

Have a Merry Christmas this holiday season and remember to drive carefully and watch the weather.



## This Week

Trinity Lutheran Church in the Providence Community will have a Christmas Eve worship service Saturday evening beginning at 6:00 p.m. The program entitled "From Heaven Above to Earth I Come" will be led by the

Sunday School department. On Sunday, Christmas Day, worship and Holy Communion will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Sunday School classes will not meet.

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## Reward for information offered by farmers

In late October and through November rural residents around Lockney were hit hard by break-ins. Taken in these robberies were small household items, including a small tv, several sets of tires for both cars and farm equipment, small tools, guns and other items. The farmers involved have gotten together and are offering a \$1200.00 reward leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for these burglaries. In addition to the reward offered by the farmers, Floyd County Crime Call has offered an additional \$200.00 bringing the total reward to \$1400.00. In order to collect the reward there must be a conviction in the case.

Anyone having information or knowing the identity of the persons responsible for these crimes or the selling of any of these items is urged to call Crime Call at 983-5200. A call placed and simply and simply answering the questions asked by the person answering the phone may be what it takes to catch the offender. It is not necessary to give your name or phone number. If you call in with a tip on a crime, you will be assigned a number and instructed to call back after a certain amount of time.

If your tip leads to the conviction of a criminal, arrangements will be made with you to collect the reward money.

Additional reward money may be collected if the person calling in the tip will testify in the trial of the persons arrested. However, this is not necessary to collect the reward.

Bill Gray, director of the Floyd County Crime Call, would like to remind everyone that this is the time of year when break-ins to homes and cars increase. Gray urged that everyone should be "extra cautious during the holiday season. If you are going to be out of town for the holidays let neighbors know so that they can help watch your homes and farms. If you live in town, contact the Lockney Police Department and they will check your home while you are out of town."

Gray urges the use of common sense and the buddy system (watch out for a friend who is out of town) If you see something suspicious, report it to the nearest law enforcement agency and, if possible, to the owner of the home or farm.

Watching out for each other is the best way to combat crime this holiday season.



JACKIE GEARHARDT

## Gearhardt completes state certification courses

Jackie Gearhardt, activity director at the Lockney Care Center since mid-August, completed the State required training courses making her state certified as of December 10. Jackie has been attending the required classes since August 17. They were held at Amarillo College every Saturday for 8½ hours a day.

Jackie is a native of this area having been born and raised in Silverton. She attended school all 12 years in Silverton, having graduated in 1968. Following her high school graduation Jackie attended West Texas State University on a full voice scholarship in voice. She graduated from W.T. with a degree in music education all levels. She is also a certified elementary school teacher in all subjects first through sixth grades.

Jackie taught 6th grade in the Oakdale Elementary School in Amarillo. Last year she taught in the Valley school system. Before coming to the Lockney Care Center, Jackie had some experience working in a nursing home, in the Holiday Retirement Center in Sweetwater as a dietician for four years.

She returned to the Silverton area three years ago to be near her parents. Coming back to Silverton with her mother was Tonya, a fourth grader at Silverton Elementary School. Her mother reports that she is an "A" student. Tonya likes to play the piano and was taught her first two years by her mother. She is now taking lessons from a teacher because Jackie says that trying to teach your own child "can drive both of you crazy."

Jackie especially enjoys working at the Care Center. In addition to playing

the piano and singing during their church services and dreaming up all kinds of programs and activities for the residents Jackie enjoys cutting up with the residents and giving them something to laugh about all the time. Jackie gives them a hard time, but in turn they return the favor. Just about any time you walk in the door at the Care Center, the activity director has the residents involved in something to do. Lavern Christian, director of the Care Center, said that Jackie interacts well with the residents and that she has several new and innovative ideas for the Care Center which they are going to begin working on after the first of the year. Lavern also said that Jackie has very good participation for her programs from the residents.

Jackie said that working at the Care Center is very rewarding for her. She said she has known several of the residents from the Silverton and Quitaque areas all her life. Some were her teachers while she was in school, and several of them "influenced my life in many ways." She said, "It is very rewarding to be able to give back to these people a little of what they gave me years ago."

In addition to thinking up new and different things for the residents to do, she has several hobbies. She plays the piano, paints, does needlework and cake decorating, cooks, reads, reading, and sews. Jackie is presently making a wool suit for herself.

Lockney and the Care Center are very lucky to have this lady. She is interested in helping our seasoned residents stay busy and as active as possible.

Merry Christmas to all of you  
from all of us at the Beacon



## Varsity girls take 2nd in Olton Tournament

This past weekend the Varsity girls were in the Olton tournament and walked away with 2nd place. In our first game against Kress, we led the entire way but once again had trouble on our percentage shooting and therefore couldn't seem to build any large lead. We won by 4 points. Karyn Foster did a great job in this game turning out 18 points for us. Brock led with 9, Cantu 7 and Carthel contributed 6.

In our second game against Shallowater, we trailed for 3 quarters but came up in the 4th quarter and took the game by 1 point. I was especially proud of how some of our less experienced players came in at the last and literally held the game for us. Foster once again came up with a big 18 points while Brock had 12. Then McCormick and Holt both put in 6 each. We were pleased in how well we played together as a team in this game.

The last game of the tournament was against Olton for the championship. We had a lot of trouble in the 1st half of this game as we only made 10 points in the first half. We couldn't seem to hit the

basket nor did we do a good job in the first half of keeping their big girls out of the lane to score. But we came back and played a terrific second half, tied it up at one point, but lost it by 5 points. We showed ourselves how we could rally back after being so far down and we played the most aggressive man-to-man defense we ever have so I feel this game was very beneficial to us. Foster and Brock each had 12 pts. while McCormick had 7 and Holt 4. Not only did we carry home 2nd place trophy but Shawnda Brock and Karyn Foster were named to the all tournament team!

Our first game this week a 14 pt victory over Crosbyton. We actually started playing very well in the 2nd quarter, putting in our shots, working the ball until we had a good shot and so on. Heather Holt played the best offensive game she ever has showing up with 20 points. Foster followed with 13, McCormick with 11, and Carthel and Brock with 6 each.

Now were getting ready to play Nazareth and be in the Slaton tournament over the holidays.

## School board approves 10 for textbook committee

During the regular monthly meeting of the Lockney School Board, members approved ten teachers to serve on the Textbook Committee. The ten will review books that have come up for adoption this year. The books have been selected by the State textbook committee, with five books having been selected in each subject area in 1984.

Members of the Lockney committee are: Eydtthe Clarke, Dorothy Bradley, Shelia Poole, and Jamie Moerbe, elementary teachers; D'Lynn Morgan and Linda Terrell, junior high teachers; and LaDora Auffill, Pattie Purser, and Mike Mowrey, high school teachers. Superintendent W.H. Hallmark will also serve as a member of the committee.

The board approved a motion for the building committee to check with at least two Plainview contractors about building a 24 ft. x 30 ft. metal building to enclose the drivers' education car and the school van. The committee chosen will attempt to inspect buildings, choosing the company with quality work for a price not to exceed \$3,500.00.

During the Superintendent's report the board heard reports from the school principals on what effects House Bill #246 would have on Lockney. This bill would put into effect two different transcripts for graduating seniors. Students would have to choose between an

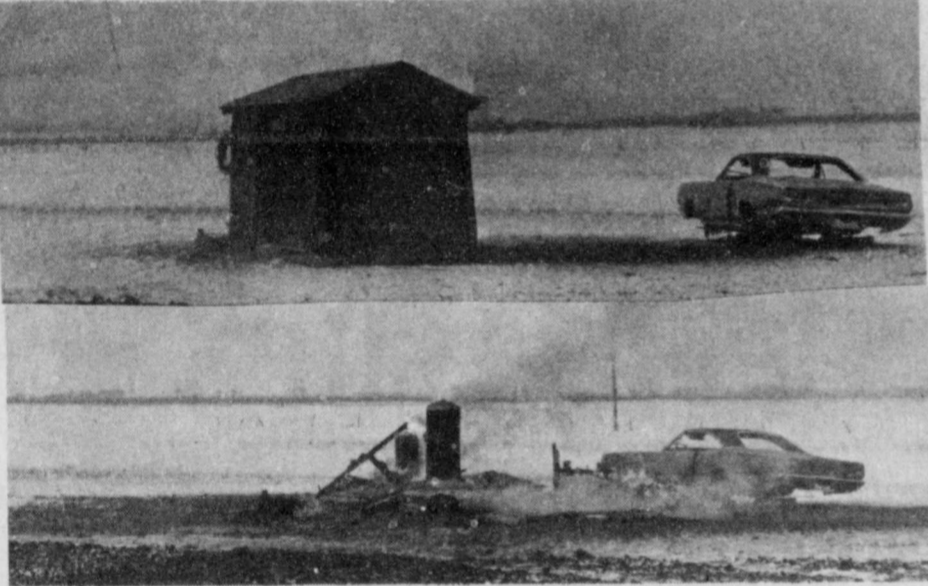
academic and a general transcript. This new bill would effect students entering high school in 1984 (the 1987-88 graduating class). The main differences in the two transcripts would be the increase to 4 years of English, 3 to 4 of math with Algebra I being the lowest level accepted, 3 to 4 of science with biology being the lowest accepted, 1 year of fine arts, 2 to 3 of a foreign language, and a year of computer science being required for the academic level.

The general transcript would require no computer science, no fine arts, no foreign language, 4 years of English, 3 of math, and 2 of science.

This bill would require only one change in junior high. Students would be required to take a full year of computer literacy in junior high.

According to junior high principal Raymond Lusk this would mean having to install more computers and possibly add another computer teacher to the staff.

All of the Lockney school principals and superintendent W.H. Hallmark expect this bill to pass in both houses of the Legislature and high school principal James Poole said that he expects within the next few years that colleges will require the academic transcript upon enrollment.



MONDAY WHEN FIREMEN ARRIVED at the Cumble home east of Lockney they found the well house in flames. When firemen left the scene, all that was left was the pressure tank and the butane bottle that started the fire.

## Fire Department called to fire east of Lockney

At about 2:30 Monday afternoon the Lockney Volunteer Fire Department was called out to a fire east of Lockney at the Rayford Cumble home.

When firemen arrived, they found the well house at the Cumble home ablaze. Earlier in the day the Cumble's pressure tank on the well had frozen and Mr. Cumble put a butane bottle and a small heater in the well house. Just before calling in the fire department Mrs. Cumble reported hearing 2 small explosions and when he went outside and found the well house in flames.

The fire department used two full tanks of water of the fire truck of extinguish the blaze. Even with all the

water firemen were unable to save the small building because the butane bottle in the well house continued to spew butane inside the building reigniting sparks and caused the fire to blaze up several times.

After working for more than 30 minutes with the second tank of water, firemen extinguished the fire. Though nothing was left of the well house itself the pressure tank was still in place though it was probably damaged somewhat by the fire. Firemen were able to keep the butane tank from blowing up and causing excessive damage to the pressure tank.

