

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

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Merchants to draw for \$200 again Thursday

The Clarendon Merchants Association continued their 1996 Late Night Shopping last week with member stores downtown staying open til 8 p.m.

Children enjoyed visting with Santa Claus, and Frank Hommel again provided horse-drawn wagon rides to all who wished to join the adventure.

Kelly Rippetoe was the lucky winner of the \$200 gift certificate.

Another \$200 gift certificate, good at any participating merchant, will be given away this Thursday night at 8 p.m. in front of the Burton Memorial Library. You can register at any merchant, and you must be present to win.

In conjunction with the Merchants' Late Night Shopping, the Clarendon-Donley County Chamber



Jonah Sell enjoyed watching the Christmas lights in the window of Eads Furniture with Santa Claus last Thursday.

of Commerce is holding elections for new board members. Chamber members can cast their ballots at Eads Furniture and Appliance this Thursday night.

*For unto you
is born this
day in the
city of
David a
Savior,
who is
Christ the
Lord.*



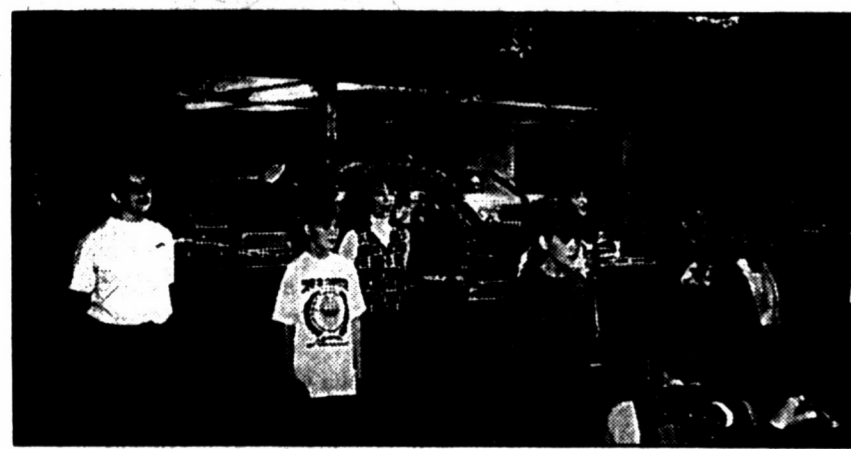
Hedley students hold Christmas programs, sing carols for seniors

The Hedley Elementary School sang songs from their Christmas Program and other Christmas Carols last week at the Hedley Senior Citizens Building. On Monday, Mrs. Betsy Allen and the Kindergarten, Mrs. Shelia Wade and the first grade, and Mrs. Janny Longan and the 2nd grade all sang songs during lunch for the Senior Citizens.

Mrs. Debbie Hill and the third grade and Mrs. Kari Lindsey and the fifth grade sang at lunch for the Senior Citizens on Tuesday. These class also sang for the Hedley Community Bank's Open House that same day.

Wednesday, Mrs. Cheryl Bennett and fourth grade sang during lunch for the Senior Citizens. Each day, after singing the Christmas Carols, the classes had a drawing to give away a Poinsettia as a Christmas gift from the school.

On Thursday evening, the High School presented its annual Christmas Program to a full house at the school. The program was capped off with the faculty performing their rendition of "The Twelve Days of Christmas."



Kari Lindsey and the Hedley fifth grade sang carols at the Hedley Senior Citizens Center last Tuesday.



Debbie Hill and the Hedley third grade sang carols at the Hedley Senior Citizen Center last Tuesday.

Early deadlines set for next two issues

Due to the Christmas and New Year's holidays, deadlines for the *Enterprise* have been temporarily changed to Friday at noon.

Next week's issue will be distributed to newsstands and the post office on Thursday, December 26.

The January 2, 1997, issue will be distributed to newsstands and the post office on Tuesday, December 31, 1996.

We appreciate your cooperation with these early deadlines.

Donley County eligible for disaster loans

Armstrong, Gray, Donley, Wheeler, and Carson counties were declared eligible for Farm Service Agency (formerly Farmers Home Administration) disaster emergency September 3, 1996.

Generally, that means that farmers who have lost at least 30 percent of their production due to the drought, freeze, high winds, freezing temperatures, sleet, and snow which occurred from June 1, 1995, through June 11, 1996, are eligible for emergency loans. Proceeds from crop insurance and the PIK program are taken into account when determining eligibility.

FSA County Supervisor Larry Goetze is urging farmers who are interested in receiving an emergency loan to get their applications into FSA as soon as possible. Goetze said, "We hope farmers will get their applications in early rather than waiting until near the deadline which is June 16, 1996. The longer they wait, the more chance there is for long delays in getting their checks. If the applications come in early, we can avoid backlogs and speed up the process."

The FSA office is at 321 Sully in Clarendon. The telephone number is (806) 874-3552. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



Frank Hommel and a wagon load of children pose for a mom to take a picture. Frank has graciously offered wagon rides up and down main street the last two Thursdays for late night shopping.

Lock in the cost of tomorrow's tuition today with Texas Tomorrow Fund

Ensuring your child's future just got easier with the Texas Tomorrow Fund. A prepaid higher education tuition program, the Texas Tomorrow Fund covers tuition and required fees at any state-supported college or university in Texas including Clarendon College.

According to John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, more than 40,000 contracts were sold during the initial enrollment period. The next enrollment period for the program runs from November 18 through February 18, 1997.

"The Texas Tomorrow Fund will make it easier for tens of thousands of Texas families to pay for their children's college," Sharp said.

By paying into the Texas Tomorrow Fund, parents, grandparents, friends, businesses or anyone else may lock in the price of tuition and required fees for one, two, three or four years of credit hours at any state-supported junior or senior college in the state -

or, if you prefer, get a good jump on the tuition and fees at any private college in Texas. Sending a child to college can be costly, and based on recent trends, the cost of tuition and fees will quadruple by the time a baby born today graduates from high school.

The Texas Tomorrow Fund offers four college plans: 1.) The Junior College Plan pays up to 64 credit hours of tuition and required fees at any public junior or community college in the state. 2.) The Senior College Plan pays up to 128 credit hours of tuition and required fees at any public senior college or university in the state. 3.) The Junior/Senior College Plan also pays a total of 128 credit hours of tuition and required fees. The first 64 credit hours of tuition and required fees are paid to any public junior or community college in the state. Then up to 64 credit hours and required fees are paid to any public senior college or university in the state. 4.) The Private College Plan pays the estimated aver-

age costs of tuition and required fees at the private colleges and universities in Texas (up to 128 hours).

As a state-supported community college, Clarendon College is participating in the Texas Tomorrow Fund. Currently, in-district tuition is \$18 per credit hour while in-state tuition is only \$20 per credit hour. By participating in the program, you can lock in these rates for your future student.

For more information about the Texas Tomorrow Fund, please call 1-800-445-GRAD (4723) or visit their Internet site at: <http://www.window.state.tx.us/>

DPS urges driver safety during holiday season

The Christmas holidays are the most heavily traveled of holidays. Trooper L. B. Snider, public information officer for the Texas Department of Public Safety cautions drivers, "Whether driving around the block or across the state, use best driving skills due to an increase of alcoholic drinks and the ever present possibility of wintry weather."

Trooper Snider encourages drivers to make route decisions before starting out or while stopped for a

break. "Please, do not fumble with maps while driving," emphasizes Snider. When traveling through unfamiliar towns be alert for all traffic signs. While driving, let your eyes scan the road ahead and all about for potential dangers. This will often give use the needed extra time to make a safe response. Snider advises, "While traveling, take frequent breaks. Ten to fifteen minute breaks will work well for most people. If conditions permit, Please see *Safety* on page two.

Day	High	Low	Wind
Mon 9	71°	35°	-
Tue 10	65°	44°	-
Wed 11	78°	48°	-
Thurs 12	73°	37°	-
Fri 13	68°	34°	-
Sat 14	74°	38°	-
Sun 15	80°	31°	-

Total Precipitation For Month 0.26"
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EIGHTEEN YULETIDE PAGES
PACKED INTO TWO SECTIONS!

*Santa Letters
Inside This
Week's Second
Section.*

CHS JV Lady Broncos beat Silverton

Catherine Chamberlain scored a team-high 11 points in Clarendon's junior varsity game Dec. 10 against Silverton in Briscoe County as the Lady Broncos eased to a 39-22 win.

Chamberlain started off her scoring rampage in the first quarter putting in six points while Jill Hicks added four, and Clarendon led 14-5 at the end of the first period.

Tonya Wilson added three field goals in the second period as the Lady Broncos outscored Silverton, 12-4, in the second period.

Clarendon led 26-9 at intermission but went cold in the third period as Lindsay Green scored Clarendon's only basket. The Lady Bronco defense held Silverton to eight, and Clarendon led 28-17 before the final period.

The Lady Broncos were led by Chamberlain's 11 points in the final period as Clarendon outscored Silverton, 11-5.

Scoring for the Lady Broncos were Chamberlain, 11; Hicks, 6; Wil-

son, 6; Kala Holland, 4; Green, 4; Niki Carter, 4; Stephanie Smith, 2; and Jariah Mondragon, 2.

Nine Lady Broncos scored in Clarendon's 46-23 win over White Deer Saturday in the opening round of the Clarendon Junior Varsity Tournament.

Clarendon led 16-3 at the end of the first quarter and never looked back as Santos and Carter each drilled three-pointers.

The Lady Bucks rebounded in the second quarter keeping even with Clarendon's 11 points, but the Lady Broncos still led 27-14 after two quarters of play.

Wilson scored two field goals and a free throw while Hicks hit the first of her two three-pointers in the third period for a 14-point third quarter effort.

Hicks hit another three in the fourth quarter, and Mondragon hit a field goal to close out the game.

Scoring for the Lady Broncos

were Carter, 9; Santos, 9; Hicks, 6; Wilson, 6; Green, 6; Chamberlain, 4; Paula Jackson, 2; Smith, 2; and Green, 2.

The morning match-up with White Deer pitted Clarendon against District 2-2A rival Panhandle in a game that went down to the wire.

Carter led all scorers in the first period with four points as Panhandle led 14-9. Wilson and Green had two field goals, and Santos hit one from the free throw line.

Carter had the hot hand again in the second quarter with three field goals as Panhandle outscored Clarendon 13-12 in the second quarter, and the Lady Panthers led 27-21 at halftime.

Panhandle built up its lead to 39-30 at the end of three quarters as Chamberlain put in four of her game-high 16 points. Wilson had two field goals and a free throw for a nine-point effort for the Lady Broncos.

Chamberlain put in three field goals and was 6-for-6 from the charity stripe in the final period. Carter was 2-for-2 while Stephanie Smith knocked in a field goal. Santos and Jackson were 1-for-2 from the charity stripe for an 18-point quarter as Panhandle won, 59-48.

Scoring for the Lady Broncos were Chamberlain, 16; Carter, 12; Wilson, 7; Santos, 4; Green, 4; Smith, 4; and Jackson, 1.

The Lady Broncos meet Lockney Thursday, Dec. 19, at 2 p.m. in the Clarendon gym before taking off for the holidays. After Christmas, the JV girls will be back in action at 10 a.m. on Dec. 27 for a match up with Sanford-Fritch in the Clarendon College Gym.

Colt stories next week

Due to the constraints of space this week we were unable to print the results of the junior high ball games. Those stories will be printed next week. We apologize for the inconvenience.

Safety:

Continued from page one. you may opt to get out of your vehicle, walk, stretch, have a cup of coffee or a soft drink for stimulation. If possible, change drivers."

Trooper Suider advises that last year Texas experienced 19 deaths during a 78 hour period. With a shorter time period this year of 48 hours, we are concerned that too many people will try to plan too much travel in the shorter time thus increasing the likelihood of a traffic mishap. Snider continues, "Of the 15 vehicle occupant deaths with safety belts available, only two were using them, and the two were in high impact collisions."

Remember, obey all traffic signs and laws, allow plenty of travel time, buckle up, be alert, and please, don't drink and drive.

Your state troopers wish all a safe and enjoyable holiday.

