and can I pick. please if you said yeas I

a Barbie car and a Barbie and a suprise

for my mom. I love a toy that looks like

you and I love you Dear Santa.

pick rudof the red nose riandear.

that is what I want this year.

Devon Shackelford

sega dream gast, low rider bike, a jar of

pickles, modles of low Ride cars, goatcar,

fowrwheeller, glow in the dark goose.

Estevan Nava

Nelly Espina

Drey Richards

Jose Llanas

Lisa Dees

Nico Campos

#### MRS. OLIVER'S SECOND GRADE CLASS

I want a lots of C.D.'s for my CD player and some Gooze for Christmas and my mom wants some cross earrings for Christmas and my sister wants anything for Christmas and my brother wants a new guitar and my Dad wants a backscracher.

Haley Kaczyk

I want a nintendo and a football and a toy airplane and a skate and a book. Miguel Rodriguez

I want a skatebord and I want a nintendo 64 game called armirins and Tork and Tork 2 and Tork 3 and Tork 4 and Tork.

Dillion Lindley

I want a scatebord a Game Boy color a Scooter a poochee and games. Alex Sudduth

I want a puppy and a pony and a doll house too. and ann elephant doll, and a

Xylephanie Blackshear

I want a nintedo-64 and a computger and a goatcar and a fake telephone and some space ships with a little man in it so he could fly in it and my last things are a big radio with some cd's.

Alonso Flores

#### MRS. McBETH'S SECOND GRADE CLASS

I wood like to have real gold. I want to get my mom a exersize mashean. I wod like to get my dad a new dart. I want to get my how famly a skorter. Kody Perry

I want a bike. I want a gold scoote. Ashley wants a computer. I want a elephant and a Backstreet Boys C.D. Love,

Cheyenne Smith

I would like for Crismas is a scooter and a computer my mom won'ts a car and my brothers wants cothes and shoes and my sisters wan'ts a new bike. My friend Kaitlynm wan'ts a computer. Ashley DelaCruz

Happy Holidays From All Of Us With best wishes to you and your flock for a holiday season that's brimming with



glad times and good fellowship. Your warm friendship makes us proud. Thank you!

The Employees of Benny Polston, CPA

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of the season!

bring you and yours all the blessings

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I want a bike for John a scooter for

Jesse scooter for Hannah bracelat for

Riley Briton Spears for Jared N Sine for

Kody a motorcycle for Derek a basket-

My little brother wants a scooter for

Christmas. And a new nintindow game.

And I want a C.D. its called D.J. And I

want a bairbe doll. And a poo chi a col-

I would like to have a camaro and a

Please may you bring my grandma a

car may you bring me a scooter may you

bring me and my brothers any game may you bring all of us sept Jayliss a com-

MRS. MEYER'S

SECOND GRADE CLASS

bike, Dancin Debby doll, magical mer

games to go with it, boxing gloves

I would like a Christna Auilra C.D.,

I would like a gameboy color, some

I would kike a neckless, a soccer ball,

400 South Main

Closed Dec. 25

puter may you bring me a football

football. My sister would like a britany

spears barbie doll that sings. Brianna

ored one and a dow machin one.

and civic organization float division during the annual Christmas Parade on December 9.

ball for Jordan a baseball.

Raul Perez

Love,

Love,

Love,

Jordan Tamez

David Reyes

Joselyn Soto

Wishing you a

Bright and Beautiful Holiday

**Wes-T-Go Convenience Store** 

Kelsea Garcia

would like a doll house.

Kaitlyn Johnson

I want some real gold and some

I want a Gameboy color and a skeeter

2. for Jesse a big bike and a scooter

7. new glasses for John O'Brien

I whant the new scooter 2000 I whant you Santa to give my mom a black pan-

ther stachu and a big red and for my dad

I would like to have a kitten for me

I would like a scooter and a bike. I do

I wont a Doll and a Dear and booke

and BackStreet and a kangaroo toy and a

computer and a wach and a toy but. Love

want a N'Sinc watch and a skatbord and

for Riley a ring. for my brother a

8. for dad fishing tank and fish

and a new bike and a Brittany Spears doll.

pennys for my little nephew Ty morter

boat 60000 Chex an a serfbord.

Jared Cortez

Riley Spill

1. for Raul a bike

3. for Hannah a B.S. doll

5. for Jared a insinck doll

I whant to give Him 2Q\$ bucks.

4. for Riley a B.S. doll

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John K. Smith

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radio.

Derek Smith

Hannah Lugo

Jesse Butler

Alexis Rodriguez

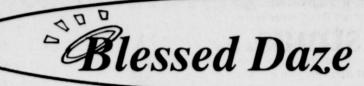
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Love,





# Deck the Halls (and maybe your helpers)

for Christmas? Isn't it great fun! (I also believe I'll get a Mercedes for Christmas).

Seems like I remember last year making some solid oath and carving it in stone (probably made out of fruit cake) that I would not get frazzled when it came time to dress our home, sweet home, for the holidays this year.

If I could find that stone, I'd probably chunk it at my sweet honey darlin' right now.

