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The Best of Wishes for the Holiday Season and for always. May the Holiday Season find you feeling joyful for this is the most joyful of all seasons...May you also find Peace in the meaning of Christmas.

## SEASON'S BEST

Don Comedy  
Lisa Shaw  
Bill Comedy

Mary Kennedy  
Wendell Faught  
Dee Ballard

Jill Jennings  
Charles Thornhill  
Sandra Thornhill

Bobby Hawkins  
Alice Bredthauer  
Myrtle Phemister

# Letters to Santa



Dear Santa,  
Please bring a Kris Kringle, Cabbage Patch Corn Silk and a Pop-a-sack and bike.

Traver wants a Kris too and a bike and truck.

Please mommie some make-up and colone. Daddy needs some shaving stuff.

I'll leave you some oreo's and some milk.

I've been a good girl everyday, almost. Have a safe trip.

Love and Bunches of hugs,  
Riva Poteet  
Discovery World  
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,  
I really need a Slum-Pit and a bicycle.

Please bring Lyle a real B-B gun, Mommie a new dress and Daddy new boots.

Santa have a safe trip and I'll leave you some Giggle cookies to eat.

Love and Hugs,  
Tom Fouts  
Discovery World  
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been pretty good this year. So will you please give me a Cabbage Patch Kids Baby (tiny please) and a my Child aprica Stroller and some house shoes thats all.

Love,  
Mary Jane Short  
Age 6  
Kindergarten  
P.S. Milk and cookies are on the table. Bring Ross a rattle.

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a truck, a tractor, and a robot. Bring Pate a pull toy to walk around behind him. Don't forget some surprises for our stockings.

Mommie would like some new clothes and Daddy needs a new camera for his work.

I will leave some Oreos and milk for your snack and a carrot for Rudolph. I've been a very good boy.

Thanks,  
Hunter Meinzer  
Discovery World

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a big skate board. I would also like a jambox and some rock tapes. I like Madonna tapes. My mother likes farm animals and cookie cutters. My dad likes hunting things. Don't forget my parents. I have been good.

Love,  
Jennifer Comedy

Dear Santa,  
Lindsey wants a doll and a little real purse. Well that is all.

Love,  
Lindsey Watson

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Baby Cabbage Patch, an ice cream maker. And tell Rudolph Hi for me and to come in my house so I can see him. I have been real good.

Love,  
Jessica Comedy

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me lots of toys. You know what all I want I told you at the toy store.

Love,  
Amber W.  
age 5

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Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? I am fine. How are your reindeer doing? I hope they're okay.

These are the things I would like for Christmas: a Jem doll, some roller skates, a record player, a trampoline, dance stage for Barbie and the Rockers, and my big sisters, Emily and Sandra, want twin red Camaros.

I'll have some milk and cookies out for you on the kitchen table. If there's a fire in the fireplace, come through the front door.

Have a good Christmas.  
Love,  
Carol Thornhill  
Age 8

Dear Santa,  
I am 8 months old and I live in Hamlin with my mommy and daddy, but I will be in Haskell at Meemies and Grandads to during Christmas.

I would like a fuzzy rocking horse, a talking telephone and a talking bear.

I have been a pretty good boy except when I am sick and then I like to be held a lot.

Be sure and don't forget to leave Aunt Dala some thing as she is pretty special to me. Also bring my mom some new boots and my daddy a new rope.

I will leave you some cookies and milk to eat.  
I love you,  
JD Harris

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl all year please bring me lots of toys. You know what all I want I told you at the toy store.

Love,  
Amber W.  
age 5

Dear Santa Claus  
I don't really want anything but this is what I kind of want a watch and a watch guard. And a popple, and a jambox. And some more bananas for my hair. I don't want to get you working hard on this. My sister and I both want this a trampoline. And a corn stalk cabbage patch kid. Sort of a skatebooard.

Well thanks,  
Debbie Watson

Dear Santa,  
May I have a steam eugne for my electric train, a remote control robot a submarine.

Thank you  
Dawson Druessedow

Dear Santa,  
May I have a remote control car. Some more track for my electric train and a dirt bike?

Thank you, Santa.  
Harrison Druessedow

Dear Santa,  
Hope you are doing OK! this year. If you can find time to stop by my house on Paint Creek Road, would you please bring me a Cabbage patch with corn silk hair and her front teeth hanging out. I would also like a computer.

My brother, Cody, would like a stereo. My Daddy would like a new cotton stripper and Mom wants a new mini van.

My grandparfents in Knox City would just like good health and for you to come for coffee and cake.

Have a safe trip.  
Love,  
Ember Josselet  
2nd grade  
Haskell Elementary

P.S. I've tried to be a good kid and I am learning not to tell secrets.

Dear Santa Claus,  
For Christmas I would like a Cabbage Patch Kid with corn silk hair. I also would like a Creative Art Bag and Color and quilt and Monopoly and Mini Stationery.

Love,  
Alysia Perrin  
age 9  
Lubbock, Texas

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I love you, Santa,  
Tim Dewey

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Love,  
I Love You!

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Love,  
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Love,  
Joshua Roysdon

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I have been a good boy.  
Love,  
Kirk

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Thanks Santa  
Love,  
Bucky Howeth

Dear Santa Claus and Mrs. Santa,  
Mommy and Daddy want a rocking chair. I want a Build 'n Play. I want a Sorting House. I want a little robot. I don't want anything else. I've been a good boy.  
Love,  
Evan Harris

Dear Santa Claus,  
Katie is my name. I am three. Please bring me a piano and a reindeer just like Casey's reindeer. I want a little Christmas tree and a pop and stack. I have been good.  
Bring Mama some new clothes, and Papa wants a new shirt. My Casey wants a ZZ gun.  
I'm going to leave some sandwiches out for you, Santa, so you can eat them, Santa Claus.  
Good-bye, Santa.  
Love,  
Katie Thompson  
Paint Creek

Dear Santa Claus,  
My name is Reena Harris. I am 4 years old. I hope you will come to my house this year, because I have tried to be very good.  
I would like a Popples, a Barbie doll and anything else you think I need.  
Please don't forget my little brother. His name is Bradlee and he is 9 months old. This is his 1st Christmas. He said he wanted a toy to ride and a toy to push.  
We will be waiting for your visit.  
We Love You,  
Reena and Bradlee

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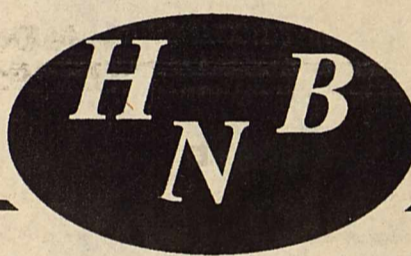
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**Am I eligible for an IRA?**  
Everyone who has EARNED INCOME is now eligible to establish their own Individual Retirement Account.

**What do you mean by Earned Income?**  
Earned Income is the salary or wages you are paid by your employer.

**How much can I deposit to my IRA?**  
Each year you can deposit any amount you are comfortable with up to a maximum of 100% of your earned income or \$2,000, whichever is less. Every dollar you deposit to your IRA is a deduction from your gross income.

**Do I pay taxes on the earnings of my IRA?**  
Not until you make withdrawals from the account.

**When must I withdraw the funds in my IRA?**  
You can start withdrawing the funds in your IRA any time after you reach age 59 1/2 without penalty. When you reach age 70 1/2, minimum required withdrawals must be made each year or substantial penalties will be imposed.

**Can my spouse have an IRA?**  
If your spouse has no earned income, a Spousal IRA can be established. Please inquire for details on a Spousal IRA.

The new tax laws concerning IRA's will not affect your 1986 contribution. The deadline for opening an IRA account or making a contribution to an existing IRA for the 1986 tax season is April 15, 1987.

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**SEASON'S GREETINGS**

May the spirit of Christmas bless you and yours, bringing you all the joys of the holy Season.

**Anderson Tire Company**  
206 S. Ave E 864-2900

# Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,  
My name is Jason Shaw. I am four years old. I've been a good boy this year.

For Christmas please bring me a remote control firetruck and a Fischer Price City. Please bring me a surprise for my stocking.

Please remember my brother A.J. This is his first Christmas. I think he is a very good boy.

Love,  
Jason

Dear Santa,

My name is A.J. Shaw. I am 7 months old.

For Christmas please bring me a car to sit in and push with my feet and a surprise.

Please remember my brother, Jason I love him very much. He helps me a lot.

Love,  
A.J.

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. How are you.

I will make a list of what I want. I want a T.V. and rock tapes like Twisted Sister, Rocky III & Ghostbusters. I also want the Rockers Barbies and Van.

Love,  
Nacole Lefevre

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a My Child with yellow kind of hair, a Dallas Cowboy football suit with helmet

and the shirt. I also want a blue vacumn cleaner with 3 colors mixed up in it called dust bunnies. Please bring me Lego Blocks to build with.

I love you,  
Trac Mathis  
Age 3

Dear Santa,

I want some ten racing cars and a road to go in them that you ride on and a sign on the street.

I want 2 more Ninjas to go with the one I have, and a pencil that you can write with on both ends. I would like a dragon made of stiff - it won't move or anything. And I want a train that has four moving cars on the back of it.

In my stocking I just want candy. Thank you and I hope it looks pretty.

Love,  
Lane Murphy  
Age 5  
Weinert

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a bat and a ball and a Princess Power and a play house.

Love,  
Alisa Garza  
Age 6  
Weinert

Dear Santa,

Please bring Me a Poppie and a mop top hair shop and a watch and a Jam box and a Baton with some pop poms and a big Traplenn that is all.

Crystal Watson

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a ball and a football and come to the play at Weinert. It is going to be 18 Thurs. It will be Paint Creek Tournament.

Love,  
Jessie Castorena  
Grade 2  
Weinert

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a key board. We are having a play about you. I would love for you to come see it. Next thursday night.

Love,  
Cory Wood  
Age 7  
Weinert

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a robot. Please bring me a football suit. Please bring me a Lasertag.

Love,  
Nick Jimenez  
Age 8  
Weinert

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Laser Tag.

Love,  
Ray Bradley  
Age 6  
Weinert

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Laser Tag. I hope you bring it. Will you Please.

Love,  
Jeremy Harlan  
Age 7 First grade  
Weinert

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Laser Tag.

Please Will you. Have is Mrs. Claus.

Love,  
David Crump  
Age 7  
Weinert

Dear Santa,

please bring me a robot.

Love,  
Jessie Torres  
Age 6  
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Dear Santa,

Please bring me a robot. Thank for the things last year.

Love,  
Timmy Perez  
Age 6  
Weinert

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Castel Gray Skull, Star Wars toys, and Superman action figures.

Please bring Morgan a doll and mommie a billfold and a necklace and Daddy a new shotgun.

I'll leave you cookies and milk to eat. I've been a good boy.

Love,  
Mitchel Cox  
Discovery World

P.S. Have a safe trip! And Thanks.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a pink Poppa-sock, a Teddy Ruxspin, a Cabbage Patch and a real baby doll that drinks milk and talks and purple ropers. I want a high chair for my baby. My daddy wants some new boots and mommie wants a new scarf.

I'll leave some Oreos and milk.

Love,  
Brooke Griggs  
Discovery World

P.S. Craig wants a new football.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me an umbrella, a Cabbage Patch doll in a clown suit and a cheerleader suit. Hank doesn't know yet what he wants. Mommie wants a new watch and Daddy needs a new tool box.

I'll leave you some M&M's and milk for your snack.

Love,  
Jodi Thigpen  
Discovery World

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Slum-Pit, a bicycle. Please bring Tom the same as me. Bring Mommie a necklace and billfold and Dad a new gun and case. Bring Lyle some new toys.

I'll leave you cookies and milk.

Love and Kisses,  
Dan Fouts  
Discovery World

P.S. I've been extra special good for you!! ? Most of the time.

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like a toy sword, a tricycle, a toy choo choo train. Leave me some surprises in my stocking. My sister Kira wants a Cabbage Patch doll.

My mommie wants some new clothes and my daddy wants a tractor. I will leave you a Kit Kat and a coke for your snack.

Love,  
Travis Potet  
Discovery World

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a "green" baby and a trampoline. Mommie would like a baby and Daddy wants a little-bitty pick-up.

Santa I will leave you some fish and a hamburger to eat. And I will leave your deers a burrito and a taco.

Have a safe trip on Christmas eve.

Bunch of love,  
Jennifer Smith  
Discovery World  
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,

Please bring me 2 big trucks, a cowboy game, turkey and dressing and a tricycle. Kerre would like a Cabbage Patch doll. Bring my daddy a new gun and my mommie some new ropers.

I have been a good boy and I will leave you some dressing for a snack.

Love,  
Loren Cole  
Discovery World

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a robot, a big, long ugly truck and a big Indian sword, and a bicycle.

Would you bring Sydney a baby doll and a surprise for her stocking? My daddy wants a new gun and mommie wants a new nurses cap.

Grandmother needs a new stove and Granddaddy needs some more bird feed for his bird feeder. My Grandmother Perry needs a big Christmas tree and Granddaddy Perry needs a new horsie.

Love,  
Griffin Perry  
Discovery World

Dear Santa,

Hello how you? I'm just fine. I would like to tell what i want for christmas. I like a remote control car, a rasing track set, boots, transformers, cars, a bike, football and a puppy.

Thanks Santa  
Love,  
Margarito Lopez, Jr.

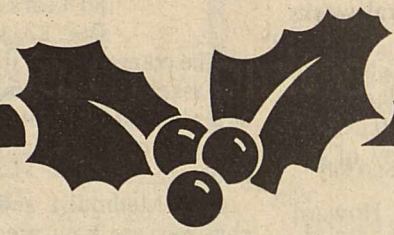
Dear Santa,

I want a jambox, and a big skate bord and the beachboy tape.

love,  
Will Dutton  
age 8

P.S. Dont forget to bring my Tata someting that lives in Paint Creek and my sister Kristi that lives in Munday.

Thank you for reading The Haskell Free Press.



We are thinking of you today  
Because it's Christmas  
And we wish you joy,  
And tomorrow  
Because it's the day after Christmas  
We shall wish you joy.  
Perhaps we can't tell you about it  
From day to day  
For you may be far away  
Or we may be entangled  
With the things of life  
But it makes no difference.  
Our thoughts and our wishes  
Will be with you.  
Whatever joy or success comes to you,  
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We wish you the spirit of Christmas.



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# Commentary

## Sagerton

(Last Week)

The monthly get together of the Bredthauer family had their Christmas tree and Christmas supper in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bredthauer with nearly everyone being there. Alfred Bredthauer is in the hospital so he couldn't attend.

The afternoon was spent in playing 84 then had the supper.

Those who attended were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bredthauer of Haskell, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bredthauer of Rule, Mrs. Adela Niedieck, Mrs. Alfred Bredthauer.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Monse, Mr. Fred Monse of Sagerton, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Mrazek of Aspermont went to Clyde to visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Howle to help Jill Howle celebrate her birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Toney had lunch in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Knipping Sunday.

Erna and Walter Schaake of Stamford visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Knipping Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Toney visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Toney Sunday. Bruce is helping his dad farm.

The funeral for Elouise Laurence Link, niece of Ethel Quade was held in Odessa Saturday morning with burial in the Aspermont Cemetery Saturday afternoon. Visitors in the Quade home and for the funeral were Ruby and W.D. Rash of Lake Whitney, Glenda Pruitt and Doyle Rash of Arlington, Rev. David Lawrance, Dallas, Darlene Rubio of Galveston and Larry Quade, Rosenberg. From Abilene were Gerald and Edna Lawrence, Diane King and Lyndell Quade.

