

Wishing You and Yours the Blessings of Christmas

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Where is Christmas?

By Teresa Mesman

Christmas is my all-time favorite time of year. I'm the type who has an entire section of her closet that houses Christmas vests, sweaters and shirts. I wear a special pair of Christmas wreath earrings starting the day after Thanksgiving all the way through New Years Day.

My family begins decorating our home right at Thanksgiving and we leave our tree up through Epiphany, Jan. 6th.

We play Christmas music CD's in all vehicles and our first choice of seasonal television viewing is a Christmas video or DVD from our collection.

You might say that my family and I are Christmas fanatics.

But something has happened to us this Christmas.

Perhaps it's because it's been a pretty tough year for all of us.

Perhaps it's because it's been a pretty tough year for the world in general.

Christmas and all the "trappings and wrappings" just don't seem as festive this year.

Are we alone in feeling this way?

I've asked a lot of people around the area this question over the last several days in preparation for writing my Christmas story. Incredibly, a huge majority of people are expressing this very sentiment.

I thought that I was just feeling a little melancholy as I worked my way around the stores trying to gain inspiration for the "perfect gifts" for everyone on my list.

Nothing was reaching out and grabbing me. I sort of began to dread shopping this year.

I began to watch others in their shopping routines.

Some were buying by detailed lists as outlined by the recipients.

Some were buying by routine: Socks, underwear, candy canes...the usual stocking stuffers.

Some were buying just to be buying: "I guess this will pass as his present. I can't seem to figure anything else out."

That was a literal quote from a shopper last week.

The inspiration for this Christmas story comes from seeing a lack of inspiration this Christmas.

What has happened to Christmas? Where did it go? When did it fade into the pages of the calendar marked off as just another hectic month, week or day in our schedules?

Where has the wonder, the innocence and the beauty of Christmas gone?



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I believe that we're all guilty of erasing the majesty and miracle of this season from our lives.

I totally include myself in this statement.

Christ is being taken out of His very own celebration and is being slowly replaced by "stuff."

Have you thought about Jesus at any time during your holiday planning, parties or gatherings?

Have you wished those around you a Merry Christmas?

Or are you one of those that will only say "Happy Holidays", even if you profess to be a Christian?

Did you think about what solid Christian message all the toys, clothes, perfume, jewelry and Play Station, X-box and other computer and video games are going to send to their recipients as you loaded your baskets and shopping bags this Christmas?

I'm not trying to start a debate over gifting at Christmas. It's what the season has come to be about along with celebrating His story.

I'm just getting a little worried that the story and glory of Christ's birth is being glossed over by "getting" instead of true gifting and by the pressures of a sinful, "let's be tolerant of others" world.

I have a dear friend who is Jewish. She taught me all about Hanukah. I continue to talk to her about Christmas and Jesus Christ. She's curious and very understanding of our customs. The only thing she doesn't understand is why Santa Claus is made a bigger deal at Christmas than Jesus Christ.

She has a point.

Can you answer her question?

It's because we've let it happen.



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Christmas memories from Oklahoma Lane in the 1950s

(The following is a "Christmas Memory" written for the Donaldson Cousin Webpage a few years ago. Roy, who lives in Paducah, grew up in Oklahoma Lane. His mother, Dorothy Donaldson, and a sister, Dorris White, live in Farwell. Submitted by Darlene McManigal and Ruth Boone.)

By: Roy Donaldson

Christmas really began at our house when the Montgomery Ward Christmas catalogue arrived in the mail. We would look through it for hours everyday trying to decide what we would eventually make as our final choice for the Big Day. It would almost be worn out by Christmas Day. As we would begin to narrow our choices down, it got tough.

Our final list would change almost daily. Roy Rogers pistols, Red Ryder BB Guns, farm sets, trucks, tractors, footballs; they all looked so good. Mamma would read the write up about each one to us as we dreamed of how wonderful it was going to be to have those in our own hands in just a few weeks. Finally the decision was made and now it was time to get the letter written to Santa so that he would be sure and get it in time to make what we had asked for before he left on his big trip.

The letter to Santa had to make us look good. We had fought all year, fussed about things we had to do, and even told a lie or two since last Christmas BUT we didn't want all of that stuff to come out. "Dear Santa", we would always begin, "I have been a very good boy this year." Then we would tell how old we were so that he would know that we were really getting big now. Next came the best part. I would carefully describe every item I wanted so that he wouldn't get mixed up and send me the wrong things. To finally sell him the fact that I had been almost the perfect child for the last 11 months or so I would tell him how much I wanted him to be sure and bring my brother and sisters something too. Then to top it off I would promise to leave him some good treats like milk and cookies to eat so that he would really enjoy his stop at my house. Mom would read it over to us to make sure it sounded really good. We would smile in our hearts knowing this was now fixing to be official. All that remained now was to get it in the mail.

All letters addressed to the North Pole were first dropped by the newspaper and then to the radio station before being forwarded on North. A few days prior to

Christmas Day the radio would begin to call in to the North Pole, make contact with Santa Claus, and read some of the letters to him. We could not wait for that time of day. Many times our best radio was out in the car or pickup. The one in the house was a little hard to clear up sometimes. One year Daddy even drove us up on top of the hill on our farm so that we would get better reception. Anyway, each day we would have our ears turned to the speaker, wondering if they were going to make contact with Santa that day (everyday it was a close call) and also if this was going to be the day that our letter was read. Boy, our hearts would really get going when they said this letter is from----and then call our name. After it was read now it was done. Santa had heard just what we wanted and with his HO HO HO we took it that we were going to get it.

One Christmas, I remember there was an unusually bad snowstorm in the North Pole. Mrs. Claus had to answer the phone call from the radio station because someone had left the lot gate open during the storm and all of the reindeer had got out. Rudolph was the only deer that didn't run off. Santa and Rudolph were out hunting for the rest of them. Mrs. Claus did not know if they would find them in time for Christmas or not. Everyday it took three or four tries to get the phone calls through and when they finally connected, the word was that Santa had found some but others were still missing. On the last day Santa found the remaining missing deer and was in fact going to be able to make his run. Boy was I happy. I remember Mrs. Claus had said that Santa had put out some bundles during the week trying to entice the deer to come home. Well, anyway, Christmas was on for sure.

The weeks before Christmas were busy with other things as well. Oklahoma Lane community always had a Christmas program on Christmas Eve night. This meant that folks in the Community had work to do. A committee was appointed to cover the different things that needed done. I remember one Christmas, Daddy, myself, and Uncle Frank drove to Floydada, Texas, to get a tree that was over 20 feet high. We hauled it in Daddy's 1951 Chevy truck back to the Oklahoma Lane School gym where it was then put up and decorated by the decoration committee.

Other folks were busy sacking goodies for Santa to pass out and still even others were busy practicing for

the all important Christmas play that was to be presented on the night of the program. The cast consisted of both adults and children. Costumes consisted of Silk bath robes, towels for turbans, and sticks or canes for staffs. Burnt cork smeared on your face made a pretty good beard when nothing else could be found.

Now it is Christmas Eve Day! As I have said, Santa has had our letter in time to get the goodies made, the Christmas tree was decorated, program practiced and ready to perform. We would do our chores early and then get ready to go to the Community Christmas Program. It was a good family time memory. We were always glad to see our friends there too.

The first thing we would notice was all the presents that were under the Big Tree. There would be dolls hung on the tree and things like that. Daddy always said that Santa came early and put them there to make more room in his sleigh for his run later in the night. The program was the first event to take place. It was always a success. Then came the singing. Everyone joined in singing the traditional Christmas carols.

Then the person leading the singing would make the announcement that if all the children would sing "Here Comes Santa Claus" loud enough for Santa to hear up in the sky he would land his sleigh and come pass out our presents that he had just for us on that night. Most years it was on about the third or fourth try before Santa heard us and arrived. We would be yelling the notes out with all that we had.

When Santa arrived, he always threw gum out to the crowd and visited with folks as he moved down toward the front of the building. We would make a mad dash to try and scavenge as much gum as we could get before others got it. Santa then called every one of our names out loud, gave us our gift, asked a few questions, and gave us a big hug. (That is if we were brave enough to get that close to him without crying).

After all the gifts were passed out he would then, with the help of a few adults, pass out sacks of candy to everyone there. The sacks were pretty big too. Santa would then leave in a hurry. Most of the time he left his reindeer down the road a ways and someone had to carry him back to them. One night me and the Foster boys went out behind the gym and with the help of a flashlight found where he had had them tied up. We

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Obituaries



Trudy Potts

F. Gertrude "Trudy" Potts, 81, of Amarillo, died Dec. 14.

Memorial Services were Saturday at Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors with Rev. Danny Logan, pastor of Bell Avenue Baptist Church officiating. Burial was in Llano Cemetery.

Mrs. Potts was born in Seymore, Texas, to Houston and Flora Edwards. She was a long-time resident of Farwell, before moving to Amarillo in 1987.

She was a past worthy matron of the Bovina Order of the Eastern Star Chapter #839. She was also a member of the Farwell Women's Club and 4-H Leader/Horsemanship.

Mrs. Potts was a secretary for the Parmer County Extension Agent. She and her husband Herbert enjoyed raising and showing Appaloosa horses. She was also a member of Bell Avenue Baptist Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Gwen Pike of Amarillo and Joan Flowers of Wildorado; a sister, Joyce Doshier of Clovis; 5 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Potts was preceded in death by her husband Herbert Potts on Dec. 2, 2005.

Jimmy McGuire

Rev. James "Jimmy" Edward McGuire, 83, of Lubbock, died Dec. 4.

He was raised seven miles east of Farwell.

Services were held at Bacon Heights Baptist Church with burial in Resthaven Memorial Park.

He was born to Edward and Cora Lee McGuire in Oklahoma Lane on Aug. 26, 1922.

During World War II, he served with the Merchant Marines as a radio operator.

He married Joyce Doshier June 24, 1948, in Clovis. He earned a bachelor's degree at Wayland Baptist College and was ordained a Baptist minister.

He ministered to several churches during 29 years of ministry including Post, Abernathy, Lubbock, New Deal, Sand Hill and Floydada. He was active in the Lubbock Baptist Association.

After retirement, he joined Bacon Heights Church as the senior adult minister, visiting hospital-bound members and others. He retired from this ministry last May.

Surviving are his wife; sons James, Brannon, Johnny, Jerry, Jonathan, Taylor; daughters Lindsey Fox, Janet Thetford, Stephanie Rhoades, Jackie Combs, Erin Moffitt, and a sister, Lois Billingsley, of Farwell.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Nova Robertson, and a brother, Clifford.

In lieu of flowers, tributes may be made to the Bacon Heights Baptist Church building fund.

A minister with Baptist churches during his life, he was the brother of Lois Billingsley, of Farwell.

The Latest

Texico Schools are one of only 28 school districts in New Mexico to be selected a "Quality District" by the New Mexico Public Education Department.

As such, Texico will be recognized at the "Schools On The Rise" awards ceremony on Jan. 20.

Edwin "Turk" Longley, 89, shot his age at the Farwell Country Club on Dec. 15.

His round was 43-46 -- 89 at the park 72 course. It was witnessed by Ricky Coleman.

Winner of one of ENMR • Plateau's monthly survey drawings last month (a \$25 gift certificate) was Reta Dollar.

The Lazbuddie School Board on Dec. 15 had a quiet meeting.

Dalia Corales was put on the substitute's list.

The audit report from CPA Randy Fields, of Muleshoe, was accepted.

The board of First Ag Credit, Farm Credit Services, declared about \$7.4 million in cash patronage payments at their December meeting.

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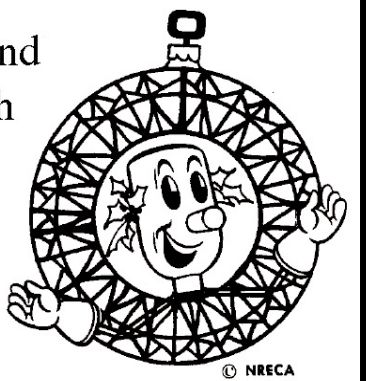


Officer Santa

The Parmer County sheriff's department gave youngsters a big kick last week with their traveling Santa Claus (Wayne Gruben). The sheriff's department vehicle pictured was paid for completely by drug forfeiture money, said county sheriff Randy Gerles. No tax money was used.

Merry Christmas!

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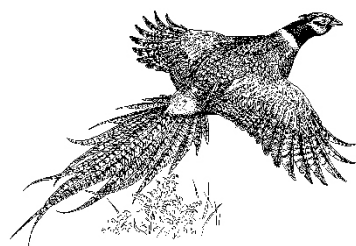


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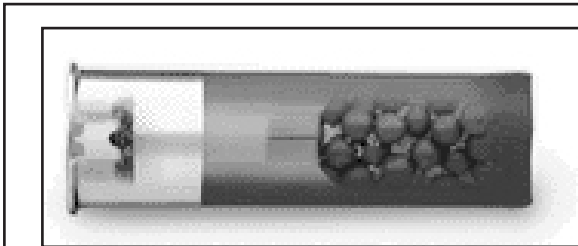
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Vannatta sparks Texico JV girls' win over Logan

Varsity Girls

The Texico Lady Wolverines are 7-3 after wiping out Logan on Saturday at home, 60-20.

Scoring were Bryn Mayfield, 6; Erika Autrey, 2; Brooke Bailey, 4; Faith Martin, 14 (including four 3-pointers); Brittany Anderson, 3; Lori Richardson, 7; Stephanie Bailey, 20; and Leslie Vannatta, 3.

Varsity Boys

The Texico Wolverines are 5-5 after nipping Logan, 53-51, Saturday.

Scoring were Curtis Williams, 9; Andrew Schaap, 7; Josh Murray, 5; Aaron Vaughan, 10; Courtland Luscombe, 14 (including a pair of 3-pointers); Daniel Schueler, 6; and Chance Bradley, 2.

JV Boys

The Texico JV Boys beat back Hagerman, 72-46.

Scoring were Tanner Allen and Sterling Bowers, 3 each; Michael Reid, 6; Brett Anderson and Casey Crist, 4 each; Ruben Lindley, 10; Mario Posada, 12; Daniel Schueler, 11; Jordan Broome, 5; Jesse Walthers, 12; and Nicholas Ulibarri, 2.

Texico then crushed Logan, 64-47.

Scoring were Levi Richards, 3; Reid and Johnathan Sullivan, 2 each; Anderson, Walthers and Broome, 6 each; Lindley, 8; Aaron Lockmiller, 4; Posada, 5; Schueler, 15; and Crist, 7.

JV Girls

The Texico JV Girls scored 43 points in beating Hagerman.

Scoring were Micah Mayfield, Jaryse Harris and Marquita Askew, 2 each; Barbara Vidal and Brooke Bailey, 4 each; Holly Harrison, 8; Amanda Bass, 9 (including a pair of 3-pointers); and Leslie Vannatta and Braeden Hadley, 6 each.

Texico then whipped Logan, 53-16.

Scoring were Mayfield, 2; Vidal and Harris, 6 each; Harrison and Bailey, 4 each; Amanda Bass, 5; Vannatta, 17; Hadley, 1; and Queener, 8.

Texico varsity teams in action



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Coach Woods

Farwell High School graduate David Woods is now the Highland Park varsity boys basketball coach. He is pictured in action during his team's game against Farwell. Highland Park was rated No. 10 in the state's Class 2A category last week. (Photo by J.R. Ivins)

Here is the schedule for the county stock shows

Here's the stock show schedule:
Friona, Jan. 5; Farwell, Jan. 7; Lazbuddie, Jan. 14, and Parmer County, Jan. 18-21.
No show is scheduled for Bovina.



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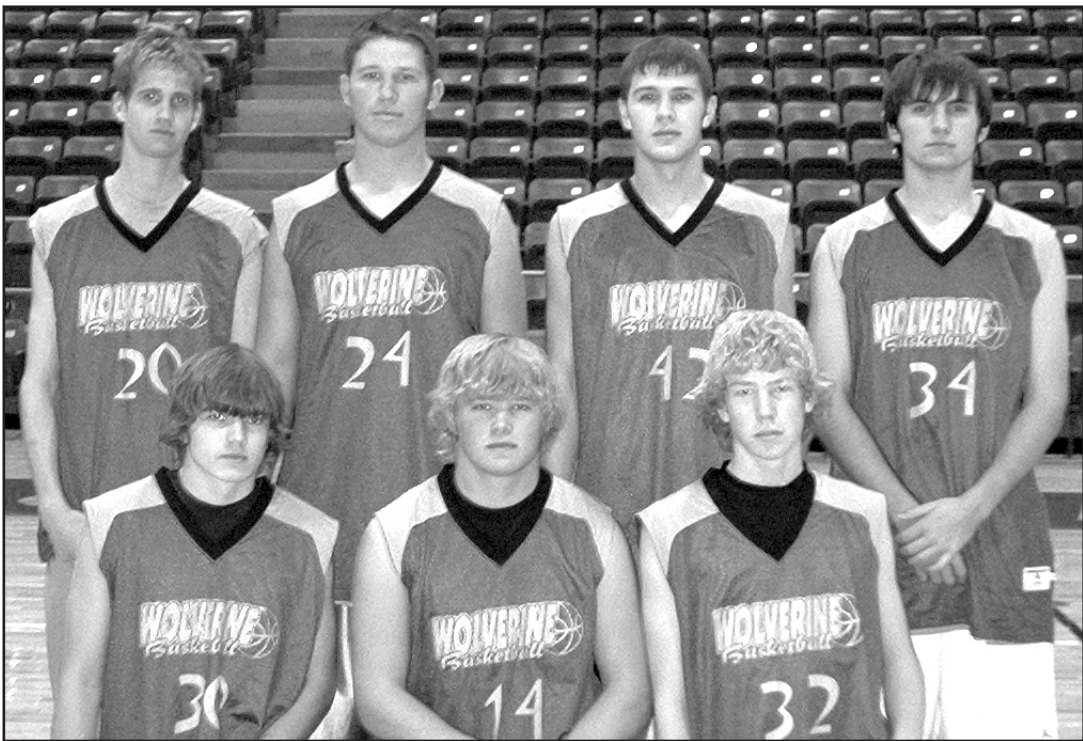
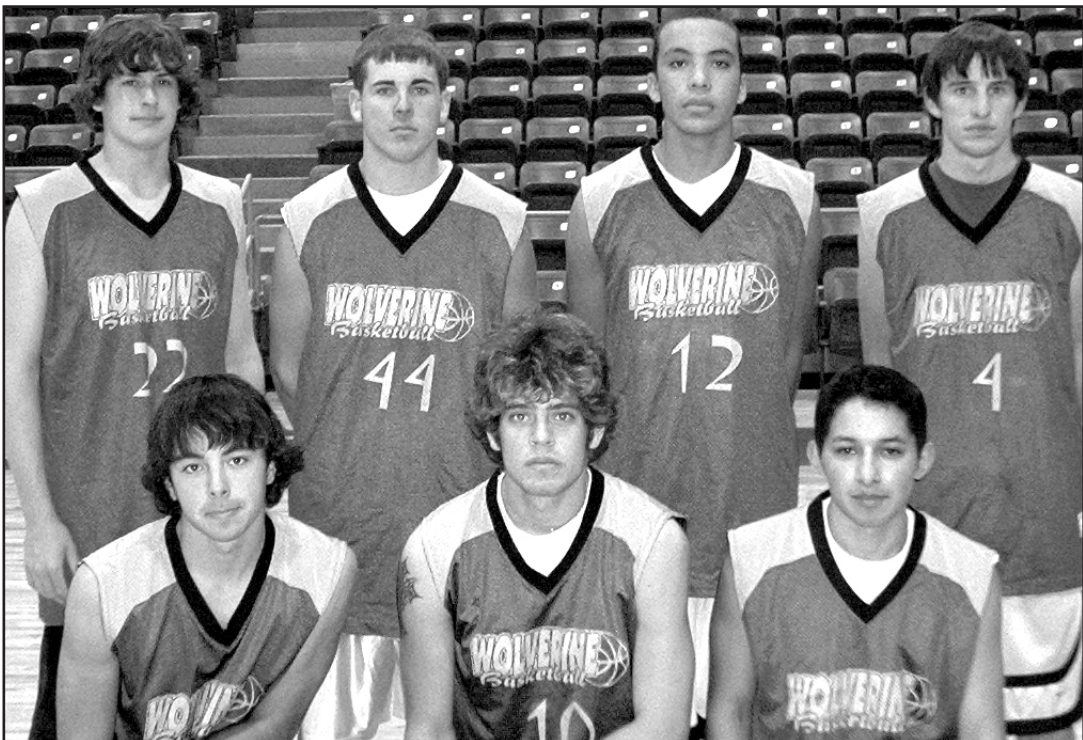
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Texico's 8th grade boys

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Texico Varsity Boys

Isaac Zarate, Curtis Williams, Zane Anderson, Andrew Schaap, Josh Murray, Aaron Vaughan, Courtland Luscombe, Ricky Burns, Justin Garrison, Daniel Schueler, Michael Johnson, Chance Bradley, Ruben Lindley, Casey Crist.

'Santa, please give my Mom a day off'

Dear Santa,
Please give Mommy a diamond ring and give my Dad a gun. Give Daniel a cowboy set and Dillon a new knife. I would like a happy Christmas!
Jenna Kirkland

Dear Santa,
Please give my Mom a massage chair and my dad a new watch. Give my little brother a box of blocks and my other brother a toy Jeep. I would like the Yu-Gi-Oh game.
Ricardo Parra

Dear Santa,
Please give my Mom a new house and my sister a Barbie house. Give my baby brother toys and clothes and my Dad some shoes and clothes. I would like a puppy with a red bow.
Lorena Reyes

Dear Santa,
Please give my mom new jewelry; my dad a new Colts cap. Give my sister a Dallas football and my brother a Green Bay uniform. I would like a Texas Tech jersey.
Brinton Roach

Dear Santa,
Please give my mom a dress and a necklace that is sparkly. Give my sister and brother a ball and a game boy, and my dad a big truck. I would like a trampoline with a net.
Marisol Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
Please give my Mom a pretty bracelet and my Dad a polo shirt. Give my brother a Cowboys' sweater and give my aunt a shirt. I would like a Furby and a portable DVD

player.
Myra Servin

Dear Santa,
Please give my Mom a day off and my brother an X-box 360. Give my Dad a job and my baby brother a toy. As for me, I would like an X-box 360.
Dylan Steelman

Dear Santa,
Please give my mom a radio and Lucia a CD. Give Annette a DVD and Grandma and Grandpa a computer. I would like a new Buzz and Woody.
Juanito Torres

Dear Santa,
Please give Mother a ring and Dad a sweater. Give Grandma a pair of shoes and Grandpa a jacket. I would like a Game Boy.
Ashley Ulloa

Texico gridders moving up to Class 2A

Texico High football coach Mike Prokop held his four annual post-season football team get-together at the Texico Community Center on Friday night.

