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## Christmas Greetings

**Star Lites**  
By Bill Ellis



WE HEAR A LOT about "commercialism" during each and every Christmas season. People grumble and mutter about "going back to the good old fashioned Christmas", "Putting Christ back into Christmas", "not enough Christmas spirit," etc.

Personally, I don't think we've ever lost any of the Christmas spirit in the first place. Commercialism of Christmas was started way back when those three kings came cameling it into Bethlehem bearing gifts to the Christ Child.

Gold, frankenscense and myrrh were pretty expensive gifts, even back then. And gold would still qualify as an expensive little item for a Christmas gift. Chanel No. 5 and Old Spice have probably taken the place of the frankenscense and myrrh, but giving of lovely gifts to those whom we love and admire is still very much with us.

Of course, inflation and recession have put a bit of a damper on the festivities for this Christmas, but I think people do still give as much as they are able to give to the charitable organizations which help those less fortunate folks to have a little merrier season.

We all have to work pretty hard to earn a living these days. Earning and spending money just happens to be the way it's done. If it wasn't money, it would be glass beads or bolts of colored cloth or pretty shiny rocks or whatever. But the end result would be the same...we'd still be earning it and spending it.

The gifts under your Christmas tree mean simply that someone thought enough of you to take some of their hard-earned cash and go out and spend it on just the right gift which they thought you would enjoy. They battled the crowds in the stores, stood in line for ages at the check-out stand, used their gas to go to town, risked getting their car fenders crumpled in the traffic jams, and ended up with tired feet and an empty billfold at the end of the shopping day.

When someone goes through all that effort, just to get you a nice gift, folks, that's true LOVE. And after all, love is the main theme of the teachings of Jesus and it is the basis of the true Christmas spirit. So you see, the Christmas spirit had never left us....it was here all along.



**ANGELIC HOSTS PROCLAIM....**Over 100 little voices joined in singing the praises of the Christmas season last week as the first and second graders presented their annual Christmas Musical Program to the public. Mrs. Jo Witten served as director, co-ordinator and accompanist. The tiny angel choir

was dressed in white satin robes with shiny tinsel wings and halos. They performed to a packed audience of parents, relatives and school children, in the newly-redecorated Junior High School Auditorium.



**FIRST PLACE HOME....**The annual Christmas home decorating contest sponsored by the Friona Chamber of Commerce, was won by Mr. and

Mrs. Ron Awtrey. Their home at 1506 Jackson, was adorned with Mr. Santa and an elf complete with bags full of toys and gifts.



**SPARKLING ARRAY....**This piano-top decoration is just a small portion of the sparkling array of Christmas glitter to be found in the basement of Mr. and Mrs. L.D. Nichols. Musical

bell chimes and twinkling lights add to the festive atmosphere. (See feature story on page 5, section 3, this issue.)



# Squaws' Luck Bad In Own Tournament

Friona's fighting Squaws started the Friona tournament against Springlake-Earth on Thursday, December 12. The game proved to be a close fight from beginning to end.

Springlake-Earth outscored the Squaws in the first and third quarters. The second and fourth quarters belonged to the Squaws.

Fouling and free throws seemed to be Springlake-Earth's strong point in the first round of basketball action at Friona's annual tournament. It seemed that these two particular aspects weren't favoring the Squaws that night as S-E overtook the Squaws for a 43-37 win.

We may see that without the free throws added to both scores, Friona out-goaled S-E, 36-30.

SQUAWS 6 23 25 37  
S-E 13 23 32 43

Lesa Bermea 6-1-13; Cari Hand 6-0-12; Sherry O'Brian 3-0-6; Cara Brockman 2-0-4; Rene Noland 1-0-2.

During second round action at Friona's tournament, the Squaws confronted Shallowater. The game was played at noon on Friona, December 11.

Scoring in the game didn't come often making each goal count that much more to ward the final outcome of the game. Percentages of field goals as well as free throws wasn't very good for either team.

The conclusion of the game once again depended on foul factor. Unfortunately Friona's Squaws out-fouled Shallowater, and Shallowater obtained more free throws, winning over the Squaws, 37-31.

SQUAWS 6 10 20 31  
Shallowater 7 20 27 37  
Hand 5-3-13; O'Brian 3-0-6; Brockman 3-0-6; Bermea 2-0-4; Judy McLellan 1-0-2.

This second loss in the tournament eliminated the Squaws from further play.

## GTE Expects Heavy Calling

Besides silver bells, phones will be ringing Christmas Day--so much so that phone lines in Texas may become overloaded at times.

"December 25 is one of the busiest days of the year at General Telephone since thousands of Texas residents call or are called by friends and relatives that day," according to O.D. Hearn, the firm's Brownfield division manager.

The most economical way to place your holiday calls is by direct dialing them, he noted. If you get a "no circuits available" recording or a fast busy signal when attempting to place a call, try again later. Requesting operator assistance will seldom help since the operator may reach the same recording.

"To best the 'calling' rush Friday, it may help to make your calls on Christmas Eve instead," Hearn said.

Reduced rates will be in effect for telephone customers in Texas on Christmas, but equally low rates are in effect Christmas Eve after 5 p.m.

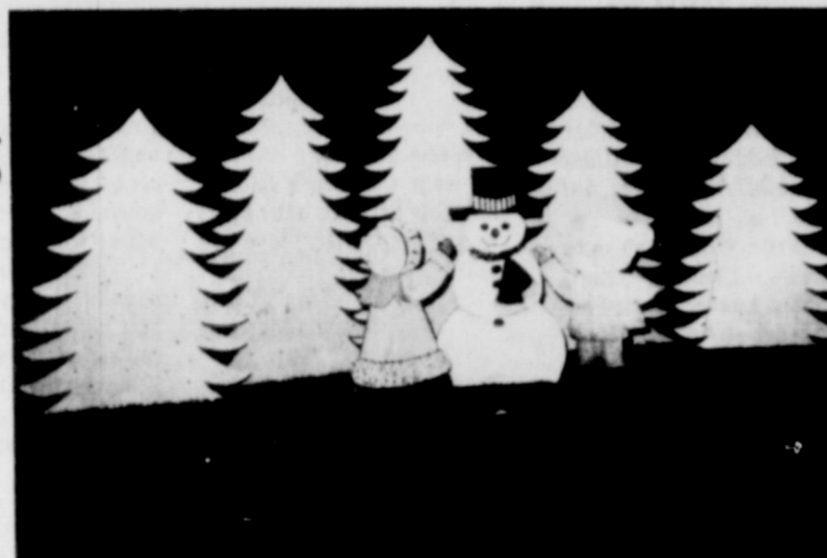
For direct-dialed calls placed to cities within the state Christmas Day, there is a 25 per cent discount from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. and a 40 per cent discount from 11 p.m. to 8 a.m.

For direct-dialed calls to out-of-state points, a 35 per cent discount from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. and a 60 per cent discount from 11 p.m. to 8 a.m. will be in effect Christmas Day.

These discount rates and times also apply on New Year's Day.



SECOND PLACE HOME....Mr. and Mrs. E.T. Jennings of 1104 Elm Street took second place in the annual home decorating contest sponsored by the Friona Chamber of Commerce. Their yard decoration depicts Santa's elves helping to get the reindeer hooked up the sleigh prior to Santa's big night.



THIRD PLACE HOME....The home of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Tannahill placed third in the Chamber of Commerce Christmas decorating contest. Their yard was adorned with wooden cutouts of Christmas trees, snowman and little children.

# Santa Letters

Dear Santa,  
Would you bring me a guitar, motorcycle, and tractor? Bring Paw-Pa a tractor too, and Nanny a bell. Mommy and Daddy said I am a good boy.  
Love,  
Jeremiah Johnson

Dear Santa,  
I want a toy cow and a truck and three hot wheel cars.  
From Ryan Cash

Dear Santa,  
Would you please bring me a Tonka Turbo Prop Air-Plane.  
Aaron Black

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Barbie House and a rubicscube, and some pom poms, and some new shoes, and some new clothes, and a new record player, and some new records and a new bedset for my brother, and a pretty cut and grow doll, and a new bed spread.  
Love,  
Lucinda Bermea

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike and a play train.  
Ricky Saiz

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a choo choo train and a bick and most of all I want two books of you and I want a mask and tow guns and a hat of the Long Rage. Look on the back I droe you sum pickers of Christmas.  
From Rolando Garcia

Dear Santa,  
I want a snoopy and a strawberry short cake doll. Please bring me some cowboy boots and a Musical Melanie. My family has been good. I love you, Santa.  
From Beth Ann Noey

Dear Santa,  
My name is Jeremy Todd Hardin. I want to ask you for a Darth Vader Collectors Case and some Action Figures - C-3PO, R-2D-2, Yoda and a sand walker and please bring my little sister some toys too. She is four.  
Love,  
Jeremy Todd Martin

Dear Santa,  
I want a walkie-talkie and a football. Would you please bring my mother a fur coat?  
Enrique Degallado

Dear Santa,  
Would you please bring me a ten speed bike, and a Control car?  
Daniel Amador

Dear Santa Claus,  
Would you please bring me a barbie, doll house and a rubicscube, and a paton, and some pom poms, and some new shoes and a new tape for my tape recorder and a new swing set for my brother and a Holly Hobby bed spread and a new bedroom set. I have to go now Buy.  
Love,  
Stacie Hodges

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am going to put a stocking in the house. I am going to live you some cookies and milk and I want you to put some candy in the stocking and I want to bring me this typewriter.  
Love,  
Carmen Castro

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a rubex cube, a Clue game and a uno game and Sorry game.  
Love,  
Maricarmen Rocha

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a barbie house and a rubics cube and some pom poms and new shoes and some new clothes and a new record player, and some new records, and my brother a little car and a new bed spread and a .....  
Love,  
Alicia Gonzales

Dear Santa,  
I want a truck. Bring Derrick a GI Joe. Leslie wants a doll. Vickie wants a CupKee pen. Presents for auntie and Unk. I love santa.  
Ernick Dickson

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a doll, a kitten and roller skates and a snow white watch.  
Christina Mora

Dear Santa,  
I would like a race track, a truck, a Dallas football suit and a bike.  
Love,  
Jay Fred Carson

Dear Santa,  
I would like a soccer ball, a tanker truck, a Dukes of Hazzard car, a pick-up and a football.  
Love,  
Jason Wright

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a tonka-truck. Christy wants toys too. I love you Santa.  
Your friend,  
Sam Landrum

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Pittsburgh football uniform for me, and a jack in the box for my little brother Andy.  
Love,  
Caz

Dear Santa,  
I want a doll pretty cut and grow, bicycle and a bear and Tipie Toes.  
Love,  
Margaret

Dear Santa,  
Would you please bring me a pretty cut and grow, dishes, play cake, dall, ball, room and a table.  
Gloria

Dear Santa,  
I want a ten yoyo and ten skate and ten top and whistle and ten kite and ten bat.  
Antoria Torres

Dear Santa,  
I would like a jump rope and a slinky, a pretty and grow and a cat.  
Love,  
Yolanda Garza

Dear Santa,  
I would like pretty curls, jump rope, basket ball goal, barbie, slinky and a bike. Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Tena

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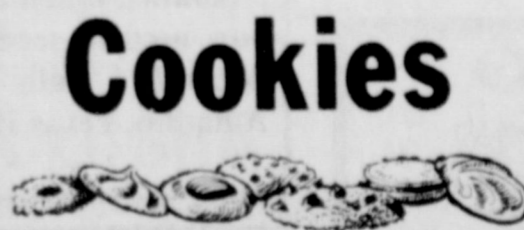
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## Santa Letters

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 Love Jason

Dear Santa,  
 I would like a Pittsburgh watch, a Pittsburgh football and clothes.  
 Love, Dominic Fabela

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I want a doll in a suitcase and a big ber with baby bears for my baby sister. I love you Santa Claus.  
 Love, Patricia Marquez

Dear Santa,  
 Will you bring me skis and a guitar and drums.  
 Ricky Rando

Dear Santa,  
 I have been a good girl this year. I want 1) Easy bake miniwave oven with Bety crocker cake and frosting bake set, 2) Golden Dream Barbie Doll 3) Holly Hobby Day and night 4) Monchhici boy and girl doll 5) numbers up boot skated, 6) Twister a round the world 7) sewing machine Tippy Toes 8) Golden Dream Fashion face.  
 Love Kristen

Dear Santa,  
 Would you please bring me 2 go-carts, 1 c-b, 2 walkie-talkies.  
 Felix Guzman

Dear Santa,  
 I have been a good girl. May I have some toys? This is what I want 1. Boot skates, 2. Tape recorder with some tapes, 3. Rubik's cube, 4. My baby sister a riding toy.  
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 From Nancy  
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 I want a jump rope. And I want a candy cane. I can't wait until Christmas. I wish I could see you. But I can't go to a store right now. I am 8 years old. My name is Cary Harris. I can't wait until I look in my stocking. And then open my presents. Well I guess that's all I have to say.  
 Your friend,  
 Cary Harris  
 Dear Santa Claus,  
 I want a bike and a dall that cries and a barby doll that has lots of clothes and a trampen and sum books and a sweter and sum games. I love you Santa Claus.  
 From Veronica Mejia  
 Dear Santa,  
 Would you please bring me a steam engine and I want my own room and my own walkie talkie. How is mis Claus-and Rudolf and the other reindeers.  
 Max Reed  
 Dear Santa,  
 I want a bick and a boat and a wagon and a crims tree. Meray crims.  
 I love you,  
 Jose

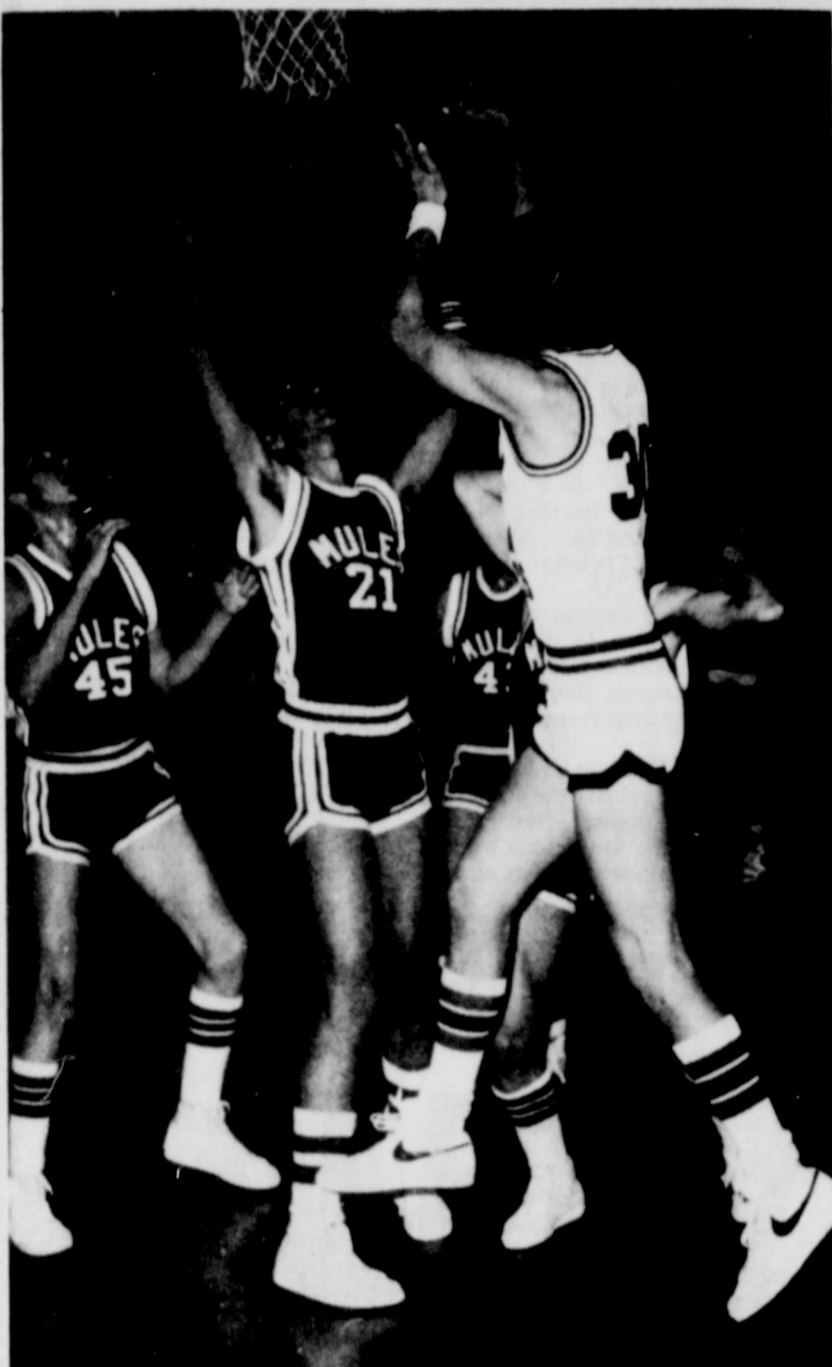
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Christmas Greetings



TWO POINTS...Mark Tucker, in white, is shown shooting for two in a battle against Muleshoe played in Friona's tournament. Tucker was high scorer of the game with 16 points which contributed to Friona's win over the Mules, 43-40. Friona placed third in the tournament.

## Chiefs Win Award At Farwell

Last Thursday, December 17, Friona's Chiefs participated in first round action in Farwell's invitational basketball tournament.

In the first round, Friona was matched up against Texico. The game proved to be a very close one with a surprise ending to all those who attended the game.

The Chiefs trailed Texico through most of the game. However, in the final quarter, with the help of Texico player J. Day who scored two points for the Chiefs, Friona pulled ahead of the Texico team by three points in the final seconds of the game.

This didn't stop the Texico team from winning the game as they scored two more baskets in the final 16 seconds to win the game against the Chiefs, 52-51. It was only the third loss of the season for Friona.

CHIEFS	12	23	39	51
Texico	16	28	41	52

Mike Neill 5-4-14; Rich Malouf 5-1-11; Mark Tucker 1-8-10; Robert Caballero 2-4-8; Joey Howard 3-0-6.

After the upset against Texico, Friona returned to the Farwell tournament Friday, December 18, to score a win over Dimmitt's junior varsity team.

Dimmitt's JV team played a good game against the Chiefs but were just over matched. Mike Neill scored 35 points in the game which was close to half of Friona's final score. It is also the top individual score for Friona this season.