Thanks to the faithful friends, the young adults for decorating the tree in the Fellowship Hall of the Church.

Faith Lutheran Church of Sagerton installed four Church council members last Sunday for a two year term. Those recently elected were Franklin Mrazek, vice-president;

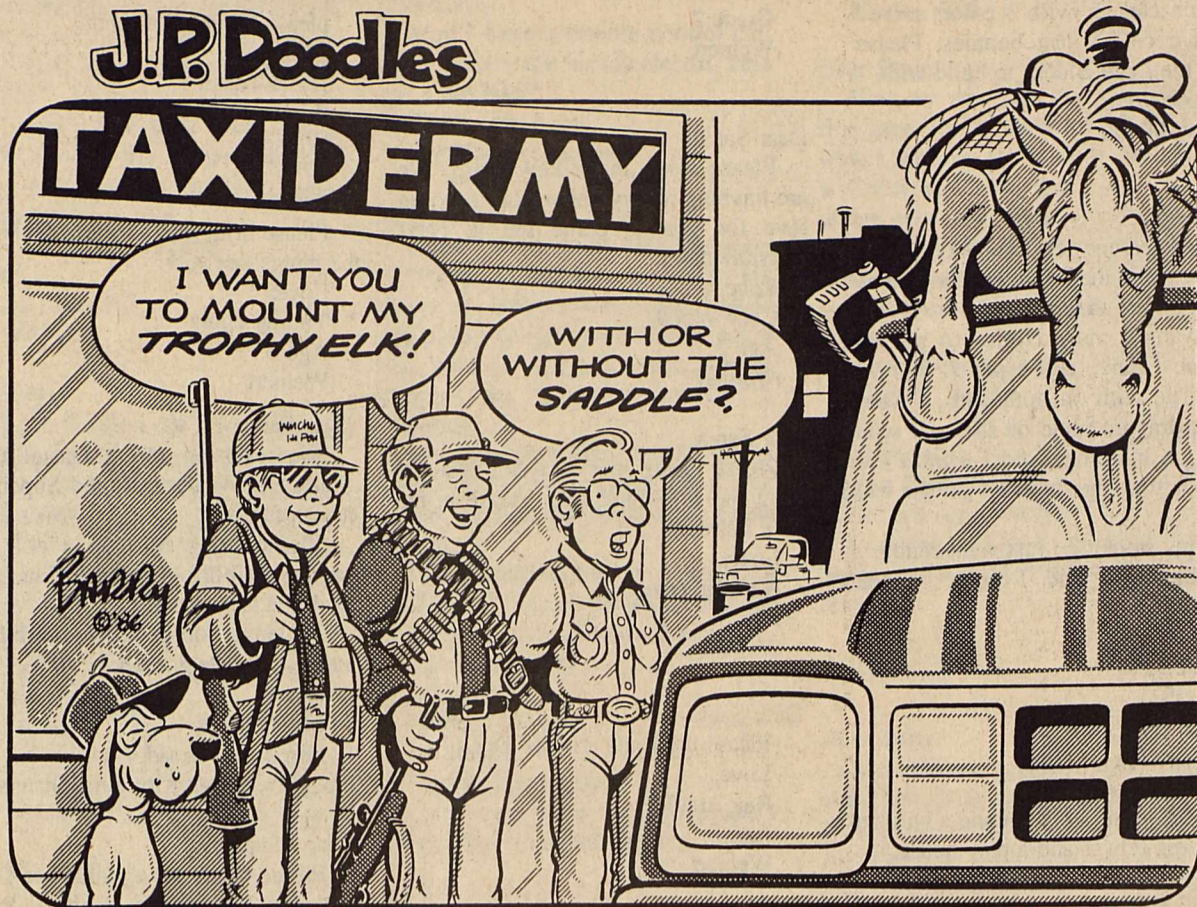
Steven Lehrmann, Treasurer; Melvin Baitz, Elder and Marchel Nauret Elder. They will serve on council for 1987-1988. Other church council members already serving are Marin Stegemoeller, president; John Glenewinkel, secretary; Jana Manske, Sunday School superintendent and Clancy Lehrmann, Elder.

The men Brotherhood had their annual Christmas dinner last Thursday at Faith Lutheran Church with 27 persons attending the program. Pastor Mel Swoyer told memories of Christmas past and several others shared the simple joys of Christmas family traditions. Door prizes were won by Clancy Lehrmann and Verlene Stegemoeller. Those attending the Brotherhood's Christmas dinner were Don Allen, Barbara Connally, J.F. Dozier, Anita Baldree, David Letz, Leona Letz, John Glenewinkel, Bea Glenewinkel, Fred Kupatt, Billie Kupatt, Clancy Lehrmann, Helen Lehrmann, Franklin Mrazek, Isabell Mrazek, Franklin Mrazek Jr., Marchel Nouret, Barbara Nauret, Clarence Stegemoeller, Erna Schaake, Marvin Stegemoeller, Verlene Stegemoeller, Clayton Stegemoeller, Paula Stegemoeller, Pastor Mel Swoyer, Gail Swoyer, Harry Swoyer and Bee Swoyer.

The children's Christmas program will be next Sunday at 7:00 p.m. in Faith Lutheran Church. Entitled "The Light of the World" it was written by Sheila Cowan of Aspermont and Gail Swoyer of Sagerton. All children of Sunday school will receive their Christmas bag and gift after the program.

Parents, friends and relatives are invited to the Christmas program next Sunday in Sagerton.

Special worship services at Faith Lutheran Church this year will be the candlelight service at 7:00 p.m. on Christmas eve and the service of Holy Communion at 10:00 a.m. on Christmas day. The public is invited to all services.



## From Out of the Past

30 Years Ago  
Dec. 27, 1956

Haskell Goodfellows will distribute approximately 75 baskets of food, clothing and toys Monday--Christmas Eve--at the climax of their annual drive to make Christmas a happier occasion for the needy families of the community.

Thos. B. Roberson, local oil products and butane distributor, has been appointed Haskell County 1957 March of Dimes campaign director.

Pfc. Dean Stocks, who is serving in an artillery unit of the Army based at Coraopolis, Penn., is home on leave to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Audie Stocks.

Jerry Larned, 1955 graduate of Haskell High School, is a member of the first string basketball team at John Tarleton State College where he is a freshman majoring in physical education.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Lusk and son Bobby spent the weekend in Bridgeport visiting in the home of Mrs. Lusk's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Green.

50 Years Ago  
Dec. 24, 1936

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Charlie Chapman and Mrs. Sam T. Chapman and Miss Mary Ben Chapman left Tuesday for Monahans where they will spend the Christmas holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clay Smith.

Sterling Edwards and R. W. Clanton made a business trip to Fort Worth the first of the week.

Rev. and Mrs. I. N. Alvis of this city were honored with an old time "pounding" last Sunday, given by members of the Pinkerton Baptist Church.

In a deal closed last Friday John E. Robison purchased the Gratec Service Station in this city from G. O. Gozart of Graham. Robison has been connected with the station for the last two years, the past seven months as manager.

Through the cooperation of Haskell churches and civic organizations, a large number of Christmas baskets are being distributed to needy families in Haskell today. Members of the fire department, in charge of delivery of the

baskets, said that between 80 and 85 baskets were to be taken out.

60 Years Ago  
Dec. 23, 1926

The State Highway Department has advertised for bids on repairing the Brazos River bridge west of Rule which was damaged and made unusable by the heavy rains of several weeks ago.

The residence of H. S. Gibson on the Oates farm 10 miles north of town was destroyed by fire about 10 o'clock Saturday morning. Very few of the household effects were saved.

H. E. Coursey of the Howard community reports that one of his tenants, W. A. Hisey, has already gathered and ginned 160 bales of cotton this year. This is one of the largest crops reported in the county.

## Other Voices

(The following appeared as a letter to the editor of the Big Lake Wildcat. It applies to many communities.)

Editor: I am a business person in Big Lake and I feel that I have to reply to some of the statements made recently. First of all, there are many times that we merchants can also go to Angelo and purchase items at a discount store cheaper than we can buy them wholesale from our suppliers for the simple reason that we don't have several stores in different places to which we can divide and send trailloads of the same item.

Also I feel that you need to take into consideration that we employ your husbands and/or wives and children when we can. Our tax dollars are what supply the extras for your kids. We are the ones who donate to community organizations, who help you when there has been a tragedy in your life.

I suggest that you go to San Angelo and ask for donations from your discount stores for the Booster Club, the Band, or to send a child to band camp whose parents can't afford it. Ask them to hold your check until payday, or better yet, given them a hot check and see how long they hold it before it goes to the county attorney's office.

Ask them to carry your charge account because your husband lost his job and you can't feed your kids. Be sure and get angry when you meet the manager on the street and he doesn't smile and say "Good morning, Mrs. Doe, how are you today?" He could be thinking how to meet his next payroll.

I don't live on Plaza or in Reagan View, never have, but I've lived in Big Lake for 20 years and I love this town and its people. My kids have grown up here and been treated well by these merchants. I shop here and sometimes pay more because I know these folks and I know that they stand by me and the other resident of Big Lake through bad or good and you just can't put a price tag on that. If you could, I am certain that you could find it much cheaper in Big Lake than in San Angelo.

Need a tax break? Why not give to the Haskell Co. Ambulance Memorial Fund? Your contribution will be tax deductible, and it will go to aid in the upkeep and future of the ambulance service in Haskell. By your giving, you allow others to benefit. Please give!

## plain talk

BY WENDELL FAUGHT

It's now been 36 years, but I doubt if Gibbs, Hall and Ringo have ever forgiven me.

Gibbs was from Wichita Falls, Hall from Grand Prairie and Ringo from Waco. Somehow, the three of them along with this Okie wound up with a couple hundred Yankees in Co. C of the 46th Engineers in the early days of the Korean War.

We were drafted into the Army in October 1950 and sent all the way to Fort Sill, Okla. And that is where we were going to spend Christmas, we were told. There would be no leaves--no one had been in the Army long enough to earn one.

But someone had a change of heart. A week or so before Christmas, we were informed that five-day leaves would be granted during the holidays. Half of the guys could take their leaves over Christmas and the other half over New Year's.

Everyone was elated that he was going to get to go home. Everyone except me, that is. Christmas, and of course New Year's, was falling on Monday. Why spend five days of leave time? I asked myself. I was only 85 miles from home. We always got off at noon on Saturday, so I could go home Saturday afternoon, be off Sunday and Monday for Christmas and then repeat the same schedule the next week for New Year's. This way, I would be getting five days off without having any of it charged against my leave time.

Those fellows from Chicago and Milwaukee couldn't do it, but I convinced Gibbs, Hall and Ringo that it would work for them.

They thought it was a great idea. That is, they did until the Friday before Christmas when we learned that all four of us had been placed on stockade guard duty. It was a 24-hour shift from 6 p.m. on Christmas Eve until 6 p.m. Christmas Day.

We did have a Christmas dinner. We ate it with spoons in the stockade mess, along with the other "detainees."

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A spry octogenarian says she's having the time of her life.

"I get up with Charley Horse, spend the day with Will Power, eat with Arthur Ritis and go to bed with Ben Gay," she muses.

## Peanuts offer chance of profit

Farmers looking for a glimmer of hope for improved profits in 1987 might keep peanuts in mind, says an economist at Texas A&M.

The crop should offer a good potential for profit if additional peanuts (those produced in addition to the government quota) can be contracted above \$400 per ton.

Ending stocks likely will be lower in 1986 due to weather problems in major peanut growing areas, particularly the drought in the Southeast.

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# Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me these toys -  
1. Pound Puppy - Rust with brown spots  
2. Bedtime Bear - Holding his blanket  
3. Medium size John Deere Tractor  
I've been good this year.  
Love,  
Cory Robinson  
Age 8  
Rule, Texas

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me these toys, if you have them.  
1. Cheer Bear skipping rope.  
2. Rhimokey 12 inches high.  
3. Pooh, Tigger and Eeyore boat.  
4. Magic Vacuum.  
5. Crazy Combo.  
6. Horse corral  
7. Front end Loader Backhoe  
8. 50 uncirculated coins from 50 countries  
9. Wheel of Fortune Game  
I've been good this year.  
I Love Santa.  
Love,  
Eric Robinson  
Age 6  
Rule, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,  
Will you please bring me these toys?  
-Funshine Bear with a bluebird on her sholder  
-Cornsilk Kid with red hair  
-Miss Piggy

-Shape Up girl  
-Heart Family  
I hope you have a good, safe trip. I have been a good girl this year.  
Love,  
Gena Robinson  
Age 4 1/2  
Rule, Texas

Dear Santa,  
My name is Steven Kyle Cockerell. My brother is Jimmy Ross. For Christmas I want a Stomper, a real blue camera, Flint, toy binoculars and some socks. Please put some goodies in my stocking. I now live on I street in Hamlin. Don't forget everyone else.  
Love,  
Steven  
P.S. I am four years old.

Dear Santa,  
I want a new bike for Christmas and a doll named cricket.  
Bring my brother, Joshua, a new bike.  
I have been a good girl. My brother has been good too.  
Love,  
Hollie Smith  
607 Loup  
Rule, Texas

Dear Santa,  
I am 3 years old and am trying to be a good little girl. Would you please bring me a Kitchen set and a real baby doll, cassette player and stroller. Please remember all the other little girls and boys. Don't forget my little

cousin Jake in Stamford. You will find cookies and milk waiting for you.  
I Love You,  
Judith Andress  
710 S. 12th St.

