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Giving, Christmas Since The Beginning

By Rev. Sam Rice
I'll make a confession to you. I have said for a long time that when I got to the retirement age in the ministry, I would not be as careful to go to church every Sunday as some of my fellow ministers have been in their retirement. I felt that since I had had a multi-church field most of my life and have had three or more services for most of the total ministry every Sunday that I had it coming. Besides, I've gone to church enough for one person's lifetime to get all the good I can out of it. Or so

I thought. But something occurred to me during the time I've been thinking about what to put in this article this year (and I can blame it all on Nanalee). We ought to go to church regularly not only for the good that comes to us from it, but also from the good that our witness may make to others in this world. In other words, one of the major themes of the Christian life says that "it is more blessed to give than to receive." And how that occurred to me for this article is that I believe this to

be the major theme of Christmas too. It is best expressed for us in the story of the Wisemen who came from the East to Jerusalem in search of a king. And when they found the Christ-child, they presented him their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. (Matthew 2:11) We think in this world of "what's in it for me?" What can I get out of it? Much of the religion we hear expounded today has to do with what I ought to do in order to get something for myself: my salvation, my place with god, my rewards, etc. I don't

think that is very Christian, from the Biblical point of view at least. Most of our Lord's commands to would-be disciples had to do with denying ourselves in order to take up his cause or his cross, or his purpose in our lives. I know that going to church all of the time can get somewhat boring. But if the witness I make by doing so is effective in helping another along the way, then it ought to be worth it to me. We give not only of our money, of our material goods. We give of our time, or our talents, and

yes, of ourselves. It is an interesting observation to note to note that we call them "Wise-men". Indeed they were. And wise are we to learn a lesson from them. Of all the people who came to Jesus and who are recorded in the Gospel Accounts, these came to give, and to worship. (Again see Matthew 2:11) Maybe we should let our primary thought this Christmas be: "What am I going to give?" rather than "What am I going to get?" An unknown Poet has left

us these lines:
It is in loving—not in being loved,—
The heart is best:
It is in giving—not in seeking gifts,—
We find our quest.

If thou art hungry, lacking heavenly food,—
Give hope and cheer.
If thou art sad and wouldst be comforted,—
Stay sorrow's tear.

Whatever be thy longing and thy need,—
That do thou give;
So shall thy soul be fed, and thou indeed,
Shall truly live.

Pats Drop Tough Game To Rivercrest

The Prairiland Patriots dropped a tough game to the Rivercrest Rebels last Friday night. The Rebels jumped out to an early lead that stood up until the third quarter when Prairiland outscored them 14-10 and took a 36-33 lead going into the last period of play. The Patriots looked like they were going to pull away from the Rebels early in the fourth quarter. The Rebs

were in foul trouble but the Prairiland boys couldn't connect on the free throws. Rivercrest took a three point lead with 3:13 to go. Then after a Prairiland bucket to make it 47-46, David Rozell added another basket to up it to 49-46 with only 2:03 remaining. With 1:56 still to play, Prairiland had a chance to get within one point when Joe Smith was fouled. But

Smith missed the first shot of the one-and-one and Rozell grabbed the rebound. High scorers for the Patriots were Reily with 14; Ballard with 14; Smith with 9; Lyles with four and King with one. Prairiland's Lady Patriots outscored Rivercrest 11-4 in the third period of play enroute to a 36-29 victory over the Rebelettes Friday night.

Rivercrest trailed at the half by a 15-12 score, but couldn't seem to get anything going in the third period as Prairiland scored bucket after bucket on the Rebelettes. By the end of the quarter, Rivercrest was behind 26-16 and never really got back

into it after that. Prairiland's scoring was led by Jackson with 16 points. Following her were Morgan with four; Coursey with four; Bridges with four; Nichols and Record with three each; and Salter with two.



Melvin and Becky Webb Put Packages Under Tree

Member Takes All-Region Seat

Brent Voorhies and Tami Birch tried out for the All-Region Band recently, and Brent captured the prestigious 4th chair in the first band. All students auditioning for the All Region Band are given try-out music which the student prepares and then plays for a judge. The judge selects the best students and places them in the All-Region Band. The band is therefore made up of the best students in all of the schools in one region, this region encompasses all the schools between Texarkana to Paris, Greenville to the Longview area. The band meets today (Thursday) and will

rehearse for a concert. Each student selected for the band will receive a jacket patch. Voorhies has played tenor Saxophone for almost a year, having taken lessons in Houston as a beginner. His family moved to Blossom when there was no band program, and he has

done without practice until this year. Band director Dave Clark says that this is a great honor for Brent, and that he is extremely pleased with how well Tami and Brent, and all the rest of the band members are doing.



People and Things...

The PATTONVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER will hold a NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY at the center on December 31 starting at 7 p.m. and going UNTIL... everyone invited, and a covered dish supper will be held...everyone is asked to bring their FAVORITE GAME... MELBA LADD wants folks to know that SHE is responsible for any ERRORS in the COMMUNITY CALENDAR, not the Depot Methodist Church... for refunds on LISTINGS call Melba at 652-5635... RENA NOBLES, who takes the DEPORT LOCALS will be out of town the first of next week...LOCALS can be called in to the Times Office at 652-4205...



THE LITTLEST Santa of all may be Christopher Jonathan LaRue, who is only four months old. Christopher's parents are Jeff and Robin LaRue, of Deport and his mother made his Santa suit. (Staff Photo)

East Lamar School Reunion Set For Sunday

All ex students of East Lamar School are urged to attend the East Lamar School Reunion to be held Sunday, December 26 at the Pattonville Community Center beginning at 1 p.m. Everyone who attended the old East Lamar School is urged to bring their family and attend.

Paper On Sale Until Dec. 31

Hurry, hurry, hurry. The newspapers will be on sale for only another week. For those who haven't renewed their papers already, now is the time to renew and save \$2 in the process.

All four newspapers, the Depot Times, Bogata News, Talco Times and Blossom Times are reduced until December 31. In Lamar, Red River and Titus counties, the papers are only \$5.50. In the state of Texas, but outside of the above counties, the papers are \$7.00 and out of the state they are \$10.50. Take advantage of these savings now.

Love Of Kids Puts Webbs At Willow Creek

"Because we love kids" was the answer Becky Webb gave after being asked why they had accepted the position of relief houseparents at the Willowcreek Foster Shelter. Melvin and Becky Webb, Route 1, Blossom, have always taken every chance they had to help children and now they are temporary houseparents for the Willowcreek Emergency Shelter for battered, abused or neglected children. The shelter serves for a 30-day evaluation period to prepare these children for long-term placement. Afterwards the children are placed in foster homes or possibly adopted. Mrs. Webb says that "we love working with kids and feel we learned a lot raising our own. We want to help children that are not as fortunate as some."

Willowcreek is a 3,400 square foot home, built on 37 acres, and has four bedrooms, three baths, a large family and dining area, an office and a kitchen. Melvin says that "there are many satisfactions in this job." He added that the most important thing was to see the children settle down, learning trust and confidence, and begin caring for one another. Becky says "It just gives you a wonderful feeling inside." Some of the most strenuous times, they explained, come when a new child is added or one leaves. "It's hard for everyone to adjust," said Mrs. Webb. "Also not being able to see any improvement soon enough is discouraging."

resident of the shelter says that "It's a good thing, because of the shortage of foster homes in Lamar County. It gives a person time to think without having to make hasty decisions." He went on to say "like me, I would have been immediately placed in another county, losing all contact with my friends, which are very dear to me." Becky Webb noted that Foster Parents are desperately needed in Lamar County, and that there are only 13 foster homes in the county. The Webb's daily routine consists of being up by 6 a.m., preparing breakfast for the kids and getting them ready for school. Mr. Webb drives all three youngsters to their different schools. It is considered to be very important that the children be able to continue life as much as normal, with their same schools, friends and teachers. Almost every day there are appointments for the children with doctors, dentists, caseworkers or psychologists. Mr. and Mrs. Webb share the duties at the home equally. Becky says that "Melvin has even learned to wash clothes and vacuum." The children arrive home around 3, and do homework, video games, puzzles, and participate in a lot of talk and interaction. "We also try to jog and do exercises," Mrs. Webb adds. Linda Flippin, child placement supervisor for the Texas Department of Human Resources says that the Webbs are doing a great job with the kids, and hopes they will continue in this work. "Because we love kids," a simple statement from the Webbs, does not express the dedication, love and willingness to work long hours and deal with emotional situations that they put in. Their's is a special story of caring...very appropriate to the Christmas season.

Nichols Worth

By Nanalee Nichols Merry Christmas...and thanks for making it a very special one. This is my first Christmas that these papers have been mine. Of course, they've only been mine since December 1, and sometimes that seems like seconds and at other times it seems like months. It is the fifth Christmas that I've been with these newspapers, but the pride of ownership has made it special. So many folks have come by to express their congratulations...so many have called or written, that it has helped to give me the confidence that I so badly needed. With ownership comes obligations...but you people have made obligation into joy and pleasure. Serving the communities, taking pictures, writing stories is no chore, but a pleasure because of the

appreciation of folks like you. Without encouragement, with only criticism it might seem a long and hard road, but instead everyone has been so encouraging that it has become a pleasant journey. Somethings never change around newspapers at Christmas...there will always be a big rush...lots of photos of kids and Santa Claus, lots of copy to set about Santa letters and visitors...it wouldn't be right without it. But this year as each day closes and we turn out the lights, I look back at the desks and chairs, the equipment and stencils, and simply can't resist a big smile that we've made it through another issue, this one the most special issue of the year, and probably the most special issue ever for me...my first Christmas edition!



Now It's Official Brent Makes All Region!

BRENT VOORHIES, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Lester, took first Band All Region 4th Chair in the band competition held at Pittsburg on Saturday December 4th. Brent is an eighth grader at

Blossom Junior High School and plays the tenor saxophone. Brent will advance to state competition which is not yet been scheduled. (Staff Photo)

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Cunningham News

By Berniece Wyatt
 Stacy Musgrove had the misfortune of breaking his left ankle Friday when the horse he was riding slipped and fell with him. He was a patient in St. Joseph Hospital from Friday until Monday.