Off Campus

"A Mauling at the Mall"

By Scott Elliott

Clang. Clang. Clang.

In the distance a Salvation Army bell pierced the suddenly cool air. It was late Saturday afternoon, and a north wind was about to reintroduce winter to an uncommonly balmy Texas Panhandle.

It was a day of great anticipation for Claudia and me, as we trekked to Amarillo to pick up our daughter, Stacie, at the international airport. We were all excited about having our little girl home for Christmas.

With a couple of hours to burn, we had stopped by the mall. Big mistake. I've seen mad fire ants with a greater sense of organization than mall shoppers at Christmas.

In such a frenzied environment - people bumping into one another from all sides - perhaps it should have been expected that tempers would flare.

I dropped Claudia off in front of one of the main stores, then started to circle the lot in vulture-like fashion, desperately trying to locate a parking space, any parking space. As I turned one corner, I spied a young man face down on the pavement, motionless.

My first instinct was, "There's some kid playing a childish prank."

But it was no prank. That became apparent as I slowed my car and spotted a pool of blood next to the youngster's head.

"Oh, my Lord," I prayed to myself, grinding the car to a halt. That caused the driver behind me to honk his horn impatiently. His message was resounding - get the heck out of my way so I can park, dummy!

So, I was instantly torn between jumping out of my car and trying to render assistance to the fallen youngster or first parking to appease the fine fellow in my rearview mirror. I made a stupid decision, opting for the latter.

As I stepped on the gas, I continued to observe the scene, person after person passing by the youngster as he lay bleeding. They stared, shook their heads, and continued on their way, packages in hand. Six or seven such would-be Samaritans walked right past the boy.

Guilt pains welled in me as I finally spotted an empty space some yards ahead. I jammed the car in park, fanned open the door, and sped up the parking lot to where the boy lay stricken.

By that time two folks had stopped to help him. One man was trying to turn the boy over and held the victim's head in his hand. Knowing nothing about emergency medical care, I nevertheless wondered about the wisdom of moving the boy at all.

"Has anybody called an ambulance?" I asked, huffing and puffing from sprinting through the lot. "I've got a phone in my car."

"Yes," one of the men answered. "A clerk just came out of the store and said she'd call."

"What happened?" I asked, still breathing hard.

"I don't know," one man said. "It looks like somebody beat him up."

Meanwhile, the boy remained unconscious. The man holding his head continued to try to revive him by talking to him, as if he was trying to awaken the boy. I thought I

heard a faint moan, but I wasn't sure.

The boy, who might have been 16 or so, looked like he'd been hit by a freight train. His facial features were already grossly distorted from the swelling, so much that his head looked like a pumpkin. He had multiple lacerations and suffered the loss of a lot of blood. He wore only tennis shoes, blue jeans, and a white T-shirt, torn to shreds - an obvious product of the melee.

Minutes that seemed like hours later, police cars and an ambulance arrived. The young man was transported to an area hospital. By that time dozens of people had encircled the area to gawk.

I happened upon a clerk, who had surfaced from the nearby store, and asked if he knew what had occurred.

"Yeah," the clerk countered. "One of girls in the store saw the whole thing out the window. I think she was the one who called the ambulance. She said the kid was jumped by two other guys, and they just beat the — out of him. Kicking him and everything. She said it was awful."

"I can't believe it," I stammered. "Right in front of the store in broad daylight during the Christmas season. How could something like this happen?"

"You put this many people together in a confined space, and things like this are bound to happen," he opined. "People scrambling around frustrated, trying to find parking spaces. It doesn't surprise me at all. You just can't control this kind of crowd."

Certainly, the incident caused me to ponder human behavior, but crowd control wasn't exactly my focus. I just couldn't stop thinking about those folks who passed by the boy when he was in obvious need of help. Heck, he might have been hit by a car turning the corner before somebody got to him.

I could not help but ask myself, rhetorically, "Just how far have we fallen as a society when a kid can be lying unconscious on a cold parking lot with blood pouring out of his mouth and skull, and people walk right past him, not wanting to get involved?"

And how about the man behind me who became so upset, honking his dad gummed horn, when I attempted to stop my car to render assistance? Worst of all, how about me - not stopping my car, being more concerned with not incurring the wrath of the driver behind me than helping the boy?

All of it seemed a sad, sad commentary, and it dashed my Christmas spirit for a while. But within a hour I was greeting Stacie as she deboarded her plane. I gave her a big hug and told her how happy I was to have her with us for Christmas.

Still, I couldn't help but wonder about the young man. Did his parents know he was hurt by now? How would they react when they were told? What kind of Christmas would that family have? What kind of Christmas will any of us have 25 years from now if life continues to be devalued such as what was evidenced in that parking lot?

I had no answers. Only questions. Only questions.

Dr. Scott Elliott is the President of Clarendon College.

Now about those stop signs...

At the November 12, 1996, city meeting, the board heard from one concerned citizen about traffic at the intersections of Fourth and Jefferson and of Fifth and Jefferson (that's the southwest corner of the Courthouse Square and the location of the Methodist Church). The board's solution (as moved by Alderman Kyle Hill and seconded by Alderman Delmar Wiggs) was to erect four-way stop signs at both intersections.

Bad move.

Fourth Street from Koogle Street to Kearney Street has long been a through avenue for traffic. It stops for Koogle (a state farm-to-market road) and for Kearney (Clarendon's main street) for obvious reasons. There appears to be no need to stop Fourth Street traffic for Jefferson.

People traveling east on Fourth have only one goal in mind typically - the post office. And God help you if you get in their way. Long time residents (including yours truly) and new comers alike have been running through these signs like they aren't even there - partly because they don't realize the signs are there.

Four-way stops always seem to confuse some hapless drivers, and throwing up a stop sign where none has ever been before on a through street creates a dangerous situation also.

At most the yield signs on Jefferson at Fourth should have been made stop signs. Likewise for the yield signs on Fifth at Jefferson. But four-way stops at both? Ridiculous.

At the December 10 city meeting, Judy Morris presented the board with a petition to change the four-way stop at Fifth and Jefferson and to remove the stop signs on Fourth at Jefferson. The petition had about 141 signatures at that time.

Alderman Barker moved to remove the signs on Fourth Street. His motion died for lack of a second.

A person would think that if one citizen could get the city to put up the signs, then surely 141 citizens could get them taken down.

Instead, Alderman Wiggs moved, with second by Alderman Hill, to "table this matter until further investigating can be done" according to the city minutes.

Well, that's just great. Why don't we assign this thing to a committee? Perhaps "investigating" is what should have been done before the board acted to put up the new traffic signs.

In the mean time, Morris' petition drive continues. As the Enterprise was being put to bed this week, the count of names on the petition was up to an estimated 191. It will continue to grow, no doubt, and will be presented to the city again at next month's meeting.

Until then, my hat is off to Shawn Barker for making his motion. It's a shame no other alderman would give him a second.

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JV Broncos lose to Silverton

Clarendon's junior varsity Broncos trailed by two at halftime against Silverton Dec. 10 in the Owl gym but then were outscored 16-6 to fall 50-34 to the Owls.

Silverton ran to a 9-4 first quarter lead. Clarendon's Khalil Abdullah hit a trey, and Chris Linquist was 1-for-2 from the free throw line.

Clarendon outscored Silverton 15-12 in the second quarter as Linquist and Brandon Word scored two field goals apiece. Keith Kidd, Carey Thornberry, and Aaron Jeffers all scored buckets while Chris Bruce hit a free throw.

The Broncos went cold in the third quarter as Kidd, Linquist and Abdullah put the only points on the board, and Silverton rattled off 16 points for a 37-25 lead.

The Owls continued their scoring attack in the fourth quarter with 13 points, holding Clarendon to nine. Kidd, Thornberry, Linquist, Bruce, and Word all scored points for the Broncos.

Scoring for the Broncos were Linquist, 8; Kidd, 6; Word, 6; Abdullah, 5; Thornberry, 4; Bruce, 3; and Jeffers, 2. Bruce scored a team-high nine points in Saturday's opening round against White Deer as the Broncos fell short, 44-28.

Kidd hit a three-pointer in the opening period while Bruce and Word added a field goal to fall behind, 14-7.

Clarendon kept even with White Deer in the second period as Kidd hit two shots and Abdullah scored a field goal and a free throw. Bruce hit a bucket before half as Clarendon entered the locker room behind, 23-16.

Linquist went 2-for-2 from the free throw line in the third period for Clarendon's only points, but the Bronco defense held White Deer to five points.

White Deer scored a quarter-high 16

points, and Clarendon scored 10 in the final period. Bruce hit a trey and was 2-for-2 from the charity stripe. Thornberry hit a free throw and a field goal while Jeffers and Kidd each hit a free throw.

Scoring for the Broncos were Bruce, 9; Kidd, 8; Abdullah, 3; Thornberry, 3; Word, 2; Linquist, 2; and Jeffers, 1.

Clarendon led after three quarters in their consolation game Saturday against Wellington, but the Skyrockets outscored Clarendon, 22-11, in the final period for a 50-44 Wellington win.

The Skyrockets jumped to a 17-4 first quarter lead, but Clarendon rebounded in the second quarter with 17 points, holding Wellington to six.

Bruce led all scorers with a trey, a field goal, and going 6-for-7 from the free throw line. Word was 3-for-4 from the charity stripe while Abdullah and Kidd each hit a field goal.

Clarendon seized the lead at the end of three quarters behind a balanced 12-point scoring attack by five Broncos and holding Wellington to five points.

The Skyrockets snapped back, outdistancing Clarendon 22-11.

Scoring for the Broncos were Bruce, 19; Word, 8; Abdullah, 6; Thornberry, 6; and Kidd, 5.

Lockney's junior varsity travels to Clarendon for a 3 p.m. tip-off.

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Williams receives community service award at WTAMU

Dr. Donald Williams, associate professor of agriculture business and economics at West Texas A&M University, has been selected as the November recipient of the President's Community Service Award.



Williams

Williams' volunteer efforts are divided between two groups that many consider polar opposites—the First United Methodist Church in Clarendon and the William P. Clements, Jr., Unit in Amarillo.

"I love working with my Sunday school kids," Williams said, "and I would like to spend more time with them."

"On the other hand, our ministry with the residents of the Clements Unit is very rewarding. It's an opportunity to give God to people who have never heard the word mentioned."

Williams participates in Kairos (KIE roce), a prison ministry program, that involves a team of volunteers, 48 inmates and a 72-hour concentrated meeting followed by monthly meetings for a year. A veteran of three such programs at the Clements Unit, Williams will serve as observing rector at the first Kairos planned for residents of the Jordan Unit in Pampa. He will then serve as rector for the unit's second program in August.

A member of the Golden Spread Emmaus Community, Williams chairs his church's administrative board and serves as lay speaker and junior high Sunday school teacher.

He was just as involved in the Canyon community prior to his 1987 marriage to the former Katherine Green and subsequent move to Clarendon. The family now consists of Katherine's three children, David, 20; Clint, 18; and Lindsay, 16; and Williams' four sons, Mark, 25; Brad, 23; Phillip, 20; and Kent, 17. Don will confer baccalaureate degrees upon eldest sons Mark and Brad, an honor afforded WTAMU faculty, at the University's Dec. 12 commencement.

A 1966 graduate of White Deer High School, Williams received his baccalaureate degree in agriculture from WT in 1966 and master's and doctoral degrees in agricultural economics from the University of Tennessee in 1972 and 1975, respectively. He returned to his undergraduate alma mater while completing doctoral studies and joined the WT faculty in 1973.

The President's Community Service Award was established by University President Russell C. Long in September of this year to recognize the good-faith community efforts of WTAMU students, faculty and staff; offices and departments/divisions; and chartered/registered organizations. Bill Craddock, director of recreational sports, and Bill Pulliam, director of budgets, payroll and reporting and assistant to the vice president for business and finance, were honored for their volunteer efforts in September and October, respectively.

For more information or to request a nomination form, call (806) 656-2121.

