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# Friona Star

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TWENTY PAGES

## FSB reinstates debit card use

Friona State Bank has released the hold on their debit cards. The bank was recently hit with numerous fraudulent debit items from some counterfeit cards being used at merchants in the Florida area and suspended debit card use last week.

The bank has issued the following statement:

"Starting Thursday morning, December 18, all debit cards may be used as they were before December 8. Your limits will also be raised back to \$500 for purchases and \$500 for the ATM. Please accept our sincere apologies for the disruption of service. We are constantly trying to protect our customers."



## Livestock show is January 14-17

The Parmer County Junior Livestock Show will be held at the Friona Community Center January 14-17. Weigh-in and set-up is Wednesday January 14. The show is Thursday January 15, and the sale will be Saturday January 17.

The Farwell Livestock Show is set for January 3. There will not be a local Friona Show this year. Instead, Friona FFA students are having a "show clinic" this Saturday, December 20, in preparation for the county show.

## Christmas Belles



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Kathryn Goddard, left, directs the Methodist Church handbell choir at the Prairie Acres Christmas party. Other ladies are l-r, Allison Johnston, Becky Jones, Ada Beth Smith, Margaret Duggins, Deke Kendrick, Erin Barnett, Martha Shelton, Melissa Randolph, and Tracy Ellis.



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A train, snowman, and presents await Santa's arrival at this colorful Christmas display on 7th St.

## Have a new roof? Better check out your vent pipes

Kevin Patton, owner of Friona Heating and Air, has some serious advice for homeowners that have had new roofs installed since the June hail storm. Check your heating unit and water heater vent pipes inside your house.

Mr. Patton says that roofers may have caused your heating unit and water heater vent pipes to be dislodged during the roofing process. He cited several examples he has found where vent pipes have been disconnected inside the home's heating/water heater closet.

"If your pipes are improperly vented it could cause some carbon monoxide fumes inside your home," Patton said. The vent pipes carry fumes out the roof vents and are located on top of your heating and water heater units.

If your pipes are not properly connected, reconnect them or call a heating professional for assistance.

# Junior high first in District UIL again

Submitted by PRINCIPAL MARK SUNDRE

Roughly 100 students from Friona Junior High School competed in the 2008 UIL Academic meet on December 3 at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview. The hard work and dedication of our students and teachers really paid off.

Junior high schools from six 2-AA districts competed for both individual and team awards. Friona Junior High took first place followed by Floydada in second place and Childress in third.

Our students truly enjoyed the experience and represented our campus and our community extremely well. An awards assembly is planned for the first week of school in January.

We have included the re-

sults of the various competitions in this week's Friona Star. We express our thanks to the parents and community members who continue to support the efforts of the students and teachers at Friona Junior High School. Special thanks to Mrs. Connie Slagle for her leadership and direction as this year's UIL campus coordinator for Friona Junior High School.

**Sixth grade:** Art, team 2<sup>nd</sup>, Keaton Irons 3<sup>rd</sup>, Paulina Jaramillo 5<sup>th</sup>, Jeremy Raymond 6<sup>th</sup>; Calculator, team 2<sup>nd</sup>, Emmanuel Rosales 4<sup>th</sup>, Alexis Alvarado 6<sup>th</sup>, Luis Cumpian, Yulisa Yanez; Listening skills, team 2<sup>nd</sup>, Brandon Berend 3<sup>rd</sup>, Jacob Dickson, Tyler Hough, Paulina Jaramillo; Maps,

Charts, Graphs, team 1<sup>st</sup>, Mason Loflin 1<sup>st</sup>, Brent Hickman 5<sup>th</sup>, Christian Merino 6<sup>th</sup>, Jessica Vital.

**Mathematics,** team 3<sup>rd</sup>, Haden Smiley 3<sup>rd</sup>, Brandon Berend, Christian Huckins, Jose Rocha; Music Memory, team 3<sup>rd</sup>, Cassidy Malone 2<sup>nd</sup>, Haden Smiley 3<sup>rd</sup>, Tyler Hough, Christian Huckins, Mike Ramos; Number Sense, team 2<sup>nd</sup>, Dan O'Brian 3<sup>rd</sup>, Cassandra Ganska 5<sup>th</sup>, Angela Hernandez, Kendall Morrow; Oral Reading, Tyler Hough 4<sup>th</sup>, Spelling, Mason Loflin 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Seventh Grade:** Art, team 1<sup>st</sup>, Kendall Kimbrough 1<sup>st</sup>, Marcella Mendoza 1<sup>st</sup>, Kelsey Davis 6<sup>th</sup>; Calculator, team 2<sup>nd</sup>, Nicole Anchondo 3<sup>rd</sup>, Jakelin Sanchez 5<sup>th</sup>, Ashli Smith 6<sup>th</sup>, Elizabeth Gonzalez; Dictionary, team 1<sup>st</sup>, Kailey Lucas 2<sup>nd</sup>, Ivan Soto 4<sup>th</sup>, Derreck Hernandez, Omar Ramos; Editorial Writing, Shayle Swink 2<sup>nd</sup>, Holly Johnston 4<sup>th</sup>; Impromptu, Holly Johnston 4<sup>th</sup>, Ashli Smith 6<sup>th</sup>; Listening Skills, team 3<sup>rd</sup>, Esdras Rodriguez 1<sup>st</sup>, Rosa Calvillo, Kelsey Davis, Todd Padilla; Maps, Charts, Graphs, team 1<sup>st</sup>, Coke Capshaw 1<sup>st</sup>, Nathan Rando 3<sup>rd</sup>, Jacob Osborn 5<sup>th</sup>, Kendall Kimbrough.

**Mathematics,** team 3<sup>rd</sup>, Joe Gonzalez, Alex Ovalle, Mark Schwab; Modern Oratory, Armando Flores 1<sup>st</sup>, Hunter Sundre 2<sup>nd</sup>, Nicolette Guerra 3<sup>rd</sup>; Number Sense, team 3<sup>rd</sup>, Esdras Rodriguez 4<sup>th</sup>,

Alejandra Garcia, Destiny Sandoval; Oral Reading, Jeri Duenes 5<sup>th</sup>, Terri Reed 6<sup>th</sup>; Ready Writing, Logan Kilpatrick 3<sup>rd</sup>; Science, team 2<sup>nd</sup>, Alex Ovalle 3<sup>rd</sup>, Jacob Osborn 5<sup>th</sup>, Amy Osborn, Brandi Ramos; Social Studies, team 1<sup>st</sup>, Shayle Swink 1<sup>st</sup>, Trent Hickman 2<sup>nd</sup>, Coke Capshaw, Derreck Hernandez; Spelling, team 1<sup>st</sup>, Logan Kilpatrick 1<sup>st</sup>, Coke Capshaw 6<sup>th</sup>, Brandi Ramos, Omar Ramos.

**Eighth Grade:** Art, team 2<sup>nd</sup>, Gaby Quintana 4<sup>th</sup>, Alejandra Garcia 5<sup>th</sup>, Magali Morales 6<sup>th</sup>; Calculator, team 2<sup>nd</sup>, Linda Ramos 4<sup>th</sup>, Shantelle Pruitt 6<sup>th</sup>, Adilene Adame, O.P. Vazquez; Dictionary, team 3<sup>rd</sup>, Nohely Juarez 6<sup>th</sup>, Louis Rojas, Jessica Salinas, Andres Silva; Listening Skills, team 2<sup>nd</sup>, Kalley Preston 2<sup>nd</sup>, Ben Anthony 5<sup>th</sup>, Brianna Miller 6<sup>th</sup>, Maddie Murphree; Maps, Charts, Graphs, team 2<sup>nd</sup>, Sawyer Osborn 3<sup>rd</sup>, Ben Anthony, Amber DeLeon, Maddie Murphree.

**Mathematics,** team 3<sup>rd</sup>, Alexys Romero 5<sup>th</sup>, Maria Chacon, Christian Cruz, Macy Herring; Modern Oratory, Magali Morales 6<sup>th</sup>; Number Sense, team 2<sup>nd</sup>, Marissa Lozoya 3<sup>rd</sup>, Cotton Fleming 5<sup>th</sup>, Steven Dominguez, Richard Rodriguez; Oral Reading, Amber DeLeon 2<sup>nd</sup>, Janet Calvillo 6<sup>th</sup>; Ready Writing, Krystin Gonzales 5<sup>th</sup>; Sci-

ence, team 2<sup>nd</sup>, Krystin Gonzales 4<sup>th</sup>, Cotton Fleming 5<sup>th</sup>, Jake DeWit, Maddie Murphree; Social Studies, team 3<sup>rd</sup>, Jessyca Rivas 1<sup>st</sup>, Sajal Patel 3<sup>rd</sup>, Eduardo Rojas.

**One-Act Play 1<sup>st</sup> Place:** Holly Johnston, Best Actress; Haden Smiley, Honor-

able Mention; Omar Ramos, All-Star Cast; Kalley Preston, All-Star Cast; Choir was honorable mention. Other cast, Shayle Swink, Kendall Kimbrough, Sawyer Osborn, Mark Schwab, Ben Anthony; crew, Alex Ovalle, Derreck Hernandez, Jeri Duenes.

## Friona Star holiday deadline schedules

Because Christmas and New Year's fall on a Thursday, the Friona Star will be published one day earlier the next two weeks.

Deadlines for news, announcements, and advertising will be 5 p.m. Monday, December 22 and 5 p.m. Monday, December 29. The newspaper will be printed and distributed Wednesday December 24 and Wednesday December 31.

Our e-Star subscribers will receive the online version on Tuesday evening December 23 and Tuesday evening December 30.

The Friona Star office will be closed Wednesday, December 24 and Wednesday December 31. Normal business hours will resume Monday, January 5.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from all of us here at the Friona Star.



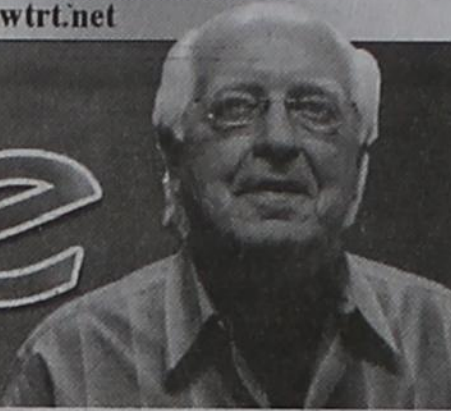
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Christmas tree at First National Bank - Friona Banking Center



# Out Here

By Ron Carr



## the retail christmas spirit

Ever had your jingle bells shopping experience dampened by a retail clerk?

I try to make an extra effort to be nice to everybody during this time of year. It is difficult because I am something of a humbug grinch when Christmas rolls around in October.

Yes I know Christmas is in December. I've lived through a lot of them. When I was a boy though it seems Christmas didn't really start until December, long after Thanksgiving. These days it starts around Halloween and lasts until early January.

I guess between layaway and the Sears catalog, folks in Hillsboro did order some Christmas stuff early in the year. Delivery trucks didn't run every day back in the 50s.

You could order Santa loot without fear of being caught

because the Sears catalog store called when your stuff arrived and you could sneak down and pick it up without the kids being the wiser. It's probably more difficult these days for parents to hide stuff with FedEx and UPS running around all over the neighborhood.

I've spent a few Christmas eves dragging stuff out of the attic and garage and sitting up until 3 a.m. trying to screw a bunch of pieces together to create a sandbox or that plastic Baby Cook Kitchen that looked so cute on Sesame Street.

I once put together a complete Masters of the Universe set in only eight hours, just in time to catch 30 minutes sleep before the kids woke up. My son Casey tore it apart before my first cup of Christmas hot chocolate cooled down.

But this is the retail time of year. There are organized shoppers, then there are shoppers like me. Have you been in a Toy's R Us store lately? Good gosh! That store is floor to ceiling, wall to wall, on about 50 acres of nothing but toys and dolls and games and stuffed animals and clothes, etc.

How do parents ever decide which toy to buy, especially if they take the kids along? The kid is going to want everything and scream bloody murder when you nip that ugly \$99.95 talking doll from their little hands.

Here's another gripe. Why is it that retailers think loud music blaring from overhead speakers enhances the shopping experience? I made my daughter Megan promise that I never had to go into another Hollister's store as long as I lived. If you have been shopping at Hollister's you know of what I speak.

Then there are big stores like Dillard's or J.C. Penney. I'm too impatient to wander from department to department through aisles crammed with Christmas temptations. For me it's best to avoid impulse shopping. When patience wears thin I'm apt to grab one of those "are you out of your mind" gifts that will end up in the "return this" pile.

And I hate returning stuff more than I do buying stuff in the first place. I've known women who buy something and decide to return it before they ever get back to the car with it. You give me a gift I have three options: keep it, give it to somebody else, or throw it away. I'm not standing in a return line. If I don't like the gift why can't the person that gave it to me stand in line to return it?

I feel sorry for the retail clerks

too, many of whom work part time during the holidays for the extra money. Many stores hire help to just go around and refold all the stuff you shoppers unfolded.

It's not uncommon in Wal-Mart to find a Black & Decker battery operated screwdriver set sitting on a shelf in the bread aisle. Or a package of cinnamon rolls over in the T-shirt department. Changed my mind, I'll just leave it right here. So it takes employees roaming around to return stuff to its rightful place. No wonder they get snarly.

But enough already. I said I was going to make an extra effort to be nice to everybody no matter how snarly they get.