Attending the Christmas dinner at the home of Harry Slusher Sunday were Mr. Slusher and Mrs. Johnny Hall of Annona, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Powell and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Martin and Hayden of Bogata and Mr. and Mrs. Travis Slusher of Mesquite, Mr. and Mrs. Geroge Struve of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Taylor, Dedra Smith and Josh and Bret Holbert and Debra Fox of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kennedy and family of Deport, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kuyale and April of Clarksville, Mrs. Sue Hart and children of Blossom and Mr. and Mrs. Clude Slusher.

Mrs. Goldie Brown of Bloomington and Mrs. Ida

Deshong spent Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bell of Paris and visited Mrs. Cleo Smith Tuesday.

Mrs. Stephanie McLaughlin and children of Burkburnett and Steve Slusher and Keri of Wichita Falls spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Slusher. Members of the Life and Tabernacle Church had their pre-Christmas dinner at the Community Center Sunday.

Mrs. Cassie Cook of Commerce, Reaford Cook of Arizona and Mrs. Ethyllene Walker of Lake Creek and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Allen and family of Blossom were Friday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Joe Fowler were in Nacogdoches Saturday to attend graduation exercises of their grandson Stephen Dunlap from Stephen F. Austin College.

Mrs. Dorothy Lollar of Paris spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Joe B.

Williams.

The annual Christmas program was presented at the Life Tabernacle Church Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Pynes were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Bazhaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy J. Oats attended the 60th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Storey of Deport Sunday.

Velma Cox visited Dorothy Meadors of Greenville Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Tubbs and Mr. and Mrs. Fern Rees and Lisa of Crossroads, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Taylor, Justin and Jennifer of Milton, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Ashford and son, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Ashford of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Kelsoe of Naples, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Taylor and Mrs. Allie Rees were pre-Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Johnston of Daingerfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Allen had lunch Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Allen of Blossom.

Mrs. Goldie Brown of Bloomington is visitin gher sister, Mrs. Ida Deshong.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Black and Roy Dean of Paris and Pam Cunningham of Idabel, Ok. visited Mrs. Delcia Wilson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sain of Talco spent Friday with Mrs. Ida Deshong.

The Friendship Club had their Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Johnnie Musgrove Wednesday with 18 members and three visitors present. Tina Burris of Paris gave the Christmas story.

Mrs. Ross Warren of Deport and Mrs. Willie J. Fowler visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Allen Wednesday night.

Mrs. Goldie Brown of Bloomington and Mrs. Ida Deshong visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe B. Williams Saturday.

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

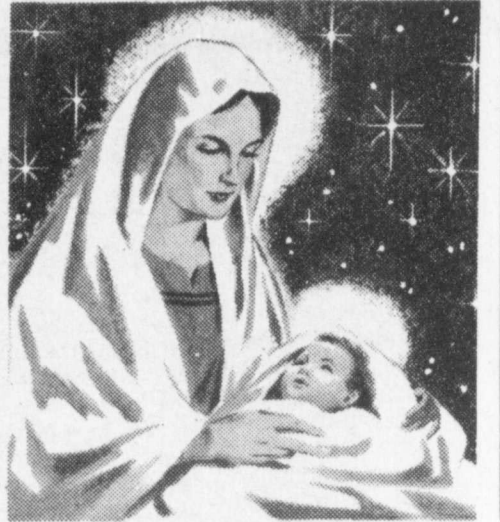


CHRISTMAS TREES are one of the most apparent signs of the season right now. This one decks the halls of Deport School,

and was trimmed by youngsters at the school. A tiny village, nativity scene and Santa's adorn the base. (Staff Photo)



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Fulbright News

By Betty Rodgers
 Mrs. Jodi Crawford and daughter Cary of Paris were visitors of Betty Rodgers Thursday.

Visitors during the weekend of Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Gandy were Mrs. Chuck Garner of Dallas, Mrs. Gary Carter and Mrs. Earl Barcus of Blossom, Obe Wright of Waco and Stacy Embrey.

Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Kerbow went to Lewisville last Wednesday to visit in the home of their son, Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Kerbow and to meet their daughter, Mrs. L.J. Fosen of Morris, Ill. at DFW Airport who accompanied them home and stayed for a visit until Monday.

Betty Rodgers received word Friday that her cousin, Arthur Roberts, of Lipan had passed away.

Weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Embry were Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Dean Crabb of Round Rock and Mrs. Ben Cole of Bogata. They all visited Mr. and Mrs. David Scaff of Deport on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Massey of Tucumcari, N.M. are here visiting for a few days.

Richard Gandy received word of the death of his cousin, Edward Lee of Waskom on Dec. 6. Edward

was married to the former Edna Earl Hammer and a former Mosely community resident.

Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Kerbow and their daughter, Mrs. L.J. Fosen attended the A.A.R.P. Christmas luncheon in Clarksville last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Massey were in Paris Sunday for the 50th anniversary of her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Kelly.

Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Kerbow and Mrs. L.J. Fosen attended the 50th anniversary of their sister and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Kelley in Paris Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Clovis Van Deaver had all their children in this weekend: Mr. and Mrs. John Denison and Dru of Deport, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Pirtle and Kimberly of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Garon Salter and John of Brady, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Harrison, Tiffany and Shanna of Kennard.

BIRTHS

A daughter, LACEY MICHELLE, weighing seven pounds and nine ounces, was born December 11 to Mr. and Mrs. Randy Gresham of Ore City. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Travis Davidson and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gresham, all of Deport. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Alsobrook of Deport, Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Brown, Sr. of Clarksville and Mrs. Claude Davidson of Avery. Great-great-grandparent is Walter Alsobrook of Bogata.

Bomb 'sniffer' faster

A new, more sensitive and faster bomb detector, housed in an attache case, has been designed and developed by Canada's National Research Council and the Department of Transport at airlines' request. In tests the new "sniffer" detected bombs in an aircraft within minutes and indicated what size explosives were involved.

Farmland paved over

Some 3,000 square kilometers of prime farmland disappear every year under buildings and roads in the developed countries alone as the result of urban sprawl, the United Nations estimates.

Park system first

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mankind throughout this Holy Season.*

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OF DEPOSIT



Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
I want a guitar and a tape recorder and a Garfield sweater for Christmas. I am trying to be good.
Your friend,
Toni Merritt

Dear Santa,
I want a new bike, lemon meringue baby doll, an one stuffed animal and a Barbie doll for Christmas.
Your friend,
Brooke

Dear Santa,
I want a yoyo, cat, a dog, work toys, a Hangmans game, some trucks for Christmas. I am trying to be good.
Your friend,
Jason

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl this year. Here are the things I want: chalk board, life, Quiz Wiz.
Your friend,
Suzette Clement

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year and I want Atari and I also want a bicycle.
Love you,
Daphney Mayes

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I would like to have a football and race track and a power puncher car. I will leave you some milk and some cookies.
Love,
Gary Don

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good boy this year. I would like you to bring me these things, a ten speed bike, Space Invaders, Rubix Revenge, Star Rubix Cube.
Your friend,
Kevin

Dear Santa,
I have been very very good. I want a Barbie house and some Barbie furniture, and an Annie ring and an Strawberry Shortcake locket and Barbie clothes, trampoline and pink and pretty Barbie. And an Atari.
Love,
Joanna

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl!!! I would like to have a harter for Dolly, a puppy, a shirt and pants, a three-wheeler.
Love,
Kimberly Reep

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. And heres what I want for Christmas. A bike, a rod and real, and a pac-man watch. I love you Santa.
Your friend,
Vance

Dear Santa,
I have been very good. Please bring me a snake puzzle, Pitfall, some rubber boots, freeway, and a real real good coon dog.
Your friend,
Kevin Anderson

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year. I want a kitten, Barbie doll house and Barbie doll. I want a bike, a crayola set and I want to get my mother a ring. I want to get my sister a babie doll. I want to get my dad a gun and some shells to go with the gun. I want to get my cousin a necklace. I want to get my grandmother a purse and I want to get my friend a jacket.
Love,
Michelle

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and some candy and a candycane and a cap.
From Rickie

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I would like a new microwave oven, a puppy, a doll, a lunch box, a thermos a pair of glasses.
Truly yours,
Tiffanie

Dear Santa,
I have been very good and I want a Pink and Pretty Barbie and a Lemon Merange Baby and some new Barbie clothes.
Your friend,
Marla Moss

Dear Santa,
I have been good. This is what I want for Christmas: a chalk board, Simon Says, Garfield, Jordach jeans, Rubix cube, a white blouse, a plaid skirt, a silk jacket with a roller skate on it, a glove, a softball and a soccerball.
Your friend,
Suzanne Clement

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I would like a new bike and a Atari, and a soccerball that's all.
Love,
Holley Kent

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl!!! I would like to have a shirt and pants, some boots, a puppy, a trampoline, some skates, a doll and a record player.
Your friend,
Mindy Hill.

Dear Santa,
I want a watch, radio, records, tapes, record player.
Love,
Brent

Dear Santa,
I want a race track and a frogger board game.
Love,
Bubba

Dear Santa,
I love you. I love Rudolph too.
Love,
Misty

Dear Santa,
Santa Claus tell Rudolph I said hi. Comet to and I want a cowboy hat.
Love,
Chuck

Dear Santa,
I like you. I have been good. I like Rudolph, I like Dasher, I like Dancer.
Love,
Randy

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. Please bring me an atari, hot rod car, race car set, dirt bike, wheels, hand brakes and a pair of shoes that don't tie. Bring my little sister Tiffany a doll and dishes.
Your friend,
Micheal Webb

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and E.T. shirts and pants and shoes. E.T. sweater for Christmas. I am trying to be good.
Your friend,
Joe Smith

Dear Santa,
I want a B-B gun, pellet gun, 4-10 shotgun, 30-30 gun.
Your friend,
Steve

Dear Santa,
I want an Atari, and a soccerball and I want a Teddy Bear and I want a pair of roller skates for Christmas. I am trying to be good.
Bradley Thomas

Dear Santa,
I want a fur coat and strawberry short cake dolls, record player and records, Barbies, ice skates, some jewelry for Christmas. I am trying to be good.
Your friend,
Misty

Dear Santa,
I want a soccer ball and a fire truck and a burning key car and a teddy bear.
Your friend,
Bobby
P.S. I love Santa

Dear Santa,
I want a G.I. Joe, a bike, cat, a dog, a fish, a sled for Christmas. I am trying to be good.
Your friend,
Kevin

Dear Santa,
I want a dump truck, Dukes of Hazzard set, Dukes of Hazzard bus for Christmas. I am trying to be good.
Your friend,
Chad

