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Local News

## Merry Christmas

### No Stratford Star The Week of Dec. 31, 1992

There will be no Stratford Star on Thursday, December 31, 1992.

### CEU Credits Offered

Five (5) CEU credits will be offered in the Sherman County Exhibit Building, Wednesday, December 30, 1992. The program will begin at 1:00 p.m. and should conclude by 5:30 p.m.

Topics and speakers for the program will be: Mr. Charlie Thomas, Pesticide Specialist with the TDA will discuss Laws and Regulations and Record Keeping as it applies to private applicators; Mr. John Quillen, A Private Consultant will discuss insect control in corn, wheat and milo; Ms. Nita Barnard, a Private Consultant will discuss herbicides for corn, wheat and milo; Mr. David Ferrell, with TriState Chemical Co. will discuss Labels and Labeling; Mr. Jim Allison, CEA Sherman County will discuss Product Safety.

For further information, please contact Jim Allison at 806-396-2081.

### Tax Office To Be Closed

The Sherman County Tax Office will close at noon on December 24, 1992 and will not be open the week after Christmas. This is being done to facilitate closing out in preparation for Zelda Pickens, Tax Assessor Final Audit.



### Coaches Needed

Youth Basketball Association needs Coaches, contact Jeanne Bell if you can help out. 396-2576.

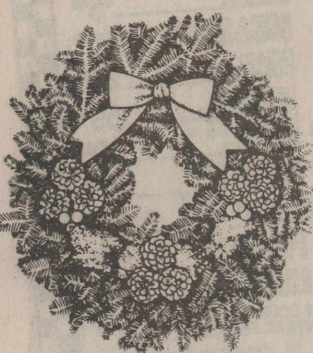
### Trip For Two

Trip for two: Receipts for purchases made in Stratford must be in the Chamber office by 9 a.m., Monday, December 28th. Winner will be announced that day!



Hospital

Dr. Harlow should be home by Christmas. Genevieve Wilson was dismissed from Dumas Monday. Lola Cathey is in Dumas Memorial Hospital.



Merry Christmas

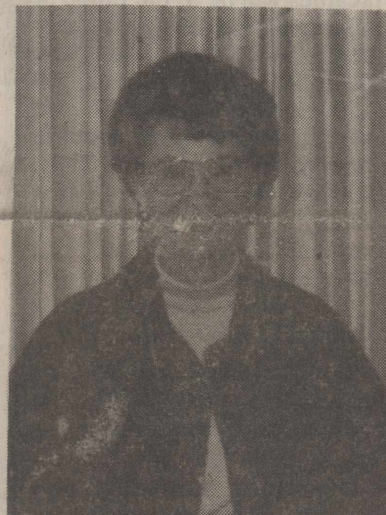


*Cheerio and away we go...bringing good cheer to our many friends with a plain and simple "thank you" for being so kind.*

### "The Winners Are"



Jack Gore, left of Stratford Volunteer Fire Dept. is shown above with Dennis Luther who won the Barbecue Grill that the Fire Dept. gave away Saturday, Dec. 19th. Jack sold the winning ticket to Dennis. Proceeds go to the Scholarship Fund.



Joy Hester, winner of the \$300.00 drawing held Sat. Dec. 19th. Bobby W. Thomas was the winner of the \$200.00

### Resources Available Through State of Texas

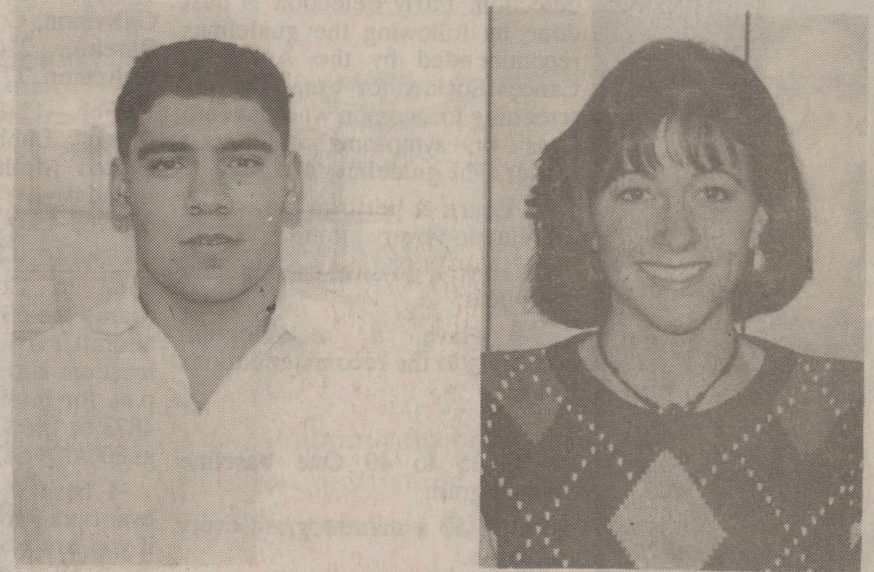
On a recent trip to Austin, Texas I was able to gather an abundant amount of information concerning the available resources offered through the state. Several guaranteed, loans, or grants are available as incentives through the State of Texas. Some examples of these programs are as follows: Texas Rural Economic Development Fund, Texas Capital Fund, Texas Exporters Loan Program, Product Commercialization Fund, Product Development Fund, and Small Business Incubator Fund.

Additional programs are the Linked Deposit Program, Rural Microenterprise Loan Program, Texas Agriculture Finance Authority, 7(A) Loan Program, 504 Loan Program, Handicapped Assistance Program, and Business and Industry Loan Program. A newly added program is the Governor's Assistance Fund for Small and Minority Businesses. Assistance is also available in the areas of Job Enhancement/Training, Small Business Start-ups, Incentive Reinvestments, Foreign Trade Programs, Rental Rehab, Mainstreet and Infrastructure Programs.

Further research will determine which programs will suit the needs of rural areas and will fit into the specific needs of our own community.

I will continue to gather information from other agencies and private organizations concerning available assistance and economic development strategies. There will be future articles on each individual program providing details and criteria concerning each plan. If you have any questions or would like more information concerning these resources, please call me at 396-2897.

## Lasley & Aguilera Named to All State



Sunny Jo Lasley and Albert Aguilera were picked to All State in Cross Country and Football. Sunny was picked by Texas Track and Field News. This is the second year for Sunny to be picked. She was 5th in the State meet. Albert was named to State by the Sports Writers of Texas. Albert has worked very hard, being the leading tackler on the Elk football team this year. Was chosen All District both offense and defense and named to 1st team kicker.

(More in Jan. 7th issue on this).

### Santa Visits Bank



Santa Claus visited the First State Bank last Friday. Lots of folks stopped by to talk to Santa and have some refreshments.



Doak Crabtree, Arnita Lane, are shown above with Selma Pendleton, right at the First State Bank of Stratford's Open House last Friday, December 18th. Santa was also on hand to visit.



These lucky ladies were winners of the Tip Top Drawing held Saturday, Dec. 19th. From l to R Mrs. Toby Kautz, Mrs. Rex Williams and Mrs. Ross Wells. Not pictured is Margie Bookout. Story in Chamber Chatter.

## Lollipop Junction Wish List

As Lollipop Junction continues to grow and serve parents of the Stratford area, the center's staff has identified some items that will help them better serve the children involved.

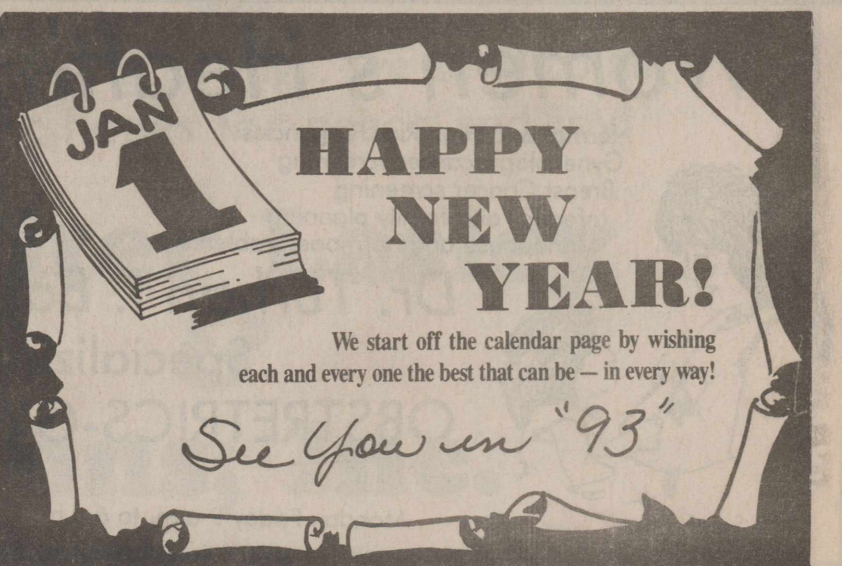
\*Coloring books, colors, children's scissors, craft supplies of glue, tape, construction paper, etc.

\*Educational toys-large building blocks, large balls, Lincoln logs, etc.

\*Kitchen supplies-deep fat fryer, tablespoons, cookie sheets, microwave oven.

Individuals who would like to participate in this Wish List are encouraged to visit with Trisha Schoonover at the center. Those individuals who would like to make a tax deductible gift for the Wish list may do so by visiting with Mrs. Schoonover at the center or Martha Mitts at the First State Bank of Stratford.

On behalf of the staff of Lollipop Junction and governing board, THANK YOU STRATFORD for your support.