There is one last small irritation though. Retail stores need to think about this. When you arrive at the checkout counter with your basket overflowing, the cashier should not ask, "Did you find everything alright?" unless they really mean it.

What if you didn't find everything you wanted? They going to go to the back room and try to find it for you? No! It is an automatic customer service response that basically means nothing but conversation.

I was in an office supply place. Among other items, I wanted some Red Retractable Sharpies. We use them here to proof our newspaper.

There were no Red Retractable Sharpies on the shelf. At the checkout counter the sweet young lady said, "Did you find everything alright?"

I said, "No. I needed a box of Red Retractable Sharpies but there weren't any on the shelf." Her helpful reply was, "Well is this going to be all for you?"

Hey, I guess so. Merry Christmas!

## Mark Your Calendar

December 22 - January 2  
School's out for Christmas Holidays

January 5  
School Begins

January 7-8  
Orders for Angel Food Ministry food program at First Baptist Church from 12-5p.m. Info at 250-3933.

January 14-17  
Parmer County Jr. Livestock Show is the 15th, sale is at 1 p.m. on the 17th.

January 18  
Prairie Acres benefit Mexican dinner, Jr. High Cafeteria

January 19  
City Council meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers on Main Street.

January 24  
Pick up Angel Food Ministry boxes at First Baptist Church from 10-11:30 a.m.

January 27-29  
Farm & Ranch Show at the Lubbock Civic Center

January 31  
Deadline for history stories in 3rd Parmer County History Book

March 10  
Chamber of Commerce Banquet at the Community Center

## Try a crunchy fruity chicken pocket meal

BY RON CARR

This Family Features recipe was created by Robin Miller for the Almond Board of California. Miller is a cookbook author and host of "Quick Fix Meals" on the Food Network.

Miller says about almonds, "Their nutty flavor and satisfying crunch work with everything from pungent blue cheese to the sweet and sour flavors of pomegranates and apples."

She says make an extra batch of the filling and use it over grilled or roasted salmon, shrimp, or grilled pork chops. Good luck with that blue cheese thing. I like it but not everybody does so just don't tell them what it is until later.

### Stuffed chicken breasts with apples, almonds, & blue cheese

Makes 4 servings  
Active time 15 minutes  
Start to finish 45 minutes

- Cooking spray
- 4 boneless skinless chicken breast halves (5 oz each)
- 4 ozs crumbled blue cheese (any variety)
- 1/2 cup slivered almonds
- 1 apple (prefer Gala or Fuji) peeled, cored, and diced
- 3 tsps chopped fresh dill
- 4 tsps olive oil
- 4 tsps dried minced onion
- Salt & freshly ground black pepper

1. Preheat oven to 400. Coat shallow roasting pan with cooking spray. Using a sharp paring knife, slice a pocket into each chicken breast as if halving a bagel, without completely cutting through the other side. Arrange chicken in prepared pan and set aside.

2. In medium bowl combine blue cheese, almonds, apple, and dill. Add a pinch each of salt and black pepper. Mix together with fork until mixture is well blended and comes together. Divide mixture into four equal portions and spoon each portion into the pocket of the chicken. Brush olive oil all over top of chicken and season top with salt, black pepper and dried onion (1 tsp onion for each breast). Bake 25-30 minutes until chicken is golden brown and cooked through.

3. Serve this dish with steamed asparagus tossed with lemon juice, brown rice that's been cooked in chicken broth (and tossed with fresh parsley), or angel hair pasta that's been tossed with olive oil and fresh basil.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Ron:

Appreciated your plug concerning my book, "Friona On Parade", in last week's Friona Star, but felt a comment was in order.

You referred to my book as a "sports history". You must have skipped the first 196 pages of the book, which are a general history of the Fisd from the early years.

In those pages are photos of all of the superintendents who have served Fisd since the early times. I spent a great deal of time in telephoning and writing people to secure these photos.

I also was able to get the lion's share of photos of the high school principals of FHS, back to Floyd Golden in 1921-22.

This first section of the book contains class photos, starting with the 1926-27 class, and these run through 1955-56, when the classes became too large to photograph.

However, class rosters are listed beginning in 1957, through 2005. A special section shows photos of class valedictorians and salutatorians beginning with Fred White in 1916, going through the 2005 school year.

Sports teams DO get their fair share, in the final 160 pages of the book. The 1964 Squaws' basketballers got the biggest headline

and write-up, as the only sports team to win a state title for FHS, under Coach Baker Duggins.

Other teams, including the early 1940s teams of R.L. Bates are also covered. Bates had his teams at their state meet five times in the 1940s. Duggins' 1960 team finished second in state and in 1963 the Squaws were third.

The 1974 Chieftain cagers, who battled to the state finals, have their share of the limelight in my book.

James Morton's 1996 Chieftains are the only FHS football team to battle to the state semi-finals. That's still the only Friona grid team to advance past the regional level.

Thanks for your time!

Sincerely,  
Bill Ellis

(Editor's Note: You can contact Bill at 806-250-3053 to order a copy of "Friona On Parade".)

## Friona Star

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### SUBSCRIPTIONS

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### ADVERTISING

Standard open display rates are \$4 per column inch. Volume discounts are available.

Classified ads are a minimum of \$5 or 25-cents per word. Borders and special type are \$4 a column inch with a \$5 minimum. Card of Thanks is printed with a border and is the \$4 a column inch rate with a \$10 minimum.

Engagement, wedding, anniversary, and birth announcements are \$10. We reserve the right to limit the amount of space used for wedding announcements without extra charge.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters to the editor are always welcome. Views expressed in letters are those of the writer and do not always reflect the views or opinions of the editor or staff of the Friona Star. Submission of a letter does not guarantee publication. All letters are subject to editing for grammar, style, or length. Letters must be signed and include name, address, and phone number of sender for verification. Anonymous letters are never considered for publication.

### DEADLINES

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### ACROSS

- 1 TXism: "\_\_\_ of bones" (skinny)
- 5 TX Wiley Post was the 1st to fly \_\_\_ around the world
- 6 TX Audie film: "To \_\_\_ and Back"
- 7 West TX climate
- 8 TXism: "bought a pig \_\_\_ poke"
- 9 Switzer coached at this university
- 17 monthly expense
- 19 "Fugitive" TX actor Tommy
- 20 Astros' Drabek won \_\_\_ Young award in '90
- 21 TXism: "beats anything I \_\_\_ saw"
- 22 Cowboys league
- 24 laden with salsa
- 30 mountain in Culberson Co.
- 34 Yo \_\_\_ Digo Creek
- 35 TXism: "\_\_\_ white flag" (give up)
- 36 TXism: "I'm all \_\_\_ (attentive)"
- 37 TX Kristofferson's "Sunday Mornin' \_\_\_ Down"
- 39 "mop lady" actress from San Antonio
- 43 TXns don't duel with this
- 44 tasty pastry
- 45 TXism: "\_\_\_ 2-steps to his own beat"
- 46 TX McMurry's "The \_\_\_ Picture Show"
- 48 TX Howard Hughes once dated this famous actress Jean

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- 1 TXism: "content with all creation"
- 53 Waco native comedian & actor Martin (init.)
- 54 TXism: "\_\_\_ humid my upper lip is mildewing"
- 55 TWU's 1st woman pres.: Mary Evelyn Blagg
- 56 university that beat A&M in '93 Cotton Bowl (abbr.)
- 57 Tex-Mex restaurant chain
- 60 TXism: "it'll take a faith healer to \_\_\_" (broken)
- 61 this agcy. sold TX property after S & L scandal (abbr.)
- 62 Astro Oswalt stat
- 63 "King's Salt" lake: El \_\_\_ del Rey
- 1 TXism: "thick \_\_\_ on a dog's back"
- 2 Cascade Caverns are near this town
- 3 airport between Denton & Ft. Worth
- 4 TX Orbison had several \_\_\_ records
- 9 good \_\_\_ boy
- 10 TXism: "hard work \_\_\_ fences up"
- 11 blue jeans Strauss
- 12 what Jerry Jones flies in (2 wds.)
- 13 1st name of Carswell AFB's namesake
- 14 TXism: "happy as a kid \_\_\_ Santa's lap"
- 15 film of 53-across: "Dead \_\_\_ Don't Wear Plaid"
- 16 TXism: "thick \_\_\_ a garbage dump"
- 18 nickname of TX Earl Campbell (2 wds.)
- 23 San Antonio street: \_\_\_ Chaney
- 24 George H. to George W. (abbr.)
- 25 TX Utilities agency (abbr.)
- 26 TX Mandrell tune: "Sleeping Single \_\_\_ Double Bed"
- 38 TX singer "Loaf"
- 40 TXism: "beer shed"
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- 49 TX Ranger "Lone \_\_\_ McQuade"
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- 58 in 1839 & 1881, these destroyed the capitol buildings
- 59 TXism: "to boot"

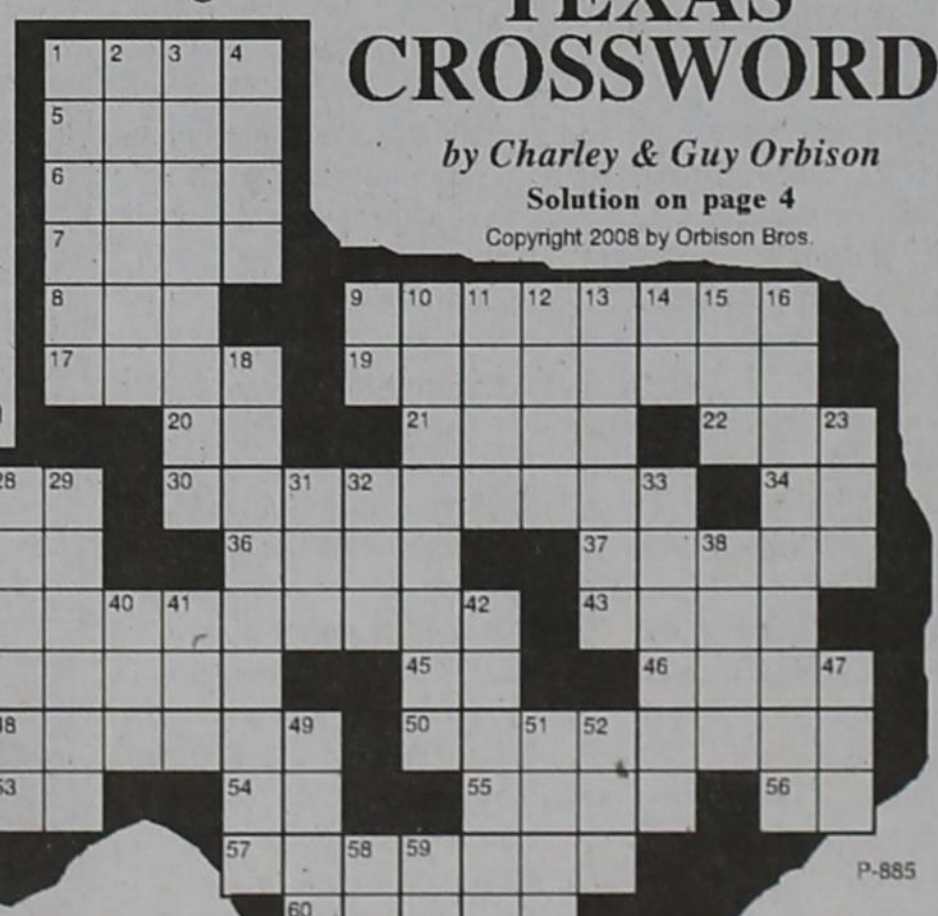
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by Charley & Guy Orbison

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# Town Talk II

By Ron Carr, Phone-250-2211, Fax-250-5127, Email-frionastar@wtrt.net

One week from today is Christmas. This weekend will be chaos at about any store or mall you choose. Good luck. Hope you get a basket that all four wheels work. Nothing messes up a shopping adventure like one wheel that refuses to roll straight.

The next two issues of the Friona Star will be printed one day early since both Christmas and New Year's Day fall on Thursday. Our deadlines for the next two weeks will be on Monday at 5 p.m. We will print and distribute the Dec. 25 and Jan 1 papers on Tuesday night and get them out on the street and to the post office on Wednesday Dec 24 and Dec 31. Questions? Call us at 806-250-2211.

I drove around and looked at Christmas lights Monday night and took a few photos. Is it just me or are there fewer decorations around town this year? The park and Ingram's and Ivy Cottage were nicely lit as were the lighted trees along Main St. at the Chamber and city hall. I know I didn't get too motivated this year but then I'm not a big decorator anyway. We'll let you know who wins the Chamber lighting contest.

The Friona high school choir came caroling at the senior lunch last Thursday then went across the street to Prairie Acres. Thanks to Mrs. Johnston and the choir for sharing Christmas music with us.

At Monday's senior lunch we dined on meat loaf, corn, black-eyed peas and such. Clarence and Wynona Martin's daughter and hus-

band, J.E. and Carol Stone, were visitors from Slaton. It was said that Lester Stanley was having back surgery Monday in Plano. We wish him the speediest of recoveries.

Since Christmas and New Year's fall on Thursday we won't be having senior lunches on those days. Area senior citizens are invited to join in on Monday and Thursday for food and fun. Cost is only \$3. Bring your own gossip.

The Mears and Geris families were in Lubbock Saturday to attend Andrea Geris' graduation from Texas Tech. She is the daughter of Randy and Sarah Geris. Likewise the Allan and Patti Haile family journeyed to College Station where son Marc graduated from Texas A&M. Does't seem like Marc and Andrea have been out of high school that long. I believe both graduated from college in 3 1/2 years. Way to go kids and all the best for a successful future.

