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Merry Christmas

Museum Receives Foundation Grant

The Parmer County Pioneer Museum has announced the receipt of a \$9,000 grant from the Keeter Foundation of Longview, Texas. The grant is to be used to finance repairs on the museum heating system, plumbing, and for repairs to the interior ceiling in the first floor of the building.

The grant has a matching funds requirement of \$2,100 in local funds. The Parmer County Pioneer Museum is a non-profit corporation organized for the purpose of collecting preserving and displaying historical items significant to the history of Parmer County and the surrounding area.

Local residents are reminded to buy a 2005 museum calendar which goes to help the museum financially. The calendars are only \$15 each and on sale at the Friona Public Library and the Friona Star office or by contacting Wendy Carthel or Dorothy Johnston.

Star Office Closed Until January 3

The Friona Star will not be published next week, December 30. The Star office will be closed until January 3, 2005, but we will be checking in for messages and mail. Leave a message at 250-2211 or email to frionastar@wtrt.net

The next issue of the Friona Star will be January 6, 2005. Send or bring us your local news, pictures, or stories of your holiday vacations, family gatherings, or other local announcements of interest.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of our readers and especially to all of our advertisers that support the newspaper week after week throughout the year. We appreciate you all and look forward to another great year in 2005. See you then!

Man Found Dead West of Friona

According to a press release from Sheriff Randy Geries, at approximately 8:40 p.m. Tuesday, December 21, a Burlington Northern Santa Fe train reported seeing a body between the railroad tracks two miles west of Friona.

Geries said the body was identified as Robert Eugene Davis, 46, last known address Waco, Texas. He appeared to have been riding on a train and fallen off according to the Sheriff. The accident was investigated by the Sheriff's department, DPS Troopers, and BNSF security.

One official said Mr. Davis was not run over by a train but the cause of death was unknown. An autopsy was ordered and next of kin notified. Wednesday the body was in Lubbock for the autopsy and results were not available at our press time.



INGRAM'S DEPARTMENT STORE WINDOW ON MAIN ST.

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SANTA MAKES DREAMS come true if you wish hard enough. Gabbi Douglas is wishing hard as she tells Santa at the Friona Firefighters banquet what she would like to find under the tree Christmas morning. Gabbi is the daughter of John and Rachel Douglas. Like children everywhere we hope all their wishes come true.

cory jameson photo

Friona Bucks Winners Announced

The drawing for Friona Bucks in the Chamber of Commerce's Ho! Ho! Home for the Holidays promotion was held Friday, December 17. Chamber executive director Chris Alexander and Little Miss Friona Katy McLennan went to the individual businesses and Katy drew a name for the winner at that business.

Each winner at individual businesses won \$25 in Friona Bucks to be spent at that business. Then all the names were collected and put into a bin together for the major drawing of three winners of \$100 in Friona Bucks that can be spent at any of the businesses.

The \$25 Friona Bucks winners and the business were: A-I Service Center, Gaines Butman; Bi Wize Healthmart, Roy Dominguez, Jr.; Blackburn Hardware, Jorge Dominguez; Dairy Queen, Elizabeth Williams; Friona Star, Melba Smiley; Ingram's Department Store, Joyce Loflin; Ivy Cottage, Linda Griffin; Kendrick Oil Co, Billy Baxter; Kendrick Oil/Fast Stop; Neva Vaughn.

Also, Los Arcos Mexican Food Restaurant, Irma Lozoya; Lowe's Supermarket, Jiselle



LITTLE MISS FRIONA Katy McLennan draws a name for the Chamber's Ho!Ho! Home for the Holidays promotion at the Friona Star office Friday. Marlene Mueller, Friona Star office manager and the Star Christmas Teddy Bear help out.

courtesy photo

Hand; Malouf's, Donna Mears; Silver Screen Video, Patricia Lanier; Sugar Shack, E. D. Terry; Tasty Cream, Amanda Taylor; Veterinary Industries, Barbara Barrett; and W. T. Services, Othelia Bennett.

The grand prize winners of

\$100 in Friona Bucks were Nancy Pierce, Sharon White, and Wanda Stewart. The Chamber of Commerce says thanks to all the businesses and the community for their support of the Ho! Ho! Home for the Holidays promotion.

Snow Halts Cotton Harvest

By BILL ELLIS

A two-inch snow early Wednesday caused a halt to a three-week period of dry weather. Temps actually hit 71 on December 12, and were in the 60s seven other days in December.

Jerry Butman, manager of Friona Farmers Co-op Gin, said the "open weather" had allowed a big majority of the area's cotton to be stripped and made into modules.

"I imagine 80 percent of the cotton is off the stalk—maybe even more," Butman said. However, longtime Friona ginner said cotton's yield is down anywhere from 25 to 30 percent, mainly due to the growing conditions, plus the micronaire, which deals with the quality, is down, also due to the uncommon weather.

Wednesday's snow brought the total to 13.5 inches of the white stuff this season, and hiked the year's total moisture to 36.43 inches. The year 2004 will go down as the second-wettest on record behind 1941, unless something unforeseen happens in the next ten days.

AN EDITORIAL

Please Don't Take Christmas Away

By CAROL ELLIS

Jeeppers, Folks! They're trying to take Christmas away. Who are these idiots... the politically correct crowd, liberal lefties, the ACLU, activist lawyers and judges, the self-appointed intellectual elite? It's been bad in recent years, but this year they seem to have gathered steam.

Instead of getting out for Christmas Vacation, schools now let out for Winter Holiday. Absolutely no religious symbolism is to be allowed in schools and of course no nativity scenes on the courthouse square in small towns across America. A little third-grader was not allowed to pass out candy canes to his friends at school because the candy cane was considered a religious symbol. How ridiculous is that?

Instead of wishing friends Merry Christmas, people are now saying Happy Holiday, and Christmas cards now read "Season's Greetings".

The whole reason this holiday got started in the first place was to celebrate the birth of the Christ Child during Christ's Mass, which was shortened to Christmas. As far back as I can remember, people have bemoaned the fact that Christmas has gotten over-commercialized. But those three wise men got this whole thing started by giving gifts to the Christ Child. Now we give gifts to our friends and relatives and give charitable donations to the poor as a sign of Christian love.

The celebration of Christmas has also grown to be a very large part of our economic structure in this country. Take away Christmas and you could destroy a good portion of our free-enterprise system.

There would be no more

colorful Christmas catalogs arriving the first of September, no more hiring extra employees for the three to four month long Christmas buying season, no more Christmas bonuses for the hard work you've put in all year, no more cute Christmas movies on TV with catchy commercials advertising Christmas gifts. There are quite a few businesses and supporting industries that depend on about half of their entire year's revenue from the sales they make throughout the Christmas season. Many business firms would close and more people would be out of work.

I guess we'll all go around singing "I'm Dreaming Of A White Holiday", "We Wish You A Merry Holiday", "Oh Holiday Tree", "I'll Be Home For Holiday", "I Heard The Bells On Holiday, Their Old Familiar Carols Play", and "I'll Have A Blue Holiday Without You".

Well, there are all sorts of holidays. The Fourth of July, Thanksgiving, Valentine's Day, Mother's Day, President's Day... all are holidays of one sort or another. But Christmas is special. It's more than just a holiday.

Thank goodness we live in the Texas Panhandle where we are sheltered from the worst of the Christmas nay-sayers. We continue with our nostalgic Christmas church and family traditions and the feeling of warmth that comes from enjoying this most wonderful of all holidays to its fullest.

And anyway, those idiots who want to eradicate all reference of religion from Christmas cannot win. The word holiday derives from Holy Day. So even if they change Christmas to just a Holiday, there is still a religious basis behind it. SO THERE!



THE FRIONA UNITED WAY has reached slightly over 100% of the annual goal of \$38,500 as of Tuesday. UW directors, l-r, Larry Knowles, Cecil Maddox, Marca Herring, and Rick White say thank you to everyone that donated. Although the goal was reached you can still donate to the United Way at Friona State Bank. Funds will be distributed to requesting organizations beginning the first of January.

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OUT HERE

by Ron Carr

Think About Us

Here we are again. I haven't gotten over the stress of last Christmas yet and another year is about to become a page in a scrapbook. For you younger guys and gals, when we say that time goes by faster the older you get, believe us. You'll find out soon enough.

The weeks clip by in what seems like an eye blink. Some things I wanted to get done at the first of the year are now the same things I'll try to get done next year. No need for me to make New Year's Resolutions. I'll just recycle the ones from last year that I never got around to.

I want to say Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to Coach Dave Dewitt in Hillsboro and my old basketball teammate Al Podsednik in Houston. Both of these guys read the Friona Star and they've never been to Friona but we maintain a link to the past through the newspaper. Coach Dewitt reads the paper every week and his wife Betty says she likes the crossword puzzle.

Season's greetings to my friend and corporate attorney Bobby Bobby P.C. in Lubbock. Long ago in Dallas he was a cash register salesman and bartender and I was a travel agent. We hung out. He saw the light, got a law degree from Tech, got a wife, has a young son, and a growing law practice in Lubbock. We both finally grew up. It took a while. We hooked up again when I moved to the Panhandle. His real name is Bob Heald. He is a good guy. I'm glad to have him as a friend.

Let's just say this last column of 2004 is my Christmas card to everyone. We made a few changes to the newspaper in 2004, mainly the color pictures we are now able to print. People used to ask, especially kids, if their picture was going to be in the paper. Now they ask if it is going to be in color.

Special thanks to all of you that brought in engagement announcements, wedding announcements, birth announcements, college graduation news, military news, meeting notices, and all of the rest

of the local news we print each week. We need that sort of information from you and encourage you to keep it up.

On occasion someone will ask me why we did not report information about some local event. The answer is simple. We didn't know or hear about it. No one told us about it before or after it took place. There are not very many local news items that we turn down but we rely on you to keep us in the know.

Other times people come in and say they want to put an ad in the paper when they actually mean they want the story in the paper free. See, when you say ad, to us that means you pay money. Information that we include in Around Town or writeups about events are not "ads". It is alright though. Come on in. We'll be glad to explain the difference.

I have a feeling sometimes people do not bring us certain news items because they think they will have to pay for it. Most of the time though, they just don't re-

member the newspaper. One of my goals for 2005 is to get more people to think about us.

I don't look at the Channel 6 TV announcements very often. When I do, there are usually ads or announcements on TV that could be in the paper too but are not. Maybe it is cost, or coverage, or somebody that doesn't like us. The TV Channel is instant and we are once a week. People in town see the TV Channel. People in the country don't. The newspaper covers both. Think about us too.

Our thanks and holiday wishes also to Friona city manager Terri Johnson, Police Chief Tino Salinas, Fire Chief Jim Taylor, EMS Director Kelly Daniel, Sheriff Randy Gerles and their staffs for the cooperation they give the newspaper and their dedication to the community.

Thanks to DPS Troopers Trey Ellis, Izzy Carrasco, Joel Rejino, and other area troopers that strive to keep our roads safe and give us

information when asked.

The doctors, nurses, and all the medical clinic and hospital employees that provide some of the best rural medical care in the Panhandle, we thank you too and wish you the very best as we begin yet another year.

We will continue to bring our readers and our valued advertisers the best small town newspaper we can deliver in 2005.

Our Christmas edition is our largest of the year. Take time to review the holiday greetings extended by area businesses in this edition. We are humble and proud to be a part of the life of this community.

From the Friona Star staff, Marlene, Dana, Sherry, Nathan, and me, we thank you all. We hope you will remember when you have news, pictures, stories, or opinions to share with your neighbors you only have to do one thing. Think about us.

Neugebauer Names Chief

Congressman Randy Neugebauer announced Friday that he has named Gayland Barksdale to be his new Chief of Staff.

Barksdale will work out of Neugebauer's Washington, D.C. office and will be responsible for the overall direction of the congressman's Washington and district offices.

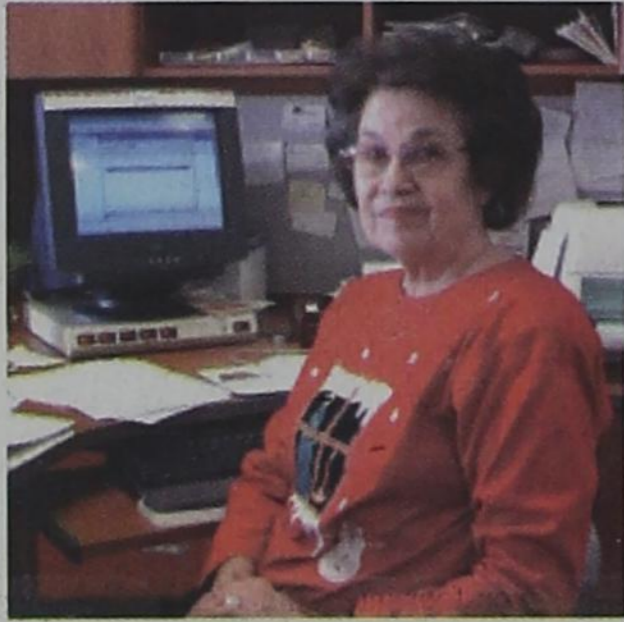
"Gayland's Texas roots and professional experienced have given him the ideal background to lead my staff," Neugebauer said. "He will be a great asset as we move forward in setting legislative goals and providing the constituent services the people of the 19th District deserve."

In 2002, Barksdale received a presidential appointment to serve in the Bush Administration as Senior Advisor for Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs at the U.S. General Services Administration. Prior to his stint in the executive branch, Barksdale spent 11 years on the staff of Congressman Dick Arme. He first joined Arme's staff in 1991 as Constituent Liaison. He was then promoted to Legislative Assistant, Legislative Director, and finally served as Chief of Staff from 1999 until Arme's retirement in 2002.

Barksdale hails from Justin, Texas and graduated from the University of North Texas with a degree in political science.



You are Invited!!! To a Farewell Reception for Mayme Gee



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Around Town

Breast Cancer Screening January 17

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Parmer County Hospital, 1307 Cleveland Avenue, in Friona, on Monday, January 17, 2005.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month.

Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only.

Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

B. Ellis needs info & photos for book

If you have any old photographs or news clippings dealing with Friona schools or school activities, please call Bill Ellis at 250-3053. He needs photos of valedictorians and salutatorians from 1951 to present. If you want the photo returned, please send a stamped, self-addressed envelope with the photo to 1201 Maple, Friona, Texas 79035.

Holiday gift ideas from the Chamber

The Friona Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture has a great idea for those hard to buy for people on your Christmas list. Get them a "Taste of Friona" cookbook and/or a "Scenes from Friona" postcard packet for \$10 each. They make great gifts. Just come by the Chamber at 621 Main and pick up them up.

Amarillo College Pins 44 Nurses

The Amarillo College Licensed Vocational Nursing program conducted ceremonies recently pinning 44 program graduates. Recognition went to several students for academic achievement, including honor award, outstanding clinical, Charlene Anglin scholarship for most improved, and the Echols/Miller award for outstanding overall.

Graduating from Friona were Dawn Henry and Elizabeth Ryan.

King Graduates Magna Cum Laude

Audra Dee King graduated from Texas Tech University, College of Human Sciences with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Early Childhood Education, Magna Cum Laude.

Commencement ceremonies were held at the United Spirit Arena, at 9:00 a.m., Saturday, December 18, 2004.

Miss King is the daughter of Dee and Cindy King of Friona and a 2001 Friona High School graduate.

Junior High All-Region Band Selected



JR. HIGH ALL-REGION, first row, l-r, Justin Echevarria, Cierra Henry, John O'Brian, and Joey Dickson. Second row, l-r, Justin Dominguez, Rolando Castanon, Monica Acosta, and Richie Salinas. Third row, l-r, Raul Licerio, Jordan Kelley, Jonathan Rocha, and Ulises Lozoya.



JR. HIGH ALL-REGION, first row, l-r, Lucy Mendez, Hannah Carthel, Gabby Rivera, and Heather Sandoval. Second row, l-r, Kathleen Wyly, Alba Soltero, Tommy Carranza, and Maria Meza. Third row, l-r, Jeremy Alaniz, Gabriel Senibalo, Kenny Newhouse, and Michael Beard.



JR. HIGH ALL-REGION, l-r, Gonzalo Gonzales, Sasha Estrada, and Stetson Reed.

Fifty-four students of the Friona Junior High Band traveled to Panhandle High School on November 30, to audition for the ATSSB Class AA All-Region Junior High Band.

Of those 54 students participating, twenty-five were selected, along with two 1st alternates. Only Tulia was able to compare with Friona's results by also placing twenty-five in the 100 piece honor group. Schools participating in the auditions were Friona, Canadian, Panhandle, West Texas, Sanford-Fritch, Highland Park, Spearman, Boys Ranch, Bushland, Tulia, Childress, and Dimmitt.

Students and their chair placement representing Friona Junior High were:

- Flute:** Lucy Mendez (6), Hannah Carthel (11).
- Clarinet:** Gabby Rivera (8), Heather Sandoval (11), Kathleen Wyly (12), Alba Soltero (1st Alt.).
- Bass Clarinet:** Tommy Carranza (2), Jeremy Alaniz (4), Maria Meza (5).
- Alto Saxophone:** Gabriel Senibalo (2), Kenny Newhouse (4).
- Baritone Saxophone:** Michael Beard (1).
- Cornets:** Justin Echevarria (6), Cierra Henry (9), John O'Brian (10), Joey Dickson (13).
- Trombone:** Justin Dominguez (2), Rolando Castanon (5), Monica Acosta (10).
- Baritone:** Richie Salinas (3).
- Tuba:** Raul Licerio (1), Jordan Kelley (3), Jonathan Rocha (5), Ulises Lozoya (8).
- Percussion:** Gonzalo Gonzales (2), Sasha Estrada (4), Stetson Reed (1st Alt.).

On Saturday, January 16, the student's efforts will pay off when they perform with the ATSSB All Region Band at the Civic Auditorium in Amarillo. "Both Mr. McWilliams and I are very proud not only of all the students who made the band, but all of the students who tried out. Our students represented our school and community very well," said Allison Johnston, Junior High Band Director.

Two Earn Degrees At LCU

V'Lynda Lanae Wilcox and Tania Leah Hand of Friona, were two of 201 graduates who participated in commencement exercises for Lubbock Christian University on December 11, 2004.

Wilcox graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies in Early Childhood Education. She is the daughter of Terry and Varla Wilcox.

Hand graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Family Studies, magna cum laude. She is the daughter of Gary and Gail Hand.

Lubbock Christian University is a liberal arts institution of higher learning dedicated to providing a quality education in a Christian environment. LCU was among only six Texas schools to be named in the John Templeton Foundation Honor Roll of Character Building Universities. LCU offers 43 bachelor's degree programs and eight master's degrees with an enrollment of almost 2000 students.

In recent years LCU has enjoyed national recognition. The sports program has produced twelve national team championships, more than a dozen individual champions, and over 300 All-American performances. In addition to athletics, the Students in Free Enterprise team has won four international championships.

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Senior Citizen News

There's Nothing Boring About Being A Friona Senior Citizen

The first senior meal at the Friendship House for the new year will be Monday, January 3, 2005. Then, Thursday, January 6, will again be "Red Hat Day" for local Senior Citizens during lunch. Ladies need to wear their red hats and purple or red attire. Gentlemen should wear red hats or caps and red shirts or sweaters.

Seniors are reminded to bring a funny story or a joke to tell or something to read aloud during "Just For Fun" time. Also be sure to bring Christmas photos and/or pictures of the grandchildren to share with everyone present.

The Senior Lunch "Red Hat Day" is not an officially organized event. It is just something to do for fun and has been cropping up every couple of months or so, to break up the every day routine of things.

At the last Senior Lunch for the year, on December 16, there were 104 people present to enjoy a steak dinner with all the fixings. On Monday, December 13, the senior group was treated with a visit from Allison Johnston's High School Choir. Fifty young singers presented a selection of Christmas Carols and asked the seniors to join in on a couple of familiar oldies.



ENJOYING HOLIDAY family time at the Senior Citizen lunch last Thursday were Olive Massie, center, her daughter Jayn Looper, left, and granddaughter Jodi Looper, right. Jodi, who was visiting from Austin, said she had not had her picture in the paper since she graduated from FHS 10-years ago. So now you have Jodi. Merry Christmas to ALL!

ron carr photo



FRIONA HIGH School Choir sings Christmas carols at the Senior Citizen Lunch.

ron carr photo

DPS Issues Christmas Wish List

The Department of Public Safety has composed a wish list for the holiday season. DPS is asking travelers for the following gifts:

- Slow down—speed is the number one killer on Texas roads.
- Don't drink and drive; get a designated driver.
- Buckle up everyone in the vehicle.
- Keep cell phone chatter to a minimum.
- Drive with courtesy; it's contagious.
- Slow down in bad weather, construction areas, and heavy traffic.

