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## Basketball games

**Haskell**  
JV-VGB vs Rotan  
Fri., 4 p.m. at Haskell

**Paint Creek**  
Paint Creek vs Moran  
Fri., 6:30 at P.C.

## Calendar

**Only 6 more shopping days til Christmas!**

### Immunizations

The Texas Dept. of Health will hold an immunization clinic today Dec. 19 at the American Legion from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

### Open House

The faculty and students of Haskell Elementary School will have an Open House this evening Thurs., Dec. 19 from 5 to 6 p.m. Everyone is invited to come and visit the school.

### Candlelight Service

Trinity Lutheran Church will conduct candlelight services Christmas Eve at 11 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

### Midnight mass

St. George Catholic Church will celebrate midnight mass at 11 p.m. Christmas Eve, December 24. Everyone is invited.

### Bake Sale

Trinity Lutheran Church ladies will have a bake sale inside M-System Saturday, Dec. 21 beginning at 10 a.m. and continuing until all baked goods are sold. Items are all home baked. Come and purchase your Christmas baking needs.

### Christmas program

The First Christian Church will present their White Christmas program Sunday evening, Dec. 22 at 6 p.m. A special offering will be taken for the mission program. The public is invited to attend.

### Early deadline

The Haskell Free Press will be printing the Dec. 26th edition early so that employees may enjoy the Christmas holidays with their families. Deadline for the Dec. 26 edition is today, Thurs., Dec. 19 at 5 p.m.

The deadline for the Jan. 2 edition will be at noon on Dec. 30. Early deadlines are necessary due to the Wednesday, Jan. 1 holiday.

The Haskell Free Press office will close at noon Tues., Dec. 24 and remain closed through Dec. 27.

### Courthouse to close

The Courthouse will be closed Dec. 24, 25 and 26 in order for the employees to observe the holiday season with their families.

### Alzheimer's seminar

Make plans to attend the Windcrest Alzheimer's education seminar scheduled Sat., Jan. 11 at the Haskell National Bank. East Side Baptist Church is sponsoring the seminar that will be held from 10 to 11:30 a.m. and from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Admission is free. Debbie Beard, RN,BSN will be the seminar leader.

### Lighting winners

The Haskell Chamber of Commerce announced the winners of their annual lighting contest last Friday.

Residential winners were Tony Burson, first place; Faye Stiewert, second place; Allie Bell Smith, third place and Rob and Amy McKnight, honorable mention.

Business winners were Carriage Flower Shop, first place; Personality-Slipper Shoppe, second place; Heads or Tails Western Wear, 3rd place and Boggs & Johnson, honorable mention.

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**CHRISTMAS CONCERT**—Members of the Haskell Junior High Band presented a Christmas concert on the square last Saturday to add to the holiday activities sponsored by the Haskell Chamber of Commerce.

## Western Texas College to offer spring term extension classes

College classes will be offered in Haskell beginning in January with the start of the spring term by Western Texas College in Snyder, announced Monty Montgomery of the Development Corporation of Haskell.

With the reopening of the Haskell extension center, WTC will offer area high school students a double opportunity—the ability to gain credit toward their high school diploma and a chance to earn college credit. The double credit will be made possible through a new "concurrent enrollment" program offered by the college.

Under concurrent enrollment, a high school student can simultaneously fulfill both high school credits toward graduation and up to six hours of college credit per semester.

Classes offered this spring will focus on college-level English, math, history and government.

For enrolled high school students, these college classes can be substituted for similar ones taught as part of graduation requirements. This classroom time will generate college credit transferable to any two-year or four-year college or university.

"This is an excellent way for high school students to get a head start on their college careers," said Dr. Jim Palmer, who heads up the concurrent enrollment program at Western Texas College. Palmer noted that all extension center classes will be taught in the evening Monday through Thursday and are open to the general public as well as high school students opting for the concurrent enrollment plan.

Four classes offered this spring are among the required freshman classes for all public Texas universities and colleges. Classes are ENGL 1301, the first semester of freshman English composition; HIST 1301, a U. S. history class covering events up to the Civil War; GOVT 2305, which profiles how our federal government works; and MATH 1314, college-level algebra.

Class instructors will include Greg Melton, history; Terrance Stuart, government; and Jill Druessedow, English. The math class has not been staffed as yet, Palmer said, adding that all instructors must meet the state standards to teach at the college level. These standards include a minimum of a master's degree and at least 18 hours graduate school credit in the field they are instructing.

Concurrent enrollment is available to high school students who have completed their sophomore year and passed the TAAS test.

Permission from the student's parents and high school principal is required to be admitted. Students cannot take more than six credit hours (two classes) per semester.

WTC started the concurrent enrollment this past fall with classes available in Snyder, Hamlin and Crosbyton. Haskell and surrounding communities is the latest addition to the list.

Cost for the classes to all students is based on WTC's out-of-district tuition plus a \$25 extension center fee. For one class involving three semester hours, the total registration cost is \$137; and for

six semester hours, \$224. Textbook costs for classes offered at Haskell range from \$34 to \$62.

All tuition and fees are payable at registration and may be made with VISA, Discover or MasterCard.

Haskell classes begin Jan. 15 with official registration on Jan. 9 at Haskell High School from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Students must be present to enroll.

To register, a student is required to have a driver's license, Social Security card, and ACT/SAT or TASP scores if available. High school students enrolling must complete an early admissions form and provide a copy of their high school transcript.

Students not having an ACT/SAT or TASP score or who cannot provide a high school transcript, will be required to take a placement test. Placement tests will be administered during registration beginning at 6:45 p.m. and will cost \$10.

Persons completing college-level work prior to fall 1989 are exempt from the TASP requirement.

For more information, call Dr. Palmer at WTC 915-573-8511, ext. 238 or the WTC admission office, ext. 394.

## Plunkett earns free ride

The Haskell County Chapter of the American Heart Association held their annual American Heart Walk in October.

Bob Gray recently had the honor of pushing Gene Plunkett, who raised the most money during the walk, around the City Park walking path in a wheelchair.

Donations received for the heart walk included:

Bailey Toliver Chevrolet & Olds, Medford Buick-Pontiac-GMC, Larned Sales Center and Bill Wilson Motor Co. donated turkeys. First American Bank, SSB donated water bottles.

\$50 savings bonds were donated by Haskell National Bank, First National Bank of Haskell, Home State Bank of Rochester, First American Bank SSB, and Farmers National Bank of Rule.

Other donors include Vicki Adams, American Legion Auxiliary, American Legion Post 221, Burnell Gilleland, Rotary Club of Haskell, Kiwanis Club, Modern Way, and Cooper Insurance of Hamlin.

## Indian Booster Club sets Holiday Hoop Classic Dec. 26-28

The Haskell Indian Booster Club is pleased to announce the coming of its annual Holiday Hoop Classic basketball tournament. It will be held at the Haskell High School gym on Thurs., Dec. 26 thru Sat., Dec. 28. This year's tournament will be conducted in a round robin manner. The team with the best record will be the winner.

Five schools will be participating in the tournament. They are: Hamlin, Haskell, Rule, Stamford and Throckmorton. Girls' teams only will be represented.

Admission to the tournament will be \$3 for adults and \$2 for

students. Tip-off time will be 3:00 on Thursday and 2:00 on Friday. Saturday's games will begin at 1:00. Trophy presentations will be made following the last game on Saturday.

A concession stand will be provided all three days. A variety of snack foods and drinks will be available, as well as pizza and nachos.

Booster Club members would like to encourage everyone to come to the tournament and watch the girls play. There will be lots of action and plenty of fun for everyone. Don't miss out on a great time with your family and friends.

## Kent Kwik Travel Center sets groundbreaking ceremonies for today

Groundbreaking ceremonies for the Kent Kwik Travel Center, located next to the City Park, will be held today, Thurs., Dec. 19 at 2:30 p.m.

Kent Oil, Inc. of Midland will be the owner and operator of the new facility. Kent Oil, Inc. owns and operates Kent Kwik Convenience Stores and Avis Lube Fast Oil Change Centers in West Texas. Haskell's Kent Kwik Travel Center will be the first facility using this new travel center concept. Cost for the facility is expected to exceed one million dollars.

The Travel Center will have two or three national chain food offerings and will offer a major oil company's gasoline, diesel and products line. The Kent Kwik Travel Center will provide twenty plus jobs for Haskell's economy.

Construction will begin in first quarter 1997 and if completed on schedule should require 150 days.

No overnight facilities will be offered for trucks at the travel center, as are in a traditional truck stop. Ample parking for truck drivers to fuel, eat and take a shower will be provided. Fuel facilities and ample parking for automobiles will also be available.


The acquisition of the Kent Kwik Travel Center for Haskell reflects the DCOH's continued efforts to bring businesses to Haskell that will provide quality employment opportunities for its citizens and be an excellent corporate citizen in the community, stated a news release by Monty Montgomery, DCOH's executive director.

The public is invited to the groundbreaking ceremonies.




**PUSHING THE WINNER**—Bob Gray had the opportunity to push Gene Plunkett around the City Park walking path. Plunkett raised the most money in the American Heart Association's Heart Walk held in October.





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## Stenholm appoints Burgess

Congressman Charles W. Stenholm (D-TX) is pleased to announce that 31 young men and women from the 17th District of Texas have been selected as nominees to the United States Service Academies. Their names have been submitted for consideration as members of the academy classes entering in July, 1997.

"I am always so impressed by the high caliber of candidates that apply to my office each year," said Stenholm. "But it certainly makes a selection decision all the more difficult."

Ten individuals were nominated to compete for one appointment slot at the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, CO, seven students were nominated to compete for one appointment vacancy at the Military Academy at West Point, NY and twenty-four young men and women were nominated for three appointment slots at the Naval Academy at Annapolis, MD.

Among the individuals, and the academies to which they have been nominated, is Casey Burgess of Haskell, Air Force.

The nominees will now be contacted by the academies with additional information and instructions, and will be scheduled for medical and physical examinations. The academies will make appointment announcements by late spring.

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## Obituaries

### Mary Doris Felker Hannsz

Services were held for Mary Doris Felker Hannsz, 83, on Wed., Dec. 18 at the First Baptist Church in Haskell with Dr. Troy Culpepper officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Hannsz died Mon., Dec. 16, at her home. She was born on Sept. 20, 1913, the daughter of John Anderson and Mary Jessie Felker in the Brushy Community of Haskell County. Her first school years were in the rural Brushy School. The Felker family moved south of Haskell in the Sayles Community in 1924. She was a student at both the Sayles and Haskell High Schools. She married Albert Roy Hannsz, a farmer and rancher on Jan. 31, 1935 in Gainesville. He preceded her in death on Dec. 29, 1987. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sons, James Roy (Jimmy) Hannsz, and Jerry Dean Hannsz; one daughter, Janet Ann Earle, all of Haskell, 9 grandchildren, Keith Hannsz, Charlotte Peiser, Mark Hannsz, Kristie Rynnion, Cary Hannsz, Casey Hannsz, Kevin Strickland, Kimla Strickland; and 16 great-grandchildren, Breann, Bergen and Lacey Peiser, Kimmie, Cole Ray, Tiffany, Dusty, Clay, Fyan, Ashton, Justin and Sterling Hannsz, Brandon, Brden, Bethany and Kelsey Strickland.

She was preceded by six siblings, Rex, Iars, Kenneth, Marian, Clifford and Marquitte Felker and 1 grandson, Sterling Hannsz.

Pallbearers were grandsons and grandsons-in-law, Mark, Keith, Cary and Casey Hannsz, Kevin Strickland, Robbie Peiser and Robert Rynnion.

### Ethel Jewel High

Services were held for Ethel Jewel High, 85, of Walters, OK on Sat., Dec. 14 at the First Baptist Church in Walters, OK. Burial was in the Walters Cemetery under the direction of Hart-Wyatt Funeral Home.

Mrs. High died on Wed., Dec. 11 in Temple. She was born near Faxon, OK on Oct. 26, 1911 to Louie and Audry Meyer.

She grew up in the Sterling and Fletcher area. She graduated from Sterling High School and then from Cameron Junior College in 1932. She also attended Central State University graduating with a B.A. Degree. She had a Life Teacher's Certificate for Elementary Education and taught in the Walters area.

She was married to Raymond Gomer High on June 25, 1938, at Walters, OK. He preceded her in death on Jan. 6, 1987.

Mrs. High became a member of Emerson Baptist Church at the age of nine. At the time of her death, she was a member of First Baptist Church of Walters where she had been a Sunday School teacher.

she had been a Sunday School teacher.

She was a Life member of Oklahoma Garden Club Inc., Life certificate as a nationally accredited show judge, Charter member of the Dahlia Garden Club, past matron in the Order of the Eastern Star, past Mother Advisor of Order of Rainbow Girls and member of the Walters Art Council.

She is survived by two sons, Dewayne High and wife, Lavonne, of Walters, OK and Doyle High and wife, Roberta, of Haskell; one daughter, Darlene H. Sellars and husband, Lacy of Bellaire; one sister, Ann Otis of Walters, OK; 6 grandchildren, Tony High and wife, Laura, Brett High and wife, Hope, all of Walters, OK, Ricky High of Tulsa, OK, Holli High of Austin, Kirk High of Fort Worth, and Caroline Sellars of Bellaire; and 5 great-grandchildren, Leslie, Heather and Haley High and Tara and Eric Everett.

She is also survived by other relatives and many friends.

### Anita Molina-Estrada

Services were held for Anita Molina-Estrada, 39, of Weinert Wed., Dec. 18, at the St. George Catholic Church with Father Johnrose Hayden officiating. Burial followed in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Estrada died Sun., Dec. 15 in an Abilene hospital. She was born in 1957 in Karnes City. She was a homemaker and a member of the St. George Catholic Church.

Survivors include her husband, Manuel C. Estrada, Jr. of Weinert; two sons, Joseph Anthony Molina and Freddie Estrada of Weinert; her mother, Felicianna

Molina of Haskell; three brothers, Gilbert Molina and Sisto Molina, Jr. both of Haskell, Rufino Molina of Brownwood; three sisters, Mary Fuentes of California, Andrea Martinez of Merkel, and Janie Molina of Haskell; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father and one sister.

The body was at St. George Catholic Church. Rosary was held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday.

The family requests memorials to the American Cancer Society.

### David E. Foil

David Eugene Foil of Lubbock died in a Lubbock hospital Sun., Dec. 15.

Mr. Foil was born Sept. 10, 1935.

Survivors are wife, Sue; his mother, Floy Foil of

Abilene; two sons, David Lee Foil and Jason Foil; two daughters, Darla Foster and Anita Beed; one brother, Bobby J. Foil of Abilene and one sister, Frances Palmer of Sebring, FL.

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Written By  
**James E. Rodgers, CPA**



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According to the way accountants measure things, you have a profit for a given period if you add up your sales, subtract your expenses, and end up with a positive number. If you end up with a negative number, you have a loss.

Unfortunately, adding up your sales is not the same as adding up the cash that came in, and your expenses won't always equal the cash that went out. For example, you have sales without receiving cash by making a sale on account, and you receive cash without having sales when you borrow money or receive a customer payment on account. Likewise, you incur an expense without spending cash when you make a credit purchase or when you record depreciation on the books. You can also spend cash without incurring a current accounting expense when you buy an asset such as a building or a computer.

