Merry Christmas

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Ettes Finish 3rd At Vernon Tournament

Groom Cagers spent the weekend in Vernon attending a tournament in which the girls won a 3rd place trophy.

The Ettes played Caddo Mills in their first game of the event. Mary Hutsell was high point with 16. Angie Conrad added another 12, Jessica Stapp 8, Sara Britten 6, Karen Conrad 4, Stephanie Ollinger 4, Tami Ashford 4, Melissa Anthony 2, Jessica Friemel 2. Groom won 58-37

The girls ran into a tough opponent battling Vernon 47-54. Jessica Stapp led the scoring with 14 points. Mary Hutsell added 11 more and Melissa Anthony had 7. Angie Conrad scored 6, Jessica Friemel 4, Martie Phillips 2, Sara Britten 2 and Stephanie Ollinger had 1.

Facing Chillicothe in their final game the Ettes won

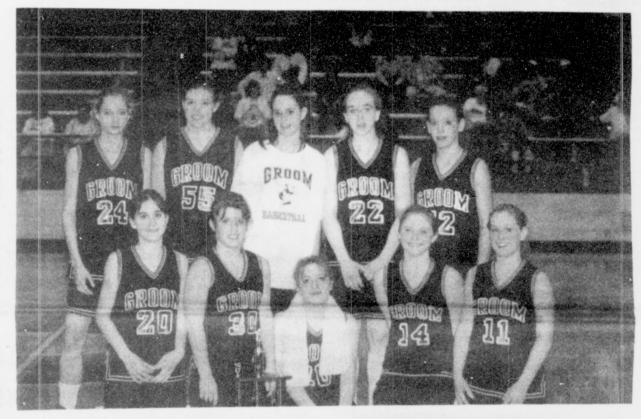
Mary Hutsell, Jessica Stapp and Jessica Friemel each earned title of high point with 13 points each. Melissa Anthony earned 9 points, Angie Conrad had 7 and Karen Conrad and Stephanie Ollinger each had

2 points.

The Tigers had some difficulty stopping Byers in their first match, losing 41-61. Brad Sustaire led the scoring with 12 points. Justin Ritter added another 7, Daniel Treadwell had 6, Toby Burgin had 5 as well as Trae Kepley. Josh Evenson had 4.

The Tigers played Chillicothe in their second match, losing to them 49-66. Brad Sustaire again led the scoring and had 16 points. Jimmy Chavedo had 11, Justin Ritter 10, Josh Evenson had 5, Daniel

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Varsity team members earned a 3rd place trophy at Vernon's Tournament. They are (back) Martie Phillips, Tami Ashford, Melissa Anthony, Jessica Friemel, (front) Karen Conrad, Stephanie Ollinger, Mary Hutsell, Sara Britten and Jessica Stapp.

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Chavedo's Win Christmas Decoration Contest

Judges of the Groom home decorating contest are pleased to announce the winners of the 1996 Christmas Decorating Contest. First place went to the Jimmy Chavedo residence at 509 Martin Street.

The Jim Huckert residence placed 2nd. It is located at 301 Eastern Street. Third place went to the Joe Rae Richardson residence in the 300 block of Ware Street. The AJ. Newsom residence was named honorable mention at 109 Choctaw.

The judges had an extremely difficult time with so many homes beautifully decorated this year. The contest is sponsored by the

City of Groom. Be sure to take an evening drive and see all the homes dressed up for the holidays.

Boat Accident Tragedy Takes Life Of Father And Three Sons

Groom residents were stunned to learn that tragedy had struck the Britten family over the weekend.

Dr. Robert Dean Britten and his three sons, Robert Phillip, age 11, Benjamin Paul 8, and Patrick Carl 9, have all died due to a boating accident at Lake Meredith.

Dr. Britten was the son of Bob Britten who was raised in Groom. There are many relatives still living in Groom.

The father and three sons had gone to Lake Meredith National Recreation Area early Saturday morning to hunt ducks. They launched their 14 ft. flat bottom boat with plans to return home by 11:00 a.m.

Helen Britten, wife and mother of the victims, reported them missing. By

5:30 a search team was assembled. Officials and volunteers from Potter and Moore County Sheriff's departments, the National Park Service and the City of Fritch combed the area with aerial, ground and water searches. The bodies of Dr. Britten and the oldest boy, Phillip had been recovered at presstime. Both were wearing life jackets. It is thought at this time that the boat must have capsized when the wind picked up about 10:00 a.m., gusts reaching 45 m.p.h. by 12:30. Wind advisories were not issued, according to the weather service.

Hypothermia is believed to have been at least a factor in the deaths.

Services are pending while investigation and recovery of the other bodies continues.

Groom City Council Approves Longevity Pay For Employees

The Groom City Council met in regular session with Greg Lamb, Don Case, Mary Sue Lyles, Danny Ashford, Jr., Ronny Fields and Jay Lamb. Employees Debbie Anthony, Jody Ball and Donna Burton also attended.

The council went into executive session at 7:15 pm and came out at 7:35.

Donna Burton, animal control officer, was instructed to draw up a list of responsibilities concerning her job in order to improve communication between all e m p l o y e e s a n d administrative officers.

The council voted unanimously to give all full-time employees \$150.00 longevity pay and part-time employee, Donna Burton, \$50.00.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The Groom News' early deadline for the Jan. 2 issue, will be Monday, December 30th at Noon.

A DRIVER SAFETY
Course will be held in
Pampa on Saturday, January
11, 1997 at the Clarendon
College Pampa Center at
900 North Frost. For more
information call (806)6658801.

SEMESTER TESTS will be given Dec. 19-21.

GROOM SCHOOL will resume after the Christmas break on January 7.

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THE GROOM SCHOOL
Music Department will have
a Christmas program on
December 19.

THE GROOM HIGH School gym will be closed from December 21 through 27.

AT PRESSTIME . . . A memorial service will be held at 3:30 p.m., Thursday, December 19th in the First Baptist church of Amarillo for Bob, Phillip, Patrick and Benjamin Britten.

A MEXICAN STACK
Supper sponsored by the
Junior Class will be
Thursday, Dec. 19 before
the Christmas Concert.
6:00-7:15 pm. \$4.00 adults,
Kids under 6 \$2.00.

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Groom Birthdays Anniversaries December 19 - Stella Patterson, Amanda Martin. December 20 - Wade

Ritter, Mrs. Bill Bohr. December 21 - Thane Barkley, Franklin Leven. December 22 - Jerry Crowell, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hutsell (A).

December 23 - Marion Pool, Ruby Faye Latta, Rebecca Conra 1.

December 24 -Stephens.

December 25 - Kristy Case, John Fraser III, Karen Fields.

Melanie Friemel Named Student Of The Month

Frank Phillips College named five students as its November Students of the Month, according to a college news release.

Among those named was Melanie Friemel of Groom, math, science and technology. Melanie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Friemel.

Groom Grocery Will Be Closed Christmas Day and Thursday, December 26.

Local Happenings

Letter To The Editor

passed by on Hwy 40 and seen this beautiful Cross along the road. It stayed in our minds and then this past December we were 15 miles east of Groom, Texas and our mini-home quit running. So we took the car off our tow-dolly and I went in search of help. to Groom stopped first at a small gas station. The lady sent me to Napa and the worker's there took their tow truck out and brought the mini to their garage, then they found we needed a fuel pump. We had frozen meat in the trunk of our car. Went to the meat co. here.

In December of '95 we They put it in their freezer for us overnight. Napa put us in back of their building so we could spend the night in our mini. Plus gave the couple traveling with us a place to park. So all I can say for the four of us is, Thank you and God Bless you all. Your kindness will be always remembered. There should be more Cross's put up in more towns to remind us all to love one another. Happy Holiday's to all of you in Groom, Texas.

Sincerely, Larry & Bernadine Brey The Donald Downings Janesville, Wisconsin

As The Interstate Turns . . . By Gary Davis

On 12-10-96, Trooper Jeremy Wallace stopped a on IH-40 speeding. The driver Lenny Hawkins refused to sign the Hawkins found ticket. himself in the Carson County Jail, after refusing to make bond before the

On 12-12-96, Trooper Jeremy Wallace stopped a car on IH-40. The driver, Laura Coleman was listed as a missing person out of Vanita, Oklahoma. Coleman was a walk away from the Eastern State Hospital. After talking to Sheriff's Office Vanita, Coleman was released to go back to Oklahoma.

12-13-96, Troopers Gary Davis and Jeremy Wallace Highway assisted other Patrol units on accidents in Donley and Carson Counties. The first accident occurred on TX 70 north of Clarendon. The driver swerved to miss a deer and turned the van over. No hurt in this The

occurred east of Skellytown on TX 152. A eastbound vehicle ran off the road and overturned. The car rolled and then went over a twenty-five foot embankment rolling several times. Both fifteen-year-old girls from Pampa were thrown from the car. One was airlifted to Northwest Texas Hospital by Care Flight and the other was taken to Pampa. Alcohol is suspected to be a the accident. Both girls are lucky to be alive. If a passing motorist had not seen the dust settling, both girls could have laid out in the pasture all night.

12-14-96, Trooper Jeremy Wallace arrested a man on DWI - 2nd Offense open container charges. The man was taken to Panhandle and placed in jail. So don't drink and drive, yours and my families travel these roads.

12-16-96, A Dallas resident was stopped for speeding. While stopped it was learned that she had

outstanding DPS warrants totaling \$320.00, from Houston DPS. After a family member went to the Garland DPS office and paid the fines, she was released

ELEMENTARY School Christmas parties will be held on Dec. 20. should watch for a letter from teachers concerning party times and release times on that day.



Sponsored By The Groom Junior Class Thursday, December 19 Before The Christmas Concert! 6:00 - 7:15 p.m.

Because you have shared in their lives by your friendship and love We invite you to celebrate with us the marriage of our children Joannie and Doug on Saturday, December twenty-first nineleen hundred and ninety-six at eight o'clock in the evening Immaculate Heart of Mary Church Groom, Jexas Mr. and Mrs. Bill E. Homer Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kling

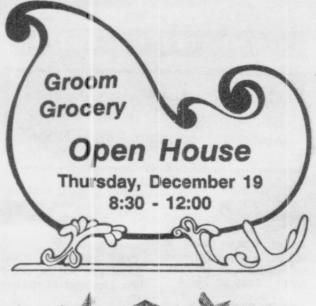
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Dear Santa.

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Thank you, Karla Howard

Dear Santa,

I wish for a gameboy.

I want Woody and Buzz light year spase ship. Please can I have a box of army men and some Cowboys and Indains? I want a RC

Your friend, Kade Brown

Dear Santa,

I want a ten speed and a

And I also want a sir rocket set.

I want ketchers gear. And I also want a sega gennisis.

Thanks, Thane Barkley

Dear Santa,

I would like some rollerblads for Christmas!!!! I will like it if you would bring them to me. If you would I will leave out some milk and cookies. I would like a horse that is White.

Thank you



Hoping your holidays are trimmed with happiness.

Amos & Loretta

Dear Santa,

I want a air hocky set. I also want a air plane that you shoot.

I want a sega gennisis I want a red Game boy. Thank you, Blaine Britten

Dear Santa,

I whish for a bath babys and red gameboy and a vitogame. I want a jambox and a five speed. I want a dog and a stuff animal, and a barbie doll, And I want a computer and a cd player please.