"Following these tips will keep your family and everyone on Texas roads safer," said DPS Director Thomas A. Davis, Jr. "The sad truth is that most fatal traffic crashes don't have to happen."

DPS will have all available troopers patrolling Texas roadways from Friday, December 24 through midnight on Sunday, December 26. DPS is once again participating in Operation CARE (Combined Accident Reduction Effort)—a nationwide effort maximizing enforcement on major interstate highways to reduce fatalities commonly associated with holiday weekends. Alcohol is always a concern during the holidays, and DPS is supporting the statewide anti-drunk driving campaign.

"If you choose to drive without regard for the safety of others, increased enforcement means you are nearly twice as likely to get a traffic citation or be arrested for DWI during the Christmas weekend," Col. Davis said.



USDA Rural Development Is Accepting Applications

Bryan Daniel, USDA Rural Development State Director, has announced USDA Rural Development is accepting applications for Fiscal Year 2005 Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant Program.

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2005 Distance Learning and Telemedicine Program will have competitive grant funds to provide access to education, training, and health care resources for people in rural America.

"Texas communities can benefit from the opportunities provided by the distance learning and telemedicine program. This grant will help ensure that rural Texans have the access to modern technology and telemedicine services," said Daniel.

Distance learning and telemedicine grants are specifically designed to provide access to education, training and

health care resources for people in rural America. Funds may be used to provide distance learning or telemedicine services to residents or entities in rural areas.

Incorporated organizations, federally recognized Indian tribes, state, or local governments are eligible to apply in rural areas with populations of 20,000 or less.

The maximum award per grant is \$500,000. Applications must be completed and submitted no later than February 1, 2005, and will be scored and awarded on a competitive basis. For more information on the distance learning and telemedicine program for 2005, please contact Francisco Valentin, Jr., Community Programs Director, (254) 742-9789 or visit the website at <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rus/telecom>.



LIBRARY CORNER

by Darla Bracken

Happy Holidays! Seasons Greetings! Feliz Navidad! A season of giving...

To the many people in our small community who give in so many ways all year long—this is to say, "Thank You!" Without your vision, support and sacrifice, institutions such as the Public Library could not and would not exist. Benjamin Franklin came up with the idea of a free lending library in American in 1731 so that reading could be enjoyed by everyone and not just by the socially elite. Mr. Franklin gave us several very ingenious inventions including bifocals, but his greatest contributions had to do with 'the common good' of all. Improving our quality of life is indeed, a worthy goal for all. Not all of us can give a lot in life, but ALL of us can give a little to help our fellow men.

Our children learn charitable giving from our examples and a giving spirit is one of the best legacies we can give them. We must show them how to live unselfishly. The Friona High School Service Learning Projects help young people experience the joy, responsibility, and sacrifice of giving. 'Passing on the gifts' then becomes the receiver's responsibility. What good might we accomplish if we worked together?

Thinking about our upcoming Centennial Celebration in 2006, what do you think Friona's founders would be most proud of if they could see our town today? And, if we could thank them, for what would we be most grateful? Think about the many milestones they saw accomplished—paved streets, waterworks and public utilities, schools, telegraph and telephone services, the dike, then fire protection and police protection. Each step of progress would have been such an improvement in the lives of all the citizens of our 'little town on the west Texas prairie'.

And we wish to express our thanks also to others who have contributed to the Friona Public Library this year: TOCKER FOUNDATION OF TEXAS—This foundation funds projects in small libraries serving populations of under 12,000. Our library has received three Tocker grants to date; LOAN STAR LIBRARY program of Texas—State and federal funds paid directly to fund any library project except construction. Our library is now in its fourth year as a participant; our funds have provided new computers; TEXSHARE is a Texas State Library program to purchase access to databases for Public Libraries in Texas which you can also access online from home. This also includes an intrastate lending program for library card holders in Texas. The Databases include NetLibrary and an e-book collection.

New arrivals: The Christmas Thief by Mary Higgins Clark; The Gift by Nora Roberts; Whiteout by Ken Follett; Black Wind by Clive Cussler; Skeleton Man by Tony Hillerman; Night Fall by Nelson DeMille; Twisted by Jonathon Kellerman; State of Fear by Michael Crichton; and Metro Girl by Janet Evanovich.

Non-fiction: Some of my heroes are ladies: women ages 85 to 101, tell about life in the Texas Panhandle by Louise Carroll George of Dumas; Women who think too much by Susan Nolen-Hoeksema; George W. Bush on God & Country by George W. Bush; and How to eat right and live longer by Cass Ingram.

Memorial donations have been made by the Randy Dicksons to HANNA MALOUF; Cass and Marie Perkins to BARBARA BENTLEY; Cass and Marie Perkins and Rex Brackens to MERYLE MASSIE; Opal Baxter Family to YVONE (WHITE) BAXTER; Rex Brackens to DARREL SMITH of Amarillo; Rex Brackens to KEITH BLACKBURN of Albuquerque, New Mexico; Terry and Peggy Wilkerson of Kansas City, Missouri and Rex Brackens to MELBA NEELLY.

Christmas Honorariums and/or donations have been received by Cecil and Mary Maddox, James and Rachel Clark, Rene and Jinx Snead, and Mike and Claudia Hanes.

Library materials have been shared by Lois Norwood, Teresa Shelby, Jyl Grimsley, Pam Kendrick, and Johnnie Walters.

Prepare For Winter Gas Bills

Atmos Energy is encouraging its customers to prepare for higher winter gas bills in several ways.

"No one benefits from higher gas costs—certainly not our customers, and not Atmos Energy itself," said Robert W. Best, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Atmos Energy Corporation and the 2004 chairman of the American Gas Association.

Utilities like Atmos Energy purchase natural gas on behalf of their customers and pass on the cost each month to customers without any markup. Gas utilities earn income from the fees approved by the state regulatory agency for delivering the gas to customers and maintaining the distribution system, not from the gas itself.

"During the winter months, the gas-cost portion of a customer's bill can be as much as \$8 out of every \$10 of the total bill," said Best. "For fixed-income and low-income consumers, keeping warm can be a serious hardship."

To assist these customers, Atmos Energy and other member utilities of the American Gas Association have urged Congress to increase funding for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). "Although we are pleased that Congress increased LIHEAP funding for fiscal 2005 to \$2.2 billion, it will not be enough to meet the needs that exist," Best said.

Atmos Energy partners with more than 900 local energy assistance agencies to provide options for customers who have difficulty paying their gas bills. The utility also offers payment arrangements to eligible customers to defer their payments over several months, if necessary. "We encourage all our customers to help those less fortunate by making a tax-deductible contribution to Atmos Energy's Share the Warmth Program," Best said. Through this program, funds contributed by customers are sent to local energy assistance agencies in that community for distribution to needy families.

Energy assistance agencies distribute funds to pay, on average, one-fifth of the annual energy costs of low-income consumers. Most recipients do not receive welfare but are working, elderly or disabled people with below-poverty incomes. The Share the Warmth contributions supplement the federal LIHEAP funds, which historically have been exhausted by February, the time when heating bills are the highest.

Atmos Energy recommends that its customers also take advantage of their own opportunities to lower energy bills.

Customers should contact a heating contractor for an annual inspection of all gas appliances to ensure they are operating properly and safely.

Customers can sign up for budget billing to help spread out annual gas bill payments throughout the year. The program is a "rolling 12-month" plan, so customers can sign up at any time of the year, with no annual settle-up.

Adding attic insulation and weatherization to doors and windows can lower the heat lost from a home. Building supply and hardware stores carry a wide range of materials and products and can offer assistance with installations.



Lions Club News

Friona Noon Lions held their final 2004 meeting Thursday December 16. Some members of the Friona high school choir came by to carol. Lion Clint Mears led a lively "sing around" of the Twelve Days of Christmas. Cecil Maddox won the \$1 prize for the most creative impression of swans swimming.

Lion Danny Black, in spite of health concerns, has suited up again this year for Santa duties. He came over to the meeting as Santa after spending time with the kids at the primary and elementary school cafeteria. Every year Danny makes several appearances as Santa to brighten the lives of the children.

We want to say thanks to Lupe Taylor and Mary Bridges who have cooked and served our meals this year at the club house on 9th Street. Lupe also runs Headquarters Restaurant. Michelle Soliz also helps out at times to serve our Lions meals. Thanks ladies for all the mashed potatoes and gravy and cobbler.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Noon Lions Club. We have appreciated your support throughout this year for our fundraising projects. We will continue through 2005 and hope to see you all again then. (Reported by Ron Carr).



LION Danny "Santa" Black with the Noon Lions' meal ladies, Mary Bridges, left, and Michelle Soliz. Santa and the Lions Club say Merry Christmas to all.

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Sheriff's Report

December 15, Kenny Edgington, 17, of Farwell, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with theft, pending Grand Jury.

December 15, Aaron Tanner, 33, of Broadview, New Mexico, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with violation of community supervision, pending District Court.

December 16, Israel Escobar, 18, of Farwell, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with theft, pending Grand Jury.

December 16, Juan Mariscal, 42, of Lockney, was arrested by the Friona Police and charged with driving with a suspended license, pending County Court.

December 17, Tracy Price, 26, of Portales, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with theft, pending District Court.

December 18, Michael Cox, 34, of Texico, was arrested by the Farwell Police and charged with theft by check, pending County Court.

December 18, Victor Alvarado, 49, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police and charged with DWI, pending County Court.

COURTHOUSE NOTES

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds from December 09, 2004 to December 15, 2004.

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Retired Teacher Assn. Meets Jan 4

The third of four annual meetings of the Parmer County Retired Teachers and School Personnel Association will be Tuesday, January 4, at 2 p.m. at the Friona State Bank Community Room.

The program will be "Potential for Renewable Energy in the Panhandle" presented by Ken Starcher. Mr. Starcher is a member of the agriculture department of West Texas A&M University.

Refreshments will be served. All retired teachers and school personnel in the area are encouraged to attend. Others with an interest in alternative energy sources are welcome also.

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FHS ALL-REGION band, l-r, Alonzo Rojas, Cindy Trevino, Hunter Monk, Brittany Anthony, Luci Rios, Kathy Anthony, and John Torres.
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Seven Selected to All-Region

Monday, December 6, members of the Chieftain Band traveled to Panhandle High School to try out for the Class A-AAA All-Region Bands. Each year the Association of Texas Small School Bands, or ATSSB, sponsors the selection of outstanding high school students to perform in the annual All-Region Band.

The process of selection is very competitive as the two bands are made up of students from three high school classifications in the Panhandle A, AA, and AAA. Top students are ranked according to their try out performance and placed according to that ranking in either the top band, Symphonic, or in the second band, Concert. Students who are placed at the top of their section in the Symphonic Band then advance on to area in the ATSSB All-State process.

Friona High School students

selected to the All-Region Concert Band were: Cindy Trevino, 4th chair, Alto Saxophone; and Luci Rios, 2nd chair, Tenor Saxophone.

Students selected to the All-Region Symphonic Band were: Hunter Monk, 4th chair, Baritone; and John Torres, 12th chair, Cornet.

The following students not only made the Symphonic Band but were ranked at the top of their sections and will be advancing on to the area competition for selection to the ATSSB All-State Band. They are Kathy Anthony, 3rd chair, Cornet; Alonzo Rojas, 2nd chair, Trombone; and Brittany Anthony, 1st chair, Flute.

"We are extremely proud of these students. They have honored themselves, their family, their school, and their community with their accomplishment," stated Ron McWilliams, Band Director.

Lewellen & Drachenberg Exchange Vows

Valen Charee Lewellen of Friona, Texas and Michael Sean Drachenberg of Smyer, Texas exchanged wedding vows at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 14, 2004. The ceremony was conducted in the Friona Community Center with Pastor Jay Beyer of Lubbock officiating.

Parents of the couple are Jody and Detrica Lewellen of Friona, and John and Gail Drachenberg of Sadler, Texas.

Grandparents of the bride are Joe and Ibbey Lewellen of Friona, John and Beulah Miller of Friona, and Bill and Chris Jones of Grady, New Mexico.

Grandparents of the groom are Juanita Drachenberg of Smyer, and Arthur and Janet Burke of Lubbock.

As the guests were being seated, cowboy poetry was read by Thom Moore, an uncle of the bride. Country music was played including 'I Cross My Heart', 'Then They Do', 'When You Say Nothing At All', 'With This Ring', and 'Forever and Always'. Mark and Deirdre Osborn were the music coordinators.

As the bride was presented in marriage by her father and mother, Jody and Detrica, she wore a white eyelet halter top with a satin lace up back, and full-length eyelet skirt with a small train all trimmed in scalloped lace. She wore her grandmother's white roper boots.

Her white tulle, shoulder length veil was trimmed with scalloped lace and topped with a small white cowboy hat. She carried a bouquet of red carnations, large burnt red sunflowers, blue bonnets, and assorted wildflowers, cascading with greenery and red and white cowboy hats. She wore her mother's necklace with the promise ring given to her by Jody.

Michelle Adkins from Lubbock, best friend of the bride, served as the maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Chantell

Francis of Silverton, sister of the bride, Adrienne Osborn of Friona, cousin of the bride, and Cristy Drachenberg, of Sadler, sister of the groom.

The maid of honor wore a full-length red cotton brocade sundress with white eyelet lace on the hem. Other feminine attendants wore two piece long skirts with spaghetti strapped tops from the same red cotton brocade. They were also accented with the white eyelet lace on the hem. Each carried a red carnation and wildflower variety bouquet.

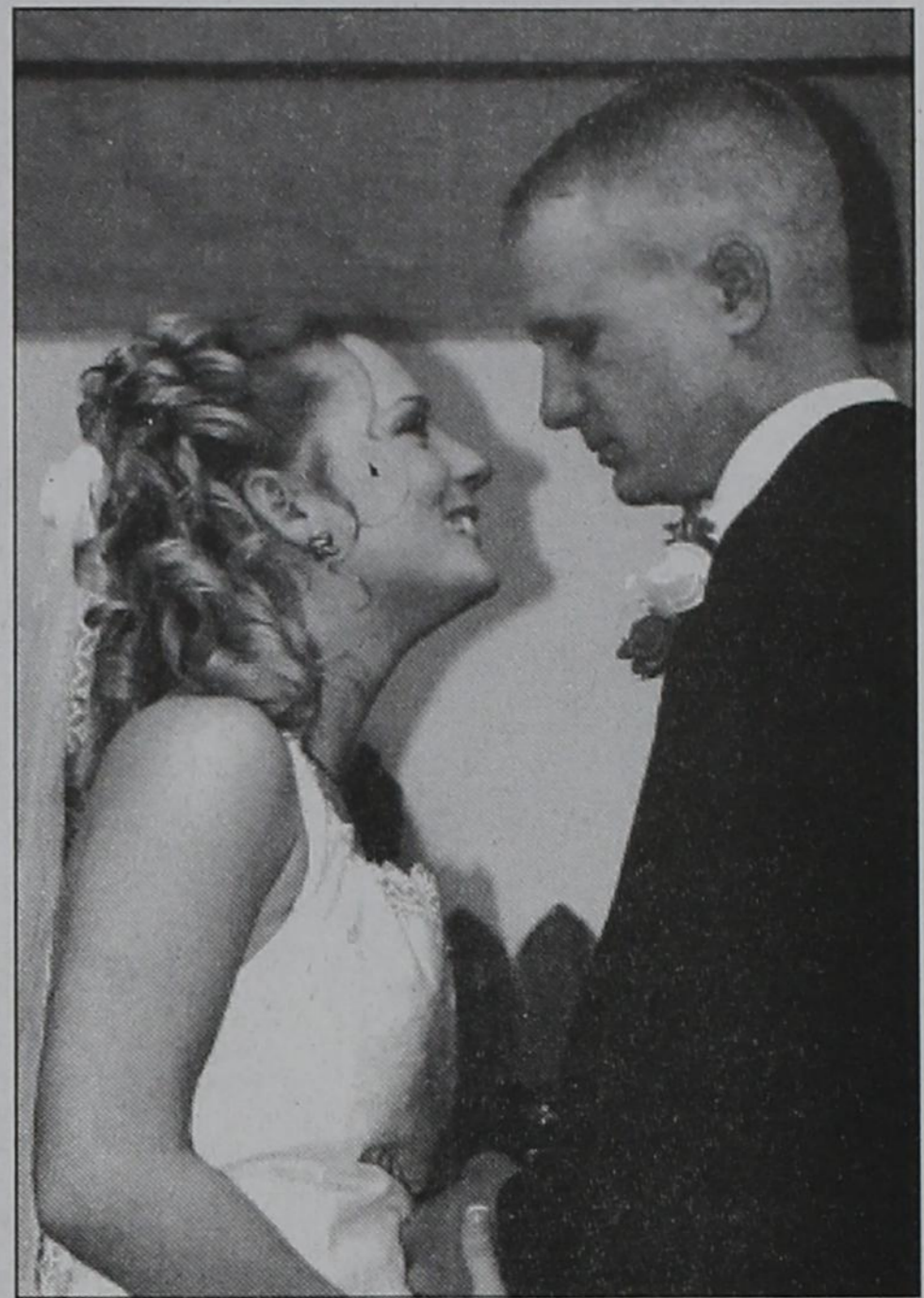
The groom wore a black western tux jacket, black wranglers, a white shirt with a black string tie, and his black hat.

Joe Navar of Del City, served as the 'best man. Groomsmen, all friends of the groom, were Davey Price and John Wood both of Smyer, and Robert Gillespie of Lubbock. The male attendants wore a black western tux jackets, black wranglers, black string ties and cowboy hats.

Amy Osborn, cousin of the bride served as the flower girl. She wore a smaller version of the female attendants dress and carried a basket of wildflowers. Chase Alexander, friend of the bride, served as the ring bearer. He wore black jeans and a white shirt, and carried a black cowboy hat made into a pillow, topped with two white cowboy hats, rope, and two rings.

Serving as ushers were Greg Lewellen of Canyon, Chance Lewellen of Friona, and Walon Jones of Grady, New Mexico, all cousins of the bride, and Dustin Price of Smyer, friend of the groom.

The community center was decorated in two sections. One section was an "old town" with the church in the center. The church had a stage that was decorated with a picket fence, two picket crosses, and sunflowers. The stair case railing leading to the stage was



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wrapped in sunflowers. A large basket filled with sunflowers and a horseshoe hat rack stood in front of the stage. Down the aisles were heart topped lantern holders, with a red lantern in each one, made by the bride's father.

The other half of the community center served as the reception hall. It was decorated with western items and John Deere tractors. The main table held a tiered heart shaped white cake with red carnations and cowboy hats. There were satellite heart shaped cakes, each with a rope and a red/white cowboy hat sitting atop. The groom's cakes were scenes of a farm and silage cutter. Coffee and lemonade were also served.

The guest tables were shaped in a horseshoe with red and white tablecloths and each table held a decanter of wildflowers.

Servers were Jennifer Newson, Sara Drachenberg, and Dwana Warren all of Lubbock, and Pamela Jones and Terace Pond of Grady, New Mexico.

Attending the registry was Kodie Jones of Grady.

The couple will make their home in Smyer, after a honeymoon in Ruidoso, New Mexico.

Michael is attending Texas Tech University Graduate School and Charee is employed by Cingular in Lubbock.



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IT WAS a physical game of speed as the Squaws edged the Vega Lady Longhorns 46-44 in a seesaw battle. Katy Welch (21) challenges for a loose ball. Trisha Winebrinner (40) and Krista Graham give chase. ron carr photo

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Squaws Finally Beat Lady Longhorns 46-44

BY RON CARR

This season the Squaws have won games over 4A, 3A, 2A, and 1A schools but the 1A Vega Lady Longhorns brought all Friona could handle to the gym Friday night.

In a style similar to Friona's the Lady Longhorns ran a backcourt press much of the game, and showed speed on fast breaks and in their ball handling. The Squaws also pressed much of the time creating several turnovers but Vega was able to break the press with regularity. In the end, Friona's staying power, determination, and experience proved a little too much for the Vega girls as Friona drilled out a two-point win. Vega's starting lineup consisted of one senior, two juniors, a sophomore and a freshman. Experience counts.

The main weakness this night for the Squaws was offensive rebounds. Coach North noted after the game that the girls were not going to the basket, following their shots, and blocking out under the offensive boards.

For the first full minute of the game, the Squaws did not even get to their own offensive end of the floor as Vega held the ball

and rebounded their own misses. A foul by Friona gave Vega a 1-0 lead, which they held most of the first half. The Squaws managed 9 points in the 1Q and 10 in the 2Q but trailed 22-19 at the half to the pesky Longhorn ladies.