Overall, Friona had a higher free throw percentage, more field goals and more free throws than the Dimmitt team. Friona won the game, 71-53.

CHIEF	25	37	51	71
Dimmitt JV	12	26	38	53

Neill 12-11-35; Tucker 5-3-13; Caballero 2-0-9; Malouf 3-2-8; Howard 1-2-4; Michael Deaton 1-0-2.

In the final round of action in the Farwell tournament, Friona was matched up against Farwell for the consolation trophy. The game was

played on Saturday, December 19. Throughout the game, Friona slowly pulled ahead of the host team of the tournament, winning the game primarily on field goals. The final score of the game was Friona, 52-32.

The Chiefs won consolation the

tournament. Their season record not stands, 11 wins-3 losses.

CHIEFS	9	22	40	52
Farwell	3	16	24	32

Neill 4-2-10; Tucker 5-0-10; Howard 3-2-8; Caballero 4-0-8; Malouf 2-0-4; Charlie Veazey 2-0-4; Nelson Jackson 2-0-4; Mike Chaney 1-0-2; Anthony Brady 1-0-2.

## Star Sets Holiday Schedule

The Friona Star is publishing this issue earlier than usual this week, due to the Christmas holiday.

The special, larger than usual edition contains a number of special feature stories and photographs about Friona residents, along with Christmas greetings from most of the business firms and industries in the Friona area.

Included also, for the 26th consecutive year, is the Project Christmas Card greeting, being featured on Page 1 of section two.

Because of the larger edition than usual, the Star will not publish an edition the weekend of January 2-3, and the office will be closed the week of December 27.

The next edition of the Star will be published the weekend of January 9-10, 1982.

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## Census Info Available In New Publication

If you want to know the 1980 census counts of Houston or Loving County or any other incorporated city, county or metropolitan area, you can find it in the 1982-1983 edition of the Texas Almanac, which is just off the press.

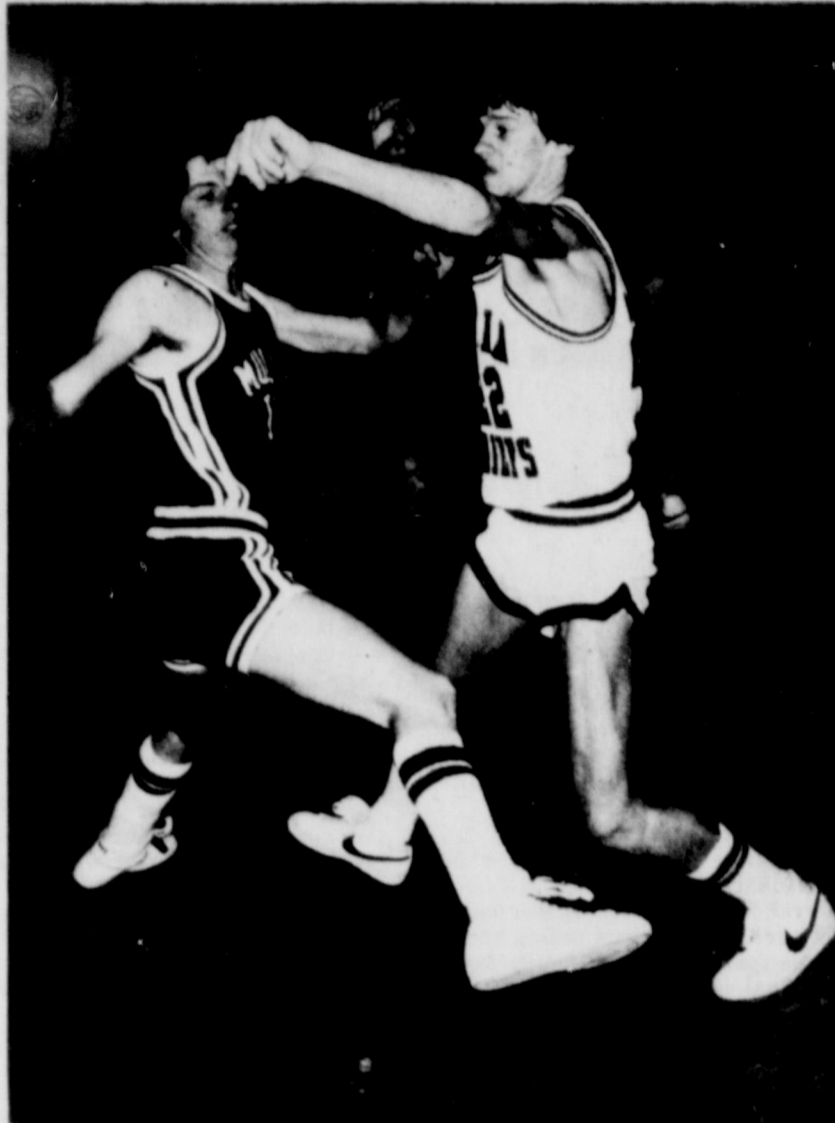
The new edition, published by The Dallas Morning News, features the 1980 Census along with an analysis of Texas' population shifts written by R.L. Skrabanek, professor of sociology and demographer at Texas A&M University. The book also contains tables of 130 years of population growth of Texas cities and counties.

The Almanac also features a special article on East Texas, written by Bob Bowman, author of several books on the region. Titled "East Texas: A Changing Region," Bowman's article says that at first it seems the sleepest of lands—tall-timbered, a gently rolling piece of Texas pushed into its eastern corner, almost more southern than Texas.

"But when you look beyond the verdant forests and saddle-sloped hills, you begin to sense a livelier land—a region being reshaped by industrialization, tourism and an influx of Sunbelt newcomers lured here by a moderate climate, scenic beauty and outdoors ethic..."

West Texas is also featured in a comprehensive article on McDonald Observatory, located in the Davis Mountains. Its author, Mike Kingston, Dallas Morning News editorial page writer, notes that the unpolluted view of the stars available from the observatory makes it one of the top astronomical sites in the world.

Persons who want to know more about Texas are provided a reading guide in a special article, "44 Books About Texas," written by Lee Milazzo, director of University Archives at Southern Methodist University and a book critic of The Dallas Morning News.



LEFT HOOK....Joey Howard appears to be socking the ball, in a good defensive move against the Muleshoe Mules in a game here recently. Muleshoe's Allen Brocey was the intended receiver of the pass. Friona won the game, 43-40.

## Squaws Make Finals In Farwell Tourney

The Farwell tournament re-established the fire in Friona's varsity Squaws, as they placed second in the tournament. The tournament began last Thursday, December 17, when the Squaws battled against Texico.

From beginning to end, the Squaws ruled the game in most areas. Obtaining a higher free throw percentage however may have been the main reason for the two point win over the Texico team.

By the end of the third quarter, Friona had allowed Texico to catch up and tie them, however, this didn't stop the Squaws from winning the game. As Sherry O'Brian obtained her thirteenth point in the game, she also concluded the final score of the game as Friona won against Texico, 42-40.

SQUAWS 15 25 27 42  
Texico 5 18 27 40  
O'Brian 5-3-13; Bermea 4-2-10;  
Hand 2-3-7; Noland 3-1-7; Wenneker  
Jackson 1-1-3; Christie Wiseman  
1-0-2.

After winning against Texico, the Squaws returned to Farwell on Friday, December 18, to play against Dimmitt's Junior Varsity team who had also scored a win the day before.

Dimmitt's JV team proved to be competitive against the Squaws, obtaining a higher free throw percentage than the Friona team. However, Friona's Squaws earned

another win in the tournament after allowing the Dimmitt team to catch up and lead by one point at the end of the third quarter. Friona won the game, 38-35.

SQUAWS 5 18 26 38  
Dimmitt JV 6 18 27 35  
O'Brian 7-2-16; Hand 5-2-12;  
Noland 1-3-5; Bermea 1-1-3; Brockman 1-0-2.

On Saturday, December 19, Friona returned once again to Farwell to compete in the finals of the tournament against Plains. The game was close at the beginning, however, the Plains team pulled away in the third and fourth quarter.

Once again the opposing team had the upper hand in free throw percentages and fouls as the Squaws had the upper hand in field goals.

However, the field goals weren't enough in the final battle of the tournament. Plains won the game, 46-33 as the Squaws had to settle for second in the tournament. Their season record stands, 7 wins, 6 losses.

SQUAWS 8 18 22 33  
Plains 9 19 36 46  
Brockman 5-3-13; Bermea 2-2-6;  
Hand 3-0-6; O'Brian 1-1-3; Noland  
1-0-2; Wiseman 1-0-2.



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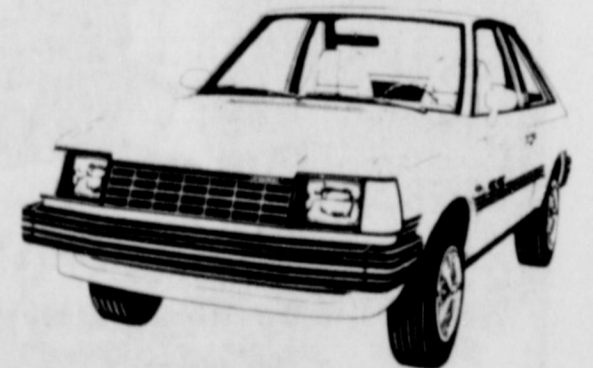
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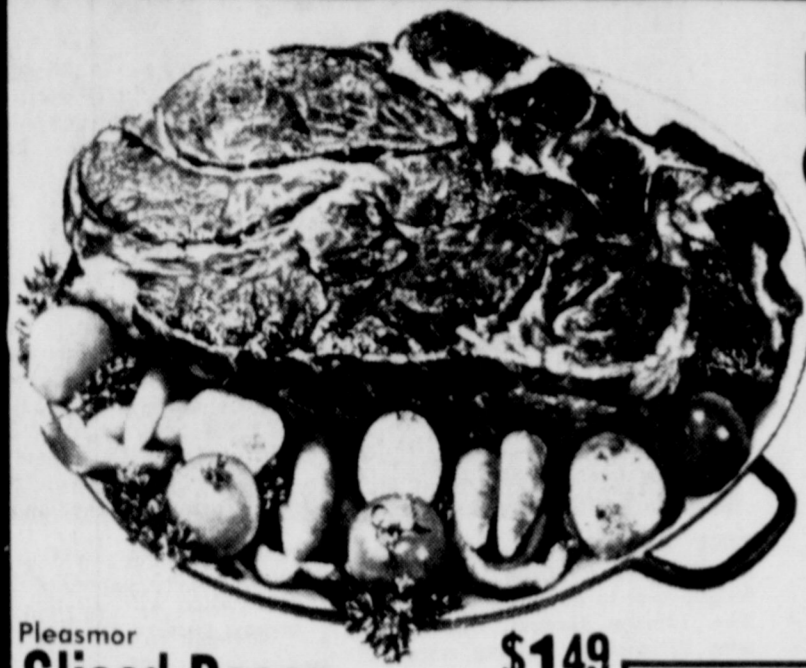
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# Special Tree Is Decorated For Jarecki's Grandchildren

By JUNE FLOYD

Even though a large glittering tree filled with many ornaments, which are of special significance to Florian and Lorraine Jarecki, greets all who enter the Jarecki home at 809 Woodland, the focal point of interest to all nine of their grandchildren is elsewhere.

A small white tree in the west end of the Jarecki's combination bed-sitting room attracts the attention of other visitors, as well as the grandchildren. The only decorations on this tree are red apple shaped ornaments lettered "John," "Jennifer," "Marsha," "Tom," "Brooke," "Heidi," "Joshua," "Jeff" and "M'Kell," and recent pictures of each child.

The traditional Christmas activities begin in the Jarecki home with church services at the nearest Lutheran

Church on Christmas Eve. All the family attends these services and Santa stops at their home before they return.

On Christmas Day the family has a traditional early American turkey and dressing dinner with a large assortment of vegetables, salads and desserts. To this they add Polish sausage. Florian's mother was a native of Poland.

Lorraine Reiken and Florian Jarecki grew up in nearby Nebraska towns. She was born in Platte Center and he was born in Columbus. They attended high school in Platte Center and were married there.

"Moving to Parmer County was Florian's idea and came to me as a complete surprise," Lorraine remembers.

"He had never been to Texas," she went on, "but one of his friends had

met Gilbert Schueler while the two were in service during World War II and wanted to come down to see him. The man was employed and had only a weekend to drive down here and back, so he asked Florian to come along."

He must have liked what he saw. While he was here he made arrangements to go to work on the farm for Raymond Schueler. When he arrived back home, he announced, "We're moving to Texas."

The oldest Jarecki child, Tom, was a first grade student and Debbie, the second, was in kindergarten. They remained in Platte Center with their maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Reiken, who moved to Friona a few years later.

When Florian and Lorraine and the three younger children, Leslie, Pam and Susie, who was only four weeks old, moved to the Rhea Community, they took two days to make the trip and had seven flats on the way.

They spent their first night with Raymond and Lorna Schueler and their three older children, Shirley, Dale and Kathy. The Schueler children had chicken pox at the time and soon all three of the little Jareckis also had chicken pox.

After two or three years Florian rented land and farmed for himself several years. At the present time he is employed by Friona Industries.

Leslie and John are the only ones of the children who live here. Others who plan to spend the Christmas holidays here are Debbie and her husband, Larry Johnson, and their sons, Joshua and Jeff, and Tom and his wife, Penny, and daughter, Brooke, who live in Amarillo.

Also Pam and Mike Steward and daughter, Heidi, of Lamesa, and Susie Peters of Lubbock. Grandmother Reiken will be there too, of course.

During the holiday season Lorraine always has an assortment of Kolaches, a German delicacy, home made candy and other goodies sitting

around just waiting for someone to eat them.

A favorite candy recipe goes like this: 2 pounds sweet chocolate melted and cooled thoroughly. Mix in 1/2 pint whipped cream. Mix together and let stand one or two hours.

Then form in balls and roll in ground nut meats.

Any time the family is together, Lorraine knows Frozen Mint Salad will be welcomed. Her recipe reads thusly: Dissolve one small package lime Jello in 13 oz. crushed pineapple. Chill until mixture is syrupy. Whip 1 pint of cream or two packages of Dream Whip. Add one small package miniature marshmallows and add to above ingredients. Crush 1/8 box of butter mints and add to mixture. Freeze in 11x13x2 Pyrex dish.



TINY TREE...A special tree just for the grandchildren is an extra festive spot in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Florian Jarecki. Decked out with ornaments bearing name of each of the grandchildren, the tree is ready for the big day of Christmas celebration with all the aunts and uncles, cousins and kids.

## Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:

We would like to thank the man from Welch Auto Supply whose first name is Frankie (Editor's note: last name is Allen) and his young son who came out after hours on a cold night December 19, to bring us a part for our pickup so we could continue on our way to our home in Amarillo.

He stayed and helped us get the part on and to get it started. It is so nice to know there are people like him in our world today. Also we would like to thank the lady whose name we do not know for letting a stranger into her home to use the phone and who gave us the name of the man to call and loaned us a flashlight.

To these three we would like to say a big THANK YOU, Merry Christmas and a very happy new year, may God bless you.

Sincerely,  
Jim and Jane Meacham  
Amarillo, Texas

## Winners Named In Contest

Winners in the annual Christmas decorating contest were announced this week by the Friona Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture.

First place went to Sandra Awtry, 1506 Jackson, along with a \$100 cash prize.

Second place, and \$75, went to Virginia Jennings, 1104 Elm Street.

John W. Tannahill, 1615 West 10th Street, placed third, and received a prize of \$50.

Jack Moseley of 1208 Elm Street, was given honorable mention, or fourth place, and received a cash prize of \$25.00.

The Chamber spokesman said the organization wished to thank everyone who decorated, and made the contest a success, along with adding to the festive flavor for the Christmas season.

## Blood Bank Sets Drive

The Coffee Memorial Blood Bank will be at the Community Room of Friona State Bank on Wednesday, January 4 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Bessie Holt, local organizer for the blood drive, said that several local people have used blood and the bank is in need of around 100 pints to replace what has been used.

"The holiday season is the most difficult time for the bank to secure blood, and it is also the time of the heaviest use on an emergency basis," Mrs. Holt said.

An insurance program is available through the blood bank, whereby a pint of blood will insure your immediate family for all the blood needed by them for one year.

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# Here's What Dad & Mom Asked Santa To Bring

**50 YEARS AGO—DEC. 18, 1931**  
Dear Santa,  
I will write and tell you what a good boy I have been, and I like for you to bring a tractor and a farm and a big house on wheels, and don't forget Mary Sue and all the rest of the little folks. So good bye.  
Artie Fallwell

**45 YEARS AGO—DEC. 25, 1936**  
Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a little boy, 8 years old. All I want is a store or barn set, climbing truck, gun and scabbard. Also nuts, candy and fruits. Your little friend.  
Emmett Day, Jr.