Thank you, Berklee Ruthaardt

Dear Santa Clause, I would like to have a new saddle blanket and

saddle to. I would also like some model horses, clothes, sheets, books, CDs, tapes, braclet, kittens, horse ornament, horse clock.

Love, Ashley Jackson

Dear Santa,

I would like a kitten and a puppy too! How is Mrs. Clause and the elves? This year if you could come at 9:00 p.m. I could see you and we could play a game. Maybe if you have enough room in your slegh you could bring me a pony.

Love, Leah

Dear Santa Clause

It me Angie, heres my

1. a horse 2. a baby brother 3. another dog 4. another cat 5. a gun 6. a pitchr of you with Mrs. Claus 7. 4 wheeler 8. a sled 9. a racidit 10. a farm 11. a granden 12. some roller blades 13. a toy baer 14. a diary 15. a cbodle 16. a toy horse.

I Love you

Dear Santa

Its me Tabitha McCoy just wanting to say that you whonte need to get me very meny things all that I would like is a roler blades & a bike thats all thank you by

Angie Renane Moss

Your frend Tabitha McCoy

Dear Santa.

What I would like for Christmas is my own phone, Woodburning Kit, a Goosebumps Fright Writer

Recording Pen, and a really awesome boy's bike. A boy's bike is what I have always wanted. I hope I can get some of the stuff I would like for Christmas. I bet I will get most things I would like for Christmas. When you come by there will be some milk and cookies for you and some carrots for your reindeer. Hope you have a wonderful

Christmas. Magan Bivens

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year but I reall don't want anything. How is Mrs. Claus & the reindeer? Are the other reindeer making fun of Rudolph?

Your friend, Adam

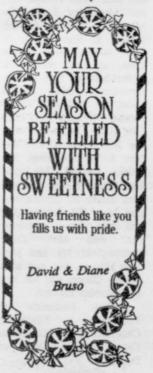
Dear Santa,

Please bring me a sonic pinball sega game, a T.V. VCR, and a karate book.

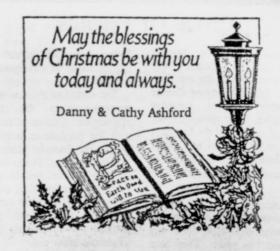
Thanks. James Reid Dear Santa,

I would like a slingshot this year and a big lego set I also want a pair of walkietalkies that can reach up to a mile away and erector set #8 and that is about all I want for Christmas this

Chance Barkley



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The Circle of Friends annual fundraiser for Carson County for the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center was held Saturday evening, December 7, 1996, at 7 p.m. at the country home of Marvin and Janet Urbanczyk. An authentic Teachers Ask Santa For

"Special" Gifts

According to "inside sources" the teachers at Groom ISD have been very good this year! They have asked Santa to please give them the following:

Kay Britten: A trip to South Dakota with good weather to and from.

Danny Chisum: Good health and quality time with his P.S. 6 numbers between 1-50.

Tara Sloan: A car that doesn't break down.

Shirley Fields: Healthy kids and husband and time to be with them. A good farm economy with rain.

Julie Couch: Santa Claus Earl . . . Please bring me a new bath tub.

Annetta Childress: Another foot added to my

Marcia Davis: Someone else (besides me) to put away all Christmas Decorations the day after Christmas.

Debbie Addy: Another 6 weeks of not having to unload or load the dishwasher.

Italian dinner was served in appreciation of everyone's

The Circle of Friends is a support group for the Harrington Cancer Center with the purpose of helping people in financial distress get treatment. Funds can be provided for fuel to get to the center, utilities, rent, air fare to Houston or other treatment centers, etc. for patients who could not get treatment otherwise.

The Patient Care Committee screens these carefully and checks out all other sources of funds before the funds are granted. They truly go to help those in need. Although the patient names are never divulged, several families from the Carson County area have been

helped with these funds. None of these funds go for medical expenses or to the center itself. However, if at the end of the year, there is a surplus in revenue for the year, the Circle of Friends money is used to make special gifts and purchases for things needed at the Center.

The only sources of funds for this comes from membership parties, sale of Caring Touch Christmas Cards, and within the last five years, we have added the support of the Race for the Cure, where all the

proceeds are dedicated to breast cancer treatment, detection, and research.

Hosts for this years Circle of Friends Fundraiser party were Mr. and Mrs. Les McNeill, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Babcock, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lane, Ms. Mary Lou Simms, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Shadid, Ms. Jo Ella Randel, Mr. Kelly Lane, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Urbanczyk, Miss Leslie Stiles, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Simms, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Don Eagle, Judge and Mrs. Jay Bob Roselius, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Broadaway, Ms. Lillian Sterling, Mr. and Mrs. Candy Reyes, Mr. and Mrs. James R. Conlee, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Surratt, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Seaborne, and Mrs. Gary Beddingfield, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hodges, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. Robbin Dawson.

Bethel Robinson Panhandle is Panhandle Chairman of the Harrington Cancer Center Circle of Friends.

Basketball Treadwell 4 and Toby

Burgin had 3.

The boys had similar problems stopping Caddo Mills. Josh Evenson was high point with 20. Jimmy Chavedo and Justin Ritter each had 5. Brad Sustaire and Todd Gray each had 3 and Toby Burgin and Joe Britten each added 2. The Tigers lost 43-53.

Brush & Palette Club Holds Festive Meeting

By Nita Ramming

Brush and Palette gathered at the beautifully decorated home of Shirley Fields Monday, December 9, for their Every Christmas Party. room had a festive air, even each room of the large doll house was decorated. If you ever wonder why you had children it might be because when the grandchildren grow up they can help with all the decorations like Shirley's bunch did.

It was really a pleasure to have Billie back with us. She said she was a slow poke getting to where she was going, but at least she is willing to work at it and finally makes it.

Pink seemed to be the color of the day for the salads, three almost the same color but all different and delicious. Pat brought along some green to add that bit of color, beans it was. No duplications this time. As we were eating lunch Dorthy informed us she couldn't find her bottom that went round and round. Come to find out it was the

Local Happenings

Glynn D and Sybil Harrell attended the "Music In The Museum," program in the Hazelwood Building the Square House Museum at Panhandle Sunday afternoon.

bottom to her Christmas Evelyn and Pat whispered so Nita couldn't hear what they said and rat on them.

After lunch we all settled in for a snappy game of Claus bingo. Nita had gathered up some terrific prizes and all were clamoring for a "Claus". Evelyn was especially excited when she needed just one for a black-out. Seems she had needed that particular

one several times and it was never called. Nita had left it in the sack, but believe it or not, she didn't do it on purpose. Pat was so excited when she got two antique brushes. They will look so good in her brush bag. Her brushes look new all the time. She must have a scudgy set at home because no one could have such clean brushes. Juandell was sad because she didn't get the brushes to go along with her 1 hair brush she treasures so much. Billie was first to Claus and her luck held as she did it again. Juandeil held on tight to her prize of a "barely R" rated book. Dorthy thought it was "belly R" and couldn't figure that one out. Shirley got what she needed--twice. Some more Christmas decorations. She felt sorry for poor ole Evelyn and gave her one since she never did Bingo. Dorthy's big win garnished her a

"souper" can with green screws with handles on them. You can figure that one out. It was really fun and we laughed and giggled like a bunch of kids.

Finally came the best

part! It was time for the gifts. This year the gifts were to be handmade and we were anxious to see what each one had made. We drew a number but instead of a number it was a graphic to represent a number. Juandell just knew her little shepherd boy's cane was a backward 7, but it wasn't. Evelyn figured hers out real fast - it was 3 carolers. Give that girl an A+! Juandell was first. She selected a beautiful gift sack with the cutest little bird house in it, but Nita took it away from her. Such rudeness prevailed throughout the opening of the gifts. In the end everyone had a unique and special gift to take home with them.

Brush and Palette has enjoyed a good year of fellowship and painting. We invite anyone interested in any kind of painting to join us. We are going to start the year watching a video of Jerry Yarnell on composition. Bring a salad and join us at 10:00 a.m. January 6th. We have lots of fun and believe it or not we even get some painting done now and then. Merry Christmas to all!



Senior Stephanie Ollinger

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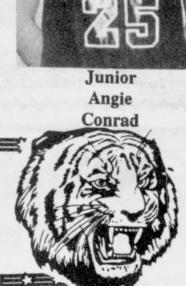
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Dear Santa

Dear Santa,

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I want a bunch of CD's/ I also would kike a red Dodge Viper with leather seats a CD player. I would also like a Dirt Bice. I would also like a Play

Your friend, Cody Schaffer

Dear Santa,

I would like to have LeAnn Rimes Christmas CD and a Discmen. Also 13 Dead End Drive, Oporation, and Perfection games. Domino Ramy, Barbie Fashion Designer on CD ram, a baskethall, a horse too. One more thing, the most I want this Christmas is not to move.

Your Friend, Faith Looten

Dear Santa,

CD player and a new watch and a trampoline and a flute for my CD player I want some CD's/ I would also like a radio and a JTT poster. The last thing I would is a computer with CD roms. I would also want a 4- wheeler. That is all that I want for Christmas.

Sincerly, Jennifer Jenkins

Dear Santa,

This year I would like my own personal cornet. want a pair of Tweeetybird slippers and some warm-up pants. I also want some seat pants. If you like you can get me a movie or a tape of any kind.

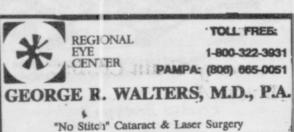
Your friend, Britteny marin

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Love you. Alicia Marinez

Dear Santa.

I would like a football and a football tee, a b.b. gun, remote control car, New bike and a C.D. player. I would also like a radio and pair of handcuffs and a baseball bat. Lat but least I would also like boxer and

Saint Bernard dog. Bobby Ratterree

Kinderguarten Dear Santa,

I would like a cool-tool tow truck. i have been feeding my dog and cat every day. Also I would like a Spiderman and Xman fights Spiderman. My brother and I want a pool tavle with lots of games. Santa your are a good person because your bring little kids toys.

Your friend, Andrew Thompson

Dear Santa Clause,

I like Rudolph. He has a red nose. I like my vest, I like Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Comet, Cuped, Dawner & Blitzen. I want a compiter. I like to sit on your lap. I would also like a bike. I love you, Santa Clause!

love, Bailee Ruthardt

Dear Santa,

Could I have a bow and arrow? how ar the sives and Mr.s Claus? I hve been very good this year. I want a train and train tracks. Also could I have a bike. Could I have a toy combine and tracktor and grain cart? I love you!

Your Friend,

Trevor Friemel

Dear Santa, I hve been good this year. I like Santa Clause & Rudolph. He has a red I like my dress. I nose. like Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixon, Comet, Cupet, Doner & Blixen. I like you Santa.

Love, LeAnn Ball

Dear Santa Claus,

Sense I have been good could I have a computer. Also I want a doll-house. I want to sit on your lap. I love your Santa and your are nice.

Love, Taryn Davis

Dear Santa,

I like a computer and a hot tub barbie. How is Rudolph and the rest of the reindeer. I have been good this year. I would like a foam and color barbie.

