

The Borden Star

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District Champions!

The Borden County Junior High School production of *The Shadow Box* was named as the District 9-A Champions following last Saturday's One-Act Play Contest. The contest win followed an excellent Friday night community performance enjoyed by many.

The members of the BC cast and crew were also rewarded

for individual excellence. Sixth grader Mollie McMeans was named as the "Best Actress" of the contest as "Felicity."

Named to the All-Star Cast were seventh graders Steven Howard ("Mark") and Teryn Soto ("Agnes"). Sixth graders Zach McMeans ("Brian") and Taylor Gass ("Beverly") were

also named to the All-Star Cast.

Eighth grader Chris Teel ("Joe") and sixth grader Maeghan Herridge ("Maggie") were named to the Honorable Mention All-Star Cast.

Additionally, the crew of Vivian Hernandez (Stage Manager), Matthew Ham (Lights), Seleste Herridge (Sound), and

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Borden County Jr. High OAP District Champions are (back row left to right) Matthew Proulx, Kalyn Massingill, Seleste Herridge, Chris Teel, Veronica Hernandez, Celina Guerrero, Steven Howard, (front row left to right) Matthew Ham, Maeghan Herridge, Taylor Gass, Teryn Soto, Mollie McMeans and Zach McMeans.

Prancer or Dasher?



It was a cold, wet Monday-December 10th and all the elementary students were shut inside staying warm. One of Santa's reindeer stopped by for a bite of playground grass. After grazing for about 10 minutes, he headed north, back toward Santa's North Pole. We were very excited and happy to see him.

EARLY DISMISSAL

Friday, December 21st, school will be dismissed for the Christmas holidays at 12:30 p.m., and the buses will run at that time.

Classes will resume Monday, January 7th.

Have a wonderful Christmas and best wishes for 2008!

Coyotes Cruise Past Cougars!

By Coach Baeza

The Borden County Tournament began well for the Coyotes as they took on the Klondike Cougars in what would turn out to be a one sided victory.

The game began with the Coyotes applying full court pressure on the Cougars and having success causing turnovers and converting them into lay-ups. This allowed the Coyotes to have a seven point lead in the first quarter.

The Coyotes again took control of the game in second quarter with their pressure defense and went on a 21-4 run. This allowed us to take a commanding lead into the locker room of 38-14.

Karl Lamming lead all Coyotes in the first half with 14 points and two steals.

Michael Cooley went 4 of 4 from the free throw line and added a lay-up to finish the Coyotes impressive first half.

With a commanding lead the Coyotes in the second half began working on different as-

pects of their offense and began shooting from the outside more frequently.

Carlos Hernandez and Tyrell Massingill both found the bottom of the net on their 3 point attempts while Miles Valentine added his own 3 in his first varsity appearance and first points.

Flynn Chapman was consistent all night under the basket turning in 10 point from under the basket during the second half as Brendan Tarleton added 8 of his own.

This was an overall good effort by the Coyotes and defiantly something they can build on.

Scoring for the Coyotes: Karl Lamming 16, Flynn Chapman 15, Brendan Tarleton 12, Carlos Hernandez 11, Michael Cooley 8, Tyrell Massingill 4, Miles Valentine 3, and also contributing for the victory Tony Soto, and Clay Harding.

Good Job Coyotes!



Borden County Coyote, Tyrell Massingill (#20) hits the net for 3 pts. against Klondike. Coyotes went on the beat the Cougars.

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Borden County Athletes Included in All-District and All-Region Football

The All-Region and All-District six man football teams were recently chosen and to no surprise they included several Borden County players.

Players chosen and honors received are as follows:

All-District 1st Team Offense: Miles Valentine, New Comer of the Year; Flynn Chapman-Tight End; Michael Cooley-Running Back and Quentin Shafer-Fullback.

All-District 2nd Team Offense: Logan Howard-Tight

End; John Hensley- Fullback; Michael Cooley- Special Teams.

Honorable Mention All-District Offense-Carlos-Center.

All-District 1st Team Defense: Logan Howard-Defensive Lineman and Quentin Shafer-Safety and Punter.

All-District 2nd Team Defense: Flynn Chapman-Defensive End; John Hensley-Linebacker; Michael Cooley-Cornerback.

Honorable Mention All-District

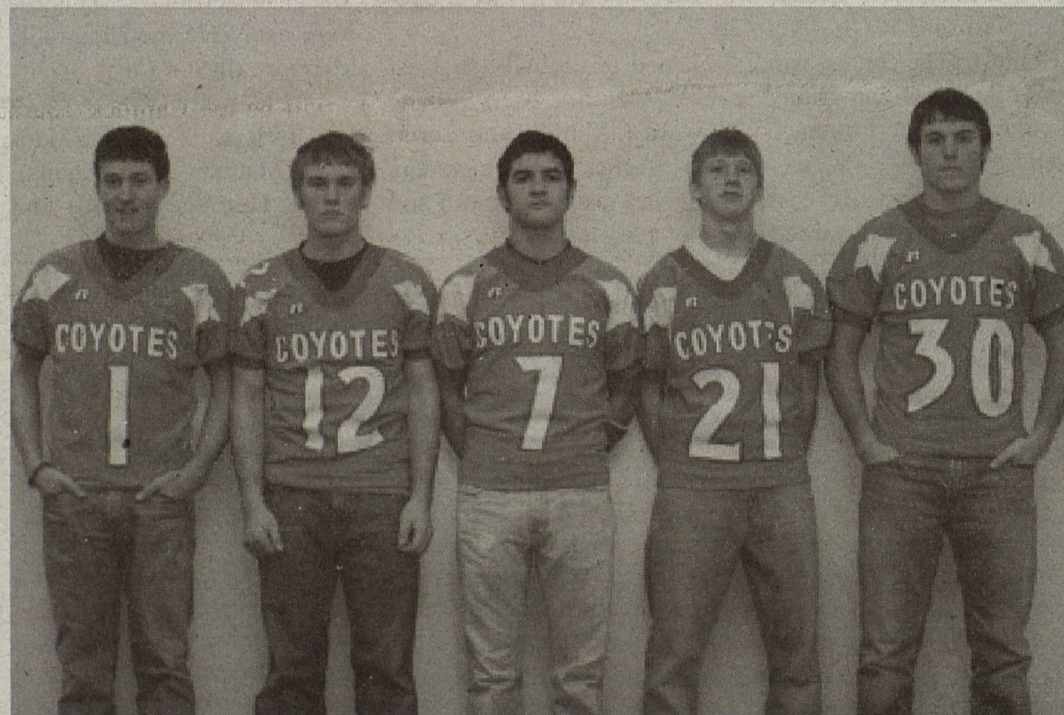
Offense: Karl Lamming-Cornerback.