The hall was full for the pot-luck supper.

Prokop announced that Texico's football team would be moved up to Class 2A next season.

He also said plans are being made to have Texico have a JV football team.

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Farwell varsity boys

Brett Howard, Cory Chadwick, Derrick Chandler, Ty Gast, Ryan McClaran, Matthew Edwards, Alex Olmos, Roper Smith, Colton Sudderth.

Wedding shower planned

A wedding shower will be held for Chelsi Kaltwasser and Kevin Bullock on Dec. 31 at 10 a.m. at St. John Lutheran Church of Lariat. Selections are available at Joe's Boot Shop, Dillard's, Wal-Mart, Target, Pansies, Posies, Potpourri, Carolyn's and Bullfrog Rock and Garden.

Texico Police

Here is the weekly report from Texico Police Chief John Mares: On Dec. 17, Jeremiah Mascarenas, 26, of Clovis, was charged with possession of marijuana and driving on a revoke license.

Beef symposium slated for Tucumcari

Texas Cooperative Extension is teaming up with the New Mexico Cooperative Extension Service to present the second annual Southwest Beef Symposium and trade show Jan. 18-19 at the Tucumcari Convention Center. The program will start at 1 p.m. Jan. 18. Dr. Bruce Carpenter, Texas Cooperative Extension livestock specialist at Fort Stockton, said the program will deal with foreign export markets, niche markets, and production systems for western stocker cattle and calves. Some of the top leaders in the beef industry will be featured speakers. "Asian beef markets are predicted to open soon," Carpenter said, "and age and source verification of calves are key words these days. Discussions will focus on what these markets mean to the U.S. beef industry, and what producers can do to capture added value in export-eligible cattle. The proposed National Animal ID System will also be discussed." Discussion on Jan. 19 will feature stocker cattle health and management, and small grain production systems. The program also will include information on niche beef marketing for conventional, natural and certified organic beef programs. A panel discussion will conclude the program. Individual registration is \$50. Pre-registration deadline is Jan. 16. For more information contact Carpenter at (432) 336-8585.



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A tea sponsored by the Friends of the Friona Public Library and the Parmer County Museum will be Dec. 23 from 10 a.m. to noon at the museum. Folks can meet Krista Renner Kemple, who has written “Another Beautiful Day.”



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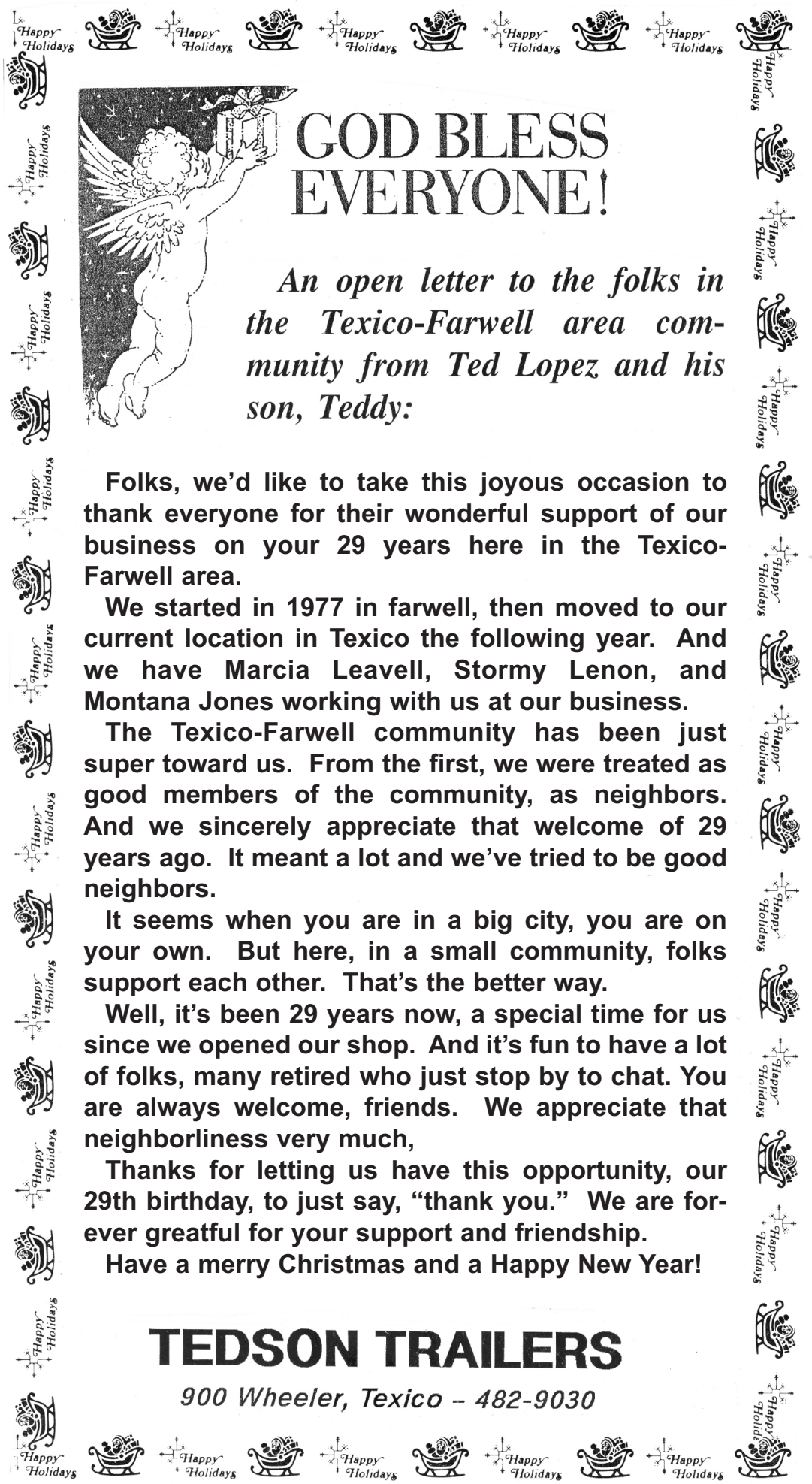
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Texico JV girls

Micah Mayfield, Barbara Vidal, Jerica Reid, Zandi Queener, Holly Harrison, Jaryse Harris, Shay Heflin, Amanda Bass, Brooke Bailey, Marquita Askew, Leslie Vannatta, Braeden Hadley.

LAZBUDDIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2005

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES:			
<i>Local and Intermediate Sources</i>	\$ 1,084,202	\$ 19,094	\$ 1,103,296
<i>State Program Revenues</i>	882,479	22,480	684,959
<i>Federal Program Revenues</i>	21,446	261,017	282,463
Total Revenues	<u>1,768,127</u>	<u>302,591</u>	<u>2,070,718</u>
EXPENDITURES:			
Current:			
<i>Instruction</i>	787,253	204,231	971,484
<i>Instructional Resources and Media Services</i>	20,059	81	20,120
<i>Curriculum and Staff Development</i>	1,300	--	1,300
<i>School Leadership</i>	76,233	549	76,782
<i>Guidance, Counseling, & Evaluation Services</i>	19,013	198	19,220
<i>Health Services</i>	1,915	50	1,969
<i>Student Transportation</i>	91,589	1,164	92,753
<i>Food Service</i>	--	103,297	103,297
<i>Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities</i>	77,678	192	77,870
<i>General Administration</i>	182,737	590	183,327
<i>Plant Maintenance and Operations</i>	338,956	1,196	340,152
<i>Data Processing Services</i>	17,214	487	17,701
<i>Capital Outlay</i>	79,895	--	79,895
<i>Payments to Shared Service Arrangements</i>	13,922	--	13,922
Total Expenditures	<u>1,687,764</u>	<u>312,328</u>	<u>2,000,092</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>80,363</u>	<u>(9,737)</u>	<u>70,626</u>
Other Financing Sources and (Uses):			
<i>Transfers In</i>	--	8,518	8,518
<i>Transfers Out</i>	(8,518)	--	(8,518)
Total Other Financing Sources and (Uses)	<u>(8,518)</u>	<u>8,518</u>	<u>--</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>71,845</u>	<u>(1,219)</u>	<u>70,626</u>
Fund Balances - Beginning	<u>1,367,793</u>	<u>1,219</u>	<u>1,369,012</u>
Fund Balances - Ending	<u>\$ 1,439,638</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ 1,439,638</u>





Farwell JV Boys

Dalton Cockerham, Brian Meeks, Bo Mitchell, Ross McClaran, Johnathan Edwards, Ramon Quezada, Jaime Saenz, Emanuel Pereda, Trace Stevenson, Robert Williams, Logan Carpenter, Danny Hernandez, Dan Patterson.



Texico Varsity girls

Bryn Mayfield, Skyla Cockerham, Barbara Vidal, Erika Autrey, Brooke Bailey, Sarah Johnson, Faith Martin, Whitney Spinks, Brittany Anderson, Lori Richardson, Stephanie Vega, Zandi Queener, Krystal Williams and Leslie Vannatta.

Upcoming Sports

Here's a look at the upcoming area basketball schedule:
The Bovina varsity and JV teams host Adrian on Dec. 30.
The Farwell varsity teams participate in the Littlefield Tournament Dec. 28-30.
The Texico varsity and JV teams play at Jal on Dec. 29.

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South Plains producers can update their crop production and management skills and earn continuing education units at any of seven agriculture conferences.

The Texas Cooperative Extension events are slated in January and February.

Conference dates and locations are:

- Jan. 12; West Plains Cotton Conference at the Sundown Room on the South Plains College campus in Levelland. Call the Extension office in Hockley County at (806) 894-3159.
- Jan. 17; Caprock Cotton Conference at the Plains Baptist Assembly south of Floydada. Call the Extension office in Floyd County at (806) 983-4912 or Crosby County at (806) 675-2347.
- Jan. 25; Llano Estacado Cotton Conference at the Bailey County Coliseum in Muleshoe. Call the Extension office in Bailey County at (806) 272-4584.
- Jan. 26; Southern Mesa Ag Conference at the Dawson County Annex Building (609 N. First St.) in Lamesa. Call the Extension office in Dawson County at (806) 872-3444.
- Feb. 7; South Plains Ag Conference at the Nikki Vinson Youth Center (110 E. Hill St.) in Brownfield. Call the Extension office in Terry County at (806) 637-4060.
- Feb. 9; Sandyland Ag Conference at the Gaines County Civic Building in Seminole. Call the Extension office in Gaines County at (432) 758-4006.
- Feb. 10; Hale and Swisher County Crops Conference at the Ollie Liner Center in Plainview. Call the Extension office in Hale County at (806) 291-5267.

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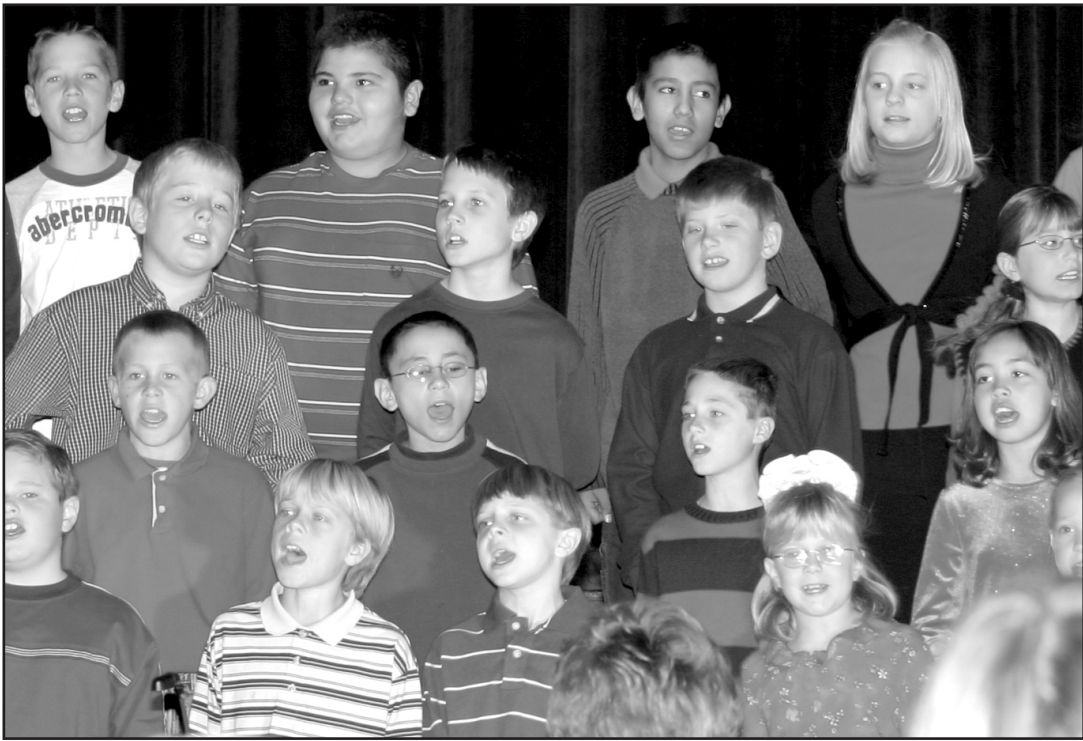


May the peace and joy of this holiday season be with you and your loved ones now and throughout the coming year.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the board of directors and employees of Bailey County Electric Cooperative.



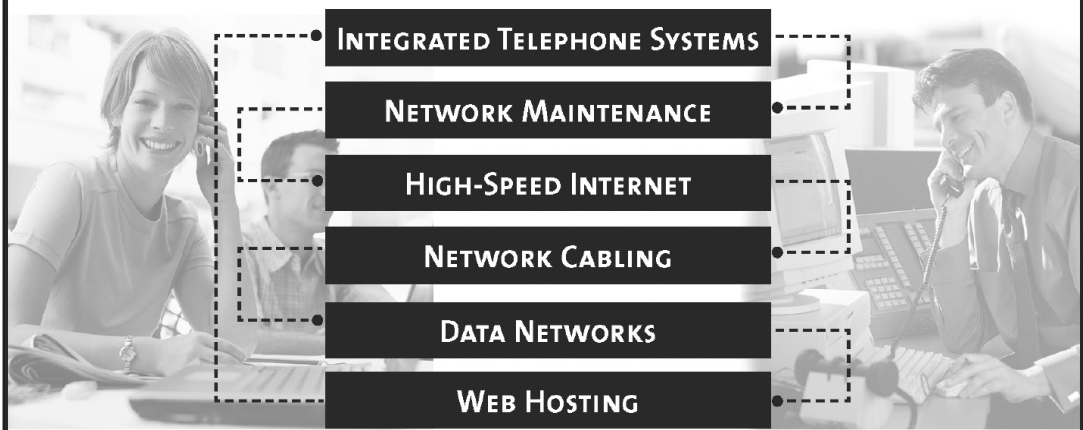
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From page 1

knew it for sure because we saw the deer tracks, lots of them, with our own eyes.

The Christmas Program was now done. It was time to go home and get to bed before Santa came. (Some years later we all began to go over to Aunt Louise's and Uncle Wendol's before going home).

There was still work to be done. First thing was the stockings. We each had to get one. We would go to Daddy's sock drawer and look for his old baseball socks. They were bigger than the rest of his socks. Then we would pull on them and stretch them as much as we could so that they would hold more stuff. When it was as big as we could get it we put it beside our bed, and hopped in bed with orders to go right to sleep. It seemed like we would never go to sleep. We just couldn't get sleepy no matter how hard we tried. We would talk some and then without realizing it we were off to sleep.

If we ever woke up in the night we would always check to see if Santa had come yet. Most of the time it would be around three or four in the morning when one of us would spot Santa's gifts under the tree. Boy, the lights on the Christmas tree would seem to be gleaming off of them. We would have to wake everyone up. You see, we had a rule that nobody could open a gift until everyone was ready. Even Mamma and Daddy would be dragged out of bed. They always seemed really tired, too.

All of the presents were opened and it would be about six or seven I guess by now. Mamma would cut the grapefruit that we got in our stocking along with the regular things we had for breakfast. We would go milk and do the other chores while this was done. By the time we sat down to finish our morning meal we were beginning to realize that it was now over. It would be 365 more days before it would happen again. Could I be good for that long a time again?

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Jenkins fulfills his pledge

From the Professional Bull Riders Website:

Professional Bull Rider L.J. Jenkins, of Texico, has made good on his pledge to donate five percent of his 2005 season earnings to Hurricane Katrina victims. The high school senior recently gave \$7,500 to the American Red Cross for the Hurricane Katrina victims and \$500 to his local American Red Cross chapter.

"After the hurricane hit, I wanted to do something. I'm glad I'm able to help out," stated Jenkins. The 18-year-old finished his rookie season with \$141,075 won for the year.

Jenkins is finishing his senior year of high school through home schooling while traveling to the PBR's elite Built Ford Tough Series events. When asked about missing high school activities due to his traveling schedule, he replied, "I think I miss out on some things, but riding bulls in the PBR is what I've always wanted to do. I'm still able to get my school work done, and I wouldn't want it any other way. I want to give it my best shot while I'm still young."

In September, the New Mexico cowboy vowed to donate five percent of his earnings through the 2005 Built Ford Tough World Finals and challenged fellow bull riders to do the same.



Lazbuddie School honor rolls listed

Here are Lazbuddie School's honor rolls for the 3rd six weeks:

Elementary "A" Honor Roll -- Regan Agee, Peter Guenter, Kennedy Nickels, Micah Vera, Lacey Jesko, Katlyn Hicks, Ashton Mason, Austin Mason, Chandler Barnes, Cotton Fleming, Kolten Morris.

Elementary "A-B" Honor Roll -- Justina Neufeld, Alonzo Soto, David Guenter, Haldon Ivy, Haley Ivy, Celeste Lucio, Albert Moran, Haley Beasley, Shyann Rainey, Allison Weaver, Jessica Estrada, Karina Galaviz, Anna Harder, Shea Scott, Jared Timms.

Junior High "A" Honor Roll -- Emily Agee, Darin Ivy, Kayle Jesko.

Junior High "A-B" Honor Roll -- Jarrod Jesko, Jordan Mason, Kylie McGehee, Justin Schacher, Joseline Garcia, Jordan Hernandez, Colton Weaver, Katie Chavez, Logan Mason, Kinzi Schacher, Monica Vera.

High School "A" Honor Roll -- Ryan Mason, Jacob Schacher, Chase Timms, Chelsee Nichols, Brittney Schacher, Rochelle Smith, Addie Treider.

High School "A-B" Honor Roll -- Richie Aguilar, Juan Carlos Guillen, Leticia Mendoza, RaJon Thorn, Mari Beliz, Jason Davis, Regina Mata, Brianna Sanchez, Dakota Williams, Erica Derma, Jesse Gomez, Mica Brandvik, David Campos.

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JUST LISTED -- 177 acres east of Farwell, 2 irrigation wells, 1 circle sprinkler.

JUST LISTED -- 160 acres situated east of Lariat.

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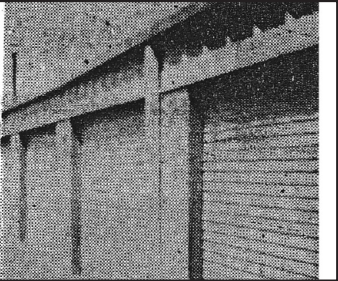
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Dear Santa,
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Christmas

From page 1

Jesus Christ asks a few things of us. His list seems a little too hard for many. Santa just brings us good stuff. My Jewish friend laughed the other day as she teased me about the issue of our esteemed lawmakers enforcing the term “Holiday Tree” instead of “Christmas Tree.” She jokingly stated that she always wanted to have a beautifully decorated and lit “Christmas Tree” in her home. Now that it was religiously and politically correct to have a holiday tree and Hanukah is an official holiday, she was finally getting her wish and she wouldn’t have to explain anything to her mother!
Think about your Christmas tree serving as a Ramadan Tree or as a celebration of the birth of Buddha?
What exactly does your Christmas tree reflect in your home?
Ours is a mixture of Christ, our family, our heritage and a hodge-podge of ornaments collected from trips that we’ve made together.
I’m not proposing that everyone has to change their Christmas tree to reflect only Christ. I’m just proposing that everyone think about exactly what type of holiday they’re celebrating.
Martin Luther began the tradition of lighting and decorating evergreen trees as a way to welcome the Christ Child into the world and into our homes.
If Jesus Christ were to walk into your home right now, would He be able to identify you with Him? Would He find a single trace of His story, His life or His Word among your decorations?

Do you own a Nativity scene?
They’ve become somewhat controversial in public places.

If you’re a Christian, the Nativity is central to your Christmas celebration. Why then does our nation shrink back and take down our Nativity scenes when someone questions the validity of the practice. The emphasis here is on the some “one” or the very small group. We’ve heard in the news lately about how people got so enraged over a Santa figure being hung up in a tree with a knife in his hand. Why didn’t people get enraged over the Nativity scene controversy?
We own several Nativity scenes. It’s part of our Christmas tradition that we display each one. They all convey the same scene, but each one evokes a different memory.

The oldest one is the one that I had as a child. My father and I built the stable and we purchased the figurines at a TG&Y store in San Antonio. Some of them are cracked and the paint is faded, but they portray the story perfectly. This scene evokes beloved memories of my dad and the wonderful day that we spent together creating the Nativity.
Another scene is one that my sister-in-law made for me right after my first husband passed away in 1987. It evokes a very rough time in my life, but as I take it out and put it in place each year, it reminds me of God’s grace and peace, even through the storm.
Another set is a one that Berny and I gave to each other for our 16th anniversary. The figures are simply painted and none of the figures have faces. It evokes the peaceful serenity of the birthplace and makes me think about how the wonder and simple majesty were beyond description. Even though there are no faces, each figure shows the awe and inspiration that must have been present.
To the side of one of these Nativities is a Santa Claus figurine. It is a praying Santa Claus. We place it there to symbolize that Santa Claus is a Godly man that shares the love and message of selfless giving with people all over the world. The real person that started the Santa Claus craze was a selfless and sharing man who devoted his life to giving to others. In this respect, I want to be just like St. Nicholas, Sinter Klaas, Pierre Noel, and Father Christmas ... Santa Claus.