Love. Brittany Weinheimer

Dear Santa

I have been very good. i wount a go-cart for Christmas, I cleaned the house. How are the reindeer this yar. I hve be O.K. this year in school.

I love you Santa, Donny Hubbard

Dear Santa Clause,

I like your elves, your reindeer. Mrs. Clause, and you. I have been doing my homework, picking up my toys and being good this year. This is what I want for Christmas an XRC tyco car, Boart Racers, Anew Santa folder with wives on it. Micro Machines, some Hot Wheeles cars and that is all I want from your this

Love, Brett Friemel

Dear Santa.

i have been very good this year. I love you Santa! I would like a tool tool truck, a paint set, and a operation game.

Your Friend, Kelton Weller



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Dear Santa,

I love you Santa. Santa I want a toy tow truck, I would like to sit on your lap. How is Rudolph? I like to get new toys from Santa. I like your neindeer. I want a new pencil? How is Mrs. Claus? I would like a computer? I have been doing my homework, I've been picking up my toys.

Your Friend, Joshua Davis

Dear Santa,

I would like a Toy Story Moovie. I hve been good. I have been doing my homework a lot. I have been picking up my toys. I also want a bus light that glse in the dark & R.C. from Toy Story.

Your Friend, Trent Britten Dear Santa.

For Christmas I would like a computer or a Sega

I would also like a

basketball net. I realy liked the things

you gave me last Christmas. How do you get to every house in one night? Do you get any sleep on Christmas?

Your friend, Kecia Howard

Dear Santa

I would a saga and a football for Christmas. Please bring me a bike.

Your friend, Joel Horn

Dear Santa, I want a three wheeler. I

want a bike. Thanks, Bryan Newton



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Dear Santa

Dear Santa Claus,

i wish you would bring me a pottery wheel with 4 pounds of clay and a super van city for my Micromachines. I would also like a sketck projector.

Your friend, Neal Anthony

P.S. I have been a really good boy.

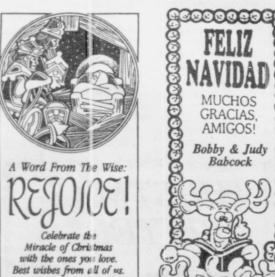
Jim, Donna,

Melody &

April Burton

erry Christmas To Our Friends Near And Far Hope Your Holiday Is The Best Ever!

Herbert & Annie Hoyt



Dear Santa,

I would like a mantoin bike. A ego set and a desk. If you bring me that I will leave some cookies and some milk.

> Your friend, Brandon Jenkins

Dear Santa, How are you and Mrs

Babcock

o.k. for flying? This year I will take anythingyou want to give me.

Your friend, Gailynn

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I'm doing fine. I want a doodle bear some clothes, and a pair of shoes for Christmas. If you will bring me this I will leave you out some cookies and milk.

WE WISH

...And thank you for your business.

We're especially pleased and proud to be able to serve you throughout the year. Have a wonderful holiday.

Points West

Collectibles, Gifts & Antiques

Your friend. Malorie Homen Dear Santa,

I want some games and a nail set like my sisters. I want a big stuffed bear and a bike for my dad's house. Thanks

Love Jamie

Dear Santa,

I only want two things for Christmas. I want Betsy Bear and a black and white bean-bag kitty. I hope you have a Merry Christmas and a good rest. I hope your reindeer behave themself.

Love, Katy

we'd like for Christmas your continued friendship is

Buddy & Charleen Weller

Dear Santa,

I want a Super Van City and a Kett car and a red tow truck. And I hope your reindeer do not get

Yours truly Joey Jaeger

Dear Santa,

I wonder how you are doing? Can you dring me a bike for Christmas.

Happy Haludays Jash

Dear Santa,

I would like a radio and a bike. also bring me some rollor blades.

Merry Christmas Love, Sharri

with a little botten at the top and it can do flips. Love, Daniel

Dear Santu,

Christmas.

Dear Santa,

compuretur

Dear Santa,

There is only one thing,

would like to have for

Christmas. I hope you can

get it, Santa. Can you get a

go Cart for me, please. I

hope you have a Merry

I want a Sega and some

How are you doin. I

hope your are doin okay. If

you can I would bring me a

seven in one pool table and

a little remotcan trole car

Uno cards and a

Love, Melody Conner

Thomas Glazener

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND MANY

Take some joy, Add some cheer May it total up To a prosperous year!

Wishing you peace and good fortune this holiday season. Thank you for your valued business.

Grantham, Cory & Heare, P.C.



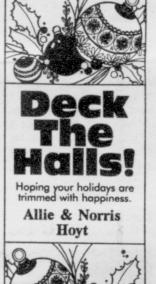




Happy holiday wishes to all our wonderful customers. We have enjoyed serving you in the past and look forward to seeing you again next year.

> Bill & Norma Jean, Sharon, Dedra, Vicki & Vernie

Stop N Shop





MERRY CHRISTMAS

Santa's taking time out to wish everyone a very happy holiday!

To all, From

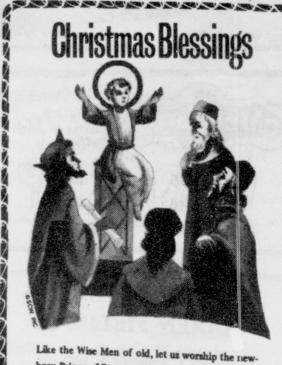
Rip & Joy Snyder Jerry, Carolyn & Hallie Snyder Truman & Nina Ritchie; Michele & Jonathan Ritchie; Cory, Jennifer & Katilyn Ritchey;

& Sean Ritchie insuspension in the contraction of the contraction



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

Friemel Brothers



born Prince of Peace-may He bless you and yours.

BRITTEN SUPPLY Tom & Doris

Correspondent de la compansión de la compa

Christnas Messages and still, may the spiritual peace gently fill your heart

In this glad season of Christmas, may we send to you the best wishes for Christmas and a Happy New

> John, Jancie & Sheri Koetting

May Christmas light your life and warm your heart with the presence and the joy of His promise. Tony, Wamyth, Karri, Lorri,

Sharri, & Korri Britten

Let us rejoice in the glow of a warm and loving Christmas season.

May the spirit of the Christ Child strengthen and brighten your life and bring you countless blessings.

Lucille Britten, Ben & Patty, Courtney & Brady

Wishing you the best gift of the season, happiness at Christmas and always.

Earl & Vonnie Barker

This brings a prayer at Christmas time that God will always bless your home and you and those you love with lasting happiness.

Bobby, Marion, Suzy & Caleb Pool

and home with love and goodwill

Kenneth & Betty Black

May our wonderful God bring to each of you His love and His blessings, too! Have a joyous and prosperous New Year. Agnes E. Homer

May your Christmas be filled with the joy of Christ's birth and your New Year Blessed with His Peace.

Robert & Alice Kuehler

Our Best Wishes to everyone for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New

Max & Helen Wade

I wish you a Merry Christmas and Best Wishes for the New Year.

Oma Schaffer

Tis the season for remembering good friends both old and new and hoping all the withes for the coming year come true!

John & Patsey Fraser

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Ralph & Joyce Hutsell

Joy to you and yours during this wonderful Holiday Season. Glynda Eschle & Jason Eschle of Lubbock Eris Kat & James Wolf of London, England

Darron, Brandi, Madison & Baily Eschle of Atlanta, Ga.

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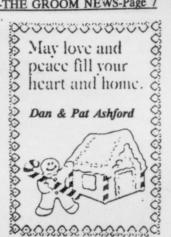
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to ourgood friends in the Groom area.

The Edith Wade Family

Have a very happy Holiday and when the season's gone may all it's warmth and happiness continue on and on.

Glynn D and Sybil Harrell

We wish you an old-fashioned holiday filled with love and laughter and all the special delights of the season. Martin & Betty Hermesmeyer







Here's hoping your holiday is stuffed with the gifts of family, friends and good fortune.

We appreciate all you've given us throughout the year and look forward to continuing to serve you in the future. Happy Holiday and many thanks.

> West Texas Gas, Inc. Dona d, Judy, Robert, Chris & Neal





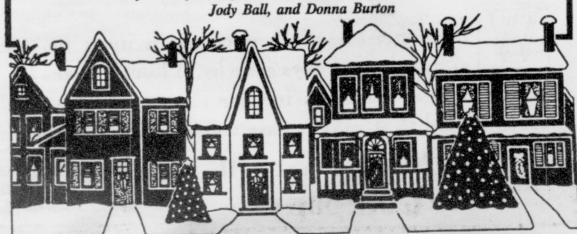
It's A Wonderful Life

...When You Live In This Town!

We're proud to be part of this fine community and are thankful for the many good neighbors we've come to know.

From all of us, to all of you we send our very best wishes this holiday season. The City Of Groom

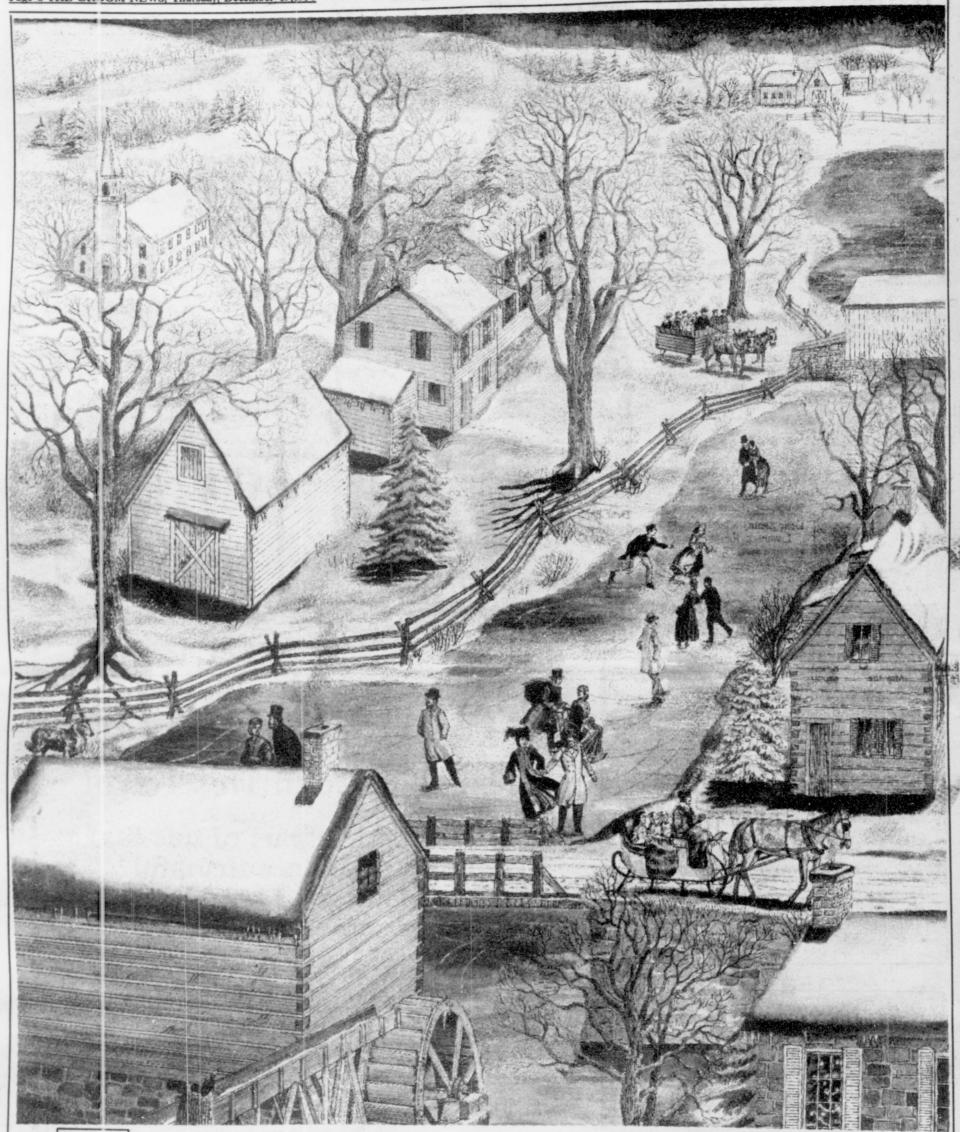
Greg Lamb, Ronny Fields, Daniel Ashford Jr., Don Case, Mary Sue Lyles, Jay Lamb, Debbie Anthony, Donnie Evans,



Of all the places in the land, we're glad we've settled here Thank you for helping us to have a truly fruitful year.