First, we're three weeks behind schedule. Guess it's hard to sing "Let It Snow, Let It Snow" when it was 93 degrees outside and everybody was wearing shorts.

And just because it was 125 degrees in the attic did not give hubby a good reason to get moody. Nor did the fact that he had to step over the trunk, rocking chair, old cheerleader stuff, and a new secret bicycle while trying not to fall through the sheetrock.

I would like a per of skase, some

I would like a dog and a scooter and a

I would like a soccor ball, skatebord,

scates, new close for school, and a new

I would lik a skooter a Batlship.

I would like a C.D. player, and a cam-

I would like a toy and I would like a shirt

and a scooter and I would like a pants

I would like a bike, a football, a

era, and film, a book, and a tape.

I would like Battleshep.

Kailee Johnson

Clent Bryan

and a gun and a belt.

E.J. Hendricks

Jarred Briley

scooder.

roster then i would like a hine then rabit

cprese, some iserts, some wide leg, and a

cleckler Doll and Barbie clekter.

Amber Blackshear

for chrismis.

Jose Rangel

Wesley Hagle

So, under my constant "guidance", we finally got down all 46 boxes of Christmas decorations. I even ignored the insinuation from hubby accusing me of packing canned goods at the bottom of every box in an attempt to collect life insurance each time he maneuvered down the attic stairs.

As he tackled the stairs, I took a walk down memory lane.

Back when our kids were energetic teenagers (that 15 minutes of fame thing), I decided to enlist

I would like a scooter and a game and mioves and lots of presents. Raymond Rodriguez

I would like to have tweety shoes, rings, necklies, close, earings, a lots of presents.

Bianca Carrillo

I would like some Pokemon cards and I would like 1. Gameboy, Sabrina 2 pokemon 2. Barbie 3. furbi Babye 4. Compurer 5. car the Barbie 6. house the

> I would like a furby little bike, and a little butterfly pillow, a little hart pillow a little rill kittin, rill little puppy, rill com-

> > Bibiana Mendoza

Karen Martinez

Shelby Gehrels I would like a comeputeter, beritny spirs doll, dress shoose with shiney orineuls on them.

I would like sum shoose and I would like a belt and I would like a pen fore

Here's hoping your holiday's a-bloom with joy and laughter.

**Runnels County Judge** Marilyn Egan



Merry

Christmas!

Joyous greetings of

holiday cheer to

one and all.

We appreciate your

loyal patronage this past year.

Sharon, Barbie, Fran, and Helen

Have you finished decorating their help. You can imagine that because he could plug them in and they were thrilled beyond words, although I think I heard them

> muttering something. So to help get them in the holiday spirit, I put on my Bing Crosby Christmas music. Just imagine their excitement. (Guess I should also confess that I had to promise pizza and chocolate chip cookies to all workers).

As we unveiled all seventy parts of the artificial tree and tried to guess at the once color-coded branches, I remembered making a promise to myself the year before that I would definitely buy a new tree (although I must admit I had a unique fondness for this tree that resembled old toilet bowl brushes with smushed bristles).

Now you'd think that a fairly intelligent group of four would be able to figure out that the largest branches go at the bottom and then taper to the top. Then why did my tree look like it had been carved with a weed-eater run by Stevie Wonder? But in keeping with the festive mood, I remained silent about the odd shape and decided to be creative with the

Oh yes, the lights. I believe we had at least 25 strands of lights. Blinking, not blinking, colored, all-white, indoor and outdoor, bubbles and flower kinds of lights. What potential!

So I assigned the task of checking the lights to my brilliant son

eat five dozen white powered donuts at the same time. And he could do all this while lying on the floor.

After passing such a grueling test, the good lights were thrown in one pile and the others in another pile which later got mixed up because we ran out of donuts and had a crisis.

But it really didn't matter about testing the lights because once we got them on the tree, they started to short-circuit and then just quit altogether. And you know this only happened after all the other decorations were piled on layer after layer.

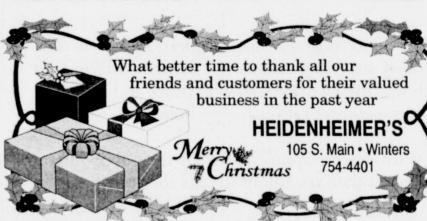
I had high hopes that putting on the decorations would go a little smoohter since my precious daughter volunteered to help. I guess you could call it help - if you didn't mind waiting until she finished solving the world's problems via her vast telephone net-

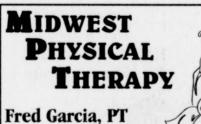
But in spite of the light situation, the donut crisis, a dozen sibling fights, hubby trying to watch the football game, and a hundred phone call interruptions, we managed to finish decorating the tree.

And not only did we finish the tree without great bodily harm to one another, we even managed to hum a line or two with ol' Bing.

Guess it just goes to show that Christmas is definitely a time of miracles — and great blessings! Merry Christmas!





