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## The

# Winters Enterprise <br> \author{ Thursday, December 21, 2000 

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Winters, Texas
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Maybe if I look hard enough -


ALEX PETTY, 4-year-old son of Claudia and Z.
during the annual Winters Christmas parade.

## Annexations, sprinkler system ordinance approved by Council

He Wing min reguar meeting of day. Decermety Council on Monbes sermerte, Councirl memfists public hearing date reeshe ing annexations. The following properties were approved for this round of annexations: All of these public hearings round har meseshmans Cherolet at will be at 6 . .m. at the city hall. 70 Steas Hey 1153 . Soader T. Thaste e at lio Noovice

Roand
 Billie Gistranardt al 204 Bishop
Irene Rios Meredith at 811 Reeves John Magee at 300 Roselane


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 struggling in the first game against Throckmorton. "That's why things turned out
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 Acannounced that North Runnels cess designation and the "cost Hospital has been recommended based" reimbursement can begin 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. way we are paid by Medicare," way we are paid
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.
The Swing Bed designation is The Swing Bed designation is subject to approval by the Health and will not be implemented right immediately. Stout says that congratulations
were the order of the day on De were the order of the day on De-
cember 15,2000 , for all hospital staff after they received word that the hospital had passed the Medicare inspection with "zero" deficiencie The facility had undergone rigorous ins.
and 15.
"The
"The employees worked hard to achieve this wonderful result," said Stout. "We are very proud of them all."
"This wa "This was pretty much a 'make Administrat. "Prayers have been answered nen

## From the Editor-

So that our employees may enjoy the holidays with their fami-
lies and friends, there will be no issue published on Thursday December 28.
The Winters Enterprise office will be closed on Monday, De cember 25, and will re-open on Tuesday, December 26. We will also be closed on Monday, January 1, 2001, and re-open on January 2 .
We wish all of our readers a very blessed and safe holiday seaso

Runnels County to participate in weather modification program

Runnels County commission- Abilene on a Case 621 C whee ers met for less than 10 minutes loader was accepted by the com| $\begin{array}{l}\text { on Friday morning to handle three } \\ \text { agenda items. }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { missioners. Price of the whee } \\ \text { loader was bid at } \$ 82,200 \text {. The }\end{array}$ |
| :--- | :--- | agenda items.

Commissioners passed a resoIution agreeing to participate in the West Central Texas Weather the West Central Texas Weather eommissio-year lease program Modification Association for a ject all bids fers then voted to re period of four years. Discussion road grader the Caterpillar 120G was held on the item at their Tues- ested in selling day meeting, but no action could Following act. be taken because it was not a items, commissioners ane three listed agenda item. No monetary Commissioner Skipper Wheeles figures were provided in the reso- was out of town on county busi lution to participate. ness and did not attend the meet The bid of C.A.S.E., Inc. of ing.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

21-1.30 a.m, Sr. Citizens Meal, Sry
SCHOOOL HOLDAYS BEGIN
2-11:30 a.m, Sr. Citizens Meal, St. Citizens Activity Center

Dec. 24.CHRISTMAS EVE
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Senior Citizens Activity Center Closed
The Winters Enterprise Closed
9 a.m. Winters Ministerial Alliance, First Baptist Church
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Noon, Lions Cluz, Sr. Citizens Activity Center Noon, Lions Club, Sire Ctition
7 p.m., WVF, Fins. American Legion
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

## Oil Bidness

By Reg Boles ©2000
Obituaries

It's time to make my annual Low stocks no longer necessarily predictions of what oil and gas indicate a coming shortage. prices will do in the coming year. will postpone having my head examined jus
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 gain.
But, enough about the past. On o 2001 and the new millennium Well, I expect a drop in price Well, I expect a drop in prices
hat will continue into the spring and moderate in the summer There is actually a lot of oil com ing into the market, including overproduction from OPEC, resurgent production from the ormer Soviet Union, strong production from South America and rates from renegade Iraq. OPEC foresaw this tance 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 ew highs at the time. Despite the bad PR resulting OPEC ministers in Vienna, these guys know the potential for overproduction will be very real as the weather warms up in the spring. note that oil prices, including fu lures three months out, are dropping as we speak.
But, down to b But, down to brass tacks. I be high $\$ 20$ 's during the first quar ter of 2001 , then dróp to the qua $\$ 20$ 's in the second quarter. The summer may bring a temporary esurgence in prices as the driv ing season starts and gasoline in entories become the center of attention, again. Prices will firm to the mid- $\$ 20$ 's and possibly
few dollars more. But, analysts few dollars more. But, analysts
will begin to understand that the refining industry continues to work on a thinner margin
stored product to maximize profit Oil prices will likely fall back uring the fall and end the year in the low $\$ 20$ 's. We may have seen the last of $\$ 30$ oil for a while, but likely to see oil less than $\$ 20$ per barrel. Now, on to the current indu try darling: natural gas. Prices are outrageous right now. The inability of the U.S. fuel ransportation system to deliver has sent shock waves through the natural gas market. Pipelines are drilled fast enough to keep up with increasing demand. The current hysteria will almost certainly drop back to some per cubic foot by Mely about \$6 see prices falling March. I do not hat, though. It is back beyond new natural gas supply will hit the market like the additional oil will. 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 Yes, drilling for of natural gas. Yes, drilling for natural gas is ac-
celerating, but natural gas is more celerating, but natural gas is more localized and an increase in pro-
duction in Indonesia does little to heat homes in Kansas. Plus, the amount of accelerated activity in he 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 levels.
That's it. I have laid myself bare to potential ridicule. Much like the last time I sang in $p$.
lic... but that's another story. Season's Greetings and Happy HIGHLIGHTS OFAREA
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Beryl S. Morris
MIDLAND-Beryl S. Morris, 92,
ay, December 17, 2000, in Midlan
She was born January 19, 1908, in Wolfe City, Texas Her faily noved to Runnels County when she was a baby. She married P.J, (Snap) Morris on December 15, 1933, in Coleman, and they moved 1989. She then moved to Midland.

Mrs. Morris was a homemaker and a member of the Southside Mrs. Morris
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 Win-
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 Home.


