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Juveniles damage post office, mail

Illegal entry was obtained into the Winters United States Post Office, 126 State St., on Wednesday, December 13, 1995.

Winters Police Chief Carey Balentine was off duty at 8:30 p.m. when he received a citizen's complaint concerning a disturbance in the lobby of the local post office.

The citizen reported that mail was scattered on the lobby floor and mail was in the trash can, some of which belonged to the citizen making the discovery.

On arrival at the post office, Balentine checked the building and the adjacent office of Ken Slimp. It was discovered entry had also been made into the Slimp office, through a rear door.

At this point, Balentine called for a back-up from Winters Police Officer Terry Johnson.

Three juveniles were caught inside the Slimp offices and questioned. Balentine interviewed the juveniles and it was concluded that they were the same individuals

who were involved in the post office break-in.

The investigation disclosed that there had been no serious monetary losses. Postmaster Deen Thompson reported the post office suffered some damage and destroyed property. Mail had been tampered with and destroyed, which is a federal offense.

By the time the United States Postal Inspector arrived in Winters on Friday, December 15, the Winters Police Department had completed their investigation and the case was closed.

The three juveniles were referred to the District Juvenile Probation Authorities.

The federal inspector contacted Balentine to gather information for the official report to be passed on to postal authorities. They will then determine if any further investigation is needed.

The post office facility was examined by the inspector to decide if any further precautions should be taken to prevent future break-ins.



FAMILY DOLLAR STORE celebrated its grand opening last week with a visit from the district manager as well as the Winters mayor, administrator, chief of police and members of the Chamber of Commerce. After many months of delay, the store opened in the old Winn's building but has been completely remodeled and offers a wide variety of items.

Council decides design of water tower

Plans and specifications for Winters' new water tower were approved by the Council in its meeting of December 11th and are to be submitted for State approval. Four designs received public input (a total of 25 votes). The preferred and chosen design will be a blue ball with a white pedestal. Writing on the tower will be white and will include the slogan Winters Blizzards, with a logo of the Blizzard in between the names. With council approval, the old water tower which is located adjacent to Wood Street will soon be demolished.

In other business, the Council heard a proposal from Emmett Toponce of Action Telecom. He indicated that by switching from Norstar to his company, the City would receive better quality and a less expensive rate. According to City Administrator Aref Hassan, it currently takes 30 seconds to connect a long distance call with the telephone service now being used. With service from Action Telecom, the connection could be made in 3 seconds. Hassan also stated that the rates would be anywhere from 3¢ to 9¢ a minute less. Contingent upon the terms of the previous agreement with Norstar, alderpersons agreed to switch service to Action Telecom.

Jessie Ruth Adams, a Housing Authority resident, expressed interest in serving on the Board of the Winters Housing Authority. The terms of Bettye Pinkerton, Debbie Sudduth, and Efrain Esquivel expire at the end of the year. Upon voluntarily withdrawal by one of the three, Ms. Adams will be appointed to serve along with the other two in accordance with Department of Housing and Urban Development regulations recommended by WHA Execu-

tive Director Debra Lindsey.

A bid of \$100 was received and accepted from Durwood Wilkerson to buy the City's old Norstar Key System.

The 1995-96 fiscal year budget was amended to include an additional \$3,000 for the purchase of a new patrol car for the Winters Police Department. It was explained that the price of a new car had increased, with no allowance previously made.

Within the enforcement of the law and city codes, building demolitions are scheduled for January, 1996, at the following locations: 205 Fannin, 406 S. Rogers, 407 S.

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TOM BARKLEY (left), retiring DPS trooper, was "honored" with a look-alike portrait presented by fellow DPS trooper Scott Warren during a dinner and "roast" given last Thursday at the Ballinger Community Center. Barkley retired after 27 years of service. Warren has been his partner for the past 15 years. More than 350 friends attended the special event.

DPS patrolman Barkley retires

Retiring Department of Public Safety Highway Patrolman Tom Barkley was honored by his friends and co-workers with a dinner on Thursday, December 15, at the Ballinger Community Center. Barkley officially retires December 31 after 27 years with the Highway Patrol.

He started his career in Hempstead, Texas, then moved to Brookshire and finally to Ballinger where he has served for 15 years.

A crowd of 350-400 family, friends, and associates gathered to honor Barkley and review the history of his career in law enforcement. Albert Snead and James Prestidge, who worked with Barkley in his early days at Hempstead, were present to relate some of the more adventure-

some times in Barkley's career.

His partner for 15 years in Ballinger, Scott Warren, organized the dinner and presented Barkley with a framed caricature of the retired highway patrolman/cabinetmaker.

Sgt. Ron Snow of the Highway

Patrol presented Barkley with a plaque of appreciation for his 27 years of service. Others making presentations included Johnny Fulton, Dr. Bill Pollan, and Barkley's family.

Wendell Rehm was the master of ceremonies for the event.

Nomations now accepted for Man, Woman, and Rural Couple of the Year

Do you know someone who needs to be recognized as "Citizen of the Year?" Now is your chance to nominate that special person.

Forms for nominations are available at the Chamber of Commerce office, 118 W. Dale, and *The Winters Enterprise*, 104 N. Main. Deadline is Monday, January 8, 1996, at 3 p.m.

Forms require a brief explanation (100-300 words) and must be signed by the person completing the form. Only one form may be submitted per person for each category.

Categories are Man of the Year, Woman of the Year, and Rural Couple of the Year.

For more information, call (915) 754-5210.

WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- Dec. 21-9 a.m.-3 p.m., First American Bank Christmas Open House
- 9 a.m.-3 p.m., First State Bank Christmas Open House
- 10 a.m., Conner's Piano Students at Nursing Home
- 5:30 p.m., Family Christmas Dinner, Nursing Home
- 6:30-10 p.m., 4-H Holiday Hop, SPJST Hall, Rowena
- 7:15 p.m., Catholic Church Children's Program
- Band Tapes Available at City Hall
- School Holiday
- Dec. 22-9 a.m.-3 p.m., First State Bank Christmas Open House
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- School Holiday
- Dec. 24-9 a.m., Mass, Mt. Carmel Catholic Church
- 10:30 a.m., Church of Christ Worship (No Bible Classes)
- Dec. 25-CHRISTMAS
- 10 a.m., Mass, Mt. Carmel Catholic Church (No Midnight Mass)
- School Holiday
- Senior Citizens Activity Center & *The Winters Enterprise* Closed
- Dec. 26-7 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center
- 7 p.m., WVFD & Fire Dept. Auxiliary
- School Holiday
- Dec. 27-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- School Holiday
- Dec. 28-School Holiday
- Dec. 29-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- School Holiday
- Dec. 30-7:30 p.m., Mass, Mt. Carmel Catholic Church
- Dec. 31-9 a.m., Mass, Mt. Carmel Catholic Church
- 9 p.m., Watchnight Service, Assembly of God Church
- Jan. 1-10 a.m., Mass, Mt. Carmel Catholic Church
- Senior Citizens Activity Center Closed
- Jan. 2-7 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center
- 7 p.m., WVFD
- Jan. 3-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- Jan. 4-7 p.m., Athletic Boosters, Blizzard Field
- 7:30 p.m., Winters Masonic Lodge

OIL BUSINESS . . .

By Reg Boles ©1995



As is my custom this time of year, I am going to prognosticate about product prices.

It is dangerous territory to be sure, but I am willing to risk ridicule and scorn to bring you my opinion of where oil and gas prices are headed during 1996.

Lately, oil prices haven't been a very exciting topic, as prices have remained in a pretty narrow band. This has occurred much to the chagrin of OPEC and local oil producers, alike. They, of course would like to see an upward movement of some sort.

Unfortunately, oil prices have been as boring between years as they have been during a given year. Thus, prices have remained between 16 and 19 dollars per barrel.

For 1996, I see some real danger of downward spikes. OPEC will stay basically within their own limits, but other sources will continue to add production. Norway, the United Kingdom, and South America will add over a million barrels per day of capacity in 1996. Demand might not keep up.

If a renegade OPEC member decides to exceed its quota, the rest might bolt to grab market share and prices would drop severely. If Iraq is granted a quota, then prices will drop by \$2 to \$3 per barrel, as well.

Before I make you sick to your stomach, I do believe there is an even chance that prices will stay about where they are. The bad news is that there is not a realistic scenario beside a major war in the Middle East or something of similar magnitude that I could envision that would cause prices to exceed \$20 per barrel.

Now, gas prices have a decent chance of holding on to their winter gains. Prices have risen and held steady with the cold snaps reported thus far across the nation.

Gas prices have a couple of things on their side. The middlemen that have always been part of the gas market are under assault by innovative partnerships that are built to bypass middlemen and get more for the producer of the gas. This should help the field price. The other thing is the current acceptance of slightly higher prices for the benefits of gas, both environmentally and performance-wise.

I see gas prices staying above \$1.80 and seeing \$2.20 a few times during the coming year.

O.K., that's it. I hope I haven't

been too gloomy. I have faith that the industry is prepared to operate under the price scenarios I see for the coming year. As I have mentioned over the last several weeks, the U.S. independent has proven that there is money to be made in today's uncertain price environment.

HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY COMPLETIONS

Concho County

H.R. Sullivan, Inc. has completed the Stone #4801 as a Wildcat, 8 miles SE of Vick at an initial rate of 65 BOPD in the King Sand (perfs 2310-14). Loc. is 467 FWL & 800 FSL of Sec. 48, Blk. 9, H&TC Sur., A-1819.

Nolan County

Oryx Energy has completed the Southwest Nena Lucia Unit #3825 in the Nena Lucia Field (12 miles SW of Maryneal) at an initial rate of 237 BOPD & 90 BWPD in the Strawn Reef (perfs 6861-6982). Loc. is 600 FSL & 947 FSL of Sec. 88, Blk. 1A, H&TC Sur., A-1554.

Union Pacific Resources has completed the Petty #1 in the Hodnet's Hill Field (17 miles SE of Sweetwater) at an initial rate of 185 BOPD in the Pennsylvanian (perfs 5227-37). Loc. is 1750 FSL & 2455 FSL of Sec. 40, Blk. 5, T&PRR Sur., A-841.

Tom Green County

Remuda Operating has staked the R.L. Stansberry Trust #5 in the Toe Nail Field (12 miles SE of Christoval) at an initial rate of 41 BOPD & 1 BWPD in the Harkey formation (perfs 4705-9). Loc. is 2123 FSL & 1972 FSL of Sec. 57, Blk. 25, H&TC Sur., A-1269.

STAKINGS

Coke County

DDC Energy Corporation has staked the McCrley #1 in the Nipple Peak Field, 3 miles S of Blackwell (Depth 6600). Loc. is 1980 FNL & 1980 FSL of Sec. 281, Blk. 1-A, H&TC Sur.

Concho County

Bowman Energy has staked the Malmstrom -A- #1 as a Wildcat, 1 mile SE of Melvin (Depth 2000). Loc. is 1400 FWL & 1150 FNL of Sec. 1373, H. Spiller Sur., A-1232.

LeClair Operating has staked the Shelton #3 in the New Year '95, 4 miles NW of Eden (Depth 4000). Loc. is 1803 FSL & 2016 FSL of Sec. 1, Blk. 72, J.H. Gibson Sur., A-320.

Norman Oil Corporation has staked the M. Kalina #1 as a Wildcat, 4 miles N. of Eola (Depth 4500). Loc. is 1667 FNL & 2215 FSL of Sec. 1635, J. Klausen Sur., A-573.

Runnels County

Heart Land Petroleum has staked the Gray #1 in the Beddo Field, 4 miles NE of Ballinger (Depth 4500). Loc. is 1287 FSL & 2878 FSL of M.J. Parramore Sur. No. 26, A-834.

Pioneer Energy Corporation has staked the Garrett #2 in the Davis Field, 4

miles SE of Winters (Depth 4500). Loc. is 467 FWL & 1764 FNL of Sec. 333, Blk. 64, H&TC Sur., A-308. Pioneer has also applied to plug back the W. Adami #3 in the Winters Field, 3 miles SE of Winters (Depth 4550). Loc. is 2870 FSL & 3184 FWL of same Sec.

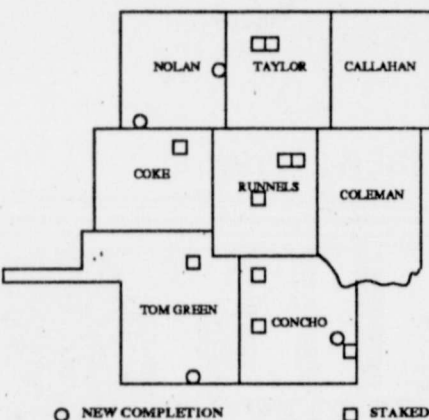
Taylor County

D-Bar Leasing has applied to re-enter the F. Kessler -A- #3 in the Coor Hollow Field, 3 miles SW of View (Depth 2908). Loc. is 1200 FSL & 800 FSL of Sec. 2, Blk. 2, SPRR Sur.

R. Guffey Oil has staked two wells in the East Inkum Field, 4 miles SW of View (Depth 3000). The Rawlins #1 is loc. 1005 FSL & 2388 FSL of Lbr. 1, Lge. 144, Guadalupe CSL Sur., A-76. The Ledbetter #1 is loc. 3550 FNL & 720 FSL of Goliad CSL Sur. No. 143.

Tom Green County

Western Reserves Oil has staked the Schaefer -35- #1 as a Wildcat, 13 miles NE of San Angelo (Depth 3600). Loc. is 1980 FNL & 1980 FWL of WCCR Sur. No. 35, A-4048.



Senior Citizens Nursing Home News

by Billie Ruth Bishop

We have a list of "Thank You's" to different organizations and individuals.

To Mike Meyer and staff at the Winters Funeral Home for ham, to Lois Clark for beads, to 4-H Club kids and sponsors for stamped Christmas cards, to Buelah Schaffrina's family for Christmas decorations, to the Family Group for corsages and to Billie Gerhart for making them for our Employee Christmas Party, to Clowns for Christ for Christmas decorations, to Sew & Sew Club and Church of Christ ladies for Christmas gifts for residents, and to all of you who have sent Christmas cards—we want you to know how much the residents enjoy receiving mail.

The Church of Christ ladies hosted our December birthday party last Thursday with fun and games and refreshments. They also gave birthday gifts for the honorees. Honorees were: Mike

Krause, Curtis Morrison, Bea Schroeder, Ruby Walker, Maggie Simpson, and Hilma Dunn.

Fran Kidwell brought 6th graders last Friday. The residents enjoy the kids. The 4th grade was here Monday to perform.

Susan Conner will bring her piano students Thursday at 10:00. The Family Christmas Dinner will be Thursday at 5:30 p.m. Before the dinner, the residents will present their annual Christmas pageant under the direction of Jim and Ramona Hanson.

Velma Simpson will portray Mary, and Robert Graham will portray Joseph. All our residents will participate.

The Christmas tree will follow the program and Santa will be on hand to deliver the gifts. We're looking forward to a good time.

Mrs. Maggie Simpson is a new resident. She lives in Room 19A. She would enjoy your cards and visits.

Chamber of Commerce Business of the Month



CITY EMPLOYEES are (left to right) Tony Torres, Jack Davis Jr., Rebecca McKown, Charles Grenwelge, Bobby Palmer, Jack Burns, Ouida Nichols, Chuck Cravens, Page Bishop, Mike Scarborough, (sitting, center) Aref Hassan, (sitting, front) Shelia Paschal, and Donna Donica. Not pictured are Jack Davis Sr., Felix Gonzales, Nick Reyna, Virginia Skaggs, Carey Balentine, Alfredo Sanchez, Terry Johnson, Freddie Grohman, Bob Czarnecka, and Jason Pierson. City Hall was elected as the Chamber of Commerce Business of the Month for December, 1995.

City Hall elected Business of the Month

The Winters Area Chamber of Commerce Business of the Month for December is Winters City Hall. For the past several months, City Hall has been in the process of remodeling.

Offices are located at 310 South Main. Hours of operation are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The new drive-in window makes it very convenient to conduct your business from your car.

Offices found at City Hall include City Administrator—Aref Hassan, Assistant City Secretary/Tax Assessor Collector—Shelia Paschal, Utility Billing Manager—Donna Donica, Street Superintendent—Charles Grenwelge, Water Superintendent—Jack Davis Jr., and Municipal Judge—Ouida Nichols. Twenty-three (23) individuals are employed by the City within various departments.

The Winters City Council will meet in the new Council chamber soon after January 1, 1996.

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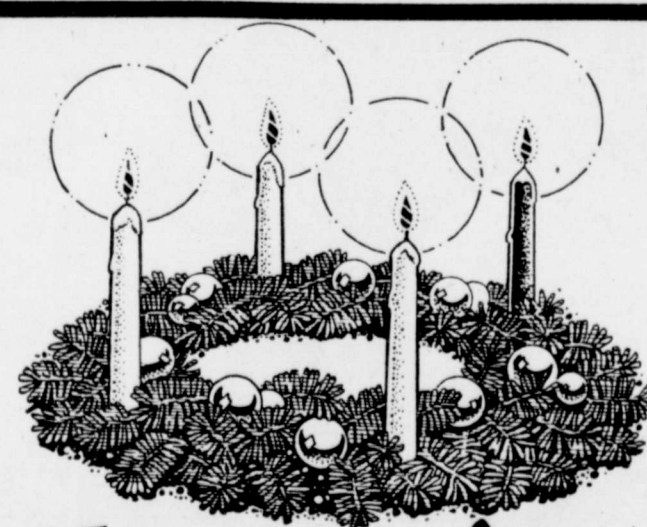
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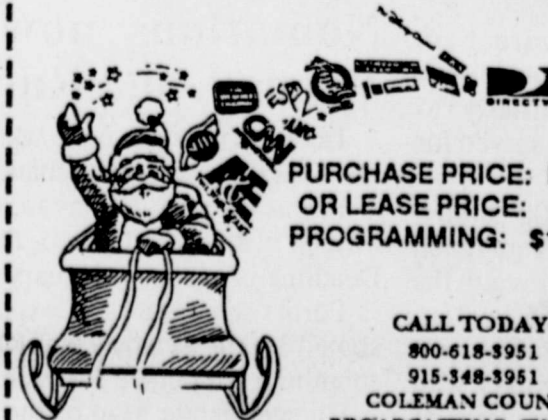
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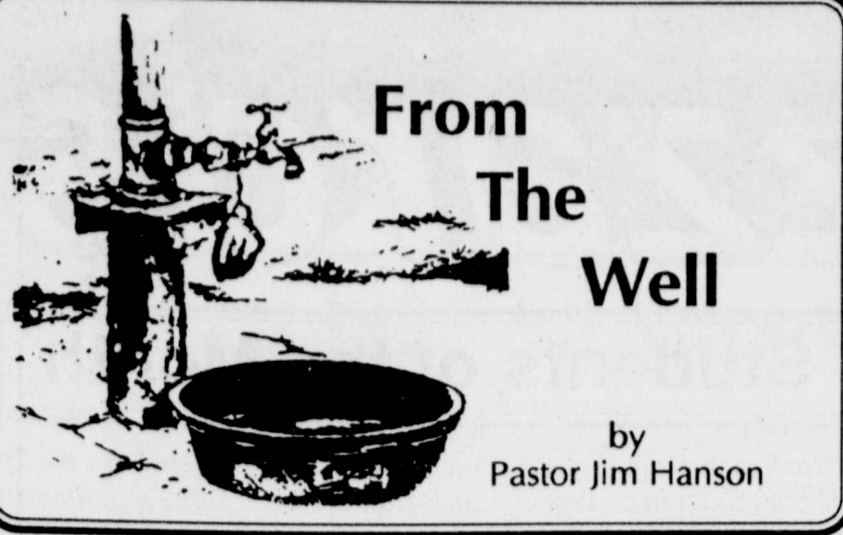
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From The Well

by
Pastor Jim Hanson

Christmastime is full of nostalgia. Nostalgia is an emotion, a feeling. The Greek roots of the word are "nostros," a return, and "algia," pain or grief. It's the pain or longing to return to home. According to Paul Gruchaw, the author of "Grass Roots," it is the "clinical" word for homesickness, the desire to be rooted in a place — to know clearly what time it is.

