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New doctor coming to Clarendon in January

Dr. John C. Howard will join the Donley County Rural Health Clinic as Medical Director on January 4, 1999.

Dr. Howard is a graduate of Centenary College in Louisiana and Tulane University School of Medicine. His past experience includes an Emergency Department staff position in Laredo, Texas, and a US Naval Flight Surgeon on active duty with the Marine Corps jet squadron in Beaufort, South Carolina.

Dr. Howard is presently a Commander in the Naval Reserve with the Marine Corps Reserve Air Wing in New Orleans.

His post graduate work was in Health Systems Management at Tulane. He is a Fellow in the American College of Legal Medicine and Board Certified in Public Health and Preventive Medicine.

Dr. Howard presently serves as Medical Director for Concentra Medical Center Lantana Square in Corpus Christi.

He is married to Lori Howard



Dr. John Howard and family

who is a certified real estate appraiser. She enjoys renovating old Victorian houses. The Howards have two children, Jessie who is in the fourth grade and Austin who is in the third grade. BSA will continue to operate the Donley County Rural Health Clinic.

Child welfare board elects new officers, makes plans

County Judge Jack Hall has reorganized the county child welfare board after a period of several years of inactivity.

The new board met on Thursday, November 12, and Thursday, December 10, at which time election of officers was held, and by-laws were adopted.

Arrangements were made for Christmas for the foster children from Donley County. There was also discussion about possible activities for Child Abuse Prevention Month in April to bring awareness into our schools and community.

According to the judge's office, much interest has been shown by

county residents for the need in educating parents and children about child abuse and awareness of child protection.

Officers for the board are Bill Holden, president; Mary Johnson, first vice president; Gail Tuttle, second vice president; Rhonda Aveni, secretary; and Lois Rolland, treasurer. Other members are David Lowrie, Eureda Mays, Paulette Kidd, Jack Hall, Pat White, Sue Leeper, Mike Word, John Taylor, and Donald Myers.

The board will hold regular meetings on the second Thursday of every month in the Conference Room of the Courthouse Annex at noon.

CISD names Walker as interim superintendent

Retired CISD Superintendent Jeff Walker will resume those duties on an interim basis while the Board of Trustees search for a new person to fill that post.

The decision to hire Walker was made during a special meeting of the trustees on December 17. The board will continue to look for a replacement for Superintendent Phil Barefield whose resignation becomes effective at the end of this semester.

The board also met in regular session on December 10. In that meeting, the board accepted several bids for cafeteria food items.

The board also approved the guidelines for the junior high student council and heard administrative reports from high school principal Larry Jeffers, junior high principal Marvin Elam, counselor John Taylor, athletic director Mark Howard, and superintendent Phil Barefield.

Hedley school trustees hold regular meeting

The Hedley CISD Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting on December 15, 1998, at 7 p.m. in the Hedley School Home Economics room.

The board appointed the textbook committee for the 1998-1999 school year. Members are Betsy Allen, Sheila Wade, Janny Longan, Debbie Hill, Cheryl Koetting, Kari Lindsey, Linda Rowland, Bruce Howard, Karen Wynn, and Lyndon Messer.

The extension bid was approved for Wiley Davis Construction services. The board approved the purchase of new high school football uniforms and the purchase of a new copier.

An achievement award for the staff of Hedley CISD was approved.

Administrative reports were given concerning the gym closure, transfers, and school board training.

As The Grocery Store closes after 84 years,

A Link To The Past

slips into history

By Valerie Avery

Financially strapped and newly married, 17-year-old Lorine McAnear made her first purchase for her kitchen in 1935 — a glass rolling pin at Clifford & Ray Grocery Store in downtown Clarendon.

Seven children and countless breads, biscuits and cookies later, the glass rolling pin remains a usable treasure in the McAnear household. How it has survived is unusual, she admits.

The store she bought it from has changed names many times since then, but primarily it has been owned by the Clifford family since 1914. The mom and pop grocery store closed its doors for good Saturday because of family health problems.

To many Donley County residents, including Mrs. McAnear, closing The Grocery Store will change their lives forever.

"Everybody is just devastated; they surely are," Mrs. McAnear said. "I don't know how we're going to get by without it. It's like losing some very, very good friends."

When Mrs. McAnear — one day after her marriage to Alexander Sellkirk McAnear — shopped for her bare kitchen, purchasing the glass rolling pin was a bargain. It was filled with vinegar, and in 1935 during the Depression every little bit counted.

The vinegar was drained and used, and later the rolling pin was filled with ice water to chill the dough while it was rolled.

"We bought our first bill of groceries there," Mrs. McAnear said of The Grocery Store. "We got the rolling pin. We made biscuits back then. We couldn't afford anything; but to buy flour and milk. There wasn't a thing as a loaf of bread. It's the only rolling pin I've ever had."

Current owner Jack Clifford was a newborn when Mrs. McAnear bought the rolling pin, but Mrs. McAnear watched Clifford mature from a child to a teenager to raising a family of three children at The Grocery Store. She saw the store change over the years, but it always kept its hometown appeal.

To her, shopping at a place where you could get credit, ask for advice on what to cook for supper, or purchase a food tray for a family who had lost a loved one was one of the charms of The Grocery Store.

"I thought I couldn't stand it," Mrs. McAnear said of its closing. "I still can hardly stand it. They were more than a grocery store; they were good friends. They surely were. All of them."

Grocery shopping is not a chore most people enjoy doing, but shopping at The Grocery Store was different, shoppers say.

"It was a social thing and it was a part of my life," said longtime customer Kay Hayes, a Clarendon High School English teacher. "It was a fun thing. I didn't try to bother to plan my shopping. It was just fun to go and to be there."

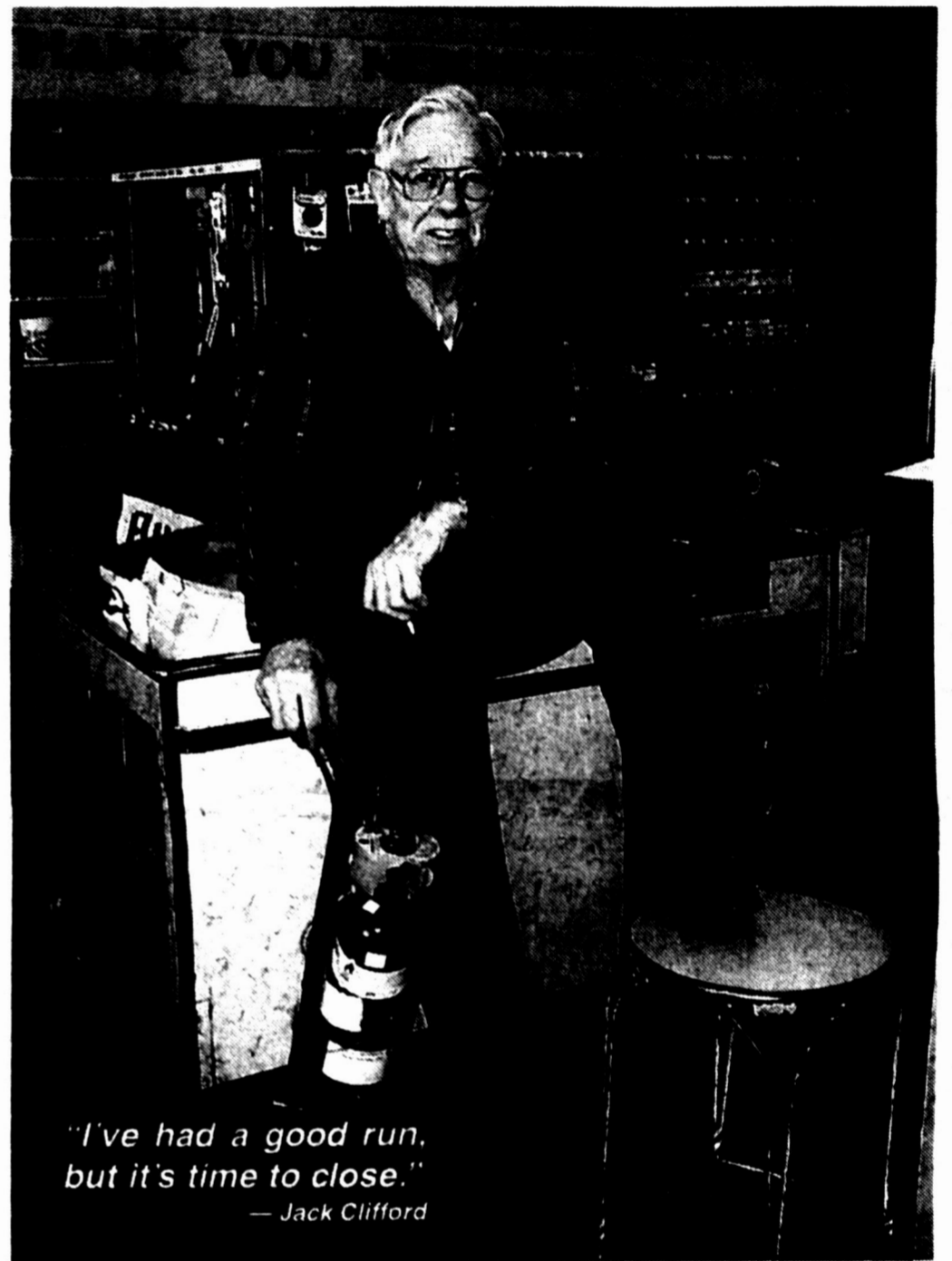
"It's a comfort thing to me, and that's not there anymore."

Clifford's daughter, Virginia Patten and her husband, Brit, kept a pulse on the needs of the community and bent over backward to help customers.

"Virginia always was just so precious," Mrs. Hayes said. "If you were in a rush, she'd make a salad for you. There never was a problem if she didn't have something; she would get it if you needed it. She was so good about helping out when somebody died."

Not many stores still bother to physically price their cans of food or frozen vegetables. The world has advanced to electronically scanning food purchases.

But The Grocery Store was rooted in the past. When an old cookbook calls for a No. 2 can of tomatoes, longtime employee James Burleson could remember what it was and find it for you, unlike many of the employees of large supermarket warehouses.



"I've had a good run, but it's time to close."
— Jack Clifford

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Even though The Grocery Store is an important link to Clarendon's past — a monument to the evolution of the town — it has changed with the times, Clifford said.

"When I was a child, we used to sack everything," Clifford said. "They hired women to put everything in cellophane bags. Things like dried beans and candy and dried fruit. Not much was prepackaged like it is now."

Clifford has worked in the store since he was about 15 years old. He didn't plan on continuing in the family business,

"but Shirley and I got married and somebody had to run it."

Owning a grocery store is physically hard labor. Operating from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. six days a week and then counting inventory on Sunday got to be too much for the close-knit employees.

Several health problems among key members of the longtime staff forced the closure. "Virginia just couldn't do it all," Clifford said. "Brit and James have been sick. I've been sick, and Shirley's been sick. I've appreciated the friendships and business over the years. I've had a good run, but it's time to close."

Owning a family business has taught Clifford the value of hard work, which has transcended to his three children. "They learned to work," he said. "You can't say I didn't have any kids who didn't know how to work."

After the Cliffords and Pattens announced their closure, Clifford spent the last few weeks reading the paper and watching people slowly drift in and out wiping his shelves clean. "It makes me a little relaxed," he said. "I have very mixed feelings."

But the closing of such a vital piece of Clarendon's history has saddened many of its residents. The history of Clarendon has been reflected on the shelves of The Grocery Store.

What people ate, the instruments they used to cook with, and how they prepared their food is a reflection of Donley County's past. As families moved to town from the farm and women began to work, the store changed with the times.

However, one thing remained constant. Entering the four-aisle Grocery Store with its wooden plank floors and hand-dipped ice cream, one experienced a little bit of the past where you could grab a Coke and yell at Janie to put it on your charge account. Or if one became too sickly, one could call with a shopping list and every item would be delivered within the hour.

And the stories employees can tell about the buying habits of newlyweds, a bachelor rancher, or a family of seven are enough to fill a book on how Clarendon ate. Everyone at The Grocery Store had a second sense about what you needed physically and emotionally.

Historians could tell a great deal about Clarendon by looking at The Grocery Store's inventory over the past 84 years, but they wouldn't be able to put a finger on why people shopped there for years unless they interviewed their customers.

And that is true testament to why The Grocery Store and its owners — Jack and Shirley Clifford and Brit and Virginia Patten — have thrived.

"I'm sad about it," Mrs. Hayes said. "I just think it was a link to the past. It was just a solid something that we always had. The Cliffords have always been such strong members of our community, but it was something they had to do. It was a tough business."

"...it was a link to the past. ...a solid something that we always had."
— Kay Hayes

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Local Weather Report

Day	Date	High	Low	Prec
Mon	14	62°	23°	-
Tues	15	64°	24°	-
Wed	16	65°	25°	-
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Reader reports how she did her Christmas shopping at home

Dear Editor,
I am a big believer in spending my hard-earned money locally - in the town in which I live. When I moved to Clarendon, friends in the city told me that would be impossible. They said I would never be able to buy everything I want in such a small town as Clarendon. Ha! I proved them wrong, and along the way, I have made many new friends and found the warm, close feeling of "community" that only a small town like Clarendon can give a person. I just finished shopping for Christmas. I purchased everything in Clarendon - presents for 18 people. Here's how I did it.

First, I took advantage of the "Christmas Cash" the local banks are offering. With that in hand, I purchased shirts at Saye's for four men, ranging in age from 49 to 19. Two of the shirts were on sale for a better price than I would have gotten them at one of those big stores in Amarillo. Then I found a belt there for my father-in-law (the hard-to-please person on my list). On top of that, I parked right at the door, walked in and told Terri what I was looking for. She immediately pulled out just what I wanted, knew sizes by my descriptions of height, weight, etc. and waited cheerfully while I looked through just about everything in the store. She was not anxious to be rid of me and didn't make me feel like she was doing a favor to wait on me. She was super!

Next, I attended the "Open House" at Henson's. Not only was I served delicious food, but I got to browse at my leisure. No high-pressure sales here! I found a beautiful cut glass decanter for my brother and sister-in-law. I also found picture frames, candles, jewelry, bubble bath, hand lotion, and household goods for the women on my list. (I found a knockout diamond necklace for myself - but that's for "Santa" to get me.)

Frankie, Susan, Wes, and A.R. treated me just like family and couldn't do enough to help me find what I wanted.

I found wrapping paper, ribbons, Christmas colored candy, and Christmas cards at Duckwall's and the Outpost. I bought a TV stand at Duckwall's and found four electronic games for my "guys" at the Outpost. Once again, I was treated great, and people were eager to help me find what I needed. Of course, cracking jokes with Bill at the Outpost is worth the trip!

Thriftway had everything I needed for my big dinner, and Mary Ann is just about the most pleasant checker in a grocery store I have ever met. Nothing is ever a problem for her.

Having finished my gift buying, I needed to purchase stamps. I dreaded the trip to the post office with long lines and grumpy employees that I had been used to. I shouldn't have worried! I waited only briefly, and the postal "guy and gal" were friendly and unhurried - as if they had all the time in the world for me. A quick trip the Clarendon Office Supply got me paper for my Christmas newsletter and a wonderful homemade treat to eat while I visited with them.