I’m hoping to convey the message that giving doesn’t always mean a big present from a department store wrapped in fancy paper. It’s a gift from the heart, no matter what the amount or in what form it comes in. It’s a kind deed; a kind word, a helping hand.

Have you ever wondered if you are sabotaging your own enjoyment of Christmas?
The fact that our Christmas season is so rushed and hurried is our own fault. We’re trying to cram more into our schedules and to achieve more in a day than ever before. Whatever happened to modern technology making our lives simpler?
What did I do before I had a cell phone, laptop and wireless internet? I don’t remember being this rushed and hurried by my day to day activities 15 years ago. Whenever I get pushed to the point with the comings and goings of my families’ schedule that I begin to get a headache, I stop, breathe really deep and say my favorite Scripture verse out loud: Be still, and know that I am God, Psalm 46:10.
This is my Christmas gift to many of you.
Slow down. You’ve been given the ultimate permission slip.
Listen to your heart. He’s right there where He’s always been; and if He hasn’t always been there, invite Him in. He will give you hope, security and the world’s best retirement plan and death benefits.
Know that He is God.
His birth was foretold to the shepherds by the angels and a star was placed in the heavens for all to see.
He was born in a stable because there was no room in the inn.
His mother wrapped Him in swaddling clothes and laid Him in a manger.
All was calm.
The shepherds, they adored Him.
Almost two years later, the Wise Men followed the star to find Him and they bowed down before Him, honoring Him with gifts from afar.
What will you honor Him with this Christmas?
Your time?
Your heart?
All the gifts you bought?
All the time you spent thinking about Him?
Be still.
Re-discover Christmas.

Re-discover the music, the magic and the laughter. Play games with your children. Play with your grandchildren, no matter how young or old they are. Make cookies, candy; make a mess in the kitchen together.
Go to church. Sing loudly and with a smile on your face. Pray for someone else’s needs. Talk to the Lord just like a friend.
Call old friends. Make new friends. Take time for yourself and be still. Rediscover Christmas.
And next Christmas, don’t rush through the stores with a glazed look of panic.
Amble; look around; pay attention all year long to what your friends and family really need. Don’t go buy something just to buy something.
Share yourself with those you love. Have coffee with your mother, as often as you can. Help your neighbor plant her garden. Share the message of hope with someone you know needs to hear it.
Rediscover Christmas throughout the next year. It’s only marked on the calendar during one month, but it really happens every day. It happens in your heart and spreads out from there.

God’s peace and blessings for you all as we celebrate this joyous time!
Jesus is the reason for the season! Merry Christmas, everyone!

Sheriff’s Report

Here is the weekly report from Parmer County sheriff Randy Geries:
On Dec. 15, Juan Pablo Cortilla, 32, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of driving on a suspended license. Case pending in county court.
On Dec. 15, Jose Jaime DeLeon, 53, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of making a terroristic threat. Case pending in county court.
On Dec. 16, Darren Milloway, 41, of Clovis, was arrested by the sheriff’s office on a charge of DWI. Case pending in county court.
On Dec. 12, John Camper, 37, of Amarillo, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of DWI open container. Case pending in county court.
On Dec. 16, Ronald Wilson, 33, of Farwell, was arrested on a charge of motion to revoke (burglary of a building). Case pending in district court.
On Dec. 16, Angela Martinez, 25, of Plainview, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of driving on a suspended license. Case pending in county court.
On Dec. 17, Manuel Alonso, 35, of Bovina, was arrested by Bovina police on a charge of driving on a suspended license. Case pending in county court.
On Dec. 18, Hector Rubio, 23, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of driving on a suspended license. Case pending in county court.
On Dec. 16, Eleazar DeLaCruz Jr., 23, of Bovina, was arrested on an Oldham County warrant. He is pending transport.
In 287th District Court, with Judge Gordon Green presiding:
On Dec. 14, Adan Torrez, 20, of Friona, charged with forgery, was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, probated for 2 years; \$312 court costs, \$350 attorney fees and \$374 restitution.

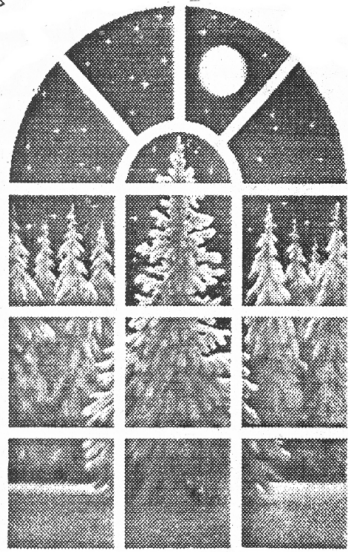
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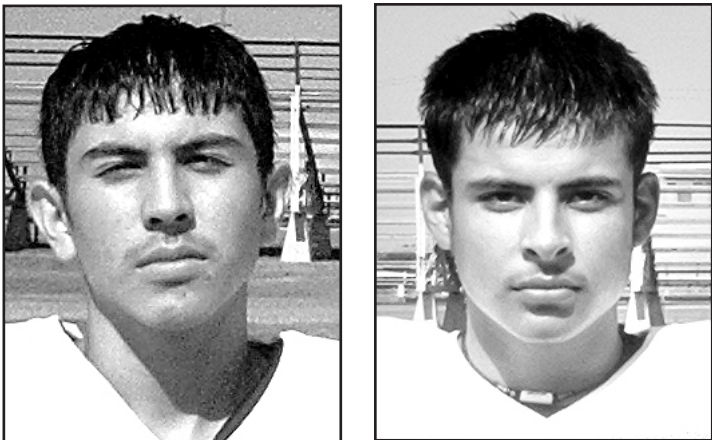
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All-District

Two Lazbuddie football players got District 2 Six-Man All-District honors: Steve Pacheco, 2nd team, linebacker, left, and Aaron Chavez, honorable mention, center.



Happy defeats Lazbuddie teams

Varsity Boys
The Lazbuddie Longhorns fell to Happy last Friday, 54-39.
Scoring were Steve Pacheco and Aaron Chavez, 11 each; Jesse Gomez, 6; Erik Estrada, 4; Bryce Haney, 1; Jacob Schacher, 2; and Arturo Lucio, 4.

Varsity Girls
Happy beat the Lady Longhorns last Friday, 31-19. Chelsee Nichols had 17 for Lazbuddie.



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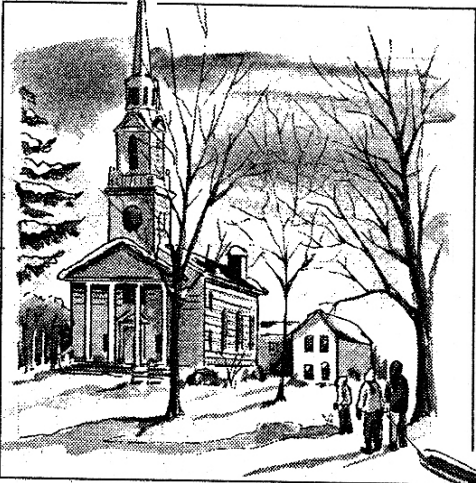
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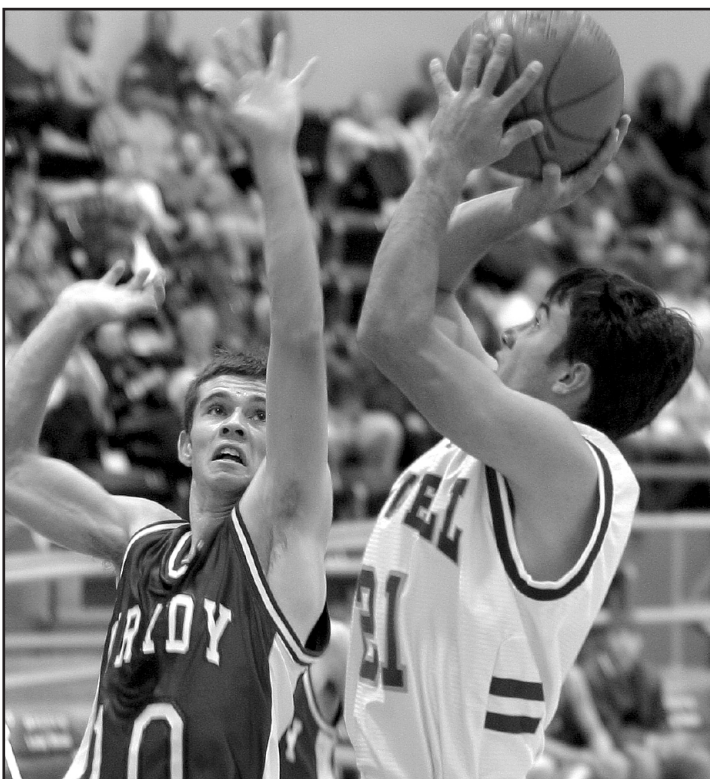
‘H e prayeth best who loveth best all things both great and small.’ *Samuel Taylor Coleridge*

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

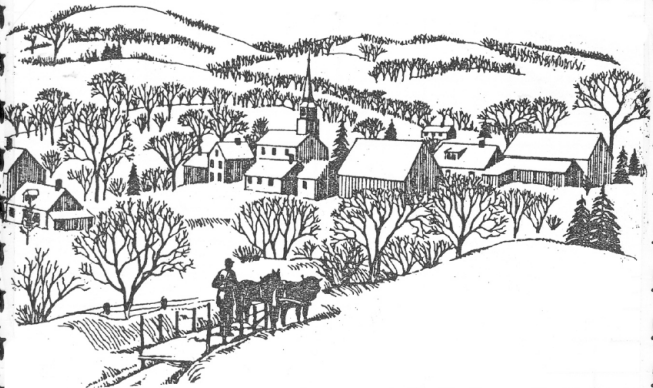


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Farwell Varsity teams in action



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Carpenter sparks Farwell JH win

Varsity Girls
The Farwell Lady Blue beat up on winless Dora, 68-37, last Friday there.
Scoring were Shelby Christian, 14; Amanda Martin, 2; Britton Barrett, 12; Blake O'Hare, 3; Ross McClaran, 7; Johnathan Edwards, 13; Emanuel Pereda, 4; Trace Stevenson, 5; Robert Williams, 6; Logan Carpenter, 4, and Danny Hernandez, 6.

Varsity Boys
Dora defeated the Farwell Steers last Friday, 65-47. No other details were given.

JV Boys
Farwell's JV Boys knocked off Highland Park, 72-52.
Scoring were Dalton Cockerham, 9l Brian Meeks, 3; Bo Mitchell, 12; Blake O'Hare, 3; Ross McClaran, 7; Johnathan Edwards, 13; Emanuel Pereda, 4; Trace Stevenson, 5; Robert Williams, 6; Logan Carpenter, 4, and Danny Hernandez, 6.

May the light of faith be with you this Christmas season.



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Bovina Banter

Tammy Knoll - 251-5253

Charles Oil buys hardware inventory

Charles Oil Co. has purchased the inventory from the hardware store that had been at the east end of the highway. Ken Waters reports that the inventory will be placed at Charles Oil and he hopes it will be of service to the community.

Bro. Kelly Warren has been hired as the interim pastor at the First Baptist Church of Bovina.

All the angels were taken from the Angel Tree at First Bank of Bovina so that means all the needy kids who needed some Christmas assistance will get it.

A big "thank you" from Becky London, one of the project coordinators.

Ben Osborn files for commissioner's post

Parmer County Republican Chairman John Armstrong had predicted the race for the Pct. 2 county commissioner's post (the Bovina area) would be hotly contested.

He has received his first filing for that post, from Ben Osborn.

Tom Ware has served as Pct. 2 county commissioner for 20 years but is not seeking re-election.

The filing deadline is Jan. 2. Normally, the filing ending is Jan. 3, but not this go-round.

Osborn is one of six persons to file with Armstrong. The others are:

-- Elvis Powell, seeking re-election as the Pct. 4 (the Lazbuddie area) county commissioner.

-- Vi Hutto, seeking re-election as the Pct. 2 Justice of the Peace. She has switched from the Democrat party to the Republican party.

-- Colleen Stover, seeking re-election as Parmer County Clerk.

-- Valton Howard, seeking re-election as the Pct. 1 Justice of the Peace (the Friona area).

-- Pam Haseloff, seeking re-election as the Pct. 3 Justice of the Peace (the Farwell area). She also is switching from the Democrat party to the GOP party.

Those who have not filed yet, but have told the Tribune they will seek re-election are:

-- Altha Herington, a Republican, for county treasurer.

-- Bonnie Heald, a Democrat, for county judge.

-- Gordon Green, a Democrat, for District Court judge.

-- Sandra Warren, a Republican, for District Clerk.

Parmer County Democrat Chairman Robert White reported on Friday that no one had filed so far.



Bovina varsity boys

Chris Heinzman, Jeremy Vasquez, Michael Vasquez, Cornelio Ortiz, Trent Quintana, James Lara, Oscar Rodriguez, Jesus Rocha, Noe Lara, Saul Martinez, Robert Knoll, Isaac Taveras.

Basketball

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6; Lynda Rodriguez, 9; and Cheyenne Dutton, 5.

Varsity Teams

The Mustangs and Fillies had been scheduled to play the Lubbock Warriors, a team of home-schoolers, on Dec. 16.

But despite repeated calls by Coach Shorter, Bovina was unable to make the contacts necessary in time to decide where to play (the Lubbock team does not have a home gym).

So Bovina cancelled the games.

Also a schedule change: Bovina had scheduled to play Pecos at Seminole on Dec. 30, Instead, Bovina will host Adrian that day.

Richardson selected

Texico Lady Spikers' Lori Richardson was selected as an outside hitter to play on the Class 2A South All-Star Team in July in Albuquerque.



Bovina varsity girls

Laura Rocha, Irma Rocha, Jessica Bachicha, Hilda Quintero, Dorothy Martinez, Lucero Saucedo, Ruby Vela.

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Abigail Garcia

Dear Santa,
I want a little brother and a bratz girl ring, plus a Barbie car.
Yasmine Porras

Dear Santa,
I want a Cinderella dress and some shoes. I want my little sister to get a small red dress, and a skirt for my mom and some boots for my dad. My grandma needs some slippers.
Daynah Tijerina

Dear Santa,
I want a Batman toy. My sister wants a baby doll that cries. I have been good at school and at home. My dad would like a red sweater and my mom a black shirt.
Julian Garcia

Dear Santa,
I want some Barbie shoes and a Barbie dress. I want a Barbie jeep. I want you to give my sister a cell phone and a CD player with some CD's.
Jenna Heard

Dear Santa,
I want a King Kong game and NCAA Football 2006. My sister wants princess stuff. My brother wants a big screen TV. My dad wants a motor cycle.
Allen Hernandez

Dear Santa,

I want a ball, and clothes for me and my little sister. My dad wants a car that has a remote. I want a pet chick with a barn. And the movie of Tom and Jerry for my dad. And a swimming pool. And the movie The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe and the book of it.
April Hernandez

Dear Santa,
I want a big stereo, and my big sister Blanca wants good and cool clothes.
Vanessa Vidana

Dear Santa,
I want a real food maker; for my brother, a play motor-cycle; for my mom a DVD, and for my dad a new saddle for his horse. Please wake me up when you come, Santa.
Laura

Dear Santa,
I will give you cookies and milk when you come to my house. I want a gold watch and a puppy.
Xavier Vargas

Dear Santa,
Can you bring me a PSP game that says X-Man. I will give you a chocolate milk and pie and cocoa puffs if you bring them -- so do we make a deal or what?
Carlos V.

Dear Santa,
I want an X-box and hamster and some games for our Play Station. And I want a girl friend and a puppy.
Jesus Garcia

Dear Santa,
I want everything of Spiderman, and a Nintendo Game Cube. And a puppy because my dog died.
Pedro

Dear Santa,
Can you bring me a puppy?
Jesus DeLaCruz

Dear Santa,
I want a nerf football and a dart to a gun. I hope my grandpa and grandma got me yu-gi-yo cards. And a toy car.
Kevin Guevara

Dear Santa,
I don't want a present. I want a happy Christmas.
Jesus Sanchez

Dear Santa,
I want a Cinderella castle, a car, a Princess movie, an outfit, a camera, a doll, a hat and toys.
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Senior - Cornelio Ortiz and Irma Rocha



7th grade - Dorian Vela and Blanca Vidana



8th grade - Alicia Lopez and Ricardo Delarosa

More Bovina Letters to Santa and team basketball pictures in section 3, page 10 and section 2, page 11

'Santa, I want a xylophone'

Dear Santa,
I want a Glitter Glow Bear. My mom wants a jacket with red glitter. My dad wants a blue jacket.
Nicia Tino

Dear Santa,
My mom and dad need new jackets. My brother would like a new bike. I want a go cart.
Daniel Lara

Dear Santa,
I want a computer and a truck with lights in the rims that are blue.
Ivan Ramos

Dear Santa,
My brother Bacilo wants a new truck to go to school in. Me and my little sister want bratz dolls.
Marilene Viernes

Dear Santa,
I want a bratz toy for my sister. I want a ball for me.
Emily Mejia

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me an X-box 360 with all the games. I also want some clothes.
Orlando Salas

Dear Santa,
I want a Spiderman toy and a Batman toy and a bike. My sister wants a bike.
Chris Reyes

Dear Santa,
I want a saddle and a whip.
Carlos

Dear Santa,
I want a rabbit, a duck, a dog, a fish, a cat, a bird, a horse, a rat, a penguin, a pie, a pony, a ring, a zebra, a yo-yo, a doll, a goat, a hamster, a hen, a jump rope, a kangaroo, a monkey, a shirt, a swan, a turtle, a unicorn, a watch, a bike, a TV, a telephone, a King thing, a kite, a lamb, a boot, a lock, a microscope, a mirror, a motorcycle, a mare, an ostrich, a parrot, a piano, a ruby, a shoe, a sled, a sweater, a teddy bear, a telescope, a tent, a car, a train, a trombone, a trumpet, a violin, an xylophone, a deer, a book, a cap, a hat, a bucket.
Denise Mejia

Dear Santa,
I want a truck.
Jordan Candanedo

Dear Santa,

BEDC renews Swafford's contract

The Bovina Economic Development Commission on Dec. 14 renewed its contract with manager Jim Bob Swafford. His contract runs for six months at a time and he is paid \$7,500. In other business, the BEDC:
-- Decided to meet monthly, instead of quarterly as in the past.
-- Approved the contract to give Luis Munoz \$6,000 (for a year's rent) so he can open a restaurant where Burgers 'n More used to be. The city council had already approved this. The BEDC also discussed the council's change in its code, that says all BEDC expenditures must be approved by the council.

Martinez, Terrones spark JV win

JV Boys
Bovina's JV Boys lost to Hale Center, 47-24. Scoring were Joseph Bermea, 5; Jamie Chavira, 5; Josh Ramirez, 6; Pecos Prather, 4; and Gonzales, 4.
JV Girls
Bovina's JV Girls won over Hale Center, 27-23. Scoring were Elizabeth Ortiz, 2; Audrie Terrones, 8; Yesenia Guevara, 4; Yaniree Martinez, 10, and Haylee Hughes, 3.
MS Girls
Bovina's "A" girls lost to Farwell, 44-23. Scoring were Jeanette Varela, 3; Yoshi Rueda, 12; Kim Casas, 3; and Daniela Flores, 5.

Bovina's "B" girls beat Farwell, 22-16. Scoring were Maribeth Salazar, 2; Mayra Gomez, 13.
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Young artist

This is part of a Tribune series of art work by Bovina students. Pictured is 2nd grader Jesus Garcia with his artwork.

Please bring me some games of Dragon Balls and Game Cube, and games for Game Cube.
David

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Sittin’ in the Corner

by Wade Cargile

Marshall Marshall, U.S. Marshal, is one tough cookie. He has a 110% arrest record because he allows no violations of any law. He has 427 arrests alone for little old ladies jaywalking. He fears no one, answers to no one and gets a haircut every 30 days (his barber is a former convict who is also one of his informants).

Oct. 8, 1975, downtown Union City: The town’s Next-to-the-Last Bank was robbed and he was interviewing witnesses when a bystander came forward to pass along some important information. Failing to initially identify himself, Marshal Marshall quickly apprehended him by throwing him against the wall, cuffing him and began reading him his rights, while mentioning his many wrongs. Police Lt. Draggs rescued the poor witness by handing him over to one of the more rational officers to take his statement.

Lt. Draggs: “Hey Marshal, how’s things going?”

Marshal Marshall: “Okay.”

“Not much of a talker, are you?”

“When I talk, I let this do the talking for me.” He pulled his gun out of his jacket holster, accidentally firing two shots into the ceiling.

Twelve officers ducked and drew their guns, all pointing them at Marshal Marshall, who responded: “It’s okay fellas, false alarm.” They slowly holstered their weapons while cautiously staring at him.

About that time, Marshall spied a little old lady jaywalking. Quick as a flash, he jumped through a window (from the second floor), landed on his feet, avoiding stepping on the sidewalk cracks and just missed crossing the path of a black cat, he hollered “Stop in the name of the law.” The puzzled old lady barely avoided being run over by a truck because she stopped in the middle of the street. She responded “Who are you anyway, Sonny?”

“Marshal Marshall. You’re under arrest for jaywalking and disobeying a direct order to halt.”

“If I would’ve halted right where you told me to, I would’ve been run over by that truck!”

“Also for resisting arrest. What is your business here, anyway?”

“I was just going to the bank to make a withdrawal.”

“Aha! So you admit that you’re one of the thieves.”

“What on earth are you talking about? I don’t know anything about those thieves.”

“So you admit there were more than one thief, which can only mean that you are a member of their gang, or else you wouldn’t know there were more than one.”

About that time, Lt. Draggs came over to talk to Marshall.

“Marshal, we have confirmed that there were five thieves, according to the video camera.”

“See, I told you I wasn’t one of them. I only want to make a withdrawal.”

“Officer, book this woman for conspiracy to commit robbery, and for jaywalking.”

After she was taken away, Lt. Draggs said “You know, you really ought to take a vacation. You look tired. You need some arrests ... I mean rest.”

“I might just do that. Where do you suggest I go?”

“Well, it can’t be that last place you went, you know, Mt. Pleasant. Before you left, the Police Chief and the Mayor both had nervous break downs, not to mention the citizens were basket-cases.”

“Yeah, I guess I need to pick a different place. How does fishing at a lake in the mountains in Colorado sound?”

“Great. You just go ahead and go home and pack and be off. I’ll finish up here and fill out all the reports.”