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Donley County Senior Citizens News

On Thursday, December 12, the staff of the Donley County Citizens Center hosted a Christmas party honoring their board of directors and volunteers to show their appreciation for all they do for the Senior Citizens Center. Forty-three people attended.

The evening was opened with prayer by Bill Hodges. Anna Gay Ceniceros won a holiday swag donated by Joan Kidd. Nelson Christie and Hazel Campbell won gift certificates donated by Clarendon's Dairy Queen.

Everyone participated in a gift exchange and bingo. Tim Wortham did a great job calling bingo! Wanda Beddingfield won the black out bingo game. Wanda's prize was a gift certificate donated by Ford's Country Kitchen. The staff was surprised when Onita Thomas and Bill Hodges presented them with a gift of cash from the Center members!

Everyone at the Donley County Senior Citizens wants to welcome their newest home delivery volunteer, Harold Wright.

The Senior Citizens Center will be having a New Year's Eve Supper and bingo at the Senior Citizens Center on Tuesday, December 31, at 6 p.m. Cost is \$3.50. They will be serving New Year's Eve soup with ham, cornbread, fruit

cobbler, and tea or coffee. Take out for the meal will be available. Transportation will be available for Seniors. They will have free bingo and prizes!

Lee Tyler won the gift certificate donated by Greenbelt Cleaners.

There will not be a regular birthday/anniversary supper for December due to the Christmas holidays. The January birthday/anniversary supper will honor both the December and January birthdays and anniversaries. The January supper will

be on Tuesday, January 28.

Reminders:
Monday, Dec. 23, Line Dance Practice, 6-7 p.m. Dance Club, 7-9 p.m.
Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 25 and Dec. 26, the Senior Citizens Center will be closed for the holiday. They will be open Friday, Dec. 27.

Tuesday, Dec. 31, New Year's Eve Supper and Bingo, 6 p.m. Cost \$3.50. Transportation available for Seniors. Call 874-2665 for more information.



Billie Shaffer won the beautiful Gibson Girl Bride Doll made by Onita Thomas. The doll was donated by Onita to use as a fund raiser for the Donley Co. Sr. Citizens.



Olace and Madelyn Hicks celebrated a November anniversary, and Ruth Mills, Vada Morrison, and Marie Hill celebrated November birthdays at the Donley Co. Sr. Citizens' Birthday/Anniversary Supper on Nov. 26.

Monroe inducted in Alpha Chi at WTAMU

West Texas A&M University's Texas Zeta Chapter of Alpha Chi National Honor Society inducted 97 students in a ceremony November 17.

Dana L. Monroe of Hedley was one of those 97 inducted into the honor society. Dana is a senior kinesiology major.

Membership to Alpha Chi is by invitation only and is limited to juniors and seniors with an overall grade point average of 3.5 or higher and who rank in the top 10 percent of their class. The purpose of Alpha Chi is to recognize students who have maintained a high level of scholarship, according to Dr. Duane Rosa, Alpha Chi faculty sponsor.

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Obituaries

Clint Harrison Hinton
Graveside services for Clint Harrison Hinton, age 17, were held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 12, 1996, in Rowe Cemetery in Hedley with Rev. Bruce Howard, Pastor of the First Baptist Church in Hedley, officiating. Interment was in Rowe Cemetery with arrangements under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc. of Clarendon.

Clint died at 3:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 10, 1996, in the University Medical Center in Lubbock following a lengthy illness. He was born December 9, 1979, in Pampa, Gray County, Texas, and had been a resident of the Lubbock State School for the past several years.

Survivors include his mother, Wanda Jo Hinton of Hedley; his father, Richard Keith Hinton of Claude; one sister, Renee Lindsey of Vega; two brothers, Tony Hinton of Hedley, Jody Hinton of Hedley; his maternal grandparents, James and Edith White of Hedley; and several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Oma Lee Welch
Funeral services for Mrs. Oma Lee Welch, age 73, were held at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, December 14, 1996, in the First Baptist Church with Rev. Truman Ledbetter, Pastor, officiating. Interment was in Citizens Cemetery with arrangements under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc.

Mrs. Welch died at 2:30 a.m. on Thursday, December 12, 1996, in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo following a lengthy illness. She married Eugene "Gene" Welch on December 14, 1939, at Las Cruces, New Mexico. He preceded her in death on May 29, 1993. She was a clerk at Parker-Perkins Variety Store for several years and was the food service supervisor at Medical Center nursing Home for 16 years before her retirement. She was a certified food service supervisor and was a member of the state and national Dietary Management Association having served as president of both for 6 years. She taught in the Train The Trainer program and had authored several papers on modified diets, focusing on diabetic diets and exchanges. She was a member of the Clarendon Rebekah Lodge and of the First Baptist Church where she had taught Sunday School at many levels and was active in the WMU and other church organizations.

She was preceded in death by two sons, Lester Welch in 1963, Gerald Welch in 1989; by a son-in-law, Emit Sommerfield in 1991; two sisters, Francis and Hazel; and one brother, F.C. Husley.

Survivors include five daughters, Jeannie Formway of Clarendon, Rosalie

Sommerfield of Canyon, Shirley Ann Burton of Spearman, Linda Welch of Wichita Falls, Tonie L. Welch of San Angelo; nine grandchildren, Dave and Kim Sims of Clarendon, Debbie and Donna Sommerfield of Canyon, Beverly Burton of Amarillo, Carla and Carrie Burton of Spearman, Jerry Alan and Leslie Welch of San Angelo; and one great grandchild, Charity Elisa Burton of Spearman.

Casket bearers were Wayne Reynolds, Steve Reynolds, Tommy Hill, Jerry Hawkins, Jerry Green, Buster Gray, Ralph Hill, Ronnie Hill, and Ernie Johnston. Honorary bearers were Dakota Hill, Jordan Thorton, Jake Thorton, Phillip Vargas, and Greg Collins.

The family requests that memorials be to Crown of Texas Hospice in Ama-

rillo or to the American Heart Association.

Cornelia Adair Frazier
Funeral services for Cornelia Adair "Sis" Frazier, age 81, were held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 18, 1996, in Robertson Chapel of Memories with Rev. Truman Ledbetter, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Interment was in Citizens Cemetery with arrangements under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc.

Mrs. Frazier died at 8:05 p.m. on Saturday, December 14, 1996, in Baptist/St. Anthony's Hospital West in Amarillo. She was born December 15, 1914, in Clarendon and was a resident of Claude before moving to Amarillo in 1965. She had been employed by the Amarillo Air

Base and then at the VA Medical Center in Amarillo before her retirement in 1980.

She was preceded in death by a son, Roy Thompson in 1979 and a grandson, Tony Thompson in 1985.

Survivors include one son, Ray Thompson of Lake Roberts, New Mexico; two sister, Mable Tunnell of Pampa, Nell Statton of Lefors; 7 grandchildren, and 11 great grandchildren.

Casket bearers were Jerry Floyd, Billy Joe McFall, Ron DeShazo, Brad Thompson, Bill Moore, and Rod Stone.

The family requests that memorials be to a favorite charity.

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Homemakers Club holds Christmas Party

The Extension Homemakers Club met Wednesday Dec. 4th at the Country Club for the annual Christmas luncheon and Christmas Ornament Exchange.

There were eight members present and Jeanene Sinclair, now the Carson Co. Extension agent. Those present were Carolyn Blackerby, Betty Hester, Pearl Hermesmyer, Maxine Hardin, Anita Mooring, Mary Jane Smith, Lee Tyler, and Betty Jean Williams.

The roll call was answered with what was most wanted for Christmas. Most wanted health and safety for their family members.

Betty Hester gave a devotional on "Ten Rules for Happy Living" and an explanation of hugging. She also gave a report on the district meeting held recently in Amarillo.

Clarendon & Hedley Menus

Donley County Senior Citizens
Dec. 23-27

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Wed: Closed
Thur: Closed
Fri: Catfish, mini baked potato, coleslaw, tropical apples, bread, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Hedley Senior Citizens
Dec. 23-17

Mon: Beef stew with peas, carrots, tomatoes, potatoes, onions, celery, macaroni salad, sliced peaches, corn muffin, milk, tea, coffee
Tues: Closed
Wed: Closed
Thur: Steak and gravy, tater tots, German cabbage, fruit salad, butterscotch pudding, corn muffin, milk, tea, coffee
Fri: Mexican casserole, Spanish rice, tossed salad, cherry cobbler, chips, milk, tea, coffee

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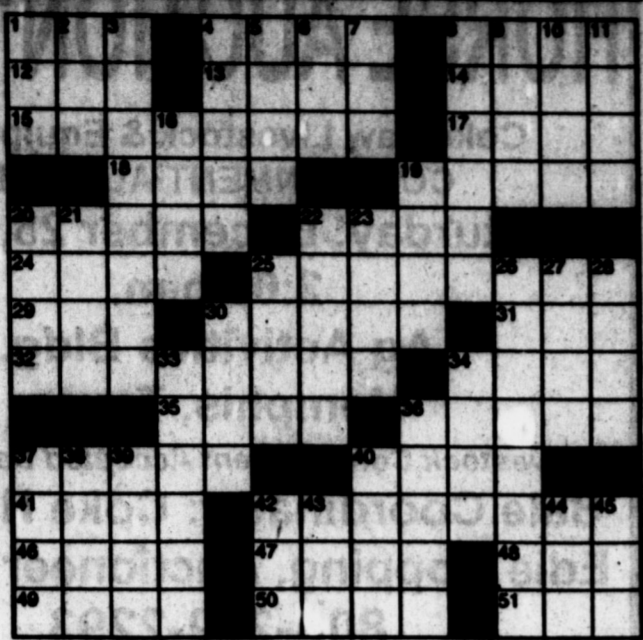
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The Lions Tale

by Gene Alderson

The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular meeting at noon on Tuesday, December 10, 1996, at the Lions Hall. Twelve members and pianist Clayton Ferris enjoyed a very delicious meal before the meeting was called to order by Lion Todd Knorpp.

Following the regular opening ceremony, Lion Knorpp presented Lion Allen Estlack with a Five Member Key from Lions International. This was to recognize Lion Estlack for sponsoring five new members who remained members of the club for at least one year. Congratulations Lion Estlack.

Other business was discussed and the meeting was adjourned.

The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular meeting at noon on Tuesday, December 17, 1996, at the Lions Hall. Seventeen members, one guest, and pianist Clayton Ferris enjoyed a very delicious Christmas dinner prepared by Don and Mary Berrig with Creative Catering.

The meeting was called to order by Boss Lion Todd Knorpp and the regular opening ceremony was observed.

The club made additional plans for the food baskets to be distributed to needy

families around Christmas. A letter was read from one of the girls at Girls Town thanking the club for participating in the fund raiser for their annual shopping spree. Several letters from other girls thanking the club were available for members to read.

An application for assistance from a student who had broken her glasses was approved. The club will not meet on Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, Dec. 31. Meeting adjourned.



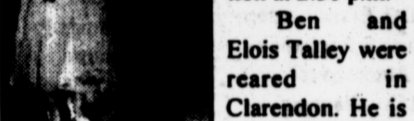
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Talleys in 1946
 parents were Otto and Cora Elliott.

The couple was married December 21, 1946, at Lakeview, Texas, following Ben's discharge from First Cavalry in November after serving in the Philippines and Japan. They were married by the Methodist pastor who also taught school with Elois at Lakeview Schools.

Both Ben and Elois are retirees from Lovington Public Schools where Ben was maintenance supervisor and Elois a schoolteacher for twenty-five years.

They are parents of four children - Ben Talley, Athens, Texas; Frances Rutledge, Northport, Alabama; (Twins)

Howardwick City Council met Dec. 10

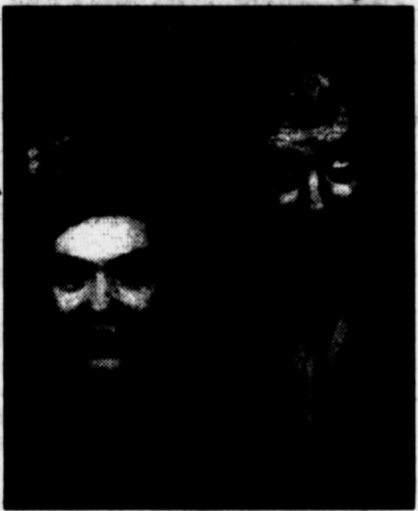
The Howardwick City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, Dec. 10, 1996, at 7 p.m. in Howardwick City Hall.