Then the excitement started for real. In the first 30 seconds of the 2nd half, two feeds underneath to Trisha Winebrinner, one off an inbound steal, gave Friona four quick points and a 23-22 lead but Vega came back for two and the lead changed to Vega 24-23.

Then the Squaws ripped off four consecutive baskets on another feed and layup to Winebrinner, a fast break layup by Andrea Geries and another by Misty Adams and a quick inbound score by Courtney Adams gave Friona their first "big" lead of the night 31-24.

But wait. Friona's luck turned as Vega came back with an 8-point run of their own to take the lead back again 32-31, then Vega's Lindsey Meyer tossed up a buzzer beater 3-point goal to give Vega back a 35-31 lead at the end of the 3Q.

Did Trisha Winebrinner get mad or get even in the 4Q? Winebrinner brought the score back to 35-33, Vega scored to make it 37-33, then Trisha came on a fast break to inch back to 37-35. A foul by Friona, one of the few called in the game, gave Vega a 38-35 advantage.

Andrea Geries drove the court and scored on a layup to come back again within one, 38-37. But Vega would not go away. A goal and another foul gave them a 41-37 lead. A jump shot by Courtney Adams made it 41-39. Winebrinner got her 4th foul with 4:03 left and Vega still led 42-39.

A steal by Friona's own pesky Squaw, point guard Andrea Geries, who sent a lob pass to Trisha made it 42-41 favor Vega with 3:45 left. An inbound lob to Winebrinner looked too easy as the senior post scored again to give Friona the lead at last, 43-42. Guess what? Vega took possession and scored to regain the lead again 44-43.

On Friona's possession, they needed a three and Geries delivered. A kickoff pass to Geries and she rocked the bottom of

the net while the crowd rocked the rafters. Friona led 46-44 but there was still 1:40 left.

Not to worry? Friona got the ball but threw it away on a bad pass. Vega's ball but, a tie-ball went to Friona on possession. A pass in to Misty Adams who took a shot, missed, Vega got the rebound but traveled, so the Squaws with about :45 left ran out the clock. There had been only one foul called in the 2nd half so an intentional foul by Vega as time ran out would have been for naught since no free throws would have been given.

Winebrinner led scoring with 16 points (14 in the second half), Geries added 13, Courtney Adams 6, Katy Welch 5, Misty Adams 4, and Krista Graham 2. Winebrinner and Geries combined to score 13 of Friona's 15 points in the 4Q.

Vega managed four 3-point goals in the game while holding the usually deadeye Squaws to only one 3-pointer. Squaw sophomore starter Shayli Reed is still out with a knee injury but may be back in time for the Squaws next set of games, the Caprock Tournament in Lubbock December 29-31.

JV Squaws and Chiefs Dehorn Vega Longhorns

BY DANA D. JAMESON

Friday, December 17, proved to be a very good night when the JV Chiefs & Squaws hosted Vega.

The Squaws had their ups and downs against the Lady Longhorns. Sometimes leading by 2 points but then coming back to lead by 11. The Squaws prevailed and won 37-33.

Briana Wright led the team in scoring with 9 points, 1 three pointer and hitting 2 for 2 at the line. Miranda Frye scored 8 points and had 1-three pointer.

Molly Carthel scored 7 points, Briar Barnett 4, Breann Barnett 3 with 1 three pointer, Julie Echevarria, Deniss Vasquez and Beth Nava each scored 2.

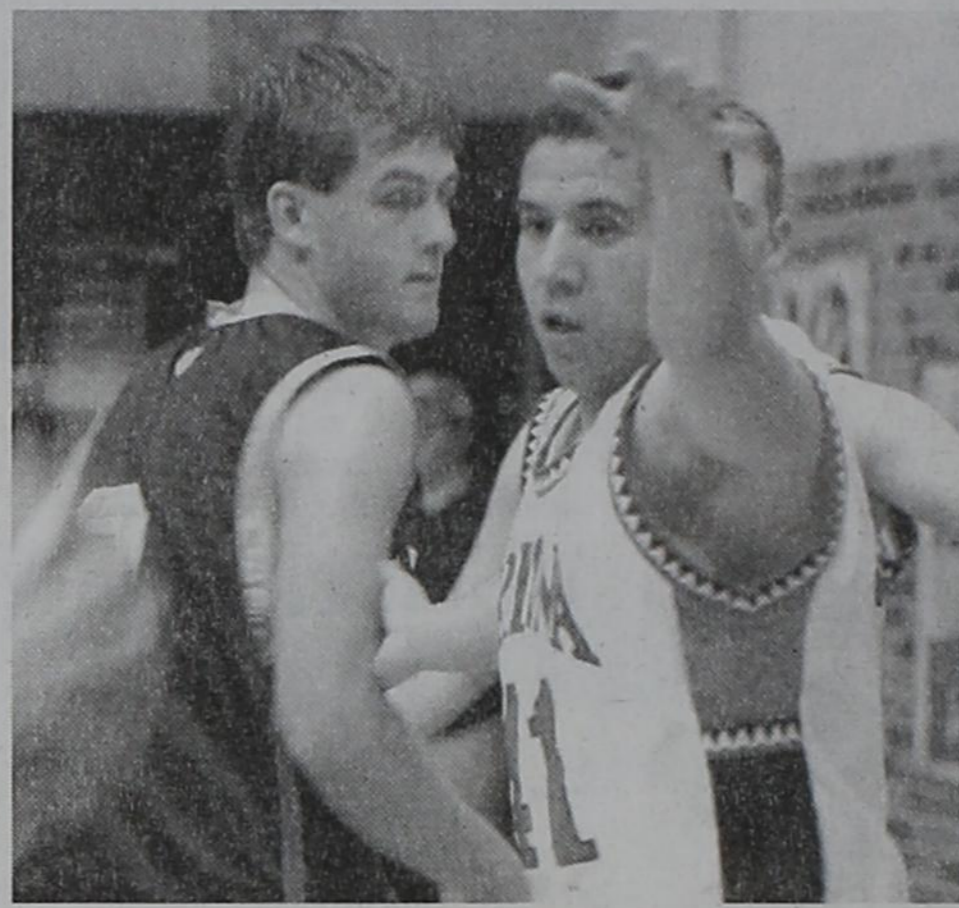
Leading at halftime 28-16 the JV Chiefs continued to pound the Longhorns to win, 46-34.

Caleb Miller was having a hot streak leading the team in scoring with 14 points, 3-three point shots and 3 of 4 at the line.

Antonio Monreal scored 10, Chance Lewellen 7, and Andrew Aguirre 6.

Kelby Monroe scored 5 and 3 of 4 from the line, Sean Lookingbill and Tolby Wilcox 2 points each.

Coach David Towner's JV Chiefs and Coach Ky Graham's JV Squaws are off for some much needed rest over the Christmas holidays and will travel to Muleshoe on January 4.



JON NAVA mixes it up with a Vega defender.

Chiefs Lose to Vega 36-31



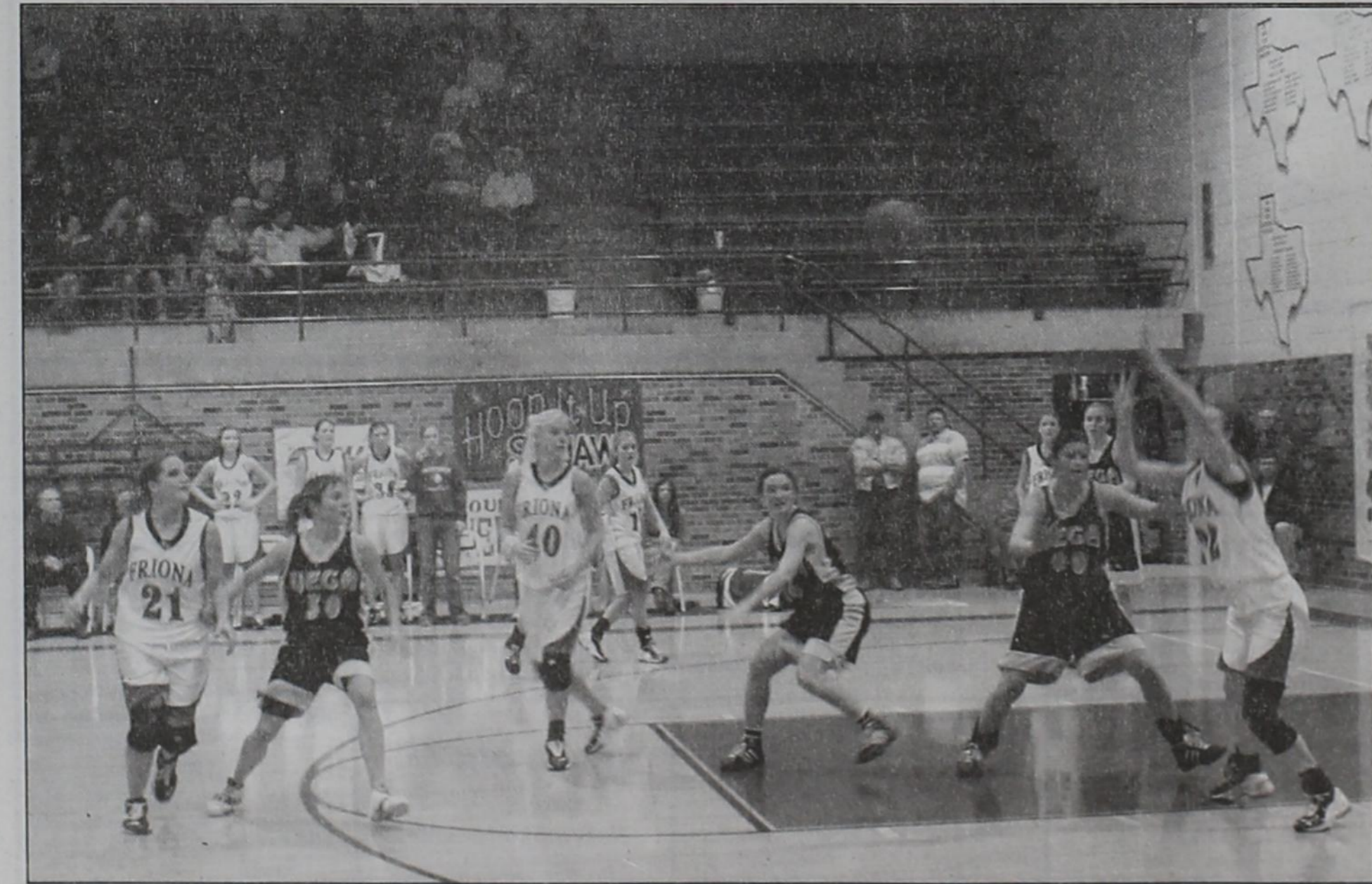
HECTOR SANCHEZ, sophomore, makes a layup vs Vega.

dana d. jameson photos

The Friona Chiefs went to holiday break with a 3-9 record after losing a low scoring game to Vega 36-31. Vega led at the half 14-10.

Left-hand shooter Jon Nava led the Chiefs with 13 points. Matt Gammon had 6, Will Hughs 3, Hector Sanchez 2, Cody Jameson 2, Hayden Patton 2, Rudy Gonzalez 2, and Chad Hutson 1 point.

After Christmas week, the Chiefs travel to the Littlefield Tournament December 27-29.



A LOB PASS heads for the hands of Misty Adams (32). In the game from left are Squaws Katy Welch (21), Trisha Winebrinner (40) Andrea Geries (10) and Krista Graham. Looking on from the sideline are Brenda Murphree, Staci Murphree, Courtney Adams and Shayli Reed. The Squaws next outing is the always tough Caprock Tournament in Lubbock December 29-31.

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FRIONA FLASHBACKS

75 Yrs. Ago
December 27, 1929

The Star is authorized to announce that the people of the Baptist congregation will hold their first devotional services in their new church at Sixth Street and Summitt Avenue this Sunday. The regular Sunday School services will be held, beginning at 10 a.m., when arrangements have been made to have Santa Claus visit the school and distribute a Christmas treat to each one.

60 Yrs. Ago
December 29, 1944

Americans, traditionally overfed at Christmas, went back to shorter rations Tuesday morning when most meats which have been point free for several months were returned to the ration list and point values were again placed on nearly all canned vegetables and canned preserves and jellies. Christmas Day for 1944 was probably as quiet a day at Friona as the

town has ever seen it, even compared to the time in the town's early history when a traveling salesman said that someone had to get out shortly after daylight each morning and chase the jack rabbits out of the streets.

55 Yrs. Ago
December 23, 1949

The management of Friona Wheat Growers, Inc. have added to the Christmas spirit at Friona, by the erection on the extreme top of their large elevator, a beautiful electrical display in Yuletide colors. The display features a large five-pointed star beautifully lighted by electricity, and surmounting a border of red and green light, framing the top of the head house.

40 Yrs. Ago
December 24, 1964

Brenda Hawker, Friona's exchange student from Australia, is spending her first Christmas away from home,

and is hoping to see her first "White Christmas." Being from Australia, she is use to observing Christmas in the middle of the summer. Brenda is staying with the E.G Phipps family during her year in Friona.

20 Yrs. Ago
December 23, 1984

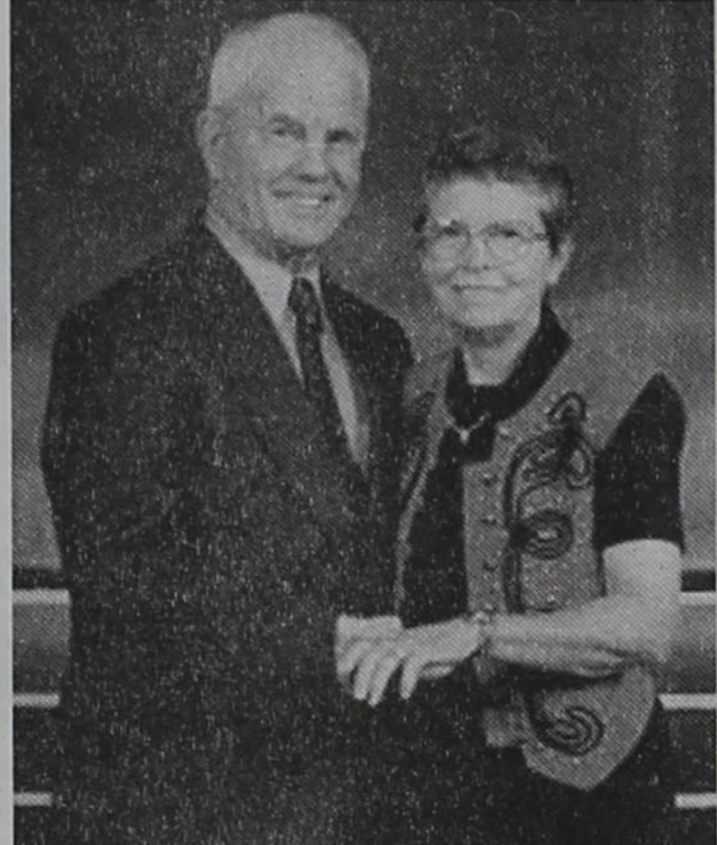
The Friona Chieftain footballers landed two spots on the first team offense, and two spots on the first-team defense, as the all-district teams were announce this week. John Aguirre and Matt Osborn were the Chieftains who were tapped both on offense and defense. Aguirre made the offensive team as a wide receiver and the defensive team at the safety position. Osborn gained a spot both as an offensive and a defensive lineman. On offense, Osborn was the "pulling guard" on the team's sweep plays, and Coach Tommy Moss credited him with being a big factor in the success of the Chieftains' running attack in 1984.



Dub & Virginia To Celebrate 50 Years

There will be a celebration on Sunday, December 26, 2004, to honor Dub and Virginia Cleveland's 50th wedding anniversary. It will be held at the Friona Senior Citizens Friendship House from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., with a short program at 2:30 p.m.

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Widner's Golden Anniversary Honored

Lawrence and Carolyn Widner, of Bovina, will celebrate 50 years of marriage next week. They were married in House, New Mexico on December 29, 1954 at the First Baptist Church. Their children, Chris and Terry Hunt, Larry Widner, Butch and Linda Merritt, Kelly and Laura McMillin, and 12 grandchildren will honor them with a party at the traditional Widner Family Christmas in Estancia, New Mexico.

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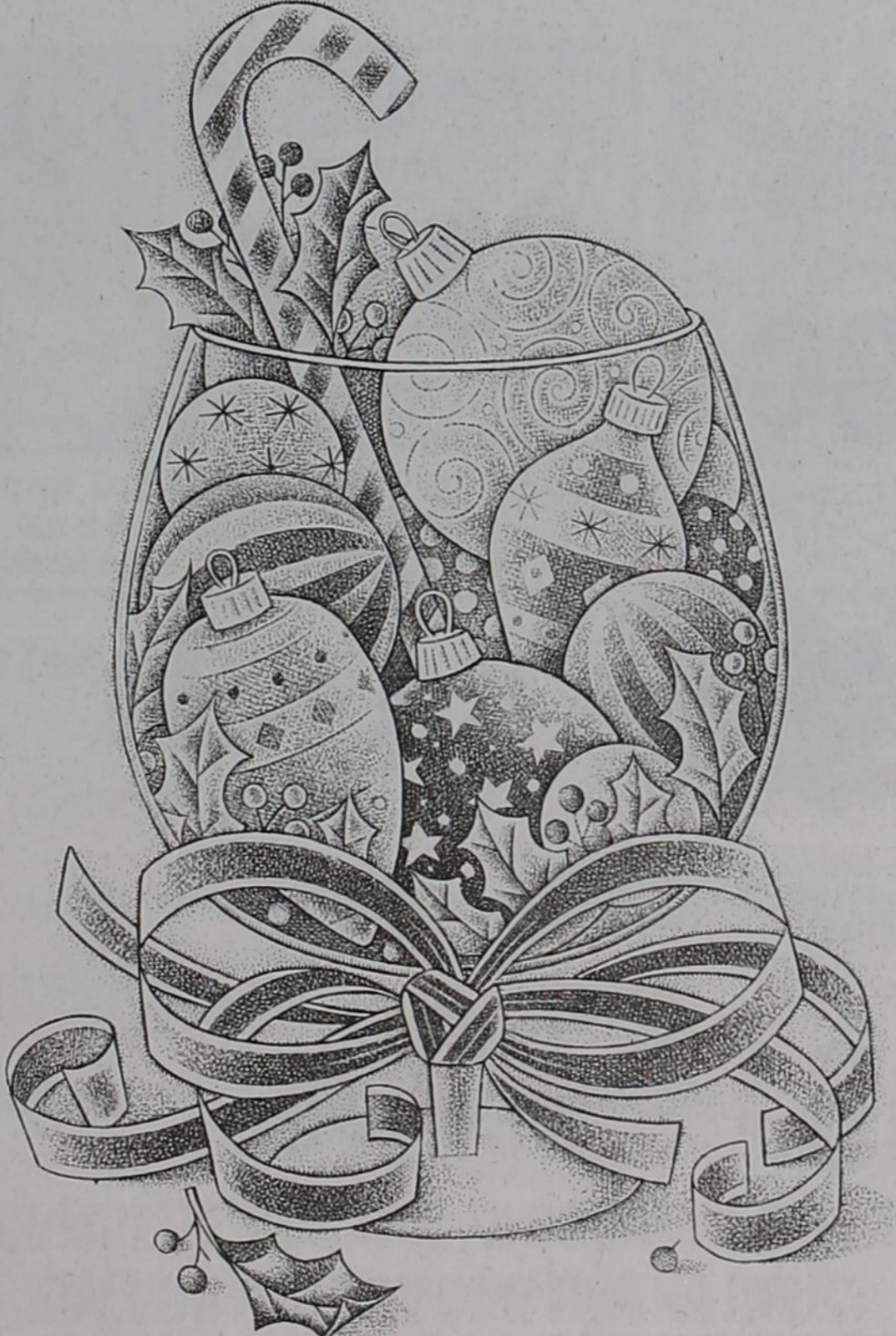
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December 26 thru January 1, 2005

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- Dec. 27-Joanna Schueler, Johnnie Walters, Micha Duke, Levi Whitney Bandy.
- Dec. 28-Allen Stewart, Todd Long, James Chadwick, Sara Zervas, Kim Caffey, Jan Parker, Nathan Hoon, Amy Stephens, Caroline Zagorin, Brandon Berend.
- Dec. 29-Holly White Schueler, Alan Monroe, Debby Stovall, Heather Schueler, Melissa Vazquez, Zora Gaede.
- Dec. 30-Jerry Goen, Larry Sanders, Jessie Gonzales, Jianna Davenport, Frankie Lindeman, Sarah Hendree, Jessica Jamerson.
- Dec. 31-Bill Ellis, Glenda Ellis Kitten, Keith Martin, Staci Murphree, Oscar Torres.
- Jan. 1-Hack Corbell, Gary Stowers, Richard Wilson, Cordella Jeter, Loree Myers, Benny Pryor

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They tell me that some kids don't have many toys
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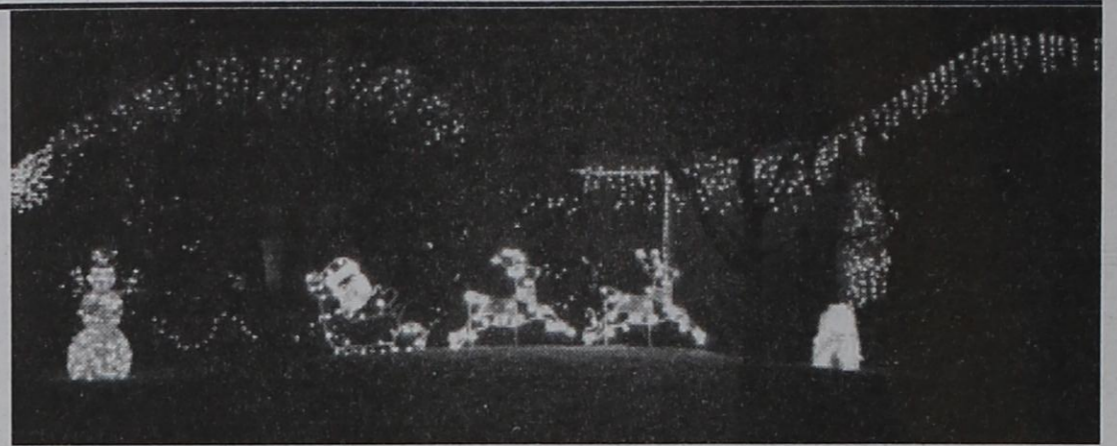
I remember the wonderful things you've brought here,
I hope you'll do that for some others this year.
Just look up the past, as you make out your list,
Then please put on top the ones that were missed.