## Hospital board members discuss departmental status at meeting

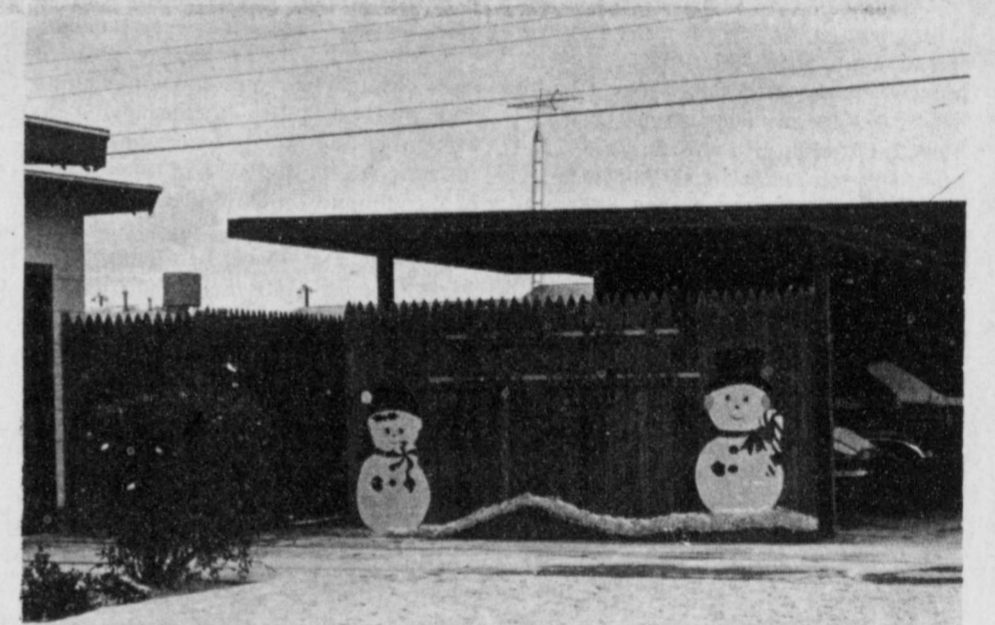
The Board of Directors of Lockney General Hospital District held their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, December 15, 1983, at 2:30 p.m. in the hospital board room. Members in attendance were: Rusty Baccus, President; Kenneth Tate, Vice-President; Larry Golden, Secretary; Chester Carthel and Hubert Frizzell, members. Others present were: Guy Hazlett, Administrator.

During the Administrator's monthly report, the Administrator presented a departmental statistical summary, a department by department progress report, Pharmacy's revised departmental clinical procedure manual, and Medical Staff privilege recommendations for the coming calendar year. The Board of Directors unanimously approved the pharmacy clinical procedures and all clinical privilege recommendations for the 1984 calendar

year. The only change in clinical (Medical Staff) privileges for 1984, as compared to 1983, was the addition of Wayne Cooper, M.D., Consulting Cardologist.

The Administrator presented a brief verbal overview of the November 1983, financial/statistical report. The November statistical report showed 245 patient days, compared to 350 patient days for November of 1982. The financial report showed a lag in November revenues due to a slower than anticipated census and expenses below the budget mark. The report showed a loss of \$8,084.00 from the hospital's operation during November. Year to date gain and loss figures for the first two months of the new fiscal year showed an improvement over the previous fiscal year.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.



THESE HAPPY SNOWMEN greet holiday visitors at the Gary Mangold home.

## Latimer, Mitchell win Las Vegas trips from Coop and Gro Agri

This fall Lockney Coop and Gro Agri Seed Co. offered our members a special fall cotton seed program which was a tremendous success. The success of the fall program entitled Lockney Coop to two free trips to Las Vegas, Nevada February 21 and 22 for two of its members.

Tuesday morning December 20, 1983 the drawing for the two free trips was

held in the Coop office under the supervision of manager, Gail Kring.

The two winners of the free trips were Royce Latimer and Warren Mitchell. The winners will stay at the Flamingo Hilton Hotel in Las Vegas for 3 glorious days and two exciting nights.

All involved would like to express their congratulations to the winners.

## CHRISTMAS, 1983

The following was written by Emma Thomas, a retired English teacher from Lockney High School.

Again we hear the glad tidings  
Of "Peace on earth, good will to men"  
For God has sent a Savior  
To redeem us from our sin.

The angels sang of His coming  
To shepherds tending their sheep.  
The first to hear the message,  
While the rest of the world was asleep.

They came to the lowly manger  
And in that stable so bare  
There lay the baby Jesus,  
So lovely and so fair.

They hastened to tell the story  
That God's Son had come to earth  
As the prophets of old had promised  
And this was the day of His birth.

And then there were the Wise Men  
Who came from country afar;

They brought Him their gold and treasures  
Led there by the light of the Star.

The message is still the same today,  
But still many have no room;  
To them Christmas means but gifts  
and toys,  
Not the Cross nor the empty Tomb.

But may we today as the Wise Men  
And the Shepherds of long ago  
Love and serve and honor  
The Savior who loves us so.

Now to all of our friends  
And loved ones so dear,  
A joyous Christmas,  
And a Happy New Year.

Love, Emma Thomas

# Lockney Care Center Capers

By Mavis Barton & Mary Jo Fielding

Recently Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Richmond of Turkey and Shane of Amarillo spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E.D. Richmond. On Sunday afternoon they came here to help Mary McCracken celebrate her birthday. Others attending were Mr. and Mrs. Leon McCracken and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd McCracken of Quitaque and Mrs. Glenda Francis of Silverton. They brought cake and punch and some of the residents helped in celebrating her birthday.

With our recent snowfall last Thursday, it is beginning to look and feel like Christmas. We lit the fireplace for the first time this year and all the residents seemed to enjoy the homey feeling a fireplace gives the room. Jackie was sitting at the side of the fireplace with her manicure set and did many of the ladies nails -- Mary Jo Fielding, Mary Green, Hassie Arnold, Bessie Hunt, Johnnie Newman, Hallie Roberts, Mary McCracken -- and even threatened to polish Esker Pyle's and Richard Lanham's nails red. We all got a laugh then!

On Wednesday, we enjoyed a shopping spree hosted by the Acteens of First Baptist Church here in Lockney. The group brought many nice gifts to choose from so our residents could shop for their family and friends. Then the group of girls wrapped our gifts for us. The leader of the group is Ethelyn Vernon. With her there were four girls who wrapped the gifts: Donnie Vernon, Amy Ansley, Shea Jackson and Carrie Parrish.

We had a nice surprise this week. Gayle Jackson came by to visit and brought homemade cookies and snacks for all the residents. We also received "goodies" from the ladies at West Side Church of Christ. Everyone is being so good to us.

Sunday, the young people from First Baptist Church in Silverton came by and visited with us and sang some carols, too.

Friday evening, the Business and Professional Women's Club hosted a Christmas party for our residents. The group sang Christmas carols and ended the sing-a-long with "Here Comes Santa Claus" -- and guess who appeared? Santa came bearing gifts for all the residents and everyone enjoyed his visit. We at the Center want to express our appreciation to all the ones who have made this a joyful Christmas for us.

Monday, 12th: Well, do I have something to write about today. I went home yesterday after five weeks, I could hardly believe my eyes when I saw my husband standing in the doorway. He said, are you ready? I said, you bet I am, we loaded in the pickup and took off. The farmers really have got the job done. After six weeks I can see a big difference. All cotton gone from the fields, except one field a few miles east of Floydada, and there is one corner left and the rest of the field has been plowed up. My husband said he doesn't know why they left it like that. All the fields are stripped, plowed, and sown again and I didn't see smoke from a tractor anywhere. All the gin yards are not

overflowing with full trailers and the gins going full blast. There has been a lot of time spent in the field since I last saw them.

We talked going home, but he didn't let on. As we turned into the yard, he said look who is in the shop and I saw a pickup camper that meant Ann and Bruce McFall and two grandchildren, Becky and Mesa from Muleshoe, were here. I like surprises like that. Then Steve and Beverly came and three more grandchildren, Shonda, Bobby and Blake. We had dinner, then we went Christmas tree hunting, all of us, yes even me. I can't walk but I was not going to miss out on anything like this, so I went too but stayed in the pickup on the rim of the canyon where I could see them. Then we saw Ann and Beverly with the kids on top looking down. My husband threw one end of a rope down, then he started to pull and up came two cedar bushes with Steve and Bruce helping. When we got home, they put one cedar in Bruce's pickup and they headed for Muleshoe. Steve left his in a bucket of water until he could get his pickup and take it home. I stayed a while longer and then I headed for this home. It was dark when we left and there was a mirage and it showed all the light of other towns. There is plenty of water in the lakes and the reflections of the city lights (of other towns) are really beautiful. We saw some houses with pretty Christmas lights around the windows and some had lighted trees at the front of the houses.

Tuesday, 13th: Well the tree that was run into and got its foot broke off last week has been replaced and this time it was put in the big window in the lobby and decorated. Let us hope nobody barks into this one. There is eleven more days to go.

We had Bingo again today but there was no fruit this time. A church group had brought fruit to all of us. We had some small items to choose from such as shampoo, deodorant, brushes, and combs and chewing gum, toothpaste, and more. There was no blackout, today. We could only choose two items. While we were playing Bingo, there were two girls Stella and Lena Nuncio, who work in the kitchen, they were putting up decorations in the dining room. who sang a medley of Christmas carols for us, when they were through they came and shook hands with everybody and wished them a very Merry Christmas. We all enjoyed that very much.

Wednesday, 14th: Jackie played some old time melodies and songs for us and we had quite a time trying to remember the titles, we remembered the tune alright and we had it on the tip of our tongues, but it just would not come off. One of the tunes was a Charleston and Mary Jo Fielding and Jackie got up and danced the Charleston for us. We like a little nausea, no not that, I mean nostalgia once in a while! Now it is time for church and all too soon it is over and dinner time. This afternoon Janie will be here about 3:30 p.m. with ceramics to paint, when she couldn't find us waiting for her she came and found us in dining room

having a good time on a shopping spree. She wanted to join us.

Thursday, 15th: Well we were in church and had a log on the fire so "Momma" Edna Thomas has been asking all year for "Katie put a log on the fire" and today she got her wish. We had a fire in the lobby and it felt good. Then it started snowing. Just snow dust to start with and then it got thicker until it was like a blizzard for a while.

Friday, 16th: We had church from Flomot and they said they had a lot more snow than we did. After dinner we have "Bingo" but Diane Truitt who has been calling for us for the last two or three months said she would not be coming today, so we phoned Jackie who was not here, she had not been feeling well, had been to the doctor for a shot, said she would be here but a little late. We Bingo'd twice

and then we went to a table and picked out two gifts. By that time it was getting close to supper, because we had to eat early as at 6 o'clock we had to be in the lobby for a Christmas party. Lucy Dean Record played the piano and a group of women from B.P.W. club sang some carols, and Santa Claus came in and gave the residents a gift. He gave a gift to me and I opened it and it was a lovely bottle of perfume and lipstick. It was a busy day alright.


Sunday, 18th: Well I was expecting to go home again today and when the girls came to get me up they said, they didn't like coming to work in the cold last night and with the snow they liked less going home this morning. When daylight came I could see the ground covered and it was still snowing lightly. After breakfast I expected my husband to call and say he wasn't coming, he did. It was 8° and light snow.

## Lockney Hospital Report

Dec. 12-19  
 Esiquio Ybarra, Petersburg, adm. 12-7, dis. 12-15  
 Melvin Thacker, Lockney, adm. 12-6 continues care  
 Margaret Frizzell, Silverton, adm. 12-10, dis. 12-15  
 Robert McDonald, Lockney, adm. 12-10, dis. 12-12  
 William Ho Gland, Matador, adm. 12-9, dis. 12-13  
 Rita Hernandez, Floydada, adm. 12-10, dis. 12-13  
 Robert Ryan, Lockney, adm. 12-10, dis. 12-14  
 Ortenzia Luna, Plainview, adm. 12-12, dis. 12-14  
 Barbara Walker, Plainview, adm. 12-11, baby girl born 12-11, dis. 12-13  
 Amelios Suitt, Floydada, adm. 12-11 baby boy born 12-12, dis. 12-14  
 Effie Parker, Lockney, adm. 12-12, dis. 12-14  
 Nola McCravey, Floydada, adm. 12-12, dis. 12-17  
 Traci Alvis, Plainview, adm. 12-1, baby born Brandon born 12-13, dis. 12-15  
 Sherry Tilson, Floydada, adm. 12-12, baby boy, John Cody, born 12-13, dis. 12-15  
 Kathleen Thornton, Lockney, adm. 12-13, dis. 12-15  
 Jackie Green, Matador, adm. 12-15, baby girl, Nicole, born 12-15, dis. 12-18  
 Velda Ross, Quitaque, adm. 12-16, continues care

Sylvia Jasso, Cone, adm. 12-14, baby girl, Stephanie, born 12-15, dis. 12-19  
 W.H. Finley, Floydada, adm. 12-16, continues care  
 Mary Ida Rose, Lockney, adm. 12-17, continues care

MAY you keep Christmas all the coming year  
 In silver threads of peace, in joy and cheer;  
 May you be one whose heart will never lose  
 The generosity, but rather choose  
 To share with all mankind the truth and right  
 God gave the world on that first Christmas night.  
 Charlotte Carpenter



Let us hold Christmas close to our hearts.