Minutes of the Nov. 12 meeting were read and approved.

The council approved the Donley Appraisal District Contract.

The 1995-1996 audit for the city by Gordon Maddox was presented and approved.

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Broncos win Lockney Tournament

Junior post Brent Gaines nailed a 10-footer with two ticks remaining on the clock to lift Clarendon past host-team Lockney, 68-66, Friday in the Lockney tournament to set up a championship game with Lorenzo.

Clarendon won the nail-biter championship game Saturday, 78-76, against the Class 1A powerhouse - a team that had previously beaten the Broncos by 11.

Clarendon, who shot 48 percent from the field was led by tournament MVP Roy Williams' 26 points.

Dean Stanzione's trey midway through the fourth quarter sparked Clarendon as did Gaines and Stanzione's key rebounds. Stanzione grabbed 12 boards in the contest as did Williams.

Clarendon was tied at 66 when Lockney inbounded the ball with :19 left. The Longhorns stalled until the :07 mark and began penetrating. That's when junior Kareem Abdullah, in only his second game of the season, intercepted the pass, dribbled to midcourt, and passed to Gaines.

Gaines, who did not play the second and third quarters after being slammed to the floor in the first period took two dribbles around three defenders and calmly sank the basket.

After reviewing the game tape, Clarendon actually won the contest by a margin of 71-66. But Avery said even though the mix-up in scores during the game was questioned at the time that it wasn't important in retrospect.

Scoring for the Broncos were Williams, 26; Stanzione, 14; Gaines, 12; Abdullah, 10; Nathan Sears, 5; Scotty Elliott, 2; and Jason Archuleta, 2.

Clarendon's championship game with Lorenzo Saturday was a case of deja vu as the Hornets stole an inbounds pass in the waning seconds and got off several shots before Archuleta came down with the rebound as time ran out.

After the hard-pressing run-and-gun Hornets led 20-15 after the first quarter, Clarendon regrouped and outscored Lorenzo 21-18 in the second period and trailed 38-36 at halftime after Elliott nailed a 25-footer at the buzzer.

Gaines carried the Broncos in the third quarter as he rattled off nine field goals. Abdullah added a trey and Williams hit a basket as Clarendon outscored the Hornets 23-19 to give the Broncos a 59-57 advantage entering the final period.

Free throws were the difference in the final period as Clarendon went 11-for-14

from the charity stripe. Williams and Elliott hit treys and Gaines chipped in a field goal as Clarendon scored 19 to Lorenzo's 19.

But Lorenzo would not play dead. The Hornets drilled two 3-pointers in the closing minutes to get within two and stole the inbounds pass with time running out on the clock.

They got off several shots, but Archuleta grabbed the final rebound ending the game.

Scoring for the Broncos were Gaines, 25; Williams, 20; Abdullah, 11; Stanzione, 10; Elliott, 8; Archuleta, 2; and Sears, 2.

Stanzione scored his first triple double - 15 points, 12 rebounds and 10 assists - Dec. 12 in the opening round of the tournament as Clarendon edged Silverton, 53-42.

The Broncos trailed 23-20 at halftime behind Williams' three-pointer and four field goals, while Stanzione hit two treys.

Stanzione hit two treys, while Gaines put in three field goals and hit two free throws as the Broncos put in 20 points and held Silverton to 10 in the close contest.

Scoring for the Broncos were Williams, 19; Stanzione, 15; Gaines, 10; Elliott, 5; Archuleta, 2; and Sears, 2.

The Broncos second round game with

Hart Friday morning also was a struggle as Clarendon trailed 23-22 at halftime.

The third quarter was the decisive one as the Broncos held Hart scoreless, rattling off 17 points. Sophomore Derek Shields hit two treys, while Williams hit a three-pointer and two field goals in the effort.

Five Broncos scored in the final period putting 22 points on the board as Hart got out of its slump, outscoring Clarendon by one point. Clarendon won, 61-46.

Scoring for the Broncos were Williams, 26; Gaines, 12; Shields, 6; Stanzione, 6; Elliott, 5; Abdullah, 4; and Scott Bivens, 2.

The Broncos shot 49 percent from the field including eight 3-pointers to sweep past Silverton, 80-62, Dec. 10 in the Owl gym.

Clarendon's offense kicked into high gear in the first period running to a 23-7 first quarter lead behind Williams' 11 points, which included a trey and going 4-for-4 from the charity stripe.

The Bronco defense stifled the Owls in the second half as Clarendon led 42-21 at intermission.

Stanzione grabbed 13 boards and hit a three-pointer and two field goals to pace Clarendon. Archuleta and Williams

connected on three field goals apiece.

Silverton matched Clarendon point-for-point in the third quarter, scoring 18 to Clarendon's 18. Williams and Stanzione continued their rain of three-pointers in the third period.

Silverton racked up 23 points to Clarendon's 20 in the fourth quarter. Williams hit two more three-pointers and a field goal while most of Clarendon's points came from the free throw line.

Stanzione almost scored a triple double, scoring 23 points, 13 rebounds and nine assists. He also had three steals.

Scoring for the Broncos were Williams, 32; Stanzione, 23; Archuleta, 8; Gaines, 8; Elliott, 5; Sears, 2; and Bivens, 2.

Clarendon hosts Lockney Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Clarendon tips off at 8 p.m. Dec. 26 with Amarillo River Road in the Salt Fork Classic. Clarendon College will host the eight-team tourney Dec. 26-28. Games begin at 2 p.m. and are scheduled for 4 p.m., 6 p.m. and 8 p.m.

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Les Beaux Art Club met recently

Les Beaux Art Club met Friday, Dec. 6, 1996, for their Annual Christmas Ornament Exchange. Hostesses for the event, held in the Methodist Fellowship Hall, were Frances Deyhle, Ruth Hancock, Maxine Hardin and Kathy Fowler. A delicious luncheon was prepared and served by Creative Catering.

Following the meal Kerry Gandy entertained at the electronic keyboard with a medley of Christmas songs. Kerry sang a very meaningful composition of her own, "Why We Have Christmas."

Members present were: Ruth Robinson, Dorothy White, Marjorie Benson, Zell SoRelle, Virginia Christie, Alice Cobb, Briss Mann, Buffie Smith, Bobbie Thornberry, Pat Thornberry, Tookie Thornberry, Lea Tyler, Frances Deyhle, Ruth Hancock and Maxine Hardin.

The first meeting of 1997 will be in January 3 with "The Bells" of the United Methodist Church presenting the program.

Driver safety course to be offered at CC

A Driver Safety Course will be held in Clarendon on Saturday, January 18, 1997.

The course will meet from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the CC Administration Building, room 103. Cost of the course is \$25.

Upon completion of this course, participants will be eligible for a 10 percent discount on their liability insurance for three years and dismissal of a traffic violation. All dismissals of traffic violations must be approved by the appropriate Justice of the Peace.

This course is offered by Clarendon College and USA Training Company, Inc. For more information, please contact Clarendon College at (806) 874-3571.

Assembly of God presents program

This Sunday evening at 6:00 P.M., First Assembly of God Church here in Clarendon will present the Christmas play entitled "This Christmas." This original musical play was written by Robert and Kaylene Burns and will feature the Youth of the church playing the most prominent roles. Pastor Burns said, "This play has a strong message of hope for anyone who is hurting this Christmas." The public is invited, and gift bags containing fruit, nuts, and candy will be given to all the children who are present.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

Let the glad message of the holy season ring out this Holy Night. Our very best wishes for a Merry Christmas to all!

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Offices will be closed December 25, 26, 27 and January 1

Lady Broncos finish first at Lockney

The Clarendon Lady Broncos outscored Silverton 13-7 in the third quarter of Saturday's championship game of the Lockney tournament and never looked back en route to a first place finish in the three-day four-game tournament.

Clarendon had lost to the Lady Owls Dec. 10 in a regular season game, and revenge was on their minds, head coach Steve Schmidt said.

Silverton held onto a 7-3 first quarter lead and led through most of the second quarter. Mandy Weatheron hit a 3-pointer, and tournament MVP Kasi Ashcraft had four field goals to give Clarendon a 19-17 halftime lead.

The Lady Broncos led 32-24 after three quarters and ran away with a 48-33 win. Clarendon held Silverton's star Laci Brunson (avg. 20 ppg.) to six points in the contest.

Scoring for the Lady Broncos were Ashcraft, 13; Stephanie Floyd, 9; Kim Alexander, 8; Wilson, 6; Weatheron, 3;

Campbell, 3; Lindsey Eads, 3; and Jenny Roberts, 3.

Clarendon opened up the Lockney tournament Dec. 12 with a 71-26 pasting of Lorenzo.

All-tournament team selection Campbell hit a career-high 26 points in the effort.

Clarendon led 14-6 after one quarter and increased the lead to 35-15 by halftime behind a combined 27 points by Campbell and Corey Knorpp, another all-tournament selection.

The Lady Broncos outscored Lorenzo 36-11 the second half.

Scoring for the Lady Broncos were Campbell, 26; Knorpp, 15; Floyd, 8; Eads, 6; Ashcraft, 6; Wilson, 5; Alexander, 4; and Hearn, 1.

Class 2A Hart was one of two remaining teams standing in the way of the Lady Broncos meeting with Silverton in the championship game, and Clarendon put them away in the fourth quarter with a

21-point effort and a 63-44 trouncing.

Campbell hit a trey early while Ashcraft hit four field goals and a free throw in the first quarter for a 14-11 lead.

Ashcraft duplicated her first quarter effort with nine points while Campbell hit another 3-pointer, and Clarendon led 30-26 at halftime.

Clarendon's defense held Hart to eight points in the third quarter while putting in 12 points.

Scoring for the Lady Broncos were Ashcraft, 23; Floyd, 11; Campbell, 11; Hearn, 5; Alexander, 4; Eads, 3; Wilson, 3; Knorpp, 2; and Laura Finch, 1.

Clarendon took advantage of Lockney missing its starting point guard and jumped on the Lady Longhorns early Friday night, taking a 22-10 first quarter lead.

They increased the halftime lead to 38-16 and 64-27 by the end of three quarters.

Scoring for the Lady Broncos were Ashcraft, 16; Knorpp, 14; Alexander, 8; Eads, 7; Hearn, 6; Weatheron, 5; Wilson, 5; Floyd, 4; Campbell, 4; and Finch, 2.

Clarendon's only loss of the week

came at the hands of Silverton, 53-49, Dec. 10, in the Lady Owl gym.

Ashcraft led all scorers in the first quarter with two field goals and going 2-for-2 from the free throw line. Knorpp hit a trey, and Floyd connected on a basket.

Silverton got the hot hand in the second quarter, outscoring Clarendon 16-11. Five Lady Broncos scored before halftime.

The junior Eads sparked Clarendon in the third quarter and early in the fourth by scoring a trey and grabbing some key rebounds. "That was a huge plus and kept us close," Schmidt said.

Clarendon took the lead after three quarters with a 34-32 advantage.

Silverton outscored Clarendon 21-15 in the fourth quarter. Ashcraft, Eads and Alexander each scored two field goals in the game that went down to the wire.

Scoring for Clarendon were Ashcraft, 16; Eads, 10; Knorpp, 7; Floyd, 6; Alexander, 5; and Campbell, 5.

Clarendon meets Lockney this Friday at 5 p.m. in the Bronco gym. They will then play Sanford-Fritch at noon on Dec. 27 in the Clarendon College Gym.



Kelly Rippetoe receives the \$200 merchants' gift certificate from Terry Askew.

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Check It Out

By Mary Beth Nelson

Hey, Kids! Even though Christmas may be for the foremost thing in your minds right now, Burton Memorial Library wants you to be aware of the new addition in its Youth Section just waiting to be enjoyed.

