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Local News

FREE GED CLASSES

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Contact Viola Kautz at 396-2612 or Kay at 396-2376.

Merry Christmas

Want A Challenge?

Become An EMT

Become a Volunteer EMT (Emergency medical Technician). Your Community Needs You. Classes starting January 1995. Call Kenneth at 396-2844 for more iformation.

New Years Eve Dance

New Year's Eve Dance at the Stratford Country Club from 9-12:30. In town guests welcome.

We Need Coaches!!!!!!!

Need Coaches! 3rd and 4th Boys and girls. Call Kristi at 769-4467 or ViAnn at Mary Allen Elementary School. Refs are also needed.

Happy New Year

AARP Free Income Tax Class

Beginners class will be held Jan. 5 & 6th, at 9 a.m. thru 4 p.m. Then on Jan. 9-13 the class will be for persons that are beginners as well as the ones that has attended years before.

Anyone that wants to take this class. It is free and they may call to register before the class.

Phone Joyce Kearns at 622-1164 or 622-1966. Classes will be held at San Jacinto Methodist Church, 6th and Tennessee,

Happy New Year Merry Christmas

YES-We Will Be Open **Christmas Day**

What a contradiction it would be to close His house on the day we celebrate His birth.

Services from 10 to 11 will include the Cantata "A Gift For A King" and a message from God's

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Scot Reminder

Scot Reminder. - Dec. 31st, New Year's Eve Dance - 8-12 p.m. Ron Brown, an Music by entertainer from Campo, Colorado. played on Riverboats.





Opening Day Pheasant Season

The Whitman Family Group of Marble Falls, which consisted of 14 came to Stratford Pheasant hunting. District. "We recently received They got 28 pheasants. This picture was taken on Opening Day of Pheasant Season on December 10, 1994. certification to provide services to Andy Riffe was their Chamber Guide.

EMS Banquet



The EMS Banquet held last Tuesday, December 13, 1994 honored: From Left, Lloyd King - 5 year service Trade Show certificate and pin. Ricky Reed, D'Lynn Reed, Jack Gore and not pictured Janie Kirkpatrick for 10 year



Jimmy Lanning, left was named Most Dedicated EMT Member for 1994 and Larry Norris was named 1994 EMT of the Year.

KDDD & KMRE Radio Presents A Night With JD Sumner & the Stamps Quartet

and the Stamps Quartet, Monday, January 9, at 7:30 p.m. at the education Dumas High School Auditorium. offered. Advance tickets may be purchased from the radio station. Adults Door prices will be adults \$7.00 and children \$4.00.

Quartet enjoyed touring as the irrigation back up group for Elvis Presley manufacturers, distributors and career. If you enjoy Southern equipment on display to Gospel Music, you'll be sure to get compliment the conference Gospel Music, you'll be sure to get a thrill from the concert! Make discussion topis. plans to attend now!

Star Office Holiday Schedule

The Stratford Star office will be closed Wednesday, Dec. 21, Dec. 23.

We will also be closed Dec. 26, 27, 28 and 29, Monday thru Thursday, We will be open Friday, Dec. 30th at 8 a.m.

There will be no edition of The Stratford Star, Thursday, Dec.



Stratford Family Medical Clinic Provides Healthcare For The Community

Stratford Family Medical Clinic provides health care for the whole community, according to Jeannie Knight, Chairman of the Board of the Stratford Hospital all veterans," she said. "We will be serving veterans in a 200-mile changed our practice."

for their medical care, whether it is insurance, Medicare, Medicaid, or let E.R. give a 1% pay raise as to private pay", she said. "The recently obtained VA certification service for here at home."

Dr. Gary Mathews is the supervising physician at the clinic, and John Schmidt is the Physician Assistant. The Stratford Family Medical Clinic is open Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Appointments are preferred get the railroad crossings fixed if at but not required.

High Plains Irrigation **Conference** and

Show set for January 5th at the weather on the performance and working on it. yield of corn hybrids, economics of acreages of early corn, sorghum and full season corn, a grower's experiences with ridge till farming, irrigation system efficiency and management to offset reduced well supplies and the effective, safe use of chemigation. Also KDDD and KMRE Radio included is a panel discussion of presents a night with JD Sumner drip irrigation for row crops and pastures. Two continuing education unites (CEU) will be

Leon New, the conference coordinator states that the '95 \$5.00 and children under 12 \$3.00. event has been moved from the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center in order to JD Sumner and The Stamps expand the trade show. More equipment during the last eight years of his dealers will have the latest

> A catered lunch will be served with a \$5 registration fee.

Salaries & Raises **Discussed At City Council Meeting**

Stratford City Council met in Thursday, Dec. 22 and Friday, regular session November 17, 1994 at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Ken Forthman presiding and the following Council members present: Sandy Williams, Larry Council members Sims, Johnny Garza and Doug McBryde. City Attorney, Jon King was also present.

> Doug made a motion, Johnny second to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

Johnny made a motion, Doug second to approve the livestock permit for Scott Plunk. Motion carried.

Sandy made a motion, Doug second to approve the T.M.R.S. Retirement Ordinance. Motion carried.

Johnny made a motion, Sandy second to approve the 1994 tax role. Motion carried.

Doug made a motion, Sandy second to approve the amended 1993/1994 budget.

Connie Oquin asked if it was illegal to take in more revenues than was budgeted. City Attorney Jon King answered that it was not unless it was in the form of taxes.

Discussions were made on radius of our community, salaries and raises for City However, we don't want our Employees. Notation was made regular patients to think we've that we are below the pay scale compared to Dalhart, Gruver and Ms. Knight added that the Sunray. E.R. stated he feels he Stratford Family Medical Clinic, should be allowed to set raises for which is operated by Moore City Employees except for himself County Hospital District, is and the Council should be the designated as a Rural Health ones to give him his raise. Ken Clinic. "That basically means that and Sandy were in agreement with we accept all patients and help E.R. Council was in favor of merit patients find the best way to pay raises for City Employees, Sandy "The his discretion. Motion carried.

Sandy asked the question as to just gives us an additional group of why our City Patrol car and a patients that we can now provide policeman accompanied the football teams to the out of town games. Ken said that 7 out of 10 other cities send their policemen with the buses for security reasons. Our policeman went on a trial basis to see if it would work.

Council was in agreement to all possible this month.

Suggestions were made to let E.R. call GTE and try to get some results on fixing the problems with the phone system in Stratford.

Discussions were made about the maintenance and repair of the sidewalks on main street. E.R. will check on the problem and see The annual High Plains what needs to be done and as to Irrigation Conference and Trade who will pay for it.

Johnny asked E.R. as to when Amarillo Civic Center will address the road work on Stickney and timely topics of interest to Cedar would begin. E.R. will get growers. These include the with Max Brown and see when we influence of this year's hot, dry can get the caleche and start

Meeting adjourned.



We are now working on The Basketball Page. If you would like a signature ad, please call The Stratford Star 396-5885

Dear Readers By Marty Robertson

First of all, I'm sorry for any mistakes that may be in the paper this week. Mom has been sick, so I've had to do most of this edition. I do want to thank Donita and Sandy for helping me get the typing done.

Hope all of you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The office will be closed Dec. 21-29th and be open again on December 30th.

year and we look forward to serving you in 1995.

Backyard Grand Prix

Stratford, Texas, December 15, Calendars 1994--Gentlemen start your engines! The lure of speed and the "Quest for Excellence" are the basis for Farmers Insurance Group of Companies' entry "Backyard Grand Prix," in the 1995 Tournament of Roses parade on Saturday, January 14th. Everyone January 2, 1995 in Pasadena California.

mobile cars being driven around a 50 foot oval race track which is four feet wide. The cars are built Vincent at the SCDC office at 396on go carts and will be driven by 2897. members of a racing team. In the center of the track is a young boy kneeling down to race to his car.

"We are proud to be entering our 36th consecutive float, and enjoy carrying on the Farmers' tradition of participating in the Tournament of Roses Parade annual festivities," said Carolyn A. Tarver, Farmer Agent in Stratford, Texas.

The float is 55 feet in length by 18 feet in width and is 30 feet high. Built for Farmers by Studio Concepts, Inc. of Portland, the colorful track perimeter is decorated with chrysanthemums, roses and iris, with accents of dendrobium orchids and lavender carnations. The boy is decorated with orchids, chrysanthemums and cut blue

Member companies of the Farmers Insurance Group of Companies include the nation's third-largest automobile and homeowners insurers.

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Martha (Marty) Robertson **Editor & Publisher**

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Obit

Ben David Alexander

Alexander, 64, died Sunday, Dec.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Texhoma Church of Christ with Scott Smith officiating. Burial was in Texhoma Cemetery by Dawson Welch Funeral Home.

Mr. Alexander was born in pilot about 30 years ago. He

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Kim D'Ann Chapman of Texhoma; a son, Randy Lynn Alexander of Texhoma; two sisters, Dell McCorkle of Las Vegas and Joyce Morris of Lubbock; eight grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; and three step great-grandchildren.

Sherman County Development committee, Inc. will hosting their Annual Meeting Membership is invited to attend. Look for more details to follow in the coming weeks. A great program is planned The sporty float features four for the evening so make your plans to attend!!!! For more information, contact Lorie



Living Nativity

The Living Nativity, a gift to the Panhandle area from the Church of the Nazarene will be held December 21st and 22nd. Texhoma, Okla. - Ben David The annual event has become a family tradition for the area communities and for the church family as well.

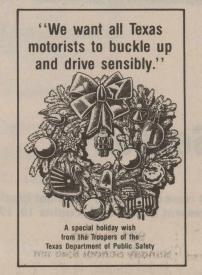
The Living Drive Thru Nativity begins with a modern day family scene which focuses on the Christmas Story found in the book of Luke. A new scene has been Frederick, Okla., and moved to added this year with angels Texhoma in 1971 from Tempe, appearing before Mary telling of Okla. He had been a telephone the birth of her son, Jesus.

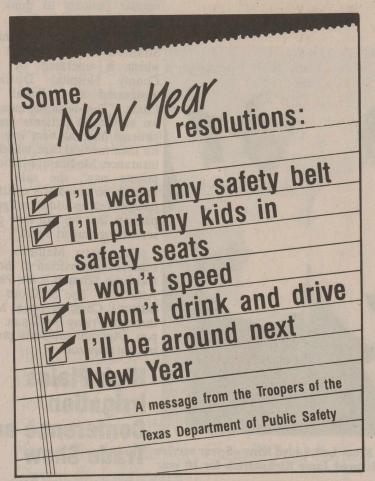
The Stratford Star has operator, a fireman and a farmer Another scene is Mary and Joseph preciated your business the past hefore had been a telephone the birth of her son, Jesus. appreciated your business the past before becoming a crop spraying in the streets of Bethlehem seeking a room at the inn. married Norma Jean Lee in 1949 Shepherds on the hillside with an angel appearing tells of the Savior's birth in Bethlehem in the next setting. The scenery now moves to Herod's palace in Jerusalem where kings from the East appear before King Herod. The final scene of the living nativity is a manger scene, showing

Pastor Terry Armstrong and friends and family of the Church of the Nazarene invites everyone to attend the drive thru dramatic Living Nativity on Wednesday, December 21 and Thursday December 22 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. each evening.