**40 YEARS AGO—DEC. 19, 1941**  
Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a good little girl and my little brother Jimmy has been good too.  
Would you please bring me a tricycle and lots of candy. Jimmy

wants a kitty-car and lots of candy too. Your little friend.  
Marie and Jimmy White

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me an electric train and a big boat. If the boat costs too much money, don't bring it. There are five more children out here. Be sure to remember them and all other children.  
Love,  
M.C. Osborn

Dear Santa Claus,  
I think I have been a nice boy, Santa Claus. If you have a steam shovel and a tractor with farming equipment attachments would you please bring it to me. I told Eugenia Rae you would bring her a doll with hair. Your little friend.  
Jim Dixon

**35 YEARS AGO—DEC. 20, 1946**  
Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a little boy four years old and have been pretty good. Please bring me a train, a cap and lots of candy. Don't forget Glenn, Don and Max, my brothers, and don't forget the other little boys and girls in all the world.  
Love,  
Joe Reeve

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a pretty good little boy for a two-year old, so be sure and stop at our house and leave me some of your gifts. I'm so little I don't want much and just about anything you can leave will please me. I love apples, so please leave some of them. I love you Santa.  
Max Reeve

**30 YEARS AGO—DEC. 20, 1951**  
Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you doing? I want a base ball glove, a coat and a watch. Are you going to visit us? I guess I had better go. So I wish you a Merry Christmas.  
Sincerely yours,  
Glendel Jones

Dear Santa,  
I want a costume doll and another doll bed. I have been very good so I'll be expecting you.  
Your friend,  
Luann Hardesty

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a football and a pair of boots. My address is Route 1, Friona, Texas.  
Yours truly,  
Charles Hough

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a large black board to do my home work on and please bring me a BB pistol. Thank you very much.  
Sincerely yours,  
Dale Smith

**25 YEARS AGO—DEC. 25, 1956**  
Dear Santa,  
Please come to see me.  
Becky Coffey

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a blackboard and a bicycle, pair of guns, wagon and nuts and candy. Bring the other boys and girls something too.  
Love,  
Nickie Ray Hand

Dear Santa,  
I am six years old and I am in the first grade. Please bring me a Baby Linda doll and a bunk bed for my dolls. Please remember my sisters and all the other children.  
Love,  
Jan Welch

Dear Santa,  
I am a little girl 7 years old. Please bring me a doll house, a bride dress and a play make-up kit. And don't forget the other children.  
Love,  
Sharen Awrtrey

**20 YEARS AGO—Dec. 21, 1961**  
Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Shirley Temple doll, jump rope, and skates. Remember Jerri and Sharla too.  
Love,  
Debbie Bengt

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. I want a pick-up. I want a truck. I want a filling station.  
With love,  
Carroll Cook

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a portable T.V. and a electric ball game and a bee bee gun and a station set.  
Love,  
Dennis Anthony

Dear Santa Claus,  
I wish I had a piano or a baton. I

would like to have a pair of gloves. Hope the sick children get something nice. I have tried to be good. Please bring my sister and brothers something. My sister is 13 years old, my brother is eight months old. I am nine years old.  
Love,  
Debra Wyly

**15 YEARS AGO—DEC. 22, 1966**  
Dear Santa,  
I want a Johnny Eagle Red River gift set and a Walki Talki.  
Love,  
Mark Neill

Dear Santa,  
I am a little boy six years old. Please bring me a Captain Action, and some clothes for him. I also want a camera and radio. If you have any Johnny Speed race cars left I would like one. I will take anything you want to leave for me. Thank you so much.  
Jay Jarboe

Dear Santa Clause,  
I want a bicycle and a baton and 9 little kittens. And my brother would like some building blocks and a teddy bear. Milli would like a doll and a little dog.  
Love,  
Melodi Dixon

Dear Santa,  
I want a Johnny Egl. I love you.  
Glen London

**10 YEARS AGO—DEC. 23, 1971**  
Dear Santa,  
Please bring me an air gun with a scope, and please bring me a 22 gun and a recorder and bring Mrs. Herring a car.  
Love,  
Trent Johnson

Dear Santa,  
I am 4 years old. I have tried to be a good girl. Please bring me a baby tender love doll, a big trycle, a play school mail box and a red purse. Also some fruit and nuts.  
I love you,  
Tammi Dawn Kelley

Dear Santa Claus,  
Do you know what a King Arthur

castle is? Well I want a King Arthur castle and I love you.  
Love,  
Andy Fleming

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been good and I want a bike and a babby tinder love. I will sher with my sister.  
Love,  
Gwendolyn Maurer

**5 YEARS AGO—DEC. 25, 1976**  
Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a Weeble's haunted house, a doctor's kit, a Fisher Price play school and a dolly.  
Love,  
Kelley Cash

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a new doll, and a book, and a puzzle. And a stuffed ananimal, and T.V. magic. I hope you have a happy Christmas!  
Love,  
Lacye Osborn

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Evil Kneivel and

a nerf football, a race car track and a helicopter.  
Thank You,  
Kevin Frye

Dear Santa,  
I want a Johnny West and his horse, and a bicycle and a Steve Austin repair station and a Evil Kneivil stunt cycle. I want a jaws game also.  
I love you,  
Reese Hand

## Rebekah Lodge Holds Annual Xmas Meeting

The Friona Rebekah Lodge held their annual Christmas meeting and dinner on Monday, December 21. After dinner was served, members filled 27 bowls with fruit, nuts, candy and cookies to deliver to local shut-ins, visit with them and wish them a merry Christmas. This is an annual project for the Rebekah Lodge.

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Love,  
Sandie Garza  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I would really like a 12 speed and some cars.  
Merry Christmas,  
Fred Harris  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I would like a ten speed. And a timothy-bear and a marry go round stroler. A pair of ice skates.  
Merry Christmas,  
Love Mendi Wilson  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
The best things I want is a Barbie Doll and a umbrella. A dolls house a dolls car and a roller skates. And a picture of you and the deer and a trampoline. Merry Christmas to you and the deers and your wife. Merry Christmas, I love you Santa and you love me. Merry Christmas. From Sandra Ann Garcia. I love you Santa and your wife and your deers and your sled, good by.  
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For Santa Claus,  
I wat a doll and a ball.  
Laura Coronado  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I would really like My Pretty Pony and Western Barbie. I want a twirling suit and the Littles doll house. Have a Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Amy Knowles  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike and boots. I want a Ken Barbie doll sweater and a trampoline and Barbie Make-up. Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Amy Lin Rapp  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I want a Cowboy Gun. And I also want a Spider-Man and a toy pony. I am a boy. Merry Christmas.  
David Garcia  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I want a football and a unufum and helmet. I wood like a Rubies Cube. Burnout Alley. Criss Cross Cash. Roller Skates. I love you.  
Merry Christmas,  
Chris Aguirre Fabela  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I would like a play oven and glamour doll.  
Thank You,  
Gene  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Dukes of Hazzard set and car and a bike.  
Marion  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I would like Tippy toes, jump rope, doll house, bike, and slinky. My first Barbie and cards. Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Gena Willard  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I want you to bring me some boots, clothes, a doll and skates.  
I love you,  
Missy Ortiz  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Jessica and I am 4 years old. I am really excited about Christmas this year and can hardly wait until you get here. Please bring me a little bicycle, a bathtime baby, and a play doctor medical kit. I have tried to be a good little girl this year. I will leave you some cookies and milk. Please remember all the other littl boys and girls, especially my big sister, Jennifer and my little cousin, Eric.  
Love you Santa,  
Jessica Smith  
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Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a racetrack, a football and a bat.  
Name Randy  
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Dear Santa,  
I want a bike and green jeep and the dorse will open with Dayze and two plect cars and I want a little cucin to fent in ondr a crade tabble.  
From Timothy Clark  
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Dear Santa,  
I want a Tippy toe doll for Christmas. Well you get it for my Santa and I want a tape recorder for chrisymas well you get it for my santa. I love Santa.  
Melissa Rubio  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I want a burnout Alley. And a Derby Queen. Merry Christmas Santa.  
Love,  
Louis Abeyta  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I want a doll and a bike. And some skates and some books about you and teanes and pretty cuts and grows. And a Barbie Doll with a pool, and some makeup and a trampoling and a Rubies Cupe. And a stocking with some candy.  
Noelia Medina  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I want a remote control Army tank. And a new football, and a burnout Alley. And a Derby Queen. Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Ryan Sifford  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I want a trampoline and a Strawberry Short Cake Rag-Doll. I would like a Barbie Doll house and a TV. Merry Christmas. Thank you Santa.  
Love,  
Shawn Cole  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
You no what I wold like to have train car Case. Criss Cross Crash Dukes off Hozard set and Be gun Football soot Doll cowboys.  
Merry Christmas,  
Gavin Ellis  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Greg. I'm seven years old. I would like an electric trucking set. And I would like a backhoe, Dallas couboy helmet. And a football, and a watch with batery. And please bring my brother something.  
Merry Christmas,  
Love Greg Salyer  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Ken Barbie Doll. And a 3-speed, and a trampoline that is round. And a Marvelous Marvin.  
Love,  
Allison Walker  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
A Barbie Doll with clothes and Makeup Strawberry Short Cake Tippy Toes, a telephone and dishes. I lov you so much.  
Merry Christmas,  
Charlotte Paiz  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I would like a play oven and sewing mochind and I promise to be nice to my momie and daddy and sisters. I wish my grandma a Merry Christmas and a New Year.  
Belinda Bautista  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I want three tracts one for my 2 year old brathr and one for my 4 yr old brather and one for me. This is from Auturo G. to Santa Claus.  
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Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been spechle good this yire. Pless sined me a pretty cut and grow and a mochehc doll and a perr of sckats and a bick, see and tell and frech and fance and some boots and pless have a Happy Merry Christmas.  
Melissa Hand  
\*\*\*\*\*

Santa,  
Please come and see me, and bring me some toys. By Santa.  
Juan Bautista  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a big dump truck and a chevrolet stomper and two hot wheels traler trucks. And a hot wheels city. And a diging set and a set of trucks and a rough rider car.  
Jeff L. Schueler  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I want a Barbie doll a big doll with long hair. I want some roller skates and some Tippy Toes.  
I love you,  
Angelica Lopez  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I want a Strawberry Shortcake doll and a bike and a Strawberry shot cake watch and a Strawberry watch that hangs on the wall and close. And a Barbie Doll and a swimming pull and posters. Can I have a picture of you and raindeers pleas and a tramplein and a chokbord with chok and fat books and a doll house. Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Veronica Estrada  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I would really like to have an Eagle football suit, a remote control car, motorcycle, and truck driver toy, dirt bake racing toy, 10-speed roll derby Criss Cross Crash. Burnout Alley. Merry Christmas Santa.  
Love,  
Robert  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a doll that walks. I love you Santa.  
Vicki Guzman  
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# Special Magician Program Teaches Bible To Children



GIGGLES, THE CLOWN, and her sidekick, Chuckles, would be better known to Friona friends and relatives as Sandra Brock Roots, now living in Greenland, Arkansas.

Mrs. Roots uses her clown act as part of a magic, puppet and clown presentation for Christian children's ministry, with her husband, Rev. L.C. Roots.

What do magic, puppets and a clown have to do with Biblical gospel? For L.C. and Sandra Roots, everything. They have an act which combines the talent of magician L.C. Roots and the puppeteering and clowning of Sandra to present the message of Jesus Christ to children.

L.C. Roots has been involved in the ministry for years and is currently the pastor of the Baptist Church in Greenland, Arkansas. He and Sandra have been married 23 years and have four children, two grown daughters and two younger sons. Mrs. Roots is the former Sandra Brock and is the daughter of Mrs. Laverna Parr of Friona, and a 1956 graduate of Friona High School.

The couple take their acts to revivals, children's crusades, Vacation Bible Schools, camps and occasional birthday parties. Sandra's puppets and clown build up to L.C.'s magic act and the real message of the presentation. They also use visual arts such as slide stories and flannel graphs to present the story of Jesus Christ.

Giggles, the clown, is the newest addition to the ministry. Sandra dons her flaming red wig, two and one-half inch red eyelashes and clown suit, arms herself with her can of spring snakes and ketchup bottle full of red yarn ketchup, gathers up her sidekick, Chuckles, and takes on a new personality. The transformation takes about an hour.

Clowning is not so simple as putting on make-up, however. Clowns must always be in character while they are in clown face, Sandra said.

They answer only to their clown name, even to their own children, and out of clown face will not admit to her audience that she was Giggles, the clown.

During one performance, Mrs. Roots said she wore a pair of her street shoes with the clown costume. The next time she appeared, out of make-up, one very observant child spotted the shoes and announced that she was the clown. Since that time,

she said, she has been careful to change shoes after performing. She has also ordered a special pair of clown shoes to complete the costume.

Giggles is an August clown. Her face is not entirely covered with white greasepaint. Only five per cent of all clowns are August clowns and five per cent are hoboes. The remaining 90 per cent are whiteface clowns. Mrs. Roots believes that the August clown face works best with children because some facial skin shows. Children are more frightened by the stark white face.

Giggles is a speaking clown as opposed to the totally silent mime clowns. Mime clowns tend to have more trouble with harassment, Sandra explained, and must always have someone with them. Children are often frustrated by the silence and

will try to make the clown speak by hitting or kicking them. Mrs. Roots said that she has never had any trouble with the kids in her audience.

Although there is a lot of fun involved in what they do, and although the children are delighted

with their act, L.C. and Sandra emphasize that the important thing is the message. "I use my magic to present my message," he said. Their goal is to provide professional quality entertainment with a Christian impact.

## Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa,

All I want is a roderamer and the ducks of hazzard car and three Burny-kee car and Oporachon.

Love,  
Michael Guerra

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a race track, football and smoky suit.

Love,  
Javien

Dear Santa,

I want a Team America, and a Caster Master and the Dukes of Hazzard barn bustur. Rubix quib.

Wesley Drake

Dear Santa,

I want a truck and a motorcycle. A car with a Key. I been good. I love you.

Derrick Dickson

## Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,

I want a game of checkers, and my brother wants a rocking horse. And then my sister Maria wants a hair roller. And my other sister wants a dimen nickels and my sister wants a rolling cart.

Your friend,  
Junior Silva

Dear Santa,

How are you doing, I am doing ok, I want a Barbe house, and Barbe clothes and some Barbe shoses, and some Barbe boots. I have hearing problem I wear a hearing aid. I want some skates.

Thank you,  
From Annabell

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# Thompson Family Celebrates With Several Unable To Attend

By JUNE FLOYD

When Santa Claus gets ready to fill stockings at the home of Dave and Beth Thompson, who live at 1609 West Tenth Street, he will find more than one half the family missing. Jolly Old St. Nick traditionally visits the Thompson home on Christmas Eve.

A special Christmas breakfast is first on the agenda the following day. After breakfast, as the family sings carols, the gifts are opened.

This year's roll call will include the names of Dave and Beth; Davey and Pam Thompson and their four sons, Brandon, Tawney, Jeffery and Davis, who live on a farm between here and Bovina; Jeane Thompson, a third year law student at Texas Tech

University, Lubbock; and John Robert Hodges, who lives here.

Also Craig and Vaughn Ann Hodges and daughters, Lauren and Emily, of Burleson, Texas.

Absentees will include James Glen and Barbara Hodges and children, Rhonda, Scheid, John J. and Andy, who live in Anchorage, Alaska; and Dinah and Max Thompson (Dinah was named Thompson before and after her marriage) and children, Cary, Randy and Tracy, of Watsonville, California.

Also, Jim and Marsha Thompson Cline and children, Rhett, Tara and Ashley, who live in Denver, Colorado; and Terry Thompson of Lafayette, Louisiana, who is

employed by Amni Oil Corporation and works on a drilling rig in the Gulf of Mexico.

Beth prefers red, white and green Christmas decorations and uses hand made red and white checked ribbon bows and white hand made decorations on her tree each year. This year she has carried the red and white theme a little bit farther and has used checked wrapping paper and red or white ribbon bows for her packages. Most of her decorations have been made or selected by members of her family.

Beth, whose parents were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hoskins, missed being a native Texan by a few city blocks. She was born in Texhoma, Oklahoma, and moved to Spearman at the age of three.

Her father opened the first bank in the Hansford County Capital at the beginning of the Borger oil boom. At the time it was the closest bank to the field.

After graduating from Spearman High School, Beth enrolled at West Texas State University, Canyon, from which she holds a bachelor's degree with an elementary education major.

Dave, a Hale County native, grew up in Plainview and attended Baylor University, Waco.

At the time of the couple's marriage, both of them were active members of Plainview's First Baptist Church. She was managing a dress shop there and he was a farmer.

The Thompson family moved to a farm between Friona and Bovina from Hale County in 1962. Ten years later they built their present home and moved into it.

Since they moved to Parmer County, they have both been very active in the work of Friona's First Baptist Church. She teaches a Bible class in the singles department and both of them sing in the choir.

She's also a member of the City Council and Modern Study Club and is a long time employee of Ruthie's.

Dave is a saxophone player and performs in a musical group at

various community functions. He's a farmer and livestock man and holds membership in the Sugar Beet Growers Association of Texas and in the Corn Growers Association.

One of the Thompson family's favorite holiday foods is Graham Cracker Roll.

Combine one box of graham crackers, one half pint whipping cream, one package miniature marshmallows, one box of chopped dates and one cup of chopped pecans.

Crush crackers with a rolling pin. Add marshmallows, dates and nuts. Pour in whipping cream and work all ingredients together.

Shape in long roll and roll in dry cracker crumbs. Wrap in waxed paper then in damp cloth. Refrigerate.


Slice and serve with whipped cream.



**BUSY LADY....**Mrs. Dave Thompson is shown here as she conducted part of the Christmas Homes Tour for Modern Study Club on December 13. In between church, club and civic duties, Beth has found time to create a loving and festive atmosphere in her home for the Christmas season.



**CHRISTMAS CONCERT....**Members of the High School Band are shown as they performed their annual Christmas Concert last Sunday under the direction of James Whitis. It was the first function to be held in the newly-reddecorated Junior High Auditorium. The renovation was not completely finished at the time of the concert but it is scheduled to be completed soon.



May the joys of the season  
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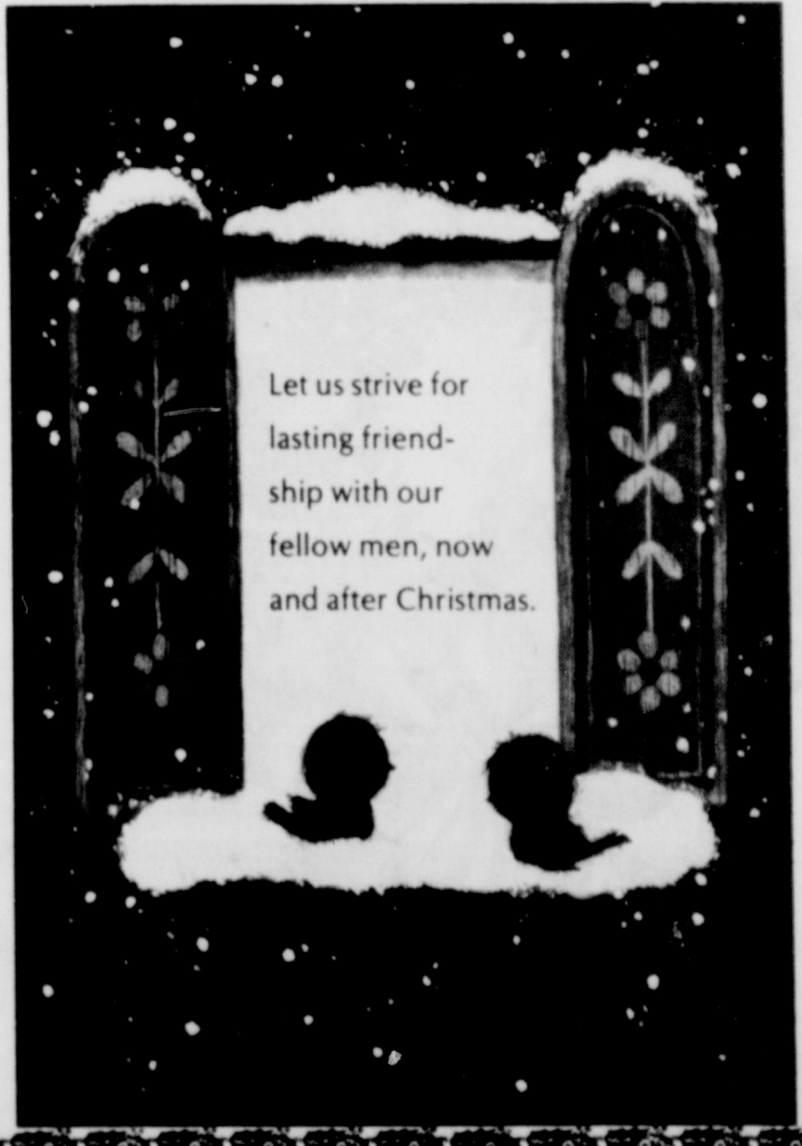
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fellow men, now  
and after Christmas.