In keeping with the season, younger readers will delight in *Country Angel Christmas* by Tomie de Paulo as St. Nicholas wants to plan a Christmas celebration for all of Heaven. The story centers on three little angels, Ari, Pip, and Kira, who want to help with plans, but are always told to stay out of the way. Later, everyone is grateful to them for contributing the most important thing to the celebration. What is it? You'll have to read the book to find out.

Keeping *A Christmas Secret*, by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor, is another enjoyable story. Parents, both Christmas books are ones your preschoolers will also enjoy as you read to them.

Lucy Maud Montgomery, author of *Anne of Green Gables*, has written another enticing series, the *Emily Novels*, for elementary and junior high students. Readers will appreciate Montgomery's enchanting style in *Emily's Quest*, *Emily Climbs*, and *Pat of Silver Bush*.

Russell Freedman's *An Indian Winter*, beautifully illustrated by Karl Bodmer, is a fascinating account of an 1833-34 winter spent by German Prince Alexander Philip Maximilian and Swiss artist, Bodmer, in what is now North Dakota. This North American expedition adventure story in a Native American life and

culture consists of Maximilian's interestingly written journal and Bodmer's paintings of landscapes and every day life scenes.

You who like to draw will treasure the "Art Smart" books by author/artist, Christine Smith. Each book provides a step-by-step art series with beginning lines leading up to the finished drawing. You'll be pleasantly surprised when you've completed drawings all by yourself. You'll find an interesting choice among *How To Draw Trucks and Cars*, *How to Draw Pets*, *How to Draw Wild Animals*, and *How to Draw Dinosaurs*.

Equally creative is *Puppet and Theater Activities* edited by Beth Murray and illustrated by Ann Matsuk. It offers theatrical things to do and make.

A new Golden Book at Burton Memorial Library is *The Lion King* adapted by Margo Hover as well as Alice Joyce Davidson's *Story of Jonah*, one of the "Alice in Bibleland" storybooks.

Karen Cushman, winner of Newbery Medal, has written *Ballad of Lucy Whipple* which follows an unhappy Lucy from Massachusetts to a California mining settlement. It portrays women's and girls' part in Gold Rush travel. Lucy discovers California isn't so bad after all.

Boys and girls, aren't we glad reading is not a seasonal activity? As you already know, you can always find a book at Burton Memorial Library. Why not check it out?

At this time, the Library staff extends best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a lovely holiday season.



What is this?? George Self took this picture west of Clarendon from his airplane recently. He thinks the **OK JOB** may have been cut into haygrazer but has no idea who did it, why they did it, or how they did it. Anybody know?

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Thank You

I would like to thank everyone for their prayers for Chris Holmes after his near fatal accident on October 1, 1996. He has almost completely recovered, and we wish to express our sincere appreciation for the kind thoughts and prayers given for him.
Thank You,
Betty Holmes

In our card of thanks in the December 12 paper, the food, which was in great abundance, was erroneously left out. It was very much appreciated, and we apologize for the error.
The J.G. McAnear family

The family of Wade James want to thank each one who sent food, flowers, memorials, and phone calls in the loss of our loved one. Thanks goes to Mike Spier for his quick response as well as the Clarendon EMT. Many thanks to each one!
Buddie, Julie, and Stacey James

Words cannot express the love we felt during our time of loss. "Thank You" cannot even begin to touch what we would like to tell everyone, but it will have to do until new words are invented.
The Earl Wheatly Family

Pat Knowles thanks all of our friends and family for their prayers, flowers, cards, gifts, and acts of kindness in standing by her while God performed a miracle through heart surgery that resolved a lifelong problem of hers. God can resolve your problems also. Love you all, and may God richly bless you.
Pat and Bryan Knowles

Thank You

We would like to thank the people of Hedley and the members of the First Baptist Church for their love and support during the loss of our loved one.
Wanda Jo Hinton and family

The staff of the Donley County Senior Citizens wants to thank our board of directors and all of our volunteers for the generous Christmas gifts we received. We get to work for the finest people in the world! Thank You!
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Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Glenn M. White, deceased, were issued on December 10, 1996, in Docket No. 2685, pending in the County Court of Donley County, Texas, to H.L. Benson, as Independent Executor. Claims may be presented to the Independent Executor at the address shown below. The resident of the Independent Executor is in Donley County, Texas; the mailing address is: P.O. Box 482, Clarendon, TX 79226. 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 the 11th day of December, 1996.
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Notices

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Plans and specifications, including minimum wage rates as provided by Law, are available for inspection at the office of Daniel E. Brown, Area Engineer, Wellington, Texas, and at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, Texas. Bidding proposals are to be requested from the Construction and Maintenance Division, 200 East Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas 78704-1205. Plans are available through commercial printers in Austin, Texas, at the expense of the bidder.

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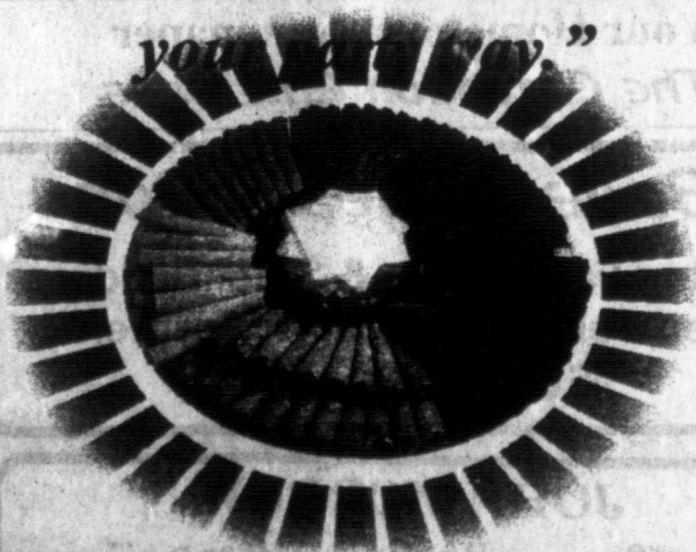
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Christian ministries depend on donations

(NU)—At year's end, people will make sizable donations to charities and nonprofit organizations just in time for a tax deduction. Some may give it a lot of thought, others won't.

But you might want to think about it after you know the results of a recently completed study on how Christian ministries in America are funded.

Detailed surveys were sent to more than 10,000 Christian ministries by the Christian Stewardship Association, a national membership and training organization serving leaders, board members and fund-raising staff of Christian ministries in the United States.

The survey - made possible through a \$440,000 grant from Lilly Endowment Inc. - sought to learn how the organizations were funded and what methods were successfully used to get the donations.

Some results of the survey are highlighted below:

- Generous donors play a major role in the life of many nonprofit organizations. The old rule - 20 percent of the donors give 80 percent of the money - is now 10 percent of the donors give 75 percent of the money.

- Categories of donors by vocation point to the largest donations coming from retirees, business owners, executives and professionals. The amount received is larger if the donor is a past or present board member, or there is family involvement with the organization.

- The most common methods of raising funds are personal visits and solicitation, phone solicitations, targeted mailings, and professional assistance with estate or planned giving.

CSA took the results and published the data in individual books representing the vast diversity of charities and nonprofit organizations, so the focus of the research in each book is narrowed to a particular field or interest.

For instance, the following Christian organizations were studied and books were published specifically for each group: K-12 schools, social service and family agencies, camps and conference centers, broadcast ministries, rescue missions, denominations, evangelism/discipleship/outreach ministries, and Christian colleges and universities.

"Nonprofit Christian organizations no longer need to be in the dark on how to fund their work," says Brian Kluth, president of the CSA. "This cutting-edge research and these publications will show how to break through their current funding barriers."

Each publication sells for \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping and handling. Quantity discounts are available.

To find out more about the Christian Stewardship Association or to order books, call in your credit card order to 1-800-475-1976, fax your order to (414) 483-4844 or write to CSA, P.O. Box 07747, Milwaukee, WI 53207. Be sure to specify the type of Christian nonprofit organization you are a part of when ordering.

Nativity scenes in use for nearly 800 years

(NAPS)—Although it's been nearly 2,000 years since the birth of Christ, many people may not realize that Nativity scenes have been used to celebrate Christmas for less than 800 years.

The Nativity is believed to have had its start in 1223. Saint Francis of Assisi was said to have erected a scene from Bethlehem for a Christmas Eve mass, using real people and animals.

The use of Nativity scenes may have peaked in 18th century Naples, where many of Italy's acclaimed sculptors created life-sized creche scenes for Neapolitan churches and smaller—yet equally intricate—portrayals for display in the homes of aristocracy.

The custom of displaying Nativity scenes at home is carried on by millions of Americans today. Many families choose a set that will last for years. At holiday time, there's no more charming treasure than an M.I. Hummel Nativity set. Destined to become a treasured heirloom that your family can build upon, year after year, with love, the M.I. Hummel Nativity set is based on an original drawing by Sister Maria Innocentia Hummel, the talented nun whose artworks were translated into three-dimensional sculptures by Goebel. All twelve figures in the set, in fact, are hand sculpted and hand painted in the European tradition for which Goebel is renowned.

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'Tis the season to be jolly

Fa La La La...Ah Chew!

(NAPS)—As many families make plans to get together during the holidays, they also need to plan on selecting holiday decorations that are less likely to irritate allergies.

More than 72 million Americans suffer from allergies and hay fever. Environmental factors such as mold, pollen, dust and smoke can trigger reactions that will make you feel like saying, "Bah humbug!" When planning for happy holidays, the American Lung Association and the makers of Tavist® products have developed these tips for sneeze-less seasons greetings!

- To Tree or Not To Tree—An artificial tree, many of which look like the real thing, comes without the pollen, dust and mold that can accompany a live tree. If you do choose a live tree, rinse it with water before bringing indoors, and limit the time the tree spends

indoors.

- Eliminate Snow Indoors—Avoid artificial snow spray used on windows and trees. The temporary joy can bring hours of allergy grief.

- Decorate Without Dust—Holiday decorations accumulate dust after sitting in an attic or other storage place for a year. To get rid of dust, take the decorations outside and dust them before putting them up, or store them in airtight containers.

- Wrap It Up—Whenever possible, use fresh wrapping paper and ribbons. Accumulated dust on paper that has sat since last year can trigger allergies.

- Choose Unscented Candles—Light the way with unscented or electric candles, both of which come in bright colors and don't have fragrances that can aggravate allergy symptoms.

- Roasting Chestnuts By An Open Fire?—Make sure the fireplace flue is open and well ventilated. An irritant like smoke can trigger sneezes large enough to blow out a yule log.

- Smoke Out—When hosting a holiday party, prohibit smoking indoors. Secondhand smoke is a sure-fire way to trigger allergy symptoms.

- Take Allergic Precautions—Take care of your allergies before they take care of you. If symptoms increase during the holidays, take an over-the-counter antihistamine or a medication suggested by your doctor, before celebrating with family and friends.

For free allergy management tips from the American Lung Association and the makers of Tavist-D® and Tavist-1®, write: Tavist® Allergy Management Tips, P.O. Box 1596, West Caldwell, NJ 07007-1596.

Deck your halls with seasonal flowers

(NAPS)—When decking your halls this festive season, why not add fresh flowers. Adding beautiful fresh floral scents and textures can make traditional decorations a cause for celebration.

Here are a few seasonal ideas from the California Cut Flower Commission:

- Add flowers to a wreath or garland on the mantle.
- Place a few flower stems in floral water tubes and insert them in a door swag to delight guests arriving for a holiday party.
- Use white Oriental lilies glowing in the candlelight as a dinner centerpiece.
- For a lacy look to your Christmas tree, buy 2-3 bunches of a new type of static—

'Misty'—and tuck stems of it throughout your tree. This static has such delicate flowers that its branches look like they were lightly touched with frost.

- Any fresh flowers in red or white will add to the festive spirit—red roses, candy-striped carnations, white lilies, calla lilies, freesias and flowering bulbs such as red tulips and paperwhite narcissus.

- Combine fresh flowers with great smelling eucalyptus from California. Add the unmistakable touches of the season—cinnamon sticks, red berries, poinsettia blossoms, pine cones—and you have a wonderfully fragrant holiday arrangement.

