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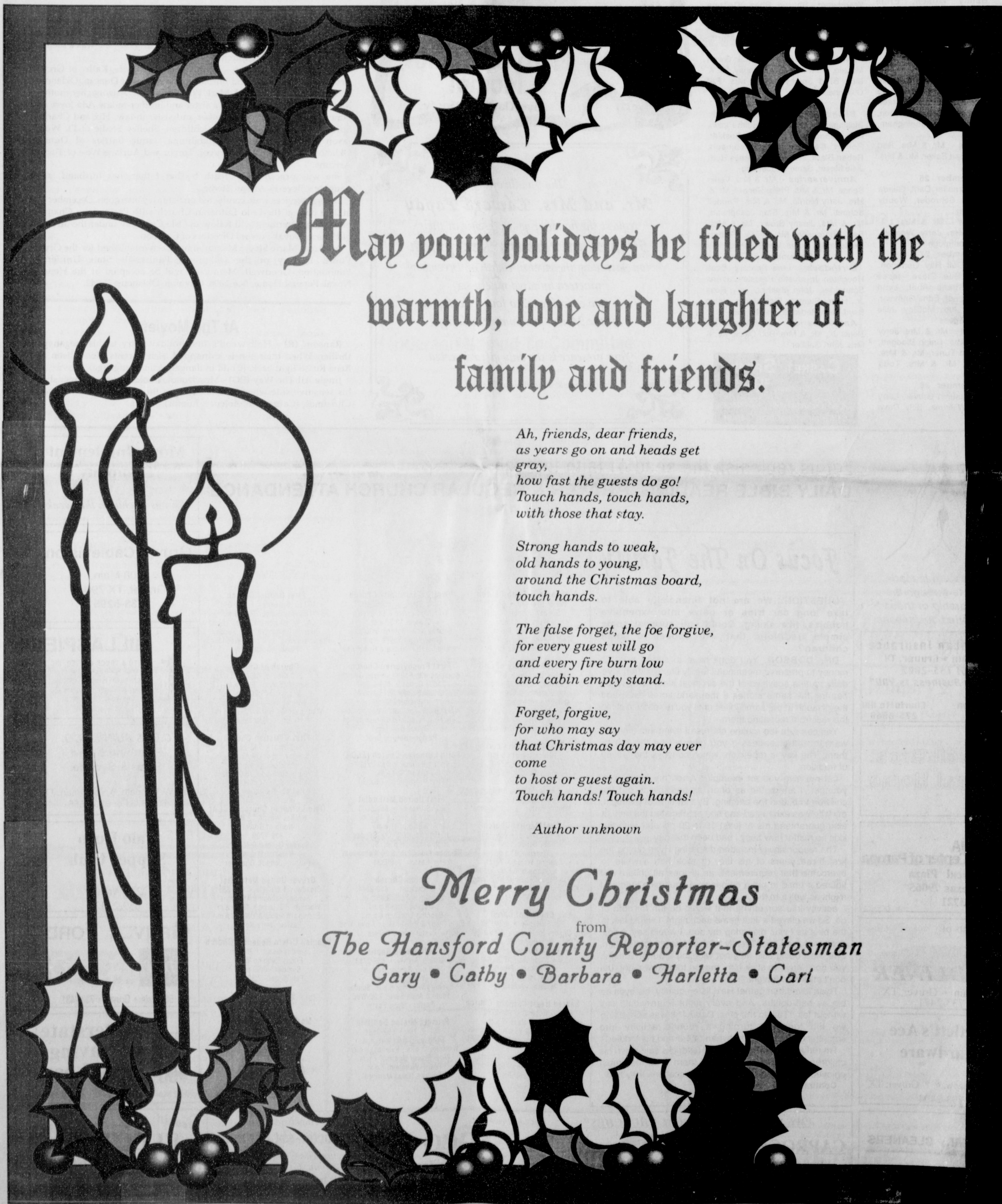
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May your holidays be filled with the  
warmth, love and laughter of  
family and friends.

Ah, friends, dear friends,  
as years go on and heads get  
gray,  
how fast the guests do go!  
Touch hands, touch hands,  
with those that stay.

Strong hands to weak,  
old hands to young,  
around the Christmas board,  
touch hands.

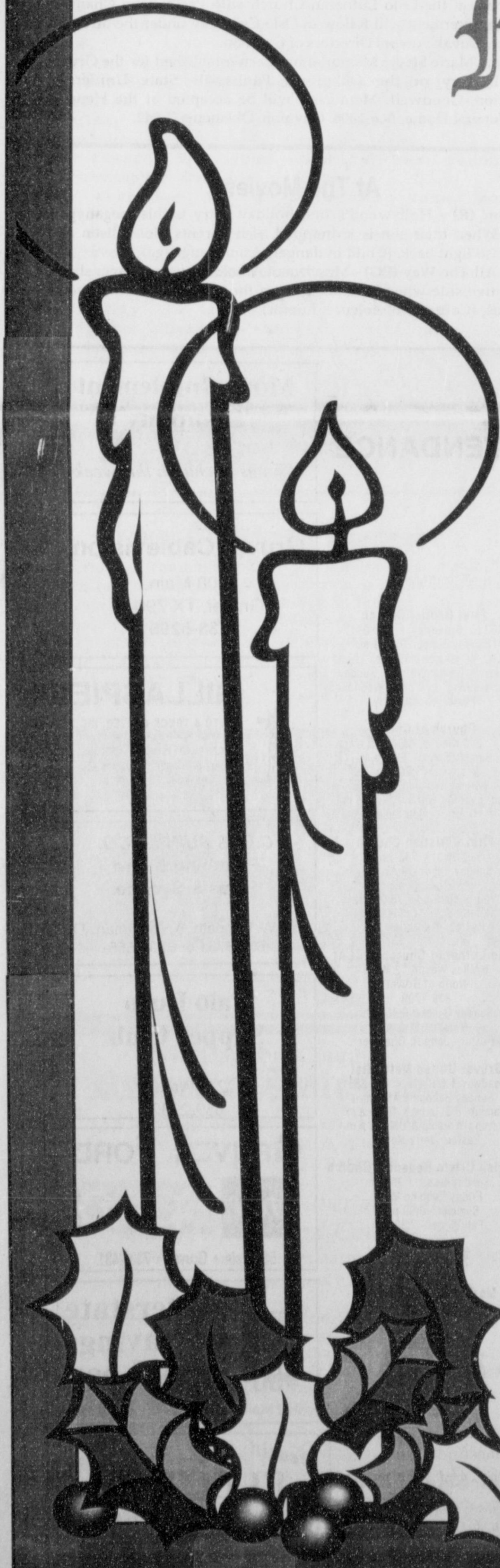
The false forget, the foe forgive,  
for every guest will go  
and every fire burn low  
and cabin empty stand.

Forget, forgive,  
for who may say  
that Christmas day may ever  
come  
to host or guest again.  
Touch hands! Touch hands!

Author unknown

## Merry Christmas

from  
The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman  
Gary • Cathy • Barbara • Harletta • Carl



# Laugh and Live

gcs@arn.net



I have been trying to bring you folks things to laugh about to lighten your lives. I have a file of funny stuff and I add to it every day. My search for all this funny stuff keeps me busier than a handicapped parking space at the Special Olympics. I need more funny stuff. If you would like to give me a nice Christmas present, you could give me copies of those little pieces of stuff that you find funny. I will take your funny stuff and put it in the newspaper. Then people will think that it is my funny stuff and say, "My, My! This is funny stuff. Isn't that Gary Smith a clever fellow?"

I will not be able to use all of the funny stuff that you give me, but I will be very grateful. Just mail the funny stuff to me or drop it off at the newspaper office.

This week I give you a few pieces of "good news" (funny stuff) that we would all dread hearing.

We're all inspired that you go on living each day. (Someone actually said this to me.)

The operation left you twenty pounds lighter.

The roaches hardly touched your other eyebrow.

With the lights out it looks almost normal.

The safety glass company says you'll get a full refund.

They say the house didn't float very far.

Jenny Jones wants you for her show.

The reward for your capture has reached fifty thousand dollars.

The surgeons would like to take some pictures.

The thieves left the pink flamingos in the front yard.

The cat made it out of the house without getting burned.

My family is going to be able to spend their entire Christmas vacation with us.

The doctor said it will probably grow back.

P.S. I hope that Santa Claus is very good to all of you.