This is a moving experience that will inspire your true Christmas spirit and have lasting

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This group of children welcomed Santa to Kerrick, Dec. 16. Pictured with Santa are Reed Schoonover, the humble place for the Son of Merilee McDaniel, Tait, Kodie & April Avent, Darcy Thompson, Chandra Hawkins, Nicholas & Shelby

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Timi's Tidbits By Timmie Brown

Happy Day to you Sherman County Old Timers, Friends and Readers this wonderfully clear last Monday A.M. before Christmas, December 19, 1994. We not only wish you a Happy Day today but the Happiest, Merriest Christmas Season and a Gladsome New Year 1995. Glad for every day and its blessing!

Wed., December 14, 1994. It's a gently swaying. Trust Senior Carols were sung by all with the happy note of accepting the years happenings as a bit of living is wonderful. We work a series of the candy cane. Trust Senior Carols were sung by all with the chappy note of accepting the years happenings as a bit of living is and scatter "luv and shoulder arrived." wonderful. We were reminded of pats". Our dark glasses and a clipping of "Meet the Neighbors" walking cane are waiting! taken from the Amarillo News and are asking our Stratford Star Council To Help editor to print it.

MEET THE NEIGHBORS Name: R. W. Standefer Hometown: White Deer Age: 77

harmony.'

How he would like to be remembered: "As a nice guy."

most embarrassing moment: "You couldn't print it."

What he would do with \$1 million: "White Deer would have

the biggest party ever."

Thank you, Marty! Bless you Standefers! To you readers: Hope you have everything under control and can breathe a sigh of relief.

Following are events and activities of our citizens that make us happy:

Velma and Virgil Plunk went to Amarillo with their daughter Martha Timmons of Amarillo where they will be flying on their first airplane flight to Lewisville, Texas to stay with their daughter facing the horse owner is were and how long the hay has Linda and Robert McClellen until identifying; and properly using been stored. However, hay should December 29, 1994.

Tuesday, December 20 by air to keep the horse's digestive system the outside. The inside of a bale spend the holiday with the Allen functioning properly, to minimize often has good color. Even after a Carrouth, Lewisville (Geneva's vices such as wood chewing and to load of hay has been carefully trip complement of the Carrouths.

Bill Green will be taken care of at the time involved. home instead of hospitalized. Bill reported!

supplying extra care for Jim Taylor 1) a high leaf to stem ratio, 2) pay for hay with arrangements for (who is in Dumas Memorial fresh smell and appearance, 3) Hospital) are H. L. Haile and cleanliness (free of weeds, dirt, provide storage until the hay is Glen White. Other patients in trash) and 4) color. Dumas Memorial Hospital are Mary Peach Smith, and Shuler mature growth stage it is very Donelson. Bob Burgess was there stemmy, which makes it for 24 hours but is home. significantly less nutritious and

January '95, and that Ruby Bryant improving healthwise.

Thoughtful friends like Leona weather is bad, tell one to stay in the house, that they will do the roughages. thing one is supposed to do. They attending-priceless comforting. Thanks.

Meeting at Headquarters for a Christmas meal together were summer and then rises slightly in Luzelle Lowe, Joyce Hart, Corda autumn. Therefore, if all other Pleyer, Emma Naylor, Lillie Galloway, Cecilia DeBord, Ione spring will be of higher quality Kendrick, members of the Bertha than hay cut in mid or late Smith Bible Study Class. Louella summer. Johnson and Fay White were unable to attend.

appreciate the Stratford Christmas smells the least bit moldy or musty lighting. It is remarkably beautiful should always be avoided. A white for any town. We like Allen or bluish powdery appearance and Insurance Agency's musical tape. or bluish powdery appearance and excessive dust may also indicate Insurance Agency's musical tape.

Scotters driving to Amarillo for dinner and seeing Bishop Hill's Lights again were Helen and Arthur Judd, Mae Plunk, Timi, Rose Wells, Myrtle Ellison, are wonderful and imaginative no matter how many times one see them.. The trip was fun, comfortable and relaxed. We were home by 11 p.m.

May Plunk leaves by air for the holidays with her son Charles and family, Arlington.

Velma Blake and May Plunk, is extremely weedy. Mary Lou Walden, The Alan Hailes and the Gary Laramores.



Lollipop Junction

At the last 4H Council meeting it was decided that the council June would help Lollipop Junction find Schoonover, superintendent and former mayor of White Deer.

His Dream: "I would love to win the Lotto one time."

An opinion: "Let's see some a rocking chair. This will be done as our December Community Sacking were Hank & Mabel Rogers, Donna Gillenwaters, Jo June McDaniel, Florecia Eslinger, Marylou McDaniel. Florecia Eslinger, Bill Boren and Toby Moore.

An opinion: "Let's see some Call the County Extension Office at 306, 2081 or Margaret Bell at 306. Several families were missing holiday will be Brenda Taylor and serveral families were missing holiday will be Brenda Taylor and serveral families were missing holiday will be Brenda Taylor and serveral families were missing holiday will be Brenda Taylor and serveral families were missing holiday will be Brenda Taylor and serveral families were missing holiday will be Brenda Taylor and serveral families were missing holiday will be Brenda Taylor and serveral families were missing holiday will be Brenda Taylor and serveral families were missing holiday will be Brenda Taylor and serveral families were missing holiday will be serveral families were missing holiday will be Brenda Taylor and serveral families were missing holiday will be serveral fa 396-2081 or Margaret Bell at 396-

Kerrick News By Marylou McDaniel

Reading a "Texas Christmas" was At 11 a.m. Monday the Kodie Avent led in singing The 31st edition of R. W. temperature is rising, weather "Rudolph". Pam Thompson told Standefer Christmas letter arrived sunny and invigorating, tree tops the history of the candy cane.

Santa spoke to each and talked McDaniel. to the children before leaving.

Decorating on the 14th were Jo McDaniel, Donna

this year for various reason. Patti McDaniel. Present were Trisha, Brady &

Santa came to Kerrick Dec. 16 Reed Schoonover, Ted & Joyce with a present for each child and Irlbeck, Bill & Pat Boren, Bevin, treats for all. There was a short Donna, April, Kodie and Tait program prior to his arrival. Avent, Hal, Pam & Darcy Scot Activities: Friday, Dec. Trisha Schoonover was emcee. Thompson, Mike & Merilee 16, a bus load of fun loving McDaniel, Peggy & Chandra Scotters went to Amarillo to eat at Marylou McDaniel. April Avent Hawkins, Virgie Mathews, Dr. Furr's Cafeteria, then on to read "Santy Hit the Road" and Gary Mathews, George & Barbara Bishop Halls to see the Christmas Avent, Bill & Donna Gillenwaters, lights. A fun time was had by all Kayo & Jo June McDaniel, Terry who went "UNTIL" the last laugh & Barbara Schoonover, Hank & was on your Director, Ask Helen Trust Senior Carols were sung by all with the Mabel Rogers, Dick & Marjory Munden, Terri, Nicholas & Shelby McDaniel, Myron Leedy, Marylou Mon. Jan. 9th. We will be

Kerrick has a new Christmas tree. birthday party on Dec. 15. Stamps. It was decorated with small lights, Youngsters that attended were concert will be \$5.00. Sign up and gold garlands, red & white Reed Schoonover, Tait Avent, poinsettias, and red satin balls. A Monty & Sam Bell, Mitchell very sophisticated and beautiful McMurry, Ethan Shields and Courtney Sell.

> Barbara birthday on Dec. 14. Stopping by everyone the merriest of Avent. for birthday cake were Hank & Christmas and Happiest of New Donna Year.

Several families were missing holiday will be Brenda Taylor and

Scot News By Jack Gore

Scot Activities: Friday, Dec. Judd for the details.

The next bus outing will be traveling to Dumas to the Gospel Darcy Thompson had her first Concert of J.D. Sumner and the Advance tickets to pay for tickets as soon as you can.

As we conclude this year, I would like to thank all Scotters for Myron Leedy had his 91st and to say that I wish each

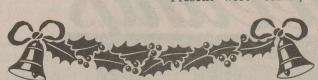
Hours: 9-5

Mon. - Fri.

Every year, 600,000 skin cancers are diagnosed. The best ways to prevent skin cancer are: stay out of the sun, wear a hat or protective clothing (especially during the hours of 10 a.m.-3 p.m.); and use a sunscreen with a Sun Protection Factor rating of 15. See your doctor if a mole changes in color or size, or if a sore won't heal. 1-800-ACS-2345

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Selecting

Pete G. Gibbs **Extension Horse Specialist**

top quality roughage. Roughage not be turned down simply The H. L. Hailes leave must usually be fed regularly to is help meet some safe and selected, each bale should be successful feeding program, the checked for mold or foreign Arrangements are being effort given to selecting the best objects as it is fed.

completed so that O.T. Veteran roughage available is well worth

As fall appropriately a selecting the best objects as it is fed.

is reported as saying that to sell is important to ensure maximum their car was the best decision he nutrient supply per dollar spent horses through the winter and up ever made. N. B. we wrote and to avoid purchasing inferior until the first cuttings next year. quality feedstuffs. Characteristics when storage space is limited, Among local men who are of good quality roughage include horse owners might want to pre-

When roughage is cut at a Christmas cards bring news digestible. Overly mature hay has that friends in Florida, Donna higher levels of crude fiber and Meshensky, several Knudsen lignin, which decrease it feeding families are well and are happy value, and are not digested as well that Tom is to be married in by the horse. Therefore, fine stemmed, soft leafy hay should be selected over extremely stemmy, Graves and sister Bertie are fibrous hay. High quality hay provides more nutrients and is less apt to cause the impaction type and Russell Kelp, who when the colic that is sometimes associated with coarser, lower protein

> In addition to maturity, the affects its quality. Digestibility is highest for forage harvested in the spring. It declines in mid to late factors are the same, hay cut in the

able to attend. are important, regardless of we urge citizens to see and nutrient content. Roughage that hungry often refuse to eat moldy roughage if given a choice. However, hungry horses will consume moldy hay, which can need to be removed before

trash in roughage may indicated that it was harvested carelessly. Dirt and excessive dust can be harmful to the horse. First cutting During our wandering on hay sometimes contains a higher Tuesday, December 13 we were percentage of weeds than later privileged to greet and wish Merry cuttings, but this normally does Christmas to the Al Bakers, not pose a problem unless the hay

A bright green color usually indicates that the hay is rich in vitamins, particularly carotene which is converted to Vitamin A by the horse. Color also indicates One of the biggest challenges what the harvesting conditions because it is not bright green on

As fall approaches, horse owners will want to be sure they Careful selection of roughage have purchased or can purchase good quality hay to get their the hay grower or broker to

Christmas Program-At First Christian Church

The Christmas Program at First Christian Church will be on Christmas Eve, this Saturday, December 24 at 6:00 p.m., in the Sanctuary. Judy Stoy is the Director and Gara Harbour is assisting her. Lorraine Mehner is the pianist. Scott McAlister and did out stint at the Museum season in which is harvested also Carrie Newcomb are the candlelighters. Billy, Jeanne, Christopher, Mandi, Adam and Brady Bell will light the Advent Wreath. Ashley Stoy will give the Invocation. Mandi Bell will read the Christmas Story. Toddlers and Beginners participating will be Eric Burton, Shelby McDaniel, Lisa Pulliam, Nicole Davis, A fresh smell and appearance Courtenay Sell, and Dillynn important, regardless of Williams. Primaries will be Jordan Taylor, Chelsea West, Chelsea Christian, Samantha Pulliam, Katy Bench, Brandon Davis, Nicholas McDaniel, Bradford McIver and Amber Keener. Middlers will be mold. Horses that are not overly Aaron Harbour, Josh Williams, Marcus McAlister, Josh Mullen, Brady Bell and Jennifer. Mullen. Seekers of God will be Adam Bell, Erich Taylor, Mike McAlister and cause health problems. Mold can Scot Plunk. Cara Lavake will give Bobby Farris, Directors Jack Gore and Dorothy Robbins. The lights

easily develop in the bottom row the benediction. Mary and Joseph of stored bales, even in a barn. will be portrayed by Stephanie On round bales, the outer layer of Mullen and Brad Williams. The spoiled or weathered hay may children will say pieces and sing songs. Bells I will play "God Rest ding.