# 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 If I walked side by side with you for $\mathbf{1 0 0}$ miles-I could never fill your moccasins.

Euelyn CGarcia \& J.D. Lapez

## Subscription rates will increase on January 1

## Dewsprint, postage and general "While 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 in subscription prices. Beginning January 1, 2001, $\begin{aligned} & \text { when you consider that one soft } \\ & \text { drink or cup of coffee costs more }\end{aligned}$ subscriptions in Runnels County than a week's worth of commuwill be $\$ 17.00$ per year; out of county will be $\$ 21.00$ per year, and out of state will be $\$ 24.00$ per 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, unfortu"The staff of the Enterprise will continue to work diligently to provide the finest in news cov- erage for Winters and the surerage for rounding area. We deeply appreciate our readers and the support we receive." <br> The last increase in The Winters Enterprise rates was in January <br> Midwest Physical Therapy

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## Winters Enterprise

## Mary "Jo" King

## WINTERS - Mary "Jo" King, 73, died Tuesty, December 12

 2000, at an Abiliene hospial.She was born July 16, 1927 , in Winnsboro, Texas, and grew up in thar area. She married Donadd Lee king on August
Rosemead, California. They moved to Winters in 1988. Mrs. King had worked for Becknan Instrumenss, making medical instruments in South Pasadena, Califormia.
Survivors include her husband, Donald L. King of Winters; four brothers, Horice Chillon Brown of Winters, Robert D. Brown of For Worth, Nello Brown of Arington, and Delbert Brown of Yantis. Graveside services were at $2: 00$ p.m. Friday, December 15, at ing. Burial was directed by Winters Funeral Home

## John Hurley Gambrill

WINTERS-John Hurley Gambrill, 73, died Friday morning, Dember 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 Mary land; two brothers, Bo Gambrill and James Gambrill, both of Mary land; and three grandchildren.

## Nora Williams Schroeder

mEXIA-Nora Williams Schroeder, 84 , formelly of Paint Rock, died Wednestay, December 11, 2000, in Mexia.
She was borm on August 8 , 191 , in Cameron to Berry R . and Susan Whited Williams. In 1919 the family moved to Rowena wheres she attended school and later atended 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
They moved dos s. and moved their farm near Paint Rock.
She was preceeded in death by her husband in 1994; her parents; three brotherst two sisters; and one son.
Survivors include one son, Don Schroeder of Paint Rock; one
 Schroeder of Ballinger, one grandson, Erici Schroeder of Cedar Creek;
one granddaughter Julic Doniser of Dall ass one broter one granddauyhter Julie Doniges of Dalass, one brother, Doutlas
Williams of San Angelo one sister Dorothy Boremann of Bubbank Williams of San Angelo; one sister Dorothy Borgmann of Burbank,
California; and two great-grandchildren. California; and two great-grandchildren.
14, 2000, in the Protestant Cemetery in Rowena with Deacener Beach officiating directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home in Ballinger.

## Dickie Lloyd

## BENJAMIN -

 ay, December 15, 2000, at her residence. most of her life. She had lived in Benjamin the past eight years. She mastried 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 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 registered pharmacists.
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 Clowe of Benjamin; nine grandchildren, Jennifer and Jill Johnson, Lana 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. Higgins.
Suryors 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-grandchildden ; and 11 great, great-grandchildren. at the North Main Church of Christ with Hollis Talley, infficiating Burial followed in the Shep Cemetery directed by Winters Funeral Home.
A memorial service was held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, December 16, Pallberess
Memorials may be made to Christian Relief Fund, P.O. Box 19760,

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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.
of mimeograph machines, it was And duplicated... back in the days of mimeograph machines, it was somerds when the stencil wouldn't do its job, or the machine would balk. "This PESKY MACHINE!" would ring out of his mouth. I could This PESKY MACHINE! would ring out of his mouth. I could 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 yesterday, I found a couple of them. I'll share a portion of

## Dear Folks:

Dear Folks:
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 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 when you start h
of carrying on.
Then some reflections on his upcoming retirement. And some letter with the words, "Well, it's fun to be foolish. But, it's a joy to 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 promisfistoge withus 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 $\begin{aligned} & \text { between } 150 \text { and } 200 \text { of them. I write and duplicate. She gets the }\end{aligned}$ 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 original greeting was "Happy Holy Day," and then shortened to
"Happy Holiday." I really respect our postalemployees, whotake such "Happy Holiday." I really respect our postal employees, who take such good care of us, almost always with a smile. But whoever thought up 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 be
under their words.
Or, maybe even more like an EPISTLE, like what Paul and John and
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 goup to heaven 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 when Christmas came... can you imagine what they'd be writing? And, for that matter, what we'd be writing?



DANA' WHISPERS TO 'CHARLIE' in the Dessert Theatre performance of "A Birthday in 'Tana' is playesented Friday, December 1, by the drama team of First United Methodist Church. drew members by Tana Gibbs and 'Charlie' by Reverend Don Roath. The delightful comedy 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 2001.

Senior Citizens Activity Center Menu

North Runnels
Home Health Agency


Dee. 25 thru Dec. 29
Subjectroct change Monday, Dec. 25: Closed for

## FUMC Blackwood gospel concert cancelled due to singer's death

 First United Methodist Church was cancelled due to the recent death The gospel quartet was formed more than 65 years ago by threebrothers and a nephew in Choctaw County, Mississippi. Membership has changed during the years, but Cecil Blackwood had sung the bariDon Roath, pastor at FUMC, said the Blackwood family regrets
that they are unable to continue their tour for the remainder of the
everyone!
Tuesday, Dec. 26: Closed for Christmas.
Wednesday Wednesday, Dec. 27: Steak \&
gravy, mashed potatoes, green
beans, roll Thursday, Dec. 28: croquette, pork \& beans,
cornbread, and dump ca
Friday, Deo 29e Boef casse
role, pinto beans, coleslaw Senior Citizens Activity Center Menu



Jan. 1 thru Jan. 5
Subject to change Monday, Jan. 1: Closed for
New Year's! Happy 2001! Tuesday, Jan. 2: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, peas \& car-
rots, cornbread, and dessert. Wednesday,Jan. 3: Chicken \& gravy, scalloped
rolls, and cake. Thursday, Jan. 4: Spaghett with meat, tossed salad, green
beans, garlic bread, and des

Friday, Jan. 5: Chicken \& dumplings, pear and cottage
cheese, cheese sticks, crackers, and cobbler.


