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WTU Hike Granted City Holds Off Rate Increase

The Sonora City Council last week approved an ordinance granting an 8.27 percent rate increase to West Texas Utilities, but refused to pass an ordinance raising the rates paid by the City's electrical customers.

The City Council had earlier suspended the rate increase, but WTU reached a settlement with the Public Utilities Commission that will give them annual revenues of 12.7 million on a system wide basis.

The Council had no choice but to accept the decision, but balked when WTU representatives presented a proposed ordinance which would have raised the rates for the City's customers to the same level.

The Council members asked what the wholesale rate WTU charges the City would be, but the WTU repre-

sentatives could not give an exact answer.

The new rate schedule was installed retroactive to Dec. 15.

In other Council action, the Aldermen met with Phil Sagebiel of Chorpeneing, Jungmann and Co. in San Antonio who presented a report

of the City's annual audit.

Sagebiel to Council members the City was in excellent financial condition, and the audit was approved.

The Council members also agreed to look into the feasibility of purchasing a new computer to replace the outmoded one now in use.

Two Plead Guilty In 112th District Court Burglary Cases

The 112th District Court last week took a plea on Michael L. Rossell in connection with the November burglary of Elliott Exxon Station.

Rossell was sentenced to five years straight time in the Texas Department of Corrections, according to District Attorney Bill Mason.

The burglary of six tires from the service station was thought of have taken place on or about Nov. 7 and officers later found labels matching the description of the tires in Rossell's residence.

Later in the afternoon, Rossell received another five-year sentence in Ozona in connection with a burglary of some mini-warehouses.

Also on the court docket was the case of Daniel Joseph Van Broek, charged with the Dec. 2 burglary of the Jim Dover home.

Van Broek pled guilty to the offense and was sentenced for two years.

A Canadian resident, Van Broek is also wanted there and will be returned after serving his sentence here.

Scholarships Available To Local 4-H'ers

All 4-H'er's who will be graduating from high school this spring and rank in the upper 25 percent of the graduating class are reminded about the many 4-H scholarships available.

To be eligible, each applicant must take the SAT test.

To find out about requirements and get an official scholarship application form, interested students should come by the County Extension Office after Jan. 19.



J.T. Hill (above) and Michelle Anderson (below) hand out the gift certificates to winners in the merchants drawing last Saturday afternoon. The finals are today at 2 p.m. with two lucky people each winning gift

certificates totaling \$275. Sponsoring merchants are Gosney's, Hill's Jewelry, Foxworth-Galbreath Lumber Co., Food Center, Spain's Inc., Westerman Drug, The Image and First National Bank.



Applications For 4-H Tour To Washington Available

Any 4-H'er who will be entering his or her junior or senior year in high school Sept., 1981 is eligible to apply for the National 4-H Citizenship Short Course and Heritage Tour to Washington D.C. except those 4-H'er's who have attended previously.

Only one tour will be held this year, July 28 through Aug. 11. There will be 120 delegates and leaders chosen to go from Texas.

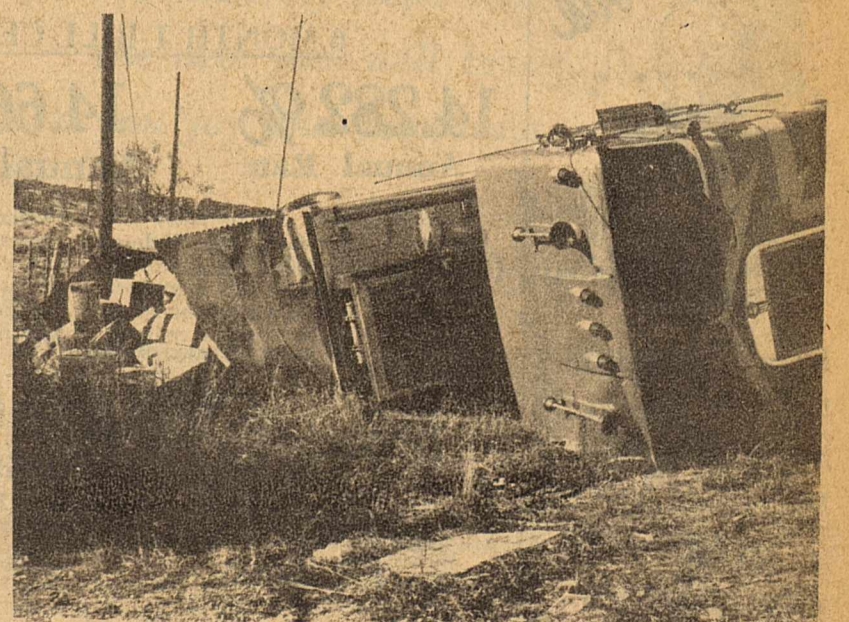
The 4-H and Youth Committee voted to let the 4-H Club pay the entire way for one 4-H member from the Sutton County club.

Anyone meeting the above qualifications and interested in going is welcome to apply.

To do so, please come by the County Extension Office and fill out an application form by Jan. 9, 1981.

These forms will be taken to neighboring counties to be screened, and one winner will be chosen. That winning application will be sent to College Station for approval.

All other persons interested in going-eligible 4-H members or leaders-are welcome to fill out an application. However, the cost for going will be approximately \$700 at personal expense.



This truck accident occurred last week when the driver of the rig tried to come off the access ramp onto the frontage road west of Sonora too fast. Although no injuries were received, the accident should serve as a grim reminder of the dangers of holiday driving. Col. Jim Adams, director of the Department of Public Safety, has predicted as many as 95 lives may be lost on Texas Highways during the Christmas and New Year holidays.



The calm of the early morning is reinforced by the twinkle of lights reminder of the holiday season. The tree was planted this year by the Sonora Jaycees.



Santa Claus had to make an early trip to Sonora last week due to a heavy schedule. Among the stops made was Hudspeth Nursing Home where he passed out gifts

to residents during their Christmas Party last Thursday.

Boys, Girls Take Third At Mason

Sonora's varsity girls and boys took different paths to get their, but both finished the pre-holiday schedule with a large stocking stuffer—a third place trophy from the Mason Tournament.

David Creek and Annabelle Gonzales both received individual Christmas goodies by being named to the all-tournament team.

While the girls were winning their two games, each by a single point, the boys had an easier time in winning their first and third contests handily.

The girls avenged an earlier loss to Junction in their opener, but had to depend on free throw shooting in the second half since they could never find their range from the floor.

The girls hit on 24 of 34 charity shots—16 in the last half—but could not buy a field goal in the first three quarters, hitting on only seven of 39 shots.

Junction jumped to a 9-4 first period lead, then upped the margin to 22-14 at the half.

Sonora stormed back in

the third stanza to cut the margin to two, 31-29, and outscored the Eagles, 17-14 in the final period to clinch the narrow 46-45 win.

Gonzales poured in 16 points to lead the way, followed by Jessica Robledo with nine, Rosa Noriega with eight, Tonya Evans with seven, Debbie Kemp with four and Paula Friess with two.

Friess also had eight rebounds to lead the team in that category.

The Broncos could never cool off a red hot Llano team in their second round contest as they fell, 45-35.

The score was deadlocked 10-all after the initial period, but the Yellowjackets edged ahead by half-time, 22-20.

Llano outscored the Broncos, 23-15, over the final two quarters.

Gonzales again led the scoring with 14 points, followed by Evans with

nine, Robledo with six and Friess, Noriega and Kemp, all with two.

Evans only had three points in the finale against Brady, but put in a basket with five seconds left on the clock to nail a 44-43 victory.

The game was a dead heat throughout as the score was knotted 8-8 after the opening stanza and 19-19 at the half.

The Bulldogs inched ahead after three quarters, 33-32, but Evans' shot iced the win.

Kemp, starting in place of Robledo who was out with a funeral, topped the Sonora scoring with 12 points.

Gonzales again hit in double figures with 11, followed by Friess with seven, Julie Stewart with six, Evans and Maray West with three and Tonya Ridgeway with two.

The tourney schedule lifted the girls' record to 4-8.

Except for a second quarter letdown, the boys had little trouble in breezing by Menard, 51-41, in their opening round contest.

After leading 14-5 in the first quarter, the Yellowjackets rallied to cut the gap to 20-17 at intermission.

The Broncos again took charge in the second half as they outgunned their opponents, 31-24, for the final margin of victory.

Creek's 16 points and 11 by John Blankenship paced the Sonora scoring attack. Other scorers included Johnny Doan with eight, Allen Stewart with six, Marney Sorenson and Scott Savell with four and Jeff Brittain with two.

Junction claimed its third victory in four attempts against the Broncos in the second round game with a 41-31 decision.

After trailing, 9-6, the first quarter, Sonora exploded to take a 16-13 lead to the lockers at intermission.

But the second half completely belonged to the Eagles as they reclaimed the lead by the end of the third stanza, 26-24, and outscored the Broncos 15-7 over the final period.

Creek again led the scoring, followed by Blankenship with six, Doan with three and Stewart, Sorenson and Savell, all with two.

The third place game with Mason was never a contest after the first quarter as the Broncos rolled to a 50-27 triumph.

The two-point edge after the opening period, 13-11, began to widen sharply as the Sonora cagers ran to a 27-16 lead by the half, then limited the Punchers to only two points in the third quarter to cinch the win.

Blankenship, Creek and Doan all hit in double figures with 16, 13 and 10 points respectively.

Other scorers included Savell with five, Sorenson with four and Stewart with two.

The win pushed the boys' season mark to 5-7.

Sporting Chance

By Don Holdridge

If wives are thinking football season is over, guess again. The holiday season is the climax of the gridiron year, and the armchair quarterbacks are just now getting their adrenalin pumping. Football widows will remain that way for a little while longer.

Once again, my week wasn't great as far as picking goes, but compared to some weeks I've had this year, it was phenomenal.

For the record, I hit 10 of 16 games, bringing my season ledger to 195 of 293 for a .666 average. There is one consolation as I look at the games left on the schedule—there is not enough games that would pull my season percentage down to a totally embarrassing level. The odds say I'll even get 200 victories this year.

Los Angeles at Dallas

If I were a gambler, this would be the game to bet on. The Cowboys and Rams have met numerous times during the season, then later in the playoffs. Whoever wins the regular season game loses in the playoffs. Dallas 23-16.

Houston at Oakland

The Oilers can look lethargic at times, but they nearly always play just good enough to win—especially when the playoffs start. Houston 14-13.

Fiesta Bowl

Penn State vs. Ohio State

This is probably the biggest pair of names to ever appear in this bowl, but both are so far away from Arizona it could keep the crowd factor from figuring in the contest. I'll go with the Buckeyes. Ohio State 17-13.