All-Region 2nd Team Offense: Flynn Chapman-Tight End; Michael Cooley-Running Back and Miles Valentine-Utility Back.

All-Region 1st Team Defense: Logan Howard-Defensive Lineman and Quentin Shafer-Safety and Punter.

Congratulations to these Coyotes!

All-Region Honors



Borden County football players receiving All-Region honors recently are (left to right) Miles Valentine (Utility Back), Logan Howard (Defensive Lineman), Quentin Shafer (Safety and Punter), Michael Cooley (Running Back) and Flynn Chapman (Tight End).

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Lady Coyotes Take Bronze in Meadow Invitational

By Coach Turner

The Borden Lady Coyotes traveled to Meadow last week looking for gold in the Meadow Tournament, but had to settle for the bronze.

In opening round competition Borden County faced off with the Meadow JV and won by the score of 67-20.

Taylor Richey's 25 points led the Lady Coyote attack. She was joined in double figures by Olivia Key with 10.

Both D'Nae Johnson and

Kate Wallace finished with 8 points while Bailey Anderson and Rachel Wilson had 4 points each.

Krystal Hobson and Sharelle Gass had 3 points each, and Baylee Benavidez wrapped up the scoring with 2.

In the semi-final the Lady Coyotes were defeated by the eventual champion Petersburg 40-34. Taylor led the scoring attack with 18 points.

Both Olivia Key and Baylee Benavidez had 6. Krystal Hobson finished with 4 points.

The Lady Coyotes played the host Meadow Lady Broncos for third place on Saturday afternoon. In a rematch of the season opener the Lady Coyotes were victorious by a 63-48 score.

Three Lady Coyotes were in double figures as Taylor Richey had 25, Olivia Key had 17, and Krystal Hobson had 12.

Baylee Benavidez finished with 7 points and Kate Wallace had 2.

Rachel Wilson wrapped up the scoring with a free throw.

Congrats to Taylor Richey and Olivia Key for being named to the All-Tournament team.

Next up for the Lady Coyotes will be the Caprock Tournament in Lubbock. The Lady Coyotes open with Panhandle at Monterey High School on the 27th at 10:30.

All-Tournament

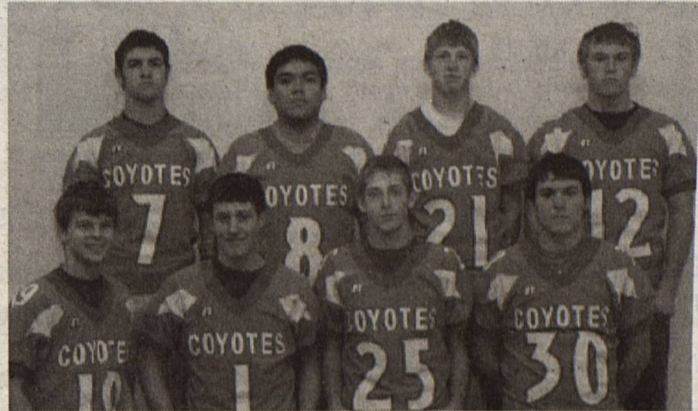


Lady Coyote, Taylor Richey, is named All-Tournament in the Meadow Invitational Tournament. She is a freshman and the daughter of Trey and Hayley Richey.



Lady Coyote, Olivia Key, is named All-Tournament in the Meadow Invitational Tournament. She is a Sophomore and is the daughter of Brice and Darby Key.

All-District Honors



Borden County football players receiving All-District honors recently are (top row left to right) Quentin Shafter (Fullback, Safety and Punter), Carlos Hernandez (Honorable Mention Offense), Michael Cooley (Running Back, Special Teams and Cornerback), Logan Howard (Tight End and Defensive Lineman), (bottom row left to right) John Hensley (Fullback and Linebacker), Miles Valentine (New Comer of the Year), Karl Lamming (Honorable Mention Offense) and Flynn Chapman (Tight End and Defensive End).

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**Jr. High
OAP...**

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Kalyn Massingill (Props & Costumes) were honored as the "Best Technical Crew" of the contest.

Fellow cast members Cejina Guerrero ("Interviewer") and Matthew Proulx ("Steven") added their own acting abilities to the production.

Blackwell Junior High School's *Egad, What a Cad!* placed second, and Loraine Junior High's *Our Lady of the Tortilla* was third.

Congratulations to the cast and crew of *The Shadow Box*.

School Lunch Menu

January 7 - 11, 2007

MONDAY - Breakfast: French Toast Sticks, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: BBQ Sausage, Ranch Style Beans, Potato Salad, Bread, Apricots and Milk.

TUESDAY - Breakfast: Waffles, Fruit Juice, and Milk. Lunch: Pizza, Corn, Salad, Pudding and Milk.

WEDNESDAY - Breakfast: Sausage, Biscuit, Fruit Juice, Milk. Lunch: chicken Quesadillas, Spanish Rice, Lettuce & Tomatoes, Fresh Fruit and Milk.

THURSDAY - Breakfast: Toast, Cereal, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, Corn Tossed Salad, Garlic Bread, Fruit Cobbler and Milk.

