

MRS G W STEPHENS
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CITY



ALL TOURNAMENT Boys' Team chosen at the Knox City-O'Brien Basketball Tourney Saturday night were, first row, from left, Craig Paylor, Munday; Matt Reid, Rochester; Ricky Gonzales, Knox City; and second row, from left, Leon Gresson, Rule; Roman Mendez, Rule; Victor Shields, Munday; and Adam White, Knox City. Also chosen was Mark Oxford, Benjamin. Munday Moguls won a very close game over the Hounds to win first place. Tourney details will appear in next week's News.



ALL TOURNAMENT Girl Team included back row, from left, Mary Albus, Knox City; Darla Myers, Munday; Sharon Roberson, Knox City; and Kay Howell, Knox City. First row, left to right, Lori Johnson, Haskell; Kim Lane, Haskell; and Jana Hunt, Haskell. Also chosen but not present was Kim Conner of Benjamin. The Haskell girls beat Knox City in the second overtime to win first place. Tourney details will appear in next week's News.

Mangis Elected Chief Appraiser

Knox City-O'Brien ISD Tax Assessor-Collector Oscar Mangis was elected to serve as Chief Appraiser of the Knox County Appraisal District Tuesday night, December 16. His election was made by the five member board of directors.

The new appraisal district, created by 66th legislators, came into existence January 1, 1980. The five member board was elected for a two year term by the governing boards of Knox County, the cities of Benjamin, Goree, Knox City, and Munday and the school districts of Ben-

jamin, Goree, Knox City-O'Brien, and Munday.

The board members include chairman Ernest Horton, Munday; Don Hertel, secretary, Benjamin; Byron Gass, Munday; J.V. Carver and Clyde Voss, Knox City.

The major responsibility of the Knox County Appraisal District will be to provide a single appraisal value for each piece of taxable property located in the taxing units operating under the Knox County Appraisal District. Each unit of government will be required to use this single appraisal value for taxation

purposes.

Mangis has served as tax assessor-collector for the Knox City-O'Brien School District since 1974. He is a 1954 graduate of Knox City High School and a 1974 graduate of Aero Tech in Wichita Falls in television repair. In 1979, he received certification from the State of Texas as a certified tax assessor and is recognized as a registered professional assessor.

Mangis expects to begin working for the Knox County Appraisal District January 15.

Lone Star Files Rate Increase

KNOX City, Texas December 15, 1980-Lone Star Gas Company manager Lester Yates Jr. today filed an application for a rate increase which would raise the average residential customer's monthly bill in Knox City about \$6.26 in the winter and \$4.26 in the summer.

Based on Lone Star's rate application, a residential customer who uses an average of eight thousand

cubic feet of gas a month paid \$24.48 for gas service in the winter. Under the requested rate, that same customer would pay \$30.74.

Commercial gas customers' rates would also increase under the requested rate schedule.

"Our customers are accustomed to dependable natural gas service," says Yates. "This rate increase is necessary to continue a high performance level and for

other necessary expenses, such as maintaining and improving the local pipeline distribution system, which are vital to dependable service."

Lone Star's last rate increase in Knox City became effective in June, 1976.

"Since that time, every business, including Lone Star, has experienced increased operating expenses," says Yates.



Season's Greetings To Everyone

This week's Knox County News is a special Christmas edition with greetings from both merchants and individuals to friends and customers.

The merchants make the special edition possible each year and are extending their sincerest appreciation for your loyal patronage.

Looking forward to serving you in the future, we at the News office join them in sending you one and all best wishes for the Merriest Christmas ever!

City Council Accepts New WTU Rates

In a called meeting of the City Council last Tuesday, members passed an ordinance adopting the new rates which had been authorized West Texas Utilities Company, effective December 15, by the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

Several area towns employed the firm of Touche, Ross and Company as consultants to study the rate proposal and make recommendations. Don Butler with Texas Municipal League negotiated with WTU and PUC to establish a fair rate.

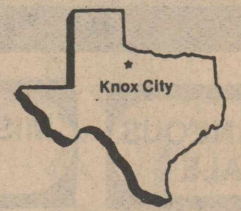
Present for the called council meeting were Mayor Charles Auburg, council members L.V. Worley, Celso Gonzales, Cornie King, Craig Williams, Larry Staggs, and city secretary-manager Faye Railsback.

The council also passed a fireworks ordinance prohibiting the sale and discharge of fireworks within the city limits, repealing all ordinances in conflict with the new ordinance.

Among other business matters discussed was the erection of new poles to hang the Noel signs at both the north and south approaches to Central Avenue. According to West Texas Utilities local manager Dick Evatt, cost of new poles and materials for each location would run \$358.00 based on today's cost. City officials decided to table the subject for the time being but were hopeful that maybe some organization or individuals might take it as a community project to erect the poles and have them ready for next year's holiday season.

Another matter of business included seeking applicants for a night partolman to double as nightwatchman. With Richard Wynne's resignations last month, city officials have advertised in some of the daily papers as well as putting the job opening on the sheriff's teletype.

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NEWS

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Holiday Closings To Vary

Most stores will be closed Thursday, December 25, in observance of Christmas Day, according to Doris Crownover, secretary-manager of the Knox City Chamber of Commerce. Chamber members decided on only the one day for Christmas; however, there are some firms who will be closing both December 25 and 26.

The Citizens State Bank will be closed Thursday only, while the U.S. Post Office plans to close Thursday, be open Friday morning until noon, then close Friday afternoon. The ASCS office will be closed both Thursday and Friday, and the offices in the Knox County Courthouse will be closed Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, a spokesman said.

The offices of both Dr. R.G. Howell and Dr. W.F. Thompson will close Wednesday at noon and be open again on Friday.

The Knox County News will be closed both Thursday and Friday and readers are asked to please call in their news on Monday as early as possible as the News will again be printed one day early next week due to the New Year's Day holiday on Thursday.

Both 'M' System and Bob's Super Save will take only Thursday holiday for Christmas.

Program Now Has Three Meal Sites

The Knox County Aging Service, which has been open approximately three months, is now serving meals in three sites. Officials anticipate opening other sites early in the New Year.

Mrs. Lillian Logan, Knox County Aging Coordinator and her staff expressed their appreciation to all participants and volunteers for their support and cooperation in the various programs.

They also extend greetings and wish all a healthy, joyful holiday at Christmas and Happy New Year and ask participants to be back with them on Monday, December 29.

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CARD OF THANKS

Words can never express our thanks for all the beautiful flowers and cards sent to us in the loss of our loved one. We deeply appreciate the ladies from First Baptist Church of Knox City for the food they brought and the ladies from First Baptist Church of Benjamin who served lunch. May God bless each of you.

The Family of
T.J. Clower
12-25 ttp

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Lone Star Gas Company, in accordance with Section 43(a) of Article 1446c V.A.T.C.S., hereby gives notice of the Company's intent to implement a new schedule of rates for natural gas service to be charged to the residential and commercial consumers in the City of Knox City, Texas.

The rate schedule is expected to furnish a 27.15 percent increase in the Company's revenues from Residential and Commercial customers in the City of Knox City, Texas.

A Statement of Intent has been filed with the City of Knox City and is available for inspection at the Company's business office located at

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Lone Star Gas Company

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Letters To Santa



6112-B 34th St.
Lubbock, Texas 79409
December 18, 1980

Dear Santa Claus,
Hi! My name is Clay Hewitt and I am almost seven years old. I wish for a bicycle, a Tin Can Alley, books, surprises, and lots of new things for my room.