Hall of Fame Bowl

Arkansas vs. Tulane

The Razorbacks should have some of their injury problems healed by now, and this seems to do well in bowls. Arkansas 27-14.

Liberty Bowl

Purdue vs. Missouri

There's one deciding factor here—the passing of Mark Herrmann. Purdue 31-24.

Sun Bowl

Mississippi State vs. Nebraska

Upset special. By all rights, Nebraska should win this one hands down, but Emory Ballard has something to prove in Texas. Mississippi State 21-20.

Gator Bowl

Pittsburgh vs. South Carolina

The top two Heisman Trophy candidates will be showcased here, but George Rogers may have to carry the ball a lot of times to keep his 100-yard string alive against Hugh Green and company. Pittsburgh 21-7.



Ronnie Anderson puts in two of the 22 points he scored in the junior varsity's win over the Junction Eagles last week. All the Sonora basketball teams are taking a break before resuming play after the holidays.

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Christ Mass To Be Celebrated At Saint John's Episcopal Church

by The Reverend John W. Fritts, Rector
Christ Mass will be celebrated at Saint John's Episcopal Church beginning at 11 p.m. on Christmas Eve. The Church richly decorated for the occasion of celebrating the Birth of Christ.

Gospel is read, the Carol "Gloria in excelsis Deo." The Crenche (Scene of the Nativity) will be placed so the communicants may symbolically visit the manger scene during the Eucharist.

Portions of the service will be chanted as an expression that the human heart, when it no longer can find true expression in prose, is lifted up to God in songs of thanksgiving. The Christ Mass really puts Christ into Christmas. After all, it is the birthday celebration of the Savior. The public is invited.

Chamber Chatter

By Lou Thomas

Marilyn Adkins and Virgil Polocsek were busy last Thursday putting up the sign for the Community Christmas Caroling held Monday evening at the courthouse lawn.

Industrial Team Members: Look for a meeting in early 1981, according to Chairman Bill Morriss.

Did you know that the West Texas Chamber of Commerce with Administrative Offices in Abilene has been serving 132 West Texas counties since 1918?

Your local chamber of Commerce is a member and thus receives many benefits not always highly publicized.

For instance, WTCC has recently sent us an anonymous industrial prospect. Your industrial team is working on criteria and a brochure will be in the mail before January 1.

Industrial team members, chaired by Bill Morriss, include: City Manager Jim Dover, County Judge Charles Sherrill.

County Auditor Charles Graves, C of C President Glen Fisher, Vice President Effie Harle, Doyle Morgan, Robert Brown, James Dickason, Earl Johnson, Lemuel Lopez, Les Robertson, Don Holdridge, Steve Swift and Jim Garrett.

Phil Neighbors, Development Director, West Texas Chamber of Commerce in West Texas, is compiling a survey on medical nursing home and retirement facilities in West Texas.

Friendly face around town last week was Mrs. C.W. West.

Attention: Annie Get Your Gun Cast And Crew Members: Nancy Johnson at Photo Ranch has pictures taken during rehearsal and during performance of AGYG. Go to Photo Ranch and turn in your order. Nancy says all proceeds will go to the Chamber of Commerce. Thank you, Nancy.

Sonora Minister Speaks

By David Griffin

What do you do...after the last present is opened, that is? Maybe you go back to bed on Christmas morning to rest from the rigors of the season with all its hustle and bustle. You may, on the other hand, have to go on to work or get busy cleaning up all the empty boxes and unwrapped

paper and then tend to preparing a major Christmas meal for loved ones and friends. My brother Tim used to cry after the last present had been opened. Perhaps you do likewise...for whatever reason. PRAY AND RECEIVE. These are my suggestions for what we might also do.

Pray about suffering to the Christ who was "wounded for our transgressions... bruised for our iniquities." Pray for an end to hunger to Jesus who fed the five thousand with bread and good news. Pray about family problems to Jesus Christ--so often a mystery to Mary and Joseph and eternally a mystery to us with his love that does not count the cost.

Finally, RECEIVE!!! We know that it is better to give than to receive. And yet we also know that this time of giving would never have been had not mankind received the good and perfect gift of a "Savior, who is Christ the Lord". We often are not comfortable holding the baby of Bethlehem, nor are we always ready to receive the risen Christ. In the face of this judgement, let us learn to embrace with care and with joy both the gift and the giver and know Him as "good news of a great joy" for our individual lives.

Boy Scout Troop 19 Hold Court Of Honor Celebration

Troop 19, Boy Scouts of America, gathered Monday evening, December 19th for a Court of Honor and covered dish supper. The event held in the basement of First United Methodist Church, saw 46 merit badges, 10 badges of rank, and several skill awards distributed to fourteen Scouts.

In addition to the Scouts, numerous family members were in attendance to witness the awards ceremony.

The Scouts and badges received are as follows: Marshall Tyler-Second Class, Basketball, Canoeing, Nature; Dwayne Freeman-First Class, Basketball, Envi-

ronmental Science, Leatherwork, Swimming; Glenn Jones-Tenderfoot, Fishing, Sports, Music; Davey Ross-Tenderfoot, Swimming; Joe Will Ross-Mammals, Environmental Science, Soil & Water, Nature, Music, Model Design & Building; Jim Miles-Horsemanship, Camping, Lifesaving; Xavier Flores-First Aid, Basketball, Nature; Robert Fierro-Second Class, Swimming, Life Saving, Music, Model Design and Building Insect Life; Justin Condrat-Tenderfoot; Todd Phillips-Environmental Science, Nature, Rifle & Shotgun, Archery; Doug Chandler-Tenderfoot; Terry Duren-Second Class, Archery, Environmental Science, Nature; Jody Luttrell, Mammals, Nature, Soil & Water, Environmental Science; Jimmy Keese-Scout; Tom Jones - First Class, Cooking, Orienteering; Kurt Kauffman-Mammals, Nature, Environmental Science, Soil & Water, and Communications.

Troop 19 has as its sponsor or Chartered Partner the Downtown Lions Club of Sonora. Scoutmaster David W. Griffin and Assistant Scoutmaster is Gary Parker.

Highway Department Accepting Bids For Installation Of Pavement Markers

Bids for installation of raised reflective pavement markers and thermoplastic pavement markings on 142.9 miles of highways in the 13-county San Angelo district are scheduled to be received January 13 by the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation.

San Angelo District Engineer Doc Watson said the new markings will reduce future costs and greatly improve night and bad weather visibility of pavement lines.

Charlie Low, of San Angelo, is the department's engineer in charge of the project.

Aliens Report Addresses During January

Richard M. Casillas of the San Antonio Immigration and Naturalization Service has again reminded all aliens to report their addresses during January.

Cards with which to make the reports are available at Post Offices and offices of Immigration and Naturalization Service throughout the country. The reports must have a 15 cent stamp affixed to the card.

Parents or guardians are required to submit reports for alien children under 14 years of age.

Mr. Richard M. Casillas urges all aliens to report before the end of January, as willful failure to do so may lead to serious penalties.

WTBS Movie Schedule

Wednesday, Dec. 24
7:00 p.m. Movie: Bells of Saint Mary's 1945 drama.
10:30 p.m. Movie: Christmas In Connecticut 1945 comedy.
12:30 a.m. Movie: Kathy O' 1958 Comedy-Drama.
2:30 a.m. Movie: Daughters Courageous 1939 drama

Thursday, December 25
7:00 P.m. Movie: Since You Went Away 1944 drama.
11:00 P.m. Movie: Little Ministers 1934 romance.
1:15 a.m. Movie: Sister Kenny 1946 drama.
3:45 a.m. Movie: Broadway Gondoller 1935 Musical Comedy

Friday, Dec. 26
10:45 p.m. Movie: Illustrated Man 1969 Science-Fiction
12:50 a.m. Movie: My Blood Runs Cold 1965 Horror
3:05 Movie: Naked Runner 1967 suspense.

Saturday, Dec. 27
7:30 a.m. Movie: Last of the Fast Guns 1958 western
9:00 a.m. Movie: So Well Remembered 1947 drama.
11:30 a.m. Movie: Adventure of Mark Twain 1944 comedy.
2:30 p.m. Movie: Blonie's Blessed Event 1942 comedy
12:30 a.m. Movie: Fighting 69th 1940 adventure
2:30 a.m. Movie: Torrid Zone 1940 adventure.

Sunday Dec. 28
9:30 a.m. Movie: My Cousin Rachel 1953 drama.
11:30 a.m. Movie: Sound And The Fury 1957 drama
1:00 p.m. Movie: Kid From Not So Big Comedy
3:30 p.m. Movie: 30 Foot Bride of Candy Rock 1959 comedy
11:30 p.m. Movie: The Man I Love 1946 drama
1:30 a.m. Movie: Pillow To Post 1946 comedy

Monday Dec. 29
7:00 p.m. Movie: Three Faces of Eve 1957 drama.

10:30 p.m. Movie: A Boy Ten Feet Tall 1965 drama.
1:00 a.m. Movie: Sabra: Death of a Jew 1974 drama.
3:00 a.m. Movie: Singapore Singapore 1967 drama.

Tuesday, Dec. 30
10:30 p.m. Movie: Seven Days In May 1964 drama.
1:00 a.m. Movie: She 1965 drama
3:00 a.m. Movie: Hellcats drama.

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Love, Stephen

Dear Santa Claus
Please bring me a doll.
Love
Martina Luna

Dear Santa Claus, Monday
I Love you. Bring my sister some toys.
Love
Amy Fields

Monday
Dear Santa Claus
I want a new tenspeed
Love
Jackie Skains

Dear Santa Claus, Monday
I wut a boll and I wut a bike and that si oll
Love,
Nathan Taylor

Dear Santa Claus, Monday
I like you to get me agun football Soker ball goat cote blue gene hotwheels rose trake 1 drum and be b gun.
Love
Russell crenwelge

Dear Santa Claus,
I love you. I want a raode for Christmas and a minnie-bike.
Love
Lewis

Dear Santa Claus
Well you bringme a babay ball that cris I will be good Santa Claus you like evry bote that be have
Love
Holly

Dear Santa Claus
How are you? I am fine. I want a doll and a toy For Christas. I hope Christmas is fun.
Love
Sapana Patel

Dear Santa Claus, I want a horse and a goldcar, Fotball suet and a cowBoy suet, swimming suet. bike, pony Christmas tree.
Juan

Dear Santa Claus,
I won't scats for Christ-mas. I won't a farcot
Love
Sonia Castaneda

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bike and a toys and a Hulk
Love
Oscar Perez

Dear Santa,
I wot a pekup weth A modr and I wot a Sol. and I mest you a ho Buhs.
Love,
Robbie

Dear Santa,
I am a good girl and I want a Borbie doll and with a blue bress. and a littol brown house. and a waoch that tells tim.
Love,
Norma Gutierrez

Dear Santa,
I want a pere uv rolr-scats.
Love,
Tami

Dear Santa,
Plese bring me a toy like this 2 pets and toy. A brown puppy and a Barbie dall and I What a little kitten. have been good.
Love,
Jennifer Williams

Dear Santa,
I have bin a good boy. I love you and so dos Leejay. I wot a per of cowboy close.
Love,
Brian Bateman

Dear Santa,
I want a blue dress and a red bike and a blue doll-house.
Love,
Carla Estrada

Dear Santa,
I Woot a Footbol. and a Woch.
Love,
Chad (I'm Six)

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy I love you. Santa. For Christmas please bring me a bike and a watch and a game
Love,
Danny Mata.

