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YULETIDE GREETINGS

May the Holiday Season inspire Peace and Love within all of our hearts...and the hope for Peace within the years to come. May we truly enjoy a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mr. & Mrs. Don Comedy
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Comedy
Lisa Shaw

Wendell Faught
Charles Thornhill
Alice Ballard

Vicky Anderson
Alice Bredthauer
Myrtle Phemister

City to purchase brush chipper

The City Council Thursday night approved the purchase of a brush chipper to be used at the city land fill.

Successful bidder was KAB of Palestine with a bid of \$13,999.

That was the lowest of five bids submitted. The other four bids ranged from \$14,925 to \$15,874.

The chipper, expected to arrive within a week, will be used to grind limbs and brush at the land fill. In the past, this material has been burned but a new state regulation now prohibits burning.

The council also targeted areas of improvement at Rice Springs Park and instructed the city administrator to prepare the necessary documents to submit for a Texas State Parks and Wildlife Commission grant.

Park priorities are:
A lighted foot path with cardiovascular exercise area, construction of a new playground area and a small soccer field for youngsters.

City Administrator Robert Baker estimates the cost of the project at \$57,000. If approved, the grant would be a 50-50 matching-fund arrangement, but Baker said most of the city's 50-percent share would be in the form of labor and equipment.

In other action, the council:
+Renewed an agreement with the State Highway Department to continue maintenance of state highways which run through the city.

+Adopted a solid waste

management ordinance and set new land fill fees (see separate articles).

+Appointed Bill Steele as city fire marshal, succeeding Bill Lane.

+Approved a Zoning Board recommendation for a zoning change to allow the placement of a trailer house on property owned by Alta Harvey on Avenue D.

+Discussed the new law which allows cities to impose a half-cent sales tax for economic development. (No action was taken.)

All-district

Several members of the Paint Creek football team were recognized last week with the announcement of the district 11 all-district team.

OFFENSE

Rodney Medford, sophomore, first-team deep back.

Roman Morgan, sophomore, second-team quarterback.

Honorable mention: Rodney Tsoodle, sophomore end; Chris Cockerell, senior end; Kelly Williams, junior center; and Dane Morgan, junior running back.

DEFENSE

Rodney Tsoodle, sophomore defensive end; Kelly Williams, junior middle linebacker and Rodney Medford, sophomore safety.

Honorable mention: Chris Cockerell, senior defensive end; Tanner Childress, junior defensive end; and Dane Morgan, junior linebacker.

SSI benefits go unclaimed by many

(The district Social Security office which serves the Haskell area is located at 142 S. Pioneer in Abilene. The toll-free telephone number is 1-800-234-5772.)

Many women who are age 65 and older may be unaware that they are eligible for supplemental security income (SSI).

In recent reports, several non-profit groups have estimated that only half of the elderly poor who are eligible for SSI benefits are receiving them.

SSI payments can be made to people 65 and over, disabled, or blind who have little income and own few resources.

Current figures from the Social Security Administration show that 7 percent of Social Security beneficiaries age 65 and older received SSI payments and three-quarters of these SSI recipients are women. The administration does not know why some SSI eligibles do not apply, nor why efforts to reach them have had only modest success.

The SSI program provides a base of financial support for the elderly, the blind and the disabled population who have limited income and few resources. People who receive SSI are eligible for Medicaid and other free social services.



There are professional tea tasters just as there are professional wine tasters.

S/Sgt. Weaver

Rule serviceman disappeared in WWII

By Jack E. Westbrook
(Staff Sergeant John Caral Weaver is one of 21 members of the Rule community who made the supreme sacrifice for their country--and in turn for you and me. And, it is for them that a fitting Memorial Monument is being planned by the Rule Community in his and their honor.)

John Caral Weaver was born in Rule, Haskell County, Texas, on Sept. 16, 1921. His parents were James Birdine and Bertie Idella Ray Weaver.

Johnny was brought up on a farm in the Cook Springs community northwest of Rule. He was taught to work at an early age, helping his dad and brothers in making a living during the hard times of the Depression. He went to first grade at Cook Springs, attended second through seventh at New Cook School, finishing his education at Rule High School in the Spring of 1941.

Johnny was known and respected by members of the community and his church. He was active in his high school years and was popular among his classmates. He and his family were members of the church in the Cook Springs community.

John Caral Weaver, ASN 18109846, entered the Air Corps on April 30, 1942, training in gunnery at Harlingen, Texas. He then went to Biggs Field in El Paso as a crew member of a B-24 Liberator bomber in the 460th Bomb Squadron. They were sent overseas on Dec. 26, 1942, being stationed in England for service in the European Theater

of Operations.

His crew took off on Feb. 8, 1943, from an airdrome in the English countryside on an anti-submarine sweep over the Bay of Biscay from which they failed to return. There was no sighting of how their plane went down nor exactly where. He was declared dead on Feb. 8, 1944.

Johnny attained the rating of Staff Sergeant. He was awarded the Purple Heart, European-African-Middle East Campaign Medal with one Bronze Star, American Defense Medal, World War II Victory Medal--all posthumously--in addition to his wings as a gunner and other awards and recognition for his service.

His family and friends held out hope in his having been downed that he might have been captured and placed in a prisoner of war camp, up until the end of the war. The community grieved with the family in the loss from our midst. His parents carried this hurt with them to their graves.

The community of Rule is proud of Johnny and will be eternally grateful for his having made the supreme sacrifice in giving his life for his country. The value of his sacrifice should not be lessened with time. The gift he gave to his fellow countrymen cannot be overestimated, and, has to be



S/Sgt. John Caral Weaver

brought forth as a reminder to all of us just how important his gift was. We need to be reminded of his absence from our community, the life he missed in having given all. And every man, woman and child needs to take up and carry the banner forward for Johnny.

It wasn't easy for Johnny and will not be easy for us. But, we who are privileged to live on in this Land of the Free must recall the danger through which he went and which eventually claimed him. We must recognize that we will be called again and again to make sacrifices. And in the meantime we cannot weaken nor shirk our responsibilities, the same responsibilities that Johnny took so seriously. They are real, they still exist, they must be met and satisfied.

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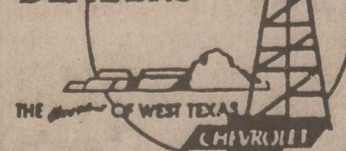
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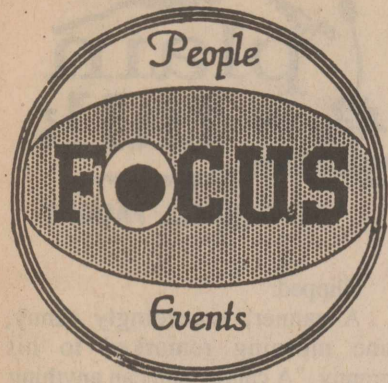


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Lutherans plan special service

Trinity Lutheran Church will have candlelight services Christmas Eve night, beginning at 11.

The Rev. Mel Swoyer, pastor of Faith Lutheran Church in Sagerton, will conduct the services. The public is invited to attend.

More candidates announce for offices

More candidates have announced for the Democratic primary.

Latest to announce is B. O. Roberson, who will be a candidate for re-election as county judge.

Other recent announcements were those of Charles Chapman, for re-election as district judge, and Roy T. Everett, for re-election as justice of the peace.

Earlier announcements were made by Carolyn Reynolds for district court clerk (re-election), Woodrow Frazier (re-election) and Rhonda Moeller for county clerk, Willie Faye Tidrow for county treasurer, Ronnie Chapman for commissioner of precinct 2 and C. A. Turnbow for commissioner of precinct 4.

Haskell teams to play at Rule

Haskell basketball teams will play Rule there Dec. 29 in new games added to their schedule.

Action begins at 5 p.m. with the game between the junior varsity boys of the two schools. The varsity Maidens will take on Rule's varsity girls at 6:30 and the Indian and Bobcat varsity boys will square off at 8.

The previous night, Dec. 28, the Indian teams will be in Chidress.

The Indians and Maidens were scheduled to play Jim Ned there Tuesday night of this week in their third district games of the season.

-Goodfellows-

A last-minute plea for donations to the Lions Club's Goodfellows project went out this week as members made plans for delivery of goods to the needy on Saturday.

Cash donations may be brought to the Free Press, or mailed to P.O. Box 1058. Donations of food, toys and good coats may be left at the fire station.

- In memory of Lon
- Dovie, Sue and Patsy.....50.00
 - Felix Mullino.....10.00
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 - Donnie and Ellen Rieger.....20.00
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 - First Methodist Church.....50.00
 - Anonymous.....100.00
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 - Business Mens Bible Class.....50.00
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 - F. E. Frierson.....25.00
 - In loving memory of R. I. and Ethel Johnson
 - A. C. and Sally Boggs
 - Barney and Jimmy Long
 - Boggs & Johnson.....200.00
 - Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Miller.....20.00
 - Mr. and Mrs. Royce Adkins.....50.00
 - Mr. and Mrs. Delma Williams and family.....50.00
 - Anonymous.....10.00
 - Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Griffith.....20.00
 - Mrs. R. G. Foote.....100.00
 - Previous total.....\$425.00
 - Total.....\$1285.00

City to pick up Christmas trees

The City of Haskell will pick up discarded Christmas trees this year.

Residents within the city may call City Hall (864-2333) and request that their trees be picked up.

Letter to the Editor

I was blessed!

Editor: I remember hearing the phone ring. I'd just gotten in a warm tub of water, planning on soaking for a few quiet minutes before the kids waked up and Christmas presents began.

My first thought was, "Oh no! Not now?" As Yuvi answered the phone, I heard the all-too-familiar response: "He'll call you right back."

It was the hospital calling. Someone was in the emergency room at 6:30 on Christmas morning. It was cold, wet and windy outside and I surely did not want to go. The kids were waking up and I could smell the coffee and quiche, waiting only on Mom, Dad and me to be ready.

I got dressed grumpily and bundled up against the expected cold. For the umpteenth time I bemoaned my choice of professions. Why didn't I go into banking or game management? You know; no night call, holidays off.

As I backed the truck out of the garage, freezing drizzle hit the windshield. It was backed by a 20-30-mph wind and was heavy enough to need the wipers. Man! I didn't want to go out to the emergency room. I wanted to be at home with the family in front of the fireplace, opening presents and enjoying being at home on Christmas Day.

"Woe to me," I thought as the truck bucked the north wind down 16th Street. I had already decided that no amount of money, providing I got paid for the emergency room visit, was worth being out on this morning in this weather.

As I slowed to navigate the dip over Rice Springs Creek at the Willows, a flashing red light caught my eye. It glowed eerily in the cold damp haze that blasted from the north.

I slowed and peered, wondering what in the world was going on in this ungodly weather and at this time. A large red fire truck was parked in the street beside the Daryl Anderson home and billows of smoke issued from the structure. Surrounding the building were cars, trucks and bundled-up figures of volunteer firemen trying their best to stop an extremely untimely disaster, and salvage something for the Anderson family on this Christmas morning.

My train of thought switched rails quickly as I realized the sacrifices these volunteers were making and the terrible problems that had rudely besieged the Anderson family. My self pity dissolved as a pink tinge of shame and a chill crept up the nape of my neck. I had no gripes coming. I was tremendously blessed!

My family was very healthy. I have good friends, my community is full of fine people. I have a wonderful church and pastor, men and women who owe me nothing are ready and trained and willing to respond on a moment's notice to help me in case of fire, trauma or medical emergencies. This is done often at personal sacrifice of time and plans.

Across our country, millions of volunteers give of time and effort to assure the safety, health and well-being of others. Neighbors help neighbors, strangers take in strangers, never asking for recompense or reward. Entire organizations of benevolence depend on this good will. Above all, I have a Lord and Savior who came and died for me. He was the greatest volunteer ever!

As I turned the corner at North First and Avenue L, a different fellow pointed a big Dodge pickup westward toward the emergency room. After all, I realized I was extremely blessed.

Merry Christmas,
Peace, Good Will
Wayne Cadenhead, MD

Hospital memorials starting to come in

First contributions to the hospital memorial fund to help pay for the costs of the newly acquired Abbot Spectrum multiple analyzer have been received.

They include: Charles Swinson and Ruby Clemmer in memory of Otho Nanny.

Dr. Bill McSmith in memory of Charles Reed and Rudy Espinoza.

Delma Williams family in memory of Oscar Tooley.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Miller in memory of "all my deer hunting buddies."

Bill and Bud Comedy in memory of Dr. T. W. Williams.

Thelma King in memory of B. R. Winchester.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Campbell in memory of Mrs. Pearl Grimsley.

Merchants to give away \$4,000 Friday

Four lucky Haskell shoppers will share a \$4,000 jackpot Friday afternoon at the annual downtown drawing of the Retail Trade Committee of the Haskell Chamber of Commerce.

Top prize will be \$2,000. There will be another prize of \$1,000 and two prizes of \$500 each.

Money will be in the form of \$20 certificates, redeemable for merchandise at any of the firms participating in the promotion.

The jackpot drawings will begin at 3 p.m. on the south side of the courthouse.

Shoppers have been receiving drawing tickets from participating merchants over the past several weeks.

In order to claim a jackpot, the winner or his or her spouse must be present.

Stores participating in the program will have individual drawings at their places earlier Friday. Winners do not have to be present to claim those prizes.

In the jackpot drawings, no owner or manager of a business or any member of his or her immediate family may participate, whether or not his or her firm is one of the sponsors. Store employees can enter on tickets received at other stores, but not at those from their places of employment.

Conrad Roewe is president of the Retail Merchants Committee and Thomas Long is chairman of the Christmas program.

Sponsoring merchants are: Boggs and Johnson, Jones Cox and Company, Clothes Closet, Heads or Tails, Heidenheimer's, The Hayloft, The Personality Shoppe, Lane-Felker, Hassen's, Winn's, Perry's.

The Slipper Shoppe, Lyles Jewelry, Conner's Nursery, Sue's Flowers, Sears, Haskell Butane Co., The Carousel, Smitty's, Western Auto, Bill Wilson Motor

Co., J&R Radiator, Carpet Express.

The Drug Store, Johnson Pharmacy, Bill's Drive In, Anderson Tire Co., Frazier Appliance, Owens TV & Electric, Walling TV and Electronics, Modern Way, M System, Pogue Grocery.

Sport-About, Kids' Duds, The Reedy Co., Brian Burgess State Farm Insurance, Lanco Insurance, The Hartsfield Agency, Bridwell Flying Service, Sherman's Antiques, Haskell National Bank, First National Bank, Olney Savings Association, Aladdin House and Sunshine Gift Shop.

New landfill fees

The Haskell City Council has established new fees for use of the city landfill.

Residents of the City of Haskell will be exempted from charges for household and yard trash only. Proof of residency will be required.

New fees are:

Minimum charge	4.00
Cost per cubic yard	2.00
Auto tires	.50
Truck tires	1.00
Tractor tires	2.00
Vacuum truck (each 500 gal.)	15.00
Small animals (dog-cat)	3.00
Medium animals (sheep-pig)	5.00
Large animals (horse-cow)	10.00
Contaminated soil (cubic yard)	8.00
Large household appliances (washer-dryer)	4.00
TYPICAL SIZE LOADS	
1/2 ton pickup (long bed, level)	5.00
1/2 ton pickup (short bed, level)	4.00
16 ft. trailer 1 ft. high	10.00
6 yd. dump truck	12.00
12 yd. dump truck	24.00

Council enacts waste ordinance

A solid waste management ordinance passed by the Haskell City Council last Thursday identifies the collection and landfill procedures of all solid waste.

Among other things, the new ordinance prohibits the placement of waste oils and other hazardous material in dumpsters, as well as heavy building materials such as brick and concrete.

It also provides a penalty for using a dumpster without paying a fee for same to the City and establishes new fees for use of the

city landfill.

The City will provide a trailer on request from residents to be used only within the city limits for the disposal of bulky items, yard trash and limbs. The trailer will be limited to non-commercial use. There will be no charge, but a resident's use will be limited to one month.

The ordinance, which is effective immediately, spells out the operation of the landfill according to state specifications.

Haskell Indians win own tournament

Led by James Rike's season-high 45 points, the Haskell Indians captured the championship of the annual Haskell Indian Booster Club's Basketball Tournament here Saturday night with a 72-68 victory over Breckenridge.

A hot fourth quarter, during which the Indians outscored the Bucks 20-16 proved the margin of victory after the two teams had started the final period all tied up at 52-52.

Harper Stewart and Shane Osborne each scored 10 points for the Indian cause.

The Indians had advanced to the final round with a 75-32 Thursday night victory over the Abilene Cooper JV team and a 62-48 win over Rule on Friday.

In the Cooper JV game, the Indians had their own way, jumping to a 24-5 margin in the first period and stretching it to 44-12 by halftime.

Rike scored 20 points to lead the scoring. Stewart added 18 while Osborne and Adam Coleman each had 10.

Rike scored 32 points in the Rule game, Stewart added 14 and

Osborne 11 as the Indians coasted to victory. They led 16-9 after one quarter and 40-22 at halftime.