If you would like something a little different

from traditional holiday greens ask your florist for a few stems of ivy or myrtle, boxwood, or seeded eucalyptus.

- To keep costs down during the holidays, avoid red or white flowers or buy roses which are already open. Open roses will not last as long as fresher flowers but they will make a beautiful bouquet for a Christmas Eve or Christmas Day party.

There are some dos and don'ts to flower arranging, whatever the season.

DO decide where you will place your floral arrangement so you can determine if the finished piece should be tall or wide or round or full.

DON'T use tall arrangements for

dinner table centerpieces—and expect your guests to be able to see each other across the table!

DO choose a vase that is in proportion to the flowers. Often the vase should make up one-third the size of the total arrangement.

DO condition the flowers by cutting stems diagonally under water. This prevents air bubbles from forming which block water from being drawn up into the flowers. The diagonal cut allows a wider surface for water to be drawn up. Remove foliage from the stems which will be under water. This discourages life-shortening bacteria from forming due to decaying foliage in the vase

water. Add the right amount of floral preservative to the vase water (see instructions on preservative package).

DO recut flower stems every two or three days and change vase water.

DON'T set flowers in a drafty or warm place such as in an open sunny window or on top of the TV. Drafts and heat will speed up water evaporation leaving you with a wilted bouquet.

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Dear Santa,



Dear Santa,
I would like to have a bicycle with a red helmet, a car set, a remote control car, a GI Joe set. Thanks alot.
Love,
Brandon

Dear Santa,
I want my daddy to make it home for Christmas. (He drives a truck), and I want a new bicycle, a baby doll that eats, a baby doll that cries, & barbies. Thanks so much.
Love,
Shaunda Moody

Dear Santa,
I would really like a game boy for Christmas. And I would like a Jerry Rice football Jersey Please. I'll leave you a glass of milk and a little sack of cookies. Don't forget Cody's present's.
Love,
Clint Watson

Dear Santa,
I'm Ryan Hill and I've been good this year. I am 4 years old. I would like a hook and ladder truck, box of army trucks, construction crane, backhoe, rescue wrecker, and thats all I think.
I love you very much and thanks for everything last year. Please bring my brother and my little sister something.
Love,
Ryan Kelly Hill

Dear Santa,
I'm Jacy Hill. I'm six months old. I've been a good little girl. I would like to have a baby doll and some blocks to chew on.
I love you Santa, please bring my brother something.
Love,
Jacy Renee Hill

Hi Santa,
My name is Maci Jae White. I am a little girl of 22 months. This is the first Christmas that I really understand how much fun Christmas can be.
This is the last Christmas that I will be an only child. So Santa, please spoil me real good. I would especially like some high heel shoes.
With love,
Maci White

Dear Santa,
My name is Trajen and I'm two years old. I've been a good boy this year. I would like Toy Story video and a Buzz Lightyear Space Ship. I also want a big fire truck that makes lots of noises. I will leave a big plate of cookies and a glass of milk for you by our tree so please leave as many presents as you can for me.
Love,
Trajen Johnson

Dear Santa,
My name is Amelia. For Christmas, I want a barbie set, a doll, and a jewelry set. That is all I would like for Christmas. I am going to have Christmas at my Mamaw's house. I have been a very good little girl. I will leave you some cookies and milk on the table. Merry Christmas Santa.
Your Friend,
Amelia Taylor

Dear Santa,
I want a new bike and I want new roller blades. I also want a music box with skaters. I have been good all year. Don't forget I'm at my Nanny's house.
Love,
Janae White

Dear Santa,
My name is Macy Dawn Shadle. I would like a bike, a new swing set, and a new dog. That is all I want for Christmas. I will be at my house for Christmas and I have been good all year. Merry Christmas Santa.
Love,
Macy Dawn Shadle

Dear Santa,
I like you very much. I would love to have a baby dog, an army man that I can shoot my dog with, and a bike to run over my army man. I've been a good boy so I will hopefully get these things.
Your friend,
Glen Wilson

Dear Santa,
I would like a motorcycle, keys, and a CD player. I've been very good so I will get a lot of things.
Your Friend,
Justin Martin

Dear Santa,
I would like video games for Christmas. I would also like Doctor Dreadful. That last thing I would like is a Mr. Potato Head.
Love,
Jace Avery
P.S. I have been very good this year.

Dear Santa,
I would like a keychain for Christmas. I would also like a basketball. The last thing I would like is a whip.
Love,
Nathan Gribble

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a criss-cross cars set, a bike, and a key. I will be at my house. I have been good all year. I'm going to leave you cookies and milk.
Love,
Zachary Rattan

Dear Santa,
I would like a nintendo, two basketball goals, and a ruler. I've been good this year.
Love,
Dustin Ford

Dear Santa,
I want a criss-cross-crash-set, race car track, and a nintendo game. I have been real good. I want you to visit me at my house.
Love,
Johny Ballford

Dear Santa,
I want some blocks, Christmas carols, and a whistle. I have been good this year. I want you to visit me at my Grandma's house.
Love,
Anastasia McAnear

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a baby-goby-bye, a hair-dye-barbie, and pink roller-blades. I have been good this year. If your going to visit me I will be at my Nanny's.
Sincerely,
Jenci White

Dear Santa Clause,
What I want for Christmas is a new desk, a new computer, and a new bed. I have been good. I will be at my grandma's house.
Love,
Jessica Goodwin

Dear Santa Clause,
I want a Golden Dog, a motor cycle, and a little plastic duck.
Love,
J.T. Christopher

Dear Santa Clause,
I want a boat, a computer, and a new train.
Love,
Dustin Williard

Dear Santa Clause,
I would like any kind of doll. I would also appreciate it if you would get me a pair of roller blades and a book of any kind. I have been a good girl. Will you please put my toys under my Christmas tree?
Love,
Abbie Massingill

Dear Santa,
I love you! You are the best man I ever seen. I want a montin bike and I want a Jelley ball, and chicken libo and I want a kittey. I want a babi hous. I want a babi bick!
Love,
Ashley

Dear Santa,
I've been a good boy this year. I would like a candy cane, hot wheels, potato head game, and a fire wheels.
Thank you.
Love,
Monty Joe Holland
P.S. I'm three years old.

Dear Santa Clause,
Hi! My name is Dusty Rice. I am tow years old. I have tried to be good this year. Please bring me some boots and a noisy gun. I'll leave you a snicker and coke by the fireplace.
Thanks,
Dusty Rice

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. I want a Doodlebear. I want a Mountain bike. I want chicken limbo. I want My Size dancing barbie. I want a Barbie Jeep. I want a Hunchback of Notrumedome tent and I want a playset. I love you Santa.
Love,
Tamara Danielle Holland
P.S. I'm 7 years old and I'm in 2 grade.

Dear Santa,
Tré Brown want this for Christmas: a silver robot, bike, boots, power wheels, and a racing car. He says he has been a good boy, so he said he also wants a big red fire truck, a blue magna doodle with three pens, and Creepy Crawlers.
Love,
Tré Brown

Dear Santa,
I want a real reindeer. I want a pink go-cart. I want a red 4-wheeler. I also want a gray kitty cat and a new Christmas tree. I want a new house. I want a new doggie. I'll leave you milk and cookies.
Love,
Kyle Williams

Dear Santa,
I would like a frisbee, a red motorcycle, a boomerang that flies, a red 3-wheeler, a blue 4-wheeler, and a new dog. I'm going to leave you some milk and cookies.
Be here at Christmas,
James Allmond

Dear Santa,
My name is Kalli and I need a new Power Wheels. I want a Baby All Gone. I want a brown teddy bear. I also want a Pet Shop Kitten. I want a Barbie. But Santa, I really really want it to snow.
Love,
Kalli Sawyer

Dear Santa,
I would like a jeep that kids ride in, a remote-control jeep, red ducks, a ship, a play Santa, a play pig, a wild horse, and a fish and fishing pole. I'll have milk and cookies in the living room where the chimney is. Don't forget my friend Lenny and me, Rowdy.
Love,
Rowdy Floyd

Dear Santa,
I want a Twirler Barbie and a Baby All Gone. I want Twin baby's and Sky Dancers and a Computer Barbie Disc. I want a My Size Barbie and a Cinderella Book.
Love,
Audrey Jones

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a dolly for Christmas, a Barbie doll, a pretty gold necklace, little red puppy, a Dairy Queen watch, and a Dalmatian puppy. I'll leave milk and cookies.
Love,
Gabby Mata

Dear Santa,
I would like a Nintendo, a small brown bear, roller skates, barbies, and I would like a Baby Tumbles. I will leave you milk and cookies.
Your Friend,
Chandice Lowe

Dear Santa,
I want a remote control car and a bat mobile and a Nintendo. I'll leave milk and cookies for you.
Love,
Jesse Foster

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a brown dog, a yellow truck, and a basketball. I have been very good this year. I hope I get those three things plus the one at bottom.
Your friend,
Alan Harper
P.S. I want a remote control car.

Dear Santa,
I would like a Power Ranger Zord, and I want the movie of Jurassic Park. I also like the gold ranger toy, so would you get it for me?
A good boy,
Derrick Shelton

Dear Santa,
This year I would like a Sky Dancer, CD Rom Barbie Clothes Designer, stuffed bunny jacket, magnet letter board, pencils, a headband, a Barbie Doll, and a baby doll.
Love,
Shequita Bryley

Dear Santa,
This year I would like a robot, firetruck, toy elephant, a set of Walkie-Talkies, and some pencils. I hope that I get these things. I have been a good boy this year.
Love,
Devin Noble

Dear Santa,
My name is Cortnee. I am 6 years old and I am in kindergarten. I have been a very good girl this year. I have been so good this year all I want is 3 things: a Baby Go Bye-Bye, Winnie the Pooh, and a Bubble Baby. If you can get all of these things I want, I would be very grateful.
Cortnee Thornberry

Dear Santa,
I hope this holiday season finds you an the reindeer doing alright. I have been a very good boy this year, at least that is what my mom says. So does my Bea and Poppy and Mamaw and Pawpaw. This year I would like to have a real cow and horse to play with but if they won't fit in your sleigh, then that will be okay. I would also like the Magic School Bus and Winnie the Pooh games for my Pico, a play bow and arrow set, and last of all I would like a Buzz Light Year or Mr. Potato Head from Toy Story. Please don't forget my cousins Brandie and Tennessee and Uncle Todd and Aunt Steph. Also, please bring my Bubba, Sissy, and Chuck something as they have been good this year also. We will leave you some milk and cookies Christmas Eve. Have a safe trip.
I Love You,
Brayden Phillips

Dear Santa,
My name is Spencer Shields and I am four years old. Mom says that I have been good this year - most of the time, anyway. For Christmas I would like a robot that really walks, a Boppin Bag to punch and kick, and some Star Wars Figures. I want the ones on the back of that comic book. Also, my cat, B.J., needs a new mouse to play with, and something good for my Bubba, Scott. Maybe a sword or a game.
I will leave cookies and milk on the table and carrot for Rudolph.
Love,
Spencer Shields

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a babydoll and something else... and two bottles.
Love,
Bryce McCary

Dear Santa,
Hi there, old guy! How's it been going since we talked last? It's been pretty okay here (except for having to be good so much) You shouldn't expect so much from such a little guy.
But I've done alright (if I do say so myself.) So...I have a big list.

First, I want some roller blades (We don't have nothing but dirt to skate on, but I figure it's softer when you land, so I don't care) next I want an easy bake oven (if my dad sees this, he'll have a fit) but my mom always tells me I've had enough snacks, and this way I can just sneak off and make my own. (Smart huh?) Also, a punching bag. (My mom is tired of me practicing my Ninja moves on Dakota (and the dog and the furniture.)

That's all for me, but please bring my mom a big windfall (she says it would be great, but I don't see what's so great about wind). She wants you to bring my Dad a new attitude, (She says his old one needs fixed, so just get him a new one.) And I don't care what you bring Jake and Kota, just so long as they leave my stuff alone.
Thank you very much.
Love,
Jadon Thornton
P.S. As usual, I'll leave you my, I mean some broccoli and milk.

