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Nichols Worth

By Nanalee Nichols

I've always maintained that it takes the smallest of things to jog our memory and send us back to the past. A smell, a sound or a sight can do it.

At the end of last week, I was given a bright metal tin of "Old Fashioned Hard Candies". I thought that was very nice, and went on about my business until later, when I took the lid off and spilled the candies out into a bowl.

And, suddenly, I was propelled back to childhood, back to my Grandmother Jeffus' living room.

The candies are of a kind I didn't even know were made any more. They feature bright, stained-glass colors. There are candies that have tiny flowers in their center, candies in glossy, metallic colored ribbons, folded upon themselves. There are squares with waffle shaped imprints and ovals and long thin sections in purples and whites, yellows and blues and greens. There are nearly translucent Christmas trees and crosses, reindeer and boots.

Each piece has a decididly different flavor.

My grandmother kept this particular mixture of candy in a clear glass candy dish that had a glass lid with a circle of Della Robbia type fruits embossed on it. A delicate tint of red and green stained the fruits.

The dish always sat on the coffee table. in fact, it always sat on the East end of the coffee table. The coffee table was carved wood with a glass type framed by more carved wood.

I would lie on the couch (a scratchy tapestry creation that was never comfortable for sitting) on my stomach and gaze through the glass at the candies. It took me a long time and much thinking to figure out that the candies with flowers on them must have snipped from a long roll of hot candy. The design went all the way through, and if grandmother didn't catch me playing with the little pieces of sweets I could usually match one or two of those pieces up into a solid stick.

There was always something comforting about those candies. They were always there, which appealed to a child's sense of order. When the bowl became low, it magically filled back up.

I never knew where they were purchased, I don't remember ever being with grandmother when she bought them.

But one of my favorite memories of childhood was the delicious decision of picking out which bite I wanted, and of lying there, sleepy, as the adults talked over my head, gazing into a glass dish with brightly colored candies inside.

Fittingly, the candies I received now are in the same candy dish, on my table instead of my grandmothers.

Christmas is a time for memories and hopes for the future. I hope the sights and sounds it brings can spark some pleasant recollections for you, too.

Merry Christmas.

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The Spirit Of Christmas Still Burns

By Nanalee Nichols

We've all heard about the true meaning of Christmas. We hear it but it is easy for it to be overshadowed by the advertisements on TV and in the papers, and the frenzy of last-minute shopping.

But, at the heart of the matter is the basic fact that Christmas is not about providing children with every thing they desire...nor spending money until our bank balance is stressed. Christmas is about the birth of Jesus Christ...and the gift giving is in honor of those long-ago gifts that were given to him.

So, I'd like to dedicate this week's column to those few I know about...and the many I haven't heard about who have done things this Christmas season in the TRUE spirit of Christmas.

A special "Christmas Spirit Award to the various school classes who have gotten together baskets for the needy, or who have visited at nursing homes to cheer the elderly or infirm.

A special award to those who have decorated their yards with lights and hours of work for the express purpose of celebrating this special time of year...not to impress someone.

"Thank you" to those harried store clerks who have said "Merry Christms" as if they meant it instead of had to say it...and to those customers who have paused to thank a clerk for their patience or to let someone into line who had only an item or two in their basket.

Thanks to everyone who took that extra minute to address a Christmas Card to someone lonely or alone for the first time this year, even though they don't really know that person, and to those who have brought little plates of cookies and goodies to neighbors without family .

"Bless You" to those who have seen to it that people who can't make to it church on their own get there. Another blessing on those who volunteer to work on Christmas Day so others with families can have the day off..or who simply have to work and don't complain.

Thanks to the children who have written in their Santa Letters for Santa to bring OTHERS something or instead of asking for material things ask for peace or family happiness.

Thanks to those who hurt inside...but make a point to remain cheerful so that they won't spoil other people's Christmas.

A very special award goes to those who are caretakers of others and at Christmas time make it a happy occasion and not "just a job".

Yet another award to those who volunteer for jobs in which they are never seen...who do so much without asking for recognition.

It is people like the above mentioned who keep the flame of the Christmas Spirit burning with a bright, pure light that simply cannot be extinguished.

Merry Christmas to all, and may the Spirit of Christmas visit you and yours this year and all years.

Talco School Christmas Program Held

The Talco School Christmas Program was held Monday, December 19th from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

The Pre-K class opened the program with the Pledge of Allegiance. Al the classes did an outstanding job under the direction of Mrs. Neva Jean Oats.

Many of the song selections were music by Dolly Parton. The Fifth grade class presented a skit "Goig to Branson" that ended with an appearance by "Minnie Pearl" (or fifth grade teacher Dianne Orrille). Staci Hinton , the fourth grade teacher sang "Silver Bells" for the group.

Talco is blessed with talented students and staff who put on an enthusiastic and pleasant program to be enjoyed.



TOP SELLER-Jennifer Roberts was the top seller of puppets sold by the RHS PASF organization. She received $20 for a great job, selling over $200. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)

Bake Sale Will Benefit Leah Cabell

There will be a Benefit Bake Sale in downtown Talco December 22nd beginning at 9:00 a.m. Proceeds will go to Leah Cabell to help defray medical expenses during her illness.

An account has been established at the Talco State Bank, and all donations will be appreciated.

Tax Office To Close For Holidays

According to Tax Assessor Collector Kay Ross, the Talco-Bogata CISD Tax Office will be closed December 22nd through December 28th, 1994 and January 2nd, 3rd, 1995.

The office will be open December 29 and 30, 1994 from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Since December 31, 1994 is on a Saturday, you can pay on January 4, 1995 and still receive credit for payment in 1994. The office will resume regular hours on January 4, 1995.

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CHRISTMAS ANGEL- this Christmas Angel is ensconced with an icy glitter inside of an ostrich egg in an original and unusual Christmas decoration. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

Mr. Max Is Still Busy At 98

by Judy Screws

Bogata resident, Max Mauldin, has been driving a car since he learned to drive in a Model T. He says he has decided to park his car, since his eyesight is not as strong as it used to be. Mr. Mauldin had already started walking many years ago when his doctor told him he must walk for his health. He had been driving when he should have been walking. He walks from his home on Highway 37 to town and just about everywhere he goes in Bogata. The only problem he has had with walking is that people were very kind and tried to give him rides when he first started walking. Most people have learned to not try and give him a lift now.

Mr. Mauldin married one of his classmates at Cuthand, Mary Alice Hunt, and they were married until she passed away in 1978. Mr. Mauldin had taken care of Mrs. Mauldin's every need in his home, until she just got so ill that he had to have help from Red River Haven Nursing Home. He said that he visited her there every day twice a day.

In 1980 he married Gladys Hobbs and she passed away in 1987.

Mr. Mauldin loves to fish. Saturday is his favorite fishing day.

Mr. Max said that when he was young, he'd just take jobs for a dollar here and a dollar there, but he decided that if he ever wanted to have anything he would have to have a full-time job. He went to work in 1924 for Mobil Oil Company. Since then, he has received a check every month from that company. He retired in 1961, but still receives the checks.

Mr.Mauldin's lawn is one of the nicest in Bogata, and he does all the work himself. He also cooks for himself. He eats lots of vegetables and no junk food.

The Mauldin's had two daughters. Oneof them lives in Ft. Worth and the other in Rowlette.

As with any other person who has a few years behind them, Mr. Mauldin has his health problems, but I'll swear, he doesn't look a day over 75. Wewish him many more happy birthdays.



Mr. Max Mauldin



A DOG in the chair, and presents under the tree make up a Christmas-card perfect scene to welcome the season of lights and joy. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

HAPPY HOLIDAYS



FEATURED COOKS OF THE WEEK are Phebe Allen of Deport and her mother, Dora Flenniken of Bogata. They spend the day making cookies and candies to share with friends and neighbors.

Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin

Our featured cook for this week is Phebe Allen of the old Lone Oak community just outside Deport. Phebe is married to John and they farm in and around this area. They have a beautiful home that was decorated for the Christmas season. She said that they had lived in it for 6 years and have thourouly enjoyed it.

The day I visited with her, her mother, Dora Flenniken of Bogata was there. They were making Christmas cookies and candies. They try to do this every year and make a day of it. Some of the "goodies" are given as gifts to friends and neighbors.

They have three children. Zachery is 17 and is a junior at Prairiland and is active in football, basketball and baseball. Dustin is 14 and an eighth grader at Deport and he plays basketball for Deport Junior High and summer league ball. Hollie is in the fifth grade at Deport also and is involved in Little Dribblers, summer baseball and piano.

They are a very active family and on the go all the time with the kid's activities either in sports or otherwise. Phebe says that they don't cook a lot because of everyone's different time schedules. Usually she is taking Hollie somewhere and has to meet John somewhere in between as he takes Dustin to his activities.

She likes to paint, stencil and work in her yard during her "spare" time. They are members of the East Paris Baptist Church and John is on the PISD School Board and on the board of the Summer League in Paris and they both stay quite busy.

The recipes that Phebe and her mother are sharing with us this week are Peppermint Flakes, a candy using crushed peppermint. Christmas Cookies are a fruit cookie using dates, cherries and pineapple. The Martha Washington Candy is a favorite of theirs and they also make the pretzels that are dipped in the white chocolate and the HiHo crackers with peanut butter in between that is dipped in the white chocolate.

We hope you enjoy this week's recipes and take this time to wish everyone a very happy holiday and we'll see you in the kitchen!

December 22, 1994

Peppermint Flakes

In a saucepan mix:
2 cups sugar
2/3 cup milk
1 tablespoon light corn syrup
1/4 teaspoon salt

Mix and cook over medium flame, stirring until sugar dissolves; cook until soft ball stage. Don't stir during theis time; romove from heat and add this time; remove from heat and add 2 tablespoons of margarine and 1 teaspoon vanilla; stir. Cool(not stirring) for about 15 minutes. Beat until creamy; then stir in 1/2 cup crushed peppermint candy and drop on wax paper.

Christmas Cookies

2 pounds chopped dates
1/2 pound candied cherries (chopped) (red and green for color)
1 pound of chopped pecans
1/2 pound candied pineapple, chopped
1 cup butter creamed with 1/2 cup sugar and 2 eggs.

Sift together 2-1/2 cups flour plus 1 teaspoon soda, 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1 teaspoon cinnamon.

Sift this mixture over fruit. Put in 350 degree oven on ungreased cookie sheet until brown; about 10 minutes. It is best to mix this up in a large dishpan.

Martha Washington Candy

1 stick of oleo butter
1 can eagle brand milk
2 packages confectioner' sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Mix well and add 32 ounces of chopped pecans. Make into balls and chill. Mix 2 packages of Baker;s bittersweet chocolate and 1 box of Gulfwax paraffin in a double boiler and dip chilled candy in mixture and set on wax paper in refrigerator until set.

White Pretzels

1 package of white chocolate
1 package of pretzels

Melt chocolate and dip pretzels and lay on wax paper to cool.

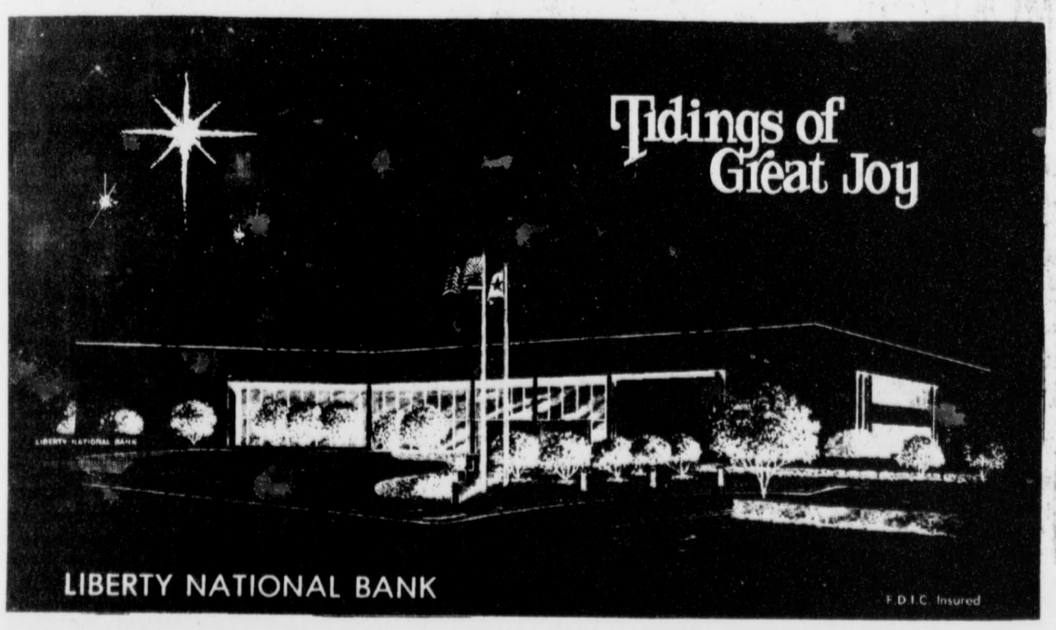
Dipped HiHo Crackers

1 box HiHo Crackers
1 package of white chocolate
Peanut butter(creamy or crunchy)

Spread peanut butter between crackers. Melt white chocolate in double boiler. Dip crackers in white chocolate and place on waxed paper to cool.

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Merry Christmas & Happy New Year
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Martha G. Anderson Dies in Mt. Pleasant

Martha Geneva Anderson Wicks, age 84, died Thursday, December 15, 1994 at her residence in Mt. Pleasant.

Services were held Saturday, December 17 at Bates-Cooper-Weems-Robison Chapel with the Rev. Marlin Roby officiating. Interment was in Bridges Chapel Cemetery.

Mrs. Wicks was born February 13, 1910 in Cuthand, a daughter of Albert Bice and Lucy Coe Bice. She was a housewife and member of the Christian Faith Baptist Church.

Survivors include three sons, David Anderson of Maldrove, OK, Roy Anderson, of Seattle, WA and Harvey Anderson of Mt. Pleasant; three daughters, Virginia Mullin and Lucy Davis, both of Bogata, and Dorothy Mauldin of Carrollton; stepdaughter Carolyn Spivey of Ft. Worth; a brother-in-law, Oliver Anderson of Dallas; two sisters-in-law, Gladys Ottinger and Shirley Ferguson, both of Mt. Pleasant; 20 grandchildren; 41 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Monroe Anderson and her second husband, Lenny Wicks, a daughter and an infant son.

James Allison Giddens Dies December 18

James Allison Giddens, age 75 of Texarkana, AR died Sunday, December 18 in a local hospital.

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, December 20 at the Texarkana Funeral Home with Rev. William V. Garner officiating. Burial was at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday at Bogata Cemetery with the Rev. George Thomas officiating.

Mr. Giddens was born August 24, 1919 in Red River County, near Clarksville. He was a retired ticket agent for Continental Bus Lines and was a member of Beech Street First Baptist Church. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving in World War II. He was preceded in death by his wife, Hazel Jeanette Oliver Giddens, in 1992.

Surviving are a daughter and son-in-law, Judith and Boyd Wayne Shumake of Texarkana, AR; one brother, William O. Giddens of Irving; one sister, Jewell Atkinson of Clayton, NM; one grandson; two granddaughters and three great-grandchildren.

Those wishing to make memorials may make contributions to the American Heart Association Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 1246, Texarkana, TX.

Card of Thanks

We would like to thank all those who expressed their sympathy and concern at the loss of our loved one. We appreciate the calls, visits, food, flowers, cards and memorials. A special thanks goes to all those at Red River Healthcare Center for many years of loving care.

The Family of H.L. Stubblefield

Card of Thanks

A special thanks for the prayers, visits, and thoughtfulness shown me during my recent hospital stay.

Robbie Hawkins

Card of Thanks

Thanks to Marilyn Glover for your honesty and for saving my Christmas.

Mary Sparks Ericsson

Card of Thanks

I would like to thank you for the support of my friends and family and to Clarksville Rotary Club, Clarksville Kiwanis, Detroit Lions and Community National Bank of Detroit. Their donations made my Orlando 4-H Congress trip one of a lifetime.

Karen Carpenter



Berniece Viola Wyatt

Berniece Viola Wyatt Dies December 15

Berniece Viola Wyatt, age 85, of Cunningham died Thursday, December 15 at her home.

Bright-Holland Funeral Home conducted services at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 17 at the Cunningham Methodist Church with the Rev. Sam Campbell officiating. Burial followed in Highland Cemetery, Deport.

Mrs. Wyatt was born March 3, 1909 in Vernon, TX, the daughter of S.B. and Viola Palmer Lynn. She married Ernest S. Wyatt on December 27, 1938. He died in 1957. She was a member of the Cunningham Methodist Church where she was secretary/treasurer for 40 years. She taught school in lamar County for 48 years, having taught at Minter, Independence, Hudsonville, Cunningham and Deport. She was a member of the Retired Teachers Association and wrote *The Cunningham News* for the *Deport Times* for 35 years.

Survivors include a sister, Ruby Dougless of Shawnee, OK; one stepson, Harold Wyatt of Montgomery, TX; two nieces, Joretta Azar of St. Petersburg, FL and Paige Sauer of Seminole, FL; and one nephew, Barton Reed of Largo, FL.

Bessie Smith Dies December 13

Bessie Smith, age 82, of Bogata, died Tuesday, December 13 in St. Joseph's Hospital and Health Center.

Graveside services were held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday at Springhill Cemetery with the Rev. Ralph Taylor officiating. Gene Roden's Sons Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Smith was born June 8, 1912 in Lamar County, a daughter of Robert and Minnie Smith McDonald. She married James Luther Smith in 1930. He preceded her in death on February 14, 1977.

She is survived by four brothers, James McDonald of Paris, Harvey McDonald of Stockton, CA, Melvin McDonald of Liberty, and Warren McDonald of Springfield, MO; and a grandchild, Dean Smith of Paris. She was preceded in death by two sons, Robert Smith and Delbert Smith.

Bearers were Leon Smith, Kenneth Smith, Ronnie Smith, Dennis Smith, L.C. Smith and Dale Wayne Smith.

Michael Arden Parsons Dies December 17

Michael Arden Parsons, age 8, of Blossom died Saturday, December 17 at his home.

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, December 20 in Fry and Gibbs Funeral Home Chapel with burial in West Post Oak Cemetery. The Rev. Chief Warden officiated.