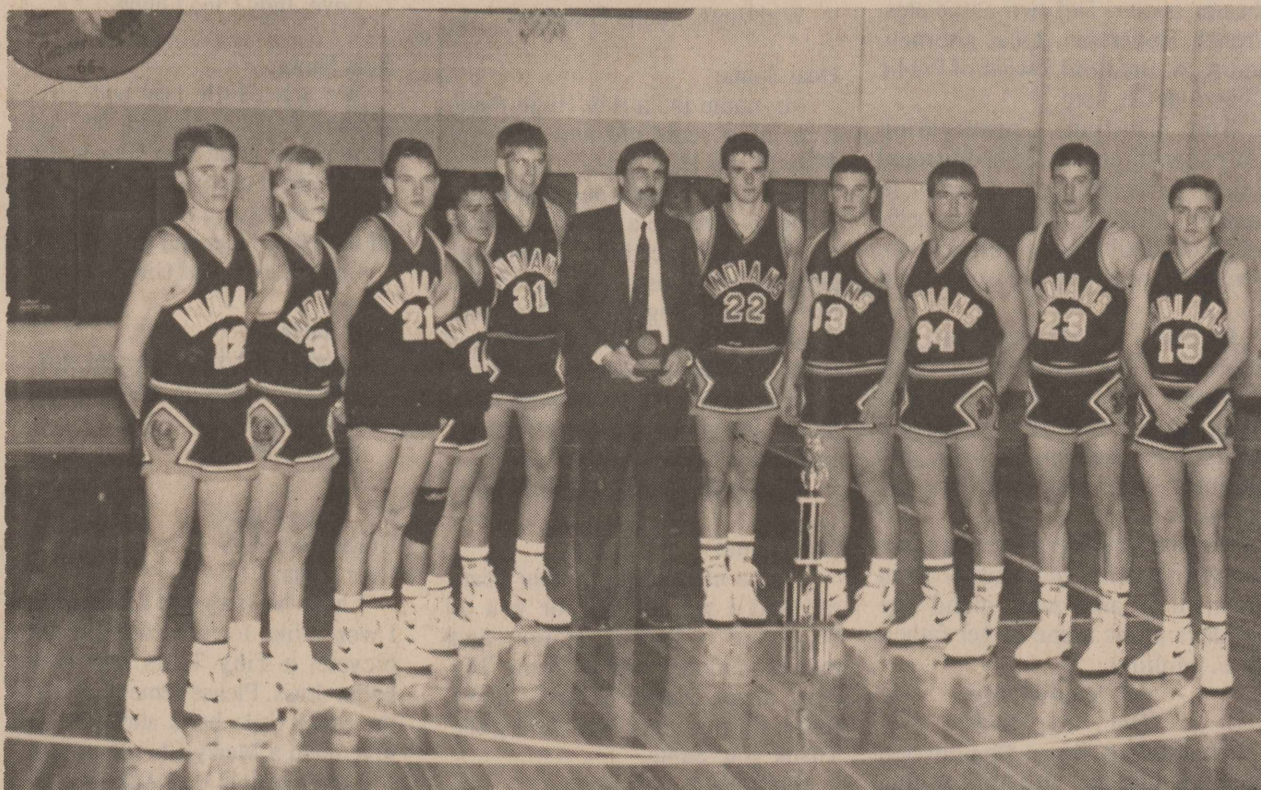
The Haskell Maidens captured third place in the Haskell Indian Booster Club Basketball Tournament last weekend, defeating Albany 41-31, Saturday.

Sheila Unger scored 18 points and Missy Davis scored 10 as the Maidens made it 2-of-3 in the local tournament.

After leading 16-15 at halftime, the Maidens fell behind 23-20 in the third quarter, but a 21-point outburst in the final period while Albany was getting only 8 points sealed the victory for Haskell.

Haskell had opened the tournament Thursday with a 71-52 victory over Rule. Leading scorers were Unger with 20, Davis with 14, Shawna McKenzie with 11 and Misty Bartley with 10.


The Maidens dropped to the losers' bracket Friday when they went down to Monday, 52-40, in the semifinals. Davis' 21 points paced the scoring.



Color them champions

The Haskell Indians won first place in last week's Booster Club tournament in Haskell. Team members, from left, are Harper Stewart, Todd Vaughn, Michael Lane, Shane Osborne, Rusty Stocks, Coach Randy Stone, James Rike, Roger Roewe, Chad Gibson, Adam Coleman and Craig Hanson. The three victories in the tournament boosted the Indians' record to 12-1.

STATE CAPITAL



HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN—Gov. Bill Clements signed the new workers' compensation bill into law last week, ending a special session marked by unusually hostile personal attacks between lawmakers.

But the best news came from Comptroller Bob Bullock, who reported the state's economy has pushed through a recovery period into "full expansion" with more jobs than ever before.

Meanwhile, state officials are anticipating a federal court order to install single-member districts in 1990 elections for state district judges in nine counties.

Earlier, U.S. District Judge Lucious Buntin declared the at-large election system unconstitutional for discriminating against minorities and ordered the Legislature to reform the system by Jan. 3.

Unless Gov. Clements calls a special session during Christmas, lawmakers will not meet the deadline.

Top state officials favor an appointment plan, while the League of United Latin American Citizens says it wants an interim election of judges based on legislative districts.

Buntin is reviewing all plans and will likely order his choice for the 1990 elections, expecting the Legislature to address the issue sometime later.

Hostile Session

The animosity that boiled repeatedly on the Senate floor will not die easily, and is likely to resurface during the March elections in the form of political revenge.

Certainly, the elections will pit labor and trial lawyers against insurance and business groups, but it's likely that some lawmakers will wage political war on others in their own party.

Clements praised the business-backed bill as one that will attract new jobs and investment in Texas, but others cautioned it will be some years before good or bad effects are revealed.

Brandley Freed

Following rebukes for slowness from Attorney General Jim Mattox and a band of state legislators, the state's highest criminal court ordered the release of death-row inmate Clarence Brandley. Brandley, a black janitor convicted of rape-murder, has been the focus of civil rights activists who have argued for ten years that he was railroaded in a racially biased trial.

Some activists said they have filed complaints against some of the key trial figures and vowed to make them accountable.

Prosecutors and the victim's family, convinced of Brandley's guilt, were dismayed at the ruling. Montgomery County officials may push for a new trial.

A majority of the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals held that Brandley had not received a fair trial, which included an all-white jury and suppressed evidence.

The court's minority wrote there is absolutely no evidence showing Brandley is not guilty.

Political Campaigns

As the filing deadline nears, the biggest surprise thus far occurred last week when Dallas Congressman John Bryant dropped out of the Democratic primary for attorney general.

Bryant's retreat sparked speculation that his close friend, incumbent Mattox, will seek re-election instead of running for governor.

But Mattox said his polls show him narrowly leading Treasurer Ann Richards, and both are way ahead of former Gov. Mark White. "I'm running for governor. Period," said Mattox.

Aides to Railroad Commissioner Kent Hance, who is a GOP candidate for governor, also denied he is pulling out of that race to run for attorney general.

State Land Commissioner Garry Mauro and Supreme Court Justice Lloyd Doggett, both Democrats, said they will consider running for AG instead of re-election.

Texas Export Figures

In international trade, Texas is second behind California with \$19.7 billion in exports.

Texas sends 28 percent of its exports to Mexico, eight percent to Canada, and six percent to Japan.

Leading Texas exports are chemicals, 27 percent; electronic equipment, 18 percent; and machinery, 16 percent. Agriculture products are the lowest major export at six percent.

Other Highlights

■ Federal regulators are preparing to sell more than 3,500 properties held by seized lending institutions, and more than half are in Texas and Oklahoma.

■ Renovation of the Battleship Texas is expected to be completed this month at a cost overrun of \$2 million, caused by change orders from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, according to shipyard officials.

■ State Rep. Bill Hammond, R-Dallas, said school officials think his new law, which makes good school attendance a requisite for students seeking drivers licenses, will help reduce the state's 35 percent dropout rate.

■ Public Utility Commission officials said they think evidence linking cancer to powerlines exposure justifies further research but not drastic action.

■ Texas lawmakers have begun mapping a two-pronged plan to toughen laws limiting their relationship with lobbyists.

■ Judge Ross Sears of Houston's 14th Court of Appeals announced his candidacy for the Texas Supreme Court. Sears, a Democrat, will seek the seat being vacated by C. L. Ray.

Letters

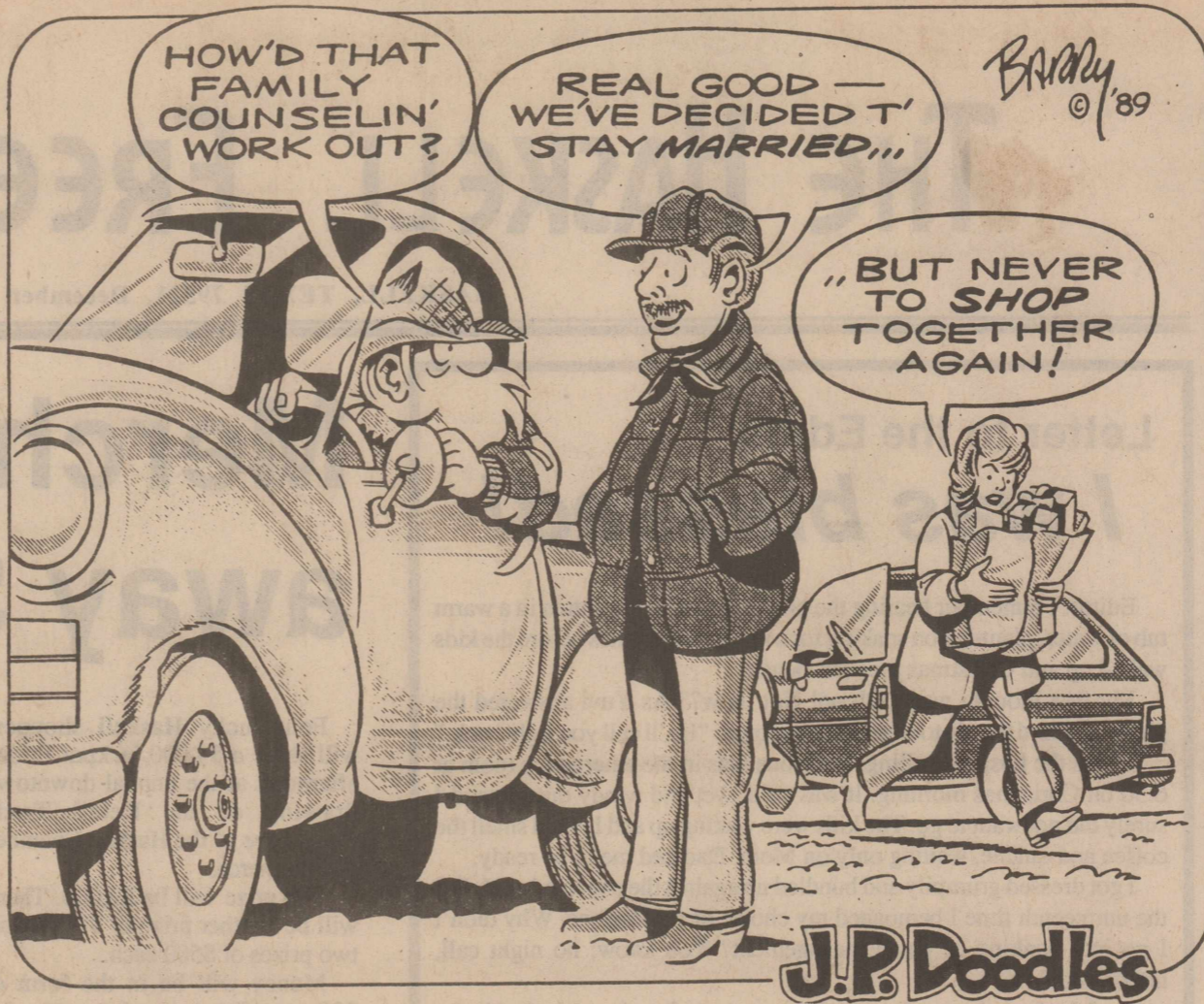
Editor: The Haskell Indian Booster Club would like to express our appreciation to everyone who helped with the Booster Club Basketball Tournament held this past weekend.

A special thanks to the coaches who worked so hard to make the tournament a success and to the individuals who gave of their time to work in different capacities.

Haskell people are very supportive. Thanks to each of you who helped in any way.

Haskell Indian Booster Club

Having problems with those office supply or bookkeeping needs? Come by the Haskell Free Press. We can help you find a solution.



--From Out of the Past--
From the Files of The Haskell Free Press

30 Years Ago
Dec. 17, 1959

Purchase of the Dairy Cream sandwich shop by Mr. and Mrs. Art Carter of Rotan was announced this week.

Law offices of Ratliff & Ratliff have been moved to the new Pierson Building recently completed just off the northwest corner of the square on Avenue E.

County commissioners have scuttled a county-wide tax equalization program and cancelled a contract with a Fort Worth appraisal firm.

W. H. Baccus Jr., operator of the Mobil Service Station at 904 N. 1st has recently completed special training in the latest methods of service station operation.

Harry G. Kochler, formerly of Yoakum, is a new member of the staff of the local Soil Conservation Service unit in charge of J. C. Yeary.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Roberds of Watsonville, Calif., were weekend visitors in the home of his sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Reynolds, and other relatives and friends here. Mr. Roberds lived here before moving to California in the mid 30s.

Gary Ivy of Haskell is entering his fifth year as a member of the Abilene Christian College Wildcat Band.

Mr. and Mrs. Evans Ray, prominent Haskell County farm couple, will observe their golden wedding anniversary Sunday, Dec. 20, at the family home west of Rochester.

50 Years Ago
Dec. 22, 1939

Elsie Gholson, Mary Eleanor Diggs and Geraldine Conner are early arrivals in Haskell from Texas Tech to spend the holidays with their parents.

Application for a franchise for the construction and operation of an electric light plant in Haskell was filed with the City Council at its meeting last night. Applicant for the franchise is H. S. Leon, local theater owner, and two associates, French Robertson, local attorney, and A. A. Bradford, owner of Public Chevrolet Co. here.

The Civilian Conservation Corps will enroll 35 additional youth from Haskell County in January, Mrs. Kate Perdue has been advised. Eligible for enrollment are youths between the ages of 17 and 23.

Buford Gholson, who is attending Anderson Diesel Engineering School in Los Angeles, is here to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gholson.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Henry and son Patrick arrived Tuesday from Winnsboro and will spend the holidays in the home of her father, G. F. Mullino.

60 Years Ago
Dec. 19, 1929

The State Railroad Commission has granted the Wichita Valley Railway permission to discontinue two daytime passenger trains now running between Wichita Falls and Abilene. The two night passenger trains will continue to be operated.

Alvah Crandall is the owner of a new Model A Ford, purchased this

week from Haskell Motor Co.
80 Years Ago
Dec. 18, 1909

We are informed that W. H. Parsons has traded his store building for a farm. The consideration was about \$1,100.

C. E. Ross, who left here about two years ago and went to Kentucky, is back for a visit.

There have been several real estate deals reported this week in which farmers traded for homes in Haskell where they will have the advantages of our public school system.

Messrs. Warbritton and Mauldin have purchased Mr. Walker's barber shop on the north side.

R. C. Montgomery, cashier of the Farmers National Bank, left Wednesday for Glory, Okla., to consult a specialist concerning his health. We learn that Mr. Montgomery may have a mild case of appendicitis.

About 7 o'clock Tuesday evening, Drew Day's team ran away with him, threw him out of the wagon and cut a long gash in the

back of his head, also one above his left eye, hurt his side and sprained his ankle.

90 Years Ago
Dec. 23, 1899

Miss Carrie Wilfong of Albany will visit relatives here during the holidays.

J. E. Fitzgerald went over to look after his Stonewall ranch this week.

C. A. Norris went to Abilene this week to meet his daughter, Miss Tannie, who is teaching in Kent County.

Walter Tandy returned Monday from St. Louis where he sold several cars of beef steers.

T. C. Owens of Jones County was here this week, buying mules for the British army for use in South Africa.

We hear there have been two or three little fisticuffs in town this week. Shake hands, boys, and don't do it any more.

Advertisement: Buggy whips 15 cents each and up at Riddle's.

Letters to Santa...

Letters from 1959

Dear Santa,

My name is Betty Ozuna. I am nine years old. I would like the third grade. I would like for you to bring my mother a new bedroom set. I want a bicycle for Christmas. I want a little carriage for my baby doll.

With love, Betty Ozuna

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is Sheila Gilleland. I am eight years old. I have tried to be good. Please bring me a baton, house shoes, a set of dishes, a doll with a pink blanket on it, water colors and a watch. I would like for you to bring my sister a nurse set, a Tiny Tears doll, and a little pair of house shoes.

With love, Sheila Gilleland

Dear Santa:

My name is Patrick Hugh Pace. I am nine years old and I live at 1201 N. Av H.

Since my mother and daddy are going to give me a pair of cowboy boots. I won't need too many other presents for Christmas. I would like for you to bring me a Crossman "Hahn" Super CO2 BB Repeater Rifle and several packs of BBs. I need some football pants with knee pads. Be good to all my friends, especially Tommy Perry.

With love, Patrick Hugh Pace

Dear Santa:

I am a nice little boy four years old and I would like for you to bring me a service station and rocket launcher and a drum. My twin sister wants a doll. Don't forget all the other boys and girls. Thank you, Santa.

Sincerely, James Edgar Walling III

Dear Santa Claus:

This is what I want for Christmas. First I want a 26 inch bike with a 3-speed gear. But if you want to put more things on it, I

don't care. Then I want a doll. She is called Traveling Infant Toodles in her car bed. She is 16 inches tall. Then I want another doll. She is 7 1/2 inches tall. She is called Miss Christmas. Then I want some games and I don't care what kind they are.

With love, Pamela Nell Harris

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl five years old and have been pretty good. Would you please bring me a Tiny Tears doll, and some clothes, and anything else you wish and don't forget my little sister Carol Sue, and please bring her a Teddy Bear, and anything else. Also don't forget the other boys and girls.

Love, Judy Cleo Lehde

Dear Santa,

We are a little boy and girl, 3 1/2 and 2 1/2 years old. We have been pretty good this year and we would like a train set, tool set, doll, ice box and stove. Please remember all the other boys and girls, too.

