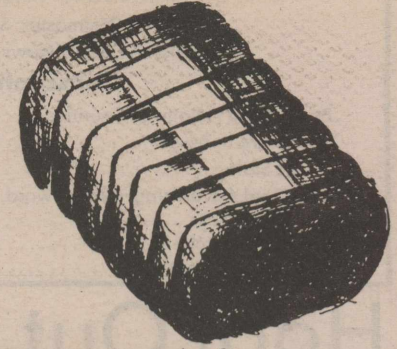
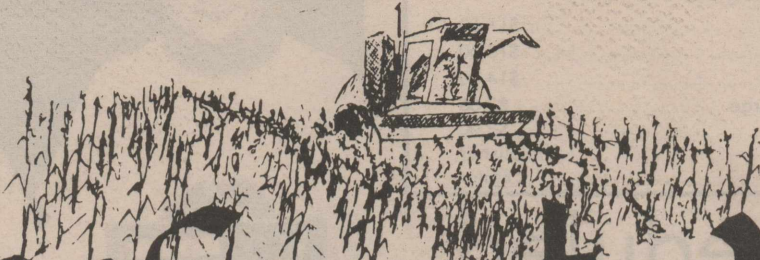


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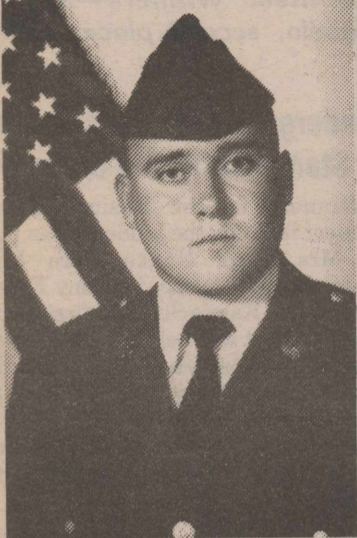


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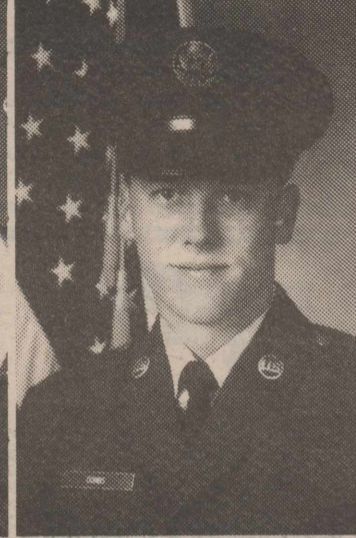
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Pv2 Jamie L. Frizzell



Cpl. David L. Schott



Sgt. Royce A. Combs

## Four From Silvertown Spending Christmas in Middle East

Four servicemen from Silvertown, three of whom are Silvertown High School graduates, will be spending Christmas in the Middle East. Letters received from them indicate they have been overwhelmed with the outpouring of cards, gifts and letters from their hometown friends and relatives.

Robert McWaters, son of Pat and Dale McWaters, is the most recent arrival of the four, having been deployed just last Sunday. His wife, the former Donna Tomlin, has been living with him in Germany but has returned to Silvertown because her mother had major surgery Tuesday.

McWaters' address is Pfc. Robert D. McWaters, 452-55-3177, HHB 3rd/17th FA, Operation Desert Shield, APO New York 09637.

The one from here who has been in the Middle East longest and is stationed near the Kuwait border in Saudi Arabia, is David Schott, son of LaQuetta and John Schott. He drives an AmTrak troop carrier which is an amphibious vehicle that can carry 20 soldiers from their ship to their destination on land. He has seen so many poisonous snakes, including cobras, that he sleeps inside the truck and pictures he has sent home indicate that he has a fairly roomy little apartment in there. They killed one of the hooded vipers underneath the truck.

Schott says the amount of mail and number of packages received from home have made him the envy of his Marine unit. He wants those

who have been remembering him to know how much he appreciates everything that has been done for him. His wife, Kim, is living with her parents at Claude during his deployment.

Schott's address is USMC Cpl. Schott, David L., SS# 449-45-1282, "B" Co. 1st Plt. 3rd AAO Btn., FPO San Francisco, CA 96608-5522.

Jamie Frizzell, son of Lynn Frizzell of Silvertown and Kathy Frizzell of Ralls, was the second Silvertown graduate deployed to the Middle East and he also is stationed along the Kuwait border in Saudi Arabia. He may not be many miles away from where Schott is based, but Schott can see the ocean from where he is and Frizzell can't. Jamie has written that he very much appreciates the mail and packages from home. He is in the airborne and was deployed from Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

Frizzell's address is Operation Desert Shield, Pv2 Jamie L. Frizzell, Charlie Co 3rd/187, 101st Airborne, APO New York 09309.

The fourth soldier in the Middle East is Royce Combs, son of Rev. Royce and Mildred Combs of Silvertown. He is in Supply, and has probably been in the Persian Gulf region the longest. He hasn't ever lived in Silvertown, but one of the letters he wrote to the employees of First State Bank said that he surely wants to come here as soon as he can to meet the people who have been

doing so many nice things for him since he has been in the Middle East. He also said that he is interested in "meeting any single girls here between the ages of 18 and 23."

Combs' address is Sgt. Royce A. Combs, 466-49-0197, 363 TFW/Supply, Deployed, APO New York 09853-0006.

A poster has been made at the Briscoe County Courthouse this week on which are all the pictures of the deployed servicemen. Numerous things have been done around town as reminders that "our own" are in the Middle East ready to defend against the aggression that is taking

place there. It is not known at this time whether there will be an all-out war, but January 15 has been set as a deadline for fulfilling the conditions of peace. It has been predicted that this war would last for "at least six months."

If you want to put items in the boxes that are mailed from First State Bank, you may take them to the bank anytime. They mail a box from there every Wednesday, or whenever there is enough to fill the boxes. Please continue to pray for these young men, our finest, and remember them with your cards, letters and packages.

### *A Christmas Prayer*

by Lawana Cruse

Another year has vanished and it's Christmas time again;  
It's time to stop and ponder, and remember all our friends.  
Now out here on the prairie, we don't ask for very much;  
A breeze to pump the windmills and loved ones to keep in touch;  
Food and shelter for the livestock through the raging winter storms,  
Good health for mind and body and protection from all harm.  
God, please protect our loved ones in the far and distant land,  
As they protect the land we love; please help us understand.  
We have so much to give thanks for, wherever we may roam,  
Dear God, please bless America, our pride, our joy, our home.  
And so we ask the age-old prayer, since back before Christ's birth,  
Please send our loved ones safely home and give us Peace on Earth.



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# Hoot Out Scheduled For Christmas Vacation

Silverton's varsity Owls and Owlettes will be hosting their annual Hoot Out December 27 - 29, and it is hoped that a large crowd of fans will be on hand to cheer the local teams to victory in this after-Christmas event.

Entered in the girls division are McLean, Alamo Catholic, Guthrie, Miami, Groom varsity and junior varsity and Cotton Center. The Owlettes are scheduled for their first-

round game with Groom JV at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday. The girls' consolation game is at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, with third-place to be decided at 3:30 p.m. and the championship finals at 6:00 p.m.

Boys teams entered are McLean, Alamo, Guthrie, Miami, Patton Springs, Groom and Cotton Center. The Owls take on Cotton Center in their first game at 8:00 p.m. Thursday. Boys' consolation is at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, followed by the third-place game at 5:00 p.m. and the championship game at 7:30 p.m.



**Kindergarten Stamp Design Contest Winners—Bryn Mayfield, third place; Brittany Fabela, second place, and Kassie Strange, first place.**

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**All Around The Town**  
 BY MARY ANN SARCHET

Just a reminder that there will be no Briscoe County News delivered to our subscribers on Thursday, December 27. Arrangements have been made for skipping this issue, because of the way the holiday occurs and personal plans for the holiday.

We will be spending part of Christmas with my brother's family in Tulia and part with our kids here in Silverton. Our grandchildren are looking forward to celebrating Christmas in their home here for the first time.

We hope you have a happy, healthy holiday with the ones you love. Part of what Christmas is all about is being with family and friends.

Another reminder: there will be no regular UPS pickup or delivery on Monday, December 24, or Tuesday, December 25. There also will be no pickup or delivery on Monday, December 31, or Tuesday, January 1. Merry Christmas, all!

## Kindergarten Winners Named In Stamp-Designing Contest

Winners in the Design-a-Stamp Contest held for the kindergarten class of Mrs. Tina Nance were Bryn Mayfield, third place; Brittany Fabela, second, and Kassie Strange, first place.

The contest was held during the week the kindergarten class studied community helpers. They visited the post office during this study.

Each winner received a Stamp Collecting Kit from Postmaster Larry Ward.

## Post Office Announces Holiday Work Schedule

The Silverton Post Office announced its holiday schedule this week.

The window will close at 12:30 p.m. on Christmas Eve, Monday, December 24, and will remain closed Tuesday, December 25. It will re-open at 8:00 a.m. Wednesday, December 26.

All customers are urged to call for their packages Monday morning and place their outgoing mail in the outside drop box after 12:30 p.m. on Christmas Eve.

Plans at this time are for the same schedule for the New Year's holiday.

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attended the wedding of Linda Malloy, a former roommate of Carol's. Carol was a bridesmaid in the wedding and Donna was organizer and director of the wedding and reception.

**Go Owls!**  
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**MAY YOU HAVE  
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Christmas: On Christmas Day the Child was born, on Christmas Day in the morning; He trod the long way, long and forlorn, He wore the bitter crown of thorn.

His hands and feet were torn, He died at last the death of scorn, but through His coming death was slain, that you and I might live again.

For this the Child of the maid was born, on Christmas Day in the morn.

Christ Jesus was born in a stable—a birthplace of humblest degree, so that no one could say, "I am poorer, more lacking in comfort than He." His

**All Elected, Appointed  
Officials Required to File  
Statement Before Taking Oath**

An amendment to the State Constitution requires all elected and appointed officials in Texas to file a written statement before taking the oath of office, Secretary of State George Bayoud said.

In November 1989, Texas voters approved the constitutional amendment that changed the language of the official oath of office administered statewide, Bayoud said.

The amendment removed the bribery provision in the oath of office required of elected and appointed officers and placed the bribery provision in a written oath that officeholders must sign and file with the secretary of state's office.

"The 1989 constitutional amendment affects thousands of newly-elected, re-elected and appointed officers across the state," Bayoud said. "It is imperative that all officers and local and state government officials be aware of this change in the law."

State and local officers who were appointed or elected after December 5, 1989 must comply with the new law, Bayoud said.

On November 6, hundreds of statewide, district and county officeholders across Texas were elected or re-elected.

The constitutional amendment, in effect, has divided the swearing-in procedure required of all elected and appointed officers in Texas into two parts—the statement of officer to be filed with the secretary of state's office and the oath of office.

For more information on the new law or to obtain a copy of the written statement, call Linda Stout with the secretary of state's office at 512-463-5654.

mother in swaddling bands wrapped Him—the wardrobe of one, the Divine, that no one could say of His garment, "Christ's garments were better than mine." His home and his comforts were borrowed, no pillow for resting His head, but He lived and he suffered and sorrowed to give us true comforts instead.

In glory His wealth had been boundless; He laid all these riches aside, that we might have riches eternal, and with Him forever abide.

Everywhere, everywhere, Christmas tonight! Christmas in the land of fir-tree and pine. Christmas in the land of the palm tree and vine. Christmas where snow peaks stand, solemn and white. Christmas where cornfields lie sunny and bright. Everywhere, everywhere, Christmas tonight. Christmas where children are hopeful and gay. Christmas where old men are patient and gray. Christmas where peace like a dove in its flight, broods o'er brave men in the thick of the fight. Everywhere, everywhere, Christmas tonight!

For the Christ Who comes is the Master of all, no palace too great, no cottage too small; the angels who sang for Him from the height "in the City of David, a King in His might." Everywhere, Christmas, everywhere Christmas tonight.

Then let every heart keep its Christmas within, Christ's pity for sorrow, Christ's hatred for sin. Christ's care for the weakest, Christ's courage for the right, Christ's dread of the darkness, Christ's love for the light.

Everywhere, everywhere, Christmas tonight!

Have you any old grudge you'd like to pay, any wrong laid up from a bygone

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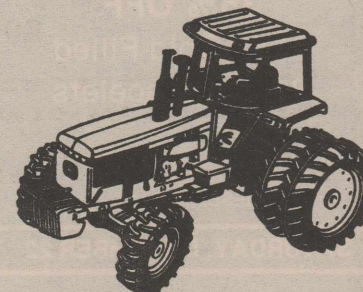
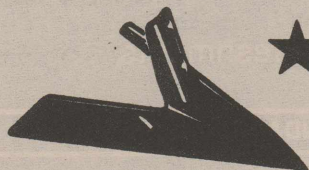


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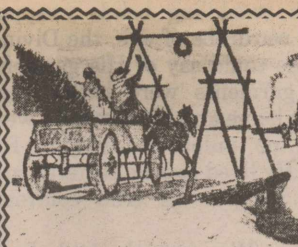




*Hear 'n and Nature Sing!*

*Merry Christmas to our friends. The nice association we have with you is one of the many things we have to be thankful for.*

*Mary John's*  
Flowers & Gifts



*Western Santa*

by Lawana Cruse

On the night before Christmas out West, so they say  
Santa loads up a buckboard instead of a sleigh.  
Dressed in tight-fittin' Levis and a shirt Christmas red,  
A white Stetson hat fits snug on his head.