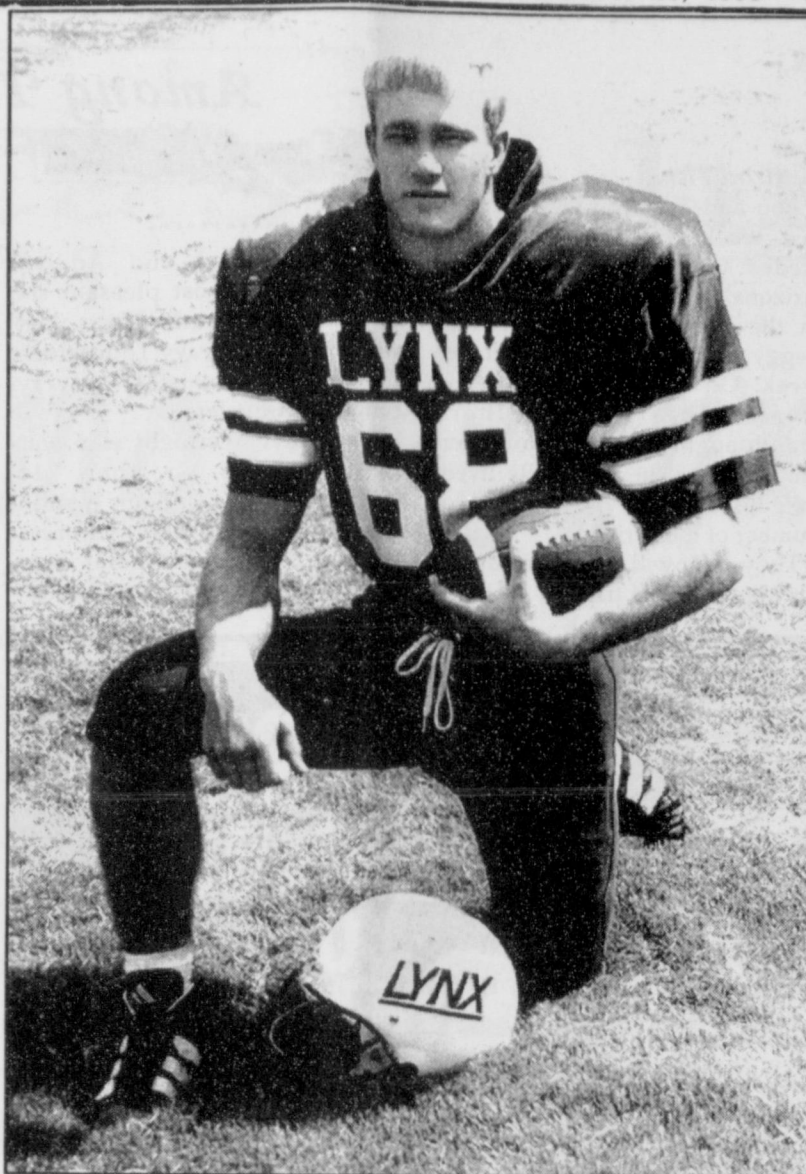
Until Next Time,  
May God Bless!  
GCS

## Gruver Christmas Contest

The Gruver Chamber of Commerce had the judging for their Christmas Decoration Contest Friday, December 20th.

The lucky winners are Jesus and Esmarelda Renteria at 401 Cooper, J.W. and Rhonda Ward at 612 Womble, and June Barkley, Harris Addition.

The winners receive a \$50 gift certificate good at any Gruver merchant. The Gruver Chamber of Commerce would like to extend its congratulations to the winners and to thank all of the entries in the Christmas Home Decoration Contest for all their hard work.



Blake Beedy, senior at Spearman High School, was awarded Honorable Mention All-State Football linebacker. He was selected for his ability on the football field, shown by his 20 unassisted tackles, 132 assisted tackles, two interceptions, one of which he returned for a touchdown, and his one forced fumble. Blake is the son of Jeff and Shelly Beedy.

## Henderson Named To Committee

Spearman resident Kyle Henderson was reelected to serve on the Christian Life Commission of the Baptist General Convention of Texas during the meeting of the Executive Board on December 10, 1996.

This committee serves as the

committee on public affairs for the BGCT, guiding the commission staff in applying the Christian gospel to such areas as family life, race relations, church-state relations and special moral issues.

## Irrigation Conference Slated

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service will be presenting "Programmed to Help" High Plains growers meet their Irrigation needs at the Amarillo Civic Center January 8, 1997 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Conference organizers plan a program where High Plains area growers will hear timely information to help manage water and crop production, irrigation and chemigation systems, pumping units and see the latest technology in equipment and methods.

The Industry Trade Show will

feature the latest products from American Technical Services, Cobb Sales Company, Energas, Great Plains Meter, Inject-O-Meter, Nelson Irrigation, Oil-Vac, Inc., T-L Irrigation, Waterman Industries, and Wylie Manufacturing.

The program has been approved by Texas Department of Agriculture for two continuing education units (CEUs) to be offered to private, commercial and non-commercial pesticide applicators.

For more information, contact Leon New at (806) 359-5401.

## NEWS FROM THE POST OFFICE

by George Finley, postmaster

I would like to tell you some interesting facts about the United States Postal Service. One of the reasons postage has not gone up is because of automation. With automation, we can do more with less. Today's self-supported USPS delivers nearly twice as much mail to 50 million more addresses with just 10 percent more employees than it did as the taxpayer-subsidized Post Office Department in 1970. With successful automation, the USPS employees are 500% more productive than those in Germany, 250% more productive than those in France and the United Kingdom, and 33% more productive than those in Japan.

At 32 cents, the price of U.S. postage is among the lowest in the world. The Japanese pay about 96 cents and the Germans pay about 73 cents to mail a First-Class

letter. The postal service has invested about \$2.6 billion since 1987 to automate mail processing and delivery operations.

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## Lordy, Lordy - Guess Who's Forty?

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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## Holiday Happenings

### December 23-January 2

- Monday, December 23**  
9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. - First National Bank Open House  
10:30 a.m. - Turn in Trivia - Hansford Manor
- Tuesday, December 24**  
2:00 p.m. - Christmas Sing-a-long at Hansford Manor  
5:30 p.m. - Come and Go Communion at Spearman FUMC  
10:00 p.m. - Spearman FUMC Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
- Wednesday, December 25**  
12:00 a.m. - Midnight Mass at Sacred Heart Catholic Church
- Merry Christmas**
- Thursday, December 26-28**  
Gruver Varsity Girls at Lubbock Caprock Tourney
- Thursday, December 26**  
1:30 p.m. - Bingo at Hansford Manor
- Friday, December 27**  
2:00 p.m. - Movie and Popcorn at Hansford Manor
- Sunday, December 29**  
3:00 p.m. - Hansford Manor Church Service - Spearman First United Methodist Church
- Monday, December 30**  
10:30 a.m. - Turn in Trivia - Hansford Manor
- Tuesday, December 31**  
10:00 a.m. - Resident Council at Hansford Manor  
12:00 p.m. - Spearman JV Girls vs. Booker -T  
1:00 p.m. - Gruver JV Girls vs. Sunray - H  
1:30 p.m. - Spearman JV Boys vs. Booker - T  
2:30 p.m. - Gruver JV Boys vs. Sunray - H  
3:00 p.m. - Spearman Varsity Girls vs. Booker - T  
4:00 p.m. - Gruver Varsity Girls vs. Sunray - H  
4:30 p.m. - Spearman V Boys vs. Booker - T  
5:30 p.m. - Gruver Varsity Boys vs. Sunray - H
- New Year's Eve**
- Wednesday, January 1**  
Gruver Christmas Spin & Win Drawing  
8:00 p.m. - FUMC Chancel Choir to perform "Wonderful Name" Christmas Cantata
- Thursday, January 2-4**  
Gruver Varsity Boys at Stratford Tourney  
Spearman Varsity Boys & Girls at Canadian Tourney
- Thursday, January 2**  
Spearman and Gruver Schools resume after Christmas Holidays
- Monday, January 6**  
Pringle-Morse CISD resume after Christmas Holidays  
3:00 p.m. - Hansford Manor Church Service

## Merry Christmas

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# Happy Birthday!

**December 23 Birthdays** - Odys Blount, Joel Lackey, Joe Potts, Pat Morris, Sandy Brewer, Judith Jackson, Lloyd McWhirter, Nell Burke, Judy Tindell, Linda Maywell, Jimmy Duncan, Patti Evans, James Knoll, Rey Cook, Lavon Reed

**Anniversaries** - Mr. & Mrs. Newell Allen, Mr. & Mrs. Zay Gilbreath, Mr. & Mrs. Marty Rasor, Mr. & Mrs. Byron Peady, Mr. & Mrs. Loren Dahl, Mr. & Mrs. Macie Beville

**December 24 Birthdays** - Glendon Etling, Kay Hobbs, Benny Wilson, Ernie Vanderberg, Howard Heffey, Kenny Beaton, Beth Coomer

**Anniversaries** - Oscar & Rhonda Valdez, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Kruse, Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Sadler

**December 25 Birthdays** - Joni Hart, Beatrice Karlin, Ellen Norton, Melanie Hutton, Bill Miller, Christy Freeman, Noreen Sutton, Jeff Graves, Sharon Hamilton, Gil Harnish, Jimmy Vanlandingham, Dean Womble

**Anniversaries** - Mr. & Mrs. Red Byrd, Mr. & Mrs. Bart Baker, Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Shook

**December 26 Birthdays** - Jennifer Dahl, Glinda Harvey, Rodney Schroder, Woody Fowler, Chris Perez

**Anniversaries** - Mr. & Mrs. L.T. Wright, Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Womble, Eugene & Judy Yarbrough

**December 27 Birthdays** - Dell Ray Gammon, Lance Sparks, Sue Close, Jesse Renteria Sr., Shane Abel, Lynn Vernon, Ruth Skinner, Edna Grimmer, Andrea Bayless, Judy McCloy, Julie Deakin, Nicole Burgess

**Anniversaries** - Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Younger, Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Blodgett, Mr. & Mrs. David Turner, Mr. & Mrs. Gene Reynolds, Mr. & Mrs. Todd Parker

**December 28 Birthdays** - Autumn Gruver, Larry Wells, Delbert Williams, Billy Dave

Hand, Frank Edwards, Billy Haden, Linda Bodey, Jennifer Wells, Kenneth Bullard, Ann Flowers, Fred Mayfield, Pauline Mayes, Tina Breedon, Joyce Vanderberg, Mary Hart, Verna Jean Boone

**Anniversaries** - Mr. & Mrs. Everett Tracy, Mr. & Mrs. Pat Patterson, Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy McLeod, Mr. & Mrs. Tony Shapley, Mr. & Mrs. Roy Deeds, Mr. & Mrs. Pat Holt

**December 29 Birthdays** - Bray Armes, Erin Bergin, Tony Cazares, Amy Tolleson, Cecilia Trejo, Jerry Williams, Mrs. W.T. Woodward, Sharon Rhea, Deanna Martin, Del Baskin, Julie Barkley, Thomas Reyes, Robert Elliott, Ed McIntyre, Deann Rosales, Martin Rasor