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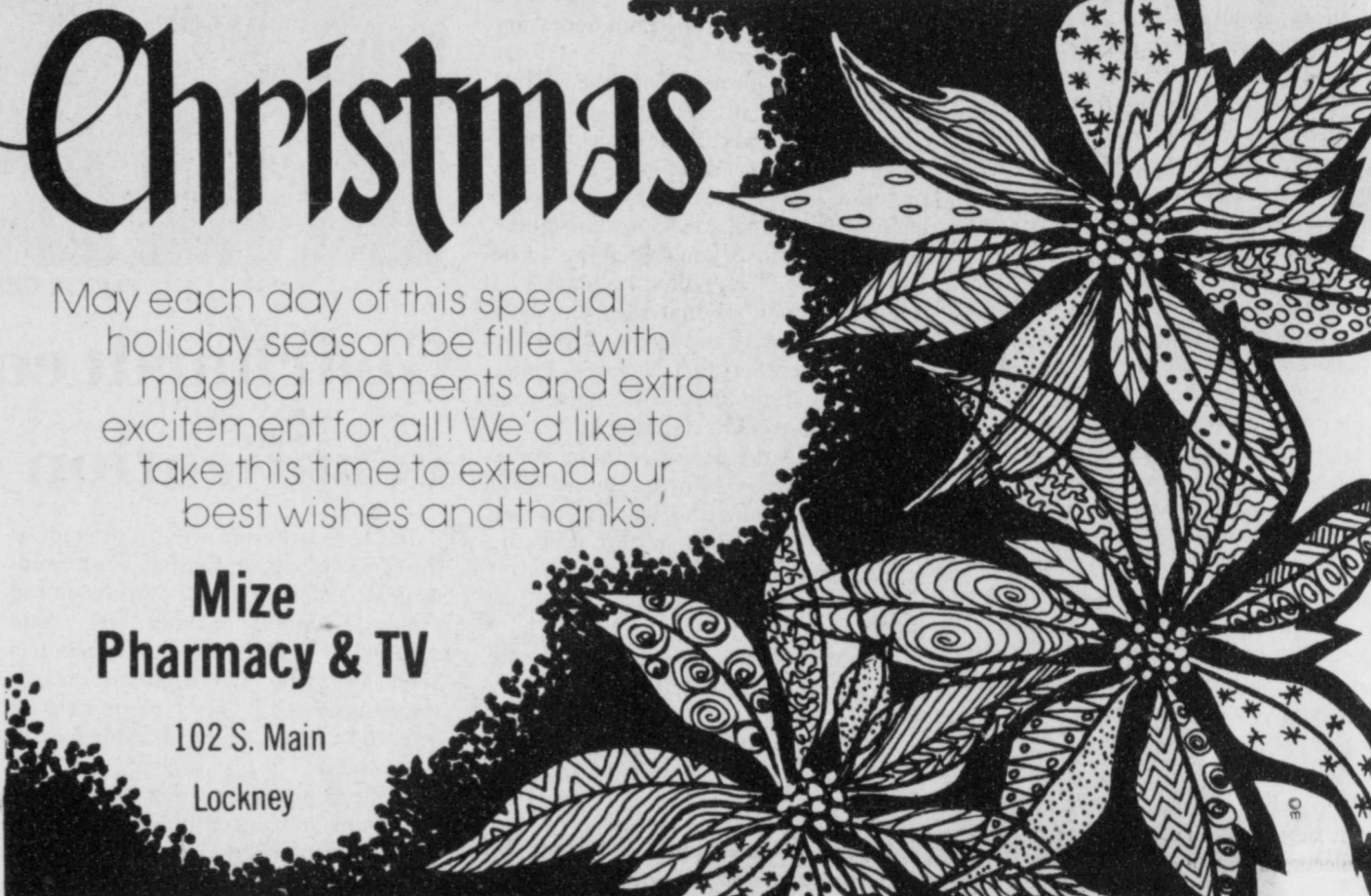
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# Christmas

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# Short stories tell Christmas meanings

## What Is Christmas By Matt Workman

Christmas is a time for joy. Christmas is a time to give and receive. It is a time for presents. It is a time for decorations. It is a time for snow. It is the day Jesus Christ was born. Jesus Christ was born in Bethlehem. We celebrate Jesus birthday. It is time to get out of school. It is time to be nice all day. It is time to eat good food. It is time to pray. Christmas will never go away.

## What Is Christmas By Amy Gonzales

Christmas is Joy to me and others. It is fun. Because you get lots of things and that's fun. Sometimes you don't get some of the things you want. Sometimes I wonder if there ever will be a Christmas. Because there's no Christmas without snow. That's what I think. Christmas is happiness in the air and your family all together. Christmas is a time to think about Christ. When Mary gave birth to Jesus. Some people celebrated Christmas with food. But I probably could not eat because I would be excited with my presents. It's time for Santa Claus to come and give presents to children and adults that's if you've been good. Some people say you may get a rotten potato if your bad. I've never gotten one. Christmas is a time for candy mm good. Christmas is a time to put up a nice decorated tree real pretty! Christmas is a time to go to sleep and in the morning there will be lot's of presents under the tree. Christmas is a time to turn off the chimney or you will have a black Santa Claus. Rember to leave some cookies and milk by the chimney. Be good and don't let Santa Claus mark you off the list. I love Christmas and I bet you do too!

## What Is Christmas By Domingo Luna

Christmas is a special holiday of joy. It is the yearly celebration of the birth of Jesus who was born in Bethlehem in a stable. It is the time to celebrate and put up a tree and decorate it. And get out of school two weeks. It also is the time to give and receive presents. We could even celebrate in church and praise him. Every year we celebrate Christmas the birth of Jesus. Everybody should give their sons and daughters some presents so be good kids. It is the time that snow falls like little bits of cotton. Sometimes big one's.

## What Is Christmas? By Cody Clint Montandon

Christmas is a Joyous time of year. It is a time for giving and receiving. And it is a time for Santa Claus to come and bring toys to people who have been good. It is a time to decorate a Christmas tree. It is a time to sing songs. It is a time to be with your family. It is a time to get out of school for awhile. It is a time to love love your family and your teachers. It is a time to mind your manners. It is a time to play with your toys. It is a time to be good all day day. I love Christmas and I hope it will be celebrated every year.

## What Is Christmas? By Juan Vargas

Christmas is the day we give presents

## What Is Christmas By Ignacio Luna

Christmas is a holiday of joy. It is a yearly celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ the son of God which was born in a stable in the city of Bethlehem. Christmas is the time to give presents to the people you love. Its the time we put up a tree and decorate it. We also get out of school for two weeks. Every year we celebrate Christmas I wish we celebrated it every day instead. Christmas is the time snow falls to the ground like a white blankets. That's why I love Christmas.

## What Christmas Means To Me By Jennifer Fortenberry

Christmas is time to celebrate for when Jesus was born in Bethlehem. He received gifts from the wiseman. The gifts were myrrh, frankincense and gold. The sheperds followed the star to where baby Jesus was lying in a manger.

We went to Ruidoso to cut down our Christmas tree. It was beautiful. We had to hurry home to decorate it. In our baby window we put Belle in a sleigh full of gifts and pulled by a reindeer. Christmas is a time to love one another and remember when this is the day Jesus was born.

Christmas a fun time too. Families get together and exchange gifts and eat a lot. One of my fun times is going to both of my grandparents. We play with our cousins. And exchange gifts.

## What Is Christmas? By Elizabeth Garcia

Christmas is a special day. It is a time of Joy and celebration. It is the birth of baby Jesus. And to celebrate Christmas we go out to shop for things to give to someone. And to eat at home or at church. And to put up a tree for Christmas. And to give to my parents, and to give to my Grandma and Grandpa, and a time to get out of school for two weeks. And we celebrate Jesus birthday. And to give to all my friends. And get a lot of big presents for Christmas.

## What Is Christmas By Curtis Briggs

Christmas is a time of year to celebrate the birth of Jesus who was born in Bethlehem with Mary, and Joseph.

Christmas is also a time to put up Christmas trees and to buy gifts, and receive gifts, but it is a time to love your family, friends, and teachers. Christmas is also a time to have joy in your heart. Christmas is really nice because we have a Lord who cares enough to send his son.

## What Is Christmas By Coy Davis

Christmas is a joyous holiday. Christmas is when your family and friends get together. You receive gifts. It is a time to sing songs. This special holiday is when Christ was born. We put up a Christmas tree. We want it to snow on Christmas. I love Christmas cause you get gifts and we celebrate Christ birthday.

## What Is Christmas? By Robert Reyes

Christmas is a time for joy and happiness. It is a time to go to church and celebrate the birth of baby Jesus and to play in the snow. And Christmas is a time to give a present to a special person and a time to be nice to other people. I like Christmas because we get a week off school. And wrap gifts and decorate the tree. Christmas is my best holiday because I get presents and play with the new presents and we go to my grandpa's house and eat dinner and my grandpa gives me presents and I go outside and feed the chickens.

## What Christmas Means To Me By Michelle Delgado

Christmas means a joyful happy day. I like Christmas because you can get gifts from people and you can thank them for what they have gotten for you. And you can celebrate the day Jesus was born. And lots of food. And give thanks for the food, clothes, shelter and for the peace on earth that Jesus has given us. And put up the Christmas tree and decorate the Christmas tree with lights and other things. But what I like about Christmas that can get out of school for two weeks. But you can also be nice all day. And real nice to the teachers and your parents too. But Christmas will never go away it will always be with us.

## What Is Christmas By Almadena B.

Christmas is a lot of joy. And a special day to receive presents on that special day. And to eat a lot of food. I like to give presents to my friends and cousins and my aunts and uncles and my teachers and my mother and father. That's what I like about Christmas. And Christmas is lots of fun to open presents and get lots of other things too. And on Christmas we celebrate Jesus birthday. And that another thing thta I like about Christmas. Sometimes we go to our

grandparents home in Victoria. We have lots of fun with our cousins. One of the fun times is when we break a pinata filled up with candy. Christmas is a special time together with our families and friends.

That's what Christmas is.

## What Is Christmas? By Cody Jackson

Christmas is a sing of joy and happiness.

Christmas is a time to put up a tree. Christmas is a time to give and receive.

Christmas is a time for peace. Christmas is a time to enjoy.

Christmas is a time to love your family.

Christmas is a time to sing. Christmas is a time for snow.

Christmas is a time for decorations. Christmas is a time to pray.

Christmas is a time to eat good food. Christmas is a time for a school holiday.

But most of all Christmas is love.

## Christmas Is By Jason Robnett

Christmas is a joyous time. Of praise but not just that. Christmas is something more than just joy and praise. Christmas is someones birthday. It is Gods son Jesuses birthday. It is also a time of receiving presents from loved ones and giving them too. Christmas is a time to put up the tree and put lights and decorations on the tree. Its a time of shopping and hurrying to stores and buying just the right thing for just the right person. It is a time to buy just all kinds of things. But most of all it is a time to praise our Father who Art in Heaven. And some churches will have a play of Jesus being born and of wise men giving gifts and other things.

## What Is Christmas By Chad Cook

Christmas is a time to celebrate the birth of Jesus. Joseph and Mary went to Bethlehem to pay taxes. There was no room in the inn, so they stayed in a stable and there Jesus was born. A star lead the shepherds to baby Jesus. And then the three wise men came with gifts the three wise men gave baby Jesus gold, myrrh, and frankincense. Then the shepherd sang praises.