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CHRISTMAS EVE

# Entire Brockman Family Attends Midnight Mass

By JUNE FLOYD

The six Christmas stockings hanging near the fireplace in the den of the home of Tommy and Pat Brockman and children at 1132 Etta will be filled on Christmas Eve for the couple's six children.

They are Lisa, 17, a high school senior; Cara, 16, a high school junior; Laura, 14, a high school freshman; Jennifer, 12, a sixth grade student; Nathan, 8, a third grade student; and Valerie, 7, a second grade student.

Pat Norris, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Norris of Dimmitt, grew up in Castro County and graduated from Dimmitt High School. She also attended West Texas State University, Canyon, before her marriage to Tommy Brockman, who also grew up in Castro County. He is the son of Mrs. Ed Brockman and the late Ed Brockman and a graduate of Nazareth High School.

The first few years the Brockmans were married they lived on a farm near Nazareth and farmed. They moved to Friona in 1974 and established Brockman Sales, a firm which retails new automobile parts and supplies and is located at 509 West Eleventh Street.

Pat is employed in the Friona Independent School system as an aide to Myrna Cain in the Plan A Program. This is her second year in this position. Her hobby is embroidery work of all kinds.

Christmas festivities in the Brockman home begin with an early dinner with Pat's parents on Christmas Eve. This meal includes turkey with dressing, vegetables, salads and Lisa's pumpkin pies for dessert.

The entire family attends Midnight Mass together at St. Teresa's Catholic Church.

On Christmas morning gifts are opened and the family spends the day together at home.

Then, the following day, the eight Friona Brockmans go to Nazareth for a big family get together. Tommy's



**BROCKMAN FAMILY....** Shown above are the eight members of the Tommy Brockman family. They are, back row, left to right,

Valerie, Tommy, Pat and Nathan. In the back row, standing, left to right, are Cara, Lisa, Laura and Jennifer.

mother has seven children, fifty grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Pat says, "It is one big get together and all of us look forward to attending each year. No one in the family wants to miss it. We used to have it in the Brockman home, but since there are so many of us, we've had to move to a larger building and rent a hall in Nazareth."

All the children sing the praises of Daddy as a popcorn ball maker. He pops the corn and makes the syrup then lets the children assist in making the balls.

His recipe for the syrup goes like this:

- 1-1/3 cups sugar
- 1 stick oleo
- 1/2 cup Karo
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- 3/4 cup water

4 teaspoons vinegar

1/2 teaspoon soda  
Combine all ingredients except soda and cook to hard boil stage. Add soda and pour over popcorn. Form into balls.

Pat must be a real good teacher. She reports, "Our girls do most of the cooking, put up the Christmas tree and decorate it and decorate the house."

For her pumpkin pies, Lisa uses the following trick. Substitute Eagle Brand milk for liquid called for in any pumpkin pie recipe.

Any time you combine five girls, one boy, a mother and a daddy with a sense of purpose in life and some humor, you're bound to come up with a top notch family, whatever the season of the year, and the Brockman family is no exception to this rule.

# Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa,

I would like swimming pool, roller skates, 4x4 set, tanker truck, Dukes of Hazzard race cars pick-up 10 Dart Gun.

Clint Hurst

Dear Santa,

I would like a pretty cut and grow doll, and a slinky. I want a Sit and Spin, and a Hungry Hypo. I am in the First Grade and I have been a good girl. My Name is Annie Parr.

Dear Santa,

I would like a magical Thing and a Major Morgen and the Pumpkin farm.

Bianca Burkett

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a Gimme 5 game. And a bike. And the Tippy Tose Doll, and a play Kake and my father wanted some candy.

Love,  
Melinda Ramos

Dear Santa Claus,

I want make up yourself and some boots and a bike no training wheels.

Ida Mercado

Dear Santa,

I would like a record player, roller skates, Pretty cut and Grow dolls, lite brite, jump rope, underoos 3 candy canes, slinky, Flip 'n fold fashions.

Julie Bracken

Dear Santa,

I want a pretty Cut and Grow doll, a snoopy tent and a laughing doll. I also need a cheerleader outfit. I love yo. My name is Jessica Parr and I live at Black, Texas.

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a pickup that the wheels come off of, and a train set. Please bring my sisters some presents too. I've been a pretty good boy. Hope you have a nice Christmas.

Love,  
Lony E.

Dear Santa,

I would like pretty cut and grow Barbie Make-up Barbie Van Barbie house Barbie pool sit-n-spin slinky pretty curls hungry hippo dolly pops dress show play oven cleerleading skirt pompoms skipbo cards witch buggy tapes for my atari and a baby bottle.

Love,  
Renee

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a Tippy Toe doll Barbie clothes one pare of janes socks and a baton.

Love,  
Deanna Ellis

Dear Santa,

Please bring me Golden Dream Barbie, Operation, Teddy Bear, Bicycle Doll house cube puzzle, baby doll smerff record, a watch, penguin and lemon earrings, Miss Piggy Bag.

Love,  
Jennifer Lamb

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# Holiday Cheer



*'Tis the season... never a Christmas morning, never the old year ends, but someone thinks of someone, old days, old times, old friends.  
May all the joys of the past, return again this happiest of times... Christmas!*

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# Keep Eye Safety In Mind

When shopping for children's holiday gifts, beware of those that pose threats to eyes, cautions the Texas Society to Prevent Blindness.

More than 5,000 eye injuries were linked to toys last year, and nearly two-thirds of these accidents were suffered by children under the age of fifteen. BB guns, darts and bows and arrows—"toy weapons"—were responsible for hundreds more injuries.

"Ninety per cent of all eye injuries

are preventable," notes Elvin Schofield, President of the Texas Society. "Safety-conscious adults can protect children from eye damage—or even the loss of an eye—by picking toys and games carefully and by teaching youngsters how to respect toy hazards and their own safety."

"Holiday gifts hopefully will bring children many hours of enjoyment without jeopardizing their well-being," Mr. Schofield added. Playthings with projectiles have been

proven dangerous to eyes and should be avoided. A U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission survey of hospital emergency rooms indicates that children under 15 were the victims of eye injuries predominantly from slingshots or sling-propelled toys, toy guns and other toy weapons with projectiles, and gas, air or spring-operated guns.

Eye damage also can result from toys and games with less apparent hazards. Building sets, skateboards and battery-operated toys were a few of those responsible for eye injuries to children last year, primarily children under 15. In some cases, the child may be too young to handle a toy. Often, too, play gets rough, and youngsters accidentally hurt themselves or playmates.

Most of these eye injuries happen, reports the Society, when children are not supervised. It's very important that parents show their children how to use their gifts properly. Does the child understand how to use the toy? Does he or she take a "harmless" toy and make it dangerous, for example, by pulling rubber tips off darts? Do older children keep their more complicated toys out of reach of younger brothers and sisters? When dangers are explained, does the child acknowledge and avoid them?

\*For a free copy of "Play It Safe—Your Child's Eyes Are At Stake," which contains important advice for parents to protect children's eyesight, send a stamped, self-addressed, business-size envelope to the Texas Society to Prevent Blindness, P.O. Box 20/20, Houston, Texas, 77019. The Texas Society to Prevent Blindness is an affiliate of the National Society to Prevent Blindness, the nation's oldest voluntary health organization dedicated to sight conservation.

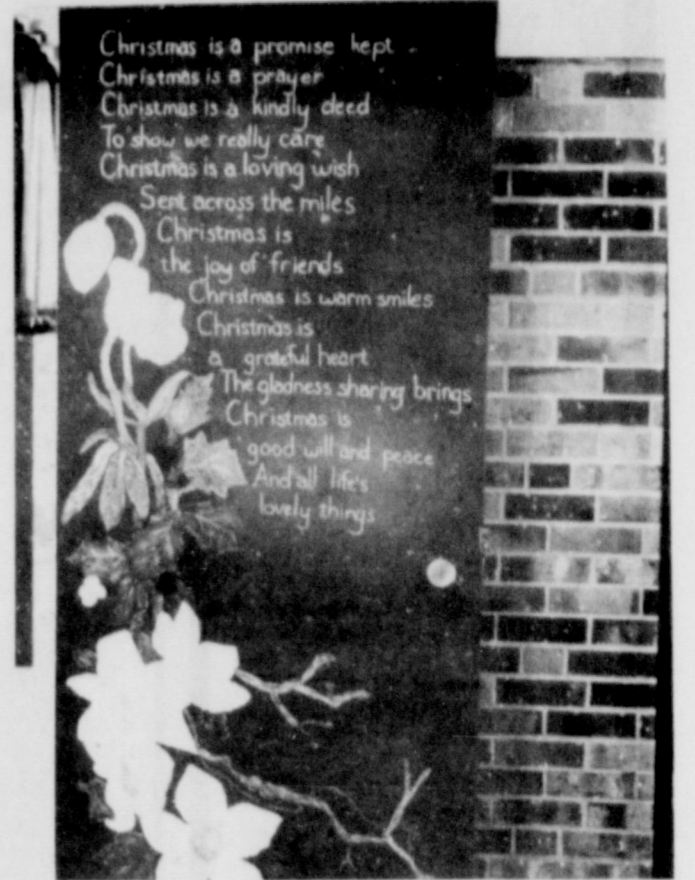
## Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike and a swimming pool. I want a happy Christmas. I want a baby doll that can walk. I want a hair brush.

Love,  
Ella Sue Wilkerson



**FIRST PLACE DOOR....**The annual Staff at Friona High School took first place in the school's yearly Christmas Door Decorating Contest with this heart-warming message and artistic painting.



**FORENSICS DOOR....**Members of the Forensics Club at Friona High School put together this artistic door design for the school's annual Christmas door decorating contest. The club took second place honors with their door.

## Santa Letters

Dear Santa,

Toys, a little doll, fancy make-up, and a dolly Tippy-Toes, and a radio. Michelle and Jessica have been good. I want a piano and clay-dough. Good-bye Santa Claus.

Celsa Rodriguez

Dear Santa,

Hello! My name is Tommy and I live on a farm. My friends are Josh, Michael and Farrah. I want you to bring me a gun-thing. That's all.

Love,  
Tommy Dalton

Dear Santa,

I want a race truck, some brand new play cars, a race car that goes to the race track. Can I come see you? And my own chalkboard. And that's all.

Goodbye,  
Adam Neugebauer

Dear Santa,

How you doing? I want a Barbie dollhouse and Tippy-Toes and I want the set to the Barbie doll house. I want Strawberry Shortcake set and doll and the smurf dolls. I love you Santa.

Poppy Grimsley



**TREBELAIRES....**Friona's girls vocal group is now in its 25th year of entertaining for local and area civic functions. The girls have been busy during this Christmas season as they sang for clubs, churches and school Christmas programs. Standing in the back row, left to right are: Heather Fortenberry, Patti Hinton, Stephanie Miller and Christy Benge. Middle row: Sandy Spring, Rhnea White, Celia O'Brian and Faith Ann Wright. Seated on the front row are Darla Butler and Amber Smith. Director of the group is Linda Murphree and the pianist is Lucy Beth Hinkle.




## Blessings *at* Christmas

Once again, hearts are lifted in hope and joy, renewed by the message of Christmas. Let us be glad!



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## Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa,  
I have tried to be a good girl and help my mom. I would like to have a typewriter, a cassette recorder, a Gerber baby doll and some Barbie and Ken things. Thank you for my toys you left last year.

I love you Santa,  
Kris

Dear Santa,  
My name is Mac Fields. I am three years old. I have been a good boy this past year. I would like for you to bring me Dukes of Hazzard hot wheels cycle, Lite Brite and big fire truck. Hope you have a safe trip, and I will leave you some goodies out to snack on.

Love you,  
Mac Fields

Dear Santa Claus,  
We have been good little girls. I'm in kindergarten and Amanda is three years old. I want a Kissing Barbie, Barbie Townhouse, clothes and a game. Amanda wants a crying baby, make up kit and clothes. Please bring all the other boys and girls their wishes too.

Love you,  
Amy and Amanda Taylor



**OFFICE STAFF....**This fetching door decoration done by the office staff took Honorable Mention in the annual Christmas door decorating contest at Friona High School this season.



**FHA DOOR....**A sweet Christmas wish is portrayed on the door at Friona High School which was decorated by the members of FHA. The club received honorable mention in the school's annual decorating contest.

## Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa,  
I want a tippy toes doll and some skates and a new purse and a pretty ring and a rainbow pillow to go on my bed and a rubix cube.

I love you Santa,  
Terri Loafman

Dear Santa,  
For my Christmas I'd like a watch and a pair of ear rings for my sister Misty, and I would like a cheerleading set. My brother Corben would like a stick horse. Thank you.

Love,  
Janet

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a bicycle and some skates. I am 6 years old, and I have tried to be a good girl. Please bring Mitchell and Tracey something too. Thank you for the things you brought last year. We will leave you some cookies and milk.

I love you,  
Trisha Gibson

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a race track and a play gun.

Thank you,  
Chris Clifton



Hope your holidays are just heavenly! Greetings to all!

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## Best Wishes

May the Spirit of Christmas bless you and yours and bring you the Joys of the Season.

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## Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa,  
My name is Jennifer, and I am almost eight years old. I will be eight by Christmas. Please bring me a Merlin, a Baby Tippi Toes, a sewing machine, and a Strawberry Shortcake doll. I have really tried to be good. We will be visiting my grandma and grandpa at Christmas, so please come a little early this year. Please remember all my friends especially my little sister, Jessica and my little cousin, Eric.

I Love You Santa,  
Jennifer Smith

Dear Santa,  
I want a Dukes of Hazzard set and a Dallas cowboy watch.

Your Friend,  
Michael

Dear Santa,  
I want a dog and a kitty cat and a doll. For my sister Laura I want a Santa Claus toy to put on her walker. My name is Sarah Parr. I love you.

Dear Santa,  
I would like a puppy, a doll house and some fish. I would also like a Barbie make-up set. And some stuffed-up animals.

Love,  
Jessica Alvarado

Dear Santa,  
I want a Barbie set and a Barbie, a tape recorder, the tap! Another one Bites the Dust and Rapture.

April Bush

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a Strawberry bicycle and a talking telephone. I am 3 years old and I am nice most of the time. Please bring Trisha and Mitchell something too. We will leave you some cookies and milk.

I love you,  
Tracey Gibson  
P.S. Thank you for the toys you brought last year.

Dear Santa,  
I want a wrist racer, a plastic train with a wagon and then I want a falcon. It is in the Star Wars collection and then a few more Star Wars, and an Atari and then I want Space Invaders, Asteroids, missile command, football and baseball.

Your Friend,  
Shannon

Dear Santa,  
I want a star wars sitem and a rough rider and I want to give my dad a watch a gold one. I want a key car a easy piona book one of thoes big elitres truk that you can get in a four wheel drive and for my mom a miss piggy doll. Santa I love you and give me lots of things.

Love,  
Richie Ellis  
P.S. I want to give Stan a four wheel drive pickup. And for the hole famly a van.

## School Lunch Menu

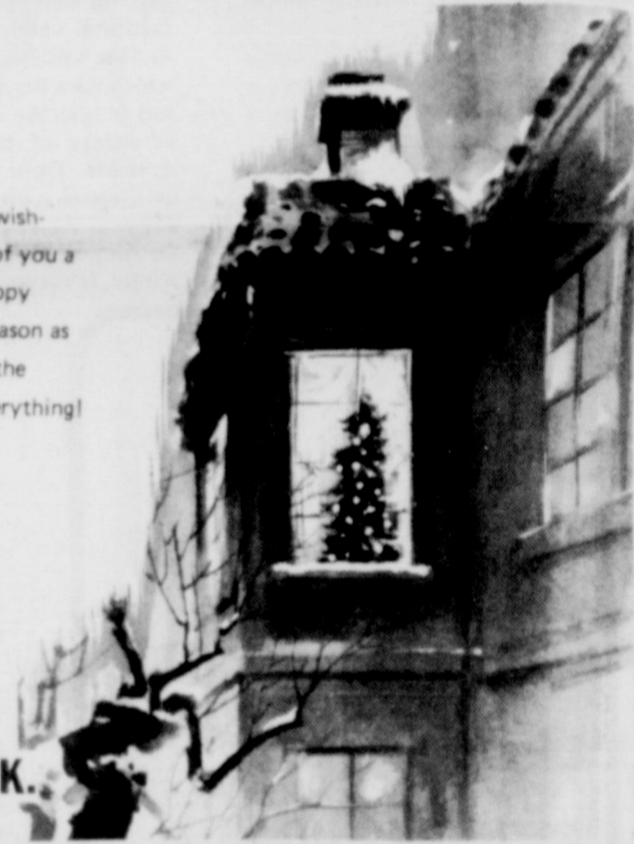
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TUESDAY--Fried chicken, potatoes, gravy, blackeyed peas, hot rolls, cookies and milk.  
WEDNESDAY--Frito pie, pinto beans, mixed greens, cornbread, fruit and milk.  
THURSDAY--Meat loaf, corn, peas, hot rolls, pudding and milk.  
FRIDAY--Bar-B-Q on bun, pork and beans, potato chips, buns, fruit and milk.

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"Traditionally, excessive speed and alcohol are the leading violations that cause holiday traffic accidents," said Major C.W. Bell, Regional Commander of the Texas Department of Public Safety, Region 5. Because of this, special emphasis will be placed on these violators during the holiday season and all DPS personnel will make a special effort to try and reduce this needless waste of lives.