Johnny & Nancy Brumley Insurance





ith Christmastime once again upon us, we pause to remember the simple joys of days gone by. Though times have changed, the true spirit of the holiday remains forever constant. May the enduring happiness and brotherhood that marks this wondrous season be yours always.

Attebury Grain Company

Bob Byrd, Tony Treadwell, Judy Ruthardt, Wes Farr, Jesse Jenkins, Kenny Shultz, Corkey Hickey, John Thomas, Melanie Martin, Richard Crump, and Nugget Bland

Letters To

Santa

Dear Santa

Please bring me some kittens, gome games, camera and filme.

Please bring my aunt Tammy a safe trip to Tennessee.

And bring everyone a good Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Love, Jan





The Homer's Joe, Barbara, Daryl,

Robert, & Stan



Dear Santu Clasis,

Here is something I would like for Christmas a go cart.

Thank you, Ricky

Dear Santa,

I don't wount much this But there is two things I realy wount is a Basketball & goll. I also wount my dad or mom to win the lottery or my dad meet a real nice lideyo. I think this is to mush to ask for. But I wount it all to come true.

Catherine Love, Robertson

Dear Santa,

I wont some Nike shos and a Nike shert and a comeputer and a radeo and some CDs and a trampoling and same barbes and some barbes cioes and a pet berd. I have been lisning to my mon and my dad.

your friend, Desirree

Dear Santa,

I want some cheerleetr stuf and a baby all gone and a stuffed anumail how is mrs. clau? and how do yor randers fly? And have a merry cresmes. love Jessica

Dear Santa, I want a tumble baby, a Nike jacket and some Nike

shoes, a bike with a helmet and some knee pads. how do your reindeer fly how is mis. claus and please wake me up Santa.

Get out the mistletoe,

Pile on the cheer... Christmas time

Will soon be here.

Pat, Connie, Brett, & Blaine Britten

Love Taylor

Dear Santa

I want a computer. I want a toystor. I want a ril puppy. I want a Barbie. I go you a Santa animul. I want some ril Cheerleeder stuff.

Love Amamda

Dear Santa,

I want a girl talk on homealone. I want a cabich patch snack time. I want a cumputer. How is mis clos? Love Whitney

Dear Santa,

i want tyco off road terror and a bow and arrow and a goosebumps game. I have been helping my mom cling the hous and help my dad werk on the pikup and car. How do your raindeers

Love, Tyler

Dear Santa

I wont a toy story game and a toy, story moove and a toy story toy. I help clen house and wek on mowers with my Dad. And I want a goosbump moove and a goosbump toy and a goosbump game. I wont a riandieers.

love Kendall.

Dear Santa,

I want a bos of legos and a gameboygame and a five speed and a Reebok jacket and Nike shoes. Santa how do you get in a house and not wake anybudy up and how can you go to evry budys house in one night and how is mis claus?

Love Chad

Dear Santa.

I don't know if I am going to Colorado or Groom but can you see me on the 25 of Cresms. I wont a Goosebumps game the big wun and I wont a toy story moove I wont a long neck dinosor. I help open the doors for peple. I help cleen the batherooms at home. I help wosh the derty cloze. I hope you cum and see me.

love Anthony

Dear Santa

How do your reindeer fly? How is mrs Santa? I want a Goosbumps bord game and I want the video game Doom II and I want the Alien Trilogy and the moove Jurasic park part II.

When my Mom and Dad want to rent a moove that I don't want to woch i don't say I don't want to. I take out the trash and I help wash the dishes.

Your friend, T.J.

Dear Santa,

I want a goosbumps book called one day at horrer land. I want mighty morfin power rangers two. I want a Zeo Nizer. i want a goosbumps movie called one day at horrer land. I opind the doors for my mom. I take out the trash for my mom. I am going to give you mild and cookes siting by the tree. I wunt a

computer to and I wunt the kind of IBM.

your friend, Tommy

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Dear Santa,

For Christmas i want a new Go-Kart engine for my Go cart and a C.D. player. I also want one last thing a new red chevrolet extended cab three door pick-up and make sure it has leather seats and a C. D. player in

Sincerely your, Clay Britten

Dear Santa,

I want my own personal french horn. I would also like a barrel racing saddle with a matching bridle.

Sincerely, Joaenea Horn

Dear Santa

I would like a Go-Kart, four wheeler, a three door pickup like a my brother's. Also I would like to have a better life, a drum set, new shoes, more shirts, to be rich for the rest of my life, and I forgot some headphones when we take a long drive you know.

Your friend, Adam Evans

Dear Santa.

I would like a computer, a CD player, new jonathan Taylor Thomas poster and a new trampoline.

Sincerely, Jamie Leigh Vaughn

Dear Santa,

This year I would like my own personal flute, I would also like some roller skates. I would like a Texas Tech coat.

Scincerely, Lorri Britten

Dear Santa,

This year I want a Texas Tech coat. i also want stuff from Bath & Body works. Somethin else I want is Vanilla Fields perfume, The last thing I want is a fence in the lot between my neighbors house and mine so I can ride my horse out there without my parents having to take me.

Sincerely, Caren R. Howard

Dear Santa,

I want an Appaloosa horse, a hottube, and keep my dog's puppies, some cd's and a Texas Tech coat and a whirlpool bathtub.

Yours truly, Kristen B. Brooks

Dear Santa.

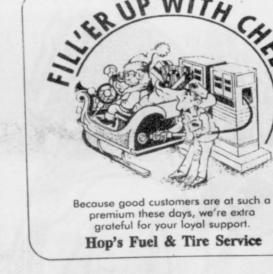
For Christmas I would like a computer and a CD player. I would also like a Leane Rimes CD to go with my CD player. Another thing I would like is some more JTT posters and a trampoline for my brother and me.

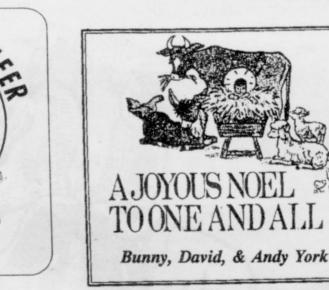
Sincerely, Beth Wakefield

Dear Santa,

I want a new fourwheeler and also I want a new Dodge Ram extended cab V!0 engine with leather seats. I want it to be black and gray with a CD player in it.

Sincerely, Owen Weinheimer





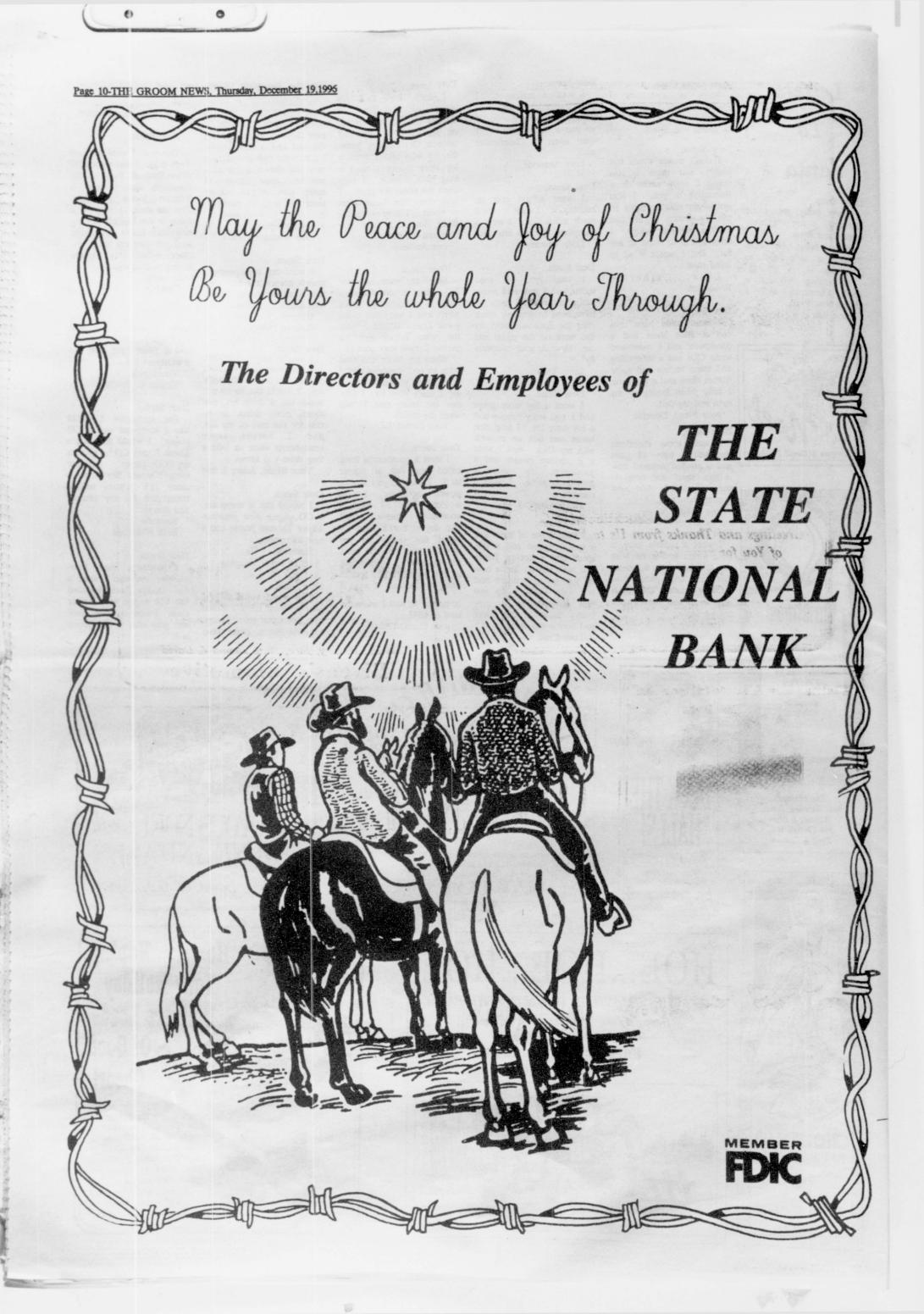


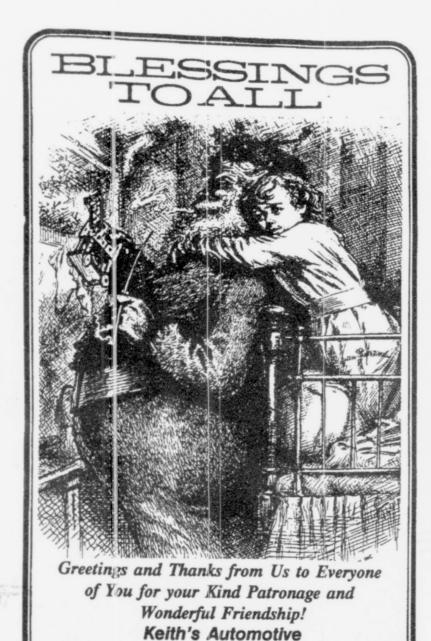
It's been a pleasure serving you.

