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by Teresa J. Mesman

For the past year, my heart has been very touched by the overwhelming number of people that have commented about how much they enjoyed reading the article that I wrote about angels in the Tribune last Christmas.

I have received a lot of encouragement to write again about the real life encounters people have had with angels. I asked for more stories about these events and got quite a few responses. But about halfway into the collecting of these stories, I noticed that most of the stories really dealt with miraculous things happening to the people, whether there was an angel present or not. I then decided to center my story around the real life miracles that happened in the lives of these people.

I am truly grateful to these people for their boldness and sharing. They all bring great witness to the awesome power of the Lord!

The Special Delivery

I had sent a copy of my article last year to my friend Michelle, a dear pal from my days at Texas Tech University. She, in turn, shared the article with a friend of hers by the name of Steven Ramsey. Steven had gone through some rough times for several years, but had something happen to him that would forever change his life. In 1993, his marriage had fallen apart, his parents were at the verge of disowning him and he couldn't hold down a job. He felt useless and that he had no where to turn. When he called me from Dallas to share his story with me, he made it perfectly clear that he felt that God had completely turned his back on him at this point in his life.

Steven thought that ending his life was the only answer. He disconnected the telephone, turned off all the lights in his apartment, except for one lamp in his bedroom and then he sat on the edge of the bed with a pistol in his hand.

"I was crying and I just sobbed out, 'I'm so sorry, I'm so sorry, God please forgive me!' he said. 'I got ready to pull the trigger and that's when this wonderful thing happened.'"

The lights in Steven's apartment all turned on, his stereo radio started blaring and the sound of whistles blowing filled the air. The blinds on his bedroom window pulled open and the door to his apartment blew open. Steven went into his living room to shut the door. That's when the mail man showed up.

"I was just standing there in the middle of my apartment with this dazed and confused look on my face. My stereo was blaring, my door was wide open and I didn't have a clue as to how it had happened. This mail man walks into my apartment with a small box and handed it to me," he explained.

"I've been looking for you," the mailman said. "This is a special delivery!"

He smiled, touched Steven's arm and walked out the door, shutting the door as he left.

Steven sat down in a chair and opened the box. Inside was a Bible. There was no note, no card or anything to indicate who or where it was from.

"I didn't own a Bible and had never really read much from it before," he said, "but I saw the bookmark string and opened it to where it was. It was Isaiah 41. I read it and felt my heart pounding. The words from the verses Isaiah 41:9-10 leapt off the page and began repeating over and over in my head."

God had never turned his back on Steven. He feels now that he was brought to his knees before he could truly understand the love that Christ has for him. Steven put his phone back into the connector and called his parents. He went to them and talked, very calmly and lovingly for the first time in several years. He felt strong again and wanted.

He never did find the pistol that he had intended to use on himself. He knew he dropped it when all the excitement began, but it never turned up anywhere. Steven is now working with a major computer software company. He is also an active member of a large church in Dallas and will be asking a wonderful woman that he has been dating, to marry him on Christmas Eve.

Steven Ramsey still uses the Bible that was brought to him by special delivery, by a very special delivery person.

That delivery saved his life and the words that turned his life around are: "I took you from the ends of the earth, from its farthest corners I called you. I said you are my servant; I have chosen you and have not rejected you. So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. Isaiah 41:9-10.

The Voice From the Microphone

Angels do not always appear to people. Sometimes their message comes in the form of a quiet, yet audible message.

On March 9, 1983, Marilyn Engelking went to the First Methodist Church in Lazbuddie to pray. She wanted to especially pray for the success of the upcoming revival that the church was planning. Her parents, Fred and Vigil Wilbanks were going to be part of the revival with the singing group that they were in called the "Muleshoe Quartet."

"I was at the altar and looked up at the microphone that was standing there. I was thinking about how wonderful it was going to be to hear my daddy's voice in my church, singing from that very microphone," Marilyn said. "Then I heard a voice, like it was coming from right in front of me that said, 'No, it will not be from this microphone. It will be from another church and it will all be for the glory of God.' I was stunned, but I knew that there was a message there. I didn't get scared. I felt at peace."



Marilyn went back home and soon received a phone call from her mother. She needed Marilyn to come over to her home right away because she needed help with her husband.

When Marilyn got to the house, she found that her father had passed away while sitting in his favorite porch swing.

He had gone quietly and Marilyn realized that the voice that she had heard that morning was preparing her for this.

Her father's funeral took place two days later at the First Baptist Church in Muleshoe and many songs were sung to the glory of God. Many people came to Marilyn and commented on how Spirit-filled the church felt that day and some had felt the love of the Lord for the first time through the inspirational message that was brought forth during her father's funeral.

The Power of Prayer

The stories of angelic and spiritual encounters are encouraging and fascinating to read about. But, perhaps many people are waiting for an angel to actually appear before they truly believe in miracles. I firmly believe that the power of prayer and the miraculous things that have happened as a direct result of prayer far outweigh angelic encounters, just from the sheer number of great things that have come from it.

A Powerful Prayer Circle

Mae Landrum witnessed first hand the power of prayer while visiting her brother and sister-in-law many years ago in California. Her sister-in-law's mother, fondly called, "Mother Griffin," was staying with them also for the holidays. While she was there, she suffered a very bad stroke and was in a semi-comatose state. She was totally paralyzed except for one arm from the elbow to the hand.

Mae's brother and sister-in-law were not church goers and really had no faith at this point. Mae told her church congregation about what had happened to Mother Griffin. One night, following their church services, a large group of church members came to the Landrum home and formed a prayer circle around Mother Griffin's bed. They held onto her good hand and began to pray.

"You could feel the strength of the prayers being lifted up to God," Mae exclaimed. "It was almost in an instant that Mother Griffin moved her body and sat up on the edge of the bed! She had no paralysis anywhere and had total strength back in just a few days."

Mae's brother and sister-in-law also witnessed this event and were brought to Christ by it. Mother Griffin's doctors were also dumbfounded as to her "miraculous healing!"

The Degreed Agree

The scientific world has long been at odds with the spiritual world on what actually heals the body, mind and soul. However, in recent years the medical community has begun to give more and more credence to the healing power of prayer. Many hospitals are even holding prayer group sessions for its patients and are contacting churches to pray for particular patients. Prayer has now even become a subject that many young doctors are required to study.

The following stories reflect the amazing effects when prayer is the prescription!

The Family Prayer Plan

Many of us in the Twin Cities know the UPS man, Gene Durrett. He whistles in bringing envelopes and boxes, always with a smile and hands you that interesting electronic clipboard to sign your name. He shared with me his own personal story of healing one day this past Fall.

Gene's wife, Jean came down with a terrible yeast infection several years ago. She suffered for many months with the effects of the infection, while her doctor tried several antibiotics to clear it up. Nothing was bringing her any relief. She was desperate for a cure.

"One night, she prayed about it and just point blank begged God to cure her of this horrible infection," Gene explained. "She seemed to perk up after she had finished praying and even commented that she felt a warmth wash over her entire body while she was praying."

The infection was completely gone within days, with no antibiotic treatment and has never shown back up in her system since.

The Durrett's son, John also knows what healing prayer can bring...and so does his doctor! John had broken his arm very badly when he was in the 8th grade.

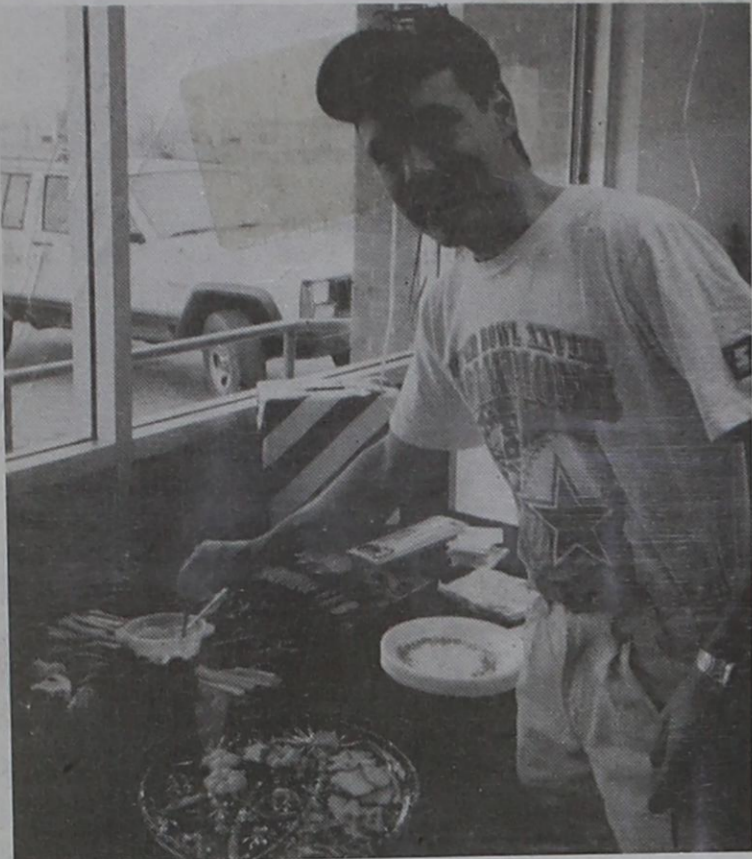
Three surgeries had taken place on his arm to repair the damage done to his bones. Even after these surgeries, John was in terrible pain and his arm looked very bad. One more surgery was scheduled to reconstruct his arm.

The Durrett's then sat down together as a family and prayed for healing on John's arm. They asked God to ease the pain of the arm and to bring strength back to the muscles and complete repair of the bones.

The time came for John to visit the orthopedic surgeon so that he could evaluate the arm before the next surgery. Upon examination and X-Rays of John's arm, the surgery was cancelled.

The bones had completely healed, the muscles were mending and the outside of his arm was much improved. About a month later, John's arm was completely healed. Today, he bears only a few scars and reminders of the ordeal with his arm.

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Appreciation Day

Greg Garcia enjoys some of the hospitality at the Texico Post Office appreciation day Dec. 6.

Miracles

He Missed the Bus

One of the local characters that many are familiar with is Neil Stewart. Neil and Betty have been active members of the community for many years. Neil is known for his jokes and pranks, especially his oddball eyeglasses that he is prone to put on when you meet him! He surely knows how to make you laugh!

But back in 1992, Neil was struck with a heart condition that was no laughing matter. He was diagnosed with a disease of the heart muscle called "congestive cardiomyopathy."

This heart disease caused Neil's heart to swell to a dangerously large size. His cardiologist, Dr. Wey, told him that his odds were not very good for survival of the disease. In fact, one out of five patients do not live for more than one year after the onset of the swelling of the heart.

Neil was already extremely ill and was so weak that he could hardly move.

"I was pretty upset by this whole diagnosis, because even though I had packed my suitcase a long time ago, I wasn't anxious to catch the bus!" he jokingly said.

After Neil's family and friends learned of the seriousness of his condition, they all began to pray for him. The prayer chain grew to his church family and then to the other churches in the community.

"I had people praying for me that I had never met before," he said. "I can't tell you how many people said a prayer for me and this old heart of mine."

But, Neil's old heart got the message. Neil began to gain strength and put back on some much needed weight. The

color came back into his skin and he could feel a difference in his heart. Upon examination of his heart, Dr. Wey was amazed.

Not only had Neil's heart stopped swelling, it had actually shrunk back an inch and a half smaller than when he was first diagnosed with the disease. His heart was beating normally and much healthier than it had been in many years.

"I felt the prayers that were being said for me and I firmly believe that prayer is what healed my heart!" Neil exclaimed.

Miracles All Around Us

When I had begun to sort through the stories of angels and miracles that I had collected and began preparing this article, my sister-in-law Johanna sent me a most interesting letter that really summarized my whole exploration of miracles and touches from God. She quoted a few passages from a book that she had purchased during a pilgrimage to Lourdes in France back in 1984.

Lourdes is the place that Mary, the mother of Jesus, appeared to Bernadette Soubirous 18 times from February to July, 1858. A miraculous spring appeared at the very spot that Mary had instructed Bernadette to scratch the ground. Since this time, millions of people have come from all over the world to Lourdes seeking a miracle cure from the spring water or from just being at the sight.

These words speak to the fact that miracles occur everyday, if we will only open our eyes to them.

It is the miracle of the innerself.

It is the miracle within the spirit of even the least willing person.

When an atheist begins to pray...

When a desperate heart regains confidence...

When hatred is inexplicably transformed into love...

When grief is changed into a smile...

When the sense of life is regained...

When the afflicted person returns home in calmness...

When desperation becomes hope...

...then the miracle occurs.

May you all come to know the true miracle of Christmas and the Love that He has for us all! Merry Christmas!



Texico 7th Girls

Playing on the Texico 7th grade girls team are, top row from left, Lindsey Gilbert, Ashley Powell, Shiloh Thornton; middle row, Holly Hohstadt, Tanya Cain, Savannah Tunnell, Callie Rucker; bottom row, Crystal Askew, Chrissy Capps, Denise Whitener, Brittany Bradley.

Warren receives 3-year contract extension

Supt. Phil Warren received a nice Christmas gift from the Lazbuddie School Board on Dec. 14 -- a 3-year contract extension.

The extension followed his annual evaluation by the board.

In other business, the board:

-- Held a community meeting before its regular meeting on the School Report Card. This will be presented in more detail in a future Tribune article.

-- Agreed to take bids to purchase an 11-passenger van.

-- Approved buying \$4,000 worth of playground equipment for the elementary school.

-- Cast its votes for Rick Seaton on the Parmer County Appraisal District Board.

-- Conducted a self-evaluation of the school board.

The board wants to do a better job of public relations

and improve its flow of communications to the community.

And the board wants to more clearly communicate standards of evaluation to school personnel.

Obituaries

Ona Pesch

Ona Stark Pesch, 93, died in Glendale, Ariz., on Dec. 1. Funeral services were on Dec. 4.

She was born in Wellington. Her husband, Lewis, died in 1993. They were married in 1926 and had lived in Oklahoma Lane until leaving in the 1940s.

A daughter, Aurora, and a

son, Elman, are deceased.

Surviving are a sister-in-law, Julia Leake, of Bovina; and a sister, Lucille Clifton, of Dumas, Texas; 8 grandchildren; 8 great-grandchildren, and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

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Bank has open house

The Muleshoe State Bank's Farwell Banking Center had a full house during its open house Sunday afternoon at the new building. Above, bank employee Christy Pena, right, serves punch to visitors Colleen Stover, center, and her daughter, Michele Hamann. Below, bank official Robert Montgomery, right, is shown with visitors, from left, J.C. Robertson, son Roland, and wife Anna Lisa.



Mike Ratke, right, manager of Muleshoe State Bank's Farwell Banking Center, is pictured with two of the three winners in the bank's "guess how much money is in the jar" contest. The jar contained \$540.40. First was Terri Yparrea, who was \$3 off the total; she won a gold eagle coin. Second was Gary Blair, left, who won the interest for \$1 million for one day. Third was Tim Norton, center, who won a silver eagle coin.

Lady Wolverines win 2 of 3

Varsity Boys

The Texico varsity boys lost a pair of games last week.

On Dec. 15, they fell to Melrose, 63-57.

Scoring were Nathan Ketterling, 18; Mel Askew, 11; Aaron Stanley, 4; Clint Hamilton, 6; Chris Salinas, 9, and Clay Lewis, 9.

Lewis and Askew both had a trio of 3-pointers.

Ketterling led in rebounding with 7, and Askew had 6.

On Dec. 16, Grady beat Texico, 88-66.

Scoring were Nathan Ketterling, 15; Lewis, 10; Seth Ketterling, 4; Manuel Cardenas, Rodrick Rodriguez and Pecos Chumley, 1 each; Stanley, 6; Salinas, 2; and Hamilton and Askew, 13 each.

Lewis canned 3 of 4 three-pointers. Stanley led in boards with 7.

Varsity Girls

The Lady Wolverines won 2 of 3 games last week to run their season record to 7-4.

On Dec. 12, Texico beat Tatum, 47-39.

Scoring were Stacy Stewart and Mandy Helmer, 8 each; Amanda Engram and Brandi Norvell, 4 each; Kelley Cooper, 6, and Letitia Marlow, 17.

Stewart and Cooper both had a pair of 3-pointers. Marlow led in rebounds with 9 and in steals with 4. Misty Barnes had 4 assists.

On Dec. 15, Texico whipped Melrose, 60-41.

Scoring were Stewart and Cooper, 5 each; Helmer, 4; Engram, 9; Barnes, 19; Norvell, 10; Marcia Marlow, 1, and Letitia Marlow, 7.

Barnes and Norvell had 6 rebounds each; Cooper led in assists with 6.

On Dec. 16, Texico was nipped by Grady, 55-53.

Scoring were Letitia Marlow, 12; Marcia Marlow, 5; Cooper, 7; Stewart, 6; Helmer, 12; Engram and Norvell, 4 each, and Barnes, 3.

Barnes had 8 boards. Cooper had 3 assists.

JV Girls

The Texico JV Girls are now 4-2 after winning all three of their games last week.

They beat Tatum on Dec. 12, 52-47.

Scoring were DonAnn Reed and Marcia Marlow, 12 each; Kristi Neie, 8; Stephni Chancey and Kristen Roberts, 5 each; Olivia Noblett, 4; and Nicki Reyes, Marcia Brigham and Shayna Lewis, 2 each.

Marlow led with 10 boards.

On Dec. 15, Texico beat Melrose, 61-46.

Scoring were Roberts, 8; Lewis, 5; Reed, Neie and Noblett, 6 each; Marlow, 13; Chancey, 1; Gomez and Reyes, 2 each; and Brigham, 12.

And on Dec. 16, the girls completed their successful week with a 45-34 win over Grady.

Scoring were Reed, 2; Neie and Marlow, 8 each; Brigham, 14; Lewis, 3, and Roberts, 10.

Neie had 11 rebounds. Marlow led in steals with 5.

JV Boys

The Texico JV Boys split their games last weekend.

On Dec. 15, Texico beat Melrose, 79-70.

Scoring were Joe Garcia, 2; Marshall Baker, 4; Johnny Miranda and Kyle Cain, 3 each; Jake Boazman, 17; Eric Stanley, 10; Brandon Autrey, 5; Ronnie Clark, 13; Pecos Chumley, 14, and Seth Ketterling, 8.

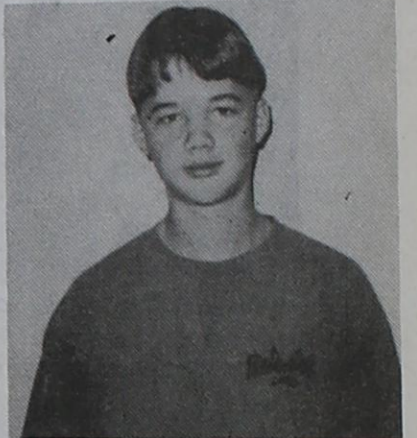
Boazman had 12 boards, and Chumley had 10. Baker had 4 assists.

On Dec. 16, Texico fell to Grady, 52-33.

Scoring were Garcia, Stanley and Mel Askew, 2 each;

Boazman, 4; Cain, 1; Autrey, 8; Clark, 5; Chumley, 6, and Baker, 3.

Clark led with 8 boards.



Boazman honored

Josh Boazman has been named the Student of the Month for Texico Jr. High for December.

Josh is 12 years old and ranks playing basketball as his favorite hobby, subject and ambition in life. He has a brother, Jake and a sister, Lauren. He is the son of Lois and L.K. Jones of Texico.

Josh was named the Student of the Month after he did a very good deed. Last week, Josh found a small purse on the schoolgrounds. He immediately brought it to Dixie Jesko, the Jr. High School secretary.

The purse contained a large amount of cash money and one check that had been made out to the FFA for their Fruit Sale. Dixie contacted the FFA advisor Bill Morrison and he tracked down the girl that he figured had lost the amount of money that was in the purse.

To show their appreciation and thanks to Josh for his honesty and kind deed, the FFA officers and members treated Josh to an impromptu award ceremony and awarded him with a case of Dr Peppers!

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Longhorns roll to three more victories

Varsity Boys

The Lazbuddie varsity boys continued on their winning ways on Tuesday, defeating Vega, 63-40.

Lazbuddie is continuing to get good scoring across the board from its players.

The Longhorns are now 9-2 on the season.

Top scorers were Chris Smith, 15; and Josh Warren, 13.

On Monday, the Longhorns topped Hart, 63-60.

Leading scorers were Jason Thomas, 21, and Justin St. Clair, 10.

Last Friday, Lazbuddie beat Ralls, 71-57.

Top scorers were Thomas, 18; St. Clair, 16; Smith, 11, and Guy Nickels, 14.

Varsity Girls

The Lazbuddie varsity girls fell to Vega on Tuesday, 60-26.

The team is now 4-8 on the year.

Top scorers were Roxanne Warren, 12, and Mandy Magby, 6.

On Monday, the Lady Longhorns lost to Hart, 68-42.

Leading scorers were Magby, 14, and Holly Engelking, 15.

\$250 Reward

The Farwell Chamber of Commerce is offering a \$250 reward to persons providing information that would lead to the arrest and conviction of persons responsible for the burglaries at several Farwell businesses in the past few weeks.

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Linda Woods and James Mitchell.

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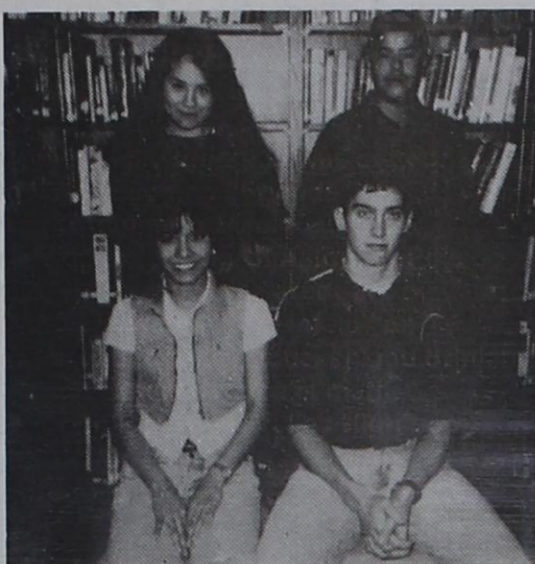
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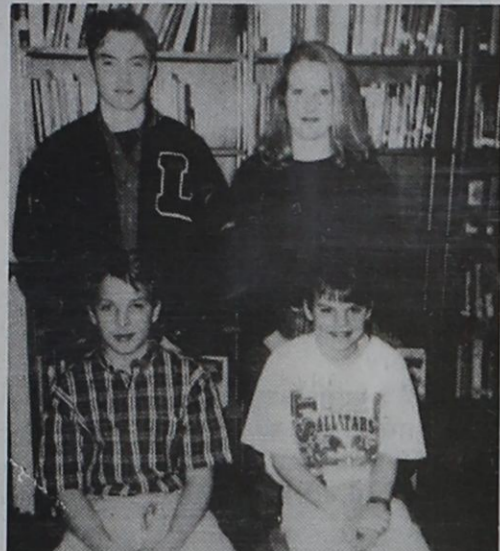
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November Students of the Month are, clockwise from top left, Veronica Mata, Bobby Martha, Josh Warren and Socorro Reyes.



December Students of the Month are, clockwise from top left, Cameron Turner, Katy Jones, Staci Foster and Landon Parham.