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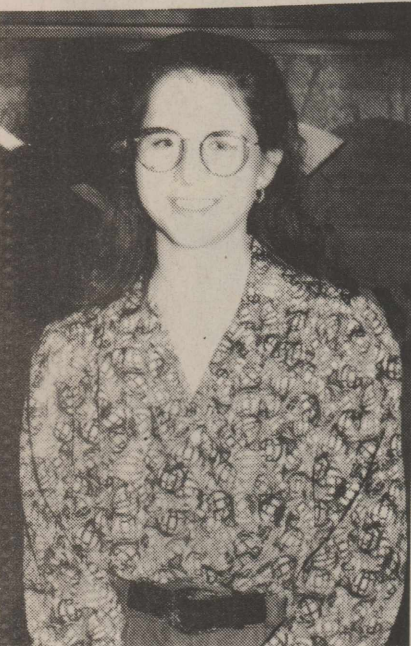
#### SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEE ELECTION FOR TEXHOMA ISD

An election will be held on January 16, 1993 Saturday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Polling place is Texhoma Middle School at Texhoma, Texas.

To vote absentee, go to Texhoma Middle School from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday thru Friday, starting Monday, December 28th. Last date to vote by personal appearance is January 12th.

To request a ballot by mail is now until January 8th.

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### Graham District Winner

Sarah Graham of Stratford daughter of Gary and Margaret Graham, recently participated at the state level in the Texas Farm Bureau Free Enterprise Speech competition in Corpus Christi. As a district winner she was guaranteed a \$1,000 scholarship.

### Christmas Ornaments May Be Picked Up At Appraisal District Office

The Depot Museum Board wishes each of you a happy holiday season. Christmas ornaments ready and may be picked up at the Appraisal District office. The annual Christmas Open House was cancelled this year-a time crunch and cold weather.

Many donations and memorials have been made to the museum. Memorial donations have been made in memory of Earl Phelps, Jane and Leon Guthrie, Janet Riffe, L.M. Fedric, Carl & Helen Craig, Mrs. Agnes Foster, Mr. and Mrs. E.H. Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Foreman, Paul Craig and son Jim, R.K. Everett, Paul Chesmer and Curran and Elizabeth O'Brien.

With the holiday season and cold weather the museum activities have been put "on hold" until a little later. The volunteer's Christmas luncheon will likely be a Valentine luncheon this year. Even though the board is waiting on special activities and fund raisers until nearer spring, the trusty volunteers keep on working! However they do get a vacation until the first of January as the museum is closed for two weeks.

If you have guests who wish to see the museum, call aboard member for a special tour. Best wishes to each and everyone and many thanks for all your support.

### Cancer Screening Rescheduled

The Breast Cancer Screening Program of the Don & Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and High Plains Baptist Hospital of Amarillo will continue community outreach clinics for early detection of breast cancer.

Funding is available through the Texas Cancer Council for screening mammography for Texas residents qualifying for financial assistance.

Early detection of breast cancer is the major goal of cancer control for each woman seen in the clinic. The clinic provides low cost screening which includes a breast exam by a Registered Nurse trained in breast cancer detection, teaching of breast self examination and a mammogram.

Currently, the most effective method known to win the battle against breast cancer is early detection. Early detection is best done by following the guidelines recommended by the American Cancer Society for breast cancer screening for women who have no signs or symptoms of breast cancer. The guidelines are:

1. Learn & perform breast self examination every month.
2. Have a physical examination every year.
3. Have a mammogram according to the recommendations by age.

Age-35 to 40 One baseline mammogram

40 to 50 a mammogram every 2 years.

Over 50 yearly Mammograms.

A clinic will be held on Tuesday December 29, 1992, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in Stratford, at the First United Methodist Church, 520 N. Main. Exams are done by appointment only. For more information about the clinic or to make an appointment, please call the Harrington Cancer Center (806) 359-4673 or our toll free number 1-800-274-HOPE (4673).

### Smith Reenlists

Navy Chief Petty Officer Wayne L. Smith, son of Mrs. Dean Smith of 809 N. Chestnut, Stratford, Texas, recently reenlisted for two years while serving with Commander, Amphibious Squadron-8, Naval Amphibious Base, Little Creek, VA.

The 1968 graduate of Stratford High School joined the Navy in January 1972.

### Chamber Chatter

by J. A. Lasley

News Flash! This final week of shopping will give you a chance to gather up your gifts, all prettily wrapped and your receipts. The winner of the trip for two will be announced after Christmas. So go to it!

Have just received information on Lone Star Events. Perhaps some of you will be tripping around.

San Antonio, contact Livestock Exposition, P.O. Box 200230, San Antonio 787220-230, 512/225-5851, February 8-21.

Feb. 20-March 7 Houston, Contact Livestock Show, P.O. Box 20070, Houston, 77225-0070 713/791-9000.

Feb. 107 Fort Worth, contact Stock Show, P.O. Box 150, Fort Worth, 76101, 817/877-2400.

Texas Mardi Gras Celebrations, Feb., 12-23, Galveston, Convention & Visitors Bureau, 2106 Seawall Blvd. Galveston, 775550 409/763-6564.

Feb. 12-14 "The Sound of Music," Lubbock, Contact First United Methodist Church, 1411 Broadway, Lubbock 79401 806/763-4607.

The USS Lexington is officially open in Corpus Christi, Feb. Marks the 50th anniversary of the aircraft carriers commission. The museum is open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. for information call 512/888-4873 or the Corpus Christi CVBB at 800/678-6232.

I have a whole list of other events and get them every quarter if you are travel minded just give me a call at the Chamber office.

I witnessed, for real, a ground breaking ceremony in Guymon, Okla., last Thursday. Seaboard, Corp. Farms of Okla. will be establishing themselves east of Guymon, at the place that the Swift Plant was. The initial investment for plant, equipment and facilities will be in the range of \$55 million. Single shift operations will begin by mid to late 1994, employing 700-750 employees, 100 to 150 of whom will be administrative personnel. Double shift operation will begin by 1998, and will add; 400 employees. Meat processing employment requirements could add an additional 300 employees by the end of 1998, bringing total employment to 1400-1450.

Initial payroll estimated for single shift operations is approximately \$14 million per year.

A substantial portion of pigs raised for slaughter will be provided by local farmers who contract to raise pigs for Seaboard on a gain Basis.

Seaboard, by the ending of 1991 employed 10,970 employees world-wide, 6,920 of whom are located in the United States and Puerto Rico. They have operations in Ecuador, Honduras, Guatemala, Venezuela, Nigeria, Sierra Leone (West Africa) Guyana and the Dominican Republic. They are no small concern.

It was quite an affair. Got to shake hands and visit a little with the Governor of Okla. I was very impressed with this man. He flew from New York to Guymon, Okla. in order to do this he got up at 3 a.m.

300 hundred of us was served the center cut of, you guessed, pork chops marinated, with baked potato, salad, green beans and chocolate mousse. The exuberance of the people was catching. I just hope that in my life time I see something of this magnitude happen in Stratford, Sherman County. We have the resources, all we need is to get up and go!

About all of the Giveaways of the merchants via the Chamber of Commerce has been given. This past Saturday we had winners of the \$160.00 worth Tip Top Bucks, they were Margie Bookout, \$50.00, David Huerca: \$50.00, Lisa Kautz \$20.00, Em Ross \$20.00 and Mrs. Rex Williams \$20.00 in the drawing for the \$200.00, Bobby W. Thomas name was drawn, and for the \$300.00, Joy Hester was the winner. The 28th will be the day that we calculate the receipts for the winner of the trip for Two. Bring your receipts down to the chamber office by 9 a.m. Monday, December 28th.

Saturday night we had two judges from a neighboring community and the Christmas lighting contest was selected. Residential went to First place to Helen and Arthur Judd, 2nd place

### JOYEUX NOEL

Our holiday prayers wish you peace on earth, good will to all men.

#### Professional Hay Service

Wesley, Cindy, Alicia & Mark Miller

went to Joe and Billy Zak, and 3rd place to Don and Glenna Owens. Commercial winners were: First Place The General Store, 2nd place to Ellie's Enterprise and Third to Coldwater Manor. Lastly the religious area went to first place to Wendall and Nelda Stacy, 2nd place to Ray and Lynda Hauser and third place to Hayward and Eunice Vaughn. Congratulations to these winners.

To all of you from the Chamber have a Merry Christmas and the best of everything in 1993!

### JACK BARTON, Attorney At Law

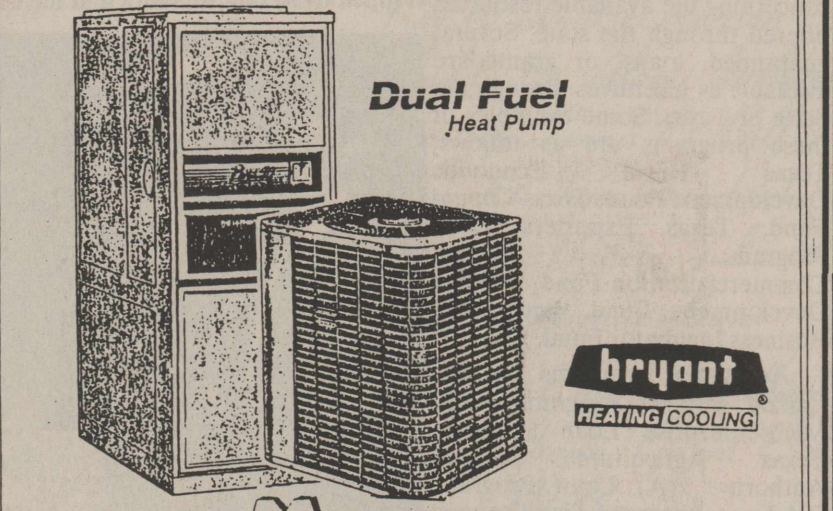
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BREAKFAST BURRITO	99¢	WILSON HOT LINKS	99¢
BURRITO BEEF & SALSA	\$1.19	SAUSAGE ON A STICK	\$1.39
DELICIOUS CHESBURGER	89¢	SAUSAGE & BISCUIT	79¢
CHICKEN FRIED STEAK	\$1.39	SAUSAGE EGG & BISCUIT	\$1.09
SCOUT CHICKEN STRIPS	\$1.49	SAUTEED SAUSAGE	99¢
W/POTATO WEDGES/ CHICKEN (2 PC)	\$1.99	4 COUNT STEAK FINGERS	\$1.00

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## Scot Notes

by Timmie Brown

Happy Day to you Sherman County Older Texans, Friends, Neighbors, Scotters this final issue Monday, Dec. 20, 1992 since The Stratford Star will not be issued the week of Dec. 1992. If the Lord is willing, all errors of Notes forgiven by you, we'll see about continuing Scot Notes in 1993. We wish all of you a Hallowed Christmas and a challenging New Year!