Now, this western Santa don't dress up in furs,  
He wears cowboy boots and bright, silver spurs.  
He climbs in the buckboard and takes up the reins,  
For his magical journey over mountains and plains.

His chariot is pulled by six wondrous steeds,  
With Trigger and Champion taking the lead.  
And then there is Silver and Tony and Scout,  
And don't forget Ringeye; we can't leave him out.

They sail through the air without hardly a noise,  
Delivering gifts to good girls and boys.  
When their journey is over and they're back in the stall,  
Old Santa shouts out, MERRY CHRISTMAS, you all !!

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The Shafe Weaver home was selected as the first-place home in the Christmas lighting and decoration contest sponsored by the Briscoe County Activities Association. In addition to the rooftop cross and lights, the automated Santa riding a bicycle and Mrs. Santa turning out gifts for good boys and girls at her sewing machine, Mr. Weaver dressed up like Santa and rode his exercise bicycle in the display on the night of the judging. The homes were judged by anonymous judges who mailed a list of the winners to the Briscoe County News. No one else knew who the winners were until reading this newspaper.

Briscoe County News Photo

**OLGA WEAKS**

Funeral services for Olga Weaks, 94, of Friona were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday of last week at the Calvary Baptist Church in Tulia with the Reverends Orville Rogers and Mark Phelps officiating.

Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under the direction of Wallace Funeral Home.

Mrs. Weaks died at 6:50 p.m. Monday, December 10, at Prairie Acres Nursing Home in Friona after a lengthy illness.

She was born in Parker County and moved from Tulia to Friona in 1978.

She married Brad Weaks July 21, 1911 in Snyder. He died in 1929. She was a retired nurse and member of Tulia's Calvary Baptist Church. A son, Oscar Weaks, and a daughter, Mary Honaker, preceded her in death.

Survivors include a daughter, Zora Gaede of Friona; a sister, Theron Eubanks of Muleshoe; two brothers, Robert Kimbrough and Finis Kimbrough, both of Muleshoe; five grandchildren, and 12 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Len Gilmore, Gary Weaks, Victor Weaks, Robert Weaks, Doyle Eubanks and Max Eubanks.

**Boys and Girls Write**

**Letters to Santa Claus**

Dear Santa,

My name is Kevin Duncan. I am eight years old. I will have you some 7-up and cookies, or some milk. I have been a pretty good boy. I am doing better in school.

What I want for Christmas is some teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles and the party wagon, and their Master Splinter, also the Lego Pirate set, and the Ghost Busters. I would also like to have a GI Joe with rockets that really shoot off. Please bring my brothers something they would like to play with. Their names are Jeremiah and Jesse. And please remember all the other boys and girls in the world.

Thank you. I love you and I hope you are well.

Kevin

P. S. Please bring my mom something. She is a good mother.

Dear Santa,

I want a Nintendo tape. And the party wagon. And the Lego set Eldorado Fortress.

And the Turtles game for the car.

I am giving you cookies and Coke. Thank you for all this.

From

Ryan

Dear Santa,

Please bring me football pants, and a four wheeler. Some Legos would be fun too.

Don't forget my brother. We have tried to be good and not fight.

I will leave you a snack by the fireplace.

Love,

Eric

Dear Santa,

I am almost two years old and I have been a very good boy this year.

I love horses, cows, trucks and tractors. Please bring me something

like that for Christmas.

My brother Daniel loves football and he would like a Huffy Sonic Bicycle for Christmas. My brother Michael loves TMNT and would like to get the Turtle Sewer.

We will leave you a nice snack on Christmas Eve.

Love,

Mark Reagan

Dear Santa,

Please bring me some Barbie clothes, Candy Land game, Barbie Corvette and a Dolly Surprise. I have been a good girl this year. Next year I will be in kindergarten and then I can write my own letter instead of Daddy doing it.

Love you lots,

Kymerli Shalene May

Age 4, Houston

P. S. How about some snow in Silverton? It's been too warm down here in Houston.

Dear Santa,

How about bringing me a Cross-Fire game, remote control car, pool table and a dog. We will leave some cookies and milk out for you at Nana's and Big Daddy's house.

Love,

Anthony Douglas May

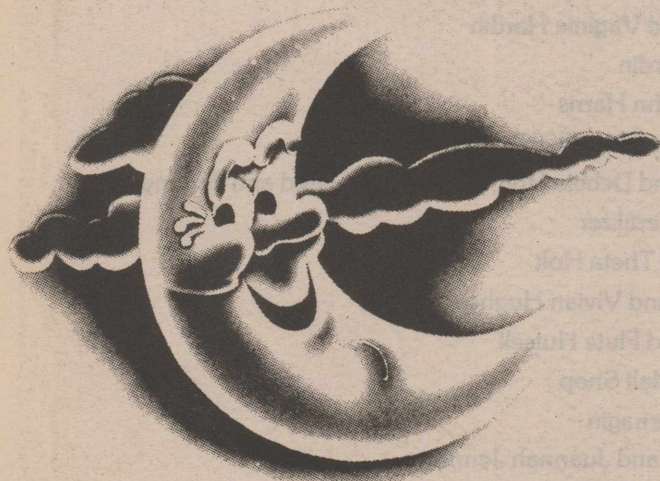
Dear Santa,

My name is Marc and I have been a good boy this year. I would like you to bring me a Turtle Sewer, that is all. My little sisters Kelli and DeLysa are too little to tell you what they want but bring them a doll or something.

Love you,

Marc, age 4

P. S. Say hi to Rudolph for me.



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Jerry and Jealeta Baird  
Kerry Baird  
Walter and Bobbye Bean  
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Bill, Della and Brenda Boling  
Jessie Bomar  
John and Beverly Bowman  
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Wayland and Flo Fitzgerald  
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 John, Gail, Ashleigh and Trey Wyatt  
 Elvira Weaks  
 Roy Mack and Lois Walker  
 Aaron, Mary Lane and Rhett  
 Lois and Riley Ziegler



*Those whose names appear on these pages extend to you their personal wishes for your happy holiday season. They have donated to the L. O. A. Junior Study Club Christmas Fund to help pay for additional Christmas decorations for Silverton instead of sending greeting cards locally.*



## Sharing the Holiday Spirit With Your Pet

The holiday rush may become overwhelming for a pet, and owners can minimize a pet's stress if they follow these common sense guidelines from breeders of top show dogs:

- The best gift you can give your dog is plenty of love and attention—an extra walk or game of fetch will do wonders for a pet's holiday spirit!

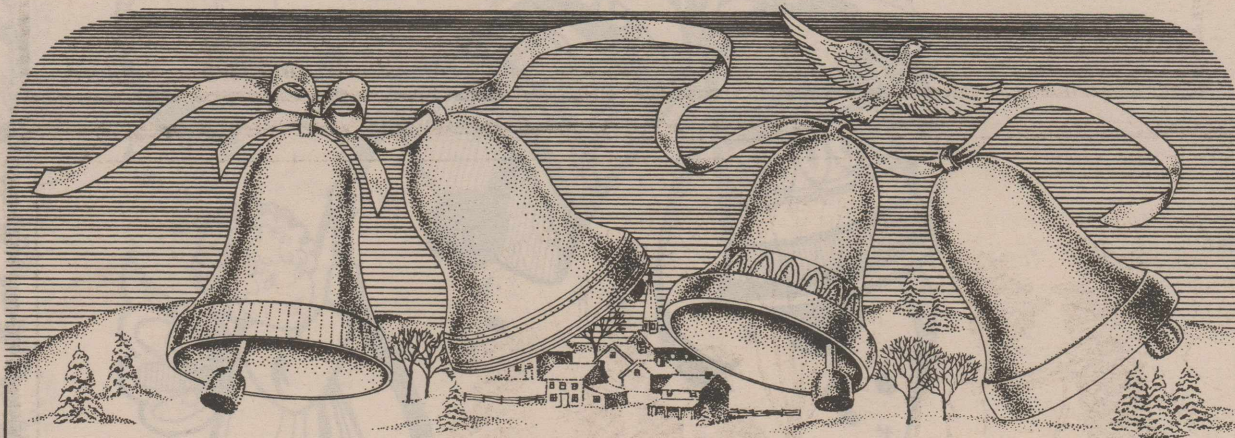
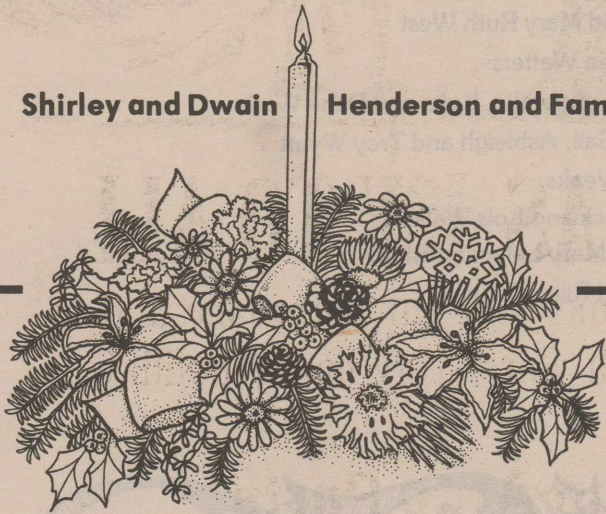
- Even though end-of-the-year festivities may alter your routine, don't interrupt your pet's normal mealtime



*Wishing you a  
Bright and Beautiful Holiday*

**SHEAR DELIGHT BEAUTY SALON**

Shirley and Dwain Henderson and Family



# JOYOUS TIDINGS

As the Yuletide bells resound, joy and laughter all around,  
Filling every heart and home with merriment and cheer.  
What better time for us to say, "Thanks to you in every way.  
May this Christmas holiday be the start of a great year."

**GARVIN OIL COMPANY**

schedule. Dogs need to maintain their regular eating habits. Avoid overindulging your pet, too, with holiday sweets and food from the table that may cause serious digestive problems and can be the start of a bad begging habit.

- If you can't resist giving your pet something special, give him a gift that will benefit him all year 'round. The holidays are an ideal time to start your dog on a combination diet of well-formulated wet and dry food. A mixture of meaty canned dog food and a crunchy dry dog food provides increased eating enjoyment and a healthy nutritional balance for your dog. Many breeders recommend a mixture of complementary canned and dry foods, like Pedigree brand dog food and new Pedigree Mealtime dry food. The meat supplies necessary vitamins and oil content, while the grains help keep teeth clean and air in digestion. Together, they promote good condition in terms of both weight and coat.

- Frequent holiday visitors and unfamiliar noises may affect your dog. A frolic outdoors before company arrives serves as a good way to keep him mellow.

- Recommended for your pet's holiday gift list are playthings that are either chewable and digestible or virtually indestructible. Rawhide chew toys, sturdy plastic squeak toys and tennis balls all will bring joy into your dog's life.

- It's a good idea to look into gifts that also will benefit the owner. A leash and collar with an identification tag will help ensure that your dog won't be spending his holidays out in the cold.

The holidays, after all, should be enjoyed by everyone. And that should include your most loyal companion.

### In the Cards —

#### A Game For Get-Togethers

The saying that life begins at 50 has more truth to it today than ever before. As the fastest-growing segment of the population, older Americans are looking for ways to be more social and more active than ever — so how can you choose a fun holiday gift to fit their lifestyles?

"When people work hard they want to spend their recreation time enjoying themselves comfortably with friends," says Jeff Conrad, corporate games designer for International Games, Inc., the makers of the card game UNO. "Card games are great gifts because they allow people to relax and be sociable."



Conrad offers this advice for selecting a fun game for the empty-nester or senior on your Christmas list: "First, choose a game that has a good 'look' to it — games have to be of a professional quality and be well-crafted. The demand for high standards of quality comes from experiences of youth.

"Second, select a game that is legible. There's nothing more frustrating to a social group of people than struggling over hard-to-differentiate numbers, letters, and colors." Skip-Bo, a card game for two to six players, has a sophisticated, identifiable and easy-to-read print that lets players concentrate on the combined fun of game playing and conversation.

"Third, games that have their roots in tradition are very popular among older game players," according to Conrad. "New twists on familiar themes are very appealing." Skip-Bo resembles double-solitaire but with wild cards.

"Above all, look for games that are easily enjoyable and promote lively conversation and some friendly competition," says Conrad. "People want to socialize and play at the same time."



#### Not a Partridge, But a Peacock

A royal Christmas meat dish served in medieval days was the roasted peacock. The skin with its brilliant plumage was carefully removed. The meat was baked, stuffed and seasoned with many spices. After it was partly cooled, the feathers were replaced and the tail spread out gracefully. The meat was rather dry and plenty of gravy was used with it. The honor of carrying the peacock was not given to a servant; instead it was carried by the most charming, distinguished lady present. The court ladies followed in her train as musicians played.

She mounted the steps of the dias and carefully placed the bird before the most honored guest. Each knight then came up giving a solemn oath as he placed his hand on the bird to perform some worthy deed.



## Smart Ways To Help Kids Learn

Finding the right holiday gift for a preschooler can be a challenge. Young children want something fun; parents want games that are educational; and gift-givers want to give games that last.

International Games, Inc. has done extensive research on creating fun games that aid children's development, which four years ago resulted in the award-winning "Games for Growing" series. More recently the company came out with the Sesame Street Travel Games for preschoolers.