Farmer's Equipment Jan, Bill & Rodney









Keith, Kathleen, Chance Thane, Chad & Kyler

and Rick & Christy

Greetings

Wishing you love, happiness, peace and joy throughout the Holiday Season. Merry Christmas to

Theresa Hermesmeyer

Wishing all our friends a holiday filled with good

> Merry Christmas! Arnold & Doris Kuehler

Here's hoping you have the very best Christmas ever. Sybil Brown

May the peace and happiness of Christmas be yours today and everyday throughout the coming year. Irene Baggerman

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May the Infant Jesus bless you and yours with every happiness. We wish you a wonderful Christmas.

Gary, Sharon, Bruce. Bronte & Bart Britten

We wish you a season of beautiful Christmas moments and lasting memories to treasure always.

Ray & Gaynelle Pool

Glad tidings to all. Hope you experience the best that this special season has to

Wallace & Jackie Bichsel

May the blessings and good wishes of Christmas be with each of you.

Ruby Milton

Wishing you the best gift of the season, Happiness always, Merry Christmas to

Jean Morrow God bless each of you at Christmastide and throughout the New Year.

Dr. Gaylon, Lenora, John & Kristy Nepper of Omaha, Nebraska

May the happiness of Christmas be in your heart to stay, and to brighten all your moments long after Christmas day. Gary, Cindy, Marci, Cody &

Tyler Babcock May you and yours enjoy the spirit of the season which is peace, hope, and love.

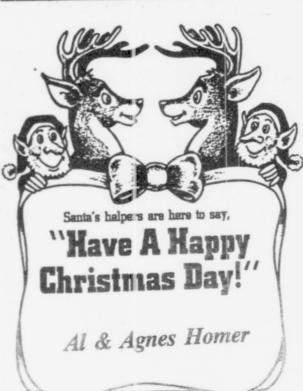
Troy & Betty Treadwell

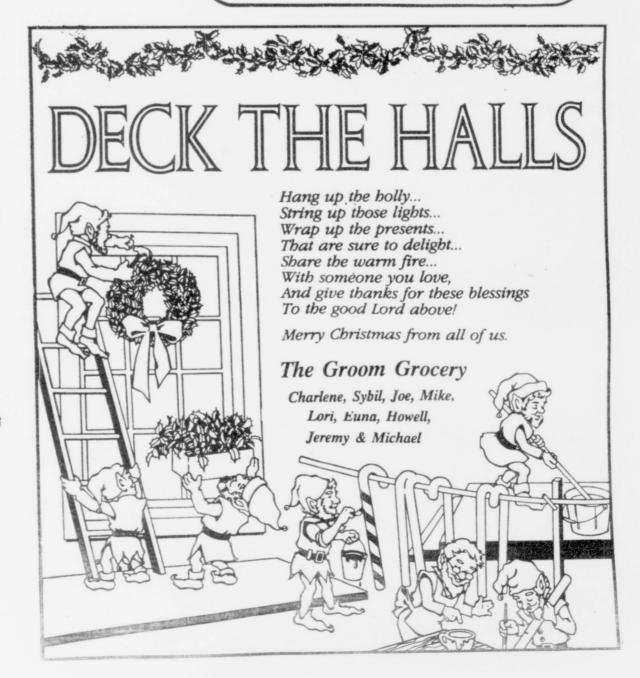


Hope your Christmas runs smoothly in every way. We're always glad to be of service.

Mark, Tammy, Jack, Stan, Donna & David **Bivens' Automotive**







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you throughout the year.

Wishing all a blessed

Christmas with gifts of love

and laughter and peace

Mike, Marla, Macie, Wyatt, &

May this sacred season

W.H. & Evelyn Ollinger

God Bless each of you

The Lloyd Littlefield's

bring its finest blessings to

you and those you love.

through the holidays.

David, Lanna,

Amy & Brody

Brown

And ours, too! We're sending our best holiday wishes for a season filled with happiness and cheer.

Ronny, Linda, &

Shannon Fields

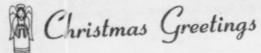
Joe Rae & Kim Richardson

Brady & Roni Michele Miller

& Darcee Lyles

unending.

Lainie Britten



Thinking of everyone at Christmas time and wishing you all every joy.

Donald & Juandell Ritter

God be with you and bless you at Christmas time and throughout the New

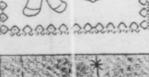
Mildred (Burgin) Bill & McWhirter

At this Holy season, May we wish you and yours every blessing.

Greg & Janetta Lamb

May love and peace fill your heart and home.







holiday blessed with love and happiness!

Circle B Meat Co.

Wishing you the best the season has to offer. Merry Christmas.

Jack & Bettye West

I wish you Christmas joy May the special meaning and a New Year filled with of Christmas remain with happiness and peace. Nadine Rogers Don, Mary Sue, Julie, Aimee

enjoy

A Christmas Wish! That you and those you love will

Mary Lou Homer

the best Christmas

Wishing all our good friends a holiday filled with love and laughter. Gloria & Jan Ledwig

May the Peace and Joy of Christmas time be with you

the whole year through. Katie Talley

In the spirit of the season we wish all our good friends a very Merry Christmas.

Curtis, Dondra, Denai & Collin Downs

We wish you happiness and serenity this holiday season and always.

For your thoughtfulness and dearness, for the sweet things that you do, for your kindness and your caring that's such a part of you. There's a very special

There's a very special meaning in this wish for you alone - for the merriest of

Christmases that you

have every known. Bertha Knight

Wayne, Adela & Halee Kotara

good health and with happiness. Ruby Latta May you sense His Love and goodness in a very special way this Christmas

At this Christmas Season

and throughout the New

Year, may you be blessed

One & All, Bobby & Darlene Jones

season. Merry Christmas to

May every happiness be yours at Christmas and throughout the New Year. Essie Cooper Knowles



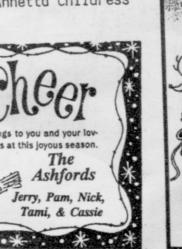












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Here's hoping you and your family rope up a season of joy! Larry, Karen, & Skye Brown









nature whispers a silent noel All nature Whispers a Silen Wishing you quiet pleasures and gentle Joys.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Debbie Addy and Annetta Childress



Pav, Toni & Luke Paviovsky



Caren, Kecia, Karla & Keeli Howard

FAFFY FOLDAYS

The MiLean News

ROUTE

Commerce Bank Building No. 5 Thursday December 19,1996



Lucus Webb assures Old Kris Kringle that he has been good all year long and gives him a list of Christmas wishes.



Cindy Glass, Nora Turpin, Coleen Stewart, and Becky Fish anxiously await their turn to tell Santa what they want for

Holiday Holds Fun Filled

Events

The holiday season is in full swing with many activities culminating in this the week before Christmas. Many children and adults enjoyed the annual visit from Santa at the Bank of Commerce. Although he already knew who was naughty and nice, Santa patiently listened to many Christmas requests.

The McLean School Music Department hosted See Holiday, pg. 14



Early Deadline For The McLean News' January 2 issue will be Mon., December 30th at noon.

DECEMBER 30 McLean High School basketball teams will play Hedley, here at 6:30 pm.

McLEAN ISD will dismiss school on Dec. 19 for the McLean ISD holidays. faculty will have inservice on December 20.

McLEAN ISD will resume classes on January 6, 1997.

YOUNG AT HEART invites everyone to their Christmas dinner, Dec. 25 at noon. Bring a covered dish. Do not stay home

OPEN HOUSE at the Family Health Care Center Dec. 20 from 10 am- 4 pm.

THE HIGH SCHOOL basketball teams will play Pampa Academy here at 6:30 Dec. 19 at 6:30 pm.

McLEAN HIGH School basketball teams will travel to Allison. Game time is 6:30 p.m. on Dec. 20.

WINTER BEGINS December 21!!!

A DRIVER SAFETY Course will be held in Clarendon on Saturday, January 18, 1997. For more information call (806)874-3571.

NEW YEARS DANCE at McLean Country Club. Everyone invited. Set ups and sandwiches. \$20.00 couple!

Sheriff Reports Accidents On Icy Roads, Tips For The Holidays

By Randy Stubblefield It's Tuesday morning and while I am writing this article, I can hear the dispatcher talking to other agencies about road conditions and sending officers to accidents or stranded motorists along I-40. The weather sure plays an important factor in peoples lives in the panhandle. If you become one of the victims of the snow and ice and you get stuck or stranded on a major highway you should

stay with your vehicle and not try to walk for help. Help usually arrives before you could reach anyplace with a phone and you do not want to walk into a more serious situation. Just be patient and stay with your vehicle until someone arrives to assist you.

Today's jail population is 53 inmates. This number is down today because we were able to take some to court and release them due to different reasons. Some

received time served for their charges and some were placed on probation. We did send one male to the prison system last night, he caught the prison bus at Potter County jail along with about 60 others from the panhandle.

This past week we booked into the Gray County jail, 16 prisoners and made 6 reports, they included 2 burglary, 1 assist, 1 family

See Sheriff, pg. 22



The audience enjoyed a Civistmas play western style as elementary students presented a rootin' tootin' jamboree.

Tigers Defeat Cougars

Tiger Rag Staff By: Lorin Hall & Bonnie Hauck

December 13 the McLean athletes gathered in McLean to defeat the Amarillo Christian Cougars. At half time the Junior Varsity Tigers had the lead holding the Cougars 19 to 11. McLean continued to score in the third quarter increasing their lead 34 to 23. However, in the fourth quarter the Tigers had to hustle to keep control of the board and succeeded,

leaving the court with a final score of 44 to 37. High scorers were Erik Vega with 18 points, Shawn Sanderson with 9 points, and Josh Swafford with 7 points. Other scorers were Chris Hauck, Derek Glass, Brodey Carter and Derek Studebaker.

McLean's varsity girls hit the court next, to sweep the floor with the Lady Cougars. The Lady Tigers breezed through the first half ending with a 42 to 10

During the third quarter McLean held their own, allowing Amarillo Christian to score only one basket. The Lady Tigers walked away with a final score of 76 to 17. Shaley Stalls led McLean in scoring with 22 points; close behind was Rachel Galley with 14. Other Lady Tigers that upped the score board were Valerie Joiner, Lori Hefley, Shanna Dent, Vanessa Glass, Bonnie Hauck, Jessi See Tigers, pg. 22

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More McLean Briefs

Marvin Godfrey will have by-pass surgery in Dallas December 16th.