Marshall went home and packed, then rented a cabin on the lake shore.

When he arrived, he immediately remembered he forgot his fishing gear. Frustrated, he went to the local bait shop to buy some fishing equipment. As he was browsing, he overheard some men talking. “Wait ‘til ‘ol Joe gets wind of what we have planned for this evening. His mouth will water just at the thought of his share.”

Marshall couldn’t quite make out the rest of the conversation, but he followed the men to find out what they were up to. He followed them to a restaurant and nabbed a booth right behind them, listening for any clues that they might give away.

Unaware of what the waitress asked, he said “What was that again miss?”

“I said, are you going to order something, or do you want me to have you arrested for loitering?”

With that, Marshall jumped up and got her in the search position. “I’m Marshal Marshall. You’re under arrest. Place your hands behind you and let me cuff them.” He then began reading her rights to her when she said “What’s this all about? Why are you arresting me?”

“For interfering with an investigation, resisting arrest, and, by the way, do you jaywalk?”

“What!”

“Okay, let’s go. Where is the sheriff’s office?”

About that time, the sheriff came in and demanded “What in tarnation is going on in here?”

“Glad you’re here Sheriff. You can take this villain to jail for me. I’ll be along after awhile to fill you in and help with the paperwork later.”

“What’s he talking about, Vivian? Who are you anyway mister?”

“Marshal Marshall. This perp was interfering with an ongoing investigation. I need her removed out of the way so she can’t bother me anymore.”

“Listen here mister, you can’t just go around and arrest anyone you want to without my authority!”

“Can I have your permission to continue my investigation?”

“What investigation are you talking about?”

“I was following these gentlemen to find out what they’re up to.”

“Hey Harley, where are you boys going?”

“Just down to the lake to do some fishing, Sheriff.”

Sheriff Taylor looked back at Marshall and said “See there! These boys aren’t up to anything. Why don’t you just get back to your own business and leave these poor town people alone. What is your business here, anyway?”

“I’m on vacation.”

“Well, you just go about your vacationing and leave the law enforcement to me.” With that, Marshall left the restaurant and headed back to his cabin.

The next day, Marshall decided to visit the sheriff’s office. As he walked in, Sheriff Taylor jumped and shouted “I thought I told you to leave the law business to me. What are you doing here?”

“Now don’t get all in an uproar Sheriff, I just came by to let you know that I thought about what you said and I intend to just fish and relax and stay out of your hair.”

“Glad to hear it. Now if you don’t mind, I need to get back to work with these arrest warrants.”

“Arrest warrants, whose are they?”

“Just you never mind. Now get on out of here before I arrest you for loitering and interfering with police business!”

Marshall casually strolled down main street to see what’s what. As he walked by the general store, he spotted a pretty young woman dusting the shelves. He attempted to make conversation with her. “Howdy, what’s a pretty young thing like you doing working hard in a store like this?”

“Just what do you mean ‘in a store like this?’ I’ll have you know I own this store and if you don’t like it, you can just get on out of here.”

Marshall quickly exited the store. He passed the local gun shop and decided to do some of his shopping there. As he walked in, he met a deputy. “Howdy Deputy. How’s things going down at the station?”

“You’re that pesky meddlesome fella the Sheriff told us about, aren’t you?”

“What do you mean? I never meddle in anybody’s business. I’m just a serious lawman who tries to uphold the law.”

“How? By nosing in other people’s business?”

“What are you talking about?”

“You know, those fellas who were going fishing. You followed them and put them under surveillance without the Sheriff’s permission.”

“I was doing my job.”

“What job. You’re here on vacation. Why don’t you just go sightseeing or something and leave us alone.”

“Okay, I’ll stay out of your hair.”

Marshall decided the deputy’s advice sounded pretty good and began to inquire about some of the local sights to see. His first option was to hike up Suicide Hill. When he arrived, he discovered someone else there -- a young woman from the general store.

“Howdy. What’s a pretty thing like you doing way up here?”

“Why don’t you just leave me alone and mind your own business.”

“Sorry, just trying to make conversation. By the way, what’s your name?”

“My name is none of your affair. Just mind your own business and leave me alone.”

“Sorry, I didn’t mean to insult you. I’ll just go over here and view the beauty of the land from this spot.” As he began to walk away from her, he failed to notice the rocks were unstable. He slipped and fell toward the cliff. The young woman quickly reached and grabbed his arm and pulled him to safety.

“Thanks. I figured you would just let me go ahead and fall off the cliff.”

“As much as I despise you, I couldn’t just let you fall off on your own without me pushing you.” Marshall must have had a funny expression on his face, for they both began to laugh at the matter. “I apologize for my remarks. My name is Heather, Heather Longley,” she replied.

“I apologize too. My name is Marshall Marshall, U.S. Marshal. I didn’t mean to offend you in any way, it’s just how I am. I want to make friends with you, I don’t seem to be making any headway with the sheriff or his deputies, much less the other men-folk in this town.”

“Don’t worry about them men-folk,” she chuckled. “They’re just a bunch of blow-hards who are so spoiled that they think they should get their way all the time.”

“What made them that way, if you don’t mind me asking?”

“Oh, Morris Hendersen discovered something up on Bueller’s Peak over there,” she said as she pointed west at a mountain in the near distance. “No one seems to know exactly what is going on up there, except Morris and a few of his close buddies. All I know is that ever since their discovery they have been acting different.”

“How do you mean different?”

“Well, it’s kind of hard to explain. Just before they go up there each time, they act grumpy and can get real nasty with everyone.



Then when they come down from there, they’re the happiest bunch of goonies you’ve ever seen. It’s really strange. No one acted like that in the past. I guess that whatever they discovered up there, it maybe has a mind-altering affect on them.”

“What do you suspect they found up there?”

“I don’t rightly know, but it would sure be interesting to find out.”

“Why don’t we go over there and try to discover what they’re up to?”

“You sure take your Marshal-ing serious, don’t you? By the way, did your parents name you that name, or did you invent it to make it sound more job-fitting?”

“My parents died before I was born, so I didn’t get the chance to ask them.”

She looked puzzled at that until she saw him smile. She also began to laugh at his attempt at humor. “I wish I had known your parents, so I could tell them what a rascal they bore. We had better get off this high point, it looks like it might start storming and raining any moment now.” With that she turned from looking at the clouds and found herself face-to-face and close to him. They stared at each other for a moment and slowly and gently touched their lips together. After a couple of seconds of this, Marshall pulled away and began apologizing.

“Don’t apologize, I’m not sorry it happened,” said Heather. Then it began to drizzle, and they began their descent off Suicide Hill and back to town.

The next morning, Marseall woke up to the gentle sound of rain and the smell of fresh, clean air. He planned to pick up Heather and take her to breakfast and try to persuade her to accompany him to Bueller’s Peak to investigate. As he pulled in front of the general store in his rented Jeep, he saw Morris Hendersen questioning Heather. Marshall got out of the Jeep and approached the two. Morris was talking to her in a rather loud, demanding tone. She looked nervous and despondent when she noticed Marshall’s presence. She then told Morris “Why don’t you ask the good Marshal here what you’re asking me?”

“Yeah, why don’t you ask me what you’re asking her.”

Morris turned to walk away with disgust. “You two just better mind your own things, if you know what’s good for you.”

“Is that a threat? Are you threatening a man of the law?”

Morris stomped down the street when Heather said “Marshall, you shouldn’t talk to him like that and annoy him. I’ve heard of some nasty things he’s done to someone who gets on his bad side. I just don’t want something to happen to you.”

“I appreciate that, but aren’t you just a little curious about what’s going on at Bueller’s Peak?”

“Of course I am, but I just think we ought to be more careful about what we talk about with each other.”

“By the way, Heather, how did he know we had discussed that on Suicide Hill yesterday? Does he have spies everywhere?”

“I don’t know how he knows these things, but he seems to know what goes on with everyone here. You just can’t keep secrets in this town.”

“Heather, just after they began to go over to Bueller’s Peak, did you witness anything strange?”

“What do you mean ‘strange?’”

“I mean, did their habits completely change? Did everything else they came in contact with began to change? What about their contact with their families, or close friends. Did that change too?”

“Now that you mention it, there has been a lot of changes tak-

ing place around here. We haven’t really seen the sun for about two months now. It used to be that the sun would shine every three or four days before the clouds rolled in and gave us some rain. Now it stays cloudy all the time, especially over Bueller’s Peak.”

“What do you mean ‘especially over Bueller’s Peak?’”

“I mean that a darker cloud hangs over the Peak and thundering and lightning occurs more over there than anywhere else.”

“That’s strange. Makes me want to go over there and investigate even more.”

Sheriff Taylor then spoke up “What’re you two cooking up? If I was you, I’d stay away from Bueller’s Peak, if you know what’s good for you.” With that, Sheriff Taylor chuckled and left.

Marshall and Heather just looked at each other and Marshall said “We’d best be getting to the cafe before the food gets cold.” He took Heather’s hand in his and escorted her down the sidewalk into the cafe.

That afternoon Marshall and Heather were strolling down the sidewalk on main street when a young boy, Gerald Spreem, came roller skating by, almost knocking them off their feet. “Hey, watch where you’re going.”

Gerald just smiled an evil smile and continued on down the sidewalk, not paying any attention to who might be in his path. “That’s strange,” commented Heather, “Gerald used to be one of the most polite boys in town.

Now he seems to act like a different boy.” “How do you mean?” asked Marshall.

“It’s just that he has always respected everyone’s property and seemed to be genuinely interested in their well-being. Now he acts as if we were in his way and he will stop at nothing to get his way. I really think something strange is going on here.”

Then Marshall said “It’s time we paid a visit to Bueller’s Peak. Come on, let’s get going before anyone misses us.”

After Marshall and Heather had driven about 45 minutes, they arrived at the base of Bueller’s Peak. They hid the SUV and slipped quietly through the trees until they came to an entrance to a cave. Making sure they hadn’t been spotted, and that no one else was in the immediate vicinity, they slipped in. Marshall lit one of the torches that hung on the wall and they began to follow the cave’s various tunnels. Up ahead they could hear something, but couldn’t quite make out what it was. Slowly approaching the source of the noise, they discovered what appeared to be some type of ceremony taking place.

They watched for a while, not aware of the men sneaking up behind them.

“Put up your hands.”

They slowly raised their hands and began to turn around.

“I didn’t say you could turn around.” With that, the men knocked Heather and Marshall unconscious. When Marshall awoke, Heather was looking down on him, an expression of relief covering her face.

“I thought you would never wake up.”

“Where are we?” asked Marshall. “We’re in some kind of room deep inside of the cave. I don’t know what’s going to happen to us.”

Marshall responded “Don’t worry, I’ve been in tighter spots before.” He looked around to determine if there might be something they could use to help free them and spotted a small hole in one wall, through which air was flowing in. As he began to try to dislodge the surrounding rock and dirt of the hole, Heather heard footsteps outside the door.

She warned Marshall that someone was approaching. They could hear what sounded like a key unlocking the door and they both stepped back. A short, stocky man entered the room, carrying a covered tray. He sat the tray down on the table, then turned to face Heather and Marshall, while some of his accomplices guarded them with weapons that resembled guns. The short man, who seemed to be in control of the others looked at Marshall and ordered “Okay now, Mr. whats-your-name, if you would just lie down here on the floor we’ll take care of business. Tie up the woman until it’s her turn.”

What are you gonna do?” asked Marshall.

“I’m going to make you talk. Now just lie still, it will hurt less that way.”

He then produced an 18-gauge needle, and a 20 cc syringe with a clear liquid inside of it.

“What’s in the syringe?” again asked Marshall.

“Nothing for you to worry about. This is just a little persuasive chemical to help you remember and make you want to talk.”

Then the short man administered the solution into Marshall’s arm. As the solution found its way into his bloodstream, he began to feel woozy and dizzy. The whole room began to swirl around, and his head began to feel fuzzy. Everyone’s voices sounded long and drawn, and his eyes saw everything in a twisted, weird way. He heard some strange laughing and couldn’t tell if it was coming from him, or someone else, or both. The swirling began to be faster and faster until he finally passed out.

When he awoke hours later, he tried to sit up, but his muscles were weak and his mind was still disoriented. He slowly sat up and noticed Heather lying on a bed across the room. Whether she was asleep or unconscious, he couldn’t tell. He stood up and wearily made his way over to her. He felt for a pulse and was relieved to find a steady, strong one. He felt her skin around her neck and arms to determine the coolness and condition of it. It felt cool enough, and wasn’t the least bit clammy. He sighed and slowly sunk to the floor, resting by her side. His mind became clearer the longer he just sat there and relaxed.

He began to think back on what had happened just before he lost consciousness. He remembered the man and a needle, but the rest was still somewhat fuzzy. He tried to think real hard, but couldn’t remember any more details. Heather began to stir and move around. He stood back up, took her hand in his, gently rubbing it until she finally opened her eyes. She weakly smiled at him and tried to sit up but couldn’t.

“Easy there gal, you better lie still awhile until you get all your senses back 100 percent.”

She smiled another weak smile, and watched him slowly lean down to her and gently kissed her. He sat there awhile until she seemed to regain her senses.

“What happened, where are we?” she asked.

“I’m still a little fuzzy on the details, but it appears that we are still in the cell we were first thrown into when we first arrived. I’ve already looked for a way out, but can’t find one. Then he remembered he was digging, or something like that before they came and led them out. He thought and tried to remember exactly what he was doing and then it came to him. He frantically began running his hands over the walls, looking for the small hole he discovered earlier.

“What on earth are you doing?” demanded Heather.

“I’m looking for that hole we found earlier. I think it may be a way out of here.” Suddenly a voice from a nearby speaker somewhere spoke “You are close Marshall Marshall, U.S. Marshal. You and Miss Heather will be my guests at dinner. There will be suitable clothes delivered to you shortly and you will change into them and then will be escorted to the dining area to accompany me and my colleagues for dinner.”

“Who are you? What do you want with us? Where are we?” asked Marshall.

“All in good time, Mr. Marshall. Your questions will be answered in good time. Now please change and join me for a most delightful meal.”

Before they could say anything else, some armed men opened their door and handed some clothes for them to put on. As they slowly dressed, the men stood by patiently at the door, watching them change. One of the men spoke up “Hurry up. You must not keep the supreme commander waiting.”

To which Marshall replied “Just who is this supreme commander?”



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Fredri Cecena

Dear Santa,
Please give John and Luke a motorcycle and my Mom a new bed. Give my Dad a new chair, and my Grandma a massage chair. I would like a set of fake nails and a cell phone.
Lydia Mitchell

Dear Santa,
Please give Dad some work gloves and Mom a necklace. Give my little sister a princess doll and dog a big bone. I would like Yo-Go-GX cards.
Otho Gonzales

Dear Santa,
Please give my grandma a new car and Sailor a horse. Give grandpa a new dog. I would like a CD case, headphones, CDs and a CD player.
Sabrina Webb

Dear Santa,
Please give Logan a car and Luke a cell phone. Give Mom a car and Dad a bunch of garden tools. As for me, I would like a Barbie computer.
Thanks, Katy Carpenter

Dear Santa,
How are you? I know you like cookies and milk. I want a Game of Bratz. Oh and a Boy with The Bratz.
Jaqueline Vega

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie travel train, a play cat and The Princess and the Pauper DVD. Miss Santa Claus, how are you? I have been wondering how you were. I will leave you some milk and cookies.
Meredith Ratke

Dear Santa,
I want a horse and a shotgun. How are your elves and your reindeers and Rudolph.

How is Rudolph's nose? Is it still red and shiny and bright?
Cameron Bass

Dear Santa,
I want a game cube and Cabela's and 2 and Cabela's outdoor adventures and a jacket. I want it red. Is Rudolph all right and the other reindeer? I hope you bring me a lot of presents. Say hi to the other reindeers and Mrs. Claus.
Heath Hadley

Dear Santa,
Your reindeers can fly! I want a Barbie Bratz and a Baby Stocking. How is Mrs. Claus?
Johanna Vega

Dear Santa,
I wish I had a dog and skates. I want a Game Boy 2 and an X-Box and a snake.
Justin Perez

Dear Santa,
I want an X-box. When you come, there will be some milk and cookies for you. But I don't have a chimney so you will have to come in through the back door.
Teagen Nolte

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this year. Say hi to the best reindeer and that is Rudolph and Mrs. Claus. Tell her hello for me and the other elves.
Joseph Ortega

Dear Santa,
I love Christmas because its Jesus' birthday. Thank you for toys, Santa. I like Christmas very much. You are the nicest man in the whole universe.
Garrett Schilling

Dear Santa,
Please give Mom a dress and Dad a four-wheeler. Give brother an X-box and sister a puppy. I would like a dirt bike.
Adrian Aleman

Dear Santa,
Please give my dad a laptop and my mom a bracelet.

Give my brother a new shirt and my brother a game. I would like a play station portable.
Armando Arevalo

Dear Santa,
Please give my mom earrings and my dad some golf clubs. Give my sister a laptop and my other sister a big ball. I would like a game cube.
Jett Cates

Dear Santa,
Please give Mom a kiss from me and Dad a skateboard. Give Bailey a doll and Tannar a truck. I would like a TV in my room.
Skylar Chadwick

Dear Santa,
Please give my mom a dress and my dad a new saddle. Give my brother a dinosaur. I would like a play puppy.
Ana Estrada

Dear Santa,
Please give my mom jewelry and my dad a new saddle. Give my sister a CD player for her truck and my other sister a new car. I would like an X-box.
Ami Favila

Dear Santa,
Please give my mom a dress and dad a four-wheeler. Give brother an X-box and sister a puppy. I would like a game cube.
Angel Graxiola

Dear Santa,
Please give my mom new bedding and my dad a "T-Shirt." Give my sister a six string guitar, and Skylar a rock star game. I would like a Bratz baby crib.
Madison Griswold

Dear Santa,
Please give my mom a dress and dad a lawnmower. Give Kylie a game and Garrison cars. I would like a



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‘Santa, how do the elves make toys?’

Dear Santa,
Please give my Mom a Christmas CD and a playing piano. Give Dad his own computer game. I would like a remote control plane.
Cameron Scoggins

Dear Santa,
Please give my mom a new desk and my dad a new bed. Give my sister a new room and my brothers a new alarm clock. I would like my own room!
Kendall Stancell

Dear Santa,
Please give my mom a ring and my dad a good Christmas. Give my cousin a size Spiderman and my girl cousin a CD. As for me, I would like a CD player and a laptop.
Ariana Cabello

Dear Santa,
Please give my brother a shotgun and Dad an Excursion. Give my Mom a bracelet and my cousin a puppy. I would like a kitty.
Cheyenne Hill

Please give Romeo and Judas a ball and CD, give Crystal and Clara a CD player and a cell phone. Give my mom a pretty necklace, ring and bracelet and my dad some nice shoes. I would like a laptop computer.
Carina Reyes

Dear Santa,
Please give my mother a new stereo and Zakcary a My Size Spiderman. Give Grandma and Papa a new house and my sisters some Shetland ponies. I would like a horse.
Cadi Alvarado

Dear Santa,
Please give my mom a bracelet and necklace and give my sister a Barbie club house. Give my dad some new carpet and my brother a new toy car. I would like a new bed.
Jazmin Reyes

Dear Santa,
How does your reindeer fly? My name is Lalo. My Mom's name is Mona. She has been wishing for a ring.

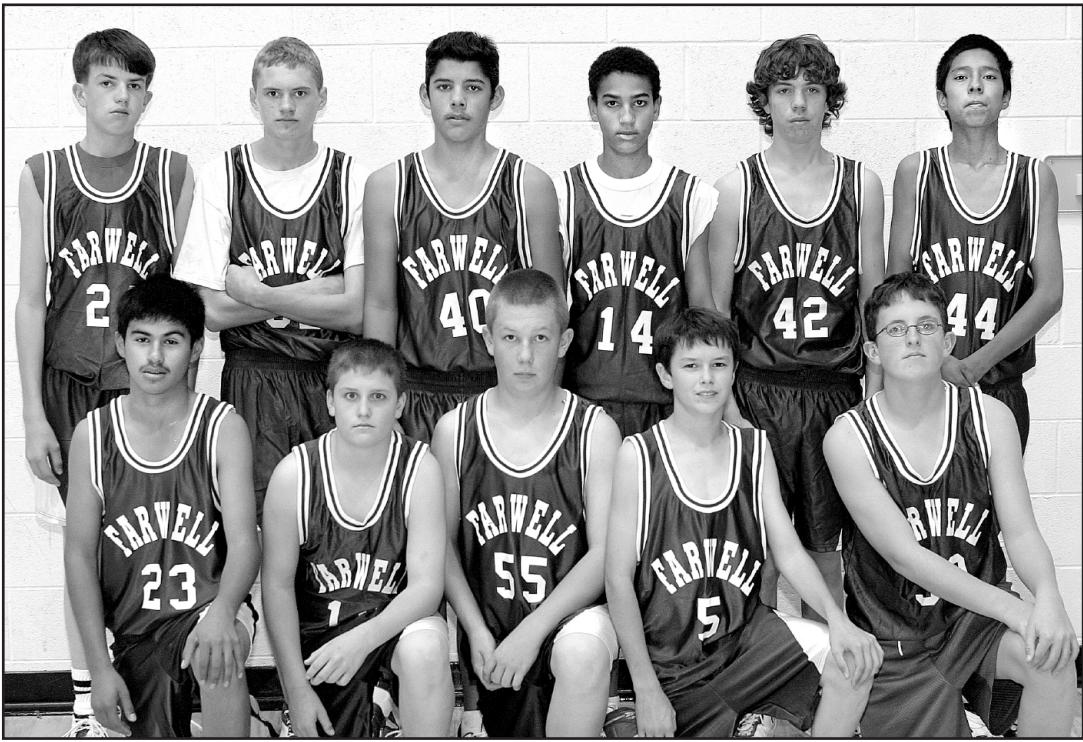
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My sister wants Now 20.
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How are you? I know you like cookies and milk. I want a game and all the dolls.
Alexys Ortiz

Dear Santa,
Your reindeer can fly! I want a Barbie and a Bratz.
Kimberly Anzaldua

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I want a puzzle and I want a computer.
Treylin Griswold

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I want a present, a jet and a hat and a Batman and a star. I will give you some milk and cookies.
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Dear Santa,
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Dear Santa,
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will leave you some milk and cookies. How is Mrs. Claus doing at home? You can bring presents in my house. How can you fit in a chimney? Thank you for the presents.