Poinsettias are native to Mex
ico.They were named after AmerWomen's Service League elects new secret pals
The Women's Service League
selected new secret pals for the upcoming year at their Decembe
4 meeting. The meeting was hel at the home of Carla Hooper Plans for the Christmas party
were finalized, and prior busines

## Want to know

 where Santa is Dec. 24?

## What does Bo know? B-B-Q \& More

Watch for our opening soon!
We are looking forward to seeing old friends and making new ones, too.

Our new location is formerly the Peach Tree Restaurant on Hwy. 153W Bo \& Marlene Gardner

## FBC Good News

 Class enjoys Christmas partyThe Ladies Good News Class
and their husbands of First Baptist
Church in Winter
home of Jerry Lloyd for a Mose presen the invocation Those present were Mrs. A.L.
Mitchell, the teacher, Loretta Pierce, Lavonda Herrington, Mr.
and Mrs. Royce Mears, Mr. and and Mrs. Royce Mears, Mr. and
Mrs. Kenneth Sneed, Mr. and
Mrs. Monroe Boles, and the Mrs. Monroe Boles, and the

Retired Teachers entertained with Christmas songs In their December 11 meeting members of Runnels Country Re

tired Teachers Association wer | lired Teachers Association were |
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| entertained by Mrs. Chery 1 Sneed | Mis. Fran Kidwell, and members of the Winters select Choir Sneed sang "Nuttin for Chris mas" and was accompanied on

the piano by Kidwell. Selected boys and girts from the Sth and oth grade choir sang a reindee ${ }^{\text {app }}$ Marthiel Russell, president presided over the business meel
ing. A money donation vas sive To West Texas Rehab Cener in
tol honor of members who had died during the year. Honored werc Eula Mae KKuse, LLecy Kitwell.
Emma Mae Munson, and Margic Emma Mae Munson, and Margie Routh. Present at the meeting were Pa
Hambright, Lynda Gottshat Hambright, Lynda Gottschalk,
Ann Patterson, Horte Joyce Ann a palterson, Horte Joyce
Ouida Nichols, Sarah Parker Cordelia Yocham, Linda Black well, Nina Hale, Freddie Gardner Lela May Shelburne, and Marthiel Russell.
The next meeting will be Feb ruary 12,2001, at First United
Melthodis C Church in Ball inger.
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JP announces office hours

Bredemeyer has announced his Located at 114 S . Chiffech Bredemeyer's office will be ope from 7:30 a.m. from $7: 30$ a.m. until $12: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
The office phone number is 754-4270. Bredemeyer may also e reached on his mobile at 365 7266.

## Health Notes

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High Blood Pressure: What You and Your Family Should Know DON'T LET HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE FOOL YOU
You can be a calm, relaxed person and still have high blood pressure.
Hypertension is the medical term for high blood pressure, it does not refer being nervous or upset or having an emotional condition. You cannot control your high blood pressure just by staying calm and relaxed. But it can be controlled by treatment. If you dont contro it, however, one day your high
blood pressure could lead to a heart attack, stroke, or kidney failure. Follow your treatment plan daily even when you feel great.

## HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE

Blood pressure is the pressure needed to circulate the blood through the

## called high blood pressure. <br> No one knows for sure why some people have

HOW TO TELL IF YOU HAVE HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE
You can look and feet entic 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 wrong, they should tollow their doctor's advice. Just be
well doesnit mean his or her blood pressure is normal.
HOW TO CONTROL HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE
Most high blood pressure cannot be cured, butit can be controlled. Daily
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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 pressure. Follow their advice and feel free to ask questions about your treatment.

FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS AT NORTH RUNNELS HOME HEALTH AGENCY Remember, patients always have the right to choose their
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## Tournament Toppers-



THREE WINTERS BLIZZARDS earned individual honors at the Lion's Den Invitational



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

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16th annual toll-free College In- In-
mission representatives from formation Hotline (877-782- more than 25 public and private Hotline 2001 will be available will be on duty. on January 13 and 14 from 10:00 a.m. to $6: 00 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. (CST). The College Information students and their parents, but an Hotline, which is the largest increasing number of information project of its type in the nation, requests are beginning to come
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SHANE COLBURN, WHS sophomore, goes high for the jumper during varsity Blizzard action.


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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.
Over 300 Carr Academic 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 for eign countries, are attending Angelo State University
Academic Scholarships
In order to be eligible, 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. million trust established by the late Robert G. and Nona K. Carr
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Atill avaliable. formation regarding the Carr Academic Scholarships can be obained by contacting or writing to Financial Aid Office, Angel State University, Box 11015, ASU Station, San Angelo, Texas 76909 915-942-2246 or toll free 800-933-6299). Additional informa-
ion and the application form are available through the Angelo State University web site <http:/ /www.angelo.edu.>

Surviving holiday stress

- Although the holidays are known for bringing people together in the spirit of joy, cheer, and goodwill, they are also recognized as the most hectic time of the year. People are rusing god sor the where and then are stuck in tong hinestol dial
holiday meal, or just to get to their final destination. It's no wonder that frustration and tension are becoming synonyms for year-
end celebrations tice 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


## Going to Grandma's house-

- It's best to lar


## tination

- Make sure everyone has had something to eat and drink be fore a long drive. Hungry or thirsty passengers can elevate stress - Do not speed; it causes stress


## Mall traffic-

bly have your walking shoes. Wherever you go, you will prob - Expect crowds. You can try to dodge some of this by shopping during non-peak hours, such as weekdays,

- Don't weigh car to store your purchases safely in your trunk ${ }^{2}$ a
Parties should be approached responsibli - Appoint a designated driver and keep an eye-oñ bim or her - Inquire about office policies providing car or cab service for
employees attending a company affair. Taking a cab can be the employees attending a company affair. Taking a cab
best investment you can make for yourself and others. - Attend gatherings that offer a safe ride home