One of the Christmas songs of some years ago describes this feeling well:

"I'll be home for Christmas, you can plan on me,
Please have snow and mistletoe and presents round the tree,
Christmas Eve will find me where the love-light gleams,
I'll be home for Christmas if only in my dreams."
Another favorite was, and still is:

"I'm dreaming of a White Christmas just like the ones I used to know
Where the tree-tops glisten and children listen to hear sleigh-bells in the snow."

Christmastime, more than any other time in the year, tugs and pulls us homeward. If we can't come home for Christmas, we will and we should at least remember Christmas at home.

How well I remember my mother telling me of her experiences at Christmastime on her father's farm in Iowa. Her eyes would glisten and gleam as she remembered. "Papa would bring in the tree. We would all decorate it, mostly with homemade things. Strings of popcorn, and dried berries, too. No Christmas tree lights, but we did have some candles. And a pail of water or sand or both close by in case the tree would catch on fire." Her presents were usually the same each year. One orange (they were a precious commodity in that cold north land at Christmas), one pair of handknit mittens, and a baby doll. And, of course, the cookies and cakes and traditional foods. Going to church in a sleigh. You could tell she was in touch with something deep in her soul as she told her Christmas story.

This Christmastime Ramona and I have two sons and their families coming home for Christmas. We'll have the sound of children's voices and Christmas squeals as they open their presents. We'll sing some carols, and we'll go to church and we'll eat some traditional food. (Norwegians are kind of funny. They like to eat Lufdask at Christmas, which is a dried fish that needs to be soaked in lye water for six days before eating. We drove over to Cranfills Gap the first Saturday in December to get some. Some wag has described this fish as "the piece of Cod that passeth the understanding.") And, we'll remember and reminisce about earlier Christmases. Like when we lived in Montana and would drive and then hike into the hills to pick out and cut our own tree and bring it home and decorate it. Such fun. Even in the snow.

But, there is really more to it than just that. It's the connection, the divine connection between our Christmas and His.

The birth of Jesus and His story is what make our Christmas stories so important. The longing to be home for Christmas comes from deep in our well. G.K. Chesterton wrote of it so very well:

"To an open house in the evening
Home shall men come
To an older place than Eden
And a taller town than Rome.
To the end of the way of the wandering star,
To the things that cannot be and that are,
To the place where God was homeless
And all men are at home."

That's Christmas. Nostalgia. The returning home to first things. Home to the heart, to the little town, and the stable, and Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in the manger. To the very center of life. And, the center of time. And, the truth — we cannot know where we are now unless we can remember where we have come from. When we make that journey to Bethlehem, and go, with the shepherds to the place where the Baby is, lying in a manger, we are home. Home for Christmas. "If only in our dreams."

Merry Christmas, ya'all!

Chamber of Commerce elects directors, officers for 1996-'97

by DAWN GREEN, Chamber of Commerce Secretary

The Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors met for their regular meeting on Wednesday, December 13, for installation of new directors and officers.

Phyllis Boles, Janet Cason, Sherry Kurtz, Larry Walker, and Jim West were newly elected to serve as 1996-'97 directors.

Directors returning for another year's term are Brenda Briley, J'Lynn Cooper, Lisa Nitsch, Joe Pritchard, Leslie Pruser, Larry Suit, and Terry Wyatt.

Retiring directors are Jerry

Sartor, Teresa Davis, and Beth Bradley.

Newly elected officers are Joe Pritchard, president; Jim West, vice president; and Leslie Pruser, treasurer.

Discussion was heard concerning the Chamber banquet to be held on Saturday, January 20, 1996, at 7 p.m. This year's theme will be "Fiesta-Winters" with the menu consisting of a Mexican buffet. Tickets will be available at \$10 each from any director or at the Chamber office.

Volunteer firemen honored

At their annual Christmas Party held Tuesday, December 12, the Winters Volunteer Fire Department recognized members for their service to Winters.

Johnny Merrill was named by the department as the 1995 Fireman of the Year. Raymond Lindsey, 1994 Fireman of the Year, presented Merrill with a plaque.

This honor is given to a fireman each year for his work and contribution to the department and city.

Merrill was elected into the department in March, 1972, and has voluntarily served 23 years. He has held several offices including captain, training captain, assistant chief, and, beginning in 1980, chief.

He has instructed at Texas A&M University's Fire School for 16 years, at the Abilene Fire Control Conference, and the San

Angelo Fire School.

Merrill has his sights set on the Hill Country Fireman's Association Fireman of the Year honor. Chief Merrill says, "If I can win Hill Country, then I will try for the State honor." He continues by saying that he will always work for improvement. The HC Fireman of the Year will be named in April of 1996 and the State Fireman in June, 1996.

He and his wife Janice have two children, Tina and John, and three grandchildren.

Mayor Dawson McGuffin presented service pins to Leon Hilliard (20 years), Kenneth Doty (5 years), and Jerry Mac Jackson (5 years).

Badges were given to Yolanda Bridgeman, 1995 Senior Sponsor; Robin Sherman, 1995 Sweetheart; Amber Green, 1995 Junior Sponsor; and Matthew Meyer, 1995 Mascot.



JOHNNY MERRILL (right) was named the 1995 Fireman of the Year by the Winters Volunteer Fire Department at their gathering December 12. Merrill receives a plaque in recognition of his honor from the 1994 Fireman of the Year Ramond Lindsey.

Beatrice Schroeder celebrates life

by CHARLSIE POE

Beatrice Schroeder was feted on the occasion of her 90th birthday Sunday with a reception by her children: Sylvia Ann Richie of Houston, James and Jan Schroeder of Fort Worth, and Vernon and Linda June Castle of El Paso.

Following a stroke, Schroeder has resided in the Senior Citizens Nursing Home at Winters, but when there is occasion for celebration the clan heads for the family home in the Drasco community, that continues to be maintained.

Others in the house party were grandchildren, Talman and Jennifer Richie and daughter Bailey of San Antonio, Curtis and Alice Castle of El Paso; nephews and wives, Charles and Rose Mitchell of Pecos, Horace and Billie Mitchell of Lubbock, Lynn Ann Simpson of Stephenville, Eula Mae Kruse, Charles Poe, Betty Gray and Taylor were also guests.

Grandchildren unable to be present were Lundgren and Susan Richie and their three children Kirstin, Kirk, and Cole of Houston. Grandsons Jim and Benji Mitchell of Fort Worth were not present.

Beatrice, known as Bea by her friends, is truly a pioneer. Except for trips to various colleges getting her education, she has lived in the same place where she was born, although a new house was built many years ago.

The Henry Clay Mitchell moved to Runnels County from Whitewright in 1887. Their two sons, Henry and James (Jim) were with them, and the only ones to remain in the county.

Jim married Alza Elliott December 23, 1900, in the Moro community. Their children were Margaret, James, Beatrice, and Elizabeth. In 1910, Alza and baby Elizabeth died with scarlet fever. Jim continued living in the home with his three children until 1918 when he was struck with the dreaded influenza that caused so many deaths.

Realizing that he couldn't get well, Jim began at once to make plans for his family. He engaged a nephew as contractor. Carroll Cooke of Clyde came to make plans for a new home where the family was living. The old house was moved to a farm deeded to Margaret. James was to inherit the farm on the north and Bea would inherit the farm with the new house.

Brother Henry and Minnie who had no children agreed to come live with Jim's children until they were grown. "While the house was being built, we lived with Uncle Henry and moved back in the spring of 1919 when a fierce sandstorm was blowing," Bea recalled.

Beatrice finished school at Drasco and attended Winters to receive her high school diploma in 1924. After two years in Simmons University, she started teaching and finished her degrees by going to summer school.

Beatrice taught school at Harris one year. A rural school west of Brownwood. It was convenient to board with her Aunt Lizzie Flache in Brownwood. The next four years were spent teaching at Buffalo Gap. While there she bought a green Ford roadster which was very popular while teaching at Vally Creek, because it was the only car at the school nicknamed "Frog Jaw."

While at summer school in Alpine, Beatrice met Eula Mae Kruse, who taught at Dale. Her husband Charles had a friend named Irwin Schroeder who was introduced to Beatrice. This soon led to marriage and a return to her home on the farm on Drasco.

The next years were busy with farming and rearing children. Sylvia Ann was born in 1939 and James Irwin in 1941. Linda June didn't make her appearance until 1947. In 1954, when she was in the first grade, Beatrice began teaching again. She retired in 1971. Irwin died in 1991 and

Beatrice suffered a stroke the following year.

Note: Henry Clay Mitchell was my great-grandfather. His oldest child, Sarah (Sallie) was my grandmother. She and Dr. Robert Cooke moved to Winters in 1889.

Colbath named to President's Honor Roll

Ronald Colbath of Winters has been named to the President's Honor Roll for the Fall 1995 Quarter at Texas State Technical College.

To be recognized on the President's Honor Roll, students must earn a 4.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Colbath is majoring in Diesel Mechanics at the Sweetwater campus.

From Across The Mayor's Desk

by Dawson McGuffin

Welcome to the Family Dollar store. We've looked forward to your opening for some time.

Thank you to BFI for the larger dumpster at the Convenience Center (near the old landfill off of 153). It should help a lot.

We have received our audit report, and everything is satisfactory. Some small changes will be implemented as per the auditor's suggestions, but overall we are in good shape.

Next month we will start demolishing some of the eyesores around town. It is time consuming, but I believe it is about time to get started on this.

There are lots of things going on now — Christmas parties, Santa Claus, etc.

I hope you all have a nice and safe holiday.

God bless you all.

Merry Christmas

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ACROSS

- 1 TXism: "dead as a door"
- 5 Houston has a big space industry
- 6 TXism: "you can write ink"
- 7 "Gone to Texas" meant "the lam"
- 8 he took title from Houston's Foreman
- 9 old San Antonio site: Mission
- 16 TXism: "high tail it"
- 17 janitor
- 19 UT has Faulkner manuscript about this Bible character
- 21 TXism: "the Baptists are sprinkling"
- 22 Gatlin's host "Golf" event
- 27 TX Hitzges or Sonju
- 28 TX U.S. Rep. Pete
- 29 TXism: "he from the hip"
- 30 TXism: "crisp (sunburned)"
- 32 Mexican "yes"
- 34 actress in film "The Wheelers Dealers"
- 37 TX Reynolds film: "Singing in the"
- 38 founder of TX Belo media co. (int.)
- 39 Neiman-Marcus store type
- 40 Disney film
- 42 Rockport: "Where the fun never"
- 43 TX cartoonist Bill
- 46 ex-Rocket Thorpe

- 47 TXism: "I'm gonna your eyes!"
- 48 "Vaya con"
- 49 organization for some TX teachers (abbr.)
- 50 Texas Monthly VIP: chief
- 53 TX journalist Ellerbe
- 54 in Jasper Co.: date
- 55 Padre Island skin tone
- 56 Dallas singer Stone

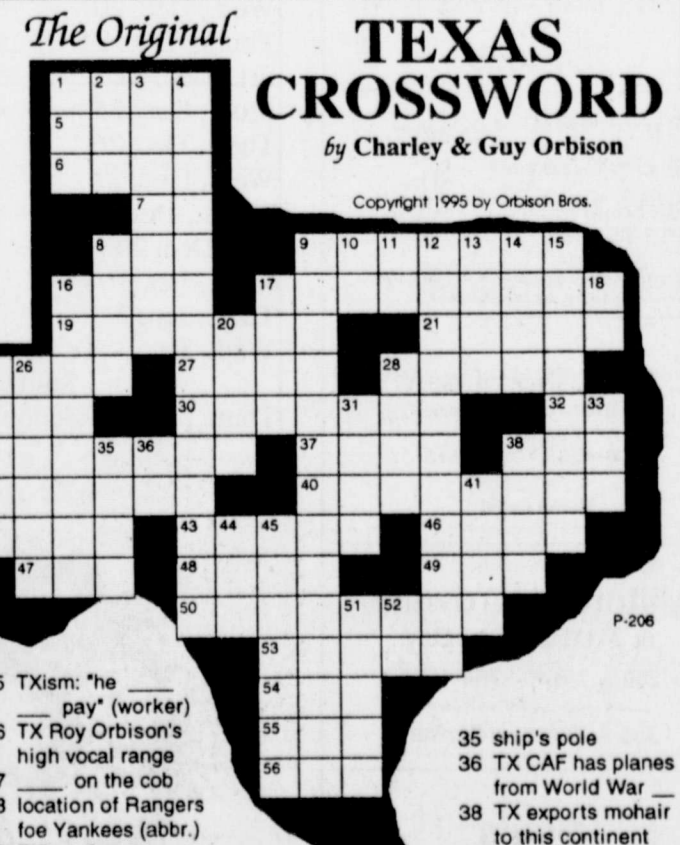
DOWN

- 1 TX Chennault was adviser to Chiang shek
- 2 Gulf shrimp catcher
- 3 Rafael Palmeiro left Rangers to go to this Baltimore team
- 4 TX bank robbing duo (3 wds.)
- 8 in Wood Co. on 69
- 9 Waxahachie has this Gingerbread June event (2 wds.)
- 10 TXism: "pleased punch"
- 11 ex-Cowboy coach Norv (int.)
- 12 made TX news in '93
- 13 feedlot aroma
- 14 Dallas kicks soccer team
- 15 TXism: "the pay (worker)"
- 16 TX Roy Orbison's high vocal range
- 17 on the cob
- 18 location of Rangers foe Yankees (abbr.)
- 20 TXism: "never a gift horse in the mouth"
- 22 TXism: "fat a boardinghouse cat"
- 23 organization of the Dallas Stars
- 24 female deer
- 25 attendees at fall TX event: fair
- 26 TXism: "trapped like possum"
- 28 TX song: "Back to Houston"
- 31 academic test for TX students (abbr.)
- 33 TCU basketball coach Moe
- 35 ship's pole
- 36 TX CAF has planes from World War
- 38 TX exports mohair to this continent
- 41 TXism: "wouldn't touch that with a foot pole"
- 44 TX Willie's Farm concerts
- 45 in earlier TX they were outdoors
- 51 TX Gent book: "Given Sunday"
- 52 rural route (abbr.)

TEXAS CROSSWORD

by Charley & Guy Orbison

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Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.

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Basketball '95

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Jan. 2—Roscoe, 4 p.m., There, JVG, JVB, VG, VB
Jan. 4-6—Miles J.V. Tourn., TBA, There, JVG, FB
Jan. 4-6—Blackwell Tourn., TBA, There, 7G, 7B
VG Varsity Girls VB Varsity Boys
JVG Junior Varsity Girls JVB Junior Varsity Boys
FB Freshmen Boys
8B 8th Boys 8G 8th Girls
7B 7th Boys 7G 7th Girls
*Denotes District Games

Band tapes are here!

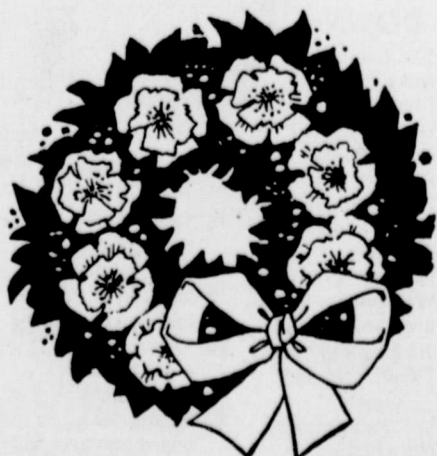
Unfortunately, band tapes were not available for delivery on December 17 as originally planned. However, tapes are now available and may be picked up at City Hall beginning Thursday, December 21. City Hall is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

CAFETERIA MENU

Jan. 1 - Jan. 5
Subject to change
Subject to Opening of New Cafeteria
Breakfast
Monday-Jan. 1
Holiday
Tuesday-Jan. 2
Holiday
Wednesday-Jan. 3
Holiday
Thursday-Jan. 4
Cinnamon Toast
Oatmeal
Cereal
Peaches
Friday-Jan. 5
Waffles w/Syrup
Ham
Toast
Cereal
Pineapple Juice
Lunch
Monday-Jan. 1
Holiday
Tuesday-Jan. 2
Holiday
Wednesday-Jan. 3
Holiday
Thursday-Jan. 4
Oven Fried Chicken w/Gravy
Creamed Potatoes
English Peas
Hot Roll
Iced Cake
Friday-Jan. 5
Chicken Fajitas
Refried Beans
Tossed Salad
Combread
Chocolate Pudding
All meals served with milk
HAPPY NEW YEAR!

W.I.S.D. HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Wed., Dec. 20	No TIPS
Thurs., Dec. 21	Holiday
Fri., Dec. 22	Holiday
Mon., Dec. 25	Holiday
Tues., Dec. 26	Holiday
Wed., Dec. 27	Holiday
Thurs., Dec. 28	Holiday
Fri., Dec. 29	Holiday
Mon., Jan. 1	Holiday
Tues., Jan. 2	Holiday
Wed., Jan. 3	Teacher Workday
Thurs., Jan. 4	Student Holiday
Thurs., Jan. 4	School Resumes



AARON PRITCHARD hits the 3-point shot during 7th grade basketball action.