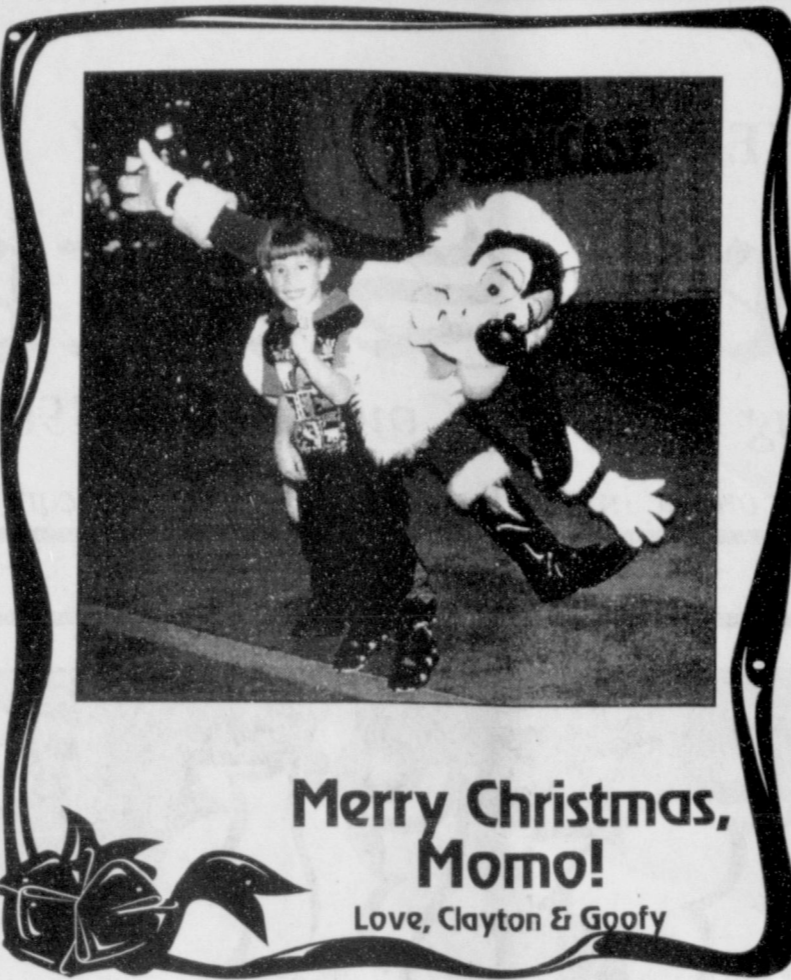
**Anniversaries** - Don & Gwen McLain, Mr. & Mrs. Edwin Papay, Mr. & Mrs. Brad Spivey, Mr. & Mrs. Pat O'Connell

**December 30 Birthdays** - Sydney Been, Kelly Blasingame, Julie Meyer, Edith Pipkin, Kim Younger, Angela Van Buskirk, Robert Cochran, Fern Robinson, Robert Black, Traci White, James Red, Julie Meyer, Sammie Goehring

**Anniversaries** - Mr. & Mrs. Verlin Behne, Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Renner, Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Morris, Mr. & Mrs. Randall Schnell, Mr. & Mrs. Stan Josephson, Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Brown, Mr. & Mrs. Bart Thorenson, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Renteria, Mr. & Mrs. Van Bradford

**December 31 Birthdays** - Lera Beasley, Scott Houghton Jr., Justin Pressley, JoAnn Schneider, John Gaither, Jerry Ross Jr., Hazel Stumph, Rick Morris, Helen Boyd, Seth Redwine, Andrew Vela

**Anniversaries** - Mr. & Mrs. Oscar Rojas Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Bob Cluck, Mr. & Mrs. John Gaither



**Merry Christmas, Momo!**  
Love, Clayton & Goofy

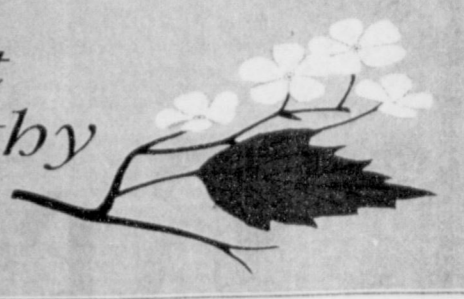
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**Ann Marie Stedje**  
Anna Marie Stedje, 74, lifelong Gruver area resident died Wednesday, December 18th, 1996 at Baptist/St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

The daughter of Jessie Marie(Eubanks) and John Hix Spivey, she was born May 3, 1922 west of Gruver, Texas. She attended Gruver schools, graduating with the Gruver High School Class of 1939. She was united in marriage with Gordon Raymond Stedje on December 1, 1940 in Gruver. The Stedje family made their home farming and ranching in the Oslo community.

Mrs. Stedje received her elementary education degree from Panhandle A&M College, Goodwell, Oklahoma and taught at Gruver Elementary, retiring after 10 years. The Stedje family moved to Gruver in 1970. Mr. Stedje passed away November 15, 1992. She was a member of the Oslo Lutheran Church.

Survivors include a son - Dennis Stedje and wife, Kathy of Gruver; two daughters - Diane and husband, Rod Battles of Duncan, Oklahoma; and Barbara and husband, Mark Wise of Tucson, Arizona; her mother - Mrs. Jessie Spivey of Gruver; a sister and brother-in-law Ada Joyce and James Stedje of Gruver; a brother and sister-in-law, Hix and Charlene Spivey of Gruver; and 6 grandchildren, Shelley Stedje of Ft. Worth, Jason Battles of Perkins, Oklahoma, Jamie Battles of Duncan, Oklahoma, Scott Stedje of Gruver, Trevor and Adriane Wise of Tucson, Arizona.

She was preceded in death by her father, her husband, and daughter, Beverly Arlene Stedje.

Funeral services were conducted on Saturday afternoon, December 21st at 2:00 p.m. at the Oslo Lutheran Church with Pastor John Chandler officiating. Interment will follow in Oslo Cemetery under the direction of Henson-Novak Funeral Directors of Guymon.

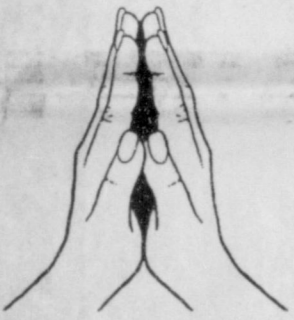
An Anna Marie Stedje Memorial has been established for the Gruver Public Library or the Oklahoma Panhandle State University Foundation, Goodwell. Memorials will be accepted at the Henson-Novak Funeral Home, Box 1306, Guymon, Oklahoma 73942.

## At The Movies

**Ransom (R)** - Hollywood's first holiday entry is this megahyped thriller. When their son is kidnapped, rich parents Mel Gibson and Rene Russo fight back. (Child in danger, action, language)

**Jingle All The Way (PG)** - Musclemen Arnold Schwarzenegger shows his sensitive side when he chases down the perfect toy for his son's Christmas. (Cartoonish violence, humor)

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You can turn the routine chores of living into times of warmth and closeness if you give a little thought to them. The key is repetition, which conveys the feeling of tradition.

Let me give you an example. When my family was younger, I attempted as often as possible to put the children to bed in the evening. By that time of the night, my wife was exhausted and she appreciated the help. It also guaranteed me at least 15 to 20 minutes with the kids no matter how busy I had been that day.

The responsibility included diapering Ryan during the first three years of his life. (It took him a while to overcome that requirement, as it does all children.) I figured if I had to put a diaper on a squirming toddler, I might as well turn the

activity into something that would be fun for both of us. So we played a little game each night. I would talk to the pins as I was diapering my son. I would say, "Pins, don't stick him; I don't really think you ought to stick him. See, he's being still; he's not wiggling around. Tonight, you don't have to stick him; maybe tomorrow night, but don't stick him tonight."

Ryan loved that game! He'd listen quietly, his eyes as big as half-dollars. And every night Ryan would say without fail, "Talk to the pins, Daddy!" It was something we did together, turning a routine activity into something of pleasure between father and his toddler.

I'm reminded of what Howard Hendricks said when his children were grown. He asked them what they most enjoyed about their childhood--the vacations they had

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#### In Spearman...

**Apostolic Faith Church**  
822 S. Drensen • 659-2870  
Sunday School: 10 a.m.  
Worship: 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship: 6 p.m., Sun.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:30 p.m.  
Pastor - James Brown

**First Assembly of God**  
401 N. Bernice • 659-2295  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 10:50 a.m.  
Evening Worship: 7 p.m.  
Wed. Worship: 7:30 p.m.  
Youth: 7:30 Wednesday  
Pastor - Walter Greaser, Jr.

**First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)**  
29 S. Bernice • 659-2036  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 10:50 a.m.  
Evening Bible Study  
Worship: 8:30 p.m., Sun.  
Interim Pastor - Ernie Williams

**First Baptist Church**  
123 N. Bernice • 659-5557  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship: 7 p.m.  
Jr. High Youth: 6 p.m., Wed.  
High School Youth: 6 p.m., Wed.  
Youth Choir: 6 p.m., Sun.  
Pastor - Kyle Henderson

**Church of Christ**  
121 S. Haney • 659-3244  
Sunday Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship: p.m.  
Bible Study Wed.: 7:30 p.m.  
KRDF Radio Program  
Living With Christ: 7:50 a.m., M-F  
Minister - Arnis Pape

**Sacred Heart Catholic Church**  
901 Roland • 659-2792  
Sat. Night Mass: 7 p.m.  
Sunday Mass: 8:45 a.m. - English  
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Sunday Mass: 11:15 - Spanish  
1:30 p.m. - Gruver - Cristo  
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**Trinity Community Church**  
717 W. 7th Ave. • 659-2671  
Worship Service & Children's Church: 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Night School: 5:30 p.m.  
Wed. Night Youth: 7 p.m.  
Interim Pastor - Richard Humphries

**First Presbyterian Church (Worships with Faith Lutheran Church)**  
1021 Colter • 659-2033  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. at Lutheran Church  
Worship: 11 a.m. (alternates monthly between Lutheran and Presbyterian Church Buildings)  
Pastor - Beverly Cook

**Faith Lutheran Church (ELCA)**  
1101 Bernice • 659-2252  
(Worships with First Presbyterian Church)  
**First United Methodist**  
407 S. Haney • 659-5503  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 11 a.m.  
Jr. High Youth: 5 p.m., Sunday  
High School: 6 p.m., Sunday  
Rainbow Kids Club: 3:00 Wednesday  
Pastor - Jeff Lust