Ye Merry, Gentlemen." The presence of dirt, dust and ushers will be Rusty Harbour, John Lavake, Randy Williams and Ray Hauser. There will be songs by the congregation, a Visit by Santa Claus, the Christmas tree and treats for everyone. Special thanks are expressed to Nina Lavake, Valerie McAlister and Linda Young for their work in making this program possible. The public is cordially invited to attend, according to David Harker, minister of the church.

First Christian Church

9:00 a.m. Coldwater Manor **No Sunday School** 10-10:30 a.m. Morning Worship

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Assembly of God Rev. Mike Leonard

921 Fulton Sunday School 9:45 am Super Church 10:45 am Morning Worship 10:45 am 4:00 Cable Ch. 3 for **Morning Worship Service Evening Worship 6:00 pm** wed. Youth Service 0:30 Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm **First Christian**

Rev. David Harker 5th & Main

Sunday Coffee Fellowship 9:00 am Sunday School 9:45 am Morning Worship 10:45 am Evening Worship 6:00 pm Wed., Adult Choir 8:00 pm

First United Methodist

Rev. Brian Adams 520 N. Main Sunday School 9:40 am : Morning Worship 10:50 am Junior High UMY 5:30 pm Senior High UMY 6:00 pm **Evening Worship 6:00 pm** : 5:00 pm Cable Ch. 3 for **Morning Worship Service** St. Joseph Catholic

Father Richard Schully 6th & Wall No Saturday Mass Sunday English Mass 9:00 am Sunday CCD 10:00 - 11:00 am Sunday Spanish Mass 11:00 am

Church of Christ David Stites

N. 3rd & Chestnut Sunday School 10:00 am Morning Worship 11:00 am **Evening Worship 6:00 pm** Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 pm

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May you be blessed with peace and understanding throughout this boly season.

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Miercoles (Wednesday) Estudio Biblico & Servicio De Oraction 6:00 pm : Servicio De Adoration 6:00 pm Se Cuidamos Susninos Durante El Servicio.



Open House At NPSL

North Plains Savings & Loan held an Open House on December 15, 1994. Shown are Katrina Pendergrass from Dumas and Jerry Dyess.



Babies Honored At Shower

Cody and Zachary Aro, twin sons of Matt and Jayme Aro were honored with a baby shower on December 15, 1994 in the home of Susie Harlow. Shown from left are Jayme's aunt, Linda Young and Cody and Jayme and



The Stratford Star Holiday Hours are Closed Wed, Thurs & Fri. of this week and Mon. - Thurs. of next week. Open Friday, Dec. 30th Have a Safe and Happy Holiday

Marty and Shari

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Marty Bain and her grandchildren, Lindsey and Chelae Stein, are sharing a Barbie Doll collection with Plains will discuss how he uses our library patrons. These dolls belonged to Marty and Phillip's daughters. Marty provided the book, The drip irrigation to boost cotton Collectors Encyclopedia of Barbie Dolls and Collectibles, as a part of the exhibit. The first Barbie doll was yields with limited irrigation water. sold in 1959. After a slow start, Barbie became a top seller in 1960. In 1960, Ken was created...and the rest

Where the Buffaloes Roam-a life-about how to make a positive response to any of life's crises.

program is powerful validation of how to be a human being.

the writing of Bernie Siegel and Bob Stone says that the real Norman Cousins and of recent book that has already captured the miracle is not his standoff with studies which show that those who thousands terminal cancer but his team-the live in community with others nationwide-tells the story of the connections he forged with the benefit from longer life and more exuberant go-fo-broke team of more than 500 friends, family positive results from medical Bob Stone drafted to see him members, and strangers who treatment. Where the Buffaloes through the biggest challenge of joined him in his challenge. He Roam is for anyone who wants to his life, kidney cancer. And yet called his team the Buffaloes, "a learn to connect in the process of this is not a book about serious dying breed that's making its caring, a user's manual on how to comeback now." His unique team be a friend, and more importantly,



Growers To Highlight Irrigation Conference

Three area growers who possess the ability to succeed in irrigated farming will share their management techniques at the annual High Plains Irrigation Conference and Trade Show January 5th at the Amarillo Civic Center. Registration and the trade show begin at 8:25 a.m. and the conference program at 9:25 a.m. Three continuing education units (CEU) will be offered.

Harold Grall, a grower in Moore County will discuss why and how he is using ridge till farming to conserve and manage irrigation water and fainfall.

Rex McCloy, a grower in current technology to cut crop production costs.

Randy Hensley, a grower in the O'Donnell area of the South

Freddie Lamm, a researcher at Colby, Kansas will present data on the switch that lights the national irrigation corn with drip irrigation Christmas tree and the 57 smaller and his view of the economic trees that represent the 50 states,

Other topics to be aired are the influence of '94 weather on corn vields and the yield potential and economic comparison of short and full season corn and grain sorghum to match irrigation capacity. These will be discussed Pioneer at Amarillo.

chemigation will be presented by pings and ribbons. Patrick, Extension entomologist at Amarillo. Leon sounds and scents, sights and tastes, Extension agricultural engineer will discuss planning and managing irrigation systems for of childhood and beyond, to stories told

Manufacturers and dealers will be on hand to show and discuss technology of the latest irrigation during the trade show.

A \$5.00 registration fee will include a catered lunch.

The Lights Of Christmas

a brilliantly-lit Christmas tree, see homes and stores aglow with beautiful lights and decorations or see pictures of the magnificent might like to take a moment to ... think about where this bright . Christmas custom comes from. :

The lights on the Christmas tree, legend says, were the result of a bright idea by Martin Luther. Walking in the woods one winter evening, he saw starlight glimmering through the branches of an evergreen; brought the tree . home and trimmed it with candles so the whole family could enjoy the spectacle. Ever since, 30 evergreens,

The holiday season is ablaze mine land near Belmont, Ohio. Hutchinson County will share how lights and Christhe utilizes irrigation systems and mas have gone with light, thanks to coal, which The National Coal provides 57 percent of America's Association donat-As for the electricity.

national Christmas tree, its light comes from what to many is a surprising source. A coal mine. For one thing, coal is the nation's most abundant and reliable energy source.

together.

When President Clinton turns

(NAPS)-As you gather around the U.S. territories and the District of Columbia, the electricity will be supplied by coal.

What's more, for the fifth year in a row, the 57 live trees that form the "pathway of peace" were grown on reclaimed coal mine lands. After the holidays, the donated trees will be planted in Washington-area parks.

Before being reclaimed, the surface mine where the trees grew produced half a million tons of coal to provide electricity for residents in Ohio. Today, this former

mine is a commercial tree farm, with over 250,000 trees growing on Treclaimed coal ed the trees;

Cravat Coal pro-

vided the transportation. Over two million acres of mined land have been reclaimed by the U.S. coal industry since 1974. The Christmas trees are a cheery example of how this land has been put to productive use: and something else to celebrate

Season Evokes Lasting Memories

this holiday!

Of all special days, Christmas of holiday seasons long before — memevokes the most memories. These ories passed on by parents and grandpardreamlike excursions into a vanquished past are made of many things — the by Brad Lance, field agronomist merry blinking of lights garlanded Hi-Bred about a fragrant evergreen; the savor of International at Lubbock and cinnamon and nutmeg, ginger and all-Brent Bean, Extension agronomist spice adding its scent and flavor to cookies cut in festive shapes; the Effective, safe strategies for razzle-dazzle of brightly colored wrap-

> Christmas memories are made of bound together with good feelings. They reach back through the years and decades, to the earliest recalled moments

ories passed on by parents and grandparents — to become part of the fabric of this most magical of seasons.

People from all over reach out to one another, and families come together to rejoice and celebrate, to recall and make memories, and their sense of an occasion celebrated in common has the power to overcome differences.

This rebirth of the human community and family unity is the true wonder of Christmas, and infuses the season with the glow of childhood, as glorious as it is innocent. It is the stuff from which dreams — and memories — are made, and, for that, it is all the more precious.

Good manners is the art of making those people easy with whom chemigation equipment we converse. Whoever makes the fewest persons uneasy, is the best bred in the company.

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Christmas Tree Is Bedecked With Customs and History

Of all Christmas customs, perhaps the most universally treasured is the Christmas tree. Brightly decorated with shimmering lights and glittering ornaments, the tree is as likely to reflect the traditions of each individual family, as it is those of the world at large.

From the exciting moment when the tree is erected, usually some days in advance of Christmas Eve, it commands a position of central importance during all holiday festivities.

So much so, that it is difficult to believe that, a scant 200 years ago, the custom of trimming a tree at Christmastide was not widely observed

outside its native Germany.
One legend credits Martin Luther, the 16th-century theologian, with having set up the very first Christmas tree. According to this legend, Luther conceived of a tree alight with countless candles as a way of representing to his children the glory of the starlit Heaven.

However, historical sources indicate that the first Christmas tree can be traced to the early 17th century, when fir trees — decorated with colored paper, gold foil, apples, toys and can-

dies — were reported in the German city of Stasburg.

What are the antique origins of the Christmas tree? Historians point to a multitude of sources, among them the Roman custom of decking residences with evergreens during the festival of the Kalends, which occurred in the

early part of January.

Parallels between the Roman observation of Kalends and the festivities traditional at Christmas are many and include those of decorating the home with lights, extending lavish hospitality to friends and family, as well as extravagant gift-giving.

Many early Christian beliefs stand

behind the tradition of trimming a tree at Christmas. For instance, it was customary for people to bring flowering trees, such as hawthorn or cherry, indoors during the autumn, so that they might bloom and bring forth fruit on Christmas Eve.

This tradition may derive from the belief that St. Joseph of Arimathea, settling at Glastonbury in western England, planted his staff in the earth, whereupon it became a thorn tree and

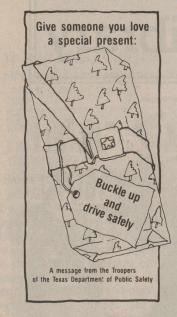
sprouted leaves. Furthermore, it miraculously blossomed.

December 24th, according to the old Church calendar, was the Feast of Adam and Eve, on which day it was traditional to hang a fir tree with red apples. This Paradise Tree, as it was called, is certainly a forerunner of the Christmas tree as we know it.

There are some very pretty stories associated with both pine and fir trees, among the most popular choices for Christmas trees. According to one legend, the pine tree provided a hiding place for the Holy Family when they were fleeing from the soldiers of Herod.