Farwell varsity teams to vie in Sudan Booster Club tourney

The Farwell varsity teams will participate in the Sudan Booster Club Tournament Dec. 28-30. The Lady Blue open action at 9 a.m. on Dec. 28 against Muleshoe. If Farwell wins, they next play at noon on Dec. 29. If Farwell loses, they next play at 10:30 a.m. on Dec. 29. The Steers open at 10:30 a.m. on Dec. 28 against Friona. If they win, they next play at 1:30 p.m. on Dec. 29. If they lose, they next play at 3 p.m. on Dec. 29.

Steers gallop to 6th straight win

Varsity Boys
The Farwell Steers rolled to their 6th straight win by topping Elida, 73-57, Friday.

The Steers are now 7-5, after starting the campaign at 1-5.

The Steers had earlier defeated Elida in the Farwell Basketball Tourney by 3 points.

Elida presented quite a challenge because of its height -- featuring 6'7 and 6'5 starters.

Once again, Farwell's hustle, quickness, teamwork and full court pressure took its toll, frustrating Elida and its coach.

Scoring were Brock Taylor, 9; Logan Nichols, 4; Chase Hardage, 11; Josh Littlejohn, 23; Nic Ketcherside, 12; Landon Lunsford, 6; Jarrod Franse, 5, and Brock Anderson, 3.

Varsity Girls

Elida defeated the Farwell varsity girls, 58-43. Farwell is now 7-6.

Scoring were Lyndi Austin, 2; Brea Travis, 12; Valerie Mace, 11; Charla Corn and Veronica Mace, 4 each, and Candace Travis, 10.

JV Boys

The Farwell JV Boys are now 10-0 on the season after beating Elida, 68-53.

Scoring were Brett Curtis, 7; David Everett, 9; Jason Miller, 18; Scott Meeks, 14; Steven Miller, 5, and Mark

Lunsford, 15.

The Farwell JV Girls didn't play because Elida doesn't have a girls JV team.

7th Boys

Farwell's 7th grade boys beat Kress, 54-30 on Monday.

Scoring were Kolby Kimbrough, 6; Cade Christian, 1; Derek Goettsch, 25, and Eulogio Ruiz, 22.

8th Boys

The 8th grade boys beat Kress on Monday, 42-24.

Scoring were Jourdan Nichols, Clint Corn and Paul Franse, 2 each; Ryan Roberts, 10; Tyler Chadwick, 14; Shane Roberts, 5, and Jeremiah Foley, 7.

8th Girls

Farwell's 8th grade girls stopped Kress, 32-16, on Monday.

Scoring were Lisa Herington and Megan Miller, 4 each; Ashley Crawford, 14; and Katrina Arce, Brandi Taylor, Jessica Lusk and Nickie Stout, 2 each.

Winter strikes

A touch of winter struck the area on Sunday.

About 1/2" to 1 1/2" of snow fell on various parts of Parmer County, with the heavier totals to the north.

And about 1/2" to 3/4" of rain also fell.

Texico Elementary School Students of the Week listed

Students of the Week have been announced for December at Texico Elementary School:

They are Kenneth Sena, Mirina Reyes, Darin Olson, Bobby Snider, Dorothy Ortiz, David Vega, Megan Billingsley, Yared Morales, Jame Armendarez, Victor Loya, James Castillo, Tasha Cain, Christina Clark, Amber Billingsley, Rachael DeLeon, Buddy Jorde, Cindy Otero, Joy Smith, Jamey Stanton, Erika Powell, Brenda Cardenas, O'Rion Petty, Cynthia Diaz, Dori Edwards, Adam Garcia, Kyle Stesney, and Keaton Chandler-Autrey.



Leigh Ann Houston and Steven Horner

Horner, Houston engagement told

Ronny and Debbie Houston, of Clovis, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Leigh Ann Lynn Houston, of Clovis, to Steven Charles Horner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Horner, of Texico.

The couple will exchange wedding vows at 7 p.m. on Dec. 27 at the Clovis Inn.

The bride-elect is a 1995 graduate of Clovis High. She attends Eastern New Mexico University and is employed there.

The prospective groom is a 1993 graduate of Texico High. He is employed by McDaniel Furniture & Floor Covering.

The ceremony and reception are open to friends and relatives.

Lazbuddie reports Students of the Month

Students of the Month for November and December have been announced at Lazbuddie Junior High and High School.

Picked for November were Socorro Reyes, 19, daughter of Jose and Maria Reyes; Josh Warren, 17, son of Phil and Gwen Warren; Veronica Mata, 14, daughter of Eraul and Valentina Mata; and Bobby Martha, 13, son of Sergio and Blanca Martha.

Named for December were Cameron Turner, 16, son of Vernon and Tammie Turner; Katy Jones, 18, daughter of John and Becky Jones; Landon Parham, 12, son of Terry and Celie Parham, and Staci Foster, 13, daughter of Lyndon and Stephanie Foster.

In notes about each student, it was stated:

- Socorro likes watching "Friends" on TV.
- Josh likes listening to Black Crowes.
- Veronica enjoys reading Christopher Pike books.
- Bobby's favorite academic areas are math and speech.
- Cameron likes watching "Seinfeld" on TV.
- Katy enjoys eating grilled chicken and drinking spice tea.
- Landon's top academic area is math.
- Staci likes reading Sweet Valley High books.



Clinic open house

Sharon Armstrong was among the punch servers at the open house at the Farwell Medical Clinic on Dec. 15.

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Dear Santa,
I am doing fine in school and at home. Please bring me a Bat-Man. My sister likes babies, so please bring her one. My mom needs a new clock. You can bring my dad anything. Don't drive too fast.
Joseph Bermea

Dear Santa,

I want a lot of stickers and a new pencil. Please bring me cowboy clothes. My brother wants a little bike. My mom wants a new dress. I will leave you Christmas reindeer cookies. Please bring me a dog and a puppy.
George Unger

Dear Santa,

I want a play house and I want a doll with diapers.
Rhonda Garcia

I want a gun, ball, Sega and lots of more toys that I can enjoy. Something else I really want is a motorcycle. I hope I can give presents to friends.
Jesus Ramos

Dear Santa,

I've been a good kid. I would like to have a wind suit, and a watch, and a Sega game. Please bring a new watch to my daddy too. I'll leave you some milk and cookies on the table.
Tyler Vandiver

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a water gun, and some rollerblades, and a Sega game gear.
Garre Treadway

Dear Santa,

Please give me a Dallas shirt and a Dallas shoes and a Dallas coat and Dallas pants. Thank you for my baby and my radio and tapes you brought me last Christmas. I will give you a cookie.

P.S. I also want a doll that has diapers (extra ones) and a bottle and Dallas clothes for my baby.
Salida Valdez

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Could you please bring me Fraidy Cats, skates, light-up tennis shoes, a sword and a shield. Could you bring my little brother Cole some baby light-up shoes. I love you.
Taylor Castleberry

P.S. And also Cole an art set.

Dear Santa,

I would like a trampoline for Christmas. Also a Troy Aikman Jersey and a new Nintendo game.
Derrick J. Chandler

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the coat, toys and doll. This year for Christmas I would like a bike, roller blades and a horse of my very own.
Sarah Woodcock

Dear Santa,

My name is Sarah Wilson. I hope you are fine. I would really like a high stepper horse and a piano and a guitar.
Sarah Wilson

Dear Santa,

I would ask for a little house with a baby doll. Thank you. I have been a good girl.
Anna Friessen

Dear Santa,

I would like a present, a gun that is like Dad's that shoots sire. It's a cap gun with that red, skinny paper in it. And a bike to share with my sisters, that's all. Good-bye.
Jose Juan Salazar

Dear Santa,

I love you. Please, I want a space ship and a squirting water gun. I hope you can come to my house and leave presents for everybody under the Christmas tree. Have a

safe trip with your reindeer and sleigh.

Amber Adams

Dear Santa,

I love you. I want to help you pick up all the presents. I want to go visit you, and pet the reindeers. I want to stay with you 3 days. Thank you for the toys you have given me. I would like a new red dress and a baby doll.
Stephanie Vega

Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie that makes bubbles, and a Barbie house. I want a new bike too. Sofia wants a baby toy. My mom wants a new car and grandma wants a new TV and radio. Please put some cookies on our table.
Valerie Estrada

Dear Santa,

I would like video movies for Christmas. The Toy Story, Casper, and Batman Forever. I want to give your reindeer a hug, and I will leave you some cookies and milk.
Justin Fickling

Dear Santa,

I want a Power Ranger toy for Christmas. My little brother wants the same thing as me. My mom wants a new radio and my dad wants a new lamp. My sister wants a new blanket. My big brother wants a new dresser. Hello to all of you and the elves.
Jaime Delacruz

Dear Santa,

Please give me a toy cop car that when you start it, it goes so you can ride. And I like that track car. No one else in my family needs anything.
Ryan Sharp

Dear Santa,

I would like a little toy motorcycle with remote control, and a basketball game. I am practicing letters and trying to be nice. Are you doing fine? I will leave you and your reindeer some cookies and milk.
Trace Stevenson

Dear Santa,

I want a mountain truck, and a jack-in-the-box. Mommy would like a necklace with stones. Marcos wants a cowboy hat and Raquel wants or-



ange earrings. Dad wants a new guitar. Merry Christmas!
Daniel Cantu

Dear Santa,

I want a cowboy hat and a chalkboard with blue chalk. My brother would like a bike. My dad wants a violin. Mommy wants a gold necklace with a diamond on it. My sister wants a pretty pink dress for the dance. My cousins like Barbie dolls. Grandpa needs a new guitar. Grandma wants a gold ring.
Roland Castillo

Dear Santa,

I love Santa. Please bring me a Barbie with red pants. Thank you, if you'd let me stay with you. I will go with my mom to Walmart to shop for our family presents. Maybe we will see you there.
Bianca Gomez

Dear Santa,

Can you please bring me a good toy like a My-Size Barbie, and some paints. I also want some rings and a coloring book. And a chalkboard and a baby doll would be fun. We all want a computer for our family to share. Could Mrs. Santa send Moma a silver dress? Dear Mr. Santa, can you bring Daddy some new boots. We would all like some cookies, we will share with you and Rudolph.
Cydney Thurman

Dear Santa,

How are you? I would like a Power Rangers skateboard. And I'd like a hamster with a house and a spinner toy for my hamster. My brother wants a remote control motorcycle, make it a little one. See ya.
Bryce Howard

Dear Santa,

How you will have a fun year with Rudolph. Please bring him so I can see him. I hope you can bring me some toys, whatever you want to bring. I have been so-o-o good this week. Even my cousin, Michael, and my brother Artie, and Crystal would like something too. I like Santa and God.

Adrian Chacon

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy. You can bring me some toys, any kind. My brother, Lupito, needs some small cars. Ysenia needs some neck-

laces. My mom needs shoes and dad wants shoes too. Please bring some books too. I like books.

Jorge Merino

Dear Santa,

I want a toy robot.
Aaron Walterscheid



Santa visits

Santa Claus visited the Twin Cities on Dec. 15, courtesy of the Texico-Farwell Lions Club. Santa (Rev. Ed Greenthaner) is shown with one of his elves, Christa Tharp. Santa passed out goodies to children at the Citizens Bank parking lot in Texico.

Yuletide Greetings

Have a Peaceful and Healthy Holiday Season

May all the joy, love, laughter and friendship that is so special to this special holiday be yours.

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Your memory is always alive with us.

John 14:1-4:

Let not your heart be troubled; Ye believe in God, Believe also in me.

In my Father's house are many mansions; If it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, And receive you unto myself; That where I am, There you may be also.

And whither I go ye know, And the way ye know.



Dear Friends, we have contributed the money usually spent by our family for Christmas cards to be used by Farwell Elementary School.

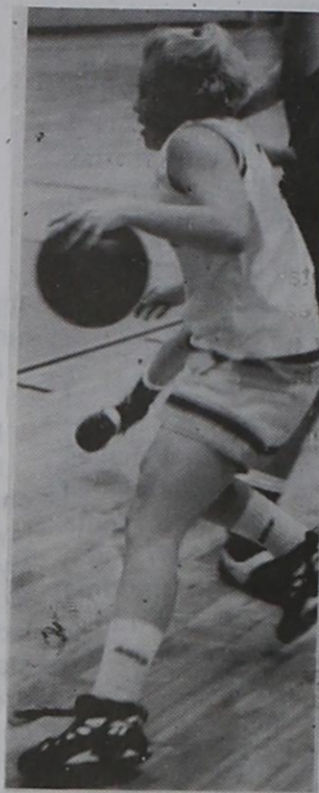
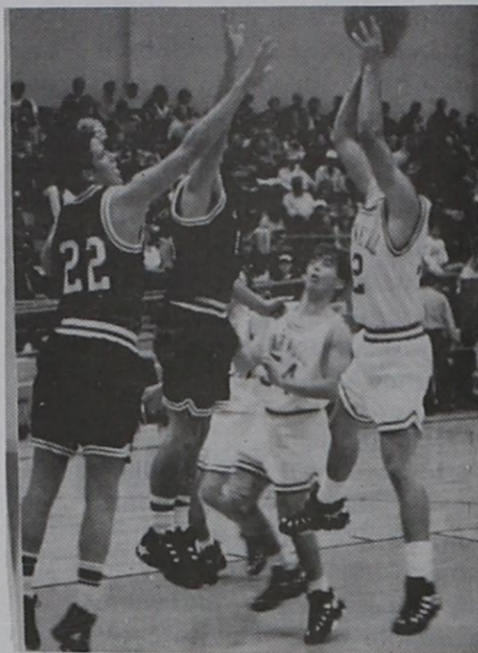
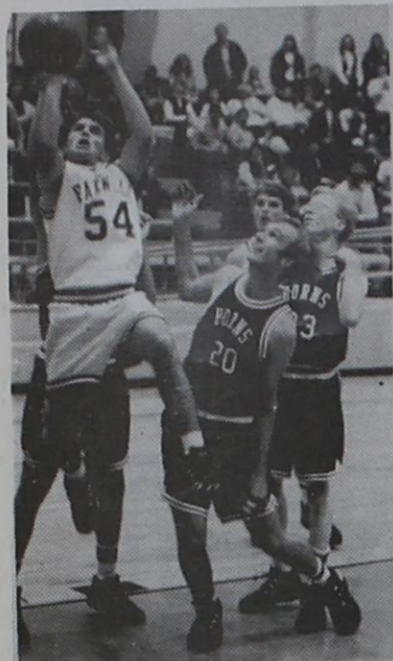
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We so appreciate you all! Merry Christmas from the Foleys!
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Kent, Janis, Kacey and Ty Gast.
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Tim, Shannon, Lianna and Alexa Grissom.
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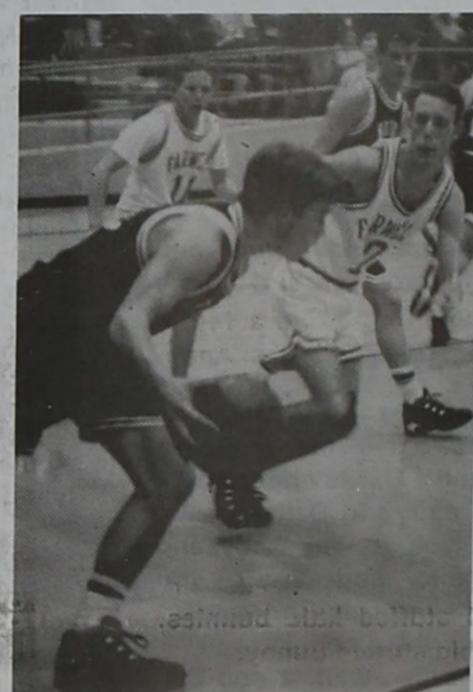
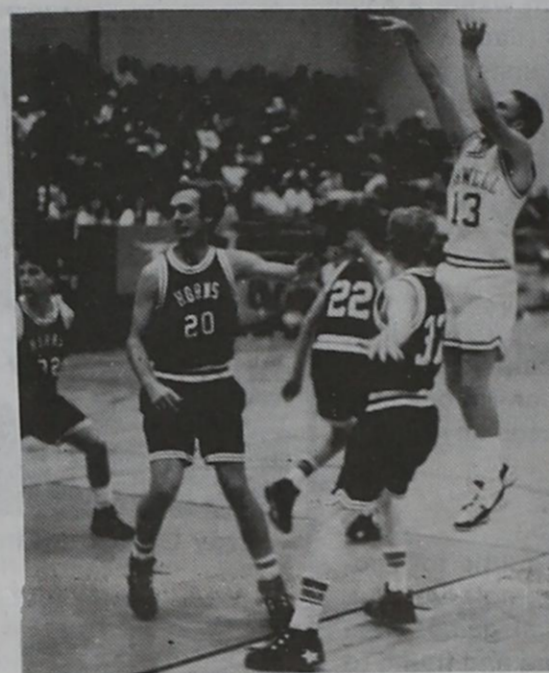
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Farwell, Lazbuddie teams go at it



Photos by J.R. Ivins



The Latest

A mobile mammography unit will be in Farwell to give breast cancer screenings on Jan. 17 at Dr. Chasteen's office, 301 3rd St.

Persons should call 481-3200 for an appointment. The cost is \$75.

To participate, you must be at least 40 years old, not have a definite palpable lump, never had a mastectomy or currently have breast implants, must not have had any other type of breast surgery within the past 12 months, and must not have had a mammogram within the past 12 months.

Here's a look at the Parmer County county committee election results from the Farm Service Agency:

LAA 1 - Floyd Reeve, committee member; Jerry

London, 1st alternate; Jay Potts, 2nd alternate.

LAA 2 - Jerry Don Glover, committee member; Garvin Thorn, 1st alternate; Shirley Steinbock, 2nd alternate.

LAA 3 -- Charles Christian, committee member; Mark Howard, 1st alternate; David Norton, 2nd alternate.

The partial government shutdown this week isn't affecting the ag offices in Farwell.

The Farm Service Agency has already been funded under an appropriations bill which has been passed by Congress.

Not sure of what the new speed limits are?

In Texas, it's 55 mph for 2-lane highways.

Most of the 4-lane are now 70 mph in the daytime; and 65 mph at night. But watch for highway signs because some 4-lane highways didn't have their speed limits changed that high.

In New Mexico, highway speed limits have not been changed yet. They are still at 55 mph. Interstates are still at 65 mph.

Mary Jean Patrick stopped by the Tribune to let us know that her two grandsons, Kevin and Dennis Conner, of Winters, Texas, made All-District in football.

Kevin, a senior, was unanimously voted District 6-AA Defensive MVP and 1st team center; Dennis, a sophomore, was voted 1st team tight end.

They are the sons of Randall and Susan Conner.

Members of the Mennonite Church in Farwell have been going around Christmas Caroling.

A large group of them came to the Mesman family on Dec. 15 and sang for them on their dairy. Entire families participated in the singing and their expression of love and friendship was a deeply appreciated and cherished Christmas gift.

The trustees and employees of Farmers' Electric Cooperative wish you and yours a joyful and safe holiday season.

The offices of Farmers' Electric will be closed December 25 and 26, in observance of Christmas, and Monday, January 1, in observance of New Year's Day.

As you and your family celebrate during the holiday season, we encourage the following wise energy-use practices:



- * *Overloading circuits with too many lights can cause a fire. Follow manufacturer's instructions about the number of lights allowed on one circuit.*
- * *Always turn off the lights before leaving home or going to bed. It's safer and you will save money!*
- * *Make sure your tree is placed away from fireplaces, space heaters, and other sources that might dry it out or ignite it.*

Enjoy the holidays and greet the New Year with energy, health, and happiness.

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The Perfect Gift

It's gift giving time, the shops are full of gadgets, gimmicks and gear! Every season we go shopping with anticipation and a little fear.

Will it fit? Will he like it? Does it suit her style? Will it convey how much I care when it's mailed across the miles?

We hurry in with lists in hand of every gift we need to buy. And every year, we set a budget - but go overboard...and why?

We want to find the perfect gift; One that will be treasured, used and loved. But, often times, these "perfect gifts" to the back of shelves are shoved.

Stop and think a moment about the season's one true meaning. The love, the joy, the hope that was born beneath the star so brightly beaming.

Jesus Christ is the most perfect gift! He was tender, soft and small; But the love he gives to us this very day is perfect and it's "One size fits all!"

Teresa J. Mesman - 1995

' Merry Christmas to you all!

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Mr. and Mrs. W.N. Foster

Fosters to celebrate 75th wedding anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. W.N. Foster will celebrate their 75th wedding anniversary on Dec. 26 with a reception at the Golden Age Nursing Center, 1201 N. Norris, Clovis, from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

W.N. and Gertrude were married Dec. 26, 1920, in Elk City, Okla. They came to the Farwell area by covered wagon. They farmed here and ran a dairy in the Oklahoma Lane community until their retirement, when they moved to Farwell.

They had six children: Barbara Whitmore and Marcia Bell, Clovis; Murrell Foster, DeKalb, Texas; B.J. Foster, Lubbock; Ernestine Feagan, Mission, Kan., and the late Nelson Foster. They also have 22 grandchildren; 45 great-grandchildren and 5 great-great-grandchildren.

Their children are hosting the reception. Everyone is invited. No gifts are asked.

Marshal's Report

Here's the weekly report from Texico Marshal Gil Holguin:

On Dec. 13, David Sanchez, 32, Clovis, was charged with aggravated DWI, contributing to the delinquency of a minor,

driving while on revocation, and driving left of center.

A passenger in his vehicle, a Clovis juvenile boy, was charged with minor in possession, open container and violation of probation.

LEGAL PUBLICATIONS

Notice to all persons having claims against the Estate of William Jay Roberts

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary were issued on the 15th day of December 1995, in Cause No. 2252, styled "In Re the Estate of William Jay Roberts, Deceased," pending in the County Court of Parmer County, Texas to: Arlene Gaye Roberts.

The address to which claims against the capital of the estate may be presented, as instructed by the Executor, is as follows:

Robert W. St. Clair
Harding, Bass, Fargason & Booth, L.L.P.
Estate of William Jay Roberts
P.O. Box 5950
Lubbock, Texas 79408

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Dated this 15th day of December 1995.
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State Bar No. 18985300

Attorneys for Arlene Gaye Roberts,
Executor of the Estate of William Jay Roberts

Have a Very, Very Merry Christmas!

It's with great pleasure that we announce the recipients of this year's State Line Tribune Christmas Gift Subscriptions.

We hope the recipients enjoy the newspaper and that they have a very Merry Christmas!

We would also like to thank the fine folks that gave these subscriptions. We appreciate their business and for their thinking of the newspaper as a gift idea!

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- Rick Ketterling -- from Audrey Kittrell
- Ricky Stewart -- from Neil Stewart
- Frank Fipps -- from William Dannheim
- Helen Davis -- from Joyce Williams
- Minnie Jones -- from Maudie Primrose

Generating plant to be built

Golden Spread Electric Cooperative has announced the incorporation of GS Electric Generating Cooperative, an affiliate cooperative which will operate as an exempt wholesale generator of electric power. The new cooperative plans to construct a 400 megawatt generating plant and sell the output to Golden Spread beginning in 1998.

Golden Spread owns sites near Denver City and in Moore County south of Sunray which could be used for the project, estimated to cost \$165,223,000. Golden Spread proposes to use the Denver City site.

Because added power resources must be in place by 1998, Golden Spread is seeking regulatory approval to go forward with its plan.

Golden Spread plans for GS Electric to construct 300 megawatts of combined cycle generation and 100 megawatts of simple cycle generation. Natural gas will provide the primary fuel for the plant.

Golden Spread purchases more than 95 percent of its power requirements from SPS, the largest supplier of power in the Panhandle. Golden Spread will continue to buy a large block

of power from SPS following the completion of the GS Electric project. Golden Spread also buys power and energy from West Texas Utilities Co. of Abilene.