FRIDAY - Breakfast: Cinnamon Roll, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Steak Sandwich, French Fries, Salad Cup, Brownie and Milk.

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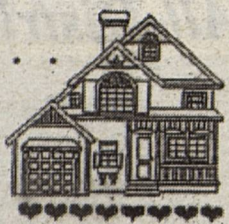
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By Julie Smith
Borden County Extension Agent
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Tips For Celebrating With Health in Mind

There's no doubt that the holidays pose a challenge for healthful eating. The problem often occurs with the amount and types of food we eat during the holidays, coupled with less physical activity – and more parties! Most people gain about one pound over the holiday season. This may not sound like much, but a pound or two each holiday season can amount to considerable weight gain over time, which can pose serious health consequences, especially for people with diabetes. The holidays may not be the easiest time to lose weight, but it *is* realistic to concentrate on not *gaining* weight.

QUALITY, NOT QUANTITY

There's no need to give up your favorite holiday fare or deprive yourself at holiday parties. Just follow these rules:

- *Don't arrive with an empty stomach.* Be sure to eat a light meal beforehand.

- *Peruse all the offerings first.* Load up on vegetables, add some protein such as turkey or other meats, and then fill in with samplings of carbohydrates, such as stuffing, potatoes, or pasta.

- *Offer to bring a healthful dish.* The other guests also may appreciate the choice.

BRING BALANCE TO YOUR TABLE

One simple way to bring balance to your holiday table is with fruits and vegetables. Packed with nutrients and naturally low in calories, fruits and vegetables help you feel full

with relatively few calories. Serve fresh vegetables and low-fat dips before a meal, and offer fresh fruit as part of dessert. A vegetable-based soup is a great starter to help fill you up, so you're less likely to overindulge on main dishes, sides and desserts. Start with half-size portions, and savor every bite. Remind yourself to eat until you're satisfied, not stuffed.

FEAST ON PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

It may be a busy time of the year to start or maintain an exercise routine, but it doesn't mean

that you can't make an activity such as shopping more physical. Take the stairs at the mall instead of the escalator, or park farther from the door. Start a tradition of physical activity as part of your family gatherings: organize a game of basketball or softball, go skating or sledding before your meal, or plan a walk or hike after the meal.

HOLIDAY MENU TUNE-UP

Here are some easy ideas:

- * Baste turkey with fat-free chicken broth, wine, or apple cider instead of butter or drippings. Use a gravy separator to skim the remaining fat when making gravy.

- * To give stuffing a fiber boost, use whole wheat bread instead of white, or try a stuffing made with wild rice, brown rice, or bulgur wheat. You can also add fiber and extra nutrients to stuffing or vegetable dishes by tossing in a handful of raisins, dried apricots, or chopped nuts.

- * Mash white potatoes with low-sodium, fat-free chicken broth instead of milk, butter, and salt.

- * Mash sweet potatoes with orange juice instead of butter, or try tossing sweet potatoes in a small amount of oil, sprinkling on some cinnamon and brown sugar, and roasting them until they're caramel-brown.

- * Make pumpkin pie with fat-free evaporated milk instead of whole evaporated milk – a simple way to slice off 200 calories and nearly 30 grams of fat from a pumpkin pie.

- * Try cutting sugar by one-third to one-half in traditional dessert recipes; increase the use of flavorful spices, such as cinnamon, nutmeg, or

vanilla. Or try replacing some of the sugar with a sugar substitute that's suitable for baking.

SAVOR SMALL AMOUNTS

Remember to count sweets as part of the total carbohydrates that you are allowed each day. This means that sweets shouldn't simply be added – instead, they should be substituted for other carbohydrates in

your meal plan. Talk to your diabetes educator or dietitian about ways to work in some holiday treats. It may mean eating less of other foods, more exercise,

increasing medications, or a combination.

Source: *D-News* November 2007 Newsletter, Texas Cooperative Extension-Comal County



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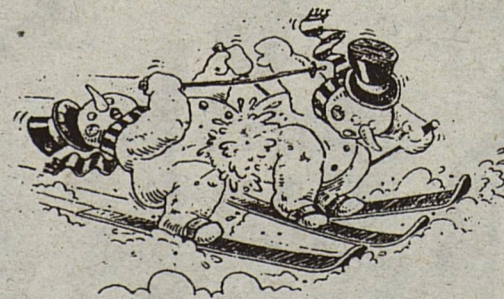
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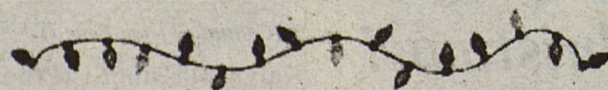
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There's no telling who you'll run into, so keep your eyes open . . . and enjoy the season!



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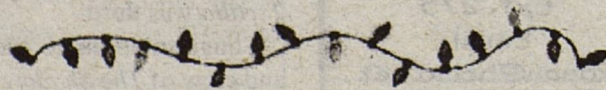


Borden County 4-H would like to thank all those that donated to the Canned Food Drive. Together, we collected 750 items!

These items will be delivered to families in Borden County this week.

We appreciate your donations of time and resources.

Happy Holidays!



Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit
Tumbleweed Smith

Texas Size Poinsettias

The sight of a giant greenhouse filled with several colors of poinsettias nearly took my breath away. Yellows, oranges, whites, pinks, apricot and various shades, combinations of colors and variegated varieties have joined the traditional red, which is still the favorite.

Bobbie Schulte of Ellison's Greenhouses in Brenham took me on a tour of the place. "That greenhouse is filled with 8,000 poinsettias going to Kroger stores in Houston," she told me.

Ellison's is one of the top greenhouse operations in Texas. It kicks off the poinsettia season in November with an open house featuring a huge Christmas tree made of poinsettia plants in pots. It is up only a few days, but thousands of people go see it.