I'll be at Mimi and Granddaddy's in Knox City on Christmas Eve and can hardly wait to see you. Every year when you come I'm always gone somewhere—this year I'm not going anywhere with anybody! I'll be waiting for you. See you soon!

Your friend,
Clay

Dear Santa,
I want a big doll and a merry-go-round stroller and a Mickey Mouse telephone. I want Dolly Pop Town, too. Steve wants a camera case I think and a lamp. Jay wants a western belt buckle and a telescope. They've been good and I have too.

Love,
Alesha Rutherford

Dear Santa,
Thank you for my ten-speed that you gave me last year. This year I would like a "walkie-talkie", telephone. A Deluxe Art Workshop kit, and I will leave you health food this year, by the fire place.

And please bring Biffie a warm sweater.

Love from
Stephanie Pepper
xoxo

Dear Santa,
I would like a walkie talkie, a real police suit with a dark shirt, real hand cuffs, and gun. Thank you for my football suit, that you gave me last year. I will try to be a good boy, and say my prayers at nite, and be good to my sister.

Love and Kisses
Jarred

December 8, 1980
Mr. Santa Claus
North Pole

Dear Santa
I love you!

Please get me a Superman suit, a bow and arrow; and that's all! OK?

I'll leave cookies, milk, and drink!

I love you,
Josh

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a baby doll with a bottle and some toys to play with in our house. Please remember my sisters too.

Love,
Felicia Collier

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a baby doll, a dog and some candy and gum. Margarito and Junior have been pretty good boys, so you might bring them trucks. I would like another bicycle too.

I love you,
Laurie Nevarez

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope you bring me a make-up doll, a Baby Tears, and a baby bottle. I have tried to be a good girl this year.

Love,
Kamri Rodriguez

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Ross Wade Pierce and I'm nine months old. I'm a good little boy most of the time.

Please bring me a toy box, a red wagon, a tricycle, a stuffed Clydesdale and lots of nice clothes.

I Love you,
Wade

Dear Santa;
I love you. I want you to come see me. I want you to buy me a teddy bear. I been good. I been helping my Momma. I like school.

Love,
Misty Hudson

Dear Santa
I love seeing you on T.V. can't wait to see you Christmas day.

Im sixteen months old and been such a good boy this year.

For Christmas I would like a riding pony, big truck, cowboy boots and a play go cart like my daddys.

Milk and cookies will be waiting on the table for you to eat.

Don't forget to bring something nice for mommie and daddy, like a baby sister.

Love you
Brandon Lewis

Dear Santa Claus,
This is my very first Christmas and so far I like the lights on the tree the best. I am five months old, and I really would like two front teeth for Christmas like the song says where I can quit eating all that ole yucky baby food. I would also like a security bunny, some pajamas, a toy box, a rail runner, and jack in the box. Please don't forget to put me on your list because I have been a very good boy.

Love,
Justin Lee Lewis

Dear Santa I want a Suzy Doll Suzy Highchair and a Barbie Dream House and Traci wants the same stuff.

Love Amy

Dear Santa
I would like these things
A electronic football game
A Buck rogers set.
A Amry set.
A Saddle.
A Watch.

From Dusty Bradley

Dear Santa
Please bring me a Front Loader and a Dump Truck and a Velcro Target game. My sister Amanda would like some toys too.

Thank you,
Christopher Hollingsworth

Dear Santa:
I have been a good girl this year. I would like a pair of skates, a tape player, fur coat and a pair of boots. also I want some lip gloss-cherry, a big doll a small baby blanket. also a pair of tan high heels.

Linda Lerma

Dear Santa:
I have been good this year and I would like a Mini bike and a racing Car. also a Transister radio and neck chain, an bell bottom pants.

Ramon Lerma

Dear Santa Claus:
I told my mama and my daddy that I want a guitar, pick-up, car and a big truck for Christmas and I want you to give my baby sister Stephanie a rattle.

I am two and a good little boy. God bless everyone.

Thank you.

Love,
Bradley

Dear Santa,
I am 3 years old, and have been pretty good since I found out it's almost time for you to come and bring me toys.

I would like a baby doll that has a pacifier; a Fischer-Price Animal Farm and a stroller—

Thank you.

Love,
Melissa Garcia

Dear Santa Clause,
My name is Missy Keener. I live in Knox City. I'm a good girl. I hope you will come see me. I am going to Maw

Maw's and Paw Paw's for Christmas, so don't forget. Please bring me a tricycle with a basket on it and a bunch of toys and Josh a bunch of toys.

I'm going to leave you milk and cookies. I love you Santa Clause.

See you soon,
Missy

Dear Santa Claus,
A red Trans-Am would sure be nice to find under my Christmas tree. I would also like a green tractor and a brown truck with a white trailer. There will be a plate of cookies for you in the kitchen.

Love,
Gilbert Casillas

Dear Santa,
I have been pretty good this year and I would like to have a Barbie doll, some Barbie clothes, and a Barbie Dream House for Christmas.

Thank you,
Angie Staggs

I want a ten speed bike and a real baton.

and everyone to have a happy Christmas.

Love Mitzi

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the second grade and I have tried to be a good Girl this year. I would like a strawberry shortcake bake

shop and a Dolly pop town. Please don't forget my little sister, Julie.

Love you,
Joy Gentry

Dear Santa Claus
I want sorry game, and a count four and monopoly and a Mr. Potata Head

LoveGeorge Bernal Jr

Dear Santa,
I want a baby like on T.V. that is sucking a bottle, a toy typewriter and a Doctor Set. I saw you at the Mini-mall. I put my Christmas tree up. I've been a good girl.

Love,
Jo Dee Homstad

Dear Mr. Claus,
I saw you at Abilene, but just in case you forgot what I told you, please bring a Bubble Bath Baby, a Rash Doll, a Barbie Doll House and some suit cases that's all. I've been a good girl, I didn't cry when I saw you or anything—I just said "When is Christmas going to get here?"

Love,
Trisha Roberts

Dear Santa,
I would like a shot gun, a knife with a case and a Buck Rodgers suit with a sword and a gun. My twin sisters, Stephanie and Suzanne, want Cry Baby Dolls. I have been helping Daddy work on the tractors and I help mommy

look after the girls.

Thank you,
Scott Stephens

Dear Santa
Please bring me a "Cute Little Doll" with a bottle and a wash cloth, a Mickey Mouse Talking Phone and some little toys in my stocking. I have been a good girl this year.

I love you,
Elisha Speck

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl and played with my sister Hanna. I would like a Mickey Mouse puzzle, Mickey Mouse doll and a rocking chair. Please bring some toys for Hanna too.

Thank you,
Julie Williams

Dear Santa,
I'm being very good, though my mom and Dad sometimes get upset with me. Please get me a baby doll, a Basket, broom and mopset, and a pretty dress. Also, my sister, Crystal, would like a baby doll and a pretty dress. I'm writing this for Crystal because she's too little to write. Oh, please get me a Rocking Chair.

Thank you
Love Mellisa Casillas

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a Backhoe, a Spiderman and Bike. I also would like a Big

Truck and a mailbox of my own for all my fans mail to come in when I get good at riding that Bike. I want a race car also. Well, better go now, gotta go play.

Love Ya
Billy Jack Curd

that holds dirt and goes to a dirt pile and a phone you can call Goofy and Mickey Mouse on. I've been real good. I help Mommy and Daddy at home.