Diego

2. It is called Metal of Honor – Rising Sun. I liked my Christmas present last year. How are all of your reindeer doing? I love all the presents I get.

Brooks Hagler.

want to for Christmas. Can you please bring my mom a ring and my brother a tuxedo? Can you please give my dad that, too?

Arianna Meza

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? Is Dasher all right? Will you please bring me an X box 360? I would also like a new TV and a play station portable. Is Mrs. Claus feeling good? I will leave you a glass of milk and some Oreos. My little sister wants the Bratz rock angel's video and my big sister wants a new CD. Will you please bring these presents?

Trysten Berry

Dear Santa,
Please give my sister a doll house and my mom a necklace. Give my dad a tractor barn and my dog a new dog house. I would like a game station.

Keith Kalbas

Dear Santa,
Please give Evelyn a car and Mayla a Dora House. Give my Mom a pretty ring and Dad some tools. I would like a cheerleading outfit.

Diana Delgado

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The following warranty deeds were recorded in the Parmer County clerk's office last week:

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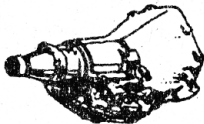
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TEXICO SCHOOL BUILDING READY FOR OCCUPANCY

(Editor's note: This article is part of a continuing series featuring issues of the Texico-Farwell News, published between 1917 and 1920. The issues were discovered a couple of years ago in the basement of the Ruby's Antiques building in Texico.)

A major story in the Oct. 11, 1918, issue noted that the Texico School building was ready for occupancy.

The enrollment was about 180 and it neared school capacity.

When the school opens on the following Monday, students were asked to bring their drinking cups, in order to comply with the law on this sanitary practice. And students were asked to be on time.

Another article detailed the purpose of the new Texico School parent-teachers association. Officers elected were Mrs. M.M. Craig, chairman; Mrs. W.W. Vinyard, vice chairman; and Mary Kays, secretary - treasurer.

The PTA article noted, "America's manhood and womanhood depend upon this generation of children. Our teachers can be materially helped in this great and noble work by the proper encouragement of the community as a whole. Will you help?"

An article said the pie

supper at Texico School was a financial success with more than \$100 received. This gives the school more than \$200 with which to start a much needed library.

Some of the pies and boxes sold for \$4 to \$5.

As usual, most of the Page 1 articles dealt with World War 1, which would end in another five weeks.

The spirit of the American Army was described by a Dallas youth. President Wilson proclaimed Liberty Day. It was urged that Christmas gifts be sent early to U.S. military personnel. Material for gas masks was needed

An ad on Page 1 for the Farmers State Bank of Texico said, "If you can't wear khaki, buy a bond of the Fighting Fourth. The man without a Bond is a man without a country. No matter how poor you are, buy one bond anyway. Make the first payment today. The way will open for you to pay the rest. DO IT!"

Page 2 featured lots of tid bits and classified ads.

Ads were placed by Dr. G.A. Foote, who had a general practice and surgery; V. Tate, auctioneer; O.N. Robinson, auctioneer; and for the Texico Garage -- "batteries rebuilt and

recharged."

The Las Amigas Club met with a visitor from Farwell, Mrs. Hines. The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. George Eads.

There was a column of Bovina items:

-- Mrs. J.G. Beck died at home of Spanish influenza.

-- The small child of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ezell was painfully injured when a bucket of water hurled at her, striking her between her eyes. The accident was a result of kids playing.

-- The Bovina Epworth League was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hastings. Singing "America, America" were Mrs. Hecox, Miss Camilla Patton, Aubrey Sprawls and B.Y. Dickinson.

-- Bovina and Daniels schools were closed temporarily because of the influenza epidemic.

-- A box supper was held at the Methodist Church for the benefit of drought sufferers, netting about \$140.

Page 3 carried ads from Barry Hardware, "The Store That Stays", and



Texico JV boys

Tanner Allen, Levi Richards, Sterling Bowers, Brett Anderson, Courtland Luscombe, Aaron Lockmiller, Mario Posada, Daniel Schueler, Johnathan Sullivan, Casey Crist, Ruben Lindley, Jesse Walthers, Josh Murray and Jordan Broome.

Panhandle Warehous Co., whose buying rep was K.K. Runnels, of Texico.

Most of the items on the page were non-local, and dealt with war news.

Rev. L.L. Thurston, pastor of the Methodist Church, was returned to Texico-Farwell by the district conference in Roswell. This was to be his 2nd year here.

The newspaper's statement of ownership was given. Publisher was C.G. Hudson, of Texico. Owner was C.A. Roberson, of

Texico.

The only other local article on the page was about a patriotic meeting at the Baptist Church. C.A. Roberson pushed folks to buy U.S. bonds and the State Line Band played. The sermon, by pastor J.F. Nix, was entitled "Should Germany be Destroyed?"

Page featured two large ads, from Triplett Bros. (Dry goods, groceries and shoes), and the People's Auto Supply Co., which also was willing to buy your broom corn.

Tidbits on this page included:

-- A.L. King was willing to sell his Broadcast McCormick Binder.

-- Rev. L.L. Thurston was helping in the harvest, heading maize.

-- Lawrence Overstreet passed the exams at Canyon Normal, and is now a full fledged college student.

-- Texico School dismissed for a week because of the influenza outbreak. As yet, Texico hadn't had a single case of the flu.



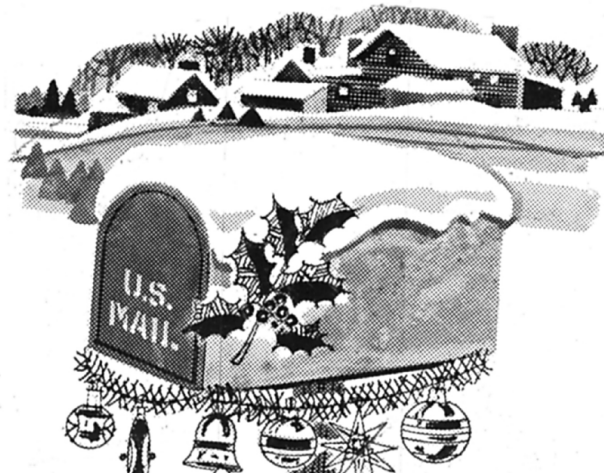
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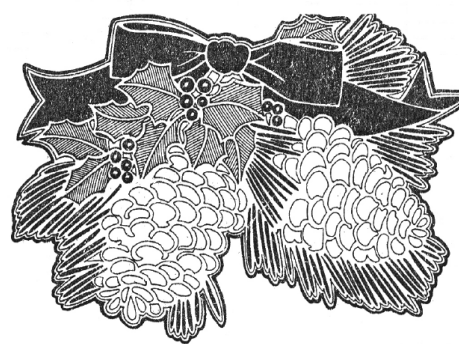
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‘Santa, please give my dog a bone’

Dear Santa,
Are all of the reindeer okay? I sure hope so. I will leave you sugar cookies and a glass of chocolate milk. I will leave a note by the milk and cookies. Please bring me a portable DVD player. I haven't been perfect but I have been good. How are the elves? Are they working hard?
Hailee Kelley

Dear Santa,
How are the reindeer and Mrs. Claus? I will leave chocolate chip cookies when you come. This year I want a Roborapter. Can I please have a few new game cube games like Pokemon XD and Shadow the Hedgehog? How are you doing? My brother Brady would like to have a few planes and trains. He would also like to have a dump truck. I like you.
Chad Jordan-Smith

Dear Santa,
I would like a cherry red

guitar with a little thing of white. My sisters and I will lay out some chocolate chip cookies and milk. How are the reindeer? I also want an electric scooter too. Davey wants a football DVD. Megan and Sarah want new CDs. My mom wants new clothes. I would like a new game for my Game Boy. Thank you for what you brought me last year!
Kasye Long

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a BB gun and a sled. I want a hat with a beard please. I want a watch please. I will bake cookies for you. I want a ring for my mom. I want a ring please for Christmas. I feel okay.
Matthew Duffy

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a guitar with a chip to play it with. I want to see Mrs.

Claus and I want to see you and your reindeer. The last thing I want for Christmas is a CD player. I left some cookies for you on the fireplace. I was wondering if you feed your reindeer before you go to the houses that wanted any presents?
Kalley Tharp

Dear Santa,
Please give my mom a necklace and my dad some soccer underwear. Give my sister a new CD player and my dog a dog house. I would like a toy Army car.
Gerardo Martinez

Dear Santa,
Please give my dad a car and my mom a massage chair. Give my dog a bone and my sister a room. I would like a laptop.
Oscar Muniz

Beating the ‘wild West Texas wind’

From Kaci Smallwood
Parmer County SWCD
That wild, West Texas wind; dontcha just love it swirling around your ankles, busting around corners and creeping in under your doors - makes me shiver just thinking about it.

The Parmer County Soil and Water Conservation District has a way to beat the dreadful dust devil.

Our 2006 Windbreak Tree Sales have begun and while we will be taking orders until March 15, now is the time to order as our suppliers are selling out fast. This year the District is offering evergreen, shade, ornamental, and fruit seedlings, trees, shrubs and vines.

Properly placed, trees provide summer shade and winter windbreaks. The energy savings alone can be significant. For example, homes protected by well-placed trees can expect energy savings of up to 30 percent in the winter and 20 percent in the summer, especially in regions where windy conditions and cold winter temperatures are common. In this time of rapidly rising utility costs, that's nothing to sneeze at.

Windbreak trees are not just for rural use. The District sells many kinds of trees, several of which are great for use in town. Trees improve urban life in many ways such as reducing wind that blows dirt and dust, making shade, reducing noise and enhancing the beauty of a community. Healthy, mature trees can also add an average of ten percent to a property values.

And hey, if that's not enough reason to plant trees, consider this: research shows that trees reduce stress! Patients and people who are surrounded with trees heal faster, use less pain-killing drugs and complain less. Maybe it's the added birds and wildlife.

The Parmer County SWCD receives trees from nurseries in Texas and New Mexico as well as the Texas Forest Service. Historically, trees from these suppliers have been healthy, top quality trees with good height and color.



“Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.” May the spirit of Christmas abide with you always.

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Marshal Marshall
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"You'll know soon enough."

Then the man shoved Marshall out the door. He swung around and tried to knock the man down, but was met with a stunning blow from behind. Heather screamed as Marshall was struck, and another man slapped her across the cheek

"Quiet! Now come peacefully, or you will be met with the most unpleasant consequences."

Marshall and Heather quietly followed the leader into a large, elaborate room with a long dining table in the center. Marshall looked the room over and saw a beautiful chandeliers hanging from the high ceiling, some chairs against both side walls, and a large, open grill several feet from what appeared to be the head chair of the table. As he was gazing around the room, looking for anything helpful for a possible escape, a man clothed in a large, white robe entered the room.

"Good evening Marshall, Heather." They recognized him as Hendersen.

Hendersen noticed the surprised looks on their faces and said, "There's nothing to be alarmed about. We're all quite safe here. Please sit down."

As they sat down at the dining table, Marshall wouldn't take his eyes off Morris. Morris said, "You must have numerous questions about what is taking place here. I'll start at the beginning and tell you all about what has transpired here. After all, you won't be leaving here to warn anyone else."

With that, Morris threw his head back and began to laugh in the most eerie laugh you've ever heard. "It was about five years ago when I discovered the crashed space ship on this mountain. After studying the spaceship, and after several inquiries, I learned that this particular ship was launched into space about 20 years ago. There's really no telling where the ship has been, but it must have visited some very interesting places. Anyway, after examining it for several days, I began to notice a change in me. I began to feel younger and happier. I must admit that I'm really several years older than I appear to be. I attribute the improvement to a small, round, green glowing sphere I found inside the ship. The radiation from the sphere evidently has incalculable power. I intend to eventually rule the world with this great power."

Marshall leaned over to Heather and whispered "This guy's nuts. We must find a way to stop him." Heather nodded in agreement.

Morris continued "There's no stopping me. Once I have unleashed the great power of the sphere, everyone will be under my rule and mercy."

Then Marshall spoke up. "You're mad! There's no way you can control the entire world. There's enough crazy people out there that you won't be able to control their minds, they're already mad themselves."

Morris laughed again. "You don't understand how the power works. All I have to do is think while touching the sphere and my thoughts are implemented. No one will be able to stop me."

He threw his head back and laughed again. Marshall thought

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this would be his chance and lunged toward Morris. He was suspended in mid-air, not being able to move or have any control over his muscles. Morris gently set Marshall back in his seat, and then Marshall's hands began to move slowly toward Heather's neck. Heather had a horrified look on her face as Marshall's hands closed around her neck and began to squeeze, crushing her windpipe and shutting off the flow of air to her lungs. She began to squirm and tried to scream, but couldn't. After a few seconds of this, Morris released his control over Marshall and Marshall's hands fell limply to his sides.

Morris continued "As you see, you have no choice but to obey my every wish and command. Now enough of this demonstration. Please, eat. You will need all the strength you can use to carry out the next step in my plan."

"What are you going to have us to do?" asked Heather.

"All in good time, my dear."

Marshall and Heather had to agree with Morris, they both needed their strength, but not for what Morris had in mind. Morris spoke up again, "That's right, you will need your strength, but you can never touch me or harm me. Yes, the sphere gives me the ability to also read other's thoughts."

He laughed again. Marshall and Heather quietly finished their meal and were led back to their cell. When they arrived, Marshall lunged quickly at the guard, catching him off balance. Another guard quickly punched Marshall in the stomach and threw him in the cell.

"Don't try that again, or we'll have to get physical with you." They then closed the door, locking it behind them.

"What on earth did you do that for?" demanded Heather.

Marshall replied "Didn't you notice? The guards can't read our mind or anticipate our moves."

"Oh, I get it! Maybe we can surprise them and escape."

"Not just yet," replied Marshall. "We have to find a way to overpower Morris and destroy that sphere."



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Marshall walked over to Heather and pulled her close to him, putting his arms around her. She lay her head on his chest and whispered "Do you really think we'll ever get out of here?" Marshall looked down at her tear-stained face, brushing her hair to one side and wiping away her tears. "Of course we'll get out of here. Don't you worry about one thing, I'm working on a plan as we speak."

"What is it?"

"All in good time."

They then both fell asleep in each other's arms.

Early the next morning, a loud crashing sound woke Marshall up. He wearily rose from the bed, being careful not to disturb Heather, and walked over to the door. As he was peering through the bars on the door, he noticed someone approaching.

"Mr. Marshall, are you in there?"

Marshall looked closer and recognized Gerald Spreem.

"What are you doing here Gerald?"

"I don't have much time. Quick, take this."

Gerald shoved a small, cylindrical object through the bars and then quickly ran off down the tunnel. Puzzled, Marshall watched him run off and then began to inspect the object Gerald left. As he was examining it, Heather sat up on the bed and asked "What was that all about?"

"I don't know. Funny thing, Gerald Spreem just appeared out of nowhere and left this thing, then he disappeared."

"What is it?" asked Heather.

"That's what I'm trying to find out."

Marshall then remembered that Morris had the capability to read everyone's minds, and knew what was going on in the cave.

"Quick Heather, forget you saw this and don't think about anything but good, happy thoughts

"What on earth are you talking about?"

Marshall put his fingers to his lips, motioning for her to be

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O Come All Ye Faithful



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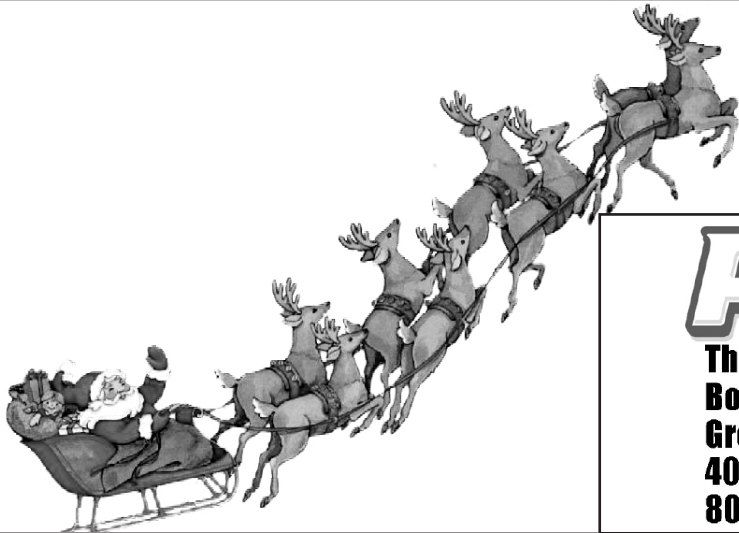
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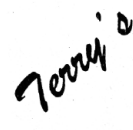


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Marshall Marshall

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quiet. He then pointed to the speaker. She then understood his meaning.

Just before lunch, Marshall continued planning their escape. He noticed the exact time the guards came for them for lunch, and also their afternoon events with the so-called 'truth serum.' He also continued studying the cylindrical-shaped object that Gerald Spreem had left them. He was still puzzled with the purpose of the thing until he found what appeared to be a small, round button on the side.

He gently pushed the button inward and instantly their surroundings turned into an orangeish glow, reaching about 50 feet in every direction. Surprised, he began to change his plans and wondered how he could use this instrument against Morris. Heather noticed the confused look on his face and asked him what was the matter. He quickly put his forefinger to his lips, motioning for her to keep quiet. She just shrugged her shoulders and sat down on her bed.

Marshall walked over to Heather and whispered his plan to her. She listened patiently and nodded as he finished telling her role in the plan. A few moments later, two guards showed up, along with the short, stocky man that injected them with the truth serum. As the short, stocky man, who they came to know as 'Gruffy,' opened the door, Marshall quickly pushed the button on the shiny cylindrical object, flooding the room with the orangeish glow. Gruffy and the two guards began to scream and hold their hands over their eyes as Marshall quickly knocked them out and he and Heather tied them up and gagged them. Marshall then led Heather down a tunnel to the left, which he remembered as the way to the dining hall. When they arrived, they found it empty.

Marshall noticed the door behind the head chair and quickly made his way to it. He found it unlocked and opened it. Behind it, Marshall and Heather saw a short tunnel leading to another door.

They followed it and also found it unlocked. Marshall carefully opened the door to find about 50 men around a huge, oval-shaped object. Marshall and Heather ducked and hid behind several large wooden crates, observing the men as they worked around the object.

Marshall whispered to Heather "This must be the space ship that Morris was talking about." About that time a voice came over the intercom system: "Forty minutes to launch. All personnel ready for initial core phase. No. 2 team stand by for executive orbit enhancement installment."

Marshall quickly surveyed the room, which, in his estimation, was about 4,000 feet by 5,000 feet. The space ship was about 40 feet high, 200 hundred feet long, by about 50 feet wide. A large door was open on the near side, with forklifts loading large crates into it, while empty forklifts were exiting the ship. Marshall inspected the crate they were hiding behind and saw it was stamped with a large eagle, in red ink with two circles above it, and two lines under it.

He carefully pried the lid open a little and looked inside it. He noticed several round objects inside, black metallic spheres. He didn't understand their purpose and whispered to Heather, "We need to get closer to the ship and see what's going on and what it looks like on the inside."

About that time Morris's voice could be heard throughout the room, "Welcome Mr. Marshall and Miss Longley. I've been waiting for you. Please step out so my men can accommodate you to your new environment."

Neither Marshall nor Heather understood what he was talking about, but Marshall knew Morris had read his thoughts and had discovered their presence. Marshall and Heather slowly rose and was quickly surrounded by 10 of the security guards, who escorted them to the space ship. Marshall slid the shiny cylindrical object, which was only about three inches long, by an inch wide, into his pocket; unnoticed by the guards.

As they stood in front of the space ship, Morris exited the ship and walked to where Marshall and Heather were standing. "Well, well. If it isn't the nosy Marshal and his side-kick. I hope you two like traveling

Heather spoke up. "What do you want with us? What do you mean about traveling?"

Morris pointed to the ship. "That's what I mean, Miss Longley. The two of you are going to do a little experiment for us."

Marshall then asked "What do you mean 'experiment?' And what's with the black spheres in those wooden crates?"

"Ah, the spheres. Yes, they are a vital component for our mission," replied Morris.

"What mission?" asked Heather.

Morris continued, "You two are going to a far, distant planet to retrieve something for us."

Marshall continued to inquire: "What thing? And just where is this planet? And you still haven't told us what those black spheres are, much less explained to us just how you intend for us to agree to get on that thing and do what you want."

Morris laughed again. "You still don't understand the power I have over you. Do you remember the green sphere I have in my control? It is all I need to get you to obey my every command. As for the black spheres, they are the fuel for the space ship. They are of a uranium-type material, which we found on the ship when it crashed here. We have acquired the technology to create more of the spheres, enabling us to supply the ship for the 10-year journey you two are going on."

Marshall discovered the guards weren't really in control of their own actions, perhaps allowing a slower response time. He pulled the shiny cylindrical object out of his pocket and pressed the button on the side. Morris recognized the object that Marshall had and attempted to power up the green sphere, but he was too late. The entire cavern began to glow an orangeish color, and all inside,

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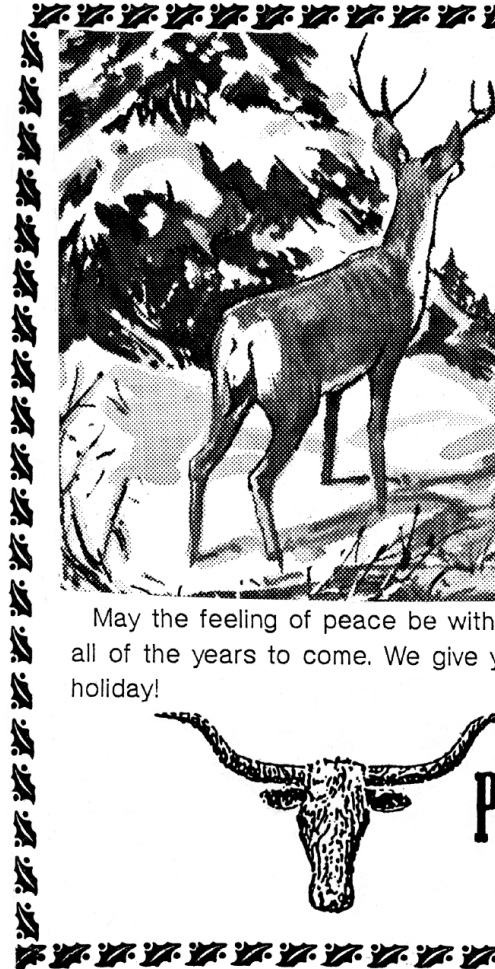
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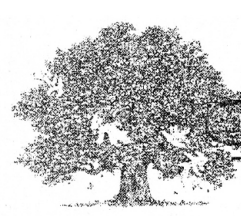
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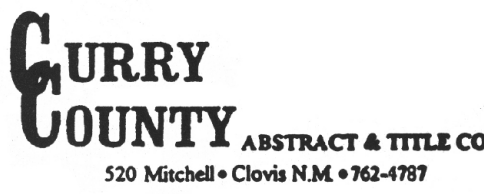


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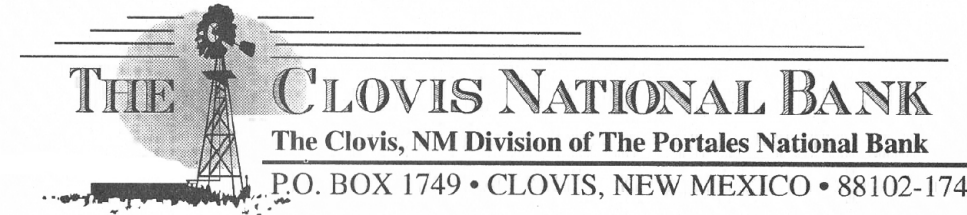
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Marshall Marshall

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with the exception of Marshall and Heather, began to scream and attempt to cover their eyes and ears with their hands. After a few minutes of the commotion, the men inside the cavern began to slump to the ground, unconscious.