"They come to look at the sea of beautiful, beautiful colors," says Bobbie. "We have the Texas orange and Aggie maroon.

Customers can go through the greenhouses and select the plants they like. All of our flowers are pinched so they have more flowers on them. My favorite is Monet, which has cream-colored leaves with burgundy splotches."

The Christmas plants come in a variety of sizes.

"We probably grow the most sizes of anybody in the area. We do a two and a quarter inch pot, which has a poinsettia about three inches tall, all the way up to our Texas size which is six feet tall and six feet across and that is awesome. The leaf spread on the tree is about 24 inches. They're just gorgeous."

Those Texas size poinsettias

come in a big pot.

"It's a 22-inch nursery container with about 15 gallons of soil in it. The reason the plant gets so big is the way we handle it.

It starts on May first and gets special treatment in that we keep all the extra growth picked off the sides so it grows tall.

The Texas size is our trademark right now. They've become very popular. We have them in malls, banks, hotels and big office buildings."

Some people in warm climates plant the poinsettias in their yard.

"In the right area they will grow outdoors. They don't like it below 50 degrees, so you have to be careful where you plant them.

In south Texas they grow wild and get as tall as the

houses. Poinsettias originally came from Mexico back in the 1800's when the US Ambassador to Mexico, Joel Poinsett brought some back to the states."

With proper care, poinsettias can last much longer than just the holiday season. They need to be placed in a spot with bright natural light and the soil should be kept moist. Empty any water that drains into the container under your plant. If you let the plant sit in this water, the leaves will yellow and drop. The plants do best with temperatures not over 75 degrees during the day and not below 60 degrees at night.

Thought for the Day

People are like tea bags,
you have to put them in
hot water before you
know how strong they
are.

Source: St. Louis Inspirational
Christian Connection.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.
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CONTRACT(S)

Dist/Div: **Abilene**

Contract **6168-08-001** for **MOWING HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY** in **BORDEN** County, etc. will be opened on **JANUARY 16, 2008** at **10:00 a.m.** at the District Office for an estimate of \$78,740.00.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Pre-qualified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div. Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

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wonderful meal. We are truly blessed to live in
such a loving community.

Sincerely,
The family of Patsy Underwood

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 8A
Rule 37 Case No. 0254148
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Dec. 5, 2007
Status/Permit No. 648298

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SINCLAIR OIL & GAS COMPANY, (RRC Operator No. 784548) has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the DISTANCE BETWEEN WELLS requirement for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 528, Bk. 97, H&TC RR CO/BOUCHIER, A W Survey, A-1069, HOOD (SPRABERRY) Field, BORDEN County, being 7 miles W direction from FLUVANNA, Texas. The location and identity of the well is as follows:

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Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:
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This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 6500 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Robert Krueger, at (801) 524-2742.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted without a hearing if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protest must be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512)463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the commission at (512) 463-6751.

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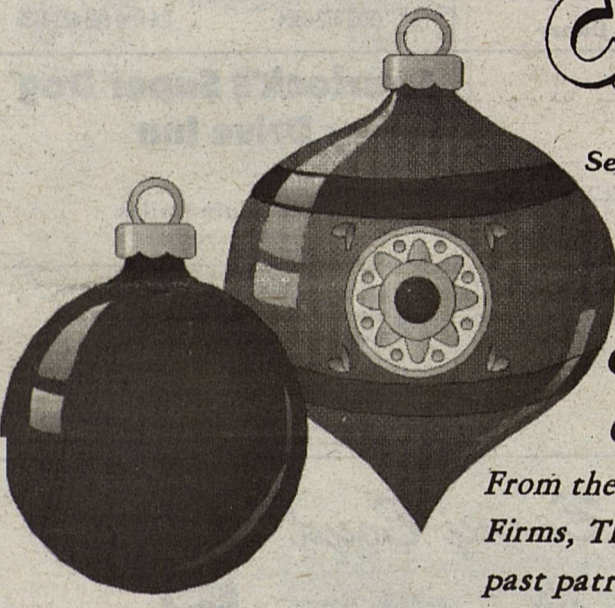
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Cooking Corner

Green Bean Casserole: A Holiday Must-Have Year After Year

(NAPS)—During the holiday season, folks look forward to spending quality time with family and friends, exchanging gifts, decorating their home and—eating Green Bean Casserole?

It's true. In a recent survey commissioned by the Campbell Soup Company and Kelton Research, 44 percent of people say that Green Bean Casserole has been a favorite holiday vegetable side dish and a staple at their holiday table.

The original recipe has stood the test of time. In the 1950s, the dish was created as a way to make the most out of ingredients commonly found in kitchen cabinets and deliver a wholesome, home-cooked meal to the table quickly and easily. It evolved into a holiday must-have, and currently an estimated 30 million households proudly serve this comfort food year after year.

The traditional recipe calls for a rich combination of green beans, cream of mushroom soup and french fried onions. Recently, though, a new variation of the recipe has emerged as holiday hosts are adding the ultimate comfort food to their Green Bean Casserole—cheese.

Appropriately named Cheesy Green Bean Casserole, this holiday side melts cheese into the casserole to add even more creaminess and rich flavor to the timeless classic.

To add even more pizzazz to this holiday mainstay, holiday cooks like to customize their Green Bean Casseroles with variations on a crunchy topping. Survey



A variation on green bean casserole—a favorite holiday staple—adds the creamy goodness of cheese to the dish.

results show that other favorite, crispy toppings are almonds (17 percent), potato chips (8 percent) and crackers (7 percent).

Whether you are keeping up a family tradition or looking for a new holiday favorite this year, these casseroles are mouthwatering dishes that are sure to leave a smile on your guests' faces.

For more holiday dishes, visit www.campbellkitchen.com.