**Union Church**  
31 S. Endicott • 659-2644  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 10:45 a.m.  
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.  
Bible Study & Prayer Mtg.: 7 p.m., Wed.  
Pastor - Jerry Pollard

**Fellowship Baptist**  
1102 S. Archer • 659-2783  
Sunday School: 10 a.m.  
Worship: 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship: 6 p.m., Sunday  
Youth & Adult Serv.: 7:30 Wed.  
Pastor - Gene Foster

**Primeria Mision Bautista**  
502 E. 7th • 659-3991  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 11 a.m.; Evening: 6 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m.  
Thurs. Visitation: 7 p.m.  
Pastor - Isaia Martinez

#### In Gruver...

**First Baptist Church**  
402 E. Broadway • 733-2411  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 10:50 a.m.  
Disciple Training: 6 p.m., Sunday  
Prayer Meeting: 7:30 p.m., Wednesday  
Pastor - Scott Curry

**Church of Christ**  
209 King • 733-2760  
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.  
Worship: 10:20 a.m.  
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.  
Wed. Evening Worship: 7:30 p.m.  
Minister - Bob Selliff

**First Christian Church**  
510 King • 733-2960  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 11 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study: 7:30 p.m.  
Youth: 6:30, Wednesday  
Pastor - Gary Gumfory

**Oslo Lutheran Church (ECLA)**  
6 Miles West & 12 Miles North of Gruver  
339-7709  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 11 a.m.  
Pastor - John R. Chandler

**Gruver United Methodist**  
Broadway & Garrett • 733-2651  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 8:30 a.m. & 10:50 a.m.  
Evening Worship & UMY: 6 p.m.  
Pastor - Jerry Moore

**Spanish Cristo Redentor Church**  
Sunday Mass: 1:30 p.m.  
Friday Evening Mass  
Summer - 8:00 p.m.  
Fall/Winter - 7:30 p.m.

**Morse Baptist Church**  
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# Santa's on his Way!



## Spearman Lynx Lines



A publication of the Spearman High School Journalism Department



Junior Jamie Townsen is caught here trying his best to convince Santa (Senior Dillon Miller) that he has been a really good boy, and that he does deserve a "Tickle me Elmo" doll for Christmas.

### Christmas Around the World

The Christmas traditions of people around the world differ from country to country. Included in this Christmas Edition of *Lynx Lines* is information gathered by our staff about traditions people in various countries practice in celebrating the holiday season.

#### Ireland

By BRANDI WILLIS

Early in the 5th century, the Christian founder St. Patrick brought Christmas to Ireland. Since then this festive holiday has held great tradition and meaning for the Irish.

The Irish people celebrate Christmas much like the people of America. The nativity scene and holly wreaths are symbols brought to America by the early settlers of Ireland who immigrated to the U. S. during the potato famine.

One very important tradition is "the lighting of the candle" on Christmas Eve. It is a practice in Irish villages to set the kitchen table on Christmas Eve with a loaf of bread, a pitcher of milk, and a large lighted candle. The candle represents all the prayers said for the departed and the simple beauty of Christmas. It also serves as a welcome to Mary and Joseph on their long, rugged journey, as it was "kindled to guide the Angels, who on Christmas night directed the New Born from the heavens." The light also means

a signal of welcome to any priest seeking shelter to come in and say Mass. On this night, the doors of houses which have a lighted candle are left unlatched for hospitality toward the Holy Family or any traveller on the road. The privilege of striking the match to light the candle is usually given to the daughter named Mary.

Father Christmas is the Santa Claus to Irish children. On Christmas Eve, much like the American tradition, children hang stockings by fireplaces in hope Father Christmas will fill them with surprises.

Among the old traditions formerly observed is the tolling of the bell in the village church from eleven o'clock until midnight on Christmas Eve. This was referred to as "the Devil's Funeral," for it was thought the Devil died when Christ was born.

Many Irish traditions continue today, as Christmas remains a great holiday to the people of Ireland.

#### Puerto Rico

By BECKY PORTER

During the Christmas month of December, people in Puerto Rico do a lot. Early in the month, small bands of carolers go all over Puerto Rico and sing traditional songs. All the homes are filled with "santos," small,

hand-carved religious figures. Each year, the children make a pilgrimage to the Church of San Jose at La Havidad. Nine days before Christmas, Puerto Ricans attend the Mass of the Carols every morning and sing carols walking back to their homes. In recent years, Santa Claus and Christmas trees have entered the traditions of Puerto Rico.

#### The Story of the Candy Cane

By BRANDI WILLIS

The Candy Cane holds a special meaning in the traditions of Christmas. Early Christmas Trees were customarily decorated with symbols of the newborn Christ. The shepherd's crook symbolized the humble shepherd in the fields who first received the news of the newborn Savior. European Christmas Tree decorations, from which our traditions evolved, were often made of food to express thanks for "our daily bread." Thus, the shepherd's crook became the candy cane, and retains the original meaning of Christmas Tree ornaments.



The *Lynx Lines* Staff would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

#### Brazil

In many parts of Brazil, Christmas comes at the hottest time of the year and it's vacation time for most schools. Holiday decorations include eucalyptus leaves and many kinds of red flowers. The Christmas tree is first seen on Christmas Eve, because it is decorated behind locked doors. The families set everything needed for a dinner, including food, in case the Holy Family comes to eat while they are at Midnight Mass. The children set their shoes out to be filled by Papa Noel, who serves as their Santa Claus. On Christmas Day, the children serve their parents breakfast in bed. The most popular dessert on this day is canned peaches topped with whipped cream.

#### Thank You!

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Thanks,

*Lynx Lines* Staff

#### YOU SAID IT

A question for the journalism staff:

If you could have anything in the world for Christmas what would it be?

Mrs. Whitefield - Teacher  
Anything that sparkles.  
Teresa Gomez - Junior  
Anything given to me with love  
Stacy DeLaCruz - Junior  
My senior ring.  
Maribel Martinez - Junior  
Anything.  
Brandi Burch - Junior  
A gift with love.  
Becky Porter - Sophomore  
A 1997 hunter green Pontiac Grand Am with CD player.

Jennifer Laxson - Sophomore  
I want either Jim Carrey or Metallica. Hey, I am not that picky.  
Brandi Willis - Sophomore  
I want another cat and another cat and another cat.  
Julie Scroggs - Sophomore  
I want a Chia Head.  
Rachel Burch - Sophomore  
I want everyone to have a wonderful Christmas.  
Lacey Miesner - Freshman  
All I want for Christmas is my two front teeth!!

### Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

#### France

BY LACEY MIESNER

Christmas is a time for everyone to look forward to, even those in France. Holidays in France are based mainly around the Roman Catholic Church. On Christmas (Noel), French families hold reunions and the children receive gifts, the same as Americans, except on New Years (Le Jour de l'An) gifts are also exchanged. The children put their shoes in front of the fireplace so Father Christmas (*Pere Noel*) can fill

them with gifts. These are considered their "stockings". Most families attend Midnight Mass followed by a festival supper called *Le Reveillon*. Most families also decorate their homes with Nativity scenes and place in them clay figures called *santos* (little saints) that portray the story of Jesus' birth. Some people put additional *santos* in their Nativity scenes yearly. These figures are bought at special holiday fairs held before Noel.

### CHRISTMAS WORD SEARCH

By MARIBEL MARTINEZ

Find the following words. Then put the unused letters in the following blanks to find out the Christmas message.

- BABY JESUS
- BELLS
- BETHLEHEM
- BOWS
- CARDS
- CAROLS
- DECORATIONS
- [CANDY] CANE
- FAMILY
- GIFTS
- HOLLY
- JOSEPH
- LIGHTS
- MANGER
- MARY
- ORNAMENTS



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SLEIGH  
SNOW  
STAR  
THREE KINGS  
TOYS  
TREE

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I H S R G E I O M T E E  
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Peggy Archer gives Santa her wish list during First State Bank's 8th Annual Christmas Hot Dog Cookout, held Wednesday, December 11, 1996.

## Focus On The Family

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taken, the parks they had visited, and all the moments they had spent together. Their answer surprised him. What they appreciated most were the times when he had gotten down on the floor and wrestled with them!

My daughter felt the same way when she was young. She would rather fight with me than go to Disneyland or the zoo! After we'd had a tussle that left me exhausted, she always thanked me for fighting with her. For some reason, kids love that wild activity. There's kind of an informal love that transpires in a playful romp that doesn't occur any other way.

I also like the idea of reserving one night a week for reading aloud with the family. Sometimes that's difficult to accomplish with children of varying ages, but if your sons and daughters are clustered in age, I think it's a great activity. You can read Tom Sawyer and other books that have been so popular down through the ages. The idea is to read together as a family.