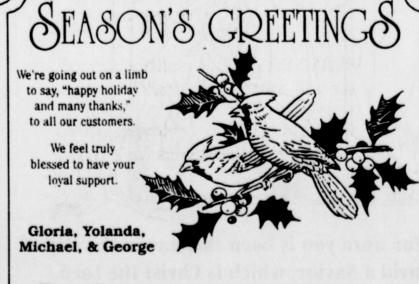


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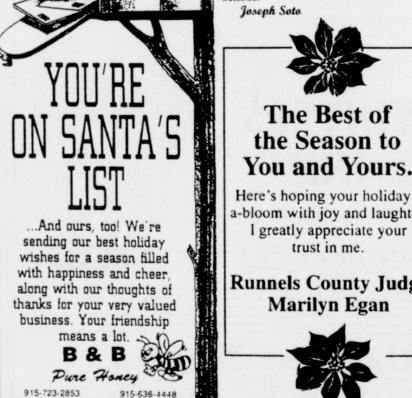


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Yuletide carols.

Christmas carols.
Hark the Herald Angels Sing.
Rocking around the Christmas tree.
It's the most wonderful time of the year.
Sleigh rides.

T'was the night before Christmas. Merry Christmas to you. Away in a manger.

Santa Claus is coming to town.

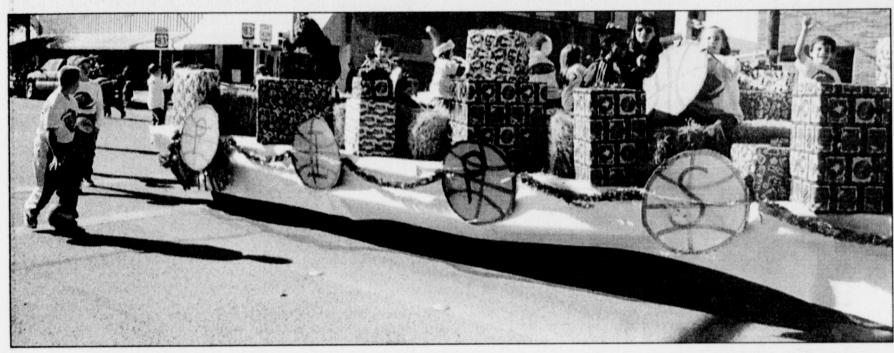
Our Christmases were spent at our grandparent's house. They had a Christmas tree with an Angel on top. There was also an ornament on the tree for each grandchild. Each grandchild had a stocking hanging on the fireplace.

This is in loving memory of our Grandfather and our Dad. We Love You,

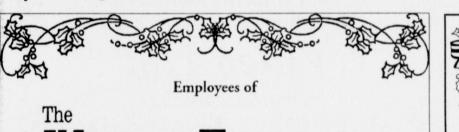
Marie and Judy Spill



J.J. SILVA AND WALTER COLLINS share a bit of fellowship after the Winters Elementary second graders sang Christmas carols to the residents of the Winters Nursing Home last week. Also enjoying the music was (left) Frank Collins.



TAKING FIRST PLACE in the school organization float division at the Christmas Parade were Winters PIP students. The Players In Progress kids displayed their basketball skills while having tuns of fun!



# Winters Enterprise

Join you in prayer and celebration in this time of joyous remembrance of His birth, offering our hopes for a world filled with peace and love. Best wishes for a healthy, happy holiday.

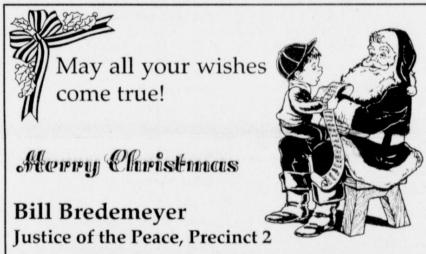
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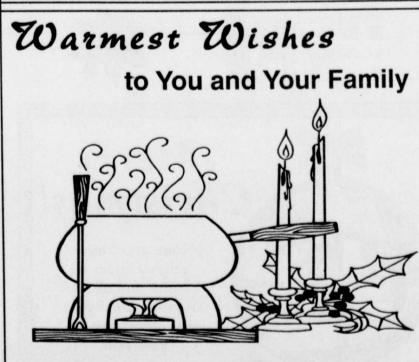


"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord."









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Let's have an old-fashioned Christmas With the scent of spice and pine; With the bright glow of firelight And soft candle shine, With loved ones all gathered To feast and celebrate; With carols at twilight And staying up late. Let's read the old story From Luke, once again; Filling all hearts anew With good will to men. Let's put up our cares And lay trouble to rest, While we celebrate Christmas And give it our best. And our old-fashioned Christmas Will shine like a star In memory's treasures Wherever we are.



The late Jane Boese of Elk City, Oklahoma, is the aunt of W.C. Woffenden and the great-aunt of Rene Woffenden, both of Winters. She is the mother of nine boys and one girl, raising all ten children as a single mother. An award-winning poet, Aunt Jane would sendoriginal poems as a Christmas greeting each year—a different one to each family! Aunt Jane passed away this fall, but Rene was kind enough to share this "tradition"—from a collection of her poems