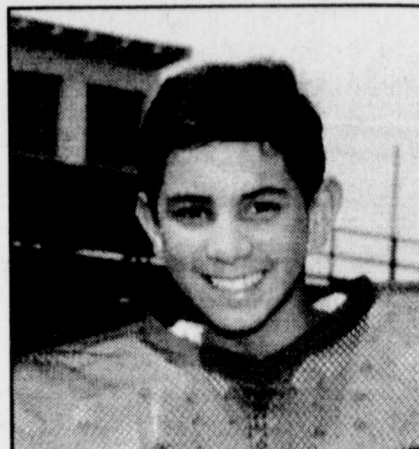


CRISTIN CORLEY of the Lady Blizzards puts the jumper over the Hamlin defender during varsity action.

Students of the Month

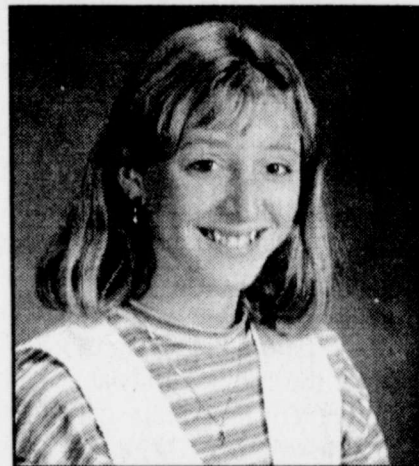
Each month the junior high teachers select students from the 7th and 8th grades to be Boy and Girl of the Month. These selections are made on the basis of academics, leadership, and citizenship.

Oscar Luz, 13, is "Boy of the Month" for December. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Luz. Oscar is in the eighth grade where his favorite subject is social studies. He has received Perfect Attendance awards. Oscar enjoys watching T.V., playing sports, and studying. He helps with jobs around the house. The people Oscar admires most are his parents. He plans to attend college.

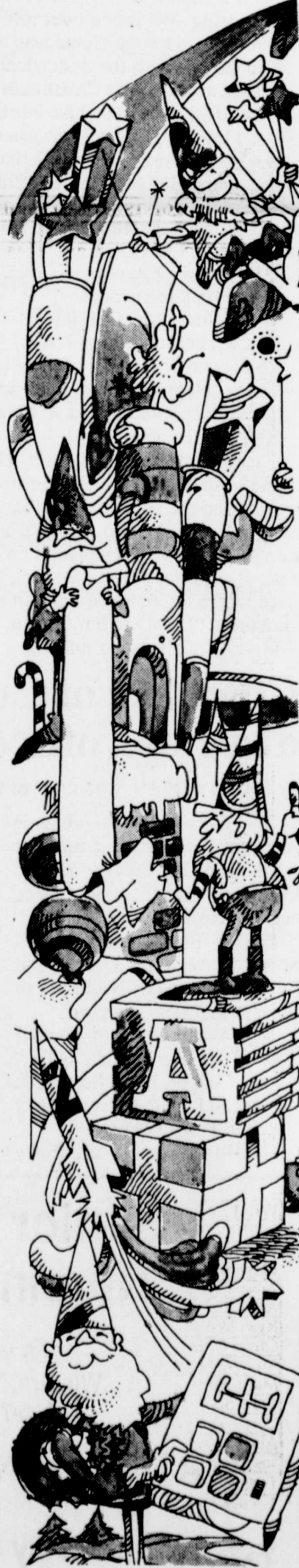


Oscar Luz
Boy of the Month

Kacy McCuiston, 13, has been chosen as the "Girl of the Month" for December. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kirk McCuiston. Kacy is in the seventh grade and enjoys math and English. She is honored to have received a state award in Bus Safety and makes the "A" Honor Roll. She enjoys swimming, reading, and visiting with friends. To pass the time, she listens to R&B music. Her duties include cleaning the house and caring for her pets. She plans to attend college, majoring in marine biology. She most admires her parents and teachers.



Kacy McCuiston
Girl of the Month



Winters ISD public meeting to discuss 1994-'95 AEIS Report

The public is invited to a meeting for the discussion and dissemination of the Winters ISD Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS) Report for the 1994-1995 school year. The AEIS Report from the Texas Education Agency includes a district summary and campus performances on the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) for grades 3-8 and 10, as well as a descriptive section for the district on students, staff, finances, and programs. The meeting will be held at the Administration Building/Tax Office on Monday, January 8, 1996, at 7:30 p.m. at the monthly School Board meeting.



making Goals in '95-'96

1995-96 Varsity Lady Blizzards



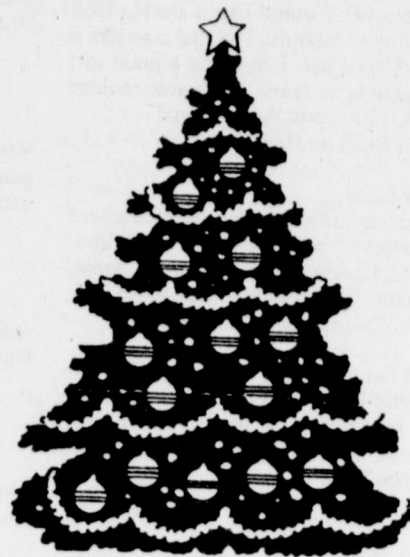
JanaBeth Bryan #24, 5'8" senior, post
Rachel Edwards #14, 5'8" senior, post
Robyn Parramore #12, 5'10" junior, post
Karolen Biddix #20, 5'8" senior, guard
Janet Guy #11, 5'7" junior, guard

coach: Will Corley
assistant coach: Deb Whittenburg

Jeanna Kozelsky #33-23, 5'7" sophomore, post
Cristin Corley #00-3, 5'6" freshman, guard
Noemi Vega #10, 5'6" sophomore, guard
Marcie Pritchard #22, 5'6" senior, post
Erika Vega #15, 5'8" senior guard

Athletic Boosters to meet Jan. 4

The Athletic Booster Club will meet Thursday, January 4, 1996, in the Blizzard field house at 7:00 p.m.
All members are urged to attend.



Sheriff's Dept. collecting toys for needy children

The Runnels County Sheriff's Department is conducting its annual Toy Drive for needy children.

New and used toys are collected each year by the department to distribute to children in the area who may not otherwise receive any toys for Christmas.

Anyone wishing to donate to the drive may take the unwrapped, new or used toys to the Sheriff's Dept. on Strong Avenue in Ballinger; First American Bank, SSB, Ballinger; or The Winters Enterprise, Winters.

Anyone needing toys for their children for Christmas may call Dana Gore at 915/365-2121.

Basketball Hoopla

Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Ed Henley
Opponent: Ballinger Date: December 12, 1995
Place: Winters

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	5	21	15	9		50
OPPONENT	11	18	13	21		63

Free throws made: 10 of 22 for 45%.

Players Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
John Paul Belew*	18	5	7	2
Eric Bernal	2	0	1	0
John Biddix	7	5	7	7
Kevin Conner	11	10	9	3
Adam Cruz	4	1	5	3
Mark Deike	4	3	2	6
Josh Grohman	1	1	0	0
Michael Mostad	0	0	1	0
Bear Nitsch	1	2	4	0
Chris Soto	2	1	1	0
Jose Vega	0	0	1	0

*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: Junior Varsity Girls Coach: Deb Whittenburg
Opponent: Hamlin Date: December 12, 1995
Place: Winters

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	18	7	11	19		55
OPPONENT	6	10	2	4		22

Free throws made: 7 of 24 for 29%.

Players Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Debbie Baize	2	1	0	0
Jamie Bishop	0	0	0	0
Tarra Burns	0	0	1	0
Kourtney Cathey	2	1	1	0
Amanda Cross	0	0	1	0
Nicole Cross	6	1	0	0
Desiree Mathis	6	2	2	0
Karen Oats*	19	7	8	0
Monica Parramore	3	2	4	0
Misty Pritchard	6	2	1	0
Tammy Thorpe	0	5	0	0
Brooke Tounget	0	1	0	0
Heather Watkins	7	0	0	0
Alison Wells	4	0	2	0

*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: Junior Varsity Boys Coach: Ed Henley
Opponent: Christoval Vsty. Date: December 9, 1995
Place: Robert Lee Tournament

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	3	21	6	23		53
OPPONENT	18	11	20	15		64

Free throws made: 7 of 10 for 70%.

Players Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Adam Cruz*	19	4	3	2
Angel Gallegos	0	0	0	0
Ryan Maley	0	0	0	0
Oliver Ortiz	0	0	0	0
Michael Pritchard	0	0	0	0
Mario Rodriguez	0	2	0	0
Chris Soto	5	7	0	5
Corey Van Zandt	17	14	2	3
Abe Vasquez	12	7	2	1
Jose Vega	0	0	0	4
Tony Walden	0	2	0	1

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Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Ed Henley
Opponent: Knippa Date: December 15, 1995
Place: Mason Tournament

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	17	16	15	8		56
OPPONENT	8	10	10	25		53

Free throws made: 4 of 8 for 50%.

Players Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
John Paul Belew*	19	7	6	4
Eric Bernal	0	0	1	2
John Biddix	12	4	8	5
Kevin Conner	12	6	11	3
Adam Cruz	0	2	4	5
Mark Deike	6	4	3	3
Josh Grohman	2	2	2	0
Michael Mostad	0	1	1	0
Bear Nitsch	5	2	3	1
Chris Soto	0	1	1	0
Jose Vega	0	1	1	0
Kenny Whittenburg	0	2	0	0

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Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Ed Henley
Opponent: Llano Date: December 15, 1995
Place: Mason Tournament

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	14	9	17	11		51
OPPONENT	14	12	21	18		65

Free throws made:

Players Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
John Paul Belew*	15	10	4	3
Eric Bernal	0	0	2	0
John Biddix	14	3	4	4
Kevin Conner	7	5	6	4
Adam Cruz	6	0	1	3
Mark Deike	4	2	5	2
Josh Grohman	0	1	0	0
Michael Mostad	2	0	1	0
Bear Nitsch	0	3	1	0
Chris Soto	3	1	3	0
Jose Vega	0	0	0	0
Kenny Whittenburg	0	0	0	0

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Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Ed Henley
Opponent: Harper Date: December 16, 1995
Place: Mason Tournament

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	10	9	14	18		51
OPPONENT	12	15	6	11		44

Free throws made: 7 of 15 for 47%.

Players Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
John Paul Belew	15			
Eric Bernal	2			
John Biddix*	17			
Kevin Conner	11			
Adam Cruz	3			
Mark Deike	2			
Josh Grohman	1			

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Coach's comments: Received third (3rd) place.



Team: Varsity Girls Coach: Will Corley
Opponent: San Saba Date: December 16, 1995
Place: Championship Game - Mason Tournament

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	11	17	13	13		54
OPPONENT	4	8	6	22		40

Free throws made: 10 of 21 for 48%.

Players Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Karolen Biddix	13	3	6	3
JanaBeth Bryan	0	3	1	1
Cristin Corley	2	0	0	0
Rachel Edwards*	20	5	4	3
Janet Guy	9	8	2	4
Jeanna Kozelsky	3	3	1	0
Robyn Parramore	5	0	0	2
Marcie Pritchard	0	0	0	2
Erika Vega	2	3	1	2
Noemi Vega	0	0	1	0

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Team: Varsity Girls Coach: Will Corley
Opponent: Llano Date: December 14, 1995
Place: Mason Tournament

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	12	17	20	17		66
OPPONENT	12	9	10	12		43

Free throws made: 14 of 21 for 67%.

Players Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Karolen Biddix	14	2	1	3
JanaBeth Bryan	6	4	0	0
Cristin Corley	0	INJURED	0	0
Rachel Edwards*	23	4	2	2
Janet Guy	9	2	0	1
Jeanna Kozelsky	5	2	0	2
Robyn Parramore	2	2	2	1
Marcie Pritchard	2	0	0	0
Erika Vega	5	5	1	6
Noemi Vega	0	1	1	2

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Team: Varsity Girls Coach: Will Corley
Opponent: Bangs Date: December 14, 1995
Place: Mason Tournament

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	15	13	10	15		53
OPPONENT	8	6	12	15		41

Free throws made: 12 of 20 for 60%.

Players Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Karolen Biddix*	17	3	1	1
JanaBeth Bryan	4	6	0	2
Cristin Corley	0	ILLNESS	0	0
Rachel Edwards	15	7	2	5
Janet Guy	7	1	4	1
Jeanna Kozelsky	6	3	0	2
Robyn Parramore	0	3	0	2
Marcie Pritchard	0	2	0	1
Erika Vega	4	1	1	1
Noemi Vega	0	1	0	0

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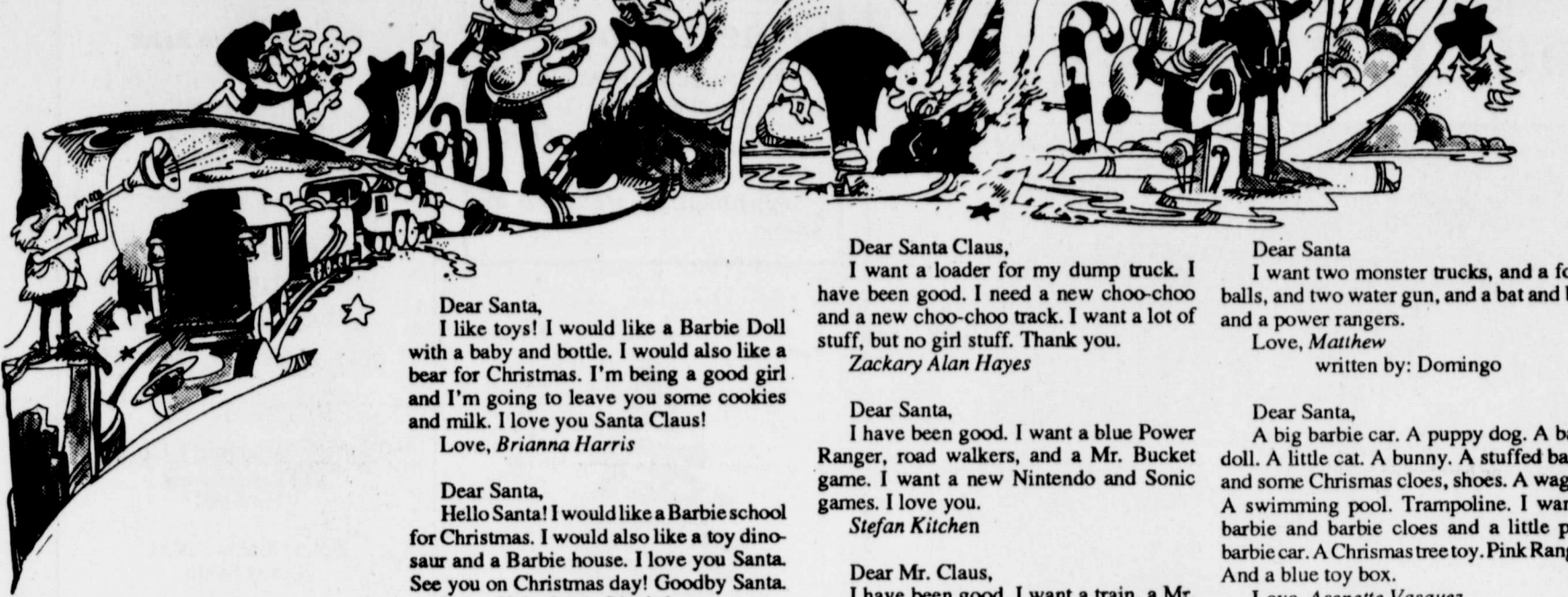
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Hi! Santa
Bring me a pocohontas, a baby tumbles and baton. I will leave some milk and cookies and my pacifier so you can give it to someone else. Don't forget Kolton.
Kelsea Garcia

Ho! Ho! Ho! Merry Christmas. Bring me Baby Tumbles and a baton. Bring Pocahontas, too. Thank you.
Abby Guy

I love you Santa. I've been nice, I want two Barbie's, Barbie clothes and a big baton.
Allison Yates

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I want a big doll house, big baton, some pictures for Luke and a beach ball.
Julie England

Dear Santa,
I want Baby Tumbles, a Barbie, Barbie car and a baton. Bring my sister something, too.
Jennifer Brewer

I love you Santa. I want a trampoline, a talking doll house, new bike, a baton and a Barbie doll.
Chelsey Lipsey

I love you Santa. I want a Power Ranger, a BR trooper, and a white Ranger, and a battery operated toothbrush.
Matthew Tucker

Ms. Summerlin's Head Start
Dear Santa,
I want some toys like Raysha, my cousin. I would also like a Barbie doll. Thank you Santa!
Love, Ursula Estrada

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas and Jingle Bells!! I want a big gun and two big Power Ranger boxes. I love you Santa.
Nicco Ray Arispe

Dear Santa,
Buy me something for Christmas like some toys like a Barbie bath and a Barbie doll. I love you Santa!
Love, Amanda Reyna

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you Santa! I would like a Nintendo and a Barbie for Christmas. I would also like a baby puppy!!
Love, Tia Davis

Dear Santa,
Happy Birthday Santa! I would like a big race car and a kitchen set. I would also like a guitar and a radio.
Love, Andrea Smith

Dear Santa,
I love you Santa! I want a B.B. gun for Christmas with B.B.s in it! I have been a good boy.
Love, Matthew Ball

Dear Santa,
I like toys! I would like a Barbie Doll with a baby and bottle. I would also like a bear for Christmas. I'm being a good girl and I'm going to leave you some cookies and milk. I love you Santa Claus!
Love, Brianna Harris

Dear Santa,
Hello Santa! I would like a Barbies school for Christmas. I would also like a toy dinosaur and a Barbie house. I love you Santa. See you on Christmas day! Goodbye Santa.
Love, Xylephanie Blackshear

Dear Santa,
I would like a pellet gun and a remote control motorcycle. I would also like a dump truck and a fishing pole. Merry Christmas to you Santa!
Love, Raphael Gallaway

Dear Santa,
I would like a pink Power Ranger doll and some books to read. I would also like some new clothes. I love you!
Love, Allyson Willborn

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good. I want a guitar for Christmas and a B.B. gun and a little gun. My brother, Tyler, is being good too. I hope you find our house.
Thank you, Ryan Hagle

Dear Santa,
I want a truck under my Christmas tree. I would also like it to snow for Christmas. I will leave a coke and tortilla under the tree for you!! I'm being a good boy.
Love, Jose Carrillo

Dear Santa,
I'm being good this year. I want a Batman and a Power Ranger. I will leave an apple for you!!
Love, Manuel Roman

Mrs. Bryan's Pre-K

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want a dress, black boots, and white pantyhose. Merry Christmas to Santa.
Ariel Diaz

Dear Santa, I have been nice. I want roller skates, shoes, and boots for Christmas. Merry Christmas.
Aaron Rodriguez