We presume current activities at Scot Hall will continue thru Dec. 28, 1992. Beginning 1993 Calendar of activities Bingo, Jan. 7, and Bridge playing Jan. 8, 1993. Regular activities marked "Go" the week of Jan. 4-Jan. 9, 1993.

Game night Dec. 18th with Lillie Galloway, Clarence Willman, Geneva Bell, Dicy & Max Stephenson, Timmie Brown playing 88 a dance Dec. 19th with about 50 in attendance closed out special activities at Scot Hall for 1992.

The Priscilla S.S. Class of First Baptist met for a party in a Christmas Wonderland at the tastefully and beautifully decorated house of the Rex Christians Thurs. evening, Dec. 17, 1992. After dining on food such as old modern day grandmothers can prepare, the women were charmed by Donna Kendrick's telling a collection of Her family stories. Later we were dumb founded by how carelessly we read the Biblical Christmas Story when Donna conducted a TF test! Members present were Bernice Christian hostess, Layvon Hughes, Centa Luther, Betty McMillion, Mattie Baskin, Liz Sanders, Margie Bookout, Katie Allen, guest Timmie Brown, Donna Kendrick.

Betty Lou O'Brien entertained Opal Bryant, Cleve Garrison, Corda Pleyer, Elsie Pickens, Timmie Brown with a Pizza Party and "remembrance exchange" after playing 88.

We attended the First State Banks Santa Party just to watch the Kids delightful reaction to Santa. They came! Having their pictures taken with Santa the children ranged in age from babies in arms through lots of high school youngsters. All were a delight to watch. Our belief in Santa? Most certainly with all our heart! We believe in universal loving and giving as taught in the Bible by Christ's birth, Crucifixion, Ascension whether it is represented by Santa Claus or another name. Human minds are led by the finite into the infinite if properly carried out in teaching. Our picture with Santa? Surely: by LeRayne's "of course" and Santas invitation. Didn't injure the camera, either!

Elsie Pickens attended the graduation of Mike Keck, who is her son-in-law from Amarillo college Dec. 18. Mike is an ambitious successful business man married to Ann Pickens Keck, who wished to complete his college education. Betty and Baskin were invited by grandson Blair and Patti Brown to a first Christmas celebration in their home, Sunday Dec. 20, 1992. Blairs sister, Carrie Brown, Dallas was present also. Later Betty and Baskin called on friends and former employee, Martha Stone who is living in Independence Retirement Home, 3700 Virginia St. apt #161, Amarillo 79109. Martha is doing fine. Her apartment is completely furnished. She may eat in the dining room, if she pleases. Her children Wilma, Bob and Grandson David Stone, live in Amarillo. Martha sends her usual cheery "Hello and Best Wishes" to Stratford friends. Ellen and Sandy Tillery spent Sunday in Lubbock with their daughter Roxan and attending Roxan's graduation exercise at Tech. The Tillerys had a busy 1992 with their 3 children. By Dec. 29th, there will have been 3 graduations and 2 weddings. Bless all of you.

Scotters and personal congratulations and appreciation to Susie Spurlock, The All District Football team; the Sherman Co. Library and Lollipop Junction personnel for their splendid work reported to citizens; S.H.S. Band Winners; B.D. people Mildred Carroll and Bernice LeBeck; newly weds Jim and Carrie Muir; Sandy Baskin for information on Your Right to Know Column.

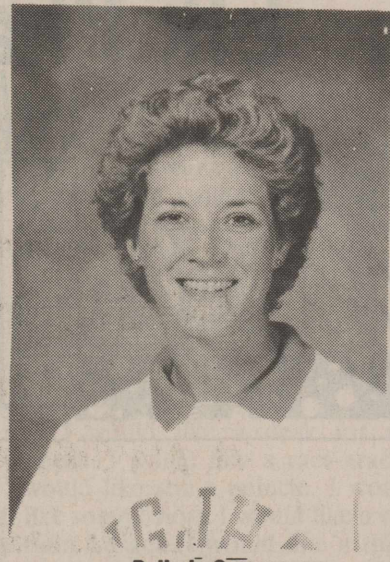
Ill but recovering are Genevieve Wilson, Grace Trainham, Dr. Harlow, who hopes to be home by Christmas, Bless all of you.

We are saddened by the deaths of little Luke Austin Williams, son of Gregg and Cherie Brown Williams, Canyon and grandson of

M.H. (Mert) Brown, Stratford, Jack Slover received word of the death of his oldest son, who lives in Ft. Worth. We have no further information. Christian love and prayer support from Scot and personally. May your Christian belief sustain you at this time. Amen.

For Christmas reading try "The Magnificent" Luke 1:47-56 Hallowed Christmas!

## Sawyer Honored



Belinda Sawyer

The new edition of "Who's Who Among America's Teachers" includes 26 educators from San Angelo. Teachers named in the publication are selected by the top five percent of the nation's students. Students are asked to nominate teachers who have "made a difference in their life." Among those honored was Belinda Sladek Sawyer, physical education teachers and coach at John Glenn Jr. High. She has a B.S. degree from McMurry College, in Abilene, Texas and her master's degree from Angelo State. Sawyer is a sponsor of Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Santa came to Kerrick Community Center Saturday to one of the smallest crowds there has ever been. Too many other events going on. But, there was a delightful program of music by several.

Merilee McDaniel and grandmother Marylou sang "Santa Claus is Coming to Town". Ashley Brooks sang "Rudolph" and Nicholas McDaniel sang "We Wish You a Merry Christmas".

Donna Avent and daughter April played a piano duo of "We Three Kings", then Donna accompanied April and Kodie on the guitar as they sang "Santa Claus is Coming To Town".

Julie Bell presented "Three Kings" on the coronet. Ian Weems played "Cantique de Noel" on the baritone. Then the two played other Christmas songs together.

Treats and cokes were distributed with presents for the young passed out by Santa.

Others present were Franny Taylor, Pat and Bill Boren, Ted & Joyce Irlbeck, Fred & Mike McDaniel, Myron Leedy, Virgie Mathews, Kayo and Jo June McDaniel, Bevin Avent, Joyce Harper, Barbara Schoonover, Hank & Mabel Rogers, John, Terry & Shelby McDaniel, Ralph James & Annette Hampton, Katie Norris, Levi Srader, Russell & Tina Brooks.

Cleaners & sackers Dec. 17th were Hank Rogers, Ted Irlbeck, Peggy Hawkins, Franny Taylor, Virgie Mathews, Barbara Schoonover, Jo June McDaniel, and Marylou McDaniel.

Tree decorators were Gayla James and Pat Boren. For the last several years, the Ben Tom James family has been furnishing the tree.

Two young men of Kerrick have joined the Navy and will enter the service next fall. They are Ian Weems and Levi Srader.

Jennifer Wells is home for the holidays from Poteet, Texas, where she teaches.

Arriving late Wednesday night is Patti McDaniel of Denver.

## Kerrick News

by Marylou McDaniel

## Womens Leadership Conference

Pampa-On Jan. 12 a leadership conference designed for women currently holding officer positions in organizations and those wishing to assume roles of leadership in groups is being sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension service under auspices of the Family Community Leadership Program and the Texas Extension Homemakers Association.

Speakers for the special 1-day workshop will present a program geared toward women who want to advance within a leadership hierarchy and attain effective skills in managing organizational meetings, change of missions and goal interpretation. Participants will learn practical techniques for delegating responsibility to others and for working with diverse groups and hard to reach audiences. Sessions on time and stress management will be featured in addition to presentations on effective ways to market any organization to target audiences and general public.

Registration and a welcome reception will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the Heritage Room of the M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium at 1000 N. Summer. Dr. Barry B. Thompson, President of West Texas State University is the keynote speaker and will address managing change within organizations and institutions.

At 11 a.m. Dr. Martha Couch, noted Extension Youth Development specialist from Lubbock will present a nuts and bolts segment on organizational management within small and large groups.

Brenda Taylor came Sunday to spend the holiday with her mother Franny Taylor.

The homes of Ted Irlbeck, Franny Taylor, Bill Boren, Kayo McDaniel and Fred McDaniel are decorated for Christmas. Continental Grain Elevator has a big red star on top.



Trails West Held Their Open House Thursday, December 19th. Shown above are Sharon McCarver and Joan Palmer.

The afternoon program begins at 1:00 p.m. and will focus on the central conference theme "women are leaders" and already hold many positions of leadership in society. concurrent session targeting leadership performance and quality will be conducted until 3:30 p.m. A question and answer wrap-up session with the presenters will end the day's program.

For more information, contact your county extension agent or call Dr. Judy Flynn, District Extension director at 806-359-5401.

Don't Eat Alone

Come and join us  
at Coldwater Manor  
for Christmas

Dinner

12-25-92

12:00 noon lunch

5:00 pm supper

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to All

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1 Peter 1:3-5  
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Hope for 1993!"  
Happy New Year!