Congratulations to Friona's district rivals, the Muleshoe Mules, for winning the 2A Division I state football title. The Mules were 15-0 this year and bring home the first state title in Muleshoe history.

Also the Canadian Wildcats won their second consecutive state football title, last year in 2A and this year in 1A. The Friona connection? Former Friona high school principal Frank Belcher is superintendent at Canadian and former Chieftain basketball and football coach Hayden Merket is on the Canadian coaching staff.

Robert and Marie Saiz's son Charley is a football coach at Denton Guyer high school. Guyer is in the playoffs causing Robert and Marie to put some miles on the pickup truck. Week before last Guyer played Frenship in Lubbock. Last Saturday they played Longview at Texas Stadium. The Saizes attended both games.

Note the short article on the front page about your heating and water heater vent pipes. When Kevin Patton told me about it I checked and sure enough both of my water heater vent pipes were not connected. No need to panic but you need to check your vent pipe connections if you have had a new roof installed after the June hail storm. You could eventually have a dangerous fume problem Kevin says. So go look.

A BIG Happy Birthday to my youngest daughter Megan who celebrated her 18<sup>th</sup> birthday on December 16. As my kids like to point out, I have had children born in four decades, the 60s, 70s, 80s, and 90s. My daughter Candace in 1966, Kirsten and Casey in '75 and '77, son Zachary in '89, and baby girl Megan in '90. Top that if you can!

DPS Trooper Gabe Medrano, in the Amarillo DPS office, is the new PR contact for DPS in the Panhandle. He took over from Wayne Beighle who is now on the DPS helicopter crew. Trooper Medrano has included this newspaper on his press release email list and sends info about wreck fatalities and drug busts in the Panhandle.

We will be printing them when they are received on Page 4 along with the Sheriff's Report and other legal stuff.

We are all a part of the Panhandle and appreciate our law enforcement and emergency services personnel throughout the area for their efforts in often tragic or dangerous circumstances.

In a photo in the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, Texas Tech quarterback Graham Harrell was shown with two of the greatest football players of all time, Raymond Berry and Sam Huff. They were in Baltimore where Harrell received the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm award for the top senior quarterback. In the photo Berry wore a dress shirt and Huff had on a suit and tie. Harrell? He had on a football jersey and a cap turned backwards. I

find that to be disrespectful. Just an opinion.

Idalou's great young running back Tanner Cook suffered concussion injuries during the season and remains in the hospital in Lubbock. He collapsed during the fourth quarter of Idalou's final playoff game and was airlifted to a Lubbock hospital where he was in intensive care for several days.

He wore number 24 for the Idalou Wildcats. Chieftain fans will remember him for the 56-yard touchdown run on the first play of the game at Kimbrough Stadium where the Chiefs lost to the Wildcats.

To send a get well message to Tanner you can log on to carepages.com and leave a message and check on his health progress. You will need to register on the site (it's free) then use the

password Tanner24. Our sympathies and best wishes to Tanner and the Cook family.

Friona coaches Carrie and Jimmy Arias are proud parents of a baby boy born about 5 weeks ago. His name is Joaquin. No other physical stats available. Congratulations Carrie and Jimmy. I'm sure our readers would like to see a picture of the little guy sometime.

Thank you Kenda for the sweets. I appreciate you. Thank you too Scooter for the Christmas poem. We'll be printing it in our Christmas paper next week. You knew I needed a filler didn't you? Hope you both have the merriest of Christmases. And to all our loyal readers, thank you for caring. Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to all. Until then!



Prairie Acres elves Elizabeth Romero, left, and Diana Perez help Santa hand out gifts at the Prairie Acres Christmas party.

Mark your calendar  
You are invited

## Mexican enchilada dinner

Sunday, January 18, at the junior high cafeteria

Benefiting the Prairie Acres Donation Fund.

Tickets \$8 adults \$5 children 10 and under

Raffle Tickets \$5

Drawings will be held the day of the dinner for a child's Amish rocking chair, and Amish cross, a 17" television, a Texas Star donated by Allan Haile, and two \$500 gas cards courtesy of Kendrick Oil Farm Store.

Committee members have raffle tickets. Contact Nancy Edelson or Jyl Grimsley. Raffle tickets also available the day of the dinner. Proceeds assist with Prairie Acres February bond payment

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- Dec. 23-Sue Wells, Lavenia Duke, Uldene Grimsley, Nancy Davis
- Dec. 24-Jon Osborn, Bert Osborn, Gabriel Baca, Mike Herbert
- Dec. 25-Bob Hurst, Dr. Bob Sanders, Betty Smock, Michael McLellan, Mickey Harrelson, Maria Robledo
- Dec. 26-Wade Cargile, Lindsey Jennings Irwin, Guy Ellis, Tony Day, Teresa Taylor, Lynda Grimsley, Tyler Peace, Dean Wines
- Dec. 27-Joanna Schueler, Johnnie Walters, Micha Duke, Levi Whitney Bandy, Norma Villarreal, Joe Steelman

## Bass wins grain sorghum contest

BY MONTI VANDIVER, Extension Agent-IPM

Texas Agrilife Extension congratulates Chris Bass for winning the 2008 Conventional-Till Irrigated National Grain Sorghum Yield and Management Contest. The winning grain sorghum was produced in Northwest Bailey County under sprinkler irrigation.

Contestants are awarded points based on yield and county average. Bass' winning yield was 201.76 bu/acre accumulating 135.06 points finishing ahead of Ki Gamble of Kansas, 85.01 points, and W R Johnson and Sons of New Mexico, 80.50 points.

Most of Chris' competition was at the state level where he narrowly edged out Steve Albracht of Castro County, 200.91 bu/acre and 133.51 points, and Ray Haseloff of Parmer County, 201.57 bu/acre and 106.77 points.

In addition to the National conventional-till irrigated division win, Chris won the Bin Buster award which is a "no holds barred" maximum National yield contest. Steve Bass of Bailey County brought home state honors in the non-irrigated mulch till division finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> with a yield of 72 bu/acre and 43.97 points. Each entry in the contest is validated by an unbiased observer.

National Winners will be recognized at an Awards Ceremony at the National Sorghum Producers Yield and Management Contest Awards Breakfast on Friday, February 27th during the 2009 Commodity Classic, February 24 - 28, 2009 at Gaylord Texan Resort & Convention Center in Grapevine, Texas. Chris Bass will also be inducted into the National Sorghum Producers Conventional Till Hall of Fame at the event. Again, congratulations to Chris, Ray and Steve on a job well done.

National Grain Sorghum Yield and Management Contests are sponsored by the National Sorghum Producers which represents sorghum producers coast to coast in legislative and regulatory matters. In addition National Sorghum Producers provides high-quality, targeted educational materials to help producers improve their bottom line.

### Courthouse Notes

There are no Courthouse Notes this week.

## Friona's Hernandez brothers may meet up in Afghanistan

Friona natives Juan and Dario Hernandez are currently serving in the military. Juan is in the Air Force stationed in England and Dario is in the Marines, currently a recruiter in Odessa. They are the sons of Carmella Hernandez of Friona.

Dario's stint as a recruiter is nearing an end. He is headed back to an infantry unit, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines. He will be training Marines for combat. "I believe if I fight this fight today my 6-year-old baby brother won't be fighting it when he turns 18," Sergeant Hernandez says. Sgt. Hernandez has been in the Marines for 7-years and plans to "be in for a very long while."

Mrs. Hernandez says that both boys are scheduled to be deployed to Afghanistan in the future and most likely will be there at the same time. "I am so very proud of Dario and Juan," she said. "I love them very much and am so grateful for all that our military men and women do for us and our country."



Friona native and FHS graduate Marine Staff Sergeant Dario Hernandez, center, along with Gunner Sergeant Ramirez, left, and Gunner Sergeant Borunda, are Marine recruiters in Odessa. courtesy photo

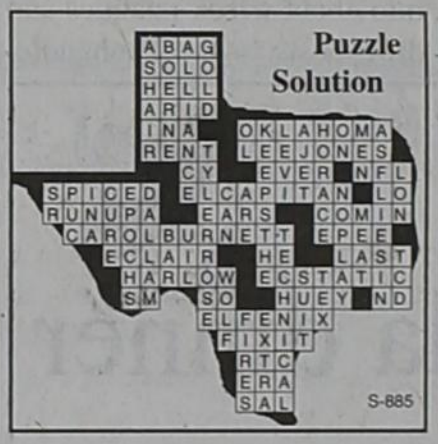
## Ellis completes JP seminar in Austin

Newly elected Precinct 1 Justice of the Peace Trey Ellis was certified at a recent Stage 1 Twenty Hour Justice of the Peace seminar held December 9-12 in Austin. The seminar was sponsored by the Texas Justice Court Training Center, a division of Texas State University-San Marcos.

It is one of three seminars held for newly appointed Justices of the Peace so they can fulfill their Continuing Judicial Education requirements of 80 hours of training within the first year of taking office as set forth in the Texas Government Code.

Seminar topics included the role of the judge and the judiciary court structure of Texas, due process, magistrate duties, and introduction to law books, trial procedure, ethics and the Judicial Court Commission, legal terminology, code construction, and financial management.

Judge Ellis was elected by write-in ballot to fulfill the term of the late Judge Valton Howard. He will serve the remaining two years of Judge Howard's term then will be up for re-election to a four year term.



## Sheriff's Report

There is no Sheriff's report from Parmer County Sheriff Randy Geries office this week.

On December 2, 2008 in 287<sup>th</sup> District Court with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

— Pedro Bernabe Viernes, 41, of Bovina, charged with subsequent DWI, was sentenced to 4 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, confinement suspended, placed on community supervision for 4 years; 10 days in Parmer County Jail as a condition of community supervision; loss of driver's license for 18 months; \$470 court costs; and \$1,000 fine.

— Rene Villarreal, 45, of Bovina, charged with aggravated assault, was sentenced to 8 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice; \$295 court costs; and \$3,000 fine.

## Troopers seize cocaine on I-40

A Department of Public Safety news release said DPS Troopers stopped a Nissan pickup for speeding on I-40 in Carson County near Conway. During the stop troopers observed signs of criminal activity from the driver and asked for consent to search the vehicle.

The driver, Fernando Hernandez of California gave consent. Troopers located 1,295 grams of cocaine valued at \$94,537 in the liner of a cooler inside the vehicle. Hernandez was arrested and booked into the Carson County jail for possession of a controlled substance. His destination was Oklahoma City.

## PARMER COUNTY CRIME STOPPERS CRIME OF THE WEEK

REWARD up to \$1,000

Dec. 16, 2008

Over the weekend of December 13, 2008 Hi Pro Feeds of Friona had a burglary of the feed mill. Forced entry was made into the building and various items were taken. One or more suspects may be involved. Tools and fire extinguishers along with other items were stolen.

If you have any information at all about this crime, please call Parmer County Crime Stoppers. You will remain anonymous and, if your tip leads to an arrest, you may earn a cash reward up to \$1,000.

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## December sales tax received

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs says the state collected \$1.98 billion in sales tax in November, up 4.7 percent compared to November 2007.

"For the first three months of the state's 2009 fiscal year, state sales tax collections have continued to grow," Combs said. "However, the increase is less than in the past three years, and collections from important sectors such as retail trade and construction have declined slightly."

Combs sent Texas cities December sales tax allocations of \$328.5 million, up 9.5 percent compared to December 2007. City sales tax allocations during calendar year 2008 totaled \$4 billion, up 5.6 percent compared to 2007. Counties' December sales tax allocations totaled \$30.8 million, up 11.8 percent compared to December 2007. Counties received \$365.8 million in sales tax during calendar year 2008, up 7.9 percent compared to last year.

Parmer County's December 2008 payment totaled \$43,655.31 broken down as Bovina \$6,433.33; Farwell \$7,857.80; and Friona \$29,364.18. In December 2007 the tax payment total was \$39,625.70.

Comparing tax receipts from the same period last year, payments were down -10.16%, broken down as Bovina -7.26%; Farwell 9.78%; and Friona 15.01%.

For the year, Parmer County cities have received a total of \$505,050.83 as compared to \$483,813.78 for the same period last year, a 4.38% change.

For details of December sales tax payments for Parmer County, locate the *Monthly Sales and Use Tax Allocation Comparison Summary Reports* on the Comptroller's Website at [www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/allocsum/compsum.html](http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/allocsum/compsum.html).

The Comptroller's next local sales tax allocation will be made on Friday, January 9, 2009.

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# SANTA LETTERS



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Love  
Karina

Dear Santa, How are you and hte Elfs at the North pole. I am Reagan Stowers and i'm in 3rd grade. I want two gocarts and ipod tough for christmas.

Love,  
Reagan

Dear Santa, How are you. What i whant for this Christmas a rocket with a flying souser. I'm nine year old i'm in 3rd grade.

Love,  
Daniel Pineda

Dear Santa, How are you doing. I'm Marco I want for Christmas is a PSP and the game of Smackdown vs Raw 2001 and the new football game 2009 and a cellphone and a forweller.

Love,  
Marco Maldonado

Dear Santa, Merry christmas! I hope you have a good christmas and I wood like a laptop and a Wii dog for Max. I also want a good christmas for my family and techer to. I hope I am on the good list not on the bad list. So that's all and a watch goodbye santa

Love,  
Samantha Salinas

Dear Santa, How are you doing at the North Pole. And are the elfse doing. This is what i want for Christmas this year. I want a Laptop, a Wii, fur real friends dog Biscat and the kitty cat, some wii games.