Dear Santa,  
I am 3 years old and am trying to be a good little boy. Would you please bring me a 4 wheeler, cassette player, football suit. Please remember all the other little boys and girls and my little cousin Judith. You will find cookies and milk waiting for you.  
I love you,  
Jacob Terrell  
714 E. Vanderbilt  
Stamford

Dear Santa,  
My name is Amanda Perry. Please bring me real make-up, Barbie and the rockers, a new baby pony. Please bring my bubba a toy, he is 10. Bring him a motor cycle and makeup too. Merry Christmas. Please tell the old ladies Merry Christmas.  
Amanda Perry

Dear Santa,  
My name is Jimmy Ross Cockerell and I am 2 years old. I live in Hamlin. Please bring me My Buddy, some roller skates and a See-n-Say. Put something in my stocking. I have tried to be good.  
Love,  
Jimmy

Dear Santa,  
My name is Clay Hannsz. I am 3 years old. My mommy says I have been pretty good this year. I have tried awful hard to keep my toys picked up. Please bring me a back-pack and a tent with Big Bird on it. Don't forget to bring my cousins and my friends Zach and Haile something.  
Love,  
Clay

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a Chicago Bear Football suit, 2 new bikes, and a Grubby.  
I have been a pretty good boy this year.  
My dad would like cotton to be 80¢ a pound this year and my mom wants new furniture. I will leave you cookies and milk. I Love you.  
Love,  
Joshua Smith  
Rule, Texas

# Letters To Santa

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am six years old. We are going to be at EagleNest New Mexico at the Horseshoe cabins for Christmas. Please bring me...  
1. a robota skateboard  
2. Super Jock Football game  
3. telescope  
4. remote control race car  
5. remote control airplane  
6. A robot (please bring me a Omnibot 2,000 if you can.)  
Love,  
Mathew Cunningham

Dear Santa,  
I am ten years old. I have been pretty good. We are going to spend Christmas in EagleNest, New Mexico at the Horseshoe Cabins: I would like to have ...  
1. typewriter  
2. Cricket (a doll)  
3. Pound Puppy Newborn  
4. Pound Puppy and Newborn clothes  
5. Popple  
6. microscope and slides  
7. Santa Bear  
8. a few books  
9. a few games  
Love,  
Amy Cunningham

Dear Santa:  
I am almost six years old and I have been a good boy. I told you what I hope you can bring me for Christmas when I sat on your lap earlier this year -- but I'm writing just in case. I really hope you can bring me a bicycle, and maybe some G.I. Joe men, too. Hope I get to see you Christmas. Please do not forget my little sister, Jessica.  
Love,  
Justin Schultz  
Dallas, Texas

Dear Santa:  
I love you Santa, and hope you can bring me a Barbie Doll for Christmas. I have been so good this year. I will be 3 years old on my next birthday. I like G.I. Joe toys, too.  
Love,  
Jessica Schultz  
Dallas, Texas

Dear Santa,  
I've been a good boy. For Christmas would you please bring me 2 big fots, my buddie with a G.I. Joe suit, tape player with a microphone on it, and maybe some supprises. Could I have one piece of candy and some fruit. The only thing I can think of that my mama and daddy need is some huntin guns.  
Be sure and give something to my twin cousins, Scott and Melody. They cry some, but they are real good.  
I love you Santa,  
Ross Pittman  
Age 4

Dear Santa Claus,  
I'm 2 1/2 years old now. I have tried very hard to be a nice girl this year. Please bring me a Cabbage Patch Preemie and some toys. Thank you.  
I Love You,  
(Jenny) Elna V. Goudeau

Dear Santa,  
I'm 1 1/2 years old. I have been a good boy most of the time.  
Yes, I want a big truck and a car.  
Thank you.  
Love,  
(L. J.) Leon Jordan Lewis Goudeau

Dear Santa,  
I would like a playhouse, microphone, maroon & white pom poms.  
Hurry Santa I can't wait to get my pom poms.  
Love,  
Halee Walton

Dear Santa,  
I am two years old and would like everything my big sister gets because I get mad if I don't get what she gets. Except I want a baby doll instead of a microphone.  
Love,  
Hattie Walton

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a BMX bike.  
Thank you,  
Kevin Lee

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a Barbiedoll, jump rop and a bike.  
Thank you,  
Syreeta Latonya Billington  
Merry Christmas.

Dear Santa,  
My name is Tyrone. I'm almost 3 years old. My cycle is broke. Can you bring me another one? Please! I think my brother Kevin want one too. I want a train too. And some winter socks. I like a lot of things but that should do for now.  
Thank you,  
Tyrone Billington

Dear Santa,  
My name is Theresa Faulk. I'm 4 years old and I've been a good little girl this year.  
I would like to have dishes, and play makeup and doll with a bottle.  
Santa I will have some cookies made for you on the table with a glass of milk.  
Love,  
Theresa Faulk

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Learning Window Computer, a My Child with yellow clothes, and a tropical Barbie.  
Also how about a supprise?  
I'll leave a plate of Brownies to eat.  
Love,  
Tenille Mathis  
Age 8  
Dear Santa My sister has been nice.

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# Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a new baby doll, some new games and some roller skates. Please bring Mommie some new clothes and Vanessa some new toys.

Don't forget to stop at my Granddaddy Twain's house.

I've been a good girl and I promise to get rid of my passie after Christmas.

I'll leave you some cookies and milk.

Love and Kisses,  
Jessica Miller  
Discovery World  
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me some new toys, a truck, gun and a ball. Please bring Daddy a new pickup and Brent a bicycle.

I am a good boy most of the time and haven't bumped my head lately.

Please bring Great Mom a new car.

Love and Kisses,  
Jonathan Toliver  
Discovery World  
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Pop-Pa-Sack, a Cabbage Patch Doll. Please bring Casey a B-B gun, Mommie some new clothes. Please bring Daddy a

new razor and a new farm.  
I've been good for you all year. I'll leave you a sandwich and a coke when you come.

Love and Kisses,  
Katie Thompson  
Discovery World  
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me some new tennis shoes, pig-tails, a Cabbage Patch doll, stove, dishes, pans and a truck. Please bring Leon, my brother, a train, candy and a gun. Please bring Mommie a new coat. Please bring my grandparents a new swimming pool.

Love, XXXO  
Jenny Goudeau  
Discovery World  
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a football and a deer. Please bring Mommie a horn, Daddy a deer to shoot and Caleb a toy. He has been a good boy.

Santa, I've been a good boy too. I have not had to sit in the baby chair in a long time.

I'll leave Rudolph some corn and you a sack lunch.

Love you a lot,  
Casey Carver  
Discovery World  
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a King's Castle, glow construct's a dragon and a car set. Please bring Daddy a little Santa, my mommie a dolly and a deer and bring Amanda a baby raindeer.

Santa I have been a very good boy. Have a safe trip. I'll leave you some cookies and milk.

Love you a bunch,  
Christopher Early  
Discovery World  
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,  
Hi! My name is Christopher. I'm 4 years old. Next month I'll be 5. I go to Gloria Dei Lutheran School. I've tried to be a good boy. Sometimes I get mad at Kelly Marie but I still love her because she's my sister. Please bring me a bike with training wheels, boxing gloves, a race track and some surprises. My Grandma Ivey is coming here so bring her present to our house.

Lots of Love,  
Christopher Fitzharris  
P.S. Don't forget to find me in Germany next year.

Dear Santa,  
I'm a little girl 2 years old. I've tried to be good all year. Sometimes I fuss with Christopher (he's my brother) but he says I talk too loud when he's watching cartoons. I'll try to do better. Please bring me a Wrinkles, some baby dolls and lots of surprises! Thanks Santa and bring Grandma and Grandpa Ivey something too. And don't forget Robert. And all the other kids everywhere.

Love and Kisses,  
Kelly Marie Fitzharris

Dear Santa,  
My name is Kerre Cole. I am 5 years old and attend Kindergarten in Haskell Elementary. Please bring me a Starlite (Rainbow Bright's house), a sleeping bag, Baby Cabbage Patch. Please bring my brother, Loren, a cement truck. He is two years old. My dad wants a deer and my mom wants some clothes. I have tried to be good.

Love,  
Kerre Cole

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been good. For Christmas I want a My Child doll and her stroller. I also want a Pig Pong game, Memory Match game, Punky Brewster, My Little Pony School of Dance.

Love,  
Valerie Perrin  
Age 6  
Lubbock, Texas

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a She-Ra House, Jem slippers, a Popple and a bike with a basket. I have been good.

Thank you,  
Amber Futch  
Age 4

Dear Santa Claus,  
For Christmas I would like a telescope, ear phones, Chicago Bears football outfit and a Chicago Bears football.

Love,  
Jeremy Futch  
Age 8  
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,  
I would like for you to go to Anthony's and get the Hi-top Kaepas that are one sale. These are a few other things I hope you can make for me:

Boy My Child  
Kris Krinkles  
Cricket Doll  
Be sure to look on the pool table for your goodies.  
I Love You,  
Brittany L'Shae Bartley

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy all year. May I please have a water bed, some rocklords and a transformer named Blurr. And don't forget Paul, Chad and Josh.

Love,  
James

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a bow and arrow, horse, cowboy hat and robe, and a watch. Please bring Mommie some tupperware, Daddy some tools and Wayne a toy and Jamie a football.

I've been a good boy. I'll leave you some Oreos and Milk.  
Love,  
John Mark Hodgins  
Discovery World

Dear Santa,  
Please bring 3 Popa-socks like Brooke's and a tree house. I want a Don't Wake the Dragon Up game and a bow and arrow and some new guns. Bring Erik some new toys and some surprises for our stockings. Bring Mommie a new necklace and ring and earrings and Daddy a new cowboy hat.

Love,  
Evan Everett  
Discovery World

Dear Santa,  
I want a trampoline and a Bathing Beauty doll. My daddy wants a new watch; mommie wants a new camera

and Lucas wants a Transformer.  
I'll leave you some cookies and milk.  
Love,  
Kaysha Sammons  
Discovery World  
P. S. I've been a real good girl.

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me some "Rock On's" and a Don't Wake the Dragon game and a transformer truck. Bring Mommie a necklace and flowers. Bring Daddy some new tools and a cowboy hat and a cowboy rope. Please bring Jay the same as me.

I'll leave you some candy to nibble on Christmas eve.

Love,  
Josh Mickler  
Discovery World

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a "Sera Castle", bicycle with basket and a Teddy Ruxpin and a Dance Pony.

Please bring Mommie a necklace and bracelet and Daddy a knife to kill rabbits and Jeremy a Lazer Game.

I'll leave you a pizza and some milk. I've been really good.

Love XXO,  
Amber Futch  
Discovery World

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Mickey Mouse tent, a Teddy Ruxspin and some clothes. Bring Kelli some toys and a surprise for her stocking. Don't forget my stocking too.

I'll leave you some cookies and milk on the fireplace.

Love,  
Craig Cunningham  
Discovery World

P.S. I've been a good, good boy.

Dear Santa,  
I want you to bring me a 4 wheeler, a pound puppy and a Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer book. I'd like a new sled with a rope on it and a wagon with a handle and a new basketball goal. I'd like to have a Skelator too.

Will wants a 4 wheeler and a skateboard. Mommie wants some new clothes and Daddy wants a new radio. I'll leave you some Oreos and milk to eat.

Love,  
Jason Trammel  
Discovery World

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a tractor, a football, a gun and some surprises in my stocking.

I'll leave you some cookies and milk for a snack.

Love,  
Lee Wilson  
Discovery World


Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a transformer and a New Born Leader. I would like a big pound puppy and a small jam box. I need a train and I want some more Bristle Blocks.

Bring Harrison another transformer with wings. Mommie wants new clothes and Daddy wants a new thermos.


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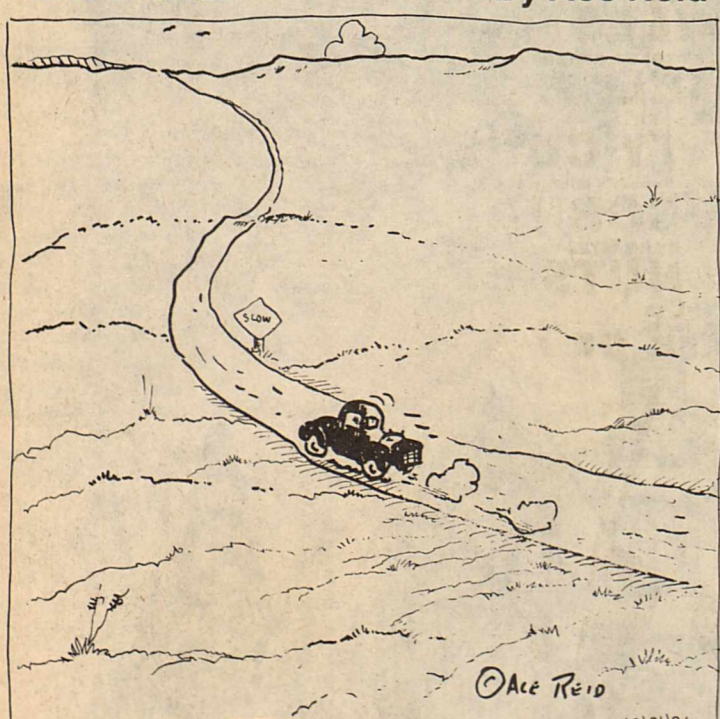
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# THE HASKELL FREE PRESS

HASKELL, TEXAS 79421, December 25, 1986

## First lights turned on 80 years ago

Eighty years ago this month—Dec. 15, 1906,—the first electric lights were "turned on" in Haskell.

The generating plant of Haskell Light, Ice and Water Company constructed during the summer and fall of that year, served fewer than 100 business and residential customers from the beginning.

The Free Press reported in the Dec. 22, 1906, issue:

"It was a new thing in the history of Haskell when at 6 o'clock Saturday evening the switch was turned in the power house of the Haskell Electric Light, Ice and Water Company and scores of electric lights flashed on, lighting the square with a brilliance they had never known before, and giving them, as viewed through the plate glass windows, quite a city-like appearance."

The schedule of rates for electric service back then included:

16-candlepower lights, 1 light per month, \$1; 2 lights per month, \$1.85; 3 lights per month, \$2.50; additional lights, 50 cents per month.

The idea of electric service for the growing

city was first advanced by a group of prominent Haskell civic leaders and businessmen.

Considered by many as a "big city" luxury, only a few merchants and citizens could be interested in the venture at first. The backers continued advocating establishment of the plant and on March 7, 1906, the Haskell Light, Ice and Water Company was organized with a capital stock of \$20,000.

Directors of the newly formed concern were F. G. Alexander, J. T. Strickland, T. E. Ballard, H. G. McConnell, G. R. Couch, Joe Irby and M. Pierson. Alexander was elected president of the company. Pierson served as vice president and Couch as secretary and treasurer. In May of that year the company was granted a charter, machinery was ordered and construction of the plant building was started.

A generator of the old style direct current type, driven by steam power, was installed in a small brick and sheet iron building. Service lines were strung to the business section, around the square, extending north on Avenue E to the old North Ward school building and

two blocks west of the square, then north for several blocks in the residence section.

Although patrons at first were slow to take advantage of the convenience of electric service, within a few years service lines had been extended to practically all sections of town. After seven years operation by the local company, the plant was purchased in 1913 by G. T. Scales, Morgan Jones and W. G. Swenson of Abilene, with Scales taking over active management of the property. The name of the company was changed to Haskell Ice and Light Company.

New machinery was installed, including a new diesel engine and generators of the A-C type with auxiliary equipment to assure uninterrupted service.

During the next two years, transmission lines were built to adjoining towns, the first being completed between Haskell and Rule, with the lines later being extended to Weinert, Munday, Knox City and Goree.

In 1922, the Haskell property was purchased by West Texas Utilities Company.

(The foregoing was adapted from an article which appeared in the Free Press Dec. 13, 1956.)



Melvin and Juanita Miller

## 50th anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Miller will be honored Sunday, Jan. 4 from 2 to 4 p.m. with a reception at the First Baptist Church in observance of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Hosts for the celebration will be their children and grandchildren, David and Sue Miller, Tammi and Jay of Haskell; Kenny and Sandra Miller, Amy and Mendy of Snyder.

Melvin and Juanita Jenkins Miller were married Jan. 2, 1937, in the First Baptist parsonage by the Rev. H. R.

Whatley. Attendants were brothers of the couple, Jesse R. Miller and Sam C. Jenkins.

The Millers have resided in Haskell during all their married life, having lived on their farm five miles west of Haskell since February 1943. He is a semi-retired farmer and she is a homemaker.

They are members of the First Baptist Church. The pleasure and honor of your presence is requested by the hosts. No gifts please.



Shanna Mueller



Sherry Mueller

## Sisters featured in publication

Shanna and Sherry Mueller of Haskell will be featured for the second year in the 1986 edition of Who's Who in Baton Twirling, a pictorial page volume of some of the most prominent participants in the specialized field of baton twirling.

The editors of Who's Who in Baton Twirling, in union with the editors of Drum Major magazine, have published

the book as a sound biographical reference tool that can be used effectively in the public and school library, offices and homes.

In addition to heralding America's baton twirling champions, highlight records and facts of the history of baton twirling are included.

Shanna and Sherry are daughters of Mrs. Zona Mueller of Haskell.

## Hobby Club

The Rochester Hobby Club met Dec. 16 with Mae Speck as hostess for a light lunch of good stew, soup, combread and cobbler.