Not one time this Christmas have I battled crowds, spent time looking for a parking place, had to deal with rude store clerks, or heard anything other than "Have a Merry Christmas! We appreciate your business!"

Well, I appreciate them too. It is a pleasure to go shopping in Clarendon, and anyone who still tries fighting the crowds in a larger town needs to give our little town merchants a try! They couldn't be nicer, friendlier, or more helpful. They really are concerned about their customers' satisfaction. Christmas shopping or shopping anytime - try Clarendon. It can't be beat!

Cynthia Hall



Women's Network seeking Career Achievement nominees

Amarillo Women's Network is soliciting nominations for their Career Achievement Awards and Lifetime Achievement Award, which will be presented to the recipients at an award ceremony and reception in February 1999.

The Career Achievement Award Program sponsored by AWN each year honors women who have achieved a major career advancement or recognition in their professions in a calendar year, according to a new

release from the organization.

The program was initiated in 1981 to honor women and encourage them to seek higher career goals. The program serves as an avenue for enhancing the image of women in the area and a way to recognize firms/organizations, which support and promote women.

The Lifetime Achievement Award, adopted by the AWN board of directors in 1988, is reserved for women in the region who have

achieved milestones in a profession or career over an extended period of time.

The award is a tool for recognizing women whose accomplishments, for whatever reason, transcend or do not fit the Career Achievement Award category, the release said.

These awards are open not only to members of AWN, but to women from Amarillo and the surrounding Panhandle communities. The deadline for receiving nominations is Janu-

ary 8, 1999.

Persons seeking additional information regarding criteria and forms to nominate women for either of the awards may contact Lynette Benge, president-elect for AWN, by mail at PO Box 1661, Amarillo, TX 79105 or by calling 806-376-4347.

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The Clarendon Lions Club sponsored Chamberlain Motor Company in the Toys for Tots program in Donley County. Over 100 toys and some clothing items were distributed to local children through Panhandle Community Services this holiday season. Pictured with the toys are Chamberlain employees Tony Henley, Tessie Robinson, Jim Blackerby, and Claud Robinson.

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Carter named winner of Circle of Friends Christmas contest

Haley Carter, daughter of Steve and Janet Carter of Clarendon, was one of 13 winners in the 1998 Circle of Friends Art Contest.

A reception was held on December 13, at the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center in Amarillo to honor the winners.

This year more than 1,400 students from 44 schools in the Texas Panhandle participated in the contest.

Haley was awarded \$50 and received two framed copies of her artwork. She is a fourth grade student of Mrs. Renee Duncan and the youngest winner of this year's contest.



Haley Carter, daughter of Steve and Janet Carter of Clarendon, was one of 13 winners in the 1998 Circle of Friends Art Contest. She is a fourth grade student at Clarendon Elementary and is the youngest winner of this year's contest.

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Haley Carter's winning Christmas card design.

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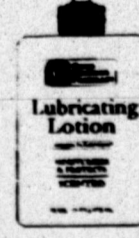
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Donley County Senior Citizen News

By Sandra Minatrea

The Donley County Senior Citizens will be closed Thursday and Friday, Dec. 24-25 for the Christmas holiday. There will be no home delivery meals for those days. We'll be back on our regular schedule Monday, Dec. 28.

We've had several items donated for us to sell chances on. Bob and Joan Kidd made and donated an attractive birdhouse, of which Joan McAfee was the lucky winner. Maxine McCrary donated a beautiful rose colored afghan she made and Dorene Young of Pampa was the winner. Cennet Rhode donated a lovely wall hanging that Mattie Roberts won. Verdie Tipton made some of her famous peanut brittle, which Jimmy Kuhn won. We really appreciate everyone who donates items for us to use as fundraisers. We now have fresh pecans that were donated by Ruby Dell

Estlack, and they were given away on Wednesday, Dec. 23.

Get well wishes go out to Clara Mae Carter and Tennie Smith. We sent our candy baskets to everyone on our home delivery route last Friday. Maxine McCrary made 105 plastic canvas baskets to be filled with candy and used for our home delivery route and as party favors for our Volunteer Appreciation Banquet. Maxine also made eight special gifts to be given away at our banquet.

Reminders:

Mon., Dec. 28, Jan. 4, 11, 18, & 25: Senior Citizens Dance Club, 7-9 p.m.
 Thur., Jan. 7: Blood pressure clinic offered by Medical Center Nursing Home, 10:30-noon
 Thur., Jan. 14: New time for hearing aid clinic, second Thursday of each month, offered by Golden Spread Hearing Clinic, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
 Thur., Jan. 21: Blood pressure and



Drawings for the DCSC fund-raisers winners were Mattie Roberts, wall hanging; Joan McAfee, bird house; and Dorene Young of Pampa, afghan.

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blood sugar clinic offered by VIP Home Health Care (formerly Casha), 10:30-noon
 Tues., Jan. 26: Birthday/anniversary supper, 6 p.m.

Senior Citizens Menus Dec. 28 - Jan. 1

Hedley Senior Citizens
 Mon: Barbecue pork pats, baked beans, corn, potato salad, apricot cobbler, roll, milk, tea, coffee
 Tues: Roast beef, baked potato, green beans, apple slaw, chocolate pudding, roll, milk, tea, coffee
 Wed: Chicken pot pie, fried okra, tossed salad, orange half, roll, milk, tea, coffee
 Thur: Steak and gravy, mashed potatoes, black-eyed peas, deviled egg, peach cobbler, roll, milk, tea, coffee
 Fri: Spaghetti with meat sauce, broccoli casserole, black-eyed peas, tossed salad, sliced peaches, garlic toast, milk, tea, coffee
Donley County Senior Citizens
 Mon: Chicken fried steak, macaroni and cheese, green beans, pickled beets, apricot cobbler, bread, lowfat milk, tea, coffee
 Tues: Chicken strips, mini baked potato, carrots, tossed salad, orange pineapple delight, dinner roll, lowfat milk, tea, coffee
 Wed: Roast beef, black-eyed peas, turnip greens, pears with cottage cheese, Rice Krispie treat, wheat roll, lowfat milk, tea, coffee
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Obituaries

Frank Edward Cannon
 Funeral services for Frank Edward Cannon, age 76, were held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 19, 1998, in the Martin Baptist Church with Rev. Bryan Knowles, Pastor, officiating. Interment was in Citizens Cemetery with arrangements under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc.
 Mr. Cannon died at 11:30 p.m. PST, on Monday, December 14, 1998, in San Diego, California, following a lengthy illness. He was born November 14, 1922, in Raton, New Mexico, and was a long-time resident of Navasota before moving to San Diego 3½ months ago. He married Mary Louise Harrison on June 11, 1948, at Clarendon. She preceded him in death on February 23, 1984. He had served in the US Armed Forces and was a member of the First Baptist Church in Navasota.

Survivors include two daughters, Hulda Referemat of San Diego, California, and Lisa Taylor of San Antonio, Texas; two sons, Kerry Edward Cannon of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and Blake Harrison Cannon of Boulder, Colorado; five sisters, Eric Eta Williams of Lubbock, Jane Smith of Dallas, Mozelle Shephard of Channing, Delores Hargis of Amarillo, and Drucilla Lindsey of Marysville, California; three brothers, Eli Cannon of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, Robert Cannon of Navasota, California; 9 grandchildren; and 3 great grandchildren.
 Casket bearers were Kerry Cannon, Blake Cannon, Mike Cannon, Stephen Taylor, Robert Cannon, Frank Shephard, Maurice Risley, and Clarence Garman.

Ebbie Mae Ivey
 Funeral services for Ebbie Mae Ivey, age 83, were held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 22, 1998, in Robertson Chapel of Memories, with Rev. Bryan Knowles, Pastor of the Martin Baptist Church, officiating. Interment was in Citizens Cemetery with arrangements under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc.
 Mrs. Ivey died at 7:56 p.m. on Saturday, December 19, 1998, at her Clarendon residence of Pampa from 1960 until moving to Clarendon in 1981. She married George Odus Ivey on June 29, 1932, at Hollis, Oklahoma. He preceded her in death on April 20, 1996. She was a homemaker and was a Baptist.
 Survivors include three daughters, Rowena Duggan of Amarillo, Louise Mullins of Amarillo, and Patricia Trent of Clarendon; one son, Larry Odus Ivey of Clarendon; 7 grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren; and 2 great great grandchildren.
 Casket bearers were Terry Tolleson, Andy Denton, Jeff Denton, Jody Malone, Jeremy Hughes, Barry Ivey, and Steve Hughes.

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Our offices will be closed December 24-25 and January 1.

Owls split games with Channing

The Hedley Owls and Lady Owls traveled to Channing on Friday, December 18, to play the Eagles in two non-district ballgames.

In the girls' game, the Lady Owls led after the second quarter with a half-time score of 21-18. Then going in to the third quarter Channing came out and outscoored Hedley, 12-19, making the score, 33-37. However, the Lady Owls outscoored the Lady Eagles in the fourth quarter by 3 points; but it wasn't enough to pull off a win. The final score was 41-42.

Leading scorer for the game was Ashley Hill with 15 points. Other scorers were Lora Llewellyn, 10; Amber Solis, 6; Lana Wallendorff, 5; Crystal Solis, 3; and Rachel Bennett, 2.

In the boys' game, Hedley took the lead from the beginning and never gave Channing a chance to catch back up. The final score was 68-38.

Leading scorers for the game were Cody Graves, Dustin Monroe, and Roger Wade each with 12 points. Other scorers were Josh Collins, 11; Russell King and Jeremy Wells, 9; Tim Tunnell, 2; and Justin Alexander, 1.

Hedley will host the Wheeler Mustangs on Tuesday, December 29, and then travel to the Fort Elliott Tournament on December 31-January 2.

Nominations for Rural Heroism being accepted

WACO - Entries for the Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Council's 1998 Rural Heroism Award are now being accepted, according to Ben Bullard, Council President.

To qualify, a candidate must have performed a heroic act of human life-saving within Texas during 1998. The heroic deed should be related to farming or ranching. The 1998 recipient will be announced March 22, 1999, at the Texas Safety Association 60th annual Texas/Southwestern Conference and Exposition, to be held at the Adam's Mark Hotel in Houston.

The nominations must be submitted and postmarked no later than February 1, 1999. Send all nominations to the Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Council, P. O. Box 5539, Waco, Texas 76708.

The letter of nomination should include a written account of the incident and names, addresses and telephone numbers of all persons involved. Newspaper clippings and photos should also accompany nominations when available.

The 1997 winner was Stanley H. Davis of Port Neches who rescued Clyde Allison from being attacked by a bull. Davis then administered first aid for his injuries until EMS arrived.

Bullard has been president of the Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Council for 22 years and is retired from the Texas Farm Bureau Insurance Companies.



Late Night Winners

Five lucky people were the winners of big money last Thursday night during the Clarendon Merchants Association's Late Night Shopping. The merchants kept drawing names until no less than \$1,000 had been given away. Shown here are Nell Cornell (\$100), Billie Shaffer (\$100), Santa, Linda Short (\$500), Julie James (\$100), and Becky Rattan-Thomas (\$200) with her children Kierston and McKaelie.

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The Lion's Tale

By Allen Estlack



Clarendon Lions Club held their last meeting of the year December 22 with Boss Lion Jimmy Blackerby conducting the meeting. We had 12 members and two guests.

Our guests were Carolyn Blackerby, guest of lion Jimmy Blackerby and Russell Estlack, guest of lion Allen Estlack. Clayton Ferris provided the music.

The Toys for Tots program received enough toys that every child

on the list received a toy. There was also a cash donation to buy clothes, and even though this wasn't part of the project it was taken care of.

There was 40 food boxes distributed. We had good participation from the Lions, and the community support has been super.

We want to thank everyone for their help this year and wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

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Den 5 Tiger Cubs meet recently

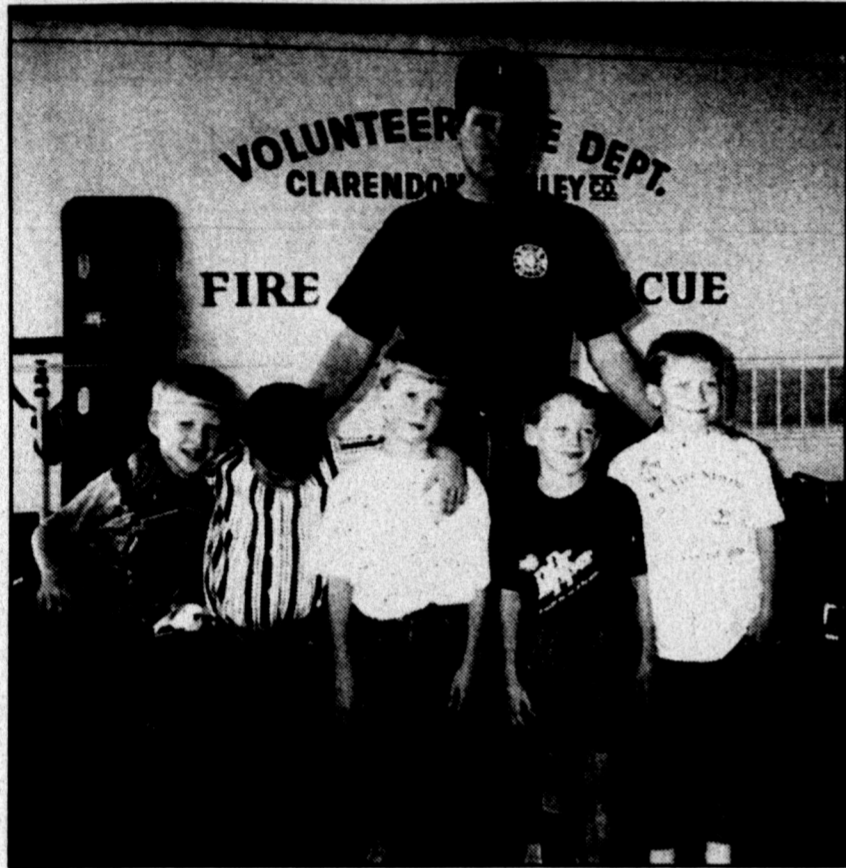
By Karla Devin
Den 5 Tiger Cubs gathered for their monthly Den meeting on December 8, at the First United Methodist Church. The Cubs completed their first activity by cutting a perfect Betsy Ross 5-point star and hearing the story of the first flag.

The Tiger Cubs then said the "Pledge of Allegiance" but only after learning the proper etiquette for saluting the flag. Each Tiger Cub described how his family completed their Big Idea Activity. Nickless Devin, Den Chief, worked with the Cubs on plan-

ning and designing a Coat of Arms for Tiger Cub Den 5.

For the closing activity, the boys sang Francis Scott Key's *The Star Spangled Banner*. Good-byes were expressed towards Tiger Cub Colby Mann and his family. The other Cubs wish him and his family the best in their future endeavors.

Boys present were Colby Mann, Ty Tubbs, Ryan Hill, Dustin Ford, Shelby Stepp, and Nelson Devin. Adult partners in attendance were Evelyn Mann, Jennifer Tubbs, Linda Hill, Donna Ford, and Karla Devin.