Love, Steven and Gina Grand

Dear Santa,

I want an Army tank that shoots bullets and a missile set that shoots rockets. Thank you.

W. O. Elmore

Mr. Santa Claus North Pole, U.S.A.

Dear Santa:

I have been a good little girl and I would like for you to bring me a bicycle, a Tiny Tears doll and a ballet dress. Please remember all of the other little boys and girls and give them a Merry Christmas too.

Love, Bonnie Lou Adkins

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

plain talk
BY WENDELL FAUGHT

Clipped:
A canner, exceedingly canny, one morning remarked to his granny, "A canner can can anything that he can, but a canner can't can a can, can he?"

Only in sports can 10 plus 1 equal 10.

The Big 10 athletic conference is about to take in Penn State as its 11th member. But, it'll still be called the Big 10.

It's nothing new in midwestern arithmetic. Those of us with greying temples remember when Chicago dropped out of the Big 10, leaving only nine teams, but the conference remained known as the Big 10. The admission of Michigan State after WWII corrected the math.

But sports is no worse in math than it is in geography. Pro football puts Atlanta in the West and Dallas and Phoenix in the East. And in baseball, Atlanta is in the West and St. Louis in the East.

A parrot in an Abilene pet shop is priced at \$3,000.

"We've had it a couple of years, but one of these days someone will come along and buy it," said a clerk when I asked her who in the world would pay \$3,000 for a parrot.

She also said a parrot has a life expectancy of 75 years, although I neglected to ask her how old this one is.

One of the latest pet crazes is the Vietnamese potbellied pig. It's supposed to be cleaner than a cat, friendlier than a dog, smarter than either, and better trained to use a litter box. A male can be bought for as little as \$1,500, but the price of a pregnant female can be as high as \$3,000.

Times may be hard for a lot of people, but there are still a lot of them with a lot of money to squander.

Like professional athletes. A couple of aging pugilists split \$22 million the other night by masquerading as boxers before a Las Vegas--and television--crowd.

The Kansas City Royals gave a four-year, \$13 million contract to a free-agent relief pitcher.

An editorial in last Thursday's Abilene Reporter-News pointed out just how absurd the salaries of big-league professional athletes have become in recent years. These examples of average salaries were listed:

Basketball: \$20,000 in 1970, \$180,000 in 1980, \$650,000 today.
Football: \$23,200 in 1970, \$143,756 in 1980, \$302,000 today.
Baseball: \$29,300 in 1970, \$143,756 in 1980, \$512

We, as fans, pay for the services of these athletes, whether we buy tickets to their games or watch them on television. Recognizing this, we suddenly realize that \$3,000 may not be a bad price for a parrot.

And a \$35,000 pig looks like bargain-basement bacon.

It happens every December. Weeks before the year ends, newspapers, magazines, wire services, etc., start naming the 10 biggest stories of the year.

So if you want to discover a cure for cancer, better do it in the first 11 months of the year--or you won't get the credit.

What happened to those air force buyers who bought those \$700 toilet seats and \$200 hammers?

They may have simply moved to the auto industry.

Noticed a piece in the paper the other day that said if a \$16,000 Honda Accord was taken to a repair shop and each part was replaced, the cost would be \$62,000.

One woman talking to another about her husband:

"I don't know what makes him so obnoxious, but whatever it is, it works."

Rumor has it that Aspermont will drop from 1A to six-man football next season.

The Hornets might be a real power in that division. Among their performers is Albert Castanada, a unanimous all-district selection this past season as a freshman.

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Saving money in the kitchen

By Lou Gilly
County Extension Agent
Home Economics
(Second in a Series)

At this time of the year everyone is busy baking holiday treats and preparing lots of good food for parties and family get-togethers.

Here is a list of energy-saving practices for you to consider when using cooking appliances:

+Keep cooking appliances in good working condition. Have faulty elements or switches serviced as soon as possible.

+Do not use your range as a room heater.

+If you are preparing a dish that can be cooked either on top of the range or in the oven, use the range top.

+Match pan size to cooking unit so that heat enters the pan instead of the air in the room. Research indicates that using larger sized pans on smaller units is even more efficient.

+Use a heavy pan with a tight-fitting lid on the surface of the range for slow cooking.

+Place the pan on the burner or unit before turning on the heat.

+Heat the pan before adding fat. This reduces heating time and keeps the fat from burning.

+Surface burners or units with variable heat controls may replace many smaller heating appliances and use less energy.

+Put lids on pans to bring water to a boil faster, then use a lower setting to cook the food. It will continue to simmer on low heat.

+Cook vegetables in a minimum of liquid to conserve energy and vitamins.

+Some vegetables may be cooked more efficiently in a microwave. However, those vegetables that are less dense (corn, squash, broccoli) require more energy to cook in the microwave.

+Turn off cooking units when not in use. Electric burners can be turned off before cooking is completed. Heat retained in the burner will finish cooking the food.

+Self-cleaning ovens have more built-in insulation. This helps the oven operate more efficiently. However, the self-cleaning feature cleans more efficiently at higher temperatures which take more energy.

+Do not line the oven with aluminum foil. This blocks air circulation and could change the oven temperature by as much as 50 degrees. Wrap foods in foil with the shiny side in to shorten cooking time.

+Prevent oven spills and spattering. Choose a pan large

enough to prevent spillovers. A dirty oven will not operate at peak efficiency. Always keep a microwave oven clean. Microwaves will be absorbed by spatters in the oven cavity as well as by the food being cooked, requiring longer cooking time.

+Use major appliances during off hours of energy consumption. You may have a reduced rate during these times.

+Preheating the oven is not usually necessary. Research findings indicate that as much as 10 percent of the energy used for baking can be saved by eliminating preheating.

+Avoid peeking! Each time you open the oven door the temperature drops from 15 to 50 degrees, and you lose up to 20 percent of the heat.

+Before basting, checking internal temperature, or adding vegetables to a roast, remove the pan from the oven and close the oven door. Return it to the oven when ready.

+Fill the oven when you have it on. Plan menus with foods that cook at the same temperatures in the oven, such as vegetables, main dish, bread, dessert, plus something for the next day. Variations of 25 degrees can still produce good results except for baked goods.

+Turn off the oven just before

the food has finished cooking. Heat left in the oven will finish cooking it.

+Use the oven light only when needed. Do not leave it on throughout the cooking time.

+Plan ahead! Thaw frozen casseroles, meat and other frozen foods in the refrigerator to reduce boiling or baking time.

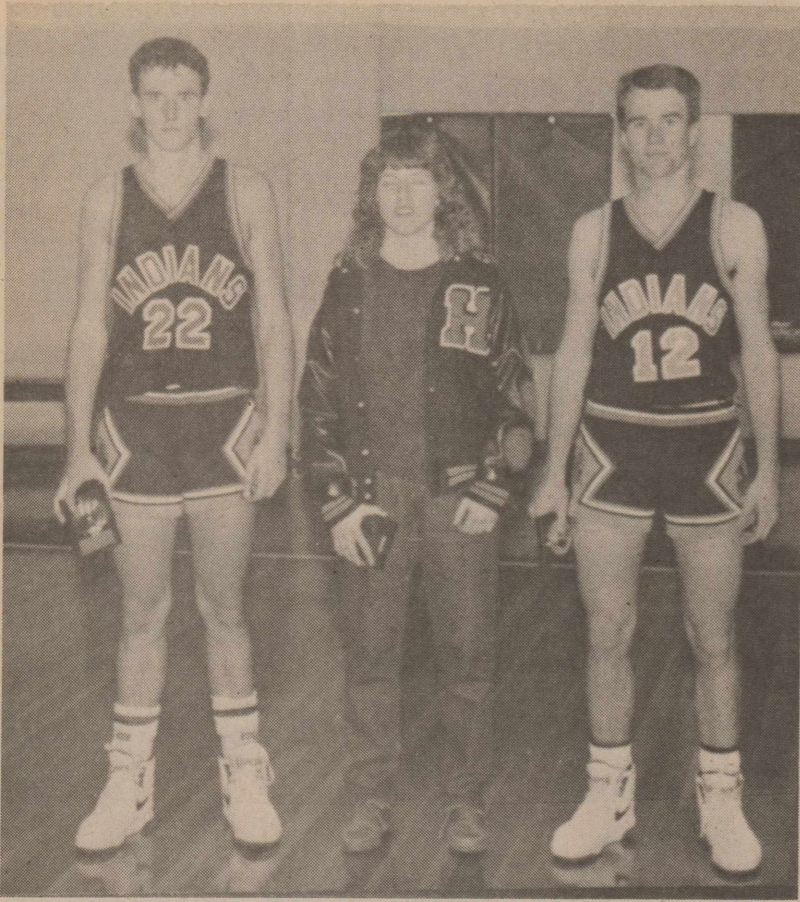
+Use a kitchen timer with a loud bell to avoid overcooking.

+Use small multi-purpose portable appliances if you already own these types of appliances. These are more efficient when heating only one item. In the long run, though, single-use portable appliances may use more energy than they save, because it takes energy to manufacture each of these products and they do not have the use-life of a major appliance.

+Use a pressure cooker/saucepan for long-cooking foods. This cuts cooking time and energy.

+A portable skillet with a tight-fitting, high-dome lid or a Dutch oven is convenient for one-dish meals such as casseroles, chicken-riced and vegetables, ham and scalloped potatoes, tuna and noodles and others.

Like a little color in your life? We have letter size and junior size legal pads in blue, rose, orchid, ivory, gray, and of course, canary. *Haskell Free Press.*



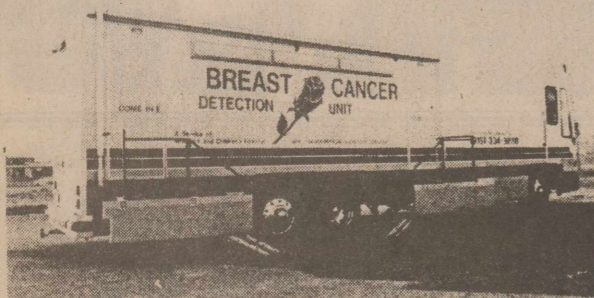
All-tournament

These three Haskell basketballers were named to the all-tournament teams at the conclusion of last week's tournament in Haskell. They are, from left, James Rike, Missy Davis and Harper Stewart.

To keep molasses, corn syrup or honey from sticking to a spoon or measuring cup, rinse utensil with hot water before using.

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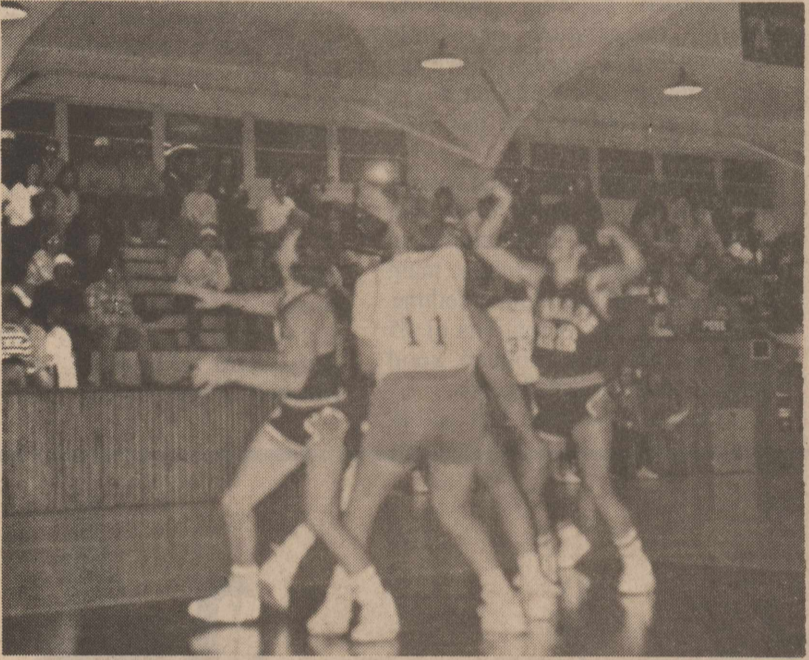
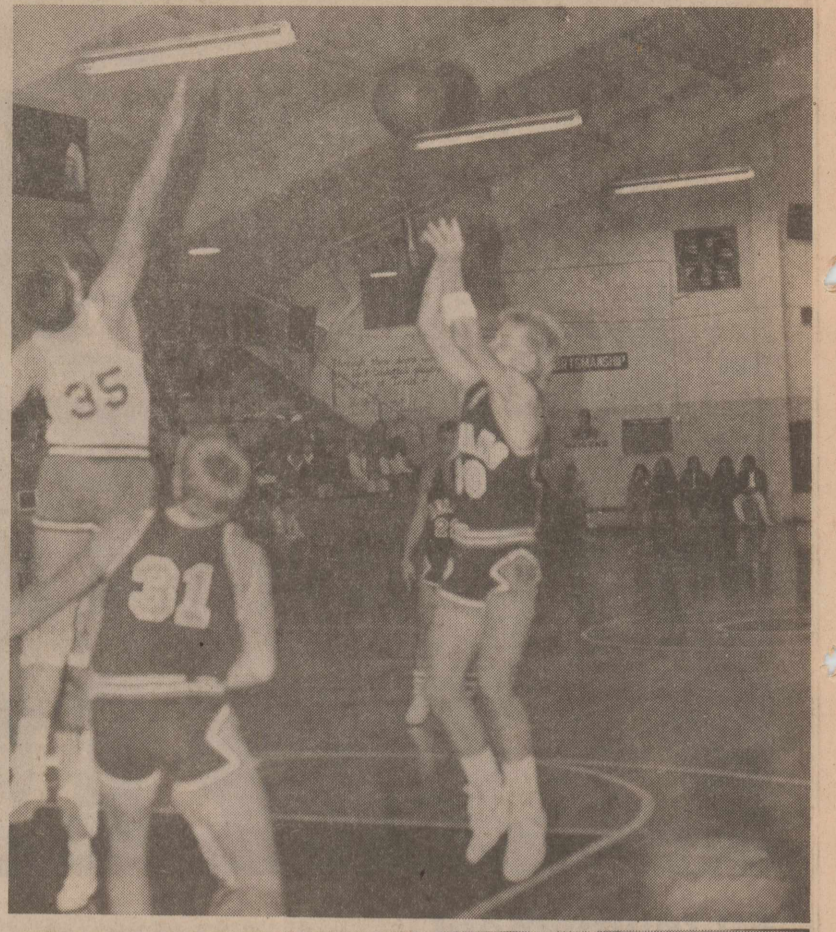
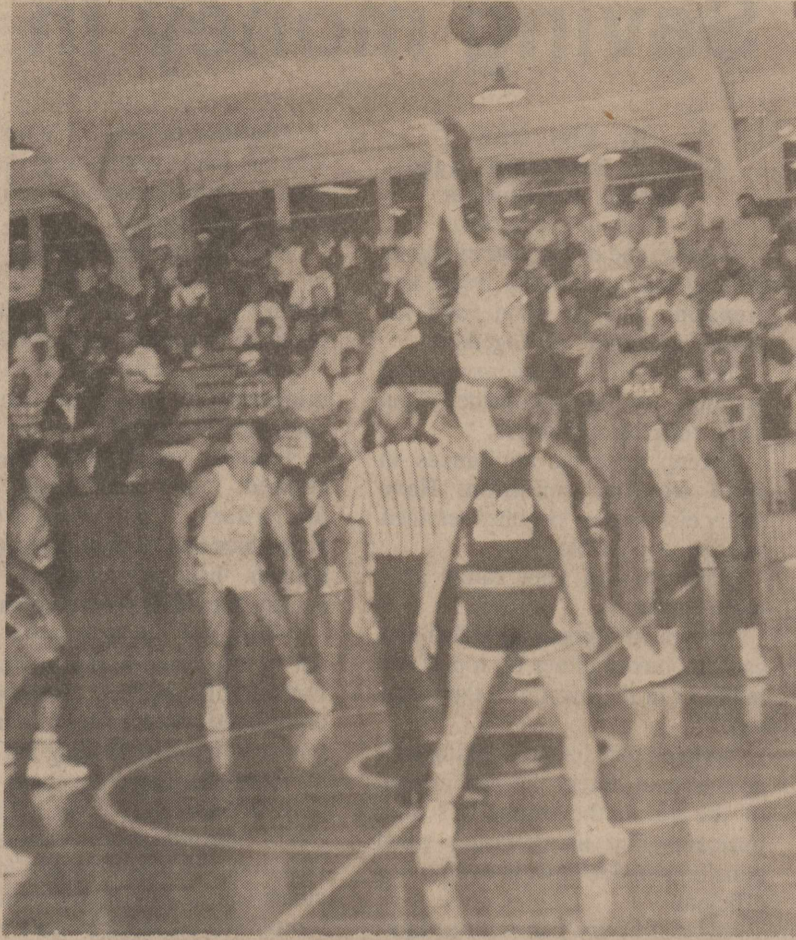
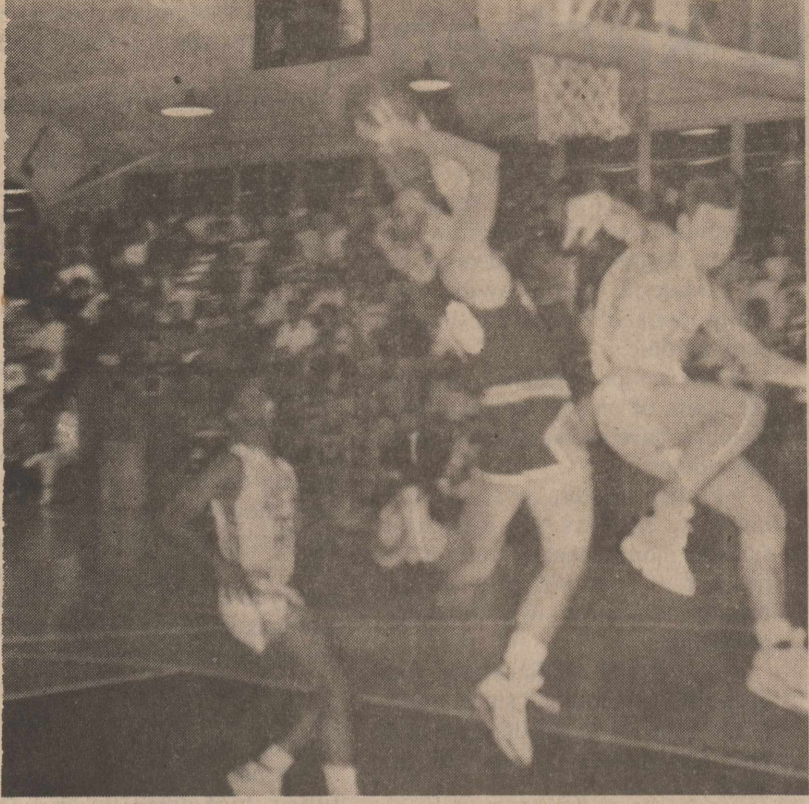
SEASON'S GREETINGS



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

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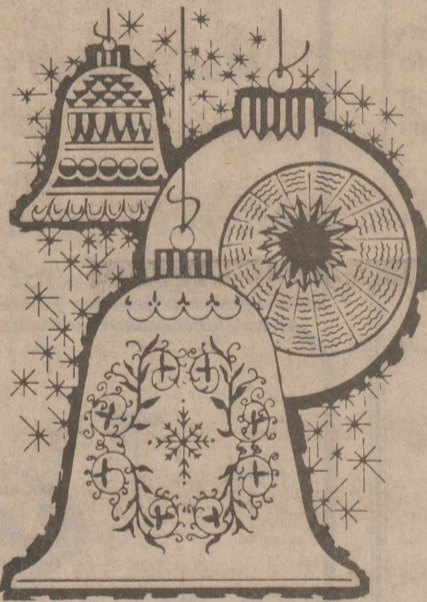


May you have every tool you need to make this a happy holiday. Thanks for your patronage.