Golden Spread's member systems serve 94,000 retail customers in the Panhandles of Oklahoma and Texas and the South Plains of Texas. Its members include Bailey County Electric Cooperative and Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative.

Police Report

Here is the weekly report from Farwell Police Chief Roy McGaa:

A report of Christmas decorations being vandalized was turned in on Dec. 19.

On Dec. 9, McGaa was called to the Farwell High

School gym during the basketball tournament where a domestic situation involving two Portales adults resulted in an alleged assault.

McGaa said it involved an ex-husband and his former wife's current boyfriend.

Happy Holidays

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| Del Monte 16-oz. Fruit Cocktail or Sliced Halves PEACHES 79¢ | Del Monte 15-oz. CUT GREEN BEANS 6/\$3 | TenderCrest Brown & Serve ROLLS 2/99¢ | Shurfine 7-oz. jar MARSHMALLOW CREME 69¢ |
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| MEAT SPECIALS | | | |
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| Shurfresh 8-oz. box CREAM CHEESE 69¢ | Shurfresh reg. or hot 1-lb. roll Whole Hog SAUSAGE \$1.29 | Shurfine 10-oz. bag MARSHMALLOWS 69¢ | Shurfine 23-oz. can YAMS 79¢ |
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| Shurfresh Fully Cooked Boneless HAM \$2.09 lb. | Thorn Apple Valley Fully Cooked HAM \$1.89 lb. | Wright's Brand Hickory Smoked HAM \$1.59 lb. | Cook's Brand HAMS \$1.19 lb. |

| DAIRY AND FROZEN | | | |
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| Shurfine 8-oz. SOUR CREAM 2/99¢ | Blue Bell half gallon ICE CREAM 2/\$5 | Big 64-oz. (half gallon) WESSON OIL \$2.99 | Shurfine 5 1/4-oz. STUFFED OLIVES \$1.19 |
| Rhodes 36-oz. Reg. wheat, cinammon ROLLS \$2.49 | Shurfine (2 in) Deep Dish PIE SHELLS \$1.09 | Shurfine 8-oz. WHIPPED TOPPING 59¢ | Wash. Fancy Extra Large Christmas APPLES 59¢ lb. |

| PRODUCE SPECIALS | | | |
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| Crisp STALK CELERY 3/\$1 | Calif. Fresh BROCCOLI 39¢ lb. | 12-oz. cans, 6 pack Reg -- Diet PEPSI \$1.59 | Shurfine 21-oz. can Cherry -- Apple PIE FILLING 99¢ |
| Golden Ripe BANANAS 4 lbs./\$1 | Calif. Extra Large Christmas NAVEL ORANGES 59¢ lb. | Shurfine 2-lb. bag Brown Powdered SUGAR 79¢ | Betty Crocker 18-oz. Assorted Layer Cake MIX 69¢ |

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South of Clovis -- 277 acres on Portales highway with 3 irrigation wells and 2 circle sprinklers and a 40'x60' shop.

South of Clovis on Portales highway -- 50 acres with 1 8" irrigation well and 2 side-roll sprinklers.

Beautiful 2,300 sq. ft., 3 bedroom, 2 bath, brick home with 2-car garage and shop. Good location in south Farwell.

Large 7 bedroom, 2 bath home with 5 acres and shop. Located in West Camp area.

JUST LISTED -- Large 4- bedroom, 2 3/4 bath, brick home with central heat and refrig. air, 2-car carport, storage building, fenced yard, located on corner lot in Farwell, near schools.

480 acres, irrigated, 4 wells, 3 circle sprinklers, lays excellent, on Hwy. 3333 northeast of Farwell in Oklahoma Lane area. Has a very spacious, beautiful 3-bedroom, 2 bath, brick home with central heat/ref. air, kitchen built-ins, fireplace and 2-car garage.

Very nice 2-bedroom, 1 3/4 bath brick home. Has 1-car garage with lift, refrigerated air, central heat, kitchen built-ins, fenced yard. Very low maintenance yard. Ideal retirement home. Excellent neighborhood in south Farwell.

Nice 2 bedroom, 1 bath, brick home with fireplace, 1 car garage with lift, kitchen built-ins plus refrigerator, fenced yard, large storage building. Nice neighborhood in Farwell.

Five acres with 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, 1994 Solitaire mobile home. Has whirlpool, fireplace, central heat, refrigerated air, kitchen built-ins, domestic well, extra large carport and storage building. Bovina area.

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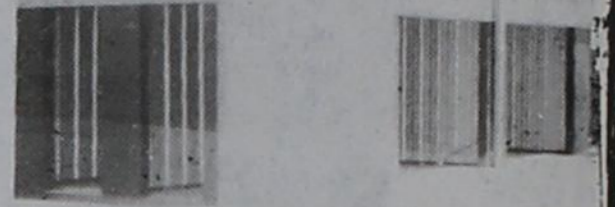
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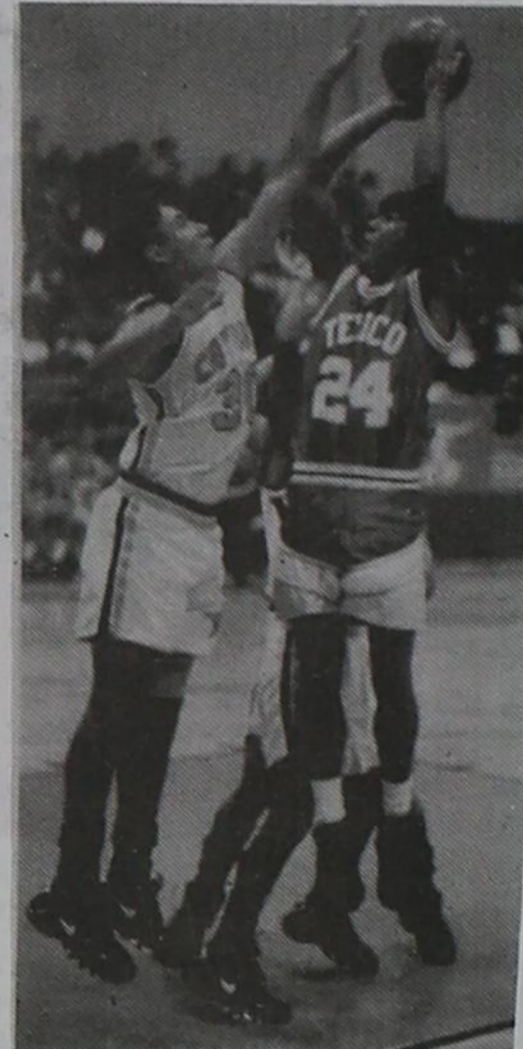
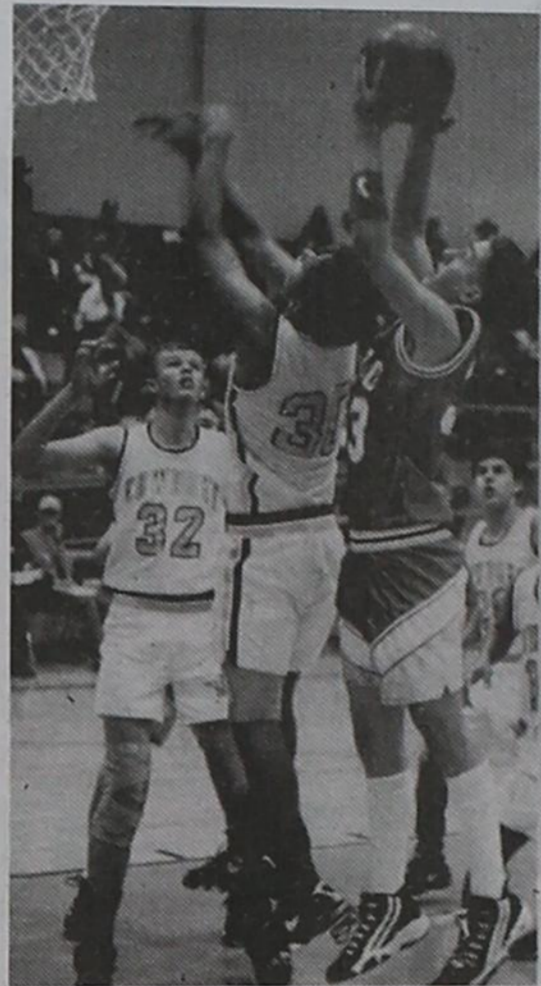
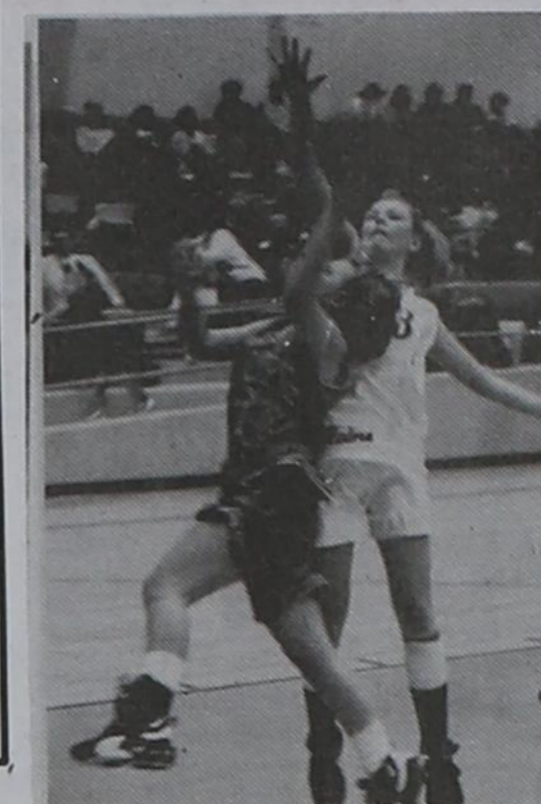
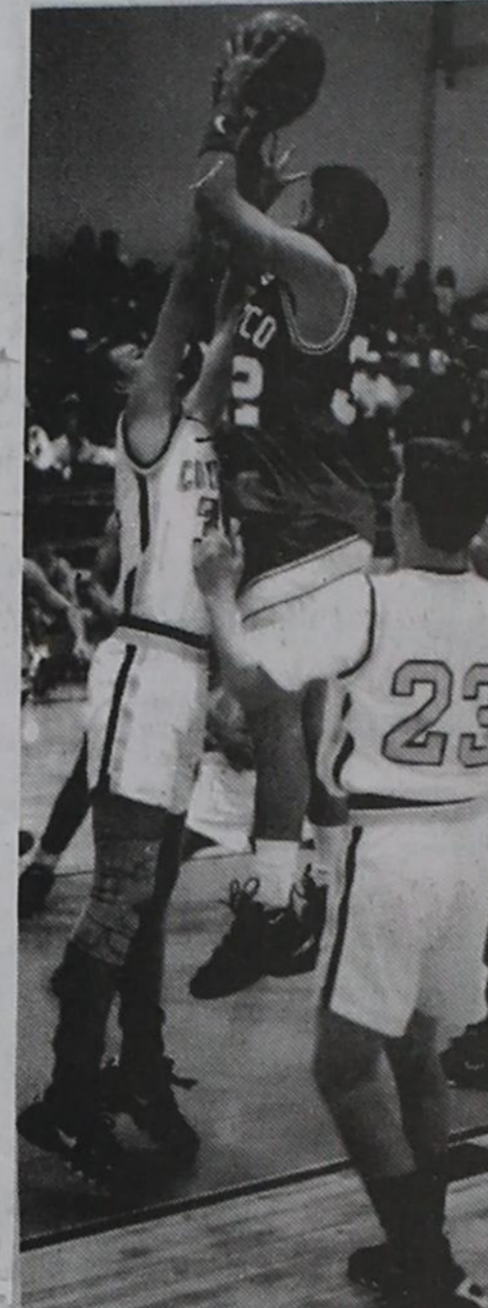
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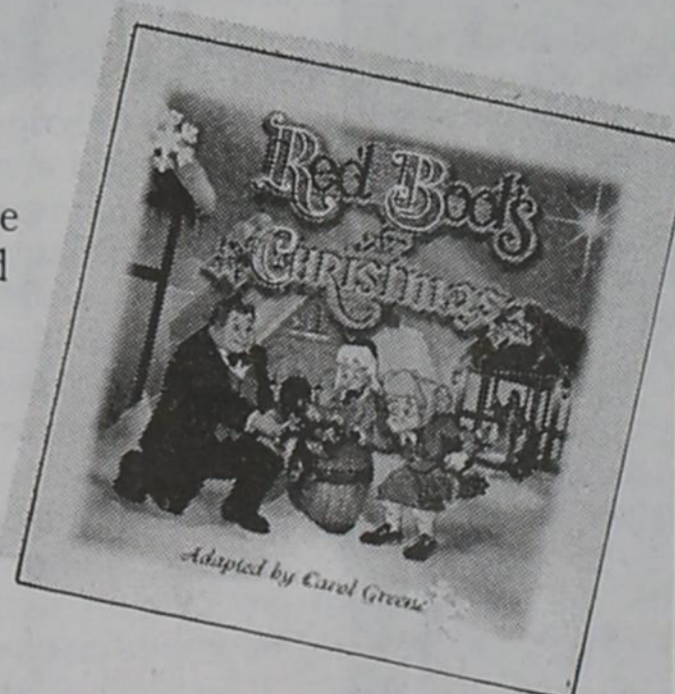


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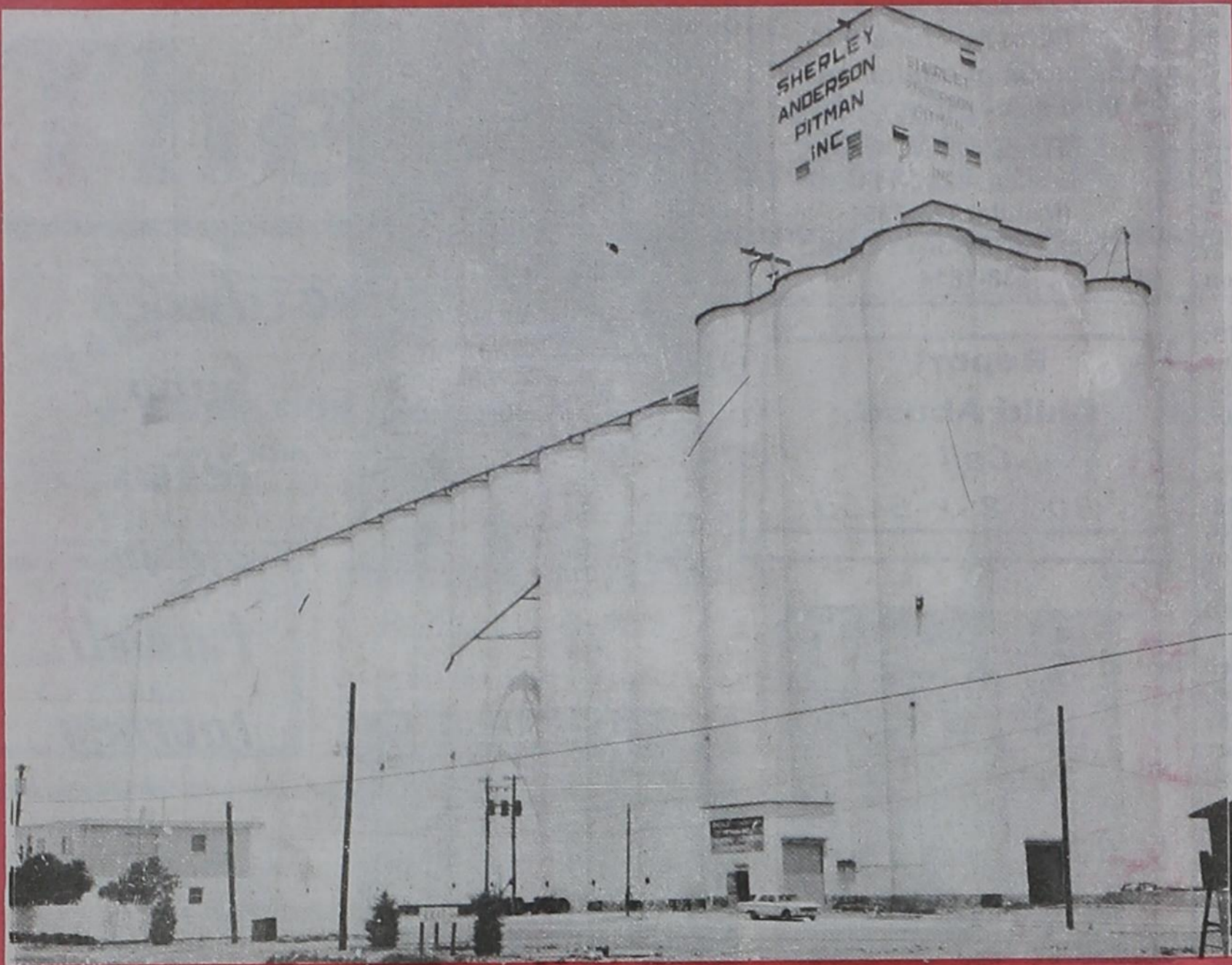
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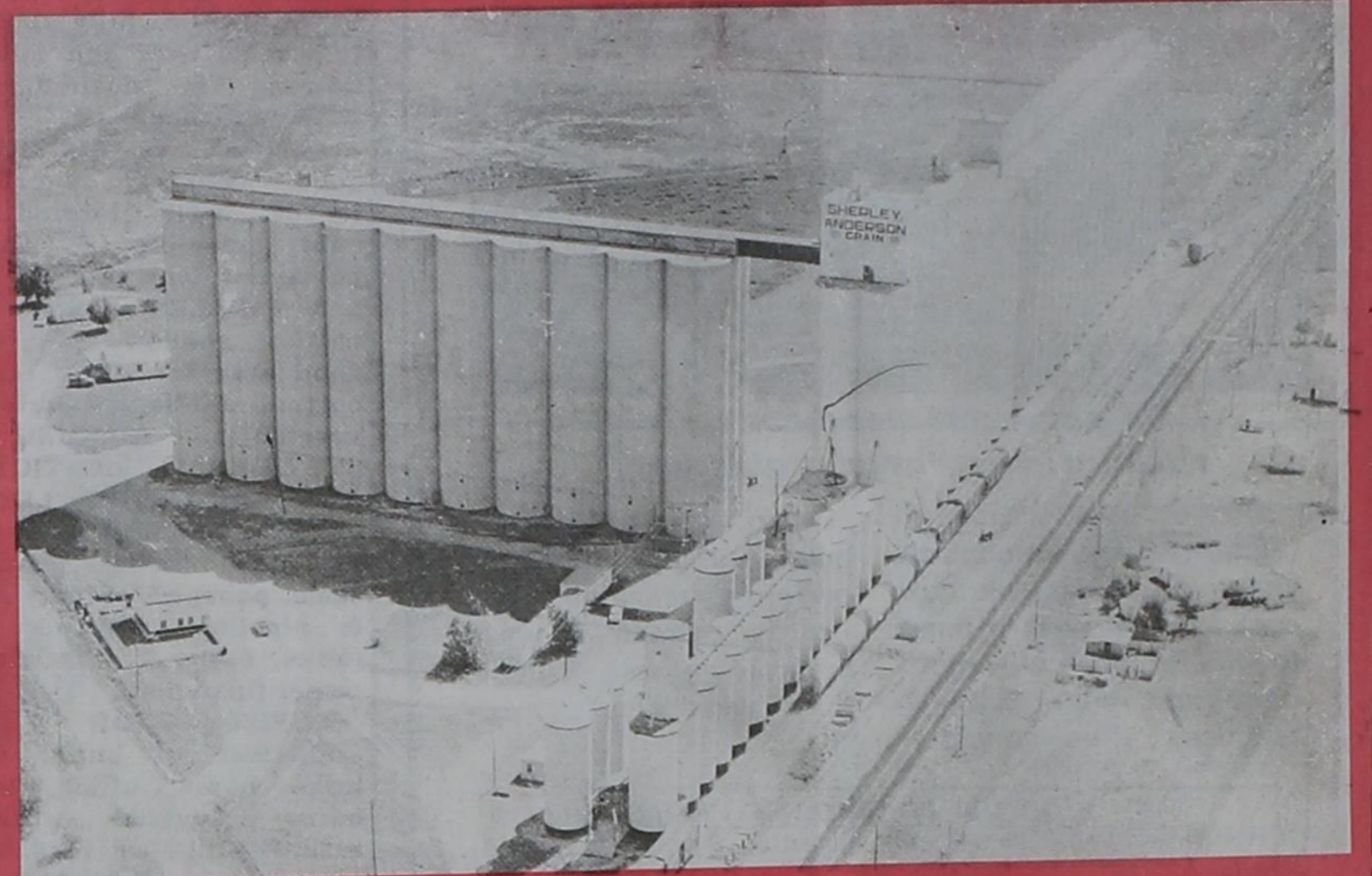