Equipped with a brightly-colored durable carrying case, each game has three different activities that combine the characters



of Sesame Street with the fundamentals of the alphabet, counting and puzzles. They're available for around \$7 each at leading toy, drug and discount stores.

"Concepts and characters like Sesame Street are familiar to children and make them feel comfortable with a game," says Jeff Conrad, corporate games designer for International Games, the makers of UNO. "Making children comfortable is the first step in helping them learn, and once they begin to learn they have fun."

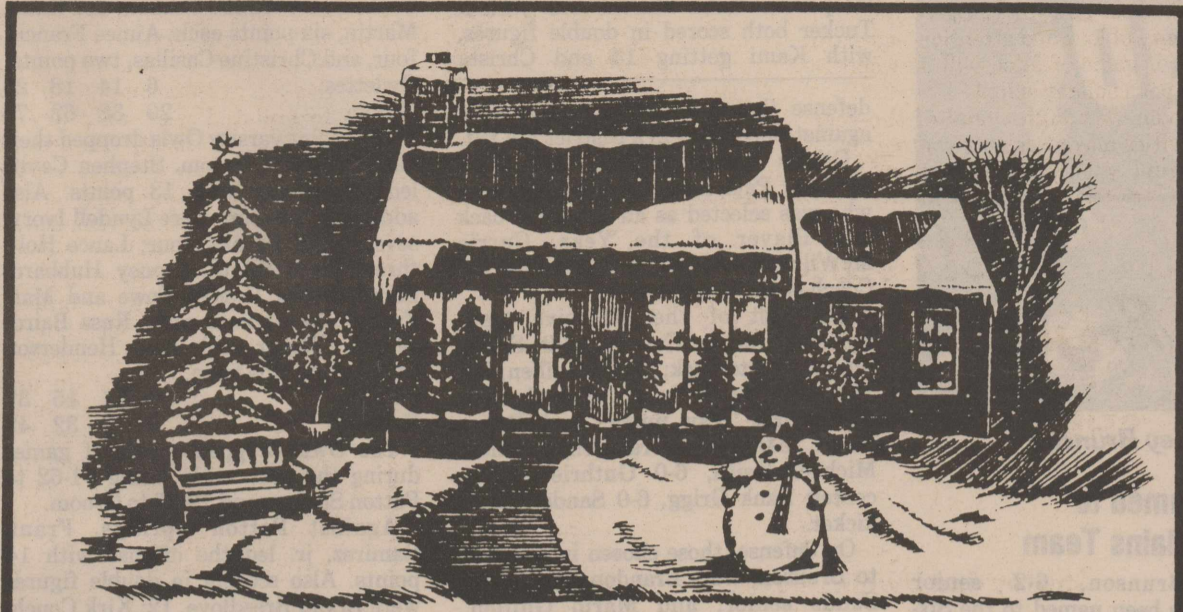
In deciding how to select a good game for preschoolers, Conrad offers this advice: "First, look at the

package and make sure there is a clear summary and illustration of the game. Second, read a game box to see how many people can play — the more flexibility in this area, the better. Third, the game should have

'lasting power.' Find a game that children can continue to play as they learn more.

"The most important thing a game can do is stimulate a child's curiosity," Conrad adds. "With the

Travel Games, children first learn their letters and numbers, then they can develop words and do basic math. Young players can observe and enjoy the process of learning."



## CHRISTMAS JOY TO ALL

With special thanks for your patronage and good will, we wish you a very happy holiday.

### Silverton Auto Parts

H. A. and Jo Cagle

Fred, Pat and Neal Edwards  
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*In simpler times of slower paces  
People met with smiling faces,  
Greeting friends while children played,  
And for a Merry Christmas prayed.*

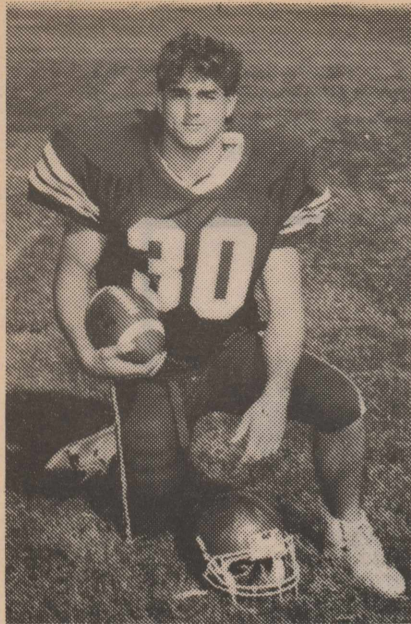
*May the holiday season bring you  
and your family happiness and joy!*

## Tulia Wheat Growers

BRISCOE DIVISION GIN

Gary House, General Manager





Bradley Brunson

**Brunson Named to All-South Plains Team**

Bradley Brunson, 6-2 senior linebacker, has been named to the Six-Man Football All-South Plains team. Brunson edged Smyer's Daniel Lee and Sands' Eric Herm for the honor. He recorded 121 tackles (including 87 stops), two interceptions and four fumble recoveries. He spearheaded a

**Owlettes Take Victory From Patton Springs**

The varsity Owlettes earned a big 60-23 victory over Patton Springs on December 11. Aimee Francis had the hot hand, and led her team with a big 29 points. Kami Martin and Christa Tucker both scored in double figures, with Kami getting 14 and Christa

defense that recorded a rare shutout against Three Way in a District 3-A tilt.

Others named to the elite team included Paul Morales, Jayton senior, who was selected as an offensive back and Player of the Year. Currie McWilliams of Meadow was named the Coach of the Year.

The rest of the offensive team includes Aaron Cowley, 6-0 Sands junior, quarterback; Mario Guillen, 5-8 Three Way senior, back; Efrain Guillen, 5-10 Three Way junior, and Bryan Black, 6-0 Whitharral senior, ends; Michael Keith, 6-0 Guthrie senior, center; Pank Grigg, 6-0 Sands junior, kicker.

On defense, those chosen in addition to Brunson, were Brandon Riddle, 6-1 Sands senior, and Mario Guillen, linemen; Fidel Villalpando, 5-11 Meadow senior, and Chris Borland, 5-11 New Home senior, cornerbacks; Clint Miller, 6-0 Guthrie senior, safety; Jessie Haros, 5-10 Three Way senior, punter.

adding 10 points. Adding to the score were Monica Arnold, five, and Amy Ramsey, two.

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|----------------|----|----|----|----|
| Owlettes       | 16 | 30 | 41 | 60 |
| Patton Springs | 11 | 19 | 19 | 23 |

The Owlettes dropped their match to Groom here Friday night, the score being 76-25. Scoring was by Christa Tucker, seven; Julie Graham and Kami Martin, six points each; Aimee Francis, four, and Christine Casillas, two points.

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| Owlettes | 6  | 14 | 18 | 25 |
| Groom    | 20 | 38 | 62 | 76 |

The junior varsity Owls dropped their game 42-37 to Groom. Stephen Cavitt led the offense with 13 points. Also adding to the score were Lyndell Ivory, seven; Josh Brooks, four; Lance Holt, three; Trent Smith, Stoney Hubbard, Lance Smith, Braden Towe and Matt Francis, two points each. Russ Baird, Wil T. Bomar and Zane Henderson rounded out this team.

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| Owl JV | 6 | 11 | 15 | 37 |
| Groom  | 8 | 19 | 32 | 42 |

The Owls dropped a pair of games during the past week, losing 71-62 to Patton Springs and 79-46 to Groom.

Against Patton Springs, Frank Ramirez, jr. led the offense with 14 points. Also scoring in double figures were Bryan Breedlove, 12; Kirk Couch, 11, and Casey Frizzell, 10. Rounding out the score were Bradley Brunson, six; Wayne Henderson, five, and Brian Martin, four points. Both Couch and Ramirez hit a three-pointer.

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|----------------|----|----|----|----|
| Owls           | 15 | 25 | 45 | 62 |
| Patton Springs | 17 | 32 | 52 | 71 |

Friday night's game was led offensively by Brunson, 13, Couch, 12, and Frizzell, 11. Also scoring were Henderson, nine; Ramirez and Breedlove, four points each; Martin, two, and Langdon Reagan, one. Henderson hit one three-point basket.

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|-------|----|----|----|----|
| Owls  | 10 | 20 | 35 | 46 |
| Groom | 17 | 36 | 55 | 79 |

Tuesday night, the varsity teams hosted McLean and after this the teams will be idle until the Silverton Hoot Out December 27-29.

**Winners Named in "Big Buck" Contest**

John Grady and Pat Horn were named the first and second place winners respectively in the Briscoe County Big Buck Contest.

The contest is sponsored by the Briscoe County Extension Ag Industries Committee.

Grady shot his deer on the Smith-

Cushing Ranch in eastern Briscoe County. He also is a resident of Briscoe County. Horn shot his deer on the Cherokee Ranch. He resides at Pittsburg, Texas. Grady received the 30-06 rifle and Horn received a handmade knife as the winners.

The Ag Industries Committee would like to thank all of those who participated and helped with the contest, and special thanks to Bronc Otis who scored the deer.

**Texas A&M Offers Computer Short Course**

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service is offering four in-depth computer short courses the weeks of January 21-25 and February 18-22 at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center in Amarillo. Courses will focus on developing spreadsheets for agricultural application using Lotus 1,2,3 and cash record keeping with micro computers utilizing the software package Quicken.

The registration fee for each course will be \$100. Spouses are encouraged to attend (\$100 fee covers both). Participation will be limited to allow hands-on computer use. Computers and the necessary software will be provided for the duration of the course. The registration fee will include a course notebook, example disks and two meals. All participants must pre-register due to limited space.

For more information, call Dr. Steve Amosson, 806-359-5401, or Curtis Preston, Briscoe County Extension Agent, at 823-2131.

**Tonya Clardy in Service At South Carolina Base**

Tonya Clardy, a former Silverton resident, entered the Army on November 15, and is in basic training in South Carolina. She is the daughter of Charlie and Virginia Clardy, and is the granddaughter of Joe and Elzora Gallington.

She will finish basic January 17, and will be going to Virginia and from there to Europe.

Her address is Pvt. Tonya Clardy, c 1/28 3rd PLT, Fort Jackson, South Carolina 29201. She would like to receive cards and letters from her friends here.

**Martin Family Has Pheasant Christmas**

A year ago, the family of Nina Martin decided to have its Christmas get-together on the opening weekend of pheasant season, and they did just that.

Gathering in the home of Mrs. Martin and her father, Earl Cantwell, were Joe and Ninette Zorger, Oklahoma City; Celia, Gary and Marshall Syme, Waxahachie, and their friend, Hoss Cartright of Dallas; Roma, Stan, Wayne, Ty and Bobby Martin, Grandview; Dana, Dorothy, Brian and Kami Martin, Silverton.

The hunters bagged a few quail and one pheasant as they enjoyed the opening day of pheasant season and later celebrated Christmas.

**Kassidy Ann Martin Celebrates First Birthday in Silverton**

Kassidy Ann Martin celebrated her first birthday at a party in the home of her grandparents, Arch and Sybil Martin, on Sunday, December 17.

Attending, in addition to Kassidy and her grandparents, were her parents, Mitch and Angie Martin, Lamesa; Robbie, Wayne, Tanner and Tatum Cartrite, Dumas; Dony, Michelle and Chelsea House, Tulia; Chris, Amy and Brett Welsey, Tulia.

*You are invited to a wedding shower honoring*

*Mr. and Mrs. Danny Perkins*

*on Sunday, December 23*

*from 4:00 until 5:00 in the afternoon*

*in the Pioneer Room*

*at First State Bank*

*Silverton, Texas*

*Hostesses*



*Peace & Joy*

*As the holiday unfolds in all its mystery and beauty, may you experience the warmth of the season.*

*Merry Christmas and many thanks.*

**Briscoe Implement**



# BLESSINGS TO ALL



*Fast away the old year passes,  
Hail the new, ye lads and lasses,  
Sing we joyous all together,  
Heedless of the wind and weather,  
Fa la la la la la la la . . .*

Traditional Welsh Carol

## Fond wishes for a Merry Christmas

*from all of us to all of you!*

### BRISCOE COUNTY OFFICIALS

Betty Stephens, Tax Collector  
James Edwards, Justice of the Peace  
Aaron Younger, Commissioner  
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Bryant Eddleman, Commissioner  
Beverly Bowman, Surveyor

Jimmy Burson, Judge  
Bess McWilliams, Clerk  
Sharon Pigg, Attorney  
Dick Roehr, Sheriff  
Janice Hill, Treasurer



# Trimming the Tree

This year when it's time to trim your Christmas tree, plan to invite a few close friends over and turn the evening into a festive occasion. Since it's a hectic time of year, think "easy" though, and just serve light but oh-so-satisfying refreshments.

A traditional favorite is a spicy

mulled punch, with a high quality "name brand" tea as the base. It is the ideal holiday beverage, especially if the weather is chilly. Give everyone a choice by making two batches and adding red port wine to one of them.

To accompany your winsome warmer, make a slew of Sausage Nuggets ahead of time, then freeze them until ready for use. This combination of Italian sausage, cheese, chives, dry mustard and a biscuit baking mix, serves up a hot and hearty hors d'oeuvre. Then, on the day of your little get-together, you can really embrace the spirit of the season.