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*** MERRY *
CHRISTMAS**



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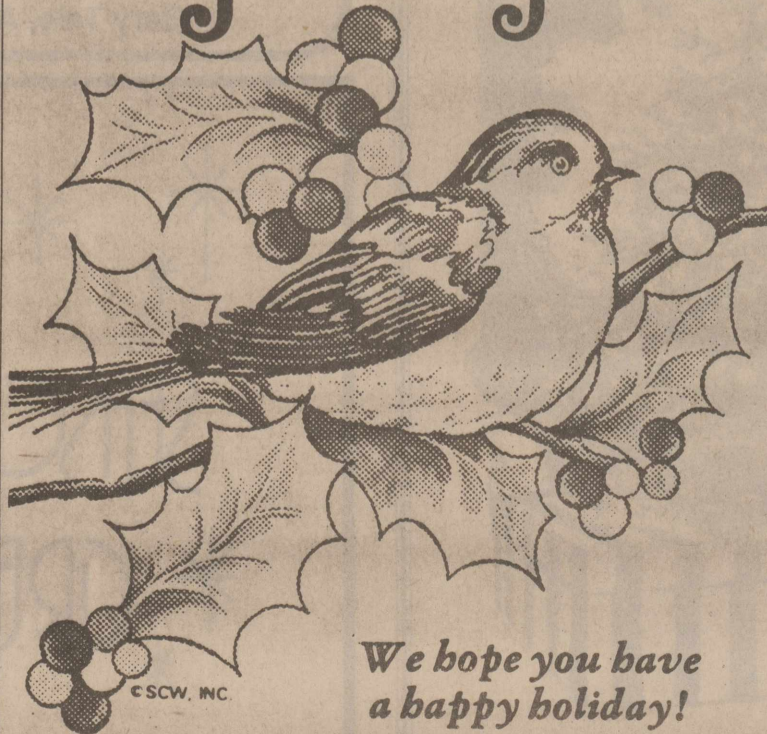


Christmas - time to pause to greet old friends and new, time to draw close to those we love. It's our fond hope that all you, our customers, will enjoy the best of the holiday season!

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**SEASON'S
GREETINGS**

From all of us to all of you, a wish for a season that's truly joyful!

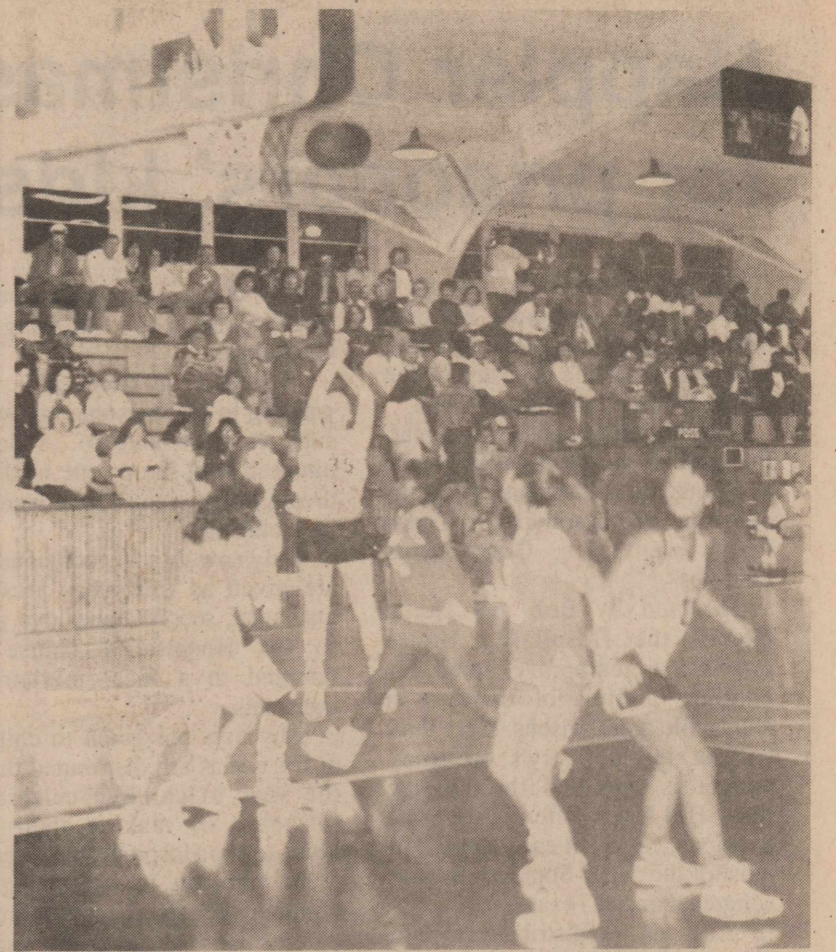
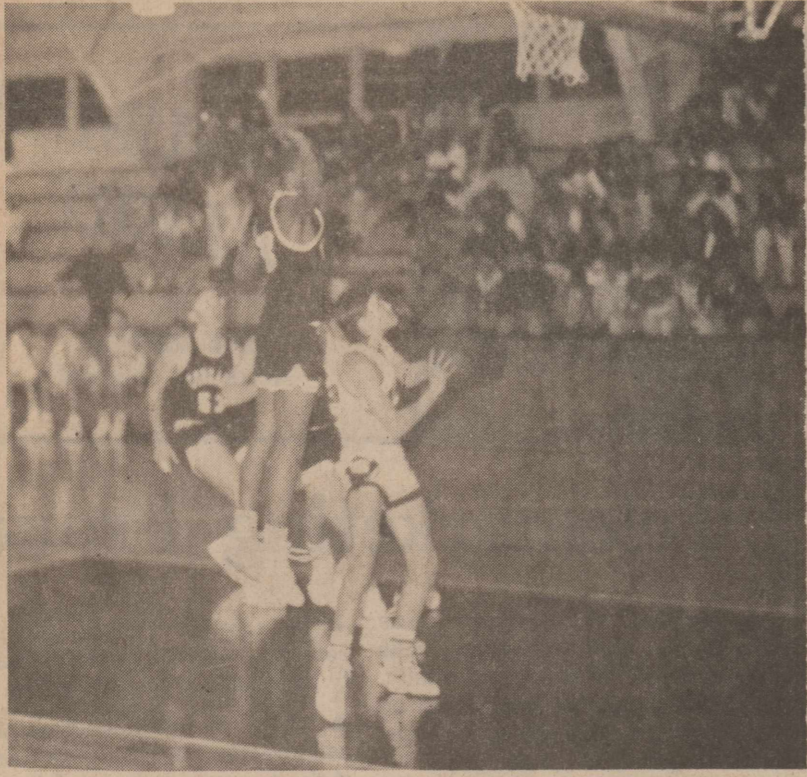
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May your holiday be shining with joy. To those we've served, our thanks.

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CHRISTMAS CHEER

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Happier Christmas for prisoners' kids

Christmas this year will be a little happier for some families separated by prison walls and iron bars, thanks to the ministry of the Texas Baptist Hospitality House.

For the fourth consecutive year, the staff of the Hospitality House in Huntsville is distributing toys to children of prisoners in Texas Department of Corrections facilities.

Directed by Bob and Nelda Norris, the Hospitality House provides a temporary home for visiting families of inmates in Huntsville-areas prisons. More than half of the ministry's operating budget is provided through the Mary Hill Davis Offering for State Missions, collected each autumn in most of the 5,100 Southern Baptist congregations in Texas.

"Last year we distributed toys to about 150 kids, and probably 75 percent of those kids received no other Christmas gifts," Norris said.

"There are a number of churches that bring us toys each year, everything from baby rattles to footballs to dolls to electronic games."

The gift-giving season typically begins in mid-December and continues until well after New Year's Day, Norris said, noting that Christmas-time visits to the prisons do not always fall exactly on Dec. 25.

"I remember a family visiting last year during the first week in December," Norris recalled. "We didn't have much yet at that point, just a stocking with some jacks and a jump rope in it. But when I gave it to little 7-year-old Becky, her eyes lit up. Later, her mother told

Nelda that a jump rope was all Becky had been wanting for Christmas.

"Becky's mother had been wanting to buy her one, but wasn't sure she'd be able to. A dollar-nineteen cent jump rope made her dream come true. That's where the joy comes in."

Only new toys in good condition are given as Christmas presents. Damaged, second-hand toys given to the Hospitality House are donated to a local ministry to transients.

Any toys not given to children at Christmas are distributed during the year to children celebrating birthdays or making their first visits to the Hospitality House.

In addition to delighting the children, the gift-giving also makes parents more open to the various ministries offered by the Hospitality House, Norris noted.

"It helps break the ice," he said. "Give her child a toy, and Momma's heart melts."

Since opening its doors in the summer of 1986, the Hospitality House has provided overnight lodging to 8,200 people, provided 3,800 meals and been instrumental in leading 132 persons to make professions of faith in Jesus Christ.

However, the ministry also has been forced to turn away 145 people due to space limitations.

At its recent meeting in Lubbock, the Texas Baptist Men Executive Board voted to help expand the Hospitality House using volunteer labor. The proposed renovation would enable the facility to provide about 20 additional beds

for prisoners' families.

Currently, TBM is leading an effort to raise \$10,000 for the remodeling project. If the money is raised by Jan. 1, it will be matched by a grant from the Dallas-based Meadows Foundation.

Persons wishing to contribute to the expansion of the Hospitality House should send checks designated "Hospitality House" to Texas Baptist Men, 333 N. Washington, Dallas 75246-1798.

-Obituaries-

Truman Amburn

Truman Curtis Amburn, 78, of Perrin died Dec. 7 in a Mineral Wells hospital. He was the father of the Rev. C. A. Amburn of Haskell.

Funeral services were held Dec. 10 at the First Baptist Church in Perrin with the Revs. Lynn Powell, Jimmy Spalding, Bill Phillips and Irskin Johnston officiating.

A lifetime resident of the Perrin area he was born June 25, 1911, in the Union Point community in Jack County. He was a former ranch and farm foreman and was a retired maintenance employee for the Perrin school. He was an active member of the Assembly of God Church of Perrin.

He was married to Emma Maudine Pate in Jackboro on Aug. 5, 1933. She survives him.

Other survivors include three other sons, Paul Amburn of Fort Worth, Kenneth Amburn of Winnie and Carl Amburn of Perrin; two daughters, Jessie Carolyn Bowers of Paris, Texas, and Lovena Elaine McGough of Dallas; a brother, Dize Amburn of Gainseville; two sisters, Elois Jackson of Lingleville, Texas and Azzalea Baker of Saginaw; 21 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

You never realize how much a person's voice can change until your wife stops yelling at you and answers the phone.

Tournament Results

THURSDAY

(Boys)
 Quannah 67, Albany 44
 Vernon 89, Jim Ned 64
 Breckenridge 72, Childress 62
 Rule 52, Haskell JV 46
 Haskell 75, Cooper JV 32
 (Girls)
 Albany 41, Quannah 28
 Vernon 70, Jim Ned 43
 Childress 57, Ballinger 47
 Munday 58, Breckenridge 57
 Haskell 71, Rule 52

FRIDAY

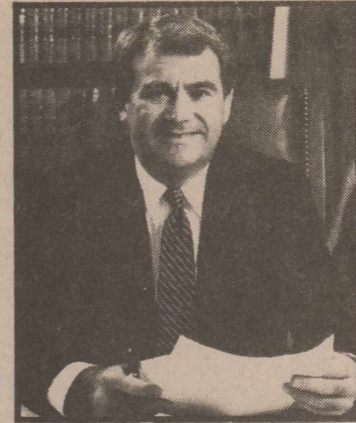
(Boys)
 Jim Ned 68, Albany 59
 Vernon 96, Quannah 60
 Haskell 62, Rule 48
 Cooper JV 68, Haskell JV 49
 (Girls)
 Jim Ned 46, Quannah 45
 Breckenridge 74, Rule 35
 Vernon 58, Albany 37
 Munday 52, Haskell 40

SATURDAY

(Boys)
 Quannah 74, Rule 36 (3rd place)
 Cooper 47, Childress 43 (consolation)
 Haskell 72, Breckenridge 68 (championship)
 (Girls)
 Ballinger 79, Jim Ned 46
 Ballinger 51, Breckenridge 48 (consolation)
 Childress 50, Albany 45
 Haskell 41, Albany 31 (3rd place)
 Childress 65, Munday 58 (championship)



Cantaloupe, honeydew, casaba, Persian and Odessa are all varieties of the muskmelon. Their differences are the result of cultivation in different regions of the world.



CONSUMER ALERT

by
Jim Mattox
 Attorney General

Telemarketing Fraud

Everyday, thousands of Texas consumers receive telephone calls proclaiming a "free" prize. Usually, this is the bait to get you to stay on the telephone long enough for the caller to give you a sales pitch.

While many honest companies use telephone sales, you should carefully check out a company before you do business over the telephone. The Federal Trade Commission estimates that American consumers lose \$1 billion each year from the deceptive peddling of goods and services over the telephone.

Telephone sales fraud takes many forms. Some businesses use high-pressure sales pitches, phony prize offers or cheap merchandise to cheat people over the telephone. Victims are often on fixed incomes, are elderly or live in rural areas.

PROTECT YOURSELF FROM FRAUD

You can protect yourself against unscrupulous telemarketers.

- First, find out who is calling. If you are not interested, ask the caller not to call back, and ask to be removed from their calling list.
- Ask for the name, address and phone number of the company.

• Be careful with an unfamiliar company. Be extra careful if their only address is a post office box.

• Check the telephone directory or call directory assistance to find out if the company is listed. Often, fly-by-night businesses won't bother to be listed.

• Be wary if the caller insists on an immediate purchase decision.

• Ask that the offer be sent to you in writing to see if there are any conditions or restrictions that you were not told about over the telephone.

• Ask if it is possible to obtain the names and phone numbers of satisfied customers in your community.

• Never give your credit card or social security number over the telephone as a verification of your identity unless you initiated the call and know exactly with whom you are speaking.

Remember, "if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is." For your protection, don't buy anything over the telephone unless you are absolutely sure that the company is reputable. If you have any questions, you may want to check with the Better Business Bureau in your area. But, be careful: a new business may not have any registered complaints yet.



PEACE

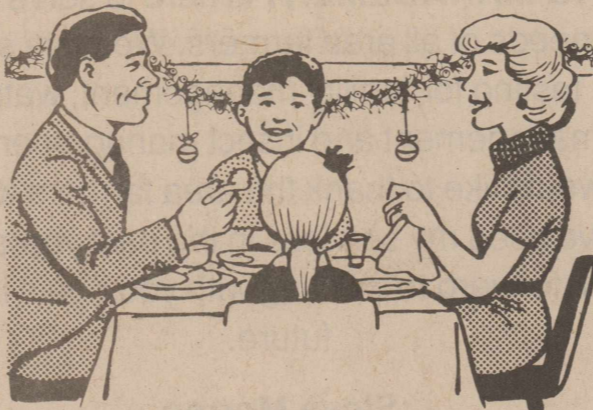
Silent Night, Holy Night, filled with the wonder of His love. May you and yours be blessed with the peace of this season of joy and love!

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TO ALL

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Holiday Greetings!



We hope the Season finds you well and happy.

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To our many guests and friends Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from:

A. K. and Usha Patel and family

--Haskell Nursing Center--

**By Mary Beth Hunt
Activities Coordinator**
November has passed us by and December has caught us by surprise, as it usually does. I have always heard that Christmas is for children. This is not the whole truth, I've found. Where children are eager and full of anticipation, the old folks are infused with wonder and joy.