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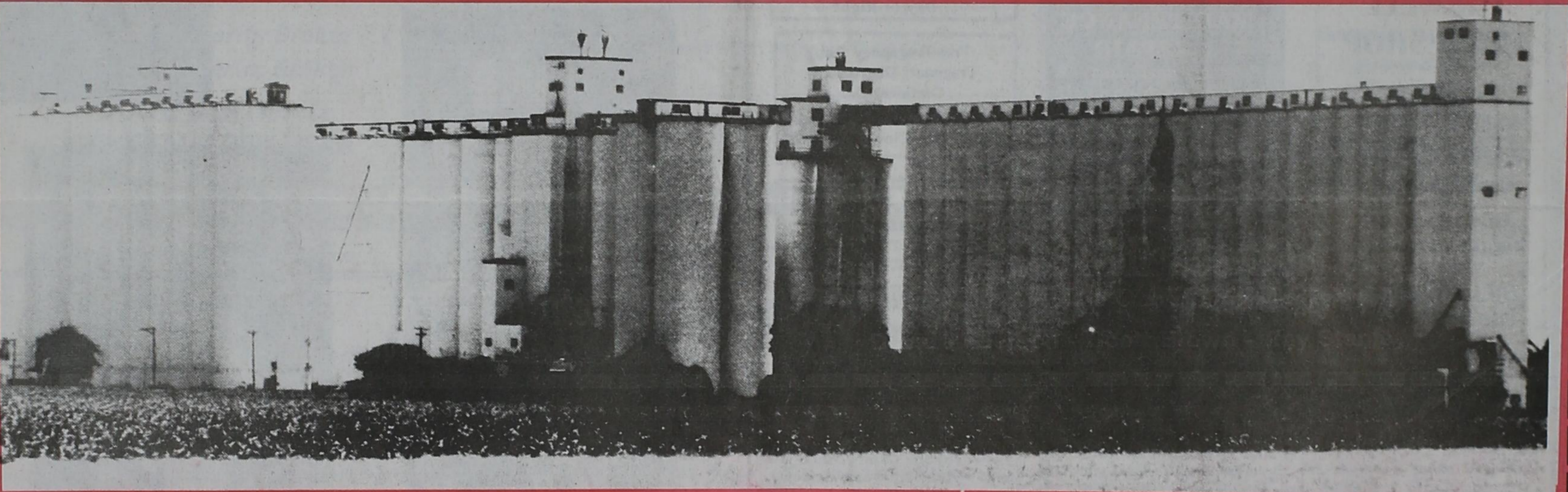
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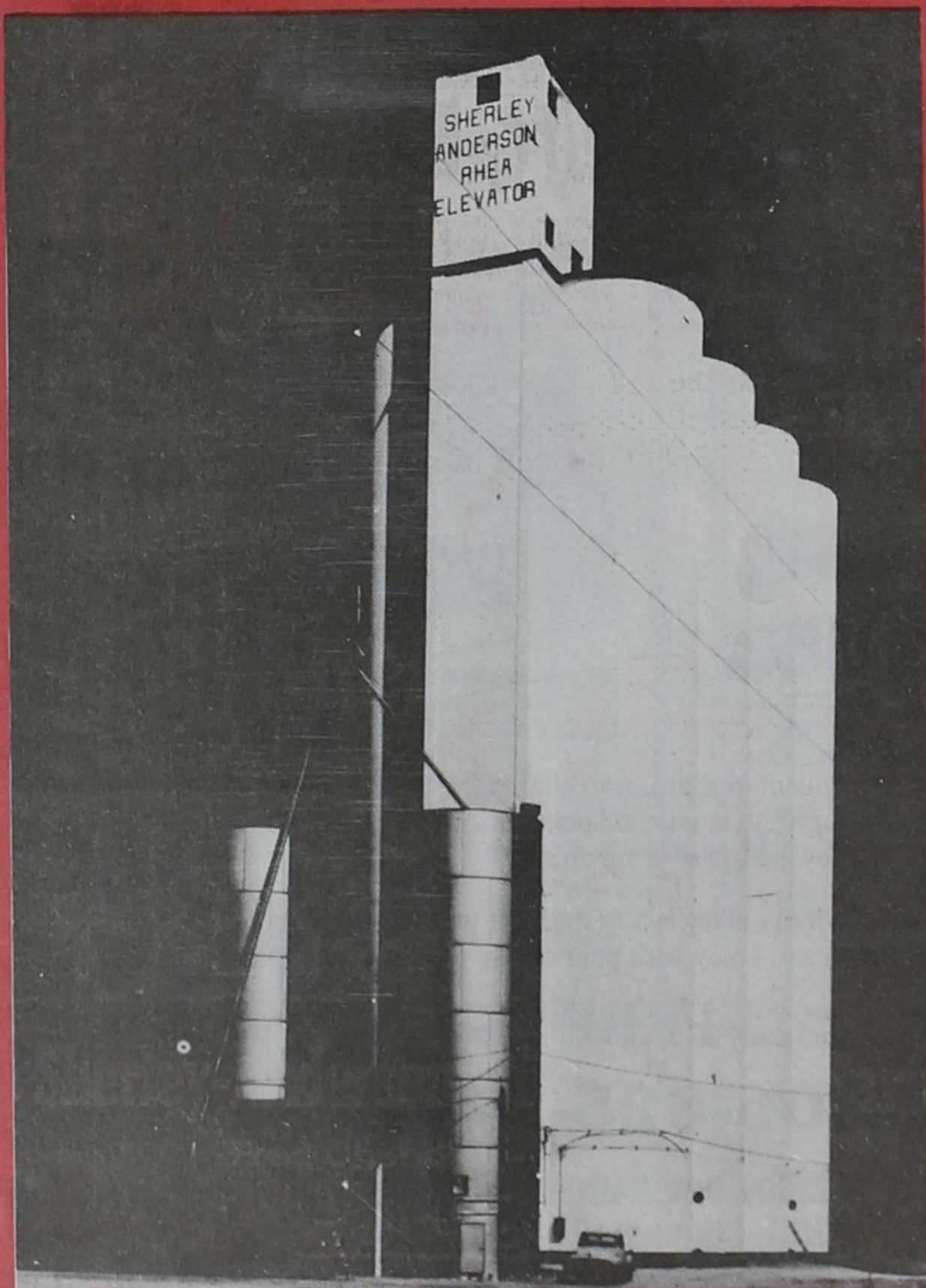
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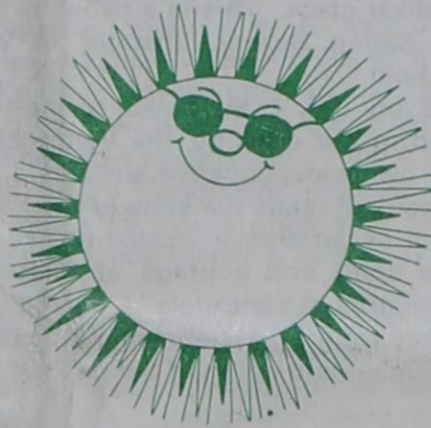
CRUISING...

Caribbean Style!

by Teresa Mesman



A view of Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas from an area that was cleared by Hurricane Marilyn. At one time, you couldn't see this view because of the trees and wild shrubs that grew on this mountain.



This is just one residential area that we saw that was starting to rebuild after the hurricane. Tarps cover most of the roofs, or what use to be roofs on most of the houses. The family home in the foreground, left, lost everything in the hurricane, while the home to the right only lost their roof.



Some simple palm leaves and a time-honored tradition of weaving are put together to create beautiful baskets, hats and mats by this artisan in Grenada. He wove this basket in about 15 minutes.



A shot of the city of Pointe-a-Pitre, Guadeloupe. It is a very popular port for shopping. The island of Guadeloupe is famous for its beautiful waterfalls up in the mountain areas behind the cities.



Old world charm and a proud history describe the port of St. John, Grenada. Cruise ships must anchor out off the island and tourists are brought in by boats called "Tenders." This is to protect the serenity of the harbor waters and allow the fishing boats and import/export boats more room to get in and out.



The statue of Simon Bolivar stands in the center of a beautiful plaza named for him. The men in white are members of the "Brigada Turistica," the tourist police that are everywhere in downtown Caracas.

Back in early March of this year, my husband Berny and I decided that this was the year that we were going to take a cruise for our vacation. My mother, Jane, also wanted to take a cruise, so we pooled our resources and set out to find a date and itinerary that we all liked. We consulted our travel agent and found an exceptionally good price for booking many months in advance with Carnival Cruise Line.

It seemed like the week of Nov. 18-25 would never come, as my excitement and anticipation of the trip built. We had never been on a cruise and there was so much to look forward to with all of the exciting ports of call that our cruise included.

We flew to San Juan, Puerto Rico on Nov. 18 and were taken to Pier No. 4 where the M.S. Fascination was docked. As we approached the pier area, I was amazed at the number cruise ships that were docked in the port. San Juan is the send-off area for 25 different major cruise lines and the port area had ships of every nationality and size imaginable.

Carnival's M.S. Fascination is one of the biggest ships in their fleet, with a capacity of 2600 passengers and a crew of 950. It is registered in Panama and the entire engineering and sailing crew were Italian, mostly from Milan, Italy. The rest of the employees hailed from every corner of the world-Romania, India, Holland, Honduras, Mexico, England and many other fascinating places. I thought that this might be why the ship was called the "Fascination," but upon entering the ship, we soon discovered why it was appropriately named. This ship was lit up with millions of lights, neon, gold, brass and everything else that sparkled and shined. There was not a bolt on the ship that wasn't polished and unique in its own way! It was fascinating!

Our first port of call was St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands on Nov. 19. The Fascination was the first cruise ship that was allowed to come to port in this picturesque paradise after Hurricane Marilyn had struck the island and caused so much damage. We anxiously watched the docking procedure from the top deck.

Hurricane Marilyn had completely destroyed this island's port area. Seventy-three boats ranging in size from small fishing boats to large yachts had been completely sunk by the storm and the concrete and asphalt pier/dock had been blown to bits by the violent winds that accompanied the storm. The dock area has been completely reconstructed in amazingly short time. The hurricane struck in the middle of September and the port was once again ready to accept large cruise ships.

We opted to take an extensive tour of the island. I'll never forget this tour. We were not only treated to sights of a tropical paradise and azure blue waters, but we were also shown how the residents of St. Thomas and many hundreds of volunteers have pulled together to restore and rebuild their homes, businesses and lives.

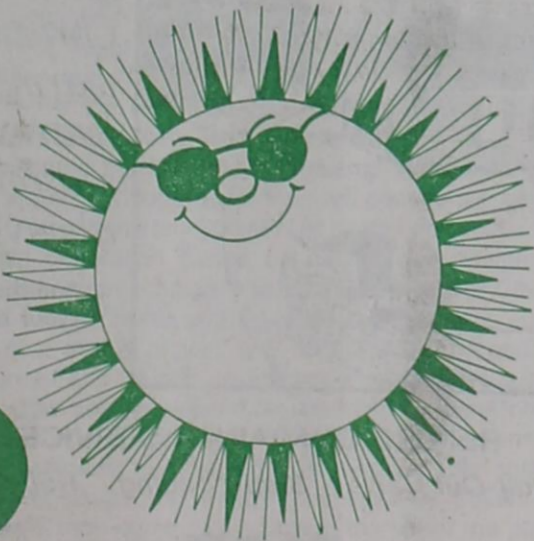
Mind you, we were the first "official tourists" brought onto the island since the hurricane, so we got to see first hand the work in progress to rebuild St. Thomas. Most of all of the power and telephone lines were temporarily tied up with ropes and cables just high enough for vehicles to pass under them on the roads, while others still lay across the trees and houses. The trees, flowers and other vegetation across the island showed the mass and extent of this violent hurricane.

Many weather watchers and meteorologists now believe that St. Thomas was hit by a vortex hurricane, which is a deadly combination of tornado force winds, sucking vacuum pockets and explosive hits of rain, hail and wind all together with the usual conditions of a hurricane. It overcame the whole island at one time, rather than hitting just one side. This was completely obvious to us as we toured around the whole island.

St. Thomas is in danger of losing most of its Palm tree and Coconut tree varieties. The storm had torn off the tops of these trees more than any other breed and the future of regrowth or of reseeding is highly unlikely. Many botanists were being brought in to study these trees to help make a determination as to what can be done to replace these valuable trees to the island.

We were told that St. Thomas had become the island of the Blue Roofs. Our tour guide said it laughingly, but it is true. The blue tarps that FEMA, the U.S. Federal disaster and emergency agency had brought into the island to cover the tops of homes that had their roofs torn off in the hurricane were on the majority of the homes that were still standing. It was so bizarre to see a home with no damage other than to the roof standing next to a pile of broken lumber, shattered brick and stone with couches and tables sticking out of it - what used to have been a home - now destroyed by the hurricane.

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The lush grounds and black marble fountain that are found in the center of the Venezuelan government complex. Directly behind the fountain is the Senate building.

Cruisin'

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The resilience shown by the people of St. Thomas was heartwarming. They, of course, rely heavily on tourism for their livelihoods, but they let us know how happy they were to have us back on the island. And their gratitude was genuine. It was also encouraging to see how many U.S. companies have pitched in to help rebuild the island. We passed by several complete electrical crews from Alabama Power and Georgia Power and Light that had shipped over lift trucks and all kinds of equipment to use to rehang the electrical and phone lines. Most of the men and women that were working on these crews had forfeited vacation time to come over and work on these jobs.

St. Thomas was a treat and we would like to return there someday for a longer stay.

We then went to Guadeloupe, French Antilles. This was like stepping off into the older parts of Paris, France (except it wasn't as well kept.) I have to be completely honest and admit that I found Guadeloupe a disappointment. The people there seemed to really despise the tourists, although tourism is what keeps the island prosperous. We would walk into shops and be completely ignored. We were also warned to be very careful crossing the streets in the town because the drivers were very determined to see how many tourists they could take out! There was even a chalkboard by one of the shops that had the monthly total chalked up! We quickly browsed through the shops close by the dock and returned to relax by one of the pools on the ship! For those people that chose to take a tour outside of the city, they saw some beautiful waterfalls and tropical scenery, but few commented on meeting any friendly people!

The next day, however we anchored right by Grenada and were treated to half a day at a truly wonderful place. I only knew Grenada by the news of the American invasion several years ago to rescue the American students that were on the island. I envisioned harsh conditions, barrack like houses and poverty on every corner. But to our delight, Grenada is lush, extremely clean, calm and a very happy place.

The former television show "Going To Extremes" was partially filmed on Grenada at the St. John University and School of Medicine that is the highlight of the island. The actual campus sits right off of a beautiful white sand beach and looks more like a small resort than it does an institution of higher learning! It only has 1200 students and they come to study there from all over the world.

Grenada currently has only 4 resort properties, but the public voted to allow one more hotel to be built by 1997. Grenada has a strict building code that restricts any new structures being built to be only 3 stories high. This is to preserve the view of the island from the ocean and the view from the island to the ocean.

Grenada is steeped in history as well! It was a garrison stronghold during many wars between France, England and South America and Cuba. Several countries dominated the island during the past, but it currently has its own government and is a free and democratic country. But perhaps the most interesting fact about Grenada is that, although it is a very tiny island nation, it is the world's major exporter of spices. Sixty-four percent of the cinnamon, thyme, nutmeg, ginger and various other gourmet spices originate on this tiny island. Grenada is aptly named the "Isle of Spice"!

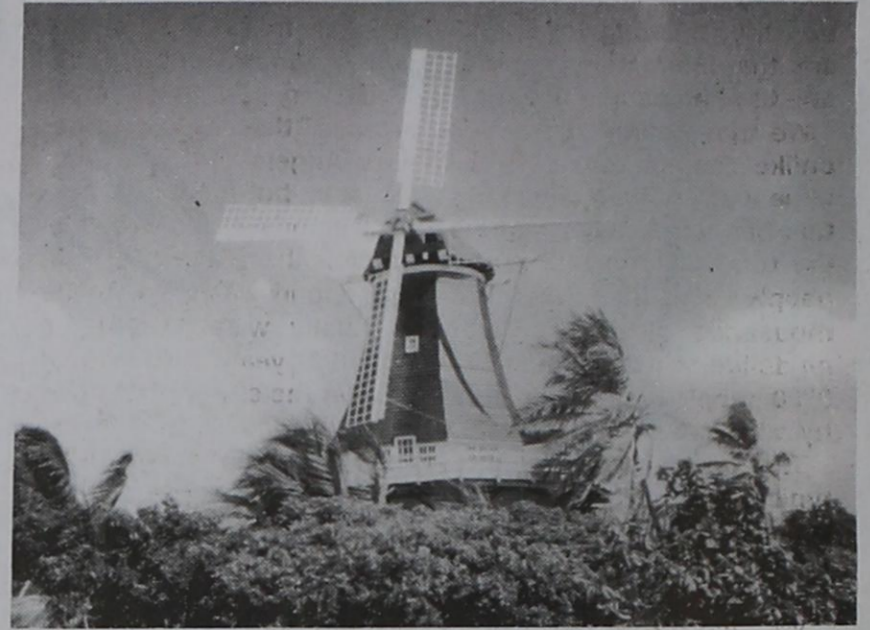
On Nov. 22, we docked at La Guaira/Caracas, Venezuela and prepared for an all day tour of this, the largest city in Venezuela. It is the home of 5 million people and currently

the richest supply of oil in this half of the world. The Venezuelan government is very strict about what comes in and goes out of their country, so the docking and debarkation process was very long. The port authorities and their guards searched our cruise ship very thoroughly. This, as I later learned, was due to the very large drug smuggling problem that the country has.

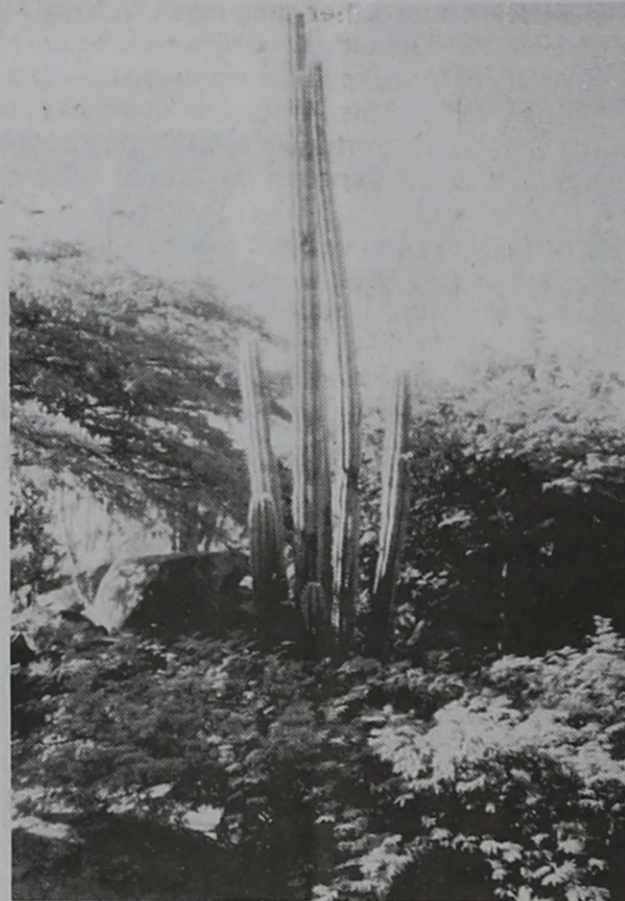
Once we were cleared, we loaded up into four buses that would take us first to downtown Caracas. Here we saw the government complexes of court buildings, their Senate building (which Senate was in session while we were there, so we couldn't go inside any of them) and the famed Simon Bolivar plaza. This is a beautiful area and the large statue of Simon Bolivar, liberator of Venezuela is a sight to behold.

Every July 4, in respect to the independence of America and to our courage, the Venezuelan government declares its own independence and has a day of celebration. The president reads the state of the nation and also reads their own declaration of independence and he pays homage to the spirit and courage of Simon Bolivar and the other liberators of Venezuela. Every 50 years, the president takes a key from a special memorial case and unlocks the burial chamber and coffin of Simon Bolivar to reassure the nation

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"De Olde Molen" is an authentic Dutch windmill in Oranjestad, Aruba. It houses an international cuisine restaurant in the bottom. The windmill was brought over from the Netherlands in 1875.



This pictures shows the vast contrast in the vegetation that grows on Aruba: divi-divi trees, wild hibiscus and cactus. This spot is the home to more than 200 different species of birds. No one has to mow their yards in Aruba because of the sheep and goats that are allowed to roam freely through the countryside, or "Aruban back."

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Cruisin'

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that their liberator has not been taken from their country and that his remains are still intact. A strange custom, but one that the people of Venezuela take very seriously!

We then toured the outside areas of the city. It is not unlike seeing New York City, Los Angeles or any other large metropolitan city in many aspects, but the one aspect that has left a major imprint on our minds and hearts was the total poverty and conditions that the majority of the people live in. We now understand how so many thousands of people could be totally wiped out by a mudslide, which Caracas experienced 27 years ago. Almost 3700 people died in this mudslide after the city was deluged by rain for 3 solid weeks.

The houses are really like walled versions of caves and a typical area may have 10 to 12 "homes" built on-top of each other and using the side of the mountain as one wall of their unit. But the people are happy and are also very friendly.

We also got to see a very interesting industry at work in Caracas: glass blowing and crafting. The Cristolart glass factory sits high in the mountains overlooking Caracas and is the home of the majority of glass products for Venezuela and South America.

We ate lunch at the EuroBuilding Hotel, the only 5 star hotel in Venezuela, and saw how the wealthy live in Caracas in the part of the city that the hotel is located in. This was such a shock to see the opulence and materialism of such a minority of people after seeing the other conditions that the majority live in. Interestingly enough, this section of town has been nicknamed "El Puerto de

'Santa, I like Rudolph's red nose'

Dear Santa,
This is Brenda reminding you that it is Christmas and it is present time. It's the time for children to get presents. I want a Barbie, some clothes and a nail set. 9 years old.

I would like for you to bring me a computer, a teacher Barbie and a big van to put my Barbies in. I will put cookies and milk out for you to eat.
Ashley Dixon

Dear Santa,
My name is Oliver. I want a bike for Christmas. I am 12 years old. I know my handwriting is not good.

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this year. I would like for you to bring me a red police car that makes sound, a red sports car, a telephone computer and a remote control race car set. I will put some cookies and milk out for you to eat.
Jayson Dixon

Dear Santa,
My name is Mario Cardenas 10. I want a Power Ranger.

Dear Santa,
I want a one-seater stroller that will fold up. I want a shirt with Santa on it. I want a Barbie. I like Rudolph. I like his red nose.
Megan McGuire

Dear Santa,
My name is Aaron Cardenas, 11. I want a football.

Dear Santa,
My name is Edgar Cardenas, 13. I want a basketball.

Dear Santa,
I want a Batman, a Tigerzord and a Batman car. My little brother could have a little Twig.
Nathan Taylor

Dear Santa,
My name is Mikie Cardenas, 14. I want a football or walkman.

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this

JOY AND PEACE



May the spirit of brotherhood prevail.

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LEGAL PUBLICATIONS

Notice of Request
For Certification of Contract
To Purchase Electric Power

Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Golden Spread") hereby gives notice that it intends to purchase a portion of its requirements for electric power and energy from an affiliated exempt wholesale generator. Golden Spread has filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("PUC") requesting that the PUC make certain determinations required by the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 and certify the Power Supply Contract between Golden Spread and its affiliate exempt wholesale generator.

It is anticipated that the affiliated exempt wholesale generator, GS Electric Generating Cooperative, Inc., will construct a generating plant consisting of approximately 300 MW of combined cycle and 100 MW of simple cycle generation fueled by natural gas, located in Yoakum County, Texas, approximately 4 miles east of Denver City near County road P 10 / P 10 North and adjacent to the Plains gas plant. The estimated cost of this project is \$165,223,000. The contract between Golden Spread and its affiliate exempt wholesale generator for which certification has been requested requires that Golden Spread purchase electric power and energy from the generating plant and pay therefor an amount sufficient to cover all fixed and variable costs associated with producing power and energy purchased by Golden Spread. The contract has a term commensurate with the life of the plant. The PUC will determine whether the proposed contract is reasonable. Golden Spread anticipates that the proposed contract will lower the cost of providing service to consumers.

Persons with questions about Golden Spread's Application should contact Robert W. Bryant, President and General Manager of Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, Inc., at (806) 379-7766. Persons who wish to intervene in the proceeding or comment upon action sought should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas at 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Austin, Texas 78757, or call the Public Utility Commission Consumer Affairs Office at (512) 458-0256 or 458-0221 for the text telephone. The deadline for intervention in the proceeding has not been determined. Golden Spread intends to request that the PUC set January 3, 1996, as the deadline for intervention.

America." Sort of makes you think about how we all must look to other parts of the world, doesn't it?

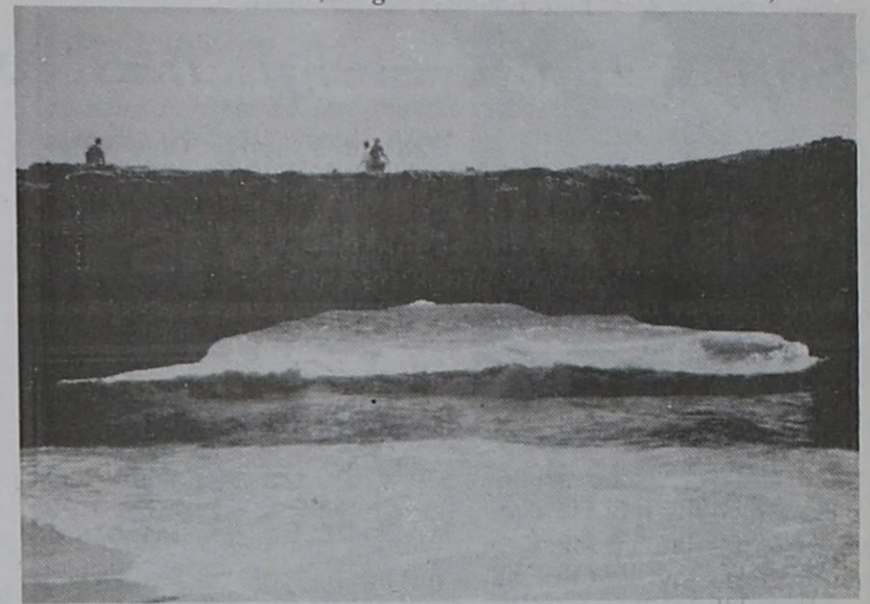
We spent Thanksgiving Day on the beautiful island of Aruba. This island is part of the the Dutch holdings in the Caribbean and it was a real treat to see such a mixture of the Netherlands and a tropical wonderland together!