Love,  
Mesa Capshaw

Dear Santa, Merry Chritmas! Please don't but me on the the nody list. I've been a good boy this year. The first thing I want is a psp with games I like. I want a Pitbull. Also a laptop and new shoes. I really want this for christmas I want a four wheeler and a remot control car. list but not last I want a NFI football. Even a guitar hero game.

Love,  
Miguel

Dear Santa, How are you doing. I am Stephanie and i am in the third grade and for Chistmas I want a mp3 and a cellphone, a intendo ds, a doll, jij.

Love,  
Stephanie Maldonado

Dear Santa, Merry Christmas I want an ipod I would like that very much. I also want a psp and I want a lego toy and a video game and a remote controll car and don't forget to put me on the good list I've been a good young boy this year.

P.S. Tell Roodolf I said hi.  
P.P.S. Have a safe trip to my house.

Your friend  
Aaron

Dear Santa, Merry Christmas! I Been nice all year and for Christmas I wan't a laptop and a flat screen tv and I would like toy and have a dog so i can take him for a wacke and some toys so I can play with them.

Love  
Erick  
P.S tell the elves below.

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love  
Victor



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# OBITUARY

## Robert Zetzsche

Funeral services for Robert Zetzsche, 77, of Friona, were held at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, December 15, 2008 at the 6<sup>th</sup> Street Church of Christ with Leon Talley, minister, officiating. Burial followed in the Friona Cemetery by Blackwell Funeral Home.

He died Wednesday morning, December 10, 2008 at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. He was born June 5, 1931 in Bowie, Montague County, Texas to James and Isabel Delp Zetzsche.

He married Carol Williams May 28, 1955 in Wichita Falls, Texas and moved to Friona in 1958 from Dalhart, Texas. He was a veteran serving in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He was a member of the 6<sup>th</sup> St. Church of Christ.

He was a former member of the Friona Volunteer Fire Department and the Friona Riding Club. He was with the Soil Conservation service for seven years, worked in the irrigation pipe business for seven years, farmed for over 20 years and for the past 20 years was a contract mail carrier for the U.S. Postal service delivering mail from Amarillo to Bovina.

Survivors include his wife, Carol; one son, Bobby Zetzsche and wife Kenna of Lubbock; one daughter, Robin Starr and husband Jeff of San Antonio, Texas; two sisters, Lorraine McClure of Flower Mound, Texas and Mary Lockhart of Dallas; two brothers, George Zetzsche of Mosca, Colorado and James Zetzsche of Atascadero, California; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Friona Public Library.



Robert Zetzsche

### Think about this

## The spirit of Christmas

T. LEON TALLEY, Minister, Sixth Street Church of Christ  
It seems that human hearts are somewhat softened during this season. That softening produces in greater measure:

#### (1) The spirit of forgiving

The proverbial "chip on the shoulder" is not so evident this time of year. Reconciliations are effected between estranged people. Petty quarrels and disturbances this time of year are lightly cast aside. Isn't this a wonderful spirit? How tragic it is that it does not prevail every season and day of the year. Forgiveness is a fundamental doctrine of the New Testament. So strongly does the Lord emphasize it, that He places it before worship. (Matthew 5:23-24)

#### (2) There's also the spirit of kindness

The spirit of selfishness is something we try to put behind us at Christmas time. I guess we really do believe the song, "Oh, you better watch out, you better not pout—Santa Claus is coming to town". So we replace rotten attitudes for kindness, greetings and smiles for those we haven't greeted in months. We should remember, if we want to be more like Jesus, kindness is important in our daily lives. Kindness is listed as one of the Christian graces in II Peter 1:7. It costs little to be kind and it means so much.

## FBC Ladies annual Christmas luncheon

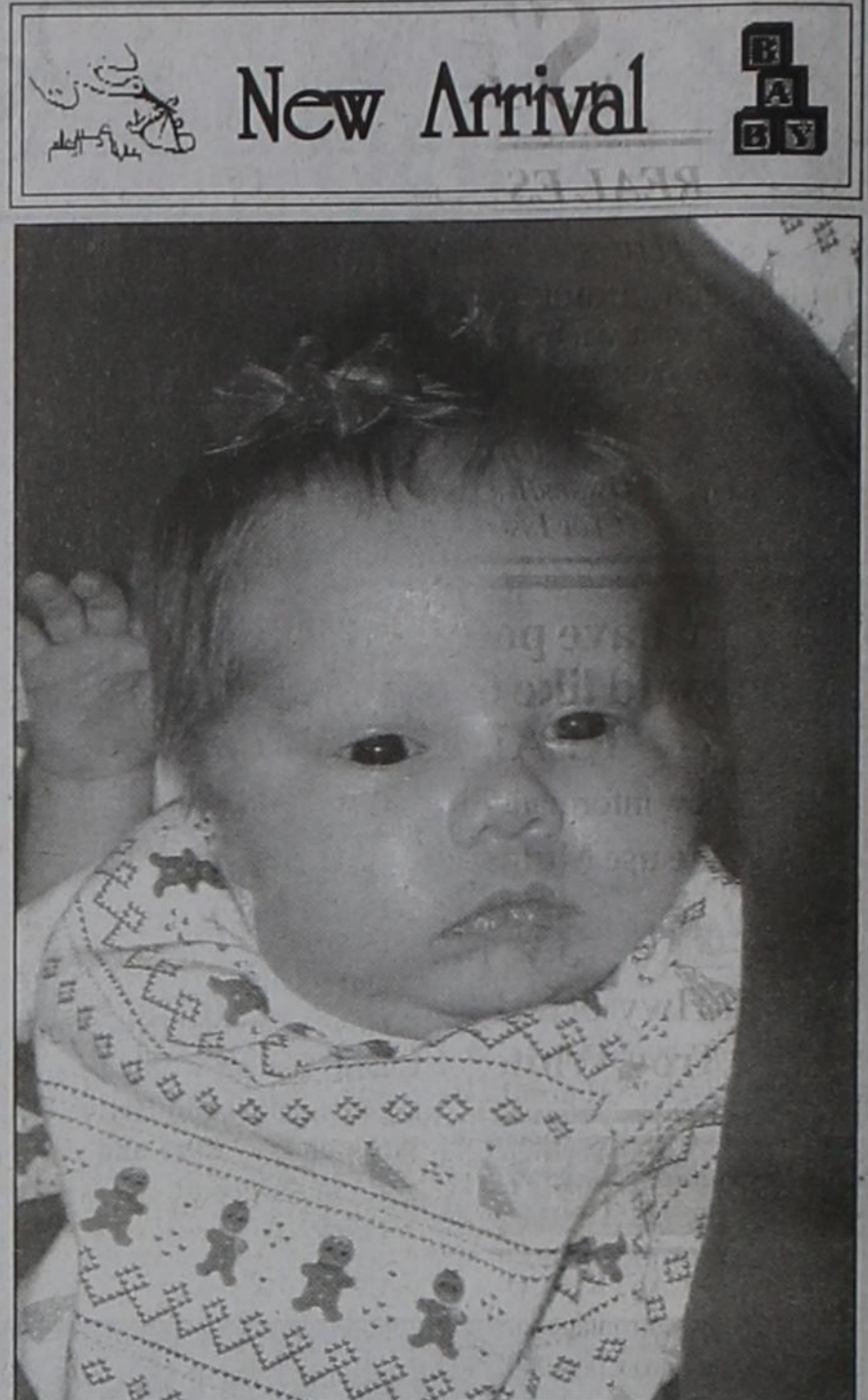
Even the cold, windy, snowy chill did not hinder the First Baptist Church Ladies Ministry Christmas luncheon Tuesday, December 9, according to Virginia Cleveland.

Tables in the Fellowship Hall were adorned with the finest settings by ladies of the church. A Christmas dinner of turkey, dressing, and gravy, with all the trimmings was served to a large group of ladies from the community.

During the meal, piano Christmas music was presented by Sara, Debra, Will,

Grace, and Faith Cooper, children of Kevin and Sharlet Cooper; Julie Wiseman, daughter of Mitchell and Johnny Wiseman; and Callie and Jacob Hefner, children of Tommy and Jill Hefner. Deena (Willard) Sellers of Amarillo presented the program, "Discovering Jesus In Our Christmas Traditions."

December Angel Food Ministries orders will be distributed from 10-11:30 a.m. Saturday December 20 at First Baptist. Orders for January 2009 distribution will be taken January 7-8 at the church office from noon to 5 p.m. Delivery will be January 24.



### Jolee Ann Pigg

Jolee Ann Pigg was born November 11, 2008 at 10:25 a.m. at Covenant Lakeside Hospital in Lubbock. She weighed 5 pounds 5 ounces and was 18 1/2 inches long.

She is the daughter of Jon and Julie Pigg of Quitaque. Sisters Jaden, 6 and Jaycee, 4 are excited to have a new baby sister.

Grandparents are Barbara and Mike Pigg of Silverton, Barbara Scroggins of Amarillo, and Barbara and Gary Brown of Friona.

Delores Pigg of Quitaque is their great-grandmother.

## Girl Scouts need cookie chairman

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# Dear Santa



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Kimberly

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a watch. I want it to be Longhorns because that is my favorite team. I also want a wii game. The game I want for it is the Carnival one. Another thing I want is a puppy. I want to have a miniature poodle. Or any other dog that is miniature dog. I would like the dog to come with a shirt on. I want a D.S. I also want the movie Madagar 2. I want a CD so I can have more of them.

Mikaela

Dear Santa,

for Crismas I want a sealphone and a cover for my sealphone one laptop one room abike and two horses four baby pipbull cuse I got six dogs but I want to have ten a Wii two ponyes for real p.s.2 a xBox three sixty two C.D. of prinasj and two bunnys and a car and the movie of Jesus was born that's all I want.

Noelia Gonzalez

Dear, santa claus,

My favorite holaday is chismas. I want Rockband 2 whit the drums on ps2 and a mockatrol exclade black, wii saga remots, book yard Football and back yard bace ball, some fish with the arqam with the oxgen!

Love,

Isaac Lee Duran

Dear Santa claus,

for christmas I want a bratz makeover, a bratz fashon, bratz make up, lots of makeup, a case of eyeshadow mascra blush lipstick, a tea pot set, a cash regerster with facke money a pupy puzzle and a Kitten, a hamster, a teddy bear maker, a bratz dotor animals, a pink scooter, a hungry hungry hippo, a hot red scooter, a blue scooter, a Guiter heor.

Love,

Laura Sanchez

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a siming pool and roler bads and a coten candy musine and a new tran track and wood dilding cite and R.C. plan. I would like a R.C. Plaow! I would like 2 goldfishes.

Love,

Hadley White

Dear Santa,

I wanted to make a Christmas List of the things I want for Christmas. I wanted some new Nintendo Ds games. I wanted a Hannah Montana Christmas carol singing doll. An Orco whale Webkinz. And a power wheels Barbie Mustang. A Webkinz bat. And Dimand Castle Liana. A Furreal friends pony. And last an Animal Nusery. I want a few more things but these are a Little special and I want to keep them to myself. Merry Christmas!

Caitlin Carthel

Dear Santa,

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Sincerely,

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You friend,

Claudia Correa

Dear Santa,

I won't the homeless people to be worm a new kclene far my gramal a I wont a red laptop and a cell fone and a won't a PSP.

Love,

Lexie Hernandez

Dear Santa,

How are you at the Nort pole I whold like the Milimiy in falcon for Crismas.

Drew Bond

Deer Santa

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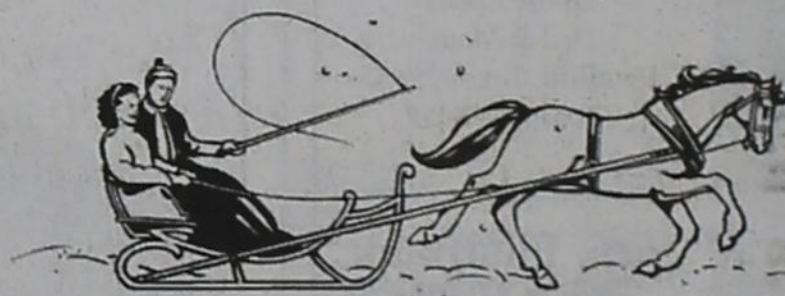
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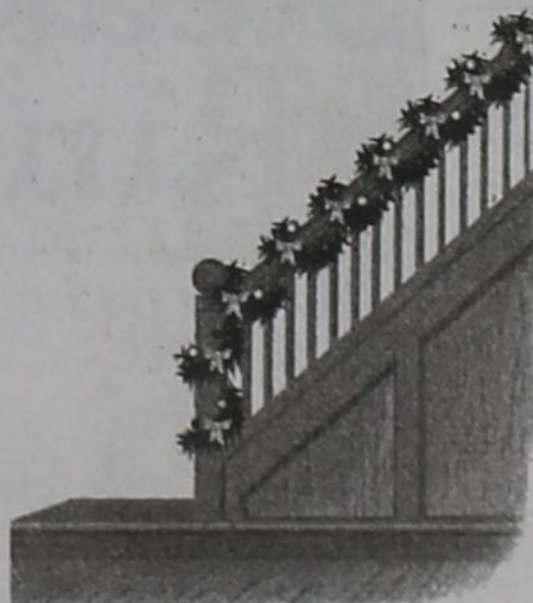
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Dear Santa,  
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Dear Santa,  
I want four Christmas is to be rich and a car, puppies, tow pet sharks, a poney, a dollhouse, your beard, a rado to listen to music, and a tede dear.