Morris, perhaps of his handling the green sphere, was more fortunate, as he wasn't affected like the others. He ran for an exit door on the far wall, across from the space ship.

Heather exclaimed "Shouldn't we go after him?"

Marshall answered "Not just yet. I know how to overpower him with this shiny cylinder. We need to find out how to destroy the space ship first, then go get Morris." With that, Heather and Marshall began to view the control panel, trying to find the abort system.

Morris continued running down a tunnel, taking a right at the next turn, and escaping into another large cavern. As he ran across the floor to a large control panel, which was centered in the cavern, he quickly acknowledged his failure and began to press buttons. Explosions immediately began to erupt inside various parts of the mountain, including the room Morris was in and also the cavern Marshall and Heather was in.

Heather screamed as the wall on the other side of the ship exploded outward, sending dust and rocks in their direction.

Heather screamed at Marshall "We need to get out of here quickly!"

Marshall was still pushing buttons and replied "Not until we destroy the ship and the fuel spheres."

With rocks continuing to fall around them, Marshall noticed the ship began powering up. Thinking he had pushed wrong buttons and was launching the ship, the ship suddenly made a quick turn toward the exit door of the cavern, and accelerated, crashing into the door and began exploding.

Marshall quickly grabbed Heather and began looking for an escape route, knowing the ship had blocked the only exit he knew of, when Heather suddenly shouted "Over there. Look."

Marshall looked at where she was pointing and could barely make out the shape of a door on the wall behind where the ship had been. They quickly ran for the door, rocks and dirt pelting them and explosions occurring all around them.

Just as they passed through the door, the wall collapsed and rocks piled where the door had been. They were not out of the woods yet. They continued running down a tunnel, hoping they were headed in the direction of the exterior of the mountain.

Gerald Spreem suddenly appeared in front of them, with a gun in his hand, blocking their path. Gerald had an evil grin on his face as he addressed the pair. "I hope you weren't planning on escaping. You know what your mission is, and I think we had better get you back in there and put you on that ship."

Marshall looked at Heather and said "He's still under Morris' control somehow. We need to find that green sphere and destroy it."

Heather then turned to Gerald and said "Gerald, you know the ship has been destroyed and that Morris has no more purpose for you. He no longer has the green sphere to control you. Why don't you put down that gun and help us out of here."

Gerald had a confused look on his face and said "What do you mean the sphere has been destroyed? It was the most wonderful gift that Morris has ever given me." While Gerald's attention was focused on Heather, Marshall lunged at him, knocking the gun out of his hand, and landing his fist on Gerald's right cheek. Gerald went down quickly, crying, "What's happening to me? What am I doing here?" Marshall then understood that the green sphere had no more control over Gerald. Marshall watched as Heather cuddled Gerald in her arms, consoling him.

Then Marshall spoke up "I hate to ruin this occasion, but we better find that green sphere and destroy it before this can happen again. Gerald, do you know where Morris might be?" Gerald stood up and wiped away the tears from his eyes before speaking "I think I know where he might be. Follow me." Then Gerald began running down a tunnel. Marshall and Heather ran after him.

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After about five minutes of running and turning corners, Gerald stopped in front of a large, metal door. The door had been affected by the explosions and was half off its hinges. Marshall pried the door open and quietly stepped inside. He surveyed the room and spotted Morris standing behind a large electronic console, holding the non-glowing sphere above his head, his hands shaking the lifeless sphere.

Marshall motioned for Gerald and Heather to slip into the room, as he made his way to Morris. Morris never acknowledged their presence, as he continued to mutter something about why the 'great sphere' was no longer listening to his commands. Marshall and Heather each put a hand on Morris' shoulders and quietly led him out of the mountain, Gerald showing them the way. They found Marshall's rented jeep where he had left it and quietly entered it and drove to town.

The next day, Marshall had finished telling the sheriff what had happened at Bueller's Peak. The local doctor had determined that whatever Morris had in his possession had caused a complete mental breakdown and suggested that Morris be sent to the Colorado State Mental Facility for observation and treatment. Gerald recovered from his experience and returned to the nice, polite, respectful young man he once was. Heather went back to running her store, and Marshall was planning to leave and return to Union City.

As he and Heather stood in the doorway to her store, Heather spoke up: "Do you really have to leave? We could always use a private investigator here, not to mention I could use some part-time help."

Marshall looked into her tear-ridden eyes and confessed "I really would like to stay, but I have so much at home I need to take care of. I really want to thank you for all you've done for me the last few days, and for being a good friend."

"A good friend? Is that all I've been to you?" sobbed Heather. Marshall hugged her tightly and said "Hey, you know you mean more to me than that. I'm sorry I didn't put it into the right words. And who knows, maybe I need to go into a different line of work, if the pay was right." He looked down into her eyes and smiled. She smiled back as he lowered his head and kissed her passionately. "Yeah, I might just decide to move here and aggravate some different people for a change," he thought to himself as he continued to hug Heather.

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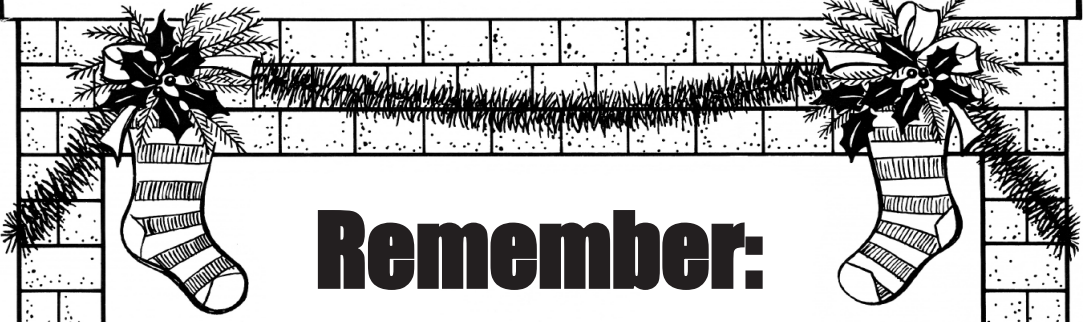
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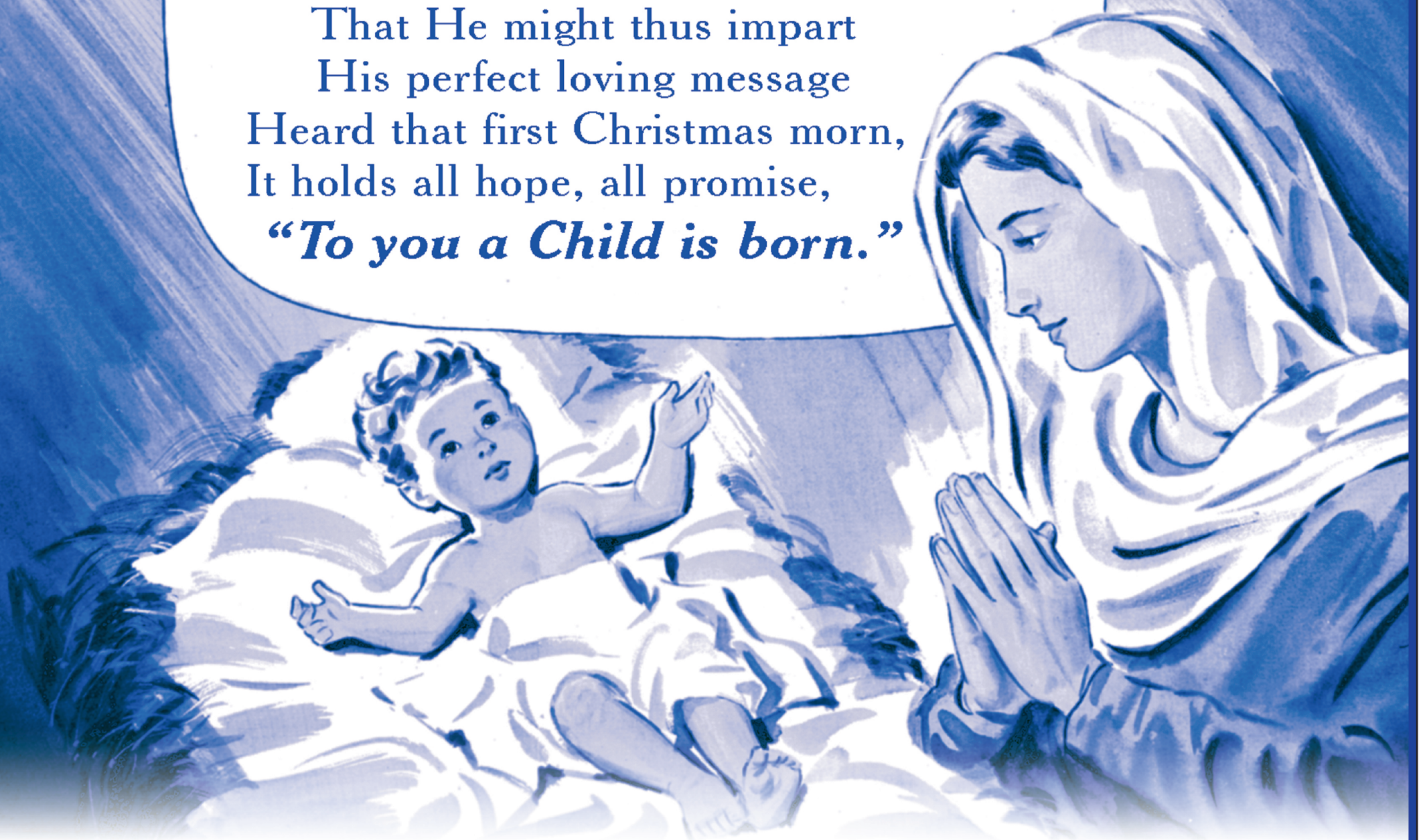
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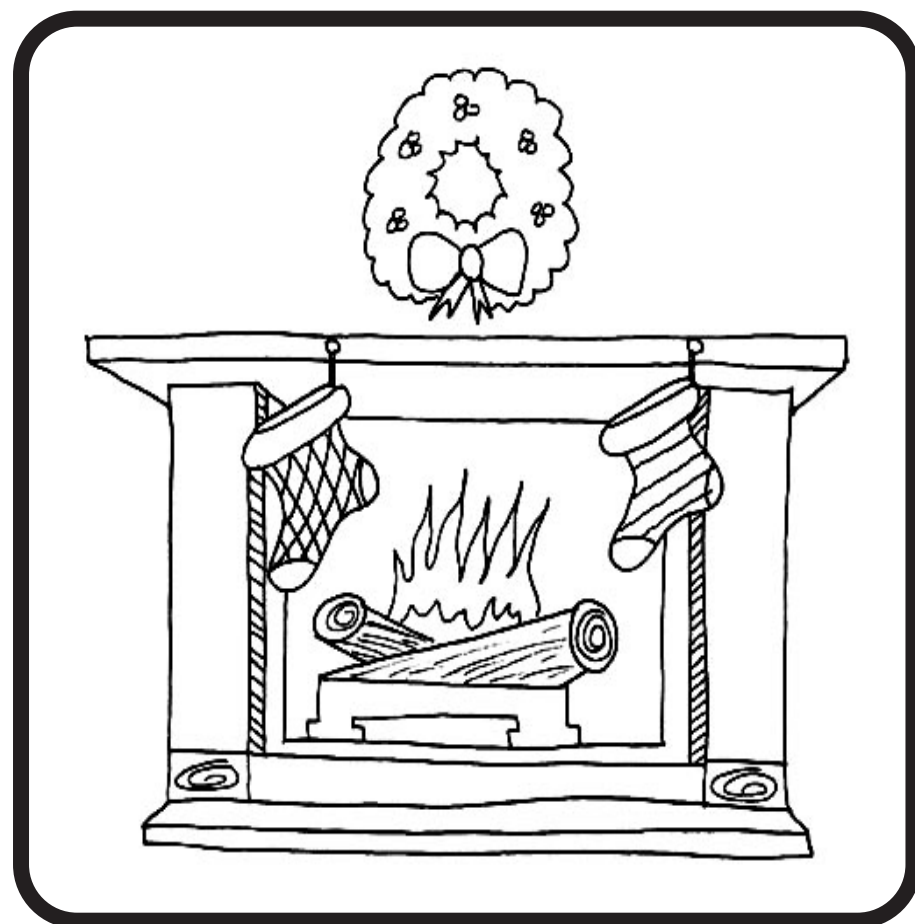
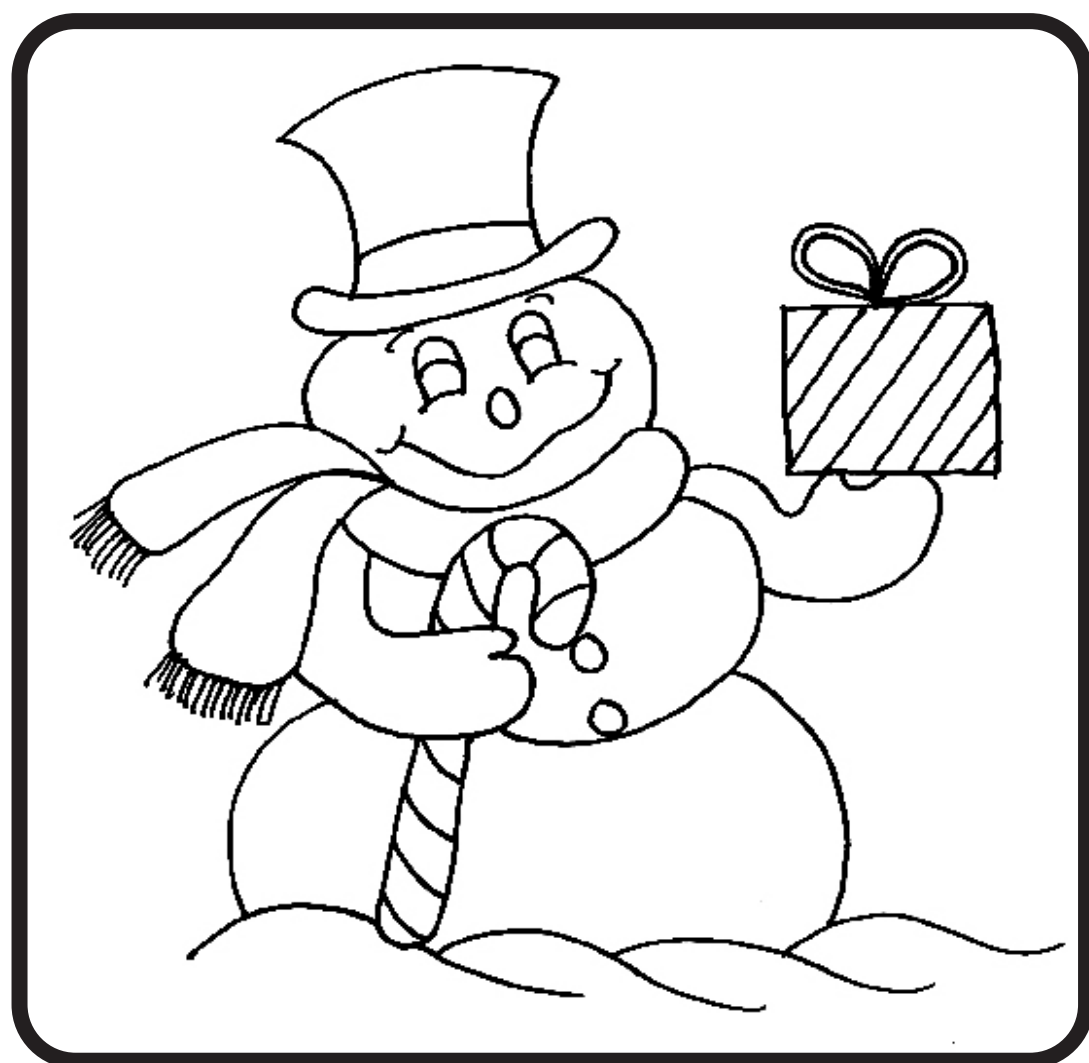
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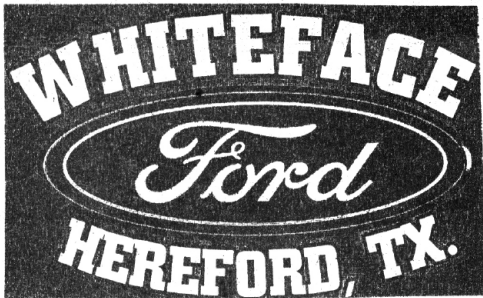


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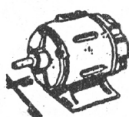
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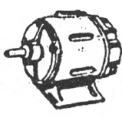
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I would like an Easy Bake oven. How are your rein-deers?
Aracely Quiroz

Dear Santa,
I want a dirt bike, a big swimming pool and a mean bulldog. I also want my whole class to be in the Junior High. I want another cat.
Taylor McCoy

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a hard play horse.
Kaylee Miller

Dear Santa,
I want a real BB gun, a 4-wheeler and an X-box. I would like a phone that is a comput-er and camera.
Benjamin Crist

Dear Santa,
I want a fairy tale doll with a magic wand that makes her hair long. I would like a play grill and kitchen set.
Calixto Nieto

Dear Santa,
I love you! Please bring me a present. Could you bring me a tree? And bring some-thing for my brother.
Natalie Hernandez

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some drums and a guitar.
Clayton Autrey

Dear Santa,
Thank you for my X-box. Please bring me some pres-ents for my sister.
Victor Adame

Dear Santa,
I would like a Game Boy, a bike and a movie. I also would like a brand new backpafk.
Nathan Jackson

Dear Santa,
I would like a taser tag game and a Fantastic Four game.
Tyler Simon

Dear Santa,
I want a fake dog that can play with real dogs. I want it to be able to fetch.

Erica Barrera

Dear Santa,
I want a dog for Christmas, and a cat and some new clothes.
Summer Berry

Dear Santa,
I would like a BB gun, a Game Boy and some games. I also would like a real puppy.
Paden McDermid

Dear Santa,
I would like some new pink boots and please bring my sister a little white jacket. My mom needs new lipstick because my little sister keeps eating hers.
Adrianna Garcia

Dear Santa,
I want an X-Box and a Game Cube with a 2 Fast and 2Furious game.
Antonio Cardenas

Dear Santa,
I would like a stuffed rein-deer to play with and a Frosty the Snowman. I want a doll and a notebook.
Sarah Harrison

Dear Santa,
I want a dog that you can tell what to do and it will do it. I also want Kaylee to come to my house on Christmas Eve. Santa, can you see how good I am?
Charity Wilson

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I want make up, a princess outfit, a pet dog and a drum. I want my sister to have a few CDs. My mom likes candles. My dad wants a cap; my brothers like GI Joes.
Hannah Myers

Dear Santa,
I love you! I'm doing good in school. I want a toy gun, a real motorcycle and a big stocking.
Saul Bejarano

Dear Santa,
I want my little pony, a square, a ball, a care bear and lots of Barbies. A football for

my brother.
Callie Kron

Dear Santa,
I want a cheerleader outfit, some sleepers and a big Barbie. I want cars for my brother. My mommy wants new clothes and my dad likes toy cars.
Miranda Trevino

Dear Santa,
I want two Veggie tale toys and Sponge Bob. I want a new computer for my mom and my sister wants to get a doll. My brother wants a GI Joe.
Adam Foraker

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Barbie, a large stocking and some tree decorations. Bring my par-ents some candy and a com-puter.
Cameron Bailey

Dear Santa,
I am doing fine in school. For Christmas I want jewelry and a Barbie. I want new cloths and make up for my mom.
Estrella Lopez

Dear Santa,
I want my size Barbie, a play doggy, and a toy boy to play. I also want a happy fam-ily.
Regina Castillo Ortiz

Dear Santa,
I want a lot of Barbies and

Sponge Bob, and a bear. Bring my mom some clothes and a bed for my sister.
Lesly Avila

Dear Santa,
I want a Christmas tree, a bear, a house and a ball.
Saira Buendia

Dear Santa,
I want a shot gun and a BB gun. I have been good.
Tyler Hickman

Dear Santa,
I have been good. Please bring me a cat and a dog.
Caxton Harpold

Dear Santa,
I have been nice to others. What are the elves making? Please bring me a fake shot-gun.
Andrew Meeks

Dear Santa,
I have been nice. Please bring me a Brat car and a Brat doll.
Claudia Colmenero

Dear Santa,
What are the elves mak-ing? I have been nice. Please bring me a motor cycle and a shotgun.
Rolando Vizcarra

Dear Santa,
I would like glasses and a play house.
Dillon Mote



Time capsule buried
As part of Farwell's 100th anniversary celebra-tion, city officials had a time capsule placed behind the gazebo at Farwell City Park on Tuesday. Pictured handing items for the placement to Mayor Jimmie Mace is city clerk Cynthia Trower. Tim Kasel spearheaded the project.

Dear Santa,
I would like a guitar, a bike and Winnie the Pooh doll.
Micah Pinnell

Dear Santa,
I would like a Game Boy, some glasses and a Bratz doll.
Melissa Davalos

Dear Santa,
I would like a stroller for triplets, a baby swing and ponies. I will leave you some egg nog and cookies.