# Attend Services

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Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Super Church 10:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.  
Telecast Sunday 4:00 p.m. Channel 3  
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Wednesday-Youth Service 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
David Stites

N. 3rd & Chestnut St.  
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

**CALVARY BAPTIST**  
Tony Roe

302 S. Main St.  
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Prayer Service & Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

**FIRST BAPTIST**  
Dr. Derrel Lewis

702 North 3rd  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.  
Church Training 6:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

**FIRST CHRISTIAN**  
Rev. David Harker

5th & N. Main St.  
Sunday Coffee Fellowship 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.  
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, Adult Choir 8:00 p.m.

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST**  
Rev. Brian Adams

520 N. Main  
Sunday School 9:40 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.  
Junior High UMY 5:30 p.m.  
Senior High UMY 6:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

5 p.m. Cable Channel 3  
Morning Worship Service

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Sunday 11 a.m. Spanish Mass

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A Baby Shower was held in honor of Shakota Cheyenne Gayle daughter of Monika Aaron Cole Wednesday, Dec. 16th in the home of Joline Skaggs. Pictured with Monika and Shakota is Grandmother, Peggy Cole.



**Tips & Topics**

by Susie Spurlock  
County Extension Agent

**1992 Extension Highlights**

As 1992 comes to a close, it is a pleasure to share with STAR readers, a wrap-up of educational programs and activities sponsored by the Sherman County Family Living Committee.

**"Please Understand Me"** thirty-eight persons gained an awareness of personality types and its affect on parenting skills. This program was co-sponsored with Prospectus Study Club.

**"Setting Limits without Waging War"** fifteen parents learned effective ways to set limitations on children's behavior and gained an understanding of children wanting and needing behavior limits through this mail-out series.

**"Enhancing Self Perception of Youth"** two programs presented by Dr. Martha Couch of Lubbock in April and October. Ten parents, educators, clergy and youth leaders learned about the technological advances of our society and its impact upon families. Dr. Couch gave pertinent information on identifying youth stress and tips on how to help children cope with stressful situations. Sherman County Librarian has acquired two resources books on this topic as a result of this program.

**"Residents were made aware of 'Fun Things to Do With Your Kids'** through a window exhibit at the Imagination Station during the month of April. The calendar promoted low or no cost activities to do with children to enhance quality family time and promote communications skills.

**"Week of the young Child"** was celebrated in conjunction with the Imagination Station's sponsored activities. Over eighty parents of pre-school children received a self study guide "Parents--Kids Are Your Business". The self study material providing information on balancing work and family; importance of play, communication and social skills.

**"Partners in Fun"** attracted ten third and fourth graders and their parents. The four-week workshop series focused on developing communication skills focused on developing communication skills and quality time sharing by providing a non-threatening environment to learn lifelong skills in a one-on-one relationship. Participants decorated T-shirts, constructed a pair of jam shorts; learned how to prepare Oriental Egg Rolls and Fajitas.

**"Periodic new releases in County Agent's newsletter and published in Stratford Star** also provided information on parenting skills.

1993 will also be a busy year with a variety of activities planned. The Health Fair will be conducted in March with quarterly scheduled Breast Cancer Screening Clinics offered by the Harrington Cancer Center of Amarillo. Special activities planned include two workshops for home sewers and/or quilter--"Quilt In A Day" and "Broomstick Skirts". The annual Extension Homemakers Spring Fling will focus on a Spring Fashion forecast and the art of watercolor paper jewelry.

Other educational events planned include promotion of children and TV, assisting your children to learn to love books, protecting your child from child abduction, understanding anger, and the popular Partners in Fun will be expanded and offered during the summer.

In the area of family issues and community development, the committees will be assisting the

governing board of Lollipop Junction in identifying needs of families in the area of child care.

The mission of Texas Agricultural Extension Service is "People Helping People". The local County office has a wealth of information available to assist residents in improving their quality of life.

From the Sherman County Family Living committee and Susie Spurlock, County Extension agent, We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a very prosperous 1993!

**Orange Cream Frosty**  
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1 teaspoon vanilla extract  
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cocoa powder or grated nutmeg for garnish  
mint leaves for garnish

Place all ingredients into a blender. Cover and blend for 2 minutes until mixture is smooth and frothy.

Pour the Cream Frosty into individual stem glasses and serve with a light dusting of cocoa powder or nutmeg and a mint leaf.

Yield: eight 4-ounce servings.

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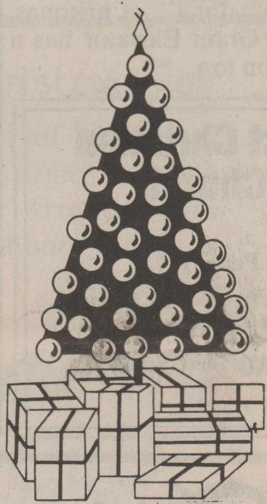
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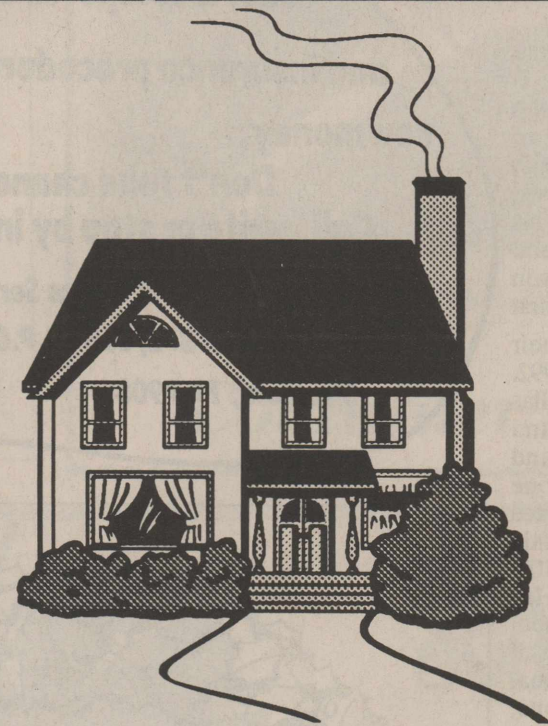
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Principal Jim Bob Brown and Mrs. Brite's 2nd grade class.



The Stratford Big Blue Band held their Christmas Concert Last Thursday December 17th, 1992. Stratford High School Band performed as well as Junior High Band and the 6th grade band.

Stratford High School



Stratford Junior High



6th Grade Band

as reading street signs, instructions, or the written portion of a driver's license test is termed *functional illiteracy*.

The statements below are drawn from statistical reports of the 1980's. They reveal, in part, the breadth of literacy problems in Texas and the United States.

\*Among the 149 member nations of the United Nations, the U.S. ranks 48th in literacy.

\*Texas ranks 47th in literacy among the 50 states; only three states have a greater illiteracy problem than that which Texans face.

\*Thirty percent (30%) of the adults in the U.S. are functionally illiterate.

\*In 1988 the Texas Department of Commerce estimated that illiteracy cost Texas \$17.12 billion each year through lost productivity, unrealized tax revenue, welfare and costs associated with criminal activities.

\*One third of Texas students drop out of high school before graduation.

\*Only 1 million of the 18.7 million adults in the southern United States who lack a high school diploma are enrolled in a literacy program or other adult education program.

\*Ninety percent (90%) of the inmates in the Texas Department of Corrections have not completed high school.

\*Eighty-five percent (85%) of all juveniles who appear before a judge have reading problems.

\*It takes an eighth grade reading level to be able to read labels on industrial cleaning products.

Children whose parents are functionally illiterate are twice as likely as other children to be functionally illiterate.

\*By the year 2000, 41% of the projected new jobs will require more than a high school diploma.

If you or you know anyone who is interested in learning to read English, contact the library at 396-2200.

The Library will be closed Dec. 24, 25 and Dec. 31 and January 1, 1993.



**Check Out The Library**

Literacy is defined as the ability to read and write. *Illiteracy* is the inability to read and write. The inability to perform such tasks



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Dallas-Phil D. Dettle has joined Northern Trust Bank of Texas as a private banker in Northern Trust's downtown Dallas office on Ross Avenue. A seasoned private banker, Dettle has over 20 years of comprehensive banking experience in the Dallas area, covering managerial, lending, and marketing responsibilities.

Prior to joining Northern Trust, Dettle served as vice president of private banking for Guaranty Federal Bank, F.S.B.-Dallas. Prior to joining Guaranty Federal, Dettle was senior vice president-division manager private banking for NCNB Texas and its predecessors.

"Phil Dettle is a well known and respected Dallas banker with a keen perspective on private

banking and the unique needs of our customers," said Daryl Kirkham, chief banking officer of Northern Trust Bank of Texas.

Dettle received his BBA and MBA in finance from Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas. He is affiliated with Robert Morris Associates and the American Banker Association, Private Banking and Trust.

Dettle is married and lives in Dallas.

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### County Agent

by Jim Allison

As Farmers prepare for the 1992 crop year, they need to give particular attention to disease control practices. And one of the best as well as least expensive ways to fight disease is crop rotation.

Crop rotation has long been recognized as an inexpensive form of plant disease control and with the problems farmers had with diseases in wheat, crop rotation is the best means of control.

This practice prevents the continuous development of disease organisms that would otherwise build up in the soil and



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attack one plant species. Crop rotation breaks the cycle of organism development and thus helps limit the damage potential when the susceptible crop is grown again.

A three-year rotation is the most practical for producers, assuming that they have at least three crops that can fit into their operations. This allows them to practice disease control simultaneously on all three crops.

The three most common crops used in rotation systems are wheat, corn and sorghum. None of these crops are related and they have few diseases in common.

On some farms continuous cropping must be practiced for a variety of reasons. In this case, other forms of disease control must be practiced. These include planting a more disease resistant variety, using a fungicide and adjusting fertilizer rates.

Such practices may cost additional money but may be necessary to achieve the same levels of disease control as with crop rotation.