He was born October 30, 1986 in Paris, a son of Mike and Donna Oats Parsons.

Surviving are his mother, Donna Parsons of Blossom; his father and stepmother, Mike and Drethia Parsons of Belk; two brothers, Hardy Zane Parsons of Belk and Jane Olen Parsons of Blossom; his grandparents, Zane and Bonnie Oats of Cooper and Rae Parsons of Belk; and several aunts, uncles and cousins from Cooper. He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Hardy Parsons.

Pallbearers were James Cogburn, Mike Howse, Phil Wilson and Timothy Norris.

Card of Thanks

The family of Berniece Wyatt cannot begin to express all the love and appreciation that they feel for the wonderful kindness shown them during their loss.

There are so many people who deserve special thanks-those who looked after Berniece's welfare for the last few years, those who performed so many special kindnesses for her. A special thank you to Ben Holland and Bright-Holland Funeral Home, Sam Campbell and the Methodist Church and the other area churches, to the Smiths and Anaya for their beautiful music, for all the food, flowers, calls, prayers, visits and cards.

Everything has meant so much to us, and most of all Thank You for your friendship.

Obituaries

T.G. (Mutt) Harvey Dies December 15

T.G. (Mutt) Harvey, age 81, of Milton, died Thursday, December 15 in McCuistion Regional Medical Center, Paris.

Services were held at 3:00 p.m. Saturday, December 17 in Deport United Methodist Church with the Rev. Chief Warden officiating, assisted by the Rev. Tim Brown. Burial was in Milton Cemetery by Wood Funeral Home of Deport.

Mr. Harvey was born July 28, 1913 in Milton, a son of Robert and Eva Bennett Harvey. He married Odell Moore on July 9, 1933 in Hugo, OK, who preceded him in death April 1, 1993. Mr. Harvey had been a Lamar County Precinct 1 Commissioner, being sworn in on November 19, 1965, and serving until December 31, 1972. He was also a farmer and a rancher.

Surviving are a son and daughter-in-law, Charles and Scarlett Harvey of Pattonville; a daughter and son-in-law, Sue and Buddy Malone of Depot; his grandchildren and their spouses, Tracy and Denene Harvey of Reno, Tommy and Peggy Malone of Milton, Tony and Debra Malone of Mt. Pleasant, Angie Sepulveda and Daniel Sepulveda of Pattonville; his great-grandchildren, Trey and Zachery Harvey of Reno, Micah Malone of Mt. Pleasant; a brother, Clyde Harvey of Clarksville; and a sister, Virginia Norwood of Clarksville. He was preceded in death by a grandson, Todd Harvey in July, 1982, and brothers and sisters Lila Woodard, Burl Harvey, Fay Nell Harvey and Malcolm Harvey.

Bearers were Tommy Malone, Tony Malone, Tracy Harvey, Gerald Broderick, Kerry More and Doug Fowler.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the First United Methodist Church of Deport, P.O. Box 126, Deport, or the Milton Cemetery Association, in care of Dorothy Holt, Rt. 1, Deport.

H.L. Stubblefield Dies December 14

H.L. Stubblefield, age 93, of Bogata, died Wednesday, December 14 in McCuistion Hospital.

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, December 17 in Bogata United Methodist Church with the Rev. Bob Bush officiating. Burial was in Bogata Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home of Bogata.

Mr. Stubblefield was born November 18, 1901 in Red River County, the son of Hiram Phillip and Minnie Allen Stubblefield. He married the former Eunice Young on September 22, 1923 in Pine Bluff, AR. She preceded him in death October 30, 1977. He was also preceded in death by a son, Thomas Lee Stubblefield October 19, 1994. He was a retired farmer and a member of Bogata United Methodist Church.

He is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Frank and Anita Stubblefield of Bogata; his grandchildren and their spouses, Liz and Andy Jones, Linda and Monte Dain, JoAnn and Barney Poole, Carol and Roger Sassman, Robert Lee and JoLin Stubblefield, Thomas Lee, Jr. and Elizabeth Stubblefield; his great-grandchildren, Lacey and Ryan Barlen, Alex and Nan Marie Poole, Stacey and Sarah Stubblefield and Austin Lee Stubblefield; a brother, C.J. Stubblefield and a sister, Nan Allen, both of Paris.

The family requests memorials be made to Bogata United Methodist Church or the Bogata Cemetery Association.

Bearers were Kenneth Jeffery, Richard Ward, Bill Vickers, Tommy Corbell, Howard Ed Bryson, Travis Hale and Sam Barnard.

Louida Toney Dies December 13

Louida Toney, age 84, of Detroit, died Tuesday, December 13 in McCuistion Regional Medical Center, Paris.

Services were held at Lindeman Chapel of Clarksville Funeral Home on December 15 at 2:00 p.m. with the Rev. Wesley O'Donnell officiating. Burial followed in Detroit Cemetery under the direction of Clarksville Funeral Home.

Mrs. Toney was born April 1, 1910 in Detroit, a daughter of Dolph and Rebecca Hankins King. She married Earl Toney on September 25, 1928 in Woodland. She was a member of the Martin Memorial United Methodist Church of Detroit and was a housewife.

Surviving are her huisband; two daughters and their spouses, Judith and Harold Chumley of Balch Springs and Wanda and Thomas Littrell of Ft. Worth; a sister, Ann Mayes of Grand Prairie; nine grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by two sons, James Russell an Cecil Ray Toney.

Bearers were Jackie Roberson, Charlie Dotson, Willis Morgan, Charles King, Robert Smith and Dale Miller.

Michael Don Whitaker Dies December 16

Michael Don Whitaker, age 36, of Detroit died Friday, December 15 in McCuistion Regional Medical Center.

Services were held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, December 20 at Lindeman Chapel of Clarksville Funeral Home with the Rev. Alvis Jones officiating, assisted by Bill O'Neal. Burial followed in Detroit Cemetery under the direction of Clarksville Funeral Home.

Whitaker was born October 7, 1958 in Paris. He was the son of June Potter Robertson of Detroit and Bobby Whitaker of Paris. He was married to the former Angala Ussery on April 15, 1989 in Detroit and was a member of the Church of Christ. He was a truck driver.

Surviving are his wife; his mother and father; his grandparents, Mary Potter of Detroit and Minnie Lee Sampels of Paris; two sons, Waylon and Lucas Whitaker of Detroit; a daughter, Jessica Whitaker of Detroit; a sister, Jennifer Whitaker of Dallas; three brothers, Mitchell Whitaker of Blossom, Rob Robertson of Detroit and Ryan Whitaker of Paris.

Bearers were Mitchell Whitaker, Rob Robertson, Blake Akard, Deryl Draper, Tony Potter and Scott Roland.

Velma Davis Calloway Dies December 18

Velma Davis Calloway died December 18 in Titus County Memorial Hospital, Mt. Pleasant.

Services were held graveside at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Mt. Pleasant on December 20 with the Rev. Harold Amerson officiating.

She was born April 27, 1911 in Little Rock, AR, a daughter of William Warren and Ethel Swint Welch. She was a housewife and a member of Ripley Baptist Church. Her husband, William Thomas Calloway, preceded her in death.

Surviving are daughters and sons-in-law, Tommie and Billy Sinclair of Mt. Pleasant and Joan and Larry Price of Tyler; sisters Mrs. Bess Washam of Lillie, LA and Mrs. Jack Bledsoe of Mt. Pleasant; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by two sisters and a grandson.

Card of Thanks

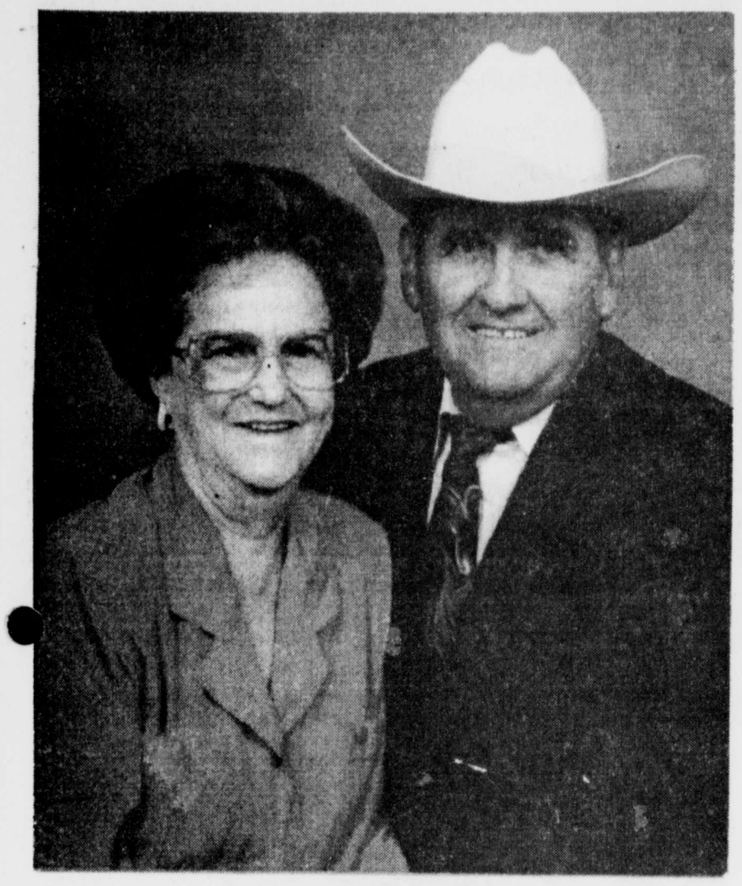
In this time of loss, we would like to express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the many acts of kindness shown to the family of T.G. "Mutt" Harvey during the past twenty months.

The caring words, food, flowers, prayers and visits helped each of us cope with the daily challenges of rebuilding our lives and providing comfort to daddy.

Special thanks to Rev. Chief Warden, Rev. Tim Brown, Mr. Tim J. Wood and Wood Funeral Home, Mrs. Lwanda McKnight, Mrs. Geneva Norwood, Mrs. Ida Lou Read and Mrs. Martha Glover. Also the Deport Nursing Home, Dr. Surber, Dr. Brooks and the congregations of the First Baptist Church of Deport.

In acceptance there is peace. The goodness of Mutt and Odell Harvey will touch our lives forever. May God bless you and your family during this season of love.

Sincerely,
Charles and Scarlett Harvey
Buddy and Sue Malone
Tracy and Denene Harvey
Tommy and Peggy Malone



Mr. and Mrs. Roy Marris

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Marris To Observe 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Marris will celebrate their fiftieth anniversary with a reception held January 7 from 2 to 4 p.m. in the fellowship hall of the First Baptist Church, Deport.

Roy and Myrle were married January 5, 1945 in Clarksville, TX.

The reception will be hosted by their daughter, Donna McClendon of Ft. Worth; their son and daughter-in-law, Dicky and Liz Marris of Jasper, TX; five grandchildren and one grandson-in-law, Natalie, Melaney, Jamie, Ike, Tray and Jeff.

Also assisting with the event will be Billie Mac Foster, Sue Davis and Brenda Russell.

All friends and relatives are invited to attend. The pleasure of your company is all the gift the couple requests.



Mrs. Paul David Felton

Cruce-Felton Vows Exchanged

Allison Elizabeth Cruce, of Grand Prairie, daughter of Tommy and Lorraine Cruce of Grand Prairie, and granddaughter of Samuel and Ruthie Sheffield, of Bogata, was united in Holy Matrimony on December 17,1994 with David Paul Felton, of Grand Prairie. The groom is the son of Mrs. Joyce Felton, also of Grand Prairie.

The wedding was held at the Calvary Baptist Church, in Grand Prairie.

After a honeymoon trip to Colorade, the couple will reside in Irving.

Just a few handy words to express our profound gratitude...

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND MANY THANKS!

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We will be closed Monday December 26th and will reopen at our regular time at 7:30am on tuesday December 27th.

Have a Very Merry Christmas

Willing Workers Have Class Party

On Tuesday, December 13, the Willing Workers Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met in the home of Esther Tellman for their Christmas party.

Members present were Louise Bean, Katie Brown, Rosemary Swinford, Mildred Mauldin, Ina Ward, Mildred Allums and the hostess.

Alice Ann White visited the group and presented an interesting devotional on Missions. Kathie Brown voiced a prayer.

After refreshments were enjoyed, the group left to visit several shut-ins and give them bags of Christmas goodies.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

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The marriage of Elaine Faye Whitney of Lewisville and Stephen Kyle Marshall of Marietta, GA was solemnized in a double-ring ceremony on December 4 at 3:00 p.m. at North Ridge Church of Christ in Mt. Pleasant. Bro. Jim Parker was the officiating minister.

Parents of the couple are Charles and Carol Sue Whitney of Mt. Pleasant and Frank and Mary Marshall of Daingerfield.

Vows were repeated in a candlelight setting from the arched and spiral candelabra. Accents were with white roses, orchids, red bows and clear lights, poinsettias, ferns, garlands accented with twinkling lights and tied with red bows draped the pews.

Wedding music was provided by Kristi Spann, Julie Love, Amy Hodges, Christi Cawley, Julie McAlister, Tye Kirkland, Seth Thurman, Brian Dyke, Kyle Splann, Jimmy Wade, Jerri Walker and Josh Johnson. Songs included "The Lord Bless and Keep You", "I Can't Help Falling In Love With You", "There Is Love" and "The Wedding Song".

Escorted to the altar by her father, the bride's sheath designer gown was of white taffeta with an overlay of organza. The molded bodice was designed with a V'ed neckline and full melon puff sleeves with a finished fitting to the wrist. The bodice and sleeves had an overlay of Alencon lace, pearls and iridescent sequins. A crown of Alencon lace accented with tulle poufs completed the train length veil. Her cascading bridal bouquet was of roses, greenery and baby's breath.

Bridal attendants were Lisa Whitney of Pampa, maid of honor; Stacy Genovese of Irving, Angela Sargent of Talco and Andrea Marshall of Daingerfield were bridesmaids. They were gowned in floor length red velvet dresses and carried bouquets of a white rose with greenery and baby's breath. Junior bridesmaids were Amy Kubes of Ft. Worth and Rachel Trowbridge of Aledo. Anna Reins of Mt. Pleasant served as flower girl.

The groom was accompanied by Paul Marshall of Ft. Worth, as best man. Jett Andrews of Winnsboro was ringbearer. Kenneth Marshall of Daingerfield, Jackie Whitney of Pampa and Joe Don Kubes of Ft. Worth were groomsmen. Seating the guests were Richard Genovese of Irving, Brett Thomas of Tyler and Craig Jones of Corsicana. Jennifer Carter and Carla Willman, both of Mt. Pleasant were candlelighters.

Following the ceremony, a reception was given by the bride's parents.

The bride's table was covered with a red cloth and white lace overlay. The four-tiered bridal cake was accented with pearls and topped with miniature bride and groom. Cake and punch were served by Tiffany Easley of Talco and Melanie Tidwell of Sumner.

The chocolate groom's cake was topped with dipped whole strawberries served by Carol Nolen of Denton.

Serving at the register for the wedding and reception was Lindsey Marshall of Ft. Worth.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents on Saturday night in Mt. Pleasant following the wedding rehearsal.

The couple's wedding trip was a Caribbean cruise. They are now at home in Marietta, GA.



Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Kyle Marshall

Johntown Locals

By Jana Hawkins
632-5174

Pastor Roddy and Brenda Jackson hosted their annual Christmas Open House at the Johntown Missionary Baptist Church parsonage on December 17th. All church members were invited. They served a dinner of chicken and spaghetti.

Dustin Cox spent the night Friday with Tommy, Joyce and Glenda Cox.

The members of the Johntown Missionary Baptist Church would like to thank everyone who come to enjoy the Live Nativity Scene.

Mark and Jana Hawkins enjoyed fishing on Lake Fork Saturday night. Mark weighed in with a 12 and 1/2 lb. catfish.

Billie Pirtle hosted a Christmas party at her home for nineteen ladies of the Johntown Missionary Baptist Church Tuesday night, December 12th. The younger ladies honored seven of the senior ladies of the church by serving them a chicken spaghetti dinner with all the trimmings. Each of the seven ladies were presented with a guardian angel pin.

Jesse Harville was honored with a party at Thomas Park in Bogata for his 6th birthday, Saturday, Dec. 17. A karate cake and punch were served. Those attending were Sarah Jean, Chris Shirley, Micah Haynes, Matthew Haynes, Shere Roach, Jeffrey Abernathy, Kyla Harville, Loree Roach, Billie Pirtle, Vernon and Wootie Harville, Lynn Knight, Cindy Abernathy, Mikel Haynes, Brian, Robin and Jesse Harville.

The younger ladies sang Christmas carols and entertained with special songs. The senior ladies who attended were Reba Cecil, Oleta McAllister, Gwendolyn Bowen, Lucillle Childers, Vaughdean Lee, Josephine Sales and Lee Hood. Other ladies attending were Margie Walker, Brenda Jackson, Susan Shirley, Jana Hawkins, Suzy Glasener, Clara Gaddis, Robin Harville, Darla Brunson, Dana Anderson, Freda Jean, Myra Jean and Billie Pirtle.

Lana Pirtle is home from college for the Christmas holidays.

Sean Robertson is wished Happy Birthday.

Births

Kayla Paige Johnson arrived December 14, weighing 6 lbs. 1 oz. to Bubba and Michelle Johnson of Talco. Grandparents are Sandra Milner of Mt. Pleasant, Mert Milner of Sugar Hill, Mary Ann Johnson of Sugar Hill and the late Cotten Johnson. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. L.D. Richeson.

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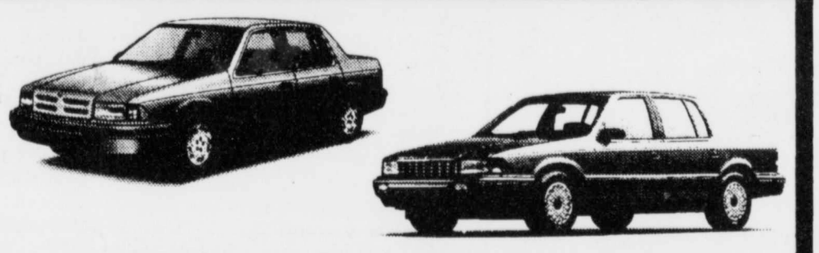
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Thank you,
Jason Jones

Dear Santa,
I want an aquarim, car racetrack, black beaty tape to wach, lion king toys, and trautle hose, and Trullbarie, and a real hamter.
Love,
Courtney Boyd

Dear Santa,
I want a tool set and a walk man and a six by six and a game called don't break the Ice. and a modl car. And a gocrt and ax.
Matthew Ross

Dear Santa,
I want some light up tennis shoes and a new gun and some water paints O.K.
Love,
Donnie Ray Gaddis Gentry Jr. (D.J.)age 5
P.S. I hope all little boys have something nice. Girls too, I guęss.