So which do you want—cash or profit? Well, you want both. To keep your business afloat for the short-term, you need cash to pay suppliers and employees (perhaps even yourself). In order to obtain that cash, you may have to expedite collections from your customers, stretch out payments to your suppliers, or borrow from your bank.

Over the long-term, however, you will need to show a profit. In other words, the sales that you ultimately realize in cash must exceed the expenses that you ultimately pay in cash in order to maintain a successful business.

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### Mamie Jewel Arnett

Services were held for Mamie Jewel Arnett, 94, of Ft. Worth and formerly of Rule were Wed., Dec. 18, at the First Baptist Church in Rule with Larry Rose, and Rev. J.R. Williams officiating. Burial was in Rule Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Robison Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Arnett died Mon., Dec. 16, at a Ft. Worth hospital. She was born on Jan. 13, 1902 in Bosque County. She came to Rule in 1911 from Stamford. She married A.B. Arnett on Oct. 30, 1916 in Sweetwater. He preceded her in death in December of 1969. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church in Rule.

She is survived by two sons, A.B. Arnett, Jr. of Rule and Norman Arnett of Rotan; one daughter, Martha Rose of Ft. Worth, 13 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, John H. Arnett.

In lieu of flowers, the family request memorials to the Rule Volunteer Fire Department.

### May Bell Bailey Wimberly

Graveside services were held for May Bell Bailey Wimberly, 92, of Rochester on Wed., Dec. 11 at Willow Cemetery with Philip and Laela Martin officiating. Burial followed under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Wimberly died Mon., Dec. 9, at a local hospital. She was born in Parker County in 1904. She married Thomas E. Bailey in 1921. He preceded her in death in 1926. She then married James B. Wimberly in 1930. He preceded her in death in December, 1980. She was a homemaker and a member of the Faith Chapel Church in Rochester.

She is survived by three daughters, Bobbie Jean Shell of Ft. Worth, Katherine P. Byrd of Rochester and Josephine Wimberly of Haskell; 10 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; 8 great-great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Tommie Ruth Crawley and one brother.

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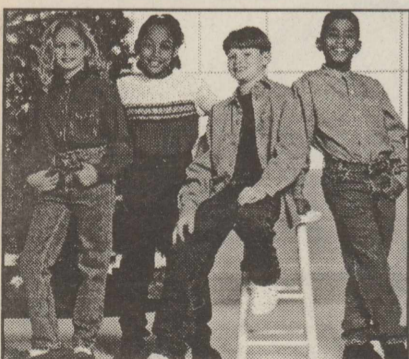
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# LIFESTYLES

## Christmas ceremony weds Sims, Hodgin

Alison Brooke Hodgin became the bride of Jon Michael Sims in a ceremony performed Dec. 15 at Logsdon Chapel at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene. The chapel was decorated with Christmas trees, white poinsettias and Christmas greenery. The Rev. Samuel J. Sims, the groom's father, and the Rev. John Hall officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Garry Warren Hodgin of Abilene. She is the granddaughter of Mrs. Lillian Hodgin of Haskell and the late W. Chester Hodgin. She is also the granddaughter of Mrs. Minnie Regeon Elmore of Abilene and the late Rev. L.D. Regeon.

The groom is the son of the Rev. and Mrs. Samuel J. Sims of Big Spring. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. John Hardy of Perryton and the late Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Sims of Roswell, NM.

Instrumentalists were Joy Lovell, organ, Mark Skipper, piano and Mark Waxler, trumpet. The vocalists were Debbie Stephenson and Matthew Irish.

Tiffany Zuliani, sister of the bride, of Franklin, NC, was matron of honor. Jennifer Cates of Austin served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Angela Valentine of Abilene, Stacey Tindell of Waco, Kristi Rentzsch of Sandia Park, NM and Lori Cook of Abilene. Claire Goodrich, a special friend of the bride and groom, of Abilene was flower girl. Max Zuliani, nephew of the bride, from Franklin, NC, served as ring bearer.

Christopher Sims, brother of the groom, of Grand Prairie served as best man. Groomsman were Charles "Chuck" Anderson of Arlington, Brent Casey of Abilene, Joseph Marney of Lubbock, Casey McLean of Abilene and David Cook of Abilene. Ushers were Jess Briley of Abilene, Timothy Dunn of Abilene, Forrest McMillan of Abilene and Steve Bezner of Abilene.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore an original gown by Phylis for Bianchi of silk shantung in candlelight. The fitted bodice, with appliques of re-embroidered Alencon lace, was off shoulder with long tapered sleeves and a sweetheart neckline. Paillets and tiny seed pearls enhanced the lace on the bodice and sleeves. The princess lines fell into a full skirt that had a chapel length train. A lace clip with pearls held her long sheer veil of imported English illusion. The bride carried a bouquet of gardenias, white roses and cascades of Christmas greenery.

The bridesmaids wore gowns by Bianchi of silk shantung in spruce green. The princess lines of the



MRS. JON MICHAEL SIMS  
... formerly Alison Brooke Hodgin

bodice fell into a full skirt with fabric leaves around the neckline. They carried stems of fire and ice roses with small branches of red berries adorned by Christmas greenery and held together with gold and cream brocaded ribbons.

A reception was held in the Johnson Building on the Hardin-Simmons University campus. The reception was decorated with Christmas trees, white poinsettias and Christmas greenery. The music for the reception was provided by Mark Skipper.

The bride's cake was a large four-tiered white cake with raspberry filling decorated with fire and ice roses and Christmas greenery. The groom's cake was a large two-layer German chocolate cake decorated with chocolate berries.

Special honorees who helped at the reception included Robin Blackburn of Abilene, Karmen Briley of Abilene, Jessica Cates of Austin, Lisa Edington of Abilene,

Kirsten Hancock of Waco, Cindy Hatcher of Abilene, Heather Hadlock of Gainesville, Emily Lenker of San Antonio and Sonya Taylor of Abilene. The women of Alpha Iota Omega were also special honorees at the wedding.

The bride graduated from Cooper High School in Abilene and Hardin-Simmons University with a Bachelor of Behavioral Science in Education. She is employed as a substitute teacher by the Abilene Independent School District and St. John's Episcopal School.

The groom is a graduate of Big Spring High School and Hardin-Simmons University with a degree in Physical Education. He is employed by T. Cooper's.

Both the bride and the groom will continue their educations as graduate students working toward Master Degrees at Hardin-Simmons University.

Following a wedding trip to Orlando, FL, the couple will make their home in Abilene.

## Clubs

### Art Association

The art club met Dec. 9 at the Community Room at 7:00 p.m. for their Christmas party. Linda Burson presented the Christmas program. She read two stories written and illustrated by Joni Eareckson Tada, who is paralyzed from the neck down. She draws and paints holding her pencil or brush in her mouth.

Betty Berry played Christmas songs and everyone sang. The hostesses were Anita Herren and Doris Jordan. Gifts were exchanged. Those present were: Martha Spitzer, Betty Berry, Peggy Middlebrook, Jennie Lyckman, Doris Jordan, Anita Herren, Florence Lamed, Edna Wahlen, Iva Lee Gipson, Denia Cunningham and one guest, Linda Burson.

### Garden Club

The Haskell Garden Club met Dec. 12 at 11:30 a.m. in the Haskell National Bank Community room for their Christmas Salad Luncheon. Wilma Pruet, the President, presided and introduced Rev. Jerry Bruns who played the piano for the group to sing Christmas Carols. A true Christmas atmosphere of singing was enjoyed before the meal.

Gladys O'Neal gave the invocation. The meal was served buffet style.

Wilma Pruitt introduced Martha Bruns who presented an interesting Christmas program by discussing "Legends and Symbols of Christmas." She had two tables with beautiful pottery, china, candles and other things to illustrate the legends and symbols of many nations.

Jesus' birth was discussed showing how it was celebrated in the world. The early Christians loved the holly plant and Jesus used nature in his teachings.

Florence Peden read a beautiful

Christmas poem. Martha Bruns gave every member a Christmas card with a written message to each.

Margie Domer read a poem titled "What Star is This" telling the intrinsic fundamental essence of how Christmas was celebrated throughout the world.

Those bringing horticulture were: Martha Bruns, Sue Hertel, Florence Peden, Juanita Rhea,

Mona Gibson and Gladys O'Neal.

Those present were: Juanita Bevel, Peggy Burnet, Mollie Carlisle, Helen Cox, Ozelle Frierson, Wanda Ham, Sue Hertel, Dee Sprayberry and the program members.

The next meeting will be Jan. 9 at the Bank Community Building. There will be an authoritative speaker and visitors are welcome. The time will be 2 p.m.

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# OPINION

## Legal Matters

by Dan Morales, Attorney General

We all have received offers in the mail to join CD and tape clubs. Many people find them to be bargains when they shop wisely and take advantage of sales and promotions. Others like the convenience of shopping at home and having new music delivered directly to them.

But some Texans report problems to us at the Office of the Attorney General.

The most common complaints against these clubs involve bills for items the consumer did not order. This often happens when a club uses what is called a "negative option" ordering system. Under this arrangement, the club sends out a catalog listing each month's featured CD or tape, together with a set of order cards. You will receive each month's feature in the mail, unless you send in a card saying you do not want it. Once you get the item, you can return it, but if you do not do this promptly, the company will assume you are keeping it and will send you a bill.

### The cost of forgetting

Problems arise when consumers forget to mail in the cards, or send them in too late to stop delivery, and then get billed for unsolicited albums they did not want. Often, this can take some time to sort out. In the meantime, your unpaid bill may be referred to a collection agency, potentially putting your credit rating at risk. Similar problems arise when people cancel their memberships but keep receiving CDs or tapes and billing statements.

Most clubs have a toll-free customer service number you can call for more information.

### Before you join

If you are considering joining a CD or tape club, be sure to ask the following questions before you sign up:

- Do items purchased in two-for-one or half-price sales count toward your required purchases? You are usually required to buy a certain number of tapes or CDs in a set time period. Purchases made through special promotional or discount sales often do not count toward that requirement.
- What happens if you do not buy the required number of tapes in the specified period? In many cases, you will still be billed for the required minimum purchase amount, even if you do not actually order the minimum number of discs.
- How much is the shipping and handling charge for your introductory tapes of CDs? This will add to the cost of joining the club, and reduce the amount of money you save.
- Can you change your membership status so that you only receive the selections you specifically order? Some clubs offer this option, but it is usually not advertised and is generally available only after you have met your initial purchase obligations.
- What is the return policy? Can you return a CD or tape after you have played it, and do you have to pay return postage?

Contract law  
Joining a CD and tape club is the same as entering into any other consumer contract. You should ask for written answers to any questions you may have, and carefully read the fine print before agreeing to join.

Remember to tally up the hidden costs to make sure you are really getting the bargain you expect. This will help you avoid costly misunderstandings later on, and let you make the most of your membership in the club.

Correction  
In a story last week concerning students selected to Who's Who Among American High School Students, information supplied to The Haskell Free Press implied that students attended schools listed in their hometown zip codes.

However, this information was not entirely true. The name of Kristina Lane should have been included with Haskell students, not with the Rule students as printed. The Free Press regrets the error.

## State Capital



### HIGHLIGHTS By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

Republicans won a majority in the state Senate last week when state Rep. Robert Duncan of Lubbock was elected to a vacant seat representing 21 counties in West Texas.

"West Texas made history tonight," Duncan told supporters at a post-election rally.

The Dec. 10 runoff victory gave the GOP its first majority in a Texas legislative chamber since 1872, and a 16-14 seat edge.

Sen.-elect Duncan will fill the seat vacated by John Montford, a Democrat who left the Senate to take a position as chancellor of Texas Tech University.

One seat remains to be filled—that of Sen. Jim Turner, D-Crockett. Turner won a U.S. House seat in November, so a special election will be held next year to fill his state Senate seat.

While the new majority gives the GOP power in numbers, the Senate is still ruled by Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, whose authority it is to appoint committee chairmen and make committee assignments.

In welcoming Duncan to the Senate, Bullock said, "The most important thing now is to focus on the state's business in the upcoming session without regard to political party labels or party agendas."

### Brown Files No-Reversal Bill

Texas appellate courts would not be able to use technical errors as the basis for throwing out valid criminal convictions under a bill filed by state Sen. J.E. "Buster" Brown, R-Lake Jackson.

Brown's bill would prohibit convictions from being reversed for so-called harmless errors. He filed similar legislation in 1995 that died in the House.

John Boston of the Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association called the bill unnecessary, saying less than 1 percent of criminal convictions are overturned on appeal.

**Bomer Blasts Settlement**  
"Consumer rip-off" is what Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer called a proposed class-action settlement for millions of Allstate and Farmers insurance policyholders who were overcharged for automobile insurance.

Bomer asked Attorney General Dan Morales to intervene in a lawsuit against the two companies because a settlement resolving the suit gives nothing to millions of policyholders who are entitled to compensation, *The Dallas Morning News* reported.

And, while the settlement in October totaled \$35.7 million,

Bomer said the two companies will have to pay out only \$20 million because so many policyholders will never be contacted.

### Mauro Hints at Run

At a Democratic fund-raiser in Austin last week, Land Commissioner Garry Mauro said, "As Texas races toward the future, I promise you I will be in the race."

His comment has been interpreted to mean that he plans on running for governor in 1998.

Mauro also said he had "no plans to go to Washington," downplaying speculation that he might seek a post in the Clinton administration or as chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

### Other Capital Highlights

- Seventeen Texans licensed to carry concealed handguns have had their licenses revoked, the Texas Department of Public Safety announced. According to the DPS, 112,483 Texans had been granted licenses as of Dec. 3. Sixteen men and one woman had their licenses revoked. Seven licenses were taken away because of criminal activities.
- The Texas Transportation Institute released a report ranking Austin as the third-most traffic-congested city in Texas, behind Houston and Dallas. Austin's congestion index was 33rd-worst in the nation, based on 1993 figures.
- Associates of Texas Republican Party chairman Tom Pauken, a Dallas lawyer, say he will decide this week his candidacy for the national GOP chairmanship. The new chairman will be elected by the 165-member Republican National Committee at a Jan. 17 meeting.
- Austin's annual cedar fever epidemic was featured in a Dec. 10 *Wall Street Journal* article. Mountain cedars "explode" with allergen-laden pollen from December through February.
- Conquest Airlines, the Austin-based regional airline, emerged from bankruptcy last week, and can now carry out plans to expand within Texas and into other states.
- Texas Instruments has announced that it will stop making notebook computers at its factory in Temple, cutting 200 jobs immediately and another 300 by May. TI is shifting the manufacture of its laptop computers to Asia. After the cuts, TI will have 500 employees in Temple.
- An inmate's attempt to get cigarettes back in Texas prisons has failed. The 3rd Court of Appeals in Austin rejected Samuel Jackson's contention that prisoners' rights were violated when the Texas Board of Criminal Justice instituted a smoking ban for prison inmates and employees in 1995.



## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

### 20 Years Ago Dec. 16, 1976

Rule news—Named to the 5-B All District football team was Ronnie Oliver as linebacker. To the secondary was Paul Flores who also received Honorable Mention as a back. Receiving Honorable Mention as center was Eddie Brass. Nicki Hunt received Honorable Mention as a guard and end.

Elected as new officers for the Rule Rotary Club were as follows: president—Barry Hobbs, vice president—Weldon Norman, secretary—Novis Ousley, Sgt. of Arms—Norris Anders and song leader—John Greeson.

### 30 Years Ago Dec. 15, 1966

The Nine-Teens, a choral group of Haskell High School girls, directed by Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Bell are to present a Christmas Concert in the Haskell First Presbyterian Church. The members of the group are: Peggy Thigpen, Bobby Kimbrough, Patricia Toliver, Diane Hester, Pamela Druessedow, Patti Jewell, Shelia

Gilleland, Martha Henderson, Rita Woodard, pianist, and Debbie Darnell.

Thirty underprivileged children will be taken on a "shopping spree" by the Haskell Jaycees, James Franklin, president, announced. Mr. and Mrs. Ted Elliott will serve as chairman of the project.

### 40 Years Ago Dec. 20, 1956

Mrs. Ruby Smith tells this one on her son. She looked out the window the other day and saw the youngster doing battle with another five year old. Mrs. Smith brought the boy in the house for his first lesson in chivalry. "Boys shouldn't hit little girls," she said. "Boys are suppose to protect them and see that they don't get hurt. After all, girls are the weaker sex." Later she heard him talking to his former opponent. "Nita, I have to protect you 'cause you're the weaker insect."

### 50 Years Ago Dec. 19, 1946

City Secretary J. Belton Duncan

has been mailing postcards with house numbers and names of streets to the citizenship of Haskell. It is another step in the city's plan of having all streets named and houses numbered, with eyes on city mail delivery and other conveniences. Haskellites are asked to buy house numbers and put them up as soon as possible. Under the street naming system recently announced, thoroughfares running east and west are called streets, and those running north and south are avenues.

### 100 Years Ago Dec. 19, 1896

Rev. M.L. Moody was called to Stonewall County this week to perform a marriage ceremony.

M.S. Pierson received about 70 head of cattle on his farm this week from Raines County. We understand there is some fine blooded stock in the herd.

T.J. Lemmon is off on a business trip to Seymour.

Will Sherrill made a business trip to Abilene the first of the week.

## Letters to the Editor

To the editor:

One night before Thanksgiving, during a rainstorm and high winds, a fire started in our home. The phone lines went out immediately, so after awakening neighbor Keith Hannsz, who happens to be a fireman, we waited for help and watched as flames shot through the roof high into the sky.

Within a very short time, two fire trucks arrived along with a large group of Haskell's finest. Most of these firemen had been asleep in bed and at least one was ill and came anyway.

We watched as men climbed up on the roof and in the trees trying to contain a growing fire fed by high winds and old wood shingles. While those men were risking their lives on the outside, others were

inside the burning house pulling our furniture to a "secure" area and throwing tarps over what could be covered. Still others were working to get two cars out of the garage when doors would not open.

We thought the house would burn to the ground and the fire would consume everything inside. We also feared for the safety of the men fighting the fire and the safety of the houses across the street.

The fire was extinguished but flared up again around 4:30 a.m. Again firemen were called out and again the flames were extinguished.

We tried to say thank you that night to each exhausted fireman we could get to and the reply was always "We wish we could have

done more." We were shocked at all they had done!

We have part of our home, we have our children's pictures and mementos. We have my great-grandparents and grandparents treasures, and we have other things that are just "stuff." We also have a great respect for a group of volunteers who at a moment's notice risked their safety to help us.

There is no way to repay that kind of courageous effort, but we would like to say thank you again to the entire Haskell Fire Department for a job well done. What a wonderful group of professionals!

With gratitude,  
Charles and Judith Chapman

## Sharp announces increase in city, county sales tax receipts

John Sharp, State Comptroller of Public Accounts, recently delivered a total of \$158.9 million in December sales tax payments to 1,084 Texas cities and 117 counties.

This month's payments to Texas cities and counties include sales taxes collected by monthly filers in October and reported to the Comptroller in November.

"Total city and county sales tax rebates for calendar year 1996 are 9.2 percent higher than total rebates for 1995, as the Texas economy continues its healthy upward trend," Sharp said.

Sharp delivered city sales tax rebates totaling \$144.9 million, 25.9 percent above last year's December payments of \$115 million, the larger amounts due at least in part to several days of additional processing time this year. Rebates of \$13.9 million to Texas

counties were 20.7 percent above the \$11.5 million allocations in December 1995.

Haskell County had a 57.67 percent increase in sales tax rebates of \$25,285.74 for December, 1996 in comparison to \$16,036.91, 1996 payments to date of \$336,379.21 reflect a 5.30 percent increase over 1995 payments to date of \$319,441.93.

The city of Haskell had a 49.07 percent increase for December, 1996 of \$22,882.98 in comparison to \$15,349.84 for December, 1995. 1996 payments to date of \$306,801.02 reflect a 6.10 percent increase over 1995 payments to date of \$289,156.16.

O'Brien had reported a payment of \$247.85 for December, 1996 in comparison to no payment reported for December 1995. 1996 payments to date of \$1,595.82 reflect a 26.71 percent decrease over 1995

payments to date of \$2,177.68.

Rochester had a payment of \$630.97 for December, 1996 in comparison to no payment reported for December 1995. 1996 payments to date of \$7,080.63 reflect a 1.71 percent increase over 1995 payments to date of \$6,961.48.

Rule had a 118.73 percent increase for December, 1996 of \$1,502.84 in comparison to \$687.07 for December 1995. 1996 payments to date of \$19,604.74 reflect a 2.24 percent increase over 1995 payments to date of \$19,174.36.

Weinert had a payment of \$21.10 reported for December, 1996 in comparison to no payment reported for December 1995. 1996 payments to date of \$1,297.00 reflect a 34.23 percent decrease over 1995 payments to date of \$1,972.25.

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# Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Joyce Hawkins had her family Christmas party on Sat., Dec. 14 at the American Legion building. Those attending were James, Shirley and Lana Hawkins; Jack Deana, Justin, Jordan and Jeffrey Rhems of Wichita Falls; Garry and Yvonne Huffines of Dimmitt; Russell, Keri, Blake, Trey, Ty and Taylor Mogby of Lubbock; John, Darlene, Daniel and Julie Conn of Austin; Glendon and Charlene Hawkins of Irving; Terry Hawkins and a friend of Burnet; Phillip, Floradean, Steven and Jimmy Cockerell of Early; Margaret, Creora, Christopher, Melissa and Zachery Tatum; Gary and Vickie Hawkins; David and Denise Conn; Sammy, Peggy, and Micheal Hawkins; Clayton and Joyce Hawkins of Haskell.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Brian McCallum of Oklahoma City visited with his mother, Audrey McCallum at the Rice Springs Care home over the weekend.

Erich and Kimberley Reid of Weatherford visited parents, Henney Reid and James and Sandra Barnes over the weekend.

Ernestine Herrin has recently visited her daughter, Lousia Archibald in California and while there toured the Queen Mary and had lunch while there.

Paulene Norman has been on a tour trip to Branson, MO.

Viola Tidwell celebrated her 86th birthday Monday at Dan Burson's home. Those helping her celebrate were Chunky Tidwell, Marie Bartley, Lillian Hodgins, and Dan. Cake and ice cream were served as they all wished Viola many more birthdays. Also helping her celebrate were Marsha Whittemore, Tommi and Josh Barbee, Dustin Threet, Julia Harrell and Erma Russell. Several phone calls were also received wishing her a Happy Birthday.

Chunky and Viola Tidwell had Christmas in their home Dec. 14. Those attending were Bob Glover of Panhandle; Pat, Sue, Penny and Kotia Glover of Richardson; Roy Paul, Mareta, Andelia, Staffni Glover of Richardson; Scott and Danna Shipley of Dallas; Imodene and Hanse Dobbs and Daisy Smith of Abilene; Gene Harrell of Tuscola; Mike, Julia and Robin Harrell of Haskell; Nettie Brock and Harrison of Saginaw; Casey Jones of Dallas. Everyone had a good time eating and visiting. Mike and

Julia Harrell fixed the turkey and dressing and Bob Glover brought the ham and chocolate cake. To make the feast a great one, everyone attending brought a covered dish to go with the turkey and dressing.

Leisure Time Travel Club of Abilene had a three day tour to San Antonio Christmas on Dec. 6-8. Going on the tour was Patricia Shaw of Roscoe and Bernice Hilliard. They visited Fiesta Texas with the park decorated for Holiday in the Park. That night finale was Uncle Scrooge's Christmas Banquet. The meal was included. The second day they stopped at the SAS Outlet Shoe Store, then went on to San Marcos and New Braunfels factory stores, back to San Antonio to visit downtown area and Ripley's Believe It or Not

Museum. That night they enjoyed the River Center Christmas Pageant. On Sunday, they stopped at El Mercado, then had lunch at MiTierra. Afterwards the buses were boarded and they headed home. There were two bus loads. It was reported all had an enjoyable trip.

On Saturday, Dec. 14 the Hilliard families had a get together at Arlington Lakeside Home Community Building. Attending were Pat Shaw of Roscoe, Bernice Hilliard, Ellen Hilliard and Jean Ballard of Abilene, Jesse and Dot Hilliard of Denison, Ron and Susan Smith and children; Evelyn and Bob Cusick; Don and ImaLee Edwards, all of Arlington; Lynn and Flo Hilliard, David and Kelly Jo; Mr. and Mrs. Larry Hilliard and children, all of Plano; Vida Emery and family of Colorado and Gerald Hilliard of Houston. Saturday evening some went to the Arlington Music Hall to see a Christmas musical production, Christmas Times a Coming.

## Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 1335 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., Dec. 14, 1996, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

The market was fully steady on better calves and yearlings. Not a good test of young bred cows and pairs.

Cows: fat, .26-.31; cutters, .24-.32; canners, .15-.25.

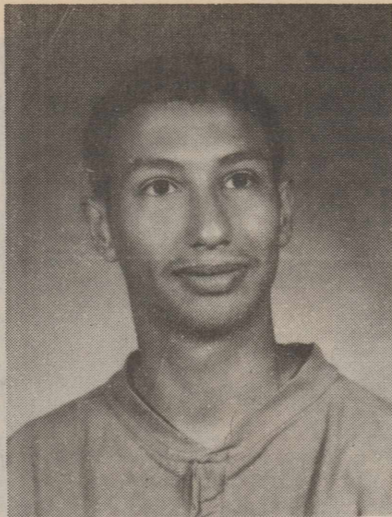
Bulls: bologna, .34-.41; feeder, .45-.57; utility, .25-.35.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .68-.80; 300-400 lbs., .62-.78; 400-500 lbs., .55-.70; 500-600 lbs., .54-.64; 600-700 lbs., .55-.64; 700-800 lbs., .54-.635; 800-up lbs., .48-.62.

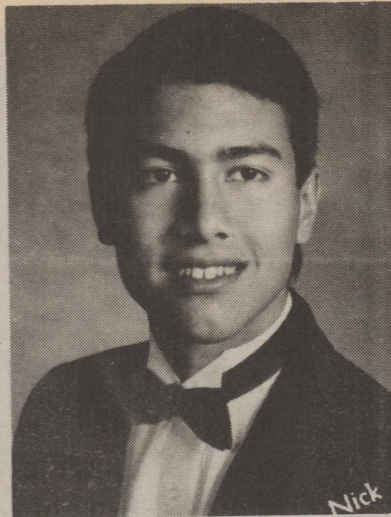
Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .55-.65; 300-400 lbs., .50-.62; 400-500 lbs., .45-.59; 500-600 lbs., .45-.60; 600-up lbs., .40-.60.

Bred Cows: young to middle aged, \$300-\$475; aged or small, \$200-\$300.

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, \$450-\$550; small or aged, \$250-\$450.



GREG RODRIQUEZ



NICK JIMENEZ

## Students visit Rotary Club

**GREG RODRIQUEZ**  
Greg Rodriquez is the son of Joe and Janie Rodriquez of Haskell. He is Catholic.

Rodriquez is involved in basketball and baseball at school. He has been named first team All-District first baseman. He enjoys listening to music and playing sports.

He plans to pursue an engineering degree possibly at the

University of Texas in Arlington.

**NICK JIMENEZ**  
Nick Jimenez is the son of Nick and Eva Jimenez of Haskell. He is Catholic.

Jimenez is active in baseball at school. He enjoys playing guitar, playing baseball and listening to music.

He plans to play in a band and attend college.

## Mathis inducted into UT scholarship honor society

Christy Diane Mathis, a Tarleton State University student from Rule, was one of 75 students inducted during the fall semester into the University's Texas Alpha Kappa Chapter of Alpha Chi, the national college honor scholarship society.

Mathis, a graduate of Rule High School, is majoring in Biology at Tarleton. She is the daughter of Terry Joe and Carolyn Mathis.

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They made her laugh until she shed a tear*

*Her friends were many  
None called her their enemy*

*She cared for the sick both day and night  
And loved to nurse with all her might*

*You could call her a Democrat and she was very pleased  
With this government she did not want to be teased*

*She was a gardener with a great big heart  
And could grow anything if she could get a start.*

*On July 13th, 1996 God needed a new name  
He recalled this lady her name was Lena Jane.*

*In Loving Memory of my mother Lena Jane Petrich by Geraldine Baker*

## Haskell Co. Gin Report

Haskell Co. Gin Report  
December 16, 1996

<b>Haskell:</b>	
Farmers Co-Op Gin	1,400
Haskell Co-Op Gin	3,136
<b>Rochester:</b>	
Farmers Co-Op Gin	1,440
<b>Rule:</b>	
Rule Co-Op Gin	1,320
Sagerton Gin	375
<b>O'Brien:</b>	
O'Brien Gin	5,255
<b>Weinert:</b>	
Weinert Gin	1,400
Paymaster Gin	1,674
Total bales	16,270

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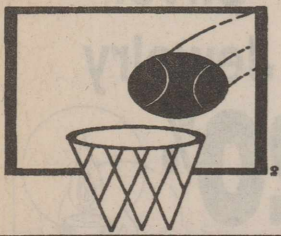


# Merry Christmas

Haskell Indian Booster Club  
Salutes Our  
**Basketball Team**  
1996 Athletes

Varsity Girls                      Varsity Boys

- |                    |                  |
|--------------------|------------------|
| J. J. Comedy       | Matthew McCord   |
| Wendy Gray         | Carl Riley       |
| Syreeta Billington | Bobby Ortiz      |
| Betsy Coleman      | Casey Burgess    |
| Melanie Alvarez    | Joseph Lopez     |
| Jodi Pope          | Jason Briles     |
| Jennifer Andress   | Gavino Ortiz     |
| Stephanie Alabrook | Trey Cheyne      |
| Shayne McKenzie    | Greg Rodriguez   |
|                    | Ryan Nanny       |
| Head Coach:        | Phillip Huff     |
| Dwayne Gray        | Eric Guadalcazar |
| Assistants:        | Head Coach:      |
| Jimmy Morris       | Mark Coffman     |
| Sandy Williamson   | Assistants:      |
|                    | Bob Rapp         |
|                    | Randy Waggoner   |
|                    | Scott Broussard  |



ATTENDS RECEPTION—Franciene Johnson of Haskell recently attended a reception for the Silver-Haired Legislature held in Austin. Dan Morales, left, hosted the event.