Green Bean Casserole
Prep Time: 10 minutes
Bake Time: 30 minutes
Serves 6

Ingredients:
1 can (10½ ounces) Campbell's Condensed Cream of Mushroom or 98 percent Fat Free Cream of Mushroom Soup
½ cup milk
1 teaspoon soy sauce
Dash ground black pepper
4 cups cooked cut green beans

1½ cups French's French Fried Onions

Directions:

1. Mix soup, milk, soy, black pepper, beans and ½ cup onions in 1½-quart casserole.
2. Bake at 350 °F for 25 minutes or until hot.
3. Stir. Sprinkle with remaining onions. Bake 5 minutes.

Cheesy Green Bean Casserole
Prep Time: 10 minutes
Bake Time: 30 minutes
Serves 12

Ingredients:

2 cans (10½ ounces) Campbell's Condensed Cream of Mushroom or 98 percent Fat Free Cream of Mushroom Soup
1 cup milk
1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese
¼ teaspoon ground black pepper
8 cups cooked cut green beans
1 can (6 ounces) French's French Fried Onions (2% cups)

Directions:

1. Stir soup, milk, ½ cup cheese, black pepper, beans and 1½ cups onions in 3-qt. casserole.
2. Bake at 350°F for 25 minutes or until hot.
3. Stir. Top with remaining cheese and onions. Bake 5 minutes.



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Dear Santa,

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Love,

Ryann Phillips

Dear Santa,

I have been very good. I hope you are doing great. This year I want a bike and spiderman tent.

Love,

Keigan Benavidez

Dear Santa,

I have been very good. I hope you are doing great. This year I want a Nintendo DS and a tent.

Love,

Quinten Freeman

Dear Santa,

I have been very good. I hope you are doing great. This year I want a bike and a baby doll.

Love,

Brooklyn Gray

Dear Santa,

I have been very good. I hope you are doing great. This year I want a new truck.

Love,

Benton Nix

Dear Santa,

I have been very good. I hope you are doing great. This year I want a guitar, tractor and a train set.

Love,

Tres Spencer

Dear Santa,

I have been very good. I hope you are doing great. This year I want a baby doll, Barbie horse and a doll house.

Love,

Erin Nix

Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

My name is Kaitlyn and I'm 5 years old. Will you please bring me an I-pod, some make-up, a Barbie, a Pegasus toy, and a shiny dress. I have been sort of good this

year. I will sit in your lap again at the Lighting of the Star.

Love,

Kaitlyn

Dear Santa,

My name is Anthony and I am 6 years old. Would you bring my mom a glass vase or a new candle? I would like a red chain saw, a Spiderman black action figure that's going to be soft, Atlantis Squarepants Sponge Bob the video game, Fantastic Four Rise of the Silver Surfer Movie, and my own blue laptop. I will leave you some cookies and milk.

Love,

Anthony

Dear Santa,

My name is Brad Thomas and I am 5 years old. I want a play pistol, a play shotgun, a rifle, a Transformer with a button, and a play rocket that has a button on it and goes up in the air a little bit. I have been kind of mean to my little sister and I will try to be better next year.

Love,

Brad

Dear Santa,

My name is Will and I am 6 years old. Please bring me a little dirt bike that is about 4 inches tall, a Megasword, a toy gun that shoots fake bullets, a toy cell phone, and a Dino Thunder Morphor that's white. I have been good this year and I will leave you some cookies and milk.

Love,

Will

Dear Santa,

Would you please bring me a Game Boy, a Barbie doll, and a play bear. I have very good this year. My name is Maegen Bland and I am 5 years old. My sister is nice, and my brother is mean.

Love,

Maegen

Dear Santa,

My name is Susie and I am 6 years old. I have very good this year. Would you please bring me some make-up, earrings, a bracelet, a necklace, and a ring to wear on my finger. Please bring lipstick for my family.

Love,

Susie

Dear Santa,

My name is Michael and I just turned 6 years old. I have been real good this year. I want a game that has the letter sounds and then you write it, a Traineyac, a toy that goes on land and in the water, and a remote control toy that goes in the are. Please bring Hannah a Baby Born toy.

Love,

Michael

Dear Santa,

My name is Alex and I am 5 years old. I have been good this year. I want a motorcycle, a race car, and a car. I will leave cookies for you.

Love,

Alex

First Grade

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the gifts last year. I liked playing with them. I want a new bike and a Mommy Make Me Better doll. My little sister would like a Dora doll and Hayley wants a Nintendo DS. I will leave you milk and cookies. Thank you.

Love, Katie

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the presents from last year. Please take care of the reindeer. I would like a Hannah Montana wig and a Baby Alive. Zoie would like a Nintendo DS. Olivia would like some jewelry. I will leave some milk and Santa cookies for you.

Love,

Emma Key

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Is Mrs. Claus making cookies? Please bring me a little baby doll with clothes and a stroller. Bryce wants a game for his Nintendo. Mattie would like a new cell phone and a bike. Blake wants an I-pod. We'll leave you a brownie and some milk.

Love,

Macie Turner

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus? Please bring me an electric guitar and a

rock and roll cd. Mommy needs a new washer and Daddy would like a Texas Tech watch. Our family would like a Nintendo DS. I love you Santa.

Love,

Brooke Swaffer

Dear Santa,

Have you been nice this year? Wes and I have been real nice. Please bring me a black Nintendo DS and Wes would like a tractor. Daddy wants a new pick-up and Mom would like a new car. I'll leave cookies and milk on the TV.

Love,

Russell Wilks

Dear Santa,

How has Mrs. Claus been? How have you been? Please bring me a Barbie and a Hannah Montana Barbie. Please bring Kable Leggo Mar Mission and Klancy a Gordon. Kell wants a Tigger. We will leave you some chocolate chip cookies and milk. Thank you Santa.

Love,

Kelby Kleck

Dear Santa,

Thank you for all the presents last year. Please bring me a Nintendo DS and Heelies. Kylee also wants a Nintendo DS and Kaylyn wants a new cell phone. We have been good this year. Thank you Santa.