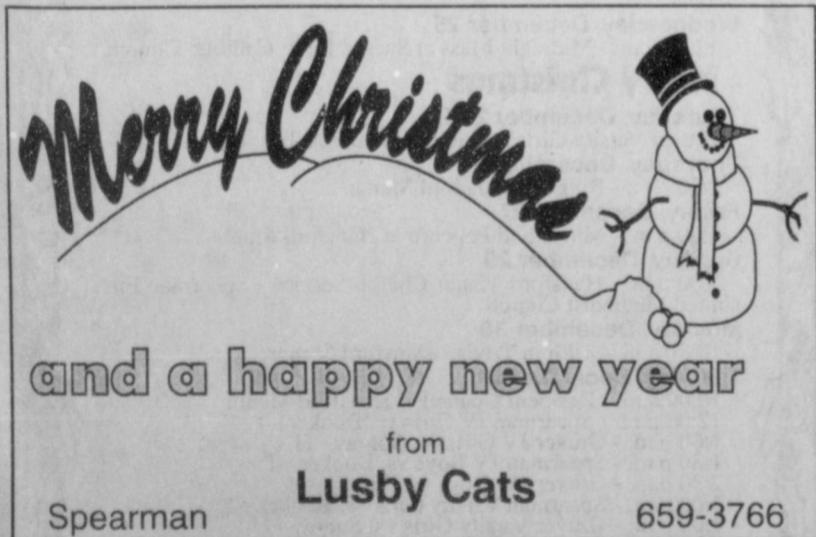
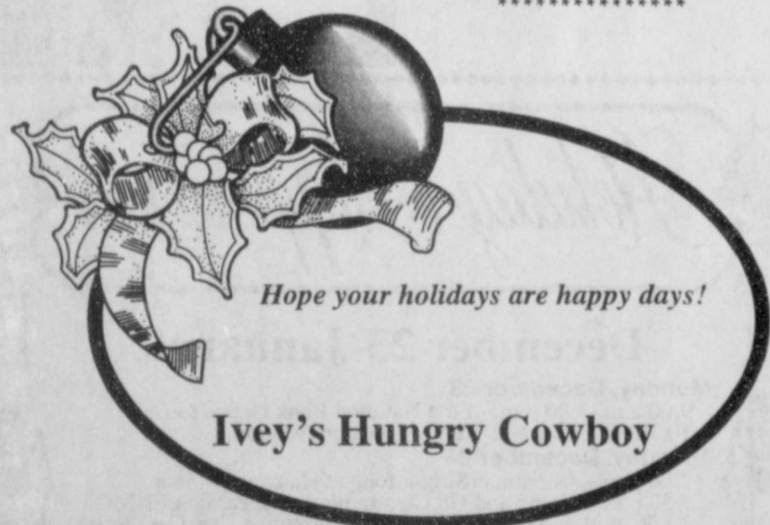
In short, I believe many Americans have forgotten the value of characteristics and activities that identify families as unique and different. This benefit was beautifully illustrated by the stage play "Fiddler on the Roof." What gave the violinist his stability and balance on his precarious perch? I want to give the same heritage to my children.

This question and answer is excerpted from the book *Dr. Dobson Answers Your Questions*. Dr. James Dobson is a psychologist, author and president of Focus on the Family, a nonprofit organization dedicated to the preservation of the home. Correspondence to Dr. Dobson should be addressed to: Focus on the Family, P.O. Box 444, Colorado Springs, CO 80903, (c) 1982 Tyndale House Publishers, Inc.

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**NOTICE**  
The Spearman Housing Authority is now taking applications for potential residents. Eligible applicants will be placed on a waiting list. The family size and income guidelines are as follows:

FAMILY SIZE	FAMILY INCOME
1 Person	less than \$19,700
2 Person	less than \$22,350
3 Person	less than \$25,350
4 Person	less than \$28,150
5 Person	less than \$30,400
6 Person	less than \$32,650
7 Person	less than \$34,900
8 Person	less than \$37,150

Rent is based on family income minus allowances for elderly occupants, children and allowances for gas and electric utilities. For more information, contact Gary Ellsworth at Spearman City Hall by calling 659-2524. Spearman Housing Authority does not discriminate based on race, religion, sex, age, disability, national origin, or other classification protected by federal and state laws.

## Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

Lou and T.C. Harvey returned last week from nearly a two weeks trip to California and Arizona. In Fullerton they visited in the home of their daughter Peggy and Gary Osborne for a week. On the return trip they were guests of their granddaughter Tamara and her family. Since they formerly lived in Phoenix, they also saw a number of their friends. They enjoyed good weather during the entire trip.

Virginia Head and Adalyn Barnes had a most pleasant six day trip to South Texas last week. The Trailways Tour which they joined consisted of very congenial travelers.

Their first overnight stay was in Kerrville, then to Fredericksburg. Their main destination was San Antonio. During their days there, they enjoyed a variety of activities,

including a river boat cruise, dining in the famed revolving Tower of the Americans, shopping.

Freeman Barkley came home late Sunday evening from Sulphur Springs where he had gone to go with his daughter Mary Ellen and Malcolm Kirkland to Commerce, Texas. They attended the graduation exercises for their daughter Jana Mae from East Texas A&M University. She received a Bachelor of Science degree in English.

Bill and Tommie Barkley of Amarillo accompanied Freeman.

Many from this community attended the National Finals of Pro Rodeo in Las Vegas last week. Their main interest was in the performances of Craig Latham of Texahoma and Denny McClanahan of Canadian.

Among those attending were D.A. and Patty Cator; LaRue and Theo Mayo; C.A. Davis; Marshall and Kelly Cator; Monte Cluck; Leon Bagwell; Gerald Ray and Cindy Scribner; Perry and Mary Dixon; Sonny Windom, Omar Sutton; Phillip and Lynna Renner, and Donnie and Ann Thoreson.

The weather was excellent and all went well except for a five hour delay in their return flight.

To report Christmas events, call 659-3468. Anyone who feels an obligation to change personal behavior to the extent of making a New Years resolution, and in order to spare the public a shock, may use this column to announce it. Er-some may require notarization!!!

Wishing all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Years.



The Gruver State Bank has an unofficial mascot. A wild turkey has taken up residence in front of the bank for the past week. The big bird seems at ease with bank customers and roosts at night above the front doors of the bank. City animal control personnel hope to relocate the friendly fowl to a flock of turkeys residing south of Gruver.



Sisters Vadie Spearman, of Bossier City, Louisiana and Pat Spearman, of College Station, Texas, were recent visitors of Spearman, Texas. Although Spearman is their married name, the sisters stated they had always had an interest in the town. They married cousins Jerry and Bob Spearman.



### Mason Joins Gruver Police Department

by Harletta Carthel

James Mason is a new member of the Gruver Police Department. He began duties in early November. Mason is a native of Borger and a graduate of the Panhandle Regional Law Enforcement Academy. His wife, Krystal, is a member of the Spearman Police Department. Mason and his wife reside in Gruver and list hunting and fishing as two of their favorite pastimes. The two officers met while in police training school. The couple resided in Dalhart before moving to Hansford County.



A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from us to you

J&M Service Center

## Hansford Happenings

### Hansford County Library Cookbooks

The Hansford County Library cookbooks have been published. The title is "Library Vittles". The cost is \$10.00, they will be on sale at the Library, the Chamber of Commerce, Five Star Equipment, Sandy's Beauty Salon, and at home football games.

### First Christian Church Youth Presents Live Nativity Scene

First Christian Church Youth will recreate a Living Nativity Scene, Monday, December 23 starting at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to come and watch this beautiful scene.

### GED Classes

Spearman I.S.D. is offering GED classes on Monday nights at 6:30 p.m. in the Home-Economics Room. If you are interested in taking a GED class, please contact Cindy Blackman at 659-3233. The classes will not meet during the Christmas holidays, but will reconvene on Monday, January 6th at 6:30 p.m.

### Immunization Notice

The Texas Department of Health is no longer providing immunization clinics in Hansford County. Instead, all children living in Hansford County may be immunized by Dr. Raul Tamayo by calling 659-5234 or 733-2954 to make an appointment. Bring the child's immunization card, insurance or Medicaid information, and information about the child such as allergies, previous medical conditions, and Social Security number, if available. A parent or guardian must accompany the child to give permission.

### Vacunas

El Departamento de Salud ya no esta dando las vacunas en este condado. Todo niño que vive en el condado de Hansford puede tomar sus vacunas con el Dr. Raul Tamayo. Favor de llamar al 659-5234 o al 733-2954 para una cita. Traiga la tarjeta de las vacunas. Informacion de aseguransa o Medicaid, y informacion del niño; como alergias, condiciones medicas, y el numero de seguro social si lo tiene. Los padres o un guardian deben acompañar al niño para dar permiso.

### Spearman ISD Offers Scotopic Sensitivity Syndrome Diagnosis

If you or a family member of any age experience difficulty in reading, it may be because of Scotopic Sensitivity Syndrome (as recently reported on ABC Nightly News.) There is a simple, painless test that can be given to diagnose this problem. Students of Spearman ISD will be tested free of charge; all others will be charged \$10. For more information, call Beckee Baker at Spearman Jr. High (659-2563) and leave a message, or call 659-3402 after 4:30.

## In The Panhandle

### WTAMU Offers Internet Course

WTAMU will offer an introduction to the Internet course from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesdays January 15-May 7. Participants will explore the Internet, its origin and future applications. Students will learn how to connect to the Internet and what hardware, software and access services are needed. Experience with e-mail, discussion groups, telnet, gopher, file transfer, freenets, University information services, electronic libraries and Internet search tools will be part of course material. Emphasis will be given to the World Wide Web, Netscape and HTML web page construction. The course can be taken for undergraduate credit as CIS 499 or graduate credit as CIS 5499. Students may also enroll for non-credit. Cost of the course is \$200. The deadline for registration is 5 p.m. Monday, January 13. For more information or to register for the course, call 806/656-2037.