Aruba is known for its pristine white sand beaches and crystal clear blue waters. It has been hailed as a scuba divers mecca, as well as a shoppers' paradise! What I found fascinating was that the landscape and scenery around the whole island looks just like the desert areas of New Mexico and the entire state of Arizona! Complete with cactus and desert type sand, Aruba is a scientific mystery. Scientists have been completely stumped as to how the island can be so arid while sitting in the middle of the Caribbean Ocean and to the origins of the Casibari and Ayo Rock Formations that sit in the middle of the island, because the type of rock that make them is not of any type native or even associated to the Caribbean. Instead of grass in people's yards, aloe vera plants grow lush and thick...they also come in handy when there's a burn or bug bite!

Going to school is not compulsory in Aruba, but the majority of children are schooled either in the parochial schools located in each quadrant (county) or in their homes. Dutch is the primary language of the island, but children must learn four other languages fluently by the time that they are 15 years old. On a side note however, the majority of Arubans' now speak a language all their own called "Papiamentu." This language combines native Indian words with Dutch, Portuguese, Spanish, English and African words. It is only spoken on Aruba, Bonaire and Curacao.

It is a beautiful island and very hospitable. The prices for goods are affordable, as well!

Our cruise ended with a half day in San Juan and we spent it touring Old San Juan and the historic San Cristobal Fortress, which is an amazing work of architecture, strength and longevity. It is now part of the U.S. National



This is the site where Arubans believe that the desert meets the deep. This is the Natural Bridge, which is 100 feet long and has been carved out of coral rock by the rough surf on the north side of the island. This is considered the country side of the island.

Park system. This fortress was the sight of many battles between the Spanish, English and the Dutch. It was also a major stronghold for U.S. troops during World War II, housing a large battalion of troops and Howitzer Cannon Guns that could should down ships and airplanes that came too close! We also saw parts of New San Juan, which is very modern and home to many hotels and casinos.

The cruise ship itself was a floating city, with stores, a casino and entertainment from fore to aft, port to starboard side. The shows, dancers, singers and comediennes that performed were spectacular and very entertaining. I never quite got over the sheer size of the ship and how the crew all worked to make our trip effortless and enjoyable. This was a great vacation and one that I'll never forget. In fact, our week on the M.S. Fascination was truly fascinating!



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'Santa, if the sleigh has room for a Sega, please bring it'

Dear Santa,
Please give mom a ring, a kiss and a vacuum cleaner. Give my brother a puppy, roller blades and a Dallas Poster. I would like to have a new sister, and give dad clothes.
Fabian Reyes

Dear Santa,
Please give my mother a red rose, and my dad a book. Give my brother a toy, and my sister a Barbie doll. I would like a pin ball machine.
Timmy Lane

Dear Santa,
Please give my dad a jersey, and mom a new car. Give my brother a new toy and a new jacket. I would like a Cowboy's helmet.
Rodolfo Garcia

Dear Santa,
Please give mom a vacuum cleaner and dad a computer. Give Alex a roller coaster, and Guerrero a knife. Give Maria a rose, Eli a teddy bear, and Jovita a ring. I would like roller blades.
Luis Olmos

Dear Santa,
Please give dad a car and mom a teddy bear. Give brother a football and Nico a Ninetendo. I would like a bike.
Michael Soto

Dear Santa,
Please give mom some coffee, and brother a car. Give sister a bike, and dad a wallet. I would like a bike.
Cesar Marrufo

Dear Santa,
Please give my dad an electric razor, and my mom a new bed. Give my sister a Barbie, and my brother a police car. I would like a puppy and a 49er's helmet.
Alan Garcia

Dear Santa,
Please give my mom a van, and my sister a doll. Give my brother a car that is blue, and my dad a truck. I would like a computer.
Marisela Vega

Dear Santa,
Please give my mom and

dad some money. Give sister a jewelry box, and brother a bike, and give my baby brother some clothes. I would like a bike.
Leslie Pierce

Dear Santa,
Please give mom a new Caravan, and dad a new razor. Give Brody a Mossimo hat and Kristopher a Super NES game. I would like a Mossimo hat.
Colby Norton

Dear Santa,
Please give mom some perfume, and dad some clothes. Give Carlos a computer. I would like a flower doll.
Sandra Saenz

Dear Santa,
Please give mom a car, and dad a truck. Give sister a ring and brother a van. I would like skates.
Esmeralda Vidaurri

Dear Santa,
Please give my brother a truck, and give my mom a dress. Give my dad a pickup, and give sister a toy. I would like a tractor.
Matt Young

Dear Santa,
Please give mom a ceramic cow, and Roper a sleeping bag. Give Laramie a sleeping bag, and dad a Coca Cola collection. I would like sleeping bag too.
Haylee Fulcher

Dear Santa,



Please give mom a suburban, and dad a wallet. Give baby brother a play toy, and my sisters a Mariah Carey tape. I would like a bike with a radio and water bottle.
Jennifer DeLeon

Dear Santa,
Please give mom a cat, and dad a dog. Give Tyrell a Ninetendo, and Leanna a car. I would like a cat and a dog.
Brittany Gonser

Dear Santa,
Please give my mom a home, and my brother a teddy bear. Give my sister a good life, and my dad a semi. I would like a football uniform.
Artie Chacon

Dear Santa,
Please give my dad a watch, and my mom a new cat. I would like a bike.
Kristen Garcia

Dear Santa,
Please give mom a van, and dad a lot of money. Give brother a dog, and sister a cat. I would like a Dallas Cowboy cap.

Matthew Ancira

Dear Santa,
Please give mom a ring and dad a watch. Give my sister a radio. I would like jewelry.
Yvonne Favila

Dear Santa,
I want a Mighty Duck suit, a skate board and real hockey puck and some roller blades. I love you Santa.
Brett Howard

Dear Santa,
I want a little tow truck with a Barbie on it, a sleeping Barbie and a bike.
Reyna Salazar

Dear Santa,
Will you bring me a radio?
Blanca Meza

Dear Santa,
I would like a doll, a bike. I will give you some milk and cookies.
Brenda Cano

Dear Santa,
I want a Baby Tumble, Exercise Barbie, Baby born, Pochanans hair style Barbie doll, Ring around the Rosie. I have been good.
Brooke Lunsford

Dear Santa,

I want a helicopter, a truck, a toy elephant, and a Batman.
Emanuel

Dear Santa,
I would like a set of cool tools and some roller skates for me.
Mario Vidaurri

Dear Santa,
I want a Pocahontas on a horse a teddy bear and a skip it. Hope you have a safe trip. I will leave you cookies and milk. I love you, Santa.
Jessica Adams

Dear Santa,
I want a street shark and a computer for me and my brother Eric. And if the sleigh has room for a Sega please bring me it.
Jaime Alejandro Montes

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a Doodle Bear and a teacher Barbie.

I have been good most of the time.
Hailey McIntosh

Dear Santa,
I want a violine and moon shoes and abike helment. Thank you for the toys.
Jourdan

Dear Santa,
How have you been? How is Mrs. Claus and the elves? I have been a good boy this year. I would like a skateboard, with low wheels, legos, remote control car, and a drum set. I will leave you some cookies and milk.
Love, Cory

Dear Santa,
I want a doll, rocking horse, bouncing horse, toy bunny rabbit, swimming pool, shower baby, Bedtime Babie, two thousand dollars, and a pink Pocahontas doll.
Brittany

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May this Christmas bring you the
music of laughter, the warmth of friendship
and the spirit of love

*The Farwell
Dental Clinic Staff*

COLOR IT! CLIP IT! And check it twice!

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

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

SAFETY LIST!

- Check all cords for frayed or bare wires, cracked insulation, loose connections and damaged plugs or light sockets.
- Test lights before stringing.
- Unplug lights before making any repairs or replacing light bulbs.
- Don't overload circuits with too many plugs!
- No lights on metallic trees.
- Keep your tree fresh by trimming the base and keeping plenty of water in the tree stand.
- Turn off all lights before leaving or going to bed.
- Don't use indoor lights outside.
- Avoid outdoor electrical lines when hanging lights on the rooftop or in tall trees.
- Use waterproof lighting equipment outdoors. Hang sockets downward and don't leave a socket empty.

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Wishing you a safe, happy holiday.

'Santa, I live way out in the country this year'

Dear Santa,
I live way out in the country this year. Last year, we lived in town. I need a bicycle to pull Abby around in the wagon. I love my sisters a lot. I want Abby to have a tricycle and a doll for baby Jill. I have been a good boy this year.
Drew Johnson

Dear Santa,
I would like a game called Dead End Driver, a book where's Waldo, Power Rangers the Movie and a globe and a shogun megazord.
Marcus

Dear Santa,
I want a Sega and a game named Donkey Kong Land and another game for the Sega. I would also like a San Francisco jacket.
Francisco Estrada

Dear Santa,
I would like a race car track and a remote control.
Emmanuel Meza

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie and a Barbie wishing star, some makeup and boots with jeans, a shirt and new shoes, a toy and some pink polish and a mirror, and a Barbie and mini-van.
Gabiella DeLaCruz

Dear Santa,
I would like a Sega, a bike, tool belt, a new dog, junior in-line skates, cowboy hat and a remote control car.
Chance Bradley

Dear Santa,
I am the baby of the family and I would like a baby, real baby doll. Also, some toy trucks for my brothers, a computer for my sisters.
Isabel Serrano

Dear Santa,
I want the movie Power Rangers and the Power Ranger Power Blaster.
Jamy Stanton

Dear Santa, I want a robot of the Power Rangers and a monster, a White Ranger and a Pink Ranger so they could fight the monster finally. I want the new robot on TV.
Terry Tabb

Dear Santa,
I want a white bear and a little kitten. I want two babies and a pretty toy doll. I want a purple ball, a red book, 2 jump ropes

and a little bird toy.
Socorro Otero

Dear Santa,
I want all the white Barbies, a Barbie with a dolphin, a sled like yours, a Cinderella and Casper and the Swan Princess, and a big, furry rabbit and I want a fun love nailes that's all.
Iris Madrid

Dear Santa,
I want a Big Barbie doll and a dog, and some toys for my little brother. He has no toys. And presents for my dad and mom.
Nicole Robles

Dear Santa,
I've been good this year. Please bring my a bigger motorcycle. You are special. I love you.
Buddy Jorde

Dear Santa,
I've been good this year. Please bring my a baby doll, a new bikem a Barbie swimming pool. I like you Santa because you bring toys for the children.
Annvil Acosta

Dear Santa,
I like your suit. Please bring me a 4 wheeler. I like Rudolph.
Michael Reid

Dear Santa,
I've been good this year. Please bring my a transformer truck and a toy jet plane.
Adam Ingram

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a new bike and a new remote control car.
Weston Ervin

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a new bike. I like Rudolph and I like Comet. I will leave my Christmas tree



lights on and my wood stove on so it will be warm inside.
Blain Bradley

Dear Santa,
Please bring my a skateboard and Star Wars collection and Batmobile. I like Cupid.
Darin Olson

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a 12 speed bike. I love you Santa.
Elijah Garcia

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a remote control motorcycle.
Dominique Askew

Dear Santa,
Please give my dad a 22 gun and my mom silverware. Give James a remote control car and Mandy jewelry. As for me, I would like a 22.
Nick Beekman

Dear Santa,
Please give mom a new coat and Zachary a new tape. Give dad a new pin and Brittany a new dress. I would like a bear.
Alex Bridges

Dear Santa,
Please give my mom a watch and my dad a job. Give my sisters a doll and my brothers a car. I would like a bike.
Julie Castillo

Dear Santa,
Please give mom a new

job and dad a new truck. Give Elizabeth a friend and grandma a picture of me. I would like a new doll.
Michelle Welch

Dear Santa,
Please give mom a dog and daddy clothes. Give Jayson a toy police car and my nana a new car. I would like a bike.
Ashley Dixon

Dear Santa,
Please give mom a shirt and dad a coat. Give sister a doll and brothers a toy. I would like a watch.
Beatriz Garcia

Dear Santa,
Please give mom jewelry and my dad me. Give my brothers toy guys and grandma a desk. I would like a sega game.
Jacob Lopez

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie jeep, a radio with tape player and a poster with a dog. Thank you I love you.
Amber Armstrong

Dear Santa,
How are you doing. I have been a good girl this year. I would like to have these things for Christmas. 1. Jump rope 2. Clothes 3. Jewelry P.S. I will loeave you some cookies and milk. Have a good trip.
Shannen Pottorff

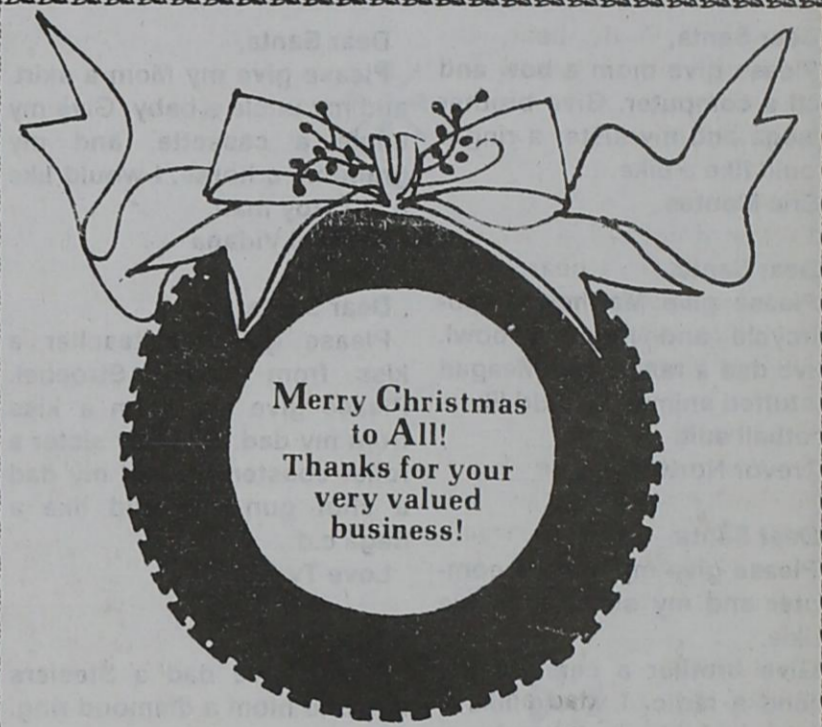
Mrs. Hughes, left, congratulates Lacey Meeks for coming in first in the math-a-thon. Second was Flint Harrelson, and Michelle Littlejohn was third.



Math-a-thon raises funds



Texico Junior High students raised \$1,500 in their St. Jude's Children's Hospital math-a-thon. In back are Krystal Williams, Chad Bentley, Billy Perkins, Marcos Loera, Greg Qualls and Mrs. Hughes. In front are Rachel Sepeda, Rebecca Wall, Norma Rodriguez and Dustin Ward.



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When he arose he took the young child and his mother and departed into Egypt.

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Charles Moraw, manager

Glory To The Newborn King

May this holy season strengthen your faith and deliver enlightenment to all mankind.

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'Santa, please give my mom a pretty dress'

Dear Santa,
Please give my kitten a coat and my dad a new hat. Give my mom a dress and Jasmin a new bike. I would like a friend.
Azucena

Dear Santa,
Please give Dad a coat and mom a dog. Give my sister a cat and my brother a coat. I would like a computer.
Jasmin Gonzalez

Dear Santa,
Please give mom a coat and dad a shirt. Give sister a cat and brother a watch. I would like a book.
Henry Lopez

Dear Santa,
Please give mom a dishwasher and dad some tools. Give sister skates and brother a Cowboys helmet, I would like My Size Princess Barbie.
Sandra Marrufo

Dear Santa,
Please give mom a bow and dad a computer. Give brother a sega and my sister a ring. I would like a bike.
Eric Montes

Dear Santa,
Please give Matthew a motorcycle and mom a bowl. Give dad a ranch and Meagan a stuffed animal. I would like a football suit.
Trevor Norton

Dear Santa,
Please give my mom a computer and my sister a walkie talkie.
Give brother a car and my friend a radio. I would like a radio.
Hayley Parker

Dear Santa,
I want a white Ranger toy with a Falcon Sword.
Uriel Reyes

Dear Santa,
I want a Blue Ranger and a TigerSword. I want the movie "Power Rangers." I will leave you some chicken to eat. I will leave you a present.
Richie Aguilar

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Barbie with a pink dress so I can play with my sister at home. And for my sister, bring her a Barbie, too.
Lupe Cuevas

Dear Santa,
I want an old 8 wheel John Deere tractor. I also want a semi truck and trailer, and a combine.
Andrew Castillo

Dear Santa,
I want a dress for my sister

and a dump truck for my brothers. All. I want for Christmas is my two front teeth. Santa, how are you going to get down my chimney?
Joy

Dear Santa,
Please give mom a coat and dad a motorcycle. Give Gaylen a motorcycle and Jason a Robin boat. I would like a Batman car.
Colton Sudderth

Dear Santa,
Please give dad a jeep and mom a home. Give Timmy a motorcycle, and Tana a necklace. I would like a cat.
Tobi Taylor

Dear Santa,
Please give my Mom a pretty dress, and my Dady a four-wheeler. Give my uncle a new radio, and my sister a new bike. I would like a new motorcycle.
Matthew Valdez

Dear Santa,
Please give my Mom a skirt, and my uncle a baby. Give my uncle a cassette, and my grandma a horse. I would like a little toy man.
Michael Vidana

Dear Santa,
Please give my teacher a kiss from Coach Stroebel. Please give my mom a kiss from my dad. Give my sister a roller coaster set and my dad a shot gun. I would like a Sega c.d.
Love Ty

Dear Santa,
Please give dad a Steelers hat, and mom a diamond ring. Give my brother an animal story, and my uncle a hat. I would like a Cowboy's jersey.
Tanner

Dear Santa,
Please give my mom a red



rose, and my dad clothes, and my friend Cindy a jacket and a watch, and give my friend Yvonne a white teddy bear. I would like a Dallas Cowboy jacket.
Karla Sanchez

Dear Santa,
Please give mom a dress, and give dad a football. Give Lane a Dallas shirt, and give Lonnie some Dallas shoes. I would like a Dallas Cowboy jacket.
Logan Kade McFarland

Dear Santa,
Please give my brother a train, and dad a gun. Give mom a calendar. I would like a Dallas Cowboy Jacket.
Bailey Warren

Dear Santa,
Please give my mom a ring and my brother a vaccum cleaner. I would like a lunch box.
Denise

Dear Santa,
Please give mom a ring and please give dad a 22 gun. Give my sister a Barbie car and a Barbie. I would like a Boys to Men Tape 2.
Juan Carlos Vidaurri

Dear Santa,
Please give mom a pretty bear, and a ring. Please give my grandmother a coat, and my sister a new Barbie. I would like a Princess Barbie.
Mayra Chacon

Dear Santa,
Please give my sister a bunch of flowers, and my mom a bunch of flowers too. Please give my grandfather a mug, and my dad a mug also. I would like what ever you think is fine.
Love Leona

Dear Santa,
Please give Anna a TV, and Jr. a train. Give Rene a TV too. Please give my mom some dresses and Karla a pair of Cowboy's shoes. Please give my dad some clothes and Yvonne a white bear. I would like a Baby So Real.
Cindy Quezada

Dear Santa,
Please give Mom a brown bear, and Josh a football. Give dad a hammer, Leigha a ring, and Jeremiah a coat. I would like a Dallas Cowboy's jersey.
Sara Foley

Dear Santa,
Please give my big sister a frame and my other sister a teddy bear. Give my brother and my dad a pair of boots, and my mom a dress. I would like a pretty dress. Thanks Santa.
Tina

Dear Santa,
Please give mom a cat, and dad a razor. Give Joe a 49er's helmet, and Dora a cat poster. I would like a Super Nintendo.
David Hernandez

Dear Santa,
Please give Mom a coffee table, and dad a Harley. Give my sister a My-Size Barbie. I would like some binoculars.
Trevor Smallwood

Dear Santa,
I want a stuffed dog and a Segga and a new bike.
Dan Patterson

Have a delightful holiday season that's filled with laughter and fond feelings for all.

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"He prayeth best who loveth best all things both great and small." *Samuel Taylor Coleridge*

We thank you for the many "great and small" kindnesses you've shown us. We join our prayers with yours for peace and joy throughout the world.

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Christmas Memories

As we experience the warmth and wonder of this festive season, may all that is Christmas embrace you and yours.

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Merry Christmas

May The Richness Of The Lord's Blessings Be With You Through This Season And Throughout The New Year.

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-Spiritual

A blessed Christmas to you!



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We're

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Christmas list.

Most people might

prefer not to think

of a hospital over the

holidays. But some will

have to. There will be injuries

and illnesses and babies

will be born. And at this hospital,

over the 24 hours of Christmas Day,

some people will be doing just what we

do every day, in case you need us. Some will

celebrate Christmas with our own families early,

some late, so we will be here if you need us. Most of

you won't think about us at all, because you'll just know

we're here. And

that makes

us very

proud.

Muleshoe Area Medical Center

Muleshoe, Texas

From Gelatin Salad to Bar-B-Q Flap Jacks

BACON CHEESE BREAD

From Jade Mahaney

- 1/2 cup plus 2 tablespoons milk
- 1 - 10 3/4 oz. can cheddar cheese soup
- 1/4 cup margarine
- 3 1/2 cups unsifted flour
- 1 package yeast
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 egg
- 6 slices cooked bacon

Cook bacon and set aside. Stir milk in soup gradually in saucepan, add margarine. Heat on low until warm. Combine 2 cups flour, undissolved yeast and salt in large mixing bowl. Add soup mixture. Beat on low until dry ingredients are moistened. Add egg and 1/2 cup flour. Beat 2 minutes at medium speed. Remove from mixer. Stir in 1 cup flour and crumbled bacon until firm but sticky. Cover and rise in refrigerator 45 minutes. Remove and place in 2 quart loaf pan. Let rise 45 minutes in warm oven. Bake 45 minutes at 350 degrees. Makes 1 loaf. Serves 18.

GELATIN SALAD

From Tara Sanchez

- 1 small box gelatin (strawberry, cherry or lime)
- 1 small can crushed pineapple
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 small carton cottage cheese
- 1 small carton whipped topping
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans (optional)

Cook gelatin, pineapple, and sugar until comes to a boil. Remove from stove and let cool. Add cottage cheese, whipped topping and nuts. Mix together. Refrigerate one hour before serving. Serves six.

BAR-B-Q FLAP JACKS

From Devin Goettsch

- 1 lb. hamburger
- 1/4 cup chopped onion
- 1/2 cup barbecue sauce
- 1 can biscuits or croissant rolls
- 1 cup cheddar cheese

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Brown hamburger and onion. Stir in barbecue sauce, simmer while preparing crust. Separate dough. Place in ungreased 13x9x2 pan, press together over bottom and 1" up sides. Spread with meat mixture, sprinkle with cheese. Bake 15 or 20 minutes or until brown. Serves 12.