Dear Santa,
I want a speed-o- meter, a spot light.
Your friend,
Shane Whitley

Dear Santa,
I want a watch, race car, B-B gun, motorcycle 30-6 for Christmas. I am trying to be good.
Your friend,
Shelly Newman

Dear Santa,
I want a 22 gun and a E.T. shirt and a bike, and a sling shot for Christmas. I am trying to be good.
Your friend,
Shane Johnson

Dear Santa,
I want some Strawberry short cake dolls, Speak and Spell or Speak and Math, Pac-Man board game, a fur coat for Christmas. I am trying to be good.
Your friend,
Jan Scudder



Dear Santa,
I want a firetruck, backhole bulldozer, B-B gun, pellet gun, soccer ball for Christmas. I am
Your friend,
Joshua Houge Northam

Dear Santa,
I want a Strawberry Shortcake Doll and Speak and spell and an Atari game for Christmas. I am trying to be good.
Your friend,
Cathy Sugg

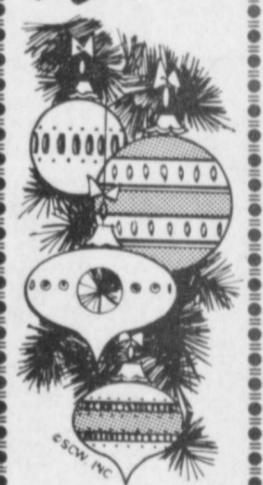
Dear Santa,
I want some red-white and blue pom poms and tape recorder, Smurf roller skates for Christmas. I am trying to be good.
Your friend,
Alishia Diane Roddy

Dear Santa,
I want a 30 30 an E.T. cap, football and soccerball, a truck and 4x4 and little cars and little trucks for Christmas. I am trying to be good.
Your friend,
Patrick

Dear Santa,
I want a fur coat, Teddy Bear with Perfume, sneakers, blouse, radio and a pair of sandals for Christmas. I am trying to be good.
Karen Titsworth

Dear Santa,
I want an Atari video game, electric race car set, for Christmas. I am trying to be good.
Your friend,
B.A. Sessums

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May the gifts of love and joy be yours this Christmas.

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SEASON'S GREETINGS



May your holidays bring you health and happiness.

Jim, Susan, Alan, Stephen & John Paul Short

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a nice Christmas. I hope your reindeer are OK. I love you, Santa.
Love,
Patricia

Dear Santa,
I want Atari Game and donkey kong. I like you, Santa.
Love,
Chastity

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a pair of skates and Atari game for Christmas and pac man and donkey kong and a pac man windup doll.
Love,
Tish

Dear Santa,
I want a baby doll and I want a pair of ear phones and a pair of skates and books and a shirt, candy to.
Love,
Kristi



THE TRUE meaning of Christmas is expressed in the nativity scene. The birth of Christ is portrayed throughout the U.S. with tiny figurines representing Mary and Joseph, the baby, three kings, shepherds and sheep. No child seems to fail to appreciate the nativity scene. (Staff Photo)

Dear Santa,
I want a chopper Stunt Dirt Bike. It is black. I want a Colt Severs pickup with an Eagle on the hood. I want a night rider car with big wheels on the back, you have to pump it with your hand. My little brother John David wants a pickup too.
My house is around that Corner that Mrs. Whitsell goes around with the bus and one side of our porch is blue and the other side is white. Our pickup is white but we are fixin to sell our car. I also want a Donkey-Kong cartridge. That's all.
Love
Duane Good

Dear Santa,
My name is Brittney and I live in Paris. My brother's name is Swede. I have another brother named Darrin. I want the kind of doll that Jo Lewis has. I want a MaChaChi monkey and I want a stuffed E.T. some boots, and some apples and stuff in my stocking.
That's all.
Love,
Brittney Ladd

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. Please bring me a rough rider 4x4. I need a Star Wars Gun and a BB gun. I want a Superman Suit too. I live in a white house with a brown porch. It has concrete steps and we have a white car. John Paul wants a Star Walkers Gun and a football helmet. I will give you a present of cookies right where my dad sits.
Love,
Stephen Short

Dear Santa,
My name is Shanna and I want a Magic Curl Doll. I want that doll that has a potty with her, and a bottle with it. I want one of them E.T. things that walks. You can leave my presents under my tree. I will leave you some tea and cookies but if I don't you can have some milk.
I live in Deport and the house is yellow and green and there may be some dogs in the yard.
Love
Shanna Denison

Dear Santa,
I want a Pac Man Game, a Pac Man shirt a choo choo train, an Atari a Donkey Kong game and a pop gun. I live in Deport and will leave you some milk and cookies on Mama's sewing machine.
Bring my little brother Casey a rattler, my big brother doesn't need anything. His name is Michael.
Love,
Jenny Roach

Dear Santa,
I want a choo-choo train and a pair of clothes. I want a truck too. Wendy, my sister, wants a Brooke Shields doll.
I live at Minter and have been good. We are going to have a party.
Love,
Bryan Carroll

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a GI Joe set, games, all lots of toys and weights? Please bring Amy a doll on a hot cycle.
Love,
Phillip

SEASON'S GREETINGS

Wishing you Christmas cheer!

Thank you for your patronage!

Frank Rhoades Grocery
BBQ & Charcoal Hamburgers

Frank, Gail And Wesley Rhoades Hwy 271 Deport

Season's Best

May thoughts of peace and love be with you this season.

Jo Davidson's Dry Goods Store

Deport

Charlie

Letters To Santa



Dear Santa,
I live in a white house and we have a brown and white car. I'll leave you some milk and cookies in the icebox.
I want a Barbie doll and E.T. I want candy in my stocking. You can leave them under my Christmas tree. I have been good.
Love,
Angela Jetton

Dear Santa,
I want some roller skates, a Western Barbie doll that has a horse that goes with it, and a wonder woman warm-up suit. I do not want a bicycle because I'll just bust my head open.
My house is white, black and brown, and I live next to Cloe Ann.
Love,
LeAnn Farris

Dear Santa,
I'll leave some cookies and milk on the dining table at Granny Cherry's. Her house is white and yellow and she lives in Pattonville.
Love,
Heather Salter

Dear Santa,
I want a BB gun, a bicycle and a boxing bag. I live at Deport. My house is red and I have one dog. After Christmas she will have some puppies.
I will leave you some cookies and milk on Paula's coffee table. You can put some candy in my stocking.
Love,
Paul Jackson

Dear Santa,
I want a 4x4 Rough Rider like Stephen is getting. I also want a BB gun and a pellet gun. I already know how to load it. My address is Pattonville.
I also want that Dragon game that Creighton is getting.
My brother's name is Ron and my sister's name is Traci Ann. I love you and I have been a good boy.
Love,
Kevin Griffin

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Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie doll and some britches and shirts. I live at Clardy. Get my sister, Melissa, and my brother, Stephen something. I want a helmet for my motorcycle. You can leave my presents under my Christmas. I want a play telephone like we have at school.
I have been a good girl.
Love,
Pam Spears

Dear Santa,
I like you, and I want an E.T. Spaceship that slides when you pull that thing out. I want a little TV that you wind up. I want a little radio like in the catalog.
My brother's name is Mark. I also want a shirt and some bluejeans.
My house is white, black and brown, and I live next to Cloe Ann.
Love,
LeAnn Farris

Dear Santa,
I want a hunting vest, a pellet gun, and some shells to go with my gun. I want some new tennis shoes and one pop gun. I want one diesel truck and a pac-man video game. I live in Deport in a new brown house.
My brother's name is Chad and he wants a video game.
Love,
Brad Figueroa

Dear Santa,
My name is Isaac and I have been good. My little brother's name is Christopher and he is a baby. I want a bulldozer and a back hoe. You can leave them near my Christmas tree.
My house is red with bricks and a white front porch and a little bit of flowers in rectangle pots.
Love,
Isaac Unruh

Dear Santa,
My name is Nell and I live at Clardy. My sisters name is Leah. We have both been good. Please bring me a western Barbie and some boots. Leah wants some boots too. I will leave you some milk and cookies in the kitche. You can leave my presents by the tree.
Love,
Nell Merritt

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Garfield, sleeping horse, papa Smurf and money. I know that ant to much toys. Santa please bring me a very merry christmas.
Love,
Loretta

Dear Santa,
My name is Melanie and I live at Pattonville. My mother has already told you what I want but she did not take me. I really want a Dolly Pop Dress Show. I want a game where Mr. Mouse comes out. I also want a Snoopy animal.
I will leave you cookies on the kitchen table.
Love,
Melanie Nazi

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HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Christmas! Time to draw close family and friends and celebrate the time-honored traditions of the season.

David And Alma Scaff

JOY

Wishing you the best gift of Christmas—happiness—at Christmas and for always!

CITY DRUG STORE

D.E. Glover Deport

Joy and peace

May the true meaning of Christmas bless your home.

Rena Nobles

Best Wishes

Our best wishes during this holiday season.