Dear Mr. Claus,
I have been nice. I want a CD player and a bike.
Love, Alex Lara

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want a watch and some blocks for Christmas. Merry Christmas.
Vince Trevino

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want a Baby Bom doll, a pencil, a pencil sharper, stencils, a book for Pocahontas, and a book you don't push. I want a headboard, a Barbie, and that's all. Thank you.
Sonia Armendariz

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want a Magnadoodle, a Ninja Turtle, and a Halloween pencil. Thank you, Love, and Merry Christmas.
Anthony Johnson

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want a baby doll and a puppy. I Love You.
Kim Jackson

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want a Teacher Barbie and a doll. I Love You.
Elena Valdez

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want a toy truck, a bouncing ball, and a crazy toy. Thank you.
Teddy Sanchez

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want a pair of socks for Christmas. Merry Christmas.
Kenneth Reel

Dear Santa,
I have been nice. I want a Bath Baby and a pink Power Ranger. Thank you.
Kristal Perry

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want a Pocahontas, a bike with training wheels, and a wagon. Thank you.
Jessica Barker

Dear Mr. Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want a baby for washing, a towel so it won't be cold, and a bike wagon. Merry Christmas.
Marie Perez

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want some blocks and a Santa Claus puzzle. Merry Christmas.
Matthew Doty

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want a Bath Baby, a Magnadoodle, a Barbie that has a seahorse. Merry Christmas.
Sandy Esquivel

Dear Mr. Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want a Little Raider, a baby bath, and dolls. Merry Christmas.
Juana Harrison

Dear Mr. Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want a Bat Man car, a radio, and a bicycle. (it needs training wheel).
Love, Justin Hollis

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a loader for my dump truck. I have been good. I need a new choo-choo and a new choo-choo track. I want a lot of stuff, but no girl stuff. Thank you.
Zackary Alan Hayes

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I want a blue Power Ranger, road walkers, and a Mr. Bucket game. I love you.
Stefan Kitchen

Dear Mr. Claus,
I have been good. I want a train, a Mr. Bucket game, and a Power Ranger. Merry Christmas.
Daniel Jacques

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been naughty. I want a Barbie Doll house, a swimming pool, and a Magna Doodle. Merry Christmas.
Kasi Lewis

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good most of the time. I want a red football shirt, football shoulder pads, and football cleats. Thank you.
Marty Torres

Dear Santa,
I have been nice. I want a tractor, an airplane, a Santa Claus, and a bear. Thank you.
Tony Espino

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want a trampoline, some Power Ranger gloves - push the button and they say "Go Power Rangers," and Barbie clothes. I Love You.
Destiny Torres

Dear Santa,
I have been nice. I want a Power Ranger toy, My Brother, Anthony, wants a Power Ranger toy too. I want a Power Ranger suit. Thank you.
Adam Farias

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want a racing car with a remote control, an airplane with a remote control, and an army tank with a remote control. Thank you and I Love You.
Jaision Strambler

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want a big doll and some presents. Merry Christmas.
Angela Gann

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want some Barbie doll clothes, a Barbie car, and some books. Love and Thank You.
Nicki Hubbard

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want a doll, a computer, and a push button book.
Love, Stephanie Reyna

Dear Santa,
I have been nice. I want a Barbie doll and a Barbie House. I want a doll that moves. Thank you and Merry Christmas.
Alisha Wagner

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want a tiger toy. I want some more presents. Thank you.
Anthony Martinez

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want a Moving Horse, a Moving Barbie that walks by itself, and a Barbie House. Love and Merry Christmas.
Celisha Lovan

Mrs. Butler's Kindergarten

(Assisted by Fifth Grade Students)
Dear Santa,
I want a Princess Bride Barbie Doll, a stuff animal cat, and stuffed animal dog. I want a Mickey Mouse doll, new earrings and ring. I want ponytails and bows, new brits for my hair. I want a t.v., a football with wings, a new neckties, a wishing star barbie, new markers. I want a new shirt, a dress, scissors, crayons, a watch.
Love, Shelby Walker

Dear Santa,
I want Cool Tools. My Sis wants Baby Tumbles and a pation. My dad wants some clothes. My mom wants more perfume.
Love, Wiley

Dear Santa,
I want a dog, and a car that run's when you peddle. Mickey Mouse clock. And a teranacine. And a vocer cantlow and a t.v. And a Prtado hade. Ang a playehase.
Love, Vicent Torres

Dear Santa,
I want a Kitty Kitty Kitten. And roller blades, a Barbie clothes, and a baby, also a potatoe head.
Love, Susan Sneed

Dear Santa,
I want two monster trucks, a football, two motorcycles, a basketball, a Toy Story tape, a teadybear, and a big water gun and also a baseball bat.
Love, Anthony Esquivel

Dear Santa,
I want a toy truck and car. I want a bike, Kitty, t.v., ice chest and a bunk bed and some shoes with you on them and cowboy suit complete with boots and white ranger suit complete with soft boots, gloves, and helmet. And then I want the power ranger movie.
Love, Jesse Tamez

Dear Santa,
I want a B-B gun and a bike (fire engine), a tool boy and some tools, like a hammer, saw, and screwdriver and a flashlight. Santa, I have been a good boy because I help my Mom buy the groceries and carry them in and lots of other stuff and I clean my room.
Love, David Lara III

Dear Santa,
I want two monster trucks, and a football, and two water gun, and a bat and ball and a power rangers.
Love, Matthew

Dear Santa,
A big barbie car. A puppy dog. A baby doll. A little cat. A bunny. A stuffed barny and some Christmas clothes, shoes. A wagon. A swimming pool. Trampoline. I want a barbie and barbie clothes and a little pink barbie car. A Christmas tree toy. Pink Ranger. And a blue toy box.
Love, Asenette Vasquez

Dear Santa,
I want Pochahantas, pretty clothes, trains, Barbie dolls, a new box for Crayons, TV and VCR Pink Claydoh, \$10.00, a huge Barbie house, and skate and a ncie bike for Christmas.
Sarah Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
I want a Pochahantas bike, and a Pochahantas watch. I also want a Pochahantas barbie doll, also a dress with Pochahantas on it. I want a My size barbie doll. I want the 101 dalmatians the movie. The last thing is pink playdoh.
Love, Rashae Martinez

Dear Santa,
I want a My Size Barbie, Jurey, Pockahawns barbie, Buble Barbie, stuffed Pockahawns, and saga Genasis, Pockahawns tape, Panda bear bracelet, and a big barbie jeep that runs, prines barbie, saga game tells and Sonic and that is all.
Love, Cattie Kitchen

Dear Santa,
Christians is almost here for christmas I want a Barbie doll, skates, some shoes, but I really want a microphe so I could sing, a watch, a telaskope, some books, a snow man, stuffed cows.
You friend, Monica Flores

Dear Santa,
I want a Bateman, Ninga Turtle's, Power Rangers, the new Batmobile, Ningazord, Batman rope, Snare drum, Power Range comic books, and a football.
Sincerely, Trayson Lange

Dear Santa,
I want for Christmas, a Power Tanager with a Motorcicle, a Fire Truck, a Zebra, Godzilla, a Cristmas Three. I was a sega with Garglas, plus X Man. My little brother want Hight Chair.
Love, Garrett Nitsch

Dear Santa,
I want a pocahantas bike, pocahants dolls, a ring, a barbie doll, and cloth. your friend, Erica Roman
written by: Jose Ray Roman

Dear Santa,
I want a football, a cat and a car. I want a go car too. I want a Sega also. I want a power ranger suit. My brother want a Nike hat.
Love: Ricky Silva

Dear Santa,
I want a Batman Hitter, Batmobile a car, and a Power Ranger. I have been good, because I want presents. I also want a watergun, a motorcycle, a bike and some popcorn. I am going to leave you some cookies and milk on a chair in the house. Thank you.
Rudy Torres

Dear Santa,
I want Roller Blades and car that I can ride in. I also want a little car that I can play with. I want a little black and white puppy and new shoes that have lights. I also want a little kitten named Kit-Kat. I want new jeans and a place in my room to paint.
Thank you very much, Santa.

Dear Santa,
Bring me some white shoes and a new blanket for my bed, so I can be warm. I also want a Bunny Rabbit and a Barbie, and a Barbie car, and a kitty and puppy that grab your neck. Thank you, Santa.
Nissa Ontiveros

Dear Santa,
I have been good because I clean my room. Could you please bring me a Barbie? And I also would like to have some dishes, and some new white shoes. I also want a Polly Pocket. I'm going to leave you some cookies on the table. Thank you for bringing me some toys.
Lillian Garcia

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy, because I have been doing good work at school. I want a Batman toy (Batman) with a Batmobile. I also want a football uniform and a race track with race cars, and a motorcycle bike, without training wheels and a bike helmet and knee and elbo pads. I'll try to leave cookies or cupcakes and milk near the front door. Oh, I thought of one more thing I want—Roller blades.
Kaighan Price

Dear Santa,
I love you. I like your reindeer. I want Pocahontas, a sheep puppet and a dinosaur.
Love, Samantha Arispe

Dear Santa,
I want a foot suit, a bike, a motorcycle, a batman toy, a flag, a sega, a football, a tape of The Santa Claus, a hat, roller blades.
Justin Medina

Dear Santa,
I want a BB gun, mocicle, train, toy cars, Legos, tools, Gi Joe, T.V., a game with controls, clothes, shoes, jacket, christmas tree, and a new bike.
Love, Michael Blackshear

Dear Santa,
I want Power Rangers, the move, Red Ranger gloves, and cloth.
you friend, Clinton Schwartz

Dear Santa,
I want a B-B gun and a bike (fire engine), a tool boy and some tools, like a hammer, saw, and screwdriver and a flashlight. Santa, I have been a good boy because I help my Mom buy the groceries and carry them in and lots of other stuff and I clean my room.
Love, David Lara III

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Love, David Lara III

Dear Santa,
I want roller blades, a Barbie car with a telephone, a doll house, a play telephone for my room. I want to put some cookies and milk on the dining room table for Santa. I also want Barbies, and a big doll that has hair you can cut and it grows back, and a dog and a cat that move on a necklace. Thank you.
Kelsey Jones

Dear Santa,
I want some new roller blades. I have been good and I want a black bike, too. I want a GI Joe doll and a tank that is a transformer and it shoots bullets from along barrel. I would also like a race track and a Batman car. Thanks.
Chris Smith

Dear Santa,
I want a toy gun that shotts bullets and a B-B gun, (play). My brother, Jeremy, wants a toy gun. My sister, Robin, wants a baby doll. My Dad wants a big screwdriver and my Mom wants a baby. I'm going to leave you milk and cookies at my house on the table. I've been real good and learning in school.
Jason Sherman

Dear Santa,
I have been good, because when my Mom told me to clean my room, I did. Please bring me some roller skates, a big bike with no training wheels, black, please and a toy truck. I'm going to leave some cookies out for you on the table.
Thank you, Santa.

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I have been good, because when my Mom told me to clean my room, I did. Please bring me some roller skates, a big bike with no training wheels, black, please and a toy truck. I'm going to leave some cookies out for you on the table.
Thank you, Santa.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some little cars to play with and little stuffed animals, like bears. I have been a good boy. I'm going to leave you some cookies and milk.
Daniel Lopez

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl because I help my Mom wash the dishes and clean the house. Please bring me the Gooey-Gooey Game and a Baby Tumble Baby. My sister, Sonya, wants something pretty and a Baby Boren. Santa your cookies will be on the porch.
Love, Laura Armendariz

Dear Santa,
I want some roller blades and a rocking chair and a baby with some baby clothes and that's all.
I have been good, because I help my Mom clean the house and I give her the dishes to be washed. I will leave you some cookies and milk on the porch where the lights are.

Dear Santa,
I am a girl. I have tried to be good. I want Barbie with a control that makes her move, new tennis shoes, roller skates, coloring book and crayons and any other presents you have for me.
Love, Venita

Dear Santa,
I think I have been good.
I want My Size Barbie Doll, a new bike, roller blades and Genie that flips around.
Please bring me new clothes and new shoes. I Love You.
Alissa

Dear Santa,
I help my Dad clean the house and I help take care of my sister, Terri Elizabeth. I think I have been good and I want you to bring me a blanket, Roller blades, a guitar, ear rings, new shoes, Lego set, paper and pencil, a coloring book and crayons. I also want a table and some chairs, a play book, a play Christmas tree and a play table.
Toni Hagle

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Batman car, roller baldes and a new house with a lot of windows so that I can see you when you come to my house. I am going to leave you some candy to eat. I want you to bring Mother a ring and Daddy a new truck. Frank wants a new Teddy Bear. I be good. Thank you.
Jerardo Perez

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Love, David Lara III

Mrs. Cavazos' First Grade

Dear Santa,
I wish I could see your reindeer my name is Michael H But I don't no your reindeers name is.

Dear Santa,
my name is Ashley. I would like a doll names Baby slid in slrp.

Dear Santa,
my name is Jose an you remo that moo the car

Dear Santa,
I what a gift sga my name is Michael B I wat duck I liv in wts

Dear Santa,
My name is Chris and I yut a nu car vat go fast and I love Santa

Ho Ho Ho, hi, Santa Claus I am Amanda Brewer I want a baby tumbli's and I want a big dol hols, and I want a jumprope, and I want two more thanges and I want a zig-zag and I want a kite

Dear Santa,
my name is Jonathan. cin I hav a sagu and a bice. Kan I hav cloths and I want a Christmas swetr

Dear Santa,
my name is James I would like to have mor Batman tuf for Christmas

Dear Santa,
my name is Leo I would like truck for Christmas. could you bring my brothers a gift to.

Dear Santa,
Ho! Ho! Ho! Marcela Merry Christmas. December. tree. cold I yu a baedodla.

Der Santa,
bat name Julian Rudolph look

Dear Santa,
my name is Matthew Awalt I would like a TV. And a gameboy And I would like the Power ranger game on gameboy and a bike.

Dear Santa Claus,
I wut rudolph. I luv yo Santa Claus.
Edgar

Dear Santa,
My name is John Paul. Can I hav a siggins. can I hav a sag ind a fub. I yot a bike and a basobat. I yot a mrsicl

Santa,
my name is Angelina Casares I hath a big hort I wat a big bat I hath a big cat I wat a big games

Dear Santa,
My name is Israel I am a friend ub you I llove you Santa Ho! Ho! Ho! Mery Christmas I want sum toys

Dear Santa,
My name is Jordan I have being god four three months I want a pton and a buicke and sum close and sum shoes.

Dir Santa Claus,
my name is Allan, I wood licke Sague wis a sonick, I wood tickeno thrane that gos sofaste trane, a noo sockr bol.

Dear Santa Claus,
I wot a black book, book licke a libere book and a bed and a bicke, and a modrsickle and a brth cake and a Santa.

Terri
Dear Santa
I no your mi frin I love you kan you ples brag me sum toes I want a dol ples Santa
Amber

..... Letters to Santa

Dear Santa Claus
I wot a legos arme fort. I like you Santa.
my tre is big
Love Trenton Grohman

mistr and mis Claus. Dear Santa Claus.
I wish for a ring around doll. Doo the
littl elves live in the North Pole. I wish For
brbe.
Love Charlotte Horton

Dear satoo claus,
can you get me wocetoces and Legos. I
hav bin good.
Love Will Mathis

Dear Santa
I wot a sqiggl wigg and a brone moove
I wot a babe cat from Christmas.
Lov Kaci Hubach

dear santa claus
I want a trampolen. I Love you santa,
santa claus your then. I want a big truck.
I want a nintendo I want a Bike. I luv yor
Claus I bng good
Fernando Perez

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a boton for Christmas. and a
candy cane on my tree.
Love Ashely Laird

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a tody baer, and a sagu. And a
Barbe. And this is what I want in my stock-
ing. I want a apple
Love Crystal Wallar

Dear Santa claus,
I love Santa Claus I love mrs. claus I
want rolrblads for Christmas
Love Amanda Fuentes

Dear santa Claus
I want a mirdisku. Dear santa Claus
Love Ismael Aragon

Dear Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus
My Mommy and my Daddy want
\$400.00 my little brother wants alot of toys.
my big sister wants a lot of toys. My Daddy
is going to give a ring to my mommy. My
Mommy is going to give a gift to my Daddy.
my little sister wants a lot of toys. I want a
lot of barbie and baton.
Love Yesenia Campos Flores

Dear santa
I want a good blue Blizzards too. I want
a pla Tooe stocking ples give me a rel
monckey. I hav benn good
luv John Reyna

Dear Santa
I love you santa. I Love you Mrs. Claus.
I want a sagu for Christmas. I Love Decem-
ber. I Love snow. I am going to leve you
sum thing. Your going to like my Crimis
tree.
Love Anthony Ramirez

Dear Santa,
I want a trll and a bicke and a tree and
a rasecar. I will lev you cooces and mick
Luv Steven Kruse

Dear Santa
I am out side. Santa claus I Love you
snowman. I Love you God. dear santa I
wenta bike and a chirdlar dres. I Love you
santa claus, dear santa I want a trampulin.
Love Advila Vasquez

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a turtle and a motorcycle.
Love Aaron Reyna

Mrs. Sneed's First Grade

Dear Santa,
My name is B. Luke England. I have bin
good and a want a satl. My mama want a
ring. My sister want a balarya soot. My dad
want a mrich. I love you Santa.

Dear Santa,
My name is Francis Reyes. I want a
luchbox and I want a baker un cooces and
skie dast some and I want a dolhouse sant I
will givi you I ben good to my mom and to
my dad a pretend car for my sister radl for my
cats Santa will you make my cats frids.

Dear Santa,
My name is Danielle Felty. I want ev-
erything you have and I want a Mickey
Mouse watch. And balarena slippers. I am
six years old. I love you Santa.

Dear Santa,
My name is Joseph Lara. I wish I hid a
dog and I wish I had a bik I wish I had a fir
truck wish I had a kite I wish I had a bat and
a cat. I wish dad had a truck. I luv you.

Dear Santa,
My name is Bryant Mikeska I want a
Mickey Mouse Watch. I thank I have been
a good boy. I am going to give you cookies
and Milk.

Dear Santa,
My Name is Jennifer Yates. I want a stuf
dog and a staf elephant and a staf pit I bind
good my sister want a cat and a staf and a
sagae and a ball and a staf rabbit and a staf
turtle and a watch I am 6. I love you.