Dear Santa.

I have been a good boy. I love you Santa. For Christ-mas please bring me Tee Football.
Love,
Will

Dear Santa,
I have bin a good girl. I love you. I want a little hose. A little kittn for Betty
Love,
Angie and Betty Samaniegp

Dear Santa,
I want a footbol and a Pelt gun and a woch tels tim.
I love Santa.
Love,
David Medlna

Dear Santa,
I want a dall and blue jeens and a litle dog. I Love Santa.
Love
Melissa Gurra Duran

Dear Santa,
I am a good boy and I wont a B-B gun red
Love,
Fernando Tobias

Dear Santa,
I want a foot dool. anda Pelt gun and a woch tell tim. I Love Santa.
Love,
Pete Perez

Dear Santa,
I Love you Santa, and I want Will you Please bring me a kittin a Whoch.
Love
Terrie Craddock

Dear Santa,
I Love you Santa and I want a truck and I want a puppy and beb gun.
Love,
Steven Esche

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I love you. Santa. For Christmas please bring me a puppy and a kitten brown. I want a black Horse blanket and a blue dress .
Tammy Stokes
I Love You, Santa Clas

Dear Santa Claus, I wish I could go to live with you and I want a Dansurella and a derbike
Love, Betty

Dear Santa Claus, I want bb gun and a bike.
Love, Robert Zapata

Dear Santa Claus, I want a doll. Thank you. Love, Rosa

Dear Santa Claus.
I want a doll. come to my home. Love, Cindy

Dear Santa, I want to see you and I want a chew Susie chew and a new doll. Thank you love, Julie Jones

Dear santa claus.

Dear santa claus, i love you. I want a tak for my fish and a barbee doll.
Love, Erica

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll and a book. I love you, Lisa

Dear Santa
I have been good. How have you been. I want soing Mshing Love Tammy Fisher

Dear Santa Claus, I wish I could go to live with you and I want a Dansurella and a derbike
Love, Betty

Dear Santa,
I want a new electronic game, a set of drums, and a new train, clothes, a football and a foot boll suit a helmet. I want some boots because my shoes have a hole. I want a new pencil sharpener.
Love Mark Shanaburger

Dear Santa
I will be good Santa. I want a table and some chairs. I want a bike and a babyalive, I want a dress for me Santa.
Love
Debbie Mata

Dear Santa,
I want an BB gun and I want a bike and a football and a football game.
Love Tate Fincher



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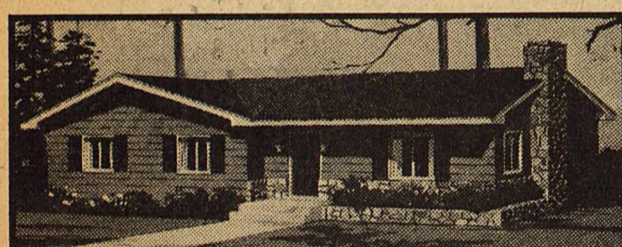


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We Wish You a Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year!



May your road be smooth and your fortunes wide, And those you love be at your side. In the holiday's finest tradition we extend warm wishes and sincere thanks for your continuing faith and trust.

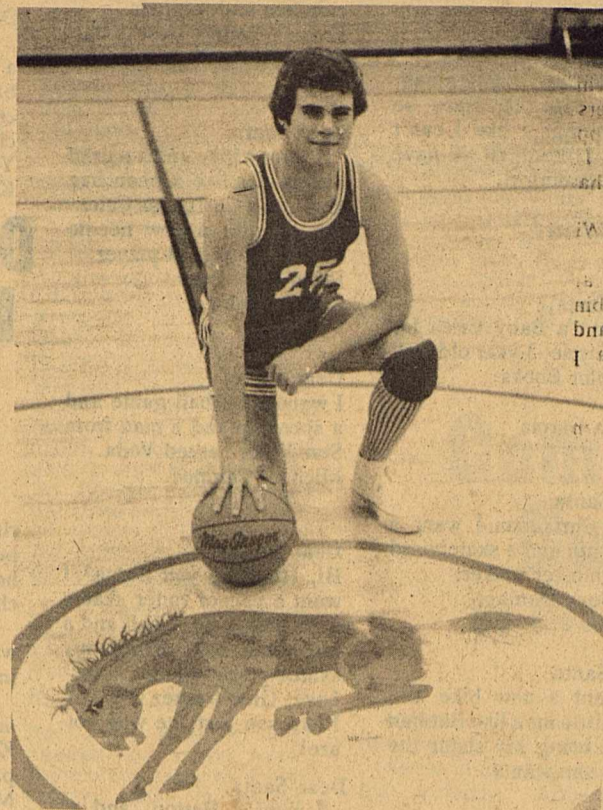
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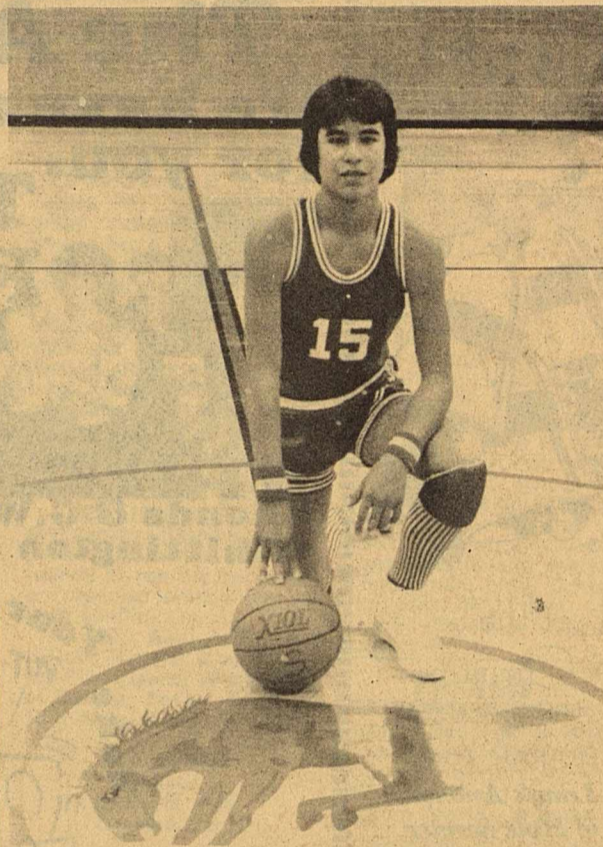
Meet The 1980-81 Sonora Broncos



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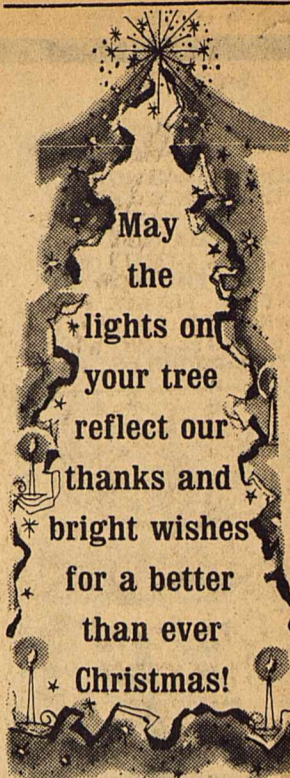
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Walter and Dorothy Pope

Letters To Santa Claus



Happy Birthdays



May the lights on your tree reflect our thanks and bright wishes for a better than ever Christmas!

Sonora Chamber of Commerce

"Building the future with confidence"



May the beauty of the season warm hearth and home.

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Quade & Jeffrey Sutton

Dear Santa,
I want some racing cars, a Mr. Mouth, a walkie talkie and a toy gun. I have been a good boy this year.
From,
Cecilio Garza

Dear Santa,
Will you bring me a bike, animals and other toys? I have been good.
Hector Chapa

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl all year long so may I have some toys, please? This is the list.
1. Fashion plates
2. Records
3. Strawberry Shortcake
4. I-D Bracelet
5. A Big Teddy Bear
Love,
Marcy Adams

Dear Santa
I want you to bring a bike. I want you to bring Rudolf with you. If you don't bring Rudolf with the red shiney nose, I will be unhhpy.
From your friend,
Lucy Mendoza

Dear Santa
I would like a doll, a ball, and a dog. Thereare so many things I like I can't think of them all. I have been a good girl.
Love,
April Spiller

Dear Santa,
I want a Baby Cries for you, bicycle, 3 year old Doll and Color Books
Love,
Martha Garcia

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a pellet gun and a skateboard and a moster maker.
from Joey Dunlap

Dear Santa
I want a new bike and some little men like Batman Please bring my sister the things she wants.
Love,
Cody Black

Dear Santa,
I would like you to bring me a bike, a dumptruck and a game. A train or a Starwars man would be nice.
From,
Arturo Hernandez

Dear Santa,
I want a dumptruck and a reomot controlcar I also wanted race track. I Love you
Santa, Macy Sena

Dear Santa,
I want baby cries for you. I want a baby bear, I want sorry.
Love
Rachel Favila

Dear Santa,
I am just writing a few lines to tell you what I want for Christmas I want the doll that is called Baby Cries for you and a bike called Huffy if there is know more bring me a ten speed. Please me what I want.
Love,
Andrea Virgen

Dear Santa
I want a new bike and It's Sew Easy to make doll

clotues and puppets.
From Your Best Pal,
Michelle Payne

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and a pair of skates. I'd like a bean bag toss and a Christmas Calendar. I'd like a new needle far my old record player.
From Your Pal,
Kelley Webster

Dear Santa,
I want a football game and a speshing and a man from Star Wars named Voda.
Michael Campos

Dear Santa
Hi, How are you Santa? I want a pair of roller skates a toy dog, a cat, a ball and a big bear toy. Bring my skates please Santal
Love, Gina Gamez
I like you just the way you are!