### Mulled Ruby Tea Punch (Makes about 8 cups or 10 servings)

- 4 cups boiling water
- 6 teabags
- 4 cups cranberry-apricot drink
- Half small lemon with 6 whole cloves inserted
- 1 small orange, sliced
- 1/3 cup packed light brown sugar or to taste
- 1 3-inch cinnamon stick
- 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg

Pour boiling water over teabags. Cover and let stand 5 minutes. Remove bags. Meanwhile, in large saucepan bring remaining ingredients to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer 5 minutes to blend flavors. Combine with hot tea. Remove lemon and cinnamon stick. Pour into heated carafe. Serve hot in mugs decorated with orange or lemon slices if desired.

*Note:* Have ingredients ready and measured to make more punch as needed.

*Spirited version:* Add 1 cup to 1-1/2 cups red port wine to fruit mixture before simmering. Less sugar may be

Enjoy a holiday brimming with all good things.

J. R. & Gladys Steele



Trim the tree while downing a spicy mulled tea punch and hot Sausage Nuggets.

preferred.

### Sausage Nuggets

(Makes about 30 hors d'oeuvres)

- 1/2 pound hot Italian sausage
- 1 cup shredded sharp Cheddar cheese

- 1 tablespoon chopped chives
- 1 teaspoon dry mustard
- 2-1/2 cups biscuit baking mix
- 1/2 to 2/3 cup milk

Remove casing from sausage and cut meat into small bits. Combine in large bowl with cheese, chives, mustard and baking mix. Blend thoroughly. Add 1/2 cup milk and mix until dough forms, adding more milk if needed. Turn dough out onto lightly floured surface; knead 10 times. With floured hands, shape into balls about 1-inch diameter. Place on cookie sheet, about an inch apart. Bake in preheated 425° oven until browned, about 12 minutes. Serve hot or at room temperature.



May the Joys & Comforts of Christmas Grace Your Home

From our home to yours, have a great holiday. Thank you for your loyal patronage.

**BROWN HARDWARE**  
Mary and Carol Davis and Family



### Victorian Kissing Ring

Form wire into two rings of the same size. Bind packed moss or straw to the wire. Add evergreen sprigs, making sure the foliage is clipped neatly to prevent any contact with the candle. Pack a pad of moss about the size of a tennis ball to wire at the point where the hoops cross. Flatten this pad and wire the candle securely in place by winding a strong piece of wire in a spiral around candle's base. Spike the end into the wreath. Choose a candle which will burn down inside candle's center. Tie a few pieces of mistletoe with a ribbon; attach with a wire underneath the decoration. Tie a bow at the top. Hang with wire; it will be too heavy to hang to a light fixture. A real candle produces a fire hazard but if you prefer a real one, use a fire-retardant spray for the evergreens.



**Workers Announced For Silverton Hoot Out December 27-29**

Workers for the Silverton Hoot Out have been announced, and you are reminded that if you can't work at the time you are scheduled to get a replacement for yourself or contact Coach Bobbie Jenschke.

**CONCESSION STAND**

**Thursday Night, December 27**

9:30-12:30 Ruby & Julie Graham  
Waynelle & Kirk Couch

**Clean-Up Stands**

Wayne & Zane Henderson

12:30- 3:30 Dorothy & Brian Martin  
Paula & Wil T. Bomar

3:30- 6:30 Sue & Bryan Breedlove  
Kathy & Casey Frizzell

**Clean-up Stands**

Lance Holt & Russ Baird

6:30- 9:30 Pam & Christy Nease  
Martha & Stephen Cavitt  
Kami Martin

**All Clean-up**

**Friday, December 28**

9:30-12:30 Patsy & Braden Towe

Christa Tucker & Dorcas Garrison

12:30- 3:30 Donna & Aimee Francis  
Frank Ramirez & Lyndell Ivory

**Clean-up Stands**

Cecilia Castillo & Maria Garza

3:30- 6:30 Bradley Brunson &  
Matt Francis

Amy & Kayla Ramsey

6:30- 9:30 Shirley Henderson

Raye & Lance Smith  
Gail & Ashleigh Wyatt

**All Clean-up**

**Saturday, December 29**

12:30- 3:30 Ann & Brian West  
Connie & Jeff Smith  
Anita Ramsey

**Clean-up Stands**

Lance & Russ

3:30- 6:30 Sandra & Trent Smith  
Pat & Monica Arnold  
Christine Casillas

**Clean-up Stands**

Maria & Christine

6:30- 9:30 Janinne & Josh Brooks  
Carolyn & Langdon Reagan

**All Clean-up**

**CLOCK-KEEPERS**

**Thursday Games**

9:30 & 11:00 Clyde Parham

12:30 & 2:00 Bob Libby

3:30 & 5:00 Perry Brunson

6:30 & 8:00 Harvey McJimsey

**Friday Games**

9:30 & 11:00 Bob Libby

12:30 & 2:00 Clyde Parham

3:30 & 5:00 Perry Brunson

6:30 & 8:00 Harvey McJimsey

**Saturday Games**

12:30 & 2:00 Clyde Parham

3:30 & 5:00 Perry Brunson

6:00 & 7:30 Harvey McJimsey

**BOOKS-KEEPERS**

**Thursday Games**

9:30 & 11:00 Kathy Frizzell

12:30 & 2:00 Nancy Wood

3:30 & 5:00 Bob Libby

6:30 & 5:00 Bobbie Jenschke

**Friday Games**

9:30 & 11:00 Ronnie Miller

12:30 & 2:00 Bobbie Jenschke

3:30 & 5:00 Nancy Wood

6:30 & 8:00 Bobbie Jenschke

**Saturday Games**

12:30 & 2:00 Nancy Wood

3:30 & 5:00 Ronnie Miller

6:00 & 7:30 Kathy Frizzell

**Ice-Cream Fruitcake Decorations**

1 quart vanilla ice cream  
Maraschino cherries  
tinted whipped cream

Slice ice cream brick into 1/2-inch slices. Dip cookie cutters in cold water and cut out shapes in ice cream. Decorate tops with tinted whipped cream put in a pastry tube and/or bits of cherries. Place these on foil to freeze until ready to serve them on slices of fruitcake.

**Kids Send Christmas Wishes to Santa**

Dear Santa,  
I have been a nice girl this year. Please bring me some Barbie dolls and Barbie clothes.

My sister has been a nice girl also. She would like for you to bring her a baby doll and roller skates.

We will leave you some cookies and milk.

We love you, Santa.  
Kayla and Kendra McCoy  
Happy, Texas

P. S. We will be at Pop and Memaw's house in Silverton.

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a boy's bicycle.

Thank you. I love you.  
Dakota Smith

Dear Santa,  
I've tried hard to be good. Please bring me some candy and some toys. Please remember my brother, Danny, and my cousins, Magan, Matt and Butler.

Love,  
Ami

Dear Santa,  
I made some cookies for you, and I'm going to mail them to you. Let Mrs. Santa and the elves have some. Please bring me some Barbie clothes. Let Mrs.

Santa sew them. I also want some new books, please. I want something for my brother, Daniel, please. Bring him a Kermit for the bathtub. I live in the country at Flowergrove. I love you, Santa.

Signed,  
Holly Beth Gaskins  
(3 years old)

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me Pooch Patrol, Rattle-Me-Bones and some Ninja Turtle figures. Please remember that we will be at Nana and Big Daddy's house in Silverton and at Grandmother's and Grandad's farm at Lockney.

I love you,  
Preston Andrew May  
Age 6, Houston



We trim our trees with  
colors bright

In honor of that blessed  
night

When in a manger He  
was born

And with His love our  
world adorned

Sincere thanks and good  
wishes to all our cherished  
friends and neighbors.  
May your holiday season  
be a time of peace and  
happiness.

**NANCE'S  
FOOD STORE**



# O Come, Let Us

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 3:16





# Is Adore Him

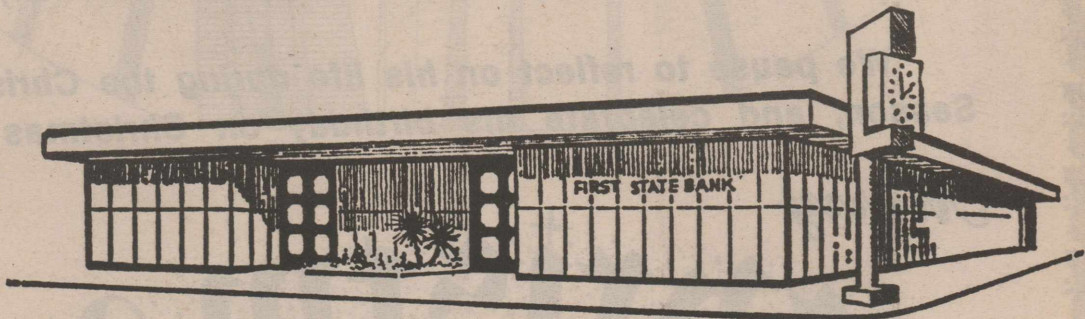
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## Parents Alerted to Dangers Related to Reye's Syndrome

Reye's Syndrome is a very serious disease that you should know about. Some people develop Reye's Syndrome as they are getting over a viral illness like a flu or chickenpox. Reye's Syndrome usually affects people from infancy through young adulthood; however, no age group is immune. It can develop three to five days after the onset of chickenpox, upper respiratory infection, or other fever-causing illnesses. It affects the liver and brain, is non-contagious, and is often misdiagnosed as encephalitis, meningitis, diabetes, poisoning, drug overdose or sudden infant death.

Typically, Reye's occurs when someone is recovering from a viral illness and begins to feel better. A person's life can depend on early diagnosis. Watch for these symptoms,

usually occurring in this order:

- Relentless or continuous vomiting
- Listlessness (loss of pep and energy with little interest in the environment)
- Drowsiness (excessive sleepiness)
- Personality change (such as irritability, slurred speech, sensitivity to touch)
- Disorientation or confusion (unable to identify whereabouts, family members or answer questions)
- Combativeness (striking out at those trying to help)
- Delirium, convulsions or loss of consciousness

Reye's Syndrome should be suspected in anyone who vomits repeatedly. Phone your doctor immediately if these symptoms develop. Voice your concern about Reye's Syndrome. If your physician is unavailable, take the

person to an Emergency Room promptly. Two liver function tests (SGOT, SGPT) can be done to determine the possibility of Reye's Syndrome. There is a 90% chance of recovery when the syndrome is treated in its earliest stages by physicians and nurses experienced in the treatment of Reye's.

Studies have shown that using aspirin or aspirin-containing medications to treat the symptoms of viral illnesses increases the chance of developing Reye's Syndrome. If you or a member of your family have a flu-like illness, **do not use aspirin or aspirin-containing medications.** In fact, you should consult your physician before you take any drugs to treat the flu or chickenpox, particularly aspirin or anti-nausea medicines. Anti-nausea medicines may mask the symptoms of Reye's Syndrome.

The National Reye's Syndrome Foundation (NRSF), the U. S. Surgeon General, the Food and Drug Administration, and the Centers for Disease Control recommend that aspirin and combination products

containing aspirin not be taken by anyone under 19 years of age during fever-causing illnesses.

Aspirin is a part of the salicylate family of medicines. Another name for aspirin is acetylsalicylate; some drug labels may use the words acetylsalicylate, acetylsalicylic acid, salicylic acid or salicylate instead of the word aspirin. Currently, there is no conclusive data as to whether other forms of salicylate are associated with the development of Reye's Syndrome. Until further research has answered this question, the NRSF recommends that products containing any of these substances should not be taken during episodes of viral infections.

The NRSF is a non-profit, tax-exempt organization with affiliates located in 45 states. The NRSF has pioneered the movement to disseminate knowledge about the disease in an effort to aid in early diagnosis and also provides funds for research into the causes, cure, care, treatment and prevention of Reye's Syndrome.

For a free brochure, write National Reye's Syndrome Foundation, P. O. Box 829S, Bryan, Ohio 43506 or call 419/636-2679 or toll free 800/233-7393.

### One Solitary Life

*He was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman. He grew up in still another village, where He worked in a carpenter shop until He was thirty. Then for three years He was an itinerant preacher. He never had a family or owned a home. He never set foot inside a big city. He never traveled two hundred miles from the place He was born. He never wrote a book, or held an office. He never went to college. He did none of the things one usually associates with greatness.*

*He was only thirty-three when the tide of public opinion turned against him. His friends deserted him. He was turned over to his enemies, and went through the mockery of a trial. He was nailed to a cross between two thieves. While He was dying, his executioners gambled for the only piece of property he had - his coat. When He was dead, He was taken down and laid in a borrowed grave through the pity of a friend.*

*Nineteen centuries have come and gone, and today He is the central figure for much of the human race. All the armies that ever marched, and all the navies that ever sailed, and all the parliaments that ever sat, and all the kings that ever reigned, put together, have not affected the life of man upon this earth as powerfully as this "One Solitary Life."*

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Although this poem has become popular in recent years, it is not a contemporary piece. The poem actually has tracings back to medieval times, and the poet to this day remains anonymous.