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# DEAR SANTA,

Dear Santa,  
I want a dance. I have been good. Jr. is my best friend. He has been good also. I love you.  
Love, Joree

Dear Santa,  
I want a Woody with a pull string and his boots look like the ones on the movie. I want a Buzz like the one on the movie. I have a broken Streak Ripster at home so I want you to bring me a new one. I also want a Jab and a Blades. (He is a Street Shark too.)  
Merry Christmas, Brandon

Dear Santa,  
I want some perfume for my mom. I want some gloves and an angel to put on top of my Christmas tree. I want some little shapes to trace around and some books. I also want some play little bitty horses.  
Merry Christmas,  
Lynn

Dear Santa,  
I want a Gameboy, a watch, and a toy ring. I want a toy bracelet and a bracelet. I also want a tumbling baby, toy elephant, and some games for the Gameboy.  
Santa Claus I Love you,  
Dani

Dear Santa,  
I want new snowboots when it is Christmas time. I want a remote control race car. I have been very good. I want new sandals. Merry Christmas, Santa  
Love Anselmo

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me some toys. I want a big toy truck. Thank you.  
Love Luis

Dear Santa,  
I want a doll, bicycle, and a Christmas tree. I also want a ring, earrings, and a bracelet.  
Come Back Again, Diana

Hi Santa,  
I want a video camera, a regular camera that takes pictures, a remote truck, and a super service center with extra cars. Please bring me a sword and shield and a alien hand. Also bring my sister Brittini a doll, she really wants one.  
I'll leave you some cake and milk to eat and extra cookies for the reindeers.  
Love Skyler

Dear Santa,  
I want a choo-choo train and a blue ring. I also want a blue star and a pretty bow for my hair. I have been a very good girl. Please let it snow on Christmas so I can play in it.  
Sincerely,  
Molly Zimmer

Dear Santa,  
I want it to snow so I can make a snowman. I want a pink helmet for kdis and some barbie pantyhose and a swimming suit. I want a Dalmation puppy that is real for my sister and a ring that is pink.  
Sincerely,  
Marlee Reynoldo

Dear Santa,  
I want some blue and yellow skates for my sister. Please bring me a baby thumblers and one for Katelyn. I want some pink magnets. Katelyn needs a pink and purple doll. Last, I want a wooden snowman with a scarf and red hat.  
Sincerely,  
Jenna Lee Wilson

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a racer car and a 4-wheeler. Thanks!  
Sincerely,  
Josh Brunt

Dear Santa,  
I want a new racer car for Christmas. I want to take it to Jon's house so we can play.  
Sincerely,  
Daniel Sanchez

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a barbie that I can paint its hair. I also would like a train like the one in our room. I want a T.V. and a Nintendo!  
Sincerely,  
Micky Ortiz

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl this year. I really hope you are not smoking. I can read now thanks to you Santa. I would really love a toy for Christmas.  
Love,  
Cindy Ferguson

Dear St. Nicholas,  
I would like a puppy for Christmas and a collar for her to wear on her neck. I would like a yoyo and a kitten that looks like Sassy my old cat. I've been a good girl this year. I've been wondering how you are doing?  
Love, Tarryn

Dear Santa,  
I would like you to bring me a hot wheel car and a fire truck.  
Sincerely,  
David Sanchez

Dear Santa,  
I want for Christmas and Easy Maker a bear ring and slippers. How is Mrs. Santa Claus doing? I hope that Mrs. Santa Claus is doing fine and I hope that the reindeer are fine.  
Love,  
Tara Shields

Dear Santa,  
I want a truck. Are you still smoking? I also want a dalmation puppy.  
I Love You!  
Emanuel

Dear Santa,  
I want a bell from a reindeer of your sled. I love you Santa Claus. I want 99 Dalmations. I wrote another letter. That's all Santa Claus. How did you make those toys? I hope you are not smoking anymore Santa Claus.  
Love,  
Katie

Dear Santa,  
I want a toy car. I want a Kitten. How are the reindeers doing?  
I Love you!  
P.J. Tarango

Dear Santa,  
I hope you are not smoking again like we saw on the book that Mrs. Burnam read. She read the night Before Christmas. I hope you are going to give me a present. I would like some treasure rocks and a Barbie doll and jewelry.  
Love,  
Eva McCloy

Dear Santa,  
I hope you and Mrs. Claus are fine. I want a pool table and I am doing fine. I hope you do not smoke.  
Love,  
Chance

Dear Santa,  
I want to have a doghouse for my dog. I want to go to the North Pole. Can I see your toy shop?  
Your friend,  
Dale

Dear Santa,  
How is the North Pole? Would you ask Mrs. Claus to bake a cookie for me? I would want for Christmas is a sewing machine and a puppy, and a Phone. A Barbie jeep 6 up is the kind of jeep I want.  
Love,  
Alexan Reynolds

Dear Santa,  
I want leg pad and cowboy staps. I know you like cookies and milk/ We are going to make cookies for you. And milk I like all of your Rein Deer the same. your elfs work very hard to make toys.  
from,  
Marcus Wilson

Dear Santa,  
I hop you bring me a rado and I hop bring a air aplain and I would like a new bike and a guitare and I would like a desk and a new Been Bag and a new fottball and a soker ball and a new Jersey 2 Jewrseys.  
from,  
Mitchel Yerby

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I'm fine I want phramidols golden power stoff light sword Herculeis wrist loncher.  
from,  
Chase Parks

Dear Santa,  
I wish you are happy I am happy that you are cuming to my house I wish you bring mi a car to Driv and loast yer bring me a watch I wich you are fin I am fin in Mexico I am going to Poot my tree I lov you Senta Claus whin I wacupe I mes my room to see if I have somting from you I like crimes becaus you are cuming I can't wate intel you com you are the best Senta Claus I am happy that you are coming I wich you bring me what I told you I like your toys I like your raneders we are singing song Abaot you I like to singg songs. Abaot you I love you  
from,  
Pedro Bonilla

Dear Santa,  
I want my a size babie for christmas but first you are going to be suprised because I have a gift for you do you now why I gave you a gift? cause you gave me one is that ok with you? I am glad you like me becaus you are my best freind. thank you for the present that you gave me last year.  
from,  
Beatriz Ortiz

Dear Santa,  
I really want a flute and a guitar and beads and dressup cloes and jewelry and a new wach and new ring please bring Mrs. Claus and with you and bring rodolf.  
P.P.S. I like you  
from,  
Jimmilee McCloy

Dear Santa,  
I love Christmas. It is my sisters birthday five days before christmas. I want a doll that if you tickel her bow she laughs. I like her laugh it's funny.  
from,  
Elizabeth Martin

Dear Santa,  
I like rotoff is he fire oh wut about the outhter reindeer I hop you cant get sick I like you are much I am going to live you cookies and milk.  
from,  
Shane Cain

Dear Santa,  
I want a big teddy bear and a bean bag chair anda big whale and a big 101 dalmashan dog and a new bike.  
from,  
Sara Barnes

Dear Santa,  
I want a my size brby. and some bath stuf. but I just wut sumthing. and I like you. you are my frind. Are you all rite? Ill rite to you next yer.  
from,  
Lauren Urban

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the Ninga Megaz ord for Christmas last year. This year I want the mutdator the Dagger and the air Devil. Molly wants a Barbie skiper the Barbie horse that pikes up things and a baby doll. I will have some speal snakes and some viodman D milk? Give our pets some present too ok!  
from,  
Austin Zimmer

Dear Santa,  
I can't what when you come to my house I wish I can see you but I can't because I will be sleep. I hope you bring me the doll that crays I wasan going to pik that I did because I did not know what to get. five days of Christmas. I like Rudof. I hope you like my cookies and milk. I think your elfs are work hard.  
from,  
Genesis Hernandez

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# DEAR SANTA,

## MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Following are the letters to Santa from the Spearman, Gruver, and Pringle-Morse Elementary Schools. We hope you enjoy them.



Dear Santa,  
I want a bike, Gameboy, and a monkey. I want an octopus, car, and a tree.  
Merry Christmas,  
Samuel

Dear Santa,  
I want a car that goes on snow and mud and water. I want you to bring me books so I can read them at home. I want a folder to put pictures on and I want a book to draw something in and I want some puzzles.  
Merry Christmas, Roberto

Dear Santa,  
I want a car that goes on snow and mud and water. I want you to bring me books so I can read them at home. I want a folder to put pictures on and I want a book to draw something in and I want some puzzles.  
Merry Christmas, Roberto

Dear Santa,  
I want a Rodeo I want a staff rabbit I want a sleeping bag I want a jack in a box I want clothes I want Books  
Your friend Amanda Snider

Dear Santa,  
I want a Rodeo I want a staff rabbit I want a sleeping bag I want a jack in a box I want clothes I want Books  
Your friend Amanda Snider

Dear Santa,  
I like you. you are The real thing I love you.  
Your friend Callie Cazares

Dear Santa,  
I Love You I wuva Bibe ned a bisecat ned a bisecat I lik  
Your friend Lizet Comacho

Dear Santa,  
I Love Santa Claus and I want a Barbey  
Henselda Love Santa

Dear Santa,  
I want a race car for Christmas. I hope I stay in the lines on my coloring. I have been a good boy.  
Love Caleb

Dear Santa,  
I wut a scat bord I wut a big bicicki I wut a rascar I wut a Santa so t I wut a basct ball and a basct gall.  
Your friend Colby Odegaard

Dear Santa,  
I wait a Bicke 15 spede I wait a Radeo I wait a Jack in a box I wait a Staft Rabbit I wait cloes I wait books  
Love, Kyla Reed

Dear Santa,  
I Love Santa Claus  
Marlon Robledo

Dear Santa,  
Cricmic is so fun mi frdfriting t a baot crimic is oben rdnc oben pdnc is rie fun.  
Love, Santa Daniel Brickman

Dear Santa,  
I well begod I wuv Santa Claus I hop I well I Love  
Mocrt

Dear Santa,  
I love you I won abs I wound we're my spp brbe bolli  
Love Notoc

Dear Santa,  
\*I wut a daw mashun stuff pup and \*I wut wund rwr them and \*I wut a want a sndall \*I love your pechen we do \*I love you beus you are nise and swit I now wut mrut  
Love, Amy Brown

Dear Santa,  
I want a train. I want another puppy dog. I would also like a doll house. I want a Play-school house. I want sticky paper. I have been really good.  
Love Skyer

Dear Santa,  
I want a remote control car that runs real fast. I want a cowboy hat. I am happy. I want a bunch of Legos. I want a shape book, that I can draw in. I want a dog for Christmas. I want a Nintendo.  
Merry Christmas.  
Love Edgar

Dear Santa,  
I want a Gameboy I want a Saga. I want a bike. I want a race car. I have been very good and I love you  
Love Rey David

Dear Santa,  
I want a present. I want the Easy Bake Oven. I am doing homework and I was being good.  
Love you, Macy

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike, shirt, and boots. I also want a present, nest, and barbie. Santa I love you.  
Merry Christmas, Nota

Dear Santa,  
I want the Hunchback of Notre Dame movie, a Gameboy, and a snow sled. I also want an Inidan suit and a Dalmatian puppet.  
Come Back again, Payton

Dear Santa,  
I want a motorcycle and a Nerf gun, a race-car set and a new bike. I have been really good.  
Love Miles

Dear Santa,  
I want make-up for Christmas I love you. I want some stuff to make rubber band for my hair. I want some paint and paper I would like a dress and a dog. I need a new pencil. I want a color book and some colors. I also need some shoes and a doll! Merry Christmas.  
Love Estefany

Dear Santa,  
I've been good today, and I want some presents. I love you. I want a fake cat and dog. I want a fake octopus, fake bunny, and fake bird.  
Come Back again,  
Chevi

The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman will publish Monday, December 30th due to the New Year's Holiday. The deadline for this issue will be Friday, December 27th at 5:00 p.m. The office will be closed Monday, December 23rd through Thursday, December 26th. We will be open Friday, December 27th, to accept news and advertising for the December 30th issue. We will also be closed Monday, December 30th through Wednesday, January 1st. We will resume regular business hours on Thursday, January 2nd. Thank you, and have a very Merry Christmas!