Major Bell noted that Texas is running six per cent above last year in traffic fatalities, and a new record was set last year when 4,424 persons were killed. Last year in Texas he stated someone died in a traffic accident on an average of one each hour and 59 minutes, and someone was injured every 2 minutes and 50 seconds. "There is no excuse for this waste of human lives and human suffering," he stated.

This time of year should be a happy and joyous time. For most people it will be—but for others it will be a tragic time because of an accident.

Major Bell concluded by saying, "Most of these tragic traffic deaths could be prevented if the motorist would use good judgment and obey traffic laws."



**HOBO DEPOT....**In the late 1800's and early 1900's water tanks such as these, which are just west of Black, were often times called the "Hobo Depot." This designation came about as a result of men who wanted to "ride the rails," knowing trains would be stopped at all water tanks along enough to take on water required to make steam to keep the engines running. The five inch well which supplied the water, was equipped with a one cylinder motor and the building housed equipment for treating the water to remove chemicals, which were damaging to the steam engines. The duty of a full time employee was to keep the well running and the tanks filled. Local young men often took advantage of the freight trains to provide transportation to and from Amarillo. These tanks were probably erected in the early 1900's and were used until diesel motors replaced steam engines. Later they were sold to Ranza Boggess. Water tanks such as these inspired the late Jimmy Rogers to compose the song which included these words, "All around the water tank, waiting for a train, ten thousand miles away from home, sleeping in the rain."

### \*\*\*\*\* Santa Letters \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,

All I want is a small tape recorder for Christmas. And a pair of shoes mine are tering. And a walet and the game simon. And the game scrable.

Love, Melissa Guerra  
Merry Christmas to all.

Dear Santa,

I would like a trampalen and a doll that would cry and a Dallas the horse and the westren barbe.

Love,  
Nancy

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a toy Bruce Lee, and a Car Stop Police.

Love,  
Dathan Romero

Dear Santa,

I want a glove I want a fire truck I want a coat I want a suit I want a basketball I want a knife I want a radio I want colers.

Love,  
Warren

Dear Santa,

I want a go car, a stereo, race track, and a Dukes of Hazzard car.

Love,  
Wayne Jackson

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a Sto N Go Set and a Matchbox City Garage. Have a Happy Christmas.

Love,  
Ismael Castaneda

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a real football suit, a rifle and a pistol set.

Love,  
Curtis Brady

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a doll name Tipping toes or a tape recorder or the game name sorry one or anather but I want a tape recorder more and Tipping toe's than sorry please bring them to. I go in third grade.

From Jose Trevino

Dear Santa,

I want a slay and a bike and I want a rubiks cube for Christmas.

Love,  
Larry



Joey

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### Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus,

I love you very much. I am 4 years old and have been a very good boy.

I love mama and daddy too. Please bring me a pick-up that has tires to change and a race track, and a little gun, with some play bullets.

Love,  
Lance Looper

Dear Santa,

I want some strawberry shortcake lipstick. I've been a good girl this year.

Merry Christmas,  
Audra Dee Clark

Dear Santa,

I am 3 years old and have been a pretty good girl. I want a barbie, a ding-a-ling preschool set, and a stove. I would also like for you to bring my baby sister Kimber a doll and a rattler.

Merry Christmas,  
Jennifer Sims

Dear Santa,

I want a baby brother and a bike and a game and some toys and some skates. Thank you.

From Hopie Herrera

Dear Santa,

I live in Hub. I want a train and gun. A little car.

Love,  
Abel Baldwin

Dear Santa,

I want a pretty cut and grow goden dream fashen face. I want a radio.

Myra Abeyta

Dear Santa,


I want a bicycle, with blue wheels and yellow handlebars and a black bar. I want a cow shoot and a Western belt and a gun with holsters. I will leave you some cookies and a banana.


Thank you,  
Greg Michael Stowers

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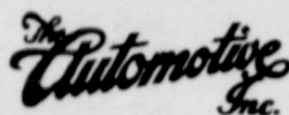
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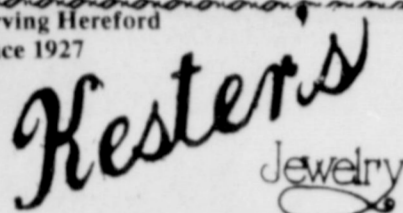


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# Renners Celebrate Sixtieth Christmas Together

By JUNE FLOYD

When Christmas Day 1981 rolls around, it will be the sixtieth one Rudolph Renner Sr. and Clara Baker Renner have observed together since their marriage in Arnett, Oklahoma, October 24, 1921. Since Christmas 1922, they've had from one to more than three dozen children, in-laws, grandchildren with their spouses and great-grandchildren around to help them celebrate.

Christmas Eve at the Renner home has been an established custom for as many years as they have had children and grandchildren, which is 59.

"This time," says Granny Renner, "we're looking forward to having all of them even though they're pretty well scattered right now."

The first few years the couple was married they lived near Shattuck, Oklahoma, where they rented land to farm. Earlier Rudolph had been to the South Plains of Texas and been very favorably impressed with the ample supply of water for domestic use and the flatness of the land.

Clara remembers that on the seventh day of June in 1922—just as their first wheat crop was ready to be harvested—a severe hail storm completely wiped it out and dashed all their hopes for purchasing land in the immediate future.

However, Rudolph was able to get jobs helping neighbors who had not lost their wheat in order to get money to support his family and put in another crop.

Of course, as was the custom in those days, Rudolph and Clara kept milk cows and laying hens. In addition to supplying milk, cream, butter and eggs for the family, the cows and hens produced some surplus, which was sold so the young couple could buy flour, coffee, sugar and other needed staples.

Their first son, Johnny William, was born in the fall of 1922. Two years later, their second son, Lee, was born.

After three fair crops in succession, Rudolph decided it was time to become a land owner, so he made a trip to Parmer County, where he purchased a farm southeast of Friona, which he still owns.

Early in February of 1926 the Renners had a farm sale and sold the

cattle, horses, farm implements and other things—many of which Rudolph had traded for—they thought they could get along without and began making preparations to move to Texas.

Most of their possessions were loaded into an immigrant car and freighted to Friona. H.H. Weis and his wife, Rebecca, and their two sons, Leslie and Johnny Lee, who were living at Darrouzett, Texas, moved to Friona at the same time the Renners did. Weis rode the train with the immigrant car.

Rebecca, who is Clara's sister, and the two boys made the trip with Rudolph and Clara and their two boys in a 1923 Model T touring car. It took them 14-15 hours to drive from Higgins to Friona.

Clara recalls, "We had to keep the car top down to keep from using too much gas and it rained on us all day. Rebecca and I kept both hands busy all day trying to keep those four little

boys covered up to keep them dry."

Their first stop was at the Syndicate Hotel southeast of town. After learning there were no vacancies, the group drove across the prairie to Friona and spent the night in the Friona Hotel.

There was no pump on the well, out on the farm, the train was late getting here, there was no fuel for the cookstove and it seemed that nothing turned out right for the newcomers.

Mrs. Renner says, "We can all laugh about it now, but at the time there was nothing funny about it."

Rudolph Jr., the third son, was born in 1927 and their first daughter, Lillie Mae, was born three years later. By that time the Renners had built a new larger house than their original Parmer County home, which was 12'x24'.

Their second daughter, Mary Joyce, was born in 1934; and their third son, Delmer Earl, who is better known as "Cotton" was born in

1938.

They continued to live on the same farm until 1955, when they built their present home at 200 East Eighth, leased their farm out and moved to town.

Since that time, both of them have kept busy most of the time. Rudolph re-finished trunks, does a lot of woodwork, builds windmills and metal barns and restores Model T Fords. Clara pieces quilts, crochets and does other hand work.

When their family gets together Christmas Eve, residents of Texas, Louisiana, Arizona, New Mexico and Colorado will be signing the guest register.

Children and spouses planning to be present are John and Lavon

Renner; Junior and Betty Renner; Lillie Mae and Billy Dean Baxter and Mary Joyce and Doyce Barnett, all of Friona.

Also, Cotton and Kay Renner and Lee Renner, who live in Winnsboro, Louisiana.

Grandchildren, spouses and children expected are Gary, Karen, Jana, Christa, Casey and Amy Renner; Missey and Johnny Barker, Michelle and Caleb; Conrad, Susan, Brandon and Misty Renner; Blayne Baxter and David Barnett, all of Friona.

Also, Ted, Pat, Annie Sky and Sara Lynn Renner, Austin, Texas; Gary, Phyllis, Jennifer and Lacy Murphree, Oklahoma City; Lana and Kevin McKelvey, Lubbock; Johnny

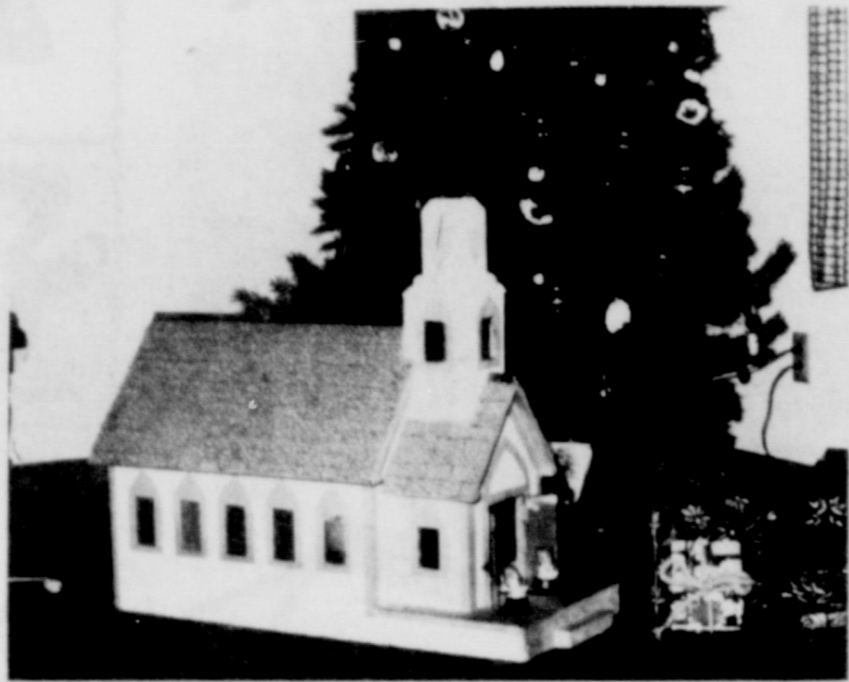
and Cathy Baxter and Darcy Renner, Sequach, Colorado; Cindy Barnett, Dallas; Robin and Robin Renner, Jal, New Mexico; Jody Lee Renner, Willcox, Arizona; and Debbie Baxter, Amarillo.

## Santa Letters

Dear Santa,

I want a Mickey Mouse Talking Phone. And a new coat and a Pretty Cut and Grow. I live in Hub. One more thing I want Strawberry Shortcake and a Barbie Doll and a Make-up set. Merry Christmas.

Love,  
Sophia Mendoza



**KEEP A LIGHT BURNING IN THE WINDOW...** Several years ago Mrs. Rudolph Renner Sr. decided she wanted a church building with lights inside to put in her front window. Her husband, who is very efficient with tools, built the church for her. It is a replica of one he attended in northwestern Oklahoma when he was growing up. It is shown here in front of a beautifully decorated tree, but every evening its light shines from the front window of the Renner home.

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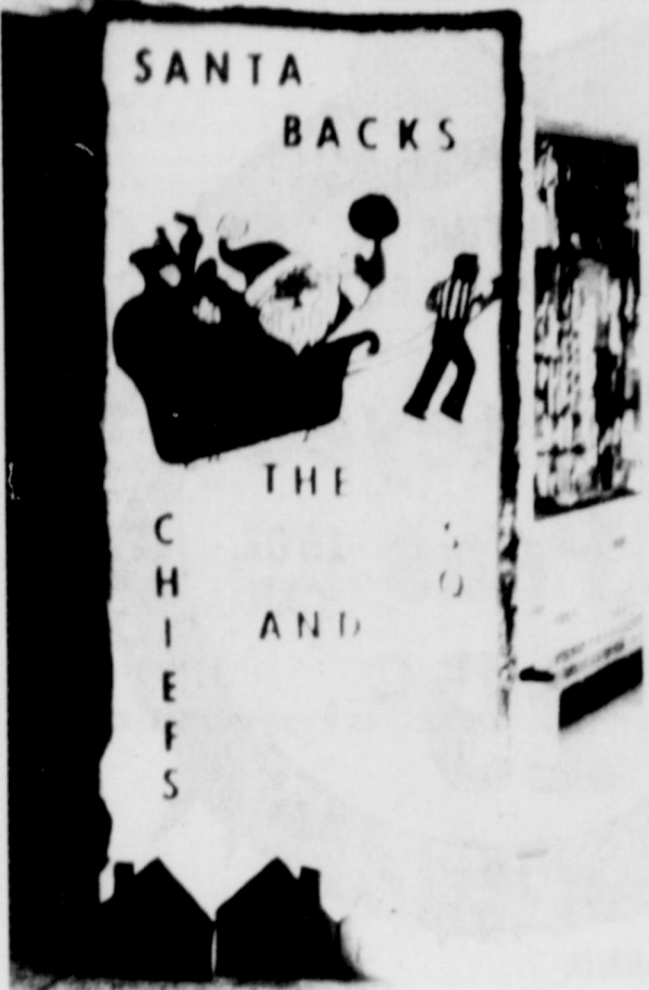
# Blessings

to All

*Joyous Christmas hymns ring out, sounding a message of peace and love to all mankind throughout this Holy Season.*



Letters To Santa Claus



Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a bike. I've been good. I'll leave you some kind of candy or something. That's all. Bye Santa Claus.  
Chesley Ray

Dear Santa,  
I want a Pretty Cut and Grow, and a little play deer, that is Rudolph, and a little play gingerbread man and a little play mouse. Bye Santa.  
Kellie Herring

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a new blue bike and a play makup set. I want a pet and some new glasses. And I hope all of our family is together at Christmas Eve. My sister wrote a letter to you to. And my other little sister is not in school yet. My father and mother will bring me some presents too. I love you.  
Love,  
Alexandra Bautista  
P.S. Be here next Christmas.

Dear Santa,  
I would like a football, a helmet and a football suit. I love you Santa.  
Adam Raymond

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a tape recorder and a ball. I love you Santa.  
Melissa Dalton

Dear Santa,  
I want a race track and drums and tape recorder. Goodbye Christmas.  
Antonio Rocha

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a real football suit and a real football helmet and of course a real football. And a real TV to put in my room.  
Love,  
Jesus Larrea

Dear Santa,  
I would like a racing track with racing cars for Christmas this year. I would also like a rubiks cube. Please have a Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Jessie Castaneda

Dear Santa,  
I like you Santa Claus, and I want a race track, a police car chasing a Trans-Am. I live over there. Goodbye.  
Ruben Diaz

Dear Santa,  
I want a football and a Dallas Watch, Duke of Hazzard set, swimming pool, and a truck.  
Lee Michael Rios

ARTISTIC COACH.... This school-spirited door decoration at the gym received a special honor for Coach Johnson's class at Friona High School last week. The door received the unusual title of "Most Artistic Coach's Door" in the school's yearly Christmas Decorating Contest.

**JOY TO ALL**

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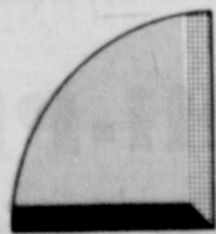


**BANK STAFF...**The women employees at Friona State Bank join wishing you a Merry Christmas. In the back are (left to right) Margaret Wilshire, Cari Hand, Shirley Ferguson, Sherry Atwell, Reta Martin, Charlene Harper, Doris Sears, Kathrine

Blackburn, Lydia Wyly, Mona Carr, Vernell Cunningham, Sondra Nichols, Dorothy Jackson and Cheryl Stone. Seated are Lou Fields, Elaine Cain, Carolyn Dement, Peggy Pope, Delphine Wied, Renee Smith and Cynthia Bishop.



**THE MEN, TOO...**The men employees at Friona State Bank join the ladies in wishing all of our friends and customers season's greetings. In the back row, left to right, are Ted Procter, Dale Smith, Larry Knowles, Pedro Diaz and Joe Mejia. Front: Robert Neeley, Gary Brown, Jerry Hinkle and Charles Allen.



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THINK THIS ONE LOOKS GOOD RIGHT HERE.... Decorations on the Christmas tree in the home of Wesley, Doris, Chris, Kyle, Kim, Ricky and David Barnett include names of each family member, which have been cut out of wood and hang with a tiny gold chain, some bandana print miniature stockings and other miniature objects. David enjoys helping decorate the family tree. He's a third grade student.

# Barnetts Are Pioneer Parmer County Family

By JUNE FLOYD

Chris, Kyle, Kim, Ricky and David Barnett, children of Wesley and Doris McFarland Barnett share a unique heritage in that all eight of their great-grandparents, their grandparents and parents have all lived here and have been a part of the history of Parmer County for more than one half a century.

Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. F.E. McMurry, Mr. and Mrs. J.B. McFarland and Mr. and Mrs. W.W. Campbell were pioneers in this area. They're the Barnett children's great-grandparents.

Their paternal grandparents, Fern and Mildred McMurry Barnett, live in the Black Community, Granville and Irene Campbell McFarland, the maternal grandparents, live in Friona. The Wesley Barnett home is about half way between Friona and Black.

Wesley and Doris both grew up here and graduated from Friona High School in 1957. Following graduation Doris attended Mary Baldwin College at Stanton, Virginia; Eastern New Mexico University at Portales and Texas Tech University, Lubbock, and Wesley attended Texas Tech, from which he holds a bachelor's degree in math.

Upon completion of his college career, Wesley was associated with Parmer County Implement for awhile before he became a full time farmer and cattle man. For about twenty years he has been enlarging his operations and has branched out into other related fields.

Doris has been a full time homemaker. However, she always finds time to spend on worthwhile community projects or activities of Friona United Methodist Church, which the Barnett family attends.

Doris has spent a lot of time driving. With five children who are interested in school and church activities, little league games, music lessons and all the other things today's children do, she has almost felt like a chauffeur at times.

Traditionally Santa Claus always comes to the Barnett home Christmas Eve. Then, the following day the family spends the day with one set of grandparents—the McFarlands one Christmas and the Barnetts the next.