## Homespun FCE Club has Christmas party

The Homespun FCE Club met Wed. night, Dec. 11 at 6:00 p.m. in the Extension kitchen for their

annual Christmas party. Jane Smith and Lena Tidwell had decorated the kitchen with poinsettia placemats and napkins and Christmas decorations. Each member brought a salad or covered dish.

President Dolores Medford called everyone in a circle and Lena Tidwell lead the group in prayer..

All members brought a bag of essentials and a toy to be given to the Noah Project.

After the supper Joetta Burnett gave a demonstration on making a small Christmas tree from wire coat hangers, lights and green tinsel.

We had a perfect attendance with all ten members present and two visitors, Extension Agent Lou Gilly and Betty Dodson. Members present were Lennie Blankenship, Joetta Burnett, Lena Tidwell, Jane Smith, Peggy Burnett, Frances Fischer, Betty Hook, Dolores Medford, Kay Smith and Ophelia Newsom.

## Hospital

### Admissions

Delma Williams, Haskell  
Juanita Garcia, Rochester  
Oleta Williams, Haskell  
Julia Callaway, Haskell  
William Bryan, Munday  
Ouida Shubert, Haskell  
Lamar Casey, Haskell  
Aline Bristow, Rule  
Olen Bartley, Haskell  
Christine Potect, Haskell  
Juanell Leek, Haskell  
Mildred Kittley, Rule

### Dismissals

Erline Hooker, Estelle Giddens,  
Evelyn Elliott, Willie Smith,  
Ruddy Latham, Weldon Skiles,  
Julia Ruiz, Mary Gonzales, Linda Davis

## Sagerton News

By Dorothy M. Clark

We have no businesses or a courthouse to decorate, but everyone is invited to drive around our area to view the beautifully decorated houses and yards.

Those in the immediate area include the homes of Corine Lowack, Arthur and Beatrice Puebla, Steven and Karen Lehrmann, Frances Perez, Jimmy and Kathy Teichelman, G.W. and Ophelia LeFevre, Frances Clark, J.B. and Dorothy Toney, Charles and Dorothy Clark, Delbert and Joyce LeFevre, Gene and Adela Teichelman, Bill and Margie Hertel, Kathy and Tommy Manske, Joe and Dorothy Clark, Kraig and Leslie Kupatt, Alvin and Ev Ulmer, Danny and Helen Lammert, Leon and Mae Stegemoeller.

Toward Stamford, the Keith Corzines, Hilda Kieke and the Schmidts.

Toward Rule decorations may be seen at the Melvin Baitz and the Mike Hertels. There may possibly be others that I have not seen and if so, please mention it to me so that we can recognize you also.

Sagerton has gained a new business in town...a welding shop operated by Jack Martin and his son, James. It is located "downtown" in the building formerly housing Bill Stanhope's Garage. We welcome this addition to our town and wish them success.

Upcoming events for the week of Dec.15-22 include the Friendship Club dinner Thurs., Dec. 19 at Faith Lutheran Church, men's breakfast Fri., Dec. 20, Christmas Eve worship service with Holy Communion at Faith Lutheran at 7:00 p.m. and worship service on Christmas Day at 10:30 a.m., also with Holy Communion.

Congratulations to the Rule girls basketball team upon placing third in the Double Mountain Tournament at Jayton. Jennifer Lehrmann made the all tournament team. Other Sagerton girls playing were Stephanie and Michelle Stegemoeller. Michelle is a member of the JV girls team who played a real thriller last week against Baird. Rule was finally defeated after the third overtime.

Good wishes are in order for the boys teams also who have been doing well. Jeremy Hertel is a high scorer, making 22 points in one game recently. Other Sagerton boys playing are Michael Hertel and Brian Lehrmann. We are proud of our youth who represent our community so well.

The Sagerton Methodist Church had its Christmas program and social last Wednesday night at the church. Peggy Tabor was in charge of the program and Ev Ulmer joined her in hostess duties for the sandwich supper that followed.

Larry LeFevre and his youth group from the First Baptist Church of Rule presented a program written by Larry entitled "The Meaning of Christmas." John Pike assisted. Characters in the play were Kalith Trussell, Megan Jones, Debra Wilson, Holly Smith, Lindsay Pike and Justin Custer. Norva and Kelli Smith accompanied the group.

After the program there was a gift exchange. Members in attendance included Frances Clark, G.W. and Ophelia LeFevre, Delbert and Joyce LeFevre, Alvin and Ev Ulmer, Johnny and Sue Guinn, Wilma Teichelman, Charles and Dorothy Clark, Jacky and Peggy Tabor, Frances and Chrystalle Perez, Andrea Kittley, Melvin and Flo New, Mrs. M.Y. Benton, Jimmy and Judy New, Pastor Ramey, Matthew and Robin. Many visitors from Rule attended and visitors from Sagerton included Ken, Jill, Kinsey, Tully and Cade Brown and the Arthur Puebla family.

## Weinert GTE phone customers to choose long distance provider

On Dec. 6, Weinert customers began using the long-distance company of choice when placing long-distance calls to locations outside of the GTE long-distance calling area. "1+" and "0+" calls made within the GTE long-distance calling area are handled by GTE, according to Danny Ferguson, Area Manager, Customer Operations for the Plains district.

Mr. Ferguson said, "Weinert customers who did not make a choice will receive a mailing that includes the name of the long-distance company randomly assigned to them. The random assignments were made using a formula based on the percentage of customers who did choose long-distance companies."

Weinert customers are given their first choice free of charge—a returned ballot constitutes a first choice. Any change made thereafter will incur a small charge.

Residential customers with questions about Equal Access service should call toll-free 1-800-483-4400 and business customers should call 1-800-483-5400.



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**100TH BIRTHDAY**—Ethel Cameron of Haskell recently celebrated her 100th birthday with family and friends. Pictured are her great great grandsons, Shawn Clay, left, Matthew Carlson, Mrs. Cameron and Stephen Clay.

## Ethel Cameron celebrates 100th birthday

Ethel Cameron recently celebrated her 100th birthday with family and friends. Mrs. Cameron was born Sept. 23, 1896 in Bell County.

Dorothy, Ruth and Maxine. Ethel has a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Cousins Glen and Maggie Merchant and a cousin by marriage, Alma Merchant all live in Haskell.

She moved to Haskell Co. in 1906 and married Herbert Barnett in 1916. They had three daughters,

## This Week's Devotional Message:

### THE LIGHTS OF CHRISTMAS SHINE ITS MESSAGE OF LOVE



Those lights that glimmer on the tree, Surround the windows with a glow And outline with festivity The roof, are there so all will know That on this Christmas we regard These colored bulbs as what we need, Along with angels in the yard, To give the message of our creed.

They represent, with that display, The Gospel lessons, intertwined With illustrations that portray The Savior's love for all mankind. So celebrate on Christmas day That great event, which once again Reminds us one and all to pray For peace on earth, good will to men.

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**HASKELL**  
**East Side Baptist Church**  
 David Page, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:55 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 600 N. 1st East, Haskell  
**Christian Church**  
 Frank Summers, preacher  
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 107 N. Ave. F, Haskell  
**Church of God**  
 Eric Clark, pastor • 864-2021  
 Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7:00 p.m.  
 East Hwy 380, Haskell  
**Trinity Lutheran Church**  
 Gary Bruns, pastor  
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30  
 Hwy 380 East, Haskell  
**Iglesia Bautista El Calvario**  
 Vergil Smith, interim pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 607 S. 7th, Haskell  
**First United Methodist Church**  
 Sidney Parsley, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:50 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.  
 201 N. Ave. F, Haskell  
**First Assembly of God**  
 Rev. J.C. Amburn  
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell  
**St. George Catholic Church**  
 Father Michael Melcher  
 Sat. Mass 7:15 p.m.; Sun. Morn. 9:00 a.m.  
 901 N. 16th, Haskell  
**Church of Christ**  
 Dale Huff, minister  
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.  
 510 N. Ave. E, Haskell  
**First Presbyterian Church**  
 Jasper McClellan, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 11:00 a.m.  
 306 N. Ave. E, Haskell  
**Trinity Baptist Church**  
 Rev. Kenneth Blair  
 Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.  
 401 S. Ave. D, Haskell

**Hopewell Baptist Church**  
 John Lewis, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 908 N. Ave. A, Haskell  
**Greater Independent Baptist Church**  
 Rev. Camellia Wade, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.  
 301 N. 3rd St., Haskell  
**New Covenant Foursquare**  
 Freddy Perez, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Tues. 7 p.m.  
 200 S. Ave. F, Haskell  
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 Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m.  
 1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell  
**First Baptist Church**  
 Jim Turner, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 301 N. Ave. E, Haskell  
**PAINT CREEK**  
**Paint Creek Baptist Church**  
 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.  
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**WEINERT**  
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 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
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 West on Main Street, Rochester  
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 Ed Buerkle, pastor  
 Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m.  
 500 Main, Rochester  
**Union Chapel Baptist Church**  
 Rev. Andrew  
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 Rochester

**Faith Chapel of Rochester**  
 Katherine Byrd, minister  
 Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m.  
 Hwy 6, Rochester  
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 Dolan Brinson, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.  
 Rochester  
**SAGERTON**  
**Sagerton Methodist Church**  
 Daniel Ramey, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.  
 Sagerton  
**Faith Lutheran Church**  
 Jeff Zell, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 Sagerton  
**RULE**  
**First Baptist Church**  
 Don Myers, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 1001 Union Ave., Rule  
**Primitive Baptist Church**  
 Dale Turner Jr., pastor  
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 Corner of 8th & Robins, Rule  
**Church of Christ**  
 John Greeson, minister  
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 811 Union, Rule  
**First United Methodist Church**  
 Daniel Ramey, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 10:50 a.m., 6 p.m.  
 1000 Union Ave., Rule  
**New Life Baptist Mission**  
 Jesus Herrera  
 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.  
 Elm Street-Hwy 380 E, Rule  
**Sweet Home Baptist Church**  
 Matt Herrington, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 Gladstone Ave., Rule  
**West Bethal Baptist Church**  
 Rev. Robert Sweet  
 Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.  
 300 Sunny Ave., Rule

## Food for thought

by Charles H. Spurgeon  
 "Thou art from everlasting."  
 Psalm 93:2

Christ is Everlasting. Of Him we may sing with David, "Thy throne, O God, is forever and ever." Rejoice, believer, in Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today and forever. Jesus always was. The Babe born in Bethlehem was united to the Word, which was in the beginning, by whom all things were made. The title by which Christ revealed himself to John in Patmos was, "Him which is, and which was, and which is to come."

If he were not God from everlasting, we could not so devoutly love Him; we could not feel that He had any share in the eternal love which is the fountain of all covenant blessings; but since He was from all eternity with the Father and the blessed Spirit.

As our Lord always was, so also He is forevermore. Jesus is not dead; "He ever liveth to make intercession for us." Resort to Him in all your times of need, for He is waiting to bless you still.

Moreover, Jesus our Lord ever shall be. If God should spare your life to fulfill your full day of threescore years and ten, you will find that His cleansing fountain is still opened, and His precious blood has not lost its power; you shall find that the Priest who filled the healing fount with His own blood,

lives to purge you from all iniquity.

When only your last battle remains to be fought, you shall find that the hand of your conquering Captain has not grown feeble—the living Saviour shall cheer the dying saint. When you enter heaven you shall find Him there bearing the dew of His youth; and through eternity the Lord Jesus shall still remain the perennial spring of joy, and life, and glory to His people. Living waters may you draw from this sacred well!

Jesus always was, He always is, He always shall be. He is eternal in all His attributes, in all His offices, in all His might, and willingness to bless, comfort, guard, and crown His chosen people.

submitted by Sam Bitner

## Students in the News

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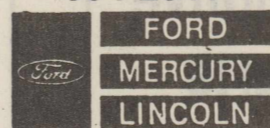
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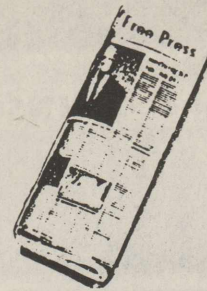
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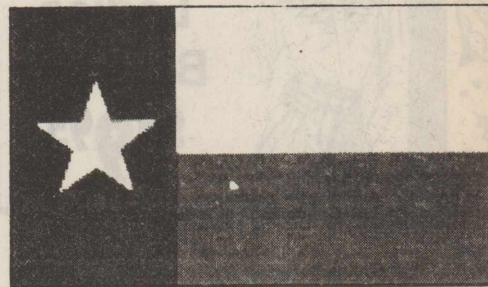
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ALL DECKED OUT—Businesses in Haskell, like Boggs & Johnson's, have added to the festive holiday spirit by lighting up and decorating their windows and storefronts.

## Williamson is "Unsung Hero"



REBECCA WILLIAMSON

When describing her contributions to the community, Rebecca Williamson begins each sentence with the same word, "We."

"We help with Bingo at the (Wichita Falls) State Hospital, checking the patients' cards for them."

"We donate things to the hospital and toys for Toys for Tots."

"We also work at the pancake festival every year."

"We helped paint the Maternity Cottage, too."

When Rebecca says "we," she's

referring to members of the Key Club at Rider High School in Wichita Falls, where she is a senior. She's president of that group.

And she hardly ever says "me," a quality making her one of the city's "Unsung Heroes." Rebecca joins fellow "Unsung Heroes" in the Wichita Falls week-long series profiling area students who perform good deeds outside the proverbial spotlight.

"Rebecca never seeks recognition for herself," wrote Kathy Merder, her annual staff adviser at Rider, "even though she is extremely active in all phases of school and community."

Merder called Rebecca, who works at Braum's on the weekends

"because I have too much homework during the week," "one of the most responsible ladies I have had the pleasure to work with," a student who "gives of herself to her school and community." And if that weren't praise enough, Merder added that Rebecca "possesses a strong sense of family and has the highest of moral values and integrity. No one deserves the honor and recognition more."

Seeing her contributions to the community as a team effort makes Rebecca a worthy "Unsung Hero."

Rebecca is the daughter of Thomas Wayne and Kathy Williamson of Wichita Falls and the granddaughter of Hazel Thomas of Haskell.

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## SBA announces disaster loan availability

Businesses in Fisher, Haskell, Jones, Nolan, Stonewall and Taylor Counties have until Jan. 6, 1997 to file applications for low-interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

The SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loans are available for businesses dependent on farmers and ranchers sustaining crop losses from drought and high winds which occurred Jan. 1, 1995 through Feb. 5, 1996 and continuing. Farmers and ranchers are not eligible for these SBA loans. However,

### Christmas poster winners

Winners of the Haskell Chamber of Commerce Christmas poster contest were announced Saturday.

In the 1st-3rd grade division Alex Foil won 1st place, Erica Rodman, 2nd place, and Kimberly Medford, 3rd place.