**We pause to reflect on his life during the Christmas Season, and celebrate his birthday on Christmas Day.**

Merry

**Christmas**

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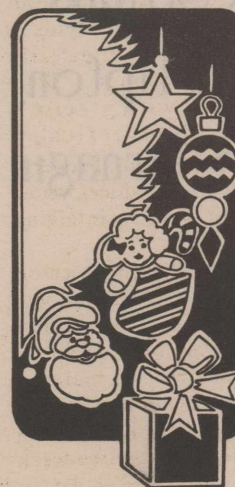
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**STRAIGHT TALK FROM TDA**



**MIKE MOELLER**

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER  
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OF AGRICULTURE

The Texas-Israel Exchange (TIE), begun in 1985, is the joint project of leaders from agriculture, business, government and the academic community in both Israel and Texas. The purpose of the program is to develop mutually beneficial projects in the area of agriculture. Here in Texas, we are using the water-efficient style of Israeli agriculture to show what is possible—and profitable—in the realm of intensive vegetable production, horticulture, aquaculture and other high-return areas of agriculture.

Arid lands make up 43 percent of the world today. Scientists forecast the same fate for more than two-thirds of the Earth's land surface in the next century due to global warming (the greenhouse effect).

Since Israel and Texas are on the same latitude and share similar soils and climates, there are valuable benefits to be gained through studying the advances Israel has made in dry-land agriculture, new crop development and innovative water technologies.

As global warming and increasing desertification of the world's subtropical regions become more of a problem, these semi-arid farming methods could take on added importance. This is especially true in the regions of South and West Texas, where the Chihuahuan Desert continues to encroach northward every year.

In 1987, TIE's first pilot project, the "Blueprint Farm," was launched. This model project, located on land owned by Laredo Junior College in Laredo, Texas, demonstrates sustainable farming techniques, serves as a showcase for new and non-traditional crops for which there is a clear market demand in Texas, and disseminates technical information to agricultural producers on farm technology suited to semi-arid regions. The farm is funded entirely with grants and contributions.

The farm employs a drip irrigation and fertilization system that carefully monitors the water and fertilizer needs of each crop and distributes inputs as needed. The secret is to irrigate the roots, not the atmosphere. Drip irrigation injected with precisely calculated doses of fertilizer (called fertigation) is fundamental. Properly handled, drip irrigation reduces water usage 25-50 percent while maintaining or increasing yields.

The Blueprint Farm teaches a lesson about timing as well as technology: Never plant for the peak season, but look for the shoulders of the season. Last year's crop of Israeli melons, tomatoes, peppers, and cut flowers had no trouble finding ready and willing markets, thanks to a two-to three-week jump on planting and specialized crop protection methods. The Farm's new methods have been copied by farmers participating in the Permian Basin Farmers Market Association, who grow Israeli melons for consumers in Midland and Odessa. In Austin and Devine, greenhouse operators, who are using Israeli technology and drip-irrigation equipment, produce specialty tomatoes, lettuce and peppers.

The Blueprint Farm has also become a demonstration center for cut flower production and marketing. Alone in the area, the Blueprint Farm raised gladiolus in the spring of 1989 on a half-acre plot. In time for Mother's Day, the farm sold them for 20 cents to 35 cents a stem. Eight cents a stem was

the break-even point to cover expenses. With an estimated total cost of \$10,500 to plant and harvest an acre of gladiolus (100,000 plants), a farmer's profit could reach \$6,100 a year per acre selling flowers. The following season, the farm grew over 20 new varieties of cut flowers, including iris, larkspur and snapdragons, most of which survived the 1989 Christmas freeze and were available in the marketplace in time for Valentine's Day.

The Blueprint Farm is also intended to demonstrate innovative techniques for the design and construction of farm buildings and a packing shed using low-cost resource-efficient building technologies. The buildings and associated farm structures are intended to be energy-efficient.

Interest in sustainable agriculture proliferates wherever water supplies must increasingly be shared with households and industry. Based on

TIE's success, 20 states now nurture similar exchanges with Israel in agriculture and other fields, including Florida, California, New Jersey and Virginia.

The TIE Farm will be open to the public and all interested persons on Friday, December 14 at 10:00 a.m.

Anyone who is interested should contact Nancy Epstein at (512) 463-7624 or Tony Ramirez at (512) 724-7567. The greenhouses are full of flowers and the narcissus, daffodils and lilies are already flowering.

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## Pancake Syrup "Secret Ingredient" In Holiday Baking

During the holidays, frazzled celebrants often work 'round the clock' wrapping gifts, decorating trees and entertaining guests. And while lack of available time can be stressful, when it comes to holiday baking, a missing recipe ingredient can be enough to send even the most prepared hostess over the edge.

Harried holiday chefs will revel in knowing that there's a secret to saving time — and last-minute trips to the store — one that's so obvious, people wake up to it every morning.

It's Aunt Jemima® Pancake Syrup, an everyday kitchen staple with a warm, maple flavor. While many holiday dessert recipes call for corn syrup as a sweetening ingredient, Aunt Jemima Syrup is being

used more and more as a tastier alternative.

Unlike corn syrup, which is used just for baking, pancake syrup is poured throughout the year on foods like waffles, French toast — even ice cream, cereal, puddings and pies. Because pancake syrup is readily available in most households, it can help reduce trips to the grocery store during the holidays when time is limited.

For people who love the taste of Aunt Jemima Syrup and are looking for some quick, easy holiday recipes, The Quaker Oats Company is offering a free recipe booklet featuring 10 tempting holiday treats that use Aunt Jemima Syrup instead of corn syrup. Recipes in the booklet include

Easy Maple Sticky Buns, Chewy Pecan Toffee Bars and Praline Pumpkin Pie, each sure to make holiday celebrations special.

Following is one of the 10 tasty recipes included in the booklet that is sure to shorten holiday hassles.

### Drizzled Vermont Cheesecake

Cream cheese and ricotta cheese provide a creamy backdrop to showcase the flavor and color of Aunt Jemima Syrup. The syrup drizzle adds a lovely lattice finish to this culinary masterpiece.

#### Crust:

1-3/4 cups graham cracker crumbs  
1/3 cup (5-1/3 tablespoons)  
margarine, softened

1/3 cup semi-sweet chocolate pieces, melted

#### Filling:

2 8-oz. packages cream cheese, softened  
1 15-oz. carton ricotta cheese  
1/4 cup sugar  
3 eggs  
1/2 cup Aunt Jemima Syrup, any flavor  
1-1/2 teaspoons vanilla

#### Drizzle:

1/4 cup Aunt Jemima Syrup, any flavor  
1 tablespoon margarine  
1 tablespoon sugar

Heat oven to 350° F. Combine crust ingredients; mix well. Press into bottom of 9-inch spring form pan. Beat cream cheese, ricotta cheese, and sugar at medium speed of electric mixer until fluffy. Add eggs, syrup and vanilla, mixing well. Pour into prepared crust. Bake at 350° F for 15 minutes. Reduce heat to 300° F, continue baking 45 minutes or until center appears set. Cool completely.

Bring drizzle ingredients to boil. Boil 1 minute; remove from heat. Allow to cool 5 minutes. Drizzle over cheesecake. Chill 6 hours or over night. 16 servings.

While using Aunt Jemima Syrup ensures quick and easy baking, there are additional ways to cut dessert preparation time and decrease holiday headaches. Following are some helpful suggestions:

- Cookie dough can also be made ahead of time and frozen. Thaw and bake as needed for fresh-from-the-oven cookies.

- No time for crusts? Use frozen or refrigerated pie crusts and fill them with prepared fillings.

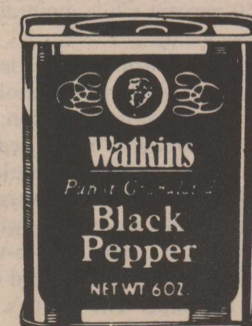
- Frozen bread dough can be a lifesaver for hostesses with little time to spare. Pop it into the oven at the last minute for a homemade touch.

- Try making bar cookies. They're less time-consuming and equally as enjoyable as drop cookies.

To receive a free copy of the booklet "Favorite Holiday Recipes with Aunt Jemima Syrup," send your name and complete address on a 3" x 5" card (before June 30, 1991) to: Aunt Jemima Recipe Booklet, P.O. Box 9815, Clinton, Iowa 52736.

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Silverton, Texas

# Merry Christmas

*Holiday pleasures and little treasures are what make this a time of joy. Thanks for the pleasure of your friendship.*

## FLEMING WELL SERVICE

Leo and Peggy Fleming





### Quilters To Meet Again on January 11

The Thursday quilting met on December 13 at the Silverton Senior Citizens Center, and invite you to come join them when they meet again on January 11, 1991. Visitors and quilters are welcome at 2:30 p.m.

Regardless of your age or whether you know how to quilt, you are invited to attend if you are interested in quilting.

### Rock Creek Club Meets in Frizzell Home

Rock Creek Club met with Margaret Frizzell on Tuesday, December 11, and spent the afternoon quilting. This was the club's last meeting for 1990. It has been a good year, according to the members, both for quilting and visiting. Five new members have been added to the club.

You are welcome to come and quilt or just visit with the members. The next meeting will be all day January 8, 1991, in the home of Nina Martin.

### Safety Belts Improve Your Odds in Vehicle Accidents

A safety belt won't keep you from having a wreck—but it will improve your odds if you do.

"Buckling up can make the difference between being a survivor and being a statistic. Members of the Texas Safety Belt Survivors' Club can attest to that," said George R. Gustafson, president of Texas Safety Association and a spokesperson for the Texas Coalition for Safety Belts.

Two hundred fifty Texans joined the survivors' club in 1990. Each survived a potentially life-threatening crash through the use of safety belts or child safety seats. Eight survivors had the extra protection of air bags, too.

"But a safety belt still gives the best all-around protection for adults, even if there is an air bag," Gustafson said. "We encourage all Texans to buckle up and survive this holiday season."

(Maintenance Project)

#### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE WORK

Sealed proposals for: Mowing Highway Right-of-Way located on V/A Highways in Wheeler, Collingsworth, Donley/Briscoe, Childress/Hall, Hardeman/Foard, Motley/Hall, Dickens, Cottle/King, Knox Counties will be received by the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation Warehouse/Shop Building located at:

1700 Avenue G, NW  
Childress, Texas

until Friday, January 18, 1991. Opening begins at 10:00 a.m. in the order listed above with opening every 45 minutes. Total of Nine (9) Contracts. Then publicly read.

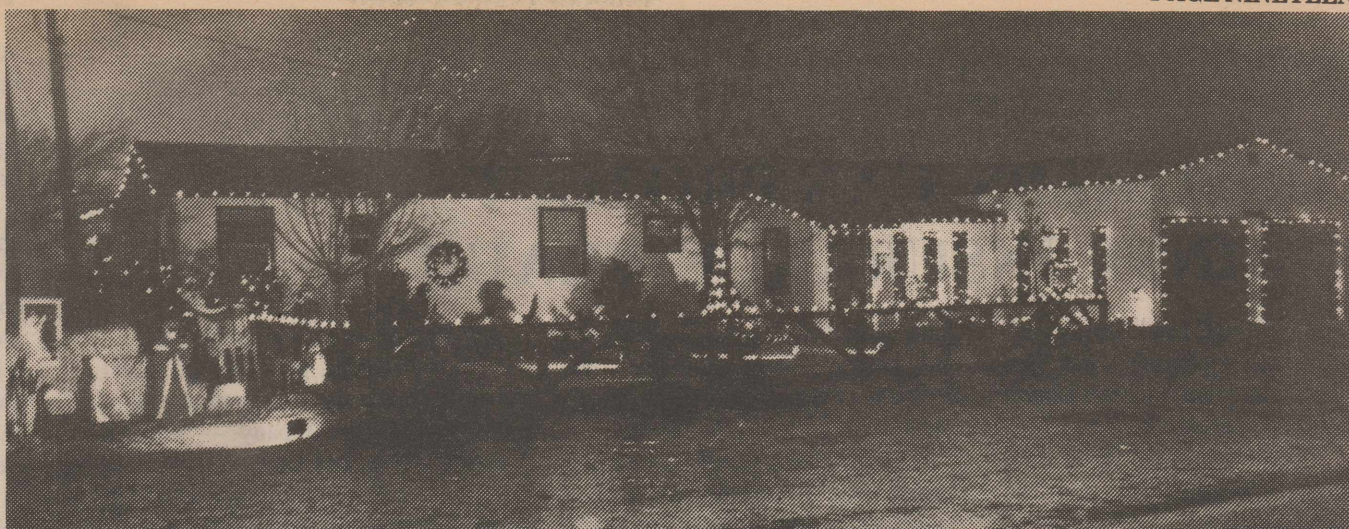
All prospective bidders are encouraged to attend the Pre-Bidders' Conference which will be held at the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation's Warehouse/Shop Building located at:

1700 Avenue G, NW  
Childress, Texas

Time & Date: 10:00 a.m. Thursday, January 10, 1991

Bidding proposals, plans and specifications will be available at the Maintenance Management Office at the address states above or you may call (817) 937-2571 ext. 165 to make your request.

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Good Luck OWLETTES!

Second-place in the Christmas lighting and decoration contest sponsored by Briscoe County Activities Association went to Lee and Ada Clay. Their home features a display of animated and still toys which the Clays have built themselves. They add something new to the yard every year. This year's addition included a nativity scene that is placed outside their yard fence.

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## INSURANCE ANSWERS

# CONSUMERS CAN PROTECT AGAINST INSURANCE FRAUD

Insurance fraud takes a variety of forms, including some that present an immediate and direct threat to individual consumers.

There are steps that a consumer can take, however, to avoid becoming a victim.