Love you lots
Ryan Marion

Dear Santa,
My name is Ryan and I would like a bicycle, a Truck



Glad Tidings



We're making the most of the holiday spirit by wishing you the best greetings of the season.

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Bill Penman
O'Brien, Texas

Joyous Noel



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Greetings



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Junior High J.V. Girls Beat Haskell

By Coach Dale Wainscott
The Junior High and Junior Varsity girls traveled to Haskell Monday to defeat their seventh, eighth and freshman girls. The seventh grade score was 26-17 with Tammy Rogers scoring high with ten points. Eloise Agraz backed her with seven, Paula Chambers with four, Crystal Summers with three, and Melissa Lerma and Kathy Hernandez with one point each.

The eighth score was 19-12 and Stella Eddington was high point with eight. Linda Mayes was close behind with six, Faby Ledesma and Paula Garza had two each and Stephanie Rhodes had one.

The Junior Varsity also traveled to Haskell and won with the score of 24-11. The J.V.'s played the Maidens' freshmen and Nedra Oudems was top scorer with seven. Toni Hewitt and Michelle Bateman both scored four, Davene Holcomb, Marilyn Benson, Tina Alsides, and Mary Garcia all scored two while Cindy Hernandez scored one.

This rounds up 1980 so before the holidays we have a 4-4 won-loss record for the junior varsity girls, a 5-1 won-loss record for the eighth grade girls, and a 4-0 won-loss record for the seventh grade girls.

STREAMS IN DESERT PLACES

By OZELLE STEPHENS
"Glory to God in the highest heaven," they sang, and peace on earth for all those pleasin him." (LU.2:14).

The Angels who told the Shepherds about the most joyful news ever announced to men on earth was: "The Savior-yes, the Messiah, the Lord has been born tonight in Bethlehem, while they were singing many other angels joined them, the armies of heaven praising God."

When this great army of angels had returned again to heaven, Shepherds said to each other, "Come on. Let's go to Bethlehem. Let's see this wonderful thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about. I am wondering if we who hear the Story told again are seeking out the deep truths of this wonderful thing that has happened. It is a Story that will never grow old or lose its majestic Power in the hearts of those who believe and go to seek Him as the Shepherds did. We see them going back to their fields and flocks, praising God...because they had seen the child, just as the angels had told them. That is a promise to you, if you seek Him, you will find Him. This Christmas time will bring great Rejoicing in every heart, if you seek Him with a pure heart and faith.

Merry Christmas to all and a Happy New Year. God Bless you.



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Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
My name is Karla and I'm in the first grade.
I would like a doll and bottle a wagon, a baton and a hool a hoop.

Thank you
Karla McKinney

Dear Santa
I have treid to be good this year.
For Christmas I would like a stove and a doll with a bath set and my little sister, too.

Love,
Shea Manuel
P.S. Merry Christmas Santa

EMS Report

12-14-80 John Helms from Knox Co. Hospital to Wichita Falls General Hosp. Attendants-Roland Marion-Bill Reynolds-Rex Henry
12-20-80-Bertha Trimmier from Residence in Knox City to Knox County Hospital. Attendants-John Turner-Janis Allred-Debbie Bishop.
12-20-80-Juanelle Strickland from residence in Rochester to Knox County Hospital. Attendants-John Turner-Janis Allred-Debbie Bishop.

Woman Sentenced In SS Fraud

A 23 year old woman was sentenced in the U.S. District Court in Wichita Falls, after pleading guilty to a charge of defrauding the Social Security Administration according to James Harper, manager of the Vernon Social Security Office.
Justine F. Crabtree of 503 Cottonwood in Burkburnett, falsely claimed that she was attending school as a full-time student in order to continue receiving Social Security Student Benefits on the record of her deceased father. Crabtree received a suspended sentence and was placed on three year probation. The complaint had been filed by Social Security Fraud Investigators who cover a five-state region which included Texas.



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STAMFORD

Dear Santa,
I want some, uh, merry-go-round stroller and a microwave oven.

Love,
Julie Gentry

Dear Santa,
I want a swing set and a merry-go-round and a see saw and that's all.

Love,
Billy Joe Wilson

Dear Santa,
I want a truck and a race car. That's all.

I like you,
Stanley Strickland

Dear Santa Claus, I want a FOOTBALL, MACHGANICAL-CAR BIKE tractor Electric train basketball

Love
Amando

Dear Santa,
I love you very much, I love Christmas very much, too.

I would like to have a doll, a snow cone maker, a sonar oven that really cooks, a Uncle Remos record, a game called operation, a game called Hungry, Hungry Hippos, a guitar, a Mr. Mouth, and a twister.
I wish you a Merry Christmas! Is it true that you have a reindeer named Rudolph?
That is all, Santa

Love,
Holly

Dear Santa
I want some Dolly pops and a Baby in a Basket. And a Blender like Perry's had.
I Love you,
Shelly

Balis

Dear Santa,
I Love you
Please bring me a go-cart, and a Wed Spider.
Hope you are feeling okay
William Joe Vacek

P.S. Please remember my sister Sarah and all the other boys and girls

SANTA Love Jacob a Football

Dear Santa,
I want a bickle, a Kicking tee, and a race car trak
I have been a pretty good boy
Roger Marion

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First Grade: Shelly Balis, Paul Casillas, Kim Chambers, Aimee Ford, John Haden, Abel Johnston, Roger Marion, Kandon Sloan, Will Vacek.

Second Grade: Justin Emerson, Jennifer Garcia, Joy Gentry, Jennifer Grindstaff, Johnny Grindstaff, Paula Large, Sara Lorenz, Mitzi Marion, Stephanie Pepper, Angie Staggs, Three Vasquez, Andy Williams.

Third Grade: Nicki Ivie, Michelle Potteiger, Leah Rauch, Boyce Tankersley, Stephen Andrada, Marci Berryman, Billy Wayne Large, Mike Manuel, Brian Rogers, Karomy Sloan, Missy Wilkinson, Sheila Wilson, Starla Whitaker.

Fourth Grade: Patricia Andrada, Kim Bateman, Lucinda Casillas, Patricia Sanders, Stanley Stahlman, Beth Underwood, Dennis Vasquez, Rob Whitford, Patrick Wupperman.

Fifth Grade: Kim Moore, Christi Mowery, Glendon Sanders, Lawri Tankersley.

Sixth Grade: Ray Casillas, Denise Diaz, J Emerson, Kim Gillispie, Robbie Large.

Seventh Grade: Danny Balis, Leah Boone, Ray Hernandez, Michael Rauch, Tammy Rogers, Becky Underwood, Ricky Wupperman.

Eighth Grade: Missy Pierce.

Ninth Grade: Kevin Eaton, Sarah Jones, Steve Rutherford, Nathan Staggs, Peggy Wupperman.

Tenth Grade: Karae Beason, Kristi Boone, Ava Covey, Jerri Grimsley, Toni Hewitt, David Lankford, Tyke Meizer, Joe Rocha, Lisa Thompson.

Eleventh Grade: Eva Casillas, Richard Daniel, Patty Durham, Chayo Garcia, Daniel Godsey, Rance Hacker, Mindy Hutchinson, Melissa Whitley.

Twelfth Grade: Amber Ashcraft, Kelley Boone, Ray Farmer, Kay Howell, Jay Rutherford, Barry Sutton, Adam White, Kimberly Whitley.



Omissions

Two omissions were made in the articles concerning the Miss Merry Christmas details.

Not included in the sponsors' list of names was C.H. Herring for Germania Farm Mutual.