The fir tree, according to another legend, boasted both flowers and fruits until Eve discovered the tree and plucked its treasures. From that time on, the legend continues, only needles grew on the fir tree until, on the evening of Nativity, it suddenly blossomed once again.

Today, centuries later, the Christmas spirit is still represented in the timeless manifestation of the ever-beautiful, ever-enchanting Christmas tree.





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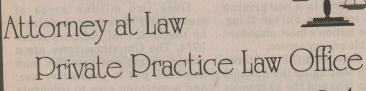
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We'd just like to chime in and say, "hope your year's a bellringer in every way!"

Happy New Year and many thanks.

The Stratford Star

COLOR IT! CLIP IT! And check it twice!

Sparky wants you to have a happy and safe holiday. So he wrote these tips to help you safely enjoy the Christmas season.

Color Sparky with crayons or markers and clip this page out. Then, check your safety list to make sure your home is ready for the holidays. (Ask for your parent's help!)



Check all cords for frayed or bare wires, cracked insulation, loose connections and damaged plugs or light sockets. Test lights before stringing.

Unplug lights before making any repairs or replacing light bulbs.

Don't overload circuits with too many plugs!

No lights on metallic trees.

Keep your tree fresh by trimming the base and keeping plenty of water in Turn off all lights before leaving or

going to bed.

Don't use indoor lights outside

Avoid outdoor electrical lines when har lights on the rooftop or in tall trees.

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Chamber Chatter By J.A. Lasley

is just a few days away? Friends revision of the Deceptive Trade and families will either be together Practices Act. The "Citizens here in this community or folks Against Lawsuit Abuse" campaign will be on the road! Whatever, do is continuing to spread across the be careful. For me and my family state as it educates the public we will all be together at it. we will all be together at the Gary about liability and litigation issues, Gar outte home on Christmas and becomes a key component of Day. Let us not forget the the reform effort. REASON FOR THE SEASON. I PUBLIC EDU wish all of you the very best of this holiday season and may 1995 be a education system may have more good one.

dramatically increasing spending muster, at least for now. In the pressures in the areas of public meantime, education, prison and federal community must encourage a shift welfare programs. The state's away from the emphasis on money revenue growth is unable to keep to a more focused debate about pace. At the same time, Texans how to improve the quality of are demanding a more efficient learning in our public schools. and more responsive state government without increasing tax Legislation passed by the U.S. government without increasing tax Legislation passed by the U.S. rates. The legislative leadership Congress last August will has heard this demand, and has effectively end Texas' currently pledged no new taxes in 1995. highly regulated trucking system. The business community should Shipping rates will no longer be continue to emphasize the determined by government continue to emphasize the determined by importance of gaining control of regulation, but instead by the spending side of the budget negotiations between the shipper special appeal equation, without mortgaging efficient state investment in critical and the carrier. Texas companies areas such as public and higher will be better able to compete with An old-fashioned Christmas! What education.

ECONOMIC

during the past year. Even so, responsibilities that remain with maple sugar candy. Sister would be many issues considered by the next the state. legislature will influence the quality of these jobs and the continued progress of our Commerce must become the the state's workers' compensation chop down the Christmas tree, bringdevelopment organization. Several changes are necessary to realize this goal. The quality and availability of a skilled work force constitutionality of the reform law, has emerged as a top factor in and the legislature debates a business decisions about where to reauthorization bill under the create jobs. should work in conjunction with the Texas Council on Work force and Economic Competitiveness to implement an integrated system of work force education and training.

Environmental considerations that previously affected only large manufacturing concerns now impact small, medium and large businesses engaged in every aspect The business of commerce. community must help restore a balanced approach to environmental debates occurring in the federal, state and local arenas. Competing perspectives of job creation, resource protection and public health can

and must coexist. HEALTH CARE: ongoing national debate on health care reform has left the business to community wondering if any demonstration project, for a changes are possible without feasibility study of the extension of needed, but a mandated insurance attending, can just be there, or let system where business is required the Chamber know. There will be promises more problems more sure. problems than it would address. Even as the national debate

homestead equity to collateralize loans. Lawmakers should put a y amendment on the ballot to let Texas voters decide if we should end this prohibition. Proposed enabling legislation provides y borrower protections and lender permitting home restrictions. equity borrowing would have an immediate positive impact on the state's economy, creating as many as 192,093 new jobs, and generating as much as \$2.1 billion in interest cost savings each year.

LAWSUITS ABUSE: The civil justice system in Texas continues to reel out of control. The successful passage of major liability legislation in 1993 has encouraged the business community to seek more comprehensive reform in 1995. The business community's highest priorities during the coming session should be the

Can you believe that Christmas passage of y damages reform and

PUBLIC EDUCATION:

The quality of state's public impact in the long-term on the I have just received a state's business climate than any Legislative Issue Brief from other single factor. No issue is Austin. There will be at least 9 more deserving of the business issues that are critical, for Texas. I community's attention. The latest will briefly give you a thumb nail version of a school finance system awaits a ruling from the Texas BUDGET and TAXATION: Supreme The odds are that this Texas continues to experience version will pass constitutional TRUCKING REGULATION:

manufacturing concerns in other wonderful memories and images that states. Action by the Texas expression evokes! legislature is necessary to ensure In the days before Christmas, DEVELOPMENT: The Texas the smooth transition to a Mother would be busy at the old wood economy has produced more jobs deregulated environment and to stove, baking special breads, pies, than any other state in the country address safety and registration cakes and sugar cookies, or making

> **WORKERS**' COMPENSATION: Dramatic wood. The Texas Dept. of improvements have occurred in Dad would go into the woods and economic system since passage of the ing it home triumphantly on a sled. Reform Act in 1989. But the The tree was placed in the parlor, with system faces new challenges as the Supreme Court considers the The legislature state's sunset review process. Rates remain too high and some problem areas exist, but the business community must strongly advocate leaving the 1989 reforms

ENVIRONMENT: Protection the story. As the weeks go by, I Now you have heard the rest of of the state's natural resources, particularly its air and water, has become an issue of increasing importance to all Texans during several years. the story. As the weeks go oy, the state's natural resources, will endeavor to bring you statistics on some of these issues. In the meantime if you have questions on any of these issues the last several years. Legislative Hotline is: 800-635- wooden doll. 1407 or write down your comments and I will fax it to

Finally, the I-27 North Coalition is meeting Wednesday to January 11, 1995 at noon. Robert should a fire start. Cuellar, Executive Director for Transportation Planning and Development will be the speaker. The meeting will be held in the Executive Dining Room, 5th floor of Boatman's First National Bank. The 3rd and 4th floors of the parking garage. The goal of the coalition is secure funding, making matters worse. a four-lane, divided highway north Controlling rising health care costs by 1997. Efforts to study possible should be the first and foremost southern routes from I-27 to I-10 goal of any reform plan. have been funded by the federal Incremental reforms to the government and the State of existing insurance system are Texas. Anyone interested in to pay premiums for its employees Chamber representation there, for

continues, the Texas Legislature be nothing going this week at SCOT HALL. Three more days to expand the availability of health insurance to small employers.

HOME EQUITY: Texas is the only state that prohibits the use of homestead equity to collateralize. I have been advised that there

helping mother in the kitchen, while brother kept the wood box filled with

real candles decorating it, as well as strings of popcorn and cranberries that had been strung by the children. Popcorn balls wrapped in tinfoil, and paper cones filled with homemade candy also decorated the tree.

The Christmas season actually began much earlier in the old days, for most gifts were handmade and so had to be worked on months in advance. The boys often made wooden objects, while the girls might embroider hand-

On Christmas Eve, at the old country church, the tree was the biggest you'd ever seen, ablaze with candles. Nearby someone held a ten-foot pole that had a wet sponge tied on the end,

The bells would ring out over the countryside, bringing families in their sleighs or bobsleds, eager to worship the new-born King. What a delightful, jingling sound the bells on the horses would make, as they trotted through the snowy countryside. The bobsled or sleigh would be filled with hay, and the youngsters would snuggle under lap robes and gaze at the stars above, or hop on one of the heavy runners for an exciting ride.

A Christmas play would be performed at the church by the children, and afterwards Santa would make an appearance, rewarding the youngsters

After hanging their stockings over the fireplace on Christmas Eve, the children would go to bed, happy with anticipation. They slept in big, fluffy beds, with feather ticks and feather comforters. If it was an especially cold night, mother would wrap a hot iron in flannel to warm their feet.

On Christmas morning, the youngsters would dash downstairs to find their stockings filled with nuts, apples,

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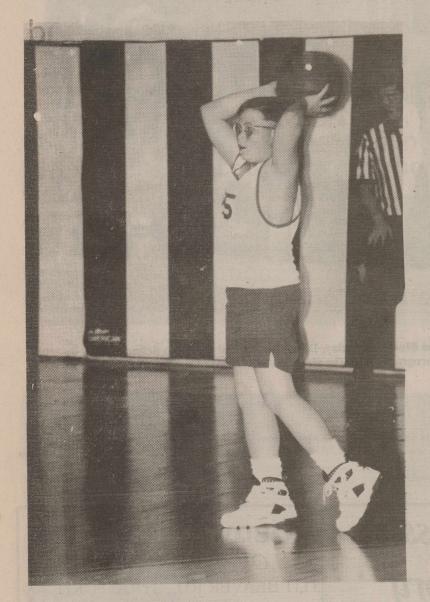
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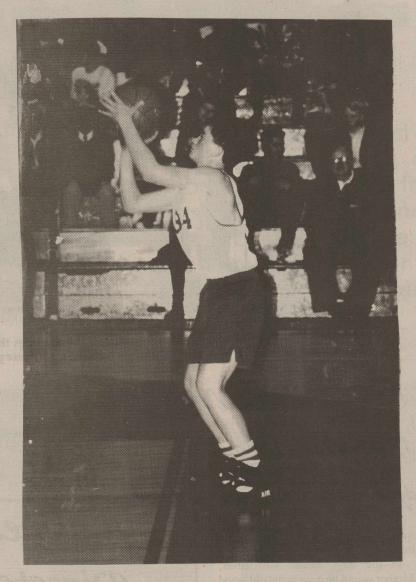
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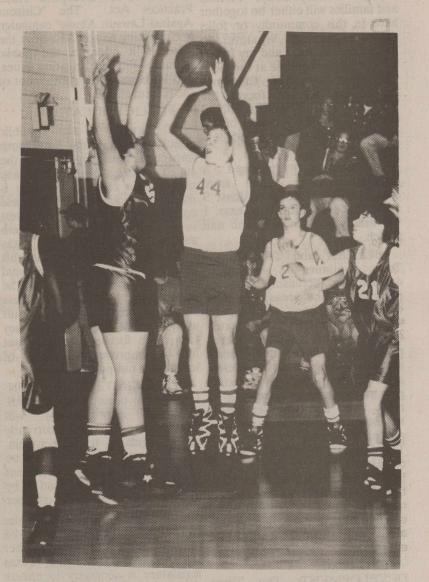
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Cody Moore - 7th grade



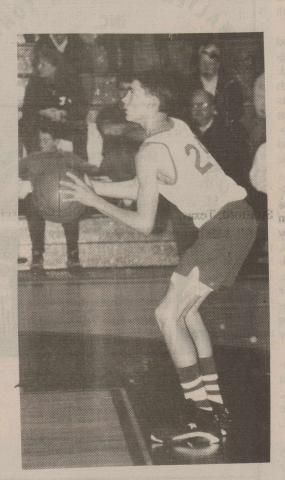
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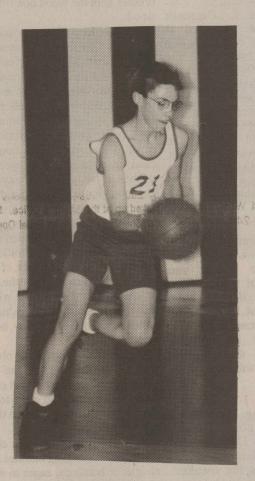
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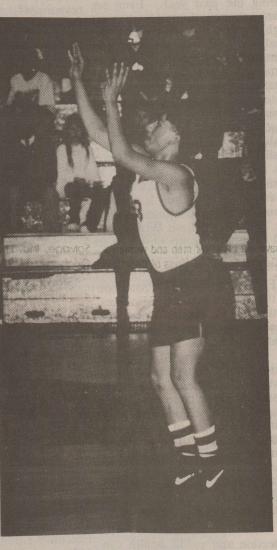
Cody Brotherton - 7th grade



Ross Davis - 8th grade



Roy McCracken - 7th grade



Eric Hernandez - 8th grade



David Hunsaker - 7th grade

Call 396-5885 for Signature Ad on Basketball Page.