Some of us that you have blessed in the past
Will rejoice, this year, with your gift that will last:
For it's through your example you taught us our part,
It's the spirit of giving you've placed in each heart.



I've talked to my friends and we've pledged that this year
We will all do our best to help spread your cheer
We'll make someone smile who's been sad Christmas Day.
Dear Santa, I love you. Your friend, Anna Mae.
—Grandpa Tucker



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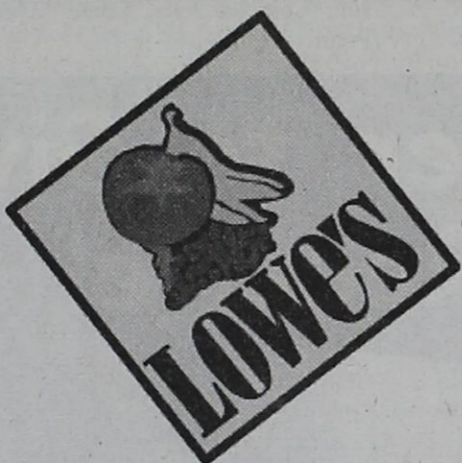
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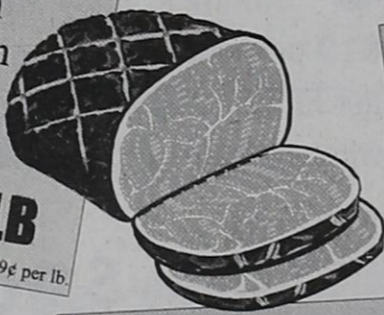
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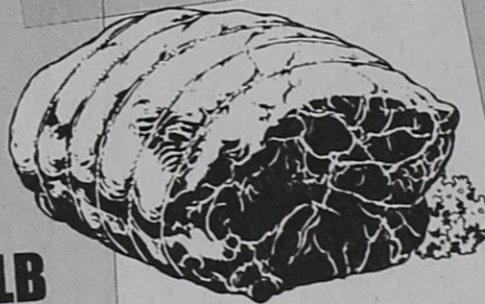


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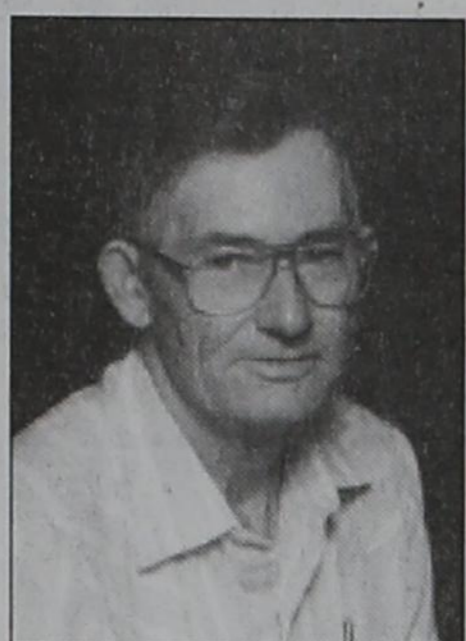
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OBITUARIES

Junior Wilkerson

Funeral services for Junior Wilkerson, 71, of Lazbuddie, Texas were held at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 22, 2004, at the Calvary Baptist Church of Friona, with Reverend JaNoah Goad, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Howardwick, Texas, and Reverend Alvin Petty, pastor, officiating. Burial followed in the Parmer County Memorial Park Cemetery by Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.



JUNIOR WILKERSON

Mr. Wilkerson died Sunday evening, December 19, 2004, at his residence near Lazbuddie. He was born April 25, 1933 in Hartsel, Alabama to Theodore and Nova Wilkerson.

Junior married Katie Mae Bentley on February 18, 1956 in Clovis, New Mexico. They moved to Lazbuddie three years ago from Clarendon. He was a retired farmer and rancher, and a member of the First Baptist Church in Howardwick.

One son, Randy Wilkerson, preceded him in death on January 12, 1997.

Survivors include his wife; one son, Ronnie Wilkerson of Lazbuddie; one daughter, Debbie Pool of Big Spring, Texas; two sisters, Sally Putman of Friona and Willadean Dempsy of Alabama; four brothers, Ted and Carl Osborn of Friona, Ardis Wilkerson of Brownwood, Texas and Jim Skipworth of Stephenville, Texas; and five grandchildren, Kolby Wilkerson, Averi Wilkerson, Shiloh Pool, Chance Pool, and Garret Pool.

Edward Lee Allen

Edward Lee Allen went home to be with the Lord on December 12, 2004. He was born in Levelland, Texas on May 10, 1942 to Marvin and Annie Logsdon Allen.

In 1961, he married Monty Baker and they made their home in Friona. In 1997 they relocated to Buckeye, Arizona.

Throughout his lifetime as a custom harvester, he worked with three generations of his family including his father-in-law J.G. Baker, his son Dexter, and his grandsons. He enjoyed working in the fields, traveling, and meeting people who became his friends. He was most proud of his children and grandchildren and will be missed by all who knew him.

He is survived by his wife, Monty of the home; one son, Dexter Allen, daughter-in-law Cristy, and grandsons Derek and Stefan of Buckeye, Arizona; one daughter, Shannon Grissom, son-in-law Tim, and two granddaughters Lianna and Alexa of Lubbock, Texas; his mother, Annie Hoffman of Lubbock; and one sister, Twila Hicks of Lubbock.

His father, Marvin, preceded him in death.

Abigail Alexis Tamez

Abigail Alexis Tamez, infant daughter of Nemecio Rodriguez and Stephanie Ann Tamez of Bovina, died Monday, December 20, 2004 in Amarillo.

Funeral mass was held on Thursday, December 23, 2004 at 11:00 a.m. in St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina, with Father David Contreras as Celebrant. Burial followed in Bovina Cemetery by Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

Survivors include her parents; grandparents, Claude Tamez Jr. and wife Blanca Tamez, and Nemecio Rodriguez Sr. and wife Maria Rodriguez, all of Bovina; one aunt, Kimberly Tamez of Bovina; three uncles, Claude Tamez III, Mario Rodriguez, and Jesse Rodriguez, all of Bovina; and one great-grandfather, Claude Tamez Sr. of Bovina.



Meet the Class of 2016

Morgan is a kindergarten student at Friona Schools. Her parents are Kalynn & Cody Wade.

Morgan likes jumping, dancing, working at dairy, and playing with cousins. Her favorite food is cereal and Macaroni & Cheese. Her favorite color is blue.

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Bovina Reflections

45 Yrs. Ago
December 22, 1959
Dear Santa Claus,
Will you please bring me a tiny tears doll and a rocker bassinet? Thank you.
Your Friend, Deborah Kay Spicer

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and a basket and a nurse set and a tiny chair.
Merry Christmas Santa,
Goodbye Santa.
I Love You, Debra Kirkpatrick

Dear Santa,
I would like a BB gun and a Wyatt Earp Suit. If you are hungry, help yourself to our Christmas goodies.
Love, Michael Beauchamp

35 Yrs. Ago
December 24, 1969
Dear Santa,
My name is Charlie and I have been a pretty good boy only part of the time. I would like a trampoline, a mighty loader and a tru-smoke.
Charlie Trimble

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a baby catch-a-ball, a watch, some black patent boots, size 13-D. How is Rudolph and the other reindeer?
Love, Denise Read

Dearest Santa,
I have been very good this year. Please bring me a Dallas Cowboy Football suit. I would also like to have a service station. Please bring me some little "extras" if you have them. I Love You, Santa.
Jon Lin Riddle, Jr.

30 Yrs. Ago
December 25, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
If you can bring me some walkie-talkies, air hockey table and a mini-bike, I would be thankful.
Love Tommy Hutto

Dear Santa,
I am Scotty. I would like a Cox Dunebuggy. Charles would like a crane car and a boomfender. Sharlet would like a bicycle with training wheels.
Your friends, Scotty, Charles & Sharlet Johnson

Dear Santa,
I want a stuffed monkey with a banana in it's hand, please. I also want a tape recorder. How is Rudolph and the other reindeer? How is Mrs. Claus?
Love, Holli Clayton

25 Yrs. Ago
December 26, 1979
Dear Santa Claus,
It will soon be Christmas again. I tried to be good this year. Could you please bring me a play dog and race track.
Love, Libby Marshall

Dear Santa,
My name is Angela. I have a sister named Lori. We have been

good girls this year. Would you please bring us a playhouse and some dishes. Thank you very much.
Angela and Lori Beauchamp

Dear Santa,
I am in the first grade. I have been good. I want a trampoline and fashion plate.
Love, Keri Mitchell

20 Yrs. Ago
December 25, 1984
Dear Santa,
I am in first grade. I have tried to be good this year. Please bring me Cabbage Patch Kid, care bear, Barbie, cabbage patch swing and something for Willie.
Love, Kasey Bell

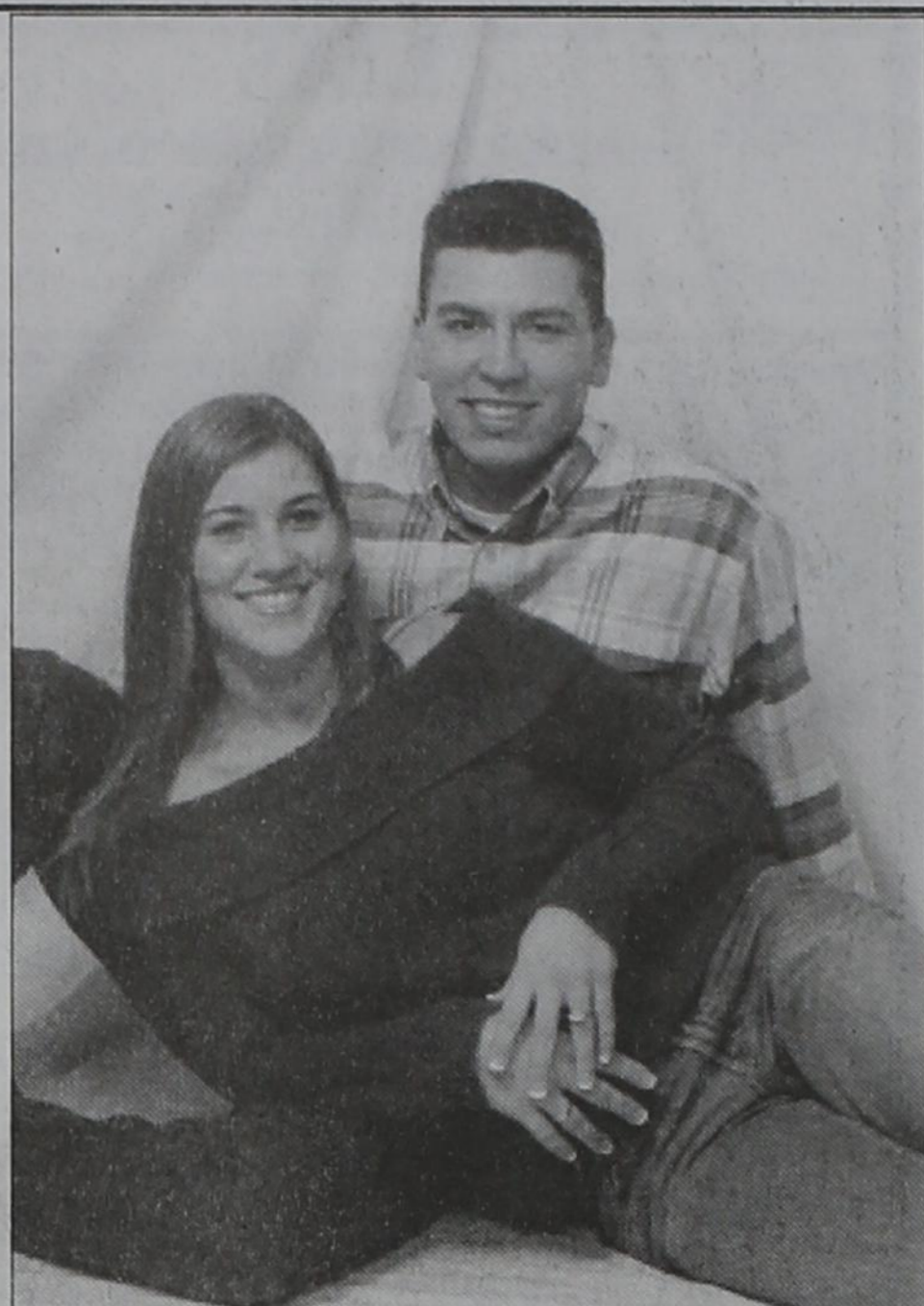
Dear Santa,
I would like to thank you for bringing all the toys last year. I know how Christmas was made. It was made like this when baby Jesus was born. That's how Christmas happened. Plez bring me a football.
Love, Lance McClaran

Dear Santa,
I would like to thank you for bringing me toys. I want a Care Bear and a mask of you, and a funny hat. Bring my brother a car.
Love, Brooke Charles

10 Yrs. Ago
December 24, 1994
Dear Santa,
How are you? I hope you are well. Thank you for the gifts you gave me last year. I hope you bring me some roller blades. Game gear, and a teddy bear. Please give my family some gifts, too.
Dustin Lara

Dear Santa,
How are you? I hope you are fine. Thank you for the gifts you gave me last year. Please bring me a bunny rabbit, bike and roller blades. I hope Mrs. Claus is fine. I hope the elves have got the gifts ready. I hope the reindeer are ready to go.
Kristen Montgomery

Dear Santa,
I want a farm and truck with a trailer. How is the north pole? How is Mrs. Santa doing. I hope she is doing good. How are your deer doing? I think they are doing fine to.
Your friend, Chris Bachicha



MOLLY RUNDELL & LUKE STEELMAN

M. Rundell & L. Steelman Engagement Announced

The parents of Molly Rundell and Luke Steelman proudly announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children. Molly is the daughter of Glen and Debbie Muennink of Hondo, Texas and Luke is the son of Joe and Esther Steelman of Bovina.

The couple will exchange wedding vows at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 8, 2005 at the First Baptist Church of Bovina.

Miss Rundell is a Hondo High School graduate and currently attends Eastern New Mexico University.

Mr. Steelman is a Bovina High School graduate and a Texas A&M University graduate. He is currently self-employed in farming.

Happy Birthday Bovina

December 26 thru January 1, 2005

- Dec. 26-Dean Wines, Kenneth Estes
- Dec. 27-Norma Villarreal, Joe Steelman
- Dec. 28-Tammy Stormes, Francis Johnson
- Dec. 29-Angie Riley, Scott Riley
- Dec. 31-Michelle Stanberry, Joshua Parson, Brenda Wilson
- Jan. 1-Jody Wilburn



BOVINA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2004

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES:			
Total Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 847,349	\$ 86,465	\$ 933,814
State Program Revenues	3,080,252	80,642	3,160,894
Federal Program Revenues	-	557,303	557,303
Total Revenues	3,927,601	724,410	4,652,011
EXPENDITURES:			
Current:			
Instruction	2,282,266	327,992	2,610,258
Instructional Resources & Media Services	38,100	49,630	87,730
Curriculum & Instructional Staff Development	5,895	-	5,895
Instructional Leadership	895	20,061	20,956
School Leadership	257,638	1,387	259,025
Guidance, Counseling & Evaluation Services	5,330	24,420	29,750
Health Services	5,217	36,576	41,793
Student (Pupil) Transportation	123,998	1,828	125,826
Food Services	-	268,798	268,798
Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities	174,815	565	175,380
General Administration	208,294	902	209,196
Plant Maintenance and Operations	340,183	2,763	342,946
Data Processing Services	20,260	-	20,260
Debt Service:			
Debt Service - Principal on long-term debt	11,045	-	11,045
Debt Service - Interest on long-term debt	7,613	-	7,613
Capital Outlay:			
Facilities Acquisition and Construction	23,740	-	23,740
Total Expenditures	3,505,289	734,922	4,240,211
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	422,312	(10,512)	411,800
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):			
Sale of Real and Personal Property	1,150	-	1,150
Transfers In	-	25,552	25,552
Transfers Out (Use)	(25,552)	-	(25,552)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(24,402)	25,552	1,150
Net Change in Fund Balances	397,910	15,040	412,950
Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	911,354	15,764	927,118
Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$ 1,309,264	\$ 30,804	\$ 1,340,068

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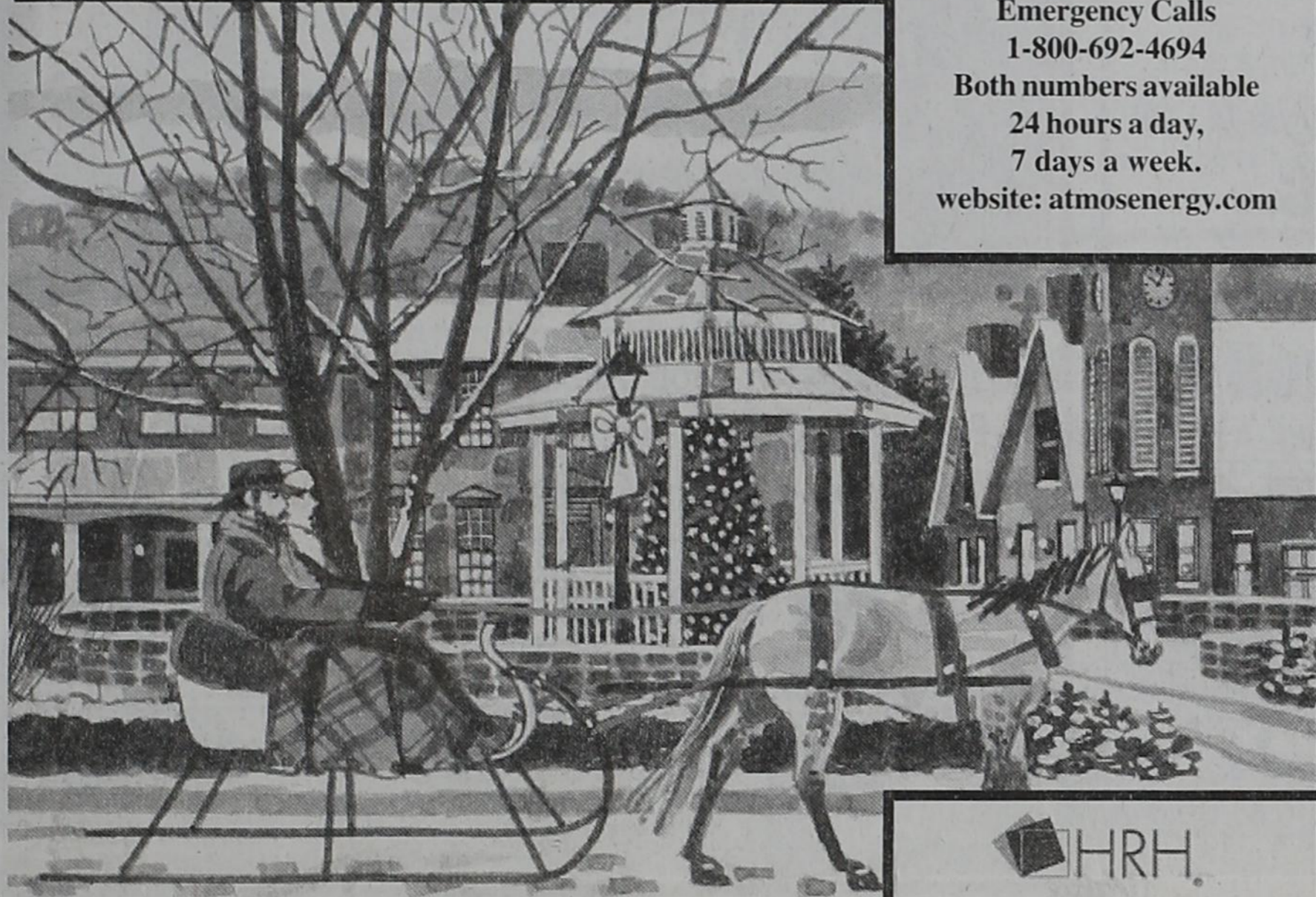
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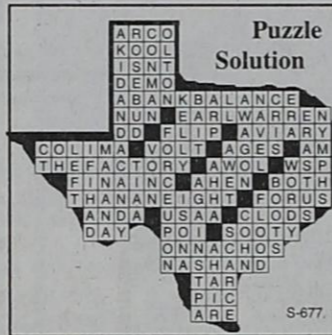