Dear Santa,
I want a Batton, and a football, and a snowcone maker, I want a Pickannees puppy, and a Perracket.
Milk and cookies will be waiting for you. I hope you enjoy them.
I hope my teacher has a very merry Christmas!
Love,
Allison

Dear Santa,
I want a Kissing Barbie.
Love
Yvette

Dear Santa,
I would like a lighting motorcycle and a bicycle and fuor kittens Love Santa and a real elf, too.
Rusty

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll and I want a babby come back and I want a bike and I want a kitten and I want a Roller skates and I want a operation game and I want a Ouizmo.
Love,
Janelle

Dear Santa,
I am going to leave you out some cake and cookies and some aspirin and some wine. By the way I would like a kitten and roller skates and a kissing baby doll please.
Yours Always,
Nicole

Dear Santa,
want a kissing baby, and a baby crys for you and a baby bike and the game, lo cheer lo game and barbie close.
Your friend,
Kendra

Derek Alan Holdridge Arrives Dec. 22

Mr. and Mrs. Don Holdridge are proud to announce the arrival in their home Dec. 22 of their first child, a son.
Named Derek Alan, he was born in Lubbock weighing nine pounds, 13 ounces.
Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kerbow of Sonora, and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Fred Holdridge of DeLeon.
Paternal great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Harry Huddleston of DeLeon.

Best Wishes



Let the bells of Christmas ring out in joyous song.
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Birthdays

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John Moore

December 25
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J.B. Wright
Debbie Hard
Cathy Ninatra
Edna Duran
December 26
Jimmy Black
Mrs. Mickey Powers
David Kington
James L. Robbins
Betsy Schwiening
Debra English
Don Lawson
Preston Schuder
Dwight Stephens
Curtis Wollman
December 27
Melinda Earwood
Bill McClelland
Will Wallace
Al Elliott
Mrs. Lin Hicks
Jim Pollard

Jerry Don Balch
Laura Hanus
December 28
Tyra L. Hamilton
Penny Lynn Batchelor
December 29
Adam Delrie
Charlie W. West
David Wuest
Gary Henderson
Julie Friess
Eddie Kemp
Teresa Stephens
December 30
Mrs. Lewis Roueche
Mrs. Ellen Ray
Mrs. John Butterfield
Janie Welch
Mrs. Glen Richards
Nate Arredondo, Jr.
December 31
Mrs. W.R. Cusenbary
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O HOLY NIGHT

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Kerbow Furniture Kerbow Funeral Home

Merry Christmas

We wish you the merriest of Holidays.
Hank Hull Oil Co.

A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

As all the cherished customs of this magic holiday surround our special friends, we know it's time to extend our sincere Yuletide wishes to you all. May the thanks we send your way add to the happy hours of your holiday.

From All of Us at

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Downtown Sonora Odis Smart, Owner Office 387-3910-Res. 387-2306

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Public Notice

ORDINANCE NO 194 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING RATE SCHEDULES TO BE CHARGED FOR ELECTRIC UTILITY SERVICE IN THE CITY OF SONORA, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE FOR SUCH RATE SCHEDULES, AND

BE CHANGED, MODIFIED, AMENDED OR WITHDRAWN, PROVIDING FOR SEVERAL BILLIY, AND PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT.

WHEREAS, on September 30, 1980, West Texas Utilities Company filed with the City of Sonora a request for an increase of approximately 8.27% in rates to be charged within the City (approximately \$12,727.69 per annum on a systemwide basis); and WHEREAS, the City, having suspended the effective date of such proposed rate increase from November 4, 1980, and having considered the same at a public hearing, is of the opinion and finds that an increase in rates should be approved.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SONORA, TEXAS:

SECTION 1: That an increase in the rates, tariffs and charges of West Texas Utilities Company for electric power and energy sold within the City be approved in an amount such that the adjusted total systemwide operating revenues for the Company be increased \$9,547,197 per annum, based on the adjusted test year ending June 30, 1980, which constitutes an increase of approximately 6.20%. Such Schedule of Rates, as are approved in accordance herewith, are those under which said Company shall be authorized to render electric service and to collect charges from its customers for the sale of electric power and energy within the corporate limits of the City until such time as said Rate Schedule may be changed, modified, amended or withdrawn, with the approval of the City Council.

SECTION 2: The attached Schedule of Rates and Tariffs, being the same Schedule of Rates and Tariffs filed with and approved by the Public Utility Commission of Texas in its Docket No. 3473, are based upon the increase in total operating revenues prescribed herein and are hereby approved as filed. Such Schedule of Rates and Tariffs shall apply to all power and energy used by each customer on and after December 15, 1980.

SECTION 3: The kilowatt hours used in designing the rates resulting herefrom shall not be adjusted for price elasticity.

SECTION 4: Fees charged for the use of the streets, alleys and public places within the City, up to 2% of the assessable revenues collected by WTU within the corporate limits of the City, shall be included within the Company's base rates. Any such use fee charged by the City in excess of 2% of the assessable revenues collected by WTU within the corporate limits of the City shall be allocated directly and surcharged to the customers within the corporate limits of the City.

SECTION 5: That the action of the City Council of the City of Sonora Texas enacting this Ordinance constitutes, on the date of its final passage, a final determination of rates for West Texas Utilities Company within the City of Sonora in accordance with Section 43(e) of the Public Utility Regulatory Act.

SECTION 6: Nothing in this Ordinance contained shall be construed now or hereafter as limiting or modifying, in any manner, the right and power of the City under the law to regulate the rates and charges of West Texas Utilities Company.

SECTION 7: If for any reason any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, word or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by final judgment of court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect any other section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, word or provision of this Ordinance.

SECTION 8: That all Ordinances, Resolutions or parts of Ordinances or Resolutions in conflict herewith are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

PASSED AND APPROVED at a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Sonora, Texas, this 16th day of December 1980.

Billy Gosney Mayor
Shirley K. Hill City Secretary

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Trailer space now available. Circle Bar Truck Corral, I-10 at Taylor Box Road, Ozona, Texas. 915-392-2637.

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Office and warehouse space. 2400 sq. ft. New-formerly occupied by Chemical Weed. Interstate 10 Highway frontage. Phone 915-387-3044.

Office building for rent. 210 east Main St., Sonora, Texas, previously occupied by Sonora Agency. Call J.W. Elliott. 387-3529.

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Help Wanted

Typist needed at the Devil's River News. Apply in Person.

Applications being taken for office work at Sonora Abstract Co. at the Sutton County Courthouse. Apply in person to Pat Robbins.

Manager Needed. Experienced in the Plumbing field. Must be in good health. Good Pay. Must be able to work on your own. No Bookkeeping necessary but some paperwork required. Apply in Person. Call 387-2561. Southwest Supply Co. Hwy. 277 North.

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Part-Time Evening Girl needed for office work. Some office experience necessary. Apply in person. Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital Box 455, 387-2521.

Guides needed. House furnished for couple. Apply in person to Caverns of Sonora.

Taking applications for cashier at Hurry-Up. Apply in person at the Hurry-Up.

Cocktail waitress needed at Waterhole #9. Apply in person after 4p.m. Monday-Saturday.

TEAFF OIL COMPANY help wanted. experienced tire hands.

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Cocktail waitress and bartender. Apply at Circle Bar Club, Circle Bar Truck Corral, Ozona.

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Homes

Large 3 bedroom, 2 bath home on Edgemont. Appointment only. Phone 387-2689 or 387-2736.

Lost

Lost: Black & small spot of white on neck border collie. Answers to name of Charlie. Chain on neck. Stray from ranch between Rockspings & Sonora. Call collect 915-387-3671 or 512-683-3738; 3736 Rockspings.

Lost: Key ring with 3 keys please return to Hank Hill Oil Co. no questions asked.

Notice

As of December 1st, I will not be responsible for any debts other than those made by me.

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Real Estate

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Wanted

Want to lease ranch in Sutton County or surrounding area. Prefer long term lease. Call John Stokes 387-3290.

Junction Nails Broncos

Sonora's varsity boys finally got to play at home last Tuesday night, but the stange surrounding were apparently too much of an obstacle as they fell to the Junction Eagles, 52-37, in a lackluster performance.

Employing a 2-2-1 zone, the Eagles capitalized on numerous Bronco turnovers to jump to an 8-0 lead before David Creek gave Sonora its first basket with three minutes left in the first quarter.

John Blankenship put in another field goal to cut the margin to four points, giving some semblance of a comeback, but the Eagles reeled off six more points to push the lead to 10 points, 14-4, at the end of the opening period.

Creek's 10 points led the scoring for the Broncos, followed by Blankenship with seven, Johnny Doan, Allen Stewart, Scott Savell and Marney Sorenson, all with four, and Jeff Brittain and Lance Love, both with two.

The junior varsity proved the only salvation of the night as Ronnie Anderson poured in 24 points in a 46-24 rout.

The win kept the JV's record perfect at 4-0.

Joey Samaniego also hit in double figures with 10 points, followed by DeVoe Smith with six, and Matt Favila, Mike Polocck and Phillip Kemp, all with two.

Community Outlook
By Don Holdridge

Someone once said something to the effect of "I see your lips moving, but I don't hear anything coming out."

Action in the closing minutes of the 96th Congress fit the line perfectly. Although the measure failed to pass, members of Congress seriously discussed giving themselves a \$10,000 pay raise.

Most constituents, many of whom make less annually than the proposed raise, breathed a collective sigh of relief.

All this came on the heels of serious pre-election talk about trying to balance the federal budget. Granted, the approximately half million dollars being discussed is hardly a scratch on the surface of the annual deficit, but at a time when federal spending should be coming under close scrutiny, Congress is looking at another way to spend money--on themselves, no less.

The \$10,000 figure might not sound quite as bad, but when added to the current congressional pay of \$60,662, it is outlandish. It is easily conceded congressional salaries should be high enough to attract qualified people to run for office, but a \$70,000 price tag is too high.

Such a move might be more appropriate for the Texas legislature where pay scales are so low that only persons with an outside source of income can afford to run for office.

The topper to the whole ridiculous situation came right on the heels of the action being defeated. It seems a federal pay advisory commission issued a report that unanimously recommended a \$24,000 pay raise for members of Congress and similar whopping boosts in salaries for the government's top bureaucrats and federal judges.

According to the Associated Press story issued Wednesday, the panel also recommended congressmen get an expense allowance of up to \$10,000 and that members of all three groups receive relocation expenses when they move to different cities.

The story said almost all of those affected by the proposals would get increases ranging from 40 to 50 percent if the recommendations are enacted into law.