One of the most common insurance crimes occurs when an agent pockets a premium payment instead of forwarding it to an insurance company to secure coverage for a client.

In these cases, the victims never receive a policy from an insur-

ance company — or receive a fraudulent policy. They often learn they have no coverage only after filing a claim.

Of the 161 agents whose licenses were revoked by the Commissioner of Insurance in the fiscal year that ended August 31, 1990, most had pocketed premiums.

How can a consumer defend against this type of fraud?

First, try to do business only with agents who have a good reputation in your community. Talk to your friends, relatives and acquaintances

and learn from their experiences.

Second, pay your premium by check or money order made out to the insurance company — not the agent. Never pay cash.

Make sure you get your policy within a reasonable time. It must be an original; do not accept a copy.

Another form of fraud is "unauthorized insurance" — the sale of policies by companies and agents that are not licensed or otherwise entitled to do business in Texas.

Policies issued by un-

authorized insurance companies have no backing by Texas guaranty funds, which pay valid claims against companies that have gone broke.

Unauthorized insurers operate in the shadows, outside the law. Typically, they offer cheap coverage but cannot keep their promise to pay your claims. They seldom come to the attention of the State Board of Insurance until people file complaints after they are hurt.

It is easy to find out if a company or agent is licensed.

The State Board of Insurance has a toll-free consumer "hotline" where you can get answers to these questions. The number is 1-800-252-3439.

Remember, the questions you need to ask are:

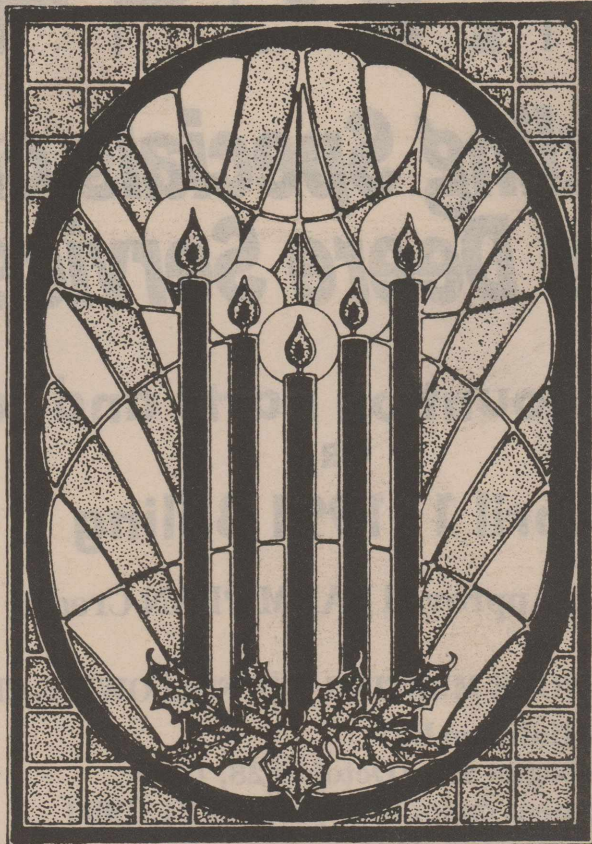
o Is this agent licensed? (It helps to have his or her full name and address if the name is a common one.)

o Is this company licensed to do business in Texas? (Be sure you have the company's exact name because some names sound alike.)

You are encouraged to report unlicensed companies and agents to the State Board of Insurance and to file complaints with the Board if you feel you have been victimized. All complaints are investigated.

Address complaints to:

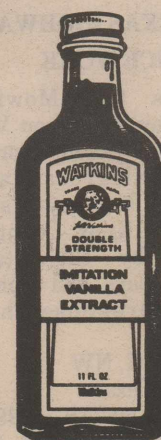
State Board of Insurance  
Complaints Division (016-5)  
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## Homemade Gifts for the Holidays

Who can deny the special feeling that's occasioned by the gift that's been made by the hands of the giver? And "kitchen gifts," festive foods and flavorings, are enjoyed all the more because they can be shared.

Flavored vinegars have just this appeal. They are easy to make, beautiful to receive and particularly delicious to serve.

The Consumer Test Kitchens of Heinz U.S.A., world's largest maker of vinegars, has put together a special collection of recipes for flavored vinegars that anyone would be pleased and proud to make and give. With the simple addition of herbs, spices and/or fruit and vegetables, Heinz Vinegars become *your* vinegars.

Eight recipes for making your own flavored vinegars at home are included in a free folder entitled "Making Flavored Vinegars." The information includes guidelines to ensure success, as well as directions for the vinegars and some suggestions for their use.

Some of the guidelines included in the folder are:



Gifts you make yourself have special meaning. These flavored vinegars Lemon Dill, Orange Mint, Lemon Thyme, Raspberry and Jalapeno Garlic, are truly distinctive.

- Fresh herbs are preferable to dried, but dried may be substituted successfully.
- Lemon or orange peels, strawberries, raspberries and pears are particularly good fruit flavors to use.
- Flavors develop in 2-4 weeks, depending on the recipe, but the process can be speeded up by bruising or coarsely chopping the herbs and fruits.
- Flavored vinegars add a new dimension to vinaigrettes and salad dressings, marinades and seasoned mayonnaise.
- Sterilized glass or crockery containers should be used.

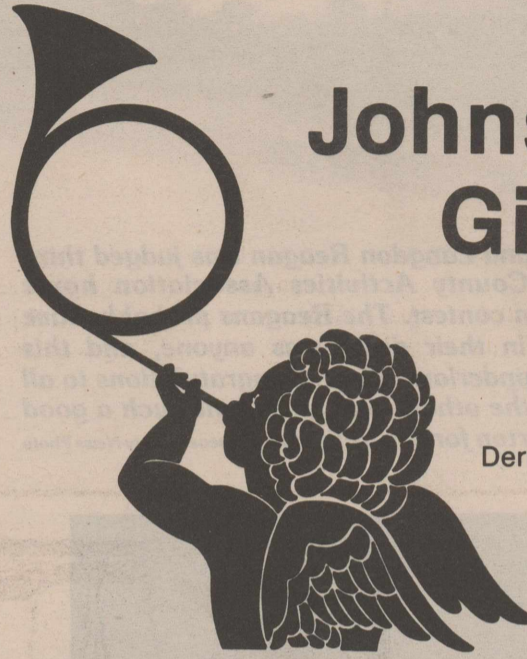
Single copies of "Making Flavored Vinegars" are available at no charge. Send a stamped, self-addressed

business-size envelope to: Making Flavored Vinegars, c/o Heinz U.S.A., P.O. Box 57, Pittsburgh, PA

*"...For, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy..."*

*Luke 2:10*

Warm holiday wishes to all.



## Johnson's Gin

Rex, Dorothy,  
Iva June,  
Derrel, Dixie and Ory

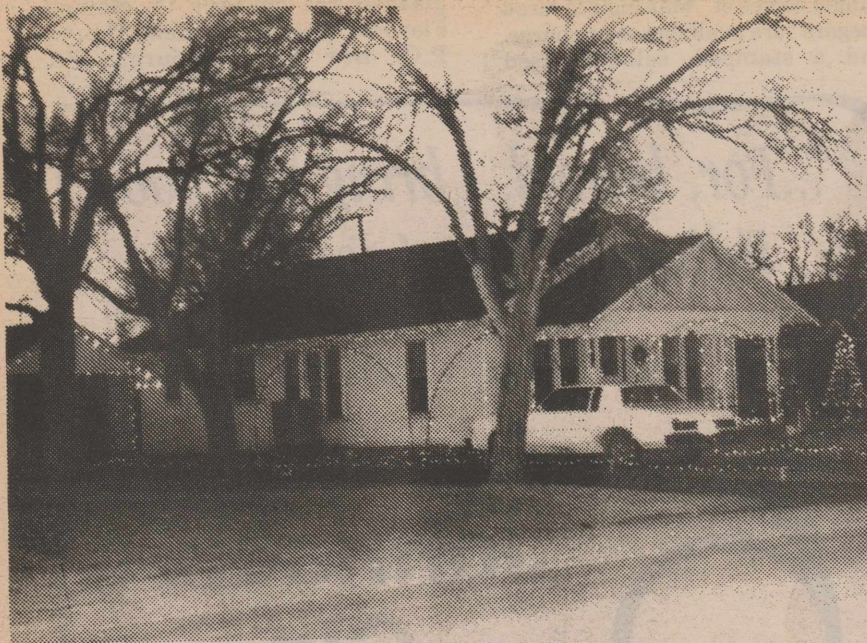


Dashing through the snow  
In a one-horse open sleigh,  
O'er the fields we go  
Laughing all the way...

Here's wishing all our valued friends and neighbors the best holiday season ever!

## Mid-Plains Rural Telephone Cooperative





The home of Carolyn and Langdon Reagan was judged third best in the Briscoe County Activities Association home lighting and decoration contest. The Reagans probably have as many light bulbs in their display as anyone, and this creates a Christmas wonderland effect. Congratulations to all of the winners and all the others who have done such a good job of beautifying Silverton for the holidays. *Briscoe County News Photo.*

## Looking Back

through the files of the  
Briscoe County News

**December 11, 1980**—Silverton Basketball Tournament opens this morning . . . Heavy rains fall on Silverton area . . . Valley loses 19-8 to Rankin in State Semi-Finals . . . R. A. Baird, 72, rites held Monday . . . Carman Juarez sang in the All-Region Honor Choir Concert in Lubbock Saturday . . . Local option election defeated at Turkey . . . Gym has new score clock . . . Bank accounts assigned numbers . . . Owls named to the All-District first team are Roger Cantwell, center, and Gary Juarez, linebacker . . .

**December 10, 1970**—E. E. Woods, 82, buried at Quitaque . . . Bill Strange has been named to the Class A All-South Plains football team. Alvin May was listed as an honorable mention for the team . . . Judo Clinic to be held here Tuesday . . . Joe Bob Watson and his daughter, Keri, of Abilene spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Obra Watson . . . Kirk Durham cut his chin in a fall on the playground Tuesday afternoon. The doctor took three stitches to close the cut . . . Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Frizzell are parents of a son, Jamie Lynn . . . Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bomar are parents of a son, Jason Randolph . . .

**December 15, 1960**—Celene Lanham is installed as first Worthy Advisor of Silverton Rainbow Assembly . . . Oscar William Stroup, long-time Quitaque resident, buried Tuesday . . . Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cole are new owners of the "66" Restaurant . . . Plainview Production Credit Association plans open house in Silverton . . . Ruth Ann Minyard injured her left elbow in a fall at school last week . . . Services conducted for Mrs. Lizzie M. Patrick, 82 . . . Mr. and Mrs. Sid Marshall are parents of a son, Randall Wayne . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ned Burson are parents of a son . . . Mr. and Mrs. Gail Bullock are parents of a son, Rodney Dale . . .

**December 14, 1950**—Funeral services Monday for Ernest Webster Leuty, 63 . . . Christmas lights are strung up in Silverton this week . . . Mr. and Mrs. Jim Stevenson and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Allard visited Sunday with their mother, Mrs. Minnie Stevenson,

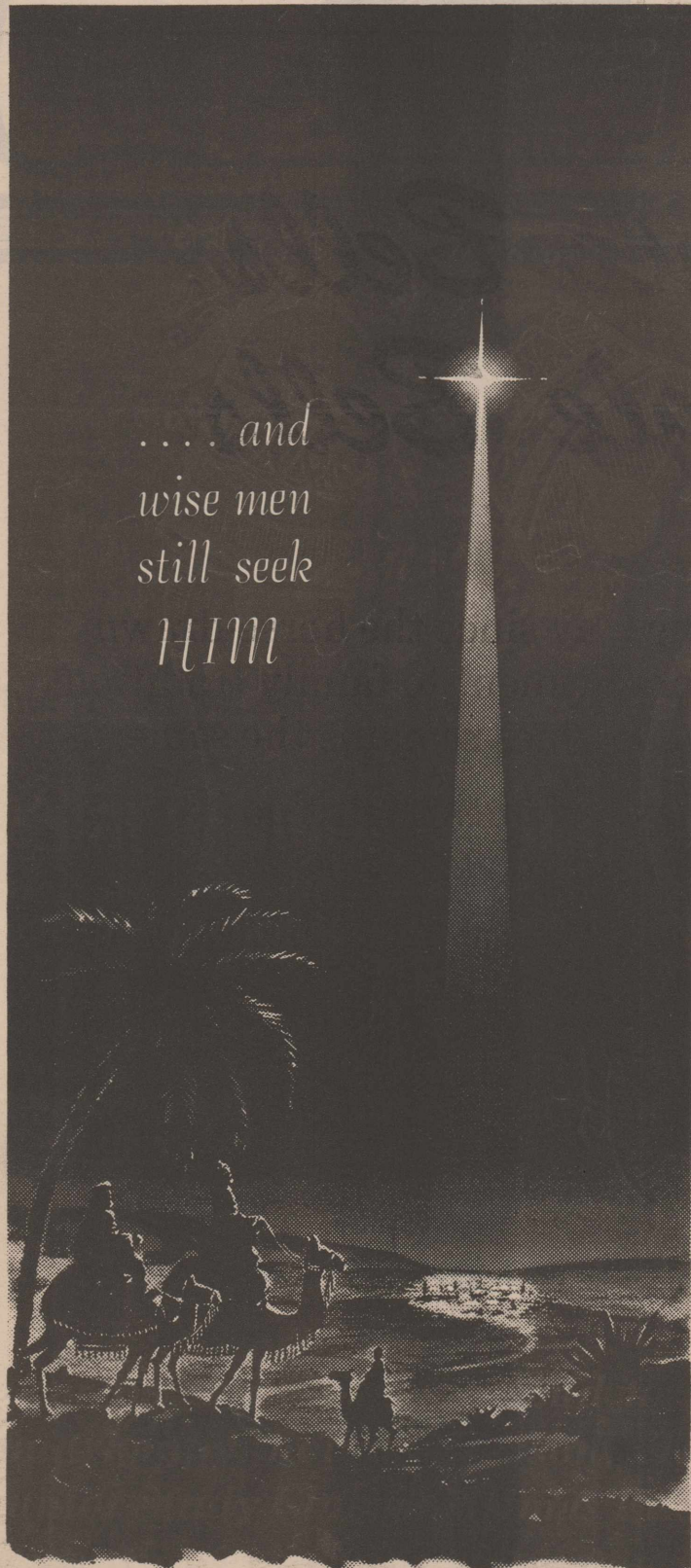
in Canyon . . . Mrs. C. C. Garrison will present pupils in piano recital . . . The three Lions Clubs, Turkey, Quitaque and Silverton, are sponsoring a Christmas scene in the foothills below the caprock, about two miles west of Quitaque. The scene has been placed on the hillside and lighted with Christmas colors, and recorded music will be broadcast over a loud speaker from this point . . .