Then immediately after the club's 2 p.m. business session, the group adjourned to the home of Mattie Lou Cole for their annual Christmas party.

Members enjoyed visiting and singing Christmas carols, with Helen Cox at the piano, after which delicious holiday goodies were served to the following:

Evelyn Rogers, Mary Adkins, Alice Pittman, Stella Carver, Lois and J. C. Yeary, James and Charlotte Patterson, Annie Marshall, Mae Speck, Shelly Speck, Tinnie Short, Blanch Corley, Bill McGuire, Eron McGuire, Fay and Emily Wilson, Helen Cox, Nancy Adkins and Mike, Kathy and Bill Matysiak, Mattie Lou Cole and Ethel Dabney.

The club's next meeting will be Jan. 6 with Shelly Speck as hostess.

## BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Rob Kittley of Rule have announced the birth of a daughter, born Nov. 25 at Stamford Memorial Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds, four ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Bobby Lusk of Rule and Mary Frances Newton of Tyler. Paternal grandparents are Bobby and Jere Kittley of Sagerton.

She is welcomed by a big brother, Trey.

## New agent

Effective Jan. 1, Mike Harrell will be the Haskell agent for the National Farmers Union Insurance Co.

## Franciene Johnson appointed

Franciene Johnson, former Haskell mayor and City Council member, has been appointed as Keep Texas Beautiful Inc.'s district governor for district 8. Announcement of her appointment was made by Ebby Halliday Acers, the organization's president.

Johnson will have responsibility for promoting and coordinating Keep Texas Beautiful's comprehensive litter prevention program throughout the 13-county district. She will be responsible for recruiting and maintaining a full, active slate of county chairmen, and working with them to encourage communities to enter KTB's Governor's Community Achievement Awards program.

"Our organization is making great strides and achieving tremendous program growth," said Acers, a leading Dallas Realtor. "That success is fueled at the grassroots level, where our leaders are making these programs work and delivering measurable results in statewide litter reduction. I'm pleased to announce that Franciene has joined our team and will be working to keep the momentum going."

Johnson, a 20-year resident of Haskell, is co-owner of Johnson Pharmacy. She is a past president of the Progressive Study Club and teaches Sunday School at the First Baptist Church. She and her husband, Elbert, have two children.

Keep Texas Beautiful's network of 24 district governors—whose districts correspond exactly with those of the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation—provide leadership at the grassroots, the most important level of KTB's statewide program, said executive director Mary Ellen Shoop.

District governors work with KTB's county chairmen to recruit new volunteers for litter prevention

programs and to promote the programs of Keep Texas Beautiful and the Department of Highways—including the hard-hitting "Don't Mess With Texas" campaign. "Our primary goal is to make littering an unacceptable practice in the State of Texas," Shoop said.

A key vehicle in reaching that goal is full statewide participation in the Governor's Awards program, which offers \$700,000 in state highway landscaping prizes to eight winning cities per year. Through the Governor's Awards, which it has sponsored since 1969, Keep Texas Beautiful encourages long-term litter prevention based on changing people's habits and attitudes.

Keep Texas Beautiful's program, which reached roughly one-third of the state's population last year through the Governor's Awards, emphasizes long-term prevention through public awareness and education in schools. A major example of the latter is the "Waste in Place" program, a series of study units for grades K-6 that teaches responsible solid waste handling habits at an early age. Keep Texas Beautiful's district governors and county chairmen have helped to more than triple the number of schools statewide using that program in the past 18 months.

Johnson's district 8 includes Kent, Stonewall, Haskell, Borden, Scurry, Fisher, Jones, Shackelford, Howard, Mitchell, Nolan, Taylor and Callahan counties.

Keep Texas Beautiful, a nonprofit corporation, is the coordinating body for Texas' local litter prevention

organizations, including nearly 50 affiliated with Keep America Beautiful. KTB itself is one of 11 statewide KAB affiliates nationally.

## DWI related death study is startling

A recently completed study of drivers killed in accidents in 10 Texas counties shows some startling facts:

More than half of them were drunk when they died. More than 60 percent had some measurable alcohol in their systems. And, based upon the limited data, despite the recent emphasis on the drunk-driving problem, there have been no significant reductions in such alcohol-related deaths in Texas.

The study, conducted for the highway department by the Texas Transportation Institute at Texas A&M University, analyzed blood concentration from a sample of fatally injured drivers in the 10 counties from 1983 through 1985. The study was conducted in the counties of Bexar, Dallas, El Paso, Galveston, Harris, Johnson, Nueces, Tarrant, Travis and Wichita.

Among the 60 percent who had consumed alcohol, the average blood alcohol concentration was nearly twice the legal limit of .10 percent.

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Lisa Wheatley of Haskell, center, has been elected president of the Southwestern Oklahoma State Pharmaceutical Association at the Weatherford campus for 1986-87. Officers, from left, are Kevin Howard, treasurer; Vicki Barnett, secretary; Miss Wheatley; Melissa Jay, historian/reporter; and Mark Vogler, vice president.

**'Lite' holiday diet suggestions**

If you're dreaming of a "lite" Christmas that won't require a New Year's resolution to lose unwanted pounds, nutritionists with the Texas A&M University Agricultural Extension Service have the following suggestions:

- Substitute ingredients to reduce fat and calories. Use low-fat dairy products and cut back on the sugar and fat in holiday cooking. Many recipes can be adjusted without a noticeable difference in taste.
- Change cooking methods to reduce fat. Start by staying away from fried foods. Steam, bake, boil or broil instead of frying. Use low-calorie, no-stick aerosols or no-stick pans that require no fat for cooking. If you're making gravy for a holiday feast, skim off the fat.
- Eat more fiber. Fiber will satisfy your appetite without adding a lot of

calories. Eat plenty of fresh fruits and vegetables, whole grains and cereals so you won't want to fill up on rich desserts and other high calorie dishes.

• Eat slowly and reduce the size of your portions. Since it takes about 20 minutes before your stomach will feel satisfied, take at least that much time to eat your first helping. Then, perhaps you won't feel the need for seconds or thirds.

• Do some "calorie banking". If you anticipate a big splurge on one meal or party, save up some extra calories by eating nutritious, low-calorie meals for several days in advance. Then treat yourself to the special occasion without worrying

about the extra calories.

The Extension nutritionists add that these practices are appropriate year-round and when coupled with regular exercise, can help you stay within a healthful weight range.

Heart attack is the nation's No. 1 killer, accounting for more than 600,000 deaths each year. Heart attack usually occurs as a result of atherosclerosis. A clot forms in an artery that supplies blood to the heart muscle. The blood supply is blocked by a clot and a part of the heart muscle begins to die. Because of lack of nutrients and oxygen, a heart attack occurs.

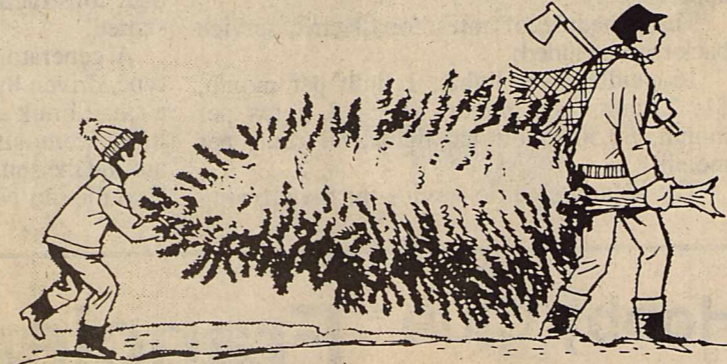
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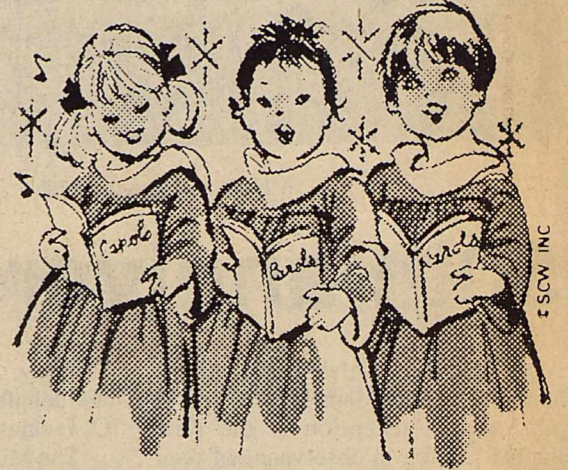
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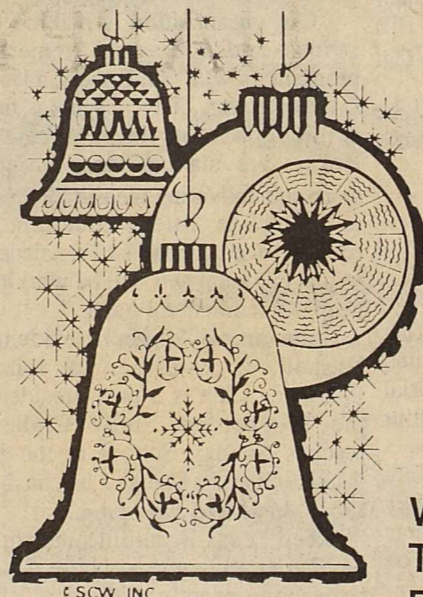
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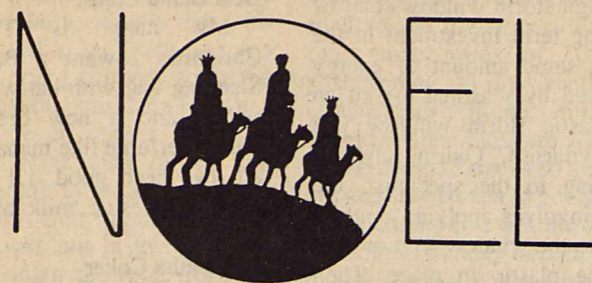
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Clayton was born in Brownwood

Sept. 4, 1913, and Fannie was born in Memphis Feb. 18, 1918. They were married in Spur Dec. 24, 1936.

They were involved in farming in the community of Brownfield for 25 years. When Clayton retired from farming, they moved to Haskell where they now reside.

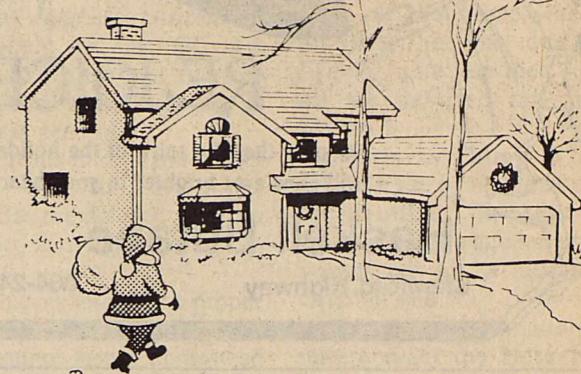
The couple have four children, nine

grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. The hosts for the celebration will be their children: Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hook and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lloyd Hook of Brownfield, Welda Pannell and Betty Sue Hook of Haskell.

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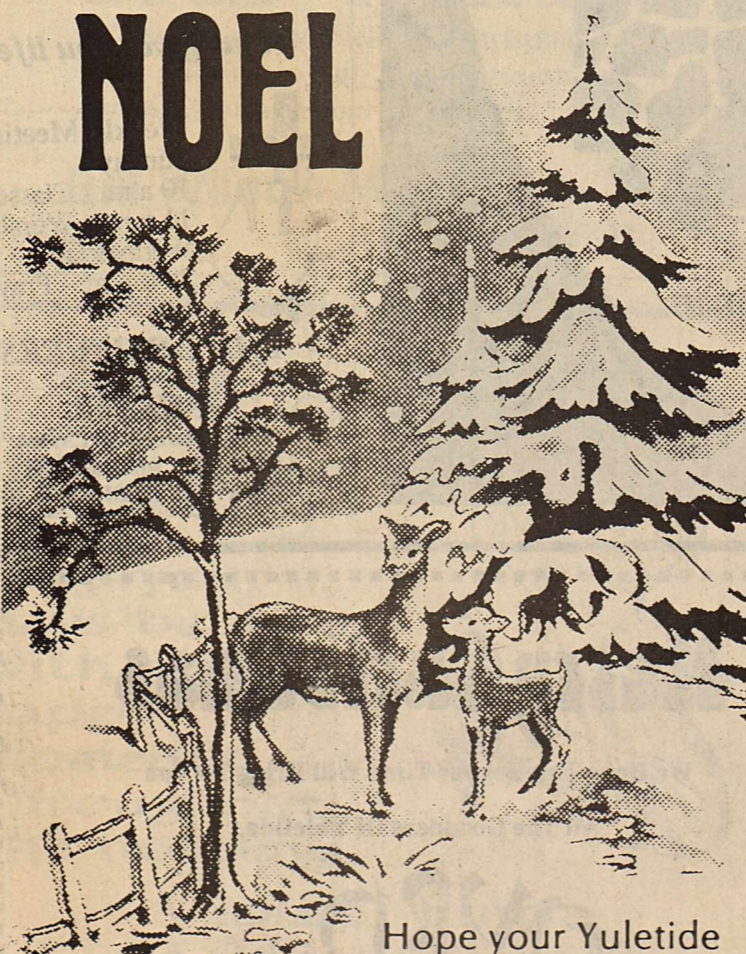
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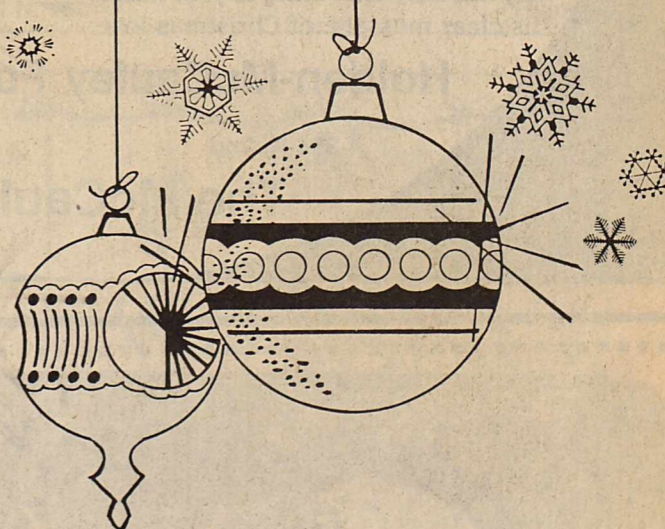
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Dear Santa Claus:  
We are little girls 8 and 6 years old. We want a blackboard, toy cash register and bicycle together. We want

two magic skin dolls, batons and buggies or doll strollers for our dolls. Santa don't forget we have a baby brother but he is too little to ask for

anything, but we know he would be happy to have anything you want to leave him.

If you have anything else you want to leave us, we shall be tickled. Remember the other boys and girls.

Love,  
Bettye and Janice Hester

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy five years old. I have been a good boy. Will you please bring me a tank, tractor, gun and scabbard, fire truck, nuts and fruits. Don't forget all my friends. Your friend,  
Ben Allen McGee

Dear Santa Claus:  
We are a little boy five years old and a little girl two years old and we have been very good little children

this year.

I, Tommy, wish you would bring me a Gene Autry gun and scabbard, a double barrel shotgun so that I can kill those coyotes out here, and I also want a pair of gloves, some little cars and plenty of fruit and candy.

I, Janis, want a little dog that I can pull over the floor, a toy cat, a baby doll and just anything else nice that you want to bring me, and of course, lots of fruit and candy.

Santa, please don't forget my sister Dwanna, who is ten years old and Sonny who is eight years old, for they would like to have lots of nice things, too.