With producers looking at ways to squeeze out a profit in these hard economic times, disease control is one practice that should not be taken lightly. Producers must remember that crop losses to diseases mean losses in new profit,



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•Don't leave home (or anywhere) without it. By carrying your organizer like a purse or wallet, phone numbers and calendars will always be convenient.  
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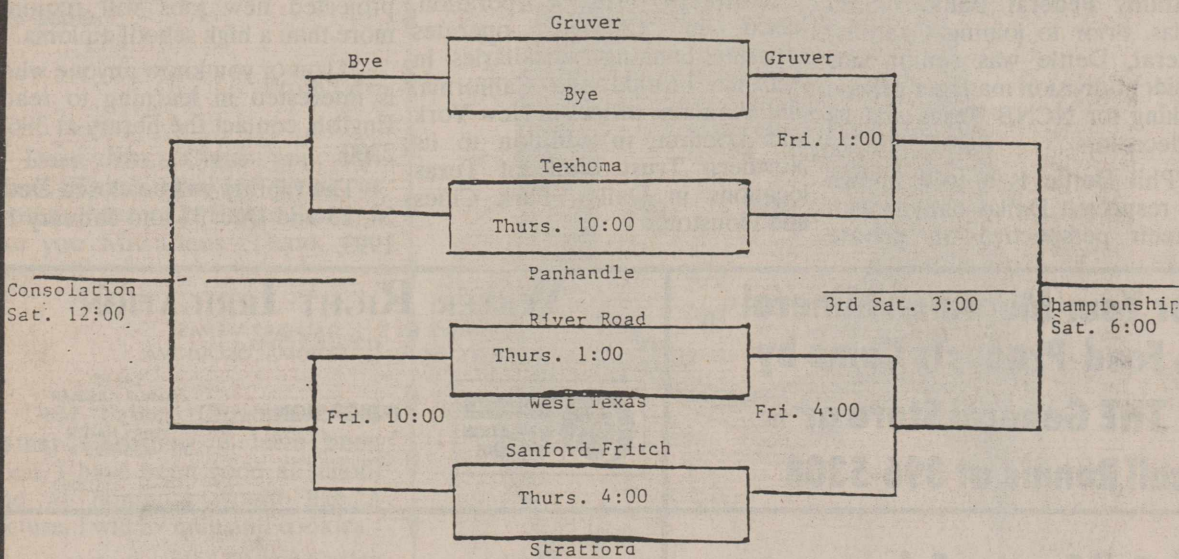
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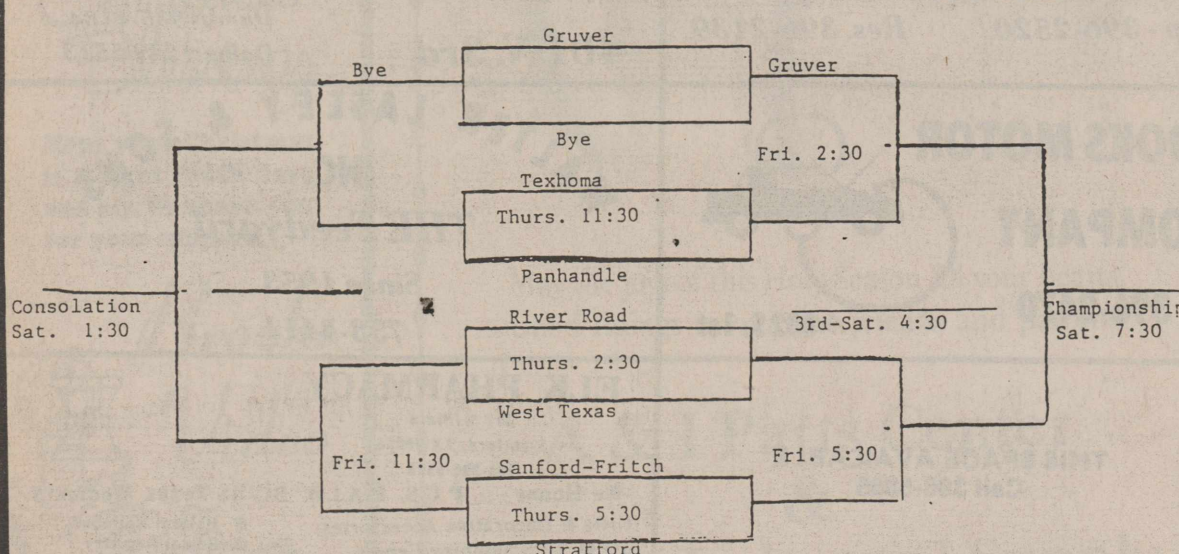
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Love Ashley

Dear Santa Claus:  
I hope you come to my house this Christmas because I have been SUCH a good girl! Please bring me a race car track, roller blade Barbie, and an artist paint easel. A tea set would be fun too. I'll have cookies and milk for you. I Love you,

Deidre Lee Tarver

Dear Santa:  
I would like a magic copier and an oven that makes real food. Thank you for the toys last year. I will leave you brownies and milk by the fireplace.

Love Kayla Willard

Dear Santa,  
I would like a dump truck and farm toys. We will leave brownies and milk.

Love Kody Willard

Dear Santa Claus,  
I've been very very good at school. I would like a tape. I will leave you a present love Santa.

From Shelli

Dear Mrs. Claus,  
I've been very very good in school. I would like a bike. I would like a ball and would you bring me a very good football.

From Marcus

Dear Santa,  
Have a nice weekend. I want some make up.

Love, Ashley Bowman

Dear Santa,  
I want a white Freightliner truck with blue and black stripes, dalmation puzzle and stuffed dog and a farm house, barn and fields so I can farm like dad with my farm equipment. A jogging suit and size 7 blue jeans would be great. I would also like a Cobra Commander so Mom and Dad will know what one is.

Please remember my sister, Jennie. I have been pretty good this year for a 5 year old.

Love Walter Spurlock

Dear Santa,  
I want a doll, play kitchen, and toy dalmation dog. I like books and puzzles too.

I am 2 years old and I've tried to be a good girl and not start too many fights with my brother.

Merry Christmas!

Love Jennie Spurlock

Dear Santa:  
I have been a very good little girl. I really would like a jeep and a doll for Christmas. Please don't forget my big sisters Sasha and Lynz. I love you

Merilee

Dear Santa,  
Thanks for the gifts last year for Christmas I want some crash dummies. I also want to cars that crash into walls, I would also enjoy a toy motorcycle. I would be most happy with a toy train. For the last toy I would enjoy a Hook video.

Love Travis Macias

Dear Santa Claus  
I would like a super nintendo or a sega and would like a radiocontrolcar. with out wires. My baby brother would like a motorcycle and a train and we are going to put some cookies and milk under the tree we love you Santa Claus!

Love: Juney and Angel

Dear Santa  
I want some new boots for Xmas. I also want some new trucks and a gun. I have tried to be a good boy this year.

Love Craig Kautz

Dear Santa, if you could manage all of this junk. I would be happy if you could. I would like a BIG T.V. and V.C.R. I would also like a CD player and lots of good C.D.'s. I would really, really like if kids on the street that are homeless to have a home, and parents to provide them with good, healthy, food, and a winter coat, warm clothes. Well, hope you have a good Christmas.

By Sara Velasquez 4th grade

Dear Santa  
Would you please bring Kelsey and I a baby Alive, a kitchen, P.J. Sparkles and some new clothes.

P.S. We love and would like a hug.

Lindsay and Kelsey Stein

Dear Santa  
I want a troll, Bible, and a new nightgown, and my own tv, and a suburban, vcr, table, books, glasses, belt, and white paints, black lace-ups, New clothes, Radio, New socks, bike, computer, camera, phone, stuffed Rudolph, earrings, caboodles, bow, white shoes, stuffed teady, sleeping bag, skates, school bag.

Candice R.

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike and a super Nintendo. How are you doing how is Mrs. Santa and the Elves. oh and I would like to have a T.V. and a vcr and a stereo and a super soaker 200 for Christmas. Thank you very much by.

From Gilbert Gutierrez

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like to have Aladdin, front end loader, drum set, Bengal Tiger suit, and some clothes.

I have been good, and please bring Chris and Jennifer something too!

Love, Tyler Haynes

Dear Santa,  
I Love! For Christmas I want a refrigerator, a Baby All-gone, an art easel and Lucky and Pongo. I have been good this year. I will leave milk and cookies for you!

Love Brittany Hudson

Dear Santa,  
My name is Chelsea Christian. I've been good this year. I want Shampoo and a walking horse. I will you some cookies and milk at my house Christmas eve.

Love Chelsea

Dear Santa,  
How are you and your little elves doing. I believe in you Santa Claus. This is what I want? I want a b. b. gun, a 12 inch GI Joe, super soaker 6000. I'm leaving some milk and cookies.

Steven Luther

Dear Santa, I love you and your reindeers especially Rudolph. I want a pretty dress with flowers on it, A Baby All Gone, a doll stroller, some real makeup, Beauty and the Beast Jewelry and the Beauty and the Beast Video game, Thank you.

Love Kayla Robertson, age 6

Dear Santa  
I love all your reindeer especially Rudolph, I want a stroller, a Magic Jewel Doll, Lite Brite, some clothes the game splat and a Beauty and the Beast watch. Thank you Santa. I love you too.

Love Heather Robertson, age 5

Dear Santa  
I want a Bribie My Size and Pretty Clipping Curl-plese.

Valerie Valenzuela

Dear Santa,  
My name is Kristen Crabtree. I am 3 years old. I have tried to be a good girl this year.

Would you please bring me a dollhouse, Baby All Gone, and Crimp "n" Curl Pony. I will leave you some milk and cookies on the table.

I love you Kristen

Dear Santa Claus,  
My name is Shayna and I am two years old. Sometimes I try to be good but most of the time I'm not. Will you please come see me anyway? I would like an ugly Troll doll, a red wagon, like the one on my Barney tape, a little mermaid and also a Barney the Dinosaur.

Don't forget our stockings. I'll leave you a snack. Tell Mrs. Claus Hi.