There comes a certain sparkle into some tired old eyes about this time of year. If you are worn out by the hustle and bustle of the crowds and last-minute shopping, if you are wondering just why Christmas is such a headache, I urge you to take just a few minutes and stop by the nursing center.

There are stories waiting to be told, there are loving hands waiting to be held, there are precious smiles waiting to be shared. There are so many wonderful gifts here just waiting to be given and all at no cost to you. The only drawback you may encounter is that when you spend even a little time at our home, you leave a little part of your heart behind.

We have had many visitors and gifts of love this month. On the 5th, the Sunshine Ladies from East Side Baptist Church brought out the Country Store. There were many gifts and lots of goodies to eat and everyone had a ball. Thank you, dear friends, for your time and love.

On the 11th, Mrs. Bill McSmith

and Mrs. Judy Patton brought their Boy Scouts to carol for us. This was a lovely, precious treat. Thank you so much, boys, and you don't have to wait for Christmas to visit us again.

Later in the evening, we had Mr. Gilly and Mr. Bevel with their FFA members. They brought fruits and wooden ornaments they had made. This was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Thank you so much for remembering us in this busy season.

The evening of the 13th, Floy Mcquire and Melody Christian brought us a house full of children to carol. Any time we can hear children's voices singing our hearts are full. God bless you everyone.

Trinity Lutheran Church sent our residents a gift of fruits. Again we say, thank you for caring.

The Christmas party for the residents will be Wednesday, the 20th, at 6:30 p.m. Anyone who would like to spend some quality time with their loved ones is invited to attend. We have heard rumors that old Santa might make an appearance.

We at the Nursing Center want to take this time to say to all our dear volunteers, Vivian Shaw, Doris Bassing, Dale Huff, Rev. Hodge, Nina Wester and a host of others, we love you all. Merry Christmas and God bless you.

Usually the first screw that gets loose in the head is the one that controls the tongue.



Mr. and Mrs. Jay Lackey

Lackey couple to celebrate 50th

A former Haskell couple will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Dec. 30 in Irving.

Children and grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Jay M. Lackey of Irving will honor their parents with a reception at the First Baptist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Lackey were married Dec. 24, 1939, in Iowa Park. She is the former Edith Fern Tinkle, daughter of John and Lida Tinkle.

He is now retired as a partner in L & J Construction Co. of Irving. She is retired as secretary to the pastor of the First Baptist Church of Irving, a position she held 30 years.

Hosting the reception will be

Mr. and Mrs. Jay E. Lackey of Irving, Dr. and Mrs. (Lida Lackey) Stark of Clinton, Miss., and grandchildren, Raymond Scott Lackey, Jay Gilmer Lackey, Nathan Eric Lackey, Rene Lee Stark and Edith Lynn Stark.

Cancer service reaches milestone

The Cancer Information Service (CIS) at the University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston recently reached a milestone as it received its 200,000th call.

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'Progressive dinner' enjoyed by club

The Progressive Study Club got into the holiday spirit by following the luminaries to the homes of Ernestine Herren, Nancy Toliver and Jerrene Couch on Thursday night, Dec. 14, for a Progressive Christmas dinner.

The theme, "Variety is the mother of enjoyment" . . . Disraeli, was carried out by serving French, American and German foods.

At the Sam Herren home where members first assembled for white grape juice cocktail, gifts of money and packages of clothing and toys were left in the porch swing to aid the Haskell County Child Welfare Board's distribution to over a hundred children. This is a new club project. For a number of years, gifts have been sent to Girls State.

The dinner, chicken-tuna congealed salad, special red apple slices, hot fresh green peas with water chestnuts and Italian dressing, rolled ham and cheese, fresh vegetables and dip, cranberry salad, muffins and tiny biscuits, was enjoyed in the Bailey Toliver home.

Mary Kaigler, president, welcomed two new members, Nancy Plunkett and Billie Cannon.

Oleta Cornelius, recording secretary, called the roll and each member responded with her favorite Bible verse. The president reminded everyone that the January meeting is a required attendance-business one.

The nominating committee of Mary Martin, Mildred Berry, Margaret Jones, Sandy Forehand and Judy Ray, will present a slate of officers to be elected for the 1990-91 club year.

Nancy Toliver, program director, gave the history of the small but exquisite keepsakes displayed in a cabinet in the living room. These have been collected during her travels as a tour director. She also directed a guessing game. Throughout the home, 36 articles

from various countries were labeled with green tags. Pat Quattlebaum was the winner; she found 35.

The members formed a circle through the living room and den and Mrs. Toliver led in prayer before everyone departed for the R. C. Couch Jr. home for the dessert of chocolate cake topped with whipped cream and a cherry, and coffee.

Hostesses were members of the social committee, Reatha Mullins, Doris Reeves-Jordan, Margaret Jones, Ruby Turner and Nelda Lane, and the yearbook committee members, Jimmie Weiner, Mary Martin, Sandy Forehand, Donna Cole and Jane Coston.

Guests were Francis Lee of Wichita Falls and Eddie Davis of Richardson.

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Sandra Kay Larned

Dear Santa:

I have been a snoopy boy all day long but I would like for you to

bring me 2 guns with scabbards, a little soda pop truck, also some house shoes and robe; some nuts, all kinds, even a coconut, and candy, too. That's all for me, but Jerry Lynn wants 2 guns with scabbards, a truck, a bicycle, a color book. He would like to have some new Levis, too. He has also been snooping today. Santa you will find a nice cake for your supper when you get to our house. Bring Mother and Daddy some clothes. Also my big borthers some clothes and

Wanda something, too. We love you.

J. D. and Jerry Lynn Stocks

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little boy 4 years old. I have been a pretty good boy most of the time. I would like for you to bring me a tricycle, a little road grader, and a train. Santa, don't forget my little playmate, Bobby and Philip and my big sister, Glenda. I love you.

James Davis

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Area represented at Tech graduation

The commencement at Texas Tech University was well represented by Haskell area students Dec. 16.

Dr. Robert W. Lawless, president of the university, presented the commencement address.

Degrees were conferred on the following area students:

Randy Roewe, bachelor of business administration (major in finance); Sam Toliver, bachelor of science in physical education (major in physical education); April Turner, bachelor of science in home economics (major in general home economics); and Darla Griffis, bachelor of arts (major in social welfare), magna cum laude.



Coloring contest winners

These elementary students were winners in the Haskell National Bank coloring contest. They are, front row from left, kindergartners Albert Enriquez, first place; Jennifer Smith, second; Zach Collins, third; middle row, first graders Kristi Christian, first place; Jeff Blanks, second; Naomi Herrera, third; back row, Principal Jimmy Lisle; second-graders Brittany Bartley, first place; Craig Cunningham, second; James Boatman, third; and Carolyn Everett of the bank.

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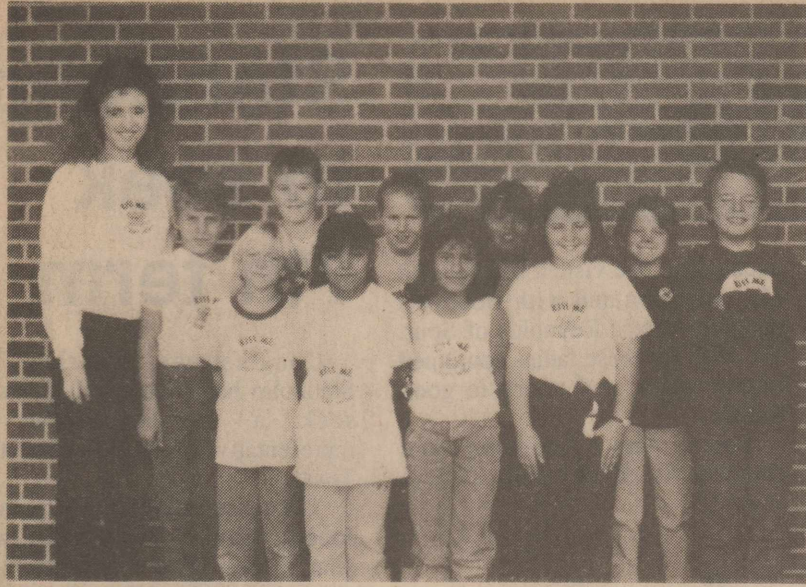
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Former Berliner revels in new freedom in Germany

Gardeners have program on Christmas



Smokeout

These second and third graders at Paint Creek wore "Kiss Me, I Don't Smoke" T-shirts during last month's Great American Smokeout.



An American naturalist once reported a mockingbird in South Carolina that imitated the songs of 32 different kinds of birds in ten minutes.

By Julie Nanny
Of the War Whoop

"I wanted to be there. I wanted to go dance on the Wall!" exclaimed Mrs. Lee Barnett as she raised her hands in victory.

When the Berlin Wall cracked, the Haskell school secretary received phone calls from each of her five children to make certain she was watching the news reports from Berlin.

"I couldn't wait to get to my TV during those first days," she said. "In spirit, I danced with those people on the Wall."

Mrs. Barnett tried for days to make contact with her 83-year-old mother, but the phone lines were overloaded. Finally, on the first Sunday after the Wall cracked, her mother's voice greeted her on the phone from 5,800 miles away.

"Her stories and voice reflected the profound happiness the Berliners felt over the open Wall," she said.

After the construction of the Wall, Mrs. Barnett's mother lived on the west side while her sister, Johanna, and her husband lived on the east side.

In 1968, Johanna and her husband were granted visas from East Berlin to visit their families in West Berlin. The visas were granted to both of them because they were blind. Johanna and her husband then became refugees in West Berlin; they didn't return to East Berlin when their visas expired.

Then in 1985, Mrs. Barnett's cousin, Werner, and his family were granted exit visas from East Berlin. They had waited almost two years for them.

Due to the Wall, there are a number of family members that Mrs. Barnett hasn't seen since early childhood, and some she even hasn't met.

"My mother insists that I come as soon as school's out next

summer to reunite with my family from the East," she said.

Not only does the fact that her family has been reunited thrill the ex-Berliner, but also the fact that the East Germans are finally free.

"It is yet another proof that the soul of man is made to be free to choose and it yearns for that freedom" Mrs. Barnett explained.

Although she was living in the United States when the Wall was built in August 1961, she recalls the deep feelings of depression she felt.

"It was an assault on the human spirit," she said quietly with tears in her eyes.

In 1981, Mrs. Barnett and two of her sons visited Germany. During their visit, they walked the Wall.

"As we walked, my sons felt the same depression I did," she said.

During their tour of East Germany they saw ruins that had been left from World War II.

"There was a tree growing in a broken-down wall," she said.

The Haskell woman remembers touring through one of the East German concentration camps and seeing a small tree not much taller than herself that had been planted as a memorial.

"It was ironic to me that a tree planted for almost 37 years didn't even want to grow there," she said.

She described crossing into West Germany from East Germany as like entering into the day from the night.

A vivid memory is looking at the city of West Berlin at night with all the lights and then looking beyond the Wall at the "sea of darkness" that was East Berlin.

"The light and dark is very symbolic," she said. "West Berlin was alive and active while East Berlin lay dead and motionless."

Mrs. Barnett's cousin, Werner, reflected the attitude of many East Berliners when he said after his first

visit to the West, "Yesterday and today, we celebrate; tomorrow (Monday) we go to work to rebuild the country."

With Christmas close, Mrs. Barnett believes that Germany will finally know the true meaning of peace on the earth.

"They finally know peace as a people for the first time in almost a century," she said.

As she looked out the window at the swirling snowflakes, she turned with her hands outstretched.

"I want a piece of the Wall," she said. "Because if I have a piece of the Wall in my hands, I know it's not there any longer."

The Haskell Garden Club met Dec. 14 in the Community Room.

The stage was set for the Christmas party. The theme of the program was "The Stars."

The roll was answered with naming preferred Christmas greens. There were nine members present and one guest, Marianne Morris, niece of Nettie McCollum.

Lorene Dewey gave an interesting talk concerning Christmas legends. She told the legend of the poinsettia. Bernadine Blankenship talked about hollies and other Christmas plants. She spoke about hiding Jesus under leafless holly and how God blessed the holly.

Several Christmas floral arrangements were brought and critiqued. Those bringing arrangements were Molly Carlisle, Lorene Dewey, Juanita Rhea and Bernadine Blankenship.

Linda King, president, held a short business meeting for the purpose of discussing pot plants for the district 8 spring convention.

Bernadine Blankenship presented a beautiful plaque with a poem inscribed on it. She is leaving Haskell to live elsewhere and the Garden Club wished to show its appreciation and love to her because of her faithfulness and interest in the Garden Club.

Each member brought a Christmas goodie which was shared with everyone.

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Third place

The Haskell JV girls won third place in last week's tournament in Seymour.

--Market Report--

Haskell Livestock Auction

Cows: fat 48-54; cutters 46-55; canners 52-57.50.
 Bulls: bologna 58-69.50; feeder 73-83; utility 48-57.
 Steers: 200-300 lbs. 99-109; 300-400 lbs. 91-103; 400-500 lbs. 86-96; 500-600 lbs. 81-88; 600-700 lbs. 80-83.50; 700-800 lbs. 73.50-83; 800 lbs. up 68.50-76.
 Heifers: 200-300 lbs. 89-104; 300-400 lbs. 86-93.50; 400-500 lbs. 80-86.50; 500-600 lbs. 77.50-82.25; 600 lbs. up 66-76.
 Bred heifers: 500-600.
 Bred cows: young to middle age 575-650; aged or small 400-525.
 Cows with calves: young and middle age 675-750; small or aged 500-600.

Classes have party

The Fidelis and Naomi Sunday School classes of the First Baptist Church held their Christmas party Dec. 12 in the home of Frances Lane. Christmas decorations filled the house.

Hostesses for the party were the Fidelis class' social committee, Opal Nanny, Ozelle Frierson and Juanita Rhea, Naomi's group captains, Pearl Walker, Clara Biard, Lois Redwine and Faye Gray and Naomi's vice president, Earnel Bevel.

Teachers Billie Cadenhead, Olivia Leonard and substitute teacher Mary Martin received cards saying that a gift in their honor had been given to the Lottie Moon Christmas offering.

Naomi's president, Mattie Muriel English, introduced Georgeen Meadors of Munday who told the story of her favorite Christmas. Lois Redwine read a Christmas prayer and gave the benediction.

Ethel Lou Shelton, Frances Bird, Thelma Williamson, Opal Nanny, Helen Oates, Earnel Bevel, Olivia Leonard, Nettie McCollum, Pearl Walker, Juanita Rhea, Leona Pearsey, Clara Biard, Iola Henshaw, Virginia Henshaw, Emma Bland, Grace McKelvain, Lois Sherman, Rubye Smith, Nan Wilson, Veta Furrh, Billie Cadenhead, Mattie Muriel English, Frances Lane, Mary Martin, Lorene Adams, Ozelle Frierson, Allene Wheatley, Lois Redwine, and from Munday, Georgeen Meadors and her mother, Theresa Claus and from Greenville, Mary Ann Morris.

--Rule--

by Vicky Anderson
 Surely do hope that all of you are surviving this Arctic weather without too many problems.

Ann and Melvin Baitz hosted a Baitz family Christmas get-together on Saturday with 40-45 guests present for lunch and dinner. Special guests were Ann's mother and step-father: Velma Lou and Herbert Lammert of Rule, also, Emma Raphelt of Stamford.

Spending Sunday night with Velma Lou and Herbert Lammert were his son: Pastor Herb Lammert, his wife and two sons from Rockdale.

The Jerry Cannons were in Lubbock on Saturday to attend the graduation exercises of their daughter, Tiffany Welborn Glenn from Texas Technological University. Tiffany graduates cum laude. Congratulations, Tiffany! Her major was in Dietetics and Nutrition. Also accompanying the Cannons to Lubbock were Ruth and Jack Wilcox and Wade Welborn.

Carrie Haterius of Stamford was a guest on Sunday of Wade Welborn and the Jerry Cannon family.

On Saturday afternoon Vicky Anderson and a daughter were in Abilene. They went by Hendricks Medical Center and visited Ethel Greeson and Bobbye Anderson of Stamford. Ethel recently had a cardiac pacemaker installed, and has been moved to a private room. Bobbye is still in the Critical Care Unit, and her condition remains

Stenholm to seek 7th term

Congressman Charles W. Stenholm has announced plans to seek a seventh term as representative of the 17th district of Texas.

The conservative Democrat from Jones County said he wants a two-year extension on his contract to serve the people of West Texas. He said he wants to continue strong support for rural health care providers and a 1990 Farm Bill that insures sufficient quantities of top quality food. "Our system produces the safest food at the least cost of any in the world and we must keep it this way," he said. "The people of West Texas are the best in the country and being their representative is a serious responsibility for me," Stenholm said.

Stenholm has been present for over 96 percent of all recorded votes during his time in office.

He was recently appointed one of 15 deputy whips in the Democratic leadership. He serves as chairman of the Livestock, Dairy and Poultry Subcommittee of the Committee on Agriculture and is a member of the Veterans' Affairs Committee.

Stenholm and his wife, Cindy, have two sons, Chris and Cary, and a daughter, Courtney Ann.

Thank you for reading The Haskell Free Press.

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,

I want a jeep that I can drive. I want a barbee shower. A red pen that writes red. Betsey Wetsey doll. Tape "Hanging tough" microphone Mickey Mouse radio. Little Miss Dress-up. 4 surprises. We will have some Christmas cookies for you!! Jean and jacket. Mr. Santa, Mrs. Amanda, Mrs. Santa.
 Love, Amanda Perry

Dear Santa:

I am so excited about your visit since this is my very first Christmas. I have heard so much about you.