"This year," Doris says, "We're going to Daddy's and Mother's house."

Having the two members of the family who are attending college home for a few days will make Christmas 1981 extra special for the family. Chris, an engineering major, and Kyle, a pre-med student at Texas Tech, Lubbock, will be coming home a few days before Christmas.

Barnett children living at home who attend Friona High School are

Kim, a senior, and Ricky, a freshman. David, the youngest child, is a third grade student.

Doris doesn't have a lot of time for hobbies, but she does some crochet and some toile painting. Wesley finds time to keep up his tennis skill and welcomes the challenge when one of his college sons suggests a set or two. Incidentally, he can still hold his own with either of them.

At Christmas time, or any other time Doris prepares a special meal, she's likely to use one or more of the following recipes.

**Pretty Cherry Salad, Strawberry Nut Bread, Asparagus Vegetable Casserole and Jellied Vegetable Salad.**

### PRETTY CHERRY SALAD

1 can cherry pie filling  
14 oz. coke  
1 (6 oz.) package cherry Jello  
1 large can pineapple  
Boil pie filling, add Jello and mix

well. Add coke, stirring well, add pineapple and chill before serving.

### STRAWBERRY NUT BREAD

2 cups flour  
1 teaspoon baking soda  
1 teaspoon salt  
2 tablespoons ground cinnamon  
2 cups sugar  
4 beaten eggs  
1 1/4 cups vegetable oil  
2 cups sliced frozen strawberries  
1 1/4 cups chopped pecans

Combine dry ingredients. Add eggs, oil, strawberries, and pecans. Pour into 2 well greased 9x5x3 loaf pans. Bake at 350 degrees for 60 to 70 minutes. Cool and removed to wire racks to cool. Makes two loaves.

### ASPARAGUS VEGETABLE CASSEROLE

2 cans asparagus spears drained  
1 small can peas drained  
1 can water chestnuts sliced and drained  
Layer asparagus, peas and

chestnuts in 9x13 casserole.

Spread over top:  
1/2 can cream of mushroom soup  
1 lb. American cheese  
1 package crushed club crackers.  
Pour 1/2 cup melted butter over mixture. Bake at 350 degrees until hot throughout.

### JELLED VEGETABLE SALAD

1 package lemon Jello  
1 no. 2 can crushed pineapple  
1 cup grated American cheese  
1/4 cup pecans  
1/4 cup chopped celery  
1 large jar chopped pimentos  
1 cup Miracle Whip

Dissolve Jello in 2 cups boiling water. Chill until thick. Add remaining ingredients. Refrigerate.



## Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa,  
I want a present. I put my Christmas tree up too. I want toy in my present. I love you.  
Fernando Estrada

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a teddy bear for Christmas and big bowls kunstrucs a sentr and chips modersickel and some other thins lik a pigy bank. I love you Santa and tell Rotof that.  
Benjamin Lan Hoover

Dear Santa,  
I would like a sit-n-spin and flip and fold fashion and slinky and fashion plates and Barbie make-up and pretty cut and grow and a swimming pool and roller skates and records.  
Love,  
Kristin Holland

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We wish you great joy this Christmastide...may love and peace abide with you and yours all

through the holiday season and in days to come.



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# 1931 Year Is Recalled Through Newspaper File

By JUNE FLOYD

A feature story on page one of the Friona Star dated January 2, 1931 was the success of a Santa Claus party, which was sponsored by The Friona Star and local merchants.

People began to gather about six o'clock and Santa arrived about 7:30. The crowd was estimated to be about 2000, the weather was ideal and in addition to distributing 250 pounds of candy, Santa, who wore a suit of red trimmed in white fur stood in the doorway of the Star office and gave 500 toys to children who passed by.

Another front page story reported that Johnny Lee, six year old son of Mr. and Mrs. H.H. Weis had had an appendectomy in the Hereford hospital. The local physician, Dr. R.R. Wills, performed the surgery. The patient was expected to recover.

At this time the publisher was Nunn-Warren Publishing Company, the editor was L.E. Bauerfeind, and the reporter was Mrs. Nat Jones. Incidentally, Mrs. Jones was the mother of Neva Raybon, who has lived here many years.

The installation of a new job press was front page news in the January 9 issue. It was a 12x18 Chandler and Price equipped with a Miller automatic feeder capable of turning out 3000 or more impressions an hour of the very finest kinds of job work.

The January 16 issue urged everyone in Parmer County--especially farm families to subscribe to the Star. In lieu of the \$1.50 cash for a one year subscription, the following offer was made:

"If you don't have the cash, bring in six dozen eggs and we will take them instead of money."

This offer was limited to Parmer County farm families only.

The following story appeared in the February 6 edition: "Friona people are quite wrought up this month over the size of the gas bills received on the first. It seems that in spite of the warm and moderate weather that has prevailed, the gas bills are as large or larger than usual and citizens are talking about taking this matter up with the city council and demanding an investigation."

A price war was big news in the February 13 edition. There were three shops in town at that time. The following paragraph, "Friona barber shops have started a price war and have reduced the price of haircuts to 40 cents and shaves to 20 cents," was followed by this prediction.

"If the boys keep on reducing prices perhaps we will be back to the old 25 cent haircut and 15 cent shave soon."

An upcoming poultry and egg show was news in the February 20 and 27

editions and the results were reported in the March 6 issue. Rhode Island Reds, White and Buff Orpingtons, White and Brown Leghorns, Black Minorcas, Blue Andilusions and White Wyandottes were some of the breeds mentioned in the results of the show.

There were also classes for ducks, turkeys, geese, guineas and bantams. More than 300 birds were exhibited.

The headline on the March 20 edition read, "Parmer County Listed For Federal Drought Relief Aid." The late M.A. Crum and Floyd Reeve had been designated to receive applications for loans made the local people.

"Frank Spring, son of F.L. Spring, local merchant, is now employed as bookkeeper at the Friona State Bank. Everyone wishes Frank well in his new position." (A page one story in the April 10 issue).

It is interesting to note that at this time there was a report from several rural communities in Parmer County in each edition. Some of the communities were Homeland, Eleven Mile and Black. There was also a regular report from the Flagg Community in South Central Castro County.

In the April 24 issue Friona residents were urged to take advantage of a rare opportunity billed as "The chance of your lifetime to see this magnificent natural cavern for so little money."

The Friona Star was sponsoring the trip in cooperation with the Santa Fe Railway. The train was scheduled to leave Friona at 12:30 a.m. Sunday and to return at 4 a.m. Monday. Cost of the excursion was \$9 per person.

The following week a notice appeared advising readers that the special train, which was scheduled to run to Carlsbad, was cancelled due to lack of interest.

Graduating seniors listed in the commencement story on May 8 included Mildred McMurry Barnett, Minnie Reed Knight, Glenn Reeve and Frank Truitt.

A feature picture on the front page of the May 22 issue showed the Empire State Building in New York City alongside a drawing of the Eiffel Tower, which up until that time had been the world's tallest building. The Empire State Building's height was reported to be 1248 feet.

Rushings 5¢ to \$1 Store and City Drug Store advertised the following school supplies in the September 4 edition: Binder with Index 25¢; 10 cent tablet 5¢; Gluey Paste 8¢; 10 dandy crayons 5¢; 25 cent water colors 15¢ and Carter's Ink 8¢.

Names and weights of some volunteers who answered the call of Coach Bill Stevens to be a part of the

Friona High School football team were reported in the September 11 issue.

The headline read, "27 Huskies out for high school football squad." Some of the names listed were Clifford Crow-158; Red McFarland-137; Paul Spring-156; Gilbert Boatman-125; and Raymond Euler-127.

Our town had water problems fifty years ago. Page one of the October 2 edition announced that a new well was having its first problems. The conclusion of the story read, "The officials are doing everything in their power to hurry up the work of reconditioning the city well so that it can be again put on the job with a bountiful supply of water."

L.E. Bauerfeind resigned his position as editor early in September and soon thereafter the late J.W. (Uncle John) White assumed the position.

Probably the best news of the entire year appeared in a front page story in the November 20 edition. The headline read, "Best Rain In Three Years Fell Over Friona Region; Winter Wheat Benefitted."

Some advice in the December 18 issue is still good to-day in spite of inflation. "Christmas Gift??? That's Easy--Send The Star."

## Study Club Has Annual Xmas Meal

The Black Study Club met Thursday, December 17 for their annual Christmas dinner at the Hereford Country Club as guests of Mrs. Max Wells.

The group exchanged gifts and revealed secret pals for the past year.

Guests included Arvis Phillips of Greenville, sister of Lois Weatherly and Mrs. Ivie's sister-in-law, Opal, of Amarillo.

Members present were Mildred Barnett, Ann Carthel, Helen Fangman, Martha Hamilton, Geneva Ivie, Ann Kelly, Hannah Lookingbill, Lucille Rocky, Ruby Stone, Carrie Tatum, Lois Weatherly, Mildred Welch and Jo Wells.

The next meeting will be January 7 in the home of Martha Hamilton.

## Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a stove for Christmas and a Tippy toes.

Love,  
Cecilia

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a stove for Christmas and a Tippytoes doll and a strawb short cake doll.

Love,  
Leticia

Dear Santa Closs,  
I want some barby clothes. And a new bike and doll that cries and a doll that te-pe-toes and a new shoes and a lot of dresses and pants and I want some skates to.

Michelle Ann Sandoval

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a futball. I want a bieck red. I want a hot car. I want a spuidman book. I want three biecks red.

Jessie Cigarroa

Dear Santa,  
I want a brb and a wagn and I wat a pipun and I wat tu have a cad and I lack you allot.

From Laura Prieto

Dear Santa Closs,  
I want a little 12-speed. And I want some roller skates. And a bat and ball, and a football, and a pet white dog and a 18 wheeler and a cap.

Marcus Reyes Maza

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a team America and a Rufe Rides Wild Muntan set and a new bickle and a new romolt controll super vet car and a new lunch box and a new football.

From Todd Jordan



SOPHOMORE CLASS....This "heavenly" door decoration took honorable mention in the yearly Christmas Door Decorating Contest held at Friona High School last week. The members of the sophomore class put this decoration together.



THIRD PLACE....Members of the senior class of 1982 put together this gaily decorated door and took third place honors in the High School's annual Christmas Door Decorating Contest this year.

# PICK A PRIZE From The KPAN Holiday Grab Bag

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A Grand Way To Spend Christmas!  
HOLIDAY GREETINGS  
JOY TO ALL  
From The Staff Of  
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Hereford, Texas

## GOOD TIDINGS



At Christmas, be merrie and thankful withal; And feast with thy neighbors, the great and the small

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# Town Talk

By June Floyd  
Call 247-3861



Special guests at the Friona Star-Bovina Blade Christmas party in the home of Bill and Carol Ellis Sunday evening were their daughter, Laura, and Ric Griffin, both of Arlington. These two came up to spend the holidays in Friona.

Local fans of "Dallas" will be seeing Laura in some scenes real soon. She thinks the portion, in which she appeared, will be shown within the next two weeks. Her part is that of a guest at a holiday party and was filmed at Southfork Ranch, which is near Plano, Texas.

Others at the party were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Russell, Bovina; Mr. and Mrs. Leon Coffey, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Floyd, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Copley and Lisa Howell.

Also, Stanley and Richard Ellis, Shannon Cochran, Mark and Matt Osborn and Mike Maynard.

Following a buffet supper, there was a gift exchange and a game session.

Included in the festivities was a special toast to Bill and Carol, who were observing their twenty-third wedding anniversary.

Kay Neel, a teacher in the Stinnett schools, came to Friona Saturday. She has been a surgical patient at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo and has been recuperating at the home of Larry and Paula Fairchild in Adrian. She expects to spend the next several weeks in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Neel.

Dewayne, Melba and Dawn Neel, who live in Conifer, Colorado, were weekend guests in the Neel home. Dewayne is the couple's oldest son.

Sunday afternoon Larry and Paula were accompanied to Friona by their children, Tammy Kay and Jeff, who are students at Texas Tech University, Lubbock, and Vicky, who attends school at Adrian.

Kenneth and Lawanda Moore hosted a family dinner in their home Sunday. Out-of-town guests were Bobby Moore and his fiancée, Kim, of Abilene, Texas, and Bret Moore, who has been attending Lubbock

Christian College. Also Steven and Gwen Hanes and children, Denea, Kyle and Shae, who live near Nazareth, Texas; and Bobby and Kenna Zetsche and daughters, Kendy and Tierney, who live here.

Chris and Robin Zetsche Crunclenton of Lubbock were weekend guests in the home of her parents, Robert and Carol Zetsche.

There are definitely some disadvantages to reaching the stage of "Senior Citizens," (like decreased sight, hearing, and memory) but there are also some advantages.

The Floyds had two very special treats recently that were accorded only to the "older" people in the community. Thursday evening, just as we were settling down into our favorite chairs, there was a knock on the door.

The knocker cheerfully announced, "We're here to sing some Christmas carols for you." The front yard was almost filled with young people, along with half a dozen or so adults, from Sixth Street Church of Christ. The singing was beautiful and we enjoyed it very much.

Then, Monday evening, as we, along with Elvin and Wilma Johnston, were about ready to begin a forty-two session, there was another knock on the front door.

This time, Aaron Weatherley, who lives next door, invited all of us to listen to some more carols. A few young people were in the yard and a whole bunch more were on two flatbed trailers, which were being towed by a John Deere farm tractor.

This group was composed by local 4-H Club members, leaders and parents. The singing was superb and everyone in the block was listening.

Seeing the tractor lights blinking in front of the singers and several flashing lights on vehicles, which were following, as the caravan went north at the same time we were hearing "We wish you a merry Christmas, we wish you a merry Christmas," was definitely the bright spot of the day. (We almost forgot

about the earlier blowing tumbleweeds and dust we had experienced.)

Weekend visitors in our home were John, Geneva, Joel and Heather Osborn of Garland, Texas. Geneva is our oldest daughter. She and her family were enroute to Lewistown, Montana, to spend Christmas with our youngest daughter, Susan, and her husband, Wes Phillips, and their two sons, Clint and Kory.

One group of pheasant hunters included a grandfather, Elvin Johnston, three fathers, Roy Trimmel, Dennis Johnston and Dale Johnston, and three grandsons, Scotty Johnston, Kevin and Glen Trimmel, all in the same family.

Others in the group were Tom Cox, Atlanta, Georgia; Ben Cooper, Canyon; Lloyd Cocklebur, Chester Coffman and David Higgins, all of Amarillo.

Accompanying some of the hunters to Friona for a visit in the Elvin

Johnston home were Mrs. Chester Coffman, Mrs. David Higgins and Jerrod, Mrs. Dennis Johnston, Shirley, Denise, Bryan and Stephanie, and Mrs. Dale Johnston, Lori and Brent, all of Amarillo.

Walter and Betty Cunningham of Andrews, Texas, were weekend visitors in Friona. Walter went pheasant hunting while Betty visited with her mother, Mrs. Lavernia Duke. The Cunninghams are former Friona residents.

This Town Talk marks the end of another year, which has been a very enjoyable one for the author. Would like to take this opportunity to, once again, thank everyone, who cooperates to make the column an interesting one.

Thanks to each and every one of you. Keep the calls coming and remember that every one is deeply appreciated.

Our most sincere greetings for a Happy Holiday Season to all.

## Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa Closs,  
I want a barby with lots of clothes and a doll that cries too and I want a camra and I want to see you and I'll have some cookies.

Love,  
Kim Alvarez

Dear Santa,  
I want a dall and I want a happy Christmas and ewewone is happy and I want a ten dollar bill.

Love,  
Valerie Brockman

Dear Santa,  
I have ast you for drums for 3 years now pleas bring me some this year. I won't be mad if you don't. I love you and I want some drums, and the rest can be a surprise.

From Kassie Weatherley

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Dukes of Hazzard race track and a Dukes town and a stomper set and a dog for my sister.

Charlie Snead

Dear Santa,  
I want Fresh 'n Fancy, and Doctor Drill 'n Fill. I want some P.J.S. with feet please Santa. I don't want my mother to pool my tooth. I want a doll this year and I want a trampoline and a remote control barbe car. I want cacar spanel. And I want some Daisey Duke underusse. I am going to leave you a cup cakes. I wish I could see one of your raindeers Santa. I want a bike to.

Love,  
Penny Mars

Dear Santa,  
Have a happy holiday. Dear elves have a happy holiday too. Santa I want a ginne pig and glow in the dark like blakes. And I want a team amereka stunt bike. And I want some stare wores people and thats all.

Justin DeLeon

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a bike and a doll that cries, a barby doll and a doll house, and barby doll clothes and I want roller skates and new socks and shoes and, clothes and a ring and earrings, a trampelen and some books and new coat and sweter, and a basket ball and a cany cane and a pupet and littel dog and a cat, and boy barby and girl barby.

From Marie Deanna Davila

## Happy Birthday.....

### WEEK OF DEC. 26, JAN. 1

Friona residents having birthdays next week are:

December 26--Gaylord Maurer, Opal Baxter, Tony Day, Lynda Grimsley, Janet Claborn, Teresa Taylor.

December 27--Guy Ellis, Sheri Styles, Roy L. Smith, Minta Robbins, Micah Duke.

December 28--Justin DeLeon, Allen Stewart, Todd Long, Ricky Saiz.

December 29--Holly White, Mabel Jones, John Chandler, Bret Moore, Rolanda Burchett, Alan Monroe, Doug Norwood.

December 30--Pat Denison, Larry Sanders, Jesse Gonzales.

December 31--Gwendolyn Maurer, Bill Ellis, Joel Landrum, Glenda Ellis, Kenneth Wilhelm, Debbie Taylor, Keith Martin, Joy Sifford.

January 1--Agnes Fulks, Gary

Stowers, Richard Wilson, Jack Clark.

### WEEK OF JANUARY 2-8, 1982

January 2--Linda Williams, Sunny Horton, Tamara Smith, John Bill McFarland, Buford Hartwick.

January 3--Vondale Mann, Vicki Kube, Jeremy Reed, David H. Moseley, Bobby Moore, Jennifer Brockman, Kenneth Moore, John Jarecki.

January 4--Wanda Wilhelm, Melissa Smith, Mrs. B.F. Ray.

January 5--Diane Johnson.

January 6--Wesley Barnett, Mitchell Massey.

January 7--Keta Dodson.

January 8--Sherri Dawn Widner, Flora Homfeld, Betty White.