Dear Santa,
I want some some light up tennis shoes and a new gun. And I'd love to rope up old Rudolph and ride him, please.
Love,
Dustin Gentry (Age 3)

North Pole
Santa,
Please send me some hunting boots.
Cole

Dear Santa,
My name is Ryan Kennedy, and I think I have been a pretty good boy this year. I would like to have a fire coat, fire pants, and fire boots just like my daddy's. A fire truck, police car, ambulance, a lego table, and some lego blocks, a tape recorder and some tapes, and I would really like some Power Ranger stuff. A dalmation dog named "Smokey", and a train set.
I'll leave some cookies on the table in case you need a snack.
Love,
Ryan Kennedy

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a six wheel car and a basketball. and some boots. Please send me 3 pairs of pants. Also I want 2 long sleeve shirts. And a model of a wasp, and a goose neck trailer. I also want a pocket TV and Cool tools.
By Chris Cannon
in Cuthand, Tx.
P.S. I want a rock castle that has little men in it.

Dear Santa,
I would like to have some candy. I would like to have a bog of switches to play with.Santa I been good somtimes, and Santa I mint give some cany for you to eat. And I like your slay, and don't furget a orange.
O.W. King

Dear Santa,
I would like a bike of Christmas and that would be all.
Your friend,
John Brown

Dear Santa,
We will be at Grandma's and I have been good. Please bring me a Barbie Jeep and Barbie Dolls, clothes. Shoes and Boot. Coloring Books and a hat. And shotgun.
Have a safe trip
Lillian

Dear Santa,
Would you please bring me a BB gun, (red rider) a train set (with batteries) I would like my 4 front teeth. And some new cloths. I would like a trampoline for my brother, sister and Christmas, then melt the next . And I Wish everybody a very Merry Christmas.
Love always,
Robert Guinn

Dear Santa,
I want a TV. I want a pink clock. I want a Dreamland baby, I want a whisper art set, and some clothes. I will see you the 24. I will leave you some milk and cookies.
Love
Katie Mankins

Dear Santa,
I have been the best that I could be this year. I would like to have any Power Ranger Movie, a pick for my guitar and anything else you think I might like.
If you can, bring my pets something too. I'll be waiting for you.
Love
Brian Hays

Dear Santa,
I want any size barbie, Mr. bucket game, talking baby, barbie corvett,Kidd and giggles doll and the nightmare before Christmas tape. I will leave you some milk and cookies.
Love,
Erica Moreno

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas!! I have been a pretty good girl this year. I would like clothes and a keyboard for Christmas. I would love to ride in your sleigh, too. Plesae be careful.
Love,
Johna Ingram, 2nd grade

Dear Santa,
I want a Seg A Genisis. I want a remote race carora remote truck.
R.C.Pitts

Dear Santa,
I want a lot of toys good. I want a lot of them. Santa I hope you will get me a lot of cloes to and some shuises and a lot more frinds. But I hope you are my frind but I hope you are because I want a lot of frinds to. Santa it is fun being aroued frineds and femly to.
Casey

Dear Santa,
I hope you know I want toys and a Rikoe and a new puppy. Thank you Santa.
Haley Hawkins

Dear Santa
I want a telephone I am in 1. I also want a Magic tea Party .
Love,
Lauren Beers

Dear Santa,
I would like a toy double barrell shotgun, a dump truck, a 4 wheeler and a bow and arrow. Please bring me a pair of work boots. And please come again next year.
Cole Sheffield

Dear Santa
I want a power Ranger Picture.
No Name

Dear Santa,
I would like a secret talk Besty Topsytail doll Secret keepen pup's jungle grinds a angle that say's this little light of mine I'm going to let it shine Tatootledoll!
By Kerri

Dear Santa,
I want atipe writer for Christmas, i have been good! Well not very gold sumtimes i get in fights with my sister. I'm sorry if you can't read my cursove writing. Well I don't know if I'm supposed to be writing in cusove. But I don't think the teacher will not get masd becouse I'm writting a letter too Santa clouse. Well I'v got to go so I gusse I'll see you latter. Buy
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Dear Santa
I wood like a bike Skas Puppy TV VCR babby Clows shoes horse books ice skas barbe
No Name

Dear Santa.
I want for Christmis is a new remote control doll doll where it is as big as me. And a horse that walk. And a Barbe. And a sabre
Kacy Harper

Dear Santa,
I want lots of presents. I want a horse, a real rope, a saddle, and I want my horse to rock.
I want a fishing pole and some real worms. I want a Barney.
I love you Santa Claus,
Anthony Watkins age 4

Dear Santa,
I would like for Christmas a barbie, two dolls, a barbie car, a doll house, a Ken doll, a big bouncie ball, and a TV set.
Love,
Staci Whitaker

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I want this Boots, watch band, clothes, hat , ring.
Camelia Mankins

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I want this Boots, watch band, clothes, hat, ring.
By Camelia Mankins

Dear Santa,
My name is Beverly Frances Galyean. I live at 404 N. Main. Bogata. I'd like you to bring me a barbie car and a jeep, a bird cage, and my sister neme is Rebecca Lee Galyean. She's two. Please bring her a baby doll and a night time barbie!
I Love You,
Thank you
Beverly Galyean

Dear,
I hope you bring me a Power Ranger suit.
Love Jason

Dear Santa,
Please bring mom some make-up, bring did some new shoes, and new pants, Santa bring me my size Barbie, new Marker, and tapes.
Love
Saleena Whitaker

Dear Santa,
I want a toy donkey. I want a toy game and a 4 toy horses. Dear Santa, wood, you get my a little breyer a horse. Dear Santa, I want a toy barbie car. I want a toy Santa.
Mandy Crawford

Dear Santa,
I want a rabbit, a horse, a dog a beeper, a gun
Aaron Palmer

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Thank you,
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Mandy Crawford

Dear Santa,
I want a rabbit, a horse, a dog a beeper, a gun.
Aaron Palmer

Dear Santa,
I want a keyboard and roller skates and thats all really.
Your good little girl,
Traci Jackson

Dear Santa,
I would like a game called 3 in 1, a petet gun, a hat, a motorcycle, a pair of roller blades, a sond bat and ball, and a football, a soccer ball, a sled, a reaf, a t shirt, a piar of shoes, a belt, and a pair of pants.
Love
Justin Tucker

Dear Santa:
I hope you ar fine. Please bring me a Twist 'N Style Tiffany Doll, a Baby Sitter's Club doll, Tetris 2, Barbie Walkie talkies and Walking stilts.
Love
Koren Hawkins

Dear Santa
I would like a bike, and a Life game. I would like some new movies. I would like jewelry, and a red suit like yours. Thank you for brining what you could and hope to see you soom Santa Claus. I hope you have fun on your visit. Eat Well.
Thank you,
Love Crystal

Dear Santa Claus,
Will you bring me cool tools and a pair of cool shoes steel toe, and a pair of cool pants and some cool shirts of the Dallas Cowboys and a football game and 2 football suits with w footballs.
Donnie Burns

Dear Santa,
This year I want a cowboy hat, spurs, steer rope, riding glove, power ranger watch, new boots, a 22, arrows, sega genius, and mortal combat and a puppy. Candy, shells gor 22 the movie 8 seconds. roller blads hocky stick gun case CD player
Michael Miles

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Power Ranger guild fire truck doctor Dreadful, Power ranger tooth brush and some walkie talkies
Thank you
Keith Williams

Dear Santa,
I want a Bible, littlest pet shop, and computer games and barby doll. Please bring my sisters Molly and Katie a surprise. I love you
Sarah Anne Hare

Dear Santa,
How ar you doing? I am doing fine!. I would like to have a new bike, mine is tore up. and I would like to have a Barbie camera a play oven that cooks real food. I would won't Hugry, Hungry Hippo. I have ben real good. I would like to have a fashion doll house with furniture and all.
Written by Stehanie.

Dear Santa,
I want a 300 4 wheeler, Hunting knif, dart board and darts, jump shot gun, box of beef jerky, couple pairs of jeans, pellets, gun darts B.B.s I love you!
Wesley Roberts

Deaar Santa claus
My name is Brantly. I have been a good boy. I would like a Rock and Roll guitar, a set of drums, a super nintendo, a trubo triple wheel also a train set. Thank you very much Santa.
your Friend
Brantly

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this year. I wont a super nintendo and a game boy. I would also like a truck and also a new BB gun. I will will see you Christmas and I will leave you milk and cookies.
Thank You
Brandon Williams

Dear Santa:
I want you to bring me a motorcycle, a race car, a pony, a new Ninja Turtle movie, some play guns, some books, and some puzzles, a bow and arrow with a toy deer.
I will leave you some cookies and milk. I tries to be a good boy most of the time. I love you and hope to see you soon!
Brad Haley

Dear Santa,
I think I was good, and so if you think I was, then here's the things that I want. I would like a TV, a VCR, a Video Painter, a Tattootles doll, a Boob box, a Baby alive, light up Reebok, 4 pair of blue jeans, a necklace and I hope I get a baby Brother in May.I love you Santa. Ho Ho Ho Ha Ha Ha.
Love,
Holly D. Jean

Dear Santa
I want a Barbie My Size Barbie Barbie Car Long Hair barbie Barbie House earrings Teddy Bear.
From Britiny

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a power Ranger Bike, and power Ranger Nintendo game, car set and games. Please bring my brother david nintendo game to. I love you Santa claus. Thanks Santa!
Love,
Chris Watts

Dear Santa,
Please bring me drums and power shop tools.
Lee Ryan Jordan

Dear Santa,
I would like for you to brins me a set of roller blades and knee pads and a helmet. I would like to have a pretty doll and lots of clothes
Your friend
Tiffany

Dear Santa,
My name is Jesse Harville. I live in Johntown Tx. Would you please bring me a new bow and arrow, a red camping knife, and some power ranger gloves. Thank you:
I love you,
Jesse

Dear Santa,
I want a 4 wheeler . I want a trampolene. I want some clothes. I want a sports car. I want a puppy. I want some roller blades. I want a dart throw. I want a baby sister. But I have ben bad.
Elizabeth Lynann Sivard

Dear Santa,
I would really like chaps and spurs. A horse would work too! If you can't fit t a horse in your sleigh. Then a bicycle will do. Also a pocket knife, new boots and a new cowboy hat. Be careful on your way.
Love
Dusty Roads

Dear Santa,
I want some roller skates for Christmas. I would also like a house dog. Can I please have a Barbie House, too? I want a toy lion King that makes sounds and a radio and TV for my room. Please Santa Bring me a little jeep I can ride in. Please Santa, I love you. I am sure I have been a good girl.
Thank you Santa.
Love ,
Sarah Beth Jean

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a saga genmies, ring and cloths for Christmas. If that is not too much trouble to ask. I have been a good girl this year.
Thank you.
Michelle Bryant
P.S. Do not forget my roller skates.

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a jam box. The Lion King toy Simba that talks. A four weeler and a cordless telephone. I would also like a Lion King watch.
Thanks,
Alysa Hildebrand

Dear Santa,
All I want from you is a telephone any color I don't care just please get me a telephone.
Thank you.
Love,
Ashley Beers

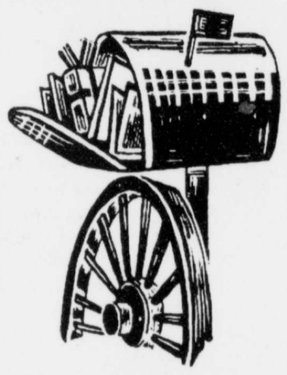
Dear Santa,
I would like to have My Size Barbie, and a stuffed puppy that walks and barks, and a kitty that meows. Also I would like to have a little mermaid purse and pillow. I would like you to bring my sister, Stephanie a new dress and dancing shoes. And thank you for everything you gave me last year. Please bring mama a new gown and Daddy a new Dallas cowboy's cup for X-mas. And bring my Puppy's a new squeking toy.
Love, your friend
Ashley Durham



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A time filled with friends, family and prayer.
A time when strangers were welcomed
with open arms,
A time to sing God's many praises
in hymns and psalms.
In these modern times,
it's good to remember,
The gentler days of
past Decembers
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change, it's true...
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Bogata Letters To Santa

Dear Santa
Dear Santa, I want a bike for Christmas and I hope you have a great time with the elves making all of the toys.
Love,
Amanda Middleton

Dear Santa,
I want a bicycle, a street Hockey game, and some new clothes and please bring my brothers something.
Micah Nicole Upchurch

Dear Santa,
My name is Carter and I'm trying to be a good boy. Please bring me a car to push and ride, a talking phone, and a tabletop activity center.
I'll leave you milk and cookies.
Your friend,
Carter Kelsey
P.S. Please don't forget my 7 cousins. They try to be good.

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Crystal, and for Christmas. I would like a new bike, a Baby Alive that cries, and a Bicycle Barbie that rides a bicycle. I ahve been good. I am in Pre K, and I love it, so anything else you want to leave me, along with some nuts and fruit will be fine.
Merry christmas to you.
Love,
Crystal

Dear Santa Claus,
I want Playhouse, Barbie Corvette, roller blades, and bicycle, Samantha doll and clothes.
Love
Bailie Spencer
Thank You. I am six.

Dear Santa,
I want you to give me the bell on your sligh and a BArbie car that runs or a Geep and Santa Claus and a real bed too and a play kitchen set, and a santa claus suit . Play money and a real crib and a lot lot lot lot of presents and a play Limosine and a tree house and a picture of god and new roller shates to and my own TV set.
Erika

Dear Santa,
For Christmas this year, I want a jeep and a 22 pistol. I also want a 4 wheeler and a football. With that I want a football tee and a mini basketball goal. I have been a good boy. I will leave you milk and cookies.
Thank You,
Chris Shirley
P.S. I also want a horse if possible.
P.P.S. My sister wonts clothes.

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. Would you please bring me a Barbie that swims, a big trampoline, a Barbie with triplets. Barbie car and a play house. I will leave you cookies and milk on the bar.
Love you,
Rockelle Tolison

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie Car that You can drive in. I thank you for last year for giving me a baby doll.
Crystal Howerton

Dear Santa,
I want a back pack, bicycl and a purse, new clothes.
I love you, Santa.
Love,
Melissa Shoes

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am just fine. I have been a good girl this year at school and I have been kind of good at home. Sometimes my sister fights with me and sometimes I fight back. I love my teacher. She is so sweet and pretty. Her name is Miss Kenndy. She wants a new dress and a new pair of earrings for Christmas from you. O.K. I want a ring and a toy toy from you. My best friend wants a new pair of earrings from you. Ok. My mom wants a new house and a new ring from you for Christmas from you. My daddy wants a new pair of boots from you for Christmas.
Love
Brittany Brown

Dear Santa
My Name is Mayra Alejandra Arroliga. I's 6 years old. I would to have some Barbi dolls and a bicycle for me and my four year old sister, Laura Beatrice. Thank you for remembering us on Christmas.
I love you forever Santa.
Alejandra Arroliga

Dear Santa,
I want a 2-XL, a power Ranger's gloves, and a game gean with sonic and Knuckle Knuckles, thanks, Santa.
Kelsey

Dear Santa
This is what a want for Christmas a cedar chest skates. Dress black lace ups operation game tatootie baby all gone This year I have been very good so I hope you bring me lost of presents.
From
Jessica Renee Fenner

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a barbby doll that dances, lunch box, swimm pool
Daniell

Dear Santa,
I want a little puppy that's cute and sweet and will snuggle with me in bed. Will you bring me a real puppy dog. I want a twisting hair baby doll. I want a Barbie doll with a bicycle and helmet. Santa I want a little kitten too. I love Santa Claus, Saint Nickolas.
I love you,
Sherea

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year. I am sorry that I lied to Mama. I won't hit Buck any more. Please bring me a computer that paints, a Mrs. Doubtfire tape and some blue jeans. Bring Buck a cowboy hat. I live at Grandmollie's house. I will leave you some cookies and milk
I love you,
Micah

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie jeep and a Barbie corvet and a bike and some roller blades. size 12. and something for Wayne and Wesly and Niki please.
Love,
Jessie Alford

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a telephone Tammy Baby Checkup tape player with a cicrephone Snow White Movie.
Love,
Cortney

Dear Santa,
I want a pogo stick, puppy dog, gumball machine, ball gun, great adventure Castle, a Cowboy hat, spurs, and a pair of boots, a bullrope, tape from 8 seconds.And please bring Mommy and Chelsea and Daddy and Cailie some presents. I will leave you milk and cookies on Christmas eve.
I love you,
Collin Alford

Dear Santa,
Jeanett, whis to have a babby checkup for X mas clothes, shoes and make up and pace on Earth and Good will to all.
Dear Santa, if you whould bring this to us it whold be so nice.
Thank you ,
Jeanette DeCrane

Dear Santa,
I would like a Growling T-rex, a bean bag, a yellow sword, a Dr. Dreadful Drink Lab, a Utah Raptor, a Super Nintendo, and a blue power ranger. I've been a good boy this year and I'll leave you some milk and cookies.
Love
Callen Morgan

Dear Santa,
I want you to know that I have been a fairly good boy this year and I would like to leave you this short note of what I would like to have for Christmas. I would like to have a 4 wheeler but I know that might be a little bit to expensive. I would ask for a 10 speed if I don't get a four wheeler and a Flip Phone Walkie Talkie and a magic works, and a taz mania devil puppet. Please don't forget my mom, dad, and my big brother.
Love,
Zachery Perry

Dear Santa,
All I want for Christmas is Peace on Earth and good will tward men. I also want homeless people to have a home and the poor to have money and the needy to have what they need.
Your nice and sweet little girl,
Beckie Ann Belcher

Dear Santa,
I want a roller blade pads, and a Steel Tea set. Easy Bake oven food, Sega Genises. Something for Wayne, Wesly and Jessica
Love Niki Alford