Billy, Terry, Chip And Cliff Adams

A Merry Christmas to All

The City Of Deport

Charles Foster Mayor
Sharon Francis City Secretary
C.G.(Bud) Nobles City Marshal

COUNCIL MEMBERS
Christine Skaggs
Duane Glover
Walter Gifford
John L. Roach
Cliff Randle

Letters To Santa



Dear Santa,
My name is Jeffery Jeffus and I live in Deport. Please bring me a Star Wars, GI Joe and an airplane to put together for Christmas.
Bring my big sister Christy a toy thing to put in a chair. I'll leave you some milk and Rudolph some Rudolph biscuits.
Love,
Jeffery

Dear Santa,
Will you bring me a tape recorder and a strawberry doll and dishes to. I love Santa and I hope you love me because if you like, I will love you all the time.
Janetta Fox

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a bike and a doll, a tape recorder and a Strawberry short cake doll. I wish I could say more. Santa, have a Happy Christmas,
Love,
Angela
Love all ways

Dear Santa,
My name is Tammie Gibson and I will be five years old in February. I want you to bring me a Mickey Mouse Talking Telephone, a Strawberry Shortcake motorcycle, a doll cradle, a microphone a peg chalk desk and a saxophone horn. I have been pretty good this year I think. I will leave you some cake and coffee on the table. I have a brother and his name is Kirk, he hasn't been to see you but please bring him something too.
Love,
Tammie Gibson

Dear Santa,
My name is Kimberly Gibson and I am two years old. Santa, I have been a real good girl this past year. I would like for you to bring me a western Barbie doll, a Strawberry Shortcake motorcycle, a doll cradle, a peg chalk desk, a Whoop-sie doll and a Panda Bear that walks and growls. I have a brother and his name is Kirk, he is not writing you a letter but please bring him something too. I love you Santa, and I will leave you cake and coffee on the table.
Love,
Kimberly Gibson

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bike, guitar, E.T., General Lee, cop car and a monkey.
Eddie

Dear Santa,
I've been a good girl. Bring me a real horse, baby doll that cries, video game and lots of surprises. I love you, Santa.
Love,
Shonda

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bike, hot wheels cars, three-wheeler, basketball and a football.
Best wishes,
Clifton Bazhaw

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a BB gun, Walkie Talkie, sleeping bag, three-wheeler, tent, camofloge suit, lantern. Please bring my pet dog something good. Brandon Chad Farris. P.S. Don't forget my sister Laveda.
Chad Farris

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Pac Man game, doll, barbie, apple dumpling doll, glamour gal and a color book.
Rachel Dawson

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas. Please bring me a basketball, watch, western boots, games, chocolate cherries, fruit and nuts.
Love,
Brenda

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Pac Man watch, Pac Man game. A GI Joe tank, Dukes speed jumper and PLEASE a 3-wheeler.
Chris Holt

Dear Santa,
Please give me a easy bake oven, coat tree, robe red, surprises and that's all.
Best wishes,
Janee

Dear Santa,
I want a E.T., ball, 4x4, candle with Rowddf on it and a box of shotgun shell.
Love,
Jeff Kerley

Dear Santa,
I wish you a mary Crismas. A coat, doll, pants, ball, shose, sharts, sundress, my pretty pony, ring, and barbe in doll clothes.
Lorie Elrod

Dear Santa,
I have been good. Please bring me a video game, tools, GI Joe set, and a watch.
Mark Farris

Dear Santa,
I wish I could have a football, gloves, coat, pants, sharts, hot wheel, shose, hat., belt, gun. I wish daddy had a brand new truck, mom had a gown, Heath had a gun, Lorie had a dall.
Lonnie Elrod



ORNAMENTS and bright shiny things are symbols of the Christmas season approaching. Trees, symbolic of everlasting life, are a tyradition in the U.S., but how they are trimmed can vary from region to region. (Staff Photo)

Dear Santa,
I would like you to bring me and my brother an Atari game. Oh, I would like my baby brother a play telephone. Please don't forget Mrs. Caps. Thank you.
Robert Brandon Johnson

Dear Santa,
I want a dukes of Hazzard race track and a football, helmet, a bebe gun, some bebe's some shoses an air car and a E.T. toys and that is all.
Scottie Johnson

Dear Santa,
I hope your reindeers are doing fine. I want a stereo, Santa, and have a happy Christmas.
Love,
Georjeana Oats

Dear Santa,
I want a General Lee.
John Fagan

Dear Santa,
I wish a doll and bike, buggy, mitten, ball, a Strawberry shortcake doll.
From your friend,
Twilia Fox

Dear Santa,
I want a football, wagon, dunk truck, Max box car set, a bike, little Blackboard and boots, E.T. shirt, E.T. doll, E.T. underoos, E.T. toboggan, Dukes of Hazzard shirt and Daisey on it, air car.
Your friend,
Jamie Dickey

Dear Santa,
I want a doll, bike wheels, ear rings, nickles, makeup.
Dear wishes,
Jeniece Perry

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Pac Man, three-wheeler, BB gun and dirt bike. Don't forget me.
Robert

Dear Santa,
I want a football, an a Dallas cowboys football suit, an a slamshifter car, an also the dukes of hazard speed jumper, that's all.
Sunny Salter

Dear Santa Claus,
How wuz yru day. I had a good one. Gosh, I don't know what I want for Christmas. How is Blitzn and Donder, Dash, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen Comet, Cupid.
Love,
Sean

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a nice Christmas and your raindear a great Christmas. I want 10 games.
Love,
Chris

Dear Santa,
I love you. I love Rudolph. I hope you bring me a doll.
Love,
Carolyn

Dear Santa,
I want a boxing gloves, race track and a bike and a batman and robin.
Love,
Jack

Dear Santa,
I want a bike for Christmas and a truck and some games and a 4x4.
Love,
Dwayne

Dear Santa,
These are the toys I want for Christmas, a play Rudolph the red nose rander and a bike. I hope you will bring them. I love you.
Love,
Jimmy Dale

Dear Santa,
I want two quiz wiz, a new pear of tenyshoes and a pole go stick and new pencils, a new kitchen set, a record player, and a radio and speaker and some life savers and cosmolick.
Tara

Dear Santa,
I want a baby doll for Christmas. And a pear of ear phones and a hot cycle and a pear of skates.
Love,
Marleena

Dear Santa,
I want a pear of boxing gloves and stopper army set and the mountain gully set and the pull set and 12 pack baderes.
Love,
Danny Joe

Dear Santa,
I want a chipanzee and a pair of roller skates with plastic wheels, a chemistry set. I will have some cookies for you. One more thing, Pittfall video game.
Your friend,
David Singleton

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Merry Christmas

Making you as pretty as a Christmas angel, that's our special holiday wish!

Roberta's Beauty Shop
Deport

Peace on Earth

... may Peace dwell within your hearts bringing bountiful joy to you and yours this most beautiful of seasons ... Christmas.

Jimmie & Yuba Sparks

Joy TO ALL

Times may have changed but one thing is still the same — sending holiday greetings to friends old and new. It's a pleasure to wish you happy holidays.

The Deport Times

The Blossom Times

Nanalee & Thomas Nichols
Cindy Hiner
Barbara Crawford
Shelley Vaughan
Worth Hood
Donna Rozell

Rejoice

May the blessings of the Christmas season be yours.
Greetings from

Cunningham Co-Op Gin
Manager, James Norwood

Joyous Noel

Good heavens! What a beautiful time of year! May you share in all the joys of the season.

The Gazebo Craft Shop
Kenneth, Betty And Michelle Thomas
Deport 652-6300

Joy and peace

May the joys of the season dwell in each and every heart.

James & Casey Grant

A Merry Christmas to All

Santa and friends are coming to call 'cause it's Christmas!

Crossland Garage & Auto Parts
Pattenville



Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
I want a big bicycle and a truck, a car and a diesel race track. And I'll leave my door open cause I don't have a chimney. I loved what I got last year. I am going to leave you some cookies and cold milk and an apple. I'll be at my grandma's house, so don't forget me.
Love,
Jennifer

Dear Santa,
Come to see me. I'll be asleep. I'll leave you some cookies and hot chocolate. I need a choo-choo train and some toys.
David J. Darden

Dear Santa, Please bring me a pickup truck, hot wheels cars and a racing car set, a playing cow and Christmas books. And also be good to Rudolph.
Love,
Jacob

Dear Santa,
My name is Edie Love. For Christmas I would like a doll, and a cute little lipuppy and barbie remote control car and a horse for my barbie to ride and a bean bag, the color can be mixed, and earrings with solid gold backs,, a tape recorder and some tapes to go with it and a kitten a white fuzzy one, and a doll that wets, and pom poms and an Annie doll, and some finger nail pictures, and leg warmers, yellow and blue, and a dream bed, and a water bed, and lots and lots of fruit, and a horse, black stallion and make-up and an eye brow pencil and a diamond ring, and my own nail polish, and some blue jeans and a saddle.
Love,
Edie

Dear Santa,
I would like a B.B. gun, some clothes, cars, smokey and the bandit race set and some rock-n-roll records. Santa, remember my brother in Dallas. I've been a real good boy and please bring me all my toys. I will be at my grandmother's house this Christmas.
Thank you,
Scottie Young
P.S. I would like to have a baseball and bat

Dear Santa,
This is Angie and I've been a good girl this year and am looking forward to Christmas, so please bring a Barbie doll and a doll and a game, also I'd like a pair of boots and a record player and a nice chalkboard. I liked what you brought me last year.
Angie D.
P.S. I'll leave you some cookies and cold milk

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a barbie dream pool, a big apricot doll, a pair of purple nikes, some new clothes, a new pair of skates, an atari with pac-man and bowling a few games, a ring and new make-up and something for me to give mom, dad and my little brother. I love you,
Marti

Dear Santa,
My name is Nikki and for Christmas I want a doll, and a buggy. I also want a barbie doll, a bean bag and some records for my record player. Please bring me an Annie watch and make that barbie doll a western barbie. I would like some clothes, and an E.T. shirt. I will be at my grandma's house and I enjoyed what you got me last year. I will leave milk and cookies.
Love,
Nikki

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a set of drums, bring me the best three-wheeler you've got, trucks and tractors. Please bring my mother a skirt. Bring daddy cowboy boots and don't forget Kim and Kenda. Please bring Kenda an organ. Kim wants frogger and a Donkey Kong, and bring me a car-station and that's all.
Love,
Brad

Dear Santa,
I am 7 years old and I sure would like to have some of these things. An Atari video computer system, Simon, a Stomper 4X4 truck with trailer, Hot wheels car set, Colt Seavers 4-wheel-drive truck, a shirt and pants. I will leave you some milk and cookies on my table.
Your friend,
Pete Fernandez

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Misti McMikel and I am 6 years old. Please bring me a barbie doll and some barbie doll clothes, and please bring me a red bean bag. Please bring me a cassette player and some tapes. Bring me a baby doll with clothes. Please bring me some clothes for myself, please bring me some jewelry. Please bring me an E.T. shirt and a pair of tennis shoes. Please bring my brother, Shannon, some cars and my sister, Mandy, a baby doll. I have been a very good girl this year. I will be at my house at Deport. I will leave you milk and cookies.
Love,
Misti McMikel

Dear Santa,
My name is Angie, I would like for you to bring me a jump rope, barbie doll set and a baby doll. I would like a record player and a chalk board and please bring me some clothes. I will be at my house. I will leave you some milk and cookies for you to eat.
Angie R.