Dear Santa,
My name is Savannah Sanchez I want
skates but not skates that do not have Barbes
I want a christmas wish star I like you I want
a compoot that has crds games in it. I will
save you milk and a peze of a browne

Dear Santa,
My name is Donovan Martinez. Ho!
Ho! Ho! I want a bik for christmas I want
paar rang shrt. I want a basbal bat. I will lev
you cookies and milk I loov you

Dear Santa,
My name is Stephen Goetz. I want a tier
storm, and a sega Cd, and a horse. and a
good cartoons fo garf and friends. and
most fo I want a horse

Dear Santa,
My name is Anthony DeLaCruz. I want
shoos. I love you. Dear Santa. I have ben
good.

Dear Santa,
My name is Kody McCuiston. I want a
BB gun I want a watch. Santa how are you
doing. I am six years old. Hi Santa. I love
you. My teacher is Mrs. Sneed. My friends
are...Anthony Cory Bryant. I have been
good. I Love Mrs. Sneed and I love you. I
am going to leve y milk and cookise.

Dear Santa,
My name is Amy Pinon. I am six years
old and I love you, and I love the elves to. I
want a brbe horse to and I love my teshr to
and I want a watch and I want a umbrella.
and I want a hat, and my own telephone and
Rabbit and a Horse and a cat and a dog and
a frog and a hug from Santa Clause big hug.

Dear Santa,
My name is Keshia but I want evething
you have. My momme and dade wot a watch.
I ben good. I love you.

Dear Santa,
My name is Hector Reyna I want a Sagu.
I want Christmas lits on top of the house. I
want a str on top of the house. I luv you. I
hav ben good.

Dear Santa,
my name is Javier Rodriguez. Dear
Santa, I want a sagu and a compooter bring
my mom a remot control bring dad a rock-
ing.

Dear Santa,
I mite sind you some munny Santa. if you
can git me a gocrt and santa I would like
what evry you give me My name is Don Davis.
come to my house to git some cookys and
milk

Dear Santa,
My Name is Patricia Carrillo, I want a
big bike. I'm going to get some cookies for
you, Santa you are nice and not bad. Can
you get me a lot of candy. Can I get in the
sleigh, I'm seven years old. Can I get a toys
Santa, I been good santa, now I'm good at
words, can you go with me to shop, Santa I
love you Santa

Dear Santa, My name is Samantha
Fraser. I wish I knew I ben good and bad.
I will lev you cookies and milk. I want a doll.
The End. Love.

Dear Santa
I want a pistl and with caps and a per of
shoes and a jet that is made out of out
sterfome and a cofycup for mis sneed and a
hole set of cars and pupit if your elfs can
make a dog pupit and a knife just a play one
and a ril cat and a little cat and I can read
a book for my brother, and this is for you
santa I am going to leve milk and cookies.
Cory Pringle

Dear Santa,
I want a truck with a bade and I wut a be
b gn four my big bruth a seag and my d ed
four my d ed a pes four my mom a watch
four my sist a rolr be. I luf you.
Mark Ramos

Dear Santa,
My name is Marcus Rodriguez. I want a
kite and a little dog, and for Mis. Sneed a
new cup Sagu a Rudolph I am 7 years ode.
and for my sisters wot a dolls. an for my mom
a niklis. and my dad a new boots. I have bin
good and bad. I will levele you kookes and a
glas have milk. The End.

Mrs. Tekell's Kindergarten (Assisted by Fifth Grade Students)

Dear Santa,
Hi! I want a Barbie doll, purple pants, a
Ken barbie doll, Goocy Louie, and chalk.
Thanks.
Adriana Rodriguez

Dear Santa I want a Power Ranger
Move. And a Race Car. and some Power
Ranger card set. And a bike, and some blue
skates. and a new jaket. And I would like a
Sega. And a watch.
Christian Jacques

Dear Santa,
For Christmas will you bring me Prin-
cess Barby, Supper Niktendo, Wheel of
Fortune game, 15teen speed, clothes, shoes,
a doll house and computer.
Love, Joelda Esquivel
written by: Connie Reyes

Dear Santa, I want a big water gun, a
battle ship with no men, a soard. I also want
an action figur with wepadons, a big power
ranger, an pair of jeans and something to go
with the jeans. It would also be nice to have
a fishing pole with a real hook, a watch, a
box of 96 crayons.
Tory Burns
written by: Matt

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. So can I have
these things: army set, a glowing ghost,
more b.b.'s for my b.b. gun, a computer,
army gun with camoflage on it, shot gun,
pistol, and a dog. That's all right now.
From Dalton J. Frierson
written by: Stacey Walden

Dear Santa, I want a my size Barbie, and
a play Power Ranger (yellow). I want some
earrings, and a book that reads to me.
Love, Judy Cangioli

Dear Santa,
I want a nentindo, tv, a fastbike, nentindo
games, and legos, a football, a pellet and bb
gun, and a football suit, a racing car, new
mighty Duck Jaket, a toy plan and sorde,
pogs, slingshot, the motor combat movie,
and street fighter movie, nonechuchs, Power
Ranger movie, ninja suit, black cats, a tent,
ninja turtle, a sega cd, gloves, reider hat,
cup, shirt, pants.
Alex Harrison
written by: Dustin

Dear Santa, I want a batman toy a toy
truck power ranger toy the power ranger
movie the lion king movie the lion king
puppet A santa toy the casper movie Aangle
mobil
Robert Nava

Dear Santa,
I want a Barney and a puzzle. I was so
good. I would like to have a toy computer.
I would like to have a kite.
Jennifer Smith

Dear Santa,
I'd like five sets of Batman toys and an
action figure batmobil. I'd also like Casper
and the Power Ranger movie. Thank you.
Russell Walker

Dear Santa,
I want a talkboy, computer for Cristmas.
I also want a Doctor Dreadful food lab. Can
I also have a chalkboard with calk and a
football.
Jessie Fernandez
written by: Lisa

Dear Santa I wnat Knight lego sete, a
gargol that crwals, a Super nintendo, Mardle
combat the gam. thats all for this Christmas.
Kevin Cook
written by: Jeffrey Leverett

Dear Santa,
Hi! I want a big wheele and a power
wheel, the Doctor Dreadful food lab, tale
boy with batterie, a small football.
Patrick Escalona
written by: Mark

Dear Santa,
I want a big barbie car and a roadio Easy
bake oven, cutting hair barbie, a little piano
a big screen tv, a brem home baby tubmle.
Samantha Sanchez
written by: Joann

Dear Santa,
I have been A good girl this year. I
would like for Christmas a: musical piano
small one, Barbie Power Wheel, Sticker
Album and stickers, Movie Video Swan
Princess, Easy Bake Oven, Cut -n- Style
Barbie, Cabbage Patch Bath time fun, Mr.
Bucket, Pretty Princess, Playschool
DreamHouse, Panits and board, Baby
Tumbles. Thank you.
Christina Guerrero
written by: Amy

Dear Santa,
I would like 2 cantainers of playdough,
a pink power ranger, and a new bike. I
would also like new earnings, a white bear,
and a brown bear. Also I would like a pair of
gloves, a new bed, new clothes, santa clothes,
and a watch. It would also be nice to have a
fishing pole, a new cactus (in dirt) new
scissors, and a box of 96 crayons.
Your Friend, Courtney Hubach
written by: Lydia

Dear Santa,
I want some playdough. Also a brown &
white bear. Some earnings. I also some new
shoes with candycanes. I also want Santa
shoes, and Santa clothes. A blue playhouse
with a phone. It would be nice to have a
barbie car, and also a ring with a heart. Also
a bed and watch.
Cassi Mendez

Der santa, LEV SULE: two play bows I
want power rangers and racecar and dowl
and clay and a bick battleship and a bibby
gun and cowboy hat and a toy horse a jam
box.
Cody Johnson
written by: Joseph Gardiner

Dear Santa,
I want a pink present with a Barbie doll
in it. I want a play horse. I want a pink
necklace and some gloves and a bracelet. I
have been good this year.
Love, Reina Aragon

Dear Santa,
I want a super nintendo, gameboy, foot-
ball and a bike. I don't know what my sister
wants just bring her something. Mom and
dad don't want anything. I have been good
at home and pretty good at school. I don't
care if you wake me up.
Love, Cameron Burson

Dear Santa,
I want a games and lost of toses, alost of
close, a traprene, and a playgram and a preset
of my mom and my Dad and my bothers and
sesters.
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computer and a VCR and a TV and a vest
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Dear Santa,
How are you? I lik you Santa, will you
give me a bike, reogs inlikis, toy, shoes,
roloblais, proode cios and a cane for
berbay. I Hope you have a happy "chrisms
yere. I wish I wita to the North pole.
Love? Lucia Chavez

Dear Santa,
How are you? I would like a bike with a
nadies and a par of shoos and cios.
Love, Ana Diaz

Dear Santa,
How are you? How is the weather out
there? How is Mrs. Claus? I would like to
have a T.V. and a VCR in my room and a
Dallas Cowboys jacket. I would like a com-
puter too. I would like a atagraft from Troy
Aikman on a Dallas Cowboys helmet.
Love, Erica Lujano
Have a Merry Cristmas

Dear Santa,
How are you? I wont a wokman and a
Barbe Doll, and a BaBy Doll and a bicksikol.
Love, Brenda Ball

Dear Santa,
How is Miss Claus and you? Santa I
want a C.D. player please Santa and I want
a jacket just like David Seates. please that's
all.

Love, Marcus Tubbs

Dear Santa,
How are you? I would lick The sage
game cod toy story, and I would lack a toy
stong mouve. I would lack a foot doll. I
would lack a Big Bick.
Love Matt Tekell.

Dear Santa,
How you doing? How is your wife do-
ing? I would like a Nintendo game, bike,
shoes, c.d. player and new teeth.
Love, Ashley Vasquez

Dear Santa,
How's Miss Claus, shes probly tired of
soing all those close. And I would like a
Thousand sheets of work to do and a Loony
Tunes Alarm Clock. Or a dog or a cat. I
don't care what I get!
Love, L.J.

Dear Santa,
How are you doing this year? I what you
to come to my home on christmas night. I
wood like a cedy player, and a des, too and
a cher, and some shoes, and a 14 cedeays.
That is all.
Love, Paige Geistmann

Dear Santa,
How are you? How is Mrs. Clause., I
wanta hocky puck, a pocket knif, a telescope,
a Dallas Cowboy Little pro's football, a
Jungle Book sega game, a Wild coyoty and
Roadrunner sega game. Merry Christmas.
Love, Aaron Colburn

Mrs. Meyer's Second Grade

Dear Santa,
I want a New Desk at home, Nikes,
Techer Barbie, Dodel Bear, Trampalen,
swiming pool, Beed set, Lisa Frank stuff.
love Raysha Garcia

Dear Santa I bein very good and you
now what I want for Christmas a panda
a real puppy some cloths and shoes my old
blanky jewelry a new biki that's a pop star
some flying dust a ride in a airplane some
money. for mg dal a gun a deer head is his
own lake some new clowths and shoes. for
my mom clothes shoes lot's more to.

Love your freand, Elizabeth
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'Twas The Night Before Jesus Came

'Twas the night before Jesus came and all through the house,
Not a creature was praying, not one in the house.
Their Bibles were lain in the shelf without care,
In hopes that Jesus would not come there.

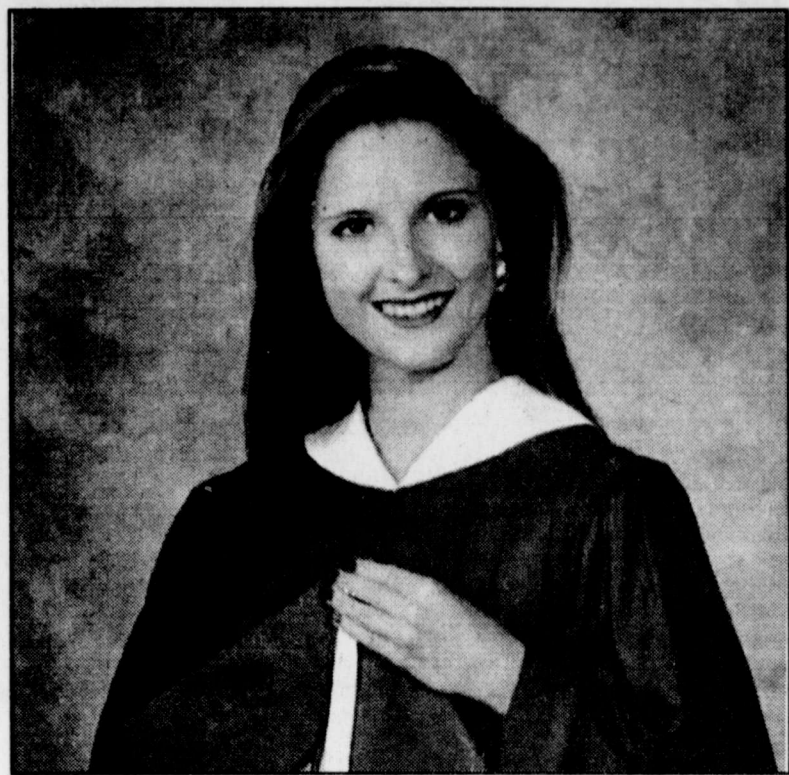
The children were dreaming to crawl into bed
Not once ever kneeling or bowing a head.
And mom in her rocker with baby on her lap,
Was watching the late show while I took a nap.

When out of the East there arose such a clatter,
I sprang to my feet to see what was the matter.
Away to the window I flew like a flash
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.

When what to my wondering eyes should appear
But angels proclaiming that Jesus was here.
With a light like the sun sending forth a bright ray
I knew in a moment this must be THE DAY!

The light of His face made me cover my head
It was Jesus returning just like He had said.
And though I possessed worldly wisdom and wealth,
I cried when I saw Him in spite of myself

Recipient of First Baptist Church's Lillian Robertson Memorial Scholarship



JENNIFER MATTHEWS is the first recipient of the Lillian Robertson Memorial Scholarship given by the First Baptist Church Scholarship Committee. Jennifer was selected for her qualifications, including being an active member of the Sunday School and Youth Program. She is the daughter of Jim and Glenda Matthews of Winters and is currently attending Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene where she is majoring in Theater Arts.



We're glad to say, now that the season is here, that to know and serve you has been a joy this past year. Have a wonderful holiday season!

Bishop & Sons Dirt Contractors
Bishop Boys Limousin
754-4526

Enterprise will not publish on December 28; early deadline

To allow our hardworking staff some time to enjoy the Christmas holidays, *The Winters Enterprise* will not be published on December 28. The December 21 issue will be the last newspaper for 1995.

The office will be closed on Christmas Day, December 25, and will open on December 26.

Due to the New Year holiday, the office will also close on Monday, January 1, and re-open on January 2. Deadline for receiving news items and advertisements will be Friday, December 29 at 5:00 p.m.

The first issue of 1996 will be on January 4.

The management and staff of *The Winters Enterprise, Inc.*, wish each of you a very happy and safe holiday season.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

My favorite parts of the *Enterprise* are: Really, I enjoy it all—especially enjoy the articles by Pastor Hanson, Mrs. Poe, and Mrs. Kurtz. I am a senior citizen and Winters has always been my home town even though I have not lived there for almost 50 years.

I like the enthusiasm for all the local projects, the football team, your pictures (the Santa picture with the crying twins was wonderful). Also enjoy the senior citizens news.

The *Enterprise* is the best item of mail in my mailbox every Thursday.

Best Wishes for the New Year,
N. Guens
Ropesville, Tx

Watchnight service at Assembly of God New Year's Eve

The Winters Assembly of God Church, 304 Wood Street, will have a New Year's Eve "Watchnight" service Sunday, December 31.

Service will begin at 9:00 p.m. with singing and ministry by Reverend and Mrs. Vernon Richmeier from Coleman.

The service will end with a midnight communion and prayer.

"Council" continued

Melwood, 409 S. Melwood, and 600 W. Roberts.

Discussion was heard concerning trash dumpsters for use by residents. As of December 11, BFI placed one 30-yard roll-off, one 6-yard, and one 2-yard dumpster at the Convenience Center located off Highway 153. The 30-yard dumpster will allow disposal of bigger items, and the small dumpster will be used for disposal of dead animals. Also as of December 16, if a customer calls City Hall by noon on Friday, Freddie Grohman will arrange for disposal at the convenience center on Saturday. Coordination with BFI and Lawrence Brothers IGA Grocery, will allow a dumpster to be placed in the parking lot of Lawrence Bros. The City has also applied for a grant for a chipper. If further changes are needed, the City will make future plans.

Administrator Hassan gave a report on the following:

- lake park,
- water tower,
- smoke tests,
- grant application to renovate residential areas,
- Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission grant (chipper),

• police department grant to be used for drug control management and community policing,

• ADA approved signage for the new City Hall and streets, and

• art grant application.

Monthly reports were given by the City Administrator, the Chief of Police, and the Municipal Court Judge. Payment of bills and the previous minutes were approved.

Mayor McGuffin recognized Boy Scouts Jordan Sanchez,

Travis Grohman, Cole Hogan, and Cliff Wimberly who were in attendance at the meeting to note action of a democratic government.

Holiday Gift Wrap



Crews News

by Hilda Kurtz



God is never more than a prayer away.

Christmas Greetings!

Hopewell Church had a full house Sunday for their Christmas program. Kenny Cartwright brought the Christmas message. Visitors were Mary Dunnivan, Carolyn Kraatz, Katherine and Luke Thomas, Jim and Lavinia Webb, and his sister Sissie Alexander of Dallas, Carolyn Webb and her mother. Lunch was served following the morning services.

The Bill Mathis family is getting over the flu. No news to report.

Happy birthday to Coleman Foreman. He says he is 72 years young and he thanks everyone for the birthday and Christmas cards.

Crews' new resident Carolyn Webb and her mother Edith Eirett were in Marfa during the week and moved Edith's household goods here where she will live with Carolyn.

Spending Sunday with Georgia and Connie Gibbs were Shane, Travis and Lynda Ford of Rising Star.

Nila and Louise Osborne attended the Christmas Sound of Winters band concert in the high school auditorium. Stefanie McGallian and Tiffany Prater were in the band.

Brenda and Richard Chambliss of Blackwell and Steve and Gina Schultz of Bronte spent Sunday with Pat and Earl Cooper. Peewee and Kat Hope, Ozzie and Mamie Dell Reed, Mr. Davis and a friend visited Pat and Earl Tuesday and brought them a care package from their church.

Roy McBeth enjoyed his Christmas Sunday School party Sunday at the First Baptist Church. Roy and Sharon Graham of Midland had lunch and a nice visit Friday in the McBeth home.

Fairy and Wilber Alcorn visited with Linda and Johnny Denson in Weatherford during the week.

Selma Deitz visited Doretha Wilkerson in Winters Thursday. On Saturday, she spent the night with Mildred Morrison.

Brad Pape was in Big Spring Tuesday to pick up his medicine. Doris Wood spent Thursday night with the Maloy Bryant family in Abilene. Doris' nephew Ronnie Walters of Oleda spent last week.