Dear Santa,
Tatoodles, Bicycle Barbie BArbies stamper set hats off to Barbie BArbie Fashion Littlest pet shop manic mouse Don't wake Daddy This is what I want for Christmas
Love,
Latessa

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle , trampoline, cowboy clothes, hampster, boots, jack in Box.
Rudy Ross

Dear Santa,
I want a little cat and a doll that will talk on some clothes with glitter on them and some shoes with decorations on it and a teddy Bear with a bow on it and a stocking too
Holli Bush

Dear Santa;
I have been real good Please bring me a Dr. Dreadful lab, C.D. Player and roller Blades and some more neat stuff. Please be good to all the other kids too.
Your Friend,
Anthony Hearn

Dear Santa
I have been good. I want some games. I want some clothes. I want some boots. My Mom wants some boots too. My sister wants a pina. I want a diamond ring. Please send me everything and anything.
Love
Courtney Brown

Dear Santa,
I would most like a pony a kitten, and the Angel that says this littel light of mine I'm going to lot it shine, a pretty dress, the most butifulest barbie in the wold. Thank you! Merry Chrimas! ps. will you give Mrs. Kennedy a butiful dress
Kristin Simmons

Dear Santa,
I have beeen very good so I can get the things I want. I'll tell you what I want real bad first. I want a twenty two and bullets. And I want a real horse and a bike. And I want a mud bike too. I want a toy farm.
Your pal,
Brent Middleton

Dear Santa,
I would like a tv, a nerf gun, a remote control car, a talkboy.
Love,
Jeremy Mankins

Dear Santa,
Dear Santa I have been a good boy. Please bring me a trampoline. Electric train, Super Nintendo, Samll Back hoe, Watch that glows, Bok of Bible Stories,
Thank you,
Mark Allums

Dear Santa,
I havebeen good Santa have you been ok. I telling what I want for Christmas a twenty two and some overalls and a laceup boot and a clothes and a BB gun
Love,
Jeffrey Abernathy

Dear Santa,
I have been good all year around; I would like a bean bag, ring pop up computer, Dream phone a baby cat, gocart and my brother would like a new bow and arrow
Love,
Kyla Harville

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this yeara and I would like a new bicycleand a lot of toys, a bynch of candy I don't want a bag of switches BB gun instead. I want a remote controle car for my brother. I wan't some roller blades to. I want a lot of clothes I want a new gun for my other brother
Alex Davidson

Dear Santa
My brother be does not believe in you, But you know I do for Zmas I want a diesel truck like at KMast and a bike and a shiney bell off your sleigh.
Billy Stewart

Dear Santa
I want a good tell a phone and T.V. I want a dress and a exersizing softe and a wakeing musher and I love you. And some shose for me and some makeup too. Santa Close and I want Little Topatel too
Heather

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a bike and a deck of cards. I would lik some games to play. I would like some new movies. I would like some roller skates. I would like some clothes like Santa's colthes and I would like some boots like Santa.
Nichole

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a bike and a pair of roller blade skates
Angy

Dear Santa,
I would like a Barbie Doll House and a coloring book and crayons. I have been a pretty good girl this year. Thank you for the presents last year
Love,
Wendy Stewart



Happy Holidays



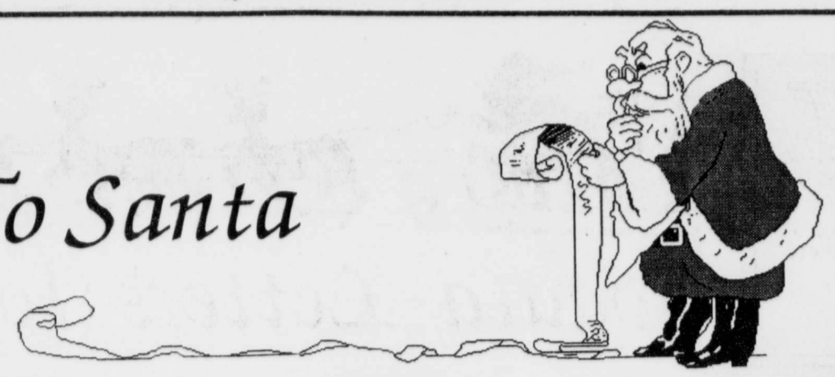
Home Sweet Home

As the season of celebration approaches, we'd like to extend our warmest wishes to all our good neighbors.

Red River County Commissioner Pct. #1
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Talco Letters To Santa



Dear Santa,
I have been very good and nice. What I want for Christmas is a My SizeBarbie, Telephone Tammy, a ring, High Stepper horse, and Bride Barbie.
I will leave you milk and cookies.
I hope you bring my brother a go-cart and a four-wheeler.
I want let my dog bit the back of your reindeers' feet.
I love you,
Tracy Galloway

Dear Santa,
I have been good sometimes. I can't wait until Christmas.
I want My Size Barbie, and a Barbie car, and a totally hair Barbie.
I love you,
Lorena Parker

Dear Santa,
I hope you bring me some new shoes, one new clothes, some new boots, a new hat, and a baby brother.
I will leave you some milk.
I love you,
McKenzie Ellis

Dear Santa,
I would like you to bring me an ultimator, a rattler, and riccashade. Then I would like you to bring me shoes, and some pillows and forbidden bridge.
I love you,
Clinton VanDever

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a dog for Christmas. I hope I get it. If I don't get it, I will be hoping you bring me a Super Nintendo or a Kitty in my Pocet. I hope you will bring them too. But if you don't, I will be hoping that I will get a crocedile dentist.
Sincerely,
Kristi Cooksey

Dear Santa,
I have like the way you came! Would you bring a Super Nintendo, a Sega, please. I have been good this year. Would you bring me a Lion King game with the Sega and a motorcycle, a four-wheeler and a bow and arrow.
Thank you,
John Graf

Dear Santa,
I can hardly wait until Christmas. I would like a turbo wheel, power ranger, race track, a nerf and a bazard.
I love you,
Robert Jones

Dear Santa,
I wish you would bring me a wheel sleigh, Power Ranger toy, a toy robot, Bat Man Shirt, remote car, and Power Ranger sword. Please bring Mom a beautiful ring because I lost her other one at school and I can't find it. Please bring Dad a Tonka truck and a hay truck. Please bring my sister a Barbie, Barbie car, Barbie clock and a Barbie My Size. Now back to me. Bring me a sleigh with sixty reindeer with Rudolf at the front so I can fly with you, Santa. Kids will love it. And two mats--like in the gym.
Love - your friend,
Corey Branch

Dear Santa,
I have been good for Christmas. I want to have a High Stepper, horse and aKitty in my Pocket for my sister. I have been nice to her and my brother has been nice sometimes. I want a Lion King game.
I will leave something good.
I love you,
Thank you,
Kendra Birchfield

Dear Santa,
I have been nice this year. I hope you bring me a Sega, a bow and arrow, a four-wheeler, a nerf gun, nerf bazooka, metor yok, rattler, madden, riccachet, tweny-two gun, power ranger race track.
I'm going to go to bed early.
I love you,
Mogan Wright

Dear Santa,
I want a My Size Barbie for Chrismas. I want a Dreamland Barbie. I want a Kitty in my Pocket. I am going to leave you some cookies and milk. The last thing I want is a TV and a VCR. I want to get Mis Grissoma ring.
I love you,
Leslie Richeson

Dear Santa,
I can't wait until Christmas. Can you bring me a Dreamland doll, a Super Nintendo for Christmas, a Kitty in my Pocket and an eraser. I want a pottie train baby. I want a Sarah doll for Christmas.
I am going to leave some cookies out for you and some milk. I will go to bed early for you.
I love you,
Dellavee Waller

Dear Santa,
I think I've been good this year. Look in the kitchen and I will leave you a good surprise for your way back.
Can you please give me a Dancing Barbie doll and a Dreamland doll? And leave Miss Grissom a surprise too.
Love,
Sarah Hargrove

Dear Santa,
I want a bob cat. I want a high Stepper Horse. I want a Super Nintendo. I want a Kitty in my Pocket.
I hope you do not get bit. I hope Roudolph feels better. I'm going to leave cookies and milk.
I love you,
Lacie Hinton

Dear Santa,
I would like a red Power Ranger toy, a firetruck, a Power Ranger movie, a basketball set, and a big toy jeep. I would like a western suit for my mom, and some cologne for my dad. I would like to get a capgun for my brother. I would like you to get all of my aunts some perfume, and I would like you to get all of my un cles some cologne too. I would like you to get my friend, Cody, a firetruck, too.
Santa, you are nice and I will leave some cookies and milk out for you.
Yours truly,
Aaron Gage

Dear Santa,
I want a diamond ring and a My-Size Barbie. I hope you bring my mama a bucket of gold. My daddy wants a gun. Please bring my sister a doll and my brother a play gun.
Love,
Grace Smith

Dear Santa,
I can hardly wait until Christmas. For Christmas I would like you to bring my brother a soft ball. I would like you to bring my sister Telephone Tammy. I would like you to bring me a Highstepper my pocket, and a Lion King Game for super Nintendo.
I will leave you some kind of chocolate. I will leave Roudolph some carrots.
Love,
Cassie McCuller

Dear Santa,
I want an Ultimator, a Forbidden Bridge, a car set, some handcuffs, guns; a Riccashade and a bazooka and a play sword.
Sincerely yours,
Sonny Paredes

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I hope you bring me a twenty two for Christmas, and Stell Tech for Christmas.
I will leave you some cookies and milk.
Sincerely, your friend,
Cody Morgan

Dear Santa,
I want a VCR with some tapes with it. I want equipment for a treehouse. I want a barbie car so I can ride in it. And I want some rollerskates.
Merry Christmas,
Heather Cox

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like you to bring me a nintendo game with tv and vcr. I would like a 96 crayon b ox of crayons. I would like a pair of hi-top tennis shoes with flowers on the side and the flowers light up.
Merry Christmas,
Hugs and kisses,
Chassity

Dear Santa,
Would you please bring me a bicycle and a my-size barbie, a telephne Tammy, a playhouse and a bar-beque grill. I also want a ring.
Your friend,
Melissa Norman

Dear Santa,
I would like a big, red fire truck, all the Ninja Turtles and Powerangers, and also a new brother. My sister wants a red Barbie. My brother wants a bicycle with a water bottle. My Dad wants a bicycle for Ginger. My mom wants jewelry. I will leave you cookies and milk.
Your friend,
Cody

Dear Santa,
I would like you to bring me a Barbie Doll Jeep. Some nice clothes, Babie shoes, and a Barbie house. Would you bring my mom a purse and my dad wants some pants. Santa, I love you. I thank you for all of the presents. I will leave you some milk and cookies when you come. Will you bring my brother a car to drive to school in. I want you to bring my sister some Dallas Cowboy clothes, a doll for Erica and a doll for Monique.
Your friend,
Megan

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a pink Barbie, a phone to call my cousins, a stuffed butterfly, the whole set of Power Rangers, some Cheerleader clothes, a pledge allegiance flag, a playhouse, kitty-cat, and some jewelry and make-up. I'll leave cookies, milk, and my green froggy. I haven't been good this year, but I still deserve this stuff. I love and miss you and I put up my Christmas Tree for you.
Your friend,
Malorie

Dear Santa,
My name is Daniel Lee Brown. I want lots of toys, but these are the ones I want most cool tools, toy race car track, a western outfit, a Power Ranger, a basketball goal, a pool table, a four wheeler, a go-cart, Sega Genesis, a dirt bike, some trucks and cars, a Power Rangers game, and a v.c.r., and an alarm clock.
Sincerely yours,
Daniel Lee Brown

Dear Santa,
My name is Chez and I want a cowboy hat, a B-B gun, a shotgun, and new cowboy boots. Please bring my daddy a tractor with keys and bring my mamma a pencil, a flag, and a notebook. Please bring my sister, Grace, a cowgirl jacket, strong bones, a cowgirl shirt, and a BB gun.
Always,
Chez Smith

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bear, gun, a truck, soccerball, baseball bat, a bird, basketball, a basketball goal. I would also like a camel, snake, football, and a pair of shoes. I would also like a football tee, a mask, flag, and a folder. I would also like a pencil, pen, bookmarker and last of all a sword.
Your friend,
Larmie Lum

Dear Santa,
I want some stuffed animals. I want some shoes and clothes. I want a typewriter. My brother wants a computer and a game. My mom wants a sing-a-louds. My dad wants an antenna.
Lyssa Price

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a pony, Barbie doll, a pretty dress, and some hair bows. Bring my mother one pretty pair of shoes. Bring my dad a cowboy hat and tools. My brother likes rabbits.
Santa, I will leave some cookies and a glass of milk.
Love,
Jessica Kay

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GREETINGS

Here's wishing you the best of holidays with friends and loved ones all around you!

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MERRY CHRISTMAS TO OUR LOYAL FRIENDS

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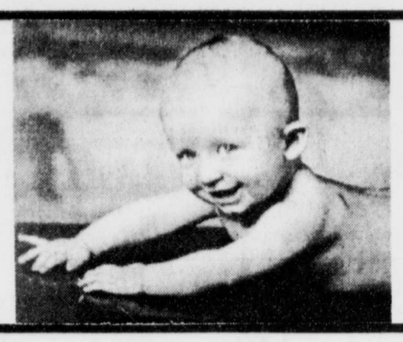
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Talco Letters To Santa



Dear Santa Claus,
Will you please bring me a television for my room. I also want you to bring my sister a Troy Aikman jersey or a television. Please bring my baby sister a backyard bar-b-q. Will you bring my dad a bottle of cologne. I also want you to bring my mom a very pretty ring.
Your friend,
jamie Wilson

Dear Santa,
Could you please bring me Treasure Pocks Treasure Box for Christmas. And my mom some bluejeans. I would also like it if you would bring my sister a new born baby. My step dad would realy like like some new cologne called "Old Spice." Merry Christmas.
Thank you,
Tiffani Cooksey

Dear Santa,
I want a barbie for Christmas. I want a jeep for the barbie. I want some shoes for Christmas. I want a present for Sonny. I want a present for Mrs. Clemmons because I like her.
Love,
Carmen Ontiveros

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and some silly string. For Mom and Dad I want a ring and a knife. For my two sisters I want a diary and a comody tape.
Love, Misti

Dear Santa,
I want a remote control barbie, a krimp and pony and baby doll, barbie my size bride and a big Santa coloring book. My brother wants a remote control train and lots of baby toys. My sister Kelsey wants a remote control pony that lights up. My sister Ardrea wants lots of Lisa France things. My mom wants a new car and Doug wants a new job. I will leave you some milk and cookies.
Love, Jessica Navia

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a car, tools, tent and a jeep. I have tried to be a good boy. I will leave you some milk and cookies.
Love, John Stephens

Dear Santa,
I will leave you some cookies. I would like you to bring me a b.b. gun. I would like a super Nintindo, and a Nerf bazooka, twenty-two gun, sissy bobcat, Power Ranger race track, Nerf gun.
Thank you, Dillon

Dear Santa,
I want Barbie and a Christmas tree. For my Dad I want stereo. For my Mom I want Jewlery. I've been really good.
Jennifer

Dear Santa,
The thing I like about Christmas is presents. I like you a lot. I would like a gun, a police car because I want to be a policeman, a motorcycle, a Christmas shirt, a plane, a Rivercrest shirt, a basketball goal, a basketball, and some candy. I would like my mom to have a car, and some clothes. I would like my dad to have a truck and working clothes. I would like my brother to have a motorcycle. I'd like my sisters to have some dolls.
Your friend,
Justain

Dear Santa,
I would like a blue fire truck, a remote controled deer that is red, a toy Santa Clause, a black dog, and a trampoline. I will leave chocolate milk and chocolate chip cookies. I hope you will bring me everything I want.
Blake

Dear Santa,
I want a sign that says KEEP OUT. I've been good. I want a Lion King stuffed animal. My mom wants a ring, necklace, makeup. My dad wants a new car, house. My big sister wants some clothes for her baby boy. My little sister wants a hat to go on her head. She wants a playhouse, a Power Wheel car, My Size Barbie doll, and I want an all different colored car from power wheel, kitchen set, bike, play frog, bubble lawn mower, and my own room, Power Wheel, car, shirt, and I want to see you, Santa.
Alex

Dear Santa,
I want a play gun and truck. For my brother he wants a airplane. For my sister she wants a barbie doll. For my little brother he wants a ball. For my dad he wants a new hat. For my mom she wants a new dress. Santa, my mom won't let me give you cookies and milk.
Love, Nane

Dear Santa,
I would like a barbie car and a barbie. My mom would like a baby bottles for the twins. My sister would like a phone book. I would also like a puzzle. I've been very good this year.
Your friend,
Brooke Hale

Dear Santa,
I want a tractor and a big truck. Mom wants a witch and a new lamp. Dad wants a deer hunting gun, and a new fishing rod. Kendra wants a barbie car and a new mirrow. Kala wants a horse and Barbie.
Cole Birchfield

Dear Santa,
I want a Swimming Barbie and a b-b gun for my brouther and for my sister a jumprope. I want a coloring book and colors for my grandmother some earrings and for my father a new jacket. I leave you some milk and cookies.
Rachel Smith

Dear Santa,
I wants a bike. I also wants a white ranger costume, and a pet duck, a pet shark, a pet alligator. For my mom I wants some perfume. For my dad I wants a dirt bike. I also wants a white power ranger and a sonic the hedge hog. I would like to leave some cookies out for Santa.
Robert Caul Rhoades

Dear Santa,
I would like a jeep car and a Barbie doll and Seret Talk Nan ce.
Love, Heather

Dear Santa,
I want a barbie. I want kittins on tv. I want treasure box. Mom wants a necklace. Dad wants a gun.
Shannon Hill

Dear Santa,
I want a skateboard, a black bicycle, and bow and arrow. Mom wants a shirt and a new car. Dad wants a truck and hat. I have been good this year. I will leave you some ornge juice and cookies.
Love,
Joshua Stephens

Dear Santa,
I want a pocket TV, ailian vs. predator, and for Dustin a robot that picks up his room and three motercycles and for Emily a small doll and a doll house and for mom some shiny dimonds and a hair barret with a shiny dimond and for dad calon and a new pillow.
Sincerely, Robert Rector

Dear Santa,
I would like a bike and a barbie and a bottle. I would like a car. I would like a puppy and a telephone and a dog.
Dawn Smith

Dear Santa,
I want My Size Barbie, glitter hair barbie (barnett), for Mamma a sterico, for Daddy a pocket knife. I've been a good girl. I'll leave you milk and cookies.
Love, Torrie Grissom