Dear Santa,
I'm Clay and I'm 7. I want a play drum, BB and pellet gun, a winter hat, Levi pants, a stomper 4X4, with trailer, pajamas, boots, gun holster and guns, the wheels to go with the stomper 4X4, and a colt seavers truck.
From
Clay Francis

Dear Santa,
I would like for you to bring me a red blanket for my horse, a playhouse and horse for my barbie and a golden barbie doll. I would also like a tablet and a remote control car and a chalkboard and some chalk. I have been a real good girl and I will leave you some cookies and milk. I love you.
Love,
Andra Allen

Dear Santa,
Hi my name is Robert. I would like a B.B. gun and a 3-wheeler and some rubber boots. I would also like a new football suit and a 4x4 Chevy and some weights.
Love,
Robert

Dear Santa,
I love you. I want to have a baby doll, recodes and a car. I also want a cookie. I want a Mickey Mouse doll, a picture of Santa Claus, a flag, a play unicorn and a picture of Washington. I also want a game, a chalkboard, a Frosty the Snowman doll, a Strawberry Shortcake ring, a pencil sharpener and a pair of skates. I will leave you some milk and cookies. I have been good.
Becky McNabb

Dear Santa,
I would like a Brownie suit, E.T. puzzle, record player, make up, witch doll, a car, shoes, clothes, barbie doll, ear rings and necklace, skates, lite-brite, lipstick, puzzles, witch game, umbrella, a dog and dresser, hair clasp, ribbons, snoopy and E.T. t-shirts. Hope you come and see me soon.
Sandi Wilson

Dear Santa,
I think I've been a good girl this year. I would like to get an umbrella, a doll, a buggy and doll food to go with it. E.T. puzzle, a lunch kit, a strawberry shortcake doll, and I want some barbie doll clothes. That's all I want for this Christmas.
With love,
Kay Lynn Ford

Dear Santa,
I would like a Castle Greyskull, Daring-Driver mini arcade, Honda 70 three wheeler, Timex watch, Atari video computer game with Donkey Kong, Pac Man Frogger, Asteroids, Flash Gordon, Atlantis and Demon Attack cartridges. An AM-FM eight track cassette stereo, Cliff hanger race car set, and a set of weights. I will leave you some cookies and milk.
Casey Mitchell

Dear Santa,
I want a boy and arrow, football, go cart, three-wheeler, a playhouse for my cousin because she messes up the house when she comes over, a chalkboard, a pencil sharpener, play motorcycle, a cowboy set, like horses, barns, people, a record player, a Robin Hood set, a whole new bedroom set, a frisbee, a radio, a race car and race track set, a poster of a monkey, a winter scene of a ranch calender, a backscratcher, a trophy that says anything on it, clock a G.I. Joe Set.
Love,
Bainham

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a knife that doesn't fold up, a hammer, some new tires for my three-wheeler, a 22, a green wagon, G.I. Joe, truck and some terf shoes, size 13. My brother Cliff would like a BB gun, a tonka truck and a new sled. We have been good boys this year.
Love,
Chip Adams

Dear Santa,
I want an E.T. doll, E.T. puzzle, a little stuffed Garfield doll, a little Donkey Kong game that you put batteries in, another pair of ear rings, a new pair of leather shoes, an E.T. poster, a globe, a Pac Man game, a Snoopy doll, some white, pink and yellow shirts and some tapes for my tape recorder. I've been pretty good this year Santa, and I hope to get some things that I want.
With all my love,
Nicole Dykes

GOOD TIDINGS

The bells ring out the happiness of the season. May you share in all its wondrous joys.

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Deport, Tx.

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Mrs. D.F. Barham to Mrs. Margaret Burns.

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Mrs. Johnnie Warren to Mr. and Mrs. Mike Al-Ghareeb. Mrs. A.L. Clement to Gary Abbott and Andy Clement. Mrs. Will Gifford to Grady Hignight. J.D. Luttrell to Mrs. Eula Thomas. Mrs. Ida DeShong to Mrs. Goldie Brown. Mrs. Lois Hensley to Rickey Anderson.

Mrs. Berniece Wyatt to Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Smith. Mrs. F.E. Ward, Mrs. Edwin Cox, Ruby Dougless, Barton Lynn, Larry Malone, Billy Malone, Mr. and Mrs. Graydon Wyatt and Mr. and Mrs. Harrell Wyatt. Clifford Pynes to L.L. Pynes. Houston Pomroy to Mrs. E.T. Harguess.

Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Stone to Mrs. Bertie Hadaway, Mrs. David Russell, Mrs. Harold Dillard and Hobert Parkess.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne McGill to Clint Hensley. Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Tatum to Eula McGill. Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Foster to James M. Carson.

Merry Christmas

If we could, we'd go around a'carolling:
"We Wish You A Merry Christmas!"

Deport Variety Store

Deport, Texas

Good Tidings

Bountiful good wishes are rolling your way from our entire staff who have served the best to you during the year. The Christmas spirit prevails here every day we can help you buy the best!

Gifford's Food Store

Deport

Children's Shining Faces Bring Christmas Joy



Rejoice!

Christmas 1982, years ago heralded the birth of the Christ Child

Christmas today heralds the culmination of the holy season and the approaching new year. People have adopted the holy season as a time for exchanging gifts, family reunions and bountiful feasts in keeping with the great sacrifice the Master made for all—Too we have used this time to count our blessings—think of others—rededicate ourselves to principles for which the Master gave His all—for love. He gave His life for the sins of all—

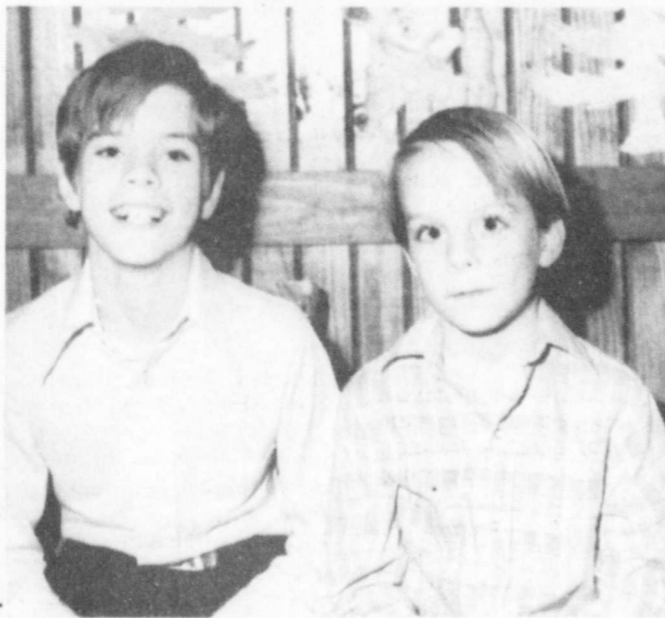
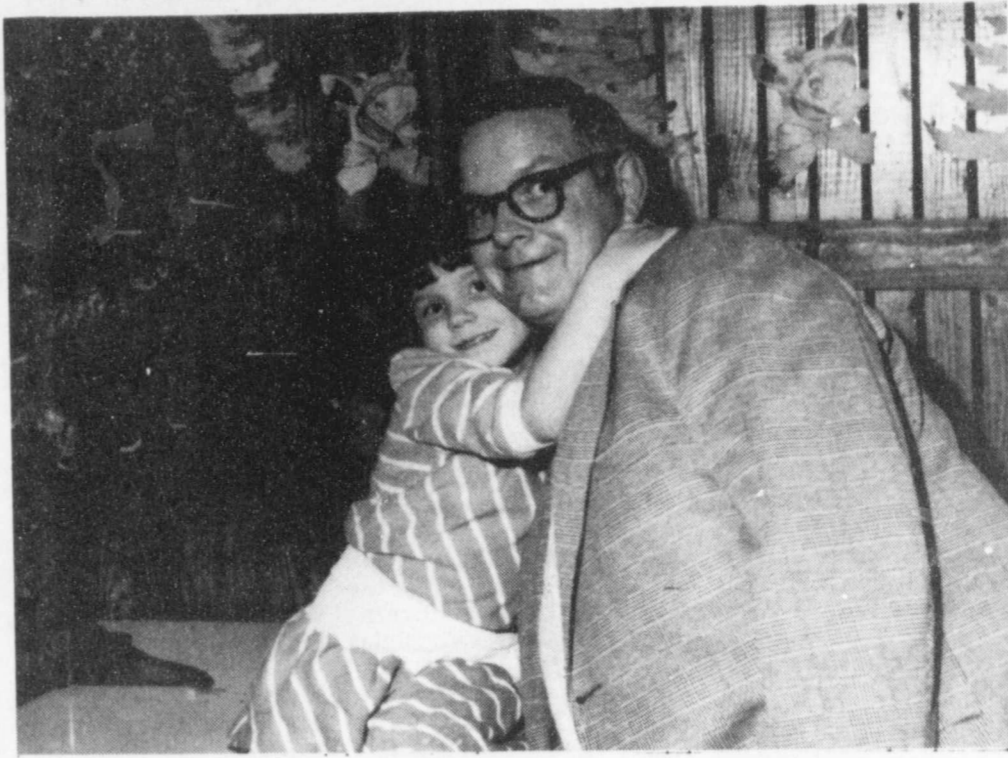
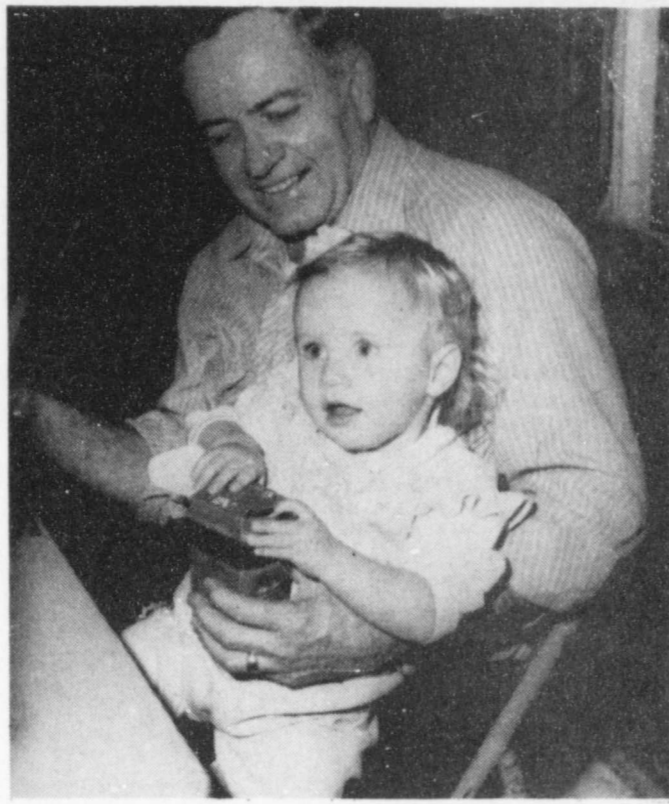
No wonder that in every city and country today church steeples point to the sky continually teaching Christ's lesson of love.