Please bring me a mirror for my bed and a Sylvester the Cat. I have been a very good boy.

I will not be at my house in Lubbock because I will be at Mama and Granda's.

Thank you,
 Todd Scheffel



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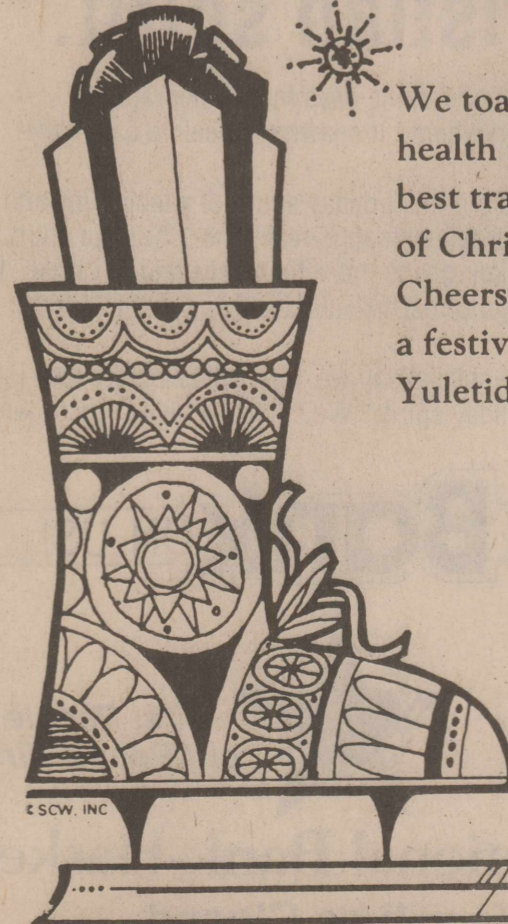


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Letters to Santa...

Dear Santa,
Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Mommie is shoes and Daddy is jeans. I have been kind to Melody, my twin sister. What a good boy am I!! Please bring Melody new shoes.

Thank you for the toys last year. Please bring me a train, a rock truck and play food. I will put hay by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise! I've been so very good.

Happy holidays. Love and kisses to you and Mrs. Santa!
From Scott Kennedy, age 3
Discovery World
Pre-School-Child Care Center
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,
Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Mom is shoes and Dad needs a BB gun. I have been kind to my friends. What a good boy am I!!

Thank you for the Gray Star toy last year. Please bring me a BB gun, too and a trampoline. I will put corn by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Happy New Year. Love and kisses to Mrs. Santa and you too!
From Jesse Medford, age 4
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Dear Santa,
Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Mom is clothes and Daddy is shoes. I have been kind to my friends. What a good girl am I!! Please bring Jerrica my baby sister a rabbit.

Thank you for the bear last year. Please bring me stockings, dollie and a big ball. I will put hay by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Have a happy and safe holiday. Love and kisses to you and Mrs. Santa

From Jacklyn Escobedo, age 5
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Dear Santa,
Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Mommy is a purse. I have been kind to my friends. What a good girl am I!! Daddy needs new boots.

Thank you for the doll last year. Please bring me a dazzle purse doll and TV. I will put a cookie by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Have a safe trip. Love and kisses to you and Mrs. Santa
From Brianna Wheatley
Discovery World
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Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,
Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Sissy is a baby doll. I have been kind to my friends. What a good girl am I!! Mommie wants a new dress and Daddy wants a new gun.

Thank you for the dollie last year. Please bring me a walkie talkie and toys for my friends. I will put hay by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Prancer. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Have a safe trip. Love and kisses to you and Mrs. Santa
From Monica Burger
Discovery World
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Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,
Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Bubba is a choo choo train. I have been kind to my friends. What a good girl am I!! Momie needs new shoes. Daddie needs new tennis shoes.

Thank you for the Barbie clothes last year. Please bring me Barbie doll, toy bus and a train. I will put a cookie by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will

have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Have a safe and happy holiday. Love and kisses to you and Mrs. Santa

From Cassie Hise, age 3
Discovery World
Pre-School-Child Care Center
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,
Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Jennifer is baby doll. I have been kind to my friends. What a good boy am I!!

Thank you for the truck last year. Please bring me a train, a blue truck, and a black truck. I will put some hay by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Have a safe and happy holiday. Love and kisses
From Charlie Smith
Discovery World
Pre-School-Child Care Center
Haskell, Texas
P.S. Love to Mrs. Santa

Dear Santa,
Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Mom is a dress. I have been kind to my friends. What a good boy am I!!

Thank you for the cowboys and Indians and my bicycle last year. Please bring me a guitar, walkie talkies and toys for my friends. I will put hay by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Prancer. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Have a safe and happy holiday. Love and kisses
From Trevor Raughton
Discovery World
Pre-School-Child Care Center
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,
Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Hunter is transformer. I have been kind to my friends. What a good boy am I!! Mommie needs new clothes and Daddy needs a new gun and knife.

Thank you for the piano last year. Please bring me a popgun, controlled airplane and Army tank. I will put a cookie by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I

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will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Have a happy holiday. Love and kisses to Mrs. Santa
From Pate Meinzer
Discovery World
Pre-School-Child Care Center
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,
Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Jillian is a dollie. I have been kind to my friends. What a good girl am I!!

Thank you for the toys last year. Please bring me a doll buggy, a doll house and a TV and shoes. I will put a pizza by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Have a safe and happy holiday. Love and kisses to you and Mrs. Santa

From Eden Thomas, age 3
Discovery World
Pre-School-Child Care Center
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,
Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Mommie is a new coat and Daddy is a new gun. I have been kind to my new sister, Megan. What a good boy am I!!

Thank you for the toys last year. Please bring me a car, truck and boats. I will put hay by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Happy holidays. Love and kisses to Mrs. Santa
From Jamie Markey, age 2
Discovery World
Pre-School-Child Care Center
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,
I've been pretty good this year. Please bring me:

1. Donkey Kong game pack for Nintendo
2. A game called "Girl Talk"

3. some surprises.
Milk and cookies are under the tree. Be careful on your trip.
Love, Mary Jane Short, age 9
P. O. Box 148
Rochester, Texas 79544

Dear Santa,
I have been a pretty good boy. Please bring me:

1. Red Case or green John Deere tractor
2. some surprises
Milk and cookies are under the tree.
Love, Ross Short, age 3
P. O. Box 148
Rochester, Texas 79544

Dear Santa,
I have been such a good girl this year. so I think I deserve to have a Nintendo, some new clothes, and carteges for my nintendo.
McKenzie Coulter

Dear Santa,
My name is Brittany Bartley and I'm eight years old. I would like some gold and silver jewelry and a bunch of stuff. I would like for you to get a bunch of stuff for my friends and my famliy, a bunch of stuff. Please do not forget my sister she is one years old and she would some things to. We will leave some cookies and milk on the table.
Love,
Brittany and Chambray Bartley

Dear Santa,
I wode like a new pink bike with a bag on it. I wode also like litte miss makeup. I wode like you to breg my sister a green bike and a litte miss make up to. brig my Mom what she wants and my dad. have a very merry chistmas.
your friend
Emily Wheat
good by Santa

Dear Santa,
Well you please bring me a barbie dream huose a barbie barger king p.i. spaker super duow snak shop mana-doudd white cat rug

little miss drss up all the books by maser maror Notendo paure set and for my parens please bring them a new hous a new shatboud.
Dear Santa hav a good liff
Amber Futch

Dear Santa,
I went a Nidtendo and a gocart and a jumplercave and a jambox plese bring my Mom and dad something plese.
Love, John Mark Hodgins

Dear Santa,
I went a go-cart and a more nidow tapes and a stem engen and I want a vcer and a powr weel and a lego monral and a truck ston, and dey the ydey don't feget to feed your randdeer. Have a nice trip.
Love, Dawson Druessedow

Dear Santa,
I would like a nintindo and a puppy poster. I do not want to get up on Christmas morning and not find cany three under my tree. Mrs. Blakley has been a nice teacher. bring her something to.
Jessica Thompson

Dear Santa,
for christmas I want a alecktrick gettar and a real go-kart like Kevin McSmith's and a air bord and lots of toys and a pair of black blue or green convus shos.
John Mitchell Cox

Dear Santa,
I wnt a litte miss dress up ynt that's all. Mery Chistmas and best wishes.
Alicia

Dear Santa,
I want a big jonbox and a skate bread. and A Nintedo tape ando a safe ameln.
Craig

Dear Santa,
I've bent a nise boy. I want a go cart cart and a monte bike.
Kevin Patton

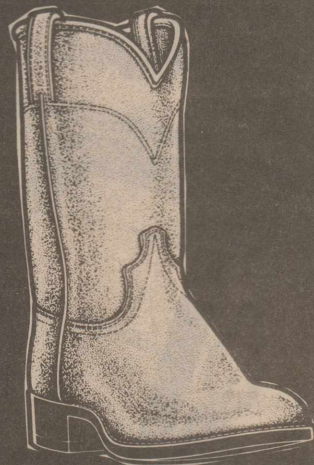
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Thank you for the dollie last year. Please bring me tap shoes, a check-out conter and dollies. I will put cookies by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Happy New Year. Love and kisses to you and Mrs. Santa and all the elves!

From Hattie Walton, age 5
Discovery World
Pre-School-Child Care Center
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,

Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Mitchell is tinnis shoes. I have been kind to my brother. What a good girl am I!! Mom needs perfume, pans, chair and cookies. Dad needs boots, and a hat

Thank you for the doll house last year. Please bring me high

tops, P.J.s with feet and a doll. I will put corn by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Happy holidays. Love and kisses to you and Mrs. Santa
From Morgan Cox, age 5
Discovery World
Pre-School-Child Care Center
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,

Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Mom is a dress and Dad is jeans. I have been kind to Chase, my twin brother. What a good girl am I!! Chase wants a Santa shirt. Sissy needs new boots.

Thank you for the dollie last year. Please bring me a Barbie doll, dress and a baby doll. I will put corn by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Prancer. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Have a safe trip and happy holidays. Love and kisses
From Taylor Seelke, age 4
Discovery World
Pre-School-Child Care Center
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,

Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Mom is hot rollers and Daddy is a camera. I have been kind to my friends. What a good girl am I!!

Thank you for the dollie last year. Please bring me a Barbie car, table, slide, and a playhouse. I will put grass by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Prancer. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Happy holidays. Love and kisses
From Olivia Messenger
Discovery World
Pre-School-Child Care Center
Haskell, Texas

am in Mrs. Sloan's kindergarten class and I try to be good everyday. Some days it is harder than others for me to be good. I would like you to bring me a toy clarinet, a fire-truck, a Baby Beans doll and any other surprises you think I'd like.

Thank you for all my toys last year and I'll leave you out a snack by my stocking.

Love, Emily

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a real football helmet and mouthpiece, shoulder pads, neck guard, and black pants and white shirt with "77" on it--just like the Haskell Indians wear. If you have room in your sleigh, also please bring a football and a set of walkie-talkies. There will be cookies, milk, and a little present for you on the organ bench. Please remember by little brother Paul and my cousin J.

I love you,
Chad Gibson

Dear Santa,

My name is James Rike. I am eight. I want a BB gun I want a electronic basket ball and Mr. Quarterback. Thank you.

James Rike

Dear Santa Caluse:

I am 7 years old and a first grader in Mrs. Thomas room. I want a bicycle and a Ford tractor with fat wheels on the back. That is all.

Adam Coleman

Dear Santa,

I want a game, A.J. Foyt Indy Race set, a color T.V. for my room, some stuffed animals and a football. I have been real nice this year.

Love, Nole Hadaway

Letters To Santa

Letters from 1979

Dear Santa,

I want a haskell Indian football suit with everything and a race track and a cowboy hat and a record player. I love you.

Rusty Stocks

Dear Santa,

How was your summer? Busy I bet. We only want one thing that we are going to share. We would like to have a trampoline. That is all we want and be sure you fill our stockings. We will leave you milk and cookies.

Kim and Dalyn Gilly

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Emily Cress SoRelle and I am five years old. I

Letters from 1969

Dear Santa,

I like your cherry nose and your snow white beard and I can hardly wait for you to come. I have been trying to be good and I guess just to try is good enough. Please, bring me a walky-talky and something that I can ride on. Don't forget all of the other little children, especially Les and Lu.

Love, Lee Lane

P.S. Please put some fruit and candy in my stocking. Mine is the big one. Oh, I live by the big barn.

Dear Santa,

Please come see me this Christmas. I have been a good boy. These are some of the things I would like. I would like a football game, Matt Mason, Sergeant Storm and Doug Davis. Do not forget the other boys and girls.

With love, Gil Richardson

Dear Santa,

Please come to my house this year. I have been a good girl. I will give you a list of some things that I want for Christmas: I would like a Cinderella watch and a Dancerina Doll and some games that are called Poppin Hoppies, Poison Ivy and Snakes in the Grass. Don't forget the other girls and boys.

With love, Debra Morris

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little girl four years old. I would like for you to bring me a "Dancerina" doll and a "Crissy

doll". I especially want these two babies. I also want a sewing machine, cash register and a wig. Remember all of the other little boys and girls. You're so nice and thoughtful Santa.

Thanking you in advance,
Karen Kay Campbell

Dear Santa,

I have tried to be a good girl this year. I am six years old and I would like to have a walking-doll named Debbie, a rocking chair, and a play house. I live at 806 North 11th Street. I will have some goodies ready for you.

Love, Kristie Hannsz

Dear Santa,

I want open-and-play and a road grader and walkie talkies and a tra and a trainer bike.

Barry Tidrow

Dear Santa,

My name is Jeffrey Medford. I am five years old. For Christmas, I would like to have a Johnny Eagle target shooter. Please don't forget the other little boys and girls.

Love, Jeffrey

Dear Santa Claus,

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Love, Shawn Lane

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If you haven't informed your employees about their total compensation package, consider this approach. This year when you prepare W-2s for employees, prepare a summary of each employee's benefits. Include such items as the following:

- Salary
- Bonus
- Pension plan contribution
- Deferred compensation
- Medical and dental insurance
- Life Insurance
- Disability insurance
- FICA (social security taxes)
- Worker's compensation
- Unemployment insurance
- Total wages and benefits paid

Also indicate for the employee's benefit the number of paid vacation days, personal days, and sick days and the value of employer-provided benefits such as work clothing, parking, and meals.

Some companies have found that it works well to itemize these benefits in a personal letter to each employee. Your letter might conclude with an expression of appreciation for the employee's contribution to the company. Whatever format you choose to use, consider the end of the year an opportune time to communicate the value of company-paid benefits to your employees.

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Letters to Santa...

Dear Santa,
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Thank you for the doll last year. Please bring me a little Miss Dress Up and a doll bed. I will put a cordog by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Happy holidays and good wishes for the new year. Love and kisses
From Leslie Grand, age 5
Discovery World
Pre-School-Child Care Center
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,
Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Mom is new shoes and Daddy is new tools. I have been kind to Taylor, my twin sister. What a good boy am I!! Sissy needs new boots.

Thank you for the play kitchen last year. Please bring me a Ken and clothes and a 4 wheel jeep. I will put hay by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Prancer. I will

have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Good wishes for a Happy New Year to you and Mrs. Santa. Love and kisses

From Chase Seelke, age 4
Discovery World
Pre-School-Child Care Center
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,

Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to my sisters, Corey and Jenny are a doll for Jenny and a dress for Corey. I have been kind to my brother, Brian. What a good girl am I!! Brian needs pants and shirts. Mom needs pans and Dad needs money!

Thank you for the doll last year. Please bring me a Lite up doll and clothes and a sprinkle doll. I will put grass by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Happy holidays to you and the elves and Mrs. Santa. Love and kisses

From Maggie Brzozowski, age 4
Discovery World
Pre-School-Child Care Center
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,

Hi! You must be very busy at

the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Mom and Dad are shoes for Mom and new tools for Dad. I have been kind to friends. What a good girl am I!!

Thank you for the talking baby last year. Please bring me a trampoline, new shoes and jeans. I will put corn by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Happy holidays to you and Mrs. Santa and a Happy New Year. Love and kisses

From Chelsie Thane, age 5
Discovery World
Pre-School-Child Care Center
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,

Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Mom is a new bicycle and Dad is a new cowboy hat. I have been kind to my friends. What a good boy am I!!

Thank you for the Hipo game last year. Please bring me a rope, a new cowboy hat and candy and cookies. I will put hay by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Be very careful have a safe trip! Happy holidays. Love and kisses

From Ross Hairgrove, age 4
Discovery World
Pre-School-Child Care Center
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,

Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Mom is a blue dress. I have been kind to my friends. What a good am I!! My gift to Dad is a new coat!

Thank you for the trucks last year. Please bring me a choo choo train, dump truck and backhoe truck. I will put cookies by my

stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Have a safe trip. Happy New Year Love and kisses

From Chris Washburn, age 4
Discovery World
Pre-School-Child Care Center
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,

Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole, I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Mom is a dress. I have been kind to my friends. What a good boy am I!!

Thank you for the trucks last year. Please bring me a train, trucks and jeans. I will put hay by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Love and kisses
From Josh Page, age 3
Discovery World
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Dear Santa,

Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Jenny and Brittany is dollies. I have been kind to friends. What a good boy am I!!

Thank you for the football suit last year. Please bring me trucks, trucks and trucks. I will put hay by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Have a safe trip and happy holiday. Love and kisses to you and Mrs. Santa

From Leon Goudeau, age 4
Discovery World
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Dear Santa,

Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Mommie is perfume and Dad is boats. I have been kind to Scott,

my twin brother. What a good girl am I!!