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Washington Redskins' running back John Riggins set four records in Super Bowl XVII: most rushing attempts, 38; most yards rushing, 166; the longest touchdown run from scrimmage, 43 yards; and most combined attempts—38 rushes, 1 reception.

Miami Dolphins' Fulton Walker set five records in Super Bowl XVII in a losing cause: most yards, kickoff returns, 190; longest kickoff return, 98 yards; highest average, kickoff returns, 47.5 yards; most touchdowns, kickoff returns, 1; and most combined yards, 190.

As a result of rushing 166 yards in Super Bowl XVII, Washington's John Riggins became the first player in NFL history to rush for 100 or more yards in four consecutive post-season games.

According to Figgie International's Rawlings Sporting Goods Company, Washington (Super Bowl XVII) and Oakland (Super Bowl XI) are the only teams to amass 400 or more yards on offense in a Super Bowl game.

Midst the glow and glimmer of Christmas we are reminded of the many dear friends we cherish. We hope our friendship will continue to burn brightly through this ar.d every season.

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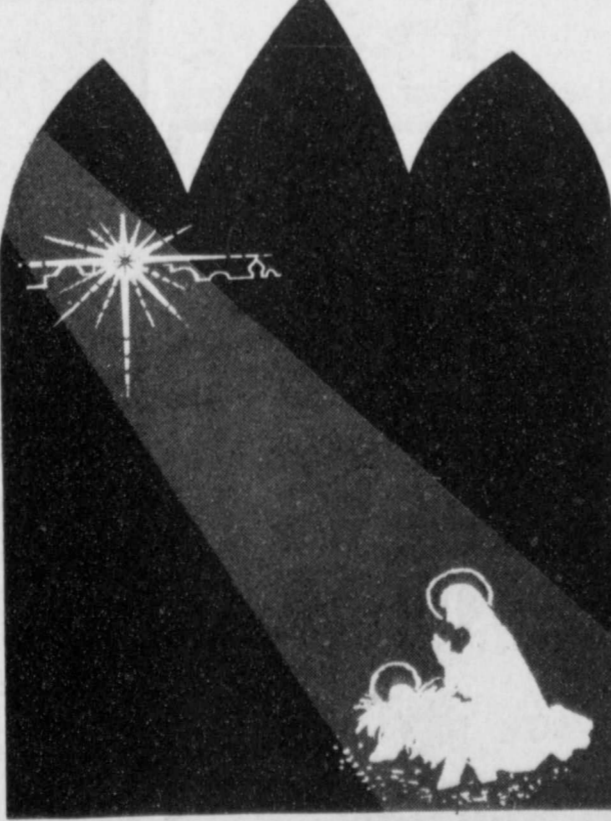
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# PERSPECTIVES

By the Rev. Michael O'Connor

## A Gift for the Child, Pt. 3

Wayne was sitting on a rise overlooking a small rustic village. He knew vaguely that he did not belong here, but could not really determine where he was. There were sheep scattered around him, mostly asleep, and a dark figure near them was silhouetted against the night sky. Above the village was a particularly bright star, but not one of the ones he remembered having ever seen. Strangest of all was the realization that he was no more than ten years old physically, though he seemed to retain all of his adult memories.

As he pondered the meaning of his odd situation, the air around him began to thrill. Suddenly, he was bombarded with a cacophony of sound. Voices were mingled with an unsettling and yet beautiful music. Looking up, from where the sounds were coming, Wayne was an eerie collection of beings. He knew immediately they were angels, though how he knew he would never be able to explain. They looked like men and yet not like men. Though some had wings, most did not. They seemed to be suspended in the air, or standing on it. Yes, that was more like it, standing on the air itself.

Handel himself never imagined music like the angels sang, and the language they spoke was unlike any Wayne had ever heard, lacking some quality of humanity, yet when he listened closely, Wayne understood them clearly. "Unto you is born this day...a Saviour," the angels sang/spoke.

Wayne was now surrounded by a company of men, shepherds attached to the flock near him. Their excitement infected him, and when the shepherds headed for the village, Wayne joined them. Though they made a great hurry, Wayne knew that did not explain his pounding heart or the catch in throat which made breathing difficult. He hadn't this way since he was a child

waiting for his parents to wake up while he pondered the wonder of a tree surrounded by gifts on Christmas morning.

The shepherds led him to a small cave obviously used as a stable. Now there people staying here, overflow from the inn that owned the stable. Wayne spent no time contemplating how he knew all of this for his attention was drawn to a feed box. A child lay there. Wayne's excitement grew and was joined by a new feeling, not happiness really, but what he could only call joy. He gazed steadily at the child, more fascinated by this child than he had ever been by his own children. His eyes seemed to play tickets on him as he looked.

The child's hands and feet appeared scarred one moment, perfect the next. The brow would be smooth at one glance, marked at the next. Wayne wanted to speak but couldn't. An overwhelming urge to give a child a gift gripped him, to be joined by the desperate realization that he had nothing to give. What could he give that would be worthy of a child whose birth announcement had been given by angels?

He knew what it would take. Only one gift was proper. When his mind was made up, Wayne's emotions subsided and he knew peace. His voice now free, Wayne whispered, "I give you myself." He would always swear later that the child smiled...

"Honey? Honey! Come on Wayne. Wake up. Do your sleeping in bed."

His wife was shaking him, dragging Wayne back to reality. It had all been a dream—the stable, the angels, the child. But they were all so very real, and the joy and excitement had returned to his soul. He had found what he was searching for, recaptured the spirit of Christmas. But Wayne had found even more than that Christmas, and he knew Christmas would never be the same.

## In time like these..... By Mary Jo Fielding

The U.S. is not the only peacekeeping nation in Lebanon that has been grieved by terrorist bomb blast on their troops. One of our allies, France, is anguished over a bomb blast that killed 56 troops. However, like President Reagan, President Francois Mitterand is determined to maintain his peacekeeping forces in Lebanon.

The French are outraged and frustrated over the murder of their troops, which occurred in Beirut at almost the same time that a similar early morning killed at least 225 U.S. service men. However, support for Mitterand's stand has grown among the French propler. Polls taken after the terrorist attack showed that a majority of the French

approved keeping a troops in Lebanon.

French soldiers have been limiting themselves to the Beirut area, but Paris after the bombing officials in Paris indicated that the troops would be given more authority to defend themselves. President Mitterand demonstrated French determination by visiting Beirut a day after the attack and paying homage to his murdered troops.

The bombing may have been to intimidate France out of its peacekeeping role with the U.S., Italy, and Britain. However, Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson spoke for the nation when he said, "France is not in the habit of giving in to pressure."

## Dear Santa...

Dear Santa,  
We really have few personal request for gifts this Christmas, but would like to make a few requests for everyone here at Lockney Care Center.

As we become older and wiser with the passing of the years, we realize one of the most precious gifts we can receive is the gift of love. The time shared with family, friends, and people we love provide a gift more precious than gold. The memories we share with others are priceless gifts that will last for years and provide much pleasure for us in remembering those special times together.

We hope we can continue to have friends, family and loved ones visit us during the year, reasonable good health, and happy time together.

See you Christmas Eve  
The Residents of  
Lockney Care Center

## Pvt. Molina ends training

Army Pvt. Jose L. Molina, son of Yolunda Luna of Lockney, Texas, has completed basic training at Fort Knox, KY.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

He is a 1982 graduate of Lockney High School.

## Lost & Found

LOST: Four mixed breed steers wearing yellow tags in left ear bearing the figure 222 and branded with figure 2 laying down on left side. Call H.E. Frizzell at 652-3788.



8th GRADE BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM MEMBERS and the trophy they received for 3rd place in the Floydada Tournament. Team members include (back) Matt Mitchell, Javier Bernal, John Herrera, Michael Gatica, Ruben Valdez, Ron Cates, Pat Briggs, Coach Cotham (front) Matt Williams, Clay Advian, Todd Hallmark, Jimmy Ballejo, Albert Martinez and Jerome Widner.



9th GRADE BASKETBALL team members are (top): Cory Luna, David Lemons, David Rodriguez, Matt Mitchell, (center) Hector Flores, Steven Cates, Hullo Cortez, (front) Chad Frizzell, Johnny Silva, Rusty Teeter, and Lupe Basaldua.

## The Story of Rudolph The Red-Nosed Reindeer

"Reginald, the Red-Nosed Reindeer"...? Now hold on a minute! Every kid in America knows his name is Rudolph. Who's Reginald?

It almost happened in 1939 when Robert L. May, a poetry-writing copywriter for Montgomery Ward was asked to develop some ideas for a Christmas booklet to be handed out to children visiting the company's retail stores.

May's first idea about a reindeer with a shiny nose received a cool reception. But he believed in the character that was taking shape in his mind. When he and an artist-friend came up with some whimsical illustrations of a lovable reindeer with a bright red nose, May's

proposal won immediate approval.

Next came the name. Rollo and Reginald were among the three names considered, but neither had the right ring for May, and Rudolph was born. The story took shape with May's four-year-old daughter, Barbara, serving as his toughest critic.

That Christmas, 2.4 million copies of the now internationally famous story were presented to children all over the country. Rudolph reappeared in 1946 in a similar holiday promotion that required 3.6 million copies of the booklet.

The following year, Montgomery Ward gave the copyright for Rudolph to May. Two years later, Rudolph's longevity was assured when Johnny Marks wrote his famous "Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer" song. Gene Autry's recording rocketed to the top of the hit parade in 1949 — Rudolph's 10th birthday. It was Autry's biggest selling record.

May later recalled, "When Rudolph became so popular, I felt like a father whose son had become president. I had created something bigger and more important than I could ever hope to be."

Rudolph went on to become a TV star in 1964 and reruns have delighted children of all ages almost every year since.

May's great affection for his life-like creation continued until 1976, when he died at the age of 71. Rudolph was 37.

That Christmas, Rudolph's nose didn't glow hardly at all, and it's said that Santa had to make his rounds without him because he was so sad. But he'll continue to make his usual rounds with Santa this Christmas Eve, foggy or not.

Over the river and through the woods, we're sending our sincere good wishes and profound thanks for a wonderful holiday season!

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# Cedar Hill News

## by Grace Lemon's Husband

On Saturday, November 19, Grace Lemons left for San Antonio to be near her brother, J.E. Anderson, who is a patient in the Army Air Force Hospital, located at Randolph Field. Mr. Anderson has responded to the prescribed medication in line with the doctor's expectations. A bone marrow test Friday December 16, or Monday December 19, will determine the success of the treatment.

When Grace left she took our Indian-Summer with her! It immediately turned very cold and promises to be one coldest falls we have ever experienced. Across the nation many, many cold records have been broken. On Sunday, December 18 our thermometer stayed below 10 degrees all day, and winter does not officially begin until December 22.

Dusty Burleson, son of Stanley and Lou Jean Burleson, lost his life in a one-vehicle roll over on Friday, December 2. In addition to his parents he is survived by two sisters Carria and Mrs. Beverly Brock, both of Levelland. Burial was in the Floyd County Memorial Park.

Walter Warren Lemons, nephew of Mrs. C.V. Lemons, passed away at North West Texas Hospital in Amarillo on Thursday, December 8, a victim of heart attack. He suffered the attack while driving on Bell street and his car was subsequently involved in a minor accident before coming to a stop on the opposite side of the street. Warren's great grandparents were the pioneer Harpers who lived between Sunset and Roseland in north-central Floyd County. Harper descendants still own portions of the original estate. Warren's father, Reverend Virgil Lemons, reached early manhood while living just southwest of the church-school in Floyd County's Fairview school district.

Martha Taylor flew to the Dallas area Thursday, December 1 to babysit her grandson and to help all she could while Shelia was in the hospital. She returned on Thursday December 8.

Ruby Lee Dillard, wife of Herman Dillard, deceased, lost her brother Marvin Rape Thursday the 8th day of December. Ruby Lee and Marvin and their family lived on the Preston Conner place in the 1930's. Both she and Herman attended the Cedar Hill School.