Also, a finalist, Rhonda Albus, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Albus, was omitted in the list of finalists for mid-school category.

The News office regrets that these names were not included in the original stories.



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Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
I am 3 years old and I live in Rule. I have been a pretty good boy this year, as you know.

Please come to see me Christmas Eve and bring me a garage, a Mickey Mouse guitar, a chain saw or drill, and a little Christmas tree.

Please fill my stocking with M&M's (plain) and Hershey Kisses. I also like peanuts and popcorn.

Don't forget my baby brother, Eric, who is 3 1/2 months old.

I love you,
Cory Robinson
1021 5th
Rule, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

I've been a very good boy this year. I would like you to bring me a race track, and some drums, and if you can I would like a truck. I be waiting for you Christmas.

Your friend,
Marc Espinoza

Dear Santa Claus,

I would surely like a B-B gun, and a guitar for Christmas. Now remember, I live in the country.

Thanks,
Mario Sigala

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is April Tankersley and I'm a very sweet girl. So I would like you to bring me a Dolly Pops Deluxe Poptown, and a wipe your Tears Baby. I will leave you some milk and cookies.

Love,
April Tankersley

Dear Santa,

I Hope. You Have Had a Good Year We Have moved This Year We Now Live in Rochester. So Do not Forget Me.

please Bring me a Baby Soft Sounds. Please bring my sister Kristi one, too.

Thank you Santa,
Love, Kimberly Anne Chambers

December 10, 1980

Dear Santa,

How are you? I hope you come to my house this year. This is I what for Christmas
1 New Born Softina
2 Hungry Hungry Hippos
3 Skates
4 Jewelry Box
5 Kitten Whiskers.

Merry Christmas
Becky Wilson

Dear Santa!

My name is Jennifer Renae Reynolds. I am 5 years old. I have been some-what a pretty good girl. I do good in school, so I think you should bring me a baby cry for me, a stroller, a set of dishes, a set of play make-up, and Santa don't forget to bring me a necklace and a ring that matches. I guess thats about all for now. See you next Christmas!

I Love you Santa
Jennifer

Dear Santa,

I am very excited about Christmas and I wished I could have everything but mom says no, so here's a little list of things I would like to have: a baby doll that cries, refrigerator, stove and sink, and a chalk board. I have been pretty good this year so I think I deserve something don't you?

Don't forget my cousins here in K.C. and the ones in Sunray. Thanks for the gifts you left me last year. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Love
Jo Homstad

Dear Santa,

We are going to move to Austin. Don't forget me. I want a remote control car. A little frog for my baby brother. Also I want a shirt with red, blue and white. I want a belt for my Dad and a dress for my mom. I been real good. I also want some itty bitty pants for my little brother

I love you,
Ruben Garcia

Dear Santa,

I would like an air pump and needle. Also I would like to have a pair of boxing gloves and a new speed omer for my bike, Santa if you don't mind I would also like a new trash can for my mother.

Love Justin

Dear Santa Claus

My big sister Sara is helping me write this. I want a toy top and a ruler and a measuring tape to help daddy build. I also want a play-dough factory and a fire-truck that really squirts water. a football, a and a laser beam flash-light.
From Luke Lorenz, in pre-school,

Box 325
K.C.T.

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Angie Lynn Palacio. I am 5 years old. I would like a bicylce with training wheels and a doll that drinks and walks. for Christmas. I have been a good little girl all year long.

And for my baby sister who is only 4 months old. I think she wants a baby play-pen and a car-seat.

Angie Lynn
and Consuelo Palacio

Dear Santa,

Please bring me baby and bed. Me gonna be good.Come see me. Please bring Lane truck.

Love
Tressie Boyd

for my acqarium, a Lite Brite, puzzles, and a Powder Puff Mini-Bike.

I love you, Santa and will leave you some Cherry Cream Pie on the table because Daddy said that's what you like best.

Oh yes! Please bring my two big brothers something too.

Love,
Crystal Correll

Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie doll, a little doll with a bottle, and some new shoes.

Thank you,
Love,
Rita Sanchez

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a doll for Christmas and some candy.

Love,
Betty Montoya

Dear Santa Claus

How are you? I'm find. Santa For Christmas I want a Fancy Makeup and a Record player and a playhouse. I have been nice this year.

Love
Trish

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like dolly pops, Barbie cover girl, baby buggy Rudolph book, coke necklace, Bible, stuffed elephant, jeans that fit(8) houseshoes(12) musical instrument.

Thank you,
Debbie

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Crystal Gayle and I'm three years old. Mama and Daddy said I haven't been very good this year but I'm getting better. Guess I better try harder so you'll come to my house Christmas Eve. If you do come, please bring me a fish

Dear Santa, I have been a good girl. I want baby bunk-beds and Stop Thief and Baby Cry and Dry.

I am going to leave a carrot for Rudolph and you some cookies.

Love,
Karomy Sloan

Happy Holidays



May your Christmas be filled with the music of laughter, love and serenity.

Happy New Year

Hope Santa brings you everything you've asked for!

Bridges Oil Co.
Knox City, Texas

Rejoice

...and his name shall be called... The Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9:6

Best Wishes To
Our Many Friends

Jo, Charlene & Craig

Season's Greetings

Your friendship and support is great insurance for us!
Hope your holidays are happy.

Wallace Moorhouse Insurance
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Garlands of best wishes for a bright and beautiful Christmas!

Wayne's 66 Station
The Wayne Watsons

O HOLY NIGHT

Sweet holy Child of Christmas bringing forth to each of us the spirit of love and the hope of peace.

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Haskell, Texas

Good Tidings

Wishing you joys to remember, memories to treasure, and love all around this Christmas!

The Knox County Hospital Staff

HOLIDAY GREETINGS



Glad Tidings

Times have changed, but not the old-time spirit of good cheer and friendship during Yuletide!

Main St. Mobil
Knox City

Holy Night



A gracious "Thank You" to all of our fine friends who have patronized us this past year. We hope that you will have a happy holiday season.

Lloyd and Aileen Waldrip

NOEL



May the peace of that blessed night be with you and yours. We're wishing you much joy!

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Christmas 1980

A Sincere Wish for a Merry Christmas — and, Thank You to Our Customers!

White Auto Store
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Holiday Toy Safety Urged This Christmas

When your child composes his gift list to Santa this year, why not add a "P.S." reminding the jolly old man to leave safe as well as entertaining presents under the tree.

"Receiving Christmas gifts is an exciting experience for all children. However, unless the presents are hazard-free, the happiness they bring may be tarnished by an unfortunate accident," says Texas Safety Association's executive director, George Gustafson.

"The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission estimates that every year approximately 150,000 people suffer injuries associated with toys, with more than half of the victims being children under 10 years old. Two- to four-year-olds are most frequently injured because they are at the 'curious age' when physical abilities are developed," Gustafson adds.

Several considerations should enter into the choice of toys for children, Gustafson points out:

Choose a toy that is appropriate for the child's age, interests and skill level.

Check for safety labels such as "non-toxic" on painted toys, "flame retardant/flame resistant" on fabric products and "washable hygienic materials" on stuffed toys and dolls.

Avoid any toys with sharp points or made of brittle plastic or glass that can be easily broken, exposing dangerous cutting edges.

Remember that tiny toys and toys with small removable parts can be swallowed or become lodged in a child's windpipe, ears or nose.

Consider that flying toys can injure eyes. Buy children

arrows or darts that have soft cork tips, rubber suction cups or other protective tips to prevent injury.