Love, Shayna Abbie Hopson

P.S. Don't forget my cousins and all the kids at Lollipop Junction

Dear Santa, I have tried to be a good boy this year. I would like Ninja Turtle party Van, Batman, Robin, Joker, Penquin and Batmobile, 101 Dalmation Video tape and the movie "Batman Returns", Garth Brooks and Billy Ray Cyrus Cassettes. Have a safe trip and I will leave you some milk & cookies,

Love Brandon Davis

P.S. Would you please bring something for my sister, Nicole.

Dear Santa, I have tried to be a good girl. I would like some babies and a baby crib for them to sleep in. I would also like some puzzles and Golden Books that make sounds. I will leave you a snack.

Love Nicole Davis

P.S. Please bring something for my brother, Brandon.

Dear Santa Claus  
I want a nintendo, toys, for Elena to get well, socks, sweater, and shoes. Please say Hi to Mrs. Claus.

Brenda Aguilera

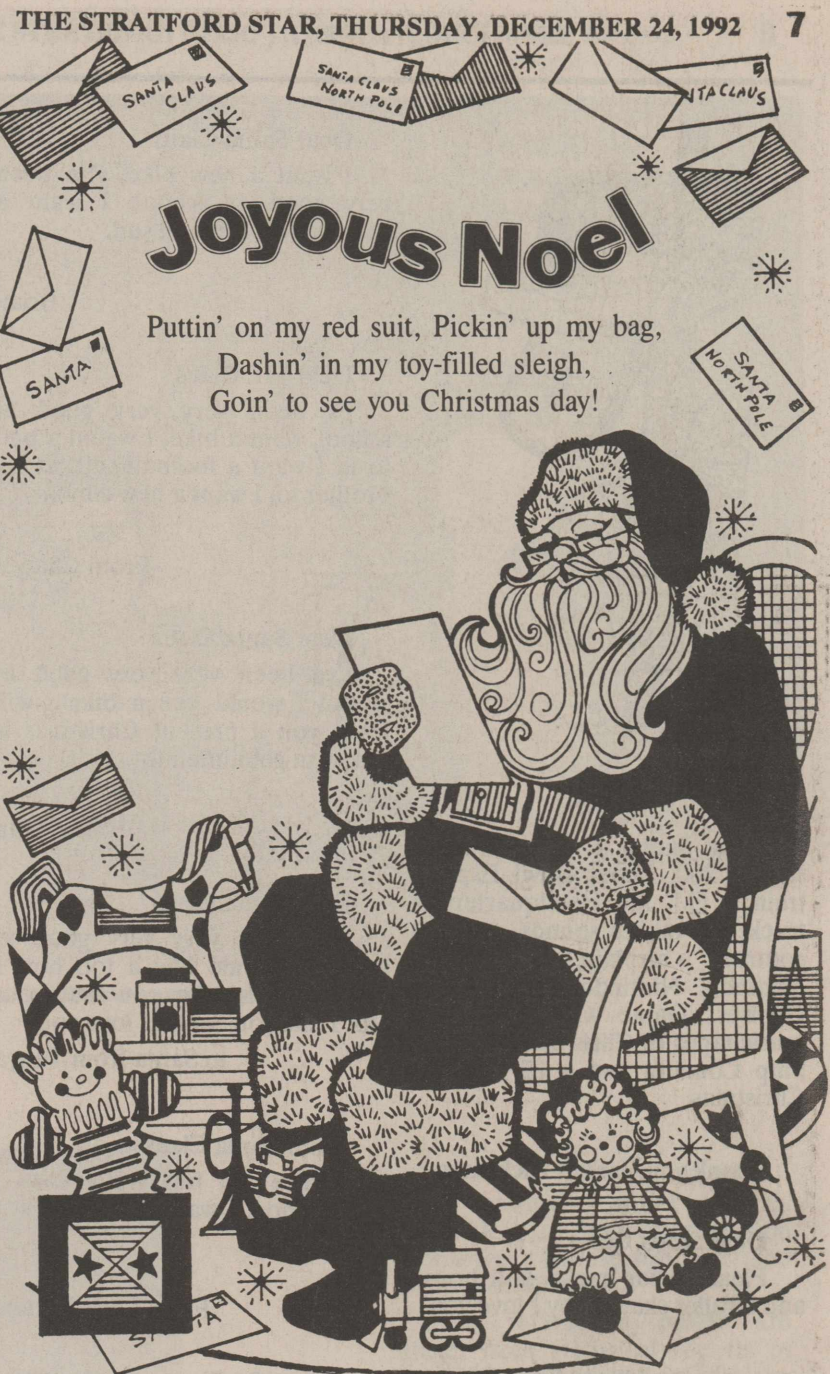
Dear Santa  
I whis you a happy christmas. I wint for you to bring me anthing.

Love Adam Reed

Dear Santa  
I would like a bike. I'd like a walkman too.

Dear Santa  
I wict a new game for my gameboy.

Adriana



Dear Santa, My name is Casey Crabtree. I am 5 years old. I have been a good boy this year. Please bring me a bow and arrow, lace up roper boots, and sonic the hedgehog game. I will leave a snack of carrots for Rudolph and the other reindeer.

Dear Santa,  
I want a rapping rocking barbie,

Kelly Crockett

Dear Santa  
I now you are busy. I wanted to now how is the north pole. I want a home alone N.E.S. game. I want Mike punch out. And I want a Dallas Cowboy Shorts and T. Shirt

Scott Reese

Wes K. Dear Santa  
I want a game called Hot Shot, Truble, and a teddy bear, cloths, a bike and a walkman

**JOY TO ALL**

**Sherman County Sheriffs Dept.**

**Happy Holiday**

May the joy and peace of Christmas be with you today and always. Have a wonderful holiday season.

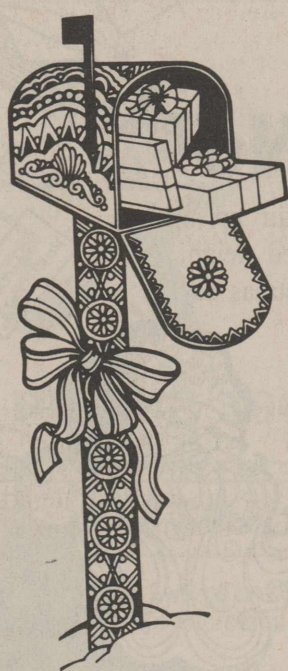
**Simmons Cable TV**

**NOEL**

At His birth, the angels sang: "Peace on earth to men of good will." May this peace, the gift from the Prince of Peace, be yours this Christmas!

**Stratford Grain Co.**





Dear Santa Claus  
I want a new bike, I've been very good at school. I want a cebad and a football suit.

Brian

Dear Mr. Claus  
I've been very very good at school, went a bike, I waent a bad to in I want a football suit, in my brother to, I want a new cininn

From Chance

Dear Santa Claus  
I've been very very good at school i would like a bike i will leave you a present Christmas is fun want get nintendo

From Roann

Dear Santa Claus  
I've been very very good at school. I would like a too box. I have a praisit for you and your alfs. I like you Santa, I love you.

to Santa from Tanya

Dear Santa Claus  
I hive bin fing wihmysests. I want a dog! I want a cat! I want a baby!

From Love Brittany

Dear Mr. Claus and Mrs. Claus  
I want a mous trape and a mostn fase and a Christmas tree. The end.

Love Billy

Love Mandy Helmuth  
I liv at 304 N. Spruce Goodby

Dear Sanuclos,  
I know you will not come to this hose on each Christmas you will not come I know that. We wher all bad and you will not give us presents.

Veronica Ortega

Dear Santa Claus  
I've been very good at school. I wint go grapscae monstrijas I will super nintno. From Jason

Dear Santa Claus  
I've been to play with my brother a little bit. I want a bike, a new pair of roller skasks. I will give you a note.

Love Briah

Dear St. Nicholas  
I've been very good at homeandat school I like a nw home wrke.

From Carson

Dear Santa,  
I will leave you a present. I want a bat and a ball ead I love you Santa.

From Levi

Dear Mrs. Claus and Mr. Claus, Thank you for giving us present. Merry Christmas Santa! I like you Mr. Claus. Thank you very well.

Love Lauren

Dear Father Christmas, Yes Father Christmas. I have been good. I have been good at school and at home. I would like a picture. I will liv milk and cookies.

Love Carley

Dear Santa Claus, I love Santa Claus, I've been very very good at school I would like present. I would like nintendo.

Madalene

Dear Santa  
I've been good .I eill lev a presch. I want a skdtboh I want lndn drom.

Love Matthew

Dear Santa  
I would like game Sega Ginsis and sonic The Heghog. Here is G.I. Joes, Code Commander HALL OF FAME Cobra commander H.E.A.T. VIPER, ALLY VIPER, ICEBERG, Dr. Mindbinder, Here is some Batman toys, Air Attack, Bat Man, Deep Dive Bat Man, Robin Laser, Batman, Thundership Batman, Cat Woman, Custom Coupe, Bat Moibil Umbrella Jex Laser Blade Cycle, Sky Blade, Het Foil, Spirl Shooter, BatCave Command Center, Batman Arman Set, Corba Eel.

Erich Taylor

Dear Santa  
How are you, I am fine. I have been a good girl this year. I would like some candy for Christmas. I also want a Barbie Car that I can drive. I'll leave some cookies for you. Don't forget to et them.

Love Whitney Reese  
age 2 1/2

Dear Santa  
I am 4 years old and I want a new bike for Christmas. I'd like to have a talking big bird too. I will be home Christmas Eve and there will be something special waiting for you. My big brother Justin wants a bike too. I've been a good boy this year! Your friend

Bryce Wright

Dear Santa  
I want a Firetruck, a school Bus and a Football Troll. I have been good and tell Rudolf hi!