**December 11, 1941**—Dear Santa, Please bring me a scabot and football. Don't forget the other boys and girls. With love, Walter Bean . . . Dear Santa, Will you please bring me a doll, a set of irons, a set of dishes. Be sure to bring me plenty of fruit and candy. Your little friend, Jo Marie Wesley . . . Dear Santa Claus, Please bring me a big sleepy doll, one that says mama with a pink coat and cap on. And please Santa don't forget any little boys and girls. I am five years old. Mildred Joyce Bean . . . Dear Santa, I think I am a good little girl and I would like for you to bring me a baby doll, one that opens and closes its eyes; a cradle for my dolly and a tricycle. Don't forget the candy and nuts. Jackie wants an air gun and Bobbie wants a wrist watch. I'll be looking for you. Linda Beth McDaniel . . .

**JAPAN FORCES WAR** . . . Quitaque Gin razed by fire Thursday night . . . Opal Weast is FFA Sweetheart . . . Dear Santa, Please bring me some paper dolls, a book satchel, and a bicycle. Also some nuts, fruit and candy. Love, Betty Lou Olive . . . Dear Santa Claus, Please bring me a BB gun, a boat and an army suit, a cannon, a train, and an army truck. Also some fruit, nuts and candy. Your friend, Carol Dale Davis . . . Dear Santa Claus, Please bring me some Levis, a cowboy hat, a wagon, a little car, some candy, fruit and nuts. Your friend, Walter Arnold . . . Dear Santa Claus, How are you? Please bring me a BB gun, an army set and a bicycle. Also candy, fruit and nuts. Love, Elton Cantwell . . .



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wise men  
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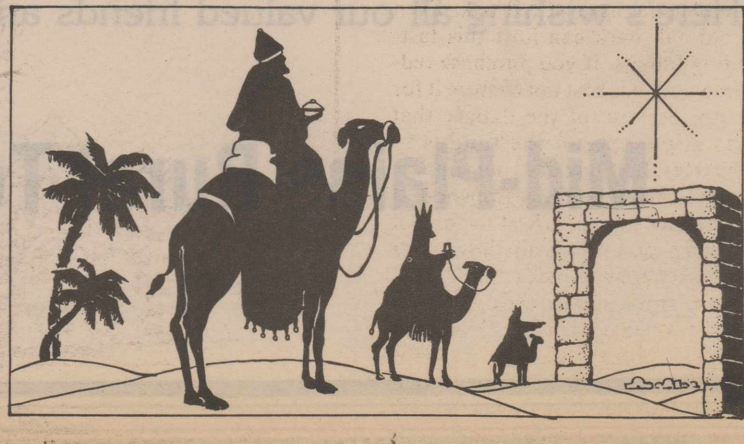


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**STRAIGHT TALK  
FROM TDA**



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It's that time of year again, when ads for firewood begin to appear in the newspapers. People with fireplaces and woodburning stoves begin to notice firewood loads for sale in pickups alongside the road.

When buying firewood by the pickup load, consumers really have no way of accurately knowing how much wood they are paying for because truck bed sizes vary depending on the make of the vehicle. Consumers should also be wary of firewood dealers who offer a quick discount for delivery of unstacked wood. When wood isn't stacked, there is no way to measure it accurately.

**There is a standard.** Most consumers don't realize that there is a standard measure of firewood called a "cord." A cord is not "a pickup full" or a "load" or a "rick." A legal cord is a well-stacked pile of logs that measures four feet high by four feet wide by eight feet long. But no matter how you stack it, a cord should equal 128 cubic feet.

**Don't get burned.** Firewood is usually sold in 16- to 24-inch lengths. If you are buying only a portion of a cord, neatly stack the wood and multiply the height of the stack by its width and length. Divide the result by 128. The final figure tells you how much of a cord you are buying. If, for example, you end up with one-fourth of a cord, multiply the cost of the wood by four. Then you'll know how much you are paying "by the cord."

If you buy a full cord of firewood, there is an easy way to find out if you are getting what you pay for. Before you have the wood delivered, measure off a 4x4x8-foot area. Then, before you pay for the load, have the delivery person stack the wood in that area. If you pay for the wood and then stack it yourself, chances are that the delivery truck will be long gone by the time you realize that you got shorted on the deal.

The costs for a cord of wood will vary according to what type of tree the wood came from and how well seasoned it is. Green, or unseasoned, wood will be cheaper, but it won't be suitable for burning for another six to 10 months. The best time to purchase unseasoned wood is in late spring and early summer. The demand for wood is low then, and so is the cost. You'll also have plenty of time to let the wood dry out for better burning during the winter.

Oak and mesquite are preferred for firewood because they are slow-burning hardwoods. Softwoods, like pine and spruce, are less desirable firewood choices (and usually cheaper) because they burn faster.

**A word of caution about Red Oak.** The fungus that causes oak wilt can grow under the bark of red oak. Even dead red-oak bark can host this fast-spreading fungus. If you purchase red-oak firewood, it is best not to store it for later use, because of the danger that insects might spread the fungus to healthy trees. Live oak does not support fungal growth. If you buy firewood of an unknown origin, it is best to cover it with a tarp or burn it all this winter before insect activity picks up.

When stacking firewood, avoid placing it against an outside wall. If firewood is stacked against a wall, the insects and other small animals that may move into the stack for shelter will have an easier time moving into your house or garage.



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Recently Mrs. Fern Parker's first grade class wrote letters to Santa. This was the first attempt at letter writing by most of the students, and their letters were printed like they wrote them before being forwarded to the North Pole for Santa's attention before Christmas.

Dear Santa,  
I won't Baby sparekl doll and Baby uduh and western Fun BareBee and Go-Go and all spelts BareBee and a tranplena and a BarBee car. I wan't Santa Clozy doll little mis magceheir.

Brandi and ho ho ho

Dear Santa wud you giv me one uv your rein dear Santa and i wat a pup Santa and The TinNag Mutna Niga TurduRR Santa Santa Wud you giv me a Santa hat

From Jimmy

Dear Santa,  
I Love you you are veree nise I wont a B jay sparckl and baby alive and flipavthelip and Go Go My woking pup litlmis magicher

From Nicole

**Christmas Never Goes Out of Style**  
In the spirit of peace and joy, we offer greetings and thanks to each of you.

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Dear Santa,  
I whate sum fun toy's I whate a bike and a borbe cor and the craolus That write on the bathtub little mis magkher.

From Kina

Dear Santa,  
I want a sewing machine and a oopse Dasy

Love Karlie

Dear Santa,  
please bring a car for my brother. and for me I want. a ring and I want a little miss magic hair midge barbie doll girl. and I want a ken barbie doll boy I want a hot potato and that's it

love, Amy  
Ho ho ho Merry Christmas

Dear Santa, I Love You. I will bewegif FooYou Christmas Mintreat. But I Do wot SutheceEs. to Play with truck. MERRY Thank You for all the toys having morning But I do want something to play with a truck mERRY Chris

Dear Santa, I want a go go my woke pup and Dasn ballren and Brbey

Molly

Dear Santa I Want Little magic Hair

Love Andrea

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a truck, a baby doll for my sister, and a train for my brother.

Love, Timothy

Dear Santa  
I went a toys big not to big a toys littl and big car I like you Santa Clause like toys

Junior

Dear Santa  
I when my prit ballrenu a book I can rede and kid sistr

love Kurby

Dear Santa,  
I Love yue sant I wot yue six toys pleas wooy yue

Nicholas

Dear Santa, I want go go My walking pup. My little sister wates a Minny muos bike and bothe of us want a ninntindo. We mite leve you some

cocies and milk.  
Love Amanda

Dear Santa,  
I wun't a John deer trater and I wunt four my bruths a trater and I wunt a play gun and I wunt a pockit termunayder

Love Andrew

Dear Santa,  
I wood like a fue games and a rase chrak with tow car

Danny

Dear Santa I Want a pelit gun and a nentinbo and my sistr Agril wants a jam box and I want The foot Ball Pads

Love J. R.

Dear Santa,  
I want a Sewing Mechinge and a wedding doll.

Love Kylie

Dear Santa I want a doll I will take Good ker of Her but I want other things too.

Love Ticarra

Dear Santa I wish I had a dort bike I hop I get a dort bike a little one t bike a rel won

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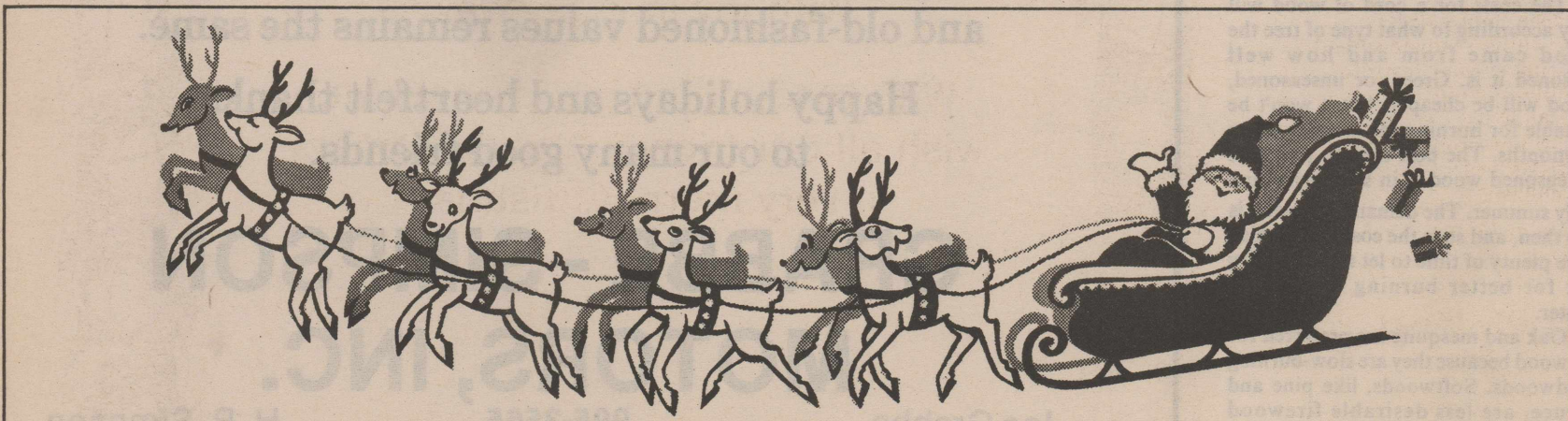
Love Matt

P. S. Merry Christmas

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# Home Baking – A Christmas Tradition

Christmas – a time to celebrate holiday baking traditions. Remember grandmother's kitchen? Warmed with the inviting aromas of baking cakes, cookies and breads? And her holiday table brimming with rich, delicious food that said, "it's Christmas."

Today, scratch baking is almost a forgotten art. But at Christmas, busy homemakers make time to fill their kitchens with the aromas and flavors of Christmases past.

This year, share your holiday baking memories with your children. Rediscover favorite family recipes and create some new ones. Like your grandmother, use ingredients you can depend on. For over 65 years, bakers have used Softasilk cake flour milled from soft wheat to give cakes a fine, delicate texture.

Mint Swirl Christmas Tree Cake will brighten your holiday table. Invite your children to measure, mix and decorate this delicious holiday tree. It's a wonderful way to begin a Christmas baking tradition.

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flour rectangular pan, 13x9x2 inches. Mix flour, sugar, baking powder and salt. Add shortening, vanilla and 2/3 cup of the milk. Beat on medium speed 2 minutes, scraping bowl constantly. Add remaining milk and the egg whites. Beat on medium speed 2 minutes, scraping bowl constantly. Pour about two-thirds of the batter into pan. Add desired amount of green food color and 1/2 teaspoon mint extract to remaining batter. Drop green batter by spoonfuls onto batter in pan.

Cut through batter to swirl. Bake 35 to 40 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean.