May the joy of Christmas and the blessings of love be with you as you gather for the Christmas dinner with family and friends, and may this lesson of love permeate the hearts, minds and souls of all mankind—This is Deport Nursing Home's wish for you and our hope for the future.

Love for others will insure peace in the world—more powerful than armies, greater than kings, love is the present only friends will bring.

**Martha & Roy Lee Castleberry
Casey Grant And Nursing Staff**

**Deport
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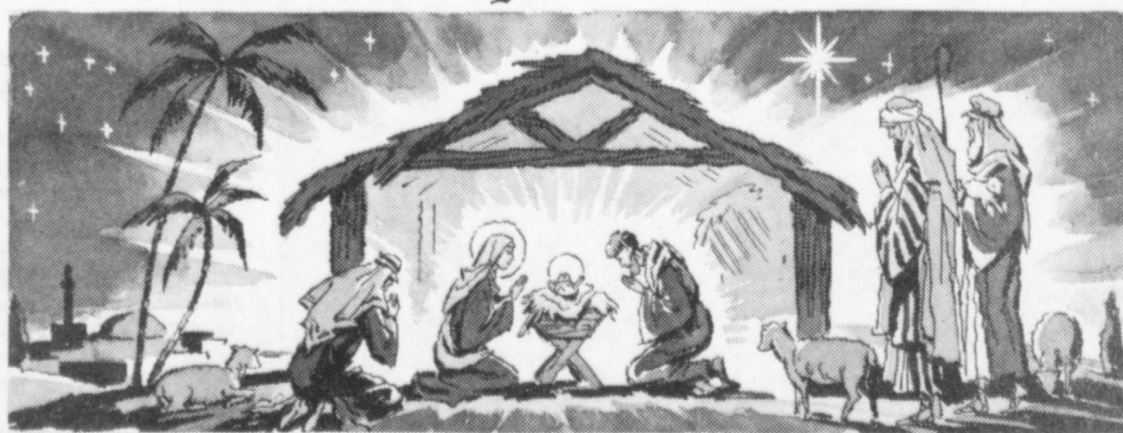
SEASON'S GREETINGS



Have a bright and happy holiday!

Bonnie and Finis Gifford

O HOLY NIGHT



May the peace of that blessed night be with you and yours this Yuletide.

Carlos And Melba Ladd

Pattonville News

By Ann Crossland
Mr. and Mrs. Buck Slaton, Boyd and Billy of Halesboro visited Mr. and Mrs. Buster Crossland and Ann Tuesday. Mrs. Joe Wilburn of Avery visited her mother, Mrs. Norman McIntire Wednesday.

Kyle Dickson of Reno visited Mr. and Mrs. Travis Crossland and Annette Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Bud Greer of Paris, Jan Alexander and Greg of Garland, Carol Dollins and Tracey of Paris and Audrey Gillis of Bogata

visited Mr. and Mrs. George Humphreys Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bryant and Patti of Greenville visited Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Bryant and Ruby Sunday. Ray and Patti remained for a few days visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Bryant and Ruby visited the Delbert Ballards of Quitman Saturday and to be with Teresa, who had surgery. Mrs. Kathleen Gibson, Sonya and Louise Crossland helped with a Christmas program Thursday at Deport Nursing Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Crossland and Mike were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Duane White and Diane of Paris Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Willie Crossland attended the Daniel Construction-Kimberly-Clark Christmas party Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Wright, Kent and Kyle of Deport Friday night. The Pattonville Church of Christ had a fellowship Sunday night after worship services at the Community Center. A large crowd attended.

Pauline Merritt has returned from Del Rio where she visited with Ruby Lamb. Greg Parsons arrived Thursday from Pensacola, Florida to visit his family, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Parsons, Mark and Kristi. Other visitors were J.D. Parsons and Irene Parsons of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Winters, Kip and Wes and Jeff McDowra.

Mark Parsons was in Dallas Christmas shopping Saturday. He was accompanied by Wendy Jetton of Paris. Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Sparks Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bolton of Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kennett of Palmyra, N.Y.



Tami Plays Flute

TAMI BIRCH, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Birch, Deport, tried out for the All Region Band,

but failed to make a chair. Tami is an eighth grader at Deport Junior High School and plays the flute. (Staff Photo)

Joy and peace

At this holy season, may we take the opportunity to wish you every blessing!

Buddy, Sue And Tony Malone

Best Wishes

Remember the true meaning of Christmas.

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REJOICE

As we celebrate the Saviour's birth, we pray that His blessing may abide with you at Christmas and in the days to come.

Eugene & Genieva Norwood

Blossom Locals

By Mrs. Marvin Bruce
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Skidmore, Mr. and Mrs. Gearold Jenkins and David of Dallas were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Skidmore. Mrs. Ann Dudley, Kevin and Monica spent the weekend in Ft. Smith with Mr. and Mrs. George Green. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Parker of Irving spent the weekend here with his mother, Mrs. Jim Parker. Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Bruce visited their niece, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gaunt of Edgewood last Wednesday night and returned home Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. John Shores spent Friday night in Greenville with Mr. and Mrs. Steve Wiley. Marlo Titsworth spent

Sunday night with Mrs. Jim Parker. Raymond Allen and Anita of Powderly had supper with his mother, Mrs. B.F. Allen. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Garrett and Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Kincaid, had a fish supper in Idabel, Ok. Saturday night. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Garrett attended the R.E.A. Christmas party Friday night at the Elks Club in Paris. Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Duane Dorries, Kapria and Bob of Valliant, Ok visited Mr. Dorries grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W.A. Dorries. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from your Blossom correspondent.

Deport Locals

By Rena Nobles
Kim Guest, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Guest made the Dean's List at ETSU in Commerce. Kim will be a Senior. Mrs. Maurine Bryson spent Friday until Monday in Denison with her son, Jerry Bryson and his family. They attended showers for her granddaughter, Martha in Denison and McAlister. Martha teaches in McAlister and will be married Christmas Day. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fischer of Dallas spent Saturday with Mrs. Alice Westbrook. Mrs. Westbrook accompanied by Mrs. Mildred Milspaugh will spend Christmas in Dallas, Mrs. Westbrook with Mrs. Pat Linden and her family and Mrs. Milspaugh with her daughter. Mrs. Virginia Kirkland spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Skidmore in Liberty. Her granddaughter,

Kelli Gifford returned home with her to spend the Christmas holidays. Clara Stalls of Dallas was a luncheon guest in the Fuller home Saturday. Mrs. George Fuller returned to Dallas with her to spend the holidays with Mrs. Charles Bell and other relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Norwood, Mary Beth and Paul of Porter spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Doris Norwood. Misses Brodie and John Bell and Mrs. Joe Kelsey and her family. Mr. and Mrs. Al Herndon of El Dorado, Ar. visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Read and Mr. and Mrs. Farris Read Friday and Saturday. Mrs. Rena Nobles with Mr. and Mrs. Elic Gullion of Blossom, Mrs. John Gullion, Mrs. Robert Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bartlett of Clarksville visited Mrs. Sue Watkins and Philip in Duncanville for a Gullion get together for Christmas.



PATRIOT PHIL GRAVES attempts two points while being closely guarded by Rebel Stan Wood (21) during the game last Friday night in the Rivercrest gym. Other Rebs are David Rozell (34) Larry Davis (11) and Bradley Moore (13). (Staff Photo by Diana Eudy)

Happy Holidays



Time for a good old-fashioned holiday, with the family gathered together, out of the cold, sharing good times. Here's to the merriest Christmas ever!

T. H. Glover, M.D.

O Holy Night

Singing in praise of this joyous season, we wish one and all its brightest blessings.

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Dougan Family Reunion

The descendants of the late B.E. and Tommie Harris Dougan met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jay (Bonnie) Johnson for their annual reunion. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. D.C. (Verna) Hill of Pottsboro, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Dougan of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver

(Mildred) Allen and a special guest, a cousin of the family, E.O. Harris of Dallas, a Baptist preacher.

Glad Tidings

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Fosters Hold Christmas Dinner

Mrs. Myrtle Foster and family had Christmas dinner at the American Legion Hall in Deport on Sunday, December 19.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Darold Norwood, Mr. and Mrs. James Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Foster and Daniel and Mr. and Mrs. Kenith Foster, Kenda and Kyle of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Walker and John of Reno, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nix, Melissa, Lindsey, Greg and Derek of Garland, Mr. and Mrs. C.D. Patterson of Pleasant Grove, Mrs. Phyllis Webb, Lisa and Robin of Garland, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Clark, Jennifer and Clay of Azle, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Foster and Jill of Bogata, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Foster, Mrs. Myrtle Foster of Deport and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sisk, Penny and Carl of Daingerfield.

Deport Girls Play Cooper

By Christy Jeffus

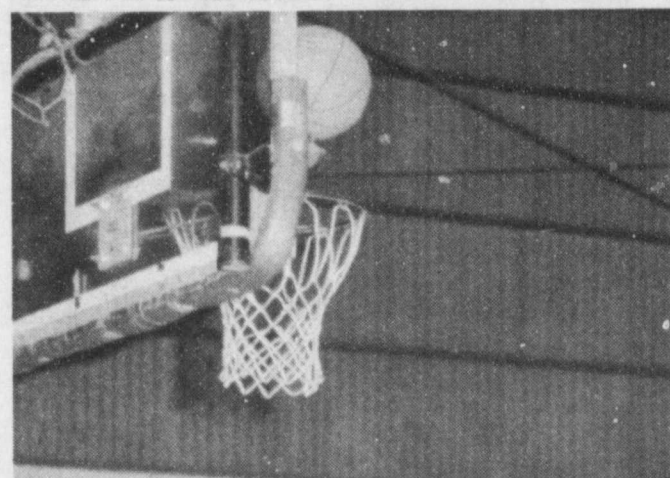
The seventh and eighth grade Deport Tigerettes played against Cooper Monday night. The seventh grade had the winning score of 26-15. The high scorers of the game were Melissa Larue with 10 points and Shelia Speir with six points.

The eighth grade girls won with a score of 18-10. Although all the girls played extremely well, Jenissa Baker had the highest score of 12 points.

The Cooper girls played hard and aggressive, but were not able to outwit the Tigerettes.