Rockell Horton

Dear Santa,
For Christmas, may I have a pair of jeans and a piano and a computer? My brothers would like a game.
Jaden Carr

Dear Santa,
How is the snow there for Christmas? Can you please bring a car for my little broth-er and I would like to have Dora's Kitchen.
Michelle Munoz



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'Santa, why do you eat so many cookies?'

Dear Santa,
I am a good girl. I want a lap top, some make up, a snow cone maker, some girl Legos, the Chicken Little movie and bath tub foam. Oh, why do you eat so many cookies?
Ashley Scott

Dear Santa,
I want a lap top, an I-pod, miniature red TV, sweater, a dog and an I-pod cover with dogs on it. You can bring my presents last. I go to bed a 9 p.m.
Arrick Estrada

Dear Santa,
I want a bottle of play dough, some make up, a little pen and paper, and pack of chocolate chip cookies. I have been good.
Jordan Marquez

Dear Santa,
I want a puppy and a Barbie. I want a toy and presents. Ho, ho, ho, Santa.
Kimberly Anzaldua

Dear Santa,
I want a mini dirt bike, a computer, Game Boy games and an apple paper holder for my mom so she can put it in her kitchen and a new truck for my little brother and a new tool box for my dad and some new tools. And a bracelet for my sister.
Anthony Anzaldua

Dear Santa,
May I have a cell phone, a computer, a lizard, a race car, a tie blanket, a cabbage patch doll, tennis shoes, thousands of dollars, a good Christmas, a new bed?
Regan Agee

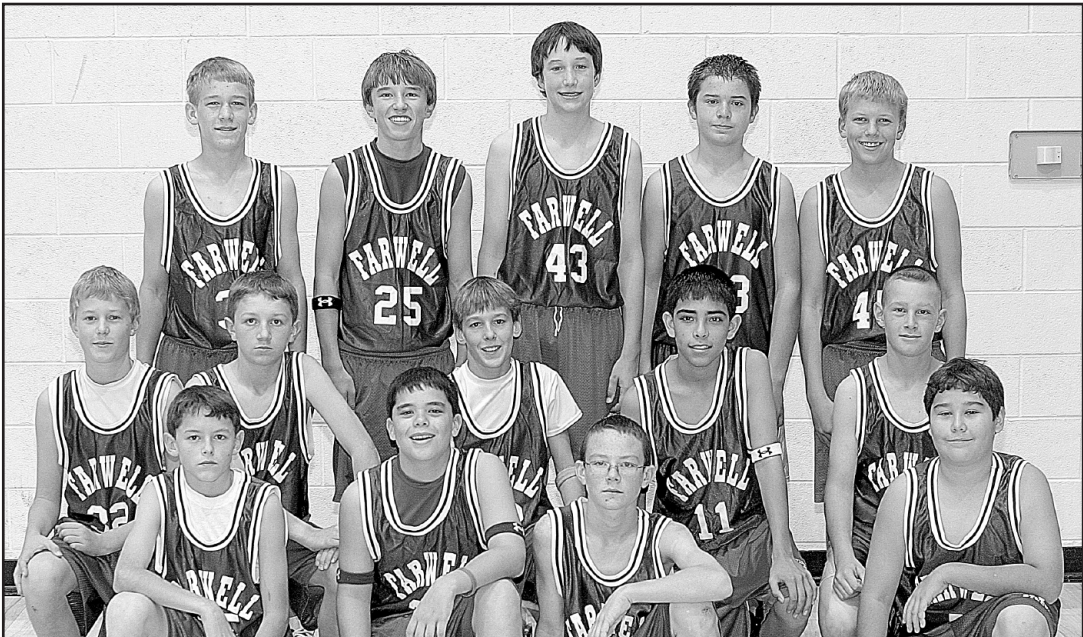
Dear Santa,
I hope you have a good Christmas. I would like a guitar for me and my daddy, and clothes for me and my sisters Mia and Jaegan. Could I have a hermit crab for me and Jaegan. And my mommy to have a new car. Could I have a reindeer toy that looks like Rudolph?

Kennedi Nickels
Dear Santa,
I would like a bike, a cell phone, batteries, and for my family -- a parrot, a truck, horses, hundreds of dollars, Alonzo Soto

Dear Santa,
I would like some flowers, toys, a scooter, clothes, a doll, a nw folder, some stars, cows and horses, pens and pencils and a new journal and new paper. I love you Santa.
Justina Neufeld

Dear Santa,
I would like bratz twins, a bratz promo doll, a firefly phone, a Lee Middleton doll, a truck, a Cadillac Escalade, and for Miss Rogers to have a crazy Christmas, please.
Micah Vera

Dear Santa,
I want clothes, motorcycle and an X-box 360. Last year, you brought me a remote control car and shoes. Thank



Farwell 7th grade boys

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you! My stocking will be in my room. Say hello to Mrs. Claus.
David

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl all year. I want a puppy, some

clothes and dolls, please. Last year, you brought me a jeep and clothes.
Adriana

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle and a

pet. Christian

Dear Santa,
I want a baby that cries and can take a bath.
Arely Vega



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Luke 2:11

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'Santa, may I have an elephant?'

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie, and some games and a motorcycle. Last year, you brought me one game and gloves.
Alyx Johnson

Dear Santa,
I want a X-box, Game Boy and Nintendo. Last year, you brought me a Spiderman.
Bonefacio

Dear Santa,
I want Nintendo, X-Box 360 and a dirt bike. Last year, you brought me an army tank and a crab.
Pedro

Dear Santa,
I want a dirt bike, X Box 360 and a Hummer that has a remote control. Last year, you brought me a bike and a gun.
Peyton

Dear Santa,
May I have a bike, a new bed, some coloring books, some horses, some cows, a truck and an elephant?
Peter Guenter

Dear Santa,
I want army men, Star Wars robot and Star Wars troopers, and some cool cloths.

Kaleb Baker

Dear Santa,
I want an easy oven, a doll and a bear. Last year, you brought me clothes, a doll and books.
Serena

Dear Santa,
I would like a doll, a princess Babie and a stuffed animal. And for my mom, a pretty necklace. For my dad, a motorcycle. Last year, you brought me a bike.
Lindsi

Dear Santa,
I want a motor cycle, a Dora Explorer princess and a race car play set. Last year, you brought me a Belladancerrell and an X box.
Edie White

Dear Santa,
I want Star Wars, an X-box, a kitty, a race car, a football. Last year, you brought me a bike and a Jeep.
Jesus

Dear Santa,
I want an X box 360, and two games. Last year, you brought me that sticky ball and a pretend gun.

Triston Hill

Dear Santa,
Can you ask one of the elves to make a MP 3 player for my sister? Can you help the tsunami kids fix their houses? Can you make a notebook computer for me, and also a terrain twister? I don't want much for Christmas.
Jake Barnett

Dear Santa,
I want an X box 360, a bratz doll, a boy braze doll, a new Barbie car, a new Barbie house, PJs with a robe, a sleeping bag, a baby doll and Sponge Bob PJ bottoms.
Ravin Askew

Dear Santa,
I have decided to leave your reindeers some food so they can smell the food and come to my house. Get in through the door since I don't have a chimney. Please come, Santa Claus, and Happy Christmas.



Farwell 7th grade girls

Pamela Lara, Laney Christian, Brooke Hall, Crystal Reyes, Ashlee Howard, D. J. Street, Tori Ortiz, Lauryn Meyer, Michelle Wauson.

Jesus Maldonado

Dear Santa,
I would like a guitar and a cell phones. By brother wants a toy car.
Lacee Mains

Dear Santa,
Can I have a baseball bat and a remote control car?
Jessie Hardisty

Dear Santa,
May I have two clone troopers and 100 bus droids?
Jason Mitchell

Dear Santa,
I want a new bike and a new motor cycle. My sister just wants lots of dolls.
Luke Spears

Dear Santa,
I would like some yu-gi-oh

cards and Pokeymon cards, pair of roller skates that have four wheels, two on each side.

Tyler

Dear Santa,
Please bring a robot with a remote control. Jordan wants a monster truck. Justin wants a little robot.

Tommy Dyck

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The next president of the United States...

I usually use this annual Christmas column to give my predictions.

Unfortunately, I have been too accurate, such as talking about the terrorist attack on America -- 9 months before 9-11.

Anyway, I'm gonna make a long-range prediction this time. Not for 2006, but for 2008.

The next president of the United States ... Hillary Clinton.

Yep, I call it money in the bank. She should win in a walk.

Not so, some of you may say. When approval ratings are taken, folks are either pro or anti.

That may be true, but what is more important is to look at electoral votes. The simple truth is that she will win the Pacific Coast states, New York and the New England states, plus Midwestern states with strong Democrat ties.

Add up those electoral votes, and voile!

Trust me when I say the Republicans will continue to shoot themselves in the foot the next three years.

The national news media is thirsty for their blood, and the GOP lawmakers make it so easy for them to get it.

It's always harder to defend your record than be on the attack. While Mrs. Clinton will be on the attack (and there are so many issues she can use - such as health care, immigration, legal

reform...), the Republicans will be reduced to defending their lack of progress on important programs.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Clinton already is running hard for President, taking a hawkish stand on Iraq, for example.

That's what I love about our "leaders." They don't vote according to their conscience or what is best for the country; they support what is politically expedient.

And that gets worse every year.

So get ready for America's first woman president.

And remember, you read it here first...

As longtime readers know, I'm a rock and rock fan, having grown up in the '50s, the days of Golden Oldies.

But, basically, rock has been reduced to hip hop, and I'm not into that. So I call rock "dead."

Actually, I'm wrong on that account. What I have seen happen is that some country music has virtually become rock and roll.

That fact hit home when I heard Kenny Chesney sing John Mellencamp's old rock hit of 'Hurts So Good' the other day on TV. The crowd of country fans ate it up.

And there's a bunch of old rock hits that you can hear played on country music stations nowadays.

Fascinating, don't you think?

I saw an article in the Amarillo newspaper recently that says it all about our nation's so-called leaders:

The newspaper editorial said U.S. Rep. Tom DeLay, R-Texas, suggested that the federal budget was cut to the bone and it contained no more fat to trim.

Folks, have you ever heard a politician say something so stupid?

Yep, that's our leadership.

'Santa, I want a real life unicorn'

Dear Santa,
I would like a little piano and a princess doll. I want a real life unicorn and a real life lady bug.
Ariana Lopez

Dear Santa,
I have been good. Please bring me a Sponge Bob toy and lots of presents.
Unique Trevino

Dear Santa,
I want a Sponge Bob toy, a car and a watch.
Alfredo Avalos

Dear Santa,
I want new crayons, a toy barn and a large stocking with lots of things, and a Sponge Bob. My mom wants new clothes.
Diego Carrillo

Dear Santa,
I want the world run playground.
Skyla Hall

Dear Santa,
I have been nice. Please bring me a Bratz baby.
Yasmin Cervantes

Dear Santa,
I have been nice. Please bring me a doll house and a Brat car.

Isela Bravo

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Brat baby crib and a pet fish. I have been good.
Cierah Clowe

Dear Santa,
I have been nice. Please bring me slippers.
Devon Weeston

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a brat baby and magnetiz.
Amanda Meeks

Dear Santa,
How are the elves? I have been nice. Please bring me a race car pillow and a Green Bay hat.
Deion Weeston

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a stuffed animal Rudolph? I have been nice.
Kaylie Morgan

Dear Santa,
I have been nice. Please bring me a Brats baby crib and a Bratz car.
Andrea Loera

Dear Santa,
I have been nice. Please bring me a baby brat and a

brat car.
Kyleigh Bridges

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a truck and a gun.
Javier Garcia

Dear Santa,
I have been nice. Please bring me a Dallas Cowboy helmet signed by Bill Parcells and a RCV.
Devin Rogers

Dear Santa,
I have been nice. I would like a truck and a trailer.
Trent Stephens

Dear Santa,
I have been nice. Please bring me a truck and a trailer.
Jadyn Sanchez

Dear Santa,
I have been good. Please bring me a toy gun.
Cooper Davis

Dear Santa,
I would like a bear and a puppy. I would like my sister to have a computer.
Jaden Stephens

Dear Santa,
I would like a Game Cube, a guitar and a Monopoly game. I will leave you milk and cook-

ies.
Emily Autrey

Dear Santa,
I would like a play horse, Bratz doll and a puppy and cookies.
Sierra Baca

Dear Santa,
I want a play monster truck.
Caleb Loper

Dear Santa,
I would like a remote control car.
Devon Rose

Dear Santa,
I would like an X-Box.
Jose Pasada

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie toy, a puppy, a computer and another toy.
Julie Chavez

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie bike and a scooter, a Barbie one and a CD.
Tina Harder

Dear Santa,
I want a scooter and a shirt and some pants. And that's all.
Bernardo Lopez

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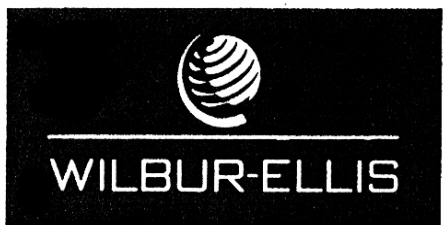
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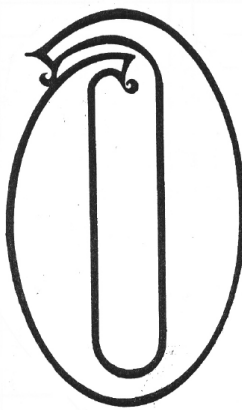
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Holy Night



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As we celebrate again that magical moment, let us pray that the true spirit of Christmas be reflected in the hearts of all men. And may the special promise of the first Christmas child bring us all to a new and glorious morn.

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‘Santa, I want a little Santa to play with’

Dear Santa,
I would like a computer. My sister would like a Barbie. My brother would like a play car.
Melissa Garcia

Dear Santa,
I would like a pony and an X-Box. My sister would like a puppy. My brother would like a remote control car.
Brenda Avalos

Dear Santa,
I would like a puppy and a kitten and a baby. My brother would like a toy cow and a toy horse and a car. My sister would like a baby and a puppy and a car.
Tapainga Romero

Dear Santa,
I would like a clay bucket and a computer and a Game Boy.
Jasmine Gannon

Dear Santa,
I would like a piano. I will leave cookies and milk.
Jaden Lawrence

Dear Santa,
I would like a kite. My sister would like a puppy. I will make you cookies.
Yahaira

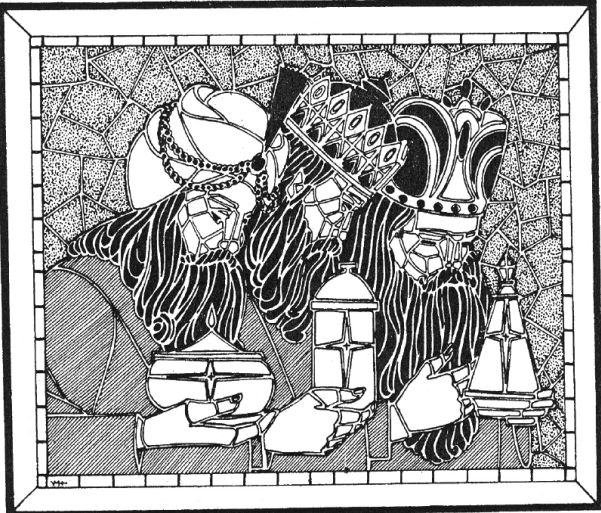
Dear Santa,
I want a Santa doll, a Barbie doll, a Big Castle that's my size and a big, big, big Chris Ball. I want new paper for my mom and a toy. And glue and a horse that is just a toy. And a rubber ducky and a

bear. And a train toy.
Priscilla Salazar

Dear Santa,
I want a 4 wheeler.
Dacota Van Leer

Dear Santa,
I want a toy horse, a doll, stroller, shoes. I would like shoes like my little sister Suzy has. A bottle for the doll. Dresses for the doll. A little Santa to play with it.

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Maria Neufeld

Dear Santa,
I want a toy horse, new clothes, shoes and a ring. That's all I want because Mom and Dad will bring me stuff.
Ginsyn McGehee

Dear Santa,
I have been super good. I hope you will give me toys and I thank you if you do. May I have some American girl

doll, stuffy, a lava lamp and a pack of chat nows? Please bring me something.
Gentry Hicks

Dear Santa,
I want a cotton candy machine, slushy machine, an ice cream machine, a camera, an I-pod and cover. I love you. I am a good girl.
Kenlea Barnes

Dear Santa,

I have been good. I want a toy car and truck, a computer, a little and a big Christmas tree, a cell phone and some pants and a watch.
Frank Neufeld

Dear Santa,
I want an electric guitar, a bike, a paint ball gun, a bike, a stereo and a CD player. I hope you can fit them all in your bag.
Destry Ivy

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-Luke 2:11

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Texico 7th grade girls

Diana Corono, Khiara Loera, Morgan Pinnell, Erin Scanlan, Fallon Scanlan, Eddwina Rodriguez, Morgan Mayfield, Delanie Crist, D'nae Berry, Cortni Foreman, Bethany Heaton, Marina Peinamalie, Iris Rutiaga, Destanee Sena, Kasandra Aarstad.

‘Santa, do you work all year long?’

Dear Santa,
Can I please have a Spiderman skate board and a ring for my mom.
Cory

Dear Santa,
I would like one toy, a CD player and a new CD. What kind of cookies do you want?
Matthew

Dear Santa,
Could I please have a new jacket and a glow in the dark toy.
Ivan

Dear Santa,
I want a stuffed Santa Claus toy for Christmas. How is the North Pole doing?
Brady

Dear Santa,
I want a Dukes of Hazzard car. How is Rudolph? I hope you like my cookies.
Ethan

Dear Santa,
I'm looking forward to seeing you at Christmas. I want a bow and arrow. My sister McKenna wants a new stroller.
Mason

Dear Santa,
Could you help my sister feel better? Thank you for giving me presents last year. Thank you for taking care of us. For giving me a present, I will give you a present. Could I have a bed for Christmas this year?
Marivel

Dear Santa,
May I have a Barbie piano; and a car for my Grandma. Enjoy the cookies and milk.
Sailor

Dear Santa,
Can you bring me a toy puppy, please. Can my sister have a Barbie; my brother, a truck; my mom, a ring, and my dad new things for his pickup. I'll leave milk and cookies for you ... and a piece of pie.
Leslie

Dear Santa,
Please bring me football clothes like shoulder pads, sneakers, helmet and a football shirt. How do reindeer fly?
Keegan Alexander

Dear Santa,
How do you fly? Please bring me a Spiderman glove. How do you make a snowman?
Miguel Vasquez

Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me Star Wars Game Boy game? Do you work all year long? I want to tell you again that I love you.
Trent Hill

Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a

pit bike? How do reindeer fly? I have lots of friends at school.
Slade Hamann

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a little puppy. Do dogs go to heaven? My dog Shelly is funny.
Lisa Zacharias

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a kitchen center with all the things you use to cook. What are the reindeer doing? How do they fly? I will be a good girl so you can bring me a present.

Hope Herrera

Dear Santa,
Please bring my a computer. How do you get out of town? I really love you a lot.
Marisol Gomez

Dear Santa,
How do you make a rabbit snowman? Please bring me a choo choo train. One for me and one for my little brother. I like to spend time with my family.
Brandon Galvan

LEGAL PUBLICATIONS

City of Texico
Municipal Election
Resolution No. 5-13

Be it resolved by the governing body of the City of Texico that:
A regular municipal election for the election of municipal officers shall be held on March 7, 2006. Polls will open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m.

At the regular municipal election, persons shall be elected to fill the following elective officers:

1. One Mayor for a four year term.
2. One Councilperson for a four year term.
One Councilperson for a four year term.
One Councilperson for a two year term.
3. One Municipal Judge for a four year term.

Voters shall vote at: Texico Community Center, 219 Griffin Street, Texico, NM.

Absentee Voting (Early Voting). Any qualified elector of the City of Texico, New Mexico, shall obtain an application for an absentee ballot, only from the office of the Municipal Clerk. All applications for an absentee ballot must be completed and accepted by the Municipal Clerk prior to 5:00 p.m. on March 3, 2006. The Municipal Clerk will accept completed absentee ballots delivered by mail, or in person, by the voter casting the absentee ballot or by a member of the voter's immediate family, until 7:00 p.m. on March 7, 2006.

Absentee ballots may be marked in person in the office of the Municipal Clerk during the regular hours and days of business, beginning on Wednesday, February 8, and closing at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 3, 2006.

Persons desiring to register to vote at the regular municipal election must register with the County Clerk of Curry County not later than Tuesday, February 7, 2006, at 5:00 p.m., the date on which the County Clerk will close registration books.

All Declarations of Candidacy shall be filed with the Municipal Clerk not later than Tuesday, January 10, 2006, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. A Candidate's Packet is available at the Office of the Municipal Clerk for registered voters who would like to run for the offices listed above.

Adopted and approved this 8th day of November, 2005.

Jerry Cunningham, Mayor
Attest:
Carolyn Johnson
Interim City Clerk

Resolucion de eleccion
Ciudad de Texico
Resolucion Num. 5-13

Sea Resuelto por el cuerpo gobernante de la Ciudad de Texico que:

Una eleccion municipal regular para la eleccion de oficiales municipales se llevara a cabo el 7 de marzo de 2006. Lugares de votacion estaran abiertas al publico entre las horas de las 7:00 a.m. y las 7:00 p.m.

En la eleccion municipal regular, individuos seran elegidos para ocupar los siguientes cargos electivos:

1. Un Alcalde por un termino de cuatro anos.
2. Un Consejal por un termino de cuatro anos.
Un Consejal por un termino de cuatro anos.
Un Consejal por un termino de dos anos.
3. Un Juez Municipal por un termino de cuatro anos.

Los votantes deben votar en: Texico Community Center, 215 Griffin Street, Texico, NM.

Votacion en Ausencia. Todo votante calificado de la Ciudad de Texico obtendra unicamente su solicitud para obtener una boleta para votar en ausencia, unicamente de la oficina de la Escribana de la Municipalidad. La Escribana de la Municipalidad debe llevar y aceptar todas las solicitudes para obtener una boleta para votar en ausencia antes de las 5:00 p.m. el 3 marzo de 2006. La Escribana de la Municipalidad aceptara las boletas completadas por el votante que emita su boleta con el fin de votar en ausencia que se le entregue por correo o en persona, hasta last 7:00 p.m. el 7 marzo de 2006.