Honey-Sweet Fruit Salsa Sundaes

This great low-fat dessert has a Mexican flair!

- Fruit Salsa**
- 2 cups chopped fresh strawberries
- 1 cup peeled and chopped fresh peaches or nectarines
- 1 cup peeled and chopped kiwi fruit
- 1/4 cup fresh lime juice (or juice of one lime)
- 1/3 cup Burselson's Pure Clover Honey
- 1 tsp. grated lime peel

Tortilla Shells

- 8 (6-inch) flour tortillas, at room temp.
- 1/3 cup Burselson's Pure Clover Honey
- 1 tsp. ground cinnamon
- 1 to 2 qts. vanilla frozen yogurt or low fat ice cream

For the fruit salsa: In a medium bowl, combine strawberries, peaches, kiwi fruit and 1 tablespoon of the lime juice. Set aside or refrigerate until serving time. In small bowl, whisk together remaining lime juice, honey, and peel. Just before serving pour sauce over fruit and stir gently.

For the tortilla shells: Spray eight 10-ounce custard cups or 4 1/2 x 1 1/2 tart pans with nonstick cooking spray. Place a tortilla insided each to form a cup. Bake in a 350 degree oven for 10 min. or until golden brown and crisp. Meanwhile, combine honey and cinnamon in small bowl; brush on edges of baked tortilla shells. Cool.

To assemble: If desired, drizzle honey-cinnamon mixture on each dessert plate in a decorative manner; place tortilla shell on top. Fill with 1 or 2 scoops frozen yogurt. Spoon fruit salsa over the top. Garnish with mint sprigs or strawberry fans. Serve immediately. Makes 8 servings.



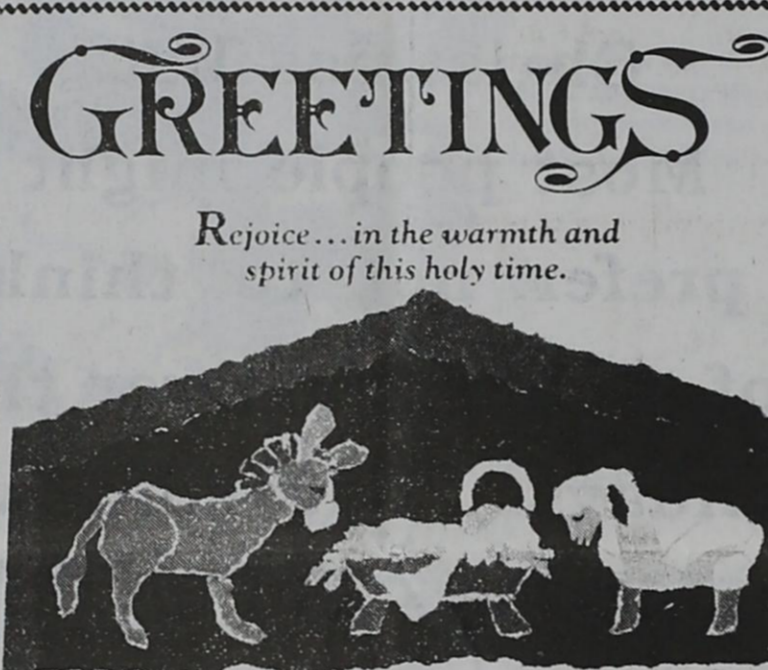
Texico varsity boys

The Texico varsity boys team includes, top from left, Clay Lewis, Manuel Cardenas, Rodrick Rodriguez, Clint Hamilton, Nathan Ketterling; bottom row, Seth Ketterling, Mel Askew, Aaron Stanley, Leroy Salinas.



Texico varsity girls

The Texico Lady Wolverines include, top row from left, Amanda Engram, Letitia Marlow, Brandi Norvell, Marcia Marlow; bottom row, Kelley Cooper, Misty Barnes, DonAnn Reed, Kristi Neie, Stacy Stewart. Not pictured is Mandy Helmer.



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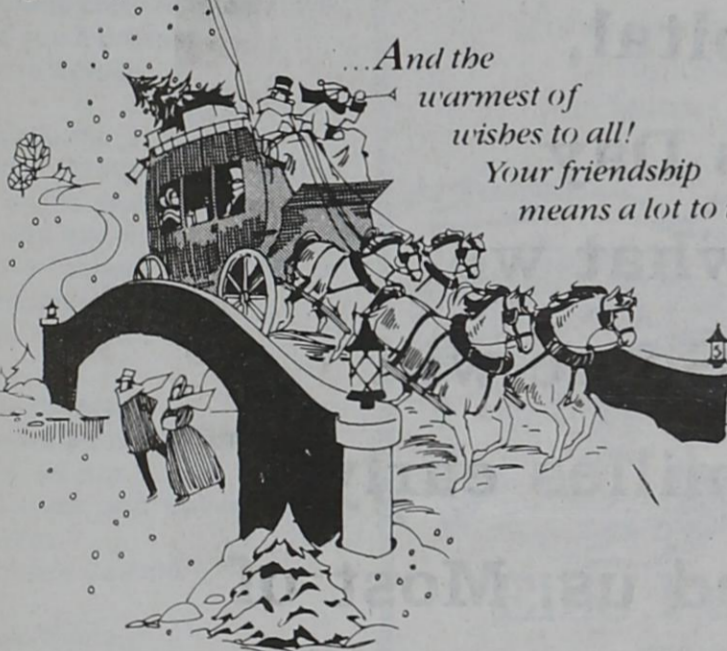
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TO MANY PEOPLE.
TO US, IT'S THE
PERFECT TIME TO
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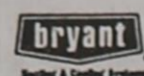
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Texico firefighter

This photo of a Texico firefighter as a youth is part of a periodic series of cartoons sketched by Pam McIntosh which run in the Tribune. Can you guess who it is? The answer will be found in the Helton Oil ad in next week's Tribune.

'I want a glitterator'

Dear Santa,
I have been good every day. I want my two front teeth for Christmas. Please. Also may I have roller blades and a Disney watch.
Britton Barrett

Dear Santa,
Thank you for my trampoline. This year I want a helmet and a knee board and ski gloves. Bring my sister a Barbie with stars and a jeep.
Dellani Jones

Dear Santa,
This year for Christmas I would like to have three things, a Barbie doll with a walking horse. A Barbie van and roller blades. You know I have been good.
Brittaney Cochran

Dear Santa,
I would like a super Jennie gymnast, a rock polisher and a glitterator.
Lianna Grissom



"Behold, the Lamb of God."

John 1:29

May the light of love and joy shine on you and your family throughout the year
God bless you

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Farwell 8th Girls

Farwell's 8th grade girls team played on two squads this year due to the number of players. Pictured in the top row, from left, are Lorissa Littlejohn, Marni Lunsford, Brandi Taylor, Leslie Cargile, Lisa Herrington, Chelsi Kaltwasser, Mandy Beekman, manager Tangie Gustin; middle row, manager Jamie Coleman, Katrina Arce, Sandra Taylor, Rachel Burnett, Megan Miller, Ashley Crawford, Erin Norton, Crystal Armstrong, Jessica Lusk; bottom row, manager Brittany Duffield, Christie Tabb, Eleisa Loera, Nicole Stout, Lindsey Rich, Eli Olmos, Becky Pierce, manager DeeDee Sandoval.

"...a Barbie stretch car"

Dear Santa,
I would like a Dance and Twirl Barbie, Big and Pretty Barbie House, Barbie Stretch

car. My sister would like a Ken doll and a Jennie Gymnast. My Mom would like a pair of earrings.
Amber Billingsley



May the feeling of peace be with you throughout this holiday season and for all of the years to come. We give you our thanks and best wishes for a great holiday!



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—Luke 2:12

WARM WISHES

Peace, happiness, joy,
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Farwell Country Club



Students of the Six Weeks, for the first six weeks, at Farwell Junior High were, front row from left, Jessica Chandler, Kris Norton, Matthew Lunsford; back row from left, Kristina Arce, Neshell Johnson, Orlando Marrufo.

Farwell JH students cited



Students of the Six Weeks, for the second six weeks, at Farwell Junior High were, front row from left, Adrian Ancira, Kristin Ford, Tara Cargile; back row from left, Marni Lunsford, Paul Franse, Luke Schwertner.



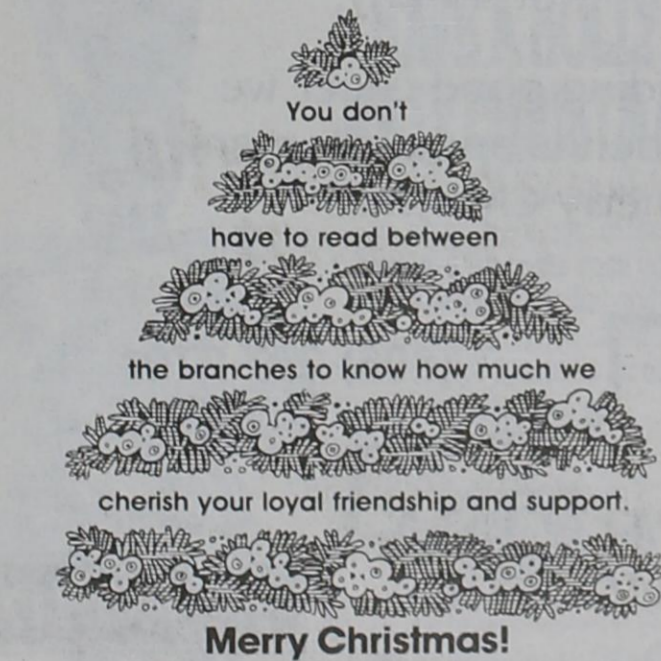
Appreciation Day

Prentice Mills enjoys the hospitality offered by Cathy Shields at the annual Farwell Post Office appreciation day on Dec. 13. Punch and cookies were given customers.

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Texico 8th Girls

The Texico 8th grade girls team includes, top row from left, LaMicah Drager, Melinda Hall, Callie Rucker, Marcia Brigham, Shayna Lewis; botton row, Shiloh Thornton, Holly Hohstadt, Brit-tany Bradley, Bobbi Williams, Kristen Roberts.

'...a reindeer, horse & Bible book'

Dear Santa,
I want you to please in this Christmas if you can bring these presents: a reindeer and a horse and a Bible Book. I love you Santa.
Ricardo Gutierrez

Dear Santa,
I would like an exercise Barbie, a Big Barbie, clothes, a bear. I have been good.
Marisela Retana

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I would like a car, truck, and a bike.

My brothers would like bikes.
Marcus Worley

Dear Santa
I have been good and I'm 5 years old. I would like some skates, a new game, Hungry-Hungry Hippos.
Kenneth Sena

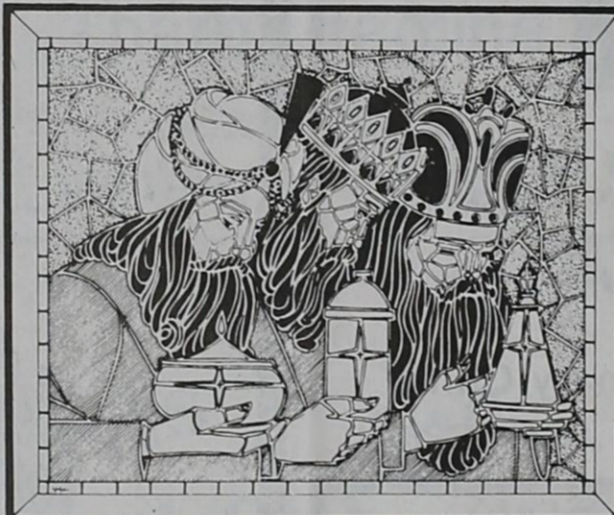
Dear Santa,
I am 5 years old and I have been good. I would like a remote control car, a game, and a hockey goal.
Jason Roberts



Farwell 7th Boys

Farwell's 7th grade boys team includes, top row from left, Cade Christian, Derek Goettsch, coach Allen, Cody Schilling, Eulegio Ruiz; bottom row, Colby Kimbrough, Chris Hart, Kris Norton.

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'Santa, does Rudolph still lead the sleigh?'

Dear Santa,
Would you please bring me a bike, Barbie Mustang, and a Baywatch Ken, and a Shaving fun Ken. My little brother, Matt would like the Tonka loader, backhoe and crane. Have a safe ride. Thank you Santa.
Amanda

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a bike, remote car and a Cowboy hat. Thank you Santa.
Jeffrey

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a Doodle Bear and Barbie doll. I would like some baby clothes for my baby doll too.
Sarah Herington

Dear Santa,
I want a red stuffed Power Ranger, Super Intendo, and a 49er's jacket.
Rudy Sierra

Dear Santa,
I want a bike for Christmas and a baby that swims. I want a dog too.
China Lane

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? How is Mrs. Santa? I want a pair of boots, a free certificate for Toys R Us, face paintings, the Brave Little Toaster and a whirl pool. How are your elves doing? How is the North Pole?
Mollie

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a big bike and a pair of Nike shoes. Please.
John Grado

Dear Santa,
I would like 2 babies and a chalkboard and Barbie. Thank you for the toys you brought last year.
Cynthia Otero

Dear Santa,
I would like a new house in Colorado. Also I want a race set. Santa, how do you get down the chimney?
Bobby

Dear Santa,

Around Twin Cities

Tuesday, Dec. 26
Farwell Chamber of Commerce meets at Noon at the Spur Restaurant.

I would like a TV and one of your rain deer and a watch and shoes and a Teddy bear and some of your elfs. The End.
Abby

Dear Santa
Does Rudolph still lead the sled? How is Mrs. Clause, the elves and the reindeer? I will like to have a CD player and a Super Nintendo and a baby puppy for my dog.
Aaron Vaughan

Dear Santa,
How is your family? How could I forget the reindeer? How are they? Could I please have a firestone, Bad city, CD player, Sega CD, Super Nintendo and a F1 CD? Merry Christmas. Love,
Ashley Dickson

Dear Santa,
How is Mrs. Claus and Rudolph? All I want for Christmas are some shoes and a doll that says mama and some roller skates. My mom wants a ring and my sister wants a bike. My dad wants some boots. I will leave you milk and cookies.
Baylee Ortiz

Dear Santa,
I want roller blades, doll, fish, TV and a CD player. My brother Donald wants a little army truck and a sega. Oh, by the way, I will leave you cookies

and milk. Merry Christmas.
Sarah Montano

Dear Santa,
Please give me a bike for Christmas, and if you have time, please bring my a globe. Do not take it to my house. We are going to my grandma's house. I have been very good this year.
Michael Sena

Dear Santa,
Can I have a doll and a boom box for Christmas? My grandma and grandpa are coming for Christmas. I am going to leave hot cocoa and cookies for you to eat on Christmas eve.
Rachel Gilbreath

Dear Santa,
Are the elves busy? Would you get me a little 4-wheeler? If I don't get that, try to get me a basketball or a Sega CD. My and my brothers all want a 4-wheeler. Have a good day.
Ricky Burns

Dear Santa,
Can I have a barbie jeep? How is Dancer and Rudolph? Can I have some roller blades and a globe? Can I have a TV? Can you get Ryan a new boom box?
Nicki Autrey

Dear Santa,

Upcoming Sports

Thursday, Dec. 28
Lazbuddie Varsity boys' and girls' basketball compete in the Sundown Tournament.
Farwell Varsity boys' and girls' basketball compete in the Sudan Tournament.



Joyous Noel!

Let us reflect on the wonder of the season.

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What is the weather like? I like your reindeer? Do you have fun? I would like a 2 wheeler bike. Amanda would like a Barbie. My dad would like a dog. My mom would like a VCR.
Jeremy Riley

Dear Santa,
I would like a Doodle Bear and a big Barbie jeep and a real puppy. I would like a globe and record player and a small TV. I would like a Game Boy with a game.
Sarah Johnson

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. Can I have some roller skates, a globe and a boom box? How is the weather doing out there? I may leave you some cookies and milk.
Taryn Allen

Dear Santa,
How are you? Is it very cold? I would like a Sky Dancer, a Barbie doll, a globe, secret wish horses, an art studio, Voyager action figures, a TV, a

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Rhiannon Rawson

Dear Santa,
I will like a Sega game this year. Is Rudolph fine? Have the elves been working? I would like a Ninja Mega Falcon Zord. Will you bring my big brother a CD player? Will you bring me a TV and VCR and a Super Nintendo?
David Vega

Dear Santa,
Does Rudolph still lead the sleigh? I want a jet ski and a 4 wheeler. Can I have a CD player and some country Cds. I have been good. Mom wants a VCR. I want my dog back and a kitten.
Erika Powell

Dear Santa,
I like Christmas. Do you? Is your job fun? I have some papers that show what I want. I think my mom will show you.
Billy Miller

Dear Santa,
I would like some roller

blades, a doodle bear, knee pads, arm pads and a doll house. My brother would like some shoulder pads, football helmet and a jersey.
Lori Richardson

Dear Santa,
I want a boom box for my dad. I want a Sega game. Can I get a bike? I hope the elves are working hard. Could I have a Chicago Bears hat?
Daniel Rubio

Dear Santa,
I want an Easy Bake oven, Pioneer Barbie, a Pretty Dreams Barbie and a Toy Story video game and a Talk Boy. Please bring something for my baby sister and mom and dad.
Caitlin Cary

Dear Santa,
I want a Fisher Price doll house, two babies and one big sister and a mom and dad. I want a car to go with it and I want a lot of Barbies with a lot of clothes. I used to have a Barbie but my cousin threw it in the pen with some dogs.
Stasha Span



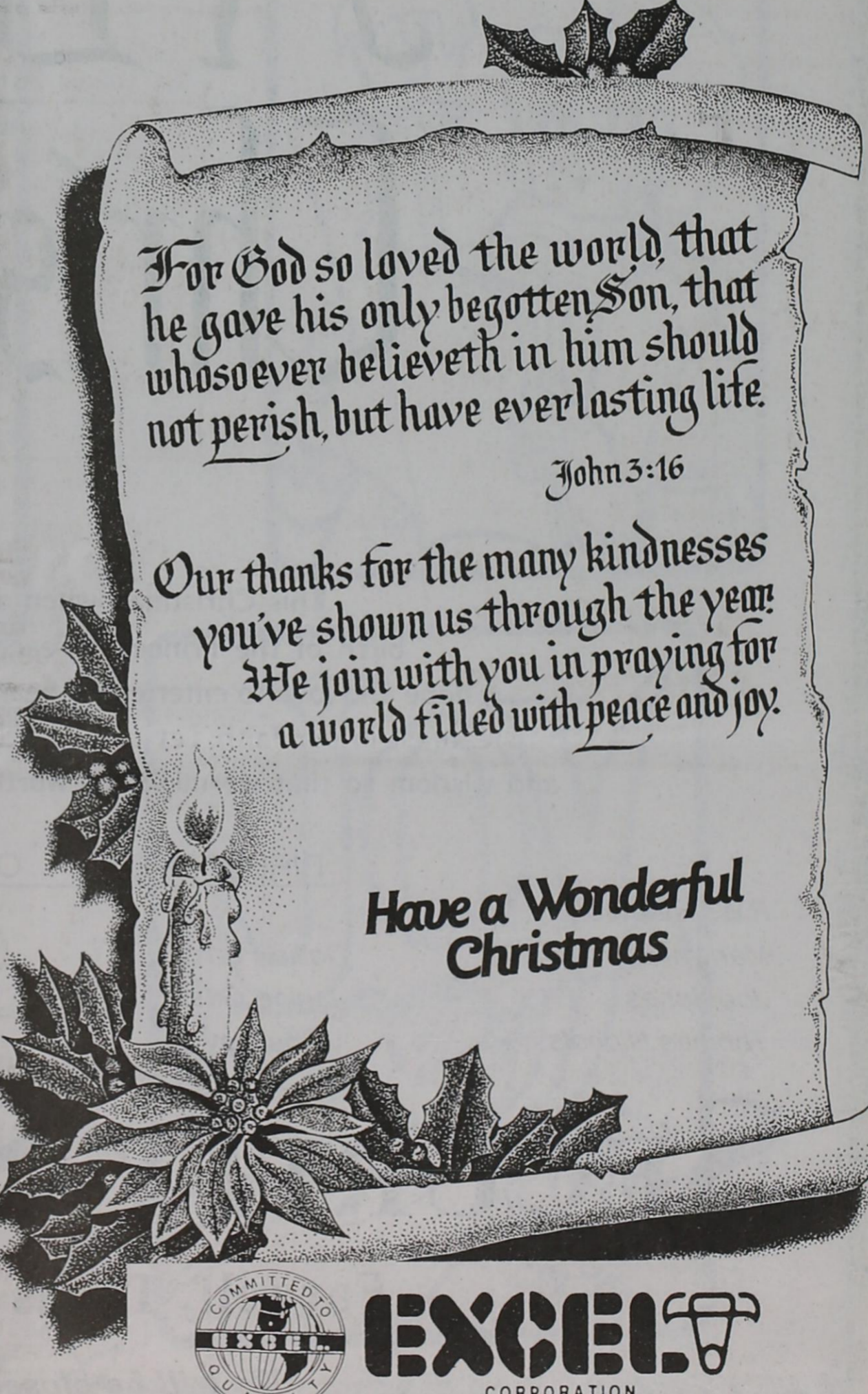
MERRY CHRISTMAS

May joy and happiness enfold your household during the coming Christmas season and throughout the New Year.

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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

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Have a Wonderful Christmas



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'Santa, I want a reindeer like Rudolph for Christmas'

Dear Santa,
I want a walkie talkie and a CD player. Please help us get more money to go skiing.
Amberlee Steinbock

Dear Santa,
I am wishing for a Baby Tumble and a poodle. Please bring Makayla a kitten.
Shayla Scisson

Dear Santa,
I am wishing for Santa Clause boots and new clothes. Please bring my mom a new mop.
Esteban Pacheco

Dear Santa,
I am wishing for a stuffed polar bear and a Barbie that you can cut her hair. Please help all the kids get presents.
Rosa Aguilar

Dear Santa,
I want a new bridle for my horse and a new saddle. Please bring toys for everyone.
Montana Steinbock

Dear Santa,
I am wishing for a diamond ring and a bicycle. Please bring my mom a watch.
Stephanie Williams

Dear Santa,
I am wishing for money so I can buy headphones with a tape recorder. I have a present for you at my house.
George Alvarez

Dear Santa,
I am wishing for Ginny Gymnist and a camera. Please bring a Texas Tech hat for my dad.
Castle Crawford

Dear Santa,
Please bring my some jeep you fan drive. I want a piano, too. I love you!
Jennifer Pesch

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a little blue



race car you can get in and drive. I want a little remote control car. Please help all the other kids have some toys.
Bryce Haney

Dear Santa,
I wish you would bring me a remote control motorcycle. Please send my mom and dad more money.
Bradley Branscum

Dear Santa,
I want that new sky dancer and an inside pet. I wish all the kids would have toys and food.
Kyra Kimbrough

Dear Santa,
I am wishing for a bike and go-kart. Please help both my grandmas.
Jason Davis

Dear Santa,
I am wishing for a Chicago Cubs cap and a new fishing pole. Please help my family get together at Christmas.
Clint Grahn

Dear Santa,
I want a remote control truck, a computer and a remote control cat. My sister wants a remote control car and a Barbie. I have been a good boy. I will leave you a sandwich with mayonnaise, ham, lettuce, tomato, also egg with ketchup and a glass of milk.
Max Bermea

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle. How do you get to the North Pole? Also, I want a basketball jersey.
Chance Perkins

Dear Santa,
I would like a teddy bear. I hope you bring my sister something too.
Tracy Baker

Dear Santa,
I would like a game boy and for my sister skates and for my mom a jacket, for my dad a motorcycle. Santa are you real or fake?
Joel Dela Cruz

Dear Santa,
I would like a police truck. Santa Claus you are nice, thank you Santa Claus.
Jerry

Dear Santa,
I would like a toy train and for my sister a doll and my brother a bike and milk for you on the kitchen table.
Antero Estrada

Dear Santa,
I would like a red bike. I also want a new bow-n-arrow. I like you Santa.
Ethan

Dear Santa,
I would like a Barbie house and some skates. I would like a picture of you Santa.
Adilene Estrada

Dear Santa,
I want a Power Ranger, teddy bear. Santa you are so nice and I want you to bring me my presents.
Robert

Dear Santa,
I would like a fire truck for Christmas.
Anthony Rice

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle helmet. Santa how is Rudolf doing this year? Also I would like some new cowboy boots.
Justin Garrison

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolf, is his nose still glowing? On Christmas night will you take me to the North Pole? I want a reindeer like Rudolf for Christmas.
Sterling Bowers

Dear Santa,
I would like a teddy bear for Christmas. Santa Claus you are nice.
Doriely

Dear Santa,
I have been very good. I want a dress, a big pig, a cat and a dog. I want to play in the snow. Please bring me, my brother and baby sister a surprise.
Leslie Vannatta

Dear Santa,
I would like a teddy bear and a rain deer.
Abby

Dear Santa,
I would like a toy sword for Christmas. My sister wants a baby doll.
Damien Robbs

Dear Santa,
I want a new bike, mitten, a picture of a horse, a Girl Talk, a doll house and a Lion King book.
Briana Abernathy

Dear Santa,
I would like a skating Barbie. I would also like a clown face.