Eileen and Kenny Cartwright were in Roscoe to watch Tiffany

and Jeremy's teams play ball Monday night. On Wednesday, Tiffany and Jeremy Prater were at the 4-H meeting and went caroling.

Wayne Kraatz and Carrie Hays hosted the birthday party Saturday evening for son Zachery, age 5. Harvey Mae Faubion, Carolyn, Jerry and Melinda Kraatz attended the party. Later the Noble Faubion families attended the Faubion Christmas party in the Norton Community Center. There were 40 present.

Eileen and Kenny Cartwright attended Tiffany and Jeremy's band concert in the Winters high school.

My daughter Hildegard of San Angelo spent Friday with me. She gave my house a good going-over and put up a beautiful Christmas tree.

Margie Jacob and Cookie VanZandt spent a day in Abilene looking and shopping. They ate fish out.

Janie of Content came Saturday and brought a delicious coconut creme cake.

Wallace and Dorothy Farris of Coleman came during the week. Josie Hoppe and Elaine Miller heard carols in the home of Lena Sentz Sunday.

Leona Matthis came home Wednesday after surgery. She is recuperating nicely. Her visitors were Nila and Theron Osborne, Gene and Billie Fenton, and Pat Giles of Brownwood.

Selma Deitz spent Wednesday and Saturday night with Mildred Morrison. Helen Alexander, Viron Wilkerson and Selma Deitz played 80 Wednesday night.

On Monday, Mildred and Selma shopped in Abilene.

I visited Sissie Alexander before church Sunday morning.

Catholic Church Mass Schedule

Mount Carmel Catholic Church of Winters announces its schedule of services for the conclusion of 1995:

Saturday, Dec. 23

No mass

Sunday, Dec. 24

9:00 a.m.

Monday, Dec. 25

10:00 a.m.

No midnight mass

Saturday, Dec. 30

7:30 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 31

9:00 a.m.

Monday, Jan. 1

10:00 a.m.

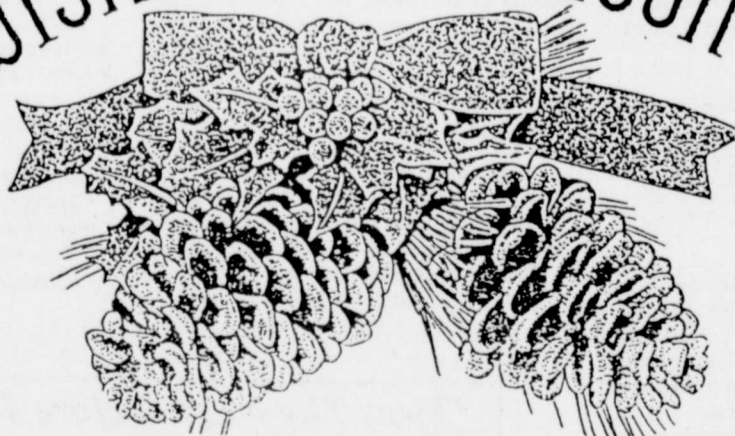


Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world. John 1:29

Main Street Church of Christ

Sunday, Dec. 24 — No Bible Classes,
Morning Worship at 10:30
No Evening Services

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First day at school

Watkins story continued

L.B. Watkins was seven-years-old when he started to school in January. Then children had to be seven when they began. We had neighbors with two children going to school, so Sherman and I walked with them. It was about a mile and I didn't know what to expect when we got there. It was a two-room school house with two teachers.

They let Sherman attend even though he was six-years-old. We sat two to a seat. A Miss Grimes and Miss Dorothy taught that year. The school year was seven months and I went four months and passed the first grade.

Again Mother went to the field and helped Dad cultivate his crops. I had the job of taking care of my sister. Mother came to the house every two hours to check on us. One day while my parents were plowing, it looked like a whirlwind hit the pasture. My three brothers ran to get into it, but it passed before they reached it. It hit the barn and turned it upside down, went into the air and came back down and turned over another barn about three-fourths of a mile away. Mother and Dad rushed to the house not knowing what they would find but we were all safe.

We lived on this farm two years and then moved to a farm two miles south of Ballinger. Again we loaded our wagons with our possessions and tied the milk cow to the back of the wagon. The cow didn't want to lead so I walked and drove her. After walking 15 miles at the age of nine, my feet were so sore I could hardly walk.

The next six years of my life were spent on this farm. Buster was born here in 1925, Jacqueline in 1927, and Carley in 1930.

There were many children living in the area when we first moved to this farm. This was the first house we lived in that had water piped indoors.

I started to school at South Ward in the second grade and went there

through the fourth grade. I attended school in Ballinger through the 8th grade. A year after I started to Ballinger, South Ward was closed.

The depression hit in 1929 and it became hard to make a living.

In 1930, we moved back to the Brewer farm, to a different location. So again, we loaded our wagons and moved. We stayed there three years. I went to school at Norton the rest of the year and finished the 8th grade. That was the end of my schooling.

Again we loaded our wagons and moved south of Norton. This was to be my last move in a wagon. People had begun to build trailers out of running gears of old cars that could be pulled by cars. Mary Ruth was born on this farm.

In 1934, I began work on the farm for Charlie Lee. I worked for him four years for \$1.00 a day.

In 1937, I met Mary Morgan on a blind date—July 4th. My brother Ernest went to school with her sister Ila. At that time people went to town on Saturday to buy groceries for the week. Here the boys and girls met and made their dates. Ernest came back to where some cousins were and said he had a date for one of us. They talked me into going and I met Mary. Her family had moved from Oklahoma to Norton in 1936 because of her mother's health. Her mother had two brothers living in Maverick.

I fell in love with Mary at once, but it took a year's dating before she agreed to marry me on November 12, 1938. We moved into a one-room house on a farm I had rented. We hauled all our water. Our first son, Jerry, was born here.

We lived on this farm two years and then moved to a farm close to Wilmet. This was in November, 1940, during World War II. We were living here when our first daughter, Marilyn, was born. She was born at my parents' house in Norton, where the doctor lived. It was raining a lot and our place

was very difficult to enter under those circumstances.

In the fall of 1942, we bought another home close to where we lived. Richard was born on this farm in 1943. In 1952, Rita was born in the hospital at Winters. The only one of our children to be born in a hospital. It was on this farm that we raised our family.

In 1953, we bought another farm one-half mile north of our home place. We now live on this farm.

It has been a good life. I have no regrets. (This was written in 1986.)

Dorcas Class exchanges gifts

The Dorcas Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church met December 12th in the home of Charlsie Poe to exchange Christmas gifts. A special gift basket was sent to Mrs. Nancy Hart who is ill.

Verlene Anthis led the opening prayer. Roll call was answered by Bible verses about Jesus.

New business was not introduced.

The treasurer's report was given and a collection taken.

The devotion, "One More Christmas Card," was given by Charlsie Poe.

Charlsie served lovely plates to members Verlene Anthis, Lillian Eubanks, Dortha Lawrence, Dorothy Long, Linda Morrison, Eunice Polk, Ella Mae Sawyer, and Marcie Webb. Stella White and Billie Whitlow were visitors.

Bud Davises host Christmas dinner for Bethany Class

The Bethany Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Davis on December 11th for a Christmas dinner. Turkey and dressing and all the trimmings were served from a beautifully decorated table. The blessing before the meal was said by Bud Davis.

After the meal, gifts were exchanged from under the Christmas tree. A love offering was taken. Members voted to help a needy family Christmas.

Mrs. Vivian Foster brought a Christmas story entitled "The Woman in Room A-14." Then she read scriptures from Matthew. Members attending were Mr. and Mrs. Bud Davis, Elsie Sanders, Mrs. Edna England, Jo Olive Hancock, Bonnie Fairley, Vivian Foster, and Omega Priddy. Mrs. Lee Claxton was a visitor.



PRE-K AND KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS recently made a Christmas visit to North Runnels Hospital where they performed carols under the direction of music teacher, Fran Kidwell.

Girl Scout cookie sales begin January 5

Price per box remains same as last year — \$2.50

Mention Girl Scouting to a group of people and almost always without exception, someone will make a comment about cookies. That's not surprising since 1996 marks the 60th anniversary of the Girl Scout cookie sale.

Girls will be taking orders January 5 through January 22 with delivery scheduled between February 15 and March 4. The price will remain at \$2.50 per box; customers should not pay for cookies until delivery is made.

There are eight kinds of Girl Scout cookies. The ever-popular Thin Mint is a thin wafer covered with smooth cocoa-coating and made with natural peppermint. The second-most popular cookie is the Samoa which is a tender vanilla cookie covered with caramel on top and bottom, rolled in toasted coconut and striped with a rich, cocoa coating.

Other favorites include the Do-Si-Do, an oatmeal and peanut butter sandwich; the Tagalong, a tasty cookie topped with creamy peanut butter and covered with a luscious, chocolaty coating; the Trefoil, a short, tender, delicate tasting shortbread made with butter and eggs; and the Juliettes, a delightfully crunchy combination of caramel and pecans covered with a fudgy chocolaty coating.

In addition, Snaps are the new low-fat iced oatmeal/raisin cookie. The eighth cookie is a reduced-fat

version of the lemon and vanilla sandwich cookie, Chalet Cremes. You can enjoy some Snaps and Chalet Cremes, invest in the future of Girl Scouting and not even have to feel guilty.

The special effects in motion pictures make a movie more exciting, interesting, and memorable. The special effects in Girl Scouting are the experiences girls receive from participating. These experiences help girls develop to their full potential, relate to others, develop values, and contribute to society. Every program activity, troop meeting, or special event in which the girls participate adds to their level of experience in learning about themselves and others.

The Girl Scout cookie sale is one of the many program opportunities that can have a special effect on girls. Through cookie sale activities girls experience group planning, decision making, goal setting and achievement. Indirectly, the Girl Scout cookie sale also provides proceeds that can expand the number of programs in which girls can participate on a troop and council level.

Proceeds from the cookie sale make all kinds of activities possible for girls. In addition to underwriting special activities and financing travelships, cookie funds are important in reaching out to girls who might not otherwise have access to membership.

Also, these funds underwrite the very important leadership development training for the adults who will bring the Girl Scout program to these girls.

The cookie sale earnings help provide salaries for staff who plan and organize council-sponsored program activities, recruit and organize troops, and train Girl Scout leaders. Cookie sales support council activities that take place all year long—from special workshops to day trips to award banquets.

Where does the funding come from to pay for Girl Scout activities? United Way, Girl Scout donors, annual giving campaigns that involve parents and the community-at-large, and the cookie sale.

More than 80 percent of Girl Scout income is spent on program, which means that girls benefit directly from 80 percent of all Girl Scout income, including cookie funds.

Certainly this is in keeping with Girl Scout goals. The Girl Scout program is here to serve girls. In today's world they have exciting opportunities for travel, for new experiences, for learning about the technological advances that will define the future. As the twenty-first century is neared, girls are offered a program in Girl Scouting that will challenge them today while preparing them for tomorrow. The cookie sale helps to make that program possible.

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Loretta Michalewicz
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Catholic children to present yearly program Dec. 21

The children of Mount Carmel Catholic Church invite you to come enjoy their annual Christmas program on Thursday, December 21, at 7:15 p.m. with mass immediately following. The program will celebrate the birth of Jesus as portrayed by the nativity scene.

All CCD kids are reminded to be at the church at 7 p.m. for costume fitting.

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GTE's updated digital service to come to Winters in 1996

GTE has announced plans to provide digital telephone service to all of its Texas customers by the end of 1997, two years ahead of original plans, at an investment of over \$37 million. Under the accelerated schedule during 1996, the company will average more than one office replacement each week.

GTE already serves 95 percent of its Texas customers with the modern digital technology. The newer technology provided added service capabilities, such as the basic call waiting, call transfer and call forward, as well as the more advanced services, such as automatic call return, busy number redial, call block, and VIP alert.

"To provide the on-ramp to the information superhighway for this large number of customers through office replacements is high priority at this time under the legislation passed this year to make Texas a leader in telecommunications infrastructure," said Kathy Harless, Regional President for GTE.

As a part of the regulatory reform, GTE committed to accelerate the company's original five-year plan for digital modernization into four years. That plan has now been accelerated into a three-year plan.

The accelerated schedule moves 23 locations from the 1997 schedule and 22 locations from the 1988 schedule into 1996, and 23 offices from the original 1999 schedule into 1997.

To benefit 32,000 customers in 44 locations, a compromise was reached between GTE and the Public Utility Commission of Texas to delay elimination of party-line service for 780 customers at a cost of almost \$11 million, allowing the company to accelerate the placement of the new switching equipment.

GTE will place digital switching equipment in 61 locations during 1996 and complete the program with the remaining 23 communities in 1997.

Winters is scheduled for office replacements in 1996.

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Brady Jim Mikeska

Brad and Melissa Mikeska of Midland are proud to announce the birth of a son, Brady Jim Mikeska, born at 3:27 a.m. Wednesday, December 13, 1995, in Midland. He weighed 8 pounds, 8 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Jimmy and Cheri Kemp of Midland. Maternal great-grandparents are Frank and Margie Kemp of Muleshoe. Paternal grandparents are Brent and Scarlotte Mikeska of Wingate. Paternal great-grandparents are John and Pauline Bradshaw of Ballinger and B.J. and Joyce Mikeska of Eola.

Matthews acted in musical during HSU homecoming

Homecoming at Hardin-Simmons University had a different twist this year. Instead of the annual All School Sing, students were given the opportunity to participate in a Broadway musical.

"Guys and Dolls" was presented November 2-5 in HSU's Behrens Chapel by the School of Music and Department of Theater.

Students involved in the musical came from all different areas of study, adding a unique diversity to the cast. Musical participants had majors in fields ranging from biology to English.

Jennifer Matthews of Winters filled the role of Bobby Soxer.

Major parts for this musical were double-cast because, as Dr. James Ivey said, "I just couldn't make up my mind...there was so much talent in the auditions."

"Guys and Dolls" is a musical comedy set during the era of gamblers and the ministry of the Salvation Army in New York City.

Postal Service to open entrance examination

The Rural Carrier Associate examination will be open to the general public January 8 through January 19, 1996, for the Brownwood Area eligibility register.

Offices included in the Brownwood Area Eligibility Register (AER) are Ballinger, Bangs, Brady, Brownwood, Coleman, Goldthwaite, Gouldbusk, Lometa,

May, Miles, Mullin, Richland Springs, Rochelle, Rowena, San Saba, Santa Anna, Talpa, and Zephyr, Texas.

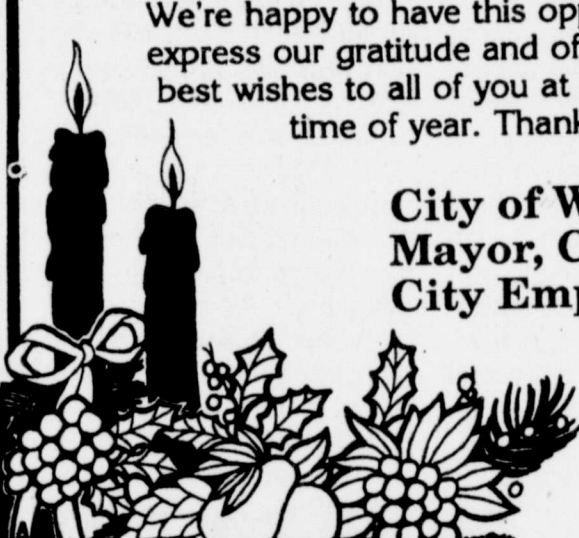
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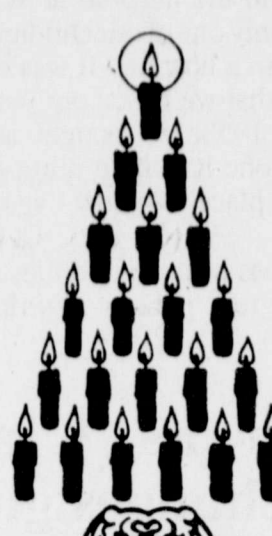
No applications will be accepted before or after the above dates.

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Richard Moore is new Dean at TSTC

Texas State Technical College in Waco recently selected Richard Moore as Dean of Instruction. Moore will oversee all faculty, including lab assistants and support staff, the library and faculty/staff professional development center, as well as any areas related to the delivery of instruction.

Moore has worked at TSTC since 1970, as a faculty member, coordinator of facilities, and curriculum coordinator. Most recently, Moore was interim dean of instruction.

"Our highest priorities are enrollment and retention. We must provide an atmosphere of cooperation throughout instruction, and in conjunction with the entire campus in order to keep TSTC on the road to the future," Moore said.

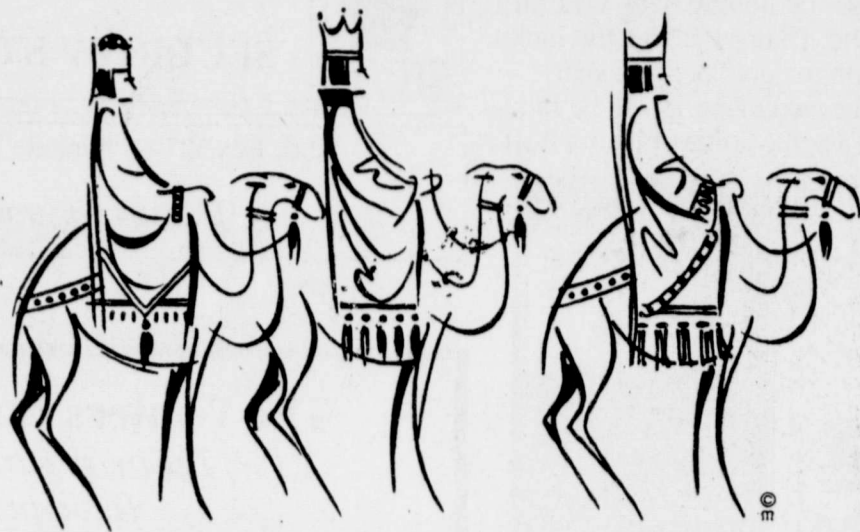
Moore earned his Bachelor of Science and Master of Education degrees from East Texas State University.

TSTC conducted an international search to fill the dean position. A committee reviewed all applicants and held formal interviews with top candidates.

May You Find Enlightenment

Just as the eastern star shone for the wise men on that very first Christmas, may you be guided to love and peace this holiday season.