Leon Goudeau won 1st place, Scarlett Lynn Adkins, 2nd place and James Markey, 3rd place in the 4th-6th grade division.

nurseries that are victims of drought disasters can apply.

Applications and further information can be obtained by calling the SBA toll-free at 1-800-366-6303 or TDD 817-267-4688 for the hearing impaired.

These loans are intended to assist businesses in offsetting

working capital losses which they suffered as a result of the drought and high winds reducing the crop income of the area farmers and ranchers. Small businesses claiming to have been physically injured by the weather are not eligible.

## CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

December 24th Christmas Eve  
11 P.M. Everyone Welcome

*We Wish Everyone*

*a Joyous Christmas*

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HIGHWAY 380  
Haskell, Texas

## NOTICE: HASKELL COUNTY COUNTRY CLUB MEMBERS

The Board of Directors of the Haskell County Country Club on December 4, 1996 passed and approved the following Rule governing cart shed use and occupancy:

Because certain cart sheds have become unclaimed or unoccupied, the Club will give notice to the membership that any cart shed tenant that does not notify the Club by January 10, 1997 concerning the cart shed and use thereof; then said cart shed will be considered by the board to be abandoned and vacated and such abandoned and vacated cart sheds will be opened and made available to other members.

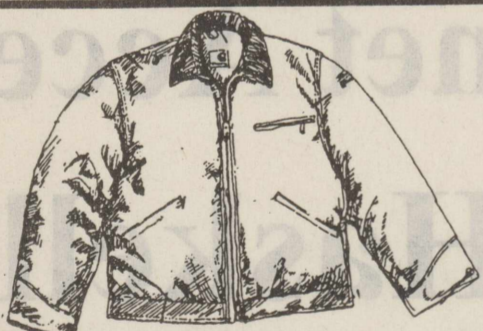
The membership will be notified of this Rule by publication of same in the Haskell Free Press for three consecutive weeks.

The Board stresses that **IT IS IMPORTANT FOR ALL CART SHED OWNERS TO NOTIFY THE CLUB UNDER THIS RULE. NOTIFICATION CAN BE MADE BY CALLING ANY OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONS:**

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# Dear Santa Claus . . .

Dear Santa,

My name is Savannah, I am 4 years old. I have tried pretty hard to be nice. For Christmas I would like to have a talking Bubba, a computer, a sky dancer, a gun, a Magna Doodle and a real vacuum cleaner and some socks and panties and lots of candy. I will leave you some cookies and milk, and some

carrots for your reindeers.

Thank you,  
Savannah D. Stephens

Dear Santa,

My name is Jenna Rynea Underwood and I am 2 years old. I have been a very good girl this year. Please bring me a new baby doll, new shirt and a Pocohantas

video. Also bring Mommy and Daddy lots of toys too!

Love,  
Jenna

Dear Santa:

I would like a Pocahontas suit, Baby Chew Alive, Gymnastic Barbie, skip it, a night gown, clothes and shoes. Have a safe trip and please don't forget the other boys and girls.

Love,  
Candace Brister

Dear Santa,

This is what I want for Christmas

1. fingernail fun salon
  2. Baby doll
  3. New Christmas dress
  4. New fancy coat
  5. Mrs. Filds Baking faktorey
  6. New fancy shoes
  7. Benn Sprot puppy dog
- P.O. Box 307  
Lindsi McDougal

Dear Santa,

I want a baby doll and a white canopy doll bed and a piano and a basketball goal.

Please remember Bridgett. She would like a toy.

We will make you some special cookies and we will leave reindeer feed on the lawn for your reindeer.

Merry Christmas  
from Kelsie Adams

Dear Santa,

I want a watch.  
I want a pool table with a lot of different games on it. (You know the one that we saw.)

I want Baby Born and a white canopy baby bed for her.

I want boxer shorts.

I want a game like a Cold Turkey Game. (So that I can beat my Daddy.)

I want a keyboard piano.

I would like a Fingernail Fun Saloon if you and your elves have time to make one for me.

How is Mrs. Clause and your reindeer doing?

Our cookies are specially made for you. They're our favorites. I hope they're your favorites, too.

Merry Christmas  
from Paige Adams



**HAYRIDES WITH SANTA**—The Haskell Chamber of Commerce sponsored hayrides during the day last Saturday. The opportunity to whisper last minute Christmas wishes was seized by these children.

## Green Thumb

By Gladys O'Neal

Rosebuds, pine cones, berries and cinnamon sticks add a fragrance to the wreath.

If these is a gardener or flower lover on your Christmas list, shopping should be a snap. Garden tools are always welcome. Wind chimes, bird houses and ornamental flower pots are a joy year round. Garden books, calendars and magazines offer a wealth of information.

It is now time to plant the bulbs you have had in the refrigerator. Tulips and Hyacinths have had their cold period; so it's time to put them in the ground. Plant the bulbs in masses to obtain the best effect. Choose a sunny area with good drainage.

Pansies, larkspur, sweet peas and other hardy annuals need to be given a dose of 20-20-20 liquid fertilizer. If a freeze is likely in the forecast put a two to three inch layer of mulch around each plant.

When putting away your tools for winter, wash or scrape off soil, remove rust with a file or steel wool. Then wipe with an oily rag or spray with cooking spray to keep the steel surfaces from dampness in storage.

Cool season grass such as fescue need about an inch of water per week to continue looking its best.

Put one or two garlic cloves into your rose bushes. They will never be bothered by aphids or other insects.

Now for a few good tips and ideas. Seal the cut ends of Poinsettia stems by passing them through a candle flame right after cutting. It stops the flow of sap and leaves the water channels open.

After the holidays are over, do not discard your tree (if it is a live tree). Turn it into a backyard bird feeder by trimming branches with bread, orange slices and suet.

For extra shine on cones and nuts, dip them in varnish. Clusters of berries or fruits you intend only for decorative use may be dipped in clear floor wax for extra shine.

Always unplug the tree lights at bedtime or when you will be away from home.

Never, never use candles on a tree.

Coffee grounds are a good source of nitrogen for your plants.

Quote: "When God measures a person He puts the tape around his heart, not his head."

I hope you have a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

## DPS urges safe holiday driving

There is probably no other holiday that gets people in a more festive spirit than Christmas. With all the gift shopping, holiday music and the excitement of having the family all together, it's no wonder why this is a favorite holiday among Americans.

But for some Texas families, this will be a special holiday, one to be remembered forever. Not because it was such a good time, but because they have lost a friend or loved one in a traffic accident.

Historically, speed and the drinking driver have been responsible for most of the holiday fatalities. Once again the Texas Department of Public Safety will have all available Troopers on the roads being especially watchful for these and other violations to keep the road a safer place for you and your family.

How can we argue with proven statistics. Seat belts save lives.

This year we want that belt that you have for the road to be that safety belt in your vehicle. Take that two or three seconds that it takes to put on your seat belt and think about what you really have going for you. You have no guarantee of life but our chances of survival go up twenty-five times if we can stay inside our vehicles.

Let's all have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

## Births

Larissa and Mehgan Kloog of Haskell announce the birth of their brother, Michael Shawn, born Nov. 12, at 1:44 p.m. in Hendrick Medical Center weighing 6 lbs. 5 1/2 oz. He was 20 1/2" long.

Parents are Mike and Ginny Kloog.

**Cecil's Country Meat Market & Grocery**  
wishes all a  
**Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!**  
Cecil and Sue

**Christ is Born...**

Let us rejoice and join together with Christmas spirit to celebrate His birth.

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**CHRISTMAS JOY TO ALL**

Big or small, the holidays fill everyone's hearts with smiles and laughter. We share this excitement in wishing you a very, merry Christmas. Many thanks.

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**PEACE**

*'Tis the season to kindle the fires of love and brotherhood in our hearts and to greet one another in peace!*

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**Greetings Of The Season**

**Federal Land Bank**

*'Tis covered with snow, O'er hills and below, Just in time for the big day. And hearts are aglow, Because they all know, St. Nick's on his merry way!*

Dale Bullinger,  
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**HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**

Here's hoping that joy plays a starring role this holiday season.

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**O Holy Night**  
 May the Star of Bethlehem inspire all men's hearts!



We hope the message of love and the true spirit of the season makes its way into each heart in every land.

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**A YULETIDE WISH**

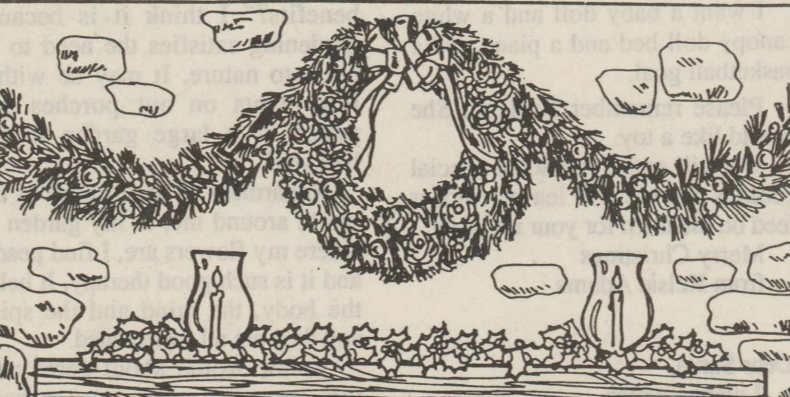
As in Bethlehem of old, may the heavens light your way and may you and yours experience peace and joy at Christmastime.

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ENJOYING REFRESHMENTS—Taylor Burson, top, and sister, Jordan, were on hand to enjoy the refreshments at the West Texas Utilities Open House last Saturday.



May the warmth of Christmas glow in your hearts and keep you toasty all season long. We appreciate your valued business.

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## Dear Santa . . .

Dear Santa,  
 Hi! I have been a very good girl this year. Thank you for my gifts last year. Please bring me a necklace with my name, Barbie doll. Anything is fine. Thank you!

Love,  
 Brittany Jordan  
 P.S. Please bring Papa home for Christmas. Jenny, Leon just won't to have a big Christmas at Granny and Papa house.

Dear Santa,  
 Hello! My name is Kimie, and I am 6 years old. I would love have a new baby doll and anything Barbie. My brother, Cole Ray is 2 years old. He would like to have big trucks and big tractors.

We are trying to be really good. Please bring Fluffy (our cat) a new toy to play with.

Love,  
 Kimie Hannsz

Dear Santa:  
 My name is Sara Ann Weise. All my friends call me Sara "Belle." I am 4 yrs. old and I have a little brother named Max. Max is 6 mos. old. I have been very good this year. Max has been pretty good. All I want for Christmas is a bath baby and a gymnast Stacie. I think something that makes music would be good for Max. Please be careful in all your travels. We'll leave some Christmas tree cookies for you on the fireplace. I love you Santa!

Love,  
 Sara "Belle" Weise  
 P.S. Thank you for the candy cane at Wal-mart!

Dear Santa,  
 My name is Bryan Richardson and I am 6 years old. I have been a good boy this year. For Christmas I would like a Nintendo 64 System, a remote control ricochet car, and maybe a Micro Machines Super Van City. Please don't forget my sister, Emily, and my cats, Gus and Tiger.

Love,  
 Bryan Richardson

Dear Santa,  
 My name is Emily Richardson and I am 4 years old. For Christmas I would like a Baby Splish Splash Bubble Bath, a

Barbie Dream House, Pet Doctor Barbie, and Fun Shaving Ken and brother. I have really tried to be good, and Bryan has too. We will leave cookies out for you and carrots for Rudolph.

Love,  
 Emily Richardson

Dear Santa,  
 My name is Andrea Anderson. I am 5 years old and in Pre-K this year. For Christmas I would like to have a Barbie Doll-My Size, Juice and Cookies Baby Doll, a new bike (cause I outgrew my old one), a teddy bear, a sweatshirt that has candy canes on it, and a new necklace.

I have sister, Tabitha, that's been kinda nice this year. She wants a Discman, clothes and jewelry. I've tried to be gooder this year. I'm going to leave some milk and cookies by the tree, for you! Tell Rudolph and Mrs. Santa hello

and don't get to cold cause I love you very much and Rudolph and the elves and Mrs. Santa very much.

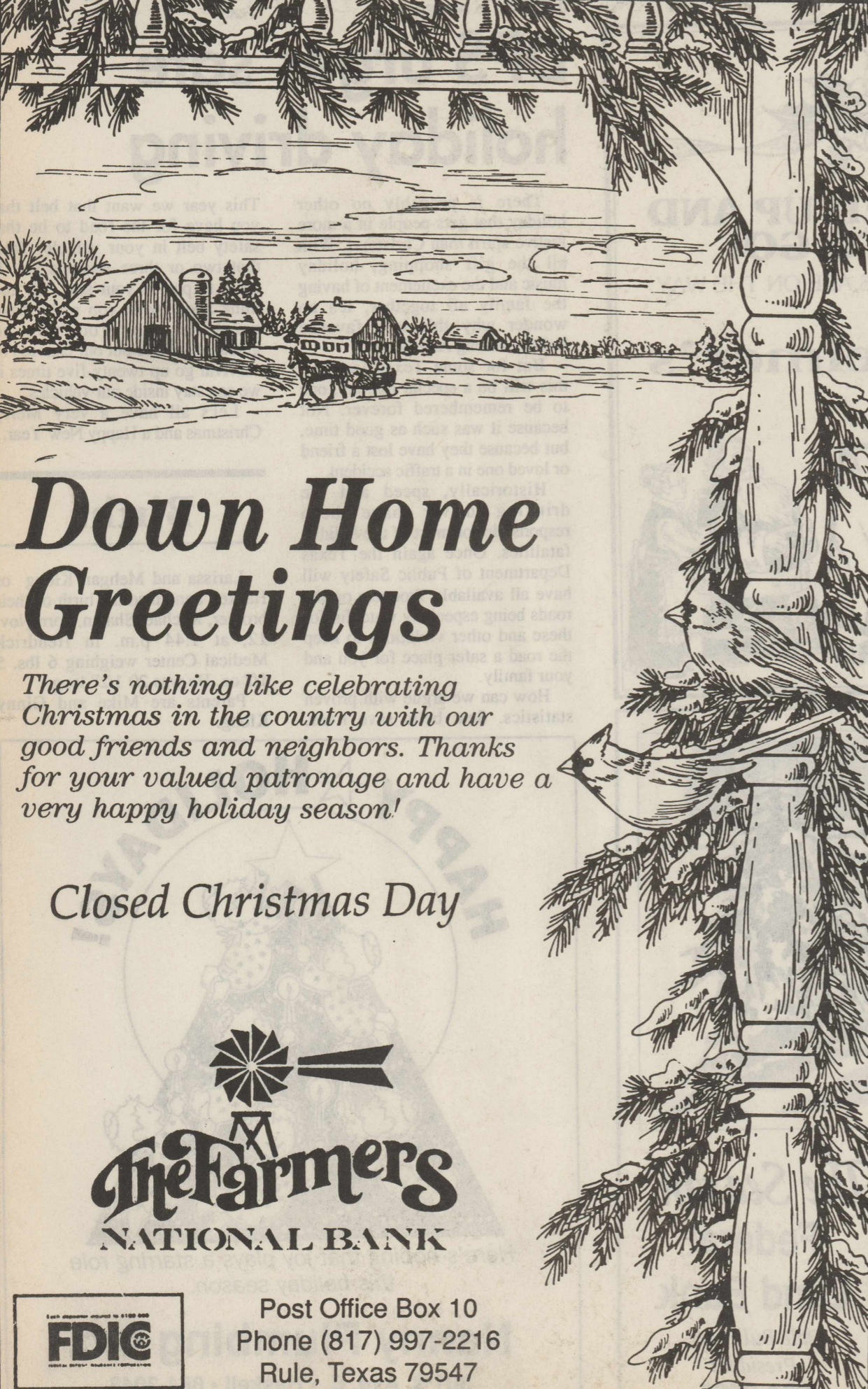
Love,  
 Andrea  
 P.S. Thank you for the x-mas video you sent me and the note.