I would like a dalmation movie.
Krystall M. Williams

Hello Santa,
I want a Barbie doll and a my size Barbie too. Santa we all love you because you give us pretty dolls. Merry Christmas Santa.
Desiree Sena

Dear Santa,
I would like clothes, a play house, a stroller and a baby. I would also like her mom, some shoes and a stereo. Also a big doll and some earrings, and a computer.
Dorothy Ortiz

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like the Precious Moments Triplets, and Barbie with baby Kelly and her

stroller, I would also like a John Smith for my Pocahontas.
Jessica Harris

Dear Santa,
I want a pair of mittens. I want some shoes for my mom named Annie. I want a bike for Christmas. I hope you have a Merry Christmas and a happy new year. We all love you.
Sandra White



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- ☆ Turn off tree lights overnight or when you're away from home.
- ☆ Keep paper decorations and tinsel away from hot light.

Above all, enjoy this festive time. And, greet the New Year with energy, health and happiness!



Bailey County Electric Cooperative Association



Say 'hi' to Norman

Above, 1st graders at Farwell Elementary were treated to a day with the animals thanks to Gary Patterson. Gary brought these five week old pigs and a Holstein calf up to the school for the kids to see. Below, Tyler Vandiver, Derrick Chandler, Amber Armstrong and Dan Patterson pet "Norman" the calf.



Farwell 9th Boys

The Farwell 9th grade boys team includes, top row from left, coach Stroebel, Demesio Mendoza, Brian Hager, Brett Curtis, Pablo Cayeula (exchange student), Brad Mauldin; bottom row, Spencer Ketcherside, Lyle Cooper, Robert Vidaurri, Kelsey Monk.

An Invitation



If you live in the Texico - Farwell area and are interested in providing an important service to your community, please consider joining the Texico - Farwell Lions Club.

We meet the second and fourth Monday of each month at noon cdt at the Spur Restaurant. Visitors are most welcome. Please come and learn about the importance of Lionism and what the local club is involved in.

Or, if you prefer, talk with some of our Lions members to learn about participating in our activities. Please contact Hal Helton, at Helton Oil; Donna Ratke, at Stateline Drugs & Sundries, or John McGimpsey, at JMC Company.

Besides contributing to the New Mexico Lions Eye Bank, which provides transplants for persons to see, and to the Leader Dog program to help blind people, the Texico - Farwell club is actively involved in local programs. Here's what they include:

- * Our club puts out the flags at local businesses and homes at several important holidays each year, such as Veterans Day, Memorial Day, the Fourth of July, etc.
- * Our club is renovating Lions Park in Texico (the former water tower park). The area was cleaned up, a sprinkler system put in, grass planted, and trees and shrubs provided.
- * Eye glasses are provided for needy children attending Texico and Farwell schools. The club works with school nurses on this project.
- * Band students at Texico and Farwell schools are funded to participate in the New Mexico Lions Band, which goes on tour each summer.
- * Santa Claus arrives via Lions Club transportation each December to provide goodies for our area's kiddies.
- * Our club acts as the parade marshals for the annual Border Town Days parade.
- * Our club conducts periodic trap shoots at the range on State Line Road.
- * Contributions are made to local worthwhile projects, such as Project Kid Care and Red Ribbon Week.

If you feel service to your community is worthwhile, please consider joining the Texico-Farwell Lions Club.

Here's some safety tips

A few safety tips as Christmas nears:

- * If you use an artificial tree, make sure it's fire resistant.
- * Keep any kind of tree away from walkways and heat sources, such as fireplaces, heaters, stoves and radiators.
- * Turn off tree lights overnight or when you're away from home.
- * Keep paper decorations away from tree lights.

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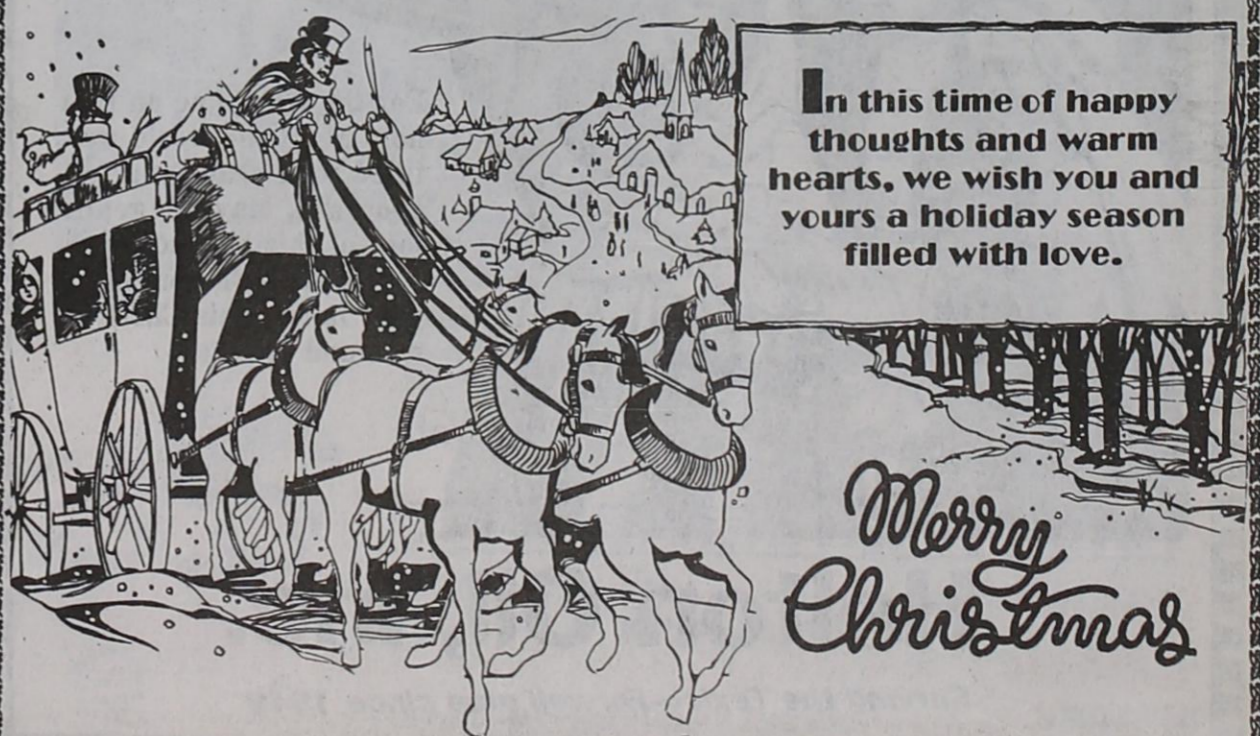
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Merry Christmas

Advent is celebrated

From Teresa Mesman:
The weeks before Christmas are highlighted and made more meaningful to Christian throughout the world by the celebration of Advent.

Advent is a wonderful way to reclaim the true meaning of Christmas because it isn't about how many gifts we buy or the over-commercialization that the season has fallen into.

But how did Advent begin? Advent was originally observed by early Christians as a kind of "Lent" during the 40 days before Christmas. Gradually, Advent developed its own character, retaining a penitential dimension but emphasizing the joy-filled hope in the coming of the Lord.

The early Church may have begun its celebration of Christmas as a reaction to a

'I like Dancer and Prancer'

Dear Santa,
I want the Cool Tool Truck, a Power Ranger and a new pencil, and a Batman Forever toy.

Rowdy Smith

Dear Santa,
I want a Polly Pocket Pollyville. I love it when it changes into rooms. I want the Dolphin Sky Dancer. I like Dancer and Prancer. I like their names. It sounds like they are dancing.

Brittney Schacher

Dear Santa,
I want a new Barbie doll house.

Chelsea Nichols

Dear Santa,
I want a computer. I like them. I want some new shoes. Please bring my sister a Barbie. I can hear the reindeer. They make noise. I want a star for my Christmas tree.

Jose Cervantes

Dear Santa,
I want a 4 wheeler and a Chicken Limbo. I like it when the reindeer bells ring. They make a loud sound.

Brianna Sanchez

Dear Santa,
You are my friend. Please bring me a Barbie.

Regina Mata

Dear Santa,
I want a dinosaur, a Tigerzord and a Batman Forever.

Filiberto Derma

Dear Santa,
I will leave you milk and cookies. Sorry! I forget to leave them last year. I would like a Hot Wheel car and a 3 wheeler.

Dakota Williams

secular holiday that was being imposed by the Roman Emperor Aurelius.

In 274 A.D., Aurelius decreed that citizens of the Empire celebrate Dec. 25, the winter solstice, as the Feast of the Invincible Sun. Christians in Rome, resisting this practice, may have adopted Dec. 25 as an alternative festival: the birthday of Christ, the Sun of Righteousness.

(Source: Rev. E.R. Green-thaner, St. John Lutheran Church of Lariat in an article entitled "Why Advent?" 1995)

And from Mike:

As we look forward to the new year, here are some observations on the international and national scenes:

-- Yes, there will be some U.S. casualties in Bosnia. But I agree with President Clinton's decision to participate in the peace-keeping efforts.

Folks, it doesn't matter how isolationist you might be, the simple fact is that the U.S. today is the world leader and simply cannot abandon its responsibilities to world peace.

That's a fact of life as things stand now.

I know some folks don't like the fact that the world has grown smaller and nations are tied more closely together (no, it's not a conspiracy).

But as the world economy brings countries closer, the isolationist philosophy will stay a thing of the past.

For the U.S. to return to past isolationist principles (pre-World War II), it would mean a breakoff in trade relations with most other strong

Border Banter

By Mike Pomper

nations -- to the detriment of the American worker.

That isn't going to happen. -- The one "hot spot" I still worry about, and maybe it's because I have spent most of my life in the "Cold War," is Russia.

As Russia tries to become a capitalist nation, its economy is in turmoil -- and that normally leads some folks to extremist views.

There's still a good chance that ultra-nationalists will take over the nation -- and that means trouble.

The U.S. must keep a close eye on the Russian situation and do whatever it takes to keep it heading in the right direction.

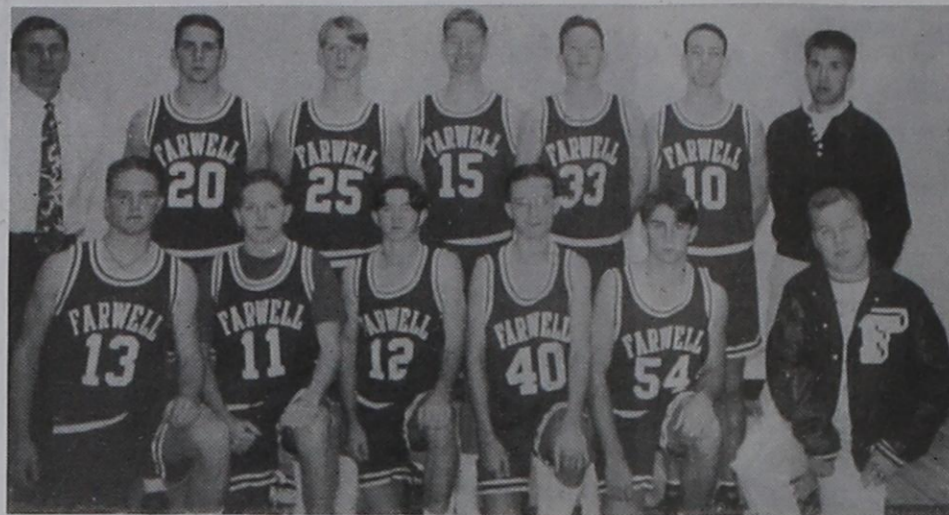
-- The Middle East is still a tinderbox. I can't believe Saddam Hussein has managed to keep control in Iraq.

Through oil sales, that country is heading upward rapidly, and that spells a problem.

And its next-door neighbor, Iran, is always worrisome.

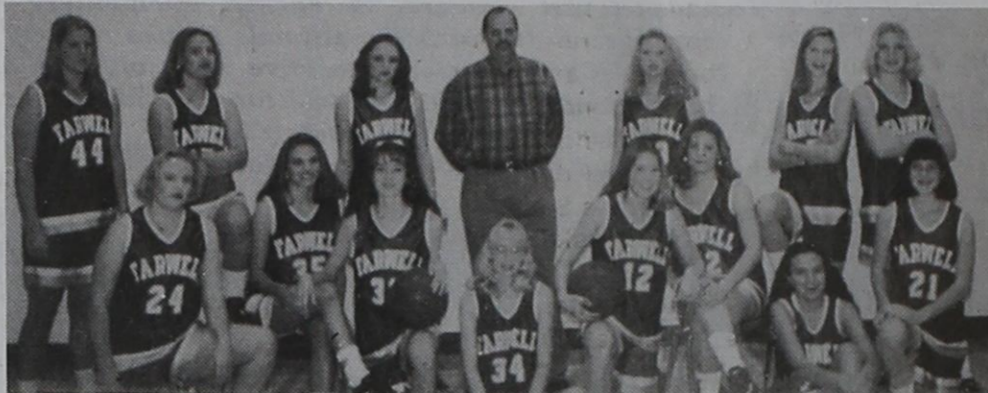
No, I'm not worrying about either attacking the U.S. But their anti-Israel views automatically draws us in.

The jury is still out on Middle East peace -- and will be for quite awhile.



Farwell varsity boys

Farwell's varsity boys team includes, top row from left, head coach Cates, Brock Anderson, Russell Williams Jarrod Franse, Josh Littlejohn, Brock Taylor, coach Stroebel; bottom row, Landon Lunsford, Logan Nichols, Chase Hardage, John Ausburn, Nic Ketcheside, manager Quinn Byrd.



Farwell varsity girls

The Farwell varsity girls includes, top row from left, Kasey McIntosh, Lyndi Austin, Veronica Mace, coach Taylor, Charla Corn, JoAnn Stout, Shiloh Roberts; bottom row, Brea Travis, Valerie Mace, Andi Kirkland, Ramsey Bennett, Candace Travis, Amy Haseloff, Jessica Vidaurri, Chelsi Woods.

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'Dear Santa, I want a heart-beating baby with a backpack'

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Crystal Abernathy

Dear Santa,
Hello. How are you? How are your reindeer? I would really like a Star Wars toy with Luke Skywalker for Christmas. Please bring my mommy a teapot and some new jeans for my daddy. Please bring my MeMe a flowerpot and my Oma a cow pot. My Opa would like some chocolates from you. Be careful when you are flying. I love you Santa!

Taylor Mesman

Dear Santa,
I wanta magic works, a truck that has cans, ppper and shoes and the game Grave Danger.

Diego Munoz

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am fine. I want a movie of Mortal Combat and a new bike and new shoes.

Carlos Meza

Dear Santa,
I want a plastic jeep for Christmas. My sister wants a ring around the Rosey doll. My brother wants some clothes.

Bobby Bentley

Dear Santa,
I would like a Barbie house and my size Barbie doll and aplay store. Please bring my brother a gameboy. My brother and sister and I want clothes and a puppy. My sister a new ring. Have a Merry Christmas Santa.

Tamra Askew

Dear Santa,
I want a Nintendo with Mario Brothers, Mortal Combat, Castle Mania, and Super Street Fighter. Have the Merriest Christmas Santa.



Dexter Longley

Dear Santa,
I want a real four wheeler. I want a fake car, truck and a motorcycle. I want some clothes too. Please give my sister some shoes, and a jacket.

Juan Diaz

Dear Santa,
I want a pair of roller blades and a pagmaker and a big doll house. I also want some Barbies and some cloring books.

Brandie Abernathy

Dear Santa,
I want a new puppy. I also want a doll. I want a horse too. My sister Brittany wanta a

new pair of shoes. I want to get my mom a bottle of perfume.

Erika

Dear Santa,
I want a mountain bike. My brother wants a Fred Flintstone. My mom wants a dress. My dad wants a pretty shirt. Merry Christmas Santa and the raideer too.

Dustin

Dear Santa,
I would like a lot of presents for Christmas. Me and my brother want a telescope.

Tanner Kube

Dear Santa Claus,
I want shorts and a doll.

Claudia Morales

Dear Santa,
I want a Dr Barbi that is white and I want a room that is magik and new stuff in my room, phone, play Barbie house, 2 Baywatch Barbies and a little Barbie. I want you to come to my play and I want a puppy and a doll that talks and a good day at school.

April Godinez

Dear Santa,
I want a new car. Please.

Mrs. W.
(Editor's note: Mrs. W. wishes to be anonymous but is a teacher at Texico Elementary School.)

Dear Santa,
I would like a Doodle Bear and a baby doll and a girl buddy doll and a TV, and a VCR and some movie. PS and a puppy and a rabbit and a

pet horse. I would like a wishing dody and a TV and a VCR and a movie. PS and a Baby Kelly.

Samatha and Callie

Dear Santa,
I hope you and your elfs and doing fine. I hope your elfs are making the right toys for the right boys and girls. Santa, don't get too carried away driving your sleigh. You're a nice old man and I don't want anything anything to happen to you. Santa, could you bring me a tree house, electric train track and a Free Willy movie and poster. Your friend from North America.

Nathan Pesch

Dear Santa,
How are you doing. I would like a pair of roller blades. And some clothes. My most favorite wish would be for a real horse. Please bring my sister Morgan a baby that cries. We will leave milk and cookies for you by the tree.

Madison Smith

Dear Santa Claus,
This is what I want. I want a comforter for my bed that is football. A real bird a parrot perhaps. Donkey Kong for my game boy. I would also like some new roller blades. Please I would really like that. I have tried to be good. I sure hope I was.

Kirby Kimbrough

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like Dr. Dreadful Dessert, Food Drink Lab, the movie Toy Story, the game Splat, the game Uno, and a Jungle Hunting GI Joe. It's ok if you don't give me everything I asked for.

Richard L. Welker

Dear Santa,
I need a pair of boots, a belt, a new 22 b.b. gun, a new computer, a new walkman, a gameboy, a new lamp, a new basketball, a pair of boxing gloves, PS Santa I will be happy what you give me.

Roper Smith



Lazbuddie Varsity Girls

The Lazbuddie Varsity Girls team includes, top row from left, Mandy Magby, Heather Engelking, Roxanne Warren, Jennifer Hill, Katy Jones; bottom, Shana Foster, Dawn Weir, Holly Engelking, Socorro Reyes, Kia Morris.



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Ryan Sharp is a Farwell kindergarten pupil. His birthday is Sept. 19.

Parents are Barbara and Rocky Sharp. Also in the family are April, Ricky, Candace and Rocky Jr. His grandmother is Fern McLaughlin.

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He hates to go to the dentist.

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- 2 teaspoons all-purpose flour
- 1/4 teaspoons salt
- 2/3 cup heavy (whipping) cream

Spread pecans in shallow baking pan. Bake in a 300 degree oven for 15 minutes or until toasted. Meanwhile, melt butter in a medium saucepan over medium heat. Whisk in honey, flour and salt. Reduce heat to low and cook 5 minutes, whisking constantly. Remove from heat and let cool slightly. Whisk in cream, mixing until smooth. Stir in pecans. Serve over ice cream or as a topping for baked apples, poached pears or peaches. Makes about 2 cups of sauce.

Zucchini Stuffed With Honeybaked Ham

- 1 cup honeybaked ham
- 1/2 cup soft breadcrumbs
- 1/2 tsp. dry mustard
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/8 tsp. pepper
- 2 tbsps. onion, minced
- 1/2 cup cheddar cheese grated
- 4 zucchinis, 1/2 lb. each
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 1 clove garlic, crushed
- 1/2 cup tomato sauce

Cut ham into small pieces and mix with breakcrumbs, mustard, salt, pepper, onion and cheese.

Cut zucchini half lengthwise and scoop out seeds. Brush a cookie sheet with olive oil and rub with garlic. Place zucchini in pan, cut side down, and bake for 10-12 minutes, or until almost tender, at 350 degrees.

Remove from oven. Fill cavity generously with ham mixture and return zucchini to oven. Roast until cheese is melted and slightly browned.

Heat tomato sauce and spoon over zucchini. Serve hot.

Chuckwagon chili-corn chowder

- 1 15-oz. Can chili with beans
- 1 14 1/2 oz. Can chicken broth
- 1 14 1/2 oz. Can tomatoes
- 1 8 3/4 oz. Can corn, drained
- 1 4 oz. Can diced green chiles
- 1/4 cup red onions, chopped
- 1 tablespoon cilantro, chopped
- 1/4 cup shredded cheddar cheese.

Mix lean chili with beans with all ingredients except cheese into large saucepan. Stirring constantly, bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer, uncovered, 20 minutes or

until heated through. Sprinkle cheese on top of soup before serving. Serve with freshly baked cornbread. Yields 4 to 6 servings.

The following holiday recipes are from Judy Pomper:
Chocolate Nut Clusters

- 8 oz. milk chocolate
 - 4 oz. nuts or peanuts
- Melt chocolate in microwave or in a double boiler. Stir in nuts. Drop onto waxed paper by teaspoonful.

Coconut Clusters

- 8 oz. milk chocolate
 - 4 oz. toasted coconut
- Melt chocolate over double boiler or in microwave. Stir in coconut. Drop onto waxed paper by the teaspoonful.

Chocolate Tea Bread

(from Hershey's 1934 cookbook)

- 1/4 c. butter
- 2 c. sifted cake flour
- 1 egg
- 2/3 c. granulated sugar
- 2 c. sifted cake flour
- 1 tsp. baking soda
- 3/4 tsp. salt
- 1/3 c. cocoa
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 1 c. buttermilk
- 1 c. raisins
- 3/4 c. chopped walnuts

Cream butter, add sugar, a small amount at a time, creaming well after each addition. Add egg and beat well. Mix and sift together the flour, baking soda, salt, cocoa and cinnamon; add to creamed mixture alternately with the buttermilk, beating until blended after each addition. Stir in raisins and nuts. Turn into a greased pan (9x5x2 3/4 inch). Bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees) 1 hour or until done. Cool on wire rack. Spread with

softened cream cheese if desired.