If you or someone in your family has a birthday coming up soon, call the Friona Star at 247-2211 by Thursday noon and report it.

**Greetings**

It's nice to have so many friends!  
Here's hoping you have the merriest of holidays and gifts galore!

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# Nichols' Basement Decorations Highlight Holidays

The basement of the home of L.D. and Eva Marie Parker Nichols is surely the most colorfully decorated place in Texas and maybe in the whole world. If you think that is an over estimation, you just haven't seen the basement.

Three years ago Eva Marie and her sister, Eleanor Kerr, decided to decorate the basement for a family party they were planning on Christmas Eve. The basement is large, has utility room furnishings, a clothes line, two couches, a piano, several chairs, one bed, a pool table and an assortment of odds and ends of furniture in it. It also has gray concrete walls. The west end of it also serves as a storehouse for L.D.'s auto parts and related items.

Their first step was to hang red material from the clothes line to the floor. The space above the clothes line needed something to cover it up, so they decided to use Christmas wrapping paper for that purpose. Later they hit upon the idea of covering all the walls with brightly colored paper.

Christmas trees, santas, wreaths, blinking lights, tinsel, bells and other decorations were combined with tinsel hanging from the ceiling to make a fairy land out of all the basement, except the space west of the clothes line.

## Hospital Report

### ADMISSIONS--

Earl Richards, Bovina; Mabel DeLong, Friona; Dora Muela and twins, Bovina; Terry Fite, Amarillo; Galen Jack, Friona; Yolanda Ramon and baby boy, Bovina; Patricia Marquez, Friona; Goldie Harrelson, Friona; Margaret Diaz, Hereford; Joe Blair, Farwell; Mildred Welty, Friona; Noemi Frausto, Hereford; Maria Leon, Hereford; Eugene Ellis, Friona; Irene Gamboa and baby girl, Hereford; Steve Batenhorst, Friona; Prentice Griffiths, Muleshoe; Joe Menefee, Friona; and Reynaldo Vasquez, Muleshoe.

### DISMISSALS--

Araceli Medrano, Shelly White, Veronica Mace, Terry Fite, Galen Jack, Joe Santellana, Geraldine Marlow, Marisela Chavez, Patricia Marquez, Dora Muela and twins, Margaret Diaz, Mildred Welty, Noemi Frausto, Maria Leon, Yolanda Ramon and baby boy, Earl Richards, Rosa Vasquez, Joe Blair and Goldie Harrelson.

### PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL--

Mabel DeLong, Eugene Ellis, Steve Batenhorst, Joe Menefee, Irene Gamboa and baby girl, Prentice Griffiths, Raynaldo Vasquez and Leslie Caroland.

Eva Marie jokingly said, "We did leave Nick room for his things over there."

Guests at the first family party were so impressed with the decorations that Eva Marie and Eleanor were inspired to add more to it last year. Then, this year they have added even more. There's a fireplace, equipped with a red light which twinkles to give the impression of burning coals; snowmen, a nativity scene, a Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer display, and numerous other decorations. Most of them are in red, white and green.

Lights have been strategically placed to give an elegant look to different scenes they have created. The pool table is covered with a Christmas table cloth, where supper is served each Christmas Eve evening.

When the basement door is opened, a visitor is greeted by a life size Santa and Christmas music can be heard from several directions. The basement steps are colorfully decorated on each end and as a person starts down, he's in for an indescribable treat.

An arrangement featuring crystal tear drops and bells decorates the top of the piano. Eva Marie and Eleanor did leave the keyboard un-decorated, so their mother, an accomplished pianist, who is now 89 years old and a victim of arthritis, can play for the group when they assemble.

When asked, "What do you plan for next year?" Eleanor replied, "Doing this has been so much fun that we're already thinking about that."

The family Christmas dinner will be served at Eva Marie's Restaurant, which will be closed to the public, and

will feature the following menu: turkey with cornbread dressing, giblet gravy, baked ham, candied yams, shrimp salad, cranberry sauce, potato salad, fruit salad, and pea salad.

Eva Marie was gracious enough to share some of her recipes with us. She said, "Even though I grew up in Iowa, I'm a southerner when it comes to making dressing. I like cornbread dressing and I'd never heard of it until I moved to Texas."

She went on to say, "I have adapted my dressing procedure to include a suggestion by my father, the late Walter Smith. He suggested that I use raw eggs as part of the liquid rather than boiled eggs, and I do like that better."

Even though this long time Friona resident has been cooking two meals a day for a large number of people almost daily since late January of 1967, she still calls herself "a family cook."

Her favorite candied yam recipe goes like this: Cook your own fresh yams, which have been cut in large chunks, or use two cans of commercially canned yams.

Combine 2 cups brown sugar; 1/2 cup oleo; 1 cup dark Karo; and 1 teaspoon cinnamon in heavy sauce pan. Boil until the syrup spins a thread.

Pour over yams, which have been placed in a casserole dish. Pour syrup over yams and cover with marshmallows. Bake until syrup forms candy around the yams.

Another of her specialties which she always prepares for family dinners is Shrimp Salad. Combine 1 can shrimp, one small bunch green onions, 3 tablespoons salad oil, 1 tablespoon prepared mustard and

juice of one lemon. Toss, chill and serve.

Present for this year's Christmas dinner, besides the host couple, L.D. and Eva Marie Nichols, will be Eva Marie's mother, Mrs. Mable Smith; her sister, Mrs. Eleanor Kerr and her daughter and granddaughter, Charlotte and Lisa DeWeese, all of Friona.

Also Eleanor's son, Randy Kerr, a 1980 graduate of Friona High School and a student at Indiana State University, Terre Haute, Indiana.

Also all of Eva Marie's three sons

and their wives and all five of her grandchildren. Billy and Polly Parker and Jerry and Frances Parker, Jeremy Lee and Jessica Lee, plan to come from Amarillo. Mr. and Mrs. Teddy Parker will be coming from Lubbock, he's Billy's son.

Also Rev. and Mrs. Danny Parker and sons, Oscar Lee and Calvin Lee, of Houston, where Danny is minister of First Baptist Church.

"It is real odd that all my grandchildren have Lee for a second name," Eva Marie explained, but all the boys wanted their first sons to

have their daddy's (the late Oscar Lee Parker) name."

She went on to explain, "When Teddy, the first grandchild was born, Billy selected Lee for his middle name. Then, when Danny's and Elaine's first one was born, Danny wanted him to have his granddaddy's entire name. Later when the second one was born, Elaine suggested that they give him her daddy's name. (It was Calvin Lee.) Jerry liked the idea of all the grandchildren having the same middle name, so he completed the circle."



**FAMILY PROJECT....** "Eleanor and I have thoroughly enjoyed this project," said Eva Marie Nichols, as she posed with one of the many scenes they've created in the basement of her home. This nativity scene is one that has been in the family a long time. The Santa arrangement, church, candle arrangements and other decorations were chosen to share honors in a hutch, which was selected to be used for a manger.



*Glad Tidings*

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# Santa Letters

Dear Santa,  
I am 12 years old and we aren't going to get a very good Christmas this year. There is 6 of us kids. My 10 year old sister will be 11 Christmas Day! For Christmas I want a set of hot rollers or some different colored yarn and a crochet needle. But most of all I want you to get a present for my sister (purse), her name is Christy and she is real pretty. She'd really like a stuffed animal. I know you'll come. Besides Christy, I have 15, 6 and 4 year old sisters and one brother which is 13.  
Your friend,  
Linda Morris

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am 5 years old and have been a good girl. Please bring me some Barbie clothes and make-up and sewing machine.  
I love my mama and daddy, mom's and pop's, granny and papaw and my little brother Lance.  
Love,  
Jodi Looper

Dear Santa,  
My name is Cory and I am 4 years old, and my brother Jeremy is 3. We have both tried hard to be good this year. I would like to have a red and black no. 1 motorcycle to ride, and some games and a shotgun like daddy's.  
Jeremy wants a Chip's motorcycle and a man. And a Dukes of Hazzard and Daisy Racer Set.  
We will leave you some milk and cookies Christmas.  
Love,  
Cory and Jeremy Bentley

Dear Santa,  
Hello. I want a present, a doll, and a bike and jumping. And I want some Christmas and some jeans and a game and a ball. P.S. My birthday is on Christmas.  
Love,  
Cecilia Magdeleno

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a bean bag chair. I want a pair of house shoes and I want a pair of rollerskates. Where do you live? I live at a house that is white with a green roof and shingles.  
Love,  
Rena Mason

Hi Santa Claus,  
I want a race track, a little car, and a play watch and a little army tank that goes by itself. Goodbye Santa Claus.  
Love,  
Carlos

Dear Santa,  
I like a Barbie doll clothes, 10 sped and a game and a coat and some shoes and stuffed kitten and a ring and a necklace and want a toy game.  
Love,  
Diana Valero

Hi,  
I want a doll, a cut hair doll. That's all. I have a family.  
Love,  
Amy Trevino

Dear Santa,  
My name is Lana. Would you give me some dolls for Christmas, if I would be nice? My mother and dad work in the feedyard. Why do you live at the North Pole? My brother used to work but he quit his job. I saw your picture before on a window. Will you give me some drumsticks. I saw your reindeers before.  
Love,  
Lana Allemand

Dear Santa,  
I want a Lite-Brite, and a nose and a bone. My brother wants trucks. I want a doll and Tippy-Toes but I'll buy that. That's all I'm getting.  
Bye,  
Sarah Cumacho

Dear Santa,  
I want to say goodbye. I want a Lite-Bright, some clothes, t-shirts.  
Michael Villa

Dear Santa,  
I want a gown for my mama and Tippy-Toes. And I want-I don't know what else I want. Oh and a stuffed monkey and some makeup.  
Love you Santa.  
Margie Garcia

Hello Santa Claus,  
I want some boots, a name-blank belt, a record player, a new Barbie doll.  
Love,  
Lee Ann Ford

Merry Christmas Santa,  
Please will you give me a train that moves by itself, and I wish you could come every day on Christmas, and give everybody in this world toys. Could you bring my mom a nice pretty table with fruit on it, and my dad a robe with a tie on it. Could I have a little baby puppy for all the kids in my room.  
Love,  
Christopher Davila


Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a bike and a gitar and a choo choo train and two Hot Wheels and a little wagn for my little brother and for my little sister and a rocket and a little car and a little firengin and I want a kite and a litte book of God and you and a two big books of Charlie Brown and Snoopy too and I want a race track and a little book of Mickymouse and a little book of Donald Duck and a mask of the Lone Ranger and I want this thing for the Lone Ranger to a hat and the two guns of the Lone Ranger and that red thing around his neck.  
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# Bass Family Celebrates Holidays With Several Unable To Attend

By JUNE FLOYD

Christmas Day dinner guests in the home of Estis and Zonah Bass this year are expected to be very few. Barbara, the youngest member of the family, lives in Lubbock. She plans to be here. The youngest son, Troy, and his wife, Karene, and their daughter, Melissa, live here and plan to be present.

The other ten members of the family live in Arkansas and don't plan to come to Friona during the holiday season. They are Charles and his wife, Pat, and their three daughters, Terri, Robbi and Conni, who live in Rogers, Arkansas; and Bettie and her husband, Charles Jones, and their three children, Marty, Dodi and Rusty, who live at Lincoln, Arkansas.

Zonah is very artistic and creates most of her Christmas decorations, for the house and the tree. Her front door decorations are a combination of white plastic doilies and red satin ribbon bows.

She does oil painting, tole painting, quilt making, needlepoint, embroidery work of all kinds, and just about anything else she sees that someone else has done. She also crochets and creates pictures from pieces of discarded jewelry.

These skills show up in every room of her house along with a collection of antiques, which are combined with early American furnishings to make a very comfortable and attractive home. An antique church pew has been refinished and serves as a bench behind her ranch style dining table.

Zonah is the fourth child and oldest daughter of Mrs. A.W. Anthony Sr. and her late husband. She was born near Hobart, Oklahoma, grew up on a farm there and graduated from Rocky High School.

She was married to Estis T. Bass in Rocky, Oklahoma, where he grew up. His father, W.A. Bass, still lives there. His mother is deceased.

Their first home was in Rocky and their first child, Charles, was born there. The family moved to Parmer County in 1943 before Charles had his first birthday. They lived on the Lillard farm northwest of town.

Zonah's parents and her brothers, A.W. Jr., Ernest and Jean K. and their families own farm land near the Lillard farm and A.W. Jr. and Jean and their families still live in that area.

Bette and Troy were both born while the Bass family lived in that area. Later they moved to Siloam Springs, Arkansas, where they lived three years. Their youngest daughter, Barbara, was born there.

The Bass family returned to Friona in 1955 and built their present home, which is about ten miles northeast of town. Estis farms and Zonah has been a full time homemaker all of the time, except a brief period when she was employed at Ruthie's.

They attend Friona United Methodist Church and have been very active in the affairs of the Senior Citizens of Friona, which Estis has served as president for two years. Zonah has also held office in the organization. Estis also belongs to Friona Riding Club.

A traditional Christmas dinner at the Bass home includes ham, pumpkin pie, vegetables and salads along with an assortment of home made cookies, candy and other goodies.

Zonah graciously shared three favorite recipes with us. Of the first one she said, "This isn't something we have at Christmas time, but any other time we're having a large group, I generally prepare it."

### Chicken Spaghetti

2 large fryers or one four pound chicken

3 stalks chopped celery

1 green pepper

1 chopped onion

2 cloves crushed garlic

1 can (4 oz. stems and pieces) mushrooms

1 ten ounce package spaghetti, broken

1 large can tomatoes

1 can cream of mushroom soup

Salt and pepper to taste

Dash of paprika

Few dashes Worcestershire Sauce

1 pound grated Velveeta cheese

2 tablespoons ripe olives, chopped

Cook chickens. Remove from bone. Cut in bite size pieces. Cook



ALL DRESSED UP AND READY TO GO....Melissa Bass, the two year old daughter of Troy and Karene Hart Bass, poses here wearing a red velvet dress with white lace trim and matching oxfords. It was made for her by her maternal grandmother, Mrs. Estis Bass, for pre-Christmas parties. She'll probably be the only grandchild visiting in the home of Estis and Zonah Bass during the upcoming holidays.

celery, pepper, onions and garlic a few minutes in one quart chicken broth. Cook spaghetti and drain.

Combine chicken, spaghetti and all other ingredients. Put in casserole and heat until bubbly. Top with cheese and return to oven until cheese is melted. Serves 8-10 persons.

### No Cook Candy

Combine one cup dry milk, 1 cup peanut butter, 1 cup honey, 1 cup chopped nuts and 1/2 teaspoon vanilla. Mix well, roll in coconut, chill and slice.

### Butterscotch Brownies

1/4 cup shortening

1 cup light brown sugar

1 egg

1/4 cup flour

1 teaspoon baking powder

1/2 teaspoon salt

1/2 teaspoon vanilla

1/2 cup chopped pecans

Melt shortening over low heat.

Remove from stove. Blend in sugar.

Add egg. Mix flour, baking powder and salt together. Add to first mixture then add vanilla and pecans.

Bake in 9" x 9" pan in 350 degree oven about 25 minutes. Cut in squares while hot.

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ENGINEER RETIRES....Six Flags Over Texas railroad engineer, Charlie Patton, has retired after 74 years at the throttle, 21 of which were spent at the Arlington theme park.

At a special presentation Six Flags honored Patton by changing the name of his favorite train, the "Mirabeau B. Lamar," to the "Charles Jefferson Patton." The veteran

railroader also received a plaque and a gold watch. Patton joined Six Flags in 1961 after working on the Texas and Pacific Railroad since 1907.

## Six Flags Train Engineer Retires At The Age Of 94

Three short whistle blasts turned heads as an antique steam locomotive slowly pulled into the depot at Six Flags Over Texas. A cheer went up from the 100 or more friends and relatives gathered to take part in Charlie Patton's retirement party.

The crowd's enthusiasm was directed at the newly painted engine, whose name had been permanently changed from the "Mirabeau B. Lamar" to the "Charles Jefferson Patton" to honor the retiring railroad man.

At the age of 94, Patton was leaving railroading after 74 years at the throttle, the last 21 of which were spent at the Arlington theme park.

"That's really something," said Patton, staring through round, wire-

rimed glasses at his name on the new sign. "That's really something."

The railroad veteran then stepped up into the train's engine compartment, settled himself before the maze of levers and dials, adjusted his glasses and cap, and turned to get an OK from the conductor.

"All aboard," shouted the conductor. And a minute later Patton had maneuvered "his" train out of the station, and around the bend for a last 1 1/2 mile run around the park.

Patton had been a railroad engineer at the theme park since its opening in 1961, but his railroading experience goes back to the turn of the century.

The railroad veteran started

working on trains in 1907, shoveling coal for the Texas & Pacific Railroad on the 250-mile run between Fort Worth and Texarkana.

"The T&P was one of the best railroads in the country," he recalled. "I used to make the Fort Worth-Texarkana run a dozen times a month in all kinds of weather."

"On one run, just outside Terrell, we were rounding a bend in the track after a heavy rain. Runoff water from the rain had washed out the dirt from under the tracks just ahead. We steamed right into the washout, and the locomotive, a few cars and several yards of track all dropped into a big hole in the ground. It took a huge derrick to pull us out."

Patton operated "every fast train the T&P had." He was the engineer on passenger trains of all descriptions.

"In the old days our trains were just like the ones in Western movies," he said, "only we never got chased by Indians."

Once Patton had to leap from his locomotive cab to avoid injury.

"I was firing a passenger train one night," he remembered, "when I locked up and saw a freight train coming down the same track. We were inside the T&P station so we weren't moving very fast. The engineer and I threw the brake, closed the steam valve, and at the last moment we both jumped clear of the train. The trains collided, but there wasn't much damage."

But all that happened decades ago. For his November 21 retirement celebration Patton traded his oil-smeared engineer's uniform for a dapper three-piece suit.

He received an engraved plaque and a gold railroad watch (he bought his last watch in 1920). But the highlight of the day, said Charlie Patton, was watching his favorite old train roll into the depot with a new name emblazoned on its side...the "Charles Jefferson Patton."