The Varsity Lady Elks beat Sunray 67-48 on Friday, December 16, 1994. Kelli Wight and Heather Stewart were high scorer with 20 points each followed by Cara Lavake with 8 points. On December 17th, they lost to Dalhart 47-58. Heather Stewart was high point with 14 and Cara Lavake followed with 13

The 7th grade boys beat Boys Ranch on December 12th with a score of 28-22. Roy McCracken led in scoring with 9 points followed by Brock Swain and David Hunsaker with 6 points each.

The 8th grade boys beat Boys Ranch 46-24 on December 12th. Cara Lavake followed with 13 points. Kelli Wight scored 10 points and Lea Shuping had 7

The J.V. Lady Elks beat Sunray on December 16th with a score of 38-31. Leading in scoring was Jessica Sikora with 11 points and Rachelle Mungia with 9 points. On December 17th, they lost to Dalhart 36-39. Cheryl Beattie was high point with 10 points. Ashlie Lasley followed with 8 points and Jennifer King with 7 points.

The 7th grade boys beat Boys

Ross Davis was high point with 24. Nathaniel Walden followed with 7

The 9th grade boys beat Boys Ranch 29-26. Jose Reta led in scoring with 8 points and Roberto Acevedo had 6 points.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC

HEARING

Legal Notice

Notice is hereby given to owners of property hereinafter described or referred to and all other interested persons as provided by law, that the Zoning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on the 10th day of January, 1995, at 1:00 p.m. in the City Council Meeting Room of the City Hall at Stratford, Texas, to hear a request for zoning change of the following property described to wit:

The west 3 acres out of a 12.03 acre tract on the south boundary of Section 164 Blk IT & NO adjoining tract 8 on the east side, all in the same section.

A request for Zone change from "A" (Single Family Housing) to a "C" (Multiple Family Housing). The request is in behalf of the Stratford Area Foundation in order to accommodate the new housing project being developed for a 24 Unit Senior Citizen **Independent Housing Community** to be built at that location.

A public hearing will also be held at the regular scheduled meeting of the Stratford City Council at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 19, 1995, in the City Council Meeting Room of the City Hall at Stratford, Texas, for all interested persons.

Published in The Stratford Thursday, December 22,

LEGAL NOTICE

The City of Stratford request parties on the following property. Lots 11/12/13, Blk 103 O.T.

All bids must be received in the offices of the City of Stratford

by 12:00 p.m. January 10, 1995. Bids will be opened at 1:00 p.m. January 10, 1995 at Stratford City Hall, 520 N. Third, Stratford, Texas. The City of Stratford reserves the right to reject any and

E.R. Bell City Manager

Published in The Stratford Star, Thursday, December 22, and Thursday, January 5,

Thanks

Cards of ·

Dear Cadette Troop #121 Thanks so much for helping us with our troop meetings. It's been fun learning new songs and stories and making new friends. You've given us a chance to know what girl scouts are about by seeing you in action. Thanks.

The Daisy Troop Candie, Tiffni, Julianna, Twila, Shadley

Thank you for the cards, call, gifts and all of you who came by the Farm Bureau office to wish me well on my retirement. I really appreciate it.

Jean Turner

We would like to thank the ambulance crew for their prompt response. Thanks for the prayers and support for Dad. He is back at home thanks to his nurses and Dorthy Varner, Lillie McAdams and Nina Ellison.

Bob Burgess and Family

We want to thank the EMT's, Mr. Garza, Rick Reed and Coach Jimmy Lanning and our two sons and daughter in-laws, Jim and Mary Smith and Jess and Barbara Smith who were so sweet and helpful to us. Thanks also to our friends and neighbors and Jack Smith. Sorry we got everybody out of bed so early. I wouldn't live any other place because everyone is so nice.

> Thanks a Million! Jane & J.W. Smith

Old Fashion Cont. from page 7

peppermint canes, hard ribbon candy, tin horns and a real orange in the toe

of each stocking! After Christmas dinner, the youngsters would go sledding or skating. Later, by the lamplight, the family might gather around the organ and sing carols, or perhaps dad would read

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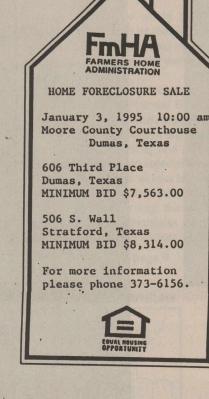
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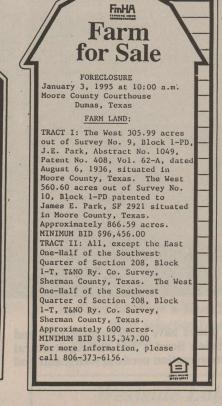
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Sherman County Soil & Water Conservation District Leader In Conservation For Thirty Years

On July 24, 1964 Sherman County Soil & Water Conservation district was signed into existence. Since then, Sherman County SWCD has led the way in farm and ranch conservation efforts in Sherman County. Leadership is provided by a 5 member board elected by farm land owners. The district is assisted in their natural resource conservation efforts by a local National Resource Conservation Service office (formerly Soil Conservation Service). Present board members are Wendell Stacy, chairman, Walter Lasley, vice-chairman, Harry Lunt, secretary, Kenton Kimball, member and Scott Buckles, member. The district leads the way in making the best and wisest use of our resources.



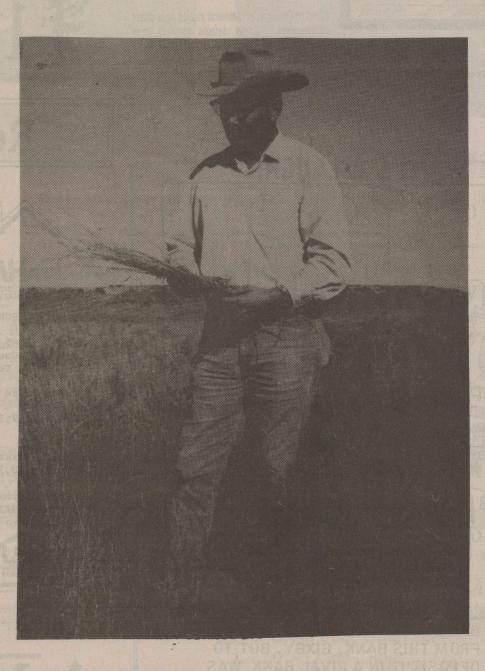
Top row left to right: R.M. Buckles, Joy Smith. Bottom row left to right: Odell Pugh, R.O. Bolster, and Vance Morris. These are original board members, except Vance Morris, who replaced original member Billy McClellan in 1967.



Walter Lasley stands beside one of the first pivots to be utilized in Sherman County. Sprinkler irrigation has grown along side the county and SWCD's desire to preserve and protect water quantity and water quality.



L.B. Blake examines his potential corn crop. Mr. Blake and others have experimented with and used many new hybrids developed by Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Agricultural Research Service, learning to match the right crop hybrid to the conservation needs of water, soil and pesticide use.



Arthur Judd demonstrates proper range use in his pasture of sideoats and blue grama. All photos circa 1964

Happy Anniversary Sherman County Soil & Water Conservation District:

Keep up the good work!!!!

Dear Santa

Dear Santa,

Could you please bring Christopher a horse and a tool kit. He's been good.

> Love Samantha and Christopher

Dear Santa,

Could you please bring me a Barbie Dream Boat and Slobbering Sam. I've been good.

> Love Samantha Hart Not!! I would like a sega or a race

Dear Santa, I want a racecar stareo. The presents you got me last year.

presants last year. from

Brian

Dear Santa, I want a 100 dollars. And a

no name & Set. Z-Bots Stuff. Have a nice Dear Santa,

gun. And a Sega. And a Car.

good boy. Love, Brad play with my Super Nintendo. I also want the movie called the

I want a bunch of toys. I ben a

Dear Santa,

I want a power ranger doll and something for my little brother a gun.

Steven Rueda gun including handcuffs. Oh and don't forget to bring something for

Dear Santa,

My name is Erin Bumpas. I am happy New Year. 6 years old. I have worked hard at being good. I would like you to bring me a power wheel, make up beuty, barbie horse walk, baby curl, dresses, clothes, shoes, polly pockets.

Dear Santa,

and I will be 5 on Christmas Day. would also like a Barbie Jeep so I I have really tried to be good this can ride in it. year. Would you please bring me, fisher price table game, power ranger tape, bicycle, mighty max, power ranger shirt power ranger,

Thank you very much Darren

Dear Santa,

I want a toy bear, God and Free conty, bb gun, Sega, motorcycle, bowarrow, toy snake, a unprlay, vnpra teeth.

Dear Santa,

toy a bo and arrow.

no name

Dear Santa,

I have took my bath and shruded my body and thank you for the toys from last year. I want a football with a tee. Erector set a cowboys bean bag. NFL Cowboys clock (page 101) Cowboys Boxer

from Walter

Dear Santa,

Would you please bring me my size Bride Barbie. I haven't gotten my name on the Board.

Love Juliana

Dear Santa,

I would like some roller blades, hockey sticks, puck, knee pads, elbow pads and a helmut.

> Thanks, your friend Trenton Boyd

Dear Santa,

How are you? Please bring me a Topsie Tail Doll for Christmas. Please bring my sister a set of sheets or some clothes. I Love

> Your friend, Shelli Smith

Dear Santa,

Iv'e been a good girl. I want a bunch of dresses I want a bunch of cloths and a bunch of toys. Santa will you put something in my socking Santa will you give me a boyfriend even no am little. Santa will make my mom chang her mind for I can go to my sister

Dear Saint Nick,

I have ben real good to my I want Ana The mom and my dad. I want my bike Christmas and Skates. when it is Christmas. And I want you to have a Merry Christmas Saint Nick.