Dear Santa,
Hi again old friend! How is Mrs. Clause and the gang? Well as usual, I've tried real hard to be good (remember nobody's perfect, so...) but I've done pretty good, so here's my list. First I want one of those aliens that their head's open up from Independence Day. (My Mom says "that thing giv... me nightmares") so please wrap it up good. Next I want a handheld computer (my Mom says to thing educational - that means boring-but at least I put it in here). If you run

out of them thats okay, I won't be mad. Last, I'd like some Rollar Blades (so Jadon won't have to dirt blade by himself.) My Dad needs some new underwear. (He's already worn out last years or if you out, bring him some pajamas to cover the old ones up). Bring my mom a new pink razor. (Maybe if it's pink, my dad will quite using hers on the "fur" on his face). Also bring my Nano and Papa something big (and nice) they deserve it.

I Love You,
Dakota Thornton
P.S. I'll leave you some cookies. (If Jadon don't trade them for his vegetables.)

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Chicken Limbo Game for Christmas, I want a real pony and a saddle so I can ride with Ashlyn and my dad. I'm going to be good. I'm going to leave you some cookies and milk. Be careful on you reindeer.
Ty Tubbs

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Doodle Pet. I want a Barbie Sleeping Bag. I will leave you some cookies and coffee with milk. I want you to be careful.
Ashlyn Tubbs

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm 8 years old and I would like for you to bring me a Barbie movie theater, Pet Doctor Barbie, Baby Go Bye Bye, and a Gymnast Stairs. And Santa don't forget the milk and cookies for you and Rudolph that will be on the table.
Love,
Shawna Barker

Dear Santa,
I'm 2 years old and I would like for you to bring me a train set, T-Ball set, Big Wheel, and a fire truck. Santa, I will be listening for you reindeer on my roof top on Christmas Eve. Santa, tell Rudolph Hello.
Love,
Corey Barker

Dear Santa,
My name is Dustin Thomas. I am 7 years old. I have been a good boy all year. Here are a few things I would like for Christmas cyberstryke defender, nerf bash hockey, 4 inch game table, power zone, electronic karate, fighters, Dr. Dreadfuls creepy clinic, Ricochet stunt syele, Batman forever Batcarey, batman forever triple action vehicle set, ID4 alien, 50x50 telescope, microscope, sega genesis.



Dear Santa,
My name is Lane Thomas. I am only 4 years old and I can not write yet because I am so little. Please tell my Daddy Shanon what I want for Christmas, ID4 vehicles, batman action figure, cool tools, Fisher Price all in one workshop, Ruff n Tumble Ball Pit, cyberstryke defender, legos.
Thank You Santa,
Lane Thomas

Dear Santa,
As you probably already know, I am 6 years old now and I've been pretty good this year. I have made a list of things that I would like for Christmas, but you can add to it if you like.
I want a set of golf clubs (so I can give mom and papaw some pointers), some roller blades, new movies, a learning computer, the Super Zeo Megazord, a new game, a telescope, and a puppy (but don't tell papaw).
Please don't forget about Brooks, my cousin. He needs alot of toys that make a lot of noise to take home to Tulia.
There will be hot chocolate and cookies for you, have a safe trip.
Thank you,
Garrett Bridwell

Dear Santa,
My name is Melanie Johnson. I am 8 years old. I would like: a doodle bear, some bunk beds, a dog that drinks water and then pees, new clothes.
Please don't forget the other boys and girls.
Your Friend,
Melanie Johnson

Dear Santa,
My name is Myndie. I am 6 years old and I have been a pretty good girl this year. This year for Christmas I would like to have a Doodle Bear, Bath Baby, Baby All Gon, My Size Barbie, new clothes, anything else you can leave me. Don't forget my brothers and sisters.
Love,
Myndie

Dear Santa,
My name is Robert. I am 10 years old. I've been good except pestering my sisters. I would like for you to bring me a new pair of shoes, size 6 1/2, Pocket games, and a go cart, new clothes. Please do not forget the other boys and girls.
Your Friend,
Robert Johnson

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this year. I've gone fishing with my daddy. I have cut out of a book everything I want and put it in a sack. Can I please have Creepy Crawlies and fishing stuff? I want hooks like my grand daddy and a fishing hat with hooks on it like my grand daddy's.
Love,
Ben Avery
P.S. I wrote this letter for my sister Ellyn.

Dear Santa,
My name is Cole Farris and I am 4 1/2 years old. I would like you to bring me a red power ranger robot. I would also like Toy Story movie.
Love,
Cole

Dear Santa,
My name is Caden Farris and I am 2 years old. I would like you to bring me a choo choo train and some John Deere tractors like Daddy's because he won't share!
Love,
Cade

Dear Santa Clause,
My name is Dustin and I am 6 1/2 years old. I would like a new horse trailer, a learning computer, and a new boat.
Have a safe trip. I'll leave some milk and cookies out for you.
Dustin Willyard
P.S. Don't forget about my sister!

Dear Santa,
My name is Cierra and I am almost 5 years old. For Christmas I would like some Barbie dolls, a Barbie car, a learning computer, a baby doll, and some puppies.
I have been a good girl and can't wait until you get here.
Cierra Willyard
P.S. Don't forget about my big brother!

Dear Santa,
Hi my name is Frank Saunders. I'm 7 years old and I have 3 sisters. Their name Kelsey 4, Patricia 2 years, Starlette Lee is the baby is 1 year old. I helping them with the letter. I would like a football or skateboard. My sister Kelsey wants a baby doll with stroller. My sister Patricia wants baby doll with stroller to. Bring my baby sister the same thing but alot smaller!
Marry Christmas.
Santa see you later.
Kelsey 4, Patricia 2,
Frank 7, Starlette 1

Dear Santa,
Hi my name is Jacob Daniel. I'm 2 years old. My mommy is helping

Dear Santa:
Ellyn can get a puppy that walks and a doll and a bear and I thing that's all she wants to get. Ellyn's being bad. Besides, the last time when she bited me on the cheek, I cried to Mommy that she bited me because for no reason.
Love,
Ben Avery

Dear Santa:
I hope you like the cookies. They are chocolate chip. I want Doctor Dreadful Brain Lab, some video games, an instant camera. I hope you like the Christmas lights. Some of them don't work.
Love,
Jace Avery

Dear Santa Clause,
I want a teacher talking Barbie. I have been very good this year. But I fought with my sister a little tho. Oh I want the brown headed Barbie. Taylor wants the Brown headed Barbie too.
Love,
Chelsea Koenig

Dear Santa Clause,
I want a teacher talking barbie. I have been very good this year. But I fought with my sister a little tho. I want the Brown Headed Barbie also.
Love,
Taylor Koenig

Dear Santa,
My name is Denver Chambliss. I am 7 months old. I would like to have toys that are bright and make noise.
Love,
Denver

Dear Santa,
My name is Haley Chambliss. I am 3 1/2 years old. I would like to have a play beauty shop and anything else you might want to bring me. I have been a pretty good little girl.
Love,
Haley

Dear Santa,
My name is Jamie Murphy. This is what I would like for Christmas.
A Barbie, Barbie clothes, a toy sweeper, a new baby, a toy watch, a toy microwave oven to help mommy cook, baby clothes.
Santa my brother said he is to big to write to you. So would you bring him a video game.
I love you.
Love,
Jamie Murphy
Merry Christmas Ho Ho!

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I want a Barbie Dream House, a Fluffy Here. Comes My Puppy, some new Barbies with new Barbie clothes, and a new baby doll. I have tried to be a good girl this year. I will leave you some cookies and milk Christmas Eve.
Love,
Lauren Shelton
age 4 1/2

Dear Santa,
I would like a John Deere tractor, Christmas tree, brown combine. I've been good and I would like to go to Wonderland for Christmas. I will leave cookies and milk for you to fatten up on.
Your Friend,
Lee Tolbert

Dear Santa,
I would like a Power Ranger Sword for Christmas. I would also like a Play Do Robot. The last thing I would like is a set of Lego's. I will be at my house.
Love,
B.J. Cenicerros

Dear Santa,
I would like a power ranger, power ranger stickers, and a power ranger watch. I am going to leave you milk and cookies. I've been good this year.
Love,
Eric Brogdon

Dear Santa,
I would like roller blades, football, and a skate board. I am going to leave you milk and cookies. I've been good this year.
Love,
Andrew Burns

Dear Santa,
I want a teacher talking Barbie, Baby Go Bye Bye, and a sleeping bear. I have been good. I want you to visit me at my house.
Love,
Nicholas Hinojosa

Dear Santa,
I want a teacher talking Barbie, I want a dump truck, a purple bike, and a brown sled. I have been good. I want you to visit me at my house.
Love,
Taylor Koenig

Dear Santa,
My name is Danzel. For Christmas I want a red bike and a

write this letter. I asked my grandma and grandpa if I been a good boy. They said yes. I would like to get a tractor to lay with keys that what I like to do and play with or also if not a tractor, I'd take a train thanks.
Santa, see you in Christmas.
Jacob D. Hedley

Dear Santa,
Hi, my name is Chandice Lowe. For Christmas I would like a Magna Doodle, a Ballerina Barbie, a walking toy dog, a set of play tools, and a fashion magic fingernail fun set. Santa tell your elves to make a lot of toys for all of the kids in the world. I'll leave Christmas tree cookies and milk for you.
Thank you.
See ya later Santa,
Chandice

Dear Santa Clause,
Hi. My name is Eli Short. I am 4 1/2 years old. I want a tractor, a farm set, a remote control truck, clothes, and more new trucks. Please bring me a Buzz Lightyear and a Woody doll from "Toy Story" movie.
Love,
Eli Short

Dear Santa,
My name is Desiree. I just moved here six months ago. I need to tell you so you can find me. For Christmas I want a cabbage patch baby and a new sleeping bag and tent. Please.
Love,
Desiree

Dear Santa,
My name is Sarah Baird. What I want for Christmas is a doll that eats and drinks and a puppy dog that does tricks. Santa I will have you some milk and cookies to eat and drink.
Love,
Sarah

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Dear Santa,
My name is Leigh Ann Layton. I want a basketball, shoes, and a baseball. I have been good all year. I will leave you milk and cookies. I will be at my Grandmother's house for Christmas. Merry Christmas Santa.
Sincerely,
Leigh Ann Layton

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Dear Santa,
My name is Danzel. For Christmas I want a red bike and a

green tractor. At Christmas, I am going to be at my grandma's house. I have been a very good boy. Merry Christmas Santa.
Your Friend,
Danzel Wilson

Dear Santa Clause,
What I would like for Christmas is a barbie house, roller blades, and a kite. I have been good.
Love,
Roxanna Cox

Dear Santa Clause,
I want a X-Men Suit, a cat that meows, and a mask for my X-Men suit.
Love,
Ryan Robison

Dear Santa Clause,
I want a bike, a little kitty toy for my cat, and a yoyo.
Love,
Courtney Epperson
P.S. I will leave you some cookies.

Dear Santa Clause,
I would like a baseball and a baseball bat. I would also like a batman toy. Will you put my toys on my shelf. I have been a good boy. I will leave you milk and cookies.
Love,
Sonny Bhakta

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is a cookie man and I want toys. Don't forget I'm going to be at my Memaws.
Love,
Sabra Patton
P.S. I have been very good.

Dear Santa Clause,
I have been good this year. I hope you are doing good. I would like for you to come to my house on Christmas Eve. We will have milk and cookies for you. I would like a pair of rollerblades, a Doodle Bear, a wettin' wizzle, a live kitten, some books of any kind, a Barbie mini van, a Cabbage Patch kid baby. I wish I could get your reindeer. I hope you have a good Christmas.
From,
Katie Askew

Dear Santa Clause,
I have been a very good boy this year. This is my wish list: rollerblades, 3 long sleds, 2 speckled smud colors - blue and pink, a little remote control race car, Don't Wake Daddy game, and a Nerf basketball.
We always make cookies for you so be sure to look for them. I will leave out 8 carrots for your reindeer. 3 walkie talkies.
Merry Christmas,
Dalton Askew
P.S. I'd like a club house. I really, really do. Put it outside.