Love,

Kenley Dean

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the toys last year. I moved to a great school. It is fun. Please bring me a cross necklace and a watch. Erin would like a baby doll. Thomas and Benton would like a toy too. I have been good this year. We would also like a Nintendo DS.

Love,

J.W. Nix

Dear Santa,

Ho! Ho! Ho! Thank you for the presents last year. How is Mrs. Santa Claus doing? Please bring a Nintendo DS and some jewelry. Hunter would like some new boots and a new Game Boy. My mom would like a Texas Longhorn watch and my daddy needs a surprise. Thank you.

Love, Rayme Jones

2nd Grade

Dear Santa,

How are your doing? How are yore reindeer doing? How is Mrs. Claus doing? I hope you are

having a grat time with you elves. I know you and yore elves are very besy working. I want a doll, a braslet, a neckles, and a play horse.

Love,

Veronica Hernandez

Dear Santa,

How are your elves and reindeer doing? We cant wait until to Gail Texas. I think it is snowing in the North pole. I know you are a busy man. When it snowed I made a big snowman. I drank hot chocolate. I hope you and your wife are doing just fine. I would like a nitend ds and four games.

Love,

Brian Torres

Dear Santa Claus,

I hope you ben having a good year. I wont a playstahon 3 and a dirtbike and sum fayck trees for my modoll train set. Thank you for the present.

Love,

Bryce Redman

Dear Santa,

How are you and your elves? You have been a great guy every Christmas, I hope you have a great Christmas and deliver all your presents. What I want for Christmas is a ghost rider game of a gameboy, Spider-man 3 for ps2 and a superman for ps2. Thank you.

Love,

Thadd Basquez

Dear Santa Claus,

How have you and your elves been? I can't wait until Chistmas. It's going to be a blast. Did you no we hung our ornaments on are tree already? How are Rudolph and Comet, Cupid, Donner, Blitzen, Dasher, Dancer, Prancer and Vixen? I would like a lego canapolp thing whith to lego nights and to lego scelatens. I would also like a wagon carage lego thing with eight lego nights and eight lego scelatens. I would also like ten football figures to. My family also would like a wii. I hope you have a good Chistmas.

Love,

Trace Richey

Dear Santa Claus,

How are your elves and reindeer? How is the North pole? I can't wait for you to come to Gail and Snyder. I want a game boy and a nintindo ds and clothes. I like green and red. I like hot chocolate.

Love,
Morgan Wilson
Dear Santa Claus,

I saw you at the lighting of the Star. How are you and your elves? I'm going to get you a lot of cookies. I hope I get a phone, a Ipod, a Longhorn helmet, some Christmas clothes and a Ben 10 toy and TMNT movie. Thank you.

Love,
Nick Proulx
Dear Santa,

How are your randere? How are you feeling today. I want a monster truk?

Love,
Luke Slover
Dear Santa,

How are your elves, reindeer and Mrs. Claus? How is it in the North Pole? I can't wait intel you come. This year I would like a Ben Ten lab and a transformer and a game boy game.

Love,
Thomas Nix
Dear Santa Clause,

How or your reindeer? How many elves do you have? This year Santa I want Geotrax set, a Lego Marmistion set and a Magnetiks portable set.

Love,
Kable Kleck
3rd Grade
Dear Santa,

How are your reindeer? I would like a Nintendo DS with a game. Me and Katie both want a Nintendo Wii with a game. I also want some books, Brookie wants a Dora Kitchen. Dad wants a playstation 3 with a game. My mom wants some jewelry.

Love,
Hayley Gray
Dear Santa,

How are you doing? For Christmas I would like a Playstation 2 with Street Football 2. if you can't get me a Playstation 2 with Street Football 2 I would like an orange ipod shuffle. Another toy that I would like is a red Ripstick. The last thing I want is a new Nintendo game (of your choice).

Love,
Bryce
Dear Santa,

How have your reindeer been? This is what I'd like for Christmas. I'd like a wii with Mario super galaxy. I'd also like a dirt bike, an air hog a Nintendo

DS with pokeman emerald version and pokeman pearl.

Love,
Kale
Dear Santa,

How are you and your reindeer doing? I want a laptop so I don't have to write things for my sister. Then I could just do it on the laptop. I also want on mp three player to listen to. And I would like a set of Junie B Jones books, and a set of Can Jansen books. I would like a new pair of shoes, and a dress. My sister would like a doll that can talk and she would kike a set of make up. My brother would like a play station three and a game of wrestling. He would also like a Dvd player.

Love,
Mary
Dear Santa,

How have you been? I want a satellite flat screen t.v. in my room. I want a play station 2. I want a wii.

Love,
Dylan
Dear Santa,

How is Donner been? If he is sick tell him I said get well because Christmas is coming soon. I want an xbox 360 and a playstation 3. I also want a Nintendo DS with a football game and hunting game. I hope you bring me lots of candy and stuff like apples and fruit. Id like a skateboard too and a 4 wheeler that goes very very fast.

Love,
Quinton
Dear Santa,

How are your reindeer? My whole family has been good. My brother wants a tractor and a truck with a trailer. My mom would like a diamond bracelet and necklace and I would like a truck and a trailer that can hold 4 horses. I would also like a game boy and a guitar. My dad would like a pair of golf clubs and a pair of spurs that say Cliff P. Have a nice Christmas.

Love,
Avery
Dear Santa,

How have you been? How are your reindeer? For Christmas I would like an ipod, a playstation 2, and a rope and that is all.

Love,
Hunter
Dear Santa,

How are your doing at the north pole? Can I have Super Mario Party DS, orange flavored tic tacs in my stocking, a Nintendo case, a trampoline, swimming pool and a flat screen t.v. to go in my room instead of a regular sized one. Please.

Love,
Tanner
Dear Santa,

How are you doing? How are the elves? I bet the snow is cold. For Christmas can I have a guitar, Taylor Swift album and a bike. I also would like lotion, jewelry and perfume. Have a very jolly Christmas.