## Letters to the Editor

Resident thanks helpers for children's home Christmas

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 an
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 mat
ter what condition it is in.
I would again like to say thank you to all who helped Elaine and

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Former Talpa resident remembers monkey

## Dear Editor: Please print this true story about the monkey that was in The Win

 ters 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 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' 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 Ifeel 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, (West) Bowden O. Box $558 \%$


New Year's Eve Dance

Benefit for Larry Meyers

Sunday, Dec. 31 8 PM to Midnight Winters VFW $\$ 10$ per person BYOB

Dickie Clough, Country Music DJ



Christ and the Wingate Sew \&
 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 $193 / 4$ inches long. Proud parents are
Russell and Pam Parramore Russell and Pam Parramore. Paternal grandparents are
Robert and Rhea Parramore of Robert and Rhea Parramore of Winters and Jerry and Audrey Thomason-Mohnton of Pennsylvania. Great-grandparents are
Clayton and Yvonne Geib of Clayton and Yvonne Geib of
Lancaster, Pennsylvania; Elbert Lancaster, Pennsylvania; Elbert Idaho; Jack and Bonnie Vaughan of Winters. Great-great grand Idaho; Jack and Bonnie Vaughan of Winters. Great-great grand-
of Hamlin; and Edna Parramore
mother is Cleta Black of Hamlin.

## Keith Dudley Fields

Keith and Kimberley Fields are very proud to announce the birth of their son, Keith Dudley Fields.
He was born November 5, 2000, at 1:39 p.m. at Abilene Regional Hospital. He weighed 7 lbs. 12 oz . and was $201 / 2$ inches long. Paternal grandparents are Tommy and Betty Fields of Tye. Maternal
grandparents are George F. Roberts II of Miami, oklahoma, and Vince and Jean Bustamante of Cushing, Oklahoma.

Senior Citizens<br>Nursing Home News

Thanks to all who made Christmas party a success
$\begin{aligned} & \begin{array}{l}\text { I have to begin this newsletter }\end{array} \text { Sew Club for the gifts; to John } \\ & \text { with "Thank You" to so many for }\end{aligned}$ all the wonderfut ways you have musicians and of course to our expressed your love and care for
the residents of the nursing home.
First, for volunteers who come
so faithfully week so faithfully week after week. I can't say en
appreciated. appreciated.
Then, there are those who helped make our Christmas Party
and Family Night a big success. Thank you to the Dollar General and Family Dollar stores for displaying the Christmas trees with names of the residents and for you all w
bought gifts. bought gifts.
To the ladies of the Church of
own staff for pitching in and
working hard.
The monthly birthday party
was held Thursay was held Thursday, December 14 .
Hostesses were the Church of Hostesses were the Church of
Christ Ladies. Honorees were Christ Ladies. Honorees were
Leona Witt, Ruby Walker, and Elva Barbee. Mrs. Nora Wuistinger has
returned from Hendrick Medical Center. We welcome her back to our midst.
We, at Senior Citizens Nursing
Home, extend Home, extend to each of you a
very Merry Christmas and a safe very Merry Christmas
and Happy Holiday!


## Davy Toayne TOinkleer \& Bori Xicole Jobe

## Lori Jobe, Davy Winkler engaged

 Archie and Doylene Jobe of Winters are proud to announce theengagement 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 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.
A March 10, 2001, wedding is planned at the First Baptist Churc Lions Club moves to Activity Center
Beginning January 2, 2001, the ing.
Winters Lions
Winters Lions Club will be meet- The club has previously met at ing at the Senior Citizens Activ-
the Winters Community Center.
Center at 601 Wood Street.
For more information, pleas For more information, please
Members and guests are asked use the entrance on the east side

## WRIGHT BROTHERS



## Santa's

 Coming toand we cordially invite you to gather around our.

San Angelo Genealogical Society to meet January 2
The San Angelo Genealogical and Historical Society will meet at $7: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. on Tuesday, January
2,2001 , in the Fellowship Hall of the Church of Christ at 901 Main Street, San Angelo, Texas.
The program will be given The program will be given by
Sandra Gray who will speak about black history. There will be no beginners
classes until January classes until January
will be announced
will be announced.
All meetings are
fors.
For more information, call
For more
655-6494.

Crews News
By Hilda Kurtz


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 Pierce were in Temple for the
day. On Friday, they were in Round Rock to do some shopping at the Antique Mall. From there hey 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 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 Merry Christmas to all! fimmy and Amantina McAden of Winters visited Harvey Mae 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 sup En Sunday in Brownwood. Margie. They enjoyed visiting and playing cards.

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From the Editor -
No Enterprise on December 28

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| December 28. |

The Winters Enererrise office will be closed on Monday, December 25 and will re-pen on Tuesday, December 26 . We wish all of our readers a very blessece and safe holiday

## Social security notifies

 beneficiaries of new law eliminating earnings limitsSocial Security notices were
sent recently to 9 million benefisent recently to 9 million benefi-
ciaries age 65-70 telling them that ciaries 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 about the change in the earnings
limits and paid them back benefits limits and paid them back benefits
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 beneficiary works while receiving
Benefits will still be reduced for beneficiaries under full retirement age. The following formula

- If the beneficiary is under full is used to determine how much a retirement age (currently age 65)
when he or she starts getting his/ 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
is $\$ 10,080$. is $\$ 10,080$.
- In the year the beneficiary turns full retirement age, $\$ 1$ in benefits will be deducted for each
$\$ 3$ he or she earns above a limit $\$ 3$ he or she earns above a limit
( $\$ 17,000$ in 2000 ) but only counting earnings before the month he or she reaches the full benefit retirement age.
- Starting
- Starting with the month the
beneficiary reaches full beneficiary reaches full retirement age, there will be no limi
on his or her earnings on his or her earnings. For more information, visit
Social Security's website, <www.ssa.gov>, or call toll free,
$1-800-772-1213$. benefit is reduced.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Bryan honored by family and friends on special occasion
-A 70th Wedding Anniversary Celebration-

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 Isb
Mr. and Mrs. Ben F. Curry of Norton.
Mr. Bryan is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Bryan of Norton.

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
70 th wedding anniversary. 70th wedding anniversary.