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 1 oil & gas company
 5 TX liquor store;
 6 TX VP John Garner said his job worth a bucket of warm spit
 7 cheaper new car?
 8 TXism: "scarce as a wildcatter with"
 17 TX Debbie film: "The Singing"
 18 head of the JFK commission
 21 Astro pitcher Drabek in '93-'96 (init.)
 22 NFL coin toss
 23 "Raptor Canyon" in Fort Worth Zoo
 24 Big Bend is only spot in U.S. for the "warbler"
 29 12- battery
 30 gets old
 31 radio station type
 32 TX Clint Black's "Straight Out of"
 34 unauthorized absence (abbr.)
 35 real name init. of TX O. Henry
 36 Dallas-based oil & gas co.
 37 TXism: "active as a fox in house"
 38 Lorrie Morgan's "We Walk"
 39 TXism: "wound tighter"
 41 "A Time"

DOWN
 1 TXism: "just two whoops holler away"
 43 San Antonio insurance co.
 44 TXism: "turn some (plow)"
 45 TX actress Lynda George
 46 Hawaiian food
 47 Santa's suit at work?
 48 where jalapeno's are placed (2 wds.)
 50 TX Stephen Stills group: "Crosby, Stills, Young"
 51 TXism: "hot as road in July"
 52 TX grocery: "N Pak"
 53 TX Paula Prentiss film: "Where the Boys"
 1 TXism: "goes together like"
 2 in Falls Co. on 77
 3 TXism: "snake oil salesman"
 4 in Lamb Co. on 70
 9 San Antonio AFB
 10 fish temptation
 11 in Smith Co. on 135
 12 a coal miner's daughter (init.)
 13 TXism: "she could talk out of a ditch"
 14 Ernest Borgnine's son
 16 time period
 19 TX "Deaf" Smith grasshoppers in larval form
 20 militia movement book: "A"
 21 the Plain
 24 George H. Sup. Ct. appointee (init.)
 25 TX Orbison's "Pretty Woman"
 26 TXism: "lit out"
 27 TX Trini's "A Hammer"
 28 "tomorrow" south of the border
 29 this Paul was the owner of Terlingua
 30 TXism: "does dog stink?"
 31 "CREP"
 34 TX Willis: "take it away Leon"
 35 verbose
 37 24 TX slogan: "Me for Ma - And I Ain't Got a Derrn Thing"
 38 cowboy footwear
 40 Lincoln's face
 41 5-dollar bill
 44 Sabine unleashed
 44 TX Joe Don film: "Citizen"
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 49 TXism: "worthless as half cut"

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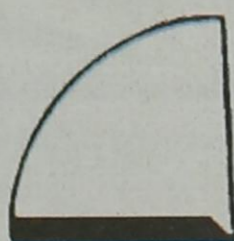
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Daniel Iraheta

Dear Santa
Are you coming to my hous on Cristmas! I lik Cristmas. I wont a Barbe and a teddy bear.

Love Karen Meza

Dear Santa,
I want a Brat doll for Christmas I also want a little bed for my Brat I want a scooter and a bike with no little wheele Santa Nice

Love Evelyn Lozoya

Dear Santa,
Is it cold in the north pole? How is Mrs. Claus? for Christmas I want a barbie House.

love cecilia Fernandez

Dear Santa
How are you Dowing? Do you give toys Santa? Pliz Breing yo go oh games.

love Germain Garcia

Dear Santa,
Did you have a nise Kresmis, plese bring my a prat teluFone, and a trampling, and a cashregstr. I hope you have a nise Christmas

Courtney Bunker

Dear santa how are you doing? I wish I had a Bratz car Puppy and a computer and a jeep.

Love Jasmine Rodriguez

Dear Santa
How are you? I want a barbie and my sister wants a bakrer.

luve

Libby Castillo

Dear Santa
I hope you had a good thanksgiving. I want a Brown Dog.

Love

Jessie Castaneda

Dear Santa,
How is roodf? How are you? For Christmas I want a Games that are raded E and a Ninja Turtle and a Dog. Have a Merry Christmas

Luv

Trey Hurst

Dear Santa
How are yor reindeer? Ples bring me a 57-IN. WidescReeN HdTV and a 27-IN. FLAT screen tv and a 20-IN. TV/dvd

Thank you
Oscar Huerta.

Dear Santa,
How do the elves make toys? I want a Car.
Love
Rafael Calvillo



With Our Thanks!

We know you've been really good, especially to all of us, and we wish you the very best holiday season!

Parmer County Pump Company
Hollis Horton



Every member of our team would like to thank all of those who have pulled so hard for us this year.

It's been a privilege and a pleasure serving you. We look forward to seeing you again in the new year.

Greetings From The North Pole ... And From Us, Too!



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Garcia and Mann Honored At Fire Department Banquet

BY RON CARR

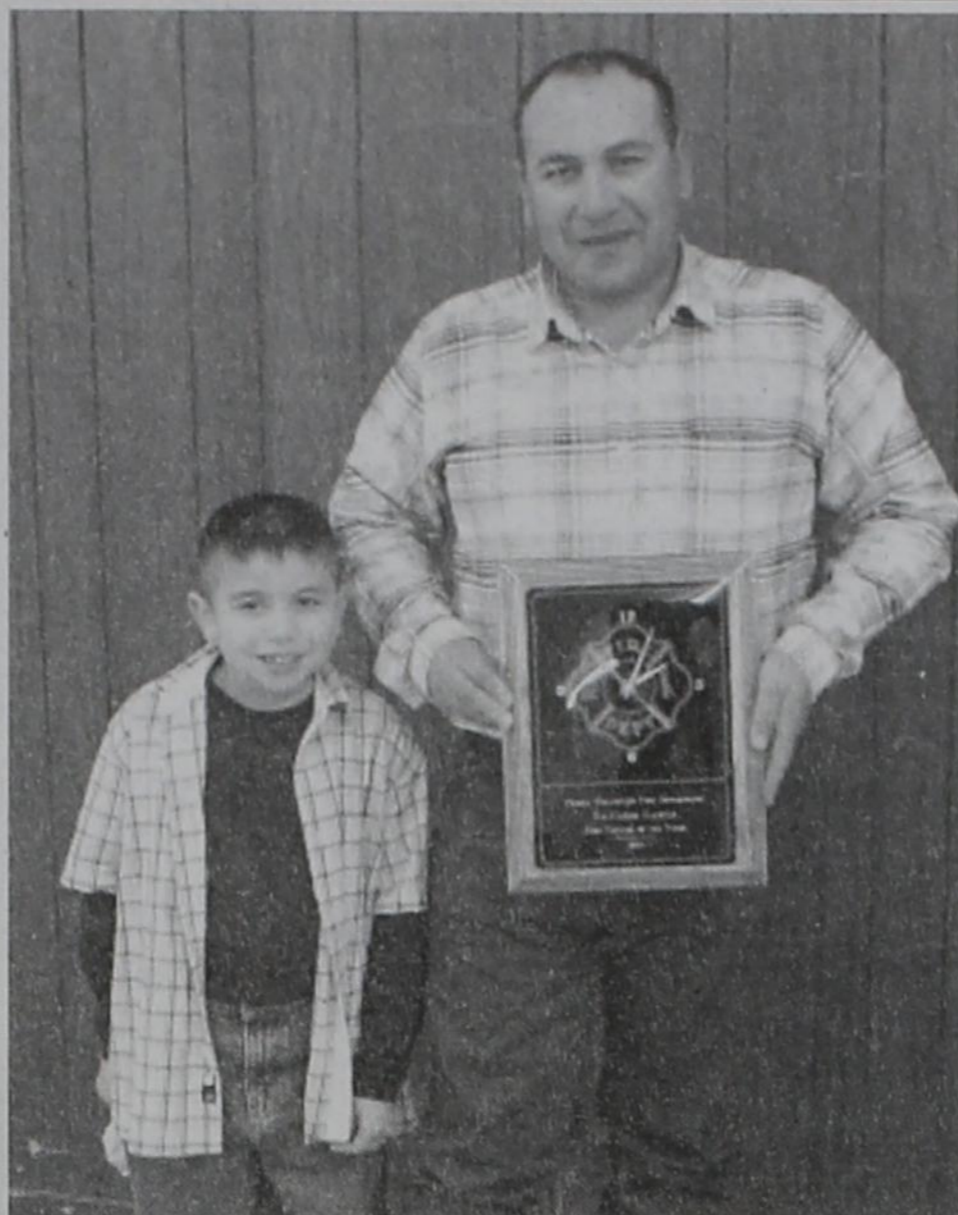
The Friona Volunteer Fire Department held their annual Christmas banquet Saturday December 11 at the Friona Community Center. Jim and John Taylor hauled the 4-Way Pump Service/Fire Department barbeque grill rig over and the volunteers cooked steaks and beer-butt chicken (you'll have to ask them for the recipe). Baked potatoes and homemade desserts were brought by the wives and auxiliary.

The annual banquet brings together the firemen volunteers, their families, and guests to relax, honor their own, and have Santa visit with the kids. Each child receives a visit with Santa and a sack of Christmas goodies.

Firefighter Salvador Garcia was honored as the 2004 Firefighter of the Year, a selection made by his fellow firemen. Garcia has served with the fire department for 11 years. He has been an employee of the City of Friona for 16 years, is married to Sally and they have two children, Rae and Crystal.

Joe Mann was also honored with a gold firefighter axe and recognized for his 50 years of service as a volunteer fireman. Joe still rolls out on fire department calls, providing traffic control at vehicle accident scenes and assisting the department on fire calls.

Both Salvador and Joe are examples of the training and dedication of the local fire department crews that are ready every hour to respond to local emergencies.

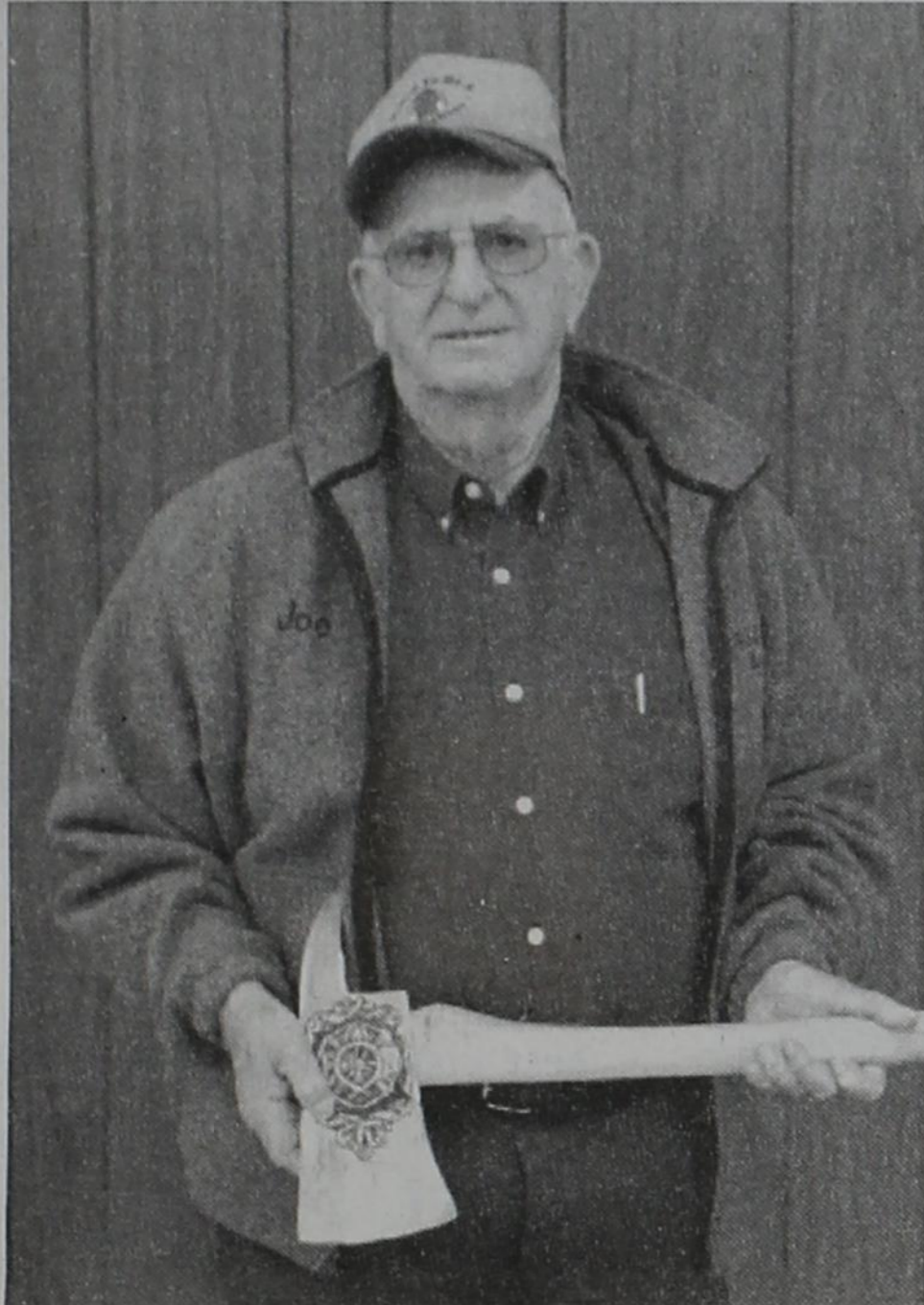


THE 2004 Friona Firefighter of the Year is 11-year veteran Salvador Garcia, shown with son Rae, accepting his award at the annual Firefighter Banquet.

coy jameson photo



Maddie Sharrock



JOE MANN was honored with a Gold Axe to commemorate his 50 years of service to the Friona Volunteer Fire Department.

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Next Stop: Christmas!



ALTHOUGH EVERYONE HERE IS GOING FULL-STEAM TO GET READY FOR THE BEST HOLIDAY SEASON, EVER, WE'D LIKE TO STOP AND EXPRESS OUR GRATITUDE TO EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU. HAVE A GREAT HOLIDAY!

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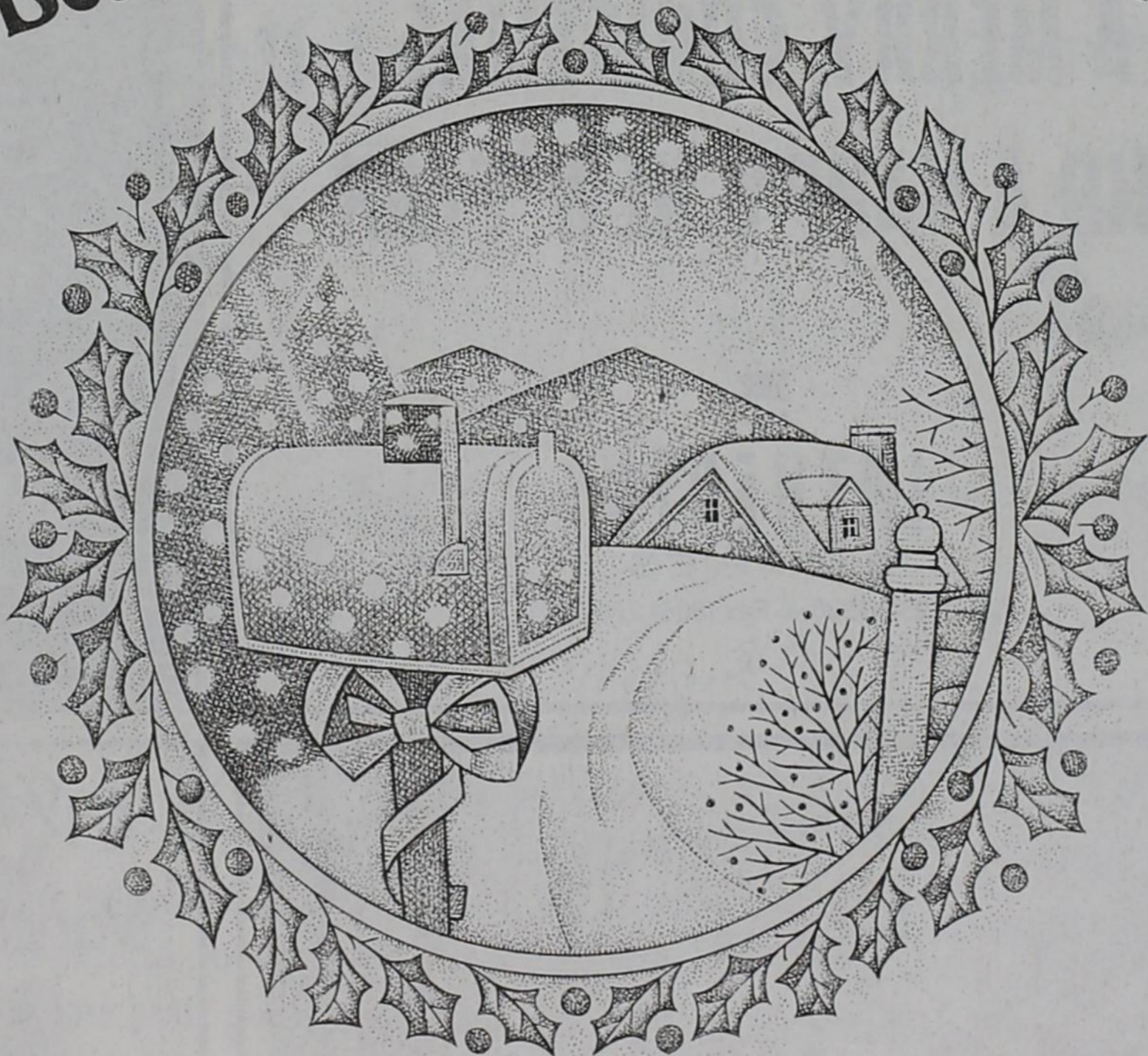
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Best Wishes at Holiday Time



Best wishes to everyone for a Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with good health.

The Board of Directors and Employees of
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YOUR EYES

What is a Cataract?

As people get older, many changes occur in the human body. One of the most obvious is the development of a "clouding over" of the natural "lens" of the eye. The lens is located just behind the colored part of the eye, the iris.

A cataract will result when chemical activity in the lens slows down significantly due to aging. Ninety-five percent of individuals sixty-five and over will have some cataract development. However, aging is not the only cause of cataracts. Diabetes, eye trauma, or certain medications can cause a clouding of the lens. Usually people with a cataract will notice that their vision is hazy and distorted, and may become more sensitive to glare, although not always.

Fortunately, cataract surgery is now a simple and effective procedure, restoring vision more than ninety-five percent of the time. An artificial lens, called an "implant," is usually placed where the cataract was. If you suspect you have cataracts, the experts suggest you visit your eye doctor today.

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Dear Santa,
How were you this Sumr? I hav been a good girl. I want a barbie and for my grandmom to cume visit.

Luv Salma Escamilla

Dear Santa
How is the North Pole? Is it snowing? I would like an ice cream maker and a movie of WWI. I hope you have a good day.