This all sounds a little drastic, to say the least. Hopefully, members of Congress weren't waiting on such a proposal before passing a pay raise bill. Congress has traditionally shown a tendency to propose a high pay raise, then try to show itself as the hero by cutting the original proposal. Perhaps the 97th Congress will prove something of a tradition breaker.

For Congress, the recommendations sound like the best Christmas stocking stuffer around; for taxpayers, its sounds like a Christmas turkey.

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a Happy Holiday
Rafter S Crew

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All Facilities of the First National Bank

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Thursday Dec. 25

and after 3:00 P.M.

Friday Dec. 26

In Observance of Christmas

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Happy Holiday

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Sonora Ford Sales
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387-3910

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CLASSIFIED ADS

Public Notice

Notice of Bid
The City of Sonora is now taking bids for one 1981 Model 4-Door Sedan Automobile. Specifications can be seen in the office of the City Secretary, Main Street, City Hall, Sonora, Texas.

Bids will be received until December 31, 1980.
James R. Dickason
Manager Sonora Power

& Light
attest:
Shirley Hill
City Secretary

BID NOTICE
The City of Sonora will be accepting bids on a one-acre tract of land located one mile south of Sonora, being the north part of Survey 54, Cert. #129, HE&WT Ry. This property will be sold with the existing conditions: 1 dirt pit, approx. size: 20'

deep, 75' in diameter; 1 concrete pit, 12' wide, 20' long, 20' deep.
The City of Sonora reserves the right to refuse any and all bids and upon acceptance of a bid will reserve easements to existing city sewer lines.
Bids will be accepted at the office of the City Secretary, 201 N.E. Main, Sonora Texas 76950 until January 12, 1981.

Shirley K Hill
City Secretary,
City of Sonora

PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice is hereby given for the request for bids to Sutton County, Texas, for a one Rubber Tire Loader for the Sutton County Road and Bridge Department.

Specifications may be found in the Sutton County Clerk's office in the Sutton County Courthouse, Sonora, Texas.
Final receipt of bids will be at 9:00 a.m. Monday, January 12, 1981. At such time, bids will be opened and accepted or rejected by the Sutton County Commissioners.
For further information, contact:
Sutton County Auditor
Box 16
Sonora, Texas 76950
Telephone: 915/387-5380

Citation By Publication
The State of Texas
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A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Termination and Adoption of Stepchild-
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ASSETS	Governmental Fund Types		
	General	Revenue Sharing	Debt Service
Cash and certificates of deposit (Note A)	\$228,072	\$25,124	\$4,033
Delinquent taxes receivable	27,998	-	-
Accounts and notes receivable	30,443	8,204	-
Accrued interest receivable	2,994	-	-
Due from other funds	864	-	-
Inventories and other assets	-	-	-
Prepaid expenses	-	-	-
Property and equipment	-	-	-
Accumulated depreciation	-	-	-
Amount available in Debt Service Fund	-	-	-
Amount to be provided for retirement of general long-term debt	-	-	-
	<u>\$290,371</u>	<u>\$33,328</u>	<u>\$4,033</u>
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED REVENUE AND FUND EQUITY			
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 33,796	\$ 3,809	\$-
Accrued expenses	1,445	-	-
Customer meter deposits	-	-	-
Due to other funds	-	-	-
Notes payable (Note C)	-	-	-
Revenue bonds payable (Note B)	-	-	-
General obligation bonds and certificates payable (Note B)	-	-	-
Total Liabilities	<u>35,241</u>	<u>3,809</u>	<u>-</u>
DEFERRED REVENUE			
Property taxes	27,998	-	-
COMMITMENTS (Note E)			
FUND EQUITY			
Investment in general fixed assets	-	-	-
Retained earnings:			
Reserved for bond retirement	-	-	-
Unreserved	-	-	-
Fund balances:			
Unreserved:			
Designated for specific expenditures	-	-	-
Designated for debt service	-	-	4,033
Undesignated	227,132	29,519	-
Total Equity	<u>227,132</u>	<u>29,519</u>	<u>4,033</u>
	<u>\$290,371</u>	<u>\$33,328</u>	<u>\$4,033</u>

See accompanying summary of significant accounting policies

Fiduciary Fund Type	Account Groups			Totals	
	Proprietary Fund Type	General Fixed Assets	General Long-Term Debt	(Memorandum Only) September 30, 1980	1979
Firemen's Retirement	\$23,883	\$ 379,872	\$ -	\$ 660,984	\$ 589,649
	-	-	-	27,998	26,533
	162,607	-	-	201,254	135,900
832	7,643	-	-	11,469	1,050
	-	-	-	864	2,389
	56,236	-	-	56,236	32,134
	10,800	-	-	10,800	10,855
	2,804,486	1,144,809	-	3,949,295	3,729,546
	(1,017,521)	-	-	(1,017,521)	(913,228)
	-	-	4,033	4,033	1,009
	-	-	145,060	145,060	164,390
	<u>\$24,715</u>	<u>\$ 2,404,123</u>	<u>\$1,144,809</u>	<u>\$ 4,050,472</u>	<u>\$3,780,227</u>
	\$ -	\$ 101,091	\$ -	\$ 138,696	\$ 80,797
	-	13,440	-	14,885	28,753
	-	26,818	-	26,818	16,719
	-	864	-	864	2,389
	-	3,784	2,093	5,877	35,764
	-	269,000	-	269,000	272,000
	-	45,000	-	192,000	224,000
	-	459,997	-	648,140	660,422
	-	-	-	27,998	26,533
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	1,144,809	-	1,144,809	1,078,845
	-	35,403	-	35,403	53,259
	-	1,908,723	-	1,908,723	1,675,133
24,715	-	-	-	24,715	21,641
-	-	-	-	4,033	1,009
-	-	-	-	256,651	263,385
<u>24,715</u>	<u>1,944,126</u>	<u>1,144,809</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,374,334</u>	<u>3,093,272</u>
<u>\$24,715</u>	<u>\$ 2,404,123</u>	<u>\$1,144,809</u>	<u>\$149,093</u>	<u>\$ 4,050,472</u>	<u>\$3,780,227</u>

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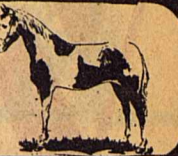
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Sutton County Ranch News



Bull Performance Important To Cattlemen



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Performance is the name of the game, especially when it means more dollars for cattlemen. And bull performance leads the way. "Every cattlemen knows that it's important to have a good herd bull, but few realize just how much difference a top performing bull can make," points out Dr. Larry Boleman of Bryan area livestock specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System. Just how much difference there can be was clearly demonstrated in a four-year study on the May-

fair Ranch near here.

"Two performance-tested Santa Gertrudis bulls were chosen for the demonstration. From a visual standpoint, they were relatively close," notes Boleman, "but there's where their similarity ended. At one year of age, one weighed 912 pounds while the other tipped the scales at 1,221 pounds."

The true of these bulls came a year later with their first fall calf crops (from Brahman-Hereford heifers). Heifer calves sired by the heavier or high-performing bull were 52 pounds heav-

ier at weaning than heifer calves sired by the lighter bull. And steer calves from the heavier bull weighed 25 pounds more than those from the low-performing bull.

The bulls' spring calf crops (from Brahman-Hereford or Santa Gertrudis-Brahman-Hereford cows) also showed significant differences in favor of the heavier or high-performing bull, notes Boleman. His heifer calves averaged 39 pounds more at weaning than those from the low-performing bull, notes

Boleman. His heifer calves averaged 39 pounds more at weaning than those from the low-performing bull while the steer calves averaged 12 pounds more.

Averaging all calves from both crops sired by bull, calves from the high-performing bull weighed 31 pounds more at weaning than those from the low-performing bull.

"Of course, the difference didn't stop there. Yearling weight also showed marked differences," points out Boleman. Yearling heifers sired by the high-performance bull

weighed 78 pounds more than those from the low-performance bull. Likewise yearling steers from the high-performance bull also gained better in the feedlot, 2.33 pounds a day compared to 1.97 pounds for those from the low-performance bull.

And the story of these two bulls continues. Heifers from both bulls were bred to a Limousin bull and calves last fall. "As you might guess, there was a definite weight advantage

for the calves from the daughters of the high-performance bull—an average advantage of 28 pounds," Boleman reports.

Just how much difference can a top-performing bull mean in terms of dollars-and-cents?

Of course, this depends on market prices, number of cows in the herd, whether offspring are sold at weaning or as yearlings, and the number of years the bull is kept. Considering average prices during

the past four years and assuming a 40-cow herd, the high-performing bull would result in \$68.17 added income of \$121.34 per cow. Furthermore, that value would increase even more if heifers were kept for replacements.

"Using these figures, a cattlemen can see how much more he can afford to pay for a top-performing bull," points out Boleman. "It will be money well spent."

Agriculture Sessions Planned

Are you interested in getting into farming or ranching, are you already in the business and want to expand, or are you thinking about retiring and turning the farm or ranch over to someone else?

If you can answer "yes" to any of these questions, then a conference planned by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Texas Farmer-Stockman magazine is for you.

The conference, "Getting In-Growing-Getting Out of Agriculture," will be at Texas A&M University Research and Extension

Centers in three different cities on three different dates. Sessions are planned for Amarillo, Jan. 20; Jan. 21; and Weslaco, Jan. 22.

According to Extension economist Dr. Wayne Hayenga, the conference is intended to help farmers identify non-traditional alternatives for making farm business management easier and to learn more about turning problems into opportunities.

Major areas of discussion will deal with "Agriculture's Future," "Agricultural Business Planning," "Estate Planning Needs,"

"Financial Planning Considerations," and "Making Other's Problems Your Opportunity."

Featured speakers will include Dr. John Hopkin, head of Texas A&M's Department of Agricultural Economics; Marvin Sartin, Extension area economist at Lubbock; and Hayenga.

Further information on the conference is available from any county Extension office or from Hayenga in the Department of Agricultural Economics, Texas A&M University, College Station, Tex. 77843 (phone: 713/845-2226).

Producers Should Test Hay For Protein Content

Hay is now being fed in many areas of the state, yet most producers don't know the quality due to dry conditions, producers should consider having their hay tested for protein content.

A hay test to determine the protein content is helpful in several respects, points out Don Dorsett, forage specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System. Protein content relates to production practices which influence quality, such as maturity and fertilization, and also provides a guide as to feeding such hay according to its nutritional value.