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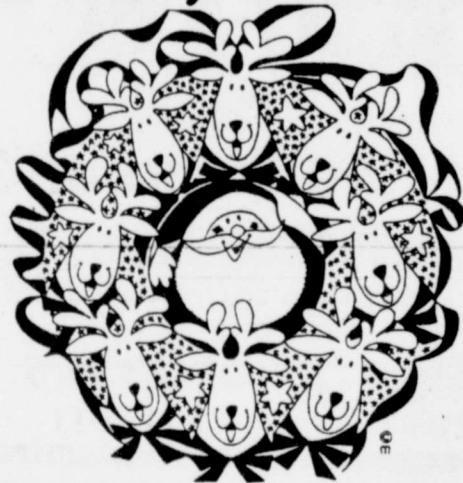
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Philippians 4:4

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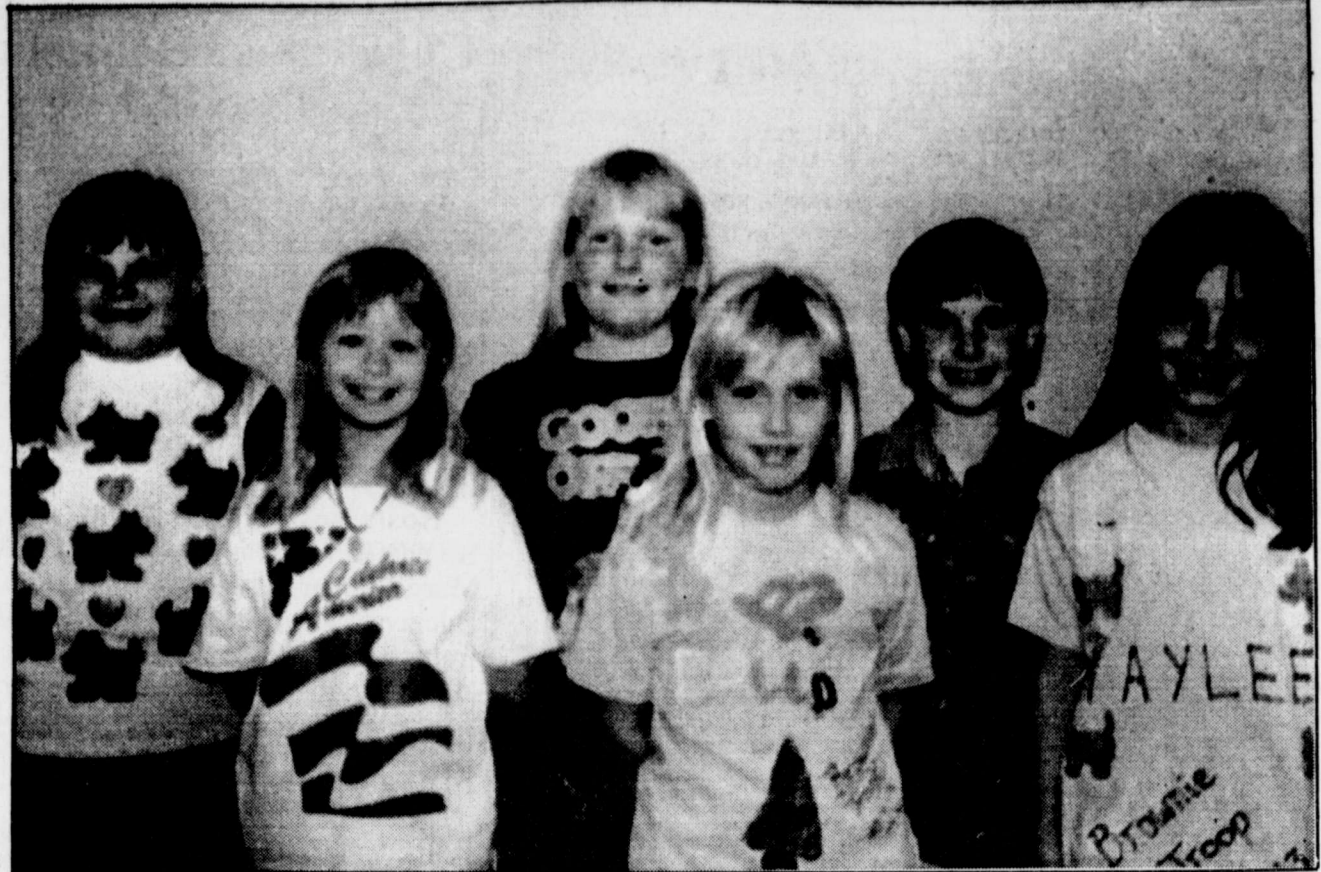
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BROWNIE TROOP #163 members Amanda Ripple, Alecia Sudduth, Marci Paschal, Della Jackson, Tina Perrie, and Kaylee Walker sang Christmas carols to the directors of the Chamber of Commerce during their meeting December 13. Hoping to spread joy, the Girl Scouts also visited the North Runnels Hospital, Senior Citizens Nursing Home, and the home of an ill troop member.

Nathan Smith graduates from Texas A&M

Nathaniel Philip Smith received a bachelor of science degree in agri-business from Texas A&M University in ceremonies on December 15.

Nathan, a 1991 graduate of Winters High School, is the son of Phil and Penni Smith of Winters.



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We're happy to report that Christmas is almost
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a joyous season to all our readers.

**Brenda Burton
Mike White**

**Happy Holidays
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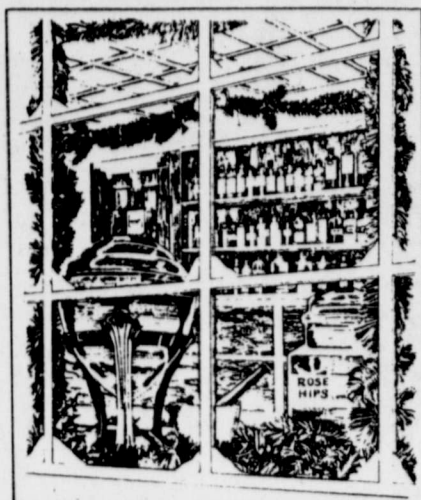
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Within the next 15 days, Taylor Telephone Cooperative will mail ballots to all customers in the Wingate exchange. After marking the ballot, customers should sign their name and return the ballot to the Public Utility Commission of Texas in the stamped, self-addressed envelope that accompanies the ballot.

All exchange(s) that pass the ballot will be added to your local calling area for a maximum monthly per line charge as follows:

First five exchanges: Up to \$3.50 for residence, \$7.00 for business (NOT up to \$3.50 or \$7.00 for each of the first five exchanges).

Each exchange over five exchanges: An extra \$1.50 per month, per exchange.

Example: the following fees would apply if seven exchanges were approved:

	Residence	Business
First five exchanges	up to \$ 3.50	up to \$ 7.00
Exchange #6	extra \$ 1.50	extra \$ 1.50
Exchange #7	extra \$ 1.50	extra \$ 1.50
Maximum Monthly Fee	\$ 6.50	\$ 10.00

If five or fewer exchanges pass the ballot and are approved, the maximum monthly fee would be \$3.50 for residence lines and \$7.00 for business lines. These fees would be added to the monthly telephone charge for local service.

The fees associated with ELC are mandatory. If any exchanges pass the ballot, the fees will be paid by all subscribers in the petitioning exchange. The fees will be in addition to your local monthly telephone service charges, and will be in effect until your telephone company's next general rate case, at which time all rates are subject to change.

At least 70% of the subscribers who return their ballots must vote in favor of expanded local calling on a per exchange basis for it to be provided. If the ballot fails for all exchanges, your service will not change, and no fees will apply. Only exchanges that pass the ballot will be added to your local calling area.

This ballot will indicate which, if any, exchanges are in a different Local Access and Transport Area (LATA). These exchanges will require a federal waiver, which may or may not be granted.

The Public Utility Commission has assigned this matter Project Number 14829. Interested persons should direct any comments that they may have about the petition to the Public Utility Commission, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Austin, Texas 78757, or they may call the Public Utility Commission information office at 512-458-0256 or 512-458-0221, teletypewriter for the deaf.

Literary and Service Club enjoy Christmas celebration with party

"Christmas, the Celebration of Our Savior" was the theme of the Literary and Service Club's annual Christmas party. The party was in the home of Gloria Poehls on Thursday, December 14.

The "Methodist Mamas" presented several Christmas songs for the program. The "Mamas" were Twyla Felty, Nancy Davis, Millie Northrup and Maria Bellinger.

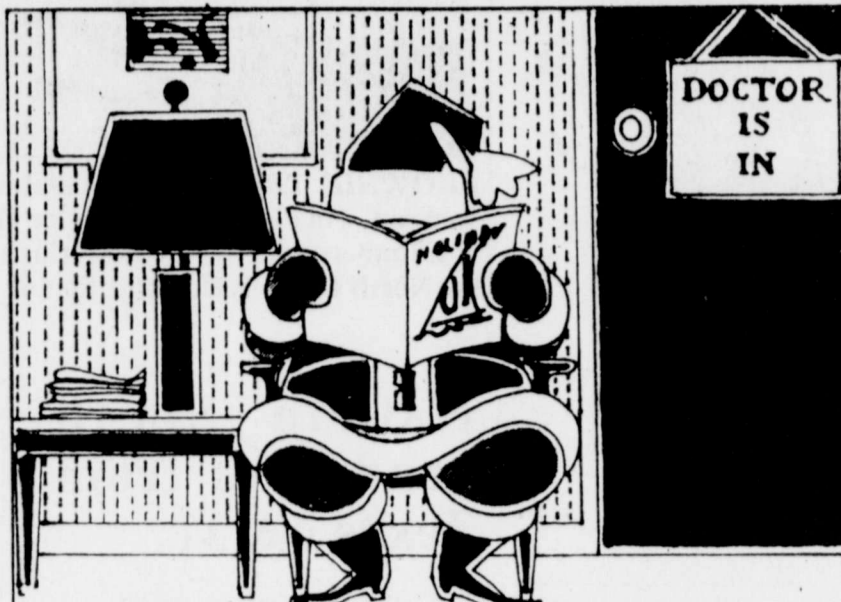
Hostesses Gloria Poehls, Brenda Burton, Sue Prewit, and Mary Margaret Leathers served chicken with rice, green beans, fruit salad, rolls, pecan and pumpkin pies to the members.

Members present were Noma Eoff, Selma Dietz, Gwen Andrae, Eula Mae Kruse, Billie Middlebrook, Jo Olive Hancock, Emily Pendergrass, Doris Prewit, Pat Fenter, Melinda Tucker, and the hostesses.

Gloria presided over the business meeting. Each member brought a gift for a child and donations for the food pantry.

A white elephant gift exchange was held. It seems like Mother Goose (a cookie jar) was still around. Eula Mae was the lucky person to "get" her this year.

The next meeting will be January 18 at the home of Noma Eoff.

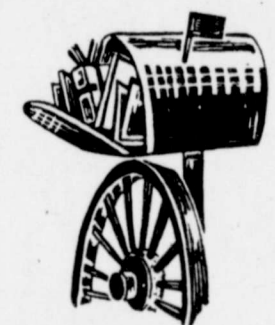


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AVISO PUBLICO

El intercambio Wingate ha hecho una demanda a la Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas para proveer el servicio de Expansión de Llamadas Con Tarifa Fija al intercambio de Abilene, Ballinger, Bradshaw, Crews, and Norton. El servicio de Expansión de Llamadas Locales Con Tarifa Fija le permitira llamar y ser llamado por el intercambio Abilene, Ballinger, Bradshaw, Crews, and Norton ha base de llamada local.

Dentro de quince días, Taylor Telephone Cooperative enviara boletas por correo ha todos los clientes del intercambio Wingate. Despues de marcar su boleta, clientes deben de firmar su nombre y regresarte ha el Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas, en el sobre incluido con estampilla y dirección de retorno.

Todos los intercambios que pasen la boleta seran añadidos ha la área de sus llamadas locales por una tarifa mensual maxima por linea, en la siguiente manera:

Los Primeros Cinco Intercambios: Hasta \$3.50 por cada línea para servicio residencial y \$7.00 por cada línea para servicio comercial. (NO \$3.50 o \$7.00 por CADA uno de los primeros cinco intercambios).

Cada intercambio adicional (ha los primeros cinco intercambios): \$1.50 extra, por mes, por intercambio.

Porejemplo: las siguientes tarifas se aplicaran si siete intercambios son eprobados:

	Residencial	Comercial
Cinco primeros intercambios	Hasta \$ 3.50	Hasta \$ 7.00
Intercambio #6	Extra \$ 1.50	Extra \$ 1.50
Intercambio #7	Extra \$ 1.50	Extra \$ 1.50
Tarifa Maxima mensual	\$ 6.50	\$ 10.00

En caso de que menos de cinco intercambios pasen la boleta y sean aprobados, la tarifa maxima mensual sera \$3.50 por cada línea de servicio residencial y \$7.00 por cada línea de servicio comercial. Esta tarifa será añadida a su cuenta mensual.

Las tarifas asociadas con el servicio de expansión de llamadas locales sin cargo adicional son mandatorias. Si cualquier de los intercambios pasa la boleta, las tarifas seran pagadas por todos los suscriptores en el intercambio de demanda. Las tarifas seran añadidas ha los cargos de su servicio telefónico mensual local y estaran en efecto hasta que su compañía telefónica realice la próxima revisión general de tarifas, ha la vez que todas las terifas son sujetas ha modificación.

Para proveer el servicio se necesita que por la menos 70% de los suscriptores que regresan esta boleta aprueban el servicio. En caso de que la boleta talle a todos los intercambios, su servicio no cambiara, y no se aplicara ninguna tarifa adicional. Solamente los intercambios que reciban suficientes votos a favor, a traves de la boleta incluida, seran añadidos dentro de su área de llamadas locales.

La boleta indicara cuales intercambios se encuentran en un Acceso Local y Área de Transporte (LATA) diferente al intercambio requerido. Se requiere renuncia federal para estos intercambios, que quizás pueda que si o pueda que no se conceda.

La Comision de Utilidad Pública de Texas le asigno el Número de Proyecto 14829 a esta solicitud. Personas interesadas en esta petición pueden dirigir sus comentarios a la Comisión de Utilidad Pública de Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Blvd., Austin, TX 78757. Tambien se puede llamar a la Oficina de Información Pública del PUC at (512) 458-0256 o (512) 458-0221, teilepo para sordomados.

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Judge John E. Sutton files for re-election to 119th District

On December 19th, Judge John E. Sutton filed for re-election to the 119th District Court which serves Runnels, Concho, and Tom Green Counties. Judge Sutton has served as judge of the 119th District Court since 1987 when he was appointed by Governor Bill Clements to fill the remainder of the term left vacant upon the retirement of Judge Curt Steib. Judge Sutton has since been elected to two full terms in 1988 and 1992.

Born in San Angelo and baptized in Ballinger, Judge John E. Sutton has long ties to the counties which he serves. His great-grandfather, Captain Sidney Davidson, was killed in an Indian battle near Ft. Chabourne in 1861. His great-grandfather, the Rev. Cecil Lee Ewing, moved to Miles and later to Ballinger in the early 1890's where he served as the first full-time pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Ballinger. Judge John E. Sutton's grand-father, John F. Sutton, practiced law in Ballinger and San Angelo in the 1920s before serving for 25 years as District Judge of the 51st Judicial District. Another of Judge Sutton's great-grandfathers, George Baugh, moved to Concho County in the 1890s where he worked as foreman of the Kickapoo Springs Ranch until purchasing his own ranch in Schleicher County.

Judge John E. Sutton began his law practice in San Angelo in January 1977 when he became an associate with the firm of Upton, Shannon, Porter & Johnson. In 1980, he became a partner in the firm which later became known as Shannon, Porter, Johnson, Sutton & Greendyke.

Judge John E. Sutton and his wife, Jean, have raised two children in San Angelo, Brandon

Ducote (25) and Joshua Sutton (14), and have one grandchild. Judge Sutton and his wife have been active in the community. He presently serves as President of the Board of Trustees of the Angelo State University Foundation. He has previously served as Treasurer of Good Shepherd Episcopal Church and as Vice-President and Director of the San Angelo Day Nursery (a United Way Agency).

His wife, Jean Sutton, has served as Treasurer of the Junior League of San Angelo, as a Director of Hospice, as a Director of the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), and as Altar Guild Directress of Good Shepherd Episcopal Church.

Judge John E. Sutton has served on several State Bar of Texas committees including the Committee on Relations with other professions, on the Education Committee of the Taxation Section, and as Chairman of the Resolutions Committee of the Judicial Section. He has also been elected a Fellow in the Texas Bar Foundation.

A Certified Public Accountant since 1976, Judge Sutton has served as President of the San Angelo Chapter of CPAs, as a Director of the Texas Society of CPAs for seven years, and twice as a member of the Executive Committee of the TSCPA. He has served as Chairman of the Professional Ethics Committee of the TSCPA, as a member of the Regional Ethics Planning Committee of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and on numerous other committees. In 1985, he was selected the TSCPA Outstanding Young CPA of the Year. In 1986, he was elected as Secretary of the Texas Society of CPAs.

The Perils Of The Holiday Season On The Stomach

(NAPS)—The holidays are a time to enjoy family and friends, travel to faraway destinations, attend parties, shop for gifts and, of course, enjoy delicious holiday foods. But it's also a time when most Americans travel, change daily routines and overindulge in food and alcohol, making it the season for stomach distress too.

Excessive holiday cheer and festive treats can be grueling to the stomach, resulting in gastrointestinal woes such as gas, heartburn, indigestion and even diarrhea. During the holidays, your stomach works harder than ever to digest the rich, spicy foods that can provoke conditions such as diarrhea. Diarrhea may also be triggered by emotional factors, such as the anticipation and stress that often accompany the holidays.

If you're struck with diarrhea, here's how to get better faster:

- Stay away from solid foods for 24 hours, then reintroduce them gradually. You can go back to your favorite holiday fare if you think your body can handle it.
- Drink plenty of clear fluids. You don't want to overfill your stomach, but dehydration is a real danger when you're losing fluid

through diarrhea.

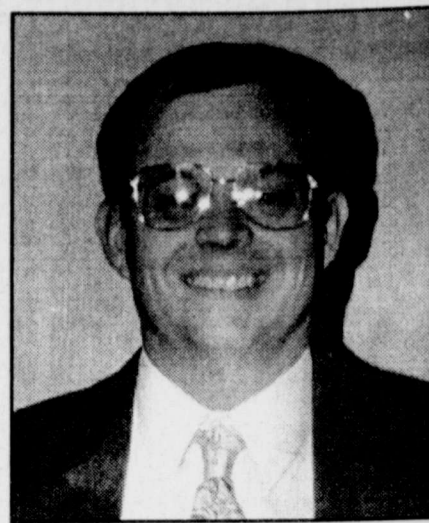
- If diarrhea is not accompanied by blood in the stool or a fever, an over-the-counter antidiarrheal containing loperamide (e.g., Pepto Diarrhea Control) can help relieve symptoms and provide fast relief. Even better, it often works in just one dose.