Love,
Madison
4th Grade
Dear, Santa

What I want for Christmas is an Ipod because I love to listen to music. And a American doll and her name is Julie. And I hope my Mom gets a betty crocker and you get to make cakes with it. And my Dad propaly wants a pair of drumsticks and drum set. Olivia basketball and jewelry, Emma cd, earrings, and neckalace. Have a happy Christmas!

Love,
Zoie Key
p.s. rings for me. Pps Guitar Hero 3 for me and Olivia.

Age 9 grade 4th
Dear Santa

I want a Game boy and a playstation. Can you give \$130 to mom and give Candice a new gocart.

Love,
Samuel Raborn
Age 10, 4th grade
Dear Santa,

I would like to get my ears pearsed and a Ipod caus I like to listen to music. And my dady wants a tool box. And my mommy wants some flowers those smell realy good. And my brother wants to have an MP3 player. I love Christmas.

Love,
Makayla
4th grade
Dear Santa,

I want a fourwiler for Christmas, and thank you the preasents from the past. I live them, I hop you can give preasents to thos that do not have homs, parent. I hope you have and mary Christmas and i hope you can bring my dog back

and I hope every one had good Christmas.

Love,
Joel Andrade
Dear Santa,

Please can I have a Wii so I can share it with my family. And a DS game. It doesn't matter. And can I please ave a star wars game on xbox. How are you and Mrs. Claus. How are your reideer are your elves. Are your elves working hard I hope not.

Love,
Tate Wheatley
4th

Dear Santa,
Please help Kelby get beterso he can com back to schoole and also help Taylor to. And pleas pertic the schoole to. Pleas pertic my family to and maby make it snow for Chrismas and thank you for the presents in the past.

Mary Christmas Santa
From Caelan Thuett
Dear Santa,

This is my wish list. Wat I want for cristmas is a 4 wheeler, .230 rifle and an Ipod Nono

Love,
Rhaeden 4th grade
10 years old

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a new gun I could shoot dove with that would be very cool. And also I want Heeylies because when I get Heeylies I could scate. And also I want an emergency phone tht would be very cool. I could call my mom and daddy. And get my mom a mew phone. I love Christmas.

Love,
Kylee Dean
Mrs. Smith
4th grade
Dear Santa,

I would love to come and see you one day and you can take me in your slay and when you get to wetherfer can you drop of a tree my dad didn't get a tree this year.

Love,
Kyrsten Rebeles
4th grade
Dear Mr. Cringle,

May I pease have a new Easy bake oven to send the things I make to my pen pal in the nursing home. Will you also help my Great Grandmother recover from her surgery. Help every child in the world have a Christmas present and I Merry Christmas.

Love,
Channing Miller
9 years old.
Dear Santa,

Thank you so much for the gifts in the past. I live all that you've given me. This year I don't have as much work for you. I would just like a video camra because I live to video and a purple outfit for my baby doll. I hope this year's not too busy. Thank's again. If you could squeeze this in your tight schedual to please bring my kittens Snow Bell and Major Tub to come back. I also ask you for a great Christmas for my family. Have a great Christmas Santa and a Happy New Year!

Love,
Tatum Richey
10 years old
Dear Santa,

I want some Nurf guns and a walky talky. I also want some gi joe guys and some more star wars toys to. Please get my mom ear rings a watch and some nice shoes. Get my dad some boots please. Get my brother Miller a knew Guitar. And get Miles my other brother some drums.

p.s. I also want guitar hero 3 on playstation two please.

Merik Valentine
I'm ten
Dear Santa,

I want a guitar for Chirstmas because I want to learn how to play. I also want a dirtbike so I can go an check on thing around the ranch. I want a twenty two rifle so I can shoot coyotes when they come up to the house and bother our dogs. I want a guitar hero two for playstation 2. I want a pistol for a present. And a cell phone for Chirstmas. And I want it to snow a bunch. I hope that my family will get go come down and visit us.

Love,
Flint Roberts
10 years old
4th grade
Dear Santa,

I want a drum set and electrick guitar and a keyboard for christmas. I want everyone to have fun and spend time with each other.

From: Colby Pennell
4th grade 10 years old

**Merry
Christmas!**

14th Annual Lights for Gail

The "Star" on Gail Mountain will be sponsored on the following nights:

- Nov. 25** – In Memory of:
Mr. & Mrs. C. D. Cowart
By Clay & Amy Cowart
- Nov. 26** – In Honor of:
Connie L. Johnson
By T. Ruffin Johnson, Jr.
- Nov. 27** – In Memory of:
Martin Parks & Joe Copeland
By Mickey & Shirley McMeans
- Nov. 28** – In Memory of:
Our mothers, Lynda Beaver & Patsy Westbrook
By Steve & Becky Beaver
- Nov. 29** – In Memory of:
Dorothy Canon
By Cress & Terry DeBusk
- Nov. 30** – In Memory of:
O. D. & Jessie B. Jackson
By R. D. & Carol Lewis
- Dec. 1** – In Memory of:
Delmo Pearce
By Martha & Nancy Pearce
- Dec. 2** – In Memory of:
Karen Elizabeth Pearce
By Martha & Nancy Pearce
- Dec. 3** – In Memory of:
S. C. (Buddy) Sharp
By Ross & Sarah Sharp
- Dec. 5** – In Memory of:
Binie & Nell White
By Binie L. & Edna White
- Dec. 6** – In Memory of:
Skeet & Lela Porter
By the Sam (Porter) Giffords
- Dec. 7** – In Memory of:
Ann & James McLeroy
By Bob & Julie McLeroy Family
- Dec. 7** – In Memory of:
Charles Vaughn
By Cricket Dempsey & the Vaughn Children
- Dec. 10** – In Memory of:
Beno & Donna Hendricks
By Bo & Jacque Hendricks
- Dec. 11** – In Memory of:
My mother, Margaret Ard
By Darrin Ard
- Dec. 11** – In Memory of:
Caden Nowlain
By Jibber & Cindy Herridge
- Dec. 12** – In Memory of:
Jim York Family
By Van & Barbara York
- Dec. 13** – In Honor of:
Clayton Wilson