Choose electric toys approved by a recognized testing laboratory. Toys with heating elements are recommended only for children over eight years old.

"Part of the joy of Christmas comes from the satisfaction that one gets from giving gifts to loved ones. Consider which presents will make them happy and also which ones will be safe," Gustafson urges.

RETURN HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Bloxham and Nathan left Tuesday, December 9, for a surprise visit to Ventura, California, to visit her family Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Odom, Gary, Terri and Traci.

The Bloxhams returned to Knox City Tuesday, December 16, and Mrs. Bloxham reported that this was Nathan's first airplane flight.

Warm Wishes



Best Wishes

Remember the true meaning of Christmas.

Granny's Place
South Central
Knox City



KC Colored News Events

To my Dear friend, that I never met, thank you for your kind words. People like you is the one that keep me going, and I will do my best to never let you down, sometime I will be unable to write but when I can I will do that for you thank again for your concern, your friend-
Alestine


RETURN HOME

Mrs. J.B. Dale and daughter Audra left Wednesday of last week to return to their home in Wasilla, Alaska, after a visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Grindstaff Jr., and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Grindstaff Sr.

Christmas is near again and I pray that it will be more Christ in this one than ever before, please be careful I will so happy to see all my friends after the holidays. I love you all.

your reporter
Alestine

Merry Christmas every one



NOEL

Even as Wise Men sought out the Holy Babe so long ago,
Let wise men now, seek the peace He gave to all mankind.

A.P. Denton Grocery & Station
A.P., Ruth, & Bill

Glad Tidings



A warm and friendly wish of holiday cheer to our wonderful friends. Thanks so much for your time and patronage.

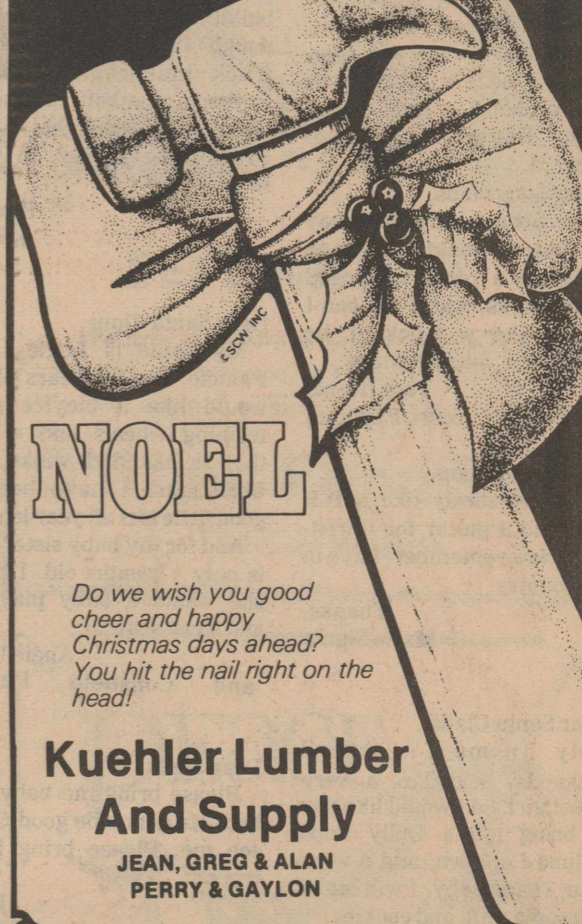
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Tenderly, joyfully, the choir boys sing out the miracle of His birth. Let us celebrate with them as we recall the love and humility and peace of that first Christmas day.

Lowrey's

Benjamin News

By GLADENE GREEN

FFA NEWS

By Eric Redder
The annual Oilbelt District FFA Banquet was held at the Seymour High School cafeteria in Seymour on December 8 at 6:30 p.m. Lin Carter of Seymour was master of ceremonies. Voting delegate from Benjamin was Michael Bufkin. The Benjamin chapter was represented by Shannon Ryder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Ryder.

A talent contest was held for FFA members from various schools attending. The talent team from Benjamin was Micky Smith, Debra Windham, Tony Benson and Sheila Jones.

The Benjamin chapter received a superior chapter rating award this year. The Lone Star farmers were recognized. The ones winning this award from the Benjamin chapter were Billy



THE SENIOR FARM Skills Team of the Benjamin FFA Chapter placed second in district and third in Area IV, pictured from left, are John Mark Kinnibrugh, Mark Oxford, and Michael Bufkin. (Benjamin School Photo)

Carl Benson, John Kinnibrugh, Stacy Groves, and Mark Oxford.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Benjamin FFA Chapter.

BASKETBALL

It's that time of the year again. Tournaments are very much the go. The local teams were in the Seymour tourney two weeks ago, Guthrie last week and Knox City, this past weekend.

The Guthrie bouts went thusly. The first games were Patton Springs. The girls score was Benjamin 45, Patton Springs 38. Shannon Ryder scored 12, Micky Smith 14, Stacy Carver 8, Michelle Bufkin 6, Kim Conner 4 and Debbie Bufkin 1. The boys score was Benjamin 60, Patton Springs 55. Eric Redder had 24, Eddie Romo 16, Mark Oxford 14, John Kinnibrugh 4 and Jim Mancille 2.

The next games were with Spur. Spur girls won 55-50. Scoring were Kim 17, Micky 13, Stacy 12, Shannon 6, and Michelle and Debbie had 1 each.

Spur boys also won 66-39. Benjamin's scorers were Mark 16, Eric 10, and John and Eddie 4 each, Troy Oxford 3 and Jim Mancille 2.

The final games were with

Spur JV teams. Benjamin girls won 54-47. Stacy had 18, Kim and Shannon 15 each, Micky 4 and Michelle 2.

Benjamin boys 68, Spur JV 40, Mark had 18, Eddie 11, John, 9, Kent Hertel 8, Stacy Groves 6, Mike Bufkin 5, Jim Mancille 4, Troy Oxford 4, and Randy Engbrock 3.

I'll have the Knox City results next week.

UNDERGOES SURGERY

Ricky Trepanier, five year old son of Joe and Julia Trepanier, underwent an appendectomy last Tuesday at the Knox County Hospital. We wish Ricky a speedy recovery. He is a kindergarten student at Benjamin.

HERE 'N THERE

Mr. and Mrs. Van Green attended the annual Christmas party of the Red River Authority employees at the activities center in Wichita Falls last Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Kent Pitillo of Olton visited Debbie Stamps Saturday morning. They were enroute to Irving to see the Dallas-Philadelphia ballgame.

Sandy Gore of WTSU in Canyon visited Debbie Stamps and Diane Green Saturday night.

Kelly Milson of San Marcos is here to spend the holidays with her parents the S.L. Milsons.

Debbie Hudson of Midwestern State University is here spending the holidays with her parents the Tom Brooke Hudsons.

Debbie Lindsey of Western Texas College in Snyder is home for the holidays. She and her parents, Pete and Kay Lindsey and her sister, Mitzi, were in Abilene Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Steadman of Sherman spent the weekend with the James Redwines.

Mary Melton of Dayton, Ohio, returned to her home last Monday after several days visit with Mary Jones and Brandi.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy West were Abilene visitors Saturday.

Tres Pierce of Wimberly came in Friday for the holidays. He is visiting his grandparents, the Bobby Robersons. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Waldron, will be here Christmas to return him home later.