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county will be $\$ 21.00$ per year, 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 longer.
"While we know that consumers don't like to pay more, we feel
that The Winters Enterprise is an exceptional bargain, especially when you consider that one soft drink or cup of coffee costs more than a week's worth of commu-
nity news.
"The staff of the Enterpris will continue to work diligently to provide the finest in news cov erage for Winters and the surrounding area. We deeply appreciate our readers and the suppor
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Social Security launches work website
Social Security recently
launched a new website, The launched a new website, The
Work Site, to bring together emWork Site, to bring logether erkers and Americans with dis "Go 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 A
a chance to work,"
a chance to work."
The website contains impo tant 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 and anyone else who wants to
help people with disabilities help people with disabilities
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The site is fully accessible fo all people with disabilities," exall people with
plains Franki. "Fewer than 5 per-
cent of all Internet sites are acces cent of all Internet sites are acces-
sible 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

Franki said the work website will help increase public aware-
ness 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, visi mis important, new information
source at <www.ssa.gov/work>.
compliance. tions to the Scout Building on dit report for the City of Winters. $\begin{array}{ll}\begin{array}{l}\text { In other action, the Council re- }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { North Main. Hassan also reported }\end{array} \\ \text { Ashmore related that there were }\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lll}\begin{array}{ll}\text { appointed members to the Win- } \\ \text { ters Housing Authority Board. } & \text { that a } \$ 1,500 \text { grant had been re- } \\ \text { ceived from the Texas Historical }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { no major concerns in their find- } \\ \text { ings. The report was accepted by }\end{array}\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\text { ters Housing Authority Board. } & \text { ceived from the Texas Historical } \\ \text { Members ings. The repor } \\ \text { inde Melinda } & \text { Commission to assist in compil- the Council. }\end{array}$ Tucker, Lisa Nitsch, Bettye ing a brochure for and about Win- Present for the Dec. 18 mee Pinkerton, Tommie Sparks, and ters Dwayne Williams.
The appointment of Vera Kraatz as lakekeeper was a City Manager Aref Hassan City Manager Aref Hassan rehas received a $\$ 500$ grant from the ampbell Foundation for renova- counting firm of Davis, Kinard \&
 Some questions are difficult:
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## Winter tips for the home

ing, now is a good time to take lation. In addition, to take advaning, now is a good time to take tage of nature's heat, keep blinds
stock around your house so you stock around your house so you or draperies opened on sunny
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cautions now can help you keep cautions now can help you keep
you house cozy and also save money and energy.
First of all, it is a good idea to First of all, it is a good idea to
have your heating system in spected by a professional technician. This will reduce your chances of equipment failure and ciently. You should also replace or clean the filter on your furnace very 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 at he recommended lawl space have
the recommended level of insu-
days to let the sun's warmth in.
This is especially important This is especially important on any windows or glass doors reerve energy by keeping conand 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 opvented, make sure the vent is op-
erating properly. If there is no vent erating properly. If there is no vent or oxygen cut-off switch, provide slightly open window.
And as an added precaution, make sure you keep space heaters away from furniture, draperies, and other combustible mateials.
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Natural Gas Safety:

Be sure pilot and main burners on gas appliances produce a blue lame, indicating the gas-and-air mixture is safe. If the flame is ing and air conditioning cod heator immediately Whediately. first strike a match a pilot light, he opening. Then slowly turn the gas on. You should find instrucons attached to the appliance. If you smell gas in your house, don't touch any electrical switch nd don't strike a match or do anything that might cause a spark. go to a neighbor's home, and call TXU Gas at 800-817-8090. Don't call from your home because some telephones use a small amount of electricity that may produce a spark. After you call, then wait until he technician has found the caus 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.

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 available onlineVeterans can now apply for benefits and health care online wff the Department of Veteran will allow veterans quick, easy, and secure access to apply for compensation, pension, rehabili tation benefits, and health care. According to Acting Secretary of Veterans Affairs Hershel W submit veterans can fill out and EZ application for heath care be efits directly to the VA health car facility selected by the veteran. Designed for veterans to apply for compensation, pension, and
vocational rehabilitation benefits through the Internet, "Veterans through the Internet, "Veterans
On Line Applications" (VONAPP) 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 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 application [http://vabenefits.vba.va.gov/](http://vabenefits.vba.va.gov/).

Post office extends Sat. hours

Chewis Alambar, Ofricer in Charge at he Winters post of holiday hours for Saturday, December 23 , from 9.30 m until noon. gular hours are Monday 4:30 p.m.
Alambar encourages ev eryone to mail their letters and packages as soon as possible.

My humble thanks,
Joe A. Martinez


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Marriage Licenses





 and small percentage of the total calls she Department receives and responds toeach week.
Winters Police Department reports received and/or investigated from Sunday,
December 10,2000, through Saturday, December 16,2000 . Winters Police Officers:
 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 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 age eing The under 21, hhe is 16 years old, was taken to Runnels County Jail then released
minor 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 herpreates

 damage to the inerior of the house incluading 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 iuveniles have been identified, and this case reported the incidents to the police. The juveniles have been identified, and this o
is under investigation as burglary of habitation with intent to commit arson. is under investigation as burglary of habitation with intent to commit arson.

- received a report of a thett occurring in the 100 block of $N$. Grant Street. A
year-old female of Winters alleged that a 17 -year-old male of Winters had remo year-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 a rented video game from her home while the male was visiing. The female stated if
the eame was reurne, no charges would be file. The male was located and denied
any involvement in taking the game. The female called a short time later to report the any involvement in taking the game. The female called a short ime tater to repo while
suspect male had returned the game and allegedly stated he borowed the game whil
everyone was asseep and felt it would be rude to awake anyone for something as trivial everyone was asleep and
as "borrowing" a game.
-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 Stree. 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


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## Classifieds <br> Get Results

## 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 pack-


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BROTHERS TRENTON (left) AND TRAVIS GROHMAN OF WINTERS FFA took top honors in the Charolais heifer division of the ACCO/Showmaster Jackpot Show held in Abilene earlier this month. Trenton earned the champion award with his heifer while Travis finished as reserve champion. They are FFA Friday and Saturday, January 12-13, 2001 for Friday and Saturday, January 12-13, 2001

Ft. Worth Stock Show rodeo tickets on sale now
Rodeo tickets for the 2001 Thursday nights and Monday Southwestern Exposition and
Livestock Show are now on sale Livestock Show are now on sale
at the Will Rogers Memorial Center box office.
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hrough Friday matinees.
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## Weather Modification Plan approved

Weather Modification Committee and Commissioners Court thank contributors by Randall Conner, director of Economic Development

The Runnels County Commisioners Court approved the par ticipation of Runnels County in
an eight-county weather modification association at a specia meeting on Friday, December 15 This is a change from the origi nal 23-county organization origi nally proposed and will reduce Runnels County's cost in the roject.