- By Borden County Waste Disposal, Ltd.
- Dec. 14** – In Honor of:
Willie Ferguson
By Borden County Waste Disposal, Ltd.
- Dec. 15** – In Memory of:
Karan Key
By Grandchildren of Karan Key
- Dec. 17** – In Memory of:
Lee York Family
By Van & Barbara York
- Dec. 19** – In Memory of:
"Good Times"
By Bertie Copeland & Family
- Dec. 20** – In Memory of:
Bert & Dorothy Dennis
By Mr. & Mrs. Joel Dennis
- Dec. 21** – In Honor of:
Guy Edwards
By Borden County Waste Disposal, Ltd.
- Dec. 21** – In Honor of:
Terri Edwards
By Borden County Waste Disposal, Ltd.
- Dec. 22** – In Honor of:
Colt Youngblood
By Arlan & Avis Youngblood
- Dec. 22** – In Honor of:
Madison Youngblood
By Arlan & Avis Youngblood
- Dec. 23** – In Memory of:
Skeet & Lela Porter
By Pat J. Porter
- Dec. 24** – In Memory of:
Caden Nowlain
By Mack & Jane Terry
- Dec. 24** – In Memory of:
All our loved ones and friends
By Ralph Miller Family
- Dec. 24** – In Memory of:
Arvil (Babe) Brewer
By Ross & Sarah Sharp
- Dec. 25** – In Honor of:
Mildred Sevey
By Bo & Jacque Hendricks
- Dec. 25** – In Memory of:
Denver & Rubye Dunn
By Pat J. Porter
- Dec. 25** – In Memory of:
Clint O'Brien
By Barry & Susan O'Brien & Family
- Dec. 26** – In Memory of:

- Caden Nowlain**
By Ray Don, Jana & Raylea Underwood
- Dec. 26** – In Memory of:
David L. Hooper
By Borden County Waste Disposal, Ltd.
- Dec. 27** – In Memory of:
J. Pat Porter
By The Sam (Porter) Giffords
- Dec. 27** – In Memory of:
David L. Hooper
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- Dec. 28** – In Memory of:
J. Pat Porter
By Pat J. Porter
- Dec. 28** – In Memory of:
David L. Hooper
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- Dec. 29** – In Honor of:
Florence King
By N. R. King
- Dec. 29** – In Memory of:
David L. Hooper
By Borden County Waste Disposal, Ltd.
- Dec. 31** – In Honor of:
Brian & Sharon Jones & Robyn
By Bo & Jacque Hendricks
- Dec. 31** – In Memory of:
Mary & Jerry Clayton
By Barbara & Rich Anderson
- Dec. 31** – In Memory of:
Patsy Underwood
By Bo & Jacque Hendricks
- Jan. 1** – In Memory of:
John Harding
By Joe, Rhonda, Sarah & Clay Harding
- Light bulbs for the "Star" on Gail Mountain are being sponsored for the following:
- IN MEMORY OF:**
Bud Smith
Dollie Smith
David Holmes
Brandon Adcock
John Harding
John Brummett
Caden Nowlain
By Van & Barbara York
Edward Rinehart
Jym Hendricks
Madge Hendricks

- By Jym Rinehart Family
Obe J. Wilson, Jr.
C. Darwin Wilson
By Marguerite Faver
Johanna Guthmiller
Martin J. Reinecke
Alma Gollnick
By Margaret Novak
Brandon Adcock
Dottie Adcock
Vernon & Tharon Todd
By Randy & Verna Adcock
Preston & Ella Sharp
Tom & Ann Nelms
Billy O. Gilleland
By Ross & Sarah Sharp
Beno & Donna Hendricks
Paula Rios
By Mildred Sevey
Debby Dennis
David Dennis
John Dennis
Peggy Dennis
Florence Nunnally
Martin Parks
Jimmy Redman
By Jacquie Whalen & Mary Ann Awtry
John Harding
John Brummett
By Barry & Susan O'Brien

- IN HONOR OF:**
The Sharp Family
By Margaret Sharp
Cindy Herridge
Jibber Herridge
Cody Nowlain
Jana Underwood
Ray Don Underwood
Raylea Underwood
By Mack & Jane Terry

- Ross Sharp Family**
Margaret Sharp
By Sarah Gilleland
Lindell Koonce
By Margaret Novak
Mrs. Fannie Ballentine
Mr. & Mrs. Mack Terry
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Herridge
Cody Nowlain
Emily Landry
Ray Don Underwood Family
Maurice Herridge Family
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By Jibber & Cindy Herridge
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By Ross & Sarah Sharp
Grandad & Grandmother Lewis
By Kelsey, Quincy & Eli Martin

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Fourteenth Annual Lighting of the Star LIGHTS FOR GAIL

P.O. Box 312
Gail, Texas 79738

DONATION BY _____
(Your Name)

To have your name in the program we must have your list by Friday, November 16, 2007.

Nights available will be from November 25 through December 31, 2007.

Bulbs @ \$5.00 per person per bulb per night.	Nights @ \$25.00 per person or couple per night chosen.	Date
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Total Bulbs \$ _____ Total Nights \$ _____

To be fair to all please limit each bulb or night to one of the following examples:

John Smith
Mr. & Mrs. John Smith
John Smith Family

If you want to list John, Jane, Joe & Julie Smith
Please list them on separate lines at \$5.00 for each name listed.

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Your donation is greatly appreciated.
(A receipt will be sent when requested)
Please note below if you wish to have the name listed above "In Honor of..." or "In Memory of..."
For example if you listed Joe Jones for a night, note here that it is in memory of, or any special notation you wish.