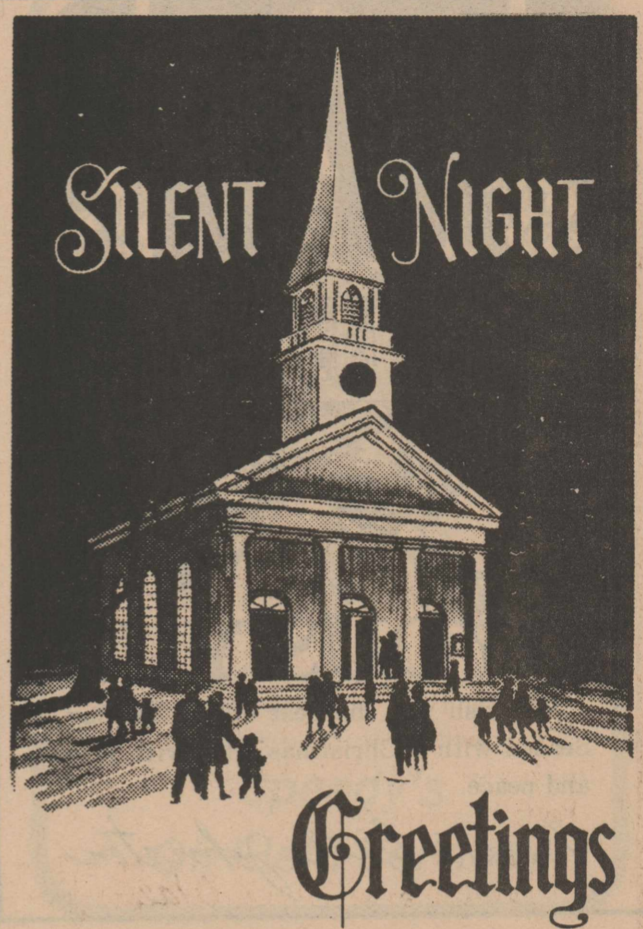
That's all this week, folks. I want to wish you all a Merry Christmas from our house to yours! If you travel be careful, the roads will be crowded as they always are during the holidays.

And call in your news so I can have a "bunch" after Christmas!



Boutique

Estelle - Lea
Mildred - Dorothy



Each passing year brings a deeper appreciation of the pleasant associations and loyal friendships acquired in the course of business.

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GREETINGS



To the young and to the young at heart... a merry, merry Christmas!

Jerry's Plumbing

The Jerry Guinns



SELECTED TO ALL-TOURNAMENT team honors in the recent Guthrie tourney were Benjamin students Kim Conner and Mark Oxford. Kim and Mark were also named to the Knox City All-Tournament team last weekend. Their parents are the Bud Conners and the David Oxfords. (Benjamin Photo)

JOY TO ALL

Thanks for being such dear customers. We're proud to serve you.

From
Thomas Shoe Shop
Walter & Mary Thomas

JOYEUX NOEL

Wishing all a holiday season full of life's best.



CITY HARDWARE

The Ken Lawsons

The Otto Lawsons

Hospital News

Patients Dismissed Since December 13, 1980
Knox City: Betty Jo Aldridge, Annette Hester, Molly Friske, L.W. Graham, Lillian Moon
Brazos Valley Care Home: O.S. Johnston
Benjamin: Walter Trainham, Era Brown, L.C. Brown, Ricky Trepanier
Munday: Elias Dena, Onie Ladd, Frank T. Jarvis, Thelma Hendrix, Mack Battle, Flora Stinett
Rochester: May English
Vera: Nina Ritchie, Thelma Coulston
Goree: Bill Orsak
Patients Admitted As Of December 20, 1980
Knox City: Willie Collins,

George Henderson
Munday: M.L. Raynes, Mary Yruegas, Baby Boy Yruegas
Benjamin: H.A. Hall
Goree: Lola Greenwood
Levelland: Thelma Hilbers
Duncan, Oklahoma: Ferris Turner

ATTEND COWBOY GAME
Mr. and Mrs. Greg Kuehler, Gaylon Albus, and Dr. and Mrs. W.F. Thompson and David attended the Dallas Cowboys-Philadelphia Eagles game Sunday afternoon at Texas Stadium in Irving.

Season's Greetings



Pleasing our customers pleases us too! Merry Christmas!

Skiles Exxon Station

Knox City, Texas

season's best



Wishing you a happy Christmas.

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Marle - Jimmy
Chock - James

Blessings to All



May you experience the happiness of the first Christmas.

Cordelia Woodward

Season's Greetings



FROM YOUR COUNTY OFFICIALS

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JAMES E. REDWINE
SHERIFF

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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BOBBY J. ROBERSON, PRCT.2 LEE G. PATTERSON, PRCT.4

GLAD TIDINGS

May each of the twelve days of Christmas bring you added delights and untold joys.

O'Brien Co-Op Gin

MIKE NEWTON, MGR.

Season's Greetings

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa Claus,

I've been a pretty good boy and my friends think so too. So heres my list and I hope you can deliver all of it. I want a gun and some cars and Trucks and I would like a doll for Marsha, she's my little sister. Thanks for listening.

Love ya
Charlie Flye

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like a makeup doll, a dolls lip stick, a toy doll, a telephone, a Snoopy toy, a Raggedy Ann, I would like a red wagon too. I also want a choo, choo train. Please bring me some candy too. I hope this isn't to much.

Love ya
Tricia Garcia

Dear Santa,

I live in the country and hope you can find my house. If you can find O'Brien you can find my house. I would like a Racecar, a Big Bicycle, a red wagon, a puzzle, Please bring a little candy a long if you can. I'll leave you some cookies and milk to give you some energy.

Love Wesley Holmes.

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like you to bring me a Barbie Doll, a Doggie Bag, and a Bicycle, I would also like you to bring my little sister, Jodi Lynn, a perfect Pose Barbie. Thank you

Love,
Joni Holmes

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a doll, a telephone and a puzzle. My brothers, Gabby and Georgie, like to play with trucks. Please leave some candy and gum in our stockings.

We love you,
Virginia Bernal

Dear Santa Claus,

We live in a new house in Knox City now, so please do not look for us at Haskell. I hope you have a red flashlight for me, a red wagon and a new bike. Please do not forget my brother, Junior. We don't have a chimney in our new house, but you can come through a window.

Love,
Henry Calvillo

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a mini bike, a dill, a swing set, a swimming pool and a bucket. Lance, my little brother, wants a piano—not a big one, you can get him a small one. I have been a good

girl and help Mommy wash the dishes.

I love you,
Nicky Dever

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a mini-bike, a little train and My Puppy Puddles. Baby Jimmy wants a little bike. We will leave you a cup of cocoa and some cookies in the kitchen. Please leave a carrot for my horse, Trixie. I've been helping my Momma and have been a good boy this year.

I love you
Michael Fransto

Dear Santa Claus,

I would surely like for you to bring me a gun, and also a horse. I want you to know I have been a good boy.

Love,
Paul Henry

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like for you to bring me a puzzel, and a truck. I would like you to remember my sister, and bring her a baby monkey. We will leave you some milk and cookies.

Thanks
Eric Richardson

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Tammy Brothers. I would like you to bring me Dolly Pops Town. Thank you.

Love,
Tammy Brothers

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like a bow and arrow set and a Superman suit. Please leave a ricochet gun too. My mom will fix you

some hot chocolate, cookies and milk. I have tried to be a good boy this year.

I love you,
Josh Burt

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Barbie Doll house and some toys and candy. Cody wants a choo-choo train. We have tried to be good this year. Cody helps Daddy farm and I help Mommy around the house.