Thank you for the dollie last year. Please bring me a Donald Duck and a Mickey Mouse and baby dolls. I will put candy and grass by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Prancer. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Happy holidays. Love and kisses to you Mrs. Santa and the elves

From Melody Kennedy, age 3
Discovery World
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Dear Santa,

Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Mom and Daddy is Mom shoes and Dad a new BB gun. I have been kind to Zac. What a good boy am I!! Zac needs a new gun, boots and hat!

Thank you for the pop gun last year. Please bring me basketball clothes, bb gun and football suit. I will put Christmas cookies by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Prancer. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Have safe holiday. Love and kisses to you and Mrs. Santa
From Ross Bullinger, age 4
Discovery World
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Dear Santa,

Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready

for Christmas, too. My gift to Mom is shoes and Dad needs pants. I have been kind to Eden, my sister. What a good girl am I!!

Thank you for the toys and clothes last year. Please bring me shoes, a play kitchen and dollies. I will put cookies by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Happy New Year. Love and kisses to you all.

From Jillian Thomas, age 4
Discovery World
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Dear Santa,

Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Mom is a dress and Dad is baseball shoes. I have been kind to Keith. What a good girl am I!! Julie Ann needs a dollie and my brother, Keith, needs jeans.

Thank you for the baton last year. Please bring me a Little Miss Make-up, and dollies and muffins. I will put cookies by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Happy holidays. Love and kisses to you and Mrs. Santa
From Lee McDonald, age 4
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Dear Santa,
How is the reindeer doing? How is Mrs. Santa Claus doing? Please bring me a dolly and my brother wants a green bean bag. My other brother wants a Nintendo. My mama wants make-up and my daddy wants a knife. Merry Christmas Santa Claus.
Love, Angela Hager
age 6

Dear Santa,
I want a angel dolly. I want a little star, like a really soft, play-like star. It comes from the store. And a ballerina dolly. I just love everything. And give my brother a Nintendo. And candy in my stocking, I want a suitcase to put makeup in. One you fold clothes and put them in there. A blue one. A rocking horse. I like rocking horse. I don't even have a rocking horse. I want a play-like reindeer with a red nose that makes music. I want a Skipper sometimes. It's a Barbie doll. I want a bird. A real bird. Have you had fun flying up in the sky? Are all your reindeer okay?

Are they sick? I hope they aren't. I hope it's fun up there.
Love, Lanona Harbors
age 5

Love Santa,
I hope the reindeer are okay. I hope you are feeling good. I wonder what the reindeer are doing. Did you go on a diet? Please bring a black boat with fans on the back that goes on sand and water. I want one of those.
Love, T. J. Yates
age 5

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a train set and a Barbie doll for my brother. How are the reindeer doing? How is Mrs. Santa Claus doing? Please bring me a firetruck and a remote control boat that has two fans on the back and it goes in dirt and water. How is the weather?
Love, Bryce Hudgens
age 6

I want one more thing. I want a blue punching bag and some red punching gloves.

Dear Santa,
What are you doing? I want to know what the reindeer are doing. I want to know what the weather is up there. Dear Santa, I love you

Santa Claus. I want a pad and boxing gloves and that's all.
Love, Jeremy Ruiz
age 6

Dear Santa,
I love T.J. I love Santa Claus. I love my dad. I want the power glove for to put on your hand. Nintendo. I love my brothers. My mom, too.
Love, Anthony Pena
age 4

Dear Santa, Claus,
I want a Nintendo and Jawstape and a Wild Ride skate board. And I want battleship.
Love, Eric Hager
Weinert 1st Grade

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Godzilla costume for Christmas. I want a shark fin that you put it on your back and for Christmas too. I lik just this too. Merry Christmas.
Love, Ezequiel Estrada
Weinert 2nd Grade

Dear Santa,
I want a remote control truck. It can go in a sand box. I want a vet. It can go fast. I want a lambergeany. It can open the back hood.
Love, Adam Garza
Weinert 2nd Grade

Dear Santa,
Thank you for what you gave me last year. I hope you give me

what I want this year. I would like some games, a soccer ball and four plastic guns. I want Nintendo games, clothes and an automatic room cleaner. Thank you for your support.
Love, Lane Murphy
age 8, Weinert

Dear Santa,
I want a Power Glove and a Mike Tyson's Punchout. I want a 4x4 it can go through mud. And a vet and it can open its hood.
Love, David Pena
Weinert 2nd Grade

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 4 years old. I'm moving to Lueders, Tx. Will you come to see me there for Christmas. I want an Upsey Daisy doll, a Lost and Found, snow cone machine and two games. I have a new baby brother, Dustin Lee. Please bring him something too. I love you.
Traci Ann Stiewert

Dear Santa,
My name is Mandy Adams and I live in Weinert. Please bring me Harry and The Hendersons VCR

tape, an Oopie Baby if you can't find one that's okay. I'll take a laughing baby like I already have but it is broke. I also want a pink Barbie car that I can drive in the grass. Don't forget to bring my baby brother Travis a baby toy.
Mandy Adams

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a black, white and gold cheerleading suit. And black, white, and gold pompoms. If you think I've been good you might want to bring me a nice surprise. Iv'e tried to be good. We will leave you some good girl scout cookies and milk thats good to drink.
Sincerely, Jessica Comedy

Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs. Santa. Ive been a very very very very very very very good boy this year. Now for Christmas I would like to have a big set of car mics. A remote control car or plane. I would like to having a battery charger, too. Also a nintendo tape too. Oh hea, mom and dad had mentioned for me to maybe get a little metal detector. But most of all I want a

remote control car or plane. Well Santa hope you come real real soon.

Rusty Howeth
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Denver the Last Dinosaur, a Miss Make-up and some yellow Walkie-talkies. Please bring my sister Kaycie some blocks and my Aunt Joy some pencils and pens so she can write in college. We'll be at NaNa's.
Love, Stacie Sorrells

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a real sewing machine, sewing bag and a camera. Please don't forget Hattie my sister, even though sometimes she is mean!!
Love, Hallee Walton
Paint Creek, TX, age 8

Dear Santa,
I want a Nintendo and a GI Joe sleeping bag for Christmas. That's all. I will leave water out for Rudolph.
Love, Griffin Perry

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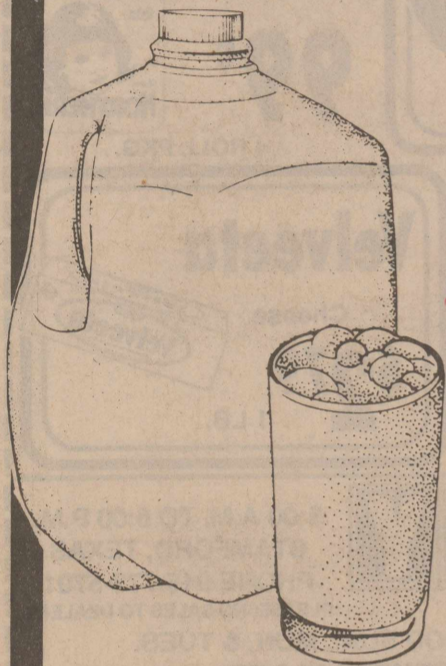
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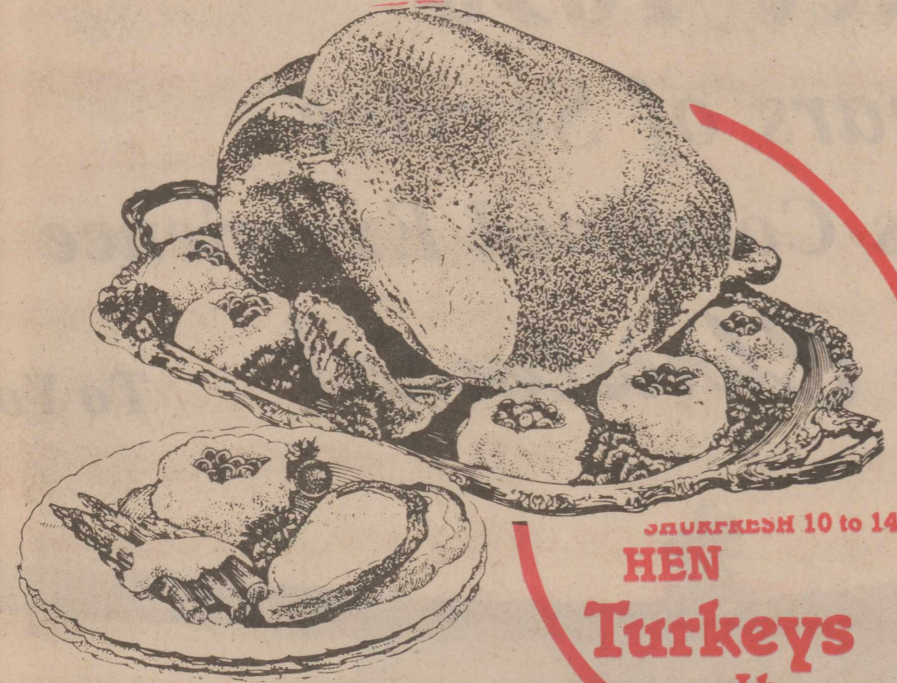
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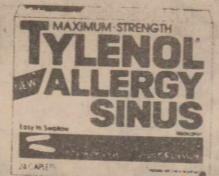
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Love, Bucky Howeth

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope Mrs. Claus is ok? To start out with I want a nintendo, with mario brothers 1. And bring Saphron some hot weals so she will stay out of mine. And I want some hot weals to. And a skate board. And a new bike seat. And for saphron a PJ sparkles. and operation game for me.
Love,
Joshua and Saphron Roysdon

Dear Santa,
I have been trying to be good. I would like for Christmas a telescope, hit stix, and a guess who game, and a few surprises. I will leave you hot cocoa and cookies.
Love, Ross Pittman
P.S. go by my cousins Scott and Mel.

Dear Santa,
My name is Tyrone I am 5 years. I want walkie-talkie, drum set, jeans, new shoes, sweater,

remote control cars, skate board, truck, radio, jacket, yo-yo, football suit with shoulder pads, and a keyboard. Thank you, Merry Christmas.

From, Tyrone
P. S. Bring my mama a vase.
Dear Santa,
I want an Oopsie-Daisy doll and a rope and a cowgirl hat and a pony. I want to rope my daddy.
Love, Sydney Perry

Dear Santa,
I want a cowboy rope and a new cowboy hat. I will leave hay out for Rudolph.
Love, Ross Hairgrove

Dear Santa,
I had a wonderful Christmas last year, thanks to you, and I hope for the same this year. I have a little brother this Christmas he was here last year, but he didn't understand but he will this year, when you do the wonderful things for him that you did for me. We love you Santa. You are most wonderful.
Shanee and Bubba Mays
P. S. We will save you some cookies and milk.

Dear Santa Claus
For Christmas I want a pair of jeans, batman shirts, bugle boys

pants and shirt, wakie talkies, socks, shoes, bb gun, remote control truck, remote control car, tractor, ice skate, bmx bike, robot and a skateboard see you late.
From: Kevin Lee Billington
to: Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want some supersnow boots, jeans, sweaters, sweats, jacket, a scarf, a large fur coat, shoes, dresses, a skirt with the shirt to it, suspenders, a belt, bows, casio keyboard, doll house with dolls, nintendo, cash register, makeup Barbie, Barbie doll with a patio and

pool, Barbie with icecream, jewelry, Cinderella calculator, talking beat with a tape, little Miss Dressup, Bouncin' kids, Ballerina Dance 'n prance pony, Tyco 3-minute ice cream mix, play stove, roller skates, ironing board and a iron, tint, soft and cuddly Gloworm, talking toy, computer, telephone, trampoline, skate board and a baby sister.
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Merry Christmas.
From: Syretta Latonya Bilington

Dear Santa Claus,
I've been a very good boy this year and would like a football suit

and a 4 wheeler like Ryan's. My little brother Brady would love a red tricycle, too. Please have a safe trip. I'll leave you some chocolate chip cookies and Dr. Pepper on the table.
Love, Taylor Melton

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good girl this year, so here's what I want for Christmas; a new teddy bear, a tape player and tapes, and dress 'n' dazzle, my sister Crystal would like roller blades, and Debbie would like her room redone. I'll leave some milk and cookies out for you!

Yours truly, Lindsey Watson
age 5
Dear Santa Claus:
This year for Christmas I would like a little red tricycle, new baby doll, and baby doll bottles.
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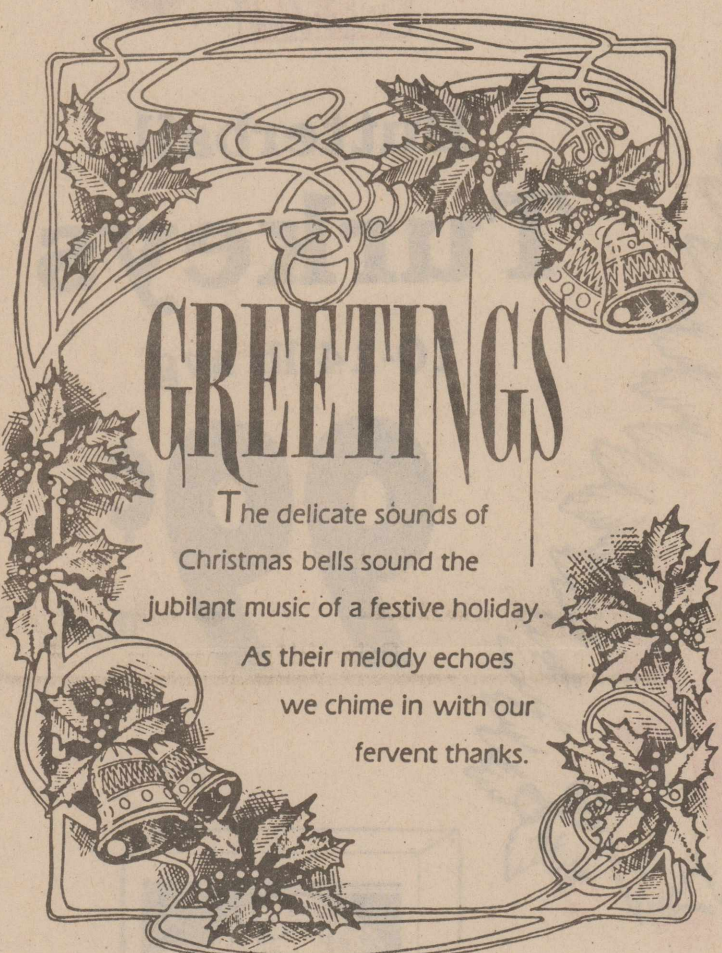
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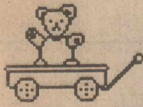
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Letters to Santa...

Dear Santa
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Love, Sam

turkey sandwich and Dr. Pepper. Bring my big friend a stereo.
Love, Kellie Robin
P.S. I is good most of the time.

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy This year. For Christmas I would like a remote control car, a stereo for my bike, a car wash and a case for all the cars that I got from the WTU party. Also a pizza party game.
Remember all the other boys and girls and all their families.
Thank you, B. J. Opsahl
P. S. I will leave you something good on the table.

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a 14 year old girl in special education the oldest girl in a family of one brother James and one sister Mary and myself. I would like to try to get a computer for Christmas but my parents can't afford this or much of anything else this year so if socks or make up are OK. My Dad works hard at odd jobs and for his boss as a carpenter helper. Happy New Year or Merry Christmas to you and your wife. My brother likes cars, GI Joe toys, Ghostbuster toys Ninja toys, puzzles he is 11 years old my sister is 13 years and likes Barbie toys, books, jewelry, nail polish, clothes. Thank you, we live in Haskell Texas. I also would like a walkman radio.
Wendy Cowperthwait

Dear Santa Claus
How are you an Mrs. Claus hope fine i have ben good this year fore Christmas i would like a ghoastbuster and ecto i then i want robo cop an batman an superman an joker natendo an nenja turtle.
Thank you, Santa
James Cowperthwait

Dear Santa,
My name is Blake. I am almost 2. I want a choo-choo train, a play moo-moo, Mickey Mouse anything something remote control a football.
Thank you, Merry Christmas,
Blake Billington

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a Little Miss Dress Up, a Fisher

Price Safe Bank, and a fishing pole. Tenille would like a set of luggage. Please bring Ross' new hamster a gift. Don't forget to bring Joy a warm robe, she said that is was cold in the dorms.
Love, Trac Mathis, age 6

Dear Santa,
Hello! I have been a pretty good girl this year. I am 5 1/2 years old, and in Kindergarten. I love school and my teacher is Mrs. Gannaway. I want a Cabbage Patch Kid for my Preemie Jill Joyce, Dressing Pretty, Play Makeup Set, and a Computron.
Thank you,
Love, Jenny (Elna) Goudeau
Rt. 1 Box 44, Haskell
P.S. Please bring my brother Leon a car wash/service set. Yes, bring my baby sister Brittany a soft little doll or musical bear. And my Mama wants a VCR or something very pretty.
Love, Jenny

Dear Santa,
My name is Shelby Morrow, and I am 3 months old. My Mommy says I am a good girl. I really do not need anything this year but I would like a doll. Do not forget all of the other boys and girls.
I love you,
Shelby Layne Morrow

Dear Santa,
Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Mom is new clothes and Daddy is new tools. I have been kind to Alan. What a good boy am I!! My little brother Alan needs new jeans.
Thank you for the records last year. Please bring me a new race car, truck and basketball suit. I will put a cheese pizza by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!
Have a safe trip. Love and kisses to you and Mrs. Santa.
From Dean Haskin, age 5
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Thank you for the G.I. Joe last year. Please bring me a Spuds, Ghostbusters and motorcycle. I will put some hay by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Prancer. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!
Have a safe trip. Love and kisses to you and Mrs. Santa.
From Jason Biba, age 5
Discovery World
Pre-School-Child Care Center
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,
Hi! You must be very busy at

the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Mom is a shirt and Daddy is an airplane. I have been kind to Dean, my brother. What a good boy am I!! Dean needs airplanes too!
Thank you for the toy trucks last year. Please bring me a tractor, car and truck and airplane. I will put a hamburger by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Ho! Ho! I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!
Have a very happy holiday. Love and kisses to you and all your loved ones! Especially Mrs. Santa
From Alan Haskin, age 2
Discovery World
Pre-School-Child Care Center
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,
Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Jay is a toothbrush and P.J.'s. I have been kind to my friends. What a good girl am I!! Mommie needs a jogging suit. Daddy needs a new horse!
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Happy holidays. Love and kisses to you and Mrs. Santa.
From Lacy Hallabaugh, age 4
Discovery World
Pre-School-Child Care Center
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,
Hi! You must be very busy at the North Pole. I am getting ready for Christmas, too. My gift to Mom is new dress and to Dad new jeans. I have been kind to Matthew, my brother. What a good girl am I!! Matthew needs new clothes and some trucks!
Thank you for the doll and buggie last year. Please bring me Little Miss Make-up and Dress and Dazel. I will put hay by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Prancer. I will have a snack for

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Dear Santa,
This Christmas I want you to bring me a Baby Tears Doll and Buggy, a Ninja Turtle, and a sewing machine. In my stocking leave me a surprise and some candy. To keep warm I need some insulated coveralls, red. I will leave you a

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XOXO
Thanks, Santa

Dear Santa,
My name is Justin I'm 6 years old I have been a good boy this year I want a proton pack with RRE meter and a bicycle and walkie-talkies.
Don't forget my brother Sam and all the other boys and girls.
Love, Justin



Letters to Santa...