Holiday Fruit Salad for One

- 1 canned peach half
 - 1 teaspoon creamed cheese
 - 1 Marichino cherry
 - Lettuce
- Arrange lettuce on a small plate. Top with peach half. Place creamed cheese in the center. Top with a cherry.

Southwest Spread

Top an 8 oz. pkg. of cream cheese with red or green pepper jelly. Serve with crackers.

Easy Holiday Jello salad

- 1 pkg. Jello, prepared as directed on package
 - 1 c. holiday shaped marshmallows
- Stir marshmallows into the gelatin. Chill until firm.

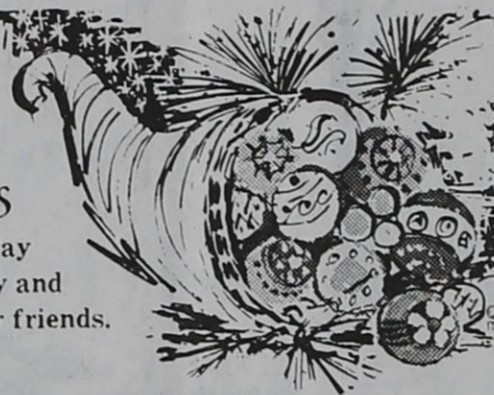
Holiday Tomato Salad for One

- 1 ripe red tomato
- 1/2 c. cottage cheese
- 1 tsp. snipped chives
- Bed of lettuce
- 2-3 black olives

Peel tomato by dropping it into a pan of boiling water for one minute, and then pulling the peel away. Cut the tomato 3/4 the way through one direction; turn 180 degrees and cut again. Spread the tomato sections apart. Arrange the tomato and olives on a bed of lettuce. Top the tomato with cottage cheese and chives. Serve with crackers or toasted bread.

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Lazbuddie varsity boys

The Lazbuddie Longhorns varsity boys basketball team includes, top row from left, Brice Foster, Heath Brown, Justin St. Clair, Danny Lueras and Coach Grahn; bottom row, Guy Nickels, Israel Lopez, Jason Thomas and Chris Smith. Not pictured is Josh Warren.



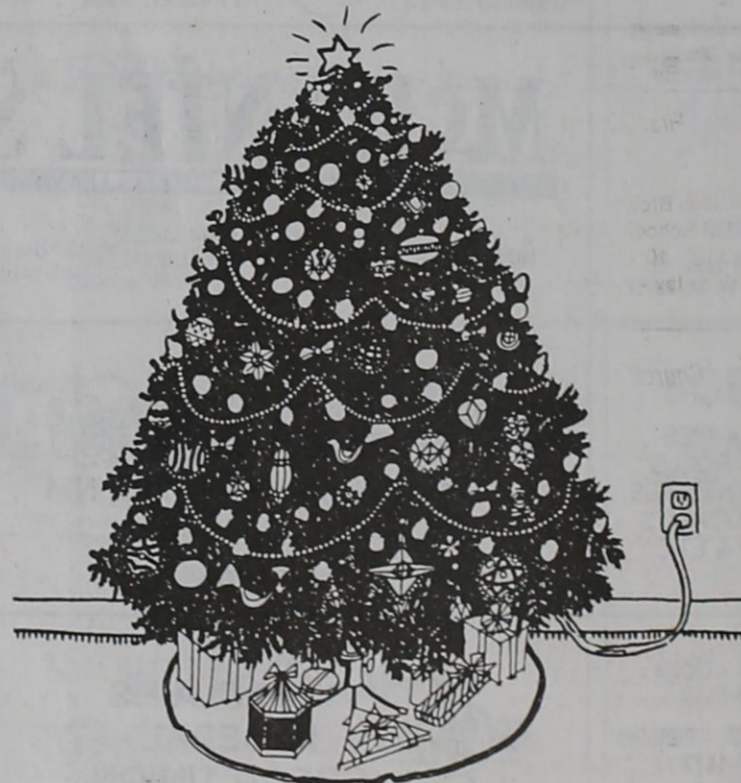
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These fifth graders at Texico Elementary went all out to show different cultures from all over the world.



American Indians, a Swiss maiden and a little Dutch girl showed up to school!



Stephanie Olivarez proved that dressing up for Culture Day during Homecoming was just a bunch of "Nun-sense!"



A cowgirl, a Chinese girl and a cowboy showed up for Culture Day in the fourth grade



Hawaiian-style!



Farwell 8th Boys

Farwell's 8th grade boys team includes, top row from left, coach Allen, Clint Corn, Paul Franse, Clint Patterson, Ryan Roberts, Jeremiah Foley, Grant Oppliger, Tyler Chadwick; bottom row, Luke Dannheim, Ronnie Garcia, Jourdan Nichols, Joe Barrett, Jason Crawford, Shane Roberts.

'I like your sleigh, Santa'

Dear Santa,
I want some Power Rangers and White Rangers gloves, the Falcon Sword and the Batman Forever Batmobile and Flyer. Comet is my favorite reindeer. I like your sleigh, Santa, it's pretty.
Jonathon Lennon

I want a Baby Tumble surprise. It does tuck rolls all by itself. My sister wants Jimney Gymnast. I've been a good girl. I help my brother.
Crescent Crawford

Dear Santa,
I want a red baby for Christmas. I want you to bring momma towels. I have been a good girl.
Rajon Thorn

I want a Baby So Real. I want some earmuffs on a black headband with pink fuzz I my stockings. I want some Lisa Franke stuff.
Rochelle Smith

Dear Santa,
I like to get a Power Ranger, the DragonZord and a Dragon.
Robert Marrufo

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| <p>Lariat Church of Christ Sam Billingsley - minister Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7:30 p.m., winter, & 8:30 p.m., summer</p> | <p>Church of God in Christ, Mennonite Minister - James Koehn Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship Service - 11 a.m.</p> | <p>San Jose Catholic Church Texico Sunday Mass - 12:15 p.m. mt Religious Education (C.C.D.) 1:15-2:15 Community Meal - 1:15 p.m.</p> |
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For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.
-Luke 2:11

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Kristi Stephens weds Brian Borthwick

Kristi DeAnn Stephens, daughter of Keith and Jane Stephens of Shallowater, and Brian Borthwick son of James and Barbara Borthwick, of Lubbock, were married July 8 at First Christian Church of Lubbock.

Kristi is the grand-daughter of Irene Stephens, Farwell, and Mr. and Mrs. Lus Bruns, Muleshoe. Brian is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Borthwick, of Oceanside, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Stiles, of Roswell.

The Rev. Howard Rhodes, First Baptist Church of Klondike, officiated at the double-ring ceremony.

Amy Johnson, of Lubbock, was maid of honor. Anita Borthwick, of Lubbock, sister of the groom, and Cori Harkins, of Houston, Christy Myrick, of Dumas, and Katie Watson, of Sherman, were bridesmaids. They were attired in identical floor length suits of teal silk shantung. The fitted tops had slightly extended shoulders, princess seams, shaped hemlines with above elbow sleeves and were accented with pearl and rhinestone buttons.

Katie Puckett, friend of the groom, was flower girl. Alex Dunnam, friend of the bride, was ringbearer. Katie wore an ivory brocade satin ankle-length dress accented with a large tie bow in the back and miniature bows on the sleeves. Alex wore a black tux to coordinate with the groomsmen's attire.

William Snodgrass, of Dallas, was Best Man. Ethan Everet, of Dallas, J. Hollinshead, of Nashville, Keith Mann, of Dallas, and Brent Stephens, of El Paso, brother of the bride, were groomsmen. Ushers were Karlan Alexander, Chris Auvenshine, Kirk Avery, Matt Hilliard, Bill Poteet and Rob Schmid.

The house party included Jennis Auvenshine, Michelle Derouen, Amy Ginsberg, cousin of the groom, Kendra Head, Kaci Stephens, Faith Herring and Dianna Wright, cousins of the bride, Sheri Mann, Karen McDuff and Heather Phinney.

Christy Nelson sang "There Is Love" at the beginning of the ceremony. Christy Myrick sang "The Lord's Prayer" at the conclusion. They were accompanied by Jeremy Bruns, cousin of the bride, on the pipe organ. "When Thou Art Near" was played while Amber Bruns and Jeffrey Bruns, cousins of the bride, lit the candles. Amber wore a teal tea-length fit and flare dress with a sweetheart neckline and princess seaming accented with 2 miniature bows at the waistline. Jeffrey wore a black tux.

The bride was escorted in marriage by her father. She wore a candlelight gown with a fitted bodice of satin encrusted with hand-beaded re-embroidered Alencon lace, featuring a sweetheart neckline and an open V-backed with pearl edging. The basque waistline had a large draped bow in the back. The elbow-length sleeves were also edged in pearls and were covered with re-embroidered lace medallions. The full satin skirt with cathedral train was appliqued with beaded lace medallions. Her tiered veil of bridal illusion was attached to a headband covered with Alencon lace with pearls.

The bride's mother wore a pale pink silk shantung floor-length suit trimmed in matching satin. The groom's mother wore a pale peach floor-length suit of satin brocade with a matching chiffon suit.

A reception followed at the Merket Alumni Center on the Tech campus. After the wedding trip to Hawaii, the couple is living in Lubbock. Brian is employed with Digital Satellite TV. Kristi is a speech pathologist at Methodist Hospital.

'Dear Santa, I want a baby for Christmas'

Dear Santa,
I have been good. Could you please bring me a Precious Moments name Marissa and I would like a My Super Magic diary and a Barbie Hollywood Star kit. And a Deluxe art case and a Color-ups Cosmetics and a Waterfun Baby Set, and a in-line skates and a BMX bike and a bike helmet, Incredible Triops set. Have a Merry Christmas.
Leslee Martin

Dear Santa,
I want a ring around rosie doll, a big Barbie doll, a makeup Barbie. I have been a good girl. I will leave you some chocolate cake and milk.
Shanea Davis

Dear Santa,



Mrs. Brian Borthwick

I want a sky dancer, a big Barbie that is my size, a toy elephant. My brother wants a remote control. My mom wants earrings and necklace. My dad wants a boy necklace and a boy ring.
Krystal Sepeda

Dear Santa,
I want shoes for me and my brother, and some crayons. My mom wants a dress and my dad wants a truck. I will leave you a hamburger and a Coke.
Sarai Graxiola

Dear Santa,
I want a baby for Christmas, a bunny rabbit and a radio. My brother wants a water gun. Santa, will you tell the elves Merry Christmas for me. I will leave some cookies and milk for you. Santa, will you give the reindeers a cookie, too.
Marcie Knechtel

Dear Santa,
I want red, blue and white cars, they are big. My little sister wants a Barbie. I have been real good. I will leave you some corn, beans and soup and some Kool-Aid.
Francisco Perez

Dear Santa,
I would like roller blades, a purple, blue and pink Barbie, a cute baby puppy (please be real). My little sister wants a baby doll and my older sister wants roller blades. My mom wants a watch.
Kaylyn Meyer

Dear Santa,
I would like a little Bugs Bunny car. I want a Spiderman toy, a power ranger. I

want to thank the elves for making toys.
Ramon Quezada

Dear Santa,
I want a Spiderman toy and Fleas on Fred and a Monster truck race car game. Santa, will you tell Rudolph how to get to our house? You go to Farwell and then you go right and to the left, you do all turns up and down, and then you are at my house. It is white and my chimney is brown. I would also like a yellow mask and yellow pants.
Robert Hart

Dear Santa,
My sister Laney wants a baby doll, just a plain one. I want a drinky baby and a

gymnastics baby. Santa, will you bring my mom and dad some clothes? I hope the reindeers get to my house soon. There is a highway, then you turn and go down a dirt road, then there is a white house standing right there. That's my house.
Shelby Christian

Dear Santa,
I would like makeup, a big Barbie doll, and a baby doll, the one that says ring around the rosie. My mom would like some clothes. I want clothes, too. My dad would like a truck. My brother wants a remote control loader. Santa, I will leave you a Coke and macaroni and cheese.
Megan Delgado

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'Vizion brings youth to Christ through songs'

Kevin Hardage stopped by the Tribune recently to bring an article from the Garland Times newspaper, written by Earnestine Cole, which featured the Vizion Christian rock band. It was entitled "Vizion Brings Youth to Christ Through Songs."

The 5-member band includes Dustin Hardage and Chuck Hammit, both from Texico-Farwell, and Greg Bearss, who used to live in Lariat when his father was the minister at St. John Lutheran Church there. The other members are from Dallas - Keith Anderson and Ron Kent.

Hardage, 24, is lead singer. Bearss, 24, plays drums, and Hammit, 25, plays bass guitar.

Vizion appeared in concert in Clovis Nov. 4 at a fund-raiser for the Lighthouse Mission Teen Center.

Here's some highlights from the Cole article:

"The band's name, Vizion, is a concept of two words, Zion and sight. The people of God are referred to as Zion in the Bible and you need vision to see.

"Vizion started in May 1989 in Farwell. Most of the members relocated to Garland about a year ago. They have performed in New Mexico, Texas and Illinois. Locally, they have played for churches and events in Garland.

"Founding band members Hardage, Hammit and Bearss started the band in high school. 'We wanted there to be some good Christian music that could be a tool to reach other youth,' said Bearss. 'Our emphasis then and now is to tell them about Jesus and let them know that being a Christian can be fun. We want to help youth in America realize that there is an alternative to the world's standards in living and music.'

"Vizion has risen and is recognized as a music ministry. Using music as the vehicle to capture the attention of youth, Vizion strives to reach young people through lyrics that encourage the heart and minister to their souls.

"The band members can swiftly move their style from upbeat to rap to a Jamaican tempo to a slow mellow groovy sound. Getting the crowd actively involved in their performance is a part of Vizion's appeal. No matter what they played, the crowd swayed and rocked to the rhythmic beat.

"In between each song is a heart-to-heart chat with the audience. 'You got to have God to make the right decisions,' said Hardage. 'If you're not a Christian, we want to challenge you, tonight, to take on God in your life. If you don't have anyone to talk to, talk to one of us after the concert.'

"Getting to know God was stressed during the concert. Also many developmental phases of a young person's life were discussed, such as suicide, Christian friends, dating, bringing non-Christian friends to God, and being persecuted for being a Christian.

"I the past year, I've had many friends, couplings and acquaintances who have all committed suicide,' said Hardage. 'That really burdens me. There is no problem too big, whether it is at home, at school, with drugs, or whatever that Jesus can't answer. Jesus is the problem solver.'

"After the concert, band members thanked guests for coming. Young people were thrilled to be able to talk to the performers, to ask them questions and get a friendly smile as well as a response, to shake their hands and to be treated with respect and receive special attention.

"Bears was spokesperson for the band. 'I had some times in my life when I wasn't as close as I should have been to God,' said Bearss. 'Even though I knew right from wrong, I got in with the wrong crowd, and I did things that I knew wasn't right. I strayed away from God.'

"The group members said they do what they do because they want to help young people before they hit the dangerous spots. Around their necks, each band member wears a cross which symbolized 'His perfect sacrifices.'

"From my experiences, I feel that I can relate to the youth,' said Bearss. 'Knowing what I know now, I know the pressures they are going through and I can help them. I had a strong re-dedication during my freshman year in high school. It was then, I knew without a doubt, that we all need God in our lives.'

Talking to young people has become a lifetime commitment for Bearss. He has talked with 6th and 7th graders were

drug addicts. Last week, he talked to a teenage girl who was pregnant and didn't know how to tell her boyfriend that she didn't want to run away and marry him. She was contemplating suicide.

"Kids want to talk to us,' said Bearss. 'This is our chance to help them.'

"Bearss works fulltime at Nations Bank as a loan officer. He graduated from Texas Tech University with a bachelor's degree in marketing and a minor in finance in 1993. The other band members have either completed college or will complete degrees in the near future.

"Vizion has one tape to their credit, entitled *Vizions*. It has eight songs and features *Jamaican Man, I Need You, Without You* and *Truth or Dare*. Vizion band members have been working in the studio on a new album that is scheduled for release around Christmas time. All of the members dream of the day when they can concentrate on their musical ministry full time. 'We are waiting on the Lord's perfect timing,' said Bearss.

"Vizion has a few dates available on their booking schedule for 1996. They play for all occasions including city functions, high school dances, college campuses, youth camps, churches, political rallies and coffeehouses.

"For booking information, call Bearss at (214) 487-0590."

'For my dog, one fake bone'

Dear Santa,

I want a cut-n-style Barbie, skates and a real bunny rabbit. My brother Raymond wants a Batmobile. Tommy would like some clothes. I would like some clothes. I have been a good girl.
Nicole Fuentes

Dear Santa, I want a water pistol, a remote control helicopter. For my little brother, a remote control airplane. We will leave you three tootsie rolls and one glass of milk.
P.S. I would like a nerf bow.
Logan Carpenter

Dear Santa,

I would like a choo choo train. A teddy bear for my brother. My mommy would like a treadmill. For my daddy, one big bag of coffee. For my dog, one fake bone. For my big brother, one big bow and arrow and a shotgun. I hope the reindeer can find my house. I think they are pretty and handsome. I like them.
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Isaak Unger

Dear Santa,

I want some roller blades, a bike and real kitten. I will leave you some cinnamon rolls and some water.
C. Castillo

Dear Santa,

I want a Cool Tool Tow Truck and some play dough. It's like a factory and you can make monsters.
Trevor Coker

Dear Santa,

Hello! I want a truck. Can the reindeers fly?
Bart Guillen



Dewey Pierce, principal at Texico High School, draws a name from a box held by Paula Leighton for the winner of the PSAT reimbursement on Nov. 14. Students who signed up to take the PSAT were eligible for the drawing that awarded one student a check to reimburse them for the expense of taking the test. The Texico Education Association sponsored the reimbursement program.

PSAT reimbursement



Seth Ketterling is awarded a check from Mrs. Kendale Burch, president of the TEA at Texico High School. Seth's name was drawn to receive reimbursement for taking the PSAT. Other Texico students that signed up for the PSAT are Joe Garcia, Pecos Chumley, Lisa Salguero, Karen Neie, Erin Littlejohn, Kristin Lovelace, Stacy Stewart, Kara Kittrell, Marshall Baker and Brandon Autrey.

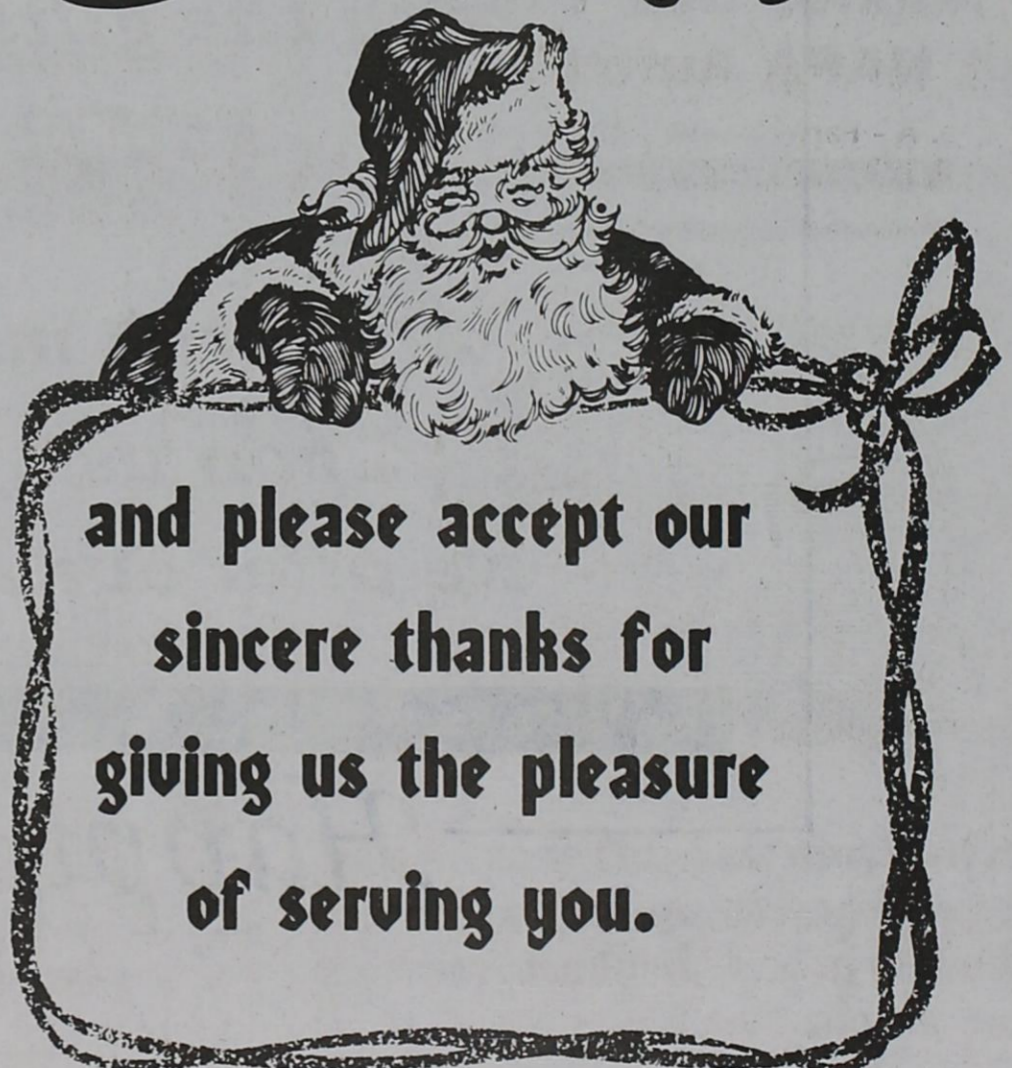
Meet Texico's Class of 2008



Dimas Alejandro Natividad is a kindergarten at Texico Schools. His parents are Eliaser and Patricia. Grandparents are Merced and Lola Rojas. Hobbies are puzzles, singing, riding. He likes people, and playing with his cousins and with puzzles. His favorite color is blue. He doesn't like tomatoes and meat. His birthday is March 23.

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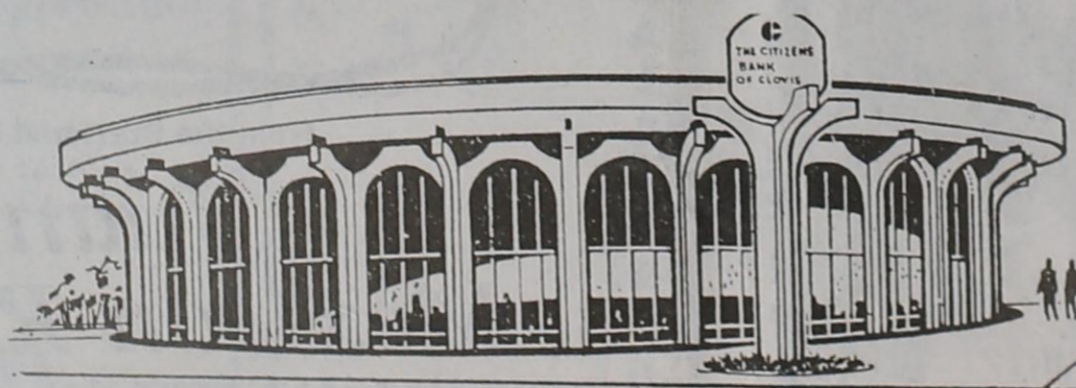
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May your holiday be blessed
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