Dear Santa,  
I want a dar good. Jr. is my b been good also. I Love, Joree

Dear Santa,  
I want a W string ad his b ones on the mo like the one on a broken Streal so I want you l one. I also w Blades. (He i too.)  
Merry Christ

Dear Santa,  
I want some mom. I want se angel to put Christmas tree. shapes to trace books. I also little bitty hor Merry Christ Lynn

Dear Santa,  
I want a Gar a toy ring. I and a bracel tumbling baby some games fo Santa Claus Dani

Dear Santa,  
I want new Christmas tin control race c. good. I want Christmas, Se Love Anseln

Dear Santa,  
Please brin want a big toy Love Luis

Dear Santa,  
I want a Christmas tree earrings, and Come Back

Hi Santa,  
I want a vic camera that remote truck center with bring me a sv alien hand. Brittini a do one.  
I'll leave milk to eat a the reindeers Love Skyle

Dear Santa,  
I want a blue ring. I and a pretty have been a let it snow c play in it.  
Sincerely,  
Molly Zim

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		100-199	200-299	300-399	400-499	500-599	600-699	700-799	800-899	900-999	1000-1099	1100-1199
1100	Assets											
1110	Cash (Notes G)	\$172,358.30	\$ 4,252.50	\$ 10,430.25	\$12,043.83							\$ 209,084.88
1120	Temporary Investments, at cost (Note G)	500,000.00										500,000.00
1130	Receivables:											
1131	Property taxes - delinquent (Notes B & E)	59,628.33										59,628.33
1132	Allowance for uncollectible taxes	(37,203.01)										(37,203.01)
1133	Due from state agency		8,826.94									8,826.94
1134	Student receivables	1,876.53		164.43								2,040.96
1135	Accrued interest receivable	3,763.75										3,763.75
1136	Fee from other funds (Note F)	1,353.77										1,353.77
1137	Fees from other		1,056.00									1,056.00
1138	Inventory, at cost		3,490.51									3,490.51
1139	Other current assets	24,070.26										24,070.26
1140	Land, buildings, and equipment:											
1141	Land (Note G)							219,298.66				219,298.66
1142	Buildings and improvements (Note G)							3,853,033.95				3,853,033.95
1143	Furniture and equipment (Note G)							1,721,587.33				1,721,587.33
1144	Property under capital lease (Note F)							124,329.00				124,329.00
1145	Assets not provided:											
1146	Assets not provided											
1100	Total assets	\$731,837.93	\$14,863.95	\$ 21,094.78	\$18,163.83			\$5,918,228.97	\$ 20,370.48			\$ 6,825,193.97
2110	Liabilities:											
2111	Current liabilities:											
2112	Accounts payable	\$ 1,367.17		\$ 4,522.48								\$ 5,889.65
2113	Leases payable	1,367.17										1,367.17
2114	Payroll deduction and withholdings payable	1,367.17	876.56									2,243.73
2115	Accrued wages payable	124,572.56	7,111.05									131,683.61
2116	Due to other funds (Note F)		3,243.77									3,243.77
2117	Due to other governments		9,041.07									9,041.07
2118	Due to student groups							16,063.83				16,063.83
2119	Deferred revenues	82,992.72	2,118.00									85,110.72
2120	Total liabilities	\$110,837.93	\$12,663.86	\$ 13,664.71	\$ 16,063.83			\$ 16,063.83	\$ 16,063.83			\$ 48,739.18
3100	Fund equity:											
3101	Investments in fixed assets							15,918,228.97				15,918,228.97
3102	Investment reserves:											
3103	Investments in inventory		3,490.51									3,490.51
3104	Prepaid items	26,070.26										26,070.26
3105	Reserve for self-insured retires	45,004.00										45,004.00
3106	Unassigned fund balances:											
3107	Designated for construction	63,500.00										63,500.00
3108	Unassigned fund balance	316,992.70	14,372.73									331,365.43
3109	Total fund equity	\$721,000.00	\$12,111.26	\$ 13,664.71	\$ 16,063.83			\$ 16,063.83	\$ 16,063.83			\$ 48,739.18
4000	Total liabilities and fund equity	\$731,837.93	\$14,863.95	\$ 21,094.78	\$18,163.83			\$5,918,228.97	\$ 20,370.48			\$ 6,825,193.97

# DEAR SANTA,

Dear Santa,  
I want a Sip 'n Slurp doll, I want a doll that you can put on makeup and it has fingernail polish, a boy Barbie, my dog's leg back, some new pom-poms, I want my mom to have a new baby, a new stuffed animal -- an elephant.

I've been good.  
I love you,  
Lindsey Mireles

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a car, a toy, a truck, a hat, a game, a toy soldier, a yo-yo, a top, a Batman car, and Batman airplane. I've been good.

I love you,  
Steve Morales

Dear Santa,  
I want a Cabbage Patch doll, and a China doll.

Thank you for my teacher. I tried to be good. Thank you for helping me learn my letters and sounds. I hope I get a big present. Thank you for water. Thank you for presents. Thank you for my papers. Thank you for Christmas. I will leave you some chocolate chop cookies and milk.

I love you,  
Mallory Reid

Dear Santa,  
I love you. What are all of your elves' names? What is Mrs. Santa's name? I know all your reindeer's names. Do you have a big list?

I want a big rocking horse to ride, because my other one is too little for me and my brother rides it. I would like a baby horse and a big horse -- I'll take good care of my big horse. I would like a Magic Jewelry Box like they show on TV, and earrings that just snap on because my ears aren't pierced.

I need some toys for my brother, Dallas. We would like Flipper that squirts water in the bathtub.

Dear Santa, my brother's been naughty, but, Santa, he's only 2. So, could you, please, still bring him some toys?

Love,  
Devlin Arrington

Dear Santa,  
I have a present for you for Christmas, and I will get a present for your reindeer. I will get Mrs. Santa a gift, too.

I would like a new TV for my brother. I would like a rabbit -- a real one -- 'cause my mom always wanted one. This one is for me, though, I'll share it with my mom, dad, and Whiskers.

I would like a little dog. One that stays little so I can carry it. That's all! I have been good.

I love you,  
Matt Salazar

Dear Santa,  
I want a toy. I've been nice.  
Your friend,  
Gabriel Rios

Dear Santa,  
Please, bring me a Ninja motorcycle, a little toy (like a Rudolph toy), a sled, a toy elf, and a little Christmas tree, and a 101 Dalmation puppy (play one). I've been good. I'm going to leave some food for your reindeer and food for you.

I love you,  
Arturo Trejo

Dear Santa,  
I want a dog and a play ski boat and a workshop. I've been good. I want a flag, a new backpack, and a rabbit's foot (it's soft), and a new seat for my bike. I will leave out some cookies and a glass of milk.

I love you,  
Taylor Williams  
p.s. I would like a trumpet.

Dear Santa,  
Bring me a Sega, jet, car, and bus. I want a coloring book.  
Your friend,  
Saul Hernandez

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a football shirt. I love you!

Thanks,  
Seth Thompson

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a trailer. I love you!

Thanks,  
Ruben Ortiz

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. Please bring me some moon shoes. I love you!

Thanks,  
Abbi Yanke

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. Please bring me a puppy. I love you!

Thanks,  
Mollie Burnam

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. Please bring me a chalkboard. I love you!

Thanks,  
Denise Villegas

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. Please bring me some roller blades. I love you!

Thanks,  
Yadira Garcia

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. Please bring me a teddy bear. I love you!

Thanks,  
Sofia Tarango

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. Please bring me a cat. I love you!

Thanks,  
Emily Williams

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a truck. I love you!

Thanks,  
Carlos Lopez

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a bike. I love you!

Thanks,  
Chandler Miner

Dear Santa,  
I love you, Santa! For Christmas, would you please bring me some stickers.

Love,  
Diana Solis

Dear Santa,  
I love you, Santa! For Christmas would you please bring me a puppy.

Love,  
Brenda Sanchez

Dear Santa,  
I love you, Santa! For Christmas, would you please bring me a rabbit and a puppy.

Love,  
Lindy Weldon

Dear Santa,  
I love you, Santa! For Christmas, would you please bring me a Sega, and some games.

Love,  
Jose

Dear Santa,  
I love you, Santa! For Christmas, would you please bring me a GameBoy.

Love,  
Fernando Saladana

Dear Santa,  
I love you, Santa! For Christmas would you please bring me a football.

Love,  
Tanner Sherrill

Dear Santa,  
I love you, Santa! For Christmas. would you please bring me a computer.

Love,  
Tim Shultz

Dear Santa,  
I love you, Santa! For Christmas, would you please bring me a Game Boy.

Love,  
Tony Lora

Dear Santa,  
I love you, Santa! For Christmas, would you please bring me a puppy.

Love,  
Bayley Garland

Dear Santa,  
I love you, Santa! For Christmas, would you please bring me a 101 dog and a stereo.