The Auditorium Sunday School Class had their Christmas Party in the home of Mary Bybee.

Ruth McLain, Brenda McLain, Ricky and Brenda Jasper, Shirley Ennis, Wanda Hindman, Dale and Mary Lou Glass, Ella Ann Hanes, Q.D. and Deloris Bevill, John and Eula Denton were in attendance. Fun, food and fellowship was had by all.

E.J. and Dorris Windom spent their Thanksgiving with Pat, Trish, and Amy Windom of Boerne, Texas.

Mike Harkins spent time in McLean hunting with Johnnie Carpenter and visiting with his mom and dad.



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New Years
McLean
Country Club
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Fire Department Holds Party

Saturday, December 14, the McLean Fire Department had their annual Christmas party. Enjoying the good food and fun were Clifford and Linda McDonald; Robert McDonald; Ron, Rose, Kalee, & Andie Shank; David, Shandee, Jacob, & Deshae Tolleson; Brandon, Charley, Jacob, Dakota and new baby Cheyenne Colpetzer; Devin Wheeler; Doyle, Cindy, Dustin, & Kaela Lee; Lewayne, Kay, Melissia, & Steven Foshee; Donnie, Ladonna, Robbie, Brandon, Valerie, & Victoria Bradley; Jennifer Pennington; Bonnie & Amanda Hauck; D.J. Basham; Jim and Emma Jean McDonald.

Mary Ann Carpenter and Charlotte Watson made a shopping trip to Oklahoma City on December 9.

Out of town guests for Tommy Pennington and Jamie Kirkland's wedding shower were Jamie's mother, Dana Kirkland and sister Jeanie Kirkland.

Avalee Crockett is doing very well. She is in Borger with her daughter. You can send her a card at 116 Warwick St., Borger, TX 79007.

Holiday

an evening of entertainment.

"Christmas at the O.K.

Corral" and "Santa's Holiday

Hoedown" were musical

plays presented by

elementary students. Mrs.

Judith Watkins directed the

two plays. Several "non
traditional" songs were

enjoyed by the crowd.

There are many other worthy events that have or will happen by the first of the year. The News will try to get you information on all of them.



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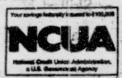
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knew they would not get. The forth graders are very convincing, but they all realize that the "Big Present" they asked for was just for fun and practice in writing. The News has taken the liberty to also

Dear Santa,

inform Santa.

I know you will listen because you are a very fair man. Sant I would like a little sister. I would also like a R C racer, that way I can set the new buby's bottle on it and drive it to

my mom. I would also like a Sony Play Station, so I can teach my little brother or sister how to play games before she or he is older. Santa I know the other three things above are a breeze to get but my last thing that I want may not be as easy for me to get. My last thing I want is a shot-gun with 177 bullets coming with it. I know you're probably thinking that I am crazy but I want you to listen to why I want a shot-gun. My first reason is that I can protect my mom, dad, brother, and my coming little brother or sister. Say that a 224 lbs. robber with 24" bicepts came and tried to rob our house. My little b-b gun

would not protect my family. Although if I had a shot-gun and shot him on the bootie, he would run, away yelling Yipe! Yipe!

My second reason is that I could provide food for us

if we didn't have any money. My family would be crying, so I would say, "I'll go get some deer so we can have deer jerky." Then my mom would say "Thank you Zane, be careful." Then I would go and get my shotgun and go out to the gravel pit and get a deer or Then I would take them to my grandmother's house, so she can make them into deer jerky. After that I would walk back home and feed my family. After we ate that my family would still be hungry so we would call my grandmother so she could make us some Denny Moore stew. Then my family would be stuffed so we would go to bed. I hope this story is not too long. I just wanted to get all the details in. Oh, yea mom I know I won't get a shot-gun, but I just wanted to try. Also Santa I know you will try to get all the things I said but don't try too hard on the shot-gun part. One more thing you have been looking pretty thin these days. Have you been working something?

Sincerely, Zane

Dear Santa,

You are a fair man so I know you will listen to me. There are a bunch of things I want, but one I might not get from my mom. I want a cd player with 15 inch surround sound speakers and a remote-control for it. I want it so, I don't always have to buy new tapes all the time and, so I will be cool, like my friends. I know you will listen because of what a happy and nice man you are. I will not have to bug my mom to let me go play because I will be listening to my cd player.

Yours truly Jeremy James

Dear Santa,

You are so nice to everyone. I have been very good this year. I want some nike shoes. It does not matter if it is low tops or high tops. I would like some goldfish, or a geko, a computer game, some Bryer horse books. Santa, I know you get tired of going all a round the world so when you come by my house I will have you some cookies and some milk on the table. There is one other thing I want. It is a rabbit so I can hold it and love on it. I will be so happy if I get one. I need a pet to stay in my room. It can play with me all the time. I will take it many places. It could sleep on my bed beside my head and keep my face warm. I hope you have a wonderful Christmas tell the elves I said they are doing a good

P.S. Bring a cage! to Sincerely, Skyler Merry Christmas

For Christmas I want a watch, city van, and what I really want is a go-cart that has stickers all over it. If I get a go-cart I can go and ride around instead of being LAZY all the time. If I am

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make my mom mad. If we make my mom mad we can't go riding around on Friday and Saturday nights. If we don't get to go riding around my brother will get mad at me because I got us grounded and we won't go looking for turkey, and shoot wild turkeys to clean off and put in the freezer for Thanksgiving next year so we won't have to buy a turkey and spend money when we can just go around lazy all the time I won't clean, or do anything except get fat and lazy. Don't you see if I am lazy all the stinking time I won't help my brother Clint build his and my closet so it will get done, but it won't if I am lazy all the time. If that closet isn't finished by tonight Cling and I will

on my go-cart and go looking for turkey and boom boom down the bird goes plop. If we come home and I'm not lazy from my go-cart and from shooting turkey all day long my mom will be so proud.

She will bake me a batch of cookies for helping my brother getting the closet done and for at last getting me off my lazy lazy habit. She will go and get on my go-cart with me and we will go riding around and she will be so happy that she will take off work to stay with me for a week and a 1/2. There are the reasons to let me have a go-cart.

Sincerely, Mitch

P.S. You're looking mighty trim. Have you been working out?

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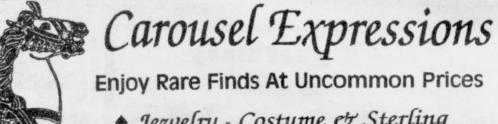
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Dear Santnick,

I want a remote control car, Nintendo 64, lots of candy and most of all I want a new Dino Viper.

I want a Dino Viper so bad becuse I had one before, but it got stolen in the middle of the day. And it is easy to ride plus it's strong. It is really smooth when you ride the bike. It works really good when I took it to the trails. It gives me exercise when I would ride it into town. I would

use my bike lock and would not waste money. It would run good on dirt roads around here.

Sincerely, Joshua Nelson

Dear Santa,

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Love Lucas

Dear Santa,

I want a lot of things but may not get a computer. I would like a C.D., a remote-control car and some clothes. I would really like to have a computer. I could play games on it when I can't go outside. I could share it with my sister and teach her English with it. A computer would help me to make better grades in school. I hope you bring my computer.

Love, Antonio

Dear Santa,

I know you will try to get me these things Christmas. . .

A goldfish or a geko, one go cart, a tadpole set to study tadpoles with Gosebump books, school Hot scissors, Promises a painted Bryer Santa, here is Horse. something that I'd like the most. Santa you are the most jollyest, most funnyest fellow I know. please could you get me 18 retired Bryer Horses including Patches, Milgruf, Man-o-war and Chimpetor. Thank my jolly old friend.

Sincerely, Ashley

P.S. If I got these Bryer Horses it would show me how to take care of my horse better. I would not be bugging my mother for so many Bryer Horses. If I wanted to be a horse trainer the Bryer Horses would be able to show me some things about horses. Horses are my favorite kind of animal. Santa you are the nicest prson alive.

Dear Santa,

I want a motorcycle and some clothes to wear to

school. I would like a new pair of basketball shoes. Santa I relly want a go cart. Just think all of the fun we can have on the go cart. If I got a go cart all of my friends would like to come over every day. I want a go cart because a go cart will last longer than a motercycle. You probably wouldn't have to buy a shed when it rains or when it Santa I wouldn't shows. have to walk to feed the horses and the goat. We would't have to use my dads pickup. We could use the go cart.

I hope you have a nice Christmas.

Sinclery Tyler

For Christmas I want a race car and a CD player and a horse and a nintendo 64 and a new coat and the new Jordon shoes and the new Hardaway shoes and a new bike. Santa I want a new watch to. I want a motorcycle and a dunebugy. But Santa, the thing I want most is a real four-wheeler. Santa, I want a four-wheeler because when my Grandmother tells me to go to the store, I will not have to walk a long way to the store because I can go on my four wheeler. I know you will get me these things Santa because you are a nice man. I will build a chimney because I do not have a chimney. Sincerely,

Dear Santa

Bryan John Graybeal

For Christmas I won't a bunch of things. example, a Ticoe Rebound car, some new clothes, and a bunch of little hot wheel cars. But there is one thing I want the most and it is an eighty Honda motorcycle for Christmas. I have always wanted one to ride. You want to see kids happy right? Well, I'll be happy with a motorcycle. You will not have to get anything else for me as long as I get a motorcycle, I really want it so me and Slade and Tyler and Zane can race. doesn't have to be fancy. I just really want one. Hey, your elves won't have to make it - You could just go to a honda shop. If you won't to ride it to my house, you can. Let that elfe with the peg leg ride it to my house. He is my favorite elf of all. I hope you will bring it because you are the best in the hole South Pole and North Pole. think I should get the motorcycle so I can take out the trash faster than I normally do. I could run to get milk faster than I do on my bike.

Sincerely Terrence Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,

that is why I am doing this

right now. I want every thing mostly but mainly, a motorcycle. I want a motorcycle because when I go out to my grandmother's house I have nothing to do except look at books that are boring. If I had a motorcycle I would be going everywhere in the country where my grandmother lives. I might even let my brothers or sister ride my motorcycle if I get one for Christmas. I would do to get a anything motorcycle. I might give up my allowance to have a motorcycle. Why I need it most of all is because I was a good girl all year long. You are a wonderful man. That's why I know you will give me a brand new motorcycle. I hope you have a nice Christmas and drink all the milk and eat all the cookies.

The other things I want is a remote control car, a cd. player, and some c.d.'s. Last but not least I want some new bed sheets. I forgot to say I also want a new Nintendo just like the one in Super Wlalmart. I also want a bike but most of all I just want a motorcycle. Also Nintendo 64

Merry Christmas Love Valerie

Dear Santa and roudoph

Santa there are a lot of things I want for Christmas like a tv super nintendo but what I want most is a nintendo 64. If I had a

nintendo 64 my parents would hate to get on to me. They can just sat down and relax on the couch or cook. Out of all the reson's I have gaven you it will keep my busy Santa you are a wonderful man. i bet you have listened and probably telling your cives to make a nintendo 64. Santa Christmas is a good thing and I want you to have a good time.