VERN BARKER (32) tries for a basket against the Rebel Jr. Varsity last Thursday night in the Patriot gym. The Patriots dropped the game to Rivercrest 25-20. (Staff Photo by Shelley Vaughn)



Courthouse Squares



PRAIRILAND's Vicki Coursey scores two points while a group of Rivercrest Rebelettes look on. Tiffany Morgan is also shown. The Lady Pats went on to win the game 36-29. (Staff Photo by Diana Eudy)

Deport Nursing Home News

Sam Kinsey of Bonham visited Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Nobles and Mrs. Georgia Temple on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus and the Kiwanis Club of Paris visited on Tuesday afternoon with the residents. They brought gifts for everyone. The Crockett Junior High Choral Club entertained. They sang Christmas carols.

Several residents of the nursing home went to Paris to see the Christmas lights.

On Wednesday the Prairiland Choral Club presented a program for the residents.

The birthday party was held on Thursday afternoon. The program was presented by the Cunningham Community. The residents honored were Maudie Baxter, Gerda Hendley, Mary Lewis, W.E. Smith, Earl Branum, Leola McGaskin, Mildred Young and Oma Henderson.

Mildred Betterton visited Mrs. Gertrude Williamson on Wednesday.

Visitors of Mrs. Georgia Temple on Sunday were Tully Temple of Milton, Melba Winn of Athens, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Temple, Mrs. Karon Robison and Brandon of Irving, Mr. and Mrs. David Gambill and Stephanie of Grapevine and Irene Gordon of Reno.

Visitors of Mr. Tuck were Eugene Dillard, Ivory Dillard, Jimmy Dillard and Harold Dillard.

Dorothy Rader of Paris visited her mother, Mrs. Gerda Hendley.

Leon and Herbert Tuck visited Herbert Tuck.

Florence Porter visited Maudie Baxter.

Ernest and Nannie Hamm visited Herbert Tuck.

Mrs. John Boren and Mary Louise of Blossom and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Boren of Paris visited Mrs. Maudie Baxter.

Jessie and Raymond Spears of Greenville visited Onetta Ray and Mildred Spears.

Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Goforth, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Calviness, Mr. and Mrs. George Hancock, and Mr. and Mrs. Harley Massey visited Mr. and Mrs. Haney Shannon.

Mrs. James P. Cagle of Mt. Pleasant visited on Sunday with Mrs. Gertrude Williamson.

Mr. and Ms. Grant White and Mrs. Jack Cannon visited Mr. and Mrs. H.E. Cannon.

Mrs. Lois Philley of Deport, Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Philley of Whitewright, Mr. Maudie Baxter and Jeffie and Mrs. Eddie Shelby of Box. Cooper visited Mrs. W.L. Philley.

Eugenia Menke, Danna McDaniel, Rhonda and Randy from Ft. Worth visited Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Nobles.

Mr. and Mr. Harley Massey of Paris visited Mrs. Mildred Spears.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon McAlister of Paris visited Mrs. Mildred Spears.

Mr. and Mrs. T.D. Betterton of Deport visited Mrs. Mildred Spears.

Mable Sullivan of Riverside, Ca. visited Stella Hayes, Imogene Wright, Sid Grant, Gertrude Tidwell and Jim Nobles.

Estelle Patton and Lois Bell of Paris visited Mrs. Jeffie Box.

Glen Shelton visited his mother-in-law, Mrs. Jeffie Box.

Mrs. Haley Johnson and Mrs. Barber visited Mrs.



Wishing you peace, happiness and joy for Christmas and forever.

Jinks & Ruth
Whittle
And Family

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East Post Oak News

By Mrs. Howard Crawford

The cold weather and rain and snow the past week will cause more feeding for livestock.

Mrs. Bonnie Flatt will host the annual Christmas dinner at her home on December 16.

The East Post Oak Church held their Christmas dinner at the Community Center Sunday and had a large crowd.

Mr. and Mrs. H.L. Bailey and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Tow of Paris had dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Crawford.

The Blossom Senior Citizens had their annual Christmas dinner and Christmas tree and gifts Tuesday, Dec. 21.

Mr. and Mrs. B.E. Ladymon of Paris and Mrs. Eula Mitchell of Blossom took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Butler Stevens last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Pratt of Detroit spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A.L. Cagle.

Mrs. Charloe Boren visited Mrs. Maudie Baxter at Deport Nursing Home Sunday.

Mrs. Howard Crawford and Mrs. Vickie Foster went to Greenville Hospital last Tuesday to see her great-grandson born Dec. 6 to Mr. and Mrs. Cindy Martinez of Greenville.

Happy Holiday

We're happy to have your friendship and trust. Our total commitment is to your family's security. Have a safe and happy Christmas!

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Clardy News

By Sondra Martin

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Smith of Vidor spent the weekend in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Skidmore. Several attended the pre-Christmas exchange of gifts from the Skidmore's Christmas tree. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Pomroy, Kristi and Jana, Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Stone and Paula Pomroy. Then on Saturday night, fourteen members of the family enjoyed supper at the Fish Fry in Paris. Mr. and Mrs. Gary Smith returned home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Floyd of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Norris Ragsdill and Jenny Lea of Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Ulyus Anderson of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Anderson and Tony, Mrs. Johnny Stout, Yvonne and Tammy all enjoyed lunch at Furr's in Paris Saturday.

The Rickey Coopers have purchased an acreage in the community from Mr. and Mrs. Roy Davidson and moved their mobile home on it.

A large crowd attended Bethel Baptist Church Sunday evening for the Christmas program and exchange of gifts were made from the tree and Santa Claus attended where fruit and candy were distributed to all.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Harris were visitors last week of Mrs. Allie Malone of Deport

Nursing Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Ballard had word Wednesday that their granddaughter, Teresa Ballard of Quitman had undergone emergency surgery for appendicitis Tuesday night at Tyler.

Leonard Hutchings of Paris was in the community Thursday to play dominoes at the store.

Mrs. Ruby Hudson of Jennings visited her sister, Mrs. Syrena Ingram of Beardstown Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Eatherly of Paris honored her father, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Skidmore with a supper in Paris Saturday night on his 79th birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Clement and Mrs. Peggy Evans of Paris were Saturday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lynch and Mrs. Lois Dunn of Clarksville.

Mattie Tucker has been a patient in St. Joseph Hospital since Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Rant Stone have been attending her. They were also visitors of Mrs. Goldie Dunlap who was a patient there.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Davidson were in Winnsboro during the weekend for the basketball tournament where their son, Mike, was a participant.

Tammy, Paula and Shellie Pomroy of Arlington are here for the Christmas holidays with their grand-

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Stone and Mrs. Gertrude Warren and their father, J.C. Pomroy of Paris.

Ricky and Kaye Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hodges made a trip to Dallas during the weekend.

Mrs. Alvin Ballard visited Mrs. Johnny Hewitt of Sylvan last Tuesday.

Mrs. Nadine and Judy Price have been doing painting on the interior of the Price home.

Carolyn, Melinda and Steven Harris were visitors last week of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Clement and Dustin of Paris were Friday supper guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L.T. Clement. The Bobby Clement family visited Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Martin and Hayden, Mrs. Donna Herring and Aubrey of Bogata, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kuhle and April of Clarksville and Mrs. Irene Bennett of Paris were weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Martin and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Davidson and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Thoms, Stephanie and Bryan of Paris were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Davidson and Mike.

Mrs. Sam Skidmore and Mrs. Alvin Ballard visited Mrs. Bill Arnold of Reno Friday evening.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. R.R. Stone last week were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Beard of Paris and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Harris.

Ricky and Kaye Cooper had supper Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Allen of Rugby. Others attending were Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Holt and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nichols.

Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Stone and Paula Pomroy were Sunday visitors of Mike Stone and J.C. Pomroy of Paris.

Mrs. Ruby Hudson of Jennings visited Mrs. Virgie Ballard Saturday. David and Laura Skidmore were in Dallas Sunday to attend the Cowboy football game.

Mr. and Mrs. Rant Stone were visitors last week of Melburn Tucker of Cherry Street Annex and Mr. and Mrs. Buck Slaton of Halesboro.

Mrs. Viola Harris and Mrs. Lois Ballard attended the Christmas parade in Deport last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hodges enjoyed supper and a movie in Paris Saturday evening.

Mrs. Ruby Hudson and Pete were in Deport Thursday where Mrs. Hudson had a medical check up.

Mrs. Wayne Fletcher of Paris visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Skidmore Sunday evening.

Mrs. Virgie Ballard of Clardy and Mrs. Ruby Hudson spent Wednesday in Paris.



FFA Float In Christmas Parade



RUBY RAY and Margaret Crawford won first place at the "42" domino tournament held last Thursday at Chicota. Other Blossom residents claiming honors were Huey Proffitt and Howard Crawford, who captured the domino tournament held at Chicota, but whose picture failed to turn out. (Staff Photo by Shelley Vaughn)

Hope your holidays are sensational!
John, Shirley, Cliff and Darrin Gifford

Greetings

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Dan, Kala, Shelly, Britt & Kanda Barnard

Greetings

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Baugh Sandblasting
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Christmas Blessings

Christ the Savior is born! Let us sing His praises!