Den 5 Tiger Cubs are pictured at the Clarendon Fire Station with Volunteer Firefighter Kelly Hill. Tiger Cubs are Ty Tubbs, Colby Mann, Ryan Hill, Dustin Ford, and Nelson Devin. Not pictured are Trent White and Shelby Stepp. Tiger Coaches are Karla Devin and Jennifer Tubbs.
Photo courtesy of Karla Devin.



Den 6 Tiger Cubs Dylan Wright, Charlie Almond, Nathan Judd, Jadon Thornton, Hadley Jones, Eli Short, and Spencer Shields are pictured with Volunteer Firefighter Kelly Hill at the Clarendon Fire Station. Den Coaches for the group are Linda Judd and Trina Wright.
Photo courtesy of Karla Devin.

TAAS and TEAMS test schedule set

The Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) Exit level tests will be offered this spring at Clarendon High School. Any qualified individuals who are no longer enrolled in a Texas public school and who wish to register to retake the TAAS (or TEAMS) tests may pick up a registration packet from the Counselor's office located in the Clarendon Junior High School building at 822 West 5th. Currently enrolled Clarendon High School Juniors and Seniors who have not mastered the Exit Level TAAS will also test but do not have to register.

The testing schedule will be as follows: TAAS Writing - February 23, 1999; TAAS Math - February 24, 1999; TAAS Reading - February 25, 1999; TEAMS Math - February 24, 1999; TEAMS English - February 25, 1999.

Since completed registration forms must be received by the testing center in Iowa by January 29, 1999, any qualified individual wanting to take the tests needs to pick up a registration form as soon as possible. For more information, contact John Taylor at the CCISD Counselor's office (874-3241).

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To celebrate the Christmas Holidays, the Clarendon High School Junior Historians decorated the Medical Center Nursing Home. Students who participated were Nickless Devin, Stacey Cenicerros, Angela Papa, Michael MacFarland, and Noel Devin. Not pictured are Lindy Helms and Larmie Cruz.

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Broncos win big over Memphis, 61-33

The Clarendon Broncos took a road trip on Tuesday night to take on the Memphis Cyclones. The former district rival was a very young and inexperienced team.

Clarendon dominated from the outset and won the game, 61-33.

The only down side to the game for the Broncos was when Dee Thompson went down with a severe ankle sprain. Thompson is expected to be out for at least ten weeks.

Every Bronco scored during the game. They

were as follows: Travis Woodard, 14; Junior Rodriguez, 11; Josh Williams, 11; Sam Holton, 7; Carey Thornberry, 6; Dee Thompson, 3; D. J. Edwards, 3; Derek Shields, 2; Nathan Sears, 2; and Khalil Abdullah, 2.

The Broncos were on the road again on Friday night to face a very good Stratford Elks team. Clarendon had a little trouble converting buckets and hitting what little free throws they were given. The Broncos tried to stay in the game, but the Elks were too much. Stratford defeated Clarendon, 32-

58. Scoring for the Broncos were Nathan Sears, 8; Chris Linquist, 6; Travis Woodard, 5; Derek Shields, 3; D. J. Edwards, 3; Josh Williams, 3; Sam Holton, 2; and Carey Thornberry, 2.

The Broncos will be playing in the Salt Fork Classic on Thursday through Saturday, December 31-January 2. The tournament is being hosted by Clarendon College. All games will be played in the College gymnasium.

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Lady Broncos take wind out of Cyclones

The Clarendon Lady Broncos were on fire Tuesday night in Memphis. The Lady Broncos took an 18-5 first quarter lead and never looked back. The Lady Broncos showed they could hit from outside as well as inside. Sophomore Courtney Newhouse hit five three point shots and all but one free throw during the game. Clarendon won the game, 59-21.

Lady Broncos scorers were Geri Butler, 26; Courtney Newhouse, 17; Kim Alexander, 6; Cat Chamberlain, 5; Kristen Glover, 3; and April Bryley, 2.

"We shot the ball well and played good, aggressive, team defense. Butler taking it to the basket and Newhouse's hot shooting took the life out of Memphis early in the game," said Head Coach Steve Schmidt.

Clarendon journeyed to Stratford for their Friday night match-up. The Lady Elks were a good challenge for the Lady Broncos. Unfortunately, Clarendon's hot shooting from Tuesday night did not carry over to Friday night.

The Lady Bronco's struggled all night to get the ball in the basket. Despite having Sophomore Lindsey Shelton back from an injury and playing some great defense, the Lady Broncos succumbed to the Lady Elks, 32-52.

Scoring for the Lady Broncos were Geri Butler, 10; Kim Alexander, 6; Cat Chamberlain, 5;

April Bryley, 4; Courtney Newhouse, 3; Shannon Cooper, 3; and Lindsey Shelton, 2.

"You can't have a horrible shooting night against a good team and win. I thought we played with or better than Stratford in every area except shooting. And that's the only stat that counts in determining the victor. We had good looks but just couldn't hit enough," said Schmidt.

"With six minutes to go we cut the lead from 15 to 8 and stole the ball, but didn't convert the basket. That was as close as we got. The girls played hard. It will be good to get Kelley Lemley, who is our second leading scorer, back from her injury after missing seven games."

The Lady Broncos anticipate improving their 6-7 record when they play in the Salt Fork Classic hosted by Clarendon College. The tournament is scheduled for Thursday through Saturday, December 31-January 2.

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JV Broncos lose to Stratford

The JV Bronco team did not play on Tuesday evening due to Memphis' canceling the game for lack of players. The Broncos did travel to Stratford on Friday afternoon.

The Clarendon JV team seemed a little out of sync throughout the game. The JV Broncos had moved some of their players to the varsity, which snuffed their chemistry. That coupled with Stratford's good, undefeated team gave the JV a long night. The Elks won the game 29-58.

Scoring for the JV team were Jared Lax, 8; G. J. Martindale, 8; Nathan Floyd, 6; Greg Leeper, 3; Ben Wilson, 3; and Cody Watson, 1.

"When your two post players combine for only three points, it makes it hard to win a ballgame. I know we didn't have some of our other players, but I thought we have the talent to have competed a little better. We'll get back on track after the holidays," said Coach Mike Ray.

The JV Broncos will host the Canadian Wildcats on Tuesday, January 5, at 5 p.m.

JV Lady Broncos escape the Cyclones

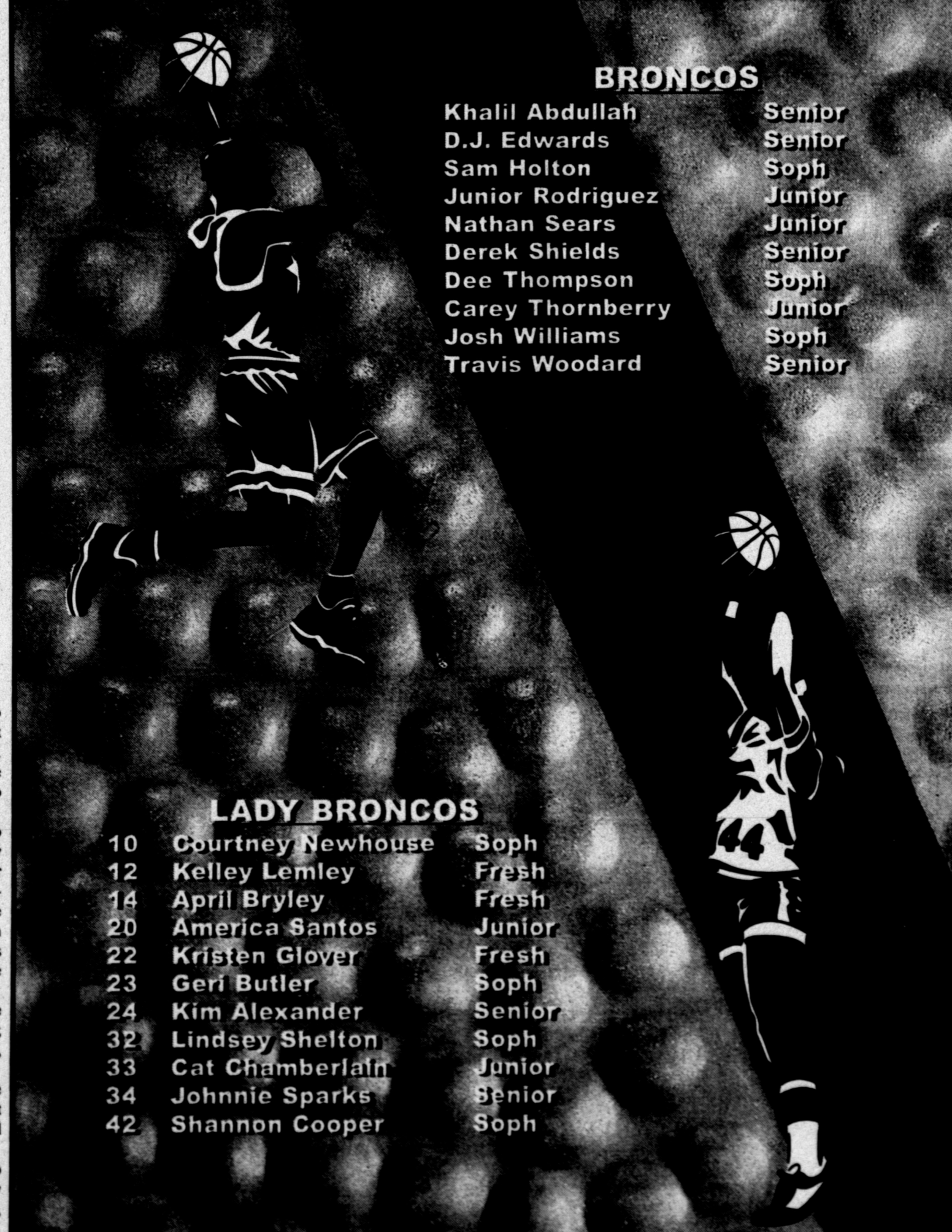
Clarendon's JV Lady Bronco team has had to regroup throughout the season due to their lineup changes. Despite losing three players to the varsity, the JV team has continued to play good basketball.

The Lady Broncos traveled to Memphis on Tuesday night. The Lady Cyclones were looking for revenge for their loss to Clarendon in the JV tournament. Memphis kept the game close, even hitting a three pointer with four seconds left in the game. It was not enough. Clarendon outlasted the Lady Cyclones, 27-26.

Scoring for Clarendon were Lindy Helms, 10; Jamie Sawyer, 10; Elizabeth Simmons, 5; Jamee Sparks, 2; and Tamika Kimble-Hearn, 2.

"This was a real close battle. The girls played good defense and shot their free throws well to win it," said Coach John Tom Morrow.

The Lady Broncos will look to improve their 7-4 record when they host Canadian on Tuesday, January 5, at 5 p.m.



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D.J. Edwards	Senior
Sam Holton	Soph
Junior Rodriguez	Junior
Nathan Sears	Junior
Derek Shields	Senior
Dee Thompson	Soph
Carey Thornberry	Junior
Josh Williams	Soph
Travis Woodard	Senior

LADY BRONCOS

10	Courtney Newhouse	Soph
12	Kelley Lemley	Fresh
14	April Bryley	Fresh
20	America Santos	Junior
22	Kristen Glover	Fresh
23	Geri Butler	Soph
24	Kim Alexander	Senior
32	Lindsey Shelton	Soph
33	Cat Chamberlain	Junior
34	Johnnie Sparks	Senior
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Clarendon College students named on Who's Who list

The 1999 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges will include the names of 24 students from Clarendon College who have been selected as national outstanding campus leaders.

Clarendon College students on the list are: Janet Denise Brown, Wellington; Stephanie D. Cook, Shamrock; Leann Jane Cozad, Childress; Cecilia Cruz, Dodson; Leah Marie Dowell, Aspermont; David

Lynn Fuller, McLean; Shayla Desha Hager, Stamford; Christine Lynne Jason, Pampa; Eileen Giacobbe Kludt, Pampa; Clayton Jermain LeCompte, Tucumcari, NM; Jason Kyle Lee, Clarendon; Donna Gaylene Longbine, Childress; Melody Elaina Middleton, Hedley; Brenda Proffitt, Clarendon; Adrienne Kirsten Ragsdale, Pampa; Lavon Louise Reagan, Pampa; Heather Lynn Shields, Lelia Lake; Diana L. Souder, Wellington; Rebecca

Lee Swearingen, Clarendon; Emma L. Swigart, Mobeetie; Mendi Louise Taylor, Childress; Anita Marie Thompson, Childress; Staci Elizabeth Ward, Memphis, and Jason Dean Wardlow, Shamrock.

Campus nominating committees and editors of the annual directory have included the names of these students based on their academic achievement, service to the commu-

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Trista Howard, 10, took her first whitetail deer at 60 yards near McLean. She is the daughter of Jeff and Cynthia Helms of Dumas and the granddaughter of Barbara Helms.

Photo courtesy of Jeff Helms.

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Water quality project demonstrated in Panhandle

By Beth Barbee

AMARILLO — Agriculture producers across the U.S. are generally viewed as good stewards of the land and its natural resources. In an effort to protect the water quality of the Panhandle, experts from the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and Texas Agricultural Experiment Station have joined forces with state and federal agencies and local landowners to conduct the Tierra Blanca Creek demonstration project.

"What we are attempting to do is persuade local producers to voluntarily implement Best Management Practices (BMPs) into their daily operations by demonstrating the programs' positive effects and benefits," said Dr. Brent Auvermann, assistant professor and environmental quality engineer at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center in Amarillo.

BMPs include efficient irrigation, reduced tillage, integrated pest management, manure management, rotational grazing, vegetative filter strips, and water quality management plans. Most of the demonstrations are sited in Parmer, Castro, Deaf Smith, and Randall counties.

"There is a laundry list of BMPs, and those of us involved in the project are trying to do a good job of helping farmers and ranchers manage their feedlots, irrigate more effectively, and so forth," Auvermann said.

Lanny McDonald, water quality assistant for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and project director, routinely gives tours of the demonstration sites.

"This is a constant demonstration project," McDonald said. "We're showing neighboring producers how these scientifically proven practices work in the field."

"It is taking known technology and practices, and proving through demonstration that these ideas work," Auvermann said.

In conjunction with adoption of BMPs, farmers and ranchers are also being encouraged to join a water quality management plan.

The plans list practices the farmer promises to do to ensure ground water quality. They are filed and approved through the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board.

"The benefits are two-fold," Auvermann said. "First of all, the state board agrees to participate in cost sharing to enable the producer to follow the plan. For example, the cost of installing terraces would be split. Secondly, the farmer is automatically immune from any water quality complaints his neighbor may have if he is following the plan."

Funds to support the Tierra Blanca Creek project are allocated by the federal government through the Clean Water Act to help diminish the effects of non-point source pollution.

"Point source pollution comes from one major source like a factory, plant or a feedlot," Auvermann said.

"Non-point source is everything else, like highway runoff and by-products of agricultural land."

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THANK YOU

The family of Jerry Price would like to thank everyone for the prayers, flowers, food, and memorials in our time of grief and loss. You will never know how much we really appreciate all the help you have given us. We also want to say thank you to our EMS as you really tried so hard to save Jerry. A very special thank you goes to Linda and Buster Gray and Gail and Giffert Tuttle for their extra support and help. This is a very special community and I am so glad we moved back here.
 Thank you for all your love and support.