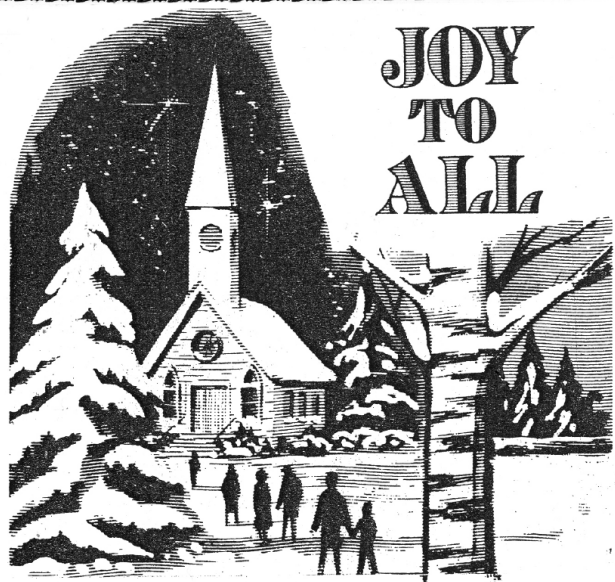
Las balotas del ausente se pueden marcar en persona en la oficina de la Escribana de la Municipalidad durante las horas y los dias regulares del negocio, comenzando el miercoles, el 8 de Febrero, y cerrandose a las 5:00 p.m. el viernes, el 3 de Marzo de 2006.

Las personas que deseen registrarse para votar en la eleccion municipal regular tienen que registrarse con la Escribana del condado de Curry a mas tardar el martes, el 7 de Febrero de 2006 a las 5:00 p.m., la fecha en que la Escribana del Condado cerrara los libros del registro.

Se archivara todos las Declaraciones de Candidatura con la Escribana Municipal a mas tardes de martes, el 10 de enero de 2006, entre las horas de 8:00 a.m. y 5:00 p.m. Un paquete de candidato esta disponible en la oficina de la Escribana de la Municipalidad para los votantes registrados que quisieran funcionar para las oficinas enumeradas arriba

Adoptada y aprobada este dia 8 de novembre de 2005.

Jerry Cunningham, Alcalda
Da Fe:
Carolyn Johnson
Escribana de la Ciudad del Interino



JOY TO ALL

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We all wish each and everyone a blessed holiday season filled with great joy and peace. God Bless.

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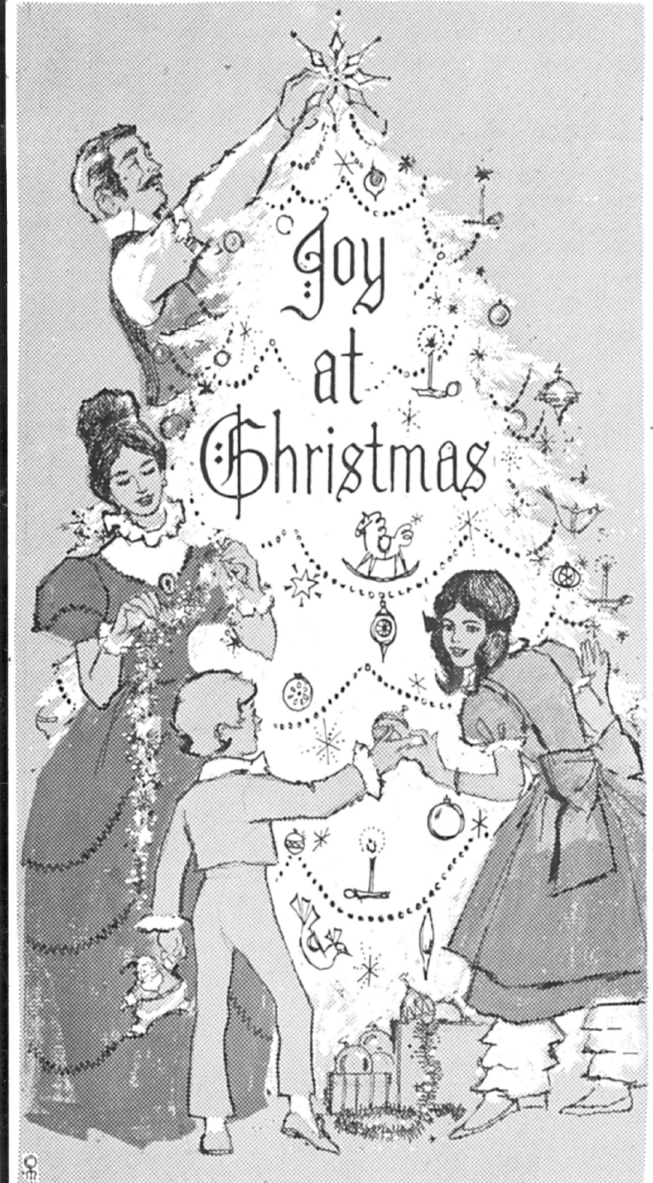
Joy to the World

Best wishes to all for a joyous Christmas.

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Joy at Christmas

We wish you joy . . . in laughter and good cheer . . . joy in gifts and glad surprises . . . joy in friends and family . . . joy at Christmas, with all its deep meaning. May the true old-fashioned joys of the season come to you . . . and linger long.

Texico-Farwell Rotary Club

‘Santa, I will give you some milk with chips and salsa’

Dear Santa,
I want an X-box 360.
Zachary Harrison

Dear Santa,
I would like a computer and a bike.
Raquel Barba

Dear Santa,
I want a pack full of yu-gi-oh cards and a pack full of Duel Master cards, and a transformer.
Luis Quiroz

Dear Santa,
Can you give me a toy train, a guitar, a trampoline, a race car blanket and joy.
Dylan Weems

Dear Santa,
Please bring a present for me that is trucks and cars and a Game Boy, too. My mom would like a watch and my dad wants a cowboy hat. My little sister would like a little

doll. Thank you for being a nice person.
Carlos Garcia

Dear Santa,
We are building a new house but please come to our old house in Farwell, on Ave. I. Please bring a cop car and a fire truck set and a blue “Fiskars” eraser for school. My dad needs a ladder. Joe would like a Hummer vehicle kit. Melissa wants some Barbie stuff. Samantha wants a computer.
Jay Teachout

Dear Santa,
How many reindeer do you “really” have? Please bring a computer for letters and games for me, and a Game Cube. Dad wants a new computer. Mom wants new name badges for work that say “Amanda.” Luke wants a toy Nascar. Lydia wants her own computer with girl stuff.

John Mitchell
Dear Santa,
I would like toy cars that are on a big truck, and a puzzle with animals on it. My dad wants parts for the car. My mom needs a new shirt. My sisters like dolls.
Luis Vega

Dear Santa,
How is your sleigh? Do you remember to be careful with the reindeer? Please bring a ring with yellow stones for mom. I hope dad gets a shirt; a shirt and pants for Jessie, and a blue shirt for Robert. I would like an army truck and policeman’s hat, gun and badge with a cop suit. And please bring a new ring for Mrs. Bennett.
Michael Lira

Dear Santa,
Please bring a football and a remote control car for me

and a toy motorcycle. My mom would like a candle and my brothers like basketball.
Patrick Pena

Dear Santa,
I am doing good in school. Please can I have an army tank remote control and some new pencils? We need a new gate outside our house for my dog.
Romeo Reyes

Dear Santa,
I don’t live in Clovis this year. Now, I live outside of Farwell on Bus 3. Please bring my dad a new flashlight, my mom a pencil and Joe wants a circle-shaped rattle. I would like an army play set. Tell Mrs. Claus “hi.”
Victor Crume

Dear Santa,
Please bring a Barbie guitar and a Santa toy for me, and a Dora movie, and a Christmas book. I wish my friends had a lot of toys. Are you in the Polar Express movie? I watch it all the time.

Stay warm, Santa.
Emily Orozco

Dear Santa,
I like you. What do you eat at night? Please bring a cheerleader doll and a princess doll for me. My little brother, Gabriel, would like a car to play on the floor.
Jorden Villarreal

Dear Santa,
I will give you some milk with chips and salsa, and cookies, too. Please give me a present of a Dora doll and a Barbie. Have a good trip.
Lizet Meraz

Dear Santa,
Please bring a ballerina play set with the clothes and a tape to dance and a bar. My mom wants a necklace and dad wants a basketball. Hayden wants a little basketball.
Sydney McClaran

Dear Santa,
Thank you for Rudolph, he is sweet. Can I please have a

Barbie birthday doll. I love you, Santa.
Naomi

Dear Santa,
Is Rudolph sick? I don’t feel good, either. Can I please have a bunch of big cars. Don’t get too cold this Christmas.
Tannar

Dear Santa,
Can I please have an easy bake oven and a Barbie. Can you bring my mom a new car and my dad a tuck.
Brooke Muniz

Dear Santa,
Can you bring my brother a new Game Boy and me a new doddle bear. My dad, a new phone. Don’t get too cold on Christmas Eve.
Alexia

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle and a helmet. See you at Christmas!
Garrett



Farwell 8th grade girls

Gaby Vidaurri, Laura Martinez, Taylor Fillpot, Keegan Langford, Sarahi Saenz, Tiffani Jones, Cambry Devault, Brenda Delgado.



With Warm Regards

Merry Christmas and many thanks to all our friends & patrons

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Juanito's will be closed Dec. 24 at 3 p.m. and on Dec. 25

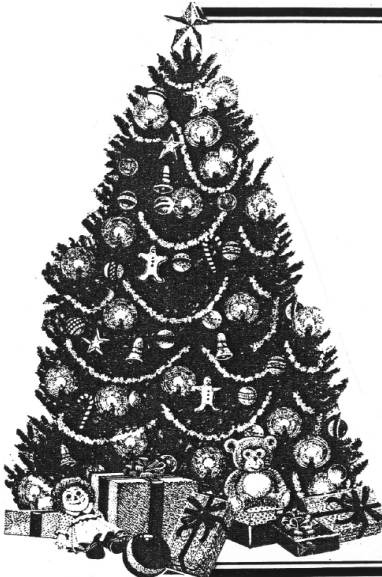
Go tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and everywhere; Go tell it on the mountain That Jesus Christ is born.

-- Spiritual

A blessed Christmas to you all!



In Christ's love,
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Merry Christmas

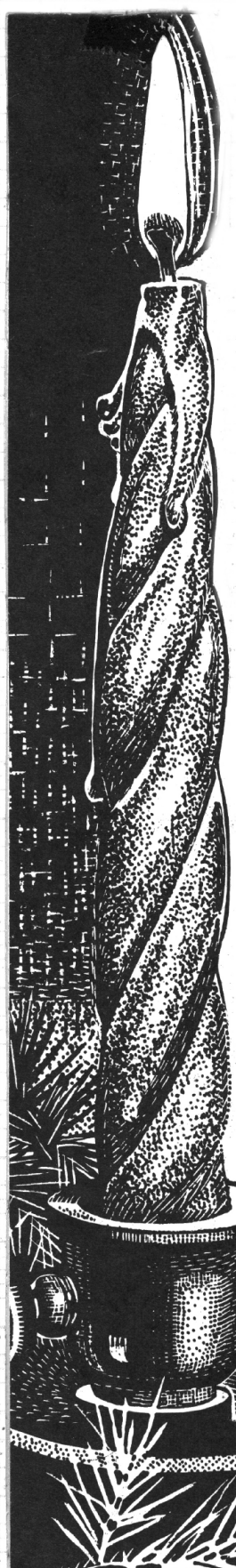
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unto us a son is given:
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and his name shall be called
Wonderful, Counsellor,
The mighty God,
The everlasting Father,
The Prince of Peace.

ISAIAH 9:6

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We will be closed Dec. 26th for the holiday.



Bovina JV boys

Jesus Guevara, Omar Flores, Joseph Bermea, Jason Sheena, Pecos Prather, Josh Ramirez, Oscar Rodriguez, Brett Hancock, Jamie Chavira, Aaron Ramon.



‘Santa, I wish I had super powers’

- Dear Santa,
I want a real car, a necklace, and a bike. Happy Birthday, Santa.
Julietta Zamora

Dear Santa,
Could I have a toy car, a real car and a toy motorcycle?
Manul Sanchez

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie doll, and make up.
Dorissa Betancourt

Dear Santa,
I want a Rudolph toy and a tractor toy. How is Mrs. Claus?
Jacob Quesada

Dear Santa,
Could I have a Barbie and a Rudolph toy?
Yiecel Diaz

Dear Santa,
Could I please have a real car?
Ariana Flores

Dear Santa,
Are you making presents?
Tiffany

Dear Santa,
Please bring me skates, candy and a ring.
Erika

Dear Santa,
Please give me Power Rangers. I love your reindeer.
Fernando Martinez
- Dear Santa,
I want a real puppy, a bird dog and a baby reindeer.
Megan Stone

Dear Santa,
Do you have real money? Do you have a house? Would you bring me a play cash register?
Enrique Carrillo

Dear Santa,
Can you give me McDonald's things and Hot Wheels?
Luis

Dear Santa,
Could I have a Play Station 2 and a real car?
Noel

Dear Santa,
Please give me Batman cards with numbers.
Rafael

Dear Santa,
I want a bike.
Astrid DeLaCruz

Dear Santa,
I want Cinderella clothes. I love you.
Anabel Ramirez

Dear Santa,
Please give me a Cinderella doll. Are your reindeer good?
Maria Sanchez

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie house, a Christmas tree, and I wish I had super powers.
- Darily Carrillo

Dear Santa,
My mom takes me to see you and get a prize.
Tony

Dear Santa,
I want a transformer, a big human torch, a new necklace and a new charger for my motor cycle.
Darus Armijo

Dear Santa,
I want a dress and shoes for Christmas.
Rachel

Dear Santa,
I want a motor scooter and a computer. You know that I don't fight with my sisters.
Angel Marin

Dear Santa,
I want a little Hummer. I want a Dora for my sister.
Bryan

Dear Santa,
I want a motor cycle, a motor scooter, a Play Station.
Enrique Marez

Dear Santa,
I want a first grade book, and a car. My mom wants to be a star.
Lucy DeLaCruz

Dear Santa,
I want a Spiderman toy, shoes, a bike and lots of toys for my brothers and sisters.
Jason Vargas

The Texico Post Office

Lonnie Pickel
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Robin Miller

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Mr. and Mrs. Andy Anderson, in 1955 and 2005



50th wedding anniversary celebrated

Andy and Velta Knight Anderson, of the Rhea Community, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Dec. 2.

They were married Dec. 2, 1955, in Farwell. They have three children: Donnie and Debbie Lewellen, of Friona; Rick Anderson, of Texico, and Susan London, of Amarillo, and 7 grandchildren.

Due to medical reasons, an open house will be held in January.



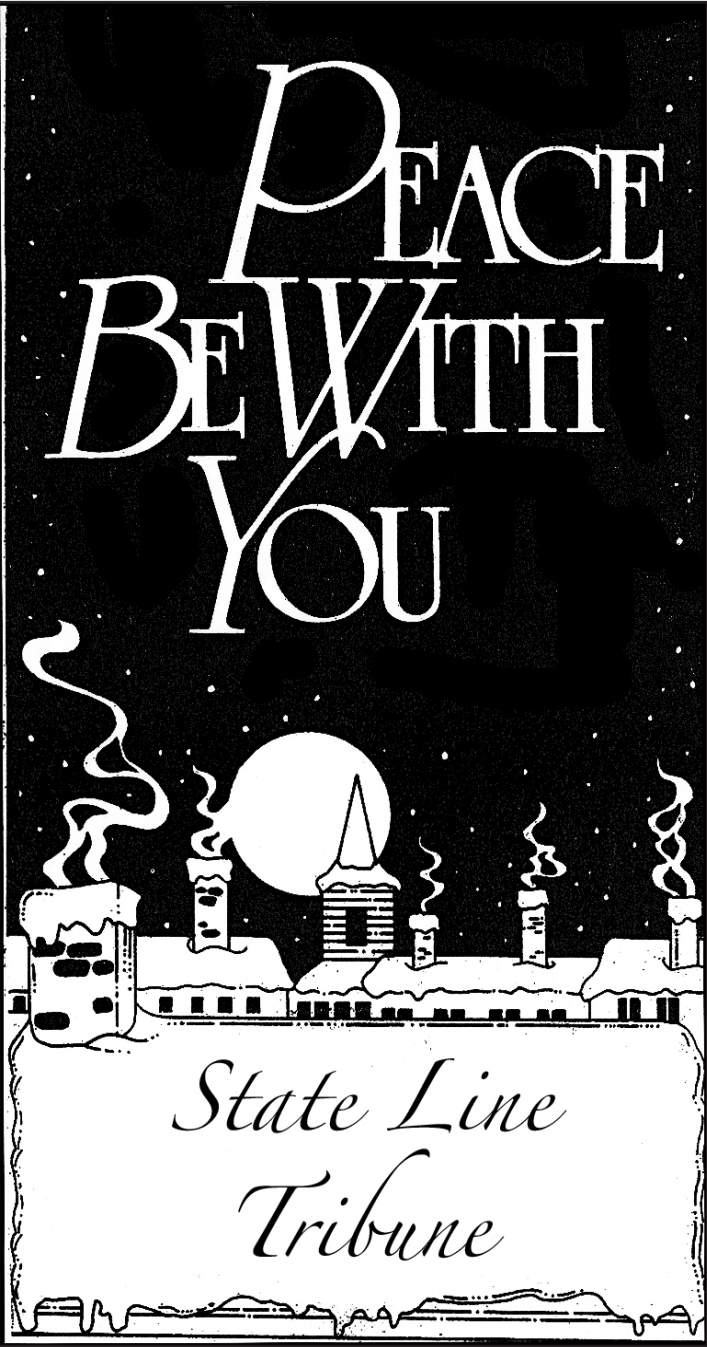


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‘Santa, can a lizard ride on your sled?’

Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a kitchen set. I hope you make it home safely.
Alex Gulley

Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a miniature 4-wheeler? I like the jacket you have on.
River Hall

Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a bike? What color is your sleigh? We read about Rudolph at school today.
Andres Loera

Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a Mr. Potato Head. Can a lizard ride on your sled? I like to play with bubbles.
Carlos DeLaRosa

Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me Rudolph to see? I would like a big monster truck that is real. I love you and have been good.
Thomas Smallwood

Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a Green Bay football uniform and helmet? I like Santa. What do the elves do?
Coltin

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a blue dress and a crown. I love you, Santa, and I miss you. Do you have a pretty hat?
Jazmyne Tagle

Dear Santa,
I want a doll, a cap, a hat, and a good zipper for my coat. How are you and Mrs. Claus?
Marisol

Dear Santa,
Will you bring me some mittens and some skates? I have been a good boy. Will you bring toys? I want a puppy.
Jacob

Dear Santa,
For Christmas, I want a dirt bike and a game cube and a Star Wars game. I have been a good boy. How are Rudolph and Comet?
Izaiah Benoit

Dear Santa,
For Christmas, I want a car and a dirt bike. I have been a good boy. My little brother wants all the Power Rangers.
David Martinez

Dear Santa,
My stocking will be at the shelf. I will leave you some cookies and a Dr Pepper. What I want for Christmas is a dirt bike and lap top and dirt bike helmet.
Ty London

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I want a new cat, a fake dog and a horse.
Myztic

Dear Santa,
I would like you to bring me a Barbie.
Jennica

Dear Santa,
How are you? You don't need to ask me because I'm good. How are the reindeer? Okay, let's move on. I want a TV and a My Size Birth Stoneanda Spy Kit. By the way, how old are you? If you do not give presents, I do not want to know. I want a Barbie. And I hope you are real because I love you and I've been a good girl.
Mallory

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. How are Rudolph and Blitzen? Say hi to Mrs. Claus for me. Please, I want a guitar the most, and a flute. Are the elves there? Can you let me know when you are there?
Nikki Stover

Dear Santa,
I want a strawberry shortcake doll. How are Rudolph

and Comet and Cupid and Blitzen? I was a good girl and I want a Barbie doll and Strawberry Shortcake video game and a new bike.
Sarah

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I would like you to bring me a Spider web blaster and a toy car.
Nathan

Dear Santa,
Will you bring me presents? I would like candy in my stocking. Will you come down our chimney and drop off a remote control train? My dad wants a gun for hunting.
Collin

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph? Ho, ho ho. I want a mask and a helmet. How is Comet? I want snow pants and a remote control car.
Seth

Dear Santa,
Give me whatever you want to give me. How is Rudolph? Tell Mrs. Claus I said hi! I'm going to leave you milk and cookies. I haven't been perfect but I've been good. Our chimney is small so you can come in the front door. I love you!
Chance Miller

Dear Santa,
How are you and the reindeer? I will try to leave five Christmas cookies for you. Can you try to bring me something I would like? I want a CD player and some CDs, too. My sister wants a flip-phone. My other sister wants a new car. Thank you very much for the presents.
Emily Kube

Dear Santa,
Can I please have a Game Boy Advance SP? Also I want a remote control car. Can I please have a portable DVD player? Can my brother get a new car? Are the reindeer okay? Do you have a tuxedo? Thank you for all of your presents.
Josh Sena

Dear Santa,
Please give Savannah a cell phone. Give Mom a beautiful ring and Dad cologne. I would like a camera.
Sidney Barksdale

Meet Texico's Class of 2018



Saul Bejarano is a Texico kindergartener. His birthday is April 20. Parents are Martin & Norma Bejarano. Siblings are Martin and Adan. Grandparents are Ramon and Ortencia.

He likes to play Play Station, ride his bike and loves motorcycles. His favorite color is blue. His favorite food is pizza. He doesn't like to clean his room.

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Meet Farwell's Class of 2018



Emily Orozco is a Farwell kindergartener. Her birthday is Sept. 1. Parents are John & June Orozco. She has a brother, Tre. Grandparents are Nora Ortiz, Linda Padilla and Edward Orozco.

She likes puzzles, swimming and watching movies. Her favorite color is blue. Her favorite food is chicken nuggets. She doesn't like getting up early.

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Ring out, ring out! The bells of cheer sound our happy wishes to you and yours for a Joyous Christmas Season.

Farwell
Chamber of Commerce



Have A Beautiful Christmas

Skeed - Todd
Funeral Home
Clovis



Peace on Earth

And when they were come
into the house, they saw the
young child with Mary, His mother, and
fell down, and worshipped Him
and when they had opened
their treasures, they presented
unto Him gifts; gold, and
frankincense, and myrrh.

Matthew 2:11

Wishing you a joyous Christmas . . .

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We will be closed on
Monday, December 26th