Different classes or types of beef cattle have different nutritional requirements, emphasizes Dorsett. Ani-

mal nutritionists say that beef cattle cannot meet their requirements for protein when hay is 7 percent crude protein or below, yet a recent summary of hay tests conducted for producers by the Forage Testing Service at Texas A&M University revealed that 32 percent of the Coastal Bermudagrass hay tested 7 percent or below. The summary also indicated that more than 69 percent of such hay as Bahiagrass, sudan, sorghum, bluestems and Johnsongrass tested 7 percent crude protein or below.

Because of this variability in crude protein levels, Dorsett encourages producers to have their hay tested. Hay samples can be tested at several public and private laboratories over the state, including the

A&M Forage Testing Service. County Extension agents have information for submitting hay samples for testing at Texas A&M.

Red Meat Production Temporarily Up

Texas red meat production is up, but only temporarily, reports Agriculture Commissioner Reagan V. Brown.

Slaughter increased in every category except calves. The January-August slaughter breakdown was: cattle 3,787,000 head, up 5 percent; calves, 118,

600 head, down 29 percent; hogs, 984,000 head, up 23 percent; sheep and lambs, 777,000 head, up 27 percent.

"The hot, dry summer forced many producers to move their cattle, sheep and lambs off the withered pastures and into slaughter

plants," Brown explained. "This created large supplies of meat initially, but could reduce them in the long run."

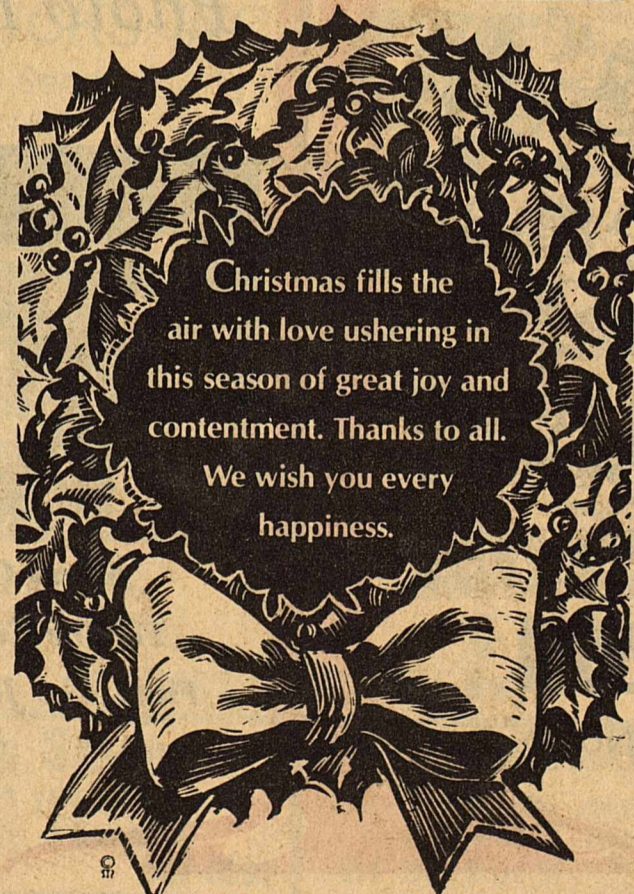
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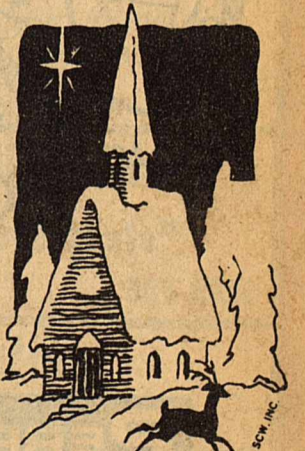


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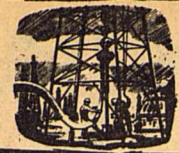
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Sutton County Petro News



John Poerner Calls For Petroleum Deregulation

Railroad Commission Chairman John Poerner has called for the "total and immediate deregulation of oil and gas and petroleum products" and the establishment of mass transportation systems in Texas.

Deregulation of the petroleum industry "is compellingly needed to sustain and improve upon the gains in recent years to bring all of our domestic energy resources into optimum use," the energy and regulatory agency official said at a news conference.

Poerner's tenure on the Commission ends at the end of the year.

He also called for the

repeal, "or at least modification," of the federal Windfall Profits Tax. Such a step is "critically necessary if we are to keep rolling in discovering and producing the enormous oil and gas reservoirs that remain to be tapped in this country," Poerner said.

"If we can't get repeal, we must amend the tax act to provide petroleum prospecting plowback credits to our wildcaters," he continued.

Poerner said there are several reasons to be optimistic about the country's energy supply.

"I am convinced that we can discover 200 billion or

more additional barrels of oil equivalent in this country by the end of this century....," he explained.

"Another solid reason for energy supply optimism is the progress our petroleum scientists are making toward optimizing the recovery of oil from our known and developed reservoirs that are nearing or have been depleted, economically, through conventional production methods," he continued.

He cited the 25 billion or so barrels of heavy oils underlying the state and methods now being perfected to enable this reserve to be tapped.

"If we can recover only 10 percent of that reserve, the economy of Texas will be enriched by some \$50 billion," Poerner said.

"But to lift this oil from existing and deep sedimentary basins and shale formations, we must lift the heavy hand of punitive federal regulation that has choked our energy industry for almost 30 years.

"Regulation at the state level is adequate," the energy and transportation regulatory agency official said, "while regulation at the federal level is not necessary."

Poerner also spoke of a "grave urgency" to deve-

lop rail and other surface transportation facilities that will get people to and from their job sites and other places.

He declared his commitment to a Texas Triangle mass transit rail system by announcing that he hopes to help organize in 1981 a \$2 million to \$3 million feasibility study of such a system.

Energy conservation through such mass transit systems and increased petroleum production through deregulation are both necessary to achieve energy independence in the country, he continued.

Poerner also announced that after the first of the year he would become president of Prudential Energy Co., an affiliate of the Prudential Group, Inc., of New York City.

"I have been directed to establish a corporate headquarters for Prudential Energy Co. in Texas," he said, while explaining that the Prudential organization has oil producing proper-

ties in 17 states.

Poerner said he would be associated with fellow Texan Robert B. Anderson, a former Secretary of the Navy and Secretary of the Treasury, and manager of the Waggoner Estate, in his new venture. Anderson is an international banker operating from New York.

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Tax Credit Approved For Royalty Owners For 1980

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not pay the Windfall Excise Tax for 1980. We repeat, this is for one year, 1980, only. PBPA opposed this bill because we think royalty owners should be exempt

entirely from the tax and now Congress can say don't bother us anymore, we've already done something for the royalty owner. We also oppose it because the independent producer and stripper wells weren't included at all. The association position is repeal the tax in its entirety or get meaningful exemptions for producers and royalty owners.

The House of Representatives in Washington voted 189 to 186 against requiring air bags to be put in some 1982 model cars. With more conservative Congress meeting in January, the air bag issue should be dead.

Gasoline prices have started back up. The price increase has averaged about four cents a gallon.

The major companies say they raised the prices because of the increase in the cost of crude oil and inflation. This was the first increase since May 22nd.

And, the oil excise tax is taking its toll. During the first six months of the tax, the government has raked in about six dollars a barrel. In the Rocky Mountain Region, the tax takes 11 million dollars a day from the producer and keeps 35 wells a day from being drilled. Texaco paid \$205 million dollars excise tax the first seven months of this year and estimates the company will pay one billion dollars in 1981. The public, of course, is really paying the tax.

The Permian Basin rig count last week was 359. One year ago it was 321.

RRC Approves Alternate Filing Requirements

The Railroad Commission today approved new state alternate filing requirements to replace the federal and state rules currently applicable to filings under the Natural Gas Policy Act.

The new rules, approved by Chairman John Poerner and Commissioners James E. (Jim) Nugent and Mack Wallace during the weekly conference on Oil and Gas Division matters, must now be forwarded to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for final certification.

In recommending adoption of the new regulations to the Commission, NGPA Section Supervisor Priscilla Hubenak said the new rules would simplify filing requirements and expedite the determination process. In addition, she reported, the changes will prevent the duplication of paperwork in some categories.

When asked by Commissioner Nugent if the changes would increase paperwork for the RRC, Hubenak responded "no."

The new rules differ from the originally proposed rules by defining "operator" as it appears in state-wide rules, by adding requirements based upon final federal regulations for tight formation gas under Section 107(b), and by requesting a statement of non production days for natural

gas under Section 108.

Deleted were the proposed requirement that wells be completed prior to the beginning of the application process and consideration of an effective and efficient finding prior to application, Hubenak explained.

Many clarifications and simplifications appear in the final rule through the rearrangement of phrases and with the addition of descriptive language and distinct categories for some topics, she continued.

One new provision permits working interest owners to apply for well category determinations. Previously, only well operators and other sellers were allowed to apply.

The Commission initiated the well classification program in December 1978 pursuant to NGPA mandate and guidelines set forth by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

Under federal rules and corresponding RRC policies, the NGPA Section is responsible for processing applications filed by operators requesting gas well determinations under one of the different producing categories of the NGPA.

Operator applications are reviewed through section statistical checklists and are brought before the Commission for action.

Crude Oil Nominations Released For January

January 1981 nominations for the purchase of Texas crude oil total 2,587,938 barrels daily, the Railroad Commission's Oil and Gas Division reported today.

Purchaser nominations for December 1980 totaled 2,559,372 barrels daily. Comparable purchaser nominations for January 1980 totaled 2,671,478 barrels daily.

The Commission will set the January production allowable during the monthly statewide oil and gas prora-

tion hearing at 9 a.m. Thursday at the Quality Inn in Austin.

The statewide oil allowable for December is set at 100 percent of the market demand with actual production to approximate 2,515,000 barrels daily.

The Oil and Gas Division reported final tabulations place purchases of Texas crude oil in October at 2,519,704 barrels daily, or 92,870 barrels daily less than nominations for that month.

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Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
I want a watch for Christmas. I want a truck for my brother for me and my brothers.
Your friend,
Danny Ramirez

Dear Santa,
I want a record player. I decided to have a record player.
Love,
Belinda Robles

Joe Buitron
Dear Santa
I would like you to bring me a Race track 10 diesel dump truck tractor

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a 3 baby kittens, doll hose, bike, book shelf.
Your friend,
Ruben Castillo

Dear Santa,
I want a 3 baby kittens, doll hose, bike, book shelf.
Your friend,
Tra-chell

Dear Santa,
I want a dirt bike. Will you get me a dirt bike? And I want a dog. Will you get me a dog? And I want a remote control car. Will you get me remote control car? And I want a race track. Will you get me a race track?
Love, Travis

Dear Santa,
I been bad and good. I been good 100 time. I been bad 2 time.