I want Ana The doll for

Crystal Rueda

Your friend, Nayeli

Dear Santa

I want a beebee gun, a horse, a saddle, a buggy, a 22 rifle, and a new puppy. I have and I haven't been good. I realy would like these things above. please!!

Carson Buckles

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus? have been a good girl this year. Please bring me a Topsy Tail baby, a Beauty Shop and a Super house and see my little nece and Talk Barbie. My sister Shelby would like a wagon or a baby stroller and a Push n Glow Caterpillar. I hope you have a no signature safe and happy journey. Merry Christmas

> Love, Allison Shae Duncan

> > Age 5

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Bobby Edmond

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Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

I'v been a good boy this year

car. anything exept girls or babies

toys. Thank you for all the

I have been a good boy. I want

This Christmas I want a game

called Donkey Kong country to

Lion King and also bring

Angel. He wants a batman and a

my older brother and older sister.

Thanks Santa Claus and have a

Pit fall, Star Wars Micro Machines

Dear Santa Claus,

Love Josh Williams

Love Connor

This year for Christmas I Thank you very much would like a doll that talks. would also like a pink bike. My Merry Christmas, Erin baby will need a bottle so maybe we ought to bring her one so she won't cry. The baby will get heavy My name is Darren Bumpas so I will need a baby buggy.

Sincerely, Krista Reta

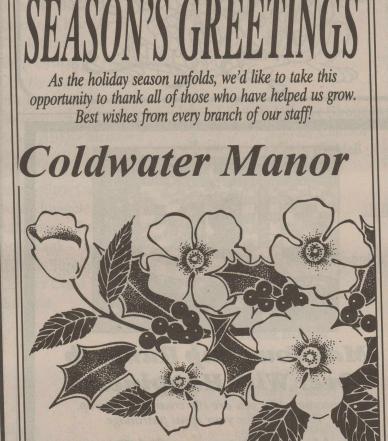
To Santa Claus,

What I want for Chirstmas, Aladdin, The Flintstones, Lion King, Peter rabbit and friends, Willy, beauty, Thumbelina, Super color whiz, Floamtastic, Creative art case, Sand art glitter, Dr. Dreadfal food or drink lab, go go worms, Chance licken lizerds, Jasmine sleeping bag, a ten speed bicke, car cracs, I want a bike, a bebe gun, 80 Power loop. My faverit Holday is Christmas.









Smith Agency

Dear Santa,

Despite being a typical two little boy. Would you please bring Barbie Doll my size barbie, TV, and I want a Dallas Cowboy ball, and it is about this big me a jeep, tractors, tools, truck flintstones poster, chalk shirt, and a Super nintendo. and anything else I might be able rollerblades red and orange, to use on my farm. Don't forget clothes a skirt, calendar troll, my little brother Tanner. He has chalkbored, pollypocket, makeup, been a good boy too! I will leave panies, musicboxes, jewelry box, you some milk and cookies. And Barbie doll house, troll, crayon don't forget I will be at box with crayons, Sega Genises, house in Hartley.

> I Love You, Tyler Wright Age 2

Dear Santa,

horse, some Barbies, some Polly-Pocket, A Christmas Bear, my own love you. puppie, Neckless, some Rings.

> I Love You, XOXO Love Halev. Merry Christmas to you too! Hope you don't get stuck in a snow storm

Dear Santa Claus,

Thank you for the toys from last year. I want a VCR, a real puppy, and a new fish. A picture of the reindeer, a teddy bear, and a game boy, a new sandbox and a dollhouse.

Love,

I want a go-cart for Christmas Brittany Hudson and a big football.

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like to have a 18 speed bike and a game gear. How are you doing Santa Claus? How is Mrs. Claus doing? I would like to have a picture of the reindeers and a picture of Mrs. Claus and

Tiffany Knight

Dear Santa Claus,

How are your reindeers? How are you and Miss Santa Claus? What I want for Christmas is a goradio.

> Love, Craig Reinart

Dear Santa,

I want a ricochet, socks, pants, shirts and a sega or game boy. I want for Christmas is a game, a would like cars and posters and a stuffed deer and Rudolph for a real cowboys helmet and pads, a stuff deer. Santa Claus what is

> Love, Tyler Haynes

Dera Santa, I want my Daem baby and a

from, Katy Bench

Merry Christmas Santa,

I wut to have a madckoollit peano a ulepck swiming pull, a chrapoolling.

> From Emily, I am 7 yrs. old

Dear Santa,

Thank you for all of the and a trampoline. presents that you have given us. And here is what I want for Christmas: More lite brite papers, a real piano, Sparkle pony (pet shop), a real horse, a grown up cat and a barbie jeep that I can ride My brother wants a trampoline, a football suit of the Stratford Elks, the Dallas Cowboys and the Mighty Ducks. too. I hope I get some more Sega games for my brother to play with.

> Love Kayla Willard

Dear Santa Claus,

Thank you for my new jacket. Could I please have a Gameboy, a want 3 barbies for Christmas and bike, and a watch! I also want a a bike. teddy bear, and a new toy car.

> Love. Mario Ortega

Dear Santa,

magic markers, basketball.

Dear Santa,

Thank you for all the presents that you give us. I hope you're all doing well. For Christmas, I want a remote control car, roller blades, These are the things I want if a gun that shoots balls, and a new you would please get me Please a pair of tennis shoes with lights. I think that's it. Merry Christmas. I

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a Ricochet and a talk boy and some new black shoes and other presents and a game boy. I want a Dallas Cowboys helmet. I want a cat and a dog.

Love, Josh King

Dear Santa Claus,

Love, Joey Rangel

Dear Santa Claus,

Thank you for all the presents! Me and dad put up the Christmas tree yesterday. I hope you have a good Christmas. I want a new bike and also want a new camera!

Love, Jaclynn Skaggs

Dear Santa,

I hope you give the other cart, games, K-Nex, punching bag, children what they want. But what cool tools, arector set, and a 49ers I want is Fisher-price game and a football suit, legos, TV, phone, gameboy and a TV and a VCR and a dirt bike and a Saga Gensus.

> Love Raniel Bumpas

Dear Santa Claus, I love you Santa Claus. What I

your reindeers named?

Love, Jayme Elizabeth Wilhelm

Dear Santa Claus,

Thank you for the presents. cool doll, A good book and a cack. want a dog and a new bible and my sister wants a boonbox for Christmas. Why do you reindeer's fly? Why do you go down the cheminey? I want you to give every boy and girl a happy Christmas and music.

> Love. Allison Joy White

Dear Santa Claus,

I hope you have a good Christmas. I want a dog, a cat,

> Love, Jamie Valenzuela!

Dear Santa Claus.

I want a 26 in. bike so the peddals go backwards. The speed on the handlebars and the He wants a Mighty Ducks shirt, brakes are too. I want a TV and a

> Love. Chelsea Christian

Dear Santa Claus,

I want toys for Christmas.

Love, Rosa Flores

Dear Santa Claus,

Dear Santa,

I Love you Santa. I want a Teen speed, uncle frank, Dallas Cowboy helmet. I want a

To Santa Claus, North pole pleas sata I want a patmen, big

Love, Juan Morales

Shanc

Santa Claus, North Pole, Baby My name is Raniel Bumpas. I all gone, My Pretty Topsy Tail Grandmama & Grandaddy's candy in stoking, drawing paper, am 7 years old I have tried to be Baby first words, Canope crib, good this year. Would you please baby checkup, newborn Magic bring me a Fish-Price game, bottle baby set, soft babydoll, Doll from, Amber Keener football, game gear, Saga gensis, care diaper bag set, cabbage patch game boy, helmet, Raiders, kids doll that has holstein bib and Raiders jerssey 86, Raiders hat, talks, doll stroller, talkboy dream phone, magic light keyboard, My Magic Diary, Horse Set with carriercase, tool Master Thank You, Workshop, Mattel's Doctor Raniel Bumpas Barbie, Oopsie Dajsy doll, remote

Dear Santa,

Would you please bring me a T.V. whith a VCR built in it? And Eric Riffe my little sister wants you to bring her a battery operated jeep to drive. P.S. My sister and I will leave some milk and cookies out Nintendo, Nintendo games, TV, A for you when you come to my BIG Christmas tree, a Waldo house. I hope my little kitties don't Book, a back pack, a car and keys. drink your milk or eat your A watch, I wish it could snow, cookies before you get here!!!

Whitney Kautz

Dear Santa Claus I would like a BB gun, super

controll car, \$60 too. by!

Kyla

From Jessee Daniels



May the star of that first Christmas night guide you all year long.

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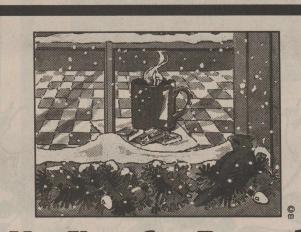
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Dear Santa Claus

Spidermen and a Batman talkin one, A pupet show thing including a Deluxe talkboy have a whith pupets, a phone, a bike great Christmas, Santa

Dear Santa, I want a regular This Christmas I want doll and a doll house a family

Adam Gomez

Love Linds Stein!

I would like just 3 thing. I would like a pariket, a kemistree ket, a all my make-up work to be

Dear Santa

A book a doll house

Love Kelsey Stein!

Dear Santa,

For Chrismas I want jasmin light up Barbie. A new pair of rollerblades, walkman, imnastic Barbie. These are the things that I want for Christmas and more. but Carley Bryson I am not telling anymore cause I want more and more. Santa if you could bring one of those things I would be happy with it. This I want a lion king picture thing Christmas I am thanking you and a video painting, a teddy bear. Santa if you bring me one of those things. And I am wishing you a very happy Christmas this year and all the years.

Mimi

With Wishes Warm & Bright

May your heart and your home be warmed by the spirit of Christmas this season.

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Sherman County Sheriff's Dept.



As we celebrate His birth, may His Divine Grace touch you and your loved ones, during this Holiday Season.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

> Brown's **Meat Locker**

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa

Christmas. I whant a new race ra. I want for my mom is a new pair of ear riangs, for my Dad I want a new truck. And I want for my older brother I want him to hav a new saga game. For every bodyels I want them to have a Mary Christmas.

For Christmas I want a watch

with a Christmas tree. I want a

Will you send a picture back to

me. I want a ring watch and a

cnatein coin and a coin ring. I

want a big teddy bear. I will be a

I really don't want anything.

For Chrismas I want a horse

and some monay for my mom &

dad. I would like to have some lofers, and a ricaShaderase car, I would like to have some westen clows and a basketball and some

monay for myself. I wount 10'sat

I want a sience book and

sience experimint book. I like to look at your face a lot because it looks so plup. I have one sister &

two brothers so I geuss I'll tell you

what they want my sister Allison wants make-up and my little brother wants a baby tapereqater

and my middlesize brother wants a

toy gun. But the most thing of all is I want a good life to. I like you

But if you want to get me

something I like cats and Lion

book called Amada is here.

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa

King. By

out of tens

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

Roann Lopez

Dear Santa,

Iv bine very good this year. I I whant you to have a Mary had a good summer. W whant a game gear whith The lion King game. I have never played it but the comershule sayes it is a game that aney kid will like to play and will enyoy the game and never will take there eyes off the game, lbut i bike this year for Christmas. whant something inteseding that i whant something inteseding that i Have a safe trip and a very will never whant to give away. and Happy Christmas. When you come I like the riendeer Roudse and I will have cookies and milk on the Prines and dancer. Swish Mrs. table.