Sincerely, Andy

Dear Santa,

I would like a doll For Christmas. I would also like you to bring me a walkeytakley. I need a doilHouse for My doll your bringing

I no I probably wont get a puppy, but thats what I really want. Puppys are because they fun, run around, bark, and cuddle up and sleep with

Love, Allison





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MAHNKEN DRUG SHAMROCK, TEXAS Don Biggers, R.Ph

McLean Care Center News

Sunday, Bro. Thacker Haynes, pastor of the Methodist Church came to conduct a worship service.

Residents working in crafts Monday morning were Thelma Finson, Truman Goodlett, Teresa Richardson, Phyllis Bailey, Corsages and boutonnieres Sylvia McClellan and Helen were furnished by Lamb-Glass. In the afternoon Ferguson Flower shop. they played bingo, those playing were Jessie Coleman, M.L. Rowan, Truman Goodlett, Hadda Moore, Vernee Bowling, Thelma Finson, Sylvia McClellan, Phyllis Bailey, Teresa Richardson, Sue Cubine, Jessie Watson, Marjorie Turnage, Dick Wheeler and Florence Bananas were Drake. furnished by the Lions Club. Volunteer helpers were Betty Lowe and Cliffie Heasley.

A craft session was held Tuesday morning while other residents signed Christmas cards.

Residents attending the elementary school play were Phyllis Bailey, Truman Goodlett, Sylvia McClellan, Dick Wheeler, Mable Dickey, Thelma Finson, Florence Drake, Marjorie Turnage and M.L. Rowan. Sue Marsh and Betty Lowe assisted the residents. After the play the residents enjoyed the donut circle. Donuts were furnished by Leta Mae Hess.

Saturday was the birthday party. Residents celebrating were Sue Cubine, Phyllis Bailey, Leon Tate and Marjorie Turnage. Steve Brass brought his new electric piano and played a variety of melodies. Evelyn Pennington baked and decorated the cake. Mary Dwyer furnished the angel food cake, napkins were furnished by Floella Quattlebaum and the ice cream was furnished by Rocky and Linda Bailey.

Trooper Makes Drug Bust

Trooper Chad Estes collected 343 pounds of marijuana in two drug arrests last week. After stopping an east bound car Flores were named to the for speeding, he noticed the First Team All-District odd shape of the gas tank and with further investigation found 73 the 2-A District UIL pounds of the drug.

In a separate incident, he conflicting stories between received a consent to search. 270 pounds of marijuana was found in 2 U-haul boxes aboard the

Derek Glass

★★★☆☆★★ Tigers Named To All-District Team

By Bonnie Hauck & Walter Handlin - Tiger Rag Staff

Derek Glass and Chris football team, according to an announcement made by officials. Glass, a senior at MHS, was named on stopped a rented vehicle for defense, and Flores, a speeding and after getting junior, was named on offense. Glass has also the driver and passenger, been nominated to represent District 2-A at the All-Star game.

Named to the second team on offense were



Chris Flores



Jason Hooper



Ike Hanes



Charlie Carter



Aaron Rice



Brian Fuller

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freshman Ike Hanes, quarterback and senior Jason Hooper, end. Named to Second Team defense were freshman Charlie

Carter, lineman; freshman Aaron Rice, linebacker; and senior Jason Hooper, safety. Freshman Brian Fuller named honorable

mention center on offense. The Tigers finished their season 6-5, losing to Groom in the bi-district match-up.

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TIGERS MGBRS

McLean Varsity Teams Play Pampa Academy, Here, Dec. 19 6:30 pm Allison, There, Dec. 20 6:30 pm Hedley, Here, Dec. 30 6:30 pm



The Lady Tigers breezed through the recent game with the Amarillo Christian Lady Cougars. The final score was 76 to 17.

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? How are the elves? I am doing great! I just had a new baby brother. He is almost four months old. Santa if you could bring me a couple of things I would appreciate it. I would like a baby carrier and some baby clothes. If you could bring some house shoes I would like it if they were yellow or

pink. If I would pick an animal I would pick a kitten. Santa, I thought I would leave the best for last! I would like Take Care of Me Twins! Hope you have a nice flight!

Sincerley yours, Talitha Newton

Dear Santa.

How are you? I am great! How are your elves and your reindeer? When When you come can you bring me a doll, skates and a puppy for Christmas? Who's house are you going to first? I hope you come to my house first. What I really really want for Christmas is a big teddy bear. I all readdy have under my Christmas tree. my house first and I hope







are you going to come? seven Christmas presents Do you really have a big

beer? I am nine years old. How many elves do you have? I hope you come to







cars, Haunted Highway and magic games.

Please bring Jessi something. I've been a good boy. I love you, Travis Fish

Dear Santa

you have a safe trip.

How are you? I an great

How is Rudolph and the

other reindeer? Is it cold at

the north pole? Did you

get sick or hurt? How is

Mis Claus this year? How

are the elves? Are they all

rialt? I hope you can come

on Christmas. Is Rudolph

going to guide your sleig?

When you come to give the

presnts out may I have a

pair of skates, a dad and a

bat and ball. I would also

like a new cat. please

remeser to give preesets to

the homeless. Have a safe

I would like a train set,

toy story movie, Hot wheels

Harmony

and Joy!

Yours truly

Lindsey

Dear Santa.

Connie Vega

Der Santa,

I would like a motorcycle, Nintendo i64, rocketship, three wheeler, back pack and games. I will fix you some cookies and milk.

Love, Zach Richardson

Dear Santa,

computer I want a learning game, candyland game, some insulated overalls, a remote control fire truck and some clothes.

Your friend, Lucas Webb

Dear Santa,

For Christmas bring me a batman boat, Brett Farve jersey, and football cleats.

Love, Logan

Dear Santa, I want a bike, dizzy dryer

game, tooth brush set. baby doll that walks, a slet and new clothes and pla girl stuff.

Love, Stephanie Henson

Dear Santa,

Hi. How are you? have been good. I want semi with a cattle trailer and a combine and a tow truck I love you,

Dear Santa.

Trey

Please bring me a Baby go-Bye-Bye and two barbie cameras.

Love,

Kristen.

P.S. Please bring Mom and Dad a John Wayne movie.

Dear Santa,

I want a song bird Barbie, a Barbie Dream House, a Barbie and Keco and computer. I want a piano light so I can play Christman songs for my family.

Love, Lacee Wallis











And all around the town May peace and happiness Blanket the town.

And to all our good friends Both far and near-A very good Christmas And a happy New Year.

Season's Johnnie & Mary Ann Carpenter





McLean School, Board, Employees & Students

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa.

Please send me a set of twin dolls and a come here puppy. Thank you for your kindness. I hope you get something you really want for Christmas.

God Bless You. **Emory Crawford**

My name is Tammy and I am 6 years old. I would like my whole family to be together for Christmas. I would like a Barbie car, a doll and a wettin wizard. I have been a good girl.

Tammy Syfrett

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good girl throughout the year. And I hope you think so also. I hope I am at the top of your list. I'm really excited about Christmas, I want you to be somewhere that I can take a picture

This is my list that I want for Christmas, but, I know that you will receive many letters from a lot of other

kids. But if you don't have enough money to buy all these presents just bring me whatever you wish. Barbie car with telephone (pink), Play store set, eating doll, dog costume, clothes.

Thank you, Arely Vega

Dear Santa,

Is it cold in the North Pole? Does it rain in the North Pole? Do you get sick? How is your 36i4 day vacation? I would like a dartboard. I want a blougun. I would also like B-B-Gun. I want a real snake. I also want a Sega

Thank you. Yours truly, Ashley Love Dear Santa Clause,

My name is Joshua Troy. Hi Santa are you a traveler? Becomes im bad but I want a black cowboy hat and a vest and a rill.

I want a cowboy cot and

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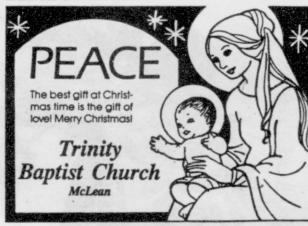
a cowboy and a cowboy boots and a talkboy pen and sum shoof splices. Thanks, Santa Clause.

Your pal, Troy Pendleton













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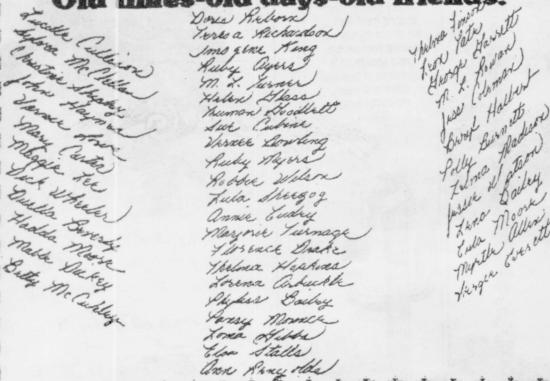
The tree has been trimmed, the gifts taken care of, the halls have been decked. The only thing left to do is wish all our friends the best Christmas yet!

> Ralph, Jerry, Marcia Skyler, & Lacy J. Ferguson

有非常教育的教育教育的教育教育 Jeason's Greetin

FROM RESIDENTS OF NICLEAN CARE CENTER

There's never a Christmas morning. There's never an old year ends. But somebody thinks of some one. Old times-old days-old friends.



All I Want For Christmas Is . . .

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl this year and I hope you can bring all this stuff for me. I want a Shaving Ken, a Pet Doctor barbie, a Ocean friend barbie; and Nike trainer G.R. and Nike

socks and a Nike shorts and a Nike shirt. P.S.S. I left milk and cookies.

Love Shelby, age 7 (I love you Santa Clause)

Dear Santa,

I have been really good this year and I would like to have a puppet, football, toys, Santa Claus suit, and a toy Santa Claus. I hope these things are not to much for y and I would really like all of them.

Your friend forever Seth-Ro

Dear Santa Clause

I have been good. I want you to come to my house. This is what I want. A Teenage Mutant ninja turtl, a mighty max, Spider man and a Bat man. I have to have a Dragen flys.

From: Michael

Sidney & Doris
Lands

Santa's Ready...

And So Are We!

With so many good people in one town, be'll be making an extra-long stop bere. We wish you all the best! Dear Santa

I want a toy rifle and a fri race cars tracks and a computer and a Lochar a bulldozer.

By
Jacob V.

Dear Santa

I wat a toy rifle and a raice cars track and a computers and a elechar budozer.

Jacob T

Dear Santa

I been a good little girl
I want a boy dog and a
my size Barby.

Some more friends in school some more cloths, some night gouns, long ones, long jones, a cd player a barby that seims, new shoes a dres shoes a conputer with a micphone and a pretty swetter cover wraws, a new house I want





a Barbie Jeep, Mikey as a friend a pretty unbrella and mi suster ti be nice to me. a calclator rite the little pet shop some swets a marker a chalkboard a chalk a printer paint a clock cds a mikey tops smiley stickers and kays knee to hill a pretty vest hair bows and to go to third grad and the manje game and my mom to be happy every day and want some

Amanda Fricks
P.S. I love you Santa for everything.