Dear Santa,
I give thanks for Christmas and the Birth of Baby Jesus. I have lots of things on my list this year. Crane, NFL Football, 4 heel drive flip car,



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Dear Santa,
I love you. I want a horse, a toy kitten, a girl Barbie, Barbie clothes a toy horse, a swing set for Barbie, a new bible, a chair to sit in, a rocking horse, a Santa doll, a stuffed rabbit and carrots for it, a swing for me, and a Christmas tree with decorations for my Barbie. I would also like a chair and table for Barbie and a picnic basket and a sun to hold up. That's all, Santa.

Love,
Madison

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas, Santa! I would like a race car, truck, crane, dump truck, bicycle, Buzz Lightyear, Woody, Slinky, and cards.

Love,
Scott

Dear Santa,
I want a T-Rex, Wish Bone video collection, Frantic Ants Game, Lego Maniacs Cowboys, Robotic Arm, play tools, computer math rabbit game, stuffed snoopy, a nice suit, new sword, How the Grinch Stole Christmas book, Butter Battle book, new saddle, a new poster of the Texas Rangers because I just have Cleveland Indians and that all I can think of.

Signed,
Paul

Dear Santa,
I want a real baby, and a baby that eats food, clothes, and I want a baby that makes silly faces, a crib, shoes, a jacket, socks, Teddy Bear, a real cat, and I want Sky Dancers. I want a computer with games, a bed, and a book that has Fairy Tales. I want slippers and a new church dress and I want a vacuum cleaner and movies and that's all.

Bye,
Destiny

Dear Santa,
I Love You! I will like a My Size Dancing Barbie, and I like a Dr. Barbie and a dollhouse that fold up and has wheels on it and a stuffed puppy, a computer that you can style Barbie stuff on it. And Splish Splash Barbies and swimming Barbie, and a Barbie with hair colors that I can use. I want a stuffed Santa and a stuffed elf and a puppy and a kitty that move. That's all.

Love,
Amy

Dear Santa,
I would like the book "Good Luck Pony" for Christmas. Also, I want a horse that walks when you press the buttons and a stuffed horse.

Thank you,
Jill Cornell

Dear Santa,
I was a watch, necklace, a ring, earrings, and a bracelet for Christmas. I would also like some new clothes and some new shoes. Could you get me any kind of new game? Oh please send me my new front teeth.

Merry Christmas,
Kati Steen

Dear Santa,
My name is Myndie. I want a Life Size Dancing Barbie, Bath Baby, Baby All Gone, a play cash register, a baby doll, and some clothes and anything else you want to bring me. I also want a Patty Cake Patty Cake Baker's Doll.

Love,
Myndie

Dear Santa,
I want a puppy for crismas. If you can't bring a puppy for crismas bring me stereo for crismas.

Love,
Manuel

Dear Santa,
I want a go-cart. I wanted to be red and I wanted it to have 2 prnsent.

Marco

Dear Santa:
I have been pretty good this year. I would like to have the following presents for Christmas: a jeep, bow and arrows, books, sega games, toy truck, rope, coloring book, race car bed, flashlight, and doorbell.

Love,
Joshua Kent Watts

Dear Santa:
I have been pretty good this year too. I would like for you to bring me a doll as tall as I am (which isn't very

tall, but tall enough). I would also like to have a kitchen center so that I can cook for my Dad, Mom, and brother. I will leave some snacks for you to enjoy when you come by my house.

Love,
Nataasha Dawn Watts

Dear Santa,
My name is Shaydee, and I am only 5 1/2 months old. I'm really not sure who you are, but my big brothers and sisters sure have been talking about you! They said to tell you that they have been really good and that I have been, too. What is good? Anyway, they said to ask you to bring me things that I really want. I guess I would like to have some teeth. I don't have any and everybody else does, so I guess I need some too. I could probably use a couple more thumbs. I've used up the two I've gotten. (I like to chew on them.) Well, that's about it. I guess I'll leave a bottle of milk for you (and I may drink it if I get hungry) and some cookies (whatever they are). Thank you Santa.

Love,
Shaydee Brown

P.S. I was just reminded to mention Audrey, Hadley, and Jade again. Boy this is confusing!

Dear Santa,
My name is Jade, and I am four years old. I have been sooo good this year. And I would really like for you to bring me some golf clubs that are

my size. Also, some Power Ranger Zoo's, a Cool Tools Race Car, and some hockey stuff so that me and my brother can play. I would like ice skates and a golic mask and pucks. I'm gonna leave treats for you and your Reindeer. Please don't forget Audrey and Shaydee (my sisters) and my brother Hadley. I love you, Santa Claus.

Love,
Jade Brown

Dear Santa,
My name is Audrey and I am 6 years old. I have tried to be good all year, and I'm pretty sure I've done it. (Even mom says so.) If you could would you please bring me a Twirler Barbie and a Baby All Gone. I would also like some more Sky Dancers, a computer Barbie, some Twin Babies, and a Cinderella book. I would also like to have a computer with a mouse. Also, don't forget Hadley, Jade, and Shaydee. They've all been pretty good, too. I will leave some cookies and milk for you and something special for Rudolph and Blitzen. I love you Santa and please be careful.

Love,
Audrey Jones Brown

Dear Santa,
My name is Hadley and I am four years old. I have been very good this year and have tried really hard to be good. If you can, would you please bring me another Cool Tools Tow

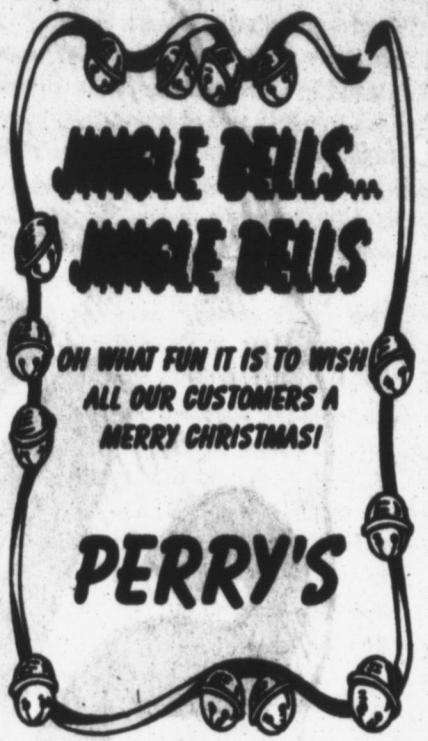
Truck. Also, I would like to have a Cool Tolls Race Car, the Ultra Brasts, a set of golf clubs (my size) and all of the hockey stuff you an get into your sleigh. Like the goalie mask, pads, and sticks and pucks, and most especially a Colorado Avalanche jersey. I will leave milk and cookies for you and hay for Rudolph. Please don't forget my brother Jade, and my sisters, Audrey and Shaydee. Have a good trip and I love you.

Love,
Hadley Brown

Dear Santa,
I have been a pretty good girl this year. I keep my room clean and picked up.

For Christmas I would like anew toy box, a game boy, sky dancer, toy story movie, and a "fluffy" puppy of my own.

I Love You,
Brandi Renee Mays
P.S. Please don't forget my Grandma. She has been pretty good this year.



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Researchers: religion can keep kids from using illegal drugs or alcohol

(NAPS)—A new report from the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse says religion can keep kids from using illegal drugs and alcohol. Two Brigham Young University professors say they have 20 years of research to back up such a claim.

"Something inherent to religious belief makes it effective in channeling youth away from cigarettes, alcohol and drugs," and other delinquent activity, says Bruce A. Chadwick, a sociologist and director of the University's Center for Studies of the Family in Provo, Utah, now assisted by Brent L. Top of the school's religion faculty. The two researchers have delved further into the study of the religion-drug connection than perhaps any other American team.

And data compiled since the mid 1970s says there is a definite connection. But there's also a catch.

Public religious behaviors alone, like simple church attendance, caution Chadwick and Top, do not correlate with lower delinquency rates. Says Chadwick, "Most of the research on what I call 'the hellfire and damnation hypothesis'—you go to church and have it pounded in, so automatically you don't do delinquent things—that just doesn't hold; it's been rejected by the research over and over. This is where kids go to church just because Mom and Dad say 'you're going or you can't have the car this

week,' or 'we won't give you an allowance.' So these kids go to church, they sit through the meetings, they do the motions but it is not a religious experience."

"These public activities," adds Top, "do not counteract the peer pressures facing youth today." Instead, it's the "personal internalization of the religious experience" that steels a teenager against the wiles of the world.

"Youth who experience spirituality," says Chadwick, "rather than just participate in public religious observances, are statistically more likely to avoid these behaviors—even when they live in a hostile environment or have delinquent friends."

In the course of 20 years, Chadwick and Top have identified three specific factors that make religion effective in keeping a youth from delinquent activity.

- Private religious behavior: personal prayer, scripture reading, fasting
- Personal spiritual experience: answers to prayer, feelings, etc.
- Social integration: acceptance by clergy & peers with similar values.

Comparing their data with another survey, the annual national report called "Monitoring the Future," Chadwick and Top found one group of teenagers repeatedly showing "a

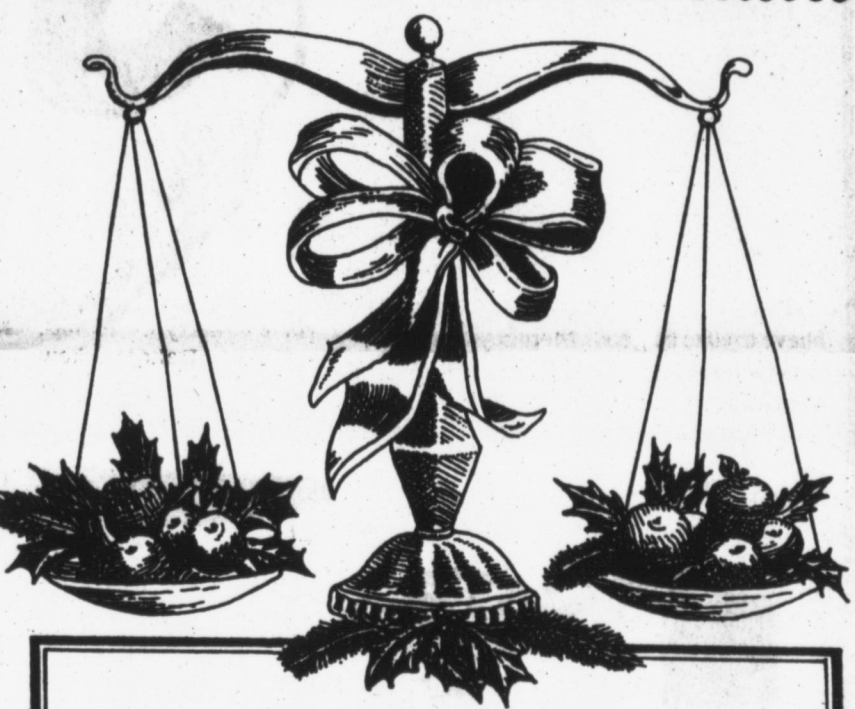
huge difference" from the national sample in their drug-use profile. "A higher percentage of youth associated with The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints," says Chadwick, "have never used drugs than from all the other denominations."

Chadwick admits that while that particular church has had exceptional results with its youth, the factors identified can be applied by others.

"One needs to help young people experience the fruits of religious commitment," says Chadwick, "not just learn about it. It can be really simple: some small, warm feeling. We aren't talking about extraordinary things here, visions or lightning and thunder. We haven't had a kid yet who has told us he's had a vision or talked to an angel. Just a gentle little nudge, that when they kneel down and say their prayers there's a sense of warmth there: 'this was a good experience, I feel good because I've done it.'"

Twenty years and thousands of kids later, Top and Chadwick say one other factor plays a critical role in keeping kids on the straight and sober road: proactive parenting.

"These experiences can be created in our own private laboratory," says Top, "at miama and daddy's knee. We should let our kids see how religious values help us to deal with the challenges of life in an everyday, practical way."



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