Mary and Mike Price
 Clyde Price
 Kenneth Price & family
 Lloyd McCord & family

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THANK YOU

Season's Greetings!
 As pastor of First Assembly of God, I would like to thank you, the merchants of Clarendon, for the services you provide for our community throughout the year. In spite of the many problems we are faced with, it is the people like you, the faithful servants of our community who make our lives more enjoyable. In a sense, the giving that is done at Christmas you do all year, and I want you to know we are grateful. It is my prayer that you will have: the gladness of Christmas - which is hope; the spirit of Christmas - which is peace; and the heart of Christmas - which is love. May God bless you richly and give you a blessed Christmas and a prosperous new year.

Pastor Jerry Pollard
 First Assembly of God

I want to thank my church for the nice clock. I want to thank my children, grandchildren, and friends and relatives that helped me celebrate my 90th birthday. I love you all. God bless.

Hazel Edens

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 Sealed proposals for 408.404 km of seal coat on US 54, IH 40, FM 1151, FM 1526, SH 305, FM 722, FM 294, FM 285, FM 2301, FM 296, FM 1261, FM 687, FM 1268,

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Construction and Maintenance Division, 200 East Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas 78704-1205. Plans are available through commercial printers in Austin, Texas, at the expense of the bidder. The Texas Department of Transportation hereby notifies all bidders that it will insure the bidders will not be discriminated against on the ground of race, color, sex, or national origin, in having full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation, and in consideration for an award. Usual rights reserved. 4-D-12046 4-76-0238-01-026, etc. 51-2tc

COUNTY RADIO BID INFORMATION

The following radio equipment items are needed to update our County radio system. We would like a bid on the following items: Local repeater/100 watts - 1; Station Duplexer - 1; Inner City Base station/45 watt - 1; Desktop console expandable from 4 to 12 channels - 1; Paging encoder - 1; Remote desk set (local channel) - 1; Remote desk set (inner-city channel) - 1. We also need a bid on all hardware needed to install this type of system and make it operational. Bids will be opened on Monday, Jan. 11, 1999 at 1 p.m. Mail bids to County Judge Jack Hall, PO Box 909, Clarendon, TX 79226. Donley County reserves the right to reject any and all bids. 52-2tc

HELP WANTED

DONLEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT will be accepting applications to fill the office of Constable, Precinct 3&4. Only applicants who have resided continuously in the state for 12 months and in the territory from which the office is elected or appointed for six (6) months immediately preceding the date the appointment is made should apply. Applicant must have a high school diploma or a high school equivalency certificate and is eligible to be licensed as a peace officer under Sections 415.058 and 415.059, Government Code. Other eligibility requirements for public office are applicable, Election Code 141.001 as seen in the County Judge's Office. Appointment will be until the next general election. Applications can be picked up and returned in the office of the County Judge, Jack Hall, and PO Box 909, Clarendon, TX 79226. Donley County reserves the right to reject any or all applications. Applications already received have been accepted by Commissioners Court for consideration. Additional applications should be submitted by January 5, 1999, at 10:00 a.m. 51-2tc

REAL ESTATE

HOUSE FOR SALE: 318 S. Koogle, one block from school. Three bedroom, two baths, double garage, new roof, fenced yard. 874-3521 or 874-3676. 1-ctfc

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 ♦ **Wood frame, two bedroom, one bath, 2 room 1/2 bath apartment. Both remodeled. 608 W. Third. \$29,500**
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Nice 3 bedroom, 1-3/4 bath, brick, central heat & air, fireplace, concrete cellar and patio in fenced backyard, 3-car port at 703 S. Carhart for Reduced to \$52,500.00. *****

Improved two bedroom, 1 bath, kitchen/dining, living, stucco, central heat and air plus 2-car port and shop. Additional efficiency apartment over concrete cellar on 3 lots at 415 E. Burkhead reduced to \$29,500.00. *****

Nice two bedroom, remodeled bath, living/den, kitchen/dining, utility, one car garage, carport, fenced backyard, central heat and air, good location at 617 W. 3rd for \$37,000.00. *****

Remodeled two bedroom, bath, living, dining, kitchen, large entry and hallway. Central heat. Rooms are large, totaling 1,458 sq. ft. remodeled and one car garage on ground floor plus one bedroom upstairs and concrete unfinished basement. One block from school at 1108 W. 5th. Owner can give immediate possession on closing for \$34,500.00.

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GREENBELT - HOUSE

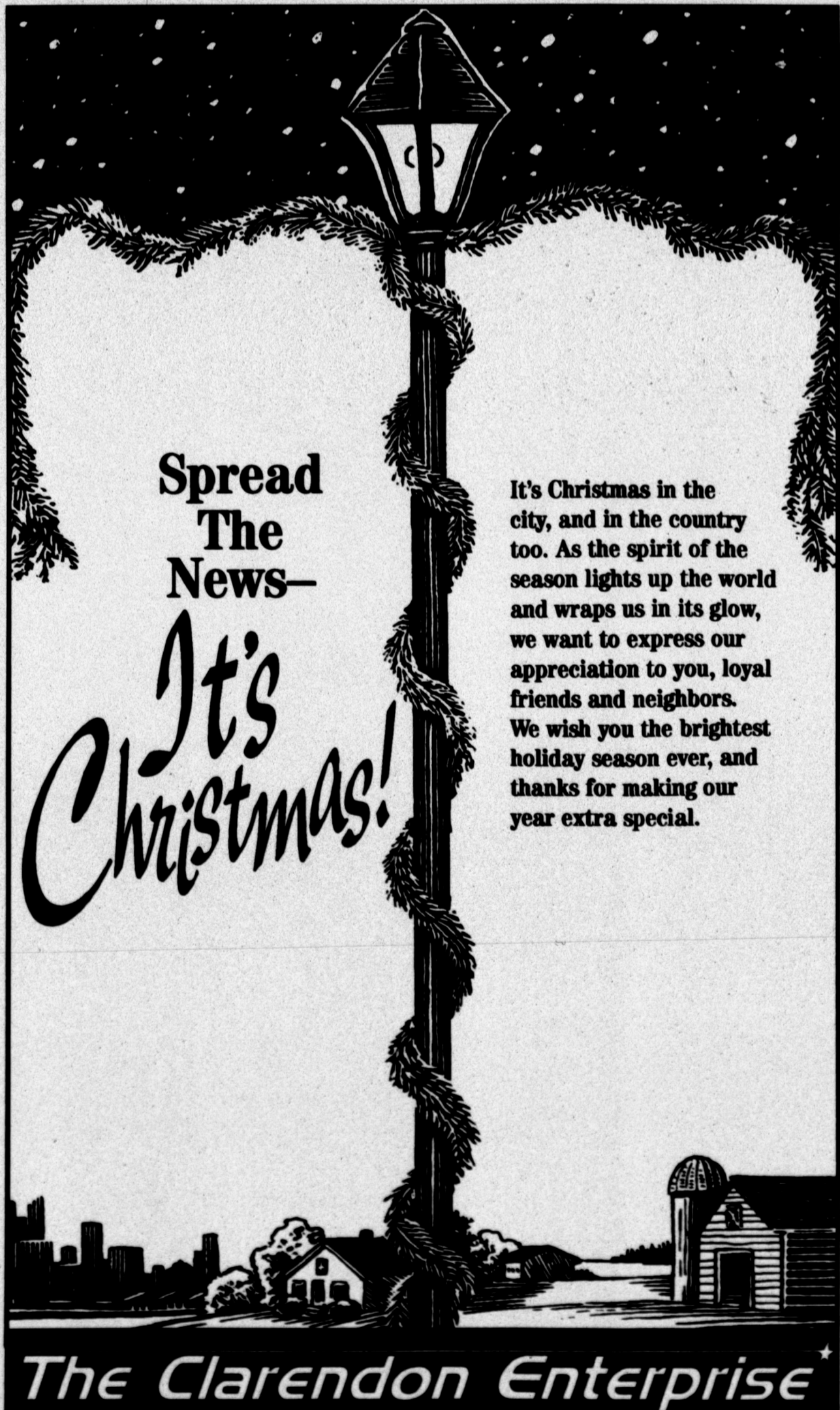
Very attractive and well kept two bedroom, 1-3/4 bath, living/kitchen/dining/den, attached 2 car garage with storage room and shop area, central heat & air, water well, custom double pane windows, like new septic system on 6 lots at 480 Pampa St. for \$45,000.00 *****

HOUSE & ACREAGE

LELIA LAKE: 2 ACRE +/- beautifully landscaped and decorated, 4 bedrooms, 3 baths (full, 3/4, & 1/2), large kitchen/dining, den with fireplace, living, sun room with bricked grill, double garage, 2 car port, brick, shakes, central heat & air, dust stopper doors & windows, well, fenced yard, shop & storage buildings, dog kennel with 6 runs, numerous shade & fruit trees - and more - must see to appreciate. Owner relocating; price reduced to \$99,500.00. *****

CLARENDON: 12 +/- acres with Hwy. 70 S. frontage, house with two bedrooms, one bath, central heat, remodeled kitchen, living, utility, enclosed porch, unattached 2 car garage, well, barns, 33 fruit trees for \$45,000.00.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

As the Christmas season approaches, we recall with pleasure, all the great folks we've had the privilege to know and serve this past year.

We wish you all the very merriest holiday season ever. May you be blessed with joy, hope, and peace during this holy season of miracles and beyond.

Thank you for brightening our year with your visits. We really thank you for the gift of your friendship, and we sincerely appreciate your faith in us.



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Popular poinsettias are grown on South Plains

LUBBOCK — They appear right around Thanksgiving or shortly thereafter — in almost every store you visit during those holiday shopping excursions. You can choose from red, pink, white or a variety with multi-colored leaves called "Jingle Bells."

They are poinsettias, of course, an ornamental houseplant which many Americans use as part of their seasonal holiday home decor.

Most people probably don't give much thought to where poinsettias come from. And most probably wouldn't think of the Texas South Plains if you were to ask. But poinsettias are a South Plains crop, too — just like cotton, cattle, corn, and milo.

"We started growing poinsettias here in Lubbock back in 1964," said Warren Hunt, 62, production manager for Caprock Growers Inc. "They are strictly a seasonal crop for us. Our primary focus is producing a variety of annual bedding plants, peppers, tomatoes and ground covers, but we also are branching out into perennials and native plants."

Hunt and partner Bob Schmidt weren't too long out of Texas Tech's

horticulture program when they decided to start their own South Plains horticulture enterprise in 1960. Their business partnership flourished for many years. Then, in 1994, they sold their enterprise to Lubbock County Flower Growers, a firm owned by Lee Goodman Investments in Fort Worth. Caprock Growers recently doubled its greenhouse production space to 170,000 square feet by building a new greenhouse just south of Lubbock. That expansion meant broadening both their product base and their marketing area. Even so, new crops probably won't displace seasonal favorites like poinsettias, Hunt said.

"We want to have poinsettias ready for market from Thanksgiving week through Christmas. We produce three types of the Freedom variety (red, pink, white) and a variety called Jingle Bells, which has red and pink mottled leaves," Hunt said. "We're also trying a new type of the Freedom variety called bright red. Poinsettias are wonderful houseplants. They will last through Valentine's Day if cared for properly."

Like other growers, Caprock

starts its poinsettia crop by purchasing cuttings taken from stock-parent plants. The cuttings are set out in different size pots (to produce different size holiday plants) from mid-July through early August.

"It's best to start with multi-branched cuttings. We keep the greenhouse temperature between 80 and 85 degrees Fahrenheit during the day, and no lower than 70 degrees at night when the plants are young," Hunt said. "As they mature, we can let the night temperature drop as low as 60 to 64 degrees. But poinsettias are a cold-sensitive, subtropical plant. So, we never let the night temperature fall below 58 degrees to lessen the risk of disease."

"We pot our cuttings in artificial soil, or 'dirtless dirt' as I like to call it. We feed the plants a basic liquid fertilizer enriched with trace minerals through a drip irrigation system. We keep the pH of this solution between 6 and 6.5 by adding sulfuric acid, and we balance the formulation of this solution to provide about 300 parts per million (ppm) of nitrate nitrogen."

By early September, Caprock's poinsettias are large enough to be

pinched back. September pinching encourages the growth of three to five new, evenly spaced branches by October. Keeping the greenhouse humidity relatively high also encourages branching, the horticulturist said.

"With 'Monet' and other early-blooming varieties, we also have to manipulate the plants' response to photoperiod (day length) to make them bloom. We cover the plants with black cloth from mid-September to mid-October, to give them just the right amount of uninterrupted darkness," he said. "And all during the production cycle, we have to keep our eyes open for whiteflies and disease."

"Buying clean stock and maintaining the right growing environment is the key to disease prevention. Our biggest insect threat is the whitefly. A few whiteflies won't hurt a plant, but a serious infestation can cause defoliation. Their presence can put a shipment or an entire crop into quarantine because of the threat they pose to other plants."

Caprock Growers banks on the knowledge of Texas A&M University horticulturists to help control disease

and insects and on other matters of plant health.

"Drs. Larry Barnes, Bart Drees, and Steve George have been a great help in controlling pests," Hunt said. "We're quite lucky to have Texas A&M's Research and Extension Center at Lubbock just down the road from our main facility."

"Dr. Roland Roberts, Extension horticulturist, consults with us quite a bit on vegetable production and Dr. Harold Kaufman, Extension plant pathologist, helps us with disease diagnoses and getting our soil and water tested at Texas A&M laboratories. I also make a point to attend the Texas Greenhouse Growers Conference at College Station every year and horticulture conferences in other states. That's a good way to stay in touch with your peers and learn about new production and marketing methods."