Dear Santa

paints.

I wood like for you to get to a Jamange game a scruchwer and that figer mashen that has macs gliter a walkmen a remote control



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Thanks.

From all of us at the North Forty



car and rolbars and if you can not gite it that will be ok for me.

Thak you, Tamara

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl. Can I have some roller blades. I want a barbie house and a remote control barbie car and a new wlakmen and a puppy and if you can't git it it is ok. Santa but can I have a waterbed and I want it to snow. Meey Christmas.

Love Erin

Dear Santa

I wanta Johnny Quest and batmen and Mite Ducks and a 4 wheeler and a jeep and a car.

David Jeffries

Dear Santa

I whote a bick a real gun a play gun a live dog a big monkey doll a real knife a army set a play cannon.

John Ruel Hughes

Dier Santa

I want workmen and 16 combat carls and a condat can and a state of the arts spawn 3 wash and a mart untro car telusrop cadouhat and boots and speer. and a buzz light year.

Love Anthony



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

City Of McLean

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Wishing all a blessed Christmas with gifts of love and laughter and peace unending.

From All Of Us At

B & B Turbine

Beason's Greetings

At this Holy season, May we wish you and yours every blessing. Jim & Emma Jean McDonald

Christmas to Everyone!

James & Pat Barker

May the Prince of Peace bring love and joy to you and yours this blessed Christmas season.

Coleen Stewart

God Bless each of you through the holidays. Fern Boyd

At this Christmas Season and throughout the New Year, may you be blessed with good health and happiness.

S.A. & Isabell Cou ins

To all our good friends may you find gifts aplenty this Christmas, filled with love and much happiness.

Hey Santa!

Gimme Some Presents!

Dear Santa,

I want a space sam tent, sleeping bag, Goosebump game, micromine's Green bay packers helmet; Toy story movie, 101 dalmations movie, Toy story space Vechicle, sspcrash monkey madness game Fraidy cats game, Frantic Ants games, last chance game, Hot shot game. That what I want for Christmas

Dear Santa,

I have been very good. I have moved to McLean this year. Here is My Christmas

1. Dishes to play with 2. The Doll in the wish

Love. Anna

Have a Merry P.S. Christmas.

Dear Santa,

Can I have a Barbie house, Ken doll and a Barbie car, please.

Your friend,

Dear Santa,

My sister and I have been good. My sister wants a My Size Dancing Barbie and Gator Golf.

I want an Elefun game and new clothes and a Toy

We love you, Kortney & Staci Smith

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good girl this year. Please bring me a trampoline, a Teddy Bear, dresses, dress shoes, and some new coloring books.

Please bring my brother and sister something nice too. Merry Christmas.

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Love, Jamie Sanderson

Dear Santa,

I have been good. would like Baby-G-Bye-Bye Finger nail polish and glitter and a ring and a walking

Dashae Tolleson

Dear Santa,

How is your 364 days off?! I hope they are as good as your Christmas Spirit! Anyway I would like a three in one Batman Forever Vehicle, a Remote control car, a zeonizer, a swiss army knife, a few transformer action figures, a space jam sound track a zeonizer, a Zeo Ranger V costume, shirt and cap. And last of all a Nintendo 64 with that mario game with the nae that I don't remember. I hop you can

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Dear Santa.

How are your elves? I am fine. How are your reindeer? Have you been sick? I would like a Swiss

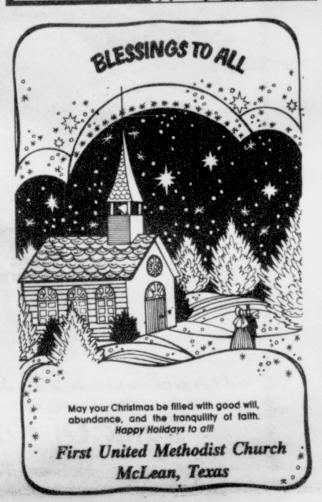
Army Knife. I would like a new Nintendo game. It doesn't matter what game it is. Have a nice trip.

> Your friend, Nicholas Odom









Tigers

Fish, Sara Brown, Tanna Shipman, Lacey Steel, and Amanda Cline.

The McLean Tigers played the final game of the night against Amarillo Christian Varsity. In the first half McLean clenched a three point lead of 33 to 30. The Tigers upped their lead

the third quarter, making the score 50 to 42. McLean left the gym with a 62 to 54 victory after a well fought game. High pointers were Brett Montgomery with 21 points, and Ike Hanes with 19 points. Chad Richards, Aaron Tobey Purcell, and Gary Jones contributed to the Tigers' 62 points as well.



Sheriff

violence, 1 theft of auto parts and 1 aggravated sexual assault of a child. The report of aggravated sexual assault of a child

resulted in a Pampa man being charged with 2 counts of that. Our office also received 125 calls for service last week. At one time I had the dispatcher log the telephone calls that they

received during the day, evening and night shifts. We averaged around 125 calls per day shift, 80 per evening shift and 20 per night shift. This was an "eye-opener" for us and the commissioners court as well to see the amount of work load for the dispatchers. The night dispatcher also has to enter into the computer the warrants and please be careful.

other "papers" received during the day so even though they do not have as many calls they do stay

I may not have another article before Christmas, so if not, my staff and I want to wish everyone a safe and merry Christmas. Enjoy the time with your families and friends and if you travel,





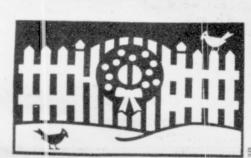
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C & H - McLean Ann, Carla, Arley, Bobby Terry, David & Bob



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Request For Bids On Texas Highway Construction

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Sealed proposals for 2.542 miles of rehabil tate existing roadway on SE 70 from Junction LP 171, North to Roberts County Line covered by CSR 490-1-25 in Gray County, will be received at the Texas Department of Transportation, 200 E. Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas, until 1:00 F.M., January 8, 1997, and then publicly opened and read. It is the bidder's responsibility to ensure that the sealed proposal arrives at the above location and is in the hands of the letting official, by the specified deadline regardless of the method chosen by the bidder for delivery.

Plans and specifications, including minimum wage rates as provided by Law,

are available for inspection at the office of Jerry Raines, Area Engineer, Pampa, Texas, and at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, Texas. Bidding proposals are to be requested from the Construction and Maintenance Division, 200 East Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas 78704-1205. Plans are available through commercial printers in Austin, Texas, at the expense of the bidder.

The Texas Department of Transportation hereby notifies all bidders that it will insure that bidders will not be discriminated against on the ground of race, color, sex or national origin, in having full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation, and in consideration for an award.

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AA GROUP MEETS Tuesday, 8:00 p.m. at the Library.

Request For Bids On Texas Highway Construction

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Dated: December 2,

S/Hop's Fuel & Tire Service By: Howard Britten, Owner

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1997 Ford 4x4 Extended Cab Pickup with Standard Shift or comparable

Short Wheel Base
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Cruise Control
Black Exterior
Tan Interior

Specifications can be obtained from the Carson County Judge in his office in the Carson County Courthouse, Panhandle, Texas.

This procedure and notice is in accordance with Chapter 262 of the Local Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated which requires publication of this notice for at least three consecutive weeks

immediately preceding the day of the scheduled bid opening. Bids are to be delivered to Agnes Bell, County Auditor of Carson County, Texas, prior to 10:00 a.m., on Friday, December 20, 1996, the date and time at which such shall be publicly opened, read and considered by the Commissioner's Court. The Court shall award the contract to the responsible bidder who submits the lowest and best bid, or reject all bids and publish a new notice or take such other action as is authorized by said Local Government Code. Additionally, the award of the contract, if at all, shall be made to the responsible offeror whose proposal is determined to be the lowest evaluated offer resulting from negotiation, taking into consideration the relative importance of price and other evaluation factors in accordance with Section

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INFORMATIONAL MEETING

The Amarillo District of the Texas Department of Transportation will be hosting an informational meeting to present the proposed project concerning the frontage roads of I.H. 40 at McLean and Alanreed. This meeting is intended to seek the input of all interested parties who wish to comment about the project.

The meeting will be Thursday, January 25, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. It will be located in the Cafeteria of the McLean Elementary School, 600 N. Main Street,

The Pampa Aren Office is working on the preliminary project plans. If anyone has a concern before the meeting in regard to the project, they may contact the Area Engineer, Jerry Raines at

If anyone interested in attending the meeting has special communication or accommodation needs, please contact Cheryl Luther, the District Environmental Coordinator at 806.356.3249. Requests should be made no later than two days prior to the public meeting. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.

You may submit verbal or written comments regarding this project at the meeting. Written statements and other exhibits may also be submitted to the District Office at 5715 Canyon Drive (P.O. Box 2708) Amarillo, Texas 79105. Comments must be received no later than ten (10) days after the

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Kay Taylor

Dar Santa Claus!

I wut a skate board and and a real sword. From Tyler

Dear Santa,

I been good this year and I want a Dancing Barbie and a Barbie that swims with a whale and a cd record player and a Barbie jeep and a umbrella and a real hors and a teacher

Barbie with a girl a boy and a Mickiy Mouse tapes and a goofy book and a pony book and mickiy mouse watck and adress and a candy bar and a candy cany. Brooke Seymour

McLean Birthdays Anniversaries

December 19 - Colleen Mertel, Ginger Holwick, Martha Jo Bailey, Wayne Carter, Stacie Bolton, Catherine Calcote.

December 20 - Candi Morris, Jamie Kingston, Ann Lamb, Lukas Seymour.

December 21 - Jana

December 22 - Glendora Rice, Sherry Martindale, Laura Willis, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Stillwell (A).

December 23 - Sue Cubiffe, Ott Davis, Deb Crockett, W.A. Davis, Bill and Katy Graham (A).

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McLean Plays Groom

On December McLean 7th grade girls played a very close match with the team from Groom. Both teams were evenly matched. McLean was in front of the score by one point in the last few seconds when Groom scored a 3. point goal in the last 3 seconds to win the game 29. Teddra Simmons topped the scoring with 13 points followed closely by Austin Williams with 12 points. Randi Jo Riley added 4 points.

In the 8th grade girls game with Groom, again. both teams were pretty well matched. Groom got it all together in the 3rd quarter and kept the lead the rest of the game. The final score was 18-26. Scoring for the McLean girls was Twila Williams with 7 points, Cecily Cadra had 5 while Lorin Williams, Veronica Fite and Tina Steward added 2 points

In the Junior High boys game with Groom, Randy Floyd scored a tremendous amount with 24 points. Ben Ridgley had 8 and Gabriel Vega and Terrell Hembree each added 2 points.

McLean took the lead into the 2nd quarter when Groom caught up and passed McLean. McLean seemed to lose their confidence when Groom took an eleven point lead at the end of the 3rd period. They got it back together and came back within 3 points, due to good team

JV Beats Caprock

Groom Junior Varsity battled the Caprock Sophomores last week winning 45-38.

Caleb Pool led the scoring with 10 points. Dean Fields added another 9, Evan Crowell 7, Wyatt Weinheimer and Chris Ollinger each had 5, Jamie Shuck had 4, Dusty Crump 3 and Wade Ritter had 2.

All the high school teams will play Adrian on December 20 beginning at 4:00 p.m. here.

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