A shoestring licorice garland, assorted candy ornaments and chocolate candy bar trunk trim this scrumptious Mint Swirl Christmas Tree Cake. Cool 10 minutes; remove from pan. Cool completely. Cut cake as shown in diagram.

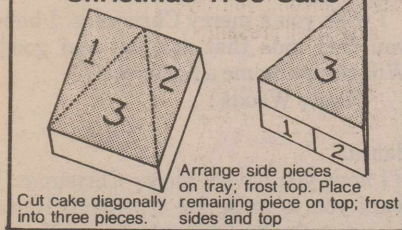
Arrange cake pieces 1 and 2 on large tray or aluminum foil-covered cardboard; frost top. Place piece 3 on top; frost sides and top. Place chocolate candy bar at bottom of cake to make trunk. Flatten large yellow gumdrop and cut into star shape. Decorate tree with shoestring licorice and assorted candies. 12 to 16 servings.

High Altitude Directions (3500 to 6500 feet): Heat oven to 375°. Decrease sugar to 1 1/4 cups and baking powder to 2 1/4 teaspoons. Increase milk to 1 1/4 cups. Bake 30 to 35 minutes.

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### Cutting and Assembling Christmas Tree Cake

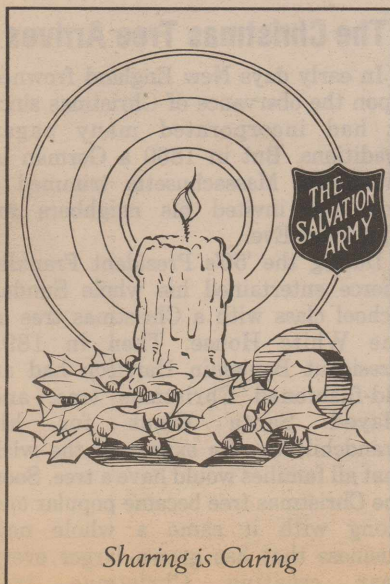


### Mint Swirl Christmas Tree Cake

- 2 1/4 cups Softasilk cake flour
- 1 1/2 cups sugar
- 3 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup shortening
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 cup milk
- 4 egg whites (1/2 to 2/3 cup)
- Green food color
- 1/2 teaspoon mint extract
- 2 tubs vanilla ready-to-spread frosting or your favorite vanilla frosting
- Chocolate candy bar
- Large yellow gumdrop
- Red shoestring licorice
- Assorted candies

Heat oven to 350°. Grease and

### Go Owlettes!



# A JINGLE BELLS CHRISTMAS

Enjoy this festive season,  
Celebrate the day,  
May your holiday ring out  
With joy in every way.

With resounding good cheer we  
wish all our friends and customers  
a very merry Christmas.

## JERRY'S MALT SHOP





Mrs. Tina Nance's kindergarten class members recently wrote their letters to Santa. Before they were forwarded to the North Pole, Mrs. Nance shared them with the Briscoe County News.

Dear Santa,  
Can I please have a Wedding Barbie, and a Barbie '57 Chevy, and a Western Barbie Motor Home?

Do you know those small little sewing machines? You can choose out of any of these — whatever you want to bring.

Love,  
Bryn Mayfield

Dear Santy Claus,  
Thank you for bringing toys. I wish you would play with toys. Would you bring a rifle gun to me?

Bye,  
Clifton Baker

Dear Santa,  
Bring me Mongo Gego and the Turtle Cycle please. I like you.

Chase Comer

Santa,  
I want a boat that goes on water and land and a motorcycle. That's all.

Bye,  
John Arnold

Santa,  
I want you to bring me a swing set

and a pretty ballerina. That's all.  
I wish you a merry Christmas.  
Tarran F6rbes

Dear Santa,  
Bring me a remote control car and a monster truck — remote control with no wires. That's all. And some little cars. Merry Christmas to you.

Bobby Edwards

Dear Santa,  
I love you. I hope you have a nice day for Christmas. I hope you be careful. Can I have a puppy?

Bye-bye,  
Pamela Castillo

Merry Christmas! I love you. Bring me a toy. Drive your reindeer. Bring me a present. I hope you have fun. Bring my little brother a toy. I love my mama and daddy. I'll say a prayer for my mommy and daddy.

April Johnston

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? I hope you're feeling fine. I hope you've been riding your reindeer watching for people being nice. I hope you have a pretty Christmas tree. I hope you have a nice house.

Can you bring me some toys?  
My name is Red (Ivory).



Mr. and Mrs. Santa visited Silverton children on Saturday, December 1, at the conclusion of a program held on the lawn of the Briscoe County Courthouse. They arrived in a wagon decorated with glowing Christmas lights driven by Doug Forbes.

Dear Santa,  
Monica wants a ballerina doll.  
Monica Garcia

Dear Santa,  
I wish you a merry Christmas. I hope you find kids that are bad and good. Will you bring me a hover craft?

Monty Woods

Santa,  
I hope you have a merry Christmas. I want you to bring me a present. I love you, dear Santa. I want an Oopsy-Daisy.

Samantha Francis

Dear Santa,  
Would you bring me some toy army men? Would you bring me some boats? I help my mom and my sister and my brother. He's been playing with me outside in the dirt. I love you, dear Santa.

Adrian Cruz

Dear Santa,  
I like toys. For Christmas I like to play the cars. I like a toy drum. I like to ride a bicycle. I like to play the toys Christmas.

Felipe Olivarez

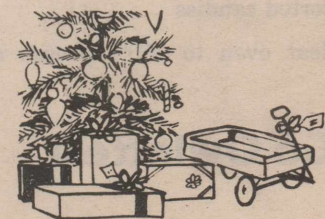
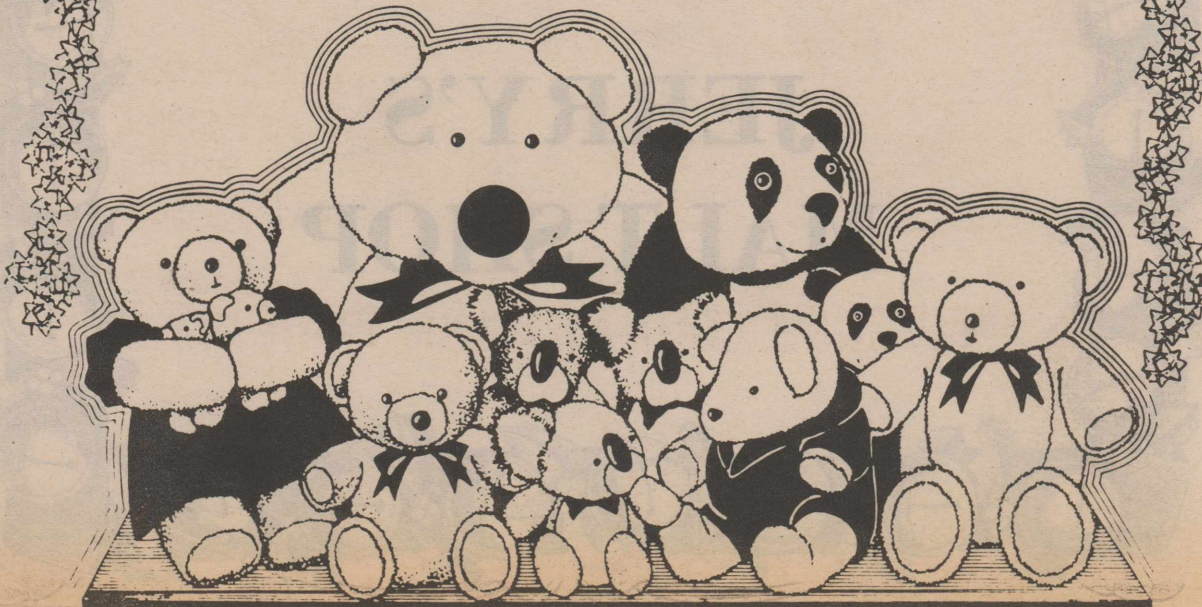


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## A Beary, Merry Christmas

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#### The Christmas Tree Arrives

In early days New England frowned upon the observance of Christmas since it had incorporated many pagan traditions. But in 1860 a German in Westfield, Massachusetts trimmed a tree and invited his neighbors for Christmas Eve.

During the '50's President Franklin Pierce entertained his whole Sunday School class with a Christmas tree at the White House. Then in 1891 President Benjamin Harrison had an old-fashioned Christmas tree, and played Santa Claus for his grandchildren. He expressed the wish that all families would have a tree. Soon the Christmas tree became popular and along with it came a whole new business that has grown larger every year creating Christmas tree decorations.



# UIL Rules McLean Gridders Must Forfeit Two Games

McLean High School's winning football season suffered a setback Tuesday of last week when a University Interscholastic League panel in Austin ruled that the six-man team must forfeit its final two games of the year.

On a 3-0 vote, the UIL State Executive Committee found McLean running back and defensive end Dennis Hill violated amateur athletic rules by accepting free room and board with school board member Thacker Haynes and his wife, Sharon, from November 14-29.

Hill, 18, went to live with the Haynes family after his release from jail on charges stemming from a November 10 altercation in a McLean city park. Hill, his brother, Duane, and a female student were charged in connection with a fight that left a 24-year-old woman hospitalized with a broken cheekbone.

The three students were temporarily suspended from extracurricular activities but were later reinstated by the school board after a lawsuit was threatened.

The committee ruled that McLean must forfeit all games in which Hill played after November 14. McLean superintendent Rex Peebles said the committee's decision means that the school will give up its regional playoff victory over Silverton and its quarterfinal win over Sands.

"So that will make us bi-district winners," Peebles said, noting that Hill did not play in the bi-district game against Valley High School.

Committee members publicly reprimanded McLean head coach Jerry Miller and placed him on one-year probation for allowing Hill to live in his home for six weeks last summer. Hill also had lived with Miller's family in the summer of 1989 and had received a \$60 loan from the coach to pay for bus fare from Minnesota to McLean.

Miller, who is in his third year of coaching at McLean, had told the panel he was unaware that he had violated the rules.

"I thought since we were not in a sporting time, that we'd be all right," the coach said.

But UIL Director Bailey Marshall said that Miller should have known the rules.

"The amateur rules are in effect 12 months of the year," he said.

The school district also was hit with a public reprimand and placed on one year's probation because of problems surrounding the Hill case and football players' use of Vitamin B-12 shots to pump themselves up for games. School board member Jake Hess II testified that the students got the vitamin supplement from his barn without his knowledge.

The committee's action amounts to a slap on the wrist for the school district. Marshall said the district will be required to better inform its employees and students about all UIL rules.

"If they were to have another violation of similar nature, then it would be dealt with more severely next time," he said.

Marshall said the action would not bar McLean from advancing beyond district play in the 1991 season.

"McLean could win the state championship next year," he added.

Peebles had asked the committee to show mercy and not penalize students at the school for the actions of adults. Following the vote, he said the panel's decision was fair to the students.

"We're taking away some wins, but they're (McLean students) tough, and they can take care of that," Peebles

said.

The committee took no action on an allegation that Mrs. Haynes had posted a \$5,000 cash bond to get Dennis Hill released from jail.

Mrs. Haynes testified at the Tuesday hearing that she provided only \$800 of the bond and that Bob Stubbs of McLean supplied the other \$4,200. The pair got their money back when Bill Stockstill of Pampa put up a property bond for Dennis Hill.

## Special Present Hidden Under Last Year's Christmas Tree

It was like a Christmas present hidden somewhere back under the tree—a special present that meant life to a dozen holiday travelers. Twenty-eight people were killed in traffic accidents across Texas last year over the Christmas weekend—12 fewer than the 40 estimated by safety officials.

Major V. J. Cawthon, Regional Commander of the Texas Department of Public Safety, said, "We're not really trying to demonstrate any great ability in making predictions. All we're trying to do is draw people's attention to traffic safety, and to maybe make them a little more cautious during these critical driving periods."

It's a fact. The week surrounding Christmas is one of the busiest times of the year on the state's highways. It also can become one of the most dangerous, if drivers fail to take extra safety precautions and heed the rules of the road.

More people are on the highways

during the holidays, as they hurry on their way to be with friends and family. Fatigue often sets in on some of the long trips which can deteriorate a driver's ability to remain alert. Since most people want to spend as little time on the road as possible, speeding also is a very tempting option that contributes to highway carnage. Then add in the inclination of people to drink and drive more during the holidays, and you have the potential for a very dangerous period.

More celebrations occur during the holiday season than at any other time of the year, and the ratio of offenses and accidents increases proportionately.

Cawthon said patrols will be beefed

up during this period. But, public involvement is an important component in any effort to make our roads safer for our citizens. Texas has a statewide emergency toll-free number. It can be used by motorists to report a drunken driver, to report an accident, or to summon assistance when they encounter other problems. The number is 1-800-525-5555.

"This number is not designed to replace 911," Cawthon said. "But it is appropriate in some cases where 911 is not."

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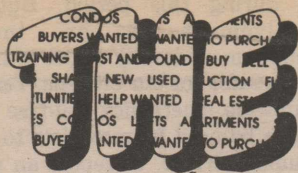
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Freeman and Jackie  
Jackie Carol and family

Thank you, friends, for the cards, food, visits, prayers, telephone calls, and every expression of your concern while I was in the hospital and since I have been home.

Thanks to Bro. Donahoo for being with my family during my surgery.  
Love you all,  
Christene King

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