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year through tough times well by the way. I want to tell you what I want for Christmas let me remind you that I have not been bad or anything. Okay lets begin. I want a few things though cause I have a few things already. I want PlayStation 3, a few games for it, 2 controlers, and the best christmas.

Dear Santa,  
for Crisimas I want a laptop, cell phone, and a hot tub. I been nice to everyone. I hope you give me everything I want. I want you to come to my house first if you want to. I can't wait until Crisimas. I was just wondering how are you going to get inside my house? Because I don't have a chimney.

Dear Santa,  
Iv been realy good and for Christmas I want a new labtop and a guitar. Also 4 new games for my play station 3. And a remot control car and a pet Lizard. At my dads house I want 4 new wii games and a football. Also A remote control airplan and car. And a new bed and tv.

Dear Santa,  
I have been nice and I would like a bike, Laptop, Tinkerbell doll, and a book collection of Tinkerbell. I like the Fashion games i like to Decorate cloths. My mom likes to Decorate cakes, baskets. My Dad likes Texas Tech he loves them and he even has a benie of it. My Aunt likes 'Texas' longhorns She is a "huge" fan. She wishes that she could meet them one day. I wish I could be a Fashion designer one day. I want to go to college one day for that.

Dear Santa,  
I want a make up Box that's from High School musical, a box of rings, Blendy pens, a pack of roll lipstick, a pack of nail polish, a pake of fake nails, a new pair of shoes, a pair of shirts, a pair of pants, new earrings, a pack of Bracllets a pack of neckleses, a good luck charm necklace, a High School Musical poster.

Dear Santa,  
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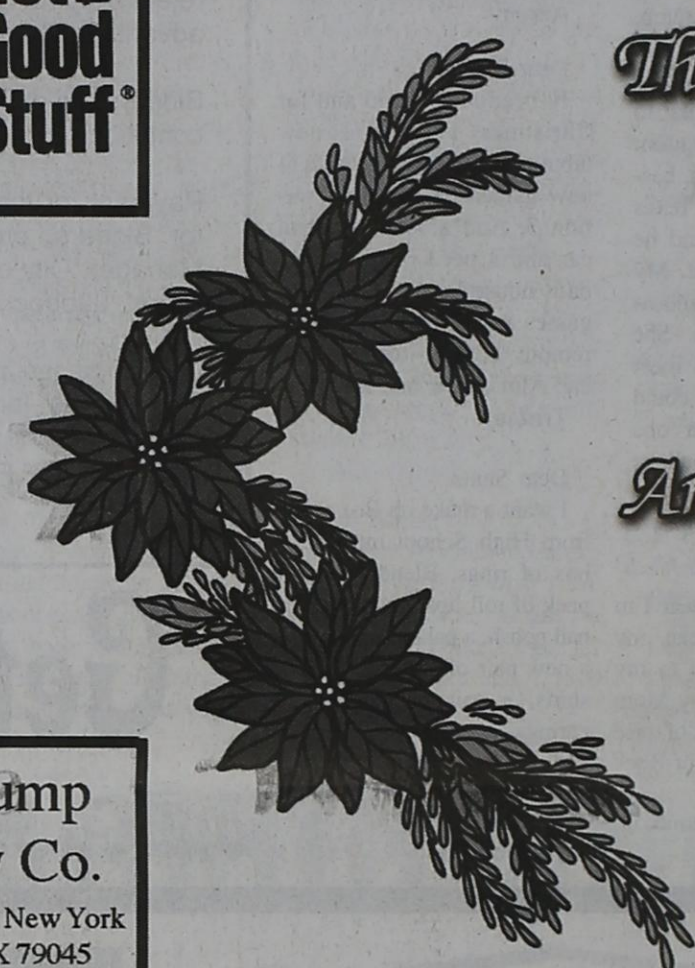
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love  
Anthony

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas! I have been very good this year, so I hope you put me on the nice list and not the noty list and here is what I want for Christmas I want a bonanza barle racing wii for Christmas. A nother thing is a odamattike nurf gun. Thats all.  
love  
Seth Murphree

Dear Santa,  
Mery christmas! I would lkike one thing. I want a big brat like the ones that stand up so I could comb ther hair. Also, becaus I colect Bratz, I have cloe, 3 Jasmins, Magan, patan and Jade but I want to have more than just seven Bratz.  
Love,  
Erika Grado  
P.S. I should be on the nice list becaus I have ben very good this year, and also say helo to the elfs.

Dear Santa,  
I want a Rabbit please bring then I want something for my baby that is so pretty and it is a bear.  
Sincerely,  
Maria Prudencio

Dear Santa,  
I want a play stashn three. and a water bed and for my brother I want a water bed too. My brother wants an Mgame from a basketball. I want a wrestling game of 2009. thank you, Santa  
Sincerely,  
Miguel Lopez

Dear Santa,  
I want a doll with a car and some cloths. And I want a baby with a bottle so she can drink it. And I want a purse to put my mony in. And I want a Cheetagir notebook and a pen to write.  
Thank you, Santa.  
Sincerely,  
Allison Soltero

Dear Santa Claus,  
how is everybody in the North Pole? I hope everyone is o.k. I been a good girl. I only want two things that's a record camra and a iphone. I hope rohdof nose dosen't go out. I hope uou have a good christmas. Marry Christmas Santa Claus.  
Your Best Friend  
Desiree Perez

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas! I'm so happy I got in touch with you. How are the elves doing? I know you've had a long day, but I still wanted to talk to you. I would like three things for Christmas the most. I would like a skateboard, a nintendo ds lite, and the nintendo game that's Mario Kart ds. I would love to have tickets to see Bed-time Stories. Also I would like more toothpaste because my Sister keeps using mine so, keep that in mind. I have also wanted my nintendo to be ice blue. I would like a little puppy with black and white spots, even if its stuffed. I have kept in mind that I would like more moveies for my car. I would like National Treasure 2 book of secrets. Well, I should go, my parents don't want me going overboard with presents. Don't put pressure on yourself.  
Love,  
Lydia

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you well I hope you are doing well. Well I have a crismas list and I have a lot of stuff on there you don't have to get me all of that suff. But the most two things I want is a Hanna Montana bike and a cupeake maker. Tell the elfes thank you for working hard could you ask Mrs. Claus a little qesten ask her if she sews oh and if you could right back that would be great oh and heres my address so you can send a letter back it is springfield 1105 strit oh and one rilly big preasent a lap top oh one more a mote control bumper cars well bye  
Love,  
Maddie Morrow  
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Dear Santa Claus,  
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Your friend,  
Guillermo

Dear santa claus,  
For christmas I would really like a Hannah Montana giutar and a Hannah Montana blanket and a laptop and a four wheeler.  
from,  
Viviana Chavez

Dear Santa Clause  
How is Mrs Clause Snata if she is sick I'll feel so bad for her, if she is feeling good then fill with joy. Do you know what I want for christmas I want a computer, ipod, idog, a mp3 player, a tea set, a Rudolf that sings christmas songs and different onse and some boost like my mom wants for me. I hope you have a good christmas.  
Love,  
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With love,  
Saidi

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are your raindeer doing? Has anything happened since last Christmas? How is Mrs. Claus doing.  
Sincerely,  
Matthew Dickson

Dear Santa  
I wood got a Hannah Montana bol for Crismis Santa I like your Red soot Nevoeh Pers I wit too the Parek And Sol Santa.  
(No Name)

Dear Santa claus for Christ-  
mas I want two Dallas Cow-  
boys jersy's the first one is  
#9 Tony Romo and the sec-  
ond one is #24 Marion Bar-  
ber also I wnat a Terrell  
Owens #81. Your friend,  
Jonathan Rodriguez

Dear Santa Claw,  
I want a gocart and a cool  
game. I will leave a glass of  
mealk and coocker and a  
prazent four you. Can you  
give us some games.  
Love,  
Jerry Prieto

Dear Santa Clause  
Is Mrs.Claus doing ok.  
How are the raindeer and the  
elfs. For Christmas I want  
moon shoes, gautar hero  
wold tore, and a fushon  
scooter.  
Love,  
Brandon Countiss

Dear Santa Claus  
For christmas I want a  
phone and a fish and for the  
best christmas ever and one  
game for my Wii.  
Sincerely,  
Raul Silva

Dear Santa Claus,  
I wated to know if you could  
give me a prow skateboard and  
a moder scooter and a go cart  
and a dirt bike and a four  
wheeler and a psp game and I  
want rock band.  
Your friend,  
Daniel

Dear santa,  
What I want for Christmas  
is a Laptop that can go on  
websites. if you can't get  
that then I want a pink  
nintendo DS. thank you.  
Love,  
Verenice Mendoza

Dear Santa claus  
What I want for christmas  
is that my parents to get a  
job. And my sister give her  
all of hte pokemon cards she  
does not have or a video  
game with two players. And  
me give me pokemon cards  
or a big Teddy bear.  
Your friend,  
Silvia Ixcoy-Garcia

Dear Santa,  
Please give me a marble  
manea and a marshn mader  
glein maker. Have a mery  
Christmas.  
Love, Michael Wales

Dear Santa  
I love your suit. I wish I  
had a suit like that. What-  
ever you give me for chismis  
is prfikt. I love you Santa.  
your friend  
Kylee Stanberry

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hair and a gold spoon. I will  
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Halley Wales

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mushin. I would like some  
stuffed anmools. And a tran  
and a spy kit. Santa you are  
the best.  
Love  
Adaline White

Dear Santa,  
I want a Barbie and the  
diamond castle and i want  
bindaroods and i wunt a new  
bike and Santa you are the  
best Santa.  
By Briana Beristain

santa,  
her is your Frind Katy  
Rojas. Dear santa I love wen  
you bring prisits and bring  
me a Hanna Montana. And  
bed And a Hana Montana  
compotr. I wont a Hand.  
Montana Hottub. I live you  
santa I would like a puppy. I  
love your randers santa clos.  
love  
Katy Rojas

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I like your red cowt. Do  
you no wat I wont for  
crismas? An ipod and a  
laptop  
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 helped my dad on the farm  
 and I helped my mom to.  
 and I hope this is the best  
 chrismas ever.  
 love  
 Samuel

Dear Santa Claus,  
 How are the rain Deers  
 and the elfs are they doing  
 Good? I am being a Good  
 Girl today? I want a guinepig  
 my hamster die.  
 Love  
 Marita

Dear Santa Claus,  
 How are you Santa Claus?  
 you know that I bleve in  
 you and Love you so much  
 and are you ready for crismis  
 time Santa? It it cold in the  
 north pule and I Love Rorof  
 and you to Santa and can  
 you take me to the north  
 pule and how is misis claus?  
 I wuald like a rile pet whight  
 and a little one and a hanah  
 shoes.  
 Love  
 Jaylyn

Dear Santa,  
 How is your wife? Can you  
 please bring me a DS and  
 some games to go with it.  
 And a laptop. I'll see you at  
 Christas Eve. I hope you do-  
 ing grate.  
 Rickie Castillo

Dear Santa,  
 I want an nintendo DS and  
 an Ipod and a white board  
 and 5 black marker you are a  
 very good pursen.  
 Sincerely,  
 Yasel

Dear Santa,  
 How are you and uor wife?  
 And uor randir? Im gret im  
 being good. I wod like a ds  
 and a macup cas with nals. I  
 hope you have a go chrismis  
 mery chrismis.  
 Emma Rector

Dear Santa,  
 How are you Santa. This  
 is what I want for Christmas.  
 a baby alive how are the  
 raindears? Santa is it snow-  
 ing. I wish you'd come to  
 my house. In my house its  
 snowing.  
 Rosa Zamora

Dear Santa,  
 I want a game called 2009  
 for my PSP and a midium car  
 and a little robot with Christ-  
 mas lights and it sings Christ-  
 mas carols with a hat and a  
 box inside there are soldiers,  
 who makes our wrold safer  
 and a little toy who says Ho.  
 Ho.. Thank you Santa merry  
 Cristmas.  
 Sincerely,  
 Artemio Garcia

Dear Sant,  
 I want a PSP and a  
 Playstation and a medium car  
 for chrismas and a game for  
 mu PSP and my Playsstation  
 Merry chrismas.  
 Sinerely,  
 Sergio Flores

Dear Santa,  
 I want a babyalive and I  
 want a bike for christmas I  
 like to see you Santa love  
 you by.  
 Frum Naveli

Dear Santa,  
 I want a PSP and a Xbox  
 and a Gote car, I Love you  
 Sincerely,  
 Edgar Flores

Dear Santa,  
 I whant a DS whith a pet  
 shop game and whith a bary  
 for my DS and I whant a  
 charcher to.  
 Melissa Ojeda

Dear Santa,  
 I whant a wii game and a  
 laptop and a Rock band 2  
 and a chage mach and some  
 little reslers and some  
 hecers.  
 Justin Raymond

Dear Santa,  
 I want a Christmas Tree.  
 please bring a puppie please  
 bring a radio jam box. Thank  
 you Santa for being so nice.  
 Sincerely,  
 Paola Bermudes