Donnie, Laura, Stacy, Lindsey & Matthew Wright

Best Wishes

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Best Wishes

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<p>PIMENTOS Sunshine Whole or Sliced 4 oz. 69¢</p>	<p>EVAPORATED MILK Parade 13 oz. Can 2/89¢</p>	<p>PORK & BEANS Van Camp 16 oz. Can 3/\$1</p>	
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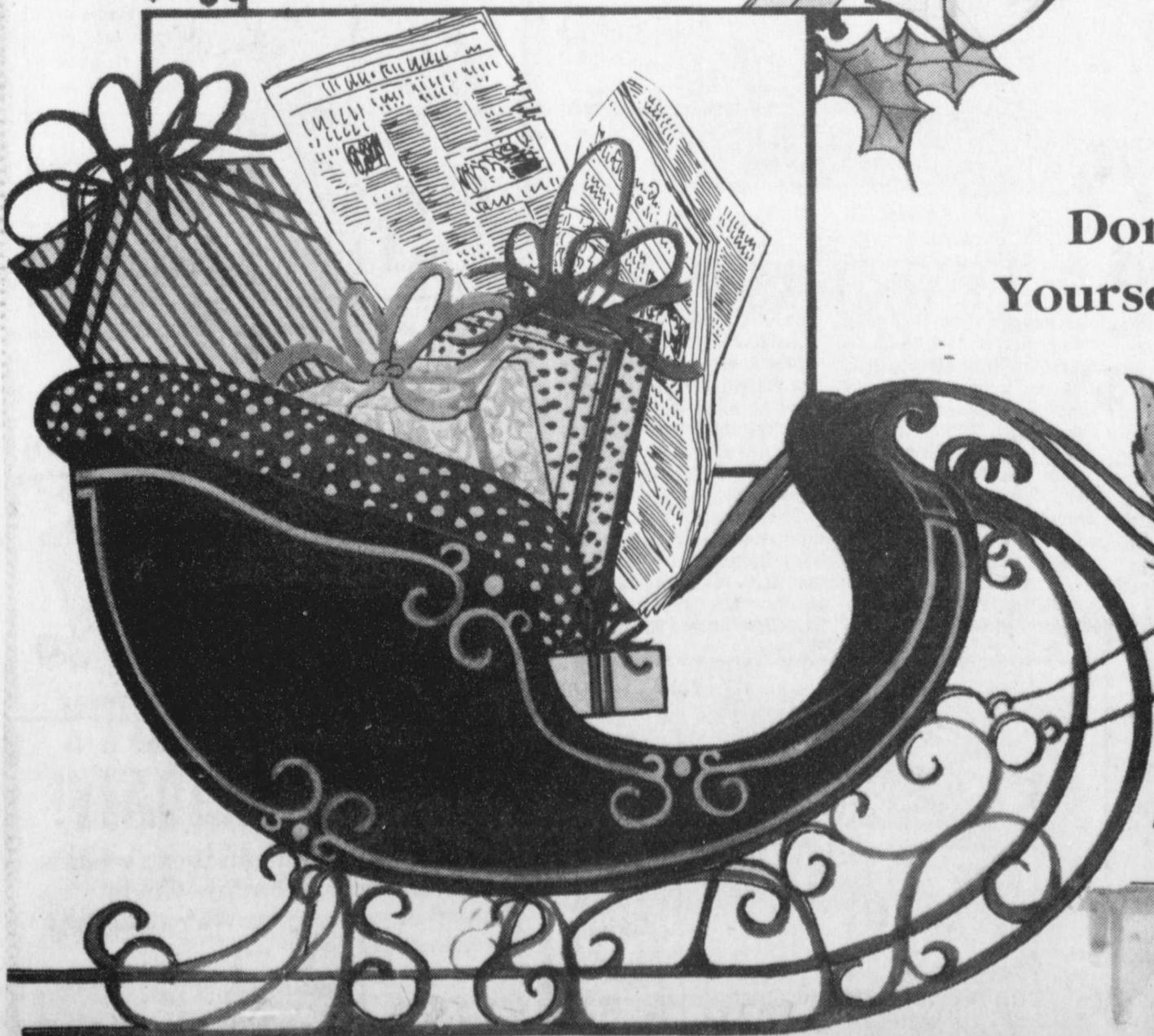
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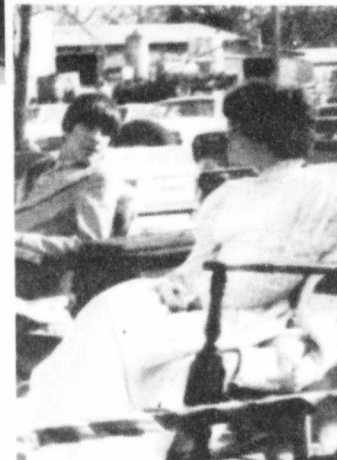


May the true meaning of Christmas bless your home.

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1st Place Float



O Holy Night

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Merry Christmas

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Sam & Margie Rice



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Joy to All

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May the blessings of the Christmas season be yours. Greetings from

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Christmas Blessings

Sweet Babe of Peace, let us rejoice in your coming.

Hugh, Sherry, Christy, and Jeffery Jeffus

JV, Freshmen Take Two, Drop 1

Patriot freshmen and junior varsity teams took two victories and dropped one during the Thursday night action as they hosted Rivercrest.

The freshmen took their game by no doubt with

Prairiland having 64 points to compare with Rivercrest's 24. High scorer for the night was Mike Connot with 21, followed by Scott Scudder with 15.

The junior varsity girls showed no worries as they

took charge of the boards in every quarter, 17-3, 35-13, 44-24 and finally totaling 56-31 to give the lady Pats another victory. Leading the Pats in scores was Kathy Withers with 14, close behind was Donna Vaughn with 12 and both Tonya Burdine and Benette Holland adding 6 each.

Junior varsity boys began their action completely dominating the nets as they ended the first quarter 10 to

three. The second quarter was slow as the Pats added seven and Rivercrest added five. The third quarter began to show some change while Patriots hit the nets to manage eight, and Rivercrest slipped by with 12, to total 25-20.

The fourth and final quarter told all with the Pats only dropping in seven and the Rebels laying in 23 points. The game ended Prairiland 32 and Rivercrest 43.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

We hope you have a happy holiday!

Rayford & Helen Yancy And Gertrude Gifford

JOY

Loads of good luck and good cheer to everyone!

Ina And Nina Sparks

Season's Greetings

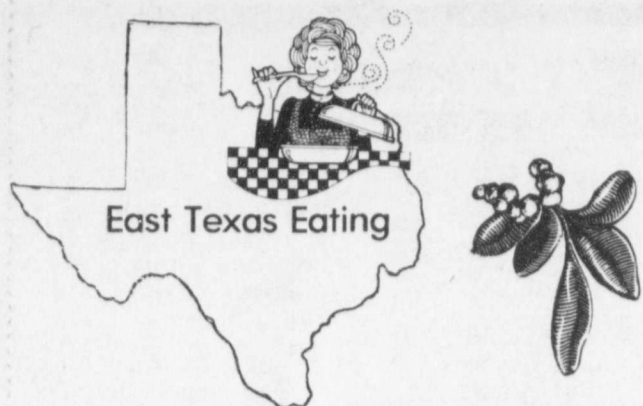
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Sending along all our best wishes for a peaceful, happy Christmas wherever you may be. We're thankful for your support.

Charles And Maxine Foster



East Texas Eating

By Margie Rice
If you would like to do some of your family's Christmas Day food preparation ahead so you can enjoy more of the festivities, here are a couple of recipes to help you do exactly that.

The cheesy sausage and eggs Breakfast Casserole can be mixed together the night before and refrigerated. It can be baked in a 350 degree oven while family members open Christmas gifts or sleep late. Fresh

fruit and steaming hot coffee or hot chocolate are all you'll need to add to make a festive and hearty breakfast.

You might even make up Helen Moore's Broccoli and Rice a couple of days ahead and freeze it to pull out and bake on Christmas morning just before the big dinner. Or, you can make it up the night before and refrigerate it for last minute baking. It goes well with most meats and is delicious.

Breakfast Casserole
1 dozen eggs, beaten slightly

2 cups milk
5 slices bread, cubed
1 cup American cheese, cubed
1 1/2 lbs. sausage, browned
1 tsp. salt
Dash pepper
1/2 tsp. dry mustard
Dash Worcestershire sauce
Mix together and place in greased casserole dish. Refrigerate overnight. Place in cold oven and bake at 350 degrees for one hour.

Broccoli and Rice
Sautee: 1/4 cup diced celery and
1/2 cup minced onion in 1/2 stick oleo

Add:
1 can mushroom soup
1/2 jar cheese whiz
1 small pkg. slivered almonds
1 pkg. frozen chopped broccoli (which has been cooked by directions on package)
1 cup raw rice (cooked)
Bake in oiled casserole at 350 degrees for 20 minutes. Yield: 8 to 12 servings. Follow box directions for cooking rice.



Prairiland FHA Presents Gifts To Nursing Home Residents



Joy to all

We wish you every joy and blessing of this happy Christmas Season!

Kathy Guess

Blossom Housing Happenings

The luncheon and Christmas party was attended by 11 residents and four guests. Mrs. Raney, Mrs. Melba Bestul, Bernice Minter and Mr. and Mrs. Al Stewart all had a good time, also Mrs. Laverne Rowland.

Christa Wilson visited Dorothy Wilson Friday night and Sunday.

Lossie Vickers visited her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Vickers and family at Detroit Saturday.

Linda Martin spent Sunday with her aunt, Mrs. Ruby Dickerson. She is from Athens.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Herron, Jason and Gina from Paris visited Aileen Herron Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jackson, Marty and Aaron from DeSoto visited Lossie Vickers Sunday afternoon.

Inez Luttrell, Fletys Thomas and Helen Little visited Marine Bradley Friday.

Mrs. Otis Boyer was able to attend church today.

Leo Reeves and Stevie from Post Oak visited Georgia Clark Saturday.

Margaret Whitley visited Morene Bradley on Thursday.

Mrs. Rhoda Lee had as visitors over the weekend, a sister Mrs. Ruthie McNabb from Paris, her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Bates and granddaughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Long and children from Longview.

Loyd Sessums visited his mother, Mrs. Ethel Sessums on Sunday.



JOY

Glad Tidings of Joy to everyone.
Dike & Ruth Skaggs And Marilyn Glover



Noel

Joy To All at Christmas!
Rab, Margie, Britt & Timothy Skidmore



Prairiland Band Plays Christmas Music



LADY PAT Tiffany Morgan (31) tries for a basket against the Rivercrest Rebelettes last Friday night. The Prairiland fens took the game 36-29. Other

Prairiland girls shown are Paula Jackson (14), Kelli Salter (15) and Vickie Coursey (32). (Staff Photo by Diana Eudy)



Greetings

Warm wishes for a fine old-fashioned Christmas!

Walter & Edna Earl Gifford

NOEL

As hope is re-kindled in hearts everywhere, may you and yours enjoy a happy holiday season.

Gordon & Vivian Isbell

Noel

May His birth live ever in the hearts of men.

J. A. And Juanita Sparks

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Beginning Monday, Dec. 27th Through Jan. 1st

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- 10% Off Corrugated Sheet Iron
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- 12 1/2 Ga. 4 Point Domestic Barbed Wire \$33.50
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- Remington Dove And Quail Load \$5.50 Box
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O HOLY NIGHT

May your Christmas be blessed with peace and happiness!

Russell And Dorothy Grant

JOY

Here's hoping that you and your family will have every happiness of the Season.

Pete And Miss Ruth Storey

NOEL

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Bob & Dorcas Read