Grace Lee Taylor Keeter passed away early Monday, December 12. She has been a patient at M D Anderson in

Houston a little more than a month. Services were at the Lemons Funeral Chapel in Plainview with Rev. Jim Smith, of St. Stevens United Methodist in Amarillo as the main speaker. Grace is survived by Olan, her husband, one daughter, Mona Carlton of Houston, and two sons Olan and Mark both of Corpus Christi. Burial was in Plainview. Many Cedar Hill friends and relatives attended the services.

A reception honoring Robin and Ruth Fortenberry on their fiftieth wedding anniversary was held Sunday 18 at the Massie Activity Center in Floydada. Both of their sons, Durrell and Eldon, and their families were co-hosts for the occasion. All of their grandchildren were present except for Donnie. Durrell's oldest son, who called and talked to the family near the close of the celebration. A special surprise was the presence of Durrell's son Michael. Michael flew in from Montana, and will visit in this area for a few days. Ruth's sister-in-law from Amarillo was there and all of Robin's brothers and sisters were also present.

Edna Gilley visited with her mother and also with Gertrude Hammit in Plainview this past week. On Friday Edna and her sons, Craig and Mark, inspected some downstate cattle herds while looking for a outstanding individual to upgrade their present herd. She says asking prices are so high that someone must think cattle prices will advance sharply in the near future. They are still shopping.

The Assembly of God Church announces that 6:30 p.m. Wednesday will be the starting time for their annual community-wide Christmas program. Everyone is invited. Supper will be served; mexican food will be featured. This occasion presents the church and the entire community with the opportunity to express to Reverend Mitchell and his family their appreciation for their pleasant and uplifting influences during the time they have dwelt among us. All of us join in wishing the Mitchells happiness and success as they enter their new field of service.

Tom and Gladys Fortenberry went early Saturday morning to Amarillo for a pre-Christmas get-together with their granddaughter Pamela Hayhurst, Jackie and Trevor. Also present were Pamela's mother and father Patsy and LaFitte Boone, of Lubbock, and her sister and her husband, Danita and Paul

Clark, of the Dallas Fort area. On the return trip late Saturday Tom and Gladys experienced some of the fog and mist that came in with the massive cold front.

A man does not find life worth living. He make it worth living.

This holiday season...



don't get smashed.

It can cost you your license or your life.

# Merry Christmas

Be an angel and have a glorious holiday!

**Lockney Cable T.V.**

# Tally Ho!

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# South Plains News

South Plains, Dec. 18th.  
This Sunday a week before the wonderful Christmas Holiday families are pretty well gathered at their homes as it is cold, dark and gloomy. Snow started falling here last Thursday, Dec. 15th, with our first snow of this winter. My, it is cold! We got up to find sullen skies, and around ten degrees here. It is snowing lightly again this Sunday afternoon and Monday morning, the snow continues to fall.

A lovely candle lighting service has been planned for this Sunday evening, Dec. 18th, at the South Plains Baptist Church with an evening of singing Christmas carols and the telling of the precious Christmas story by Rev. Cecil Osborne.

Mr. and Mrs. Robin and Ruth Fortenberry were honored with a Reception given in their honor at the Massie Activity in Floydada on December 11, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Fortenberrys formerly lived here at Cedar Hill, but are now living in Hereford. We extend our best wishes to our friends of many years, on this occasion of their Golden Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Powell have received the glad news that their son Kenneth Wayne Powell and wife and two children, who has been stationed in Germany will be arriving around January 3rd, at Charleston, North Carolina, and after that time they will go on to Colorado Springs, Colo. where her family lives.

Visitors here at Church this Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Mulder and their four children, who were not able to get to their church in Wellington this Sunday morning and night due to the weather.

Mrs. Mamie Wood arrived home from Wichita, Kansas this past Saturday night, and we are very glad to have her home again, at least for the Christmas holidays. Mrs. Wood has been assisting in the People Plus, Inc.

in their Positive Living Event, which took place on December 15, in Wichita, Kansas. Speakers were Zig Ziegler, Dr. Dennis Waitley and Ira Hayes who spoke different times at the Century II Concert Hall in Wichita.

Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Nichols, their son, Morris and daughter, Amy of Shreveport, Louisiana were here to spend the past week end with their nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan and Connie Johnson and boys, Troy and Tracey. The men were able to get in some pheasant hunting while they were here. They went home Sunday morning to Shreveport.

Mrs. Sylvan Kinnibrugh (Bobbie) went to Truscott Tuesday morning of last week to spend several days with her sister Mrs. Sybil Simmons. Mrs. Kinnibrugh came home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Button and Judy Beedy were hosts Saturday night in Floydada to all the Marble cousins with dinner served to around forty family members at seven o'clock. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Wells and their three girls, Kim, Jill, and Kay from Denton. Marvin and June and girls spent Saturday night here with Fred and Carolyn Marble, and returned to their home in Denton this Sunday afternoon.

The South Plains Baptist Church will have their Christmas gathering Wednesday night, at 6:00 p.m. at the Fellowship Hall of the church. Please bring vegetable dishes and desserts to have at the dinner. Everyone please come and enjoy this Holy Day of our Lord's birthday with the people of the community at the church.

School here at South Plains will be out for the Christmas Holidays on Wednesday, December 21.

Wishing you a happy, wonderful time together with family or friends this Christmas, December 25, on Sunday. Let us all keep this sacred day of the Lord's birth with joy and thanksgiving.

## Brunch Can Be a Joy For the Holidays



Holiday Baked Eggs is the star of this menu with condensed cream of celery soup saucing the herbed potato mixture beneath the eggs.

Brunch can be an elegant but inexpensive way to entertain. For a festive, yet easy entree, serve Holiday Baked Eggs, with a tiny French touch. Condensed Cream of Celery Soup offers its double-rich, double-thick goodness to the egg main dish. Complete the menu with a tureen filled with condensed tomato and onion soups laced with tarragon, a fruit compote and basket of warm corn muffins.

Whatever your choice of dishes, condensed soups can make a festive brunch a holiday—even for the cook.

### HOLIDAY BAKED EGGS

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| 6 slices (about 6 ounces) Canadian bacon                        | 2 tablespoons salad dressing or mayonnaise |
| 3 cups unsalted mashed potatoes                                 | 1/2 cup milk                               |
| 2 tablespoons finely chopped parsley                            | 2 tablespoons sherry                       |
| 6 eggs  | 1/2 teaspoon chervil leaves, crushed       |
| 1 can (10 3/4 ounces) Campbell's Condensed Cream of Celery Soup |  |

1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Place bacon in 6 shallow individual baking dishes.
2. In small bowl, combine potatoes and parsley; spoon around the edge of each baking dish. Break 1 egg into each dish.
3. Meanwhile, in 1 1/2-quart saucepan, over medium heat, combine soup and salad dressing. Gradually blend in milk and sherry. Add chervil. Spoon 1 tablespoon of soup mixture over each egg.
4. Arrange baking dishes on cookie sheet, bake 20 minutes or just until egg whites are opaque and yolks are softly set.
5. Heat remaining soup mixture; serve with eggs. Makes 6 servings.

## Willy Wonka's Tips . . .

### Magic Formula For Hassle-Free Parties

Parents know children's home parties aren't all fun and games. Often they involve a lot of work and considerable expense. "So put the kids to work and make the most of what you have around the house," says Willy Wonka, magician and nutrition spokesman. "And don't forget, the key to a magical party is preparation."



To start, Willy suggests that parents and children plan the party together so everyone knows what to expect. He advises making a list of party activities, including the approximate time required for each and any supplies that are needed. "Give children most of the responsibility by assigning them tasks for before, during and after the party," says Willy. "If the group is large, ask brothers and sisters to help."

Here are some more tips from Willy to reduce party hassle and expense, and increase party fun:

—A theme, based on a holiday or season of the year, for example, turns a party into a special event. Invitations, decorations, placecards and games can be coordinated to highlight the chosen occasion.

—There's no need to buy and mail invitations — children can hand deliver home-made ones! Colored paper, wrapping paper or the unused portions of old greeting cards can be used.

—Avoid using linen or high-priced paper table settings. Cover tables with Sunday comics, grocery bags, shelf paper or old sheets. Put crayons or markers on the tables so guests can decorate their own place. Paperweight rocks painted with each child's name can be used as placecards.

—The possibilities for low-cost party favors are endless. Bags or paper cups of candy and raisins can be put at each place setting. Necklaces made out of macrame string and beads or dyed beans are easy to make before or during the party.

—Make the food fun! Trays of cubed cheeses, crackers and raw vegetables and dip are good complements to finger sandwiches. Sandwich bread can be cut into shapes with metal cookie cutters and spread with tuna, ham or egg salad.

—Beware of unentertained moments! While the children are waiting for all of the guests to arrive, have them guess how many pieces of candy are in a jar and award the winner with the jar and its contents. Have a surprise guest teach the group some dance steps, tell jokes or do magic tricks.

"Magic tricks are a favorite of youngsters," according to Willy Wonka, who uses magic to educate young audiences about nutrition. Willy has been entertaining children and par-

ents nationwide since 1981, when Willy Wonka Brands, a leading manufacturer of quality candies, began a public service program designed to emphasize the benefits of good nutrition. Here's one of Willy's favorite tricks that you can perform at your party. The Mysterious Interlocking Paper Clips Trick.



To do this trick you will need a dollar bill and two small paper clips. Fold the bill into the shape of an "S", dividing it into three segments of equal width. At the top edge of the folded bill, clip together (about one-half inch from their ends) the two segments nearest you on the left side and the two segments farthest from you on the right side. Take the clipped bill into your two hands and pull sharply. The paper clips jump into the air, interlocked!

Parents and children can learn another magic trick from Willy Wonka by sending for "Willy Wonka's Magic of Good Nutrition," an informational pamphlet that opens up into a colorful poster displaying the basic four food groups and containing a magic trick how-to. To receive the free pamphlet, write to: Willy Wonka's Magic of Good Nutrition, Merchandise Mart, P.O. Box 3431, Chicago, IL 60654. Larger quantities are available upon special request.



MONDAY LOCKNEY saw its second snowfall of the season. The first snowfall came last Thursday.

### Bing Cherry Salad

- 1 lb., 1 oz. can of bing cherries
- 11 oz. can of mandarin oranges-drained
- 6 oz. pkg. of raspberry jello
- 1/2 cup of red wine
- 1/2 cup of pecans

Drain cherries, add enough water to make 3/4 cups of liquid bring this to a boil. Stir in jello until dissolved, set aside and let cool. After this is cool add wine, fruit, and nuts. Stir well. Pour into a treated mold and refrigerate.

This recipe was contributed by Estelle Powers. She has had it for about 20 years. Estelle got this recipe from a woman from Michigan. Estelle was invited to a luncheon in Mineral Wells and this was one of the dishes that was served. Estelle has made this for family and friends for many years and recommends it highly.



IN LAST WEEK'S SNOW this Santa was getting a welcome to Lockney in a very brisk fashion.

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MARY McCracken and RICHARD LANHAM enjoy the beautiful Christmas tree at the Care Center. Cub Scouts helped decorate the tree with handmade ornaments.

This recipe was submitted by Louzille Keeter. Louzille is married to Joe

### 24-HOUR ANGEL SALAD

2 cups cooked white rice chilled.  
1 lb. can fruit cocktail, drained.  
1 303 can pineapple chunks drained.  
3 oz. flaked coconut.  
1 lb. package miniature marshmallows.  
1 cup yogurt (sour cream may be used)  
1 cup pecans.

Day before serving, combine chilled rice with all other ingredients. Refrigerate in bowl with tight lid. Toss occasionally. When ready to serve, stir up fruit mixture. Pile lightly in bowl and serve.



Rejoice! As we recall the miracle of Our Lord's birth, we wish our loyal patrons all the blessings of the Christmas season.