Don't forget daddy and mother and all the other good little boys and girls.

Your little friends,  
Tommy and Janis Matthews

Dear Santa:

We are two little boys who have tried to be good. Please bring us a cowboy suit, gun and scabbard, scooter and lots of candy and nuts. Don't forget the rest of the family and be good to all of the little boys and girls.

Your friends,  
Douglas and Jerry Lynn Stocks

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy 5 years old and I've been pretty good this year. I want a train, football, a gun and holster set, some candy and nuts.

Don't forget my little brother, he's only two years old.

Love,  
Dickie Howard Sloan

## Interior plastic storm windows can save energy

"Although storm windows can be a good long term investment in the house, the same amount of energy can be saved by seasonal use of an interior plastic storm window you can install yourself," Quiring says.

According to the specialist, the procedure involves applying double-stick tape to the window trim or wall to hold the plastic in place. Then press a slightly oversized piece of plastic against the tape without stretching. Use a hair dryer to heat the plastic and cause it to shrink. The heat-shrinking eliminates all the wrinkles and leaves a clear, taut, interior storm window that can be removed in the spring.

## Letters To Santa

Dear Santa Claus,  
My name is Tabitha, for Christmas I want a Baby Cricket, Sleeping bag with hat with flower & ribbon and a new dress. A Pink Purse, perfume like mana's and That's all. I've been good. I'll leave you a note, cookies & milk by the tree. I love you!

Tabitha Coker  
Haskell, Texas

We have Scotch's new combination dispenser kit. Holds one roll of Scotch tape, one pad of 3x5 Post-it-notes and has a place to put your pen. Ideal for use where desk space is at a minimum. Haskell Free Press.



**REJOICE**

We pray that the spirit of the holidays will glow ever brighter in your hearts.

**Haskell Butane**  
Stamford Highway 864-2424



**MERRY MERRY CHRISTMAS**

Knowing you and your family is a year round delight! We hope to have the pleasure of continuing to serve you and extend Christmas greetings that are warm and sincere.

**Modern Way Food Store**  
1202 N. Av E -- Haskell, Texas  
We will be closed Christmas Day

## Death takes no holidays

"Death Takes a Holiday" made an entertaining notion for a movie, but unfortunately, it doesn't hold true in reality. Injuries and deaths due to drinking and driving increase during the winter holidays.

To keep Texas motorists aware of the problem, Gov. Mark White has signed a proclamation for the observance of "Drunk and Drugged Driving Awareness Week" from Dec. 14 through Dec. 20. A similar proclamation was issued by Congress and President Reagan.

Need a Catchall? Eldon has one for your desk, countertop or any area in your home or office. Haskell Free Press.

For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 3:16

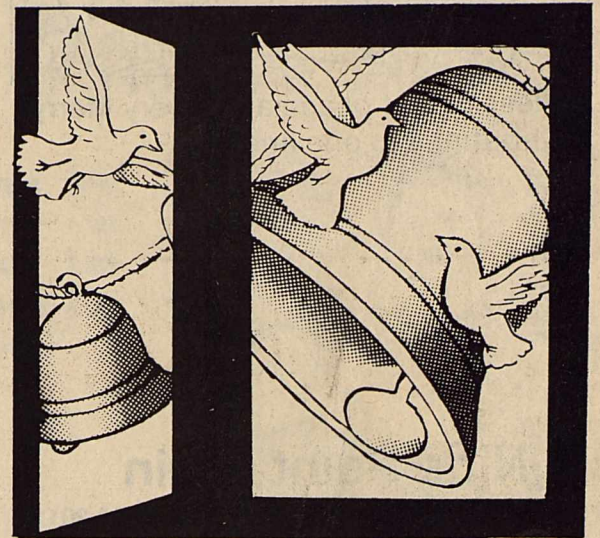
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11 a.m. - Worship  
Wednesday  
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## PEACE

May all the joys of the Yuletide season be yours, good friends.

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Tax Assessor-Collector



**Rejoice**

May this holy time bring to your hearts His clear message of Christmas love.

**Holden-McCauley Funeral Home**  
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**The McCauley's**



**Merry Christmas**

We Hope This Joyous Time Will Bring To You All The Goodness Of Yuletide.

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The Voice of the Rolling Plains



**Glad Tidings**

We're ringing out good wishes to you.

**Party Port, Inc.**

# Old Christmas memories recalled . . .

By Kathryn Medford

All my growing up years were spent on a farm in a German settlement in the North Central part of Texas. I was born during the mid-fifties in a rural area. There wasn't a world of shopping centers, so at the Christmas season you didn't have a Santa Claus at every corner. He might arrive for a brief visit during the Christmas parade in the town nearest our farm. My first recollection of Santa Claus was not in town, but of him coming down the road from the field pulling a wagon with a doll bed therein.

Christmas was the high point of the year in my childhood memories. It was the only time of the year that we'd celebrate three days in a row...by celebrating I mean not to be gainfully busy with farm work beyond the cattle and chickens that had to be fed. We'd still busy ourselves the day of Christmas Eve with last minute house cleaning, coconut pie making and hair fixing. We'd usually spend Christmas Eve night with my Mother's family and sometimes in the same evening we'd also see my Dad's people who lived only about a mile away from Mother's folks.

During the holidays there was always the dread of a "real white Christmas," or worse yet, a wet one. When one had a mile and a half of dirt road to the highway and then about two more miles of "through the pasture road" to my Grandmother and Grandfather's home. If the weather should contain moisture you hoped it'd freeze the mud tracks so you could get out and stay frozen to get back in.

Christmas Eve was the time we had our church Sunday School program in my early years. At first these programs were held at the two-room school-church at the center of the community. This site only consisted of the school-church, a small country store, a small clutter of houses and a row of rural mailboxes. Today the old store stands alone and abandoned, one house or so remains empty now, the old school is gone, as are the mailboxes, only a partial rock fence remains to mark a time past.

Many times I was selected to portray an angel to "bring glad tidings of a great joy" in a church or school program...not that I was blessed with angelic characteristics or features. However, my Mother had made some superb wings in her time of helping

with Christmas programs. These were made on a cardboard base, covered with white crepe paper fashioned with individual feather like petals and then sprinkled with glitter.

After Sunday School presentation, I'd ride to my Grandparents' home with a favorite aunt and fellow cousins if they'd come home that time or they'd ride with me. We kids were put on a cardboard table off in the bedroom next to the kitchen. In those early years you hoped that someone had put on the kettle so the water would be hot and the men folk would volunteer to get a bucket of water as needed. All this was so the clean-up wouldn't be delayed so we could open gifts. We couldn't open gifts til all were fed and dishes done, and we'd sing, in that order.

As years passed, I moved from the cardboard table to the second one. I began to enjoy the sheer joy of being with kin who were also dear friends. Material gifts of the occasion came to not be my first priority. That old white frame house appearing in the midst of a cow pasture clearing became alive with the voices and laughter of everyone reminiscing of years gone by. I, too, wondered what it would have been like to be one of ten kids growing up together in that house.

Then there was the time after supper dishes and before gifts when that whole bunch would gather in the dining room to sing Christmas carols. We'd always sing a line or two of "Oh Christmas Tree" (Oh Tannenbaum) and

Silent Night (Stille Nacht) in German. Even though I spoke a slang form of the language, I never got much past the first line of either and mouthed the rest. Then we'd close with Silent Night.

Then the whole place became a mass of paper and boxes as gifts were handed out. Everyone tried to find a corner in order to keep their things together. Later in the evening some settled down to play 42 and 84...while the rest just caught up on visiting. Or in the early years before fireworks had the reputation they have today, we'd get a young at heart uncle or aunt to help us set off our own display of skyrockets and Roman candles while some watched from the screened porch.

Before indoor plumbing, the ladies took turns making trips in twos usually to the ole 2-holer...probably doing some private conversing going and coming. Our "cited" cousins feared the snakes and spiders and such, I think they missed something of the magic of the occasion as the old farming buildings, trees and farm equipment were silhouetted against a clear star filled moonlight night.

Years have passed and I grew up. I moved away from my hometown...and I have spent many Christmases away from the old "Out Home" setting, but memories of those first years live on in my heart.

# Oldsters can postpone taxes

Homeowners 65 or older can postpone paying delinquent property taxes on their homesteads by taking advantage of a tax option called "Over-65 Deferral." The elderly homeowner simply signs a deferral affidavit at the Haskell County Appraisal District office.

The special form of tax relief can also halt a lawsuit already filed to collect delinquent property taxes on an older Texan's homestead, according to John Grissom, chief appraiser of the Haskell County Appraisal District. To stop a delinquent tax suit, Grissom said the over-65 homeowner files the deferral affidavit with the court in which the suit is pending.

"The law means that, if the proper affidavit is on file, an older homeowner files the deferral affidavit with the court in which the suit is pending.

"This law means that, if the proper affidavit is on file, an older homeowner cannot lose a homestead because of delinquent taxes," Grissom said.


Once a homeowner files an over-65

tax deferral affidavit with the appraisal district, no taxing unit can initiate or pursue a suit for delinquent taxes as long as that person owns and lives at that homestead.

Grissom stressed, though, that tax deferral for the elderly only postpones paying delinquent taxes on the homestead; it does not cancel them. During the deferral period, taxes and delinquent penalties and interest continue to add up, he said. "When the elderly taxpayer no longer owns or lives in the home, those accrued amounts become due," he said. "Taxing units can then sue to collect all the deferred tax, penalty and interest."

Forms for filing a tax deferral affidavit are available at the appraisal district office. "The homeowner should fill out the form and have the signature witnessed by a notary public," Grissom said.

For more information, taxpayers may contact the Haskell Appraisal District, 1604 N. 1st St., phone 864-3805.



## Blessings

...for a holiday season filled with happiness and good cheer!

**Mr. and Mrs. John Wayne McDermott, Betsy Lynn and Lori Marie**



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**Rodriquez Texaco**  
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## Season's Greetings



Your friendship and support is great insurance for us! Hope your holidays are happy.

**National Farmers Union Insurance Companies**  
Ed Waitko, District Manager



## GOOD TIDINGS

We hope the Miracle of Christmas... with all its joyful manifestations... come to you and your loved ones.

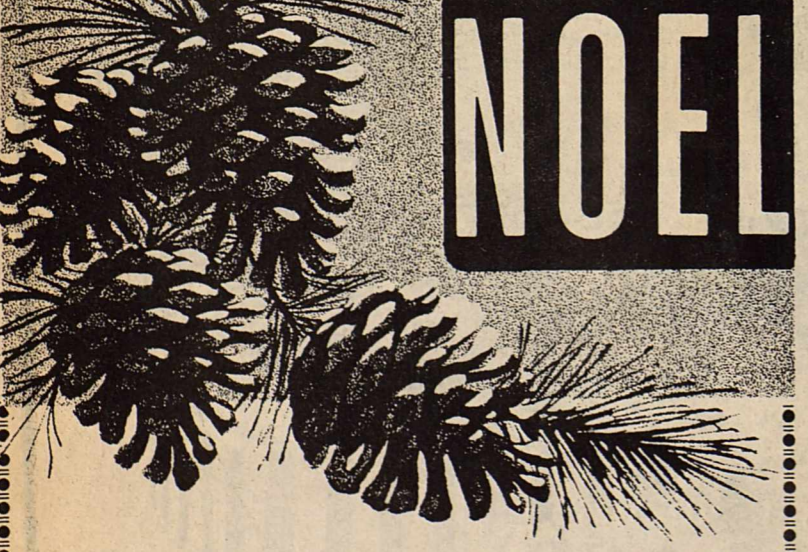
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209 S. Ave E      864-2611



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Homemade Sausage  
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## Holiday Greetings

May your days be aglow with many happy moments throughout the holidays.

**Violet Linda Marie Winona Britta Bettye Mac**



*The Haystack*  
HASKELL, TEXAS

409 So. First  
Haskell, Texas 79521  
(817) 864-2901



## Home for Christmas

Bright and merry wishes this festive season, for a happy Christmas.

**Vergil & Vera Smith**



**COMPLETES TRAINING**

Jeanette Albuquerque has successfully completed Allsup's Store Manager Training Course at the company's home office in Clovis, N.M. The eight-day course includes instruction in customer relations, company policies, operational procedures and management skills. Jeanette returns to her store at 1000 N. Ave. E in Haskell.

*Letters to Santa*

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a real doll that looks like a real baby and a stuffed lion. Bring my mommie some new clothes and my daddy hasn't told me what he wants.  
I'll leave you some candy and something to drink.  
Love,  
Meg McManamon  
Discovery World

bill, some G. I. Joe men, a 30-30 rifle, a basketball shoes, a horse, a skateboard, a stocking full of candy, a chipmunk, I want my mom to have a pillow with a cat on it, my dad to get a 40-40 mg, my brother to get a basketball, a Alabama rug, a shaven kit, I want 3,000,000, dollars, a M-16, a blow gun, I want you to give me one piece of hair from a raindeer a globe, a gallon of Ice cream, a pair of Ice skates, a car Gt mustang, a three haundred fourty four, million trillion dollars.  
Your friend  
Casey Larned

Dear, Santa  
This is your friend Casey Larned this year I would like a jam box, some sox, a Atari, and some cat pillows, some skies, a sport coat, a snow mow

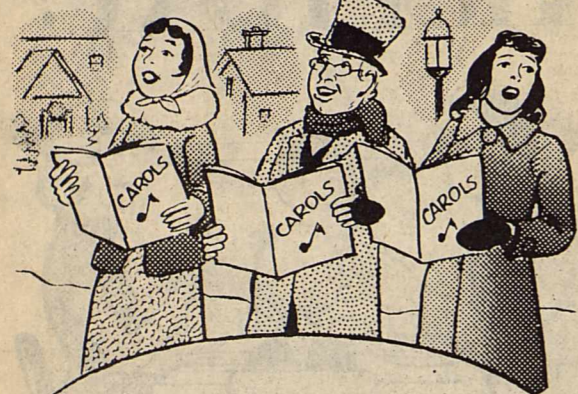
**Greetings**

Wishing all our friends an old-fashioned wish for health, wealth and happiness. We enjoyed your patronage.

**Sorrells**  
**Texaco Service Station**

502 Union Ave    Rule, Texas    997-2412

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**



Here's hoping Christmas will be all you hope for, and more.

**Johnny Mills**  
Sheriff

**TO CHERISHED OLD FRIENDS**

*We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our friends and patrons all the joy, the hope and the wonder of Christmas. May the meaning of the holiday be deeper, its friendships stronger, its hopes brighter, as it comes to you during the New Year*

**Sears**  
Catalog Store  
Haskell, Texas  
Sandy, Eva, Tammy

**AND VALUED NEW FRIENDS**

**O HOLY NIGHT**

The holy spirit of Christmas reaches out with our good wishes.

**Weinert Grocery**  
and  
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We hope the holidays bring you joy and prosperity in the coming year. Merry Christmas to all from:

**Home State Bank**  
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**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

Wishing all the joys of the season to you and yours this best of all times -- Christmas!



**Smitty's Auto Supply**

294 N. First

864-2607

# Cub Scouts recognized

The Cub Scout Pack 136 held its monthly pack meeting Monday, Dec. 15 at 7 p.m. in the Haskell National Bank Community Room.

Cubmaster Jim Bob Mickler welcomed visiting Tiger Cubs and their parents and reported on popcorn sales for the pack. He recognized Webeloes Matt Perry, Matthew McFadden, Jonathan Tatum, Brian Brzozowski, Blake Henshaw and Kenneth Billington. Billington was also awarded his citizenship badge.