County Judge Marilyn Egan net with the organizers of the sociation on Monday, December 18, and stated that all eight coun ties are ready to go. They are proceeding with the legal steps of organization. Counties included are Nolan, Taylor, Callahan Eastland, Comanche, Brown Coleman, part of Coke, and Run Although we did not reach the orginial goal for business and in dividual participation in th project, $\$ 8,325$ was raised. Dona tions will still be accepted. Businesses and individuals who made pledges are asked to send the do nation to Runnels Weather Modification Fund, P.O. Box 310 Ballinger, Texas,
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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

Lifelong friendships are always special. But for one local couple and their four friends, their camaraderie and punctuality go
beyond being regular cronies beyond being regular cronies.
For the past 32 years, Joe and For the past 32 years, Joe and
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. 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 ding, 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," shays 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

The Little Lord Jesus Away In $A$ Manger

on fancy dinnerware and reminiscing over albums of pictur
past Christmas celebrations past Christmas celebrations.
Some of the most fun pictures are the "self portraits" taken by Joe Cortez who tries to hold the snapping the picture of his friends' faces around his. The group laughs and spares no feelings in poking good fun at Joe's showing only the top of hi head.Comments also include oee s increasing forehead
through the years. After dinner, the one vehicle and set out for thei 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 Debridge. Once they did their De
cember dancing when the tem cember dancing when the tem-
perature was only ten degrees. Also on the yearly agenda are Alreks to friends' homes where they stand in the front yard and sing Christmas carols and other favor-
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The evening's activities wind down some time in the wee hours
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as we use to be," says Joe Cortez as we use to be," says Joe Cortez
as the group smiles and shak as the group smiles and shake
their heads in agreement. "We get heir heads in agreement. "We get
ired earlier but while we're awake, we sure have a grea time," he adds.
The friendship dates back to when Joe DelaCruz and Joe tez were friends at Winters
denheimer's from 1948 to 1958, before being transferred to the
Cisco store for three years, Cisco store for three years,
Hamlin for eight years, then Hamlin for eight years, then
Haskell where he became a partHaskell where he became a part-
ner 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 DelaCruz of Winters, and the trio
plus wives quickly became fast 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 in-
dustry having worked in the Win ters school lunchroom for the past ters school lunchroom for the past
twenty-seven years. Joe owned his own business for nine of the forty years he's been an electri cian. For the past eight years, he has driven a bus for the Winters schools.
In keeping with their tradition, the rotation schedule for hosting the December party has
for the next five years. 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," an absolutely
says Nadine.
With such
With such an abundance of
enthusiasm and determination, this is one friendship that's rock solid.

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

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## Mc Kinney on Dec. 18 at First BaptistChurch read at the funeral of Theo JoAnn Brown, submitted the poem because she said "the service truly was <br> I'm Spending Christmas in Heaven

I 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
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 you just imagine Christmas with peace here in this place. please let your hearts be joyful and let your spirit sing I'm spending Christmas in heaven, and I'm walking I'm spending Chris


EVA REESE GETS A HUG FOR CHRISTMAS from 6 -year-old Zanny Slimp while Leona Witt 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

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The Winters Enterprise, Winters, Texas, Thursday, December 21, 2000 3B
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 remi-
niscing in my mind about Christ niscing in my mind about Christ-
mases past. You know- not the warm fuzzy kind of holiday memories, but the "give ya 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 upon in years to come with fond memories-the way I remember
my family's Christmas traditions my family's Christmas traditions. 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 Prit Christmas Eve night-the Pritchards sprawl out on the living
room floor with coke floats for room floor with coke floats for
that festive holiday favorite... that festive holiday favorite...
Chevy Chases's Christmas Vaca Chevy Chases's Christmas Vaca-
tion. And the sad part is, we're re-
lating to the Griswold family! My daughters can recite the entire dialogue of the movie from memory. The boys yell, "There's Uncle
Dave!" (referring to my oldest Eddie talk about his son's lip fungus. I remember Clark, I mean
Johnny, loading 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 to back track to Celebration Park
near Clyde. there, it is quite spectacular-a
rather large wooded area decked out in millions of Christmas lights
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and approach the attendant hut to gratuity to help offset the
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 May your home be filled with love $\&$ contentment this holiday season!

if my electric bill looks like the grand national debt, I can only imagine how fast that electric 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 This will definitely put us into the spirit!
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We pop the tape in and crawl
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music begins and......DECK 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 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! at the lights. "Mom, look at those!
Daddy, daddy, did you see Daddy, daddy, did you see He's a nice ten-point-shoot him! Pow...pow...pow.
Clark and I were laughing and arguing at the same time, the girls were rolling their eyes, and the boys were thoroughly enjoying
the Christmas-filled sights of the Christmas-fill
lights upon lights.
Finally within 10 feet of reaching 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
and the kids say, "We've been


COMPLETE WITH A BLINKING RED NOSE is Cody Bean who portrayed Rudolph during the third grade play "Christmas (right) were among the 8- and 9-year-olds who sang holiday sme


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We wish all our neighbors and friends a oyous holiday season.