Dear Santa,
I want My Size Barbie, a cabage-patch chicken named Josh, for Danielle a cabage patch cow named Areial, for Brandi a sharpi puppy, I've been a good girl this year.
Love, Danica Easterling

Dear Santa,
I want a Baby Doll Prinses Jazman. I also want some crayons. For my brother I want footballs. For my other brother I want Barney raddels. For my mom I want glass cups. For my dad I want tools.
I'll leave some milk and cookies out for you.
Brittany Guth

Dear Santa,
I want a new Barbi Doll, new shoes, and new clothes.
Kayla Clemmons

Dear Santa,
I wish for a gogart. I wish for a T.V. I wish for a trampline. I ben a good girl.
Love,
Shalina Richeson

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a Harley jacket. A little one with chains on it and a big eagle on the back. I want a motorcycle with number one on it and it to be yellow. I want a picture of Rudolph. I will leave you cookies and milk.
Jon Hollands

Dear Santa,
GoCart, trampline, rickoshay, pool table, four wheeler, roller skats, and motorcycle. Please bring my brother a teddy bear.
Love,
Josh Weatherall

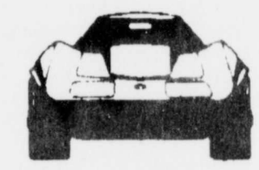
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Love, Kathryn

Dear Santa,
I want a trampoline. I want a bike. My sister wants a pair of shoes. My brother wants a Power Ranger Suit. My mom wants a ring. My dad wants a belt. My sister wants a T.V. My mom wants a watch. My dad wants a hat. I will leave you cookies and milk.
Love ya, Jessica Griffin

Dear Santa,
I would like a b.b. gun, bicycle, gocar and skate board. My sister wants a toy barbie that is her size, and camp barbie. My dad wants a dodge truck, four wheeler. My mom wants a new car and new dress. I also wants a new basketball and a basketball goal. I will leave you some cookies and milk.
Ronery

Dear Santa,
I want a my size barbie. I want my teacher to be good and have a good brain. My mom wants a gold ring. For my whole family a rose. For my dad a new truck. For my brother some new clothes. My whole family to watch me play basketball this year. That's all I want. I will leave you some apple pie and milk.
Whitney

Dear Santa,
I would like to have some dolls, a Barbie Jeep, and some play dishes. Megan would like to have a playhouse, a play computer, and Barbie Jeep. Moma would like to have a ring, necklace, and some new clothes. I've been a good girl this year. I am going to leave you some cookies and milk on the T.V.
Monique

Dear Santa,
I want a baby doll. I want a stroller. I want a barbie house. Mom would like ring with a diamond. Dad would like a black cowboy hat. My brother would like a 4-wheeler.
Amanda

Dear Santa,
I would like a talking Tammy. and a topsytail baby and a baby cheach up. And a baby doll jeep. Talkink teddy bear. And a book. and a doll that sings and some La gears. A for my mom a ring and a necklace and a car and some perse and some earrings and some tingshes and a new house. and a puppy and a volaball.
Monica

Dear Santa,
I want a barbie a play house and a car. For Mom shirt shoes and socks. For sister car and play house. For sister pants and basketball.
Suzy

Dear Santa,
I want a car and basketball. For mom and dad I want a ring and a truck. For my brother I want a plane for my sister a doll new shoes and sweater.
Love, Alberto

Dear Santa,
I want a super nes and a super scope six. For mom a hair bow and a necklace. For dad a razor and a 4 wheel drive 4-wheeler.
Love, Joshua McGee

Dear Santa,
I would like a remote control car and a Super Nintendo. My sister Christina would like a lot of money. My other sister would like a life size barbie. My dad would like a new gun. My mom would like a lot of jewelery.
Your friend,
Justin Cartledge

Dear Santa,
I want a water gun, a ten speed bike, and a telephone. I want a tricycle for my brother. I want a water gun for my other brother. I want agun for my dad. I want a ring for my mom.
Love, Troy

Dear Santa,
I would like a barbie doll and telephone Tammie. My brother badly wants a b-b gun. (Troy) L. B. would like a watergun. Derek wants a motorcycle. I also want a baby sister. My mom would like a Mustang. My dad would like a truck.
Your friend,
Cassandra Nrman

Dear Santa,
I want a play castle. I want a red flashlight. My brother wants a play tricycle. My mom wants a hairbrush. My dad wants a knife.
I'm going to leave you rice krispies and milk.
Melonie Smith

Dear Santa,
I want this for Christmas - Bardie, bicycle, Mom and Dad stuff, socks, pots. I have been very good thisyear so I want you to bring this stuff. I will leave you some milk and cookies.
Jessica Espinoza

Dear Santa,
I want Alien vs. Preditor, Sega, Sonic the HedgeHog. I want mom some jewlry. I want dad some tools. I'm going to leave you some cookies and milk on the kitchen table. I been a pretty good boy this year. I've got a new house so it's going to be hard to find me.
Andrew Deaton

Dear Santa,
I want a barbie and new shoes. Santa, I would like to give my mom a neaklace and earrings. There is one more thing I would like a backpack. Santa I would leave you cookies and milk out if my mom will let me. Give Mrs. Case a prasent.
Kayla Morgan

Dear Santa,
I want a Flipper dog, horse that talks, walks, and glows. For Logan I want a hunting cap. For my sister I want a walking horse. For my mom I want a FourWheeler. For my Dad I want cool stuff. I'll leave you some milk and cookies. I've been real good.
Camill Wright

Dear Santa,
I want a Sega C.D. and a Gameboy. My sister wants a Barbie doll house that folds up. My Dad wants tools and a 30 pistol. My Mom wants a new pair of boots. My other Sisy wants a Baby Doll that swims.
P.S. I'll leave you milk and cookies.

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I wants a motor cycle. I wants a doge truck. I wants a power ranger. I wants some shoes for my mom and dad, and some work close for my dad. For my brother I wants a Dodge truck for him. I will leave you some milk and cookies.
Colton Martin

Dear Santa,
I want my size babie and a cocker spaniel and a pony. For Mom a rose ballon and a glass rose. For Dad clothes. For baby brother a rattle.
Alex Whight

Dear Santa,
I would like a watch and a bike and some toys and would like a house to. and I would like a chrismas tree. I would like and I would like some preasents and a techno zoid and I would like a bird and my sister like a bike and a puzzle and a car and a barbie and one puppy and two dogs.
Derek Morris

Dear Santa,
I wanta toy horse for Christmas. I also want a cowboy hat and a gun to go with my toy horse. One more thing I want is a toy farm with a barn. I want a toy truck for my brother. I also want a Mom necklace for my Mom. I want a tool box for my dad. I'll leave you milk and cookies.
XOXOXO, Destry Nolen

Dear Santa,
I would like a Bride Doll collection and a execise Barbie. Garie would like trains. My mom would like a glass stain hangup thingy. My dad likes dogs. I'll leave you some jello and Koolaid.
Love, Carissa Carroll

Dear Santa,
I want a swimming pool and some floats to go with it. My brother would like a kerodi movie. My sister would like a motorcyhcle. Andria. My mom would like a female dog. My dad would like a boy cat.
Your friend,
Kelsey Clark
P.S. Please hurry.

Your friend, Joshua Cox

Dear Santa,
I want a computer and a trampoiline. Mom wants some head phones and necklace. Dad wants a watch and a hat. Leave Kille switches. I will leave you a Christmas tree and milk.
Love, Matt



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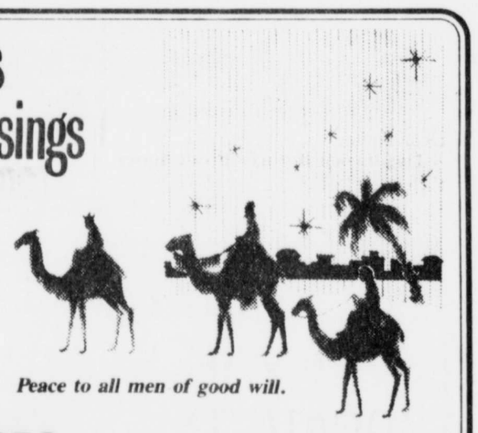
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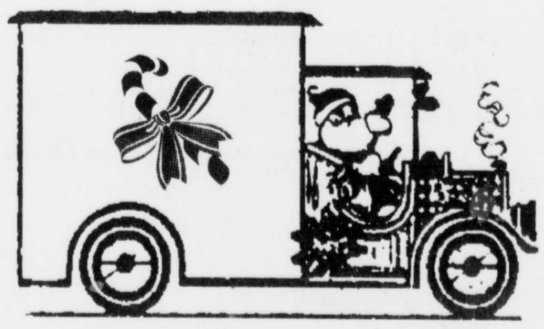


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Rivercrest Lady Rebels Play In Invitational Basketball Tournament

The Rivercrest Lady Rebels participated in the Freeman Parrish Invitational Basketball Tournament, December 15, 16, 17.

In the first round the Lady Rebs defeated a very strong Quinlan Ford J. V. team 39-37. Michelle Giles hit the front end of a one and one situation to tie the game with 40 seconds left. Quinlan Ford tried to move the ball down court, but tenacious defense by Amber Spencer forced a turn-over. Jana Weatherall drove the left side of the basket and allyooped a pass in to a double teamed Michelle Giles who banked the ball high off the glass for the game winner with ten seconds left. Amber Spencer once again took the ball away from the Quinlan Ford team and the horn sounded.

In the second round semi-final game, the Lady Rebs faced the home team of North Hopkins. The game was very physical throughout. The Lady Rebs were charged with 31 fouls versus 12 for North Hopkins. North Hopkins took advantage of the calls and sunk 25 free throws. Despite the physical play and the foul situation, the Lady Rebs pulled to within 6 of North Hopkins in the fourth quarter. The Lady Rebels fell to the North Hopkins team 69-53.

Jana Weatherall led the Lady Rebs in scoring with 15, followed by Karen Williams who had 12.

The Lady Rebels took on the Yantis Lady Owls on Saturday night in the third place game. The Lady Rebels utilized their bench and handed the Lady Owls a 49-38 loss. The Lady Rebels were led by Karen Williams who pulled down 24 rebounds and had 14 points. Jenni Bond had five assists and eleven points.

Jana Weatherall and Karen Williams were voted to the Freeman Parrish-North Hopkins All Tournament Team. Weatherall had 32 points, 12 rebounds, and 11 assists in the tournament. Williams had 43 rebounds, 35 points, and 12 blocked shots.

The Lady Rebels will take on a rugged Celeste team in the first round of the annual Leonard Holiday Tournament December 27.

Tournament brackets are available at Rivercrest.

History is the witness that testifies to the passing of time: it illumines reality, vitalizes memory, provides guidance in daily life, and brings us tidings of antiquity.

—Cicero

Rivercrest Boots Pleasant Grove

Rivercrest avenged one of their early season losses by overcoming a poor start and defeating the AAA Pleasant Grove Hawks.

The Hawks had beaten Rivercrest earlier in the year by a score of 65-59. "This was one game where our defense finally stood up and took control," said Coach Wake Wood. "We tried to practice getting the ball inside early in the first quarter and couldn't get the calls and this hurt us. We stood too much and just didn't play basketball. Our defense just simply carried us for 2 quarters. I was very pleased with our second half of play. We began to move and shoot the ball good and our defense continued to work. Pleasant Grove is the kind of team that is very hard for us to beat. Considering the fact that Pleasant Grove has won most of their games having beaten AAAA Mt. Pleasant in that run . I'm really glad to see us score 36 points the second half against them while holding them to a mere 23. We held their 6'6" post man to 17 points. Our goal was to hold him under 20."

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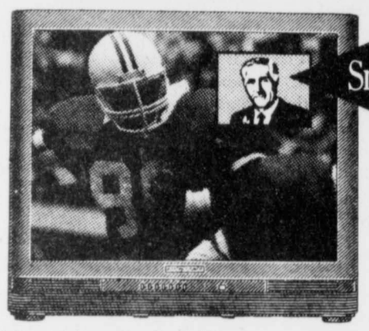
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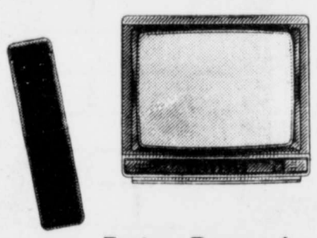


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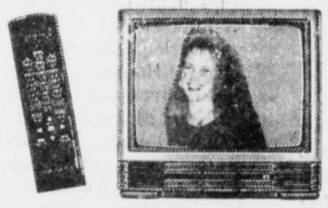


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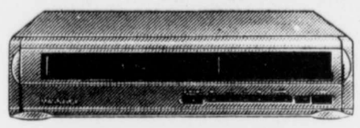
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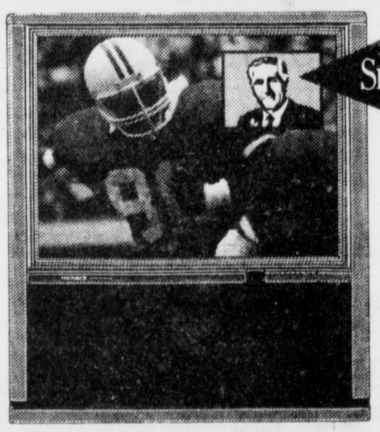
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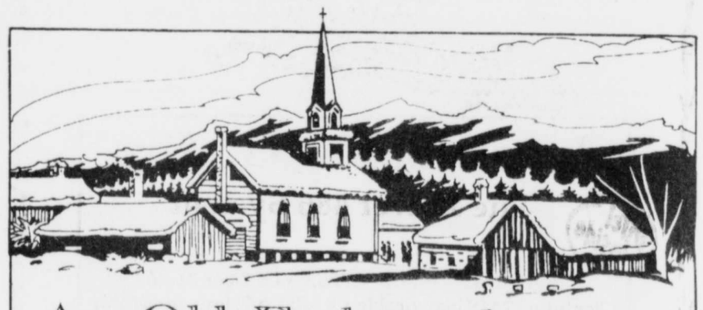
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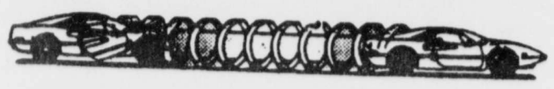
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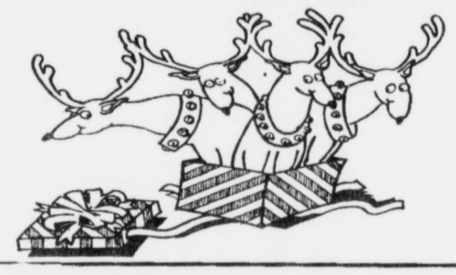


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Alice Craig's visitors were Inez Gill and Mrs. Hunter.

Visiting Tom Watkins were Terry and Tony Watkins, Casey Moon, of Killeen, Cindy Golden, of Williston, N.D.

Visiting with Mae King were Ruth King, Louise Bean, Inez Gill, Lois McRae, Doris Skaggs, Fayette Clifton, of Daingerfield, Mary Cooper, Marcelle Simmonds, Era Smeser, Karen Cloe, and Cheryl Dye.

Lynn Kerley's visitors were Arol Kerley, Opal Kerley, Susie Bryan, and David Stringer, Jr.

Gladys Prater's visitors were Brother George Thomas, Louise Bean, Katy Brown, Lois McRae, Doris Skaggs, Margaret Prater, Katie Brown, and Jean Moore.

Visiting with Lantie Smith were Eva Watkins, Karen Beers, Ashley Beers, Lauren Beers, Weldon and Joyce Smith, Wimpy and Odessa Beers, Mark Beers, Pam and Jerry Beers, and Don Shovan.

Mack Glover's visitors were Joyce and Weldon Smith, and T.G. Gurley.

Visiting with Dollie Carroll were Lynn and Brenda Carroll, Randy and Lisa Carroll, and Laura Cochran.

Visiting with Hattie Crabtree were Gwendolyn Bower and Christina.

Eunie Turner's visitors were Martha Wood, Lorene Bogie, Cleavie Coffin, Merle Hughes, Carol Watkins, Gary Guest, Maurine Mankins, and Jennie Bond.

Delbert and Julia Harper's visitor was Helen Harper.

Visiting with Jimmie Duffie were Weldon and Louise Smith, Bill Hampton, Grady Rhodes, Lorene Bogie, and Katie Brown.

Visiting with Josie Fennell were Allan, and Margo Harville, Nell Harville, Marie Bell, Willie Wilson, Louise Bean, Ann Barnard, Carl Wood, and Helen Williams.

Visiting with Thelma Jones were Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Wages, Jerry Jones, Louise Bean, O.F. Yates, Jerry Jones, Debbie Green, Aaron Green, and Daniel Green.

Visiting Paul Wood were Paul Wood Jr., Carl Wood, and Dot and Floyd Mobley.

Visiting with Mary Brown was Inez Gill.

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Visiting with Bonnie Gamble were Patti Pugh, Charles Dawson, Sonny Gamble, Katie Brown. Enjoying a Merry Christmas Party Dec. 17 were Berta Dawson, Doug Dawson, BEtty Roe, C.D. Roe, Jean Boone, Patti Pugh, Chuck Dawson, Deidre Dawson, Gary Don Dawson, Dusty Dawson, and Jodi Tyler.

Pat Westbrook's visitors were Velma Westbrook, Sam Upchurch, Martha Wood, Teresa Holder, Nelda Holder, Dean Westbrook, Lois Wells, Tom Foley.

Pauline Hutson's visitors were Lindsey Ward, Jerry Hutson, Ina Ward, and Hugh Forester.

Visiting with Doris Rodgers and Jewel Rowe were Joe and Ilene.

B.C. Crittendon'svisitors were Betty Lee and Kenneth Body, of Celina, Larry Collins and Carmelita Collins of Sherman, and L.C. Thomas.

Visiting Ocola Morris were L.C. Thomas, Letha Brown, and Troy Morris.

Visiting with Gertrude Gifford were Joyce Shelton, Kirbie Sanders, of Red Oak, and Clayton Sanders, of Red Oak.

Doris Skaggs was visited by Joan Phillips, Annette Skaggs, Beverly Phillips and Billie Jo Gibson.

Visiting Bertha Anderson were Mark, Darlen, Lauren, and Kristen Kuchak, of Houston.