**Lockney Care Center**  
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ENJOY THE BEAUTY OF  
**CHRISTMAS MUSIC**  
IN CHURCH THIS YEAR

**Cook receives badge at scout Christmas party**

The Lockney Cub Scouts had a meeting at the Lockney elementary school December 12. During the meeting Chad Cook received his Bobcat Badge. The Scouts also enjoyed their Christmas party at this time. Santa came and presented each of the Scouts a pinewood derby car as gifts. The Scouts also enjoyed games and songs and were served Christmas refreshments.

On Tuesday dens 2 and 3 entertained at the Care Center singing Christmas carols and they added homemade ornaments to the residents Christmas tree.

Winner of the gun raffled by the members of Den 1 was Randall Stappa and Jason Johnson won a BB gun for selling the most tickets.

A VERY MERRY NOEL GOES OUT TO OUR VALUED PATRONS. HAPPY HOLIDAY GREETINGS.

Earl's Tractor Repair

**GLAD TIDINGS TO ALL**

Hope you experience the best that this special season has to offer, along with our appreciation.

**Lockney Beacon**

Ken & Louise Towery  
Carolyn & John Redding  
Pam & Red Armstrong

Mrs. Rasco's Kindergarten

# "Unedited" letters to Santa

Dear Santa,  
I want a Strawberry Shortcake game and a smurf telephone. My little sister Mandy wants a Barbie doll and I can't think of what else she wants.  
Love,  
Lee Anne

Dear Santa and Mrs. Santa,  
Please bring me a Strawberry Shortcake doll that blows a kiss, a Barbie house if you can get it, and a Barbie doll and the thing that curls her hair. Bring Meredith a play Santa.  
I love you and Mrs. Santa  
Tamarah

Oh yea! I want a Santa Candle for my room.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Barbie doll and a Strawberry Shortcake bike. My little Natalie wants a baby that crawls. Thank-you.  
Love,  
Marcy

Dear Santa,  
I want a Baby Skates and some make-up for Christmas. I think I've been good.  
Love,  
Cynthia

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a roadgrader, a back pack, a sleeping bag, some work gloves, some school gloves and thats all! I wish I could see you and I hope you see me sleeping in the house.  
Love,  
Joseph

Dear Santa Claus,  
I hope you bring me a little train that really runs on a track and a race car set. Tell Rudolph "hi".  
Love,  
Mike

Dear Santa Claus,  
Bring me a Strawberry Shortcake

Kissing doll, an Annie doll and anything else. Bring Hank a fire truck. We are leaving the reindeer some grass and we will leave you some milk and cookies.  
Love,  
Randi Jo

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please get me a big Hershey Kiss, a Barbie Bike, a Baby That Away, a Baby Skates, a baby carriage, and baby doll. Tell the elves "hi".  
Love,  
Trice

Dear Santa and Reindeer,  
Bring me a Baby Skates, a big doll, a play bear, a play reindeer, and a Care Bear. I like your red suit.  
Love,  
Chelsea

Santa,  
Bring me a My Little Pony, a big Hershey Kiss, and a Baby Skates. Bring my little sister, Michelle, a Teddy Bear. Thank-you for the presents you brought us last year.  
Love,  
Tikka

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a Baby Skates and a race track for Christmas.  
Love,  
Angie

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a GI Joe Boat and a castle. My little sister, Lucy, wants a doll that walks. Don't come until I'm asleep.  
Love,  
Bo

Dear Santa Claus,  
A black corvette, a truck and trailer with horses and a choo choo train is all I want for Christmas.  
Love,  
Joe Angel

Hi! Santa Claus and Mrs. Santa Claus,  
How cold is it there? I am five years old and I want a Barbie bike and another Barbie doll and if it looks like the one I already have, they will be twins. I believe in you and Rudolph and Mrs. Santa Claus. I hope you come to see me on Christmas.  
Love,  
Karen

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a play motorcycle with a man on it, a Fall Guy remote control truck, a Lone Ranger mask, Lone Ranger toys, and Zorro. My sister wants a Baby That Away.  
Love,  
Franky

Dear Santa,  
I want a ATAT from Return of the Jedi and Return of the Jedi Action Figures (I already have Luke Skywalker). I hope I get to see Rudolph because I love him. I hope you don't get too cold.  
Love,  
Brady

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Strawberry Shortcake doll and my little brother wants a bear to sleep with.  
Your Pal,  
Mary Ann

Dear Santa Claus,  
Could I have a remote control Fall Guy pick-up, a gold hot wheel and thats all. I will leave some milk and cookies on the porch for you and there is some hay in the shed for all the reindeer.  
Love,  
Jeremy

Dear Santa,  
I want some (two) guppies, a GI Joe, and a race track for my hot wheels.  
Tim Mitchell



# Merry Christmas

In celebration of this season so serenely beautiful,  
we gather together to express our profound gratitude  
for your faith and friendship.  
We hope your holiday is filled with the joy that comes  
from sharing its bright blessings with those you love.

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and A Happy New Year!!!

# "Dear Santa"

What Christmas Me  
You give givse and reseve givses.  
by James

I Love you  
I ooc a smurfftv and a cheerleader doll and a tensoz and baby that a way, a bicycle and cayn.  
Mary

A cheerleader doll, sun gass, cat, tersoz, smurff TV, TV, bap dad way, bicycle, Micrfon, caun dog  
Kay Lynn Lusk

Dear Santa Claus  
I want a train for Christmas. And a car and boots castle with Heman and Skelotor and new car for my mommy superman for David. hulk for scottie. Stacy's for Daddy. New jaket. My aunt a doll. Mellisa a doll.  
Hilberto Anita Jr. David Scott



Dear Santa  
I've been a pretty good girl this year. I would like a Barbie doll. If you cannot get me one, here's another choice. My favorite present would be playing dishes. Even if I got a big list on my mind, well I got to go.  
Your Friend,  
Lorraine Banda

Dear Santa,  
My name is Kory. I am 5 years old I want: a Dukes of Hazzard pedal car a computer a 3 wheeler and a chalk Board  
Kory

Dear Sana Clous  
My name is Steven and I have been a good boy this year so would you please bring me a He-men and a batelcat and a bike.  
Steven Gonzales

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a "Baby Alive" doll, a pair of boots and some new clothes. Mommy said all she wanted was a nice Christmas. I will have some cookies and milk waiting for you. I have been a good little girl, so don't forget to stop at my house when you and Rudolph fly over Lockney on Christmas Eve.  
Love Ya! Santa Dalanda Watson age 4

Dear Santa,  
I've been very good lately I want a play dog and I want a play been and I want a play doll and I want a play cat.  
Love,  
Chris Ramirez

Dear Santa  
I want a Bady ritener and a Baby Skat Doll and Books and libestick.  
Love Nancy

Dear santa  
I whant lots of things I beleve in you. I want you to go to all the peoples house.  
from Amy

Dear Santa  
I been a good girl santa. Is you coming to Lockey school? Oh! if you is I want you to see the sacnd Gade. Miss Bradley room.  
from Aneatria

Dear Santa  
For Christmas I want a G.I. Joe Jet and a B-B gun and a Super Cliff Hanger and a X-wing fighter and a tie fighter and a head phones and a speeder bike and a Castle Grayskull and a Atack track and a Set of hot wheels and a computer and a lazer 2000.  
from Lance

Dear santa  
I want a bike And a E.t. shirt And a Knight rider car. And a He-man toy

And a noat book  
from Lorenzo

Dear Santa,  
I want a Knight Rider Hot Cycle for Christmas.  
Adrian

Dear Santa  
Hi! How is North Pole Well I've been a pretty good girl this year. Well I want a Barbie doll, that all I was wanted, or some dishes, one of those if you bring me. I will be happy with.  
Your friend  
Lorraine



"... Round, you Virgin Mother and Child..."  
May this Holy season bring you and your loved ones renewed peace.  
a Joyous Christmas

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gloynas

**Christmas Blessings**  
MAY HE WATCH OVER ALL OF YOU, FRIENDS, ON THIS MOST BLESSED OF HOLIDAYS ... AND THROUGHOUT THE YEAR!  
Jeff Race at  
**Pasttime Arcade**

# "Dear Santa"

Dear Santa,  
I've been very good lately. I want a strawberry short cake bike and strawberry shortcake doll. Well I think that is all.

Love,  
Joanna Garcia  
age 6

for Christmas. I am 3 years old. Please bring something for my dog Prissy and the puppies she is going to have. And please don't forget my Uncle Garry and Uncle Ken (they live in Lubbock). And don't forget Patches my cat.

Love  
Cristy Armstrong

Dear HoHo,  
My name is Cristy Armstrong. I would like a Strawberry Shortcake doll, a green Care Bear, and a Care Bear car

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want 2 Barbie Dolls and I want a Baby skates for Christmas. I want clothes and I want a Happy Returns

Doll. I want play typewriter. I want a bike and I want a Smurf watch. I want a Smurfat Doll. For my mother I want a necklace for her. I want boots for my Father.

Your Friend,  
Yolanda Reyna

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a bike for Christmas and I want a Barbie Doll. I want a Baby skates and I want a play type writer I want clothes for Christmas. I want a Happy Returns and I want a Smurf watch I want a Smurfet Doll and I want a tape of Michell Jackson and I want a Barbie House for Christmas.

Thank you,  
from Juanita Arebalo

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want some Garfield skaes, a Dream Date Barbie Doll, A new Exercise suit for me. I want a baby doll that cries and I want some pink cordoroy jeans. I also want a ring necklace and watch. I want some pompoms and a F'nB collector doll-the cowgirl. I also want a back pack. I want a new dress, shoes, and a new long dress, I want a book about space, and I want a sleeping bag. A Barbie Dream bed, And some new furniture for my Barbie Dream House. I also want a little one of those video games "Ms. Pack Man." I also want new curtains and a bike, I want an earring holder for my earrings, and I want some Barbie clothes.

Jenny Mangum

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a He Man collection and a Castle graskull and a racing track. And a go-car. And I want a Pac man video game.

Your friend,  
Tony Ascetic



# What Christmas Means To Me

What Christmas Means to Me  
By Melissa Griffith

The load to me means alot I Love the load. And Christ Means alot to me Becosm Jease was Bon on Christ Mery Christ!

Love  
Melissa Griffith

What Christmas means to me, Christmas means to me you get a lot of gifts and have fun. and mom and dad give you lots of things you like. What Christmas means to me.

by Elisa Rodriguez

happy new year

This is what Christmas Means to me. It a nice spirit. to me and to go to see my aunts and get cards and gifts and have a party at school. and go have fun in the snow and go to see friends.

from Tami Vernon  
age 10  
november 17, 1973

What Christmas Means to Me  
By Jason Johnson

Christmas means it is time to get prent of Mom Dad brother sister and santa I like Christmas.

What Christmas Means To Me  
Love: Tony Elias H

Christmas is my cind of year. When I here the rining bells. And a other thing they give a gift to me.

cause CHRISTMAS MEANS TO ME.

What Christmas Means to me  
By Renee Salas

Christmas is a spiecal Holiday it is a time where we all gather around the Christmas tree it is a happy holiday you have great times for the whole family Ho Ho Ho merry Christmas And Happy Holiday's

What Christmas Means to me.  
By Joann Amador

Christmas is a lot to me becuse. I get presents. And I give presents to. And it's jessus Brith Day in Christmas.

What Christmas Means to Me  
By Richard Guererro

I think That christmas is a good holiday it is the best day I will have I get gifts to my Dad and MOM evey christmas I get some gifts to my friend Daniel and Tony and Cosme

What Christmas Means to me  
By Kori Kellison

I like to give presents and see if the

like it. Christmas is a fun Holiday. It's my favorite Holiday. It is hard waiting for it. My stocking is the best part.

**YULETIDE WASHES**

The holiday brings no greater pleasure than a chance to express our sincere thanks for your trust and patronage.

May all your Christmas dreams come true, and our friendship be as lasting as the endearing traditions of Christmas.