Cubs who moved up into the ranks

of Webeloes were Wesley Alsabrook, Bobbie Cothron, Mik Everett, Cory Green, Jamie Hodgin, Cory Tidrow, Casey Larned, Justin Lisle, Chris Silvas, Ryan Olsen and Kurt McCord.

Arrowpoints were also awarded to Mik Everett, Cory Green, Justin Lisle, Chris Silvas, Casey Larned, Ryan Olsen, Brandon and Michael McFadden and Wesley Alsabrook.

Cubmaster Mickler recognized all Wolf Cubs: Ryan Nanny, Justin Stewart, Jay Mickler, Casey McDaniel, Aaron Earles, Jeremy Futch

and Brett Collins.

Justin Arendall, Tim Dewey, Will Clay, Chancy Pogue and Joseph Andress received their Wolf badges. Arrowpoints were awarded to Joseph Andress, Tim Dewey and Justin Arendall.

A Bobcat badge was awarded to James Cowperthwait.

The pack sang a Christmas song for the parents and Santa (Bill Perry) in his sleigh pulled by reindeer (Den E) came out and handed out gifts to all the boys.

The next pack meeting will be Tuesday, Jan. 27, at the new gym. It will be a special pinewood derby for Cub Scouts, and this year the Tiger Cubs will also compete.

Each boy received a pinewood derby car as a gift and must make their own cars for the race. It was emphasized that the boys, with the help of their fathers, make their own car and not buy ready-made models. Store-bought cars will not be qualified to race in the Northern District meet.

Den 5 won the attendance ribbon again this month. They had 49, friends, parents and relatives attend.

Members and leaders of Pack 136 are:

Den 1: Bill Perry, Matt Perry, Matthew McFadden, Jonathan Tatum, Brian Brzozowski, Blake Henshaw, Eddie Gonzales, Shannon Meeks, Billy Tatum, Casey Coleman, Kenneth Billington.

Den 3: Pat Mickler, Aaron Earles, Jeremy Futch, Casey McDaniels, Jay Mickler, Brett Proctor, Joseph Thigpen, Justin Stewart, Casey Thompson, Marcus Overton, Ryan Nanny.

Den 4: Becky McFadden, Donna Tidrow, Michael McFadden, Brandon McFadden, Cody Conner, Jeremy Cadenhead, Kory Tidrow, Jacob Alexander, Christopher Tatum, Quentin Billington.

Den 5: Paula Everett, Rhonda Lyles, Wesley Alsabrook, Bobbie Cothron, Casey Larned, Mik Everett, Justin Lyles, Jamie Hodgin, Chris Silvas, Kurt McCord, Ryan Olson, Cory Green, Scott Albuquerque.

Den 6: Laura Andress, (Mary Dewey), Joseph Andress, Will Clay, Chancy Pogue, Timothy Dewey, Justin Arendall, James Cowperthwait, Daniel Alvarez.

Den 7: Bonnie Fouts, Susan

Blanks, Lyle Fouts, Matt Blanks, Casey Burgess, Matt McCord, Josh Densman, Benjamin Crain, Harrison Druessedow.

Tiger Cubs: Jamie Munday, Brandon Rodela, Rusty Howeth, Matthew Cunningham, Beau Klose, Joshua New, Joshua McWhorter, Paul McGuire, Adrian Palacios, Riley Pace.

Nicklaus Goss, Will Trammel, Colby Cook, IV Burson, Caleb Brown, James Faulk, Kevin Billington, Bobby Gonzales, Jason Briles, Marcus Fernandez, Daniel Patrick Conn, Lisa Goss.

## Citrus industry shipment increase

The Texas citrus industry expects to ship five times more fruit during the 1986-87 season than last year while vegetable production in the Rio Grande Valley should remain about average.



# Christmas Greetings

To all, we extend warm and happy greetings in the spirit of this most joyous season. It's our privilege to be a part of this fine community and we sincerely hope to continue serving our friends and neighbors in every way.

## The Haskell National Bank

Officers & Employees

Invite You To Attend Our

### Open House

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday  
December 22, 23 and 24  
for coffee and refreshments

We will be closed Thursday Christmas Day

We will be open until noon Friday and will close Friday afternoon.

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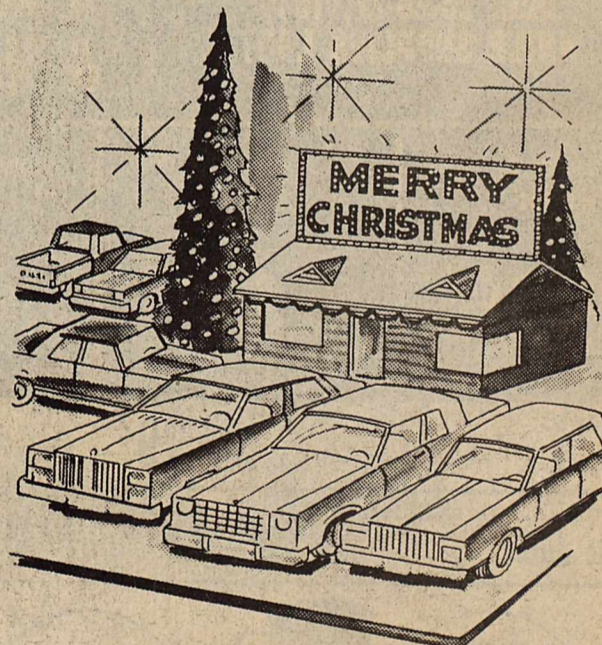
It's a happy time to express our wishes of thanks and friendship. It's been a pleasure to serve you.

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**HI!**  
 Warmest thoughts and best wishes for a wonderful holiday and a very Happy New Year!

**Carolyn Reynolds**  
 District Clerk

# Santa letters from 1956

Dear Santa:  
 Our names are Tim and Keith Everett. If you think we have been good enough, we would like to have an electric train, a football, some new guns, a record player and records, and some boots and spurs.  
 Your friends,  
 Tim and Keith Everett

Dear Santa:  
 I am a little girl two years old, and have tried to be good this year. Please bring me a tricycle, table and chairs, guns, piano and baton for Christmas. Love your,  
 Pam Klose  
 P.S.: Please remember all my pals on Christmas morning

Dear Santa Claus:  
 I am a little girl six years old and in the First Grade. I like my teacher fine.  
 I would like for you to please bring me a house cleaning storage cabinet, a Babee doll layette, a playtime set in carrying case and a nice micro-mix electric mixer. Don't forget Mollie.  
 Paula Sue Terrell

Dear Santa:  
 I am a little girl five years old and I have tried to be good this year. Please bring me a bride doll. Bring my little sister, Susan, a doll too, and we would like very much to have a record player.

Remember all the other little boys and girls.  
 Love,  
 Sheila Gilleland

Dear Santa Claus:  
 I am a little girl one and half years old. I have not been too good, but please bring me a dolly and doll buggy, and a lot of sticky candy, to smear on all the furniture. I'd like to have a surprise at my Maw's house.  
 Love,  
 Linda Kay Hartsfield

Dear Santa Claus:  
 I would like to have a bicycle tube and a watch. My little sister wants a doll that has clothes and walks and cries. And I would like to have you to bring everyone something.  
 Your friend,  
 David Davis

Dear Santa:  
 I am 4 1/2 years old. I have a little brother who is 1 1/2 years old. His name is Danny. Please bring him a two-gun holster set, a little wind-up train and a pull toy. Please bring me a walking doll, Tru-Viewer and nurse kit. Don't forget all the other boys

## Haskell boosts Throckmorton

The Throckmorton Greyhounds went into the state finals against Burkeville Friday night with the full backing of Haskell fans.  
 The Haskell Chamber of Commerce purchased a half-page ad last week in the Throckmorton Tribune.  
 It read: "Our Town Is Behind The Greyhounds Too! Haskell Chamber of Commerce."

WANT ADS PAY OFF!

## Seedbed important

The first step to a successful 1987 cotton crop begins with land preparation this fall and winter, says a cotton specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.  
 A farmer's objective for land preparation should include weed control, plant residue breakdown, moisture storage, breakup of hard pans or compaction zones that could restrict root growth, and getting down some fertilizer. The final goal should be a firm, weed-free seedbed that permits timely planting.

**Mitchell's Porthole**  
**Bill & Deborah & Employees**



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**TO ALL**

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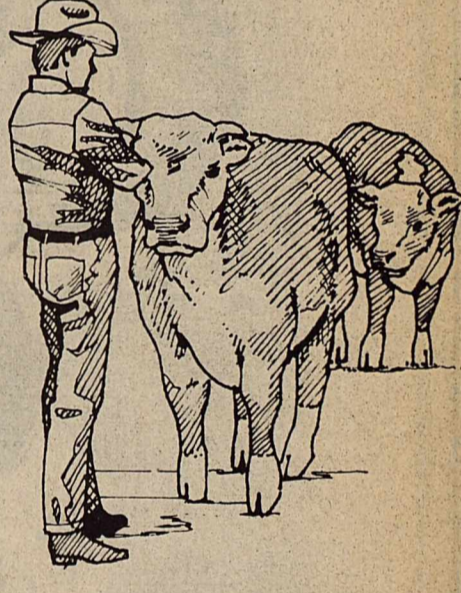
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**Greetings**  
 May this Christmas and every Christmas to come enrich your life with its blessings! Merry Christmas to all!

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**No Sale Sat. Dec. 27 (Christmas Holiday)**  
 Regular Saturday Sales Resume Sat. Jan. 3, 1987



**MERRY CHRISTMAS**  
 Serenity reigns throughout the land and in the hearts of all at Christmas who believe in the miracle and meaning of that first Holy Night.

**Trammell Bit & Spur Employees**  
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# Football and barbecue

(The following story appeared Dec. 11 in the Wichita Falls Times. Callaway is the son of E. B. "Buck" Callaway of Haskell and the nephew of Mrs. Lynn Toliver.)

By Carroll Copelin

Clarence Callaway, owner of Callaway's Hick'ry Pit Barbecue, admits he knew virtually nothing about the food business when he bought his

restaurant 10 years ago.

"I had been a pharmaceutical salesman for 13 years and one night I sat down and figured I had spent six and a half of those years on the road away from my family. I wanted to spend more time with my wife and our son and daughter so I told my wife I had to find something else.

"I had coffee here almost every morning with a friend, and he told me the owner wanted to sell. I went to see him at 8 a.m. the next morning and by noon I owned the place," Callaway said.

Callaway had previous experience in the restaurant business. He worked as assistant manager of a cafeteria, where he learned to be a butcher, while attending Midwestern State University.

"Someone once asked me why I bought this place when I didn't know anything about the business, but I told him I didn't know anything about pharmaceuticals when I started selling them either, and I don't have to drive 50,000 miles a year doing this," Callaway said.

The Haskell native came here in 1955 after graduating from high school where he played offensive wingback and defensive safety for the football team. This instilled a love of sports that carries over today.

He is a staunch supporter of the athletic teams at Wichita Falls high schools, especially their football teams.

For the past few years, he has managed to combine his love of football with his devotion to Rider High School where his son, Scott, played. On the Raiders' road trips, he caters the team's pre-game meal.

"We usually stop at a roadside park and I bake potatoes to go with the brisket. The team piles off their buses and eat and they're on their way. Some members of the booster club help out. It's a lot of fun, and I guess you could say it's one of my favorite hobbies," Callaway said.

Aside from his work, Callaway's passions are golf and racing pigeons. Even though he doesn't get to play much any more--"I played golf every day when we went to Colorado on vacation and only once since we got back"--Callaway still carries about a 10 handicap.

His love of football and support of the Rider Raiders got him into racing pigeons.

"Coach (Morris) Mercer got me interested. I've got about 85 now. I get the joy of feeding and caring for them, and since I have to work, my wife gets the fun of clocking them in when they come home," Callaway said.

Today, Callaway can claim a great deal of experience in cooking. His restaurant will use from 12 to 15 70-pound boxes of brisket a week, not to mention numerous turkeys (this holiday season, he'll smoke 300 to 500 of the birds).

I don't get many orders for Thanksgiving because everyone wants to try their hand at fixing one, but they really flock in for Christmas. I guess people discover what a mess and bother it is and don't want to go through it again," Callaway said.

"Despite the long hours of working from 6:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. six days a week, Callaway enjoys his work, he said.

"I like people and enjoy talking to them. Sometimes perfect strangers

will tell you their problems. I guess it's because they need someone to talk to," he said.

In addition to his regular restaurant business, Callaway also offers a form of catering.

"It's not really catering. We prepare all the food and they pick it up," he explained.

While brisket is still the most popular item on his menu, Callaway said turkey is gaining in popularity because of its low cholesterol content.

And his favorite food?

"I eat an awful lot of barbecue as you can see, but I guess I'd have to say Mexican food," he said.

And does he have any regrets about leaving his job as a traveling salesman and getting into the restaurant

business?

"The only regret I have is not having done it sooner," he said, pouring himself another cup of coffee.

## Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Don't Wake the Dragon Game and a robot.

Please bring mommie some new clothes and Daddy a new gun.

I'll leave you some candy and milk for your treat.

I've been a good boy.

Love,  
Kevin Patton  
Discovery World

**GREETINGS**

The delicate sounds of Christmas bells sound the jubilant music of a festive holiday. As their melody echoes we chime in with our fervent thanks.

*Lane-Felker*

**Season's best**

May the peace of Christmas be in all hearts this the most joyous of seasons. Happy holidays to you.

**Stamford Electric Co-op, Inc.**  
Stamford, Texas

**2 Dances**  
at  
**Rhineland Dance**  
to the music of  
**Michael Porter and his Country and Western Band**  
Sat., Dec. 27

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**New Year's Eve Dance**  
to the music of  
**Country Gold**  
Wed., Dec. 31

**HAPPY YULETIDE**

We wish you great joy this Christmastide...may love and peace abide with you and yours all through the holiday season and in days to come.

**M SYSTEM**  
Your FRIENDLY  
**AFFILIATED SUPER MARKETS** Haskell, Texas

*Silent Night*

May the gentle blessings of the holy season touch you and yours this Christmas and always!

Merry Christmas to all!

**Haskell Memorial Hospital**

Board and Staff

# Santa letters from 1966

Dear Santa Claus,  
My name is Linda Hilliard. I am nine years old. I am in the third grade for Christmas. I would like a show and tell T.V. and a Honey West doll. I will have a Coke and some candy under the Christmas tree for you. I will have my stocking hanging up for you to fill up. And will you bring me a dress and the gun to the Honey West. I have been a good girl.

Sincerely yours,  
Linda Hilliard

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a train by Lionel or Marx. I hope you can bring a steam engine train. I would like a pair of walkie talkies.

With love, Darrell Smith  
1502 N. Avenue F

Dear Santa,  
My name is Sonja Rene'. My brother's name is Barry Wade. I am four years old and he is two. I would like a walking doll and Barry likes toys that make a lot of racket and gets on Mommy's nerves. Bring us any other toys you have that you think we might like. Remember our cousins and all the other children.  
Love-Sonja Rene' and Barry Wade Tidrow

Dear Santa,  
My name is Renae and I am 6 years old. I would like a Cheerful Tearful doll, a walkie talkie and skates. I try to be good but sometimes I forget. Please stop by and see me anyway and I will try harder to be good. Please visit all of the other boys and girls.  
Love-Renae McBroom  
105 N. Ave. M

Dear Santa Claus,  
My name is Walter and I am 2 years old. I am really looking forward to your visit this year.