Ada Holmes was visited by Mary Ellen Kain, Mr. and Mrs. J.N. Lee, Kenneth Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Jenkins, of Emory, Viola Holmes, and Bennie Holmes.

Visiting Alma Lowry was Geneva Jenkins, of Emory.

Visiting with Donovan Strain were O.F. Yates Erica Williams, Ashley Williams, Stephanie Williams, O.W. King, Bud, Matthew, Tiffany Hood, Betty Williams, Inez Gill, and Era Smelser.

Visiting Gordon House were Marty Gray, Cleavie Coffin, and Merle Hughes.

Visiting Oma McKinney were Helen Mauldin, Dorothy Tidwell, Dude Lassiter, Roger, Connie, and Brent McKinney, Carl Wood, O.W. Ashley Williams, Bud, Matthew, Stephanie, Michel, Bryan Dunn, Erica, Tiffany, Betty Williams, Tony Watkins, Dorothy Tidwell, Willie Clark, Marie Carr, Travis E Haley, Ryan Leflore, Garvis Haley, Cindy Golden, and Casey Moore.

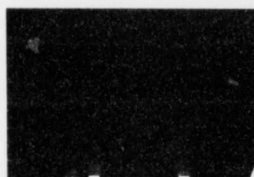
George Hancock's visitors were Betty Gibson, Jerry Ward, Jr. and Judy Ward.

Visiting with Dude Lassiter were Betty Gibson, Mary Joplin, Darlene Kurchak, Mark Kurchak, Lauren Kurchak, and Kristin Kurchak, of Houston.

Visiting with Tom and Ida Gurley were their son, James Gurley and a guest Margie .

Terry Watkins visited Dorothy Watkins.

Visiting Gene Smith and Athel Hester were Jarmen and Mary cox, of Saltillo, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Massengill, of Bossier City, La., and Carron Herring.



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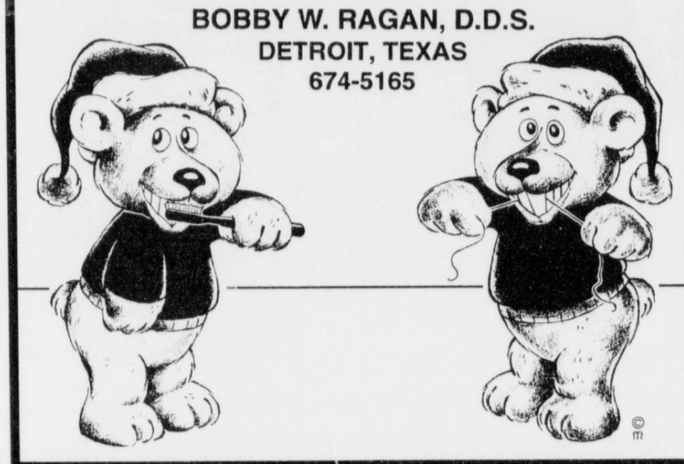
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By Judy Screws

I have noticed myself recently ending sentences with the word "but" It seems to nullify everything I have just said, but it is not meant to do so. Sometimes it is just the only word which will work; "I really like her, but..."; "We consider them to be our best friends, but.....", "I really love my job, but..."; "I understand that we are not supposed to question God's will, but....".

I have been guilty of the last one more than once in the last few months. I try to not say it, but sometimes I open my mouth and it just comes out.

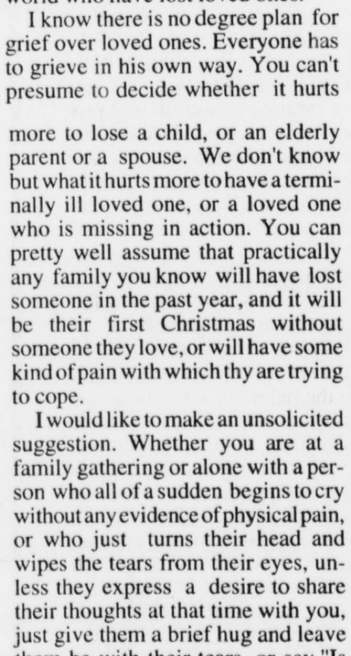
Of course my sentence ending about God's will is because our family along with many other families will be celebrating Christmas this year with someone missing. In our case it is our precious granddaughter that we lost in September. Our daughter in law lost her father and an uncle during the summer. Her family is at loose ends, just as ours will be. We have been through Christmas holidays with someone dear to us missing in the past, but it never is easy and it won't be easy this year, but we'll get through it , as will people all over the world who have lost loved ones.

I know there is no degree plan for grief over loved ones. Everyone has to grieve in his own way. You can't presume to decide whether it hurts more to lose a child, or an elderly parent or a spouse. We don't know but what it hurts more to have a terminally ill loved one, or a loved one who is missing in action. You can pretty well assume that practically any family you know will have lost someone in the past year, and it will be their first Christmas without someone they love, or will have some kind of pain with which thy are trying to cope.

I would like to make an unsolicited suggestion. Whether you are at a family gathering or alone with a person who all of a sudden begins to cry without any evidence of physical pain, or who just turns their head and wipes the tears from their eyes, unless they express a desire to share their thoughts at that time with you, just give them a brief hug and leave them be with their tears, or say,"Is there anything I can do?", and accept their answer without being persistant. "What are you crying about ?" is not a good question.

I don't mean to be morbid, but death and pain are part of life and holidays seem to magnify problems.

I hope that each you has someone to lean on during painful times and rejoice with during happy times, and I wish you all the best Christmas possible!





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Junior High Rebels Play in Mt. Pleasant Tournament

The Jr. High Rebels had a busy weekend, as they were entered in the Mt. Pleasant tournament sponsored by the Positive Impact Club.

The 7th grade played at the P.E. Wallace gym while the 8th grade played at Brice gym. Because of scheduling, Coach Foos coached the 7th grade and Coach McGuire coached the 8th.

The 7th grade went on the court Thursday afternoon meeting Paul Pewitt. The Lil Rebs were neck-n-neck with the Bulls until the beginning of the 3rd quarter. The Bulls took advantage of the Rebel mistakes and took a big lead. The Rebs were to lose by 20.

At the same time across town, the 8th grade went up against the Bulls. The 8th grade were on fire and kept Rebel fans on the edge of their seats. Aaron Martin was hot and led the Rebs with 26 points. The 8th graders, despite overtime, took the loss by 2.

The Rebel teams lost in the second round of the tourney.

The 7th grade went up against the Pittsburg Tigers. The Rebs played a better game than the night before and were able to take advantage of Tiger mistakes and turnovers. The Rebels were to take the loss with a final of 30 to 37.

The 8th graders couldn't generate the heat from the night before and fell to the Pittsburg Tigers.



ALL TOURNAMENT-Jeff Savage and Eric Waller received All Tournament trophies at the Prairiland Tournament held on December 8-10. The Rebel team was undeafeated and brought the 1st place trophy home. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)

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Rivercrest Ninth Grade Boys Host Pleasant Grove Hawks

The ninth grade Rebels provided an exciting game on December 16 when they hosted the Pleasant Grove Hawks. The half time score stood at Pleasant Grove 26-Rivercrest 24. Cortney Huddleston had an outstanding night for the young Rebels, tossing in a total of 22 points. He shot just a bit over 50% at the free throw line. Michael Allen busted 3 threepointers, plus 3 points to add to the Rebels Score. Also scoring were Bryan Giles, who also had a 3 pointer, plus 4 points, Jody Nolen with a 3 pointer and Jody Gray with a 3 pointer. Final score Rebels 49 Hawks 43.

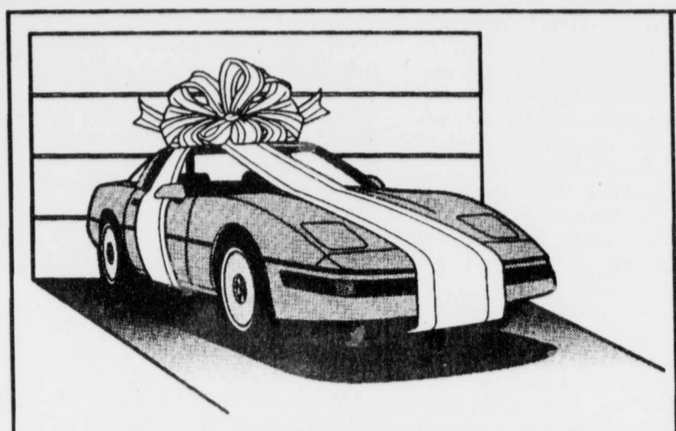
Rivercrest JV Boys

The Rivercrest Rebels JV Team hosted Pleasant Grove December 16 for a runaway game. Keeping the hoop hot were; Mitch Ellis, who scored 19 total points and Erric Martin , who scored 21 points, and shot 90% from the free shot line. Half time score stood at 40 Rebs, 21 Hawks. Also adding points were Ladarryle Savage, Justin Smith , Jay Hancock, Clint Gage, and Tod Barker. Final Score 70-58 Rivercrest.

On Saturday the Rebel JV hosted the Ark. High JV for a tough game.

The game began and ended with a see sawing score, going into overtime. They would go ahead two and we would go ahead two. Erric Martin took high scoring honors with 27 points followed by Mitch Ellis with 15. Also scoring for the Rebels were Jay Hancock, Ladarryl Savage, Jody Nolen, and Michael Allen.

Although scores were made in overtime by Jay Hancock , Mitch Ellis and Michael Allen the Rebels fell 3 points short to the AAAAA Arkansas school. Final score 67-64.



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The cafeteria is now open. The following meals are available for $1.50 to senior citizens only. A menu with a larger variety of choices is available to the public at a regular price. Each day's senior citizen's menu includes choice of dessert, 2 % milk and tea or coffee. December 27, 1994- Chicken and Spaghetti, Fried Okra, Broccoli, Roll, Dec. 28; Baked Ham, Blackeyed peas, turnip greens, cornbread,. December 29- Stew with Vegetables, Sliced tomatoes, cornbread, December 30; Spaghetti, Breaded Zucchini, Green Beans Garlic Bread.

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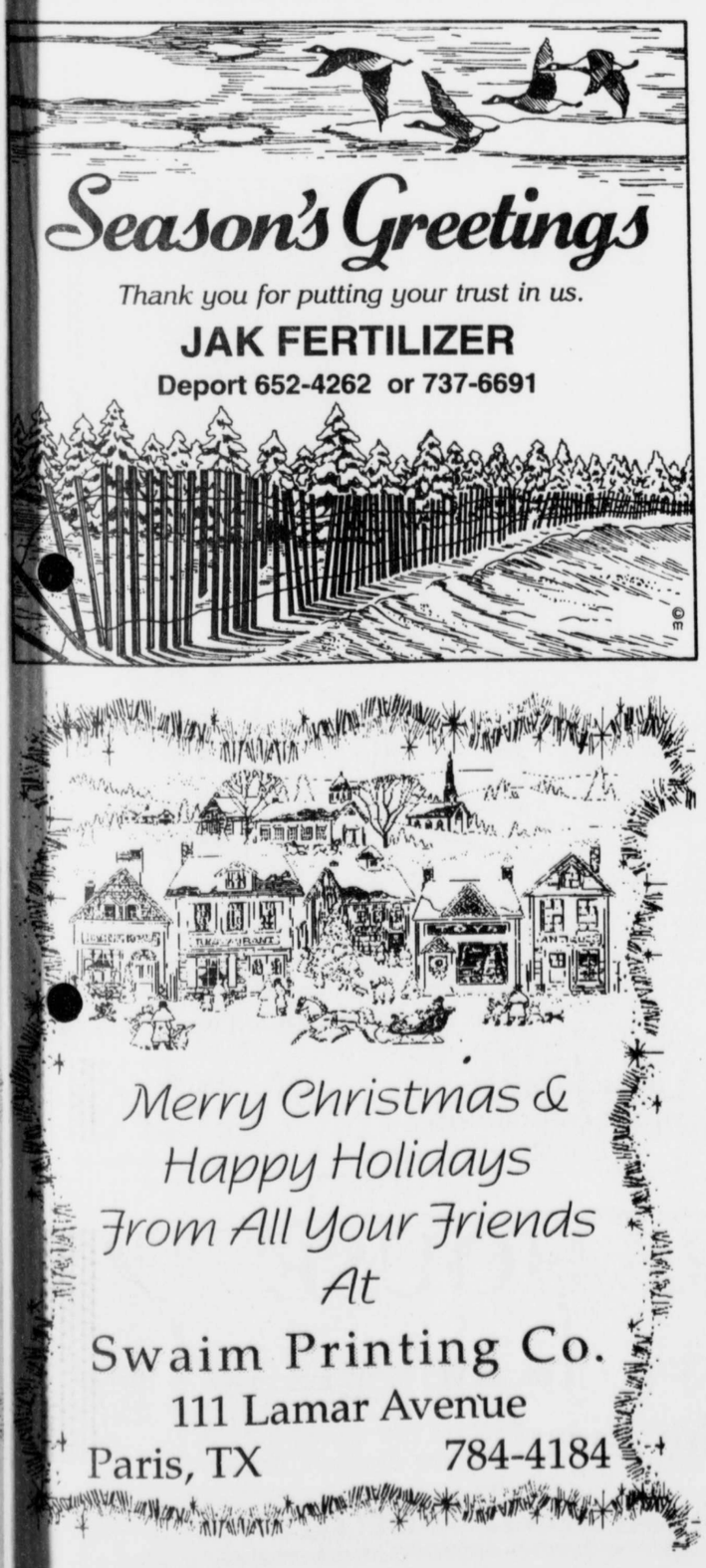
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Cunningham News

By Jane O'Neal (903-652-6062)

The Cunningham Community was saddened last Thursday by the sudden death of Mrs. Berniece Wyatt who had been a long-time resident of the community. She taught school for many years in the Cunningham School system until the consolidation with the Prairiland School system. After the consolidation, she taught at Deport until her retirement several years ago. She was an excellent news reporter of the Cunningham News for the Deport Times. H er news articles will be missed.

The community was also sorry to learn of the death of T. G. (Mutt) Harvey. He was a former resident of the community. Sympathy is extended to his family.

I am going to attempt to continue the Cunningham News, hopefully in the same fashion that Mrs. Wyatt had done. She did such a good job that it will be hard to follow in her footsteps. I will need help from each of you and would appreciate your calling me at 652-6062 with any news that you or your family have. I have been amazed to learn of the many people who are shut-ins or who live away from the area who look forward each week to reading the local commun ity news. Remember, every item of news printed is interesting to someone, somewhere. I hope I can be as faithful as Mrs. Wyatt was in calling each of you for news if you do not call me. By working together we can keep the Cunningham News alive as a memorial to her.

A tribute to Mrs. Berniece Wyatt: Mrs. Wyatt was a unique individual who was very dedicated to her church, school and community. Her dedication and her faithfulness resulted in her carrying out any job that fell her lot to do. She was secretary for the United Methodist Church of Cunningham from the age of 18 until her death at age 85. She taught school for about 45 years and retired, still with the desire to teach. She collected and wrote the Cunningham News for the Deport Times for 35 years. One thing Mrs. Wyatt believed was that every child needed and, to the best of her ability, would receive a fundamental foundation for education in the First Grade.

While talking to different people about things she had done and accomplished, I received many interesting quotes. Here are a few: Neva Jean Oats mentioned that when we still had school at Cunningham, the Music Teacher always presented an production and an end of school program. Behind the scenes, with very little if any recognition, was Mrs. Wyatt getting children lined up with their robes and lit candles, keeping order until the time for them to march out for the performance. She said she could not remember anyone catching fire from the lit candles.

Geneva Norwood mentioned the fact that Mrs. Wyatt taught both her and Gene and all three of their children in the first grade.

JoDell Cooper remembered that Mrs. Wyatt had taught William and all four of their children. She also mentioned that she had dared Mrs. Wyatt to retire before Darrell started the First Grade. JoDell remembered and said many times she would go to Mrs. Wyatt's house after working hours to find her working and making by hand all the decorations for the Junior-Senior Banquet that was held at the school, and believe you me, they were a production back in those days.

Frankie Norwood remembered that when he was in the First Grade, she taught him a story about a black cat and had him narrate and illustrate it for the Lamar County Men's Banquet and other programs.

She has left many memories that will always remain. Her life was a witness to dedication and loyalty.

Sunday night the Cunningham Baptist Church presented a Christmas program and play, "Children's Gift to the Lord." Refreshments were served in the Fellowship Hall following the program.

The Abundant Life Church held their Christmas by Candlelight program and presented a play, "The Gift Goes On," on Sunday night.

Out of town relatives here to attend the funeral of Berniece Wyatt were: Ruby Douglas, Richard Young and Troy Collins, of Shawnee, Oklahoma; Harold and Gladys Wyatt of Montgomery, Texas; Don and Sue Kirkham of Wichita Falls; Ethelyn Wyatt from LaPorte; Paul and Paige Sauer from Seminole, Florida; Barton Reed Lynn from Largo, Florida; and Colleen Eudy.

Charles and Cindy Nichols spent Saturday in Carthage visiting Jon, Dana, Ericka, Tori and Chance White and Damon and Tina White.

Loretta Pynes spent last week in Blossom with Buddy and Virgie Pynes.

Bobby and Shelby Kennedy had Jeff, Cindy, Zack, Garrett and Taylor Kennedy and Heath, Missy and Laytner Kennedy for Sunday lunch.

Doug Tucker Loven is spending the Christmas Holidays with his parents, Larry and Vickie Loven. Doug is in the Military Academy in Harlingen.

Loretta Pynes visited Georgia Oats on Saturday.

Spending a few days in Mesquite with Bud and Sally Richardson were George and Maureen Richardson, Christi Bankhead and friend Susan from Paris, and Gerrie and Chance Bankhead.

Johnny, Fran, Johnna and Jenna Patterson had lunch Sunday with Pete and LaWanda McKnight.

Jennifer Torres visited with Amy Hicks on Sunday.

Auddie Reed, a former resident of Cunningham, fell and broke her hip about a month ago and is now a resident in the Cherry Street Annex. Glenda Watson has been attending her this past week.

Dewey Watson, a former resident of Cunningham, is in the VA Hospital. We hope he has a speedy recovery.

Velma Cox spent Thursday with Dora Hester of Paris.

Ray and Wanda Porterfield of Dallas and Warren and Janette Bell of Houston are visiting Daulty Bell.