Dear Santa,  
 I want a ripstick for Christ-  
 mas and a Ds for Christmas  
 to thank you Santa. how is  
 your wife? I like your  
 raindeers. Are your elfss  
 dowling fine Santa. be careful  
 Santa wen you lev Santa. do  
 you like honeybuns? Merry  
 Christmas.  
 Breanna Mann

Dear Santa,  
 How are the raindeer? Can  
 I have the dog who swims  
 and the movie high school  
 musical 3. Be careful and stay  
 warm.  
 Kessly Salinas

Dear Santa,  
 How are the raindeer?  
 could I have a ipod that takes  
 pictures and plays music and  
 plays movies and plays  
 games please.  
 Christopher Sinclair

Dear Santa,  
 This is what I want for  
 christmas. A computer and  
 Apples to Apples. And a  
 cambra. And how is yor wief.  
 Gabi Barrandey

Dear Santa,  
 I want a psp for christmas  
 and a wii. Also a rockband  
 for christmas.  
 Jonathan Hernandez

Dear Santa,  
 How is your raindeer are  
 they allright? Can I have a  
 psp for Cristmas? I hope you  
 have a good Cristmas?  
 Logan Loflin

Dear Santa,  
 I would like a new baby  
 and a pink bike. Ho! Ho!  
 Please come to my house.  
 Alexis

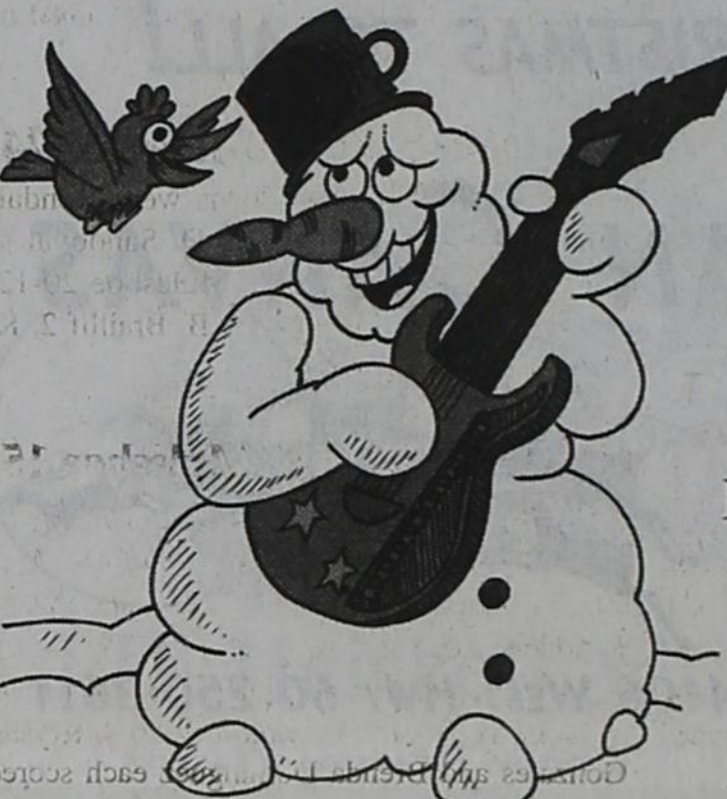


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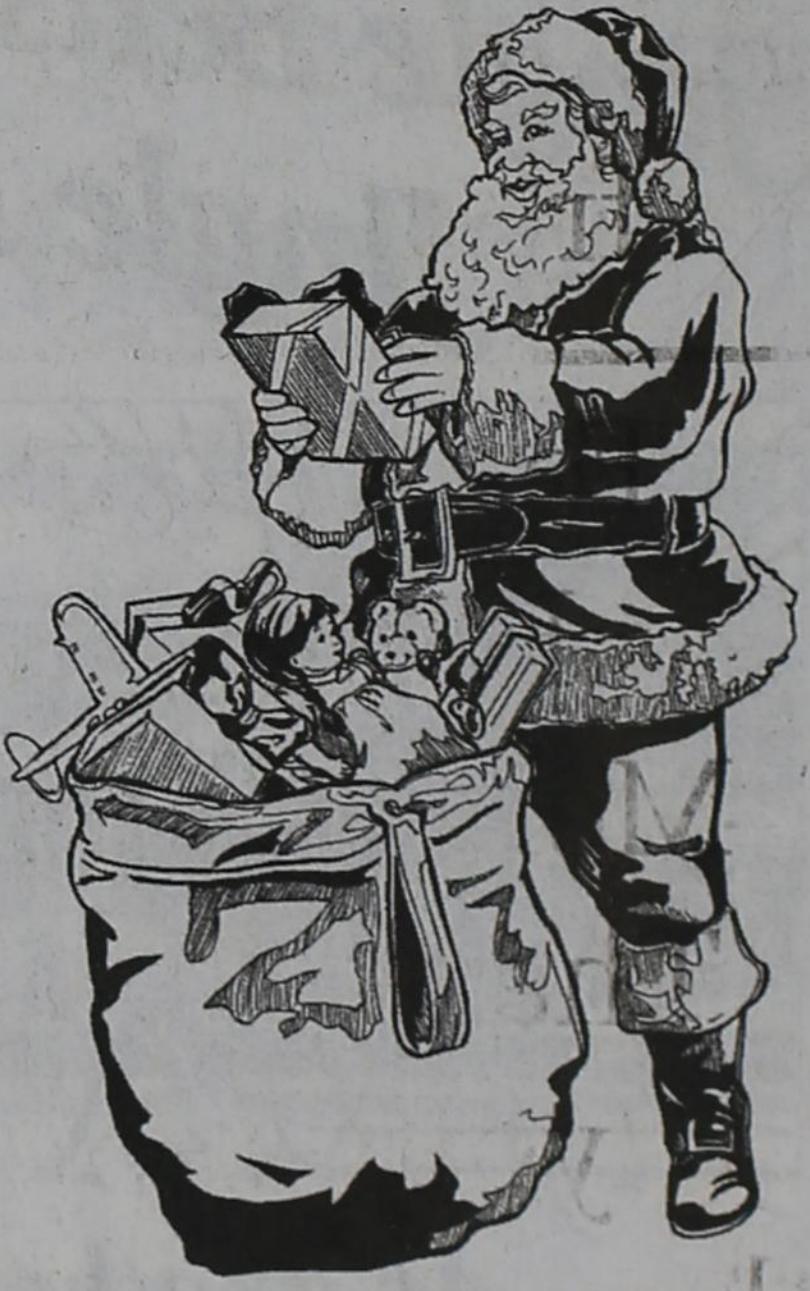
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# Squaws are 1-2 in Farwell tourney Chiefs 2<sup>nd</sup> at Farwell, Beat H. Park in OT

The Squaws recorded one win and two losses in the Farwell basketball tournament.

In game one against Vega, Regan Anthony, Anna Murphree, Heather Sandoval, and Taryn Jamerson all recorded a three-point goal but it wasn't enough as the Squaws fell 46-29. The ladies fell behind 24-9 at the half and came back with 20 in the second half but Vega scored 22. Scoring were Anthony 5, Stephanie Aguirre 4, Murphree 5, Sandoval 8, Jamerson 5, and Kami Kerby 2.

Game 2 was a match with the Bovina Fillies. The Squaws were edged in this one 47-43. Bovina led by four 26-22 at the half. Both teams scored 21 second half points to give the Fillies the 4-point win.

Scoring for Friona were Anthony 12, Sasha Estrada 11, Aguirre 6, Paige Herbert 5, Murphree, Sandoval, Jamerson, and Brittany

Berend 2 each, and Kerby one point.

Yoshi Rueda led scoring for Bovina with 20 points, Yesenia Guevara 8, Kim Casas 7, Daniela Flores 6, Alicia Lopez 4, and Mayra Gomez 2. The Fillies were 11 of 19 at the free throw line while Friona was only 4 of 6.

The Squaws win in the tournament came against district rival Muleshoe. The Lady Mules had volunteered to play a consolation game so they could get to Muleshoe's state championship football game in Grand Prairie.

Led by a sizzling 28 points by Stephanie Aguirre, the Squaws beat the Lady Mules 50-38. Aguirre had 16 points in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter including two 3s. The Squaws were up by only two points at the half but had a 27-17 run in the second half. Sasha Estrada contributed 8 points, Jamerson 5, Anthony 4, Murphree 3, and Sandoval 2.

The Friona Chieftains returned to the championship game in this year's Farwell Tournament as defending champions.

To get there, the Chiefs opened with a win over Amherst 69-16. All the boys scored in the game as the Chiefs held Amherst to two-points in the second half. Stetson Reed led scoring with 21 points including three 3s, Matthew Stanberry 11, Joey Dickson 11 (also including three 3s), Nick Ortiz 7, David Schwab 6, Justin Dominguez 6, Rolando Castanon 3, Jeremy Alaniz 2, and Justin Echevarria 2.

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> game Friona beat Farwell 56-42 to earn a spot in the tournament championship game. No individual stats were given for this game.

The championship game was a rematch of last year as the Chiefs met the Texico Wolverines. This time the outcome was different as Texico beat the Chiefs 51-36. Coach Graham said his team went cold which is evidenced by only four Chiefs in the scoring column. They were 1 for 1 from the free throw line while giving Texico 14 of 22.

Dickson scored 13 including three 3s,

Stanberry scored 11, Ortiz 6 (both 3s), and Reed 6 (both 3s). Matthew Stanberry was selected to the all-tournament team.

Tuesday night, December 16, the Chiefs traveled to Highland Park to match up with the Hornets in a non-district game. When all the smoke cleared and points were tallied, the Chiefs earned a 72-71 overtime win. The game was tied 65-65 at the end of regulation.

The game could have been decided at the foul line as Friona hit on 17 of 25 but the Hornets managed only 8 of 20 free throws. In overtime, the Chiefs were good on 3 of 4 free throws and the Hornets missed their two attempts.

Each team netted 7 three-pointers in the game. For Friona Dickson had one, Ortiz 4, and Reed 2. Team point leader Matthew Stanberry had a game high 31 points including 11 of 14 free throws. Other scoring, Ortiz 14, Reed 12, Dominguez 9, and Dickson 6.

The Chiefs and Squaws will play at Texico, Friday December 19. JV games are at 5 p.m., Squaws at 6:30 p.m. and Chiefs at 8 p.m., all Texas times.

## JV Squaws 2-1 at Tulia tournament

The junior varsity Squaws were runnerup winners at the Tulia JV tournament last weekend. The girls beat Valley and Tulia but lost to Nazareth in the championship game.

It was Friona 43, Valley 31 in the opening game. Liz Trevino was top scorer with 13 points followed by Britny Herbert 11, Tenna Montana 10, and Ester Sarabia 9. The girls were behind 20-19 at the half but put up 24 second half points while holding Valley to 11.

They turned up the action vs. Tulia, edging

the Lady Hornets 32-31. The Squaws were down by 7 at the end of three quarters but turned in a 17-9 fourth quarter splurge to win by one. Trevino led scoring again with 10 points. Other scoring was Herbert 7, Lisann Davila 6, Montana 4, Sarabia 3, and Shayla Parker 2.

The Nazareth JV Swiftettes ran out to an 18 point first quarter and 30 point first half and held the JV Squaws to only 18 points in the game to win 46-18. Herbert scored 8, Davila 4, Trevino 4, and Sarabia 2.

## 2-2A all-district teams announced

The District 2-2A all-district teams were announced this week. The 2A-Division 1 state champion Muleshoe Mules came from District 2-2A and ended with a 15-0 season. Congratulations to Muleshoe.

The District MVPs came from Muleshoe. They are cousins Wes Wood, Offensive MVP, and Lane Wood, Defensive MVP.

The Chieftains on the first team all-district offense were Victor Guerrero, offensive line, and Matthew Stanberry, tight end. Guerrero is a senior and Stanberry is a junior. Second team offense selections were Zack Fair at running back and Clayton Smiley offensive line. Both Fair and Smiley are sophomores.

First team defense selections were Ricardo Monreal, secondary; Noe Saenz, linebacker; and Clayton Smiley, defensive tackle. Monreal is a senior, Saenz a junior, and Smiley is a sophomore.

Jordan Kelley, linebacker, and Matthew Stanberry, defensive end, both juniors, were named to the second team defense.

Honorable mention selections on offense in-

cluded Raul Licerio and Joey Mendoza as running backs, and John O'Brian and Alex Vega, offensive line. All four are seniors. Sergio Mendez, a sophomore defensive lineman, was named as honorable mention defense.

### 7<sup>th</sup> Maidens 10, 7<sup>th</sup> Muleshoe 24

Scoring for the 7<sup>th</sup> Maidens were Kendall Kimbrough 3, Davila 3, and D. Sandoval 4. The 7<sup>th</sup> B team also lost to Muleshoe 20-12. Scoring were M. Mendoza 2, B. Brailif 2, K. Lozoya 4, and Brandi 4.

### 8<sup>th</sup> Maidens 23, 8<sup>th</sup> Muleshoe 15

Briana Miller scored 12 points to lead the 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls to a 23-15 win over Muleshoe. Also scoring were Maddie Murphree 4, Linda Ramos 3, Adilene Adame 2, and Zoe Herring 2.

The 8<sup>th</sup> grade B team Maidens weren't quite so lucky as they lost to Muleshoe 36-4. Krystin Gonzales and Brénda Dominguez each scored 2 points.

## Squaws sweep Highland Park

The Friona Squaws JV and varsity won two from the Highland Park Lady Hornets Tuesday at Highland Park.