Dear Santa,  
 I have been a good boy. This year I would like some goldfish at the game Hungry Hungry Hippos. Please bring Morgan a doll.

Ethan Frierson, age 5  
 Morgan Frierson, age 1

Dear Santa,  
 My name is Ariel Lindsey Foreman and I'm 4 years old. I'm writing to tell you what I want for Christmas. I would really like a Cabbage Patch Snacktime Kid and Fluffy come here puppy. and I would also like juice and cook' Baby Alive. I hope you come a visit soon. I've been very good to Mom and Dad and my teachers. My baby brother will soon be here and I hope you will bring him something too. Hope to see you soon. I will have some milk and cookies for you when you get here. I'll be waiting for you.

I Love You!!!  
 Ariel L. Foreman  
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**WITH OUR THANKS, AT CHRISTMASTIME**

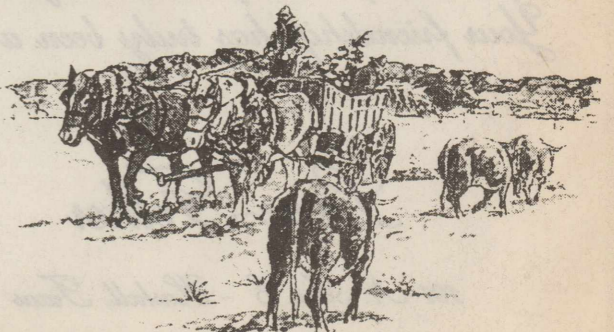
No Sale Saturday, December 28 (Christmas Holiday)

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3. Each store will award one FREE TURKEY — you need not be present to win, no purchase is necessary.
4. Drawing will be held December 23, 1996, at noon.
5. Anyone over 16 years of age is eligible to enter (except employees at participating stores and this newspaper.)

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## 7 Big Drawings Sat. Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> at 4 P.M. Courthouse



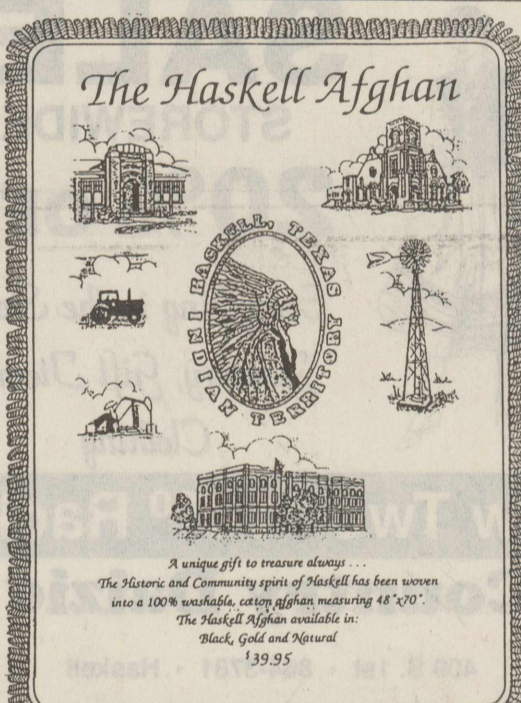
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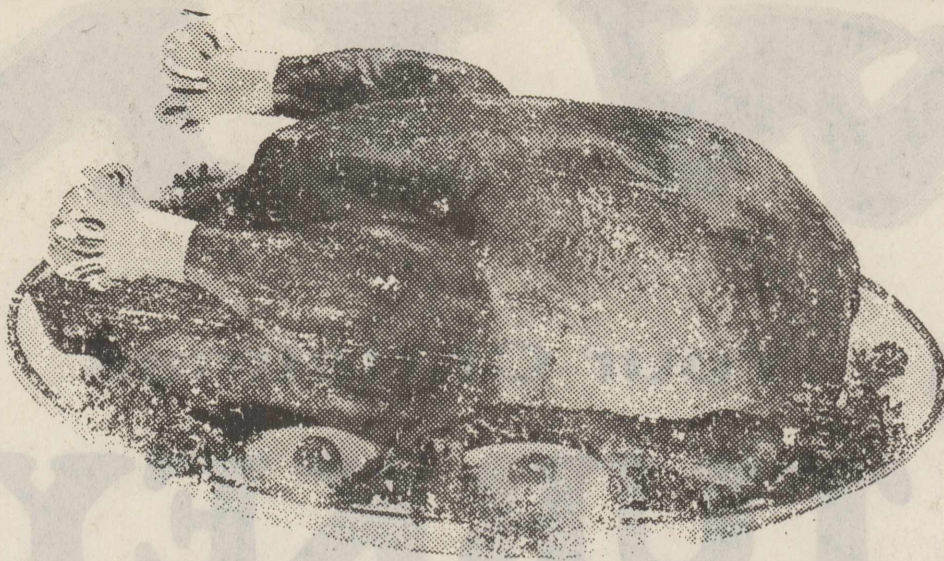
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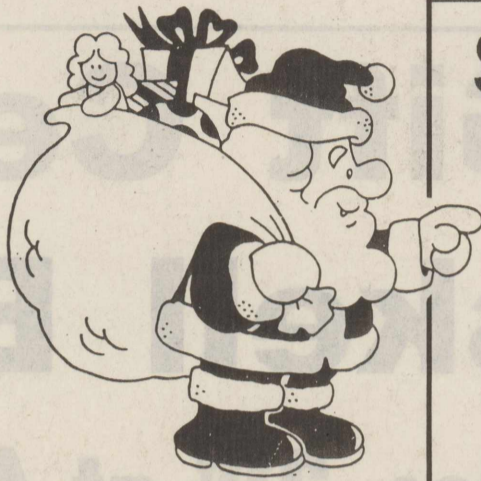
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**7 Big Drawings Sat. Dec.**

**Your Christmas Check List**

<b>FOOTWEAR</b>	<b>SPORTING GOODS</b>
✓Walking Shoes	✓Footballs
✓Jogging Shoes	✓Basketballs
✓Tennis Shoes	✓Weight Sets
from infant to adult sizes	✓Trampolines
✓Athletic Socks	✓Sleeping Bags
<b>SPORTS APPAREL</b>	✓School Gym Bags
✓Sweats in multicolors	✓Racket Balls
✓Warm ups—Jogging Suits	✓Pedometers—Jogmeters
✓Jackets	✓Dart Games
✓Sweaters	✓Golf Supplies
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✓Transfers	✓Archery Sets
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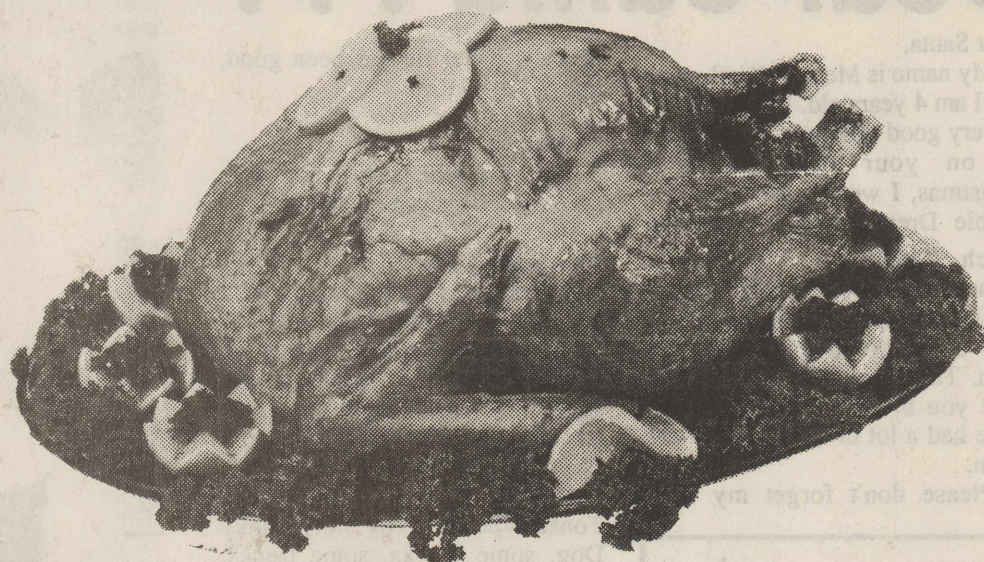
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## Dear Santa . . .

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Please don't forget my little

brother, Kyle. He has been good, too.

Love,  
Meagan  
P.S. We will leave some milk and cookies for you on the table.

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Kyle Kimbrough. I am Meagan's little brother. I just turned one year old. My Mommy and Daddy say that I have been very good this year. I hope you think so, too. For Christmas, I would like a Little Tikes tractor and cart, a Tickle Me Elmo, a Soft Walkin' Tonka Wheels, a Toy Story Slinky Dog, some blocks, some trucks, and John Deere tractors.

Love,  
Kyle

To Santa from Malinda Brueggeman I want Lucky Ducks the game, and mouse trap the game, a puzzle, princess Guenevere and the Jewel Riders (Fallon) and a Teeny Tumbles Surprise, a Doggie bag Doggie, two Magic Touch ponies, Shyla and Jasmin, Bean tag horse, a Doodle pet dog, Tag a Long Mommy and babies cats, Fantasy Fillies, Stuffed Seal, White Stuffed cat, Tag alongs Nursery, Nibbes and her feeding fun Stable, Barbie and baby keiko, Keiko, Ken and Dolphin friend, Kira and Seal friend, Mary Kate and Ashley Olsen Video, a Bike, and a pair of Roller Blades.

Love,  
Malinda

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Cole Casey and I am 18 mos. old. I have been a very good boy this year. My mommy is helping me write this letter because I can't write yet!

For Christmas, would you please bring me a Little Tikes Pick-up Truck. I also want some books because I love for mommy and daddy to read to me, and I would like some coloring books and crayons too. One more thing I would really like is "Tickling Elmo" because I think he is so funny. These are a few things I would like, but I'm not picky. Me and my cousin Spencer will leave you some milk and cookies.

Love,  
Cole

P.S. Could you please bring my dog Tucker a treat too?

Dear Santa:

I want a drum a goldfish, boxing gloves and a sweater. Bring it to the Pink Stucco House.

Aubrey Bassett  
I am 5. I have been a good girl this week.

Dear Santa:

My name is Ryder Harris. I am 4 years old and have tried to be a good boy. I want a Buzz Lightyear Spaceship real bad and other Toy Story things. I want some new clothes too. Tell Rudolph "Hi" I'll leave you a good snack. I love you Ho-Ho.

Love,  
Ryder Harris



**COLORING CONTEST WINNER**—Weston Rutkowski was the winner of First American Bank's Thanksgiving coloring contest for age category 3-7 years. Weston is pictured with his parents, John and Glenda Gayle. He received a \$15 gift certificate to Anthony's.  
Photo by Bill Blankenship

## Alyssa Atkeisson works on knotty brain teasers

From an article by Yamil Berard, Star-Telegram Staff Writer, printed in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Sun., Nov. 10, 1996.

"A select class of third-graders at Dove Elementary School in Grapevine is knocking off answers to mind "plexers"—knotty brain teasers intended to fire the dendrites and spark unusual ways of thinking.

"Ideas are bouncing around the room, an explosive energy that builds as the mind games intensify....

"The brain joust continues."

"TEBOXRNAS."

"Born in Texas," Alyssa Atkeisson, 8 responds.

"Texas has almost 290,000 children like Alyssa and Emily who

can manipulate words, phrases and facts at the blink of an eye, state officials say. For years, a debate among parents and educators nationwide has raged over whether "gifted and talented" children need special education services to realize their potential—or whether such programs are elitist and thus, unfair."

"Controversy over gifted education has triggered deep cuts in several states and scaling back in many others."

"But Texas is preparing to buck the trend."

Alyssa Atkeisson is the daughter of Kenny and Lori Atkeisson of Grapevine, and the great-granddaughter of Oleta Bowers of Haskell.

## Select charities wisely

by Lou Gilly  
Haskell Co. Ext. Agent

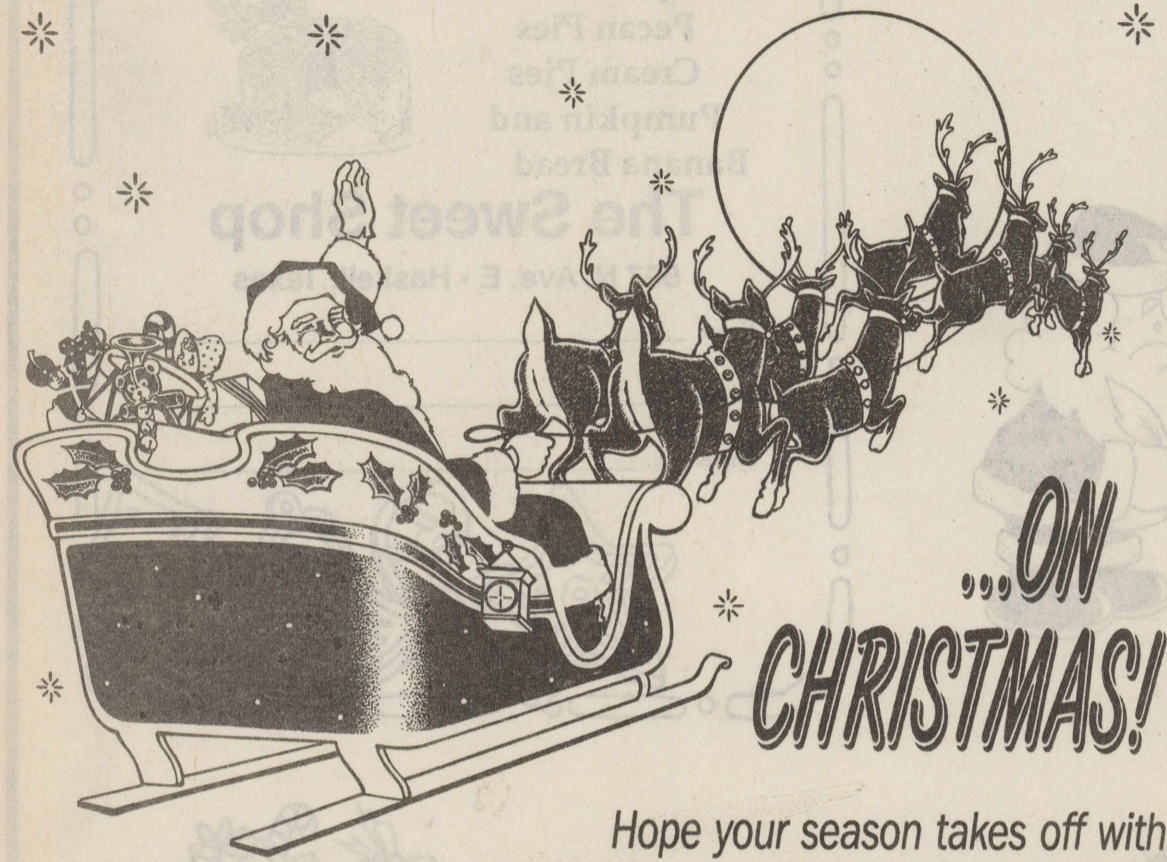
This time of year people seem to be more generous. They give more to charity. But be careful which charity you give money to.