Byrd  
Fred, Virginia, Ida & Libby

**Christmas Greetings**

We send you a treasury of old fashioned holiday greetings and sincere gratitude.

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Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,  
I want a computer to learn my Math. I will give you milk and cookies.  
Your friend,  
Lisa Smith

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a He Man and Battle Cat and I want a castle graskull and a bike and a G.I. Joe train set and a atrati Donkoy King Kong Jr.  
Joe Sustaita, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like some presents for me. I would like a watch for Christmas and baby skates. And some clothes too. A barbie and the game scrabble and other games. A swimming pool for my barbie and a doll house. A gum ball machine for Christmas. A pac-man machine. A snoopy phone too. I would like a basket ball and an adopted baby for Christmas.  
P.S. We love you santa.  
Love, Daisey Blanco

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Mongoose Bike for Christmas. Will you Bring it to me? And a Atari too. Also a G.I. Joe train set and a G.I. Joe army set. And He Man collection but the whole collection.  
John Torres

Dear Santa Claus  
I want a bike for Christmas. will you bring it to me? Also a football. I want a racing car and Hot wheels I want also a watch for Christmas and I want a stereo.  
From your friend,  
John Garcia

Dear Santa Claus.  
How ar you? I'm just fine. Do you know what I want for Christmas? I want a 6x6 and some big speaker for my stereo and a T.V. I think that's all I want this year. Well bye Santa.  
Love,  
Cory Armstrong

Dear Santa Claus.  
I want a B.B. gun and a radio and a bike and a bow and arrow and a watch. Well I better let you go now, bye.  
Your friend,  
Brian Griffith

Dear Santa Claus.  
I want the Master of the Universe. I want the battle ram, battle cat, and HE Man. and the rest of the collection and castle graskull. And I want a little video game.  
Your Friend,  
Chris V.

**What Christmas Means to Me**  
By Linda DeLeon  
Christmas means to me because jesus was born and I realy like it. Christmas really means to me

**What Christmas Means to me.**  
By Jeri Lambert  
Christmas is when Jesus was born. I love Jesus very much because he save us. and if he did not save us we would knot be alive write now. and Christmas is giving time when you give gifts.

**What Christmas Means To Me**  
By Mark Hernandez  
It means Santas little elfs start making. toys for the good boys and goodgirls. Christmas is a holiday Eery body enjoys. Everybody is thankful for. And is a time to give gifts

**What Christmas Means to me.**  
By Pauline  
I like to because it is my favorite Mouth of the year and one thing like to open the prenst's I want a Baire Doll.

**What Christmas Means to me**  
By Lance  
Christmas brings joy into my hart and laughter to I like it because Jesus was born on Christmas day and we have to love Jesus. because if he wasn't born we wouldn't be here to day. Did you know that! Well I knew that for a long time.

**What Christmas Means to Me.**  
By Danielle Farrow  
What Christmas means to me giving presents to friends. Wen I give presents it makes me feel good. I love Jesus to that is whal makes me feel good.

**What Christmas Means To Me**  
By Timothy  
Christmas is a good holiday. It reminds me of baby Jesus bying born. I might get to hand out the presents.

**What Christmas mens to me**  
By Jason Anderson  
Christmas came from love and Jesus. If there was not love or Jesus. There would not be a Christmas.

**What Christmas Means to me.**  
By Daniel  
This is what Christmas Means to me. Christmas is my favorite Day it is my favorite Day because we get gifts and we give them gifts to and the Christmas

tree looks as pretty as it can be. and I will like a atari I will like a new bike. Tha is what Christmas means to me.

**What Christmas Means to me.**  
By Racquel Ann Ruiz  
Christmas means to me. Because Baby Jesus was born in Christmas Eve. And we get to open are giftes what I want for Christmas is a twarley carls and trace for Christmas Marry Christ-mas to all!

**What Christmas Means to me**  
I am glad when christimas is near it makes me happy it feels me with Joy it makes me the glads parson on earth  
By Patrick Dawn Monroe

**What Christmas Means to me**  
By Cosme  
I like it because Christmas is My favorite Mouth and I like the prenest and I know what I got for Christmas and I got somethig for my mother and father I got gifts for Danenl and tony and richard.

**Christmas**  
By Samantha Salinas  
Christmas is special to me becuaue it is Jesus Day. and I like to give gives to pople and allso I like to get they. But Chritmas nice I like Christmas it is fun I'm glade that Christmas is her.

**What Christmas Means to Me**  
By Dana McCarry  
Christams to me Means. A good Holiday because it is Jesus' Birth  
**Christmas**  
By Joel Mitchell  
Christmas was near  
And all through the house.  
The people were trying to hear  
Old St. Nick's bells.

People were shopping  
For Christmastime sales.  
With looking and cheering.  
And loud, happy yells.

But what the Christmas spirit means to me.  
Is that the Lord. our God. has set us free  
From all our sins to ever be  
Thank you. Lord. I thank you for Thee  
**Christmas**  
By Jimmy Ballejo

Christmas is a time for fun and laughter. Christmas is also a time for hard work. You go and buy a Christmas tree. presents and Christmas lights. Everyone is having fun and working at the same time. That is what Christmas is all about.

**When It's Cold Outside**  
By Gwen Lane  
When the weather outside is freezing  
But inside. it is quite pleasing.  
Since there's no place to go.  
Let's sit around and talk of Christ-mases long ago  
With snow falling down  
And happiness all around  
Let it snow for Christmas day.  
For after that Christmas is gone on it's way.

**The First Christmas**  
By Margie Torres  
Christmas is the time to celebrate the birth of Jesus. our King.  
The announcement of his birth the angels sing.

A star showed the shepherds the way  
To where the Baby slept on the hay.

With gifts three wise men came from far  
Through the guidance of that same star.

Right by his side was a happy Mary  
And Joseph who was just as merry.

Everyone celebrated His birth that first  
Christmas day.  
Let's hope that this Christmas we do.  
Too. in that same special way.

**Christmas**  
By Fernando Elias  
Christmas is getting together with all the family and celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ. It's also getting presents from other families and your own.

Christmas is decorated houses and Christmas trees streets in the city. Christmas is going caroling around the town. Kids get presents and eat. but it's better to give than to receive.

**What is Christmas?**  
By Rance Ford

Christmas is the time of year we celebrate the birth of the baby Jesus. Joseph was to be taxed with Mary who was great with child in the City of David. When they go there there was no room for them in the Inn. So Mary did the best thing she could so she laid him in a manger in a stable. Shepherds were abiding in the feild when lo the angel of the lord came upon them and they were afraid. The angel told them don't be afraid but go unto Bethlehem and you will find the Saviour lying in a manger. And there was a multitude of angels saying Peace on Earth Good Will Toward Men. And then the disappeared into the heavens. And the shepherds said "Let us go to Bethlehem to see the saviour." So the went. There were three wise men sent by king Harod. But God told them in a dream that they could see Jesus but don't go back to Harod. The wise men came unto Jesus bearing gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrth. And they didn't go back to Harod but departed to another land. And that's what Christmas is.

**What Is Christmas**  
By Callixa Guerrero

Christmas is the yearly celebration of the birth of Jesus. It is the day a baby was born in Bethlehem. And there was no place to put the baby. They put him in a manger in a stable. And then come three wise men with gifts. One had gold, one had myrth, and one had frankinsense. Christmas is a joyous time. Christmas is a time to be nice and to love one another. And Christmas is a time to give and get alot of gifts. But most of all Christmas is a time that Santa Claus comes. We do eat alot on Christmas. But Christmas is a time to be nice because it is the day of Jesus birth.

**Christmas Time**  
By Clay Adrian

Having fun and giving cheerfully is what Christmas time is all about. If you can have fun and still remember the true meaning of Christmas you are a good person. What do you think Merry Christmas means? It means be cheerful and have fun. Have a Merry Christmas!

**Christmas Time**  
By Donna Vernon

Trees decorated up so nice: Then you see stocking with cute little mice.  
Your mail box is filled with cards and letters. And soon your house is filled with excitement and chatter.  
This is what happens at Christmas time. Yes, this is what happens at Christmas time.

**The Christmas Tree**  
By Jolie Diepenhorst

The Christmas tree...  
All glowing with lights.  
With presents under it.  
shiny and bright

Each ornament hung with care.  
In hopes that St. Nicholas  
Would soon be there.

With each little ribbon:  
each little ball  
Every little snowman,  
every little star.

The little toy drummer.  
The little Santa Claus.  
The little tiny candles.  
The little tiny mantle.

After Christmas it's put away.  
For next year, this same day.  
Goodbye, little Christmas tree.  
Until the next tree.

**What Is Christmas**  
By Clay Golden

Christmas is a time to give to freinds and other people. But mostly Christmas is when Jesus was born. And the three wise men gave him gifts. Mary and Joseph went to Bethlehem but could not

find a place to stay. So they stayed in a stable. And tht night they had a baby his name was Jesus. Jesus was the son of God and that's why we celebrate Christmas.

**What Is Christmas?**  
By Lanny Hardy

Christmas is a special holiday when people give things to others. Christmas is also a time when baby Jesus was born. Christmas is a time when we put decorations on Christmas trees. We get presents from our parents and our friends. We also hang stockings up on

our wall and we get games and other things put in them. Christmas is a special time because we get to see all of our loved ones like our grandparents and aunts and uncles and cousins from diffrent places and states. I love Christmas.



With  
RENEWED  
FAITH, WE FLOCK  
TO HIM AND HEAR  
HIS MESSAGE OF  
EVERLASTING PEACE,  
LOVE AND HAPPINESS!  
Joy to All this  
CHRISTMAS!

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It was on that night  
His miraculous birth  
took place. Let's  
hold this Holy time  
close to our hearts  
now and forever.

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**Christmas**  
May it be decked out with love,  
wreathed in peace and illuminated  
with joy and laughter. Many  
thanks to all of you.

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Holiday Spirit,  
May We Wish You  
The Very Best...  
Along With Our  
Thanks.

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# Christmas stories

## What I think Christmas

**By Clay Harrison**  
I like Christmas because it is a time of giving, sharing, and loving. It is a time to think of others and care for the elderly. We need to give to those who can't afford any presents because it is Jesus birthday.

I like it, too for a greedy reason. I want presents, presents and more presents.

## By Clay Harrison

Roses are red  
Violets are blue  
Have a Merry Christmas  
To all of you

## Christmas Time

**By Matt Williams**  
Christmas is a very special time. It is a time for sharing and caring for your friends, relatives, and loved ones. Also, I always look forward for that special trip to Grandmother's on Christmas Eve. I like being with my grandparents, aunts, uncles, and all my cousins. Christmas is my favorite time of year to think about the real purpose of Christmas, the birth of Jesus. I always look forward to Christmas, mainly to get presents and to be with our family and friends. Merry Christmas!!

## Christmas

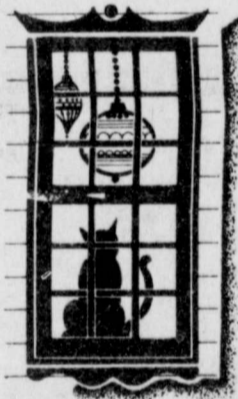
**By Efrén Perez**  
Christmas is a bright time of the year. Lights of Christmas light up the streets of the town. Inside houses Christmas trees glow brightly. It is also a joyful time for families. They have their reunions and exchange presents, and they have their Christmas feast. Christmas is my favorite season, and it always will be.

## Christmas Is

**By Todd Hallmark**  
Christmas is Christmas trees and twinkling lights, Candy canes, pine cones, and a star shining bright.

Christmas is loving, caring, and being with others. Bright packages, bows and candles, and that trip to Grandmother's.

Christmas is Joy to the World as baby Jesus is born. We sing our songs of praise, on every Christmas morn.