When marketing time arrives, Caprock employees put a protective paper sleeve around each plant and pack several plants into each shipping box. The boxed plants are shipped by truck to several retail outlets within a 200-mile radius of Lubbock. A select

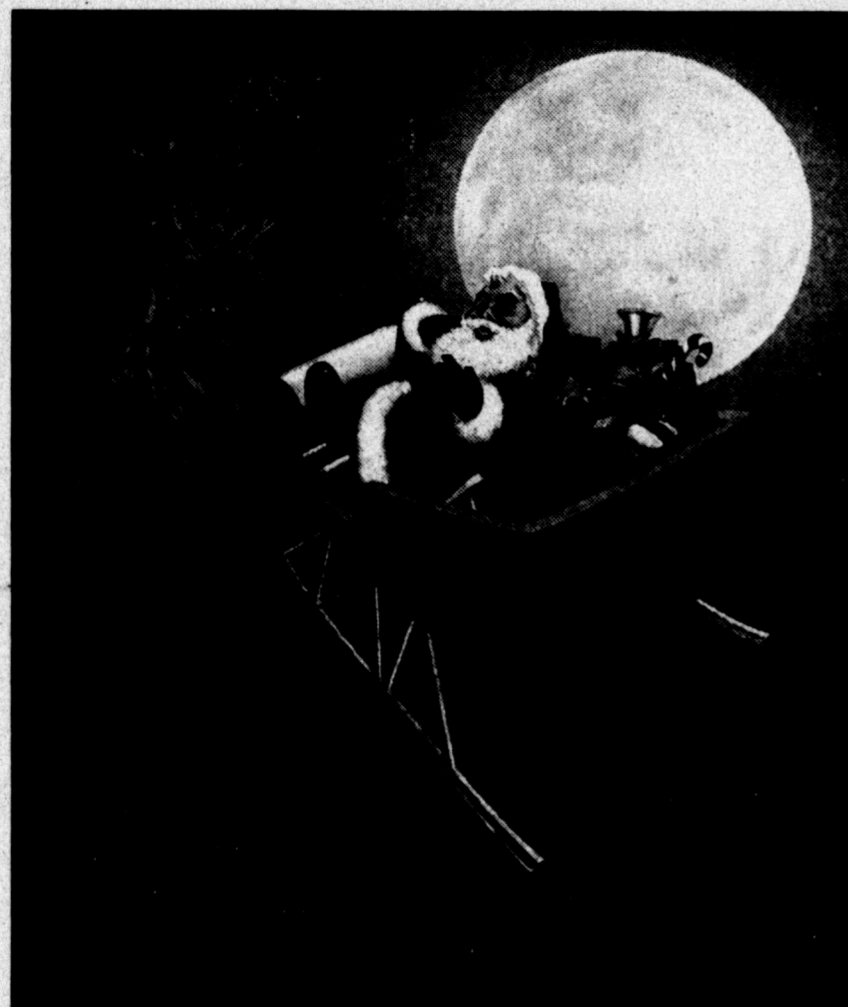
few also find their way into the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex and San Antonio.

"We have to remain flexible to meet the fluctuating demand of seasonal crops like poinsettias. We are constantly evaluating demand and balancing our production to meet market needs," Hunt said. "In this business, good records are an essential cultivation, production and marketing tool."

Texas growers will market more than \$9 million worth of poinsettias from Thanksgiving through Christmas this year.

Consumers who are particular shoppers and want to "buy Texas" at the same time should ask retailers where their poinsettias come from. South Plains poinsettias won't be wearing a belt and boots, of course, but they will be just as colorful as a West Texas sunset.

Texas can learn more about the care, feeding and history of holiday poinsettias at Texas A&M's horticulture website (<http://aggiehorticulture.tamu.edu>). This bank of knowledge also provides a host of information about other plants, too.



And to All, a Wonderful Night

To millions of children all over the world who celebrate Christmas, no other symbol of the holiday fills them with such joy as Santa Claus. This legendary figure, who supposedly flies the world in his sleigh filled with toys and drops down the chimney delivering gifts to good girls and boys, is a favorite of children, no matter what country they live in. Santa Claus, a jolly, stout man with a twinkle in his eye, rosy-red cheeks and a cheerful laugh, is the American adaptation of the European legend of Saint Nicholas. He wears a bright red suit trimmed with white fur, a long red cap and shiny black boots. In England, he wears the very same outfit, but there he's called Father Christmas. In France, children refer to him as Pere Noel, which means Father Christmas. He wears a long red robe and white fur hat with wooden shoes. In Switzerland we see another variation on Santa. His name is Saint Nicholas, and he wears a long white robe and a tall pointed hat called a miter. There are numerous other counterparts of Santa Claus across the globe, including, the German Kris Kringle, the Italian Befana, the Swedish Jultomten and Russia's Babouschka. Though he may look a bit different and be called many names, to children of all countries his message is the same. They peek out the windows and hope to catch a glimpse of this special man as he flies through the sky, delivering gifts for boys and girls to enjoy on Christmas Day.

The 'stuff' that history is made of:

The story behind Christmas stockings

One of the most beloved symbols of generosity at holiday time is the Christmas stocking. From its origins in age-old legend to the present day, the stocking continues to have an important place in the tradition of gift-giving.

While no one can say for certain, many people believe that the custom of stuffing stockings for Christmas began with an act of Saint Nicholas, the original Santa Claus.

A bishop in Asia Minor in the fourth century A.D., Saint Nicholas is credited with many acts of kindness and generosity — most of which were performed at night and in secret.

Among these was the provision of dowries to three sisters who, because of their poverty, were unable to wed. To help each of these young women, Saint Nicholas dropped a bag of gold down the chimney of their home on three separate occasions.

The bags fell into their stockings, which were hung out to dry — an accident of fate which was the starting point for a long-lasting custom.

Centuries later, the custom of giving gifts in the name of Saint Nicholas came into being when French nuns began giving presents to the children of poor families on December 5th, the Eve of Saint Nicholas' Day.

These gifts, left secretly for the

children to enjoy, were compromised of nuts and exotic fruits — treats that were too expensive to have during the rest of the year.

From these early beginnings, the custom of giving presents on Saint Nicholas' Eve spread and took hold, especially in Belgium and the Netherlands.

In these countries, children traditionally left out their wooden shoes, filled with carrots and hay for Saint Nicholas' horses, before they went to bed on Saint Nicholas' Eve. When they awoke in the morning, they hoped to find their shoes filled with small toys and sweets.

Saint Nicholas was a traveler, too, for it was he who, by the early years of the 19th century, had crossed the Atlantic to America, becoming Santa Claus along the way.

Mention is made of Santa Claus in newspaper articles as early as 1773 and, by 1801, when the New York Historical Society organized a Celebration of the Festival of Saint Nicholas, not only Santa Claus, but the stockings he filled had become commonplace.

It must be remembered, of course, that New York, once known as New Amsterdam, boasts Dutch roots. However, it was not a Dutchman, but a man of Scottish ancestry, Washington Irving, who really brought Santa Claus and stuffed Christmas stockings to the attention of the American public.

In his "A History of New York," written under the pen name Diedrich Knickerbocker, Irving mentions not only Santa's habit of "drawing forth magnificent presents and dropping them down the chimney of his favorites," but also how stockings hung on Christmas Eve are "found in the morning mysteriously filled."

Today, Christmas stockings still are hung by the chimney, though they are more likely to be bought or homemade expressly for Christmas, rather than simply be one's everyday, home-spun hose.

Also, they usually are filled with a wide array of treats, in addition to the traditional nuts and fruits — or even lumps of coal, the customary reward for children who misbehave throughout the year. And, it's not only the children who get stockings, but also mom, dad, grandma, grandpa and even family pets are likely to have a stocking with their name on it, hanging from the chimney.

This Christmas, be sure to hang your stocking by the chimney. Hopefully, Santa will be generous and leave the entire family stockings stuffed with wonderful treats.

Fill Those Stockings With Wonderful Goodies

Finding your stocking filled with goodies from Santa is one of the most exciting parts of any Christmas morning. Are you and Santa having trouble filling those stockings? The following is a sample of small "stocking stuffer" gifts that are sure to put a smile on the faces of children of all ages come Dec. 25:

- deck of cards
- comic books
- jump rope
- set of jacks and a rubber ball
- baseball or trading cards
- set of miniature race cars
- gift certificate
- scented candles
- calculator
- bubble bath
- concert tickets
- socks
- body lotions
- marbles
- books
- candy and gum
- mittens and gloves
- pens, pencils and notepads
- jigsaw puzzles
- coloring book and crayons
- cosmetics

TxDOT launches holiday anti-drunk driving campaign

AUSTIN — Have Texas drivers been naughty or nice this year? Santa knows.

Santa Claus joined Texas Department of Transportation officials today for a Capitol news conference launching a statewide ad campaign reminding Texans not to drink and drive during the holiday season.

Santa presented his list of the best and worst kinds of drivers for 1998 and reminded Texas drivers that he and law enforcement officers will be

watching out for who's naughty and who's nice on Texas roads over the holidays.

Against the backdrop of the state Capitol, a group of fifth graders from Cypress Elementary School in Leander helped Santa unveil a large replica of the campaign's roadside billboard, which is prominently posted at 19 locations across the state. In the spirit of the holidays, the brightly colored billboards adorned with retro-cartoon snowflakes read, "Santa is coming to town. Please don't hit

him. Don't Drink and Drive. Texas Department of Transportation."

To spread the billboard message even further, TxDOT has converted the message into colorful decals placed on thousands of convenience store and liquor store beverage coolers across the state. The Texas Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association, the Texas Package Stores Association and Diamond Shamrock helped spread the responsible driving holiday message.

Ho Ho Ho!? Santa's health habits are no laughing matter

HOUSTON — The holidays call for resolutions, and maybe it's time Santa Claus made a few with respect to his health. For an elf on the high side of 400, he looks to be in pretty good shape. But if St. Nick wants to be around for another half-millennium or so, he might want to consider some lifestyle changes in 1999.

The Institute for Preventive Medicine (IPM) at Methodist Health Care System and Baylor College of Medicine recommends a comprehensive physical examination and healthy-lifestyle screening, with special attention to these potential problem areas:

Overweight

Symptoms: Abdomen shakes like "bowl full of jelly."

Concerns: Heart disease, adult-onset diabetes.

Recommendation: Comprehensive healthy lifestyle changes — beginning with a prescribed weight loss plan like one of the IPM's Weight Management programs. Santa

needs the physician-supervised program for people needing to shed more than 40 pounds. Santa also should begin regular aerobic exercise to improve cardiovascular conditioning as well as keep the weight off.

High cholesterol
Cause: Eggnog-and-cookie diet (perpetuated by well-meaning and-cookies).

Recommendation: Try bringing along some fat-free snacks (raisins, carrot sticks, apple wedges) to take the edge off Christmas-Eve cravings. The IPM's weight management programs can offer some great suggestions. (See "Overweight.")

Back and knee pain

Cause: Hefting large sacks of toys, obesity.

Recommendation: Enroll in the IPM's weight control programs and head for the gym (see "Overweight"). Use of ergonomically correct cart or dolly for toys.

Hearing loss

Cause: Spending most of year in noisy

workshop.

Recommendation: Use of OSHA-approved ear protection while at work. Annual auditory screening; fit for hearing aids if necessary.

Sleigh safety
Concerns: No head protection or seat belts in evidence; inadequate illumination provided by single glowing reindeer nose.

Recommendations: Replace fur cap with crash helmet; retrofit sleigh with shoulder harness, lap belt, air bag and FAA-approved landing lights.

Prostate problems
Aggravating factors: Age; long hours of sitting during around-the-world flights.

Recommendation: As for all men over 40, an annual screening for prostate cancer is recommended.

Nose like a cherry
Concerns: Could be a sign of eczema, wind burn, sun exposure or other problems.

Recommendation: Annual skin cancer

screening. Check for allergies to reindeer, mistletoe, and holly. Also, lay off the hot rum toddies.

Pre-cancerous lung, mouth, and throat irritation

Cause: Pipe smoking, exposure to large amounts of chimney soot.

Recommendation: Stop smoking immediately. Seek alternative means of access to dwellings, or wear OSHA-approved respirator when working in or near chimneys and fire places.

Animal-borne illnesses

Cause: Working in close association with reindeer.

Recommendation: Keep stables clean and wash hands often when working with animals. Check for flea and tick infestations. See doctor about possible vaccination against Lyme disease.

Carpal tunnel syndrome

Cause: Making long lists, checking them twice.

Recommendation: Use of voice-activated word-processing software to relieve stress on hands and wrists.

Psychiatric problems

Manifestation: Irrationally jolly all the time.

Recommendation: "North Polar Disorder." Indication: Immediate evaluation by a board-certified psychiatrist.

"Santa is a paragon of generosity and goodwill, but no one should consider him a role model for healthy living," says Molly Gee, manager of the Institute for Preventive Medicine at Methodist Health Care System and Baylor College of Medicine.

"It's hard for many of us to get through the holidays without indulging in some unhealthy behavior, but support from family, friends and health professionals can help keep that behavior — whether related to stress, diet or safety — from turning into year-round, life-long habits."

Dear Santa,



Dear Santa,
I Martin wan tan electronic omega T-Rex and Zack wants a X-V Racers Daytona 500 race track set. We have been very good this year.
Martin Oliver, age 10
Zack Rattan, age 7

Dear Santa,
Sincer there are four of us, we though we would write you one Big letter. Our names are Brandon, Braden, Brady, and Brooklyn. Better known as the killer-B's.

Brandon, that's me, would like a red bicycle, a go-cart, and a playstation. My brother Braden would

like a green bicycle, a nintendo 64, and a race car track. My other brother Brady would like a blue bicycle, some Nike shoes, and a motorcycle and my little sister Brooklyn (biddy-Boo) would like a baby doll, a stoller, and a holiday Barbie. (actually this is what my mama wants her to have, cause my sister's only one) We hope you have a merry merry Christmas.

Dear Santa
I want a big megazord that you put together, A Small Soldier movie,

and A little red wagon. Sometimes I was good, sometimes, sometimes I was bad. So will you get me these things? I will leave you tea, milk, and Cristmas cookies.

Love,
Kyle McElroy
Thank you Santa.
Written by Morgan Robinson.

Dear Santa,
I've been a pretty good girl this year. What I want for Christmas is a make-up Barbie, a nev teddy bear, a little trampoline, and a little table. We'll leave you milk and cookies. I'm going to be at my grandma Sherlie's

house on Christmas. Were going to have a Christmas tree up for you!

Love,
Annie Patten
Written by Lauren Floyd.

Dear Santa,
I would like a wooden Brio choo-choo train set. I would also like some new Hot Wheels cars, and a little car garage with doors. A brown lick and bark puppy dog would be fun.

Love,
Taylor Smith, age 3
P.S. Please bring cousin baby Eric a talking Winnie the Pooh.

Dear Santa,
I want a little Kermit jack-in-the-box. I would also like to get a big stuffed blue Grover, and a new "Best of Elmo" video tape. Some new puzzles would be fun.

Love,
Tyler Smith, age 3
P.S. Please bring cousin baby Eric a stuffed Tigger.

Dear Santa,
I would like a Diary and a dog. Please give me the dog.
Thanks for all of the present.

Love,
Brittney Lynne Hayes

Dear Santa Clause,
I would like a Diary and a dog. Please give me the dog.
Merry Christmas Santa Clause.
Thanks for all the present.

Love,
Courtney Ann Hayes

Dear Santa,
I would like to have some Hot wheels, new tools, chocolate, and a puppy dog.
Thank you.

Love,
Nathaniel Hayes

Dear Santa,
My name is Monty Joe Holland and for this Christmas I want a Zorro mask and a Zorro cape. I also want a real-live Black Horse. And if you stop by my house on Christmas Eve, I will leave you a treat for all the wonderful

things you bring me. I will leave you one cookie and one glass of milk.

Thank you, Santa Claus,
Monty Joe Holland
Written by Will Betts.

Dear Santa,
My name is Gage. I want all these presents. Fjdaiopgo diahdsg jksadh kjalsdfj safjafidsio.

Thank you,
Love Gage

ENTERPRISE note: the above is in a special code that only Santa and Gage know!

Dear Santa,
I've been a good girl this year, could you please stop? We'll look for you in the sky with Granny. Could you please bring me a pink ring, a bracelet, and a necklace? I'll leave you some milk and cookies by the tree.

Love,
Elizebeth

Dear Santa,
I've been a good girl. I will leave you some Oreo cookies on the table and some milk. Could you bring me a barbie with a guitar, a baton, flubber in my stocking and candy, a jump rope, yo-yo, and baby crawl and walk. I love you, Santa.