Love Scott Hudson

Dear Santa  
My name is Nicholas, I am 5 years old, and have a little sister, Shelby 1 year old. We are very excited about Christmas. I have been telling Sissy all about you. Rudolph and all the reindeer.

We have been pretty good kids this year. I would like a new pair of gray lace up boots and walkie talkies. Sissy really can't talk to tell you what she wants but I bet you can know what she will like, you are just pretty smart. We love you and will leave some cookies and milk.

Nicholas & Shelby McDaniel

Dear Santa  
What I would like for Christmas is a 10 speed bike, T.V. ice skate, roller skate, and I would really really like for my dad to stay at home.

Sincerely, April Whatley

Dear Santa  
This Christmas I would like roller blader of course. A tape player, new clothes, new boots plus a game boy. And lots of trolls with purple, pink, red, blue and green hair. I would like a new watch, and two trolls that take and a very fat troll. And a new puppy and kitty. If my Mom and Dad want me to. and most of a very very great Christmas.

Love Zulema Torres

Dear Santa  
What I want for Christmas is a ten speed bike and a T.V. for my room. I would also like ice skates, and a vcr with the T.V. By! Got to go!

Sincerely Thea James

Dear Santa,  
I hope you can come to give me all of my preasents. I want Legos Nerf how and arrow set, Trailer and pickup, Elevator set, farm set, Frog soccer, and a football suit. I will put some cookies out for you. I will give your reindeer some carrots, and give you a glass of milk.

Love Craig Ramond Reinart

Dear Santa,  
I want a barbie house. I would also like a game boy. If this to much trouble don't worry about it. I would also like snow on Christmas. I also like the homeless kids to have a home and lots of presents to and some clothes to keep them warm and safe. I need clothes myself please. I will leave something for you to eat. I hope everyone is ok. Put anything in my stocking I am not picky. I had fun wrapping all the other presents. Could you slip in a little something for my family. I had fun writing this letter to you by.

From Lindsey Sims

**Happy Holidays**

The season is the reason for wishing you the very best!

**Sherman County Farm Bureau**

**CHEER**

Warmest thanks

**C & D Body Shop**

All the blessings of the season to you and your family. We hope that you will find peace and contentment this Christmas and always.

**Moore Implement**

**Joey**

May the joys of thjs Holy Season fill your hearts. Good tidings to our fine friends and patrons.

**A & I Parts Center & G & W Industrial Supply**

**Christmas Blessings**

Hope your Christmas is bright with love and joy. We thank you for your support.

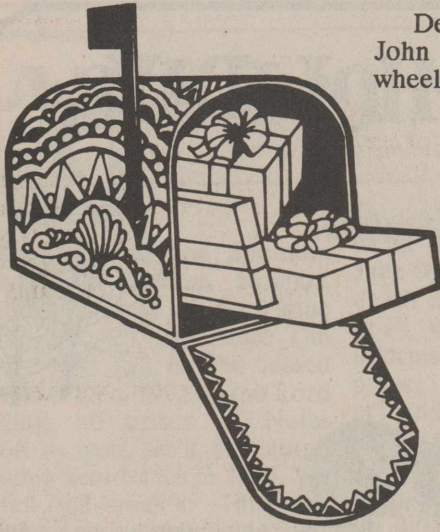
**Brooks Video**

**Joyous Noel**

Never too cold for kindness, never too deep the snow... To wish you the merriest Christmas our good Lord can bestow!

**The Stratford Star**





Dear Santa, I would like a John Deere tractor with dual wheels. I love you,

Trenton Boyd

**Joy and peace**

Dear Santa  
I would like a lathe, Dallas Cowboy string hat, rock tumbler, Dallas hooded sweatshirt, Dallas sweat pants, electric blanket, Dallas blanket finished

Wesley H.

Dear Santa  
How is the North Pole, will you get me a forweller and I want one. Are your elves working like they yously do.

Skylar

Dear Santa  
I want a geigbase and a cadio base and lots and lots of gioigmen.

Craig Moore

Dear Santa  
I want some new hand cufs, and a new bike, and an new basketball and a new football, and a new Dallas cowboy sert

Nicholas

Dear Santa  
How are you doing up there? Is it cold How is Mrs. Santa? I would please like a Saga Geneses with the superscoop and the games, Battlecrach, supersonic 2, terminator 2 and Predator 2, and a game genie and a 100 remeton.

P.S. Say high to all of the reinders and Mrs. Santa Claus.

Meri Christmas

Jesse Porras Jr.

Merry Christmas  
**Bain**  
**Tire**

Scot Plunk

Dear Santa  
I want a Nintenda game Tetrer. I want a remot control car please bring me the surf truck. Mary Christmas Santa

Mero Holguin

Dear Santa  
I want some moeny to buy boots, also I want a super nintendo and saga genaseses. I would like games vrda games with it. I also want Hook. P.S. Please bring me a surprise.

love Trisha Tieg

Dear Santa, Dear Santa I would like to tell you what I want for cristmas this is what I would like to start with a hours, gufywach, mous houseshuos, and some new buchume pents and a bibal.

From Jessica

Dear Santa  
I have been a good boy. I want a sega genices I would like a race care track. I want a real run. Some football basketball and baseball cards. New clothes.

Adam Bell

Dear Santa, I want a video game watch, a robot, Bruno, marble works, and a lazer gun.

Your friend, John

Dear Santa  
I hope you will bring me a SAGA Gineses or a Super Nintindo. I have been a good boy this year. I also want games for the SAGA Gineses. I want Game Genie, Sonice the heghog 2, and towgam and earl. Please get me those presents.

Jaret Pemberton

Dear Santa  
I been a good boy this year please bring me a super nintendo game. Bring me super custle vanniaha. And please bring me super scop 6 in Super nintendo. And please bring me super r. Type. An Mary Christmas.

Javier Licon

Dear Santa  
I would Like lots of presents this Christmas these are the list of things computer a pet cat and a miner bird aa barby a talking baby alive, makeup kitty suppies, markers, new snow boots and a bike other stof to and mybe 4 cats insted. Thank you.

Tracy Tobias

Dear Santa  
For Christmas I would realy like to have a 4 wheller or a go cart. I know I have been realy good. I hope you don't mind that I'm going to tell you what I want in my stocking. I would like a Buty and the Beast movie. and some chapstikk and a stickerbook. I hope I am not asking to much.

Marca Ewers

**NOEL**

Rejoice! May this holy time recall His clear message of Christmas love to all!

**Allen Insurance Agency**

Dear Santa  
I would like to have a book about Dinosaur, Dinosaur kit, a wooden duck, Bruno the bad dog, a shirt with a real picture of a raindeer, and a wooden raindeer. thank you

Love, Dylan Everett

Dear Santa  
I want roller blades, books, segga ginus, collector doll, the great Museum Caper, clothes, Pricisos moments and a bing bag and also a little statue. I have been good these year. I can not think of eny thank else so get me so me thing I mite want. SEE YOU AT CHRISTMAS

Lori Wilhelm

Dear Santa,  
I would like Starla, a microphone for my F.P.S. Things to draw with some crayolas of my own and some coloring books.

Love Tiffany

Dear Santa  
I have been a good girl this year. I would like a barbie doll and ken doll. I also want a pair of shoes. I want a super nintendo. I love you Santa Claus. I also want a wihte teddy bear.

Lara Shafer

Dear Santa  
My name is David Cochran. I want Super Nintendo, Super Nintendo games, T.V. vcr, 10 speed bike, 4 wheeler, super soaker 200, CD player and CD's That's all I want for Christmas. I hope you can get the munch.

See ya soon, David

Dear Santa  
for christmas I want a chairbed, Marl-Mart truck, a fireset, 2 pair of pjays, 2 bones for my dog, and some new clothes, please. And thats all I want, Thank you

Timothy

Dear Santa  
I wish I had a 22 gun, I also want a remote controll car. I wish that I had a sega ginisis. With sonic two and I wish I had a pistol. And I also want a billoin dollars. Will you get me a tape of predator. And the Terminator movie.

Gabe Crockett

Dear Santa  
I have tried to be a good girl this year. I would like to bring me roller skates, a baby all gone, a paper tablet to write on and wamr winter clothes. I will leave you some fudge and eggnog in the kitchen.

Love Emily Shafer

**Warm Wishes**  
Jolly good wishes for a Merry Christmas, to all good folks everywhere!

**Thriftway**

*Christmas Joy*  
Along with the magic of the season, goes our thanks.

**Duncan Chevrolet**

**Greetings**

May your holiday season be bright with joy and happiness!

**THE General Store**

*Joy*

May peace, hope and love be with you today, tomorrow and always.

**Browns Meat Locker**

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**

Here's hoping jolly old Santa has you on his list. We're pleased to have you as our customers.

**Stratford Chamber of Commerce**

**JOY TO ALL**

May this sacred season bring its finest blessings to you and those you love!

**Stratford Printing**



Dear Santa  
My name is Derek. I've been pretty good this year. I would really like a new bike and maybe a radio control car. My little sister Katie wants a bike too and a new baby doll. We'll leave some milk and cookies for you. Hope you have a safe trip!

Love Derek & Katie Blain

Dear Santa  
I want a Dalls Cowboy pocket knife, twenty sideline Dallas Cowboy tickets, a Dallas Cowboy sweatshirt, Dallas cowboy Replica helmet, Dallas Cowboy shoes, Dallas cowboy jacket, Dallas Cowboy Limo, My own Dallas Cowboy Director's chair, Dallas Cowboy helicopter, Dallas cowboy private jet, Dallas Cowboy yot, Dallas cowboy motor cycle, Dallas Cowboy football, every Dallas Cowboy Card there is for Christmas. Thank you

McLain Pool

Dear Santa  
I want a roller baby, a baby alive and a micro phone, I also want a new book about babies and some clothes. PJs with Beauty and the Beast. I have been very good.