The JV girls had little trouble in their march to victory as they won handily 46-17. Speedy point guard Liz Trevino led the JV girls with 16 points. Other scoring was Tenna Montana 13, Ester Sarabia 8, Britny Herbert 3, Lisann Davila 3, Shayla Parker 2, and Kelsey White 1.

The varsity Squaws put together four solid quarters of scoring as they took a 10-6 first quarter lead that held up for a 50-44 win over the Lady Hornets. Three 3-point goals from Anna Murphree and 10 of 23 free throws sparked the win. Highland Park shot 15 of 24 free throws.

Point leader was Stephanie Aguirre with 13, Sasha Estrada 12, Murphree 11, Taryn Jamerson 7, Regan Anthony 3, Brittany Berend 2, and Kami Kerby 1.

In a story about the Vega Tournament last week, Regan Anthony also made the all-tournament team along with Stephanie Aguirre.

Her name was inadvertently omitted.

The Squaws travel to Texico Friday for games with the Lady Wolverines. JV is at 5 p.m. and varsity at 6:30 p.m. (Texas times).

### 9<sup>th</sup> Chiefs 30, 9<sup>th</sup> Muleshoe 23

The freshman Chiefs overcame a 5-point first quarter to beat Muleshoe's freshmen 30-23. Michael Ortiz was top scorer with 17 points including three 3s. Ryan DeWit had 4, Weston Wyly 3, I. Rocha 2, J. Pena 2, and P. Henry 2. It was the freshman boys' last game until after the holiday break.

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## From 1936

## Grace Jo Moody shares her memories of life in Friona

(Former Friona resident Grace Jo Moody Johnson sent us the following story, information, and photos. It is her account of life in Friona, Friona schools, and the family history. We will send it on to the Parmer County Historical Commission for consideration in the third county history book. Readers can perhaps use this story as a guide to forming their own family histories for the county book. Deadline for submitting family histories is January 31, 2009. Contact the Friona library for assistance.)

To the editor of the Friona Star:

I have written this story about my family's days in Friona High School. I began with our years in school but decided to also write about the experiences that our family had when we girls lost our parents.

I think we lived a unique life during those years after

### M.W. Moody died Friday following heart attack

(This obituary was written by Friona Star founder and first publisher Uncle John White in 1945.)

The entire Friona community was saddened when it became known that M.W. Moody had died suddenly at his home southeast of Friona on Friday of last week at about five o'clock p.m.

Mr. Moody had apparently been in his usual health until the noon hour when he stated to his daughters that he had been suffering with his heart and refused to eat dinner. He had been engaged at unloading some machinery from his truck and left the house and returned to his work, when at about five he was seen lying across some of the machinery where he had fallen, death having apparently come instantaneously.

Funeral services were held at the Friona Methodist Church at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon conducted by E.A. Irvine, assisted by Chaplain L.L. Hill.

Murray Wayne Moody was born in Wise County, Texas, March 11, 1887, and died May 18, 1945 at the age of 58 years, 2 months, and 7 days. He was married to Miss Vinita L. Collier, October 11, 1908, and to the union were born six children, two having preceded them in death. Mrs. Moody passed away on March 17, 1943.

He was converted at an early date and united with the Methodist Church of which he remained a true and active member until his death.

He is survived by four daughters, Mrs. J.R. Lawson of Wellington, Doris Fern, Grace Jo, and Loueta June, all of Friona. Two grandchildren, also survive him, and two brothers, Jim Moody of Walters, Okla., and Hubert Moody, of Bartlesville, Okla., also one sister, Mrs. Claud Johnson of Shawnee, Okla., and a host of other relatives and friends.

He had served as superintendent of the Sunday school and as steward in the church and at the time of his death was one of the trustees.

Following the services at the church, interment was made at the Friona cemetery. Active pallbearers were Pete Buske, C.L. Vestal, Foister Rector, George Stowers, Joe Poindexter, and Carl Maurer.

Honorary pallbearers were A.A. Crow, H.T. Magness, Lee Edwards, J.L. Shaffer, Raymond Jones, and B.T. Galloway.

Flower girls were Gertrude Short, Mrs. Ralph Miller, Eva Lou Jones, Jennie Irvine, Rebecca Irvine, Ellen Johnson, Zela Lee Foster, Lilly Mae Renner, Alta Mae Wilkins, and Maggie Mars.

their deaths. I hope you will decide to print the story. I copied some pictures to send. They may be impossible to print but I thought it was worth a try. We did not make many pictures during those years.

Doris, June, and I thoroughly enjoyed our years in Friona Schools. We believe that we received a very good education. We each made lifelong friends and

remember with pleasure our days in Friona.

I lived in Pampa for 50 years and moved to Arlington, Texas to be near my children three years ago and live in an independent living retirement home. Thank you for considering this story.

Grace Jo Moody Johnson  
2500 Woodside Drive, Apt. 1305

Arlington, Texas 76016  
817-451-1180



Wayne and Nita Moody with daughters, l-r, June, Grace Jo, and Doris.

courtesy photos

## The Murray Wayne and Vinita Louisa Moody Family

Wayne and Nita Moody moved with three daughters from Hammon, Oklahoma near Elk City to Friona during the 1936-37 school year. They had bought a farm 3 1/2 miles south of town.

My sister, Doris Fern, entered the 7th grade and I (Grace Jo) entered 1st grade. Our sister June was too young and still at home. Our oldest sister Jurhee was married and still lived in Hammon.

Our neighbors were Paul and Molly Helmeke, Mr. and Mrs. Ed New, Ashford and Carrie Hill, and the Barmets. G.A. Collier's family and Bill Johnson's family lived a mile west of us. The Rudolph Renner family lived a mile south and over the hill out of sight.

Because we had lost two infant brothers, my sisters and I helped with the chores on the farm. We helped milk as many as 18 cows every morning and night. We rushed to eat a warm breakfast, finish the milking, and get ready for school every morning.

We rode the old yellow school bus (#4) every day to school. Some years the route began several miles south with Todds, C.L. Vestal, the Moseleys, Tippens, Rectors, Johnsons, our Moody family, and Ruth Helmeke. Other years the route to school began at our house and went south to get Renners and Barmets and then east to get Masseys, Eulers, Londons, Shafers, and all those in between.

We loved school and never wanted to miss. Riding the bus was always fun. We talked and sang and greeted the kids just getting on. Sometimes someone had to finish his or her homework while riding into town. We always got well acquainted with the bus driver and the one I remember in particular was Glen Williams. He was our regular driver when we got a new bus that had a heater which worked all the time. What bliss! When we needed cool air we opened a window.

When it rained the road was very slick. I dreaded going around "Junk Lake" which was between us and town. There was a small, narrow bridge (with no railings) on the road which went around the lake. I always worried the bus would slide off that bridge.

Another problem I had and even to this day I occasionally have a nightmare that the bus is coming over the hill (where Ashford and Carrie Hill lived) and I am late getting ready for school. I need to hurry but when I try to run, my legs won't work.

Our dad emphasized the importance of an education. He and mother were very interested in school lessons and projects. They took the whole family to every school function at night. We attended junior and senior class plays, graduation, choir or band programs, the school Halloween carnival, and any seasonal programs that were presented.

As we girls grew up we participated in several of these activities. We loved music and enjoyed being in the choir every year. While in 5th grade my class was in a folk dance group taught by Harley Bulls, the music director. My mother made my special costume as did all the mothers.

Our group was taken by bus



June Moody  
1942-43

to Bovina, Dimmitt, and Oklahoma Lane to present a program. We did dances to Put Your Little Foot, Beer Barrel Polka, Mexican Hat Dance, and the Virginia Reel.

While Mr. Bulls was still teaching there, he had an elementary choir. We wore white robes with black bows at the throat. Again our mothers made the robes. We presented several programs. The only song I can remember us singing was "I Love Geography", a totally discombobulated recital of locations on the globe.

In high school the choir and band participated in University Interscholastic League competition preparing and presenting music from a list chosen by the UIL. I was the accompanist for the choir. Puris Williams was the choir and band director. During my junior year he asked me to play in the band. Another student had asked him to order a bell lyre. When it arrived she did not want to play it so he asked me to play it. I agreed and enjoyed being in the band two years.

In those days the bands actually marched while playing much of John Phillip Sousa's marching music.

We enjoyed P.E. Classes and each of us took HomeEc for 3 years. This led to special home projects such as redecorating a room, making clothes for small children or providing a birthday party for a family member. During Doris' Friona High School years the Superintendent was Mr. Edelman and Mr. Boedecker was Principal. Mrs. Toomes taught math and Mrs. Gee taught HomeEc.

While June and I were in high school the superintendent was C.D. Holmes and the principal was Puris Williams and teachers were Carmaleet Truitt, English; Ila Lewis, math; Nelda Bragg, biology; Valoris Osborn, HomeEc; Decima Beene, typing and shorthand. New staff during the 1947-48 school year included Dalton Caffey, superintendent; Leslie Hinds, high school principal; and Dot Wilson, typing and shorthand.

During her high school years June was named Sophomore Class Favorite. The next year as a junior she was named the All-School Favorite. At the end of my sophomore year I was named Best-All-Around Girl for 1945-46.

We ate at the school cafeteria which was a separate building near the elementary building. The high school students had to walk a block to the cafeteria. This was sometimes hard to do when we were having a sandstorm.

I remember Corinne Jones was the head cook for many years.

The food was always quite good and we looked forward to lunch most days. Some of our favorite desserts were a wonderful spice cake with white icing and a great blackberry or cherry cobbler.

For a few years my sisters and I took a gallon of milk to school on the bus to pay for our lunches. Our cows had to be tested every year for disease in order to use their milk in that manner.

We three girls took piano lessons from several teachers beginning in 1937. Our first teacher at Friona was the Methodist preacher's wife, Mrs. Nowlin. Other teachers were Harley Bulls, Olive Hinds, and Florence Vineyard who lived in Farwell.

We also took voice lessons from Miss Mattie Mae Swisher who rode the bus from Hereford to teach several children in the elementary school auditorium. I tried not to let her know that she scared me with her large frame and loud voice. June and I went to her at the same time for lessons. I was always glad to have my sister with me since we could give each other courage.

Our family loved music. Dad sang tenor and mother sang soprano or alto. She also played the piano. As we made trips to town or our infrequent shopping trips to Clovis or Hereford, our whole family sang all the way harmonizing nicely.

My dad loved for us girls to play or sing for anyone who came to our house. We often had relatives, neighbors, the piano tuner, the Raleigh man, and the Watkins man who came by. We played our latest recital piece for them. The peddlers always made a sale afterward. Amazingly they always came back another time.

Our family was active in the Methodist church when it was still using the old adobe building for worship. The church later built a worship center in a basement south of the adobe, planning to build on top of it when they could. Doris was church pianist for a few years. I took her place during my senior year when she had moved. June and I sang a "special" at church many times beginning when we were quite small. Two of the songs we sang were "Ivory Palaces" and "Whispering Hope".

I remember Christmas being a happy time when we got a gift, apples, oranges, nuts, hard candy and chocolate candy. One year, at the "Christmas Tree" at church on Christmas Eve, there was a beautifully decorated tree at the front of the sanctuary. Under the tree were two large baby dolls dressed in a pretty coat with hat to match and fur trim around the collar. When Santa came in he called our names and June and I went home with those beautiful dolls.

We always had Christmas with relatives including aunts, uncles and cousins. The special meal that day included chicken and dressing and ham and all the trimmings plus pies and cakes served until everyone was stuffed. We were always reminded that Christmas was a celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ our Lord.

In 1943 a terrible thing happened when our mother died of a stroke after major surgery. June was 11 years old and I was 13.



Grace Jo Moody  
1940-41

Doris had graduated from high school in 1942 and was attending Draughn's Business School in Lubbock. She insisted that she come home to keep house for us. After being home a while she began working in Melba Miller's Variety Store in Friona.

Each Saturday June and I went to town with Doris and waited patiently and then went with Vera Ann Jones and her mother to Farwell for piano lessons with Mrs. Vineyard. We were given \$1 for milking cows and doing other chores each week when a can of cream was sent off on the train to a market in Trinidad, Colorado.

While we waited for our ride to Farwell each Saturday we used part of our \$1 to buy a Denver Post with all the comics. We devoured the whole paper during the morning.

At noon we bought a wonderful 5-cent hamburger and 5-cent Coke at Scotty Weir's café on Main Street. I can still remember that unique taste. Not only was the hamburger cooked on the grill but the bun was also placed face down and lightly toasted. I have never tasted a hamburger as good in all these years.

A new chapter began in our lives in May, 1945, when our father died of a sudden heart attack. My sister June was 13 and I was 15. Doris was almost 21.

Dad did not have a will so Sam Aldridge, a lawyer in Farwell, handled the legal business and helped Doris and Uncle Red Moseley decide what should be done. A.D. Smith, the county judge, had just taken office. He waited a month until Doris' 21st birthday and then appointed her guardian for June and me. She served in that capacity until each of us reached the age of 21.

The judge also appointed our uncle, David "Red" Moseley, as executor of the Moody estate. Our dad had acquired 3 quarter sections of land and after a good wheat crop in 1945 there was enough money to buy another quarter. Doris, with the help of Uncle Red and Sam Aldridge, decided the fourth quarter should be bought so each of us girls would have a quarter section of land as our inheritance.

Doris bought a house in Friona next to the F.W. Reeve home on Euclid and we three sisters lived there. The people of Friona were very good to us. Years later I realized they must have been watching out for us. We never had any trouble from anyone living there.