Love,
Adrian Gomez

Dear Santa,
How is Mrs Clause? Is she baking cookies? For Christmas I want some books of Hello Kitty and a GameBoy. I also want a baby puppy and a set kitchen. Bye and take care.

Love, Kyra Davis

Dear Santa,
I like yur alfs I like yaw I wut a krish (crystal)
Love
Tommy

Dear Santa,
I want a spinning wheel and a car working by itself and a remote control bike Please santa I have really been good this year.

Love,
T Patel

Dear Santa
I want a playstation and a bike, and a football, and a pokeman toy.

Thank You,
Rocky Barrios

Dear Santa
I want a baby doll with stroller and a teddy bear. I have really been good this year.

Thank You,
Jenifer Jaramillo

To Santa With Love

Dear Santa
I want a remote control car because I have been a good kid this year.

Thank You,
Miguel Mireles

Dear Santa,
Please send me a Spider man suit so I can be Spiderman.

Thank You,
Ivan Duran

Dear Santa,
Please send me a baby doll for Christmas.
Thank You,
Yulissa

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Care Bear that is orange.
Thank You
Marissa

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a toy.
Thank You
Jason

Dear Santa
Please bring me a Hulk house and a Spiderman house Santa Clause house Power Ranger and Snowman.

Thank You
Bryan

Dear Santa
Please bring me a Dora house, a Barbie house, the bratz.
Thank You
Lexie

Dear Santa
Please bring me fishing pole, fast green car. The SpongeBob Movie.
Thank You
Isaac

Dear Santa
Please bring me the Hulk movie, a firetruck, horse with a truck and trail
Thank You
Axel

Dear Santa
Please bring me a baby stroller baby food.
Thank You
Aimee

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some play guns and a green remote control for my Game Boy.
Thank You
Jonanthan

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a hot wheels car which is remote control and flips over and a big car. I also want a kite that will go really high.
Thank You
Jesse

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me mi-crophone.
Thank You
Erika



**Have a
Safe &
Happy
Holiday**

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*Hark! The
Herald
Angels Sing!*

As we count our blessings this holiday season and reflect on the miracle of life, we realize how much ours has been enhanced by knowing and serving all of you.

May you and your loved ones revel in the joy of the season, and please accept our best wishes and gratitude.

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR**




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**There's No Place Like Home...
Especially At Christmas**

If home is where the heart is ours is certainly with the people we have had the privilege to serve this year. We're proud to be part of this community and wish you all a very merry holiday

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Merry Christmas

A world of thanks and best wishes to our neighbors, customers and friends. We feel fortunate to serve great folk like you!

Law Office of Kathryn Gurley
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*It's A
Winter
Wonderland!*

As a layer of white blankets the ground, We'd like to thank you for just coming round Seeing you daily has brought us much cheer.. So Merry Christmas to all And to all a good year!



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JUST LISTED: OUR BEST WISHES

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TELL SANTA!

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a toy. Please bring my baby brother Angel a black toy.
Thank You
Johnny

Dear Santa
Please bring me kitchen with strawberry on it. And pots and pans and foods. and a apron too! And a baby doll with a bottle and diaper bag.
Thank You
Kassandra

Dear Santa,
Please send me a car that has a key and that I can drive.
Thank You
Guillermo

Dear Santa,
I know you only bring presents to children that have been good. I've been really, really good this year, so can you bring me these things for Christmas? A Polly party bus, dog or cat, dressup, umbrella, and barbie stuff.

Love,
Kreisin Dominguez

Dear Santa,
I want a choo-choo train, dinosaurs, and some socks. I have been really good too. And that's all.

Thank you
Logan Loflin

Dear Santa,
How is Roodoff the Red Nose Raindeer? I hope he is Good. Could you bring Me a CD player and a Stuff animal Please? I Love you Santa.
William London

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? Are you having a good day? Could you please bring me for Christmas a Swan Lake Barbie and a Rapunzel Barbie.
Love Salma Estrada

Dear Santa,
How are you today? How are your rander? I hope you can give me a Barbie and some puzzles.
Love, Lily Meza

Dear Santa,
How is your rudof the red nose randir? I want a hair braider and clothes and a care bear. I will leve you som coocese and milk.

Love
Makayla Pierce

Dear Santa,
Is it a snowy day in the north pole? I hope you are having a good day? I would like a motorcycle and a bike for Christmas?

Love
Joshua Vera

Dear Santa
how are you doing? I have been good all year long. I would like an X-Box and makeup.

Love
Danielle Perez

Dear Santa,
How is rudolph? I hope he is happy. Is he haveing a great time? Is his nose gloing? I would like a care bear and a video now. I will leave you sum cookes and milk.

Love
Leticia Parra

Dear Santa
I like Christmas and I like you too. I would like some makeup.

Love Nishna Soto

Dear Santa,
I hope you are fine and your randear. For Christmas I want some Bratz and a two dogs.

luv frum
Abril Chavez

Dear Santa,
How are you today, Santa? I am fine. I have been good' this year. I love you, Santa. I would like playstation now.

Love, Cristian

Dear Santa,
How are you today, Santa? I am fine I have been good this year. I love you. Santa I would like trampoli

Dayana

Dear Santa
I want a Big Big Big Bike
Love Emily Ramos

Dear Santa
I like christmas. I like you too. Dear Santa I want a doll and a Barbie doll.
Love Zulma

Dear Santa,
How are you today, Santa? I am fine. I have been good this year. I love you Santa. I would like grezs friona karts

Love, Gabriela

Dear Santa,
How are you is Rudolph ok? I left chocolate cookie for you. I want Xbox

Love Aaron Torres

Dear Santa
How are you today, Santa? I am fine. I have been good this year I love you, Santa. I would like playstion moto trampoli

Love
Daniel

Dear Santa
How are you today, Santa? I am fine I hav been good this year I love you, Santa I would like CD de Spiderman Playstation i una troca la mano de Hulk.

Brayan

Dear Santa
I hope yoo have a great day I wont a Big Computer and a Pink Bicycle and a Barbie Elizabeth

Dear Santa
I wish for a Barbie and a scootr haw or yow dowing haw is mis clos? I wont yow to have a vere mery crismis.

love,
Hillary

Dear Santa
I have you had a great year My year went well I hope you can come to My house to bring toys I would like a bicycle.

I love Santa
Josue

Happy Holidays From Hi-Pro Feeds

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Bruce Jahn

Laura Blocker

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Sammy Harster



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Charla Jackson



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Tommy Wood

Mark Osborn

Nael White

Randy Roblin

MC

Dear Santa...

Dear Santa,
I hope you had a great year. My year went well. I hope you can come to my house to bring toys I would like a cat.
Love
Lorena

Dear Santa
I hope you had a great year my year went well I hope you can come to my house to bring toys I would like a doll.
Yodeli

Dear Santa
I hope you had a great year. my went well I hope you can come to my to bring toys. I would like....
Love
Evan

Dear Santa
I hope you had a great year. my year went well. I hope you can come to my house to bring toys. I would love
Austin

Dear Santa,
I hope you had a great year. My year went well. I hope you can come to my house to bring toys. I would like bicycle.
Love Erika

Dear Santa,
I wish you bring me a head and a sleepingbag I hope you have Great time with your wife
Love Santa
Esmeralda

Dear Santa,
How are you today Santa I am fine I have been good this year I love you, Santa I would like trampoli
Dennise

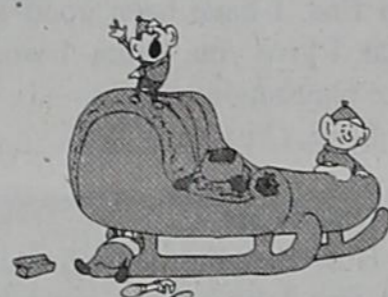
Santa
Quiero que me traigas una muñeca y una casita y un bebe.
Gracias
Jennifer Rodriguez

Dear Santa
how are you duing I wish u a mere Chrstmas. I want earrings necklaces.
Love
Misty Villanueva

Dear Santa,
I want to tell you these things that I want a game boy and a pant size 14 and Tennis Shouse size 7 and I want a shirt size XL for a girl of 12 years and I want a Soccer ball and a bike. thats all that I want Santa.
thank you!
Merry Christmas Santa!
Ana

Dear Santa,
I want a Doll and a cd's and a dvd player. and I wish you a merry christmas Santa. Make sure that I said to Jesus happy birthday.
Love,
Denise Padilla

Dear Santa Clous how are you I am fine. I want to tell you this because sometimes I am very mad with my little brother Maria and I want to tell you my list of my toys that I want if you want to bring me the toys. I want a barbie and clothes for my barbie and a Soccer ball and a game named "Uno" and a bike and a baby with all their things to play, and a kitchen of Food and a nail to paint my nails and a tree of Christmas Santa because we don't have one please. and a computer to play with my lorge sister.
Merry Christmas Santa Clous!
Lupita



Dear Santa,
I want a playstation 2, a toy for my birds, a grand theft auto vice city for my Playstation 2 and one more game it is called smack down shut your mouth, a DVD player and the very last thing is a cheat code book and 2 remotes for my playstation 2 but if you want to give me more prescents you can. Happy holidays.
Your friend
Adan

Dear Mr "C"
I hope I have ben nice These are what I want please
Scene It game; X Box; remot control car; CD's; videos; E.S.P.N. Game Station; Twister moves; Tech tracks; Shrek 2 and Spongbob video games; Triple action red Blast; Drums please; Darkvoise changer; Trantwisters.
These are for my sister Baby Doll and Barbie

Dear Santa
Could you give me a tank it could be any cined of one and a pack of soldiers thanks Santa to Jose Flores, please

Dear Santa
Im sorry the mistakes I did and doing my chores right I wish I had a motorcycle. I wish I had revup they sell them at Wal-Mart, and I wish I had a code book for Christmas. I wish I had the crabby pardy set.
Merry Christmas Santa.
Love Andres

Dear Santa,
What whoud yo like for Christmas? I whould like a scrapbook to putt my pictures and stickers in. I also want an early present a new cousin. Thats not all I want for Christmas butt everyone has to get something butt just for this year get me these.
P.S. Have a merry Christmas!
Love,
Amy



PEACE, HOPE, JOY

Here's hoping
your holiday season
delivers it all!

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To Our SPECIAL FRIENDS At The HOLIDAYS

May you and yours enjoy an old-fashioned Christmas filled with good friends, good times and lots of good fortune. We thank you for your goodwill and support this past year.



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Dear Santa claus I want a new yellow car. For Christmas and a game boy Andvince. Then I want a X-box for Christmas. And I want a slushy mushine. Second I want a cell phone. Then I want a remote control to play with. And a ninja turtle goeey stuff. I want a Assorted Bi-color crazy glow lights. Then I want a Magic Disappearing inc. Then I want a squishy yo-yo water balls. Then I want a sticky monster pens. last I want a Mini stobe lights and Meatal Bubble Machine.

your friend Mario Vazquez happy holidays.

To Santa from Stephanie
For christmas I want some clothes and some shoes and toys a puppy a cott. and a play staion som games. thank you Santa merry christmas
Love you friend
Stephanie Martinez

Dear Santa
can you make a game for me? And can you get a cool tank for me then I want a computer and also a big sack of soldirs and tanks and those bombs and cool cars and the n-strike and the shot-gum and the water gun.
Your friend
Isaac

Dear Santa what I want for Christmas. Is a baby with a red and white dress on and pajama to go to sleep in. then a bratz doll
by Teri

Dear Santa I want a bell from your sliegh Santa.
Love Dallas

Dear, Santa
I wood like a dragweel tractor and a rector set and 4 game boy games for christmas and can you put something little in the small stocking for the hamster.
Signed,
Jacob Osborn
We left you some cookies on the fireplace.

Dear Santa.
I wish you a meary Christmas. Whilll you ples give me a soccer tabale. For christmas. thank you Sergio

My name is Marcy. For Christmas I want a video game. That goes on the T.V. And I want some toys. They are games for some kind of like calinders. I want some new shoes and clothes that are very beatifule
Love,
Marcy Gomez

Brayden's Christmas list the fastest remote control hummer, Nintendo D2, a jaguar car, a pool table big one, a football, game cube games ncAA football, a speicel air helmet and pads, a fitted Texas Tech cap on for dad, Espn game staison, 14 dollars, the cordless drill for my dad
Thaths All
Oh by the way I want a go cart.

Dear Santa Claws,
If you reameber me from at the park I thautot of more things I want for Cristmas. I wold like a primp and polish barbie doll head 2 cell phones so I can give Deidra one. A baby shit zoo, fruniture that you pump up a table that come's whith a table cloth and a teaset. 4 babydolls 12 movies that are prinsets Diery's 2 Brotherbare Lizzie Megare movie on DVD Scooby Doo 2 aaround the wold in 80 days The honted machion A Cinderela Story, shreck 2. prises and the popper. kangroo Jackson DVD finding nemo The lion king 2. Bunk beds for barbies and one fore me and Brookly to sleep on. 5 pink silky p.J.'s and 5 fuzzy pink p.J.'s close and shoses a bike that is pink and sparkly a scooder a picknick set for me to use and for Barbie's to use a computer and yeras bord and markers a swimming pool rollor blades a tent Barbie stuff and dolls my family to be with me.
Your friend
Holly

Dear, Santa
I want a Polly Pocket hotel and a TV.
Love Cassie

Dear Santa,
I would like a bratz doll and some bratz clothes but what I really want is my very own puppy I also want another baby doll.
Merry Christmas Santa and a happy new year. Wait one more thing a cellphone
Sighned
Isabel Davila
We left you some cookies

Dear Santa clause
hi, it is the kid. I want a army tanke for me I would like to see you ane the elf's I want a three wheeler for Christmas.
Your friend
Angel

Dear Santa claus Merry Christmas
Have I been good yes or no don't think so. How is your reindeer. I now how many reindeer you have? 8. I like Mark he is cute he is nice I hope that will get some prentes from you you don't have to. I have a husband
Love,
Kaylyn

Dear Santa,
I want a Xbox and need for speed underground two. And a new bicycle. And a big new bicycle. And a dresses of football and a ball of football. And a motor skootre. We selbreit Crismas we eat tamales meudo and some hot chocolate.
Sincerely,
Antonio Adama

To Santa With Love

I would like to have these gifts. Please bring me. A Xbox with need for speed underground two, the game, and I want kreaka the bionicle. And zip zaps, the monster truck. And a coloring book of hot wheels. And the movie of bionicle one.
Sincerely,
Jorge Caldera

Dear Santa Claus
I want a big remote control car, puzzle, cumpter, little doll, and video Camera.
Sincerelye
Cassandra

Dear Santa
I would like to have these gifts. Please bring me a bike, and a princess doll and a play station 2
Sincerely
Estefani Garcia

Dear Santa,
I want a xbox whith halo and halo 2. I want new bike that er mongoo two of them and a remo centroll car. I want a football sind by the eagles. I want a coke mushen and a toy robot.
from Tuffy

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good girl. We had a christmas play on Dec. 8th at 1:00. For christmas I want a video now, Ravens nev dvd, Ravens new cd, Hilary Duffs three new cds, Christy Carlson Ramonoes new cd, and Alice in wondland part one.
Love
Lucy Perez

Dear Santa,
I want an xbox for Christmas and a spongebob game. And spongebob movie and the incredible game. by
Anthony Mejia

Dear Santa,
I want a truck and a X-box and a gameboy and a truck with a sontorl and a.
Abel Palacios

Dear Santa,
I want tousands of dollors. I also want a Playstation 2. I new bike. A shelf for my books. A dvd for my movies. I want to be a movie star. I want to rite books. I want a game for my game boy Nintedo 64 for Chrismas.

Dear Santa,
I would like to have these gifts. Please bring me a Barbie Doll, with her babys. and a swimming pool.
Sincerely,
Gabi Munoz

Fa...La...La...La...La



While the holiday festivlites are underway, we'd like to add an extra chorus of thanks for you, our dear customers. Merry Christmas!

We will be Closed at Noon on Dec 24

Closed Christmas Day

We will close at 4 pm on Dec 26

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We thank you for the gift of your patronage and we wish you and your loved ones the best that the season has to offer.

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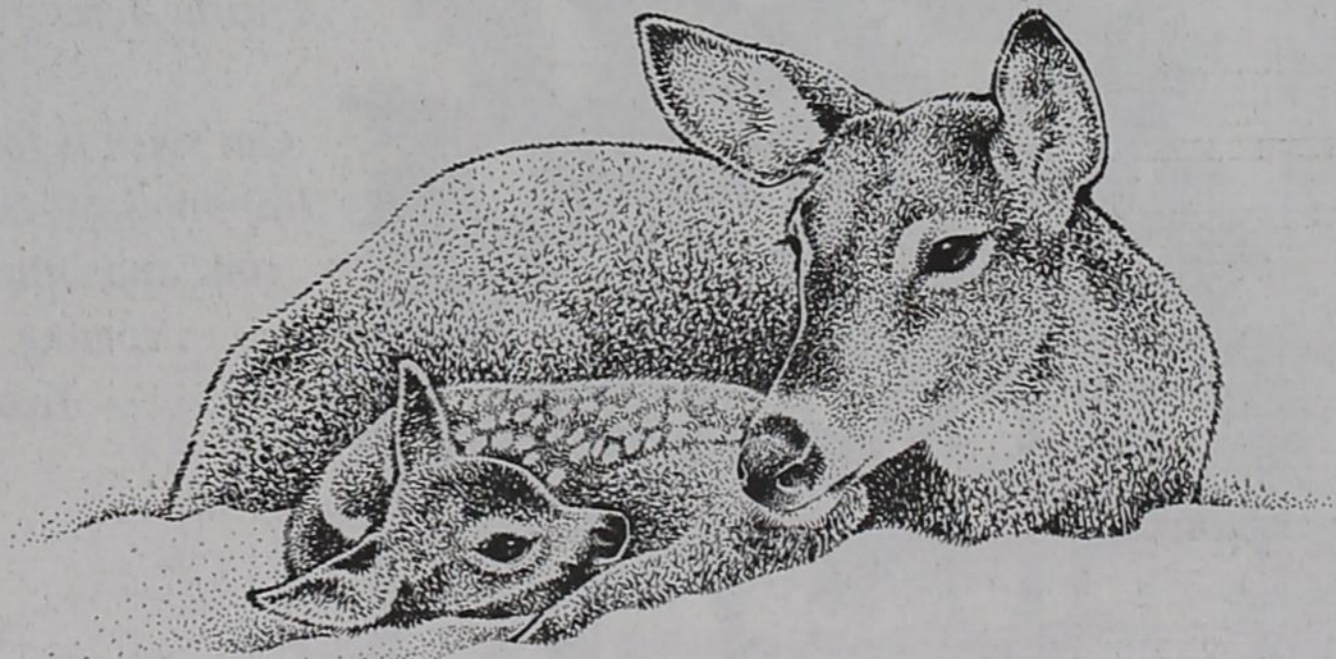
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...And To All A Good Night!

May all your dreams come true during this magical season.

We couldn't have wished for better friends than you.

Thanks for everything!



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Jingle All The Way!

Wherever you're dashing off to this holiday season, we hope joy and laughter follow all the way. Thanks for including us in your travels this past year. Merry Christmas!



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TELL SANTA!

Dear Santa,
For Christmas i want a bike a lot and two Pets that i can play with and some toys too and I what a doll a lot and for christmas i want a baby doll a lot and i want a red toy.

Dear Santa,
I want a CD player and CDs like Raven's new CD backflip. I want Hilary duff's CD fly and the Cheatah Girls. If I be nice for Christmas.
your friend,
Marcella

Dear Santa,
I would like a careoky masion for cristmas. Evry time some one talk to Juan he makes them laphe. If you do not mind I would like a notler hamster
your friend
Katie Osborn

Dear Santa,
I want the incredibles game for my PlayStation 2. I want a gameboy Sp. with a charger and games spongbob 2 and mega man 3!
From: Omar
To: Santa claus!

Dear Santa,
All I want is love and joy thoughtout the year and for the family to enjoy the Day and I want tere to be smils on there face and I want a gameboy sp and some rollerblads
from Nicolette
to Santa claus



Dear Santa,
I want a toy car and a Xbox and a motorcycle an a toy and a big car and a bike and the spongebob squarpants and a cool rock and the last thing do you now were I live
Juan S.