## The Game Before Christmas

**By Missy Hayes**  
The game before Christmas and all through the dome Not a creature was stirring not even a gnome. The shoulder pads were hung by the lockers with care In hopes that Staubach soon would be there. The players were dressed in their red and their white. While visions of defensive plays danced in their heads. And mom in her earmuffs and I with my pipe. Had just settled down for a four quarter fight. When out on the field there arose such a clatter. I jumped from my seat to see what was the matter Away to the pressbox I flew like a flash. Too open the door with a bang and a crash When what to my wondering eyes should appear. But a sports commentator and eight football players so dear. With a little old man so stupid and pale I knew in a moment it must be Howard Cosell. More rapid than jets, the players they came. And he griped and he yelled and called them by name. On Campbell and Dorsett, on Simpson and Jaworski On Swann and Foreman and Haden and Bartkowski. But I heard him comment as he left like he came Merry Christmas to all and to all a good game.



## Christmas

**By Ron Cates**  
Christmas is a happy time. It is not for receiving it is for giving. It makes people happy to see kids tearing open their present. Most of all, it's for getting out of school.

## Christmas

**By Kathy Davis**  
Christmas is a time of gathering of kin and the giving of presents. But, is that really why we celebrate Christmas? No, Christmas really is the time when we celebrate the birth of Christ our Lord. On the night of Christ's birth above a manger in Bethlehem was a bright star. In the manger lay a newborn baby, baby Jesus. So, many people don't accept the real meaning of Christmas. They feel that Christmas is only the time for giving and receiving of gifts.

## A Christmas Story

**By Pat Briggs**  
One day there was this boy. He was very poor. He wished he were rich for one day so he could buy presents for his parents. Oh, how he loved them so. He was looking down because he was dejected when he saw a flash of green in the snow. He reached down and pulled out a ten dollar bill. Now he had money

to buy Christmas presents for his parents. Oh, they would be so excited! He went and bought his dad a watch and his mom some perfume. They were going to have presents for the first and probably the last time.

## Christmas

**By Ruth Elaine Wilson**  
Christmas is a time for log fires, Christmas caroling, candy apples, pies, and all kinds of sweets. It is also a time for snow sledding, snowball fights, and snow ice cream. But it is mostly a time for giving gifts to all the people you care about.

## Christmas

**By Julia Segovia**  
When I was younger, I didn't think what I should have thought about Christmas. I thought Christmas was only gifts, trees, food, and going to Grandma's. As I grew up I began to realize that Christmas was a time for cheer, joy, love, and most important of all, the birth of Christ. As I go on living, I will always remember that God so loved the world that He gave us His only son that He could save us and to forgive our sins. That's what I always think of at Christmas.

**Christmas**  
**By Maria Saucedo**  
When Christmas time comes  
You can hear the faint sound of drums,

lightly.  
The shimmering blue star up on the sky  
Reminds us of love so we shouldn't cry.

So we remember Baby Jesus for this holiday, so dear,  
That we spend with our families once a year.

And the Christmas tree with its lights  
shining brightly  
Colors the snow outside falling so

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THURSDAY DECEMBER 22, 1983

Grid of TV programs for Thursday, December 22, 1983, listing channels (4, 5, 9, 11, 13, 28, 34), networks (WBNS, KTXT, WGN, KCBD, KLBK, KAMC, KJAA, HBO, SHOW, ESPN), and program titles.

Highlights

MORNING: 8:05 (4) ★★ "ABBOTT AND COSTELLO MEET CAPTAIN KIDD" (1952, Comedy) Charles Laughton, Hillary Brooke. The boys search for a pirate's treasure...
AFTERNOON: 12:05 (4) ★★ "BEDTIME FOR BONZO" (1951, Comedy) Ronald Reagan, Diana Lynn. A professor uses a chimpanzee to prove his theory...
EVENING: 8:00 (3) ★★ "SUNSHINE CHRISTMAS" (1977, Drama) Cliff De Young, Barbara Hershey. A widower takes his daughter to Texas to celebrate Christmas with his parents...

FRIDAY DECEMBER 23, 1983

Grid of TV programs for Friday, December 23, 1983, listing channels, networks, and program titles.

Highlights

MORNING: 8:05 (4) ★★ "BUNDLE OF JOY" (1956, Comedy) Debbie Reynolds, Eddie Fisher. When a newly freed salesgirl saves an abandoned baby from a fall, she is mistaken for the mother of the baby.
AFTERNOON: 12:05 (4) ★★ "GREAT EXPECTATIONS" (1934, Drama) Jane Wyatt, Henry Hull. Based on the story by Charles Dickens...
EVENING: 7:00 (3) ★★ "GOING MY WAY" (1944, Drama) Bing Crosby, Barry Fitzgerald. A priest assigned to a downtrodden parish works a miracle with the parish and the people.

Dear Santa....

Dear Santa, I have been a good boy. I want a AT-AT, snow speeder, Twin Pod CLOUD Pilot, PleAse bring my dog, Trouble, some Thing. Mark Todd Terrell

Dear Santa Claus, I would like baby skates, and a set of horses. I would like some more cake mixes and a lot of candy in my stocking. Plus a new pair of jeans, shirts and socks for my brothers. And a camera for my Mother, and some school paper for me. Elizabeth Widener

Dear Santa, I want toys and clothes. And A Atari. And A race set, And A BB Gun Love, Jeromey McGee Six years

Dear Santa Clause I have been a pretty good boy this year: SO I want an Atari 5200 and a BB gun for Christmas Alfred Martinez Six years

Santa Claus I want a Folding Doll stroller and a Doll that eats My name is Rachel Gonzales 410 NE 6 St. Six years

Dear Santa, I've been very good lately I want a strawberry shortcake bike and strawberry shortcake doll. Well, this is all. Love, Priscilla, 6 yrs. old

Christmas means to me that it makes me have fun and I get lots of things, and it means to me that it is a happy New! Year! by Andy Stapp

Dear santa I want a walky talks and a stearyow with rekeds and tapes Jerod



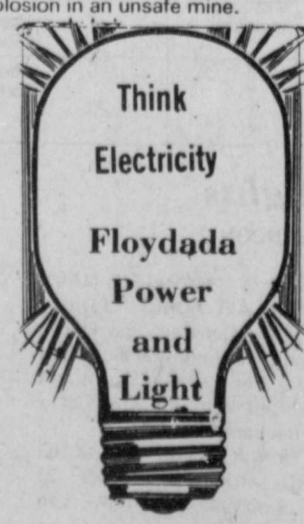
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SATURDAY DECEMBER 24, 1983

Grid of TV programs for Saturday, December 24, 1983, listing channels, networks, and program titles.

Highlights

AFTERNOON: 12:00 (3) ★★ "THE GHOST AND MR. CHICKEN" (1966, Comedy) Don Knotts, Joan Staley. A newspaper typesetter braves many perils to become a reporter by investigating a supposedly "haunted" house.
EVENING: 7:00 (3) ★★ "CHRISTMAS EVE" (1947, Drama) George Raft, Ann Harding. On Christmas Eve, the three adopted sons of a wealthy spinster learn that her real nephew is developing a sinister plot against her.
8:00 (3) ★★ "THE CHILDREN NOBODY WANTED" (1981, Drama) Fred Lehne, Michelle Pfeiffer.



SUNDAY DECEMBER 25, 1983

Table with columns for time slots (7:00-12:30) and channels (WTBS, KXTX, WGN, KCBD, KLBK, KAMC, KJAA, HBO, SHOW, ESPN). Lists various programs like 'Cartoons', 'Three Score', 'Oral Roberts', etc.

Highlights

8:00 (1) ★★ 1/2 "SATURN 3" (1980, Science-Fiction) Kirk Douglas, Farrah Fawcett. A pair of scientists working in a space station are menaced by a mad genius and his robot, (R)
(28) ★★ 1/2 "FUNNY LADY" (1975, Musical) Barbra Streisand, James Caan. Vaudeville star Fanny Brice embarks on a humorous love-hate relationship with songwriter Billy Rose.

Highlights

(34) ★★ 1/2 "SILENT NIGHT, LONELY NIGHT" (1969, Romance) Lloyd Bridges, Shirley Jones. A pair of strangers seek comfort from each other as they undergo personal crises on Christmas Eve.
11:30 (3) ★★ "THE STORY OF LOUIS PASTEUR" (1936, Biography) Paul Muni, Akim Tamiroff. Dedicated to the advancement of science, Pasteur finds cures for anthrax and hydrophobia and discovers the pasteurization process for milk.

MONDAY DECEMBER 26, 1983

Table with columns for time slots (7:00-12:30) and channels (WTBS, KXTX, WGN, KCBD, KLBK, KAMC, KJAA, HBO, SHOW, ESPN). Lists various programs like 'Bewitched', 'Bozo', 'Today', etc.

Highlights

12:05 (4) ★★ 1/2 "JACK AND THE BEANSTALK" (1952, Comedy) Abbott and Costello, Buddy Baer. White baby-sitting, Lou falls asleep and dreams he's Jack the Giant Killer.
1:00 (34) ★★ "THE AMAZING HOWARD HUGHES" (Part 1) (1977, Biography) Tommy Lee Jones, Ed Flanders. The highly volatile and eccentric multimillionaire uses wealth and influence to indulge his offbeat obsessions and curious rages.

Highlights

7:05 (4) ★★ 1/2 "DEATH OF A GUNFIGHTER" (1969, Western) Richard Widmark, Lena Horne. A small-town marshal stubbornly refuses to relinquish his position even though the town no longer needs him.
8:00 (1) "HAPPY ENDINGS" (Premiere, Drama) Lee Montgomery. Robin Gammell. A young college drop-out faces the difficult task of raising her younger sisters and a brother when their parents are killed.

TUESDAY DECEMBER 27, 1983

Table with columns for time slots (7:00-12:30) and channels (WTBS, KXTX, WGN, KCBD, KLBK, KAMC, KJAA, HBO, SHOW, ESPN). Lists various programs like 'Bewitched', 'Bozo', 'Today', etc.

Highlights

12:05 (4) ★★ 1/2 "MCHALE'S NAVY JOINS THE AIR FORCE" (1955, Comedy) Tim Conway, Joe Flynn. An ensign on a South Pacific Island is forced to impersonate a pilot and gets involved with the crew of a Soviet merchant ship.
1:00 (34) ★★ "THE AMAZING HOWARD HUGHES" (Part 2) (1977, Biography) Tommy Lee Jones, Ed Flanders. The highly volatile and eccentric multimillionaire uses wealth and influence to indulge his offbeat obsessions and curious rages.

Highlights

8:00 (34) ★★ 1/2 "THEY SHOOT HORSES, DON'T THEY?" (1969, Drama) Jane Fonda, Michael Sarrazin. A Depression-era dance marathon is entered by a young couple in need of the prize money.
11:05 (4) ★★ "THE UGLY AMERICAN" (1963, Drama) Marlon Brando, Eij Okada. An idealistic ambassador to a Southeast Asian republic is confronted with hostility in his host nation.

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 28, 1983

Table with columns for time slots (7:00-12:30) and channels (WTBS, KXTX, WGN, KCBD, KLBK, KAMC, KJAA, HBO, SHOW, ESPN). Lists various programs like 'Bewitched', 'Bozo', 'Today', etc.

Highlights

12:05 (4) ★★ 1/2 "FLUFFY" (1965, Comedy) Tony Randall, Shirley Jones. A college professor who works with a lion has a hard time controlling the animal until he receives help from a young lady.
1:00 (34) ★★ "THE SECRET WAR OF HARRY FRIGG" (1969, Comedy) Paul Newman, Sylvia Kosciina. An Army private is sent to help five brigadier generals escape from the Italians.

Highlights

7:05 (4) ★★ 1/2 "THE SHAKIEST GUN IN THE WEST" (1968, Comedy) Don Knotts, Barbara Rhoades. While traveling West, a dentist meets up with a former bandit who uses her past to help track down illegally sold weapons.
8:00 (1) "CONTINENTAL DIVIDE" (1981, Comedy) John Belushi, Blair Brown. A newspaper columnist and an ornithologist find love in the wilds of the Rockies.