Dear Santa,
I am leaving you a pesc of ches by the chemne wine you come down. I wont a lettel mis mac up. Wode you breng my dog a bone plesse. he has ben vere good. he is shering a stoking with me.
Meg

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a gold necklace for Christmas. Also, would you bring all my reading class something very special? They have all been such good little boys and girls.
Please be careful when you make your rounds.
Merry Christmas Santa!
Mrs. Blakley

Dear Santa,
I hope you are going to bring mi want I ask foor.
Evan

Dear Santa,
I wont a fourweelr and a skatbod and a kamr thanks Santa have a safe trip all arond the wrold Mary Christmas Santa.
Jason

Dear Santa,
I won't a tampal and I won't a lurch box and I won't a babydoll and I won't a cat and I won't a dog and I won't a swet sol and I won't a Vest and I won't a tumbul mat and I won't a rob and I won't a black pir of pans and I won't a woch Jodi

Dear Santa,
I've been a good boy and I'm fixing to tell you what I want for Christmas I want the ninteaddon tap mabels madnes and two basket balls and a power weels and a bikesielk that is a dert bike but it is a 10 sead and some play gun and a pump bee bee gun and the nintendow tap duple dragin and a new pellow and a rea modkel kentroll bigfoot with no cord.
Cole Earles

Dear Santa,
I have been waiting for christmas. I want tumbling mats, runway tramp, love neeine, one of yourbells. Merry christmas santa.
Hilee

Dear Santa,
I would like a bike, a Barbie, some clothes for my Barbie, and a big kitchen set. I'll leave cookies on the kitchen table for you.
Love, Jaclyn Drinnon

Dear Santa Claus:
I would like an electric train, a tricycle, more rain for West Texas but most of all, I would like a new Mojo T-shirt.
Kyle Wakeland
Waxahachie

Dear Santa:
My name is Jason Shaw. I am 7 years old. I would like a fire boat and like a big, big cruiser. and I

love you Santa. Please remember my brother A.J. We will have a snack! Merry Christmas!
I love you Santa,
Jason Shaw

Dear Santa:
My name is A. J. Shaw. I am 3 years old. Please bring me some presents from your toy bag. I would like to have a police boat with a blue light and red light and please bring me a surprise. Please remember my brother, Jason. We will leave you a snack.
Happy Christmas
Love, A. J. Shaw

Dear Santa:
bring me a bike, and a remote control car that's all. Mom and dad are bring the other stuff.
Chris Alexander

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 5 years old. My name is Benjamin Michael Alvarez.
I hope you and your wife are doing fine.
I have been a very good boy this year. Could you please bring me an airplane, a play water gun and a swimming pool.
My brother, Daniel would like a football.
Bring my sister, Amnitti some music books so I can sing while she plays the piano.
Thank you very much.
Benjamin Michael Alvarez

Dear Santa:
I've been nice. I want a Drum set, Lil' Miss Makeup, Nineto, Cash register, perfume, and maybe a piano and my own camera. i am now 6. I love you.
Tabitha coker
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa:
Hi, my name is Brandon. I will be 3 years old Christmas day. I would like an electric train set, clothes, horse, and a lot of candy.
Love you,
Brandon Isbell, age 3

Dear Santa,
I have been I good girl. Just wating for XMAS to come want POJO spinkle and a jump shot and a wold glode a lots of candy and goodies.

Sincerely yours,
Annie Danyelle Erwin
Haskell, Tex sip 79521
503 East ave a

Dear Santa,
My name is Travis Poteet. I am 6 years old and in Kindergarten. I have tried to be a nice boy. Please bring me a Radio Controlled Batmobile, A Tonka Crain, Nintendo Game, Remote control colored TV for me and my sister, Scooter. Please don't forget everyone else.
Love, Travis

Dear Santa,
My name is Kira Poteet. I am 8 years old and in 2nd grade. I've tried to be a good girl. For Christmas I would like a P.J. Sparkles, a scooter, Cabbage Patch baby with Pacifier, My Beautiful doll, Lost 'N Found, Magic Hair Whitney, and a Nintendo Game. Please don't forget all of the other little kids. Be careful.
Love always, Kira

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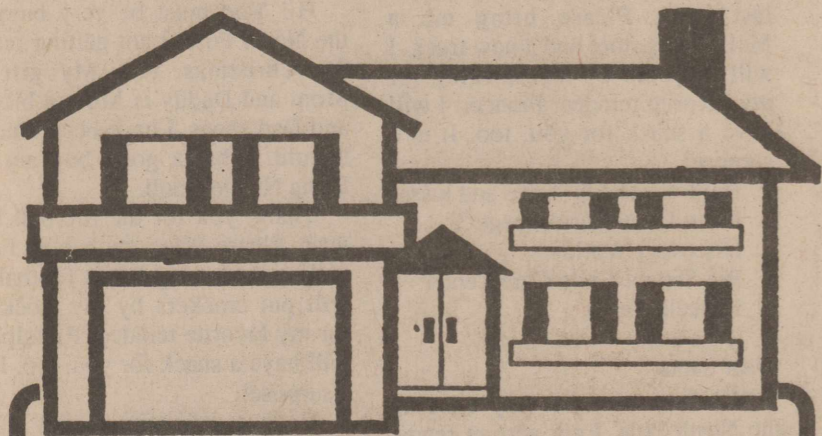


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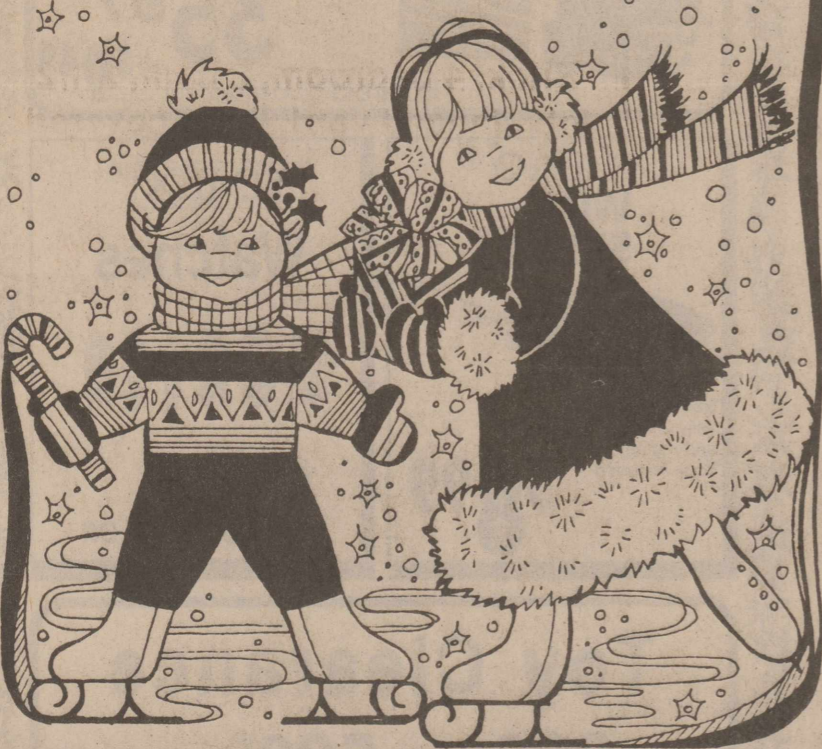


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Love, Lee Wilson
P. S. I'll need the Robocop figures to go with the other stuff.

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is a Nintendo with a power pad because I think it would be fun my dad wants a Nintendo because he said he thinks it would be fun to I want a power pad because it is good exercise my dad wants a power pad because he thinks it would be good exercise to.
Love, Julie Meadors

Dear Santa,
I am only 10 months old so my mommie is writing this for me. I

showed her what I wanted when we went shopping. I have been a very good little boy and am anxiously waiting to meet you. I would like a Mickey Mouse Bopper so I will have someone to dance with, also a toy to sit and ride on, and a train. My brother, Trey, would like a skateboard and my sister, Amber, would like something for her Barbie dolls to play with. Please don't forget all my cousins and all boys and girls everywhere. I'll leave you a couple of my teething cookies and a glass of milk on the kitchen table. I wish you and everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!
Love, A. A. Rogers of Rule

Dear Santa Claus:
It has been a long time since I got something from you. This year I want 10 things: 1. twin turbo trains 2. Nintendo games 3. bean bag 4. roller skates 5. football gloves 6. pellet gun 7. record breakers 8. drums 9. power glove 10. Nes advantage. I have been

good this year that about covers all the presents.
Love, Heath Guess
Weinert, TX
P.S. I will have a snack out for you. See ya later.
Dear Santa,
I want a jambox. I want a dolly surprise. I want a baby bubbles. I would like a little diaper for my doll. I want a nintendo. I want blocks. I need another real baby. I want a present. I have been good. Will you come to Grannies. I want you to be good Santa Clause.
Love, Tracie Rea

Dear Santa,
I am just a year old, so I just get into everything that I can reach, please bring me a doll, Jack in the box, and glowworm. My brother will put out cookies for you.
Love, Shelli Terrell
619 E. McHarg, Stamford

Dear Santa,
I am 6 years old and go to kindergarden in Stamford. I have tried to be good, but has been hard sometimes. I would like for you to bring me a pair of black boots, nintendo tapes and games. Don't forget my little friends at school.
I will leave you some cookies

and milk.
Love, Jake Terrell
619 E. McHarg, Stamford
Dear Santa:
I am 6 years old and in kindergarden. I have tried to be a good little girl this year. I would like for you to bring me a Dopsis daisy doll, Mickey Mouse Calculator, stroller, radio with head phones and a microphone. Please remember all the other little boys and girls.
I will leave you some milk and cookies
Love, Judith Adress
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Dear Santa,
My name is Kory Wayne Foster and I'm 2 years old. I've been a very good boy and all I want for Christmas is a Big Jeep. I'll be sure and leave you some cookies and milk.
Love, Kory

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Eric and I'm 2 years old. I have a little brother, Jeremy, who is 4 months old. We have been good this year. Please bring me a bike and bring Jeremy some baby toys. We will leave you some cookies and milk.
Love, Eric and Jeremy DeLaCruz

Dear Santa,
My name is Krysta Dickerson. I am 3 1/2 years old. For Christmas I would like a Barbie doll and Barbie clothes. I would also like for you to bring me anything else you think I might enjoy. Please bring my baby sister some baby things. Please remember all the other boys and girls.
Love, Krysta

Dear Santa,
My name is Kelsey Dickerson. I am almost 3 months old. For Christmas I would like a Sesame Street Play Gym and some other

baby things. Please don't forget about my big sister Kyrsta.
Love, Kelsey
Dear Santa,
How is it going up there? Are you read to go on your big journey? I would like a Energy Light Display, Unicycle, Scooter, Hand TV, Shotgun, Two seater gocart.
Merry Christmas, Santa.
Love, Wesley Lefevre

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a Pogo Stock, a Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle, a Nintendo game (Blades of Steel) and a water pet.
Don't forget my brother, Michael. He wants a Pogo Stick, Legos, a Nintendo game, a model and a Science lab.
We've tried to be good Santa, but no one is perfect. Say hi to everyone at the North Pole. Please leave some candy in my stocking and Michael's stocking.
Love, Jeffrey Murray
Age 6, Rule, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am only 2, so mommy is helping me. For Christmas I would like a new doll, a baby buggy and anything else you think I would like. Also some candy in my stocking.
Don't forget Michael and Jeffrey, my brothers. Tell Mrs. Claus and the reindeer hi.
Love, Jennifer Murray
Age 2, Rule, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Ramona Abila. I am 4 years old. This year for Christmas I would like a small color TV for my room, a small electronic guitar, a Barbie doll and Ken doll, some Barbie clothes, a case for the Barbie clothes, and a Glo Worm.
Don't forget my little brother, J.R. He is 3 years old. He wants a guitar, a gun, and a Glo Worm. We will be waiting for you, Santa! Thank you, Santa Claus.
Love, Ramona and J.R. Abila

Dear Santa Clause,
I want guns and toys. I've been nice-not naughty. Please come see Ashley. She's been nice too. I'll leave you some milk and cookies on the fireplace. Merry Christmas!
I love you,
John Ross Watson
2 years old, Portland, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bike because mine is ripped in the tires and when Ray grows up, he's gonna need a bike also. When you come, I will not see you, I will be asleep. Then I will get up and change my clothes and wait for my Mom and Dad to get up and say, "Get it". If he doesn't say, "get it", I won't. So please bring me a bike. How is your reindeer going? I love your house. Good-bye Santa.
Love, Teddy Graciano
age 6

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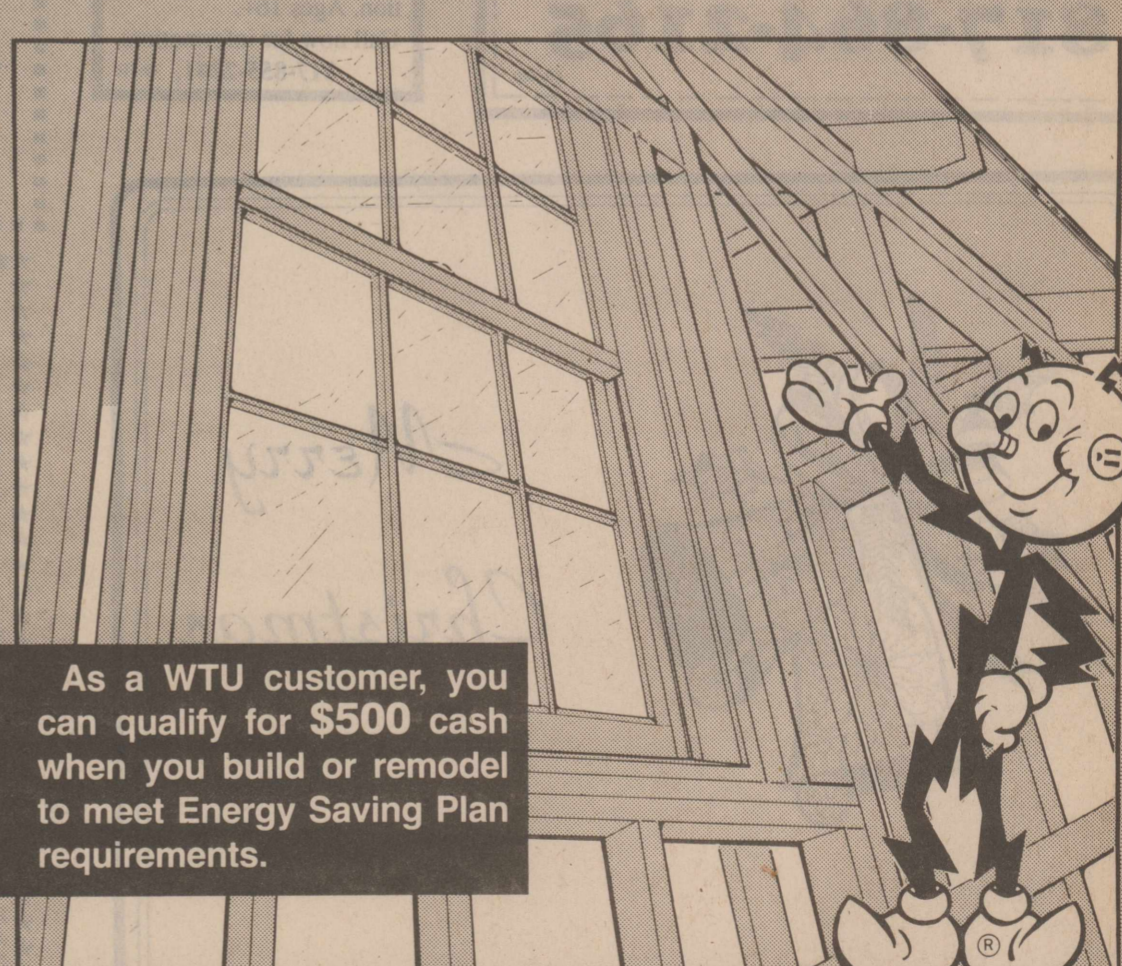
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