Extension Family Economics Specialist Dr. Joyce Cavanagh says not all organizations that call themselves charities really are. She says ask for the charity's annual report and its tax returns so you can see how much money goes for administration and fundraising. She says you may be surprised how little money actually reaches those in need.

Cavanagh also says never be

pressured into making a donation right then and there. Legitimate charities will give you the information and the time you need to make a decision. You can check out charities through the Better Business Bureau, The National Charities Information Bureau and the American Institute of Philanthropy.

If you encounter a bogus operation, call the consumer protection division of the state Attorney General's office at 800-337-3928. Filing a complaint could help keep others from being taken for having a kind heart.



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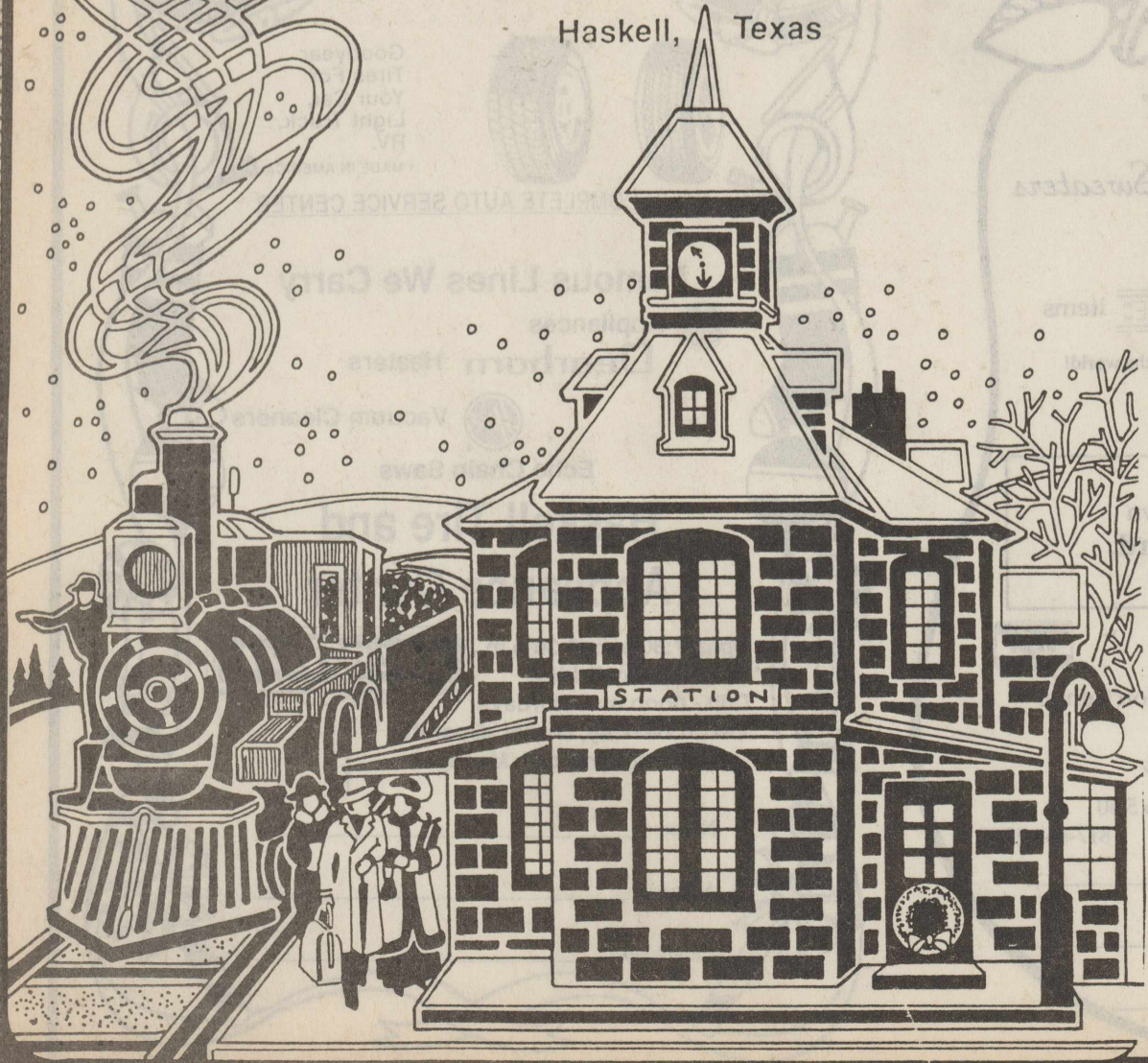
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If man only knew how to treat his brother  
You see, what God wants is first to love one another.  
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And if we did that we wouldn't have time to fight.  
Say "Yes I love you" and "Yes I care"  
That's the kind of courage each one must bear.  
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Help someone new each day, that's God's plan.

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# Dear Santa . . .

Dear Santa,  
My name is Trey Larned and I am two in November. I think I've been good so please bring me more toys, more tools, and more books. I love them. Please bring me more ju-milk and candy. I love them. Bring my mom some papita and my dad a tape player because The Beatles are sleeping in his pickup. Bring Lucky a bone. He loves them. Don't forget my cousin, Aaron Waggoner.

Love,  
Trey  
New Braunfels, Texas

Barrington. I just turned 5 years old. I have really tried to be a good girl this year, but it is really hard. Please bring me a new bike with a basket, streamers, and a water bottle. Also please bring me Stacie gymnast, Shaving Ken, some new Barbie and Ken clothes, and anything else you can think of.

Please remember my cousins Breann and Sydney. I am sure they have been good too. I will leave you some milk and cookies for a snack.

Love,  
McKenzie



**ENTRY WINNER**—Ross Bullinger, son of Dale and Vallene Bullinger, was the winner of the First American Bank's Thanksgiving coloring contest for age category 8-12 years. Pictured with his mom, he received a \$15 gift certificate to Anthony's. First American Bank expressed their thanks for all the entries.

Photo by Bill Blankenship

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a computer, a color printer, a Barbie Fashion Designer, and a pink 10 speed bike.

How are you doing Santa? What have you been doing lately? How's the Mrs. Clause? I hope yall are doing well.

I can't wait for your visit on Christmas Eve.

Love,  
Miranda Elise Robertson  
3rd Grade  
Rule  
P.S. Please write back.

Dear Santa,  
I've been a good boy this year. I would like for Christmas a motorcycle just my size, a basketball goal for children and clothes. Also a remote control dump truck. Please be careful on your sleigh Christmas Eve night delivering gifts.

Love,  
Ross Wittenborn  
Age 3

Dear Ho Ho,  
I am 3 years old and live in Rule. I like you very much.

For Christmas I would like you to bring me a Talking Michael Jordan Doll, Power Rangers shirt, Clothes, and a puter.

I will leave milk and cookies for you on Christmas Eve. Please remember my big Sissy Miranda.

Thank you,  
Chanler Robertson  
age 3  
Rule

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like Street Sharks so I can play with them. I've been a good little boy.

Thank you very much.  
Tracy Medford

## Cub Scout crime prevention poster winners named

Eight entries were made to the Haskell Cub Scout Pack's Crime Prevention Poster contest held Tues., Dec. 10. The crime prevention program is a new program sponsored by Boy Scouts of America.

In addition to individual work, scouts are required to complete a Pack sponsored activity to earn a crime prevention patch.

Judging was conducted by Tom Bassett, Haskell's Chief of Police. Bassett talked briefly to those attending of the importance of crime prevention. He praised the Boy Scouts of America in seeing

the value of such a program.

In the Wolf division, Rylie Tatum won first place.

Webelos I division winners were Cole Kruger, first place; Zach Haley, second place; and Charlie Smith, Raymon Cueller and Eric Lewis, third place (tie).

Winners in the Webelos II division were A. J. Shaw, first place; and Ryan Barnes, second place.

Dear Santa,  
I have tried to be a good girl this year by getting along with my big brother, Ross. Please bring me a My Size Barbie doll and a Cabbage Patch Snack Time baby. If you have a Wetting Wizzard dog or a Dalmation movie those would be nice too. I'll leave you a special snack on Christmas Eve. Merry Christmas to you and your reindeer.

Love,  
Brooke Bullinger  
age 5 years

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a Barbie telephone and makeup. A baby doll and a barbie doll house. I've been a very good girl.

Kimberly Medford

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me some drums and a Jumanji game and please bring Jared a guitar. I have been good all year. And bring Josh and Jeremy something special.

Merry Christmas  
Johnny Land  
P.S. We love you Santa.

Dear Santa,  
My name is Spencer and I am 6 years old. For Christmas I would like to have Cool Tools Race Car, Brain Warp, Micro Machines Military Set, Dr. Dreadful's Monster Medical Center and Hot Wheels Auto City Garage. You can find me at my Granny and Paw-Paw Plunkett's house. I hope you have a Merry Christmas and can find your way.

I love you,  
Spencer

Dear Santa:  
I want Donkey Kong 3, a basketball goal. My name is Kenneth Rogers. I am 5. Merry Christmas.

Dear Santa,  
My name is Callen Raye Pittman and I am 5 yrs. old. I've tried to be good this year. I want a car garage hot wheels, a L.v., and if it's not too much, a tendo. My bubba would like it so I won't be in his room all the time. I would like a workshirt like Dad's and a tool truck hot wheel truck.

Please bring my bubba Ross some puter stuff. He's been pretty good.

We'll leave you some milk and cookies.

Love,  
Callen

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# Dear Santa Claus, Please bring me a . . .

Dear Santa,  
I have been really good this year. I only want a few things for Christmas. A big buzz lite year, play workshop, and a green punching bag.  
I have a little brother and sister who have also been good, so I thought I would tell you what they want.  
Tyler wants a jeep, so we can go

for rides, he also wants a fire truck that talks.  
Kelsey wants a barbie doll and barbie answering machine.  
This is Rusty again. I also want a Talking Whiz Kid Power Mouse Computer.  
Hope you have a safe trip. We will leave cookies and milk.  
Love,  
Rusty Rogers, age 7

Tyler Williams, age 4  
Kelsey Smith, age 3

Dear Santa Claus,  
My name is Stephanie Threet, I am 4 years old, and I have been a very good girl this year, just ask my PawPaw! I would like you to bring me a baby that I can feed and change its diaper, a Ferris Wheel toy, a remote control Barbie Car, and a doll house. Please bring my mama and daddy something special, and my Nanny and PawPaw too. I will leave some milk and cookies for you.

I love you,  
Stephanie Threet  
Age 4  
Rule, Texas

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I want a Zuggles, fantasy filly, and a making faces doll. Don't forget Josh, Daddy, Momma, Granny, and my cat, Hoot. I hope I see you and Rudolf on Christmas eve.

Love,  
Saphron Roysdon

Dear Santa,  
I really, really want a dallas cowboy football coat. I also would like to have remote control car, yak bak 2, and Nike socks.

I will have your cup seting on the table.  
Love,  
Lacey Blain Peiser

Dear Santa Claus,  
Thank you for my toys and gifts last year. This year I want babies, lots of babies!  
Merry Mismas  
Ashley Adams  
21 months

Dear Santa,  
My name is Brennan Medford, and I am 5 years old. For Christmas, I want an excavator, Chicken Limbo, some Hot Wheels under the little tree in my room, and some other surprises. Please don't bring me any clothes! My baby sister, Caitlin, wants "Tickle Me Elmo," and a baby doll. We have been good this year. I will leave you some milk, peanut butter sandwich, and a gingerbread man for a snack.  
Love,  
Brennan

Dear Santa,  
My name is Caitlin Medford, and I am 10 months old. For Christmas, I would like "Tickle Me Elmo," a baby doll, some little house shoes, and a toy box to put my new toys in. Oh yeah, some teeth would be nice. I'm getting tired of baby food. I have been a good little girl, but it isn't always easy. Please bring my brother some things for Christmas, he's been a good big brother. I will get him to leave you a snack. You probably wouldn't like strained peaches.  
Love,  
Caitlin

Dear Santa,  
My name is Bryson. I've been pretty good this year, I think. I would like a computer, lace up boots, legos, hot wheels city. Please bring Zach and Austin something and Mommy and Daddy too. I'll leave you something good to eat and a Dr. Pepper.  
Love,  
Bryson Trussell  
6 years

Dear Santa:  
My name is Carson Hadaway and I am 2 years old. I have been a really good girl this year—especially since I became a big sister.

This year for Christmas I would like a puppy and a swing set for me and my sister to share. I want to name my puppy Barney and rock him to sleep at night. I would also like a baton, more books, clothes (Momma says you can never have too many of these), anything that has 101 Dalmations on it, and a Barbie doll. Oh, and Daddy says I need more money for my education. Remember all my friends, too. We will leave you cookies and please give Rudolph a hug.  
Peace and joy to everyone!!  
Thank you!!  
Carson Hadaway

Dear Santa:  
My name is Reagan Hadaway and I am almost 4 months old. I really don't know about all this Christmas stuff. Mom moved the furniture and put a lot of new stuff in the house.

My big sister says we need a puppy and a swing set. I guess she knows what she is talking about since she is older. Please bring me some more clothes, toys, and books—and money for my college fund. Daddy says that is very important.  
Please remember all my friends, too.  
Peace and joy to everyone!  
Reagan Hadaway

Dear Santa,  
I'm new this year, my name is

Austin Trussell and I'm 8 months old. I don't ask for much just keep me fed and in dry pants. Please bring me some toys, I'm not picky. I'll leave you one of my cookies and some milk.  
Love,  
Austin Trussell  
8 months

Dear Santa,  
This is Zach. I'm 4 this year. would like a Woody, a computer some movies "Toy Story," some boots, and please don't forget brothers. I'll leave you some good.  
Love,  
Zachary Trussell  
4 years

Dear Santa:  
I have been as nice as a two year old can be. This year I would like to have all the candy in my PaPa's store, baby doll, dishes, and books. Thank you for my presents last year.  
I love you Santa,  
Macy Bingham  
2 yrs. old

Dear Santa:  
This year I have been a good girl. This is a list of things I would like to have for Christmas this year a play typewriter, play cash register, fashion finger nail fun, Magic School Bus book, and two baby kitty. Thank you for my presents last year.  
I Love you Santa,  
Amber Bingham  
7 yrs. old

Dear Santa,  
I've been a very good boy. I want a bike, (15-speed,) My Size golf clubs, 18 wheeller; micro-mini car, top for golf cart. My mom wants a new dress, bracelet. My dad wants a new flashlight, new wheels for the truck. Both new bikes, a new car.  
Love,  
Merry Christmas  
Rylie Tatum



## SEASON'S GREETINGS

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## HOLIDAY GREETINGS

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## All the Best to You On Christmas

Here's hoping your holiday is stuffed with the gifts of family, friends and good fortune. We appreciate all you've given us throughout the year and look forward to continuing to serve you in the future.  
Happy Holiday and many thanks.