Burks Dockray returned home from the VA Hospital in Bonham on Friday. He is reported improved.

Chad Speir of Greenville visited with Nina Mae Anderson on Saturday.

Pete and LaWanda McKnight had a family Christmas dinner and party Monday night at their home. Those present were Johnny, Fran, Johnna and Jenna Patterson, Jane O'Neal, Dwayne, Lisa,O'Neal and Weston Drinnon, all of Cunningham. Also present were Alva Mae O'Neal, Sue, Murray and Jane'e Jackson of Paris, Donnie and Clovis Morrison of Caviness, Connie McKnight and Dee Wakefield of Denton, Danny and Karla Smith, Andrea, Kara and Aaron Palmer of Bogata, and A. T. and Claudene O'Neal of Mt. Pleasant.

Jackson and Janet Smith, Josh Ward, Lesa and Jonathen Milstead and A. J. Smith of Montgomery, Alabama spent Thursday night with Clyde and Bobbye Slusher.

The youth of Life Tabernacle Church presented their annual Christmas play, "The Twelve Days of Christmas," directed by Neva Oats, to the church and guests on Sunday night. Refreshments were served in the Fellowship Hall following the program.

J. R. and Alpha Jane Burks of Mesquite spent Thursday night with D. R. and Jo Burks of Paris. Alpha Jane was here to attend the funeral of her sister, Ruby Jewel Swilling, who was a resident of Cherry Street Annex in Paris.

Edd and Burke Burnett, along with Thomas Burnett of Blossom, hunt in Abernathy, Texas last weekend. They were met there by George Burnett and Gene Reed.

Christmas dinner was held at Barbara and Delano Dunlap's home in Mesquite. Guests attending were Lucy Fowler of Cunningham, Carol and Jennifer Dorsey of Deport, Talma and Margaret Fowler and Melanie, Ricky and Colt Moore of Pattonville, Stephen, Sherry, Jason and Maegan Dunlap, Keith, Pam, and Brooke Medlin, Denise, Lauren and Alyssa Dunlap and Mike, Delores, Christi and Amanda Fowler.

On Saturday night Carol and Jennifer Dorsey, Amanda and Delores Fowler went to the Galleria for the kids to ice skate.

Buddy Taylor had Sunday lunch with Leslie, Paula, Justin and Jennifer Taylor.

On Sunday afternoon Alma Norwood, Marie Watson and Brenda Watson attended the 50th wedding anniversary celebration for Charles and Maxine Foster in Deport.

Roy and Skeeter Davis of McAllen are spending the holidays at their home here in Cunningham.

Conard and Ricky Norwood and Jay Ingram visited with Almer and Alma Norwood on Saturday morning.

Having Christmas dinner with George, Carol and Jeremy Newberry were: Mike, Della, Justin, and Jennifer O'Neal of Paris, Melva and Lori Elrod of Deport, Jesse and Lisa Newberry of Paris, Robbie, Chad and Caleb Ramsey of Powderly and Becca Towers of Paris.

Geneva Norwood presented a Christmas program for the Altrusa Club of Paris on Tuesday at the Country Club.

Stacy, Linda, Stoney and Charity had lunch Sunday with Johnny, Nelta and Zarinska Musgrove. Visiting in the afternoon were: Treda, Amber and Spur Norwood, Julie, Layton, Logan and Caleb Norwood, Georjeana Oats and Deana and Dillon Gibson.

Janee Jackson, Eldon Jackson and John Walker spent the day in Plano shopping.

Leonard and Billie Ford and family attended a Christmas party for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Paris on Saturay night.

Lowell Ford of Chattanooga, Tennessee visited with Leonard and Billie Ford last week.

Lessie Stuart of Reno visited Georgia Oats Sunday afternoon.

Sandra Burnett held a Christmas Party on Friday night for the girls in her family. Present were: Nina Mae Anderson, Sharon and Christy Speir of Greenville, Linda, Cindy and Wendy Anderson, Carol Newberry, Lisa Newberry of Paris, Dana Anderson of Bogata and Tracy Chipman .

Jarvis, Brenda, Bruce, Brad, Bradlee and Brett Watson, and Deanna and Dillon Gibson had lunch Sunday with Odis and Marie Watson.

Mr. & Mrs. Sam Hoover of Denison spent the weekend with Mr. & Mrs. Roy Powers.

Sunday night Tucker and Dorothy Plott and Mr. & Mrs. Roy Powers drove to Fulbright to see the Christmas lights.

Bill and Ruth Chipman attended the Community Cantata at the First Methodist Church on Sunday afternoon.

Having dinner Sunday night with Bill and Ruth Chipman were: Eddie and Sue Sheppard, Tracy, Chris and Riley Chipman, Ruby and Peggy Chipman of Dallas, and Verta Lynn of Deport.

Conard and Delores Norwood are spending a few days at their home here in Cunningham.

Geneva Norwood presented a program for a Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church in Paris on Friday.

Lucy Fowler spent Saturday night with Delano and Barbara Dunlap in Mesquite.

Rev. Chad and Jennifer Barnes of Deport had as their dinner guests Saturday night: James and Pat Norwood, C. D. and Jane Glass, Stephanie and Charlie Packard, and Glenn and Dorothy Renfro.

This has been one more hectic and stressful ginning season for the Cunningham Co-op Gin. Mechanical problems, excessive rain and mud have hampered the ginning of the largest harvest that can be remembered in this area. At this time they have ginned 5200 bales with only about 150 left to gin.

On Saturday night Carol and Jennifer Dorsey spent the night with Delores Fowler.

Landry Packard, son of Stephanie and Charlie Packard, celebrated his 4th birthday Sunday afternoon at Skateland in Paris.

Neil and Ann Baker spent the weekend at their home here in Cunningham.

Jo Gordon of Ft. Worth spent the weekend with Gary Bridges of Taylortown.

Charles, Sue, Terry and Twyla Davis of Omaha spent the weekend with J. L. and Ruby Ailes of Taylortown and visited with other relatives.

Annea Sugg is spending the holidays with Stephen and Katherine and Cathy Sugg.

Katherine Sugg has been visiting her sister-in-law, Sherry Carrol, in the hospital.

Ethel Williams came home from the hospital this last week.

Clyde and Bobbye Slusher along with Jackson and Janet Smith, Josh Ward, Lesa, and Jonathen Milstead and A. J. Smith spent the weekend in Burkburnett visiting E. C. and Stephanie McLaughlin. While there they had Christmas dinner and were joined by Shane and Kasey McLaughlin, Steve and Keri Slusher of Dallas, Jackie, Jackie, Taylor, Timothy, Tori and Trey Slusher of Wichita Falls and Kelly of Arlington.

Josh Ward will leave Tuesday for Camp Lejeune, North Carolina for Artillery Training.

Amanda Fowler is spending a few days with Lucy Fowler and Carol and Jennifer Dorsey.

Dwayne, Lisa, O'Neal and Weston Drinnon of Cunningham, Danny and Karla Smith, Andrea, Kara and Aaron Palmer of Bogata, and Sue Jackson of Paris had lunch Sunday with Jane O'Neal.

Billy Ray, Neva and Brandon Oats, Frankie, Julie, Logan, Layton and Caleb Norwood, Scottie, Treda, Amber and Spur Norwood of Cunningham and Georjeana Oats of Denton had Sunday lunch and supper with Geneva Norwood.

The youth of Life Tabernacle Church presented a musical program to the Nursing homes in Paris on Wednesday evening. Afterwards, they were treated to a Pizza party in Paris.

O'Neal and Weston Drinnon spent Friday night with Aaron Palmer of Bogata.

Clyde and Bobbye Slusher have been visiting Harry Slusher and Vleta Neville in the Cherry Street Annex in Paris.

Charles Taylor is at his home in Paris recuperating from surgery and a hospital stay. We hope for him a speedy recovery.

Susie Norwood has been visiting her dad, Melvin Stephens, who is a patient in the McCuistion Hospital in Paris. We wish for him a speedy recovery.

Joining Geneva Norwood and her family for Sunday night supper were Laura and Ross Miller of Blossom.

Pete and LaWanda McKnight and Johnny and Fran Patterson attended a banquet for Mary Kay Consultants and their spouses in Mt. Vernon on Friday night. Also attending were Teresa and Boyd Harmening of Detroit and Sharon Francis of Deport.

Dwayne and Lisa Drinnon visited with Murray and Sue Jackson of Paris Friday night.

Galen Oats of Dallas spent a few days at his home in Rockford and reported that his mother-in-law, Vada Gann, was much improved at the Pleasant Manor Living Center in Waxahachie.

A thought to remember: Being content makes poor men rich. Being discontent makes rich men poor. - Benjamin Franklin.

In Memorium

By Nanalee Nichols

Last Thursday morning the phone rang at the office, and a sad voice told me that Berniece Wyatt had died in her sleep the night before. As I hung up the phone I was struck with just how much our organization had lost...and how much those people whose lives she touched have lost. I have lost a dear friend, as have dozens and dozens of others. Of course, I knew her primarily as the Cunningham News correspondent, and that is the perspective I speak of her from.

Berniece was the last of our "old time" correspondents. She made call after call to people, collecting news. When her eyesight failed, she used a magnifying glass. When pain assaulted her she ignored it and kept right on. I never heard her complain about a single thing. On Mondays she would call with "A little dab more" of Cunningham News. She would share a thought or a joke, laugh delightedly and always concluded our conversation with "Now honey, I want you to have a good week". She is the last person to use "8" and "88" as a journalism shorthand for "Mr. and Mrs." Her handwriting was firm , her usages correct. It took a long time to come up with how many years she collected the Cunningham News. For 35 years she collected news that delighted literally several thousand readers. Her genuine love and interest in those people she spoke with shone through like a jewel.

Of course, she was a great educator, and generation after generation of adults will recall her teaching them. She served in many capacities in the field of education always with dedication and that delight that made her so special.

For most of her adult life she served as Secretary/Treasurer of her beloved church.

The legacy Berniece Wyatt left will not fade. she does not leave a gap so much as a warm space . And somehow, I like to think of her, gone to her rewards...perhaps teaching little angel children, or collecting news of heaven, and always concluding with "Now honey, I want you to have a good week".

BOGATA VFW NEWS

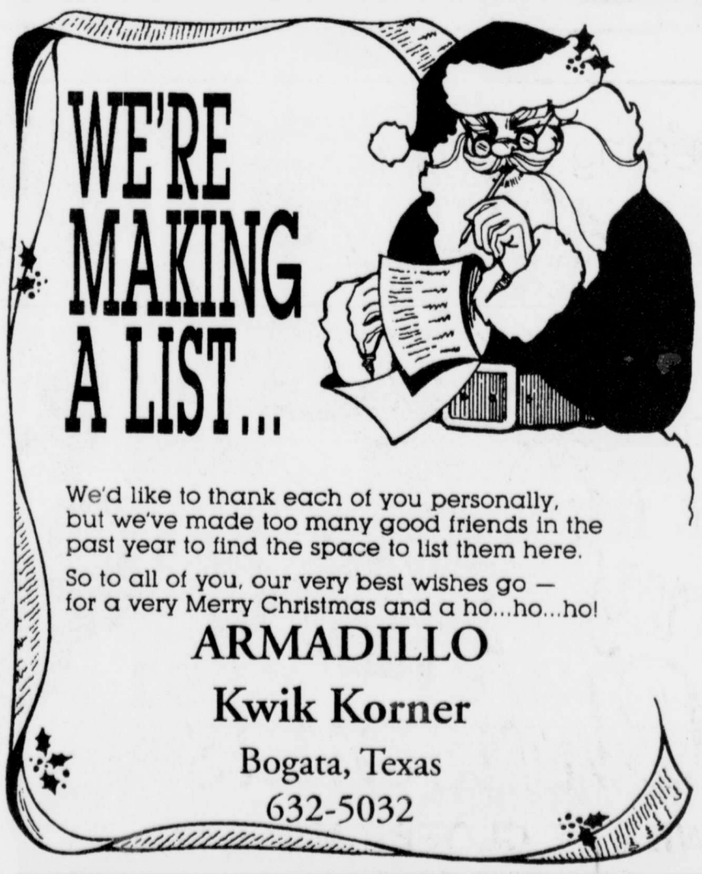
*Tuesday at 7:30 is pool night. Thursday at 7:00 is "42" and every Saturday at 1:30 is Bingo playing time.

*The VFW and its Auxiliary meet every 2nd and 4th Monday at 7 p.m. All members are urged to attend.

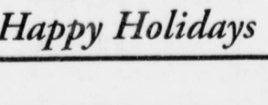
*The Misfits will play for the New Year's Eve Dance on December 30.

*There will be no Bingo Saturday, December 24.

*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from all of us at Post # 8187 to all of you!



We'd like to thank each of you personally, but we've made too many good friends in the past year to find the space to list them here.
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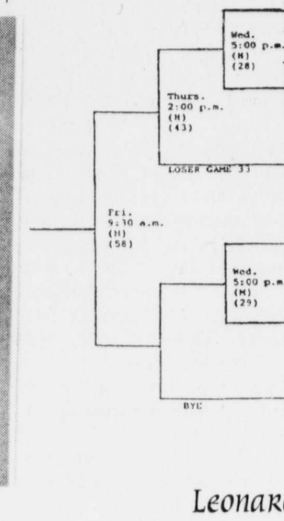
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Rebels To Play In Leonard Tournament

On December 27-28-29-30, Leonard will host their Holiday Basketball Tournament.

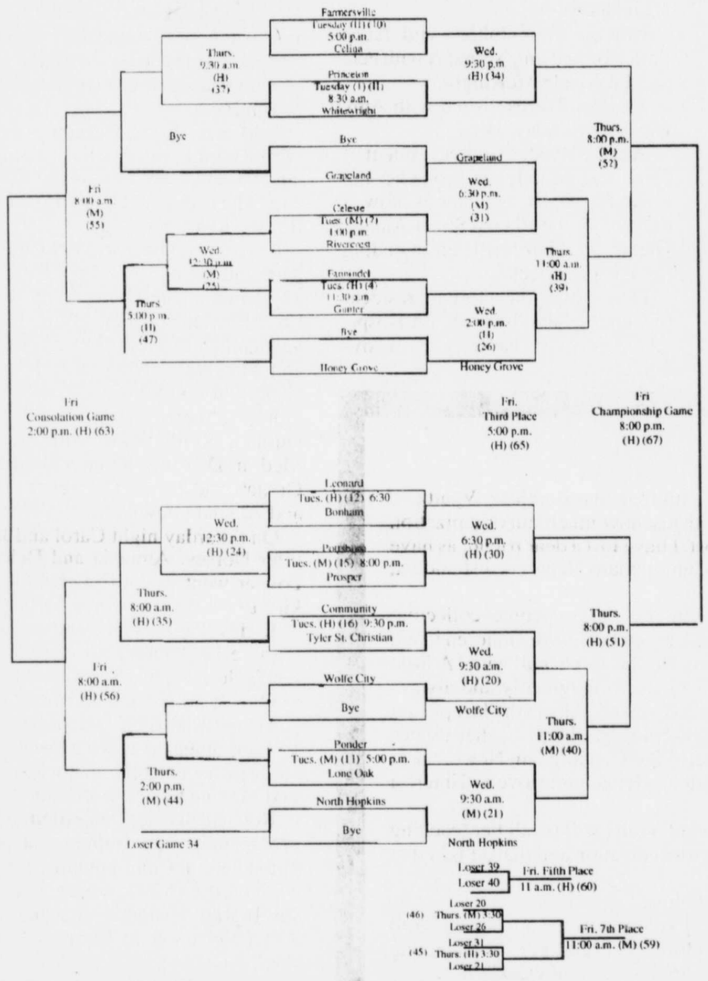
The Rivercrest Rebels and Lady Rebels Varsity Teams will participate. Coach Wake Wood tells us, "We are the defending champions of this tournament. We were second in 92-93, and first in 93-94. The field is very strong this year. The better teams in our bracket are Whitewright, Honey Grove, and Gunter (All State ranked). The other half of the bracket's strong teams are Wolfe City ranked #3 in state, Leonard, Ponder and Lone Oak are all very strong teams. "

This will be a very challenging tournament for Rivercrest.



DESTRY NOLEN was honored with a sixth birthday party at the Mt. Pleasant Skating Rink Friday, Dec. 16. Power Rangers was the party theme. Enjoying cake, punch and skating were Teri Easterling, Donica and Danielle, Leslie Wright, Alex and Jacob, Shelia, Joanie, Camill and Logan Wright, Kristi Clemmons, Kayla and Keleigh, Joshua Stephens, Melanie Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Vickers and parent, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Nolen and brother Chris.

Leonard Holiday Tournament
Varsity Girls Bracket
December 27-30



Jr. High Rebels Play Chisum

The boys traveled to Chisum on Monday to meet the Mustangs.

The 7th graders got off to a slow start and were down 15 points in the first quarter. The Rebels were able to close the gap when the ball started to fall for the Rebels.

Coleman Brown was to lead the Rebs with 18 points. The Rebels took the loss 29-43.

The 8th graders were unable to find the winners' circle when they met the Mustangs. The Rebs played hard but the Mustangs were too much. The Rebs took the loss by 8.

The Rebs will rest and regroup over the holidays and resume play on the 5th of January.