I promis I will be good. I wish I had a doll you can cril her hiar and roller skates and a her name is lollypop dolls and a picher of your waff.
Love, Teres

Dear Santa,
I been good Santa and if you want to bring me toys I want a baby that crys and a taperecorder and twister and roller skats and prinses it is make up and a bolls. Ther names are lollypop and a baby her name is pretty crules and dishis and a picher of you.
Love were best frind
Andra

Dear Santa,
I want a little baby doll and a little baby kitten and a puppy.
Love, Rita

Dear Santa Claus,
We are fine. Will you come to my house? I want a truck and toy horses.
Your Friend,
Johnny Guerra

Dear Santa,
I want a doll house. And a new kitten, And I want a baby cry n' dry, And a new Chraddle, And a cheerleading suit.
Love,
Lana Payne

Dear Santa,
Will you give me a trampoline? Will you give me a horse?
Love,
Kim Vaughn

Dear Santa,
I like you Santa. I wish you were here. I want a bike and a dog.
Your friend
Pedro Romero

Dear Santa,
I want a 30 30. I want a Go cart. I want a Motorcycle.
Your Friend,
Keyes Caruthers

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a race track and a football.
Your Friend,
David Mirike

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I want a bike, a skate board, some roller skates, and raggedy anne doll.
Love,
Connie Lumbreras

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcyce and a Houston Helment and some new trucks.
Your freind,
Eric Espinosa

Ubaldo Luna
Dear Santa
I would like you to bring me a race track, car with a motor, bike, two match boy cars

Michelle Lozano
Dear Santa
I would like you bring me a bike, Barbie doll basket ball game puzzle

Gina Perez
Dear Santa
I would like you to bring me a doll with a bottle, bike

Vickey
Dear Santa
I would like you to bring me a stuffed santaclaus

Melinda Crouch
Dear Santa
I would like you to bring me aBarbie doll, books, game puzzle.

Juanita Ganda
Dear Santa
I would like you to bring me a Baby doll with a botle

Robby Zook
Dear Santa,
I would likeyou to bring mea pickup truck with a motr little play saw.

Dear Santa,
I want a barbie doll with clothes, furniture and a barbie doll house and a bead machine.
Love,
Melnie Balmos

Dear Santa,
Please bring me gun for Christmas.
Love
Ricky

Dear Santa,
Please bring me puppy for Christmas
Love, Dana

Dear Santa,
Please bring me gun for Christmas.
Love,
Lozano

Dear Santa,
Please bring me batman, batmanscar, for Christmas.
Love Keith

Dear Santa,
Please bring me doll, puppy, for Christmas.
Love Brandy

Dear Santa,
Please bringme for Christmas a puppy Love Missy

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? I am writing to give you my list. I want a little dog and a pelet gun.
Your friend, Trinidad.
I love you vere much.

Dear Santa,
I love you santa your friend.
Love Bobby

Dear Santa,
Baby with her traser chest, a baby that you can kerl her har, an high char, fresh an fancy, perfum maker
Your friend,
Amie



Sonora kindergaten students poured onto the Courthouse lawn recently to help the Sonora Jaycees decorate the Christmas tree. The students all made

decorations to hang on the tree. Instead of just setting out a tree this year, the Jaycees planted a tree at the Courthouse.



WISHING YOU THE BEST THAT THE SEASON HAS TO OFFER YOU AND YOURS!

Nina's Beauty Salon

Norma Gonzales, Owner
387-3597

YULETIDE WISHES

We truly hope your stockings will be filled to the top with gifts of joy, hope and love. Our thanks.

Billy Green Water Service

YULETIDE GREETINGS

Thinking of dear friends, old and new, and wishing them all a season of unending, old fashioned delights!

Ray Holmes Sand & Gravel

Joy to the World

May Your Christmas be filled with faith and goodwill.

Sonora Bus Station & Lone Star Gas

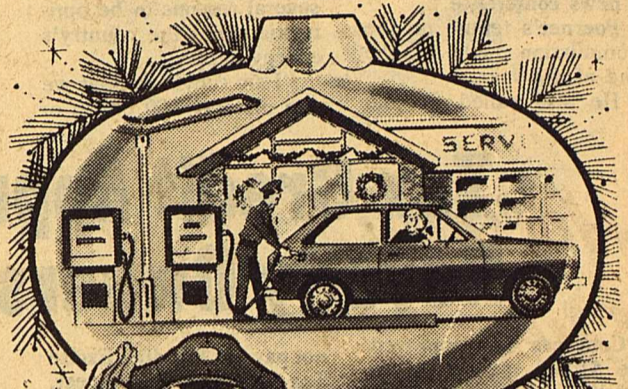
Charolette Wampler 387-2804

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll that you can fix her hair all diffrent ways and I want a cash registrar that tells real numbers, I want some twirling stuff with the white boots that are high and a baton that twirlers use. I want the suit that has shiny stuff on it. I want a barbie car that runs on batteries.
I Love you very MUCH.
Love
Tana Churchill

Dear Santa,
I want a baby doll. A puppy dog. A bike.
Love,
Kimberlee Covington

Dear Santa,
I want a go-car, And a C.B and a bike and lots Of Star Wars, and a Super Heroes, and a racing track and a radio.
Your Friend,
Francisco Gemez

Dear Santa,
I want a doll for Christmas. And a tooth.
Love,
Shelby Evans



Saluting all our grand patrons and hoping an endless stream of good things comes your way. We appreciate your kindness.

From Ed Carrasco and All the Employees at LIVEOAK "PHILLIPS 66"



The star which they saw in the east went before them, and guided them to where the young child was. There they rejoiced and sang His praises. We join the world in giving thanks for the Divine Miracle, and for the privilege of your friendship.

Merry Christmas from Everyone at Sonora Wool & Mohair Co.

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll,
close, puppy, for Christ-
mas.
Love,
Melissa

Dear Santa,
Please bring me puppy
for Christmas.
Love
Elsa

Dear Santa,
Please bring me doll. for
Christmas.
Love
Belinda

Dear Santa,
How have you been? I
want a Santa Claus shirt
and Firetruck. I Love you
Gregg Parker

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I want
a baby doll and a brbee
playhaws and a baby ways
bye
Monica Gonzales
Love

Dear Santa
I have a birthday coming
up. I want a barbie doll for
my birthday and for
Christmas I want a bicycle.
Love
Christy Ogburn

Dear Santa
I want a doll for Christ-
mas, a dog and some
make-up with a doll. A
bike. That is all.
Love
Sonia Gonzales

Dear Santa,
I want an electronic foot
ball game a tool box and a
foot ball suit from the
Dallas Cowboys and Levi
jeans and a brown shirt and
a stethoscope.
Love,
Ector Castilleja.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me. for
Christmas.
Love,
Lee

Dear Santa,
Please bring me fou
a CheChoCha-
Sh.
I' Love,
David Kemp

Dear Santa Claus
Will you bring me a truck
with a two Z288, Merfoot-
ball, minny bike, and a real
little motercial.
love
Pete Perez

Dear Santa, I want a Legos
set and a truk and a dirt silk
and a tran, and a baik I
been good
Mack Warlidaw

Dear Santa,
I want a truck and a
basketball. Christmas is fun
Love Larry Chalk

Dear Santa,
I want a motor cross bike,
and I want a Houston Oiler
football suit, but no
shoulder pads. and I want
Star Wars.
Love
Erick Galindo

Dear Santa,
I want a SeweEasy
Sewing machine, a barbie
doll with clothes, a doll
house with furniture and a
canope bed.
Love
Lori Renfro

Dear Santa,
I want some trucks and
cars, all kinds of toys
Love me Santa
from Jason Fowler

Dear Santa,
Please bring me gun for
Christmas.
Josh

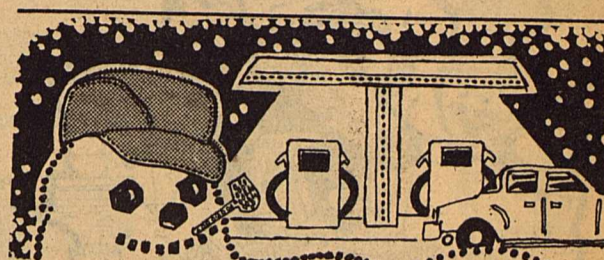
Dear Santa,
Please bring me clothes
for Christmas.
Love,
Michael

Dear Santa Claus
If you can bring me a car
for Christmas just try to
get the track car.
Love
Edward

Dear Santa,
How have you been? I want
for Christmas.
Love, Shane Stubbs

Dear Santa,
I want a gtir and a brbe
Ken and a bike. I have been
gud
Love Bryan Beasley

Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me
what my list says? I want a
baton, green umbrella,
14K-gold earring, pearl
earrains, Panda and baby
Bear.
Love
Laura Lee Barlemann



MERRY CHRISTMAS

We're happy to be of
service and thankful for the
opportunity to extend a battery of good
wishes for holiday happiness to you all.

**Elliott Exxon
Service Station**

Dear Santa,
Please bring me doll for
Christmas.
Love,
Antonia
Dear Santa,
Please bring me gun for
Christmas.
Love,
David Tucker

Dear Santa,
Please bring me clothes
for Christmas.
Love
Rita

Dear Santa Claus,
I wot a cat of Christmas.
And a doll.
Love,
Mindy Rainwater.

Dear Santa,
I have been good I want a
crying doll and a brbee doll
Love Becky Benavides

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle and a
firetruck and racing cars.
Love, Maxie Gamez

Dear Santa,
I have been good Santa.
I want a car.
I want a football.
I want a ball.
I want a bike.
I want a candycane.
Love
Greg Fonseca.

**Holiday
Cheer**



Served with our very best wishes
for a festive Yuletide!

Big Tree Restaurant
Sam Dechearo, Owner



As we gather together to share the
blessings and joy of the holiday with those
we love, we greet old friends and say thanks.

**Marilyn & Frank
Adkins**



The beauty of the season is reflected in
the glowing faces of our very special patrons.
It is with pride and pleasure that we send
warm greetings to you all.