Love,
Caitlyn

Dear Santa,
I want a remote control car for Christmas. Also I want a Major Chip Hazard. I will be at my mom's house. I have been very good this year. I will leave you milk and chocolate chip cookies. If you would, I want a firetruck with a car with fake fire. I want talking Steve Austin and Undertaker.

Love,
Tanner Haire
Written by Bret Carter.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a computer, a new bed, house shoes, and a fishing pole for me and my little brother.
Thank you.

Love,
Gabrielle Lunsford

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a new bed and a recliner so I can watch TV in it, and please bring me some houseshoes and a tickle me big bird.

P.S. I will leave you some cookies and milk for your long trip.
Thank you.

Love,
Matthew Lunsford

Dear Santa,
I want a Radio, Trampoline, Power Ranger Toy. I always open my presents with my family. I've been good this year. I am going to leave you some cookies and milk. I put my Christmas tree up, too.

Love,
Clayton Shields
Written by Jessie Rodriguez.

Dear Santa,
My name is Megan Harper. I have been very good this year and I will be at my new house and for Christmas I want a bear, a skating Barbie, and a Small Soldiers Movie, and I will probably leave you cookies and milk.

Love,
Megan Harper
Written by Stormy Jordan.

Dear Santa Clause,
My name is Brandon Thomas and I am going to be at my Mom's house for Christmas. I have been a good little boy this year, so I think I should get some toys. I want 3 toys for Christmas. The three things I want are Hot wheels, a red cowboy hat, and a small truck.

Love,
Brandon Thomas
Written by Chase Thornberry.
P.S. I'll leave cookies and milk.

Dear Santa,
I want a blue ring, a purple bracelet, and a red necklace. I will be at my granny's house. I will leave you cookies and milk. I always celebrate with my family. I have been good all year. I also want some blue finger-nail polish. I also decorate my house

YOU'RE ON THE List...

Of people we'd like to thank this holiday season.
Merry Christmas!

J&W Lumber

Soar Into the Season

May you and those you love take flight this Christmas with happiness, health and prosperity.
Your loyal commitment has helped us to spread our wings and reach new heights.

Michelle Schmidt, RMT

FROM OUR FAMILY TO YOURS

May this season bring you plenty of good friends, goodwill and good tidings.
Thanks for helping us to wrap up a merry year.

Saye's

Peace On Earth
...And best wishes to all our friends and neighbors this Christmas.

Wallace Monument Company

In The Spirit Of The Season

At Christmastime, we'd like to renew our commitment to serving the community, and we thank you all for your faith in us.
Have a joyous Noel!

Country Bloomers
Flowers & Gifts
Gerald & Julie Mulanax

Enjoy The Gifts Of The Season

...and rejoice in all its glory.
From our family to yours - have a beautiful Christmas.

Clarendon Office Supply and Printing
David, Buffie, Rhonda, Taylor, & Tyler

by putting lights on outside and by putting up a Christmas tree.

Love,
Elizebeth Christopher
Written by Claudia Thomas.

Dear Santa,
I want a Beastwar and a cowboy hat and I want a sword and I will be in Clarendon, Texas for Christmas, And I will leave you a chocolate milk.

Love,
Shaquille McCampbell
Written by Edward Butler.

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a Barbie, I want a Teddy Bear, I want a Big swimming pool. I will be at my Mom's in Amarillo. I will also be at my Grandma's. I have been good this year. I put up a tree and Christmas lights if we're good.

Love,
Shelby Johnson
Written by Haley McClellan.

Dear Santa,
My name is Amanda Reynolds. I would like a pink pink barbie, a make-up barbie, and a real flying horse for Christmas. I will be at my mom's house for Christmas. Be sure to eat the gingerbread and tree cookies and drink the milk. It's delicious! I have been as good as possible so please give me these things.

Love,
Amanda Reynolds
Written by Carmen Hamilton.

Dear Santa,
I want a laptop. I also want some new clothes, my favorite color is pink. I want a teddy bear for my sister Maritta. I will be at my grandparents house in Lelia Lake for Christmas. I will leave you christmas cookies and milk. My stocking will be hung so you can put candy in it.

Love,
Dominique Brady
Written by Kristin White.

Dear Santa,
I want a doll for Christmas. I have been very good this Christmas. I like to decorate for Christmas but my mom helps. This year I am celebrate with my family. I won't a Barbie car for Christmas to. I want to have all sorts of ring sets. I also want some nail polish and nails. I put up a Christmas tree, and stocking. And me and my family will be whating for you.

Love,
Vanessa Williams
Written by Chrystal Smith.

Dear Santa,
I want a bear, radio, and a Makeup Barbie. I'll be at my house that has the tree house. My house is blue so if you find it you'll know it's mine. I'll leave you some cookies and milk in my living room.

Love,
Amanda Jordan
Written by Brenda.

Dear Santa,
I would like a few presents from you and your reindeer. Please, I would like a VCR, trampoline, anda pretty purple swingset for Christmas. Thank you.

Kelsey Blake Mullins
Written by Kimberly Tolbert.

Dear Santa,
Hi my name is Matthew Michael Martin. I just wanted to know if I could have a Power Ranger in Space, sleeping bag, and a tent. Also, a Silver Ranger trampoline from Power Rangers in space. Thank you Santa.

Love,
Matthew Michael Martin
Written by Barbara Johnson and Chris Cox.

Dear Santa,
Hi, I'm Anessa. I want a Barbie doll, a Winnie The Pooh doll, and a Christmas movie. I will set out some Christmas cookies for you. I wish I could see you, this year.

Love,
Anessa Williams
Written by Edie Mincey.

Dear Santa,
Hi! My name is Kalli Sawyer and I am 7 years old. I have tried to be a very good girl this year! I would like a baby doll that wets and eats. I would also like a pair of pants and T-shirt. I would like some Barbie things also and anything else you think I would like.

Don't forget my sister Jamie and my brother Clay - they've tried to be good! Don't forget about my daddy - he needs lots of new tools because he's always breaking down. Bring something nice for my mom. I'll leave you cookies and milk by the fireplace!

Love,
Kallie Sawyer, age 7

Dear Santa,
I want a little bear from you. I want a barbie from you. Santa I hope you bring me these things for

Christmas and many more. Oh year, Santa I'm leaving milk and cookies for you.

Love,
Chelsea Allanz
Written by Natalie Anglin.

Dear Santa,
I want a tricycle. I also want some clothes and a Micro-Machines Mega Rig Truck. I hope you consider giving these things to me.

Love,
Alfrado Rosa
Written by David Rosa and Ryan Petty.

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? When it is Christmas Eve night will you wait for me at the door. I might be neat to see Rudolph. I want a Nintendo 64, my own C.D. player, and a pirate ship. We will leave you cookies and milk.

From,
Bradley Watson
Written by Anndria Kidd.

Dear Santa,
I am Leah Whitley and this is my Christmas list. For Christmas I want a Barbie car, a Barbie to go in it, and a teddy bear. Merry Christmas!

Love,
Leah Whitley
Written by Kristin McAfee.

Dear Santa,
I want to see you sometime. This is what I want for Christmas, a barbie doll, a teddy bear; and a ball.

Love,
Jaqueda Harris
Written by Holly Cornell.

Dear Santa,
I would like a bike, a barbie, and a new play horse.

Love,
Miranda Miller
Written by Misti Irving.

Dear Santa,
I would like a Hot wheels star track. I also want a bowling game.

The last thing I would like is a ply station. Thank you.

Brayden Wayne Phillips
Written by Andy Roberts.

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a new house, a pony and a Nintendo 64.

Thank You,
Danielle Ford
Written by Michael Bruce.

Dear Santa,
I want a Nintendo 64 with games, a skateboard, and a Harley Davison (Power Wheels). Thank you Santa Claus.

Your friend,
Wesley Williams, Jr.
Written by Cody Scrivner and Stephen Ford.

Dear Santa,
I would like a taking doll, a pretty necklace, and a Barbie with clothes, for Christmas. I hope that you will be careful on your sleigh, and I hope that I get these presents.

Your friend,
Ashlyn Tubbs
Written by Kaitlyn Howard and Caitlan Hall.

Dear Santa Clause,
I have been very good, and I have been smiling. I have been very nice. I had a training session today. I haven't been bad. Dear Santa Clause I love you. I have been very good at church.

Please bring me some Fake makeup and Finger polish, and a cookie man walk and talk that snuggles with you. Or a vanity table. Leave some candy for me and Alicia.

I love you,
Ruby Smith
P.S. I like the red nose raindeer.

Dear Santa,
My name is Trajen. I am four years old. I want a computer and Batman. I will leave you some cookies, milk, and a sandwich to eat.

Love,
Trajen Johnson

Dear Santa,
Santa Claus I want a mini motorcycle and a Play Station and a bow and arrow and a four wheeler.

From James Allmond
Merry Christmas. Thank you.

Dear Santa,
I need a telephone even if I don't have my own line. I also would like an inflatable chair (a green one). I want these CD's: 3rd Eye Blind, Eagle Eye Cherry, Eve 6.

Thank you,
Crystal Lawler

Dear Santa,
I want a CD player and a dirtbike and a skateboard and a B.B. gun and a four wheeler.

Thanks,
Charlie Allmond

Dear Santa:
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a tow truck, farm set, and road grader. I will leave cookies and coffee by the Christmas tree for you.

Love,
David Johnson
P.S. Please brink my Papa and Meme a set of knee pads, so they can play trucks longer.

Dear Santa,
I want a dirt bike at my Moms house.

Love,
Michael Hall

Dear Santa,
I've been a good girl. I will be looking for you in the sky because every year we get together at my Granny's and we go and look at lights. Or Christmas I would like a Playstation and a Baby crawl and walk.

Love,
Caitlyn Christopher

Dear Santa,
I want a Playstation for Christmas.

Love,
Dustin Ford


Merry Christmas

Hope your holiday is a glowing success, filled with bright times and warm friendships.

James T. Shelton
Attorney at Law

Christmas Tree

Festive tidings to one and all.



White's Feed & Seed

Christmas is Looking Good!

Happy holiday to all our clients. Thanks for helping us make the cut!

Kenny's Barber Shop

It's Beginning To Look A Lot Like Christmas!

And that means it's time to send warm wishes your way.

Happy Holidays

Kevin Thompson
Clarendon Insurance Agency

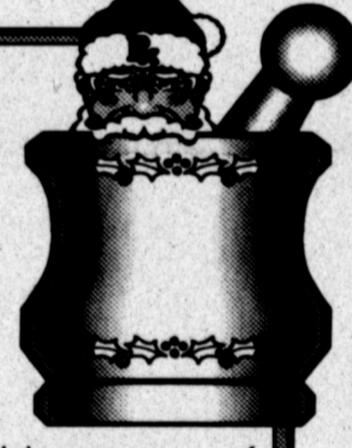


Frieden Joy

Merry Christmas & Happy Holidays to all my family and friends in Clarendon. I want to send special holiday greetings to Jerry Stockton and Scott Elliott and their families. I miss you all dearly.

Cennet Rhode

WISHING YOU Well



Our prescription for a happy holiday season includes generous measures of goodwill and cheer along with a healthy dose of gratitude from us. We're really thankful for your confidence and support.

Mike's Pharmacy


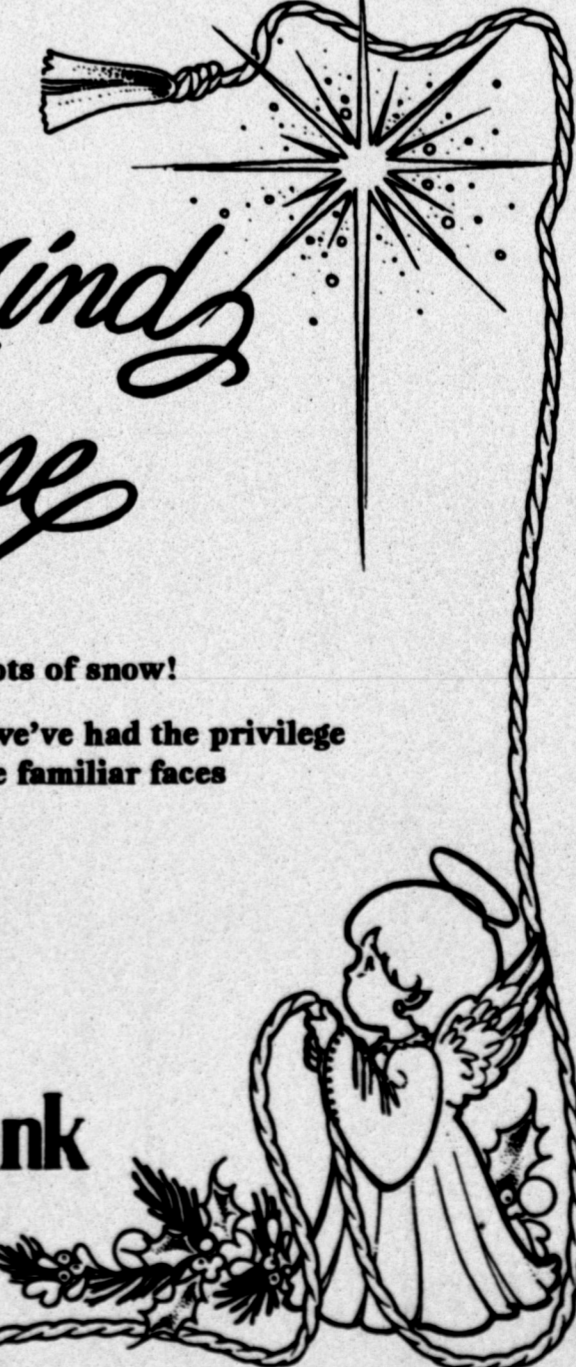
With You in Mind at Christmastime

Lights are twinkling. Carollers, singing. Trees all aglow. And lots of snow!

Signs of Christmas are everywhere, bringing to mind all the good people we've had the privilege to serve this past year, and so we offer our warm wishes to all the familiar faces who make the holiday season so special for us.

Happy Holidays from all of us.

DC SB The Donley County State Bank
Jimmy, Bobbie, Bryan, Mary Neal, Debbie, Carol, Robin, Tookie, and Kathy
Member FDIC

Dear Santa,
I want an angel Barbie, a bird, a phone, a book, and new water bottle and a box.

Love,
Corianne Hinojosa

Dear Santa,
I want a BB gun and a computer and a CD player. I would also like a saddle, horse and a stuffed bear and a toy box.

Love,
Nathan Judd

Dear Santa,
I would like a barbie.

Love,
Ashley

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a Barbie convertible car that the hood opens up.

Love,
Lauren Shelton

boots to wear when I go with my Uncle Kyle.

Love ya Santa,
Jacy Renee Hill

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I want a big angel Barbie. It is 3 foot tall.