Love,  
Melinda Hernandez

Dear Santa,  
I love you, Santa. Please bring me a yo-yo a Doodle Bear and a toss across

Love,  
Malissa

Dear Santa,  
I love you Santa. Please bring me a Sicker Satur, and a dog.

Love,  
Chase

Dear Santa,  
I love you, Santa. Please bring me a top and a teddy Bear.

Love,  
Dalila

Dear Santa,  
I love you Santa! Please bring me a Gameboy, a parajer and a Soprendo.

Love,  
Hexiquio Rios

Dear Santa  
I love you, Santa Please bring me a Barbie, Furniture and a doll.

Love,  
Maydeli

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Dear Santa,  
I love you Santa. Please bring me a Barbie, a play kitchen and a dall.

Love,  
Bren

Dear Santa,  
I luv You. Pleca can I hav a sqrnido a lot kor Coson

Dear Santa,  
I love you, Santa! Please bring me a Barbie, a book and a dall.

Love,  
Audrey

Dear Santa,  
I love you. Please bring me a cat, a Barbie, a book and a dall.

Love,  
Delma

Dear Santa Clause,  
I want a fantastic stiker maker and horses, a raindeer that walks and has a control, and moves his head, and doll cloths, Gorge Strate tape with Blue clear sky, a my size barbi that comes up to my shoulder, a letter holder for school, a big chalk bord and what is on the list at home but not the stuff I have on hers.

Love,  
Jessica

Dear Santa Clause,  
I want a ber with a setr for chrisms.

Loce,  
Jennabeth

Dear Santa,  
Plese for ctmxs i want, two hermit crabs, a mountain bike, Titanic mode, Nintindo 64, the 4th animorphs book, the original USS enterpraze model.

love,  
Trae

Dear Santa Clause,  
I want a cheerleading stuff.  
Love,  
Angela

Dear Santa Clause,  
I want a toy FBI, play suat, and a big jeep that has a remot control on it so I can ride in it.

Love,  
Tyler Lane

Dear Santa Clause,  
I want a bike. And I want a Nintendo Samuel

Dear Santa Clause,  
I want a mocantrole car A Big one and a durt bike or a bike, and A drum set A boom box that has base bad base.

Love,  
Kade Shouldres

Dear Santa Clause,  
I whont a BasketBall and a BB Gun whith BBs. and I want a lape tope coputer. and tow tranes to race on my racetrak. and a cored for my keybord. and head fones. and a lape conter for my cars. and konstruks

Love,  
Blane

Dear Santa,  
ntno 64 tooran and a raser that wat i wont

Love,  
Gregory

Dear Santa,  
I would like a dot, a cat, a monkey, a new nelgess, some car rings, some ponpons, some colls, a dall, that all.

Love,  
DeNeles

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## LOST

**REWARD:** Lost dog - black border collie with white feet, and a little white on his head - answers to Chip. \$100 reward. Call 659-3807. Was lost in 1000 block of Dresden.

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Contractors are advised there will be no pre-bid conference for this project.

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Yous freind,  
Justine Rosales

Dear Santa,  
I like to wacup and see the erasns to,ys,

Your friend,  
Matthew Bolen.

Dear Santa,  
I wnat a saga and a litr pet rabbit

Your friend,  
Nicholas Moore

Dear Santa,  
I want a tiger and a wuff and a well and a TV and a veseyar to and a saga and a little crismas tree.

Your freind,  
Marcus Ochoa

Dear Santa,  
I want a Birbe and a Birb house and a Beir. and a little boggs and I wish you can gite me a nike

Your friend,  
Amber Comp

Dear Santa,  
I wat skas and some toys an the motorsikl on the car nlad.

Your friend,  
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Dear Santa,  
I want my sise Barbie and a Crismis Barbie and my fills and a bick and ababy pupee and a Bing Bag

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Lisa Espinosa

Dear Santa,  
I wunt a toy cor and a rile dog pet and spajam and 101 downmashuns and a pet PENGUINS

Darrel Findley

Dear Santa,  
I want a big jup box and 1 of the crans with a rock and spajam and 101 domachs and 1 of toat big miciljroden and a stuff pengun.

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Yor frend  
Claribel Hernandez

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Kendall Schneider

Dear Santa,  
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My nam is Amanda Bain

Dear Santa,  
I hop you breng me sumthing far Christmas

Your friend,  
Carlos Mendoza

Dear Santa,  
Pleas bring me a dollhoues and a Barbie. I love you a lot.

Your friend  
Jessica Gallegos

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me some toys and a rabbit for christmas. I hope you do bring that stuff I asked you. Please santa I will wait for you at my house on christmas. You have to come please Santa. I need you to come on christmas Eve night. I will tell yo how it is here. Tell the elves that I want to see them and please bring me some Nike shoes ok.

Thank you,  
Karina Hernandez, age 7

Dear Santa,  
Pleas bring me an alarm clock. I love you.

Cassie Manry, age 7

Dear Santa,  
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Thanks,  
Alek Mires, age 7

Dear Santa,  
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thank you,  
Britt Fleetwood, age 8

Dear Santa,  
Please get me 3 things a 3-wheeler and 4-wheeler and a game for a Nintendo 64.

Josh Tuttl, age 7

Dear Santa,  
Please give me a gameboy. Please give me a Saga Saterin.

Cody Eslick, age 7 1/2

Dear Santa,  
Can you please bring me a c.d. player?

Rhett Renner

Dear Santa,  
Please get me a Cincinnatti Bengals suit and some drums. One more thing Please get me a pair of Nike shoes.

Thank you.  
Zack Nollner, age 8

Dear Santa,  
HOW are the reindeer doing? I know you a re busy but can you please try to give me a lizard. And maybe try to give me a rabbit. Pleas will you try to bring my brother and me some c.d. Don't forget my mom and step dad and my dad. Thank you

Jordanna Lozano, age 8

Dear Santa,  
I would like some muny and a new bike. I leftt you a bowl of cookies. I figured you would need them. and a birde and a doll house. Pleas bring my brother a game boy. and pleas bring my mom a christma tee short P.S. thank you for all you've done. and a new baride stickers and a new toy kitchen. next my size birde doll and sand dart and a new dallmashen puppy. Thank You.

Your frind,  
Sharon Haney, age 8

Dear Santa,  
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Noemi Rodriguez, age 7

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p.s. I like the reindeer  
Saylee Flowers, age 8

Dear Santa,  
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Thank you  
William Martinez, age 7

Dear Santa,  
If you can, will you please bring me a gocart and a Coy Detmer jersey?

Thank you.  
Aaron Maestas, age 8

Dear Santa,  
If you please would bring me some fish and a dog and cat Please and if I'm good bring me some more presents.

Thank you.  
Amber Backas, age 7

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me Nike earrings, Nike shoes, and a dotr Barbie. Santa, we will make fudge and give you milk.

Aimee Rook, age 7

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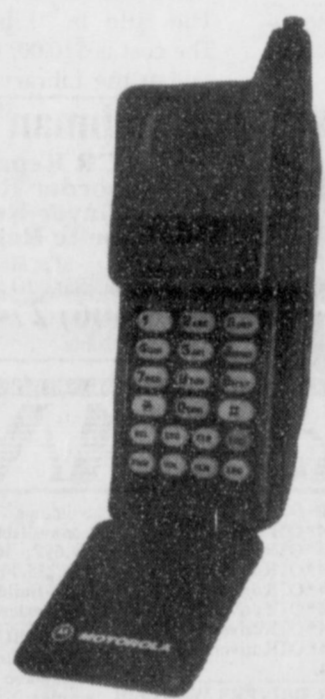
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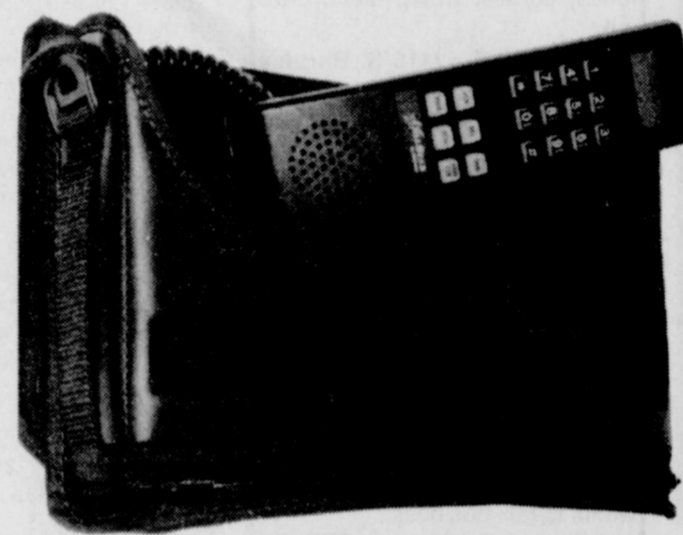
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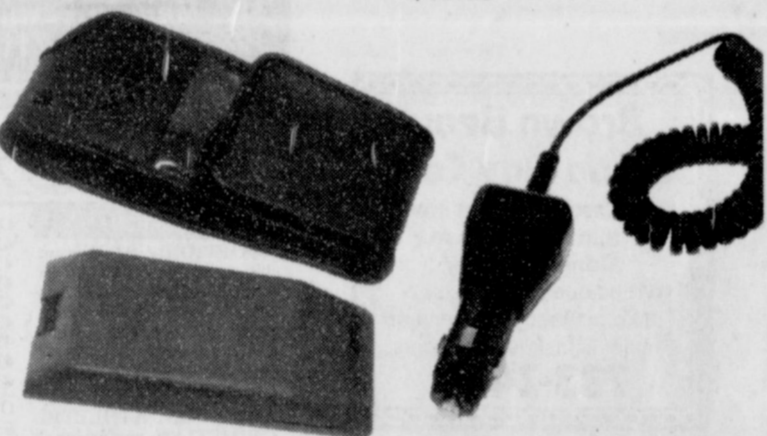
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