Love you April Kautz

Dear Santa,  
I want roller blades, new shoes, New games for by Game boy and Ninento. Also I want a puppy.

Thank you Josh Kautz

Dear Santa  
I want a pair of tennis shoes. I'd like a ken doll and barbie doll. I have tried to be a good girl this year. I also want a barbie car.

From Lara

Dear Santa Claus  
I would like a big train I've been a good boy. Have a Merry Christmas

Love Jason R

Dear Santa Claus  
I want a crimp and curl baby doll for Christmas. Also a Baby alive. I been a good girl

Priscilla

Dear Santa Claus  
I would like a pretty Crimp curl for Christmas

Amber

Dear Santa  
Supernintendo and a remote control car.

Luis

Dear Santa Claus  
I want a Starlight, pretty crimp and curl. I would like a lunch box, Barbie, Barbie motor home.

Tiffany

Dear Santa  
I want a motorcycle, a remote control trucifafootball. supernintento.

Geovany

Dear Santa Claus  
I would like a Barbie motor home for Christmas.

Stephanie Washburn

Dear Santa  
I would like the videos and davemote control car

Terence

Dear Santa Claus  
I would like a remote control race car. I've been a good boy, love your friend

Brian

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a doll, dog, a football, a super nintendo, a big train, pretty crimp and curl a real horse for Christmas. I've been a good girl. Have a Merry Christmas your friend

Kristina

Dear Santa Claus  
I've been a good girl Have a Merry Christmas. I want a Barbie motor home, a lunch box. I wanta pretty chrandcurl.

Love Angela

Dear Santa Claus  
I would like a for Christmas I've been a good boy. Have a Merry Christmas! \*football suit, sandblaster, and super nintendo.

I want a supernintendo and a trol King Barbie.

Dear Santa Claus  
I would like shoes, army jeep and a workshop.

Manuel M.

Dear Sant Claus  
I would like a football supernintendo, a sandblaster

Jason A

I've been a good boy. Dear Santa Claus, I would like a super Nintendo and a vegylav Niniggodn Your friend Josh W. I would also like the movie Jason takes Manhatten football suit motorcycle

Have a merri Christmas! Barbie I would also like to the ply do the movie I've been good.

Jamie

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a real horse and calves for Christmas I've been a goo girl. Have a Merry Christmas Love Alisa and I want a real black cowboy hat too Arisa.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a Crimp and Curl for Christmas. I've been a good girl

Love Lindsay

Dear Santa Claus  
I want a presents fer me Santa, I want a new mins, I want a nintendo, a want a lit brit I love you

from Kayce.

Dear Santa Claus  
I've been very, very good at school. I would like a doll.

From Mimi

Dear Santa,  
I've been very very good at school. I would like ball.

Your Jose

Dear Santa Claus  
I want a bike

Love Juana

Dear Santa Claus  
I've been very very gooD at school. I would lik A nintendo. I will leave you a present. I love you. I like you

From Carlos

Dear Santa Claus  
I want a snowmobile. And ire fons to Andakey bowrd and a hedr and a rander and a Crhistmastrey

Love Brad

# HAPPY HOLIDAYS



Greetings to you and all whom you hold dear.  
A Joyous Christmas and a Happy New Year.  
**Keener Automotive & Machine  
&  
Keener NAPA Auto Parts**

# GREETINGS

Here's wishing you the best of holidays with friends and loved ones all around you!

**Ellie M's**



O holy Night



Let us spread His message of peace and goodwill to all men.

**The Happy Painter**



Happy Holidays

What wonderful sights and sounds the Christmas season has to offer — we wish them all to you!

**Smith Agency**



Christmas Joy  
May all there is of Christmas be with our friends and neighbors this holiday.

**Country Cuts**



To our many good customers — we wish you the best of the festive season. Thank you for letting us serve you.

**Betty & The Girls**

**Betty's Queen O Creme**



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

**Smith & Smith Well Co.**



**NOEL**

Good health, good friends...all the best to you at Christmas!

**Coldwater Manor**



**Season's Greetings**

The simple pleasures of Christmas! May you and your family share in all its wondrous joys.

**Catherine Taylor, CPA**



**SEASON'S BEST**

We have enjoyed the first six months in Stratford and are looking forward to serving you in the new year.

Have a Happy & Healthy Holiday From

**The Stratford Family Medical Clinic**





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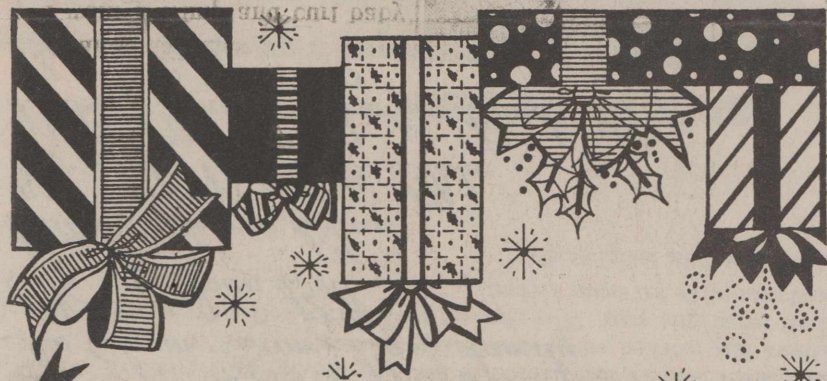


**Merry Christmas**  
Loads of good cheer to our many friends.

**Happy Holidays**

Wrapping up best wishes of the season for you and yours! We enjoyed serving you in the past and hope to see you again soon.

**Stratford Auto Electric**



**Merry Christmas**



With warmest greetings, we send to all our dearest hopes for peace and joy!

**Walter Lasley & Sons, Inc.**

Dear Santa, hope your salutations, hope your Christmas will be as good as mine is going to be. Right now you are very important to a lot of little and big kids. We are doing a play about Christmas. McClain Pool plays you. Hope your eyes are working hard so you can go out on your toy route. Merry Christmas. Santa Claus.

From Sid Resendes  
Dear Santa  
This Christmas I would like some roller blades of course and a game boy and lots of troll with a game boy and lots of troll with purple, pink, blue, red and green hair. I would like a new watch. And to add to my troll could ya throw in a talking troll and a new born puppy if my mom and dad don't care and most of all a great Christmas, bye Santa see ya next year.

Dear Santa  
Hi, how are you and your wife? Are your eyes working hard? This year, I would like a big T.V., VCR, Super Nintendo games, Nintendo game, five sideline tickets to a Dallas Cowboys game and a limo, 21 speed bike, CD player with lots of C.D.'s I would also like you to give homes and food for the homeless. A game boy, a limo, own football field, helicopter, private jet, own airline, play for Dallas Cowboys, morcyel, Z34 with C.D. player and home alone 2 and every Dallas Cowboys player trading card.

Dear Santa  
I would like a Happy Christmas. And I would like Super Nintendo. And I would like clothes. And I would like for the kids that are homeless to have some clothes and some loving parents too. And I would like a game boy. And I will like a thing called Discover 'The World of Manges'. I just want to know how Rudolph is doing is his nose going to shine on Dec. 25. I hope it does. Tell come I am going to watch for him. If you can bring him inside my house and to my room. Bring my cat a windup mouse. And stuff my stocking with a husky my favorite type of dog. Well I like writing this letter to you bye!

Dear Santa  
Your friend Christina

How are you doing? Are your eyes doing? I have been a good boy so I have a list of things I want for Christmas:  
T.V., VCR, Sega Genesis, Sega Game gear, homes for the homeless and food for them too. CD player, C.D's, Peace for everyone and love, Bike, Watch, 3 baseballs. That's what I want for Christmas. Merry Christmas  
Edgar Ortega



**Merry Christmas**  
**Jerry's Automotive**



**Family & Friends**  
Best wishes to friends old and new for the best Christmas ever.  
Thanks.

Dear Santa Claus  
I would like a toy train. Thanks  
Thomas

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a Sand Blaster, a super nintendo and a motorcycle.  
Thanks Austin Uien

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a crimp and curl pony  
Audrey



**Happy Holidays**  
Jennifer Sladek  
Peggy Green  
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**Olson Automotive**  
May your heart be filled with joy.  
Joy

**Season's Greetings**

Christmas...it's our favorite time of year, when we pause to thank our many good friends for their patronage in the past. Have a Merry Christmas.  
**North Plains Savings & Loan**





May you share richly in all the blessings of this Holy Season:  
The Joy of Christmas,  
which is love,  
The Gladness of Christmas,  
which is giving,  
The Glory of Christmas,  
which is salvation, and  
The Benediction of Christmas,  
which is Peace.

Lynn, Gail & Jamie Allen  
Ken & Kathie Altman  
John, Suzanne, Heather & Jason Ashley  
Tommy & Mattie Baskin  
The Elwyn "Sam" Bass Family  
E.R. and Joan Bell  
Bill & Sharon Blain  
Mr. and Mrs. L.B. Blake  
Mike, Penny & Trenton Boyd  
Baskin & Betty Brown  
Opal Bryant  
Scott, Dana, Carson, Haley & Hunter Buckles  
Bob Burgess  
Oline Caraway  
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Nettie Harding

Pat Pentland  
Lucille Phillips  
Mrs. Kenneth Pickens  
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Shirley Plunk  
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Madeline Reesing  
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Archie & Lorene Wright

Season's Greetings

Steve, Linda, Jennifer, Chris & Tyler Haynes  
Dwight & Joy Hester  
Flo Hudson  
Rex & Louise Hudson  
Buddy & Alana Jackson  
Russell, Leona & Bill Kelp  
Ken & Ione Kendrick  
Kenton, Nancy, Julie & Wes Kimball  
Jay & Armita Lane  
Gary & Elaine Lundberg  
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Hazel McBryde  
Fred & Marylou McDaniel  
Melvin & Martha Mitts  
Alda Mitts  
Bill & Selma Pendleton

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