Love,
Kierston Thomas

Dear Santa,
Hi there, ol' jolly one. How are things going for you this year? Well this year has been kinda rough for me - I haven't been quite as good as I probably should have been but the temptations a seven-year-old has to face these days - whewww - how 'bout an A for effort? This year I really, really want a BB gun but my mom says if you bring me one, you're going to get mighty cold at night. I don't know what she's planning, but she can be pretty mean, so be careful. Also, I want some new batteries - all sizes, bunches of them. I have all these really fun, really loud toys, and the batteries keep disappearing - all sizes, bunches of them. I have all these really fun, really loud toys, and the batteries keep disappearing. My mom says it must be that same fairy that keeps taking her socks. I'm not sure about that one more thing, I want a big sister - I know we've talked about this before, but last time, it was a little sister I've moved on to bigger and better things. My dad is crying right now, saying please no - but I told him you can work miracles, so it could happen. He says if you can make this happen, he's been missing something. Also, please bring my mom some new wits. She's always saying "I'm at my wits end," so I guess she's going to need some new ones and give my dad a break - he's always asking for one, and I think my mom is really fixing to give him one - he would probably like your kind better.

Thank you for everything,
Jadon Thornton
P.S. I'll leave you some of my stashed goodies under the tree (but don't tell my mom).

Love,
Spencer Shields

Dear Santa,
I want a cat.

Your friend,
Sole

Dear Santa,
I want a play station and a nintendo 64.

Yours,
Tre

Dear Santa,
I been very good. I want a bigger sord, a pirate sord, and some big bad teeth.

Love,
Ty Tubbs

Dear Santa,
I love Santa. I want a motcen crole crane.

Love,
Dylan Wright

Dear Santa,
I would like a truck and a monster truck.

Love,
Trent

Dear Santa,
Hi again, long time no see. We really must get together more often.

This year, I've just been pretty good (if I do say so myself). I you don't count that one incident with the handcuffs and my little brother (he started it anyway). So this year, I want a C.D. player. I've finally resigned myself to the fact that my mom ain't going to get me one. I've been buying C.D's with my allowance for a year now and twirling them on my finger and singing - and she still hasn't caught on. You wouldn't want all that hard earned money to go to waste, would ya?

Also, I'd like a big sister. (Yes, me and my brother finally agree on something) We even have a trade-in. It's an older model - seventeen to be exact, but it's got a lot of years left on it, if you do a little work on it. I might need an overhaul. (My mom is gonna kill me if she reads this).

Please don't bring Jadon a BB gun. He really want one, so I know he's gonna ask - but I think he's planning an invasion, and I'm the country without any ammo. Please bring my dad some P.J.'s. It's embarrassing when company comes over (if you catch my drift) and bring my mom a 'train of thought'. She's always losing hers. I think it has something to do with my dad-being home for a month. She gets kinda weird after about the first two weeks.

Thank you and have a safe flight.
Dakota Thornton
P.S. Don't eat anything my brother leave for you. There's no telling where it's been.

Love,
Colby

Dear Santa,
Can I have a brand new fishing pole?

Love,
Shelby Stepp

Dear Santa,
Can I have a brand new fishing pole?

Love,
Shelby Stepp

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a big monster truck and a set of Army walkie-talkies.

Love,
Eli - bestfrind Eli

Dear Santa,
I want a truck and a bear.

Love,
Homero

Dear Santa,
I want a stuffed angel.

Love,
Sarah

Dear Santa,
I would like a dog.

Love,
Glenn

Dear Santa,
You are the best Santa ever. I like you. I want a telescope, I would love the mistick Nite, and and I want pirate toys.

Love,
Colby

Dear Santa,
I love you Santa. I want a boot and a kite.

Love,
Shekia

Dear Santa,
I want a dirt bike and a CD player.

Love,
Charlie Allmond

Dear Santa,
I want a hat for Christmas.

Love,
Michael Santos

Dear Santa,
I want a dirt bike and Giga Pet and a CD player. I also want a Playstation.

Love,
Hadley Jones

Dear Santa,
I want a new bike.

Love,
Jamie Murphy

Dear Santa,
I want a dog and a Barbie and a Giga Pet for Christmas.

Love,
Miranda Miller

Dear Santa,
I wish for a Beast war, a cowboy hat, a shotgun and a bike.

Love,
Stephino Harkness

Dear Santa,
I want a TV and a VCR and I am going to leave some milk and cookies for you.

Love,
Spencer Shields

Dear Santa,
I want a Playstation, Walkie-Talkie, and a Microphone.

Love,
James Harris

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is a Playstation and a Rugrats singing Tommy.

Love,
Brandi Mays

Dear Santa,
I want a baby doll for Christmas and a baby doll stroller.

Your friend,
Mariah

Dear Santa,
I hope that you had a nice time at the North Pole, Santa and I want a big bicycle for Christmas and a beanie baby, Santa.

Love,
Brittany

Letters From Yesteryear

December 16, 1948

Dear Santa Claus,
The first thing I would like to get for Christmas is the Chess set I saw in the latest Sears-Roebuck catalogue. Next I would like pair of "ski skates" or a "sked." Last of all I would like a radio for my room. I believe I need one very much.
Your very good friend,
Frank B. White III

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 2 1/2 years old. I would like a train and a hammer for Christmas.
Love,
Ronnie Charles McAnear

Dear Santa Claus,
I want you to bring me a B-B gun, a carving set, a filling station, and boots. I have been a good boy.
Love,
Allen Homer Estlack

Dear Santa Claus,
I want you to bring me a "Sweetie Pie" doll, blackboard and chalk, one that hangs on the wall, and a set of Educator blocks. I have been a good girl.
Love,
Donna Jane Estlack

P.S. If you have an extra "story book" doll, please bring that too.

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl almost two years old. I haven't been a very good little girl, but would you please bring me a tricycle and a doll and bring my big sister Glenda Lee some nice things.
Love,
Regena Rhea Borden

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like for you to bring me a blackboard, a pair of skates, a ring with my birth stone color, and my little sister would like anything you want to give her. My mother wants a hair brush.
Your loving friend,
Glenda Lee Borden

Dear Santa,
We think mother and I that the airplane we see flying around is you. Be sure and don't forget anyone. I would like for you to bring me anything you have handy. Don't forget Sylvia, Buddy, mother, and daddy.
Wondall Ray Luttrell

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have an airport and airplanes. And a good football, and a bat, and lots of candy.
Love,
Lacy Lee Noble

Dear Santa,
It is about Christmas so I am going to write a letter to you. I want some football shoulder pads, a horse, and a dog.
Your friend,
John Payne



Holiday Greetings
We would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!
Will & Brenda Chamberlain and Lowell Ellerbrook



Season's Greetings
to our many good friends
Main Street Video
Petty's Antiques



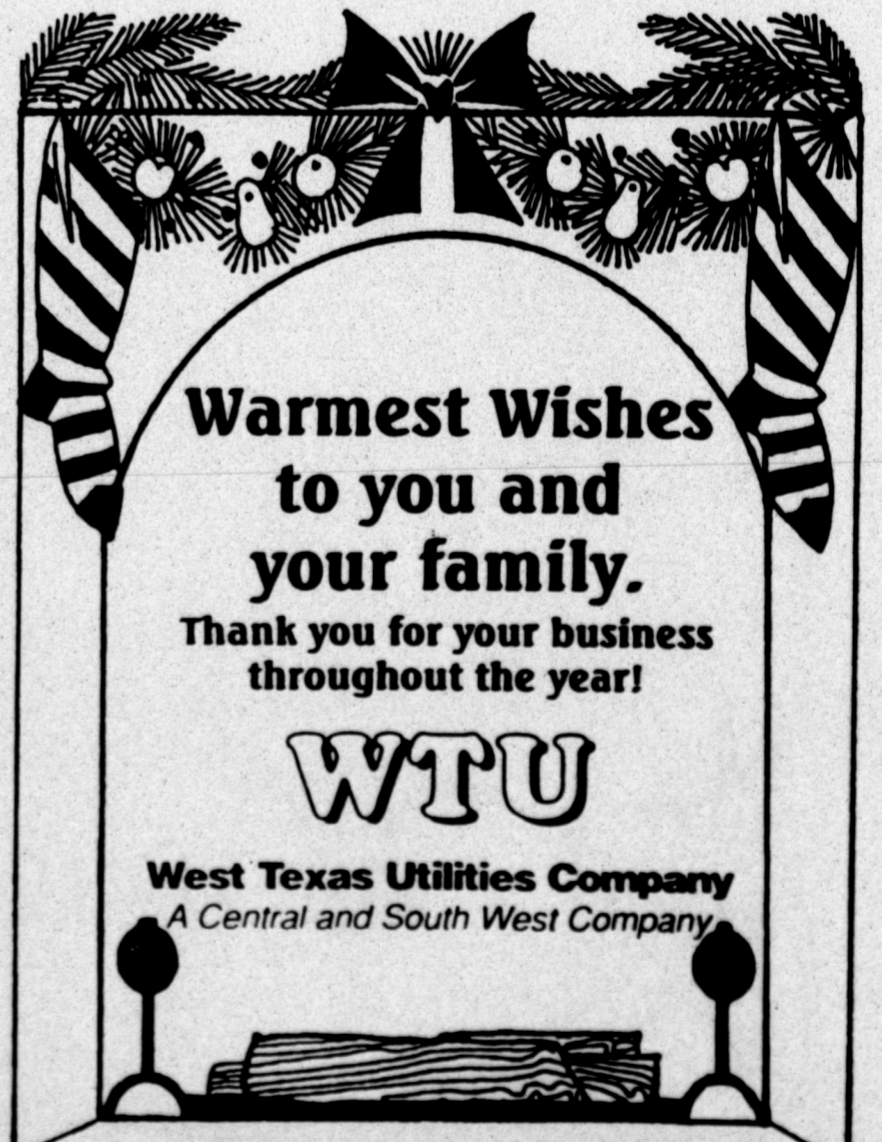
MERRY BEST WISHES
To Our Very Best Friend!
Thank you for being so good to us this year.
Greenbelt Cleaners



Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.
Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.
- Matthew 5:8,9
May this holy season bestow a multitude of blessings upon you and yours.
B & R
thriftway



Christmas Greetings
To all God's creations, both large and small, go our very best wishes to one and all.
Here's ho...ho... hoping your season is extra merry!
Greenbelt Municipal & Industrial Water Authority



Warmest Wishes to you and your family.
Thank you for your business throughout the year!
WTU
West Texas Utilities Company
A Central and South West Company

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year - despite all of the tormenting and teasing from my older brother and sister!! Please bring me a computer like my mommy has and some "hair wraps." I also want two baby dolls and a washer and dryer that has an ironing board. If you have room, my sissy wants a new Jeep Wrangler and my brother wants some new glasses. The Christmas cookies are already baked and ready for you.

Love,
Treveia Dronzek
Age 4

Dear Santa,
My name is Deston Chambless and I am in the 3rd grade. This year for Christmas I would like to have anything that is Denver Broncos, clothes, and please don't forget my friends this year. Thank you.

Love,
Deston

Dear Santa,
My name is Haley Chambless and I am 5 years old. For Christmas I would like to have a Easy Bake Oven, dark colored jeans (no light ones), and anything else you would like to leave. Thank you.

Love,
Haley

Dear Santa,
My name is Denver Chambless and I am 2 years old. I have tried real hard to be a good boy. This year for Christmas please bring me a blues clues, truck like PaPa's and don't forget my friend Kyle he would like to have a truck like PaPa's too.

Love,
Denver

Dear Santa,
My name is Cole Farris and I am 6½ years old. This year I have tried real hard to be good and Mrs. Wade says I am an angel sometimes. For

Christmas I would like to have a dinosaur set, TV, Land Before Time VI movie, tractors, trucks, and anything else you would like to leave. Thank you.

Love,
Caden

Dear Santa,
I need a newborn baby with diapers, a towel, and a hospital I.D. bracelet. I want a barbie motorhome, a jumprope and Blues Clues Handy Dandy Notebook.

I think Riley wants some baby cereal and a toy.

Love,
Jentry Shadle
age 4

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a safe trip around the world this year.

Thank you for all the wonderful gifts you brought me last year.

Santa, I would like for you to bring me a table and chairs so I can

have a tea party for my dolls and myself. I would also like to have a Barbie jeep that I can drive. I would like to have a baby doll with her buggy and bed so I can take care of her.

Santa, remember by Bubba and bring him some nice gifts.

Remember all the other little boys and girls and bring them gifts.

I will leave you some of the cookies Mommie made and decorated and a cup of hot chocolate.

God Bless everyone!

I love you,
Fayeth Ann Naylor Hall
Liberal, KA

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like to have a bathtub for my dolls and a tea party set. I also would like some new boots and some rope.

For my brother Jared, please bring some cars, and trucks, and a ball. Thank you Santa.

I love you,
Taylor Anne Orr
age 3

Dear Santa,
Hello, how are you? Fine I hope. This year we have a chimney for you to come down for Christmas. I have been good this year. Please bring me some pretty jewelry, a new dress, and toys for Scrappy and Tuffy. My mom wants it to snow for Christmas. Me too. Please bring my brother something nice too.

Merry Christmas.

Love,
Natasha Dawn Watts
Age 4

Dear Santa,
I really want you to bring me a Hopper Ball, a Metropolice helicopter, a skate board, and a Skydriver. I'll be listening for you and your reindeer on the rooftop. Don't forget to eat your milk and cookies that I will leave for you on Christmas Eve.

Thank you Santa,
Corey Barker

Letters From Yesteryear

December 27, 1973

Dear Santa,
I would like a Electric Race Car Set. My little brother David would like a Little Train. We live in the country, I hope you can find us.

Love,
Steve Shaller

Dear Santa,
Thanks for last years Toys. This year I would like a Ten Speed Bicycle and some nuts.

Love,
Terry Cole

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Doll, Dishes, a Dadora Friend Ship. Thank Santa Claus.

Love,
Linda Jean Weatherton

Dear Santa,
Thank you very much for the things you gave me last year.

This is what I want this year. Football Set, Train Set, Smash up Derby Set, and Football Suit. Please remember the other boys and girls.

Love,
Artis Thomas

Dear Santa,
I'm a little boy three years old. Please bring me a Toy Horn and a Toy Driver Set with a Radio like Daddy's. Dad says he's been a good boy this year, so please put something in his stocking too. Thank you.

Love,
Roger

Dear Santa,
I am three years old. I have been a very good little girl. I want a Fiddle, Baby Doll and a Barbie with a Swimming Pool.

I love you Santa Claus!

Love,
Tanya Nicole Bell

Dear Santa,
Myname is Stan and I am seven years old. Please bring me a B.B. Gun, a Vertibird on a Ship, and any games you might have.

Don't forget my sister who wants a Big Wheel and a Sewing Machine. Also we like Fruit and Candy.

Please don't forget to bring my teacher, Mrs. Little, a nice present.

Love,
Stan Garland

Brimming with Holiday Joy

May your cup runneth over with the spirit of Christmas.
Your loyal patronage helped to keep us perking this year.

Our Donuts
Mickey & Patty Dipprey

Peace on Earth

Wishing you love, faith and joy during this holy season.

Hall Tax & Bookkeeping Service
Cheryl Burch
Fern Hall

A WINTER WISH FOR YOU

May all your dreams come true during this most magical season.

Country Collections Mall
Vida O'Neal

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

On this joyous occasion, we'd like to extend our warm wishes to all.

Donley County Appraisal District

It's Christmas Time!