- If diarrhea is accompanied by high fever (greater than 101°) or blood in the stool, or persists for more than two days after taking an OTC, seek the advice of a health professional.

If you are hosting a party, the following tips will make your holiday foods a hit and prevent your guests from getting sick:

- Properly thaw poultry before cooking. Bacteria will multiply rapidly at room temperature. The safest way to thaw poultry (or any frozen food) is in the refrigerator.
- Thoroughly clean surfaces that the turkey or chicken touches. Bacteria can be transferred from surfaces such as cutting boards onto other foods it touches.
- Serve only thoroughly cooked meats, fish, shellfish, eggs, poultry and vegetables. Cooking destroys the bacteria that may make people sick.

Stephen H. Smith hopeful of third term as 119th District Attorney



Stephen H. Smith announced on December 15th his intentions to seek re-election as the District Attorney for the 119th Judicial District of Texas. Smith, a Democrat, has twice been elected to the District Attorney's position which represents Concho, Runnels, and Tom Green Counties.

Steve and his family moved to San Angelo in 1985 after five years active duty with the Air

Force as a Staff Judge Advocate. He served as an Assistant County Attorney and an Assistant District Attorney in Tom Green County before his election to his current office in 1988.

Steve has been married to Beverly Gallagher Smith for twenty-one years and they have three children, Katy, age 16; Wesley, age 14; and Lanna, age 10. Steve graduated from Baylor University with BD and JD degrees. Steve has been active in civic organizations such as CASA, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Hope House. He and his family are members of Southland Baptist Church. Steve also continues to serve in the United States Air Force Reserve.

"It has been a privilege to have served as District Attorney for seven years. My desire is to continue to run a fair and efficient office and seek justice in every case," said Smith.

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Number of holiday traffic deaths likely to be greater

The Texas Department of Public Safety is estimating more Christmas and New Year's traffic deaths this year due to high traffic volume, long trips, and the probability of increased speeds because of the higher speed limit.

"With this increase in the speed limit, motorists are going to have to drive even more carefully this holiday season," said DPS Assistant Director Lt. Col. Dudley Thomas.

Based on federal law changes, Texas' speed limits Dec. 8 rose to 70 m.p.h. during the day and 65 m.p.h. at night for passenger cars on many highways. For trucks, the maximum speed is 60 m.p.h. during the day and 55 m.p.h. at night. However, the Texas Department of Transportation is conducting safety studies, and speed limits will be set lower in some areas.

"Texas motorists should con-

tinue obeying the posted speed limit signs until the Department of Transportation changes those signs," Thomas said. "During 1994, speeding contributed to 21 percent of all traffic fatalities in Texas. Motorists should be particularly careful during this holiday season, when traffic will be heavy on our state's highways."

The DPS is estimating as many as 35 people might die on Texas roads during the Christmas holidays, compared with 32 who were killed during the same time period last year. For the New Year's holiday, the estimate is 40, compared with 33 fatalities in 1994.

"In addition to excessive speed, drinking and driving continue to play a major role in Texas' traffic death toll," Thomas said. "Don't get behind the wheel if you have been drinking."

Thomas also urged motorists to wear safety belts and use child restraints.

CONTRACTOR'S NOTICE OF HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE WORK

Sealed proposals for **SIGN POST STUB REPLACEMENT** in Tom Green etc., Counties and covered by Contract No. 076XXM5001 will be received in the Assembly Room of the Texas Department of Transportation's District Complex located at 4502 Knickerbocker Rd., San Angelo, Texas until 2:00 PM, January 10, 1996 and then publicly opened and read.

THERE WILL NOT BE A PREBID MEETING FOR THIS PROJECT.

Specifications and proposals for the above mentioned contract are available at the office of Mr. Dennis W. Wilde, P.E., Director of Operations, 915/944-1501, Loop 306 & Knickerbocker Road, San Angelo, Texas. Mailing address is 4502 Knickerbocker Rd, San Angelo, Texas 76904.

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Public Record

COUNTY COURT

Loures Garcia, 12-04-95, Theft of Merchandise by Check. Defendant entered a plea of guilty; Fined \$50 plus costs of \$165.20. To pay \$10 to Hot Check Fee Fund and \$5 to Merchant's Hot Check Fee Fund. To pay restitution of \$67.00.

Cory Wayne English, 12-05-95, DWI. Defendant entered a plea of guilty; Fined \$750 plus costs of \$220. Placed on probation for 2 years; to attend DWI school.

David Earl Massingill Jr., 12-05-95, Speeding, Appeal from J. P. #1. Order of Dismissal.

Sonja Robles, 12-06-95, Theft of Merchandise by Check. Defendant entered a plea of guilty; Fined \$50 plus costs of \$165. To pay \$10 to Hot Check Fee Fund and \$5 to Merchant's Hot Check Fee Fund. To pay restitution of \$45.

Rhonda Simpson, 12-08-95, Theft of Merchandise by Check. Defendant entered a plea of guilty; Fined \$50 plus costs of \$157. To pay \$50 to Hot Check Fee Fund and \$5 to Merchant's Hot Check Fee Fund. To pay restitution of \$400.

Tommy McKenzie, 12-08-95, Theft of Merchandise by Check. Defendant entered a plea of guilty; Fined \$50 plus costs of \$157. To pay \$10 to Hot Check Fee Fund and \$5 to Merchant's Fee Fund. To pay restitution of \$30.

Daniel Schaefer, 12-11-95, Theft of Merchandise by Check. Defendant entered a plea of guilty; Fined \$50 plus costs of \$157. To pay \$30 to Hot Check Fee Fund and \$5 to Merchant's Hot Check Fee Fund. To pay restitution of \$250.

Delton Ray Childers, 12-12-95, Driving While License Suspended. Defendant entered a plea of guilty; Fined \$400 plus costs of \$157.

Stephen Wayne Chavez, 12-13-95, Assault. Order of dismissal.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Benjamin Lee McDaniel and Cynthia Joy Anderson, 12-12-95.

DIVORCES GRANTED

Chris T. Jernigan and Candi Jernigan, 12-11-95.

Mary Eva Whitlock Harrell and Dave Malloy Harrell, 12-07-95.

Rosendo Roman and Teresa Roman, 12-07-95.

J.P. COURT

Big Ed's 7-11 vs. Carolyn Rice, 12-11-95, Account.

Ed Odom vs. Floyd Geeslin, 12-11-95, Personal Loan.

Hugh Edmondson vs. Walter Pape dba Precision Drilling Co., 12-12-95, Damage to Personal Property.

Ballinger Emergency Medical Service Inc. vs. Nancy Bustamante, 12-13-95, Account.

Armando Vasquez, 12-11-95, Felony DWI.

Joyce Beltran, 12-13-95, Forgery.

Wesley Alexander, 11-19-95, Making Alcohol Available to a Minor.

Ray Escobar Martinez Jr., 12-09-95, Minor in Possession of Alcoholic Beverage.

Herminia Garcia, 12-05-95, Hunting from a Public Roadway.

Martin Garcia II, 12-05-95, Hunting from a Public Roadway.

Martin Garcia II, 12-05-95, Discharged a Firearm from a Public Roadway.

Armando Asvedo, 12-05-95, Hunting from a Public Roadway.

Lawrence W. Culver Jr., 12-07-95, Process Deer Before Reaching Final Destination.

Jimmy D. Daniels, 12-07-95, Failed to Keep Evidence of Sex of Deer with Deer Meat.



1995 Overpayment Statement—Producers who received advance payments for 1995 upland cotton, corn, or grain sorghum should be aware that these payments may have to be refunded during 1996 because of the high market prices. Anyone wishing to refund the payment within the 1995 tax year should call the county office for information.

Notification letters showing 1995 overpayments for wheat, oats, and barley will be mailed sometime in December. The amounts on these letters will be due and payable July 1, 1996.

Producers who went 0/92 and 0/85 will still receive final payments because those producers are guaranteed the projected payment rate of \$0.70/BU for wheat, \$0.10/BU for oats, and \$0.40/BU for barley.

Wool/Mohair Program—Producers of wool, mohair, and unshorn lambs are reminded that to be eligible for incentive payment, sales documents and guaranteed minimum sales contracts should be turned in as soon as possible so that they can be used in computing the average sales price, but no later than February 29, 1996. Payments will be issued at 50% of the incentive level sometime in April, 1996.

ACP Practice Maintenance—Producers are reminded that all conservation work for which FSA cost-shared any part of, is required to be maintained for a specific period of time. Shrub control and grass seeding is 5 years; tanks, terraces, etc. are 10 years. Failure to properly maintain a practice will result in cost-shares being refunded.

CRP Maintenance—CRP participants are reminded of the need to keep noxious weeds from growing on their CRP acreage. Complaints will be reviewed by FSA or NRCS personnel to see that proper maintenance measures are carried out.

CRP Bids—We still have not heard if CRP bids taken in September have been accepted or

rejected. We will let you know as soon as we know something.

Insurance—Please bring in all cotton and grain sorghum production for your landlords if they have purchased FCIC insurance through our office.

Spouse Signatures—FSA regulations allow husband or wife to sign on behalf of the other for most programs in which either has an interest. To deny this authority, producers must submit a written objection to the Runnels County FSA Committee.

Failed Acres—For crop history and acreage credit, producers are reminded that crop failures must be reported within 15 days following the loss. An FSA representative MUST inspect the failed acreage PRIOR to disposition. However, for crops insured through FSA (catastrophic coverage), claims for losses MUST be filed within 72 hours of the damage or probable loss.

Farm Changes—If you have changed farm operator or recently purchased or sold farm or ranch land, these changes need to be reported to this office so farm record changes can be updated. Address corrections are also requested. Producers are reminded that proof of purchase or proof of lease must be presented to the county office before changes can be made. This may include copies of deeds, written lease, or owner-operator certification.

Drug Violations—The 1985 farm bill provided that any person who is convicted of planting, cultivating, growing, producing, harvesting, or storing a controlled substance in any crop year shall be ineligible to participate in or receive benefits from any program administered by the FSA on any crop produced during that crop year and the four (4) succeeding crop years.

Holidays—This office will be closed December 25th, January 1st, and January 15th. We all hope that you have a very MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The Education of a Small Town Doc

by Keith Boles



Keith Boles has signed a contract with North Runnels Hospital to practice medicine in Winters after he completes medical school and residency. At this time, he is a fourth year medical student at Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

Howdy Winters. It's mid-December and I'm in the middle of one of those months off I told you about last time. We have a new addition to the family, Brett Allen, born November 22. He weighed 6 pounds, 13 ounces. Mom and baby are doing fine, although Brett does have an above average set of vocal cords.

Let's talk about residencies and the residency application process since that is my main focus at this point in my education. First, internship is the first year of residency. An intern is a first year resident. All interns are residents, but not all residents are interns. Only first year residents are interns. Savvy? These terms seem to confuse people. Next year, I will be an intern.

To be a licensed physician in the state of Texas, a medical school graduate must complete at least one year of residency. All residencies are 3 years or longer so a doctor does not have to complete a residency to be licensed, just the first year. Back in the old days (before the 70's) that's all the training most general practitioners (GP's) had—4 years of medical school and one year of internship. In the late 60's and early 70's Family Practice residencies were begun and this started a trend of more GP's completing a 3-year

residency.

Nowadays, with health care reform and all the HMO's (Health Maintenance Organizations), PPO's (Preferred Provider Organization) and other managed care entities forming, it is becoming even more desirable to complete a residency because this is the only way to become board certified in a certain field. Most of these organizations choose only board-certified Family Physicians or board-certified Pediatricians, etc., to be in their groups. There's a difference between board certification and a license to practice medicine. A doctor can still practice if he/she is not board-certified, and there are many good doctors out there who are not board certified. All that is required to practice is a license handed out by the state.

All primary care residencies (Family Practice, Pediatrics, and Internal Medicine) are 3 years long. OB/GYN is 4 years, Surgery and Orthopedic Surgery are 5 years, and Neurosurgery (Brain surgery) is the longest at 7 years. That is 7 years AFTER medical school.

Medical school graduates are paired with residencies through something called the National Residency Matching Program (NRMP). First, students apply to residencies of their choosing. If their credentials are good enough they are invited for an interview. After all the interviews are completed, the students rank their top three choices for residencies and send this to the NRMP. The residencies also rank all of the interviewees and send this to the NRMP. All of the "rank lists" are put into a computer and students are "matched" with residencies according to the rank lists. This is all done on "Match Day" which for me will be March 20, 1996. So the future of all medical students across the country is determined on one day by the punch of one button on a computer. Kinda scary, huh?

If medical students don't rank high enough on any of the residency rank lists, they will go unmatched and will have to partici-

pate in something called "The Scramble." The students will receive a list of residencies with vacant first year positions and will call these residencies. A sort of phone interview then takes place and if both parties are suited, they are matched in this way. As you might have guessed, this is not a desirable way to match with a residency.

I will be pursuing a 3-year residency in Family Practice. This is the most practical training for small town practice because it will allow me to treat all age groups and both genders.

There are two kinds of residencies, community-based and university-based. A university program is based at an academic medical center such as the Texas Tech Health Science Center here in Lubbock or the University of Texas Health Science Center in Houston (home of Dr. Red Duke). All of the teaching/supervision is done by academic faculty employed by the Health Center and there is little contact with private physicians in the community.

Community programs are based at community hospitals, not university hospitals. Most of the teaching is done by private doctors in the community who have a part-time teaching/supervisory agreement with the residency program. Most community programs also have an affiliation with an academic health center. For example, the community programs in Ft. Worth, Waco, and Tyler are all affiliated with the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas.

The advantage of university programs are easier access to teaching by doctors who are experts in their fields. The disadvantage for Family Practice residents is that there are usually residents from other fields which decreases the opportunity for practical experience in these other fields. On the other hand, this is the advantage of community programs. Family Practice residents are usually the only residents in the hospital. For example, if a person with a broken arm comes into the

emergency room of a university hospital, the orthopedic surgery resident is called to set the fracture, whereas at a community hospital emergency room, the Family Practice resident would get to set the fracture (if there were no complications).

Similarly, if an infant came in with possible meningitis and needed a spinal tap, in a university hospital the pediatrics resident would do it whereas in a community hospital the Family Practice resident would do it. Get the picture? A Family Practice resident can get practical experience in these areas in a university hospital. It's just a bit harder to get than in a community hospital.

A lot of university programs have arranged to have their residents spend some time at a nearby community hospital so they have become combination university/community programs.

Since I am going to need experience in a variety of areas for my practice in Winters, I am leaning more towards the community programs.

I have applied and am interviewing at six residencies—five in Texas and one in Colorado. We would prefer to stay in Texas but there is one really good community program in Greeley, Colorado, I would like to take a look at. The other five are: the University of Texas Health Center in Tyler, Texas (a combination university and community program); McLennan County Family Practice in Waco, a community program; John Peter Smith Hospital in Ft. Worth, a community program; Scott & White Family Practice in Temple, a university program; and the Family Practice program here at Tech in Lubbock, a combination university/community program.

I have already interviewed at Tyler, Ft. Worth, and Lubbock. I interview at Waco and Temple on December 18 and 19, respectively, and in Greeley, Colorado, on January 26.

That's all for now. Next time I'll tell you more about each program, the interviews, and how I chose to apply to these residencies.

Self certification process for licensed pesticide applicators begins Jan. 1

In a continuing effort to cut unnecessary paperwork and save taxpayers' dollars, licensed pesticide applicators will be responsible beginning Jan. 1 for maintaining their own records of continuing education units through a self-certification process.

"Self-certification means that individual Texas pesticide applicators—instead of the Texas Department of Agriculture—will now keep track of the continuing education courses they complete, just like attorneys, nurses, accountants, and many other professionals already do," Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry said. "Most pesticide applicators already maintain their own education records, and after Jan. 1 TDA will no longer duplicate these efforts by also keeping records for each individual."

"However, the department will randomly audit records year-

round to ensure that individuals have course certificates for classes taken."

Under the new system, TDA will continue to issue license renewal forms, and on these forms, applicators will be asked to list their continuing education units. Applicators should keep certificates of completion, which are distributed after attendance at TDA-accredited courses.

In Texas, individuals who use pesticides classified as restricted or state-limited use must be licensed or certified as commercial, noncommercial, or private applicators. Commercial and non-commercial applicators must renew their licenses by completing five hours of continuing education units every year. Private applicators must renew their license or certificate by completing 15 hours of continuing education units every five years.



Texas Agricultural Extension Service
by Patricia Hohensee
Runnels County
Extension Agent-HE

Four-H Holiday Hop is Dec. 21

It's time to scoot your Christmas boots on Thursday, December 21, from 6:30 - 10:00 p.m. at Rowena's SPJST Hall. Four-H's, their families and friends are in for a treat as we have Joel Wilson of Abilene scheduled for the dance. Many of you know about Joel's ability to direct hundreds of 4H dances across West Texas. Plan on an active night of line dancing, square dancing, and traditional boot scootin'.

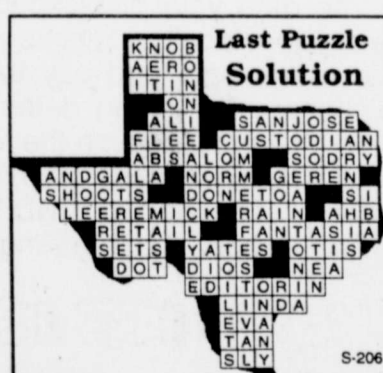
Our holiday service project will be supporting the Sheriff's Department Toys for Tots Drive. Each family is asked to bring a toy to be given to less fortunate families.

Clubs are asked to assist with refreshments according to this arrangement:

Rowena - Sandwiches (club is providing)
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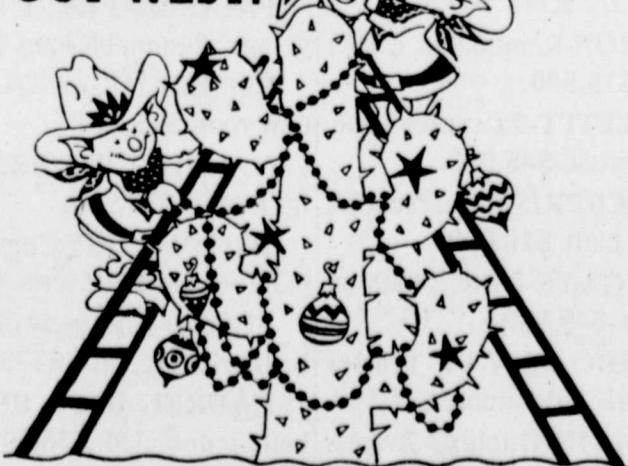
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