Carlos Flores

Dear Santa,

Santa Claus.

picture of Santa. My name is I have bee Roann Lopez and I'm 9 year old. boy...sometimes. I have been a very good

I want a game for Christmas. (Super Race, if you can find it.) How are the elves and reindeer sleep when you come. I want a doing? Have a Merry Christmas,

> Your buddy, Adam Gomez

To Santa Claus, North Pole Dear Santa Claus

comporter for ckrishmos. My want a four wheeler or a two Thory Aidman, oitaugraf on it, sister wants a babbye car and my seated go-cart for Christmas. Thanks your friend, Briah puprx woud like a bag of boues.

Franky Ortiz

from Nicholas



Greetings Of The Season

'Tis covered with snow, O'er bills and below, Just in time for the big day. And bearts are aglow, Because they all know,

Amanda White

Alisha Sladek

Dear Santa,

santa cause.

My name is Ethan. I am a little too short in the britches to write a letter this year, so Mama is helping me out. You see, the only "words" that I know right now are bvu, abthooo, o-wa-wa-wa-wa, and several that Mom can't spell plus assorted giggles, gurgles, and growls.

I have a pretty neat big sister, Courtenay. She usually looks out for me. She gave me some of the toys that she has outgrown. She also wrote down some things that she thought that I might like in her Santa letter; I guess she didn't want me to get left out.

I'm already outgrowing my baby toys, Santa, so I would like to have a few for bigger boys. Mama says that I have been a really good little boy! Mom and Daddy think that I would have fun with a Soft Walking Wheels Tonka Truck, a Starlight Lullaby Pooh, and a Pop 'n' Play Piano.

Courtenay and I will leave some Christmas cookies and a Coke by the fireplace for you.

> **Merry Christmas!** Ethan Shields age 5 months

Hi Santa!

My name is Courtenay, and my mom is Jan. I have a baby brother, and his name is Ethan Benton Shields. Alan Shields is my daddy. We moved west of Boise City; we have a chimney for you to go down!

I have been trying to be a real good girl. Can I have play food, please? I would like beauty shop stuff for dolls, please. I want a new doll with the diapers, toys, cloths, and hangers, please.

I want my brother to have a little Tonka truck to play with. A police car, too.

We are going to go to the bank to see you later.

> Love, Courtenay Sell-Shields age 4 1/2

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy (well, most of the time). How is Mrs. Claus and your reindeer? I hope you are staying warm. It is cold here in Stratford, Texas.

I would like a bike and a dirt

Your friend Leonel Palma

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a real vanity. I would also like some real baby kittens. Could I have a Dance 'n' Twirl Barbie? Could I have my size Bride Barbie? Could I oh, pretty please a lot of toys, toys, and toys! I would like a lot oart thaings and some Rose Art and milk for you.

Lauren Walton

Dear Santa,

I would like to get a lap is Mrs. Claus and your reindeer? I legos, a football T, a football with

Your friend,

St. Nick's on his merry way!

Tis the season to be jolly! Here's wishing a bright and happy Christmas to all our fine patrons and their families. Your support has been wonderful.

A & I Parts Center & G&WIndustrial

Dear Santas,

I want to get a skate board, b.b. gun and a guitar.

From Nathen

Dear Santa Claus I want a lifesize Barbie

Dear Santa

P.S. Look for the cookies and

My name is Casey Crabtree. I am 7 years old. I have been a good boy. I would like a Tonka Chainsaw steel Mohster, and a belt buckle. I love you!

Casey

P.S. I left a carrot for Rudolf. Have a safe trip.

P.S. I will leave some cookies

Dear Santa claus,

How are you? Tank you for the preses list year. How are your ranedears? And these are the I have been a good boy. How presents I want for christmas. boy

from Craig

Dear Santa?

I would like a grey hat, pocket game, play knife, computer,

Brant Cummings

To Santa Claus, North Pole

I love you Santa Claus. I want a bike for Christmas and you are so cool. I wich I can come with you. please.

Chris Ortega

Dear Santa I want a Lion King. With lots of

Katrina Harkins

Dear Santa Claus,

I am Kristena Crabtree. Santa, I have been a good 5 year old girl. I would Betsy Wetsy doll and Barney house shoes.

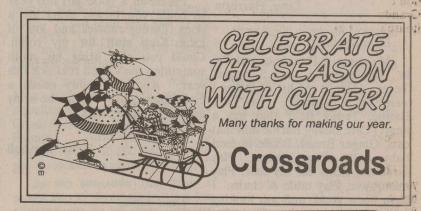
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Kristen

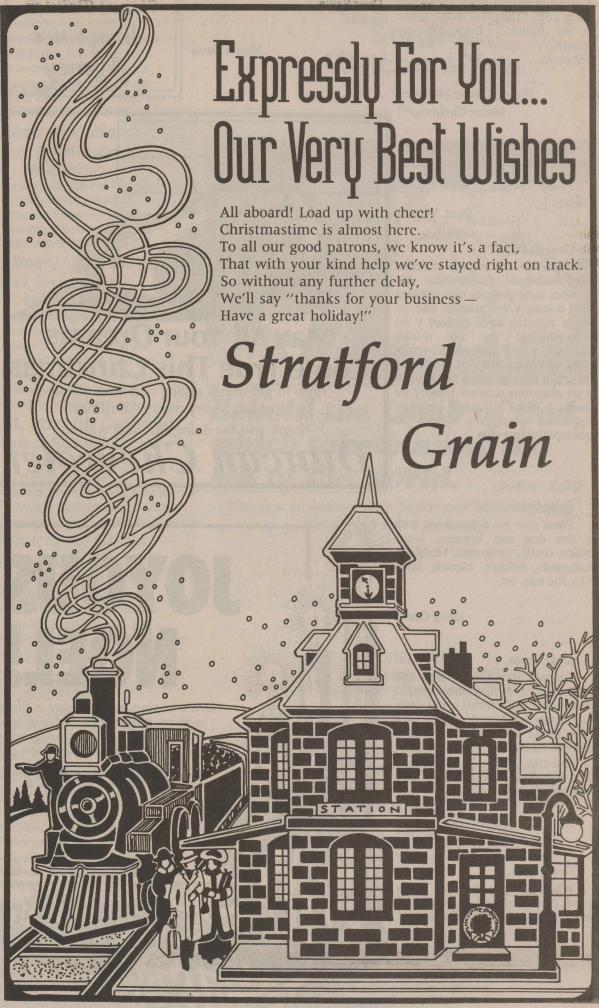
Dear Santa,

I would want a bicycle (teal I love you Santa Claus! Merry and purple), and some small. rollerblades that are black and pink. And talking Tammy with. white hair, and a dollhouse.

From, Crystal Rodgers







Dear Santa,

I Love You! Please bring me the CD of the Tractors, they sing I want a big Teddy Bear. and I I would like a pool table, and a Boogie Woogie Choo Choo Train. want another Big thing, a Big dog Power Rangers game wizard. We I also want a Kit Kat, Starburst a rael dog. And I want people to will leave you some kool-aid and and Skittles. You can bring me stop! Polooting. anything else you want to.

Please bring Skyler a Cowboy jersey and a Maverick jersey.

Love, Harrison

Dear Santa,

Barbie, Teddy Bear that has a now. I love you Santa. heart (Care Bear), Barbie doll that eats, Ginger Bread, Bottle to feed baby dolls, Play kitchen, Play furniture, Bows for my hair, Play microwave, Play table & chairs. I have been good, and am looking forward to seeing you at Christmas

Dear Santa,

I would like some crayons and motorcycle dirt bike and a BB gun and two cowboy hats. I've been good.

from, Seth Crowl

I want Lisa Frank stuff, posters

Stephanie

talk boy, stiker mulser, esey bake spray gun so you and get a tatoo uven, micro bake, barbies, tapes that you like an spray it on. And I for talkboy, my size barbie, collectable doll, super sined 6,000 her hands move. I want a ten caseo cool, 3A chakens, julrey.

> Please come, house. Johnna Ewers

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I want a bed set with horses on them. With pillow cases. A cowboy hat and western shirt. I also want the horse to the blue barbie cowgirl. A western doll. I want make a buety doll. This year don't come cookies. Come to my to my house. grandma's house in Oceola, Nebraska.

> From, Kristen Houtwed Merry Christmas!!!

I want a Ricoshade, a Jorden plack, a Shack jersey, a Kemp jersey, a lamp, a C.D. discman.

from, Marcus

Dear Santa,

Santa clos yo te pido cnbeseo para nabibab quiero que me mandes cnos gugetes que vanaser uno nomas y mi primito uno yo voy a mandag unos patines y mi ermanito se me ase queun nintendo y tres caset de nintendo para mi y para mis dos ermanitos mi erm a mita se nama mcvia niset v mi ermanito senama juniory mi mamase nama yor anda ymipapa se nama gustavo y quiero to quetepidi Santa clos

Adrian

Dear Santa.

Plesa give me a fire truck with a fire dog and firemen, k-nex rollor costir, motocxks, skatpads, kneepads, helmet, electric tank, G.I. Joe tran set.

Jason Green

Dear Santa,

I would like a walk men and sam close and new shose and I want tapes, all diffrint tapes even Christmas tapes and a wach of a time toone and the move that is call the Santa and a basetball and a nintedow with game and a gald and a toys and muny and a doll and a dog.

Priscilla

Dear Santa,

What are you doing? I am good in school and at home. want rolldallads, new baby alive.

from, Tanya

Dear Santa,

from, Ashley Duke

Dear Santa,

I've been a good girl this year so could you please bring me a pony, Disney movies and lots of pretty good girl this year. Lion King stuff for my room. My name is Raeanne, and I'm Could you also bring my mom barbie doll and a nintendo gun. in Kindergarten at Stratford, something she's been real sick this Texas. Here is my list of things I year. And my daddy needs a want for Christmas: My Size Helicopter cause he's in the army

Keira Marshall

Dear Santa,

Hi! I've been a good girl this year. I am 4 years old and I want a gymnastic Barbie, a baby doll that talks, real helmet and pads and Love, Raeanne can take a bath with me, a Jasmin whatever else you would like to sleeping bag and tent. I also want bring me! I will leave you cookies a topsy tail bow. In my stocking, I want a big orange and some lipstick. Thank you for the toys you brought me last year!

> I Love You, Jennie Spurlock

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a I want My secret diary, viedo Tatoodles dall. She can were panter, talking family doll house, tatoos so can I. See she has this want a minny mouse watch were speed for Christmas to but my mom says I get it for my birthday because we just got a new house Thank You Santa, and it's alot biger than a traler

Amber Larance

Dear Santa, I have been a good girl this year. I would like a new doll stroller, yellow Power Ranger, Sega Genesis (I will share with my brother).

I will leave you some milk and

Nicole Davis

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year, well pretty good.

I would like a pool table, and a

Love, Derek Blain

Dear Santa,

I would like a pool table,

We live in the country now, 6 We will leave you a Christmas tree cookie and some kool-aid.

Love, Katlin Blain

Dear Santa,

and thank you for my toys last year. This year, I want new tires for my 4-wheeler, a cop car that and milk!