Doris was already engaged to Horry Poindexter who was in the Army. When he came home from Korea a year later in 1946

they were married. June and I lived with them in that house for about 3 months. Then Doris and Horry bought the Jersig ranch north of Bovina and moved out there just before Christmas.

June and I did not want to go to school in Bovina. We also thought that Doris and her new husband as newlyweds did not need two teenagers living with them. Doris made arrangements with Winnie and J.C. Wilkerson who lived on the other side of us for me to rent a room for the second semester of that year.

June lived with David and Ev Moseley, our aunt and uncle south of town. The next year Doris arranged for June and me to rent a room in the F.W. Reeve home. They often rented a room to women teachers. We were allowed to rent the larger bedroom upstairs which had always been reserved for their daughter Mary Reeve who was a teacher in Pampa.

Mary joked with me years later when I taught in Pampa that June and I had taken her room away from her. She was always quick with her wit and I enjoyed knowing her many years before her death.

At that time June was a freshman and I was a junior. We lived there two years and then I graduated in 1948. June lived there in one of the smaller rooms two more years until she graduated in 1950.

I entered school at North Texas State College at Denton in 1948. I graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Music Education and taught school for 30 years, the last 26 of those in Pampa, Texas. I married Dan Johnson, a school administrator, and we raised a son and a daughter.

After graduation from high school June married Jimmy Cruse and they established a home on her part of the land. In 1951 they moved to Pierre, South Dakota and farmed and ranched for many years. They raised three boys and two girls. June still lives there.

Doris and Horry moved to Miller, South Dakota in 1952 where they ranched for 50-plus years. They raised three boys who also lived in South Dakota. Our oldest sister, Jurhee, was married to J.R. Lawson, a pastor. They never lived in Friona but often visited us there. J.R. pastored Baptist churches in Texas, Colorado, and Oklahoma. They raised two girls and a boy.

I am so grateful for a family who loved each other and were able to stay together after the loss of our parents. When I was grown I was thinking about our early life and for the very first time it occurred to me that we girls were orphans. I had never felt lost or alone.

Doris treated the situation as if it were a given fact that we would stay together and be a family during all those years. I am so grateful for God's provision of a sister like that who took care of us so well. She always was concerned about our lives and our own families.

When I was 60 I told her she could stop worrying about us for we were old enough. She replied that if she lived to be 90 she would be concerned about our lives. I decided to just give up and let her happily "take care of us."



# SANTA LETTERS



Dear Santa,  
You hav coul randeer. Man I wondr wut it would be like in the shop. is it coul? Can I hav a randeer toy! And can I ride on your randeer?  
love  
Sloan Osborn

Dear Santa  
I been a gud boy. Santa I want a guitar. I like your suit  
Love  
Hector Cavazos

Dear Santa  
What I want for crimis I wont a spider man suit I what Bentah watch I like your suit  
Tommy Frank

Dear Santa  
I like win you sind us all preasis I wish I was in the North pool so good Job santa i want A nentindo ds and a puppy ok Santa  
by Nayeti Soto

Dear Santa,  
How are the reindeer? How is Rudolph? I have been good. Please bring me a Nintendo DS  
Love  
Enrique Mata

Dear Santa,  
How is Dasher? I have been good and I wood like a Nintendo DS with wrestling game and a xbox with Smack Down vs raw  
Love  
Brayden Potts

Dear Santa,  
How are the reindeer? I wont a exbox 360 and a Snack down vs Raw  
Love  
Estevan Salinas

Dear Santa,  
How is Rudolph? can you please bring me the game Smack Down vs raw 2009 for psp and ps3.  
Jesus torres

Dear Santa,  
How is Mrs. claus? How are you? Please bring me a DS and a Psp.  
Love  
Jaci Trevino

Dear Santa,  
How is Mrs claus? I have been good I want a Easy Bake oven cupcake makr Nintendo DS and Brats Laptop  
Love  
Marian Pina

Dear Santa,  
How is Rudolph? Please bring me Star wars the clone wars IV Xbox 360  
Love  
Truman Hough

Dera Santa  
How is Mrs Claus? How is Rodolph? Please bring me a baby puppy  
Love  
Genavie Castillo

Dear Santa,  
How is Mrs. Claus? I love you but the best thing of all is you are hte best Santa. Can I please have a Nintendo Ds.  
Love,  
Cary Drake

Dera Santa,  
How is mrs claus? for crimis I want a bike and tiny puppi  
Love  
Katricia DeLaacruz

Dear Santa,  
I wunht a Bike also i want a pupe Santa I like your red cot.  
I luvo  
Evan Castillo

Dear Santa,  
How are your reindeer? I want a guitar, a drum and a motorcycle. Also a computer.  
Love,  
Lewis Monarrez

Dear Santa,  
How is Rudolph? I hav been good Xbox 360 with Smack Down vs raw  
Love  
Moses Chavez

Dear Santa,  
I want a DS and thank you for the presents and will you please get my sister a DS for her  
Love  
Gabby Ortiz

Deer Santa  
what i want for christmas is a high school musical house. and for my brother he would want a hulk blanket. and for my sister she would want a dol  
love  
Mariah Rivera

Dear Santa,  
Please geai me a karioke machine. Maybe you could bring my little brother a bouncy lamb. How is rotor boeng.  
love I  
mani Diaz

Dear Santa  
Can you bring me a semi truck a cow truck a hay stack truck and mustings and horsese.  
Marcos Juarez

Dear Santa  
I want a DS and a puppy Thank for my toys because you are nice and my sister.  
Love  
Andrea Chavez

Dear Santa  
I watd for Wii. Will you give me it ples Santa. But hou am the rayders  
lov  
Isabel Castaneda

Dea Santa  
i What for christmas Semi and a Wii and a fone.  
Love  
Jonthan Torres

dear Santa  
I want a Playstation3. my baby brother would like sum cars. are the rander beeng nics to rouldof?  
Your friend,  
Xavier Hernandez

Dear Santa,  
I want for christmas the Yoshi isLard. Gameboey. Adrian Savador please  
Dear Santa  
Will you please breng a fone for my brother. Dear Santa please breng a Xbox 350.  
Your friend,  
Rogelio Palacios

Dear santa,  
I want too sciebords Ples and thank you for my last years toes. haoo or yor rinDers acting toward roof.  
luf  
Javier Rodriguez

Dear santa,  
for christmas can you pleae bring me a ipod and a fon love yor elf  
Alysia Albarado

Dear Santa  
I want a xbox 360 for christmas. My brother wants a Screentv. My sis wants a laptop.  
your friend,  
Omar Garcia

to Santa from Nancy  
Dear Santa  
Would you bring me a ds please and would you bring my sister a ds too, please and my brathr would like a skate board.  
Love  
Nancy

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you ? Is the RainDeere ok? al I want for Christmas is a Playstason 2.  
Love,  
Jake

Dear Santa clause  
How are you? How are the elfs Doing? I have ben a good girl this year. I hodled the door open for my techer. What I want for crimis is a hanster and a elf.  
Love  
Gabbi

Dear Santa Claus,  
how are you Santa Claus I blyven you is it cold over ther in the Northpole can you ples gev me rock band 2.  
Love  
Jakob

Dear Santa clause,  
How are you is the north pole cold? Is the raindeers ok i help my gramla arand the hous i ben a good girl for christmas. So i cood get a lot av presens, Cood you get me a DS with a walle game and a cooking mommy game and a laptop for christmas and a new tv for my room beckus my old tv it temes off by its self so i cood poot my DVD in my room.  
Love  
Gia

Dear Santa clause  
how are you? I the north pole? I ben hepung my mom clean my room. So how is rewdof doing? I am want a play station. I am going to make you some cookins for christmas  
Love  
Marco

Dear santa clause  
How are you doing? Santa Claus what are you doing? Santa Claus can you tack me to the northpoe? I have bin good? I want for christmas a Play Station 3  
Love  
Johnny

Dear Santa clause  
how are you doing? is the renderes find? how is mrs claus doing? is she find? how are the elfes doing? I em so excidid about christmas. Well I want cloles for christmas That is all. I want to have a godd christmas.  
love  
Omar

Dear Santa claus,  
how are you? Is the randir doeing good? Is Mrs claus baking cookys? Are you redy to see me? Well I am becus you are rilly osum and I'm gooting to mack you cookys and sume fresh milk and maby sume fugehocket at my grammys hous and I dono't want anythang for crimis icsept for my dad and my mom to be together.  
Love  
Mady

Dear Santa Clause,  
How are you in the Northpole? i whuna now what Rudoth is doing? and Mrs. Claus? I had been godd this year, i helped my mom clean the house I whuna littles pet shop tail-wagin fitnes club, and a sims kindom game ot. Nitonda, and the last thing is a littles pet shop vet. Thank you.  
From:  
Brenda

Dear santaclaus,  
How is the North pole?, I hope it's good. for Christmas I want a x-box 360. My broter has one but he neve let's me play it. I have bin a good girl. I also want to meet the raindear. including rodoff I hope you have a Meary Christmas.  
Love,  
Alondra

Dear Santa clause  
how are you doing? is the renderes find? how is mrs claus doing? is she find? I em so excidid about christmas. Well I want cloles for christmas That is all. I want to have a godd christmas.  
love  
Omar

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# Santa Letters



Dear Santa,  
This year I would like a new labtop and maby some other little things. I hope you have a good Christmas. and I would also like a new cheer bag.  
Bailey Pope

Dear Santa,  
Can I git these thigs? Xbox 360 hillys maioart wii. How is the Ranedeer?  
Slade

Dear Santa,  
How is your wife? Can I please have a PSP and a Webkinz. Have a great Christmas Santa.  
Jacob Isom

Dear Santa,  
I want a lot of good stuff this year like, Ipod, a children sewing mashine kit, a new moutain bike, some new clothes, cd's, maybe a guitare, a wii couple of barbies and babies. All I want for Christmas is family and friends and hot choclat.  
Sydney

Dear Santa,  
For Chiremas I want a Wii, a Laptop, a Ntendo: DS. And I want to ask you something do you work relly hard making the toy the chirdren want. And Is It relly snowing hard over there, And for my birthday I want my family to have the best chiremas ever. And I want to gave my mom a purse with some glasses those big one's that she like's. and for my couse lvery I want to gave her a High School Muical doll Sharpay.  
Carina Roriguez

Dear Santa,  
I want a doghouse for my dog that lives outsid and when her puppy's are born and worm and save. I want for my dad to be here in Chistmas. I want something for my mom like a big fat coat for she will not be cool at work and my brother to and have a grat chistmas Santa.  
Yajaira Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want for all my family to come to my house. I want a DS, a laptop.  
Jocelyne Hernandez

Dear Santa,  
I wish I had a psp and my family to have the best Crismas and my littel sister to have a good crismas and my techer Mrs Tomson to have the best crismas she aver had She is the beast teacher you ever had.  
Luis Jaramillo

Dear Santa,  
I whoud like to have a cumputer and a candy maching and cloth, pants, cocks, shoes, And I want you to have a grate christmas. I want you to work hard doing those toys and you need to work hard given food to the raindeer. What are you doing in the north pole? And is it snowing in the north Pole.  
Jennifer Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
For christmas I want the football of the long horns and a game for my playstang and clos. For my bithday I want boots. I hope you have a good ridering Santa.  
by Luis Angel Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
I want a spsp. I alway's want one sinse I was 7 year's old now am 9 yer's old that's a lond time from I want one. That way you shoud give me one for Christmas. have a good chrisstmas Santa and dont get tire doing toys.  
You'r Frind  
Joclyyn Jaramillo

Dear Santa,  
Quiero un Nintendo 360 y una Pelota de Fulbol y un coputadora y quiero un carro y quiero un telefono y quiero botas para Christmas  
Jose Luis Avalos Villa

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? Im doing good all I want for Crismes is for all the pepole get what they want and my famely to be good. I dont want nothing for Crismas. Good luck on macking toys for all the pepole. I hop your dears are not sick. I hop they are strong enuf to left the present.  
Senserly,  
Leonel Salas

Dear Santa,  
I want a new phone. But what I wish was that my deas sisster to be with me. Because I never see her. When my sisster wase dead when she was just one week old when she dead. I wish just this crismes.  
Lanisa Garcia

Dear Santa,  
I want a motor cycle and a bike, and video games and I want so that all my family to be here. and I want clothes and shoes and toys. and I wnat a laptop and I wish my family to have a best christmas.  
Salvador Santiago

Dear Santa,  
I want for my sister and me to keep from fighting at each another. Santa if you are real can you come over on December 25<sup>th</sup> 2008. So you'll eat some cookies with milk, but is it okey for you to eat choelet chip cooke inted of Gingerbread cooke? Santa can you bring us some pants that me and my sister us very beautiful pants. I want an lintedo DS. My sister wants two Barbies from the Babie and the Dimond castle. Do you know what else I want? I want Rock drums for my Dad.  
Beatris Molina

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Friona Squaw all-district volleyball players are, l-r, Regan Anthony, 1st team all-district; Stephanie Aguirre and Paige Herbert, honorable mention; Sasha Estrada, 2nd team all-district.



ron carr photo

Prairie Acres resident Mr. E.W. Anglin enjoys a peppermint stick and a visit with Santa Claus during the annual Prairie Acres Christmas party Tuesday evening. The Methodist Church handbell choir performed, Santa gave presents to the residents, and employees were the elves who handed out the gifts. More photos from the party can be viewed at frionaonline.com/photos.

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