Hope you enjoy every fun-filled moment, just as we enjoyed every minute of serving you. Thank!

Pizza Hut

Greetings of the Season

The streets resound with song and mirth,
While people pray for peace on earth;
Bright lights twinkle from tree...
And boys and girls are filled with glee,
Anticipating what delights
Santa's sleigh will bring tonight.
What is the meaning of these things?
It's the joy that Christmas brings!

Donley County Rural Health Clinic
Dr. R.L. Gilkey
Robert Powell, P.A.C.
Onita Thomas, R.N.
Sharon Sanders

Peace, Love and Joy

To you and your family during this precious time.
We wish you lasting memories and a promising new year.
Thanks for helping us to spread our wings.

From all the employees at:

Community Bank
Clarendon • Hedley • Wellington
Member FDIC • Equal Housing Lender

Dear Santa,
I would like Roller Blades and Helmet, Barbie, new baby doll, baby sister. I have been a good girl for the last two weeks.
Jamie Murphy

- My Christmas List,**
1. Harley Davidson Barbie
 2. Nice clothes
 3. New shoes
 4. Barbies
 5. All 4 Teletubbies
 6. A kitten
 7. A horse for myself but drop it off with a note attached in Hereford
 8. New teddys that are snowflake
 9. A fast kid 3 wheeler
 10. A bom-boy
 11. A portable CD player
 12. My own computer
 13. Some new markers like Abbies

Make sure Mrs. Claus, Rudolph, Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixon, Comet, Cupid, Doner, and Blitzen are all right.
Love your friend,
Audrey Jones
Age 8!!!!

Dear Santa,
I want a Cartwheel Baby, an Angel Barbie, and Barbie Stuff. And a TV for my room. I've been a good girl.
Merry Christmas!
Love,
Cori Hinojosa
Age 6

Dear Santa,
I want a TV for my room, a kids laptop computer. More games for my Sega. I have been good this year.
Merry Christmas.
Love,
Nick Hinojosa
Age 8

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a real computer with a game Doom. A phone for my room. Nintindo 64 for my room.
Merry Christmas.
Love,
Dustin Thomas
Age 9

Dear Santa,
My name is Hadley and I am 6 1/2 years old. I have been a really good boy this year. And if you can would you please bring me a dirt bike, a

Harley Davidson jacket, a Harley Davidson shirt, a 3 wheeler, a CD player, and a pocket knife, and a Harley Davidson quilt. I will leave milk and cookies for you and a bale of hay out for your reindeer. I love you.
Love,
Hadley Lane Jones
Age 6 1/2

Dear Santa,
I have been a pretty good boy this year. I would like a choo-choo train and a papa truck. Don't forget my friend Denver, he has been a good boy, too.
Your friend,
Kyle Lindsey

Dear Santa,
I would like a hot wheels star track. I also want a bowling game. The last thing I would like is a play

station. Thank You.
Brayden Wayne Phillips
Written by Andy Roberts
Dear Santa,
This year I want a bopit and a Blues Clues. Also a checker game.
From Taylee Rice
Thank you Santa Claus

Santa Claus,
I want a spaceship and a Power Ranger thing with red buttons. Also a buzz light year and Woody.
Love,
Dusty Rice

Dear Santa Claus,
This is Colby Mann. Do you remember me because I sure remember you. I was pretty good this year. Please bring me a telescope, new bike, a Bugs Life Ant Hill, and Batman

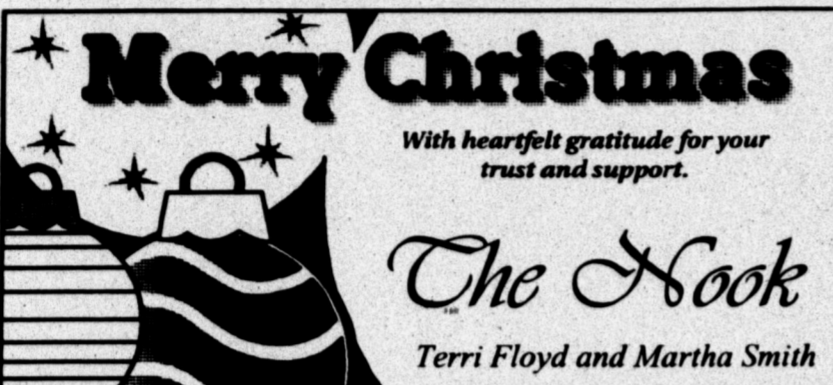
stuff. Please bring my presents to my grandparents house in Claude. My Daddy has a new job and we are moving to Seminole, Texas. I love you Santa.
Colby Mann

Dear Santa,
I hope that Mrs. Claus and Rudolph are doing all right. I am only

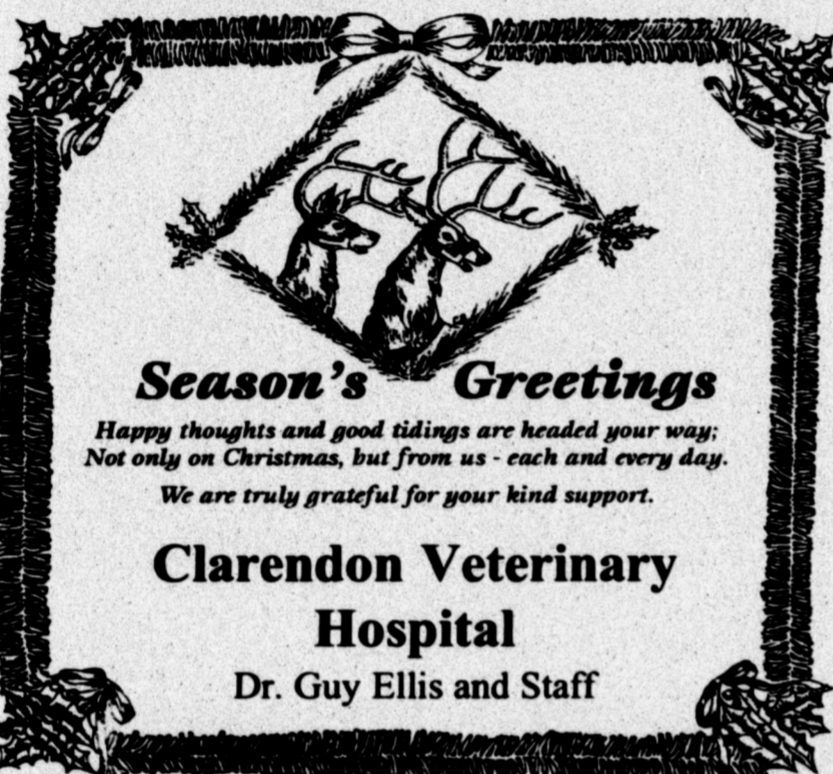
2 1/2 years old and I don't know what the big deal is. Everywhere I go and everything I do my mommy says "Santa Claus is watching you" and I have to be good. My brother and sister said to ask you for a couple of things, so her I go: I would like a baby that says Mama, and a Dipsy to go with the LaLa, Po, and Tinky-Winky

that I already have. And I want anything else you have with the Teletubbies on it. Please be careful on your sleigh and I will leave milk and cookies for you and a carrot for Rudolph.
Love,
Shaydee Brianna Brown
2 1/2 years old

Merry Christmas
With heartfelt gratitude for your trust and support.
The Hook
Terri Floyd and Martha Smith



Season's Greetings
Happy thoughts and good tidings are headed your way; Not only on Christmas, but from us - each and every day. We are truly grateful for your kind support.
Clarendon Veterinary Hospital
Dr. Guy Ellis and Staff



CELEBRATE THE MIRACLE!
A Joyous Noel to all our faithful supporters.
"Sam Hill" Pit BBQ



HOLIDAY GREETINGS
At this festive time of year, we would like to express the gratitude we feel for the privilege of serving our fine customers and friends.
Thanks, folks!
Evans Fertilizer

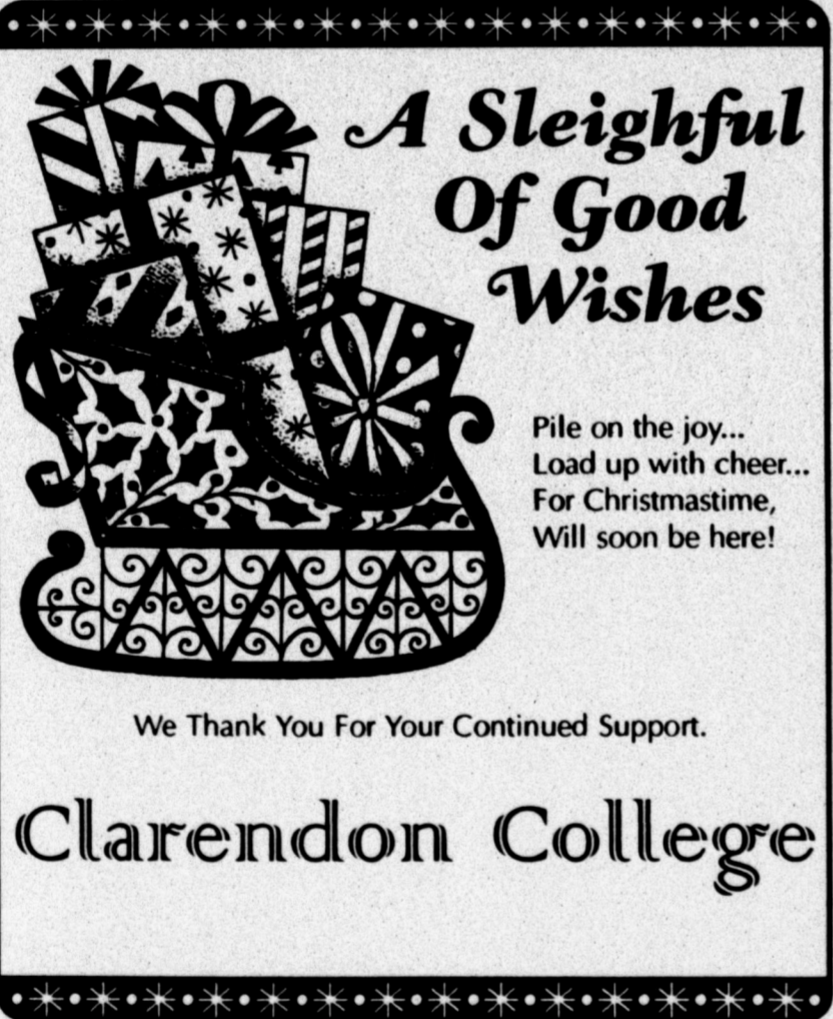


Greetings to All
Warmest Yuletide wishes to you and yours. Many thanks for your support.
Joe T. Lovell Real Estate



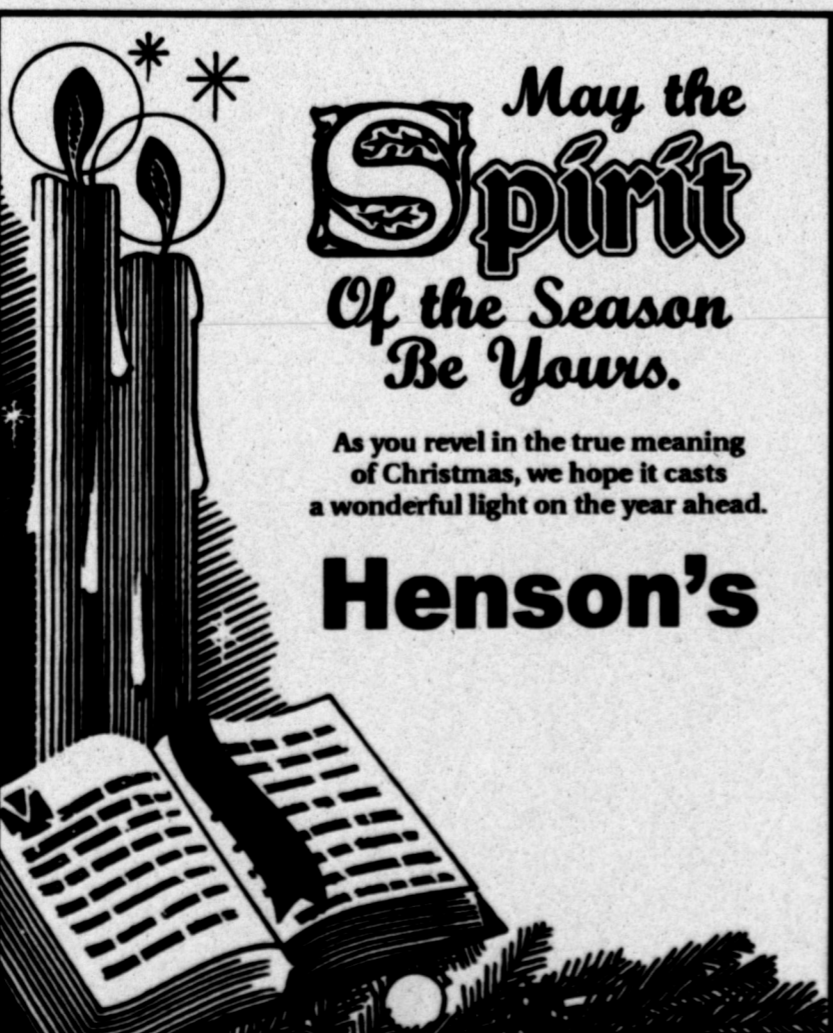
Letters From Yesteryear
December 22, 1983
Dear Santa Claus,
How do you like the North Pole? Thank you for last years presents. This year I would like an Atari and cartridges.
I like you and have a Merry Christmas.
Shane Ashcraft
Dear Santa,
I saw a gas and go service station and car I really want. I want to be like my daddy and granddad and work at a service station too. Also don't forget I will put some cookies and milk by the tree for you.
Love,
Aaron Douglas Kidd
I love you Santa
From Donnie Howard

A Sleighful Of Good Wishes
Pile on the joy... Load up with cheer... For Christmastime, Will soon be here!
We Thank You For Your Continued Support.
Clarendon College



Dear Santa,
I love you and I have been good.
Love Haley Hamilton
And a bicycle. And a baby the way.
Ho, ho, ho. Merry Christmas
Dear Santa Claus,
I love you very much. I want to have a Walk man, tapes, books, Friend bears, Speaking math, clothes, real baton, Tape recorder, and a computer.
Love,
Elizabeth McAnear

May the Spirit Of the Season Be Yours.
As you revel in the true meaning of Christmas, we hope it casts a wonderful light on the year ahead.
Henson's



Dear Santa,
My name is Heather Shields and I live in Lelia Lake, Tx.
Please bring me a Baby Fuss-A-Lot, a little Kitchen, and a glow worm.
I've been good.
Love,
Heather
Dear Santa,
I want a Cabbage Patch kid, a real baton, a Strawberry Shortcake doll, a Barbee House, Friend Bear, Monchichis, necklace, a tape recorder, and clothes and toys.
Love,
Angie Longan

May Christmas Fill Your Home With Joy
And may the spirit of Christmas warm your heart and hearth this season.
We appreciate the gift of your patronage and look forward to seeing you in the new year.
NORPP Insurance Agency
Walt, Todd, Brenda, Paula, Carrie, and Melinda