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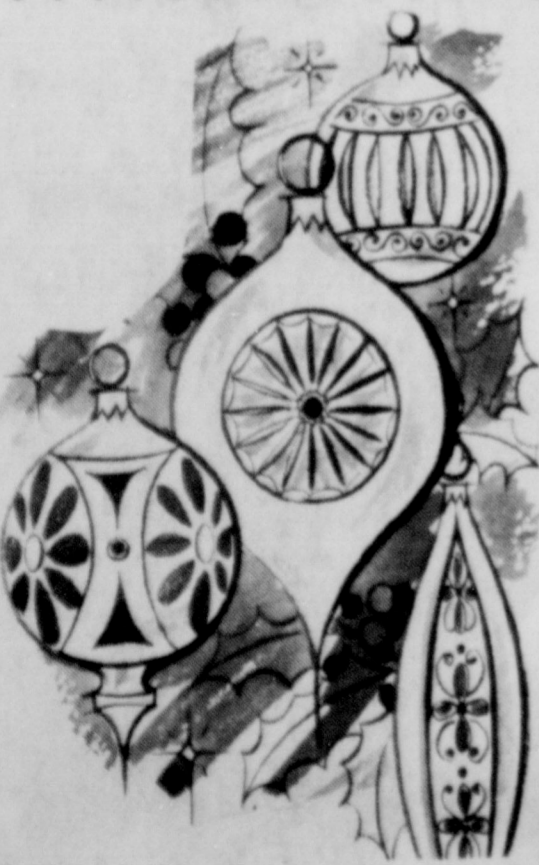
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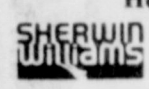
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# Geneiva Riethmayer's Home Is Decorated Inside And Out

By JUNE FLOYD

Friends, relatives, acquaintances and anyone else who drives southeast of Friona on Farm-to-Market Road 2397 any evening from early December to the end of the year are always attracted to the holiday decorations at the home of Mrs. Bob (Geneiva) Riethmayer.

Since the Riethmayer family, which consisted of Bob (deceased), Geneiva, Mike, Kay and Jill moved to their new home, which is about 2½ miles from town in 1964, the holiday season has featured Santa Claus on the roof. Santa is accompanied by attractive red and green decorations from the mail box to the farthest corner of the house.

This year's outside decorations feature a new gigantic greeting card, which is also lighted each evening. This card, which is 4'x8', is the same one which was featured in the front of the home of the late Mr. and Mrs.

Ed Boggess for many years.

During those years it conveyed holiday greetings from Ed and Bessie Boggess to anyone who happened to drive by. Geneiva had the greetings painted for her parents. Then, this year she recycled the greeting and now it is covered with poinsettias and is playing a new role in a new place.

The inside of the Riethmayer home is attractively decorated throughout. Most of the decorations are hand made and have a special meaning to members of the family. Many of them have been hand crocheted by Bob's mother, Mrs. Otto Riethmayer, who lives in Lamesa.

Hanging over the fireplace, waiting for Santa to come down the chimney, are personalized stockings with names of each member of the family. On the left the names read "Mike," "Becky," "Brent" and "Corbin." "Jill" and "Geneiva" are in the center and on the right are "Kay

"Larry," "Jennifer" and one for the newest member of the family, Jeffery Rogers, who will be having his very first Christmas.

The Christmas tree, which sits in the east window of the living room is white and most of the hand made decorations are in red and green.

Geneiva moved to Parmer County from Mutual, Oklahoma, with her parents, the late Ed and Bessie Boggess, as a very small girl. She has two older sisters, Irene Sherley, who lives in Arkansas, and Juanita Reed, who lives here. Her brother, Eugene Boggess, also lives here. A younger sister, Thelma Mae Johnson, is deceased.

Following her graduation from Friona High School, Geneiva attended a business college in Lubbock, where she met Bob, who had grown up in Dawson County.

Their first home was in Lubbock. Later they lived in Spokane, Washington and Oklahoma City. Bob served in World War II and when he went overseas, Geneiva came back to Friona.

When Bob was discharged, the couple moved to a farm at Spartanburg, which is near Lamesa. Their three children, Mike, Kay and Jill, were all born before they moved to Friona in December of 1956.

The children are all graduates of Friona High School. Mike farms. His wife, the former Becky Elliott, teaches in the local school system. Their two sons, Brent and Corbin are both in school here.

Kay and her husband, Larry Rogers, and their two children, Jennifer, two, and Jeffery, four months, live in Lubbock, where he is employed by Bell Telephone Company.

Jill lives in Abilene and teaches in Abilene Christian School.

All of them plan to be home for Christmas. The family traditionally sings Christmas carols as gifts are being opened.

Geneiva says, "The two things we always have to eat are Grandma

Boggess sage dressing and Grandma Riethmayer pecan pie."

When asked about recipes for these two dishes, she replied, "Well, for Grandma Boggess sage dressing you just combine cornbread, dried bread, turkey broth, lots of sage and a few other ingredients and hope it turns out 'just like Grandma Boggess used to make'."

For Grandma Riethmayer pecan pie: Combine 5 eggs; 1 cup sugar; 1 tablespoon butter; 1½ cups white Karo and two teaspoons vanilla in a mixing bowl. Mix three minutes and pour over pecan halves, which have been spread in two unbaked pie shells.

A frozen fruit salad recipe Geneiva uses at Christmas time or for any other large gathering is Frozen Fruit Salad.

Drain 4 large cans crushed pineapple, 2 large cans sliced peaches, 2 small jars maraschino cherries and 2 cans green grapes. Reserve 1½ cups pineapple juice. Add one ten ounce package miniature marshmallows. Soften 1 envelope plain gelatin in ½ cup cold water. Heat pineapple juice to boiling. Add gelatin, which has been dissolved and chill until mixture begins to set.

Mix fruit with 2 cups pecans, 2½ cups sugar, 1 cup orange juice and ¼ cup lemon juice. Whip ten packages Dream Whip as directed on package. Add three cups mayonnaise. Combine with partially set gelatin mixture and mix well.

Pour in cartons and freeze. Serves 30 persons.



LET'S SEE! DON'T THINK THIS ONE IS QUITE STRAIGHT .....Geneiva Riethmayer carefully attends to a small detail necessary for everything in her house to be in "apple pie" order prior to the beginning of arrivals for the holiday season. She has made most of the decorations for her home,



USE WHAT YOU HAVE....In creating the decorations for the inside and outside of her home, Geneiva Riethmayer has utilized just about everything one could imagine. The wreath on the front door is made from calico scraps, velvet ribbon and felt holly leaves. The wreath on the wall is centered with an antique lantern, and old boot and some old headpieces.

## Santa Letters

Dear Santa,  
I would like a "Big Doll" and a toy cat. And a toy dog. And a Mr. Mouse game. And a bike. And Santa could I have a ball? And, Lunch box that all I want.

Thank you Santa,  
Melissa Garcia

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want 2 pers blue jens. I want a Christmas tree and I want a borbe to. And I want a traplyn and I want a prs. I want sam Mackup.


Leticia Arias

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want one football. I want one bate. I want one troca.

Ismael Rocha

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a traplen and a pretty cut and grow and tippytoes and candy cane and lolly pop and bubble gum.

Lupe Marquez



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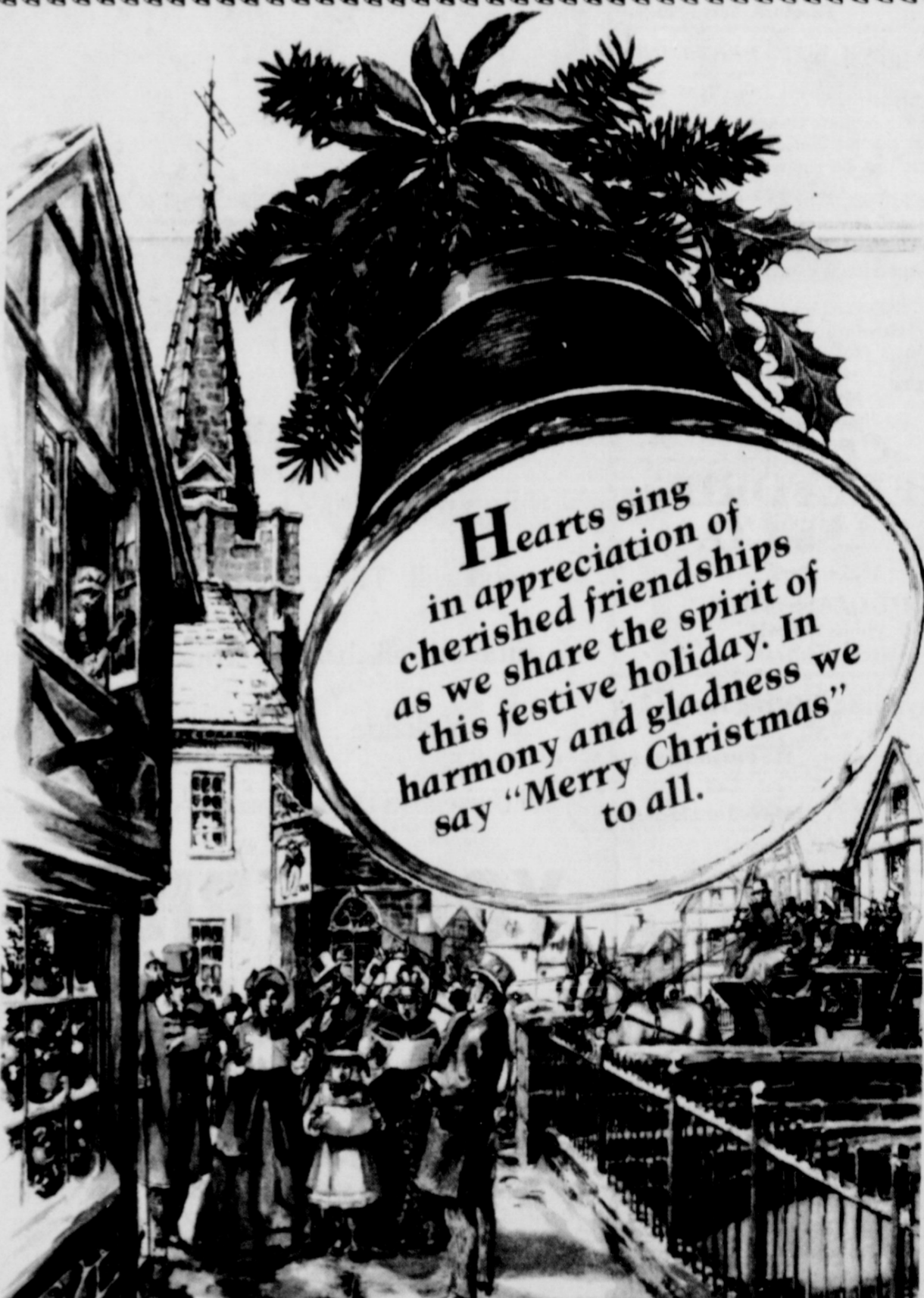
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# Massie Family Expects Special Christmas Guest

By JUNE FLOYD

The newest member of the family of Olive and Meryle Massie, Aaron Massie Towle, will probably be the biggest attraction at this year's family Christmas get together. He and his parents, David and Merylene Massie Towle, live in Richmond, Virginia. This is Aaron's first Christmas and his Friona relatives are anxiously awaiting his first visit to Texas.

Other members of the Massie family who plan to be present are Marca Lynn, Glen, Richie, Kristi, Jamie and Jill Herring and Jayn, C.B., Jodi and Lance Looper, who live here.

In addition to Olive's and Meryle's three daughters, Marca Lynn, Merylene and Jayn, they have two other young women who have lived in their home and made a place for themselves in the family.

Friona's first exchange student, Anni Jensen came in the fall of 1961 and lived with the Massies until the following June. She is a native of Denmark. She's married to Eric Jensen, also of Denmark, but not a relative. This couple came to the United States and visited in the Massie home on their wedding trip in 1972. Then, in 1979 they returned and brought Anni's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gunnar Jensen with them.

Nergis Yazgan, another exchange student, made her home with the Massies during the 1963-64 school year. She is a native of Turkey.

Olive and Meryle both enjoy travelling very much and in 1975 they visited Anni and Nergis in their homes. Other foreign countries this couple has visited include Mexico, Canada, Panama, Paraguay, Uruguay, Belize, Casmul, San Bliss, San Augustine, Italy, England, Austria, Switzerland, Germany, Norway and Sweden.

They have also toured every state in the union, including Alaska and Hawaii, except Vermont and Wisconsin.

Olive, the oldest of six children born to pioneer Dickens County residents, Mr. and Mrs. D.P. Smiley, was born near Roaring Springs, Texas, where her mother still lives.

Following her graduation from Patton Springs High School, she attended Texas Tech University, Lubbock, two years. One summer while she was working at Jenkins Jewelry in Lubbock, she met a young service man from Claude, Texas, who was stationed at Reece Air Force Base. His name was Meryle Massie.

These two were married December 27, 1942 and made their home in Lubbock while Meryle was transferred elsewhere. Before he was discharged in November 1945, they lived in Syracuse, New York; Louisville, Kentucky; and Columbus, Georgia.

New Year's Day 1946 marked the beginning of Olive's and Meryle's Parmer County residency. They moved into a small house on the farm of two of Meryle's uncles, the late Bill and Ed Massie.

At the time, the house had no modern conveniences and Olive remembers what a difference cooking on her first butane range made in her housekeeping duties. Prior to that time she had cooked on a wood stove.

They still live on the same farm. In 1960 they built their present home.

The family members traditionally get together on Christmas Eve for a gift exchange and evening of fun and games. Baking traditions include Fresh Coconut Cake and Black Walnut Cake. Black walnuts grow in the yard, so they're fresh, too.

In addition to being a farmer and livestock man, Meryle enjoys hunting and annually supplies pheasant for the freezer.

One of the family's favorite pheasant dishes is:

#### Pheasant and Rice

One 3 pound pheasant  
2 stalks celery, cut in two inch pieces  
2 tablespoons butter



JUST SIX MORE DAYS 'TILL CHRISTMAS...Jodi and Lance, children of C.B. Jr. and Jayn Looper, are anxiously awaiting the appearance of Jolly Ole Saint Nick. They're pictured here sitting in front of the Christmas tree in the living room of their maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Meryle Massie.

1 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon pepper  
1 1/2 cups cooked wild rice  
1 can chicken soup  
1/4 cup milk  
Saute celery in butter. Combine salt, pepper, rice, soup and milk. Place celery in bottom of crock pot. Place pheasant on celery breast down. Pour rice mixture over pheasant. Cook until meat is tender.

One of Olive's favorite cookie recipes is:

#### Icebox Cookies

1/4 cup butter  
1/4 cup Crisco  
1 cup brown sugar  
1 cup granulated sugar  
3 eggs

1 teaspoon vanilla  
1 teaspoon cinnamon  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
4 1/2 cups flour  
1 teaspoon soda  
1 cup chopped nuts  
Cut Crisco and butter into dry ingredients until mealy. Beat in eggs, vanilla and nuts. Pack stiff dough on waxed paper and roll. Leave in refrigerator overnight. Slice with sharp knife and bake on oiled cookie sheet.

The Massies attend Friona United Methodist Church. Olive served as a Girl Scout leader for many years. In her spare time she crochets and does other hand work including making quilts for her grandchildren.



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## Santa Letters

Dear Santa Claus,  
I hope you bring me something for Christmas. I want you to bring me a doll.  
Angie Vega

Dear Santa,  
We think we have been real good girls this year. We love you and all the people. I want a great big doll and a harmonica. My little sister wants Baby Tippee Toes real bad. Take care of yourself Santa.  
Love,  
Lana and Leslie Fangman

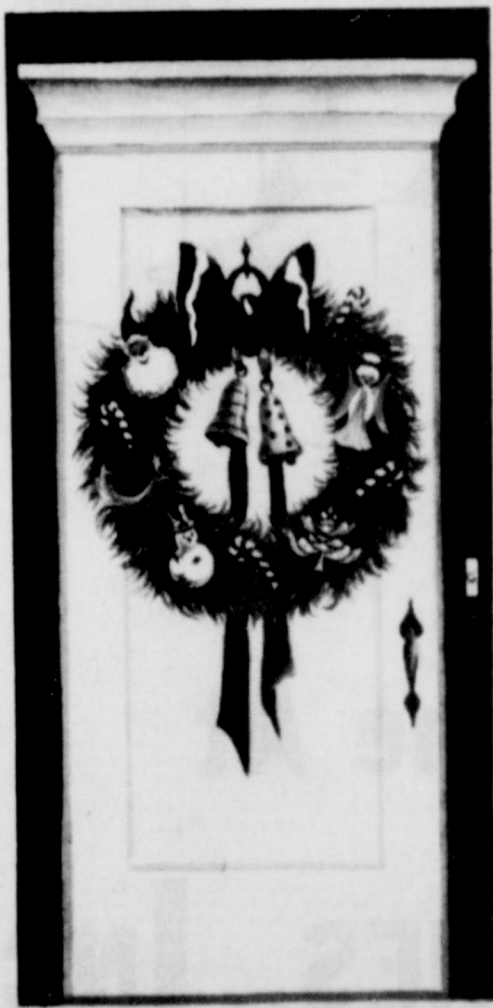
Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a car, a big truck and loader and a "Team America" like David. You can have a candy cane off my tree.  
Love,  
Trent Murphree  
P.S. I am 2 years old.

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a "Team America" motorcycle that really goes, a Lite Brite, and a pinball game. Say hello to Rudolph. I would like a car that really works. I am nearly 4 years old. I want Pa-Pa to get well.  
Love,  
David Murphree

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year and so have my sisters. I would like a Strawberry Shortcake house and doll, fashion plates and Alphi robot. Tawn would like Strawberry Shortcake hou and doll, too. Lite-Brite and cash register. Vanette wants a baby doll with a bed and high chair. We will leave you some cookies.  
We Love You,  
Vacsia White

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want some birds for my mother. I want Tippy-Toes and a doll. I'm going to live you some cookies on the table.  
Jennifer White

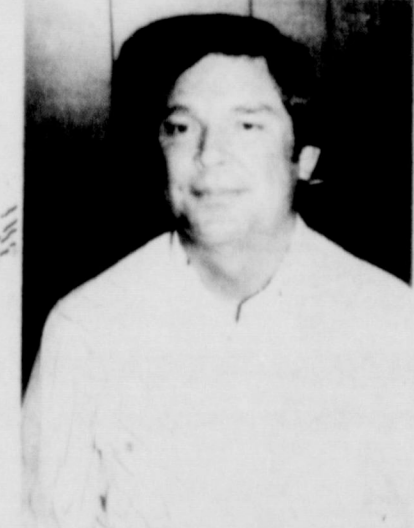
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