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Love,
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Jaclyn Jurado

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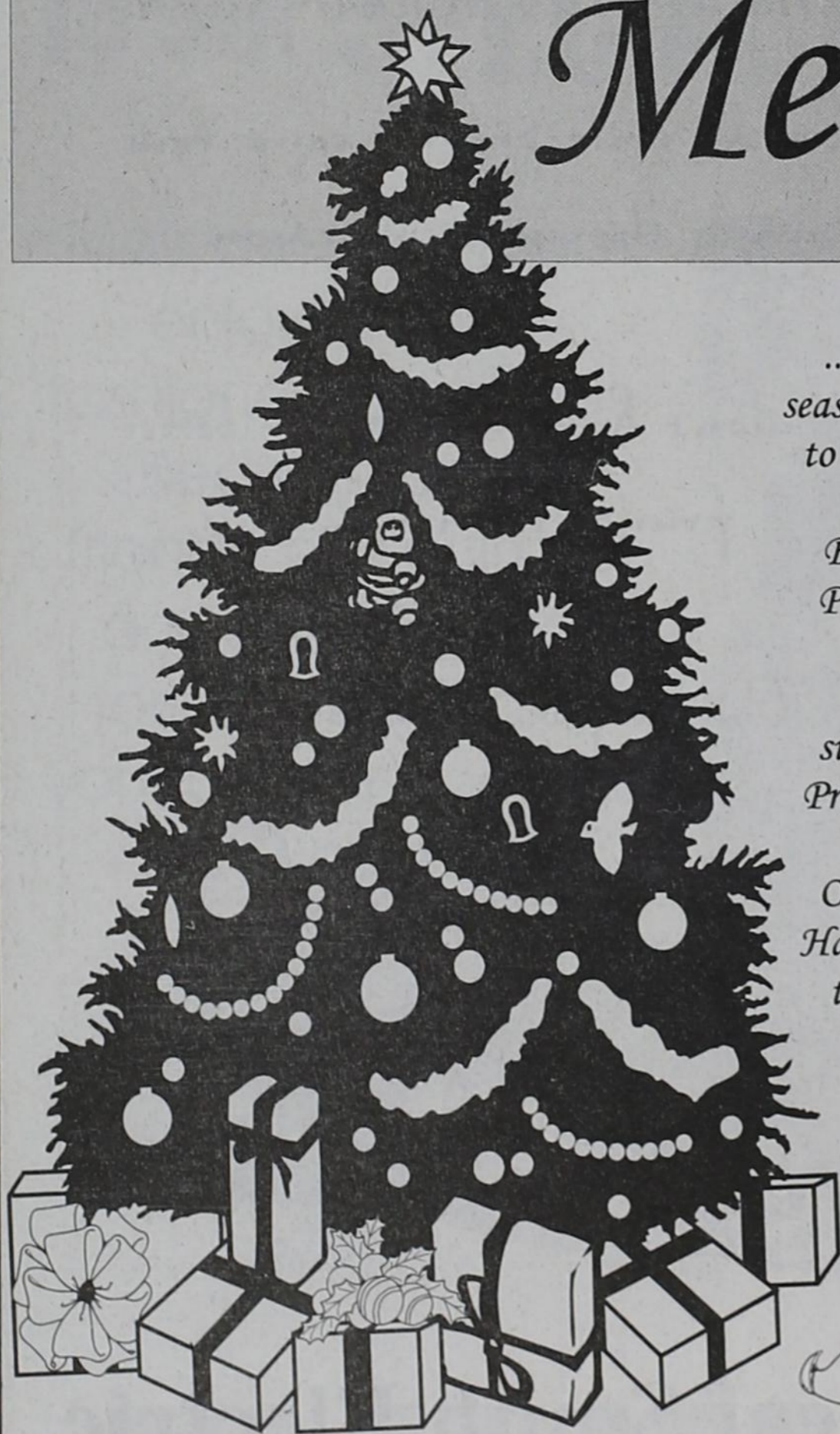
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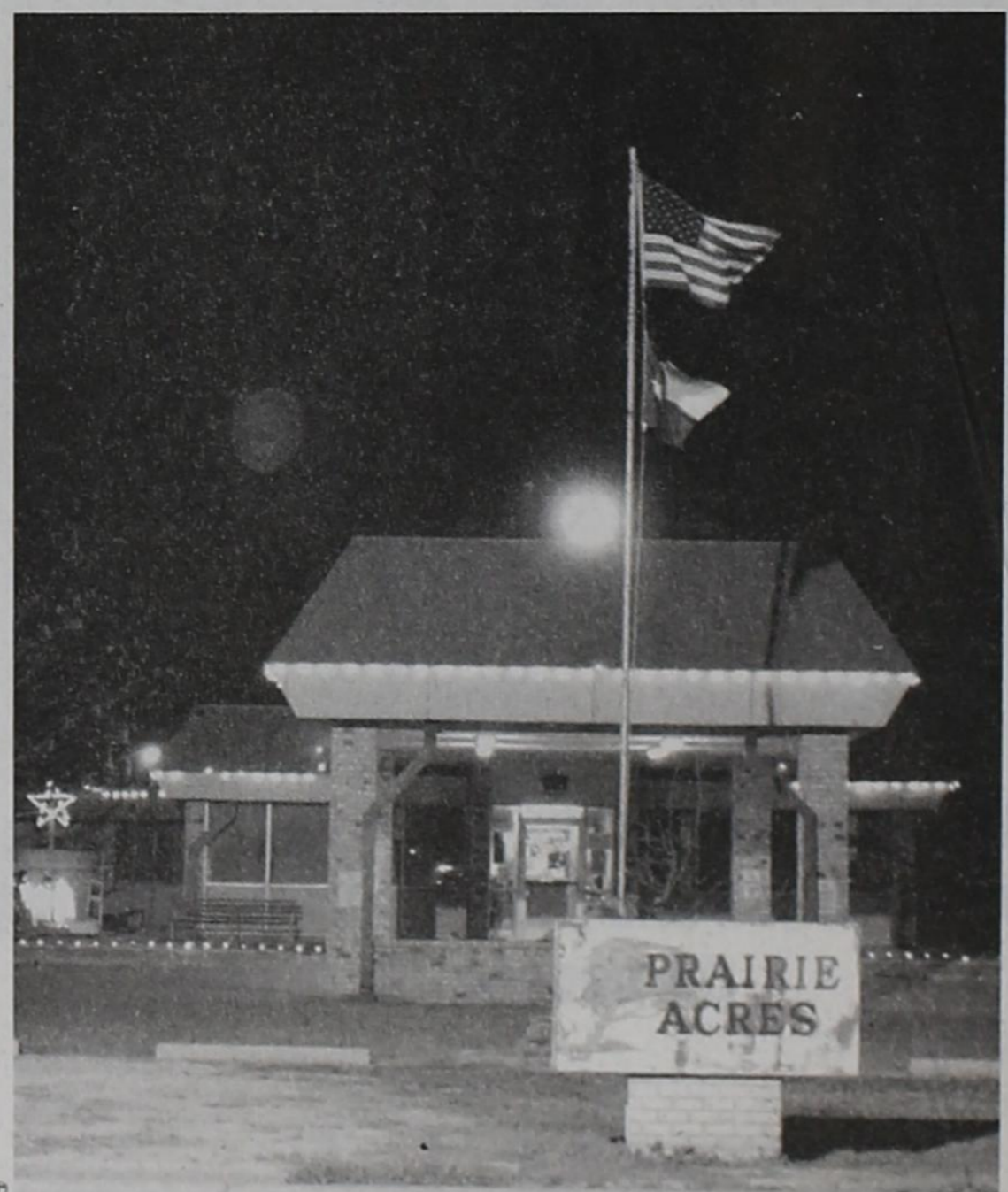
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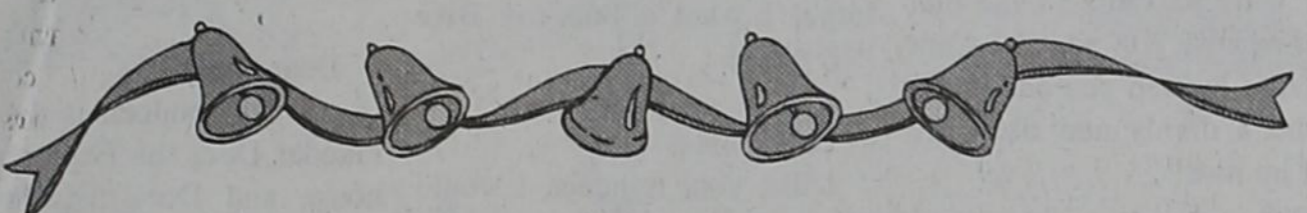


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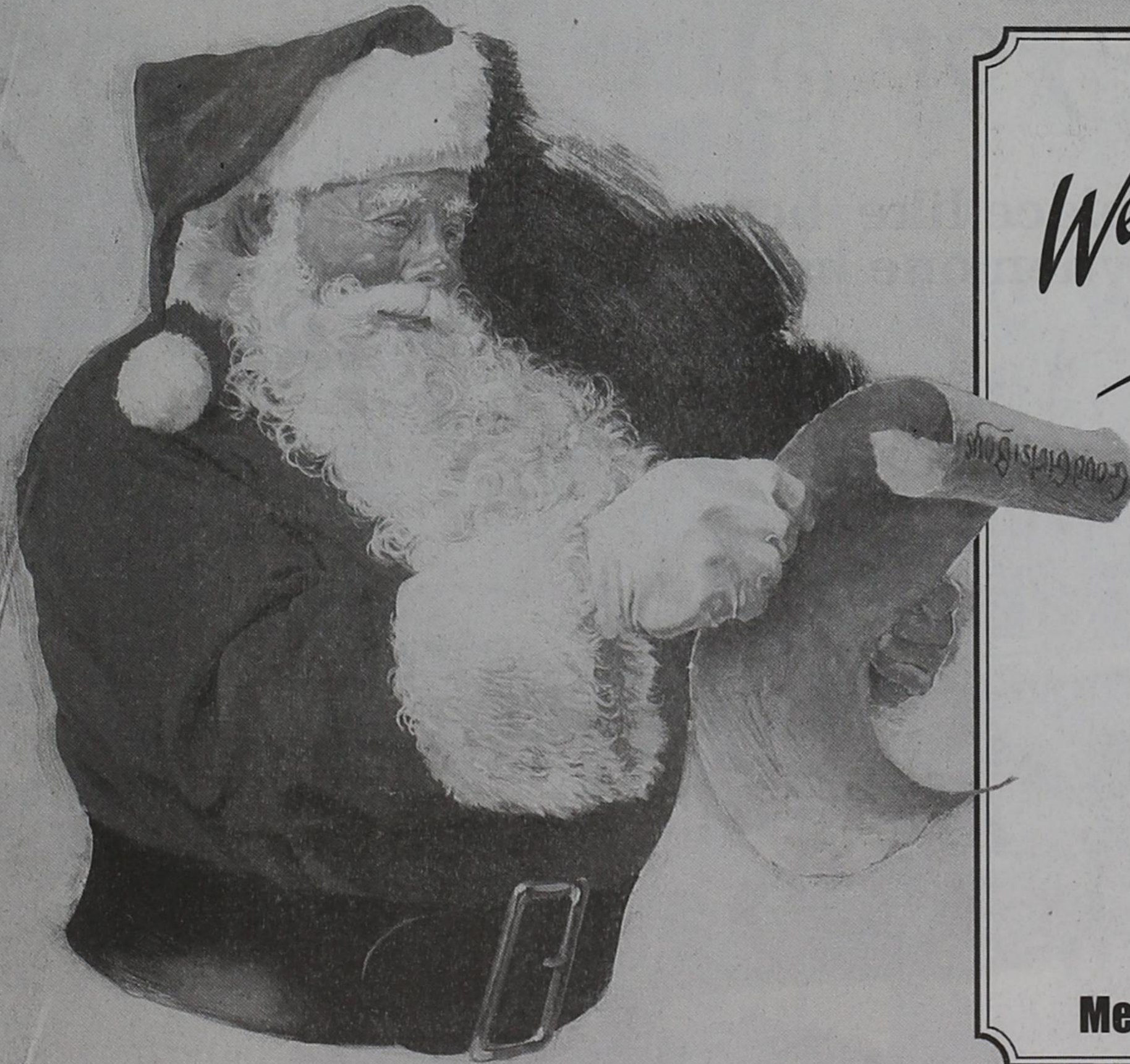
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Jingle All The Way!

Wherever you're dashing off to this holiday season, we hope joy and laughter follow all the way. Thanks for including us in your travels this past year. Merry Christmas!



**Friona Farmer's
Co-Op Gin
265-3398**

TELL SANTA!

Dear Santa,
For Christmas i want a bike a lot and two Pets that i can play with and some toys too and I what a doll a lot and for christmas i want a baby doll a lot and i want a red toy.

Dear Santa,
I want a CD player and CDs like Raven's new CD backflip. I want Hilary duff's CD fly and the Cheatah Girls. If I be nice for Christmas.
your friend,
Marcella

Dear Santa,
I would like a careoky masion for cristmas. Evry time some one talk to Juan he makes them laphe. If you do not mind I would like a notler hamster
your friend
Katie Osborn

Dear Santa,
I want the incredibles game for my PlayStation 2. I want a gameboy Sp. with a charger and games spongbob 2 and mega man 3!
From: Omar
To: Santa claus!

Dear Santa,
All I want is love and joy thoughtout the year and for the family to enjoy the Day and I want tere to be smils on there face and I want a gameboy sp and some rollerblads
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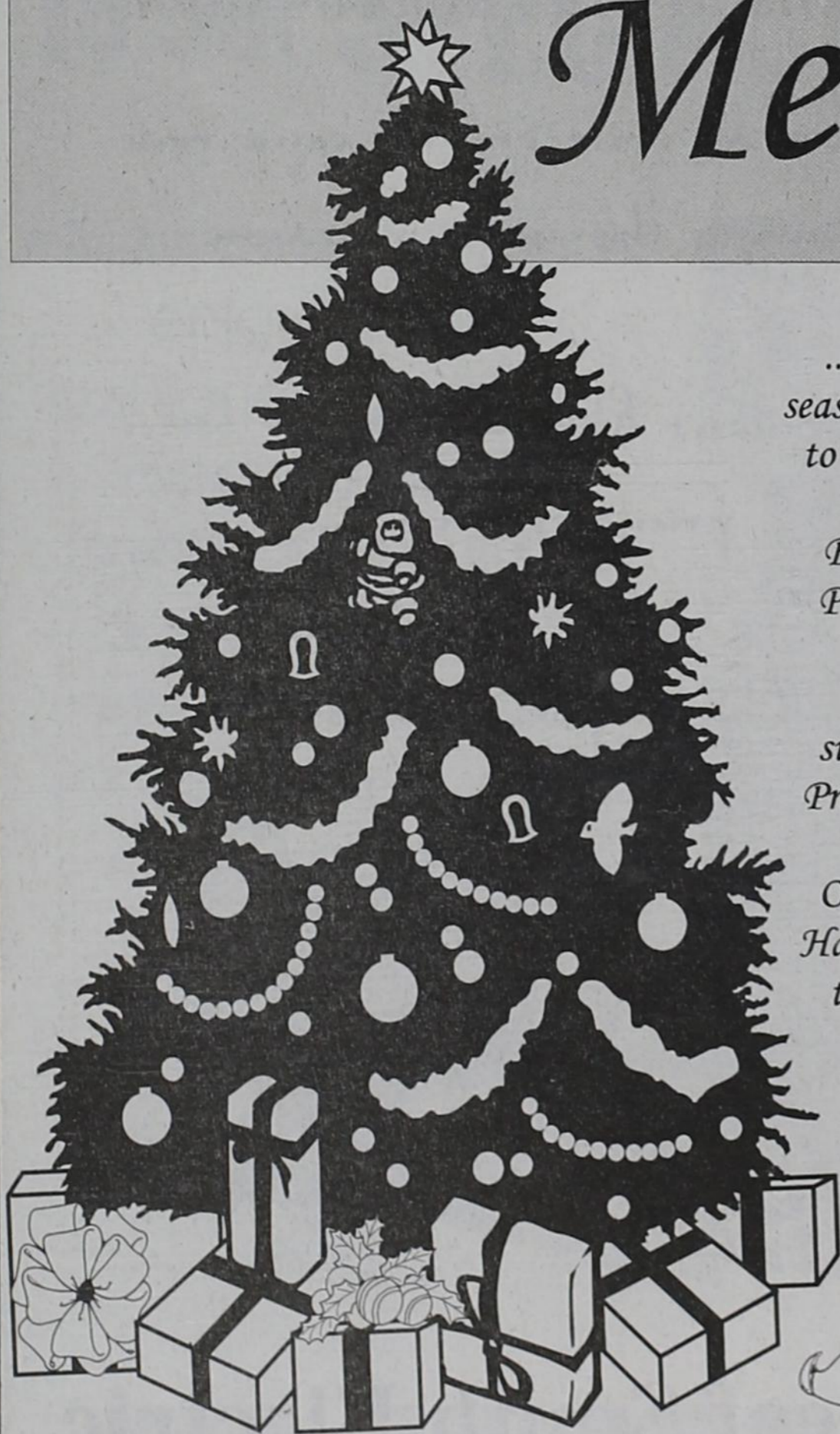
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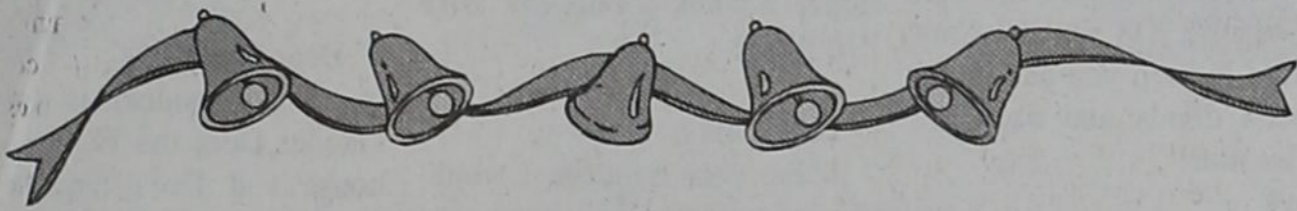


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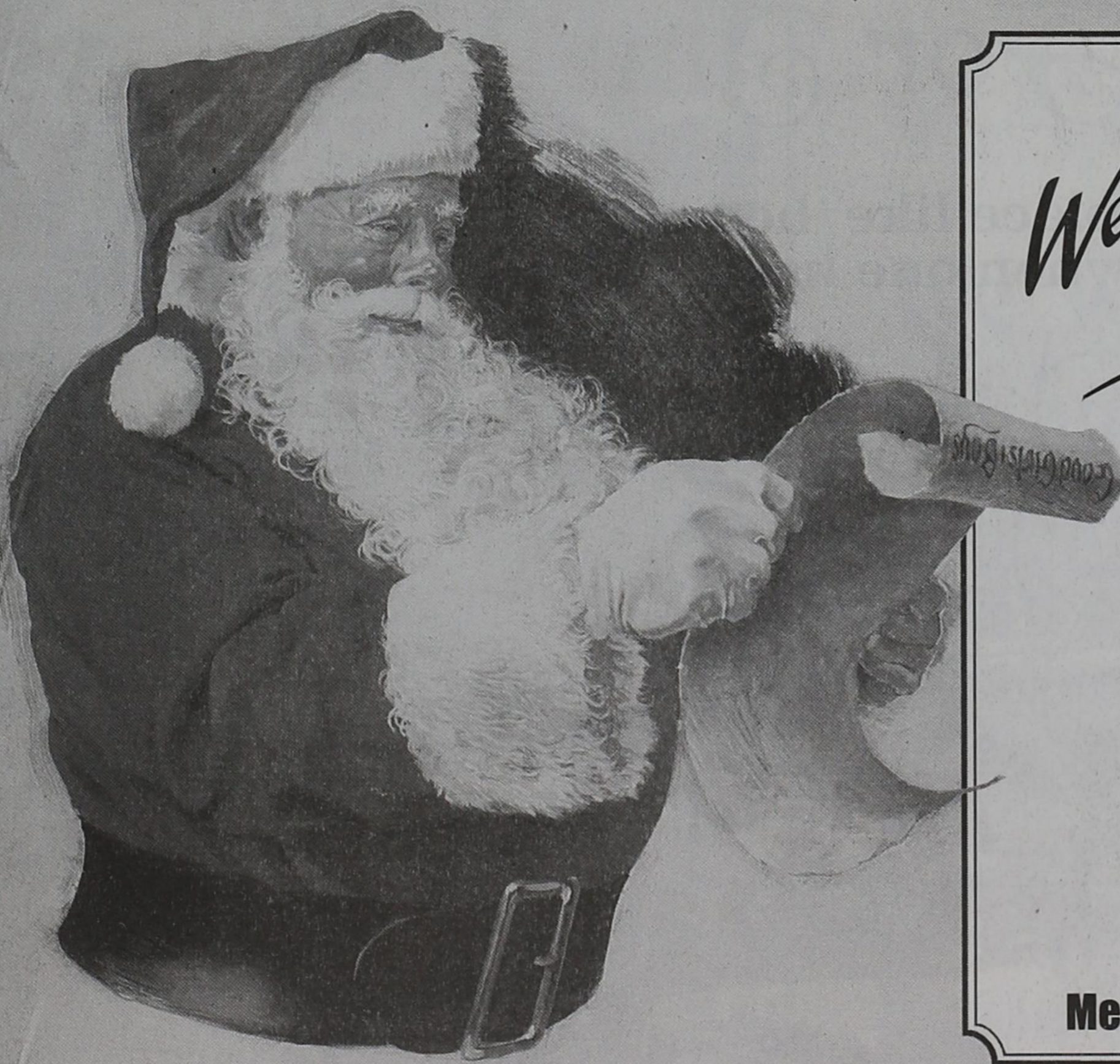
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Thanks Partner!