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 its own special way that might be a tradition, huh? Elark- Johnny and I have always tried to make the annual Pritchard family Christmas treeselection special and memorable,

I like a real tree... you know the fragrant smell of evergreen (and rancid water in the stand), the beautiful, perfectly-shaped fir (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 pas-
ture and chop down a West Texas ture and chop down a West Texas (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
He drove us out into this graz-
ing pasture I'd never seen stopped the pickup in the middle stopped the pickup in the middle
of nowhere and out we all jumped, invigorated for the search. I'm looking and looking 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
adornment in our front yards up
"irls with jone," he shouts to the I'm near tears. It looks like some thing 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 disinterThe girls are freezing from The girls are freezing from
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 new tradition with mom," she new tradit
whispers.
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in seedless to say we drove home in silence, each going our own way when we got there. Much to that night think, Marie had a date busy primping for made herself After an hour or so Josion. After an hour or so, Johnny thought we needed to go to Abilene and pick out a tree"HE" really hadn't seen anything in the pasture that struck his fancy and "maybe we should start a new
tradition with You, mom." "Oh what a thoughtful idea tween the both of us and looked from one to the other as if she'd ence. (She's grown used to the ovee. (She years.) $\begin{array}{ll}\text { over the years.) } & \\ \text { Once on the lot, as has been the in late each evening and } \\ \text { stand in the front yard to admire } \\ \text { them for a brief minute. He could }\end{array}$

"officially" plug them up!
Anyway - none of that is good
enough for ole Clark this year. We 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 to the east) are untangling a
ball of lights on their roof. Bryce got mad at Katy 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 jus string some lights up, we've got
to create artwork on the roofand so do the neighbors. Katy has 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
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 artworkjoint so easily about his artwork-
take for instance the star he created one year. It was really ver well done-particularly if we'd was of the Jewish faith-since it After who knows how many dollars worth of lights Johnny called Colburn and said "That's it-I quit-finito-l'm done-no
more." Then Johny $y$ 's just beside himself when we find Aaron and sister Kayla in Abilene the nex
night buying MORE Christ lights ...not to worry though they're just replacing the ones the dog ate. So as traditions go-l guessin 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 thersFunny rate....mom and dad w
greetin' 'em at the


Kenneth Slimp Attorney At Law

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| 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. <br> Joe Gallegas |
| :---: |

## I want a bedset. I want a reel pupe. In I want a jeep big jeep. In I want a bode. 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.

 Sfiantel WareSanta. A cat and dog Santa.a. And give me my
Moma and Dad a car Santa. My brtha is Mo ma and Dad a car Santa. My brha is
in fun 2 Sante pease ige me a Barbe
Santa. I will give you a snack. I live at 205 Tickl Streat.
Cacey Jasfea
 set. A toy D Dinoysaur set. A toy Reindeer
steal set. A toy Elephant. A stuff Bell stcal set. A toy Elephant. A stufft Bull. A
Rinossus. A power Range. A Ken's pet
shop. III leve you a glass of milk. And a plat full of cookies.
archie Millas. 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 to my ousin Chris
would like a footboll for his teme.

foly Blessings Ulluto You

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Wil you plis bring me a scooter. I hav
bing gud. I wil leev you some
bing gud. I wil leev you some cookies
and milk and 1 luv you.
Jyler Smidt-Oytiz bin gud boy.
Senny Schader

I wut a god nakles an a remotcul cor.
I wus nis gud an I leave milk cookies. wus nis gud an
Olex Serez
I want thes toy please a sockem
boppers and a toy car that is red, a buzz boppers and a toy car
lighycar and a woody
Thankyou,
Uldvin Seniza $\mathcal{I J}$
I want a tenoh pup and a nindo
and good jump a rop. Plees bring astey Reyes
I want a dog that is a chilhua and boy
dog. I hav ben good and i want to go to mi cusins.
Raseanne Ģaccia

I want a toy. Santa Claus. a Nintendo
game a puppy glue a football and a bat a
football gaterall whiteboard football a Dragonball
fores with some stamps and an inkpad stamps and rabbit. Sefastian Mlateine I have good gradse on my ho
and so can you get a scoodr. exud I wanta Dijecmon toy and a Dijecmon
mooves and a parag toy and a computer mooves and a parag toy and a comp
and a parag ced. $I$ have bin good. Jamas Luga

## I would like a bike and a football. i

 bin good. I will lev you some milk anmdI want a scooter. I want a boat. I have
been good. I will leave you crackers.

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 ascoter and playmatstrtruck
and Pokem thene set and football and
football and scateboard. and Pokeman theme set and football and
football and scateboard. My mom wants
a candl. My dad a candl. My dad wants a chnul chanjer. I
have ben god. I will give you sume milk have ben good. I will give
and cookeys. Luve Santa.
Hayden Hayden Nituch

MRS. CAVAZOS'S $I$ will ber coocies and milk. I want a jumprope for Christmas. The End.
aurefiana Sout


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.


## Dts $S_{e w}$ Wonderful.

to have customers like you.
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!
The Stitchin Post
Richard and Kay Sharpes \& Suefe


THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH CHOIR performs during their "City of Light" musical.


## my dad. Eufe Herraander

MRS. PARAMORE'S 1ST GRADE CLASS

## Ibin a good boy. I want a G.I. Joc.

les and a bow and some erose. I wont a mom to mare har boyfrin. haw are yor ${ }_{\text {Cameran Bean }} \quad{ }^{\text {efs }}{ }_{\text {Rafert }}$ Cappage



What have you been doing Santa 1 bin 1 what a play stayshin two and a
 wut a dog. Santa I wut a scoodr. Santa I 1
Santa I wuta a bolebol. Santa I wit a pooll.

Santa I wut a horse.
I want reel hand cuffs with a ky and a $\begin{aligned} & \text { I wut a little pup. I bin a good boy. a } \\ & \text { backet boll. I wut a car. I wut a toys. I }\end{aligned}$ big robot and a toy robot. I have ben a wut big toy. I luf you Santa. I wut a little good boy. I am going to lcce you a red card.
coockees. How have you bin Santa. ockees. How have you bin Santa.
I wont a basckbo and sckates with $\left.\quad \begin{array}{l}\text { I wunt a baboyfrbe. I wunt a brbie } \\ \text { dals. I wunt a compudre. I I wunt a }\end{array}\right)$
 Love Santa.
Megann Wielfarn

I bin a good girl. I wunt for crsms is
a wagin and a oyy. Toy hancuss. I wunt a
boy doll. I w unt a toy BrBe hat with BrBs. I wunt rolrblas. I luv Santa.