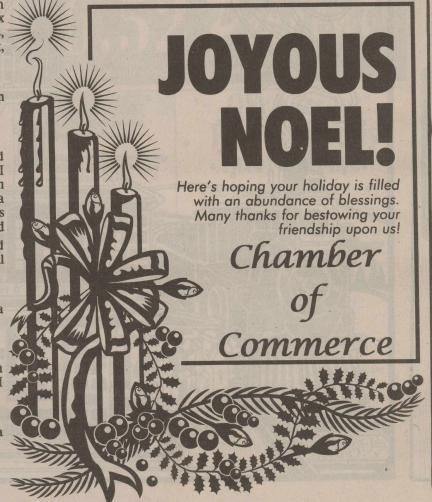
Love, Scott Hudson

Dear Santa, how are your reindeers? How are you and Mrs. Claus? I am 8 years ols. I have been kinda nice. What I want for Chirismas is a TV, velvetyobe, collectors barbie. How are your elves? Have a Merry Christmas.

Love, Kayla Robertson







Dear Santa,

How are you? How are your reindeers? What I want for Christmas is a TV, a 4-wheeler, a Dallas Cowboy hat and a sonic video game. I have been nice. My name is Heather Robertson.

Dear Santa:

I want please a robe, talkboy, I love you, Santa. I've been a telephone and weight lighting gloves for Christmas this year. I know Iive been good and I hope you get the other kids gifts too. I

Deidre Lee Tarver

Dear Santa,

This year I want some C.D.s and a gumnaster doll. I have been I've been pretty good this year a good girl this year. I want a light up Jasman and a water jasman. That's all I want for Christmas.

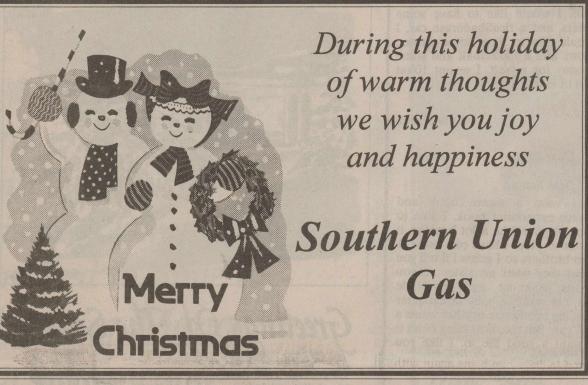
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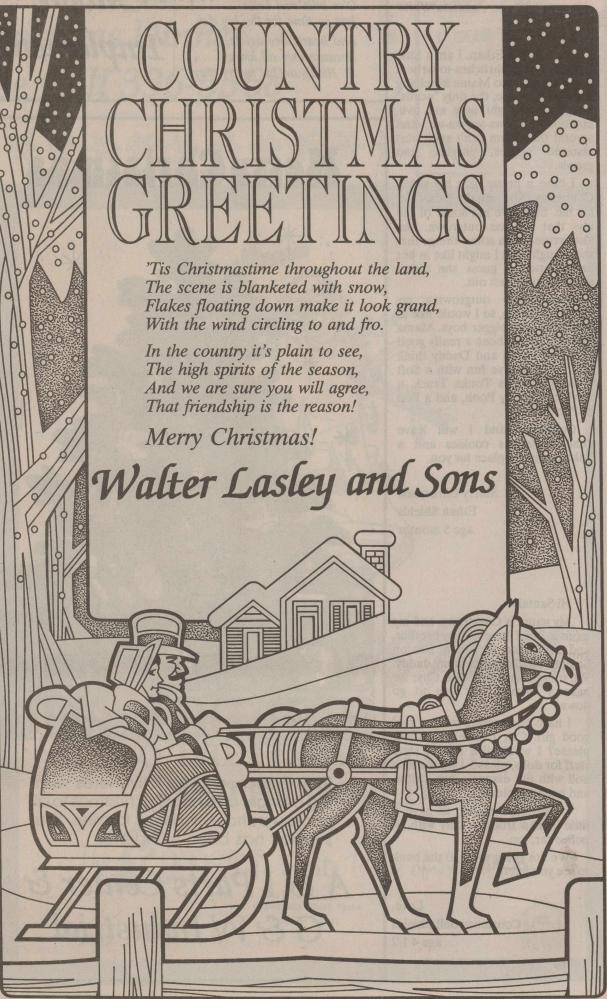
I want a fire truck. I also want a talking robot and a tv and a VCR. Santa I hope you bring all of the things I asked for.

> Yours truly, Bryce Wright









Holidays Offer the Sweet Taste of Family Time SANTA CLAUS

A cozy fire on a chilly day...the comfort and companionship of family. Sounds like a perfect way to enjoy the holiday season-until the kids get bored and want to watch TV.

Holidays become more special with parent-child activities that engage children in family time at home. Craft projects are an ideal activity, especially those that offer keepsake final products. A popular holiday craft project is Cinnamon Ornaments: A nobake, no-fuss, homemade decoration that brings festive charm to a gift package, room or tree. Even young children can help make the sweetsmelling ornaments, which require no sharp tools or complicated preparation steps. With minimal supervision, kids can mix the dough, roll it out and cut it into cookie-cutter shapes.

Cinnamon Ornaments

To create the ornaments, simply combine 1 large bottle (4.12-ounce) ground McCormick®/Schilling® Cinnamon (about 1 cup) with 3/4-cup applesauce to form a stiff dough, adding additional applesauce if necessary. Roll out the dough to 1/4-inch thickness and cut with cookie cutters into about 12 shapes. Make a hole in each ornament for a hanging ribbon and carefully place on a wire rack to dry. Let air-dry several days and enjoy the aroma, turning over occasionally. A Cozy Snack

While making ornaments, families can feed both bodies and souls with a cozy and satisfying snack of home-made sweet rolls. Fragrant and deli-cious, sweet rolls served with mulled cider, hot cocoa or another warm drink are truly a family-pleasing treat. An ideal recipe is "Festive Breakfast Sweet Rolls," which can brighten any winter day with holiday tastes

(NAPS)—1. Don't give a pet

2. Do give a pet to someone

only if previous pets were well

cared for, contained on their own

property, spayed/neutered, made

regular visits to the vet, and died

3. Don't surprise someone with

a pet for Christmas. Ask him if he'd like a pet, tell him your gift is

to drive him to the pound or humane society, to pay all fees, and to drive him home again with

4. Do consider unwanted animals given up by individuals. They're listed under "free pets" in

5. Don't forget pet supplies ... food and water dishes, collars and ID tags, leashes, beds, toys,

6. Do plan/schedule regular visits to a local veterinarian for an exam, shots, etc. Call around for

prices ... your gift pet will see a vet

superior pets. They're mature and return affection out of loyalty, especially if you save them from

7. Don't just look at puppies and kittens. Adult animals make

8. Do remember that Christmas is for giving responsibly. Why not give a pound animal a second

9. Don't wait until Christmas Eve to give a pet. The holidays are

more often if prices are affordable.

his new family member.

your local newspaper.

scratching posts, etc.

death at the pound.

chance ... at life.

of old age.

for Christmas just because you

can't find a suitable gift. Plan

ahead—make sure it's a great

including ginger, cinnamon and nut-

Aside from pleasing families, homemade rolls also spark the spirits of friends who drop by for holiday teatime. Furthermore, the versatile rolls can sweeten mealtime as an excellent complement to most breakfast and brunch

Serve sweet rolls in a covered basket or similar container. so they stay warm but don't retain too much moisture.

Festive Breakfast Sweet Rolls

3-1/2 to 4 cups all-purpose flour 2 packages Red Star® Active Dry Yeast or Quick-Rise™ Yeast

1/3 cup sugar teaspoon salt

1/2 teaspoon McCormick® /Schilling® cinnamon 1/2 teaspoon McCormick

/Schilling nutmeg teaspoon McCormick /Schilling ginger

2/3 cup water 1/2 cup butter or margarine eggs

cup raisins or currants In a large mixing bowl, combine 2 cups flour, yeast, sugar, salt, cinnamon, nutmeg and ginger; mix well. Heat water and butter until very warm (120° to 130°F; butter does not need to melt). Add to flour mixture.

For the past 15 years, Leo

Grillo has been rescuing cats and

dogs from the wilderness, where

Do's & Don'ts For Giving Pets

Add eggs. Blend at low speed until moistened; beat 3 minutes at medium speed. By hand, stir in raisins and remaining flour to make a firm dough. Knead on floured surface until smooth and elastic, about 5 minutes. Place in greased bowl, turning to grease top. Cover; let rise in warm place until light and doubled, about 1 hour (30 minutes for Quick-Rise™ Yeast).

Punch down dough. On lightly floured surface, roll dough to a 1/2-inch thickness. Cut out buns with a 1-1/2 to 2-inch round cutter. Place on greased cookie sheets, 1-1/2 inches apart. Cover; let rise in warm place until light and doubled, about 30 minutes (15 minutes for Quick-RiseTM Yeast). Bake at 350° for 10 to 12 minutes until golden brown. Cool on racks. Drizzle with powdered sugar icing, if desired. Best served warm. 24 to 30 rolls.

they have been abandoned by their owners ... many after the holiday season. Please take Leo's ten tips on giving pets for Christmas.

If you would like to make a tax-

deductible donation to his "no-kill" sanctuary where he sheiters over 750 cats and dogs ... or if you would like a FREE VIDEO tape about Leo's work, write to: D.E.L.T.A. Rescue, P.O. Box 9, Glendale, CA 91209.



Enjoy the spirit and warmth of Christmas, and please accept our profound gratitude for your support this year.

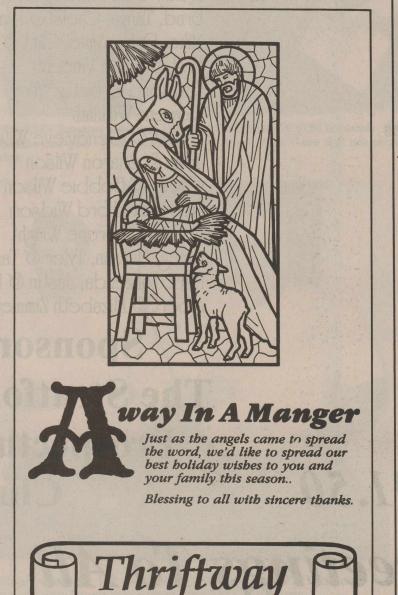
Happy Holidays!

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a hectic time and a new pet will have a hard time adjusting to a new family and lots of visitors too

... do it weeks ahead of time. 10. Do realize that your gift doesn't end here. You should offer to pay for spaying/neutering of the pet. You could give this as an early birthday present to the person. And every Christmas, you can pay for a veterinary exam and booster shots for the pet ... as well as new pet supplies and toys. You never have to wonder what to







ORKSHO



Happy Holidays



Best wishes to friends old and new for the best Christmas ever. Thanks.

The Hummingbird

from the Federal Land Bank Association of Dalhart

Happy Holidays A A Happy Holidays Holidays Holidays

All of the directors, officers and employees of the FLBA of Dalhart would like to wish each of you and your families a joyous and health-filled holiday season and a happy and prosperous 1995. Please come by and visit us anytime. We're always happy to see you!

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Happy A A Happy Holidays A A Happy Holidays



Hope Christmas Brings Nothing But Good News!

We're happy to report that Christmas is almost here, and we'd like to deliver our best wishes for a joyous season to all our readers.

Happy Holidays

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