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With warm wishes to our many supporters this holiday season.



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115 West 11th Friona

To Santa With Love

To santa claus
For christmas I want:
Bratz car, electric scooter, puppy, computer, Barbie video camera, Bratz cat, clothes, TV, dvd player, Makeup, hats, play house, doll, Bluescives, beads, a car, clock, baby doll, Dora.
Love
Jasmine

Dear Santa:
I want a babie and a dog I am nice I am nice to my friends and parents, I want a doll.
Look Love
Kaylyn

Dear Sant
I wish I had a bike. I hope your elfs are doing a grate gob on it. I hope its pink.
I love you
from Jacky

Dear Santa Clause
I want for christmas is...Ice Maker and a glow in the light care bear and barbie doll house and all the make-up and crayons and a coloring book and motor scooter and yo-yo.
Love Kelly

Dear santa what i wont for christmas is a teloscop, puppy, or hamster, I dont now if I am a nise person. If I am nise I now it. If you can write to me that woud be nise. Oh and if I want something les can you add it too oh and a dividy and riser. my list if im nise
Love
Karina Trejo

Dear Santa,
Love Richard Dominguez

Dear Santa
pleas can you get me a Play Stachan two PSt and a 3 games burne out 2 grand tan fato sandreas ned four speed under ground 2 and trampuling
Pleas
Eddy Garcia

Dear Santa for Chrismas I want some clothes and hats for my care bears but little ones. and I really want a motar scooter and a letter that starts with my name and a new game boy and some games too and I want an ice maker too glow in the lot care bear and lots of make-up and a coloeing book and crayons and yo-yo.
Love Niomi

Dear,
Santa I don't now if you now who this is so I'm Mykelti Rhodes. Look in the M's. ha. Well let's get back to the presents. I want to now what you wan't, but you just maybe say let me do the giving. Well I have a present for you. Ok I want a cumputer. A christmas tree. A black eyed peas CD. A U2 CD. A outcast CD. A christmas CD. A usher CD. A t.v. cover. A super soft pillow. A Gocart.
Love,
Mykelti
P.S. Look on my door oh. I forget I want a Stingroy Bike !!!!! please

Dear Santa,
I like your reindeer. I would like a motorcycle I hope you have a good Christmas
Love Isaa Lopes

Dear Santa,
I like your sleigh. I want a geart. Merry christmas,
Alexis Lara

Dear santa,
I want a tent so I can play in it with little sister and Brother I want a motarscooter I like your suit
Love
Arianna

Dear Santa,
I want a motor scooter. You are nice. From.
Jaylee Floyd

Dear Santa,
I hope all your elves are doing fine. I want one of those Twinkleberries, but it's not food. It's little dolls that raise their hands and answer questions. I've been very good every single day. Please bring me Twinkleberries. I'll leave you some milk and cookies. Thank you Santa for a wonderful gift.
Love,
Ashton Ferguson

Dear Santa,
I wont dragn ballze. how are the reinder.
Love,
Eric Brown

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle for crismus. Roudolph is my favorite rader. are the rader O.Ka.
Emilio
Dear santa
I want for Christmas a Game Boy and other Game Box for my sister
Cristian Alvarez.

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie car the big kind I also want a barbie I like your reindeer
Love
Julissa

Dear Santa,
I dek roudoeh is du famis raderer Dora the Explorer play house and Dora the Explorer and friends.
Sierra

Dear Santa,
I want a new bike and new boots. I wish theat I could have a leittle reindeer and slay and a leittle senta.
Love, Cody Stowers



Home For The Holidays

There's no place like home for the holidays, especially when one has neighbors like you!



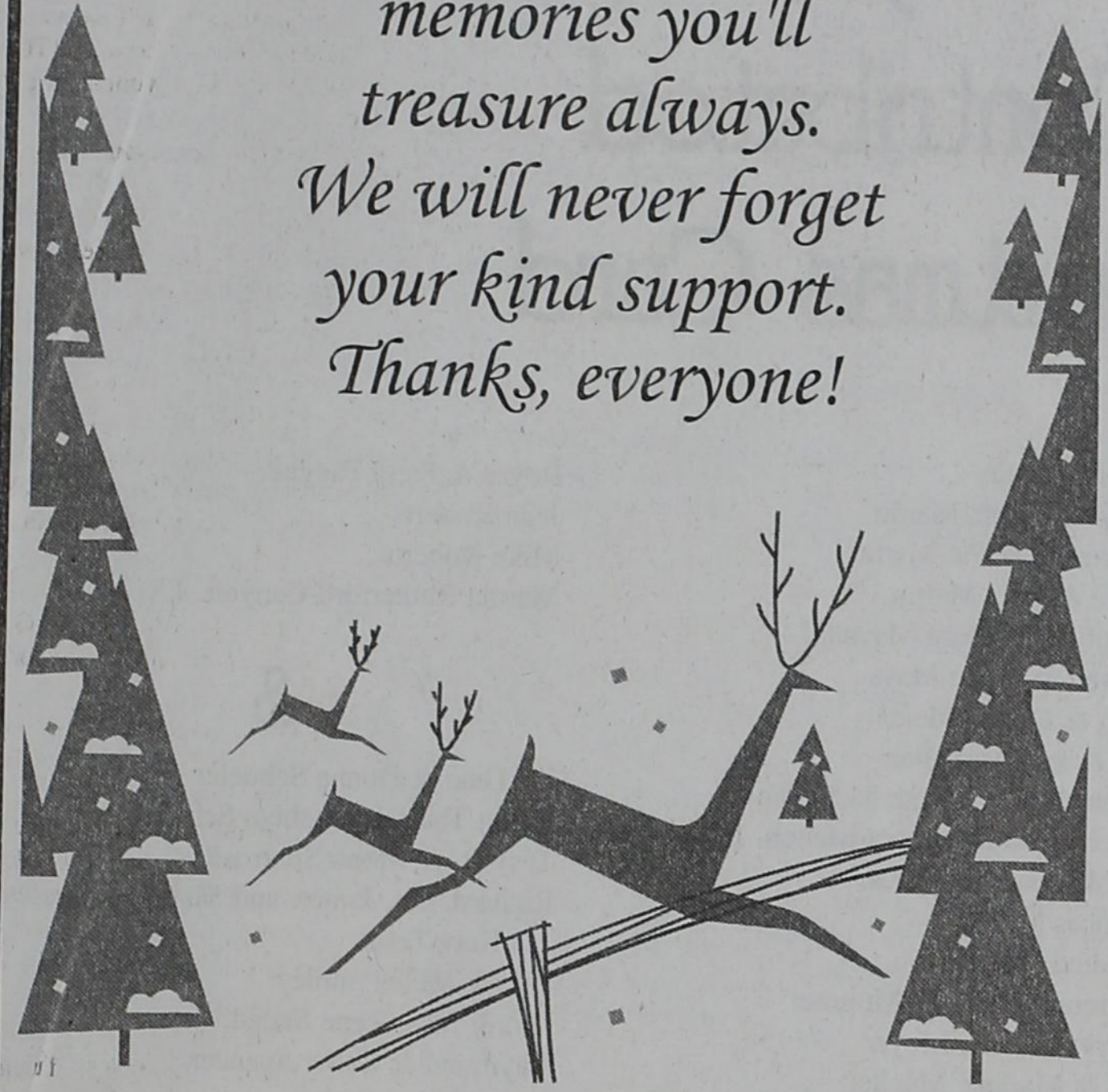
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PHONE 225-4400 OR 225-4460

Season's Greetings

*Wishing you
an old-fashioned
holiday filled with
memories you'll
treasure always.
We will never forget
your kind support.
Thanks, everyone!*



Prairie Insurance
603 Main Friona
250-2766

Dear Santa...

Dear Santa,
I like a motorscooter I like how you dress
Love, Lupita chavarria

Dear Santa I want a new PuP and Dora the Explorer Play house. how is rudolph.
Jay

Dear Santa,
I wot new puppe and New video gema DVD disk i'll try to Bee good
love cedric

Dear Santa,
I want a pone and a Harmonica and a Barbie haws and a modrsicool and a Purple cool cool
COOL Sukr pees!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
Johnna

Dear Santa
I want some Flat Jack and a toy Barbie car I like you reinder
Love Anahi

Dear Santa I want a scooter and a baseball bat I like your suit
Love Pablo

Dear Santa
I wish one Barbie and one little house
From
Zulma

Dear Santa,
I like how you com to my house every year.
Love Maritza Lopez

Dear Santa,
How are you today? I hope you are not busy. for Christmas I want a X-men game and a Wite Ranger.
Love, Jacob Rejino

Dear Santa
How is Mrs claus? I like toys and cars. I am in first grade.
love
Daniel Iraheta

Dear Santa
Are you coming to my hous on Cristmas! I lik Cristmas. I wont a Barbe and a teddy bear.
Love Karen Meza

Dear Santa,
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Love Evelyn Lozoya

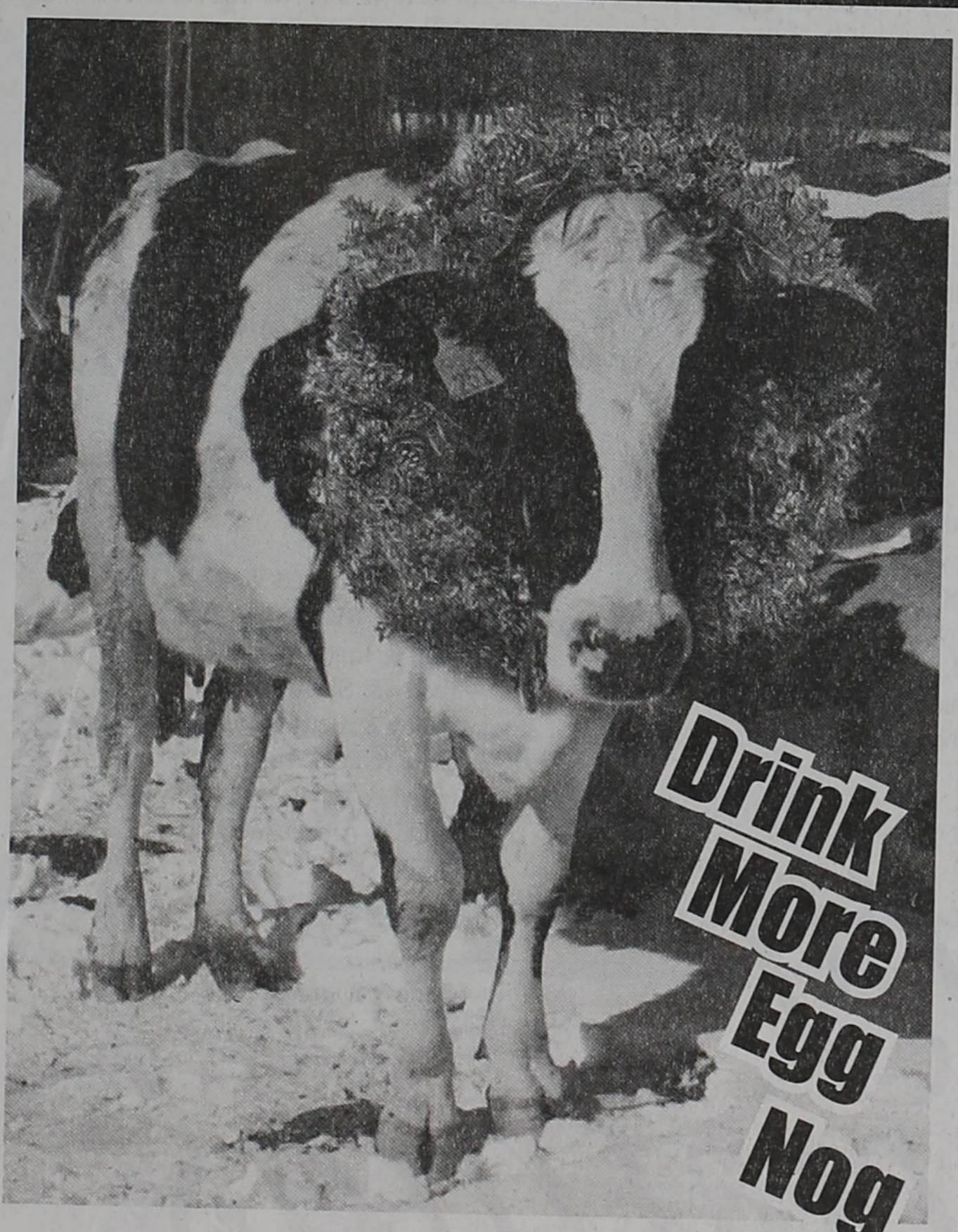


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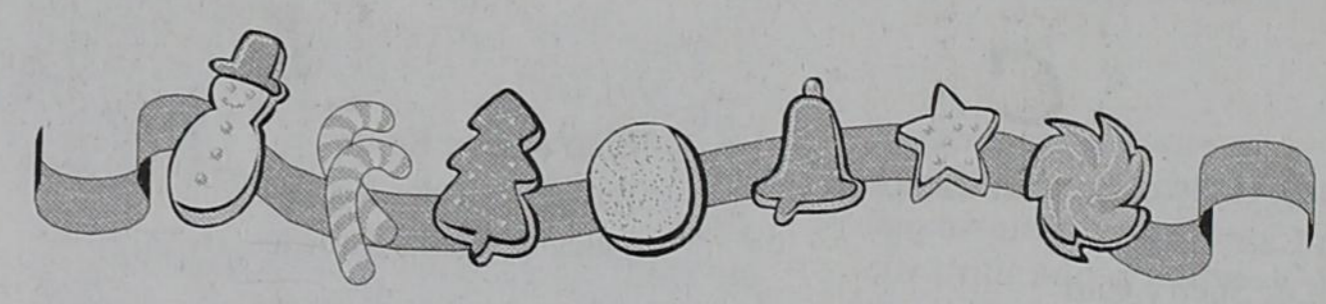
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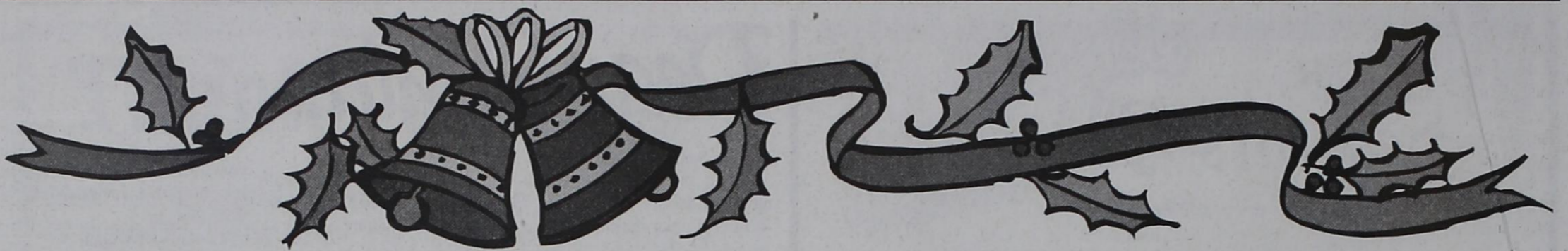
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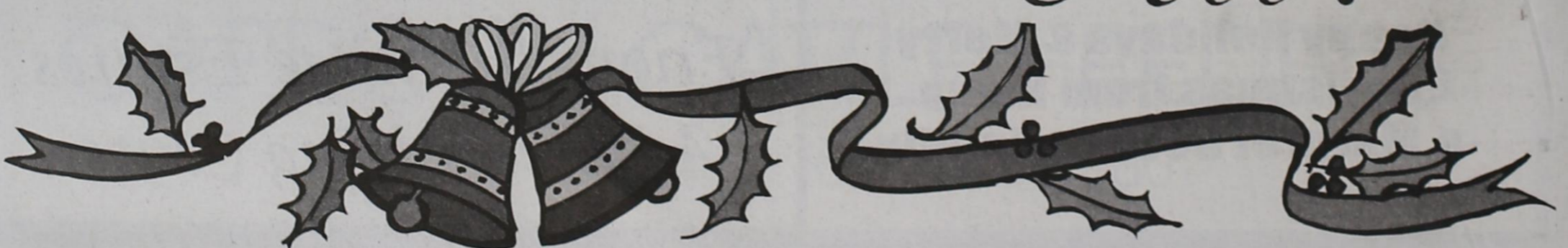
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Merry
Christmas
to All!



Dear Santa,
I hope you are fine and your
randear. For Christmas I want
some Bratz and a two dogs.
luv frum
Abril Chavez

Dear Santa
I hope you have a grate day
I want a Big Computer and a
Pink Bicycle and a Barbie
Elizabeth

Dear Santa,
How are you today, Santa? I
am fine. I have been good this
year. I love you, Santa. I would
like playstation now.
Love, Cristian

Dear Santa
I wish for a Barbie and a
scootr haw or yow dowing haw
is mis clos? I want yow to hav
a vere mery crismis.
love,
Hillary

Dear Santa,
How are you today, Santa? I
am fine I have been good this
year. I love you, Santa I would
like trampoli
Dayana

Dear Santa
I have you had a great year
My year went well I hope you
can come to My house to bring
toys I would like a bicycle.
I love Santa
Josue

Dear Santa
I want a Big Big Big Bike
Love Emily Ramos

Dear Santa,
I hope you had a great year.
My year went well. I hope you
can come to my house to bring
toys I would like a cat.
Love
Lorena

Dear Santa
I like christmas. I like you
too. Dear Santa I want a doll
and a Barbie doll.
Love Zulma

Dear Santa
I hope you had a great year
my year went well I hope you
can come to my house to bring
toys I would like a doll.
Yodeli

Dear Santa,
How are you today, Santa? I
am fine. I have been good this
year. I love you Santa. I would
like grezs friona karts
Love, Gabriela

Dear Santa
I hope you had a great year.
my went well I hope you can
come to my to bring toys. I
would like....
Love
Evan

Dear Santa,
How are you is Rudolph ok?
I left chocolate cookie for you.
I want Xbox
Love Aaron Torres

Dear Santa
I hope you had a great year.
My year went well. I hope you
can come to my house to bring
toys. I would love
Austin

Dear Santa
How are, you today, Santa? I
am fine. I have been good this
year I love you, Santa. I would
like playstion moto trampoli.
Love
Daniel

Dear Santa,
I hope you had a great year.
My year went well. I hope you
can come to my house to bring
toys. I would like bicycle.
Love Erika

Dear Santa
How are you today, Santa? I
am fine I have been good this
year I love you, Santa I would
like CD de Spiderman Playstation
i una troca la mano de Hulk.
Brayan

To Santa With Love

Dear Santa,
I wish you bring me a head
and a sleepingbag I hope you
have Great time with your wife
Love Santa
Esmeralda

Dear Santa,
How are you today Santa I
am fine I have been good this
year I love you, Santa I would
like trampoli
Dennise

Santa
Quiero que me traigas una
muneca y una casita y un bebe.
Gracias
Jennifer Rodriguez

Dear Santa
how are you duing I wish u
a mere Chrstmas. I want ear-
rings necklaces.
Love
Misty Villanueva

Dear Santa,
I want to tell you these
things that I want a game boy
and a pant size 14 and Tennis
Shouse size 7 and I want a shirt
size XL for a girl of 12 years
and I want a Soccer ball and a
bike. thats all that I want Santa.
thank you!
Merry Christmas Santa!
Ana

Dear Santa,
I want a Doll and a cd's and
a dvd player. and I wish you a
merry christmas Santa. Make
sure that I said to Jesus happy
birthday.
Love,
Denise Padilla



SANTA has a laugh with Friona ISD food service director Roxanne Hurst during his visit at the elementary cafeteria.

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...they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Matthew 2:11

At this time of the year we should all be grateful for what God has given us.

During this season it is also good to acknowledge the help from customers and friends who have patronized Brockman Sales this past year.

We pray everyone will have a blessed and Merry Christmas and a prosperous 2004

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