We love you,
Christie Manning

Dear Santa

Do you have a yellow truck you can leave at my house? I sure would like one. I would like some candy and toys in my stocking too. I don't know what Clint and Cliff want, but please don't forget them.

Thank you,
Cris Lee Hacker

DEAREST SANTA:

Due to inflation and price increases I decided that I wouldn't ask for much this Christmas. Even though the weather has started out bad this Winter I hope you won't get snowed in at the North Pole. Back to where I started, I'm only asking for: Houston Oiler Football Player, Star Wars Millenium Falcon, Star Wars Snow Speeder, Tonto and Scout Set, Flash Gordon and Tiger Man, Batman and Robin Sleeping bags, a Football, and last but not least a Joey Chitwood Thrill Set. So, Santa as you can see I wasn't asking for much but, I sure hope all of this doesn't drain your bag for all the other boy's and girl's. If it happens to run you short you can leave a few

things off.

Also, Santa please don't forget my brother and sister, KEITH ALLEN and TONYA JO KUEHLER in Munday. I will leave a glass of milk and Fudge on the coffee table.

Thanks again,
LOVE ALAN TREMBLE

Dear Santa,

I'm out going but I'm very good so please listen close to what I want: Fisher Price Doctor Kit. See, I'm not hard to please.

Thank you
Love Lila Rector

Dear Santa Claus,

I'm trying hard to be good, So here is my list. I want a Stunt Bike, Fetchit Freddy, zap zap Race Track, Hungry, Hungry Hippos. Please don't forget the Stunt Bike. Thanks a Bunch.

Love ya
Mark Rocha

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like an oven, a talking phone, pop up pinball, and a baby doll, and Jump It's a Skunk. I would like some candy too. I help my sister make beds and do the dishes. I've been good.

Thanks
Love Debra Ledesma

Dear Santa;

I want a dark shirt and real handcuffs, a real gun and a walkie talkie and real bullets, Thank you for my football suit and my real football stander and helmet. Thank you for Stephanie's ten speed.

I love Santa.
Jarred Pepper



Peace be with you during this holy season

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Letters To Santa



Dear Santa
I love you very much. For Christmas I want a record player, a Barbie Van, a Ken doll, and a Barbie horse, a walking doll with a gown on. And a dancing doll, a Barbie house. And a real clock.
I hope it snows and I hope you like our Christmas tree. and I hope your wife is okay.
Hope you are not hurt or get sick at Christmas.
I hope you have a nice night at Christmas.
I am 4 years old. My mother wrote this for me.
Good by.
April Dawn Lehmann

Dear Santa,
I want a nite glow train set and a Beware of the Spider Game and a Snow Speeder I Love you
Kandon Sloan

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good

boy. Please bring me a Mr. America Stunt Dirt Bike, a Hungry Hungry Hippos, Lite Brite, Avon Rookie Cologne and a Gulping Guppies game. Hope you have a nice Merry Christmas.
Thank you,
Mark A. Rocha

Dear Santa-
I have been a pretty good boy this year. For Christmas I would like a big jeep, a race track, a hot rod motor cycle and a "Ken" doll so I can play with Amber.
Merry Christmas, Love
Alvin Tolleson

Dear Santa Claus-
I am always a good girl. For Christmas this year I want a new Barbie doll, new clothes for her and a big play house with furniture. If what some pom poms, a balarina suit and some new clothes.
Merry Christmas, Love
Amber Tolleson

12/11/80

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Wesley Holmes and I live at Rochester. I am 4 years old. I would like a bicycle with training wheels, a race car, and a basketball goal. I have been a good boy this year and I will leave you something good to eat.
Love,
Wesley

Dear Santa!
My name is Alishia Denise Vasquez I have been a good girl this year.
Please bring me a doll buggy, a My Puppy Puddles, a little table with Chairs, set of dishes, and a Baby Cry for Me! I guess thats about it. See you next year
I love you
Alishia Vasquez

Dear Santa:
Hello to you, your wife, and your elves. I have been a good boy this year. Would you please bring me a electric guitar, a TCR glow in the dark race track, and a Mr. Mouth. And be sure to tell Rudolph and the other reindeer hi.
Love,
Brent

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm a four year old boy. I want some cowboy boots and a play guitar and a B.B. gun. and also some candy. Guess thats all.
Thank you
Love
Mario Sigals

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this whole year. For Christmas I would like a big red wagon that I can ride in. My baby brother Nicholas would like a swing, and my big brother, Chris, needs a watch.
Merry Christmas
Samuel McFarland Fisk

Dear Santa, and Mrs Claus
I would like for Pepper to have a chew bone and some dog toys. And I want a baby eating doll, I want baby cray doll also, please. I would very much like to have some Loc-Bloc's and an etch-a-Sketch. I would like to have Doctor Fill n Drill play Dough set. I want a stuffed animal, please.
from Jessie,

Dear Santa:
I am six year old and I wante some toys Santa here is what I wante a Football and a nite-glow jeep cj snake track and soccer set a little league size glove.
P.S. don't forget Jr. and Laurie ann Nevarez
Love
Margarito Nevarez

Bobby Acosta I Love Santa
Dear Santa, Claus,
I want two bikes one bike blue one green bike for my brother. I want two suits one blue and one gray, and a new blue jacket. I want cards to play with and I want some cars to play with and please give me a football and a Dallas Cowboy suit.
Sign,
Bobby Acosta

Dear Santa;
You are a good Santa Claus and you have a pretty Rudolph and reindeer. I want a bicycle with training wheels. The thing I told you to give me I want a coloring book on it. I love Rudolph and the reindeer.
I love you
Jason Quintanilla

Dear Santa;
I've been good. I want some pom-poms and a dolly that will cry. I also want a
I love you
Brian Tankersley

typewriter I love you very much.
Love, Christy Rios

Dear Santa;
I want Hungry Hungry Hippo. I have been good.
I love you.
Randy Roberts

Dear Santa;
I love you, I want some toys. I want a bicycle and some candy. I have been good and I am happy. Bring something for my sisters and brothers. Bring some presents. Bring a present for my Momma and Daddy too.
Love,
Estella Rocha

Dear Santa;
I want a new book, new bicycle and an electric football game. I want a baseball game also. I love you.
That's all.
Love, Justin Stahlman

Dear Santa;
I moved into my house and I have a lot of fun things to play with. I want a teddy bear for my sister to sleep with, so she won't have to sleep with Momma, sometimes when she sleeps with Mama, Mama ends up sleeping on the floor cause she's crowded. Oh, don't tell him that he doesn't really need to know that. And I want a little teddy bear to sleep with and a new one kind of game. I want a Hippopotamus Game and I wish I would get a new bicycle and my sister one too. I hope you get my Mommy something too. I have been good.
I love you
Jennifer Garcia

Dear Santa,
My name is Joni and Id would like a Barbie Doll for Christmas. If you have room could you bring me a bicycle too? I would like to find some lollypops in my stocking. I have a little sister named Jodi. She would like to have a horse and a baby doll for Christmas. We have tried to be good girls all year.
Love
Joni Holmes

Daynell Robinson
Hi, Santa Clau
I want a dump truck and a car a pair socks som oranges and apples also candy and some nuts.

Dear Santa,
I want a football, shoots away, and team America Stunt bike.
Love Three Vasquez

Dear Santa,
I'm a eight year old girl. These year I want a baby doll and with a basket or buggy. and also a bike Guess these is all for these time. Thank you Santa.
Love,
Lupe Sigala

Dear Santa,
I would like a Barbie Doll Case, Deluxe Doll Pops town, and a Baby Wet 'n Care. Remember Mother, Daddy and Uncle.
Love,
Jennifer Garcia

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A CHILD'S CHRISTMAS



A Christmas Play that Children Can Perform

The Angel's Message

Cast of characters:

1st shepherd

2nd shepherd

3rd shepherd

The angel of the Lord Mary, the mother of Jesus Joseph, her husband

Scene: a field outside the town of Bethlehem, and a stable.

Scene 1 (a field)

1st shepherd: It sure is a quiet night.

2nd shepherd: It seems like a long one, too. I wish I were home in bed.

3rd shepherd: Well, it won't be long before morning comes. (They walk around, trying to keep warm.)

1st shepherd: Say, do you hear something?

2nd shepherd: No, just the sheep, same as always.

1st shepherd: I thought I heard someone singing. (Voices singing offstage) Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest!

(light effect. Angel enters.)

Angel: Don't be afraid. I have good news for you! Today, in the town of David, a Savior has been born, Christ the Lord. You will find Him lying in a manger.

(voices offstage) Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest! And, peace on earth to men of goodwill! (angel exits and light disappears.)



1st shepherd: Did you see that?

2nd shepherd: And did you hear that?

3rd shepherd: What do you think it means?

Clower Rites Held Dec. 17 At Benjamin

Funeral services for T.J. Clower, former Benjamin resident, were held Wednesday, December 17, at 10:00 a.m. in the First Baptist Church of Benjamin with the Reverends Clyde McCullough and John Gillispie officiating.

Burial was in the Benjamin Cemetery under the direction of Smith Funeral Home.

Clower, 48, Carizzo Springs, died Monday morning at 11:30 o'clock in the Veterans Hospital at Big Springs.

Born January 18, 1932, in Knox City, his parents are Bessie Clower and the late Walter Clower. He had served with the U.S. Army and was a former tool pusher.

Survivors include his mother of Knox City; four sons, Terry Lynn and Walter Hickman, both of Odessa, and Gaylon Wayne and Thomas James, both of Pittsburg, Texas; one brother, Walter Jr. of Odessa; five sisters, Rosa Lee Reynolds of Haskell, Emma Virgie Tension, of Alvord, Donna Woodall of Odessa, Betty Jane Reid of McLean, and Carol Large of Knox City; and two grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Lee Roy West, W.T. Cartwright, Donnie Hertel, Bobby Robertson, Butch McCanlies, and Bud Conner.

1st shepherd: Let's go look for the baby that the angel was talking about! (they exit.)

Scene 2 (stable)

Mary: Look, Joseph, the baby is smiling. (Smiles at baby.) I think the whole world must be smiling tonight.

Joseph: We must call him Jesus, just as the angel commanded. (enter shepherds.)

Mary: We have visitors.

Joseph: (to shepherds) Welcome to you, shepherds. Why have you come at this hour?

1st shepherd: We have come to see the baby that the angel told us about.

2nd shepherd: This surely must be the baby.

Joseph: What angel are you speaking about?

3rd shepherd: We heard singing and then an angel spoke to us, while we were watching our sheep.

Mary: What did this angel say?

2nd shepherd: It said that we should not be afraid.

3rd shepherd: And that it was bringing us good news.

1st shepherd: And then it said that a Savior had been born here in Bethlehem.

2nd shepherd: And that we would find him lying in a manger.

3rd shepherd: We didn't know what it all meant.

1st shepherd: That's why we decided to come and see for ourselves. What does it all mean?

Joseph: It means that the Christ, the Messiah, the Holy One of Israel, has come to save the people from their sins.

1st shepherd: The Christ!

2nd shepherd: The Messiah!

3rd shepherd: Now we understand the message that the angel gave us. (they kneel.)

All: Glory to God in the Highest! (curtain)



Kids! Color Santa Claus!

Let Youngsters Make Holiday Greetings Cards

One way to keep youngsters occupied while they're counting the days until Christmas is to let them make their own greeting cards for special people such as grandparents or a favorite teacher.

All you need is construction paper, glue, scissors and some old greeting cards.

Have the children cut out holiday motifs from the cards: a Santa face or a Christmas tree, for example. Then, have them fold 9x12 paper in half and once again in half, to form the basis for their cards.

Next, have them draw a circle on the front of the card, using a round object such as a coaster or cup to define the circle. (Make sure their circle will accommodate the motif that has been selected.) Have children cut out the circle and then place their motif within the circle, gluing motif to the second sheet of the folded paper.

The inside sheets can be used for a personal message from the youngster, to be crayoned or penciled in.



To make an envelope for the greeting card, take another 9x12 sheet of construction paper and fold it 4 1/2 inches from the bottom, lengthwise. Then, fold along the lengthwise edges, approximately 1 1/4 inches in. Glue edges along 4 1/2 inches, leaving top edges open for card to slip in.

After the youngster's greeting card has been placed in the "envelope," fold over the top of it and seal it with a decorative sticker.

excerpts from The Little Match Girl

by Hans Christian Andersen

It was terribly cold; it snowed and was already almost dark, and evening came on, the last evening of the year. In the cold and gloom a poor little girl, bareheaded and barefoot, was walking through the streets.

Shivering with cold and hunger, she crept along, a picture of misery, poor little girl! The snowflakes covered her long fair hair, which fell in pretty curls over her neck; but she did not think of that now. In all the windows lights were shining, and there was a glorious smell of roast goose, for it was New Year's Eve. Yes, she thought of that!

Her little hands were almost benumbed with the cold. Ah, a match might do her good, if she could only draw one from the bundle and rub it against the wall and warm her hands at it. She drew one out. R-r-atch! how it sputtered and burned! It was a warm, bright flame, like a little candle, when she held her hands over it; it was a wonderful little light!

She rubbed another match against the wall; it became bright again, and in

the brightness her old grandmother stood clear and shining, mild and lovely.

And she hastily rubbed the whole bundle of matches, for she wished to hold her grandmother fast. And the matches burned with such a glow that it became brighter than in the middle of the day; grandmother had never been so large or so beautiful. She took the little girl in her arms, and both flew in brightness and joy above the earth, very very high, and up there was neither cold, nor hunger, nor care—they were with God.



Each country has its own carols, naturally, but some have been adopted in other lands, as well. "Silent Night" is a classic example, having been translated into many languages from the original German.

Here's hoping the joyful season is filled with happiness. We wish you and yours a beautiful holiday.

R.G. HOWELL, M.D. And Associates

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O'Brien Happenings Locals To Receive Income Tax Packages

By AUDIE JOHNSTON

HERE AND THERE

Mr. and Mrs. L.A. Covey and family spent the weekend in Roma visiting Rev. W.A. Park and family, former pastor at O'Brien and attending a wedding for a girl that lived with the Coveys at one time.

Mr. and Mrs. Butch Stephens were in Lubbock Saturday to take Mrs. Lorata Johnston to catch a plane for California to visit her son, Mickey Johnston and two children, Marcia and Brian, for several days.

Binkie Duncan of Big Spring visited her gran-

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Duncan and her father, Bill Duncan, and wife, Nellie, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Dub Johnston and Julia of Gainesville visited Mrs. O.S. Johnston and his father, O.S. Johnston, in the Brazos Valley Care Home Friday.

Mrs. Ranzy Herring and Mrs. Alvin Hines spent last Wednesday in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Claudale Barnard entertained the Adult Ladies II Sunday School class in their home last