**Della's
Hair Studio**

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl. I
will tell you what I want for
Christmas. I want one thing
and that I want everyone in
the world to have a Merry
Christmas!
Love
Kathey Perkins

Dear Santa,
I want a doll that says bye
bye. How are you? I want a
kitcn and a doll bed Love,
Elizabeth Noriega

Dear Santa
I want a bike and a Bear.
I want a dog and a ring and
some little star wars people
to play with. Santa, Ive
been good.
Love
Erik Hernandez

Dear Santa,
I want a bike for Christ-
mas I've been very good
Santa. I want a doll, some
books and a barbie doll. I
want some toys for my
sister and my brothers.
Love
Rosa Hernandez



Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll for Christ-
mas. I want to have fun. I
want a bike.
Love
Vicky Anderson

Dear Santa,
I want a truck and toy
motor cycle.
Love Federico Chavez

Dear Santa
I want an eletrick guitar a
38 special pistol \$100.00 a
real dirt bike film for a
camera I have been good
Love
Tom Bob Wilson

Dear Santa,
Santa, please bring me a
football and a big truck
Love Santa Eric Sanchez

Dear Santa Claus
I want skates for Christ-
mas and a bike to and a doll
for Christmas
Love
Kimberly Ramirez

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a car
and a plane.
Love,
Alfredo Ozuna

Dear Santa
I want a dog and a ring and
some birds and a cat.
Love Mike Merrill

Dear Santa,
I want a bike for Christ-
mas I've been very good
Santa. I want a doll, some
books and a barbie doll. I
want some toys for my
sister and my brothers.
Love
Rosa Hernandez

Dear Santa Claus
I want a doll that Chis I will
be good to I like you Santa
Claus you like areadae I like
you to der sant claus I like
you Sant Claus I will be
good to
Love
Melissa Benavides

Dear Santa Claus
I am a good boy. I won't a
rase car set. And some
house shoes. And I won't
some reconds
Love
Sammy Gregory

Dear Santa,
Have you been happy? I
want a book and a doll in a
bed.
Love
Leticia Regalado

Dear Santa,
I want a police car and a
racing car. I want a guitar.
Love
Chris Rojas.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a dog I want a
knife I want a puppet I want
a shotgun I want a football
and a bird and wore
Love,
Ricky Samaniego

Dear Santa,
I want a crying doll and a
book. I love you.
Jennifer Tankersley

Dear Santa,
I want a crying doll and a
book. I love you.
Jennifer Tankersley

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a car
and a plane.
Love,
Alfredo Ozuna

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want a
kitten, Santa Claus Dolly's
a drum and a bike. If your
coming I will leave you a
apple for your treat.
Love,
Susan Brown

Dear Santa,
I have been good I want a
remot contool car and a
socrball
Freddy Perez

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am fine
and this is what I want a
Holly Hoby doll and ball.
Love
Angela Dunalp

Dear Santa,
I want a crying doll and a
book. I love you.
Jennifer Tankersley

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I want
a baby doll. I want a brbee
doll. I want a plyhaws.
Elva Castilleja

Dear Santa,
I want a stare barbeedoll,
I Love you.
Love,
Keianne Pounds

Dear Santa,
I have been good and I
want a cry doll. It waves
bye bye I Love You
Jeannie James

Dear Santa
I want a stare barbeedoll,
I Love you.
Love,
Keianne Pounds

Dear Santa,
I have been good and I
want a cry doll. It waves
bye bye I Love You
Jeannie James

Dear Santa
I want a stare barbeedoll,
I Love you.
Love,
Keianne Pounds

a JOYOUS HOLIDAY



Remembering, we
say thanks for your
treasured friendship
and hope the
Christmas pleasures
of yesteryear remain with you always.

Carl J. Cahill Inc.

HAPPY CHRISTMAS

Happiness is...
remembering old times, dear friends
and wishing one and all the very
special joys that are Christmas!
We think of you with
warm appreciation and hope all
the beauties of the season
will be yours.

Thank you for your past patronage and friendship
over this more than a quarter century.

Westerman Drug
Vera and Cecil Westerman

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa

Santa please. bring me anda trans-am car, and a race track, and a bike and a motorcycle, and a football.
Love
Fredrico Valdez

Dear Santa,

I've Been good Santa, I want a doll, and a bike, plus books, for school a teddy bear.
Thank you.
Love
Melissa Galbegher.

Dear Santa,

I will try to be better. but Santa I've been sorta good. Please send me the toys in my letter. I love you Santa.
Love
Craig Willy Speers

Danny Morin

Dear Santa
I would like you bring me motorcycle race track car

Oran Williams

Dear Santa
I would like you to bring me a 10 speed bike 2 race cars firetruck with a bell

Harvey Badillo

Dear Santa
I would like you to bring me a Race track train diesel dump truck Levis, Smokey and the Bandit car

Jenny Barton

Dear Santa
I would like you to bring me a doll with a stroller, boots, barbie, skates,

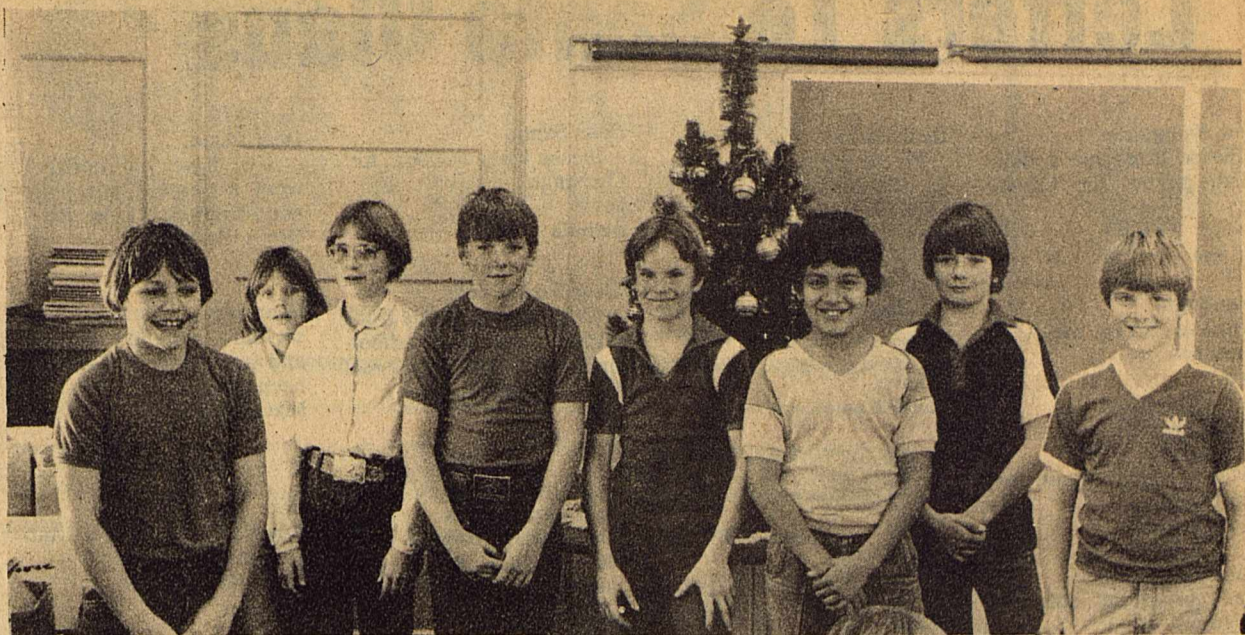
Vannesa Patlan

Dear Santa
I would like you to bring me a doll and toys sewing machine

Dear Santa, I wish that you whood giv me new barbei and a barbeivan.
Love, Jenny Wyatt

Dear Santa, I want a Teaser set, Starwar, and leggos.
Love, Blake

Dear Santa Claus
I want a derbike and a BB gun.
Love Kelly



These students of Mrs. Max Hardegree at Sonora Middle School along with their classmates decided to give up some of their Christmas to make the holidays a little brighter for others. Instead of exchanging gifts this

year, the students voted to bring canned goods to be given away by the high school student council in its annual Christmas baskets.



CHRISTMAS FARE

The main ingredients, in our recipe for holiday happiness, are oversized portions of friendship, seasoned with faith and trust. Our thanks to all.
The Commercial Restaurant
Lemuel Lopez and Staff

Dear Santa,

I want a bike for Christmas. And a little tree huose for my barbie dolls and some clothes too. I want you to bring my little sister a dress for Christmas and some shoes for her. Thank you.
I Love you.
Love
Laura Flores

Dear Santa,

I want a barbie doll for Christmas and I will try to be good in school.
Love,
Sherry Hocutt

Mike Harris

Dear Santa
I would like you to bring me a BB gun and BB's

Dawn Keese

Dear Santa
I would like you to bring me a drum, books, puzzles, bike mountain boots and paper dolls.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a barbee and a game. Love, Jessie

Dear Santa, Claus,
I want a car and a BB gun. Love, Louis

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a futball and a merlin and adert bikeocr and a kic and go. Love , Cody

Dear Santa
I want a wosh. I mies you
Love Danny

Dear Santa
I woa a skat bol doll I love you santa
Love,
Melinda

Dear Santa,
I want a ar plan.
Luv, Jericho

Dear Santa,
I wot n a Bic.
Lov, Lee

Dear Santa,
I want a Big white doll and a red wagin
Love, Brandy

Dear Santa,
I want a bribi huose,
Riley wants a truck.
Love, Cheryloy

Dear Santa,
I want a bisicurl.
Luv David

Dear Santa,
I want a doll fum you. I Love you Santa
Love, Laura

Dear Santa,
I want a doll.
Lauv, Gloria

Dear Santa,
I want a bik and a doll.
Love, Michelle

Dear Santa,
I want a ruftruck. I love you Santa.
Chad

Dear Santa,
I want gray jojeing pas and woch that tells time. Will you bring me a bike.
Love Dana Evans

Dear Santa,
Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. How are you doing I what a brown puppy love Wesley Griffin.

Dear Santa
I wota boll, brum, and paper doll, boos, I mist you.
Love, Dawn

Dear Santa
I want a ball a pano bik bol I mist you Santa
Love Gina

Michelle Lozano
Dear Santa
Breging me a woch and doll and dish and biek doll and dish and biek and a boll and a dres I mith you
Love Michelle

Dear Santa
I want a futball
Love, Jaime

Dear Santa
I want a doll
Love Criselda

Dear Santa
I want a Doll and a box and a dog and a toy and I mest you Santa
Love Yvonne

Dear Santa
Brig me a 2 ras cars and a 10 sed
Love, Oran

Dear Santa Claus, Merry Christmas.
I want a rocket.
Love Santa, Chris G.

Dear Santa Claus, I want a doll and a bike and I love you. Lora

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a gitar and a bike and a BB gun. I hope you hav a merry christmas.
I love you. Love Chris H.



Peace in your heart and in your home... this greatest gift of all we wish for you.
NL Acme Tool



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All Day

CHRISTMAS

We hope the holiday season brings you joy and happiness and prosperity for the coming year. We would like to thank you for your patronage and hope that we can continue to serve you in 1981.

Hurry Up

Your Complete Convenience Store

6:00am til Midnight

Highway 290W



We hope that Santa fills your home with many joyous surprises that last the New Year through. We thank you for your patronage.

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