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## WE'RE MAKING A LIST...

We'd like to thank each of you personally, but we've made too many good friends in the past year to find the space to list them here.

So to all of you, our very best wishes go—for a very Merry Christmas and a ho...ho...ho!

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# Santa letters . . .

Dear Santa,  
My name is Austin Green, I am 3 yrs. old but I will be 4 on Christmas Eve the 24th. I have really tried very very hard to be a good boy this year. For Christmas this year I would like a Dragon fly, Dinosaur, Bus, Jurassic Park toy, Ninja mask with play knife and guns, Power Ranger Chapstick, Music Twisted tape by Keith Sweat, Buzz Lightyear Spaceship, Pinocchio Doll, Gameboy and games, Buzz Lightyear doll, Space jam toy, any kind of clothes. Please bring mommy a space jam mommy, Rick needs a Power Ranger Shirt, Don't forget to visit my daddy and his family in Maine if you have time. My cousins Lezli and Lindsey in Knox City, James, Breanna, Ciera and Jacklyn in Haskell, Scottie in Milton, FL, Uncle David and Aunt Janie in Winter Haven, FL, my PaPa, NeNe, Grandma Robbie, Uncle Cory in Lubbock and all my aunts, uncles and friends. I will leave you a glass of 7-up and a bag of popcorn to eat. Tell Mrs. Clause I said Hi!  
I love you Santa,  
Austin Green  
Haskell, TX

Dear Santa,  
My name is James Williams and I am 4 yrs. old. I have tried really really hard to be a good boy. For Christmas this year I would like Karate man, any kind of Legos, Johnny Quest men, more ninja Turtles and April O'Neal, Castle toy box for my men, Gameboy and games, Nintendo 64, a green Zeo Power Ranger. Please leave me some scratch-off lotto tickets in my stocking, Mortal Combat movie. My Daddy would like a new pocket knife, my mommy needs new flowers, my Terry needs some new shirts and pants. Please if you have time go visit my cousin Lezli and Lindsey in Knox City, Austin, Breanna and Christina in Haskell, Scottie in Milton, FL. Oh don't forget my Uncle David and Aunt Janie in Winter Haven, FL, also Tash, Jessica and Marcus in Rochester, and my Papa, Mamic, PaPu, NeNe and aunt's and uncle too. I will leave you a glass of Coke and plate of cookies to eat. Tell Mrs. Clause I said Hi!  
I love you Santa,  
James Williams  
Haskell, TX

Dear Santa,  
My name is Kolby Huckabee, and I am 4 yrs old. I have tried really really hard to be a good boy. For Christmas this year I would like Power Ranger toys, car and truck toys, new movies of any kind to watch, Toy Story toys of any kind, New Puzzle and new clothes.

My mommy needs new shoes, My Daddy Randy needs new parts for his race car, my Brandy needs new jeans for work, and if you have time please go visit my PaPa and MaMa, all my cousins, aunts and uncles. I will leave you a glass of milk and brownies to eat. Tell Mrs. Clause I said Hi!  
I love you Santa,  
Kolby Huckabee

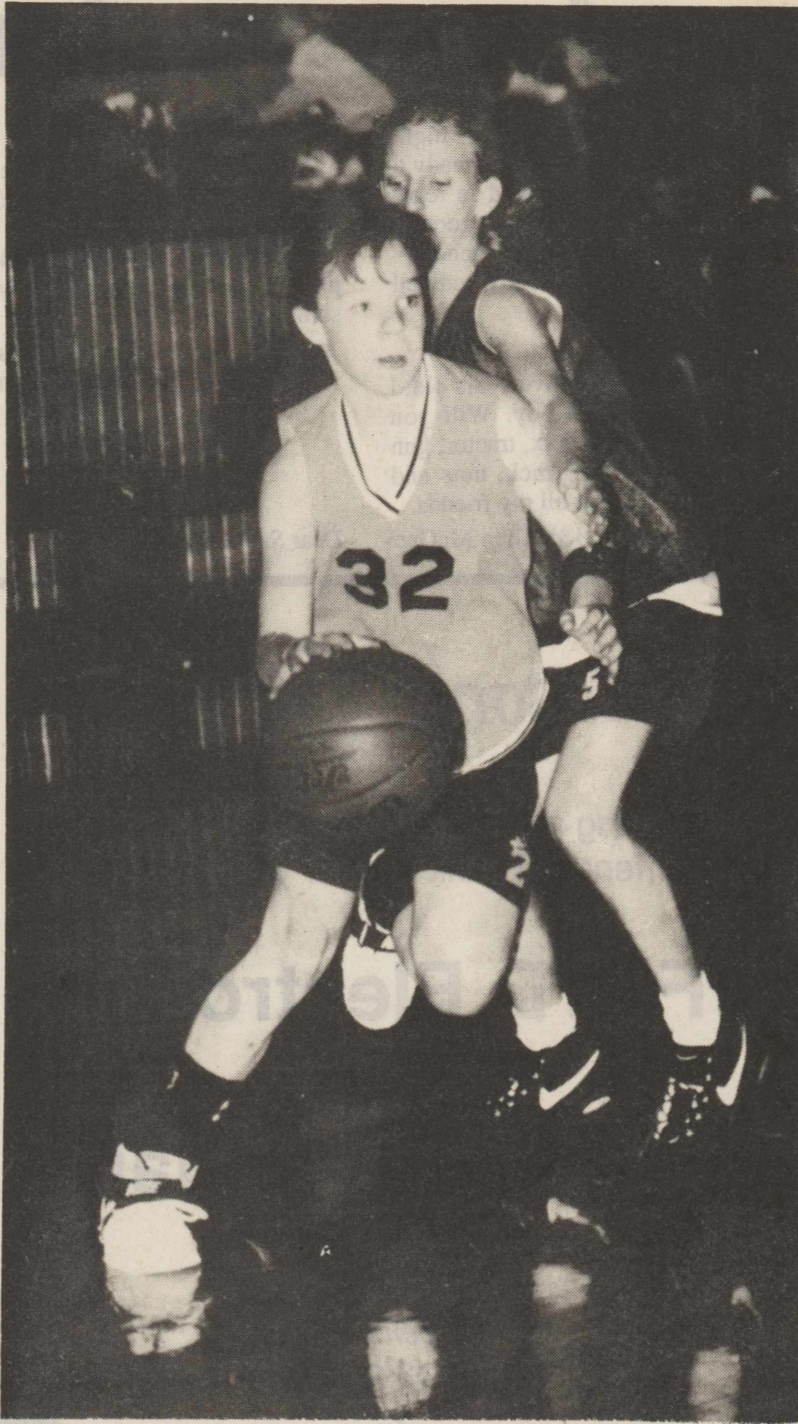
Dear Santa,  
My name is Rachell and I am 7 months old. I live in Bath, Maine. For Christmas I want some warm booties and a soft baby doll. Please don't forget my Granny Robbie, my Uncle Cory and my great-granddaddy Buddy Drinnon (they all live in Haskell). And please remember, Santa, to stop for cookies and milk when you come to my house. And don't forget Austin, too!  
Love,  
Rachell Green

Dear Santa:  
This year I am 5. I think I am old enough for a Super Nintendo game. I'll take care of it and keep it picked up so Levi won't break it. Do you have a little brother, Santa? Mine is 2 years old, and he tries to break everything I have! I don't think he means to. He's just little.  
Dad put lights on the house this year. That should make us easy to find. We'll leave you a peanut butter and jelly sandwich and some pink milk. That's our favorite snack. I bet you'll love it, too!  
Thanks,  
Katie Grand

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I don't mean to pull Katie's hair, and I just cried a little when PaPa took me for a hair cut. I promise to do better next year.  
If you can I would like a new truck for Christmas. It doesn't matter how big or small or even what color. I just want a truck. I'll try to remember not to leave it in the middle of the floor.  
Thanks,  
Levi Grand

Dear Santa,  
My name is Brett Shelton. I am 2-1/2 years old. I've been a good boy this year. I want something I drive for Christmas. I want a bunch of toys in my stocking (the one with Frosty on it). My baby sister, McKenzie, 3 months old, wants a baby doll to hold.

Also, don't forget Ma-ma, Da-da, Pappy, Ca-Ca, and Bam-Bam. Be real careful and don't have a "weck."  
P.S. I will leave a "Mickey Donalds" kids meal, milk, and cookies by the tree.



BASELINE DRIVE—Jessica Miller, #32 of Haskell's 7th grade Maiden team, drives the baseline against Seymour. Haskell stomped Seymour 50-5. Photo by Bill Blankenship

**HI!**  
Warmest thoughts and best wishes for a wonderful holiday and a very Happy New Year!  
**Carolyn Reynolds**  
District Clerk  
Pd. Pol. Adv. Pd. for by Carolyn Reynolds.

**May Peace On Earth Prevail**  
**Gina Brown**  
Justice of the Peace  
**Lynn Dodson, Clerk**  
Pd. Pol. Adv. Pd. for by Gina Brown

# Old Santa letters . . .

**10 Years Ago**  
**December, 1986**  
Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Laser Tag. I hope you bring it. Will you Please.  
Love,  
Jeremy Harlan  
Age 7, First grade  
Weinert

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me 2 big trucks, a cowboy game, turkey and dressing and a tricycle. Kerre would like a Cabbage Patch doll. Bring my daddy a new gun and my mommie some new ropers.  
I have been a good boy and I will leave you some dressing for a snack.  
Love,  
Loren Cole  
Discovery World

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Slum-Pit, a bicycle. Please bring Tom the same as me. Bring Mommie a necklace and billfold and Dad a new gun and case. Bring Lyle some new toys.  
I'll leave you cookies and milk.  
Love and Kisses,  
Dan Fouts  
Discovery World  
P.S. I've been extra special good for you!!? Most of the time.

Dear Santa,  
I would like a playhouse, microphone, maroon & white pom poms.  
Hurry Santa I can't wait to get my pom poms.  
Love,  
Halee Walton

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**Merry Christmas!**  
**Smitty's Auto Supply**  
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and Chris

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Here's hoping that all of your wishes come true in this most magical of seasons!  
Merry Christmas and thanks to all!  
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**GOOD TIDINGS**  
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A.K., Usha, Nisha, Mira, Krishna  
864-2251 or 864-2568

**A SEASON OF HOPE**  
Now is the time for mankind to rise to the occasion and display a generosity of spirit to one another.  
Peace To All!  
from the residents and staff of  
**Haskell Healthcare Center**  
864-8537  
Sandra Givens, Administrator



# Dear Santa letters from yesteryear . . .

20 Years Ago  
December, 1976

Dear Santa,  
I am a little boy seven years old. I have tried to be a good boy. I would like for you to bring me a walkie-talkie set, racing track and tape recorder and a wagon. Remember all the other boys and girls.

Love,  
Mickey Dunnam

P.S. Don't forget my brother Ricky.

Dear Santa,

My name is Loutina Hadaway and I am six years old. Please bring me a Happy Birthday Baby Tender Love, doll clothes and a Barbie's Quick Curl Miss America Beauty Center.

Thank you!

Loutina Hadaway

Dear Santa,

I want a Don't Cry Little Baby, easy bake oven, and that's all. I will leave some milk on the TV and some cookies.

I've been a good girl.

Love,  
Laurie Hester

Dear Santa,

I want a dolly and jaws game. I don't know what else I want right now. How are you? I'm alright. Are you coming Christmas? Who helps you make the toys? Do the elves? Come see me.

Love you,  
Tiffany Moeller

30 Years Ago  
December, 1966

Dear Santa Claus,

We are three brothers, 6, 5, and 3. For Christmas we would like a walkie-talkie and Johnny Eagle guns. Jim wants a paint set. Bobby wants a magnetic alphabet board and Joseph wants a Bee says toy.

Please remember all our cousins and friends.

Love,  
Jim, Bobby and Joseph  
Browning  
608 N. Avenue H

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy four years old and my little brother is two. We have tried to be good boys this year. Please bring me boots, guns and a bicycle. Steve wants boots, guns and a wagon.

Mike and Steve Guess

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like a train by Lionel or Max. I hope you can bring a steam engine train. I would like a pair of walkie talkies.

With love,  
Darrell Smith

Santa Claus came to Haskell in a big red sled pulled by six ponies. He was dressed in red and took us around the block. He came to town December 3 to ask us what we wanted for Christmas. I want a pen ball set.

Mike Bartley

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl 10 months old. My name is Vickie Lyne Judd. Please bring me a doll, some stuffed animals, musical bear and any other kind of toys. Don't forget my brother Timmy, my mother and daddy, my aunts and uncles and cousins, my mama and papa Cunningham and my grandparents in Virginia.

Love, Vickie Lyne Judd

40 Years Ago  
December, 1956

Dear Santa:

I would like to have a majorette doll for Christmas. I am a girl nine years old. My sister, seven years old, would like a Revlon doll and my baby sister wants candy and a little doll. Hi, Santa Claus! We are 9, 7 and 1 year old.

Sherry, Kay, and Nena Newton  
Weinert

Dear Santa:

Will you please come to my house? And go to other houses too. And give my friends something. I want a new watch, and give everybody something. My Dad wants some tools for Christmas. Give something to everybody. You

were real nice in town last night. Your reindeers, I hope, are ready to go and I hope your sled is ready too. That's all I got to say, goodbye.

Your friend,  
Jerry Campbell

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy five years old. I have been a good boy. Will you please bring me a tank, tractor, gun and scabbard, fire truck, nuts and fruits. Don't forget all my friends.

Ben Allen McGee

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like to have a bicycle tube and a watch. My little sister wants a doll that has clothes and walks and cries. And I would like to have you to bring everyone something.

David Davis  
Mattson school

50 Years Ago  
December, 1946

Dear Santa Claus:

I wanted to tell you where I would be on Christmas. Mother and Daddys are bringing me to Aunt Sookie and Daddy Haynes' house. You can take part of my presents to Aunt Bootie's and Uncle Red at Wichita Falls.

Yours truly,  
Gene Wood

P.S. Don't forget to bring my cowboy suit.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good boy. Will

you please bring me a bath robe, football, wagon, bicycle and a basketball.

Henry Dodson

Dear Santa:

I have been a very good boy so please bring me a train that winds up, a drum, a banjo, a cowboy suit, some skates, some cars, nuts, candy, fruit, a pipe and a football. That's all. Thank you.

Douglas


*Season's Greetings*

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Bill & Charlene  
Jesse




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LET IT SNOW...!  
LET IT SNOW...!**

Hope you receive a blizzard of happiness and a pile-up of good cheer this holiday season.

*Merry Christmas*  
from  
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At this time of the year, it is a pleasure to turn aside from everyday affairs and send to our friends, old and new, warm Seasons Greetings and sincere best wishes for the coming year.

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