I would like to have a gun, a tractor, a saw and hammer set. Please visit all of my cousins and the other girls and boys.  
Love-Walter McBroom

Dear Santa Claus,  
We are three brothers, 6, 5, and 3. For Christmas we would like a walkie-talkie and Johnny Eagle guns. Jim wants a paint set. Bobby wants a magnetic alphabet board and Joseph wants a Bee says toy.

Please remember all our cousins and friends.

Love, Jim, Bobby and Joseph Browning, 608 N. Avenue H

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a talking doll...so it can teach me how to talk. I'll be good, or as good as I can.  
Donna Kemp (2 and a half)

WE HAVE pencil cups, stackable trays, book-ends, paper clip holders, stamp cubes and telephone files in matching colors. *Haskell Free Press.*



\* May the heavenly bells of Christmas chime out with good cheer & warm greetings to all of our patrons.

**Owens Radio & Electric**  
Charles, Charlene & Steven

512 N. First

864-2536

# Santa letters from 1976

Dear Santa,  
My name is Loutina Hadaway and I am six years old. Please bring me a Happy Birthday Baby Tender Love, doll clothes and a Barbie's Quick Curl Miss America Beauty Center.

Thank you!  
Loutina Hadaway

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good little girl this year. I hope you will be good to all boys and girls everywhere. I would like very much for you to bring me a piano, a guitar, a kick-n-go and a doll that cries and wets. Thank you for being so nice!

Merry Christmas  
Robin Harrell  
4 years old

Dear Santa,  
You are good Santa Claus. Put something in my stocking. I want some kleeets, kicking T, plow and tractor.

Come see me Christmas.  
Love,  
Robin Raynes

Dear Santa,  
My name is Julie Roewe. I am 7 years old. I want a Jamie Summers, Tape Recorder, Bike, Typewriter, Pottery craft, Please don't forget my good friends Mary, Stacey, Mindy, and all the other children.  
Don't forget Mommy and Daddy.  
Thank you,  
Julie Roewe

Dear Santa,  
I like you your wife and elves. do you live at the North Pole. There are going to be cookies and milk on the

Piano. I hope you eat all of them. Here are five things I want for christmas. 1. Evel Knievel Stunt world set 2. Thunder Shift 500 3. TIP motorcross race set 4. Flying aces attack carrier 5. Sizzlers 2 silver curcet set.

Love always  
George Watson

Dear Santa,  
Thack you for all you have done for me. This year I would like to have a doll.

Love, Patricia hery

## GREETINGS

To our many fine customers: may your Holiday Season be full of happy blessings and Christmas cheer.

**Hugh Peiser Surveying**  
864-3244

## Fans costly in winter

A whole-house fan is an energy saver for homeowners in west and north Texas during the summer months, but an energy loser during the winter.

"Because the hinged louvers in most whole-house fans don't provide an effective air seal or insulation, heat from the house escapes into the attic," says Dr. Susan Quiring, a housing specialist with Texas A&M.

"Unless you find some way to seal up the fan, you use more heat than you need to and pay higher utility bills," she adds. Quiring says a simple method for sealing the fan is to go into the attic and cover the fan with fiberglass batts. Then use plastic or heat shrink film to seal over the louvers from inside the house.

Kits with plastic for this purpose are available at many discount and hardware stores.



## Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Rolling Plains Production Credit Association

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## MERRY CHRISTMAS

Serenity reigns throughout the land and in the hearts of all at Christmas who believe in the miracle and meaning of that first Holy Night.

### Haskell County Farm Bureau

Ike Neal, Mgr.; Dennis Grand, Agent; Bob Aycocock, Pres.; Jeanette Frierson, Sec.; Sharon Lefevre, Office Sec.; Ronnie Tanner, Adjuster



"Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from all of us to all of you."

## Dulaney Abstract Company

Bob, Betty, Susan, Pat, Charlotte, Mike, Jim, Sarah, Wendy and not shown (Sean)



Part of the Farm Credit System  
Offices in Stamford, Munday, Spur, Matador and Childress

# Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,  
My name is Delinda and I am 4 years old. I've been a very good girl this year. I would like to have a Pound Puppy, Pound Puppy clothes, a cassette player and tapes for Christmas. I also want a My Little Pony, jewelry, make-up, Feeling Pets and a Baby Talk. Thank you for Christmas toys last year.  
Love,  
Delinda

this year.  
I would like to have Ramboo & Ramboo pickup, pound puppy and Ghostbuster.  
Love,  
James Faulk

Dear Santa,,  
My name is Jonathan Faulk. I'm 5 years old and I've been a good little boy this year.  
I would like to have 4X4 pickup and Ramboo and Police Car.  
Love,  
Jonathan Faulk

Dear Santa,  
My name is James Faulk. I'm 6 1/2 years old and I've been a good boy



## FOR GOODFELLOWS

Hospital employees this year donated toys to Goodfellows in lieu of their annual Christmas party. Shown with some of the toys are Bud Comedy, administrator; Dr. Frank Cadenhead, chief of staff; and Modell Barton, secretary of the Hospital Board.

# Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,  
I am six years old and have been a very good girl. And this year I would like a Barbie House, Barbie and the Rocker's, Makit and Bakit Oven, Piano, Cabbage Patch Kids, Cabbage Patch Clowns, Cabbage Patch Astronauts, Teddy Ruxpins, Flobs, Cricket Talking Doll, Grubby, Casio MT 500 Keyboard, Baby Talk, Feelin Special Dog and Cat, Bingo Bear, E.K.O., Two Passenger Jeep, Fievel

Mousekewitz, Cuddy A.G. Bear, Grandmaw and Grandpaw A.G. Bear, Big Bird, Pig Pong, Ques Tron, Professor Owl, Talking Toby and Talking Mother Goose.  
P.S. Don't forget my little niece, Ramona and my baby nephew Henry Jr. Bring them lots of toys too! Oh! by the way I will leave you some cookies and milk.  
Love you Always,  
Kristy Lee Arellano

**FIREWORKS**  
For your  
**Christmas & New Years**  
Celebration  
Stand Located South of Haskell  
Stamford Highway

 **Holiday Cheer**  
Lots of joy and good Christmas cheer wrapped in pretty ribbons and bows for all!  
**Dean Supply Co.**  
Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Dean

 **JOY TO ALL**  
As the old year ends, we'd like to greet all our loyal patrons.  
**Rule Co-op Gin**  
Norris Anders  
Rule, Texas  
997-2421


**Merry Christmas**  
May your holidays be bright, beautiful and bountiful. We thank you for your patronage.  
**case** **Richardson Truck & Tractor**  
5 N. First 864-3474

 **All Good Wishes**  
May your holiday be shining with joy. To those we've served, our thanks.  
**Leon Jones Welding**  
Leon & Delight  
201 NE First 864-2342

**joy to the world**  
  
Sing your carols of joy this Christmas season and fill the world with love and happiness.  
**Gary Mathews**  
Dodge, Chrysler, Plymouth, Inc.  
Stamford, Texas

**R**  
**HOLIDAY GREETINGS**  
  
Our prescription for a perfect holiday season: Lots of fun and laughter. We are always on call to serve you and your family.  
**Johnson Pharmacy**  
418 N. First 864-3331

**Joy and peace**  
  
May the joys of the season dwell in each and every heart.  
**Drinnon Oil Co.**  
David, Sharla, Biggon and Glenda  
Haskell, Texas

**GOOD TIDINGS**  
  
Let happiness and goodwill abound during this most joyous of holidays.  
**James Castagna**  
312 N. 1st  
Haskell, Texas  
Jeff Gregg CPA

**OUR BEST HOLIDAY WISHES**  
  
Merry Christmas friends and neighbors.  
**Kennedy Lumber Co.**  
106 NE First 864-2861



### SANTA'S HEADQUARTERS

The attractive house which served as Santa's headquarters during his Saturday afternoon visits with Haskell children was constructed by Ocie Carruth. He loaned the building to the Haskell County Welfare Board free of charge.

## Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,

This year I would like a Ninja suit and a tape recorder and tapes and Snake Mountain and He-man, Skeletor, and Beast man.

Thank you, Santa Claus  
Your friend,  
Mark Isbell

Dear Santa,

This Christmas I would like to have a speak and spell and a telescope and a Cincinnati Bengal football suit and a Buffalo Bills football suit and a new Atari.

Thank you, Santa Clause.  
Your friend,  
Jonathan Isbell

Dear Santa,

My name is Jeffrey. I am 3 1/2 years old. For Christmas I would like a Pound Puppies sleeping bag and a Care Bear and anything else you think I might like. Please put something in my stocking. I've tried to be a good boy this year.

Tell Mrs. Claus, the elves, and Rudolph hello for me.

I Love You,  
Jeffrey Murray  
Rule, Texas

Dear Santa,

I would like Quick Kick, Storm Shadow, and B.A.T.S. GI Joe figures for Christmas, I would also like Superman, Construx and anything else you think I might like.

Tell everyone at the North Pole hello.

Love,  
Michael Murray  
Rule, Texas

There will be cookies and milk for you. Please don't forget the other children.

I Love you Santa,  
Chad Mandrell

Dear Santa,

There's only three things I want. That is a BMX bike and a boom box radio and a Cute? Cuddly? Monster.

From your friend  
Wesly Lefevre

Dear Santa,

How is your wife? How are you? There's only two things I want. And that is a 4 wheeler and a helmet. And Santa you know I been wanting for a 4 wheeler and helmet.

From your friend  
Jonathon Lefevre

Dear Santa Clause,

How is Rudolph doing? For Christmas, I would like some Potato Head Kids, a big fat bass drum with cymbals, and a cement mixer like the

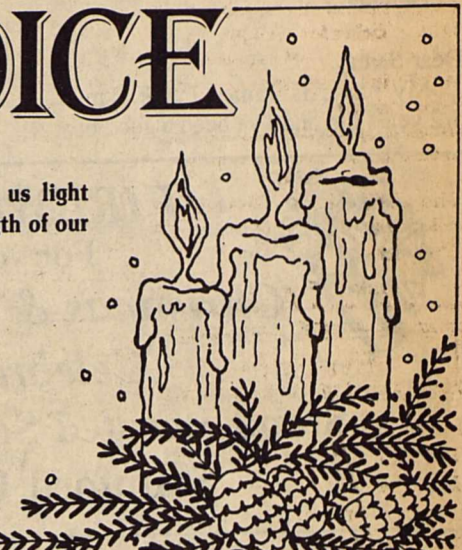
yellow one I saw at the store. I would also like some peppermint candy and some chocolate candy. And please bring my sister, Debbi Beth, Cabbage Patch Baby Doll and some other toys. She is too little to tell you what she wants, so I'm telling you. I've been pretty good this year--as good as a 2 year old can be. I hope you have a safe trip to my house and I am looking forward to your coming.

Love,  
Nathan Long  
Age 2

## REJOICE

With joy in our hearts, let us light up the world with the strength of our kindness, love and caring.

**Frances Arend  
Real Estate  
Insurance  
Frances'  
Beauty Shop**



Peace be with you today and always.

**Nanny Plumbing Inc.**

Haskell, Texas  
864-3043



May the magic of this Happy Holiday bless one and all with the spirit of good will.

**Reddy Pest Control  
Bill St. John**

307 N. Ave G 864-3530



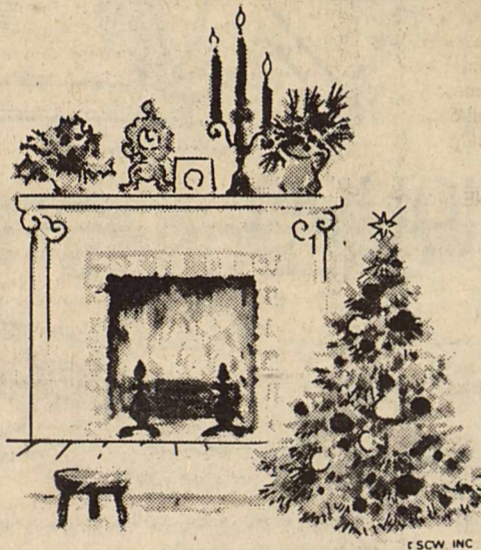
**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

Wishing you the pleasures of a real old-fashioned, family holiday.

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### Warm Wishes



We're thankful for your patronage and we hope you'll continue to rely on us!

**The Slipper Shoppe**



Hoping Santa's pack is brimming over with lots of good things for you.

**Lyles Jewelry**

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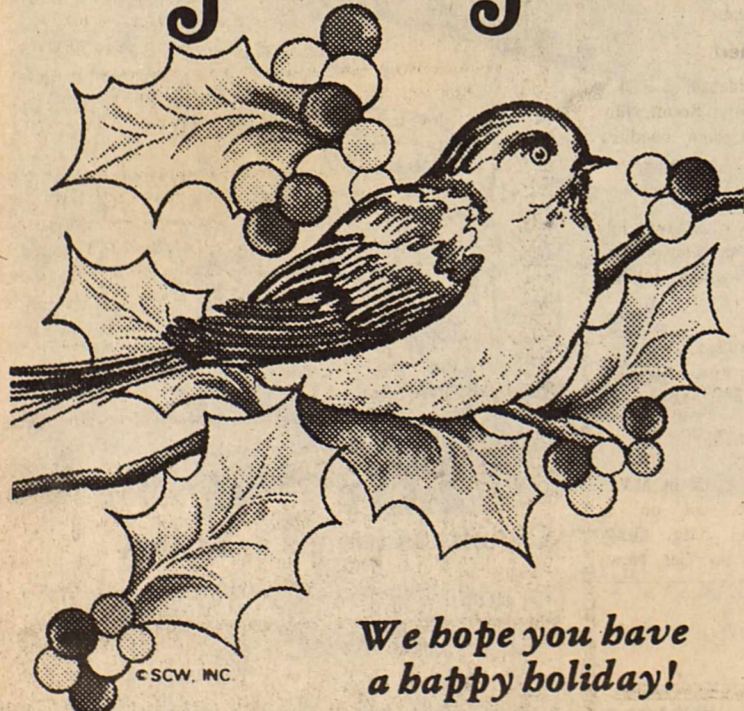


**CHRISTMAS CHEER**

Have an old-fashioned Christmas filled with joy and love.

**Mr. & Mrs. Woody Frazier  
County Clerk**

## HOLIDAY GREETINGS



We hope you have a happy holiday!

**Pat's Headquarters  
Mickler Distributing  
Pat and Jim Bob  
Haskell, Texas**



May your Christmas be merry and bright!