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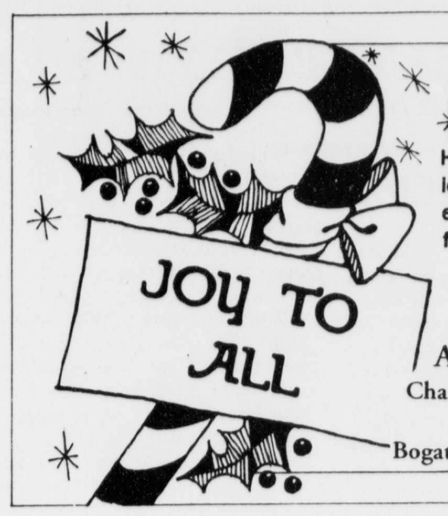
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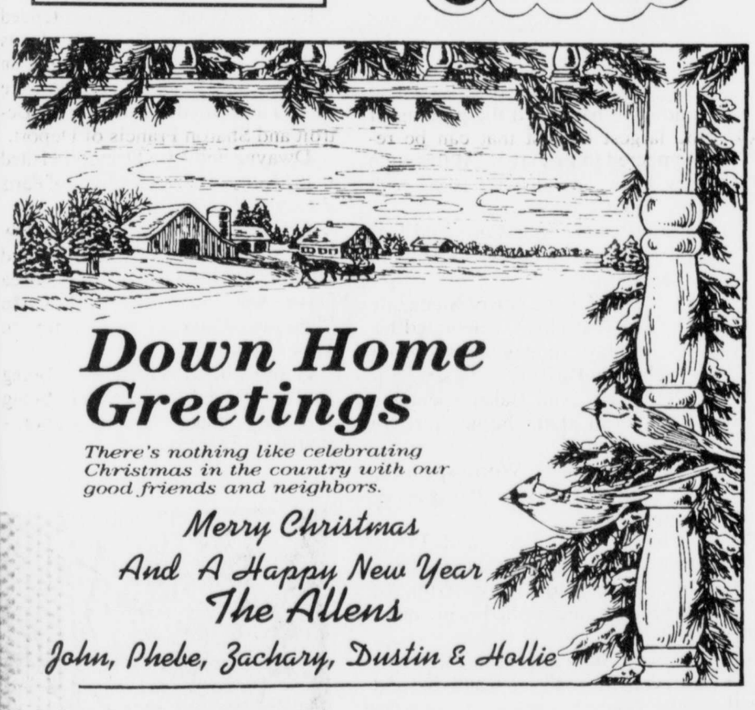
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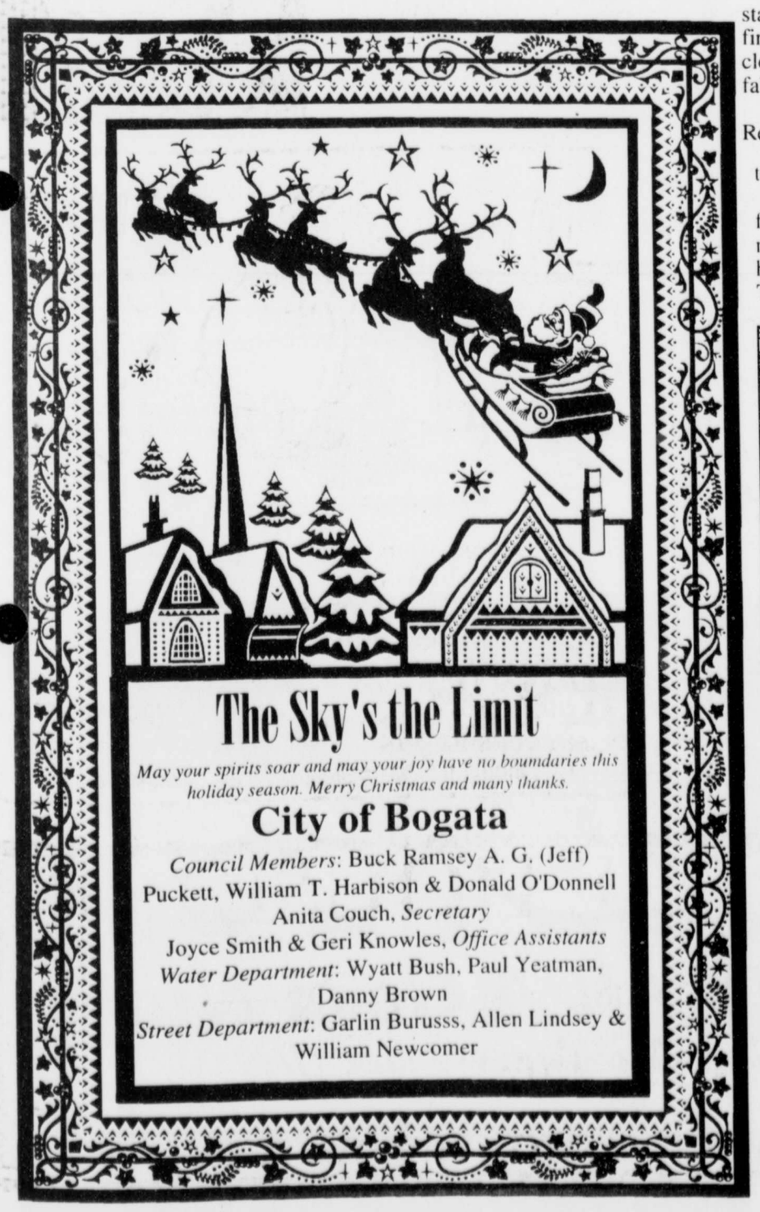
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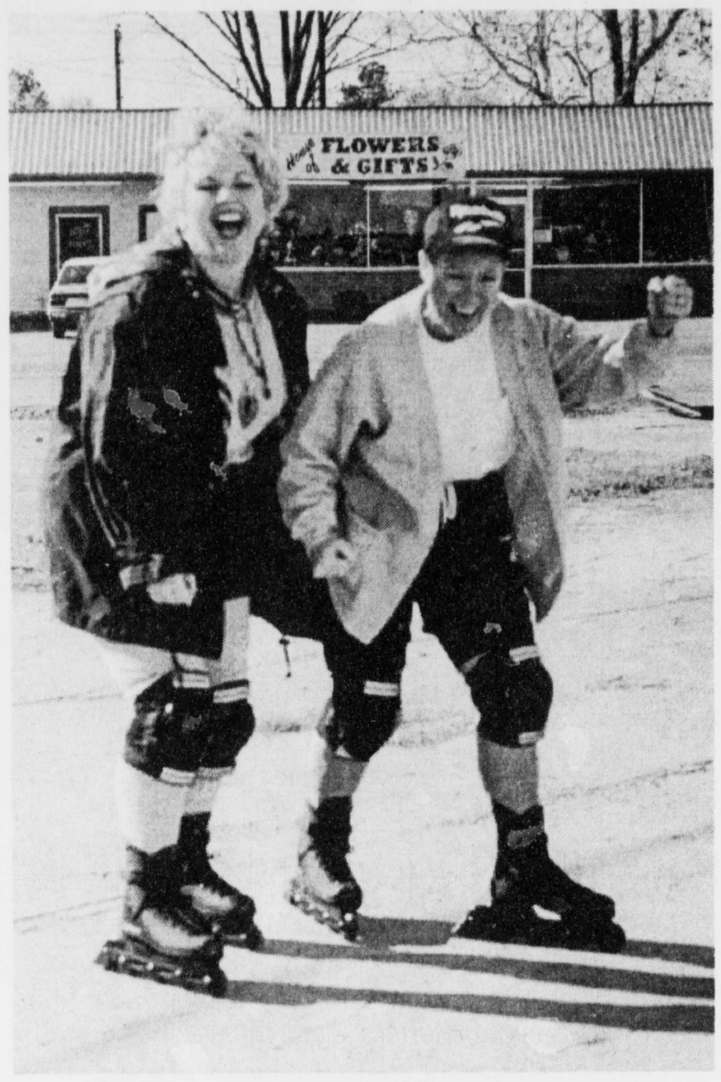

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Christmas Memories
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Eddie, Nancy, Kim & Jack Brown

Rivercrest Falls Hard To 5A Arkansas High, 89-81

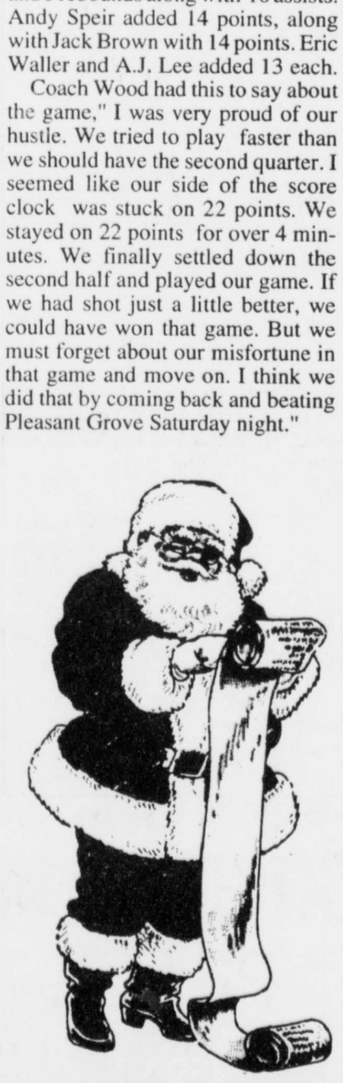
The Rivercrest Rebels fought hard, but could not overcome the speed, quickness, size and depth advantage of the Arkansas High Razorbacks a 5A school in Texarkana, Arkansas.

Rivercrest put up a valliant effort, but a cold shooting night spelled doom for the young Rebels.

The Rebels had their coldest shooting night of the season, shooting only 23% from the field. The Rebels put up a grand total of 40-3 point attempts against Arkansas High's zone defense, making only 9. The Rebels had outscored the Razorbacks 20-12 in the first quarter. The Razorbacks came back the second quarter, outscoring the Rebels 30-15. That was the difference as Rivercrest trailed at the half 42-35. The Hogs scored the last two points of the first half. As the horn sounded,Rivercrest came back and matched the Hogs point for point but could not pull the game out. After three quarters of play the Rebs had closed the gap to 62-57, but just could not take the lead back the last quarter.

The Rebels had five men in double figures. Jeff Savage led the way with 20 points. Savage also had 5 steals and 5 rebounds along with 10 assists. Andy Speir added 14 points, along with Jack Brown with 14 points. Eric Waller and A.J. Lee added 13 each.

Coach Wood had this to say about the game," I was very proud of our hustle. We tried to play faster than we should have the second quarter. I seemed like our side of the score clock was stuck on 22 points. We stayed on 22 points for over 4 minutes. We finally settled down the second half and played our game. If we had shot just a little better, we could have won that game. But we must forget about our misfortune in that game and move on. I think we did that by coming back and beating Pleasant Grove Saturday night."





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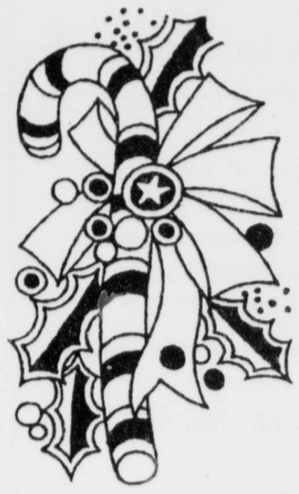
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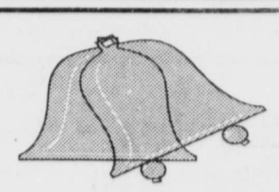
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People 'N Things

Slated meeting of the *Rosalie Masonic Lodge 527* is the fourth Thursday of every month at 8:00 p.m.

Bogata Lions Club will meet the first and third Thursdays of each month at 7 pm.

The Texas Department of Health will hold Immunization Clinics on the first, second, and third Thursday of each month. Hours are from 9-11:30 am and 1:00 - 2:30 pm. The clinics will be conducted at 1300 Highway 37 north in Clarksville. Parents are reminded that all children must be accompanied by an adult and bring the child's immunization records and Social Security number if it is available.

The *Rosalie Community Center Organization* will meet the second Tuesday of each month, at the Rosalie United Methodist Church at 7:00 P.M.

Bogata First Baptist Church has *Mother's Day Out* every Tuesday 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. For more info call 632-5218.

The monthly *Community Prayer* breakfast is held the first Tuesday of each month at the Bogata Community Center at 7 A.M.

On the second Monday morning of each month at 8 a.m. the *Ladies Fellowship Group* meets at Melba's Place in Bogata for a Dutch treat breakfast . All ladies in the area are invited to attend.

Commoditieswill be distributed at Bogata Methodist Church December 29.

Red River County Sheriff Department Reports

Sunday, December 11th:
One intoxicated driver; one minor accident; report of shots being fired; one assault by threat; one theft; one civil matter.

Monday, December 12th:
One activated alarm; one suspicious activity.

Tuesday, December 13th:
Two suspicious activity; one arrest on charge of revocation of probation out of Tarrant County; one wreckless driver; one arrest on charge of public intoxication; one criminal mischief; one assault.

Wednesday, December 14th:
Two prowlers; one animal complaint; one theft; one theft of livestock; one inmate released; one disturbance; one report of shots fired.

Thursday, December 15th:
One prowler; two inmates released; one burglary of habitation; one dog bite; one harassment; one distubance; one arrest for public intoxication.

Friday, December 16th:
One minor accident; one suspicious person; one theft; one assault, one subject transported from the city; one forgery; one arrest from Durant jail; one report of shots being fired; one major accident.

Saturday, December 17th:
One criminal mischief; one assault; one dog bite; one report of loud music; three burglary of a habitation; one disturbance; one suspicious person; one arrest on charge of failure to appear.

Letters To The Editor

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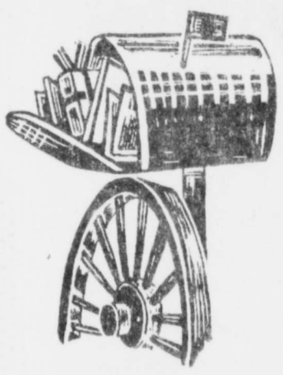
The telephone is a wonderful instrument but there are people who misuse it badly. I am speaking of those persons who think it is "fun" to get the phone book and randomly call numbers- usually toward the middle of the night, and either never say anythhing , or just mumble a bunch of stuff. Some of those people think it is "fun" to turn in FALSE alarms about fires or wrecks. When one of those type alarms, fire or wreck, is called in, those VOLUNTEER firemen hit the door running-literally-even if it is midnight. If a wreck has been called in, those same firemen respond as well as ambulance and the helicopter. Those FALSE alarms waste a lot of manpower and vehicle usage that is absolutely unnecessary. The persons who turn in FALSE alarms never think of the consequences of that call that they made "just for fun". One day one of those "fun" calls could REALLY have a fire or wreck and be in dire need of help- but all the manpower and vehicles might be out answering someone else's "fun" call and wind up getting to them too late.

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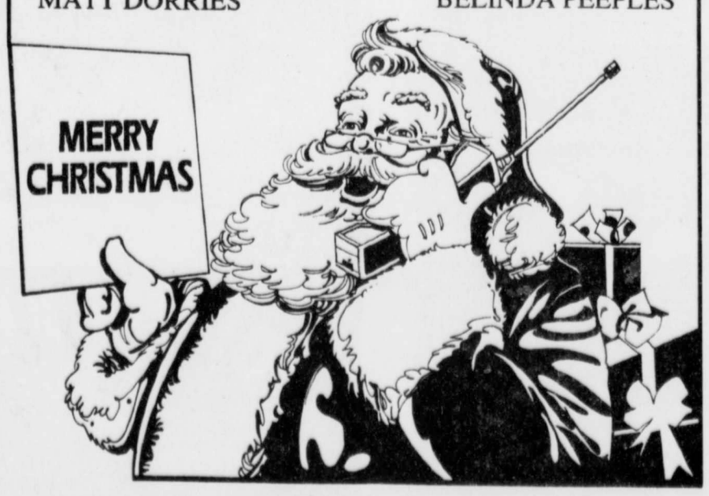
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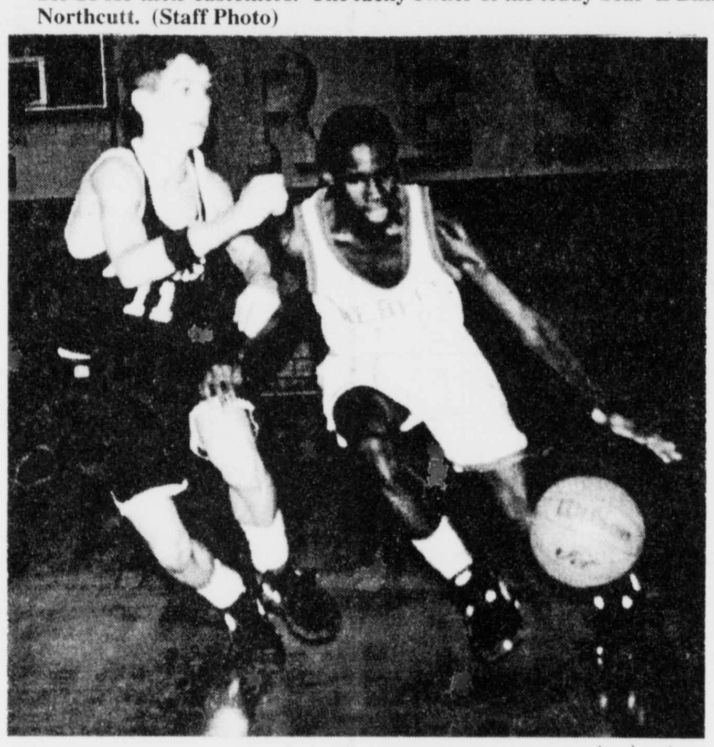
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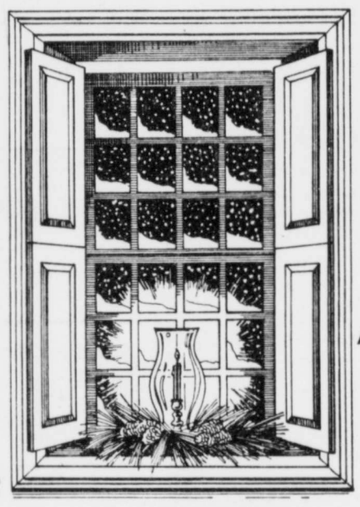
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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Huey celebrated their thirty-fifth wedding anniversary December 2, 1994.

The Talco City Council held their annual Christmas party Dec. 2. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Clemmons, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Huey, Mr. and Mrs. Craig Ingram, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Nolen and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Sloan.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Rackliff enjoyed shopping in Longview Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Smith attended the brooks Well Service Christmas Party Thursday, December 15 in Winnsboro.

Celebrating Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pemberton inMaude this past week were Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Nolen and Jody, Mr. and Mrs. Jeremy Wetherall, Jerrica and Jessica all of Talco, Dorothy Moore, Wilma Moore, Burl Moore and Vivian of Bogata.

The Talco school staff enjoyed a Christmas Party December 14 at the home of Teri Easterling. The house was decorated with red and a Teddy Bear theme was carried out.

covre ish meal and exchanging gag gifts was the evening's entertainment.

Celebrating December birthdays are Ricky Richeson, Destry Nolen, Michelle Johnson.

Nancy Brown, Vickie Howard and Patty Kuhl enjoyed shopping in Sulphur Springs Thursday evening.

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