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


North Main Church of Christ


Robert Reed will be Guest Preacher


 On crismiseef I wunt a sedeplaer for
crismis and sedes for it. One of Rudolph the reindeer me Mom want ro.
bot dogpink. Me Dad want a big sepebag.
Mchact wants Toy Mark wants cat Boo
wants a aift.


RAULPEREZ 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

 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 fish a hat and a jack in the box. How is
Rodof

## MRS. LINCYCOMB'S SECOND GRADE CL

I hope you and Mrs. Closs are doing
fine in the northpole. Pleas come to my
house. Can lave a new bike pleas Santa.
And a horse end a And a horse and a cat please.
exystal Sreeine
How are you and Mrs. Clause. I hope
roodof still has his shing nose. I have been
then tring to be good so you better come to
Allecine becusse I would be there. I would
like a skatcboad shanan please.


I want a new craons plecs, and a new
scooter scatbord, and a new tricicl.

How are you? ?
or a bicke. If you h



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


Wishing you a miraculous Christmas! The Lairds Justin, Ashley \& Jason
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## 2071075170 Greetings of the Season

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all the Harry Potter book. all the Harry Potter books, a ameboy and
all the


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for the
Season...
Terry Ghristmas and Happy Xew Year from Buddy \& Lo Tiller

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Merry Christmas
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We re banking on all oi you having the most joyous holiday season ever.
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POSED AS SANTA'S REINDEER, Winters Headstart children took first place in the busines and civic organization float division during the annual Christmas Parade on December 9.

I want some real gold and some
pennys for my little nephew Ty morter
ooat 60000 Chex an a serfbord.
I want a Gameboy color and a skeeter
and a new bike and a Brittany Spears doll.
Love,
Ritey Spile

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 5. for Jared a insinck dol
## 7. nor Kody a flasscotball 8. for doan O'Bricen

## 8. for dad fishi

I want a bike for John a scooter for
Jesse scooter for Hannah bracclat for
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Kody a motorcycle for Derek a basketball for Jordan a bas
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And I want a C.D. its called D.J. And I
want a bairbe doll. And a poo chi a And I want a C.D. its called D.J. And I
want a bairbe doll. And a poo chi a col-
ored one and a dow machin one.

Trese, some iserts some wide skase, some lese, some iserts, some wide leg, and
cekero Doll and Barbic clekter. amber Blachosiear
I would like a dog and a scooter and Ster then i would like a hine then rabit
and
and

## Jose Rangel

I would like a soccor ball, skatebord,
cates, new close for school, and a



I whant the new scooter 20001 whant
you Santa to give my mom a black pan I whant the new scooter 2000 wha
you Santa to give my mom a black paa
ther stachu and a big rod and for my d
I whant to give Him $20 \$$ bucks. Love,
Devet Smith

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$\square$ car may you bring me me scooter may you you
bring me and my brothers any yame may
you bring gll of us scp Jayliss a com-
uuter may you bring Love,
Zoedan Samez MRS. MEYER'S MRS. MEYER'S
SECOND GRADE CLASS I would like a scooter and a bike. I do
want a N 'Sinc watch and a skatbord and $\qquad$


Jesse Buter
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nd BackStrect and a kangaroo toy ade nd BackStrect and a a angaroot ooy and
computer and a wach and a toy but. Lov computer and a wach
Jared.
Aeerii Redruquez


I would like some Pokemon cards and
I would like a toy and I would like a shirt


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## Blessed Daze

## Deck the Halls (and maybe your helpers)


©Merry Christmas!

Joyous greetings of holiday cheer to one and all.
We appreciate your patronage th past year

Sharon, Barbie, Fran, and Helen

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Have you finished decorating
for Christmas? for Christmas? Isn't it great fun! (Ialso believe
for Christmas)
Seems like I remember las 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. 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 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.
So, under my constant "guidance", we finally got down all 46
boxes of Christmas don boxes of Christmas decorations. 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 walk down memory lane.
Back when our kids were en-
ergetic teenagers (that 15 minutes of fame thing), I decided to enlist


Bianca Cavilla
I would like 1. Gameboy, Sabrina 2,
pokemon 2. Barabic 3. furbb Babye 4.
Compurer 5. car the Barbie 6. house the Compurer 5. car the
Barbie
Kaven Maxtinez

I would like a furby little bike, and a litlc butterfly pillow, a little hart pillow a little rill kittin, rill little puppy, rill co
putcr.

The Best of the Season to You and Yours. Here's hoping your holiday's
a-bloom with joy and laughter I greatly appreciate your Runnels County Judge Marilyn Egan
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..And ours, too! We're sending our best holiday wishes for a season filled
with happiness and cheer with happiness and cheer,
along with our thoughts of thanks for your very valued ss. Your triendship B \& B Eivin

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All our best wishes to you
and yours for a a and a
Merry Christmas and and
Happy New Year!

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and many thanks," and many thanks,"
to all our customers.

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blessed to have your
loyal support.

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Michael, \& George
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Mery Texas Christmas you all.
Rejoing in the Lord.
Rudolph the red-nose reindeer.
Yuletide carols.
Hark thas carols.
Rocking around the Christmas tree.
It's the most wonderful time of the year.
Sleigh rides.
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 the tre 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. SILVAAND WALTER COLLINS share a bit of fellowship after the Winters Elementary econd graders sang Christmas carols to the residents of the Winters Nursing Home last week Also enjoving 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!

## \% <br> The <br> 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.

With sincere appreciation for the goodwill you have shown us, many thanks for your business and support.

"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord."
Luke 2:11


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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 treat-aunt of Rene Woffenden nine boys and one girl, raising all ten children as a single mother. An awardwinning poet, Aunt Jane would sendoriginal poems as a Christmas greet-
ing each year-a different one to each family Aunt Jane ing each year-a different one to each family! Aunt Jane passed a way this
fall, but Rene was kind enough to share this "tradition"-from a collection


## 'Tis The Season!

In this season of happy thoughts and warm hearts, we extend
special "thank you" to all our yood friends for your contidence.
loyalty and support. A very Merry Christmas to all!