**The Clothes Closet  
Stella & Donna  
115 N. Avenue E  
Haskell, Texas**

## Rejoice

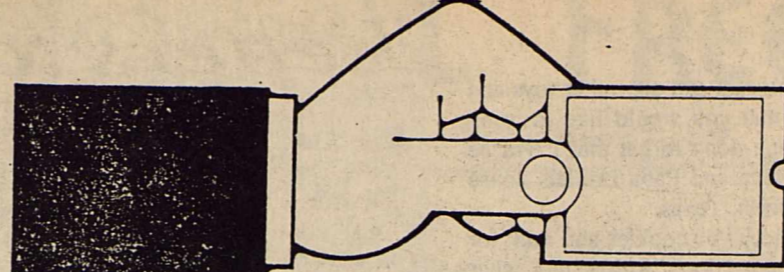
May the blessings of the Christmas season be yours.  
Greetings from



**Turner Laundry**

Mike and Terri Turner  
Haskell, Texas

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TO  
JOBS  
HOMES  
EVERYTHING

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**GIBSON NURSING CENTER** is now accepting applications for an activity director. See Martha Chesson at 1000 N. Broadway, Aspermont. 51-52c

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**EXCELLENT INCOME** for part time home assembly work. For info. call 504-641-8003 Ext. 7262. 52p

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**FOR RENT:** 3 bedroom house. Good neighborhood. Call 864-2870 or 864-8908. 26fc

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**FOR SALE:** 3400 sq. ft. 2 story 3 bedroom, 3 bath, playroom (or 4th bedroom) kitchen, dining area, breakfast nook, solarium, plenty storage. Attached large 2 room office with bathroom. Good location. Good parking. Secluded backyard with large pecan trees, 2 apple trees, 2 peach trees, water well, wood fence, 700 sq. ft. covered patio, carport, garage with opener with alley entrance, large shop. Brick floors. Beautiful oak floors. Energy efficient-low utilities. 817-864-8034 or 864-3250. 44fc

**FOR SALE**  
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**FOR SALE OR RENT:** House at 607 N. 2nd, Call 864-3122 or 864-2576. 48fc

**For Rent**

**HOUSE FOR RENT:** 1-3 bedroom, 2 bath; 1-3 bedroom house. Contact Dee Larned, 864-2612. 51-52c

**HOUSE FOR RENT:** 2 bedroom furnished apartment. Bills paid. Contact Dee Larned, 864-2612. 51-52c

**FOR RENT:** Two bedroom house. Call 864-2761. 51fc

**FOR RENT:** 1 bedroom furnished duplex. Nice. Call 864-3509. 43fc

**Real Estate**

**FOR SALE:** 1 or 3 bedroom duplex for sale or rent. For information call 864-8905 after 5 p.m. 23fc

**HOUSE FOR SALE** in Weinert. 5 rooms with two lots. Call 673-8239. 51-52p

**HOME FOR SALE**

**2 Bedroom, 2 bath, water well, garden spot, pecan trees, 2 car carport, wood burning earth stove. Must see to appreciate. Pho.864-3724 41fc**

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**7.9 ACRES ADJOINING CITY LIMITS.** Has almost new 3 bdr. 2 bath BV dwelling with 32x40 garage and shop and good water well. Will sell with one acre or all. **REDUCED** 207 N Ave H. Large 3 BDR. Has combination living, dining room, breakfast, utility, walkin closets, basement, fireplace, storm windows, double carport, 1 car garage & shop. Beautiful shaded deck, hand dug well & great pecan trees. 3/4 inch cedar siding with natural rustic finish throughout.

**NICE BUILDING** site, two lots on corner of N 12th and Ave K.

**Older 2 bedroom on northside** corner lot. Has carpeting, panneling, W/D hookups & old garage.

**Older 3 BDR brick with 1 3/4** bath on choice corner lot. Large living with mantle. Formal Dining, kitchen with builtins. large utility. All walls papered. 2 car garage, well, celler, fenced yard & storage bldg. Only \$44,900

**Super Nice Two Bedroom** on N. Ave L. Fenced yard with water well, nice trees, storage bldg. and Garden Plot.

**FOR RETIRED PEOPLE.** Ideal location within walking distance to downtown stores, banks, churches, corner lot, remodeled interior, 3 bdr, with numerous built-ins, central H/C well insulated.

**CHOICE LOCATION.** This 4 bdr. 2 bath brick has family room, den with fireplace, ample closets and storage. Two car garage and well on corner lot.

**2 Acre Building Sites** Just outside City Limits, City Water Available

**SMALL DREAM HOUSE IN GREAT LOCATION** two bedroom, loaded with extras including ceiling fans, window units, microwave oven, washer and dryer, range & oven, water well.

**LARGE 3 bdr.** stucco brick in NW section, large living room and kitchen 3 window units

**Ave L. Two Bedroom** frame on corner lot. celler and garage. \$10,500.

**One and One Half Story** with 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, oh 3 lots. Completely redone. Has formal living, dining, family room, large entry hall and front porch with columns. All kitchen builtins. Double fireplace, large closets, ceiling fans, two waterwells. Must see interior to appreciate.

**ADDISON ADDITION** Large 2 BDR with living room, Den, two full baths, sewing center, walkin closets, kitchen and other builtins. 3 car carport, circle drive, water well & workshop.

**Partly Remodeled 3 BDR** Frame. New siding, cabinet, plumbing and wiring. All needs to be finished.

**Super Location in Super Condition.** This two bedroom is on a beautiful corner lot. has heat pump, garage & carport. Fenced yard, water well. **REDUCED \$4400.00.**

**LARGE OLDER HOME (2672 sq. ft.)** on 100x140 ft. corner lot. 1 3/4 bath, formal library, living room, dining and den combination, large open porch, basement, with water well. 2 car garage & carport.

**3 Bedroom 2 full bath** on nice corner lot. Only \$16,375.00

**N. Ave D. 1 1/2 Lots** with Beauty Shop Bldg. At back. Nice Building site.

**2 bdr., 1 3/4 bath** brick with fire place and attached garage. Has fenced yard. Go FHA with low down payment.

**120 Acre Farm** north of Haskell. Good productive soil. **For Quick Sale.** 2 Bdr. asbestos. Close in, also has small apt. and garage apt. Both rented. Give us a call.

**CORNER LOT 2 bdr** on small lot 1 block N. of M-System. Good storm cellar. **REDUCED**

**Enjoy Small Payments.** This two bdr. Stucco near town and only \$10,900

**Investment Property** One and one half acre inside city limits on Hwy 277 North. Has new store bldg. 3 bedroom dwelling, two small buildings rented Large Storage Bldg & RV Hookups.

**THREE BEDROOM ONE AND ONE HALF STORY.** Brick. Really located close to town. Newly redone.

**Good Corner Location.** Two Bedroom in N.W. Section. Utility Room, porch, good celler. 2 Metal storage Bldgs & trees. \$17,500

**FULL 1/4 BLOCK SUPER LOCATION.** Four bedroom, four baths, two fireplaces. Three car garage with openers. 10x50 finished attic. Call for more details.

**SOUTHSIDE.** 2 bedroom frame. Has one bath, utility room & double carport. **REDUCED**

**ROCHESTER**

**3 BDR, 2 bath** brick on 1/4 block. All builtins 18X36 Storage Bldg. on slab with built in cabinet. Water well with pump, extremely Good Condition.

**KNOX CITY**

**3 bdr. 1 3/4 bath** with kitchen builtins & large utility room. New Carpet, 4 ceiling fans, patio, masonry privacy fence, pecan & fruit trees, also has large covered RV or trailer **SHELTER** on Slab.

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**R.M. Walker residence.** 3 BDR 1 3/4 Baths, Utility Room, fans, double carport. Nice condition on corner lot. **Reduced 40%**

**IN RULE**

**3 Bedroom Brick** on two lots. Has good storm cellar and is real clean throughout. **ONLY \$18,500**

**Repossessed Double Wide.** 3 Bdr. 2 full baths, fireplace, central air. Only \$12,000.

**MUNDAY**

**3 Bdr., 2 bath,** brick in N.W. Section. Real clean on a paved St. Shop Bldg. Only \$27,900. Buyer to Get New

**2 Bedroom with attached garage** and storm cellar. Kitchen has beautiful blue cabinets and a large breakfast nook. Good location on N. 8th

**JUST OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS** Modern 6 room house with basement and attached car-port. With barns and fences. Located on 10 acres. Good water and Large Pecan Trees.

Clean little cottage in quiet neighborhood. 2 bedroom fenced yard. Only \$11,500.

3 bedroom on two corner lots on N. H: Kitchen has new cabinets, fireplace, water well, storage. Utility room, large den, living room. Must see inside to appreciate: New wiring and plumbing. **REDUCED TO \$30,000.00**

**DRASTICALLY REDUCED BY \$27,500**  
Large 2 story rock home with guest house, pecan trees, fenced yard located on a large corner lot on Hwy. 277

Clean 2 Bedroom on water front "owned" lot at Lakeshore Sites. Large shade trees, dock and storage building.

**Small 2 Bedroom** ready to live in and priced only \$7500.

Clean 2 Bedroom Cottage with attached carport, storm cellar, large trees, fenced yard, storage bldg. on N. Ave. J.

Located at Stamford Marina: this two bedroom with large kitchen and living area has one bath and plenty of closet space and priced at only \$6500.

**LOOK! This is what you have been waiting for.** 4 bedroom, 2 bath located on 10 acres. Has 26 large Pecan trees, Barn, carport on pavement between Haskell, Rule and Rochester: good water and priced **TOO LOW.**

Commercial...one of Haskell's largest buildings, plenty of parking. Good location, make an offer.

3 Bedroom on 6 lots, large pecan trees, 3 car garage, storm cellar, water well. Good location in Rule. Only \$13,900.

3 bedroom brick FHA. 4 miles west of Stamford on 1 acre. Only \$35,000.00.

5 yr. old House on 17 acres just N.E. of Rule. 5 bedroom, 2 bath. Rock. Plenty of Water, carport and large rooms.

Extra Clean 3 BR 2 Bath mob. home. Pay Small equity and take up payments or \$15,900 cash.

3 Bedroom on N. 6th. Clean older home with garage. Large lot and in a good location. **REDUCED TO \$14,900.**

Good lot on North Ave. J

**ROCHESTER.** Clean 2 bedroom across the street from School. Must see inside to appreciate

**FOR RENT:** North 6th and Ave. G. A large older house with garage.

**COMMERCIAL:** Well constructed metal building, insulated, roll up doors, office, restrooms, 2 large corner lots like new condition. **Reduced price.**

Good House moved in on N. 4th. Will sell now or when finished: located on large lot.

4 bedroom located on large corner lot. Utility room & double carport. A lot of house for the money.

3 bedroom with both living Rm & Den, carport & garage in Stamford on Vanderbilt. Priced too low at \$12,500. Must see to believe. **Reduced to \$10,000.**

In Rule: 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Has many extras. Water well, fenced yard, St. Bldg, fireplace.

**LARGE LIVING AREA** with fireplace. 3 bedroom, double attached garage. Good location in North part. \$35,000.

3 bedroom, 2 bath with large dining room, den. Located on 2 good lots in north Haskell. Double wide with carport. A real value.

Commercial Property corner of 277 and South 11th.

**SAGERTON:** Lovely 3 bedroom, 2 bath, fireplace, barns, horse lots, cellar, water, utility bldg. fenced yard, large trees, storm windows, Central H/C. Attached Garage, large utility room. Many built in's located on 11 lots and priced at a sacrifice.

1980 Bela Vista 14x56 Furnished and extra clean located at Lake Shore Site.

3 bedroom, 2 bath mob. home. Extra clean. \$8500.

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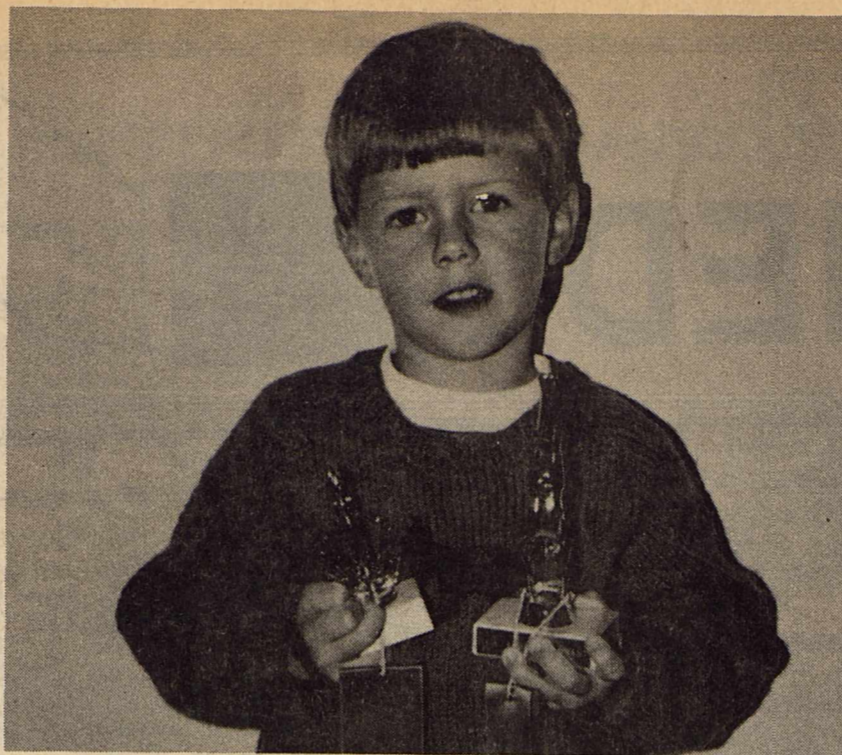
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**Classifieds!**

# Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,  
Hi. My name is Christopher Shane Mandrell. I am the grandson of Jack and Mae Daniels Jr. of Wolforth and the great-grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Daniels Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Poer.  
I will be 3 years old July 9. For Christmas I would like a dump truck, tractor, helicopter, Big Foot pull &

sled, race cars and any other toys and clothes that you would like to bring me. Santa, don't forget that I will be at my Nena and Papa Daniels house in Wolforth, Texas.  
There will be cookies and milk for you. Please don't forget the other children.  
I Love you Santa  
Christopher Mandrell



## WINS HONORS

Kevin Patton of Haskell took first-place honors at Gymnastics Sport Center in Abilene by completing all skills on Level I for trampoline, tumbling, balance beam and bars. He received four blue ribbons and a trophy for his accomplishments. In addition, Kevin received a trophy for being the most improved gymnast for the month of November. He has been enrolled in gymnastics since April.

# Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,  
Hi. My name is Chad Dewaye Mandrell. I am the grandson of Jack and Mae Daniels Jr. of Wolforth and the great-grandson of Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Poer and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Daniels Sr.  
I will be 5 yrs. old Jan. 13. For

Christmas I would like a mask switchblade and a Ghost buster pack and gun, mask stinger, remote control race car and anyother toys and clothes that you would like to bring me. Santa please don't forget that I will be at my Nena and Papa's house in Wolforth, Texas.

**SEASON'S BEST.**

**Roy T. Everett**  
Justice of the Peace, Prec. #1

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**A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS**  
Let us remember the meaning and the message of the first Christmas.

**Jones Cox & Co**  
Country Store  
Haskell, Texas

*Yuletide Greetings*

You've made it a pleasure to be of service.

**Trussell's Tire Center**  
506 N. First E 864-3522

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS**

We're ringing out how glad we are to have you as our friends and we extend our sincere good wishes for a very merry Christmas to you and your family. It's been a pleasure serving you.

**John Fouts**  
District Attorney  
and Staff

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS**

All the happiness of the season be with you and yours this best of times... Christmas!

**The Sweet Shop & Employees**

Part of our joy in this season is the love of friends.

To all our friends, who have helped make us feel welcome in Haskell...

**Merry Christmas**  
from the Garisons  
Dusty, Kathy, Travis & Drew

**PEACE**

Silent Night, Holy Night, filled with the wonder of His love. May you and yours be blessed with the peace of this season of joy and love!

**Haskell Nursing Center**  
Season's Greetings  
from residents, staff & employees

*Happy Holidays*

Our warm wishes are with you. Merry Christmas and thanks.

**Pogue's Meat Processing**  
1305 S. First 864-3388

**O Come All Ye Faithful**  
In the spirit of this Christmastime we say thanks to one and all.

**Boot Hill Western Store**  
510 N. 2nd 864-3640

**JOYOUS NOEL**

While shepherds watched their flocks, the savior of the world was born. Let us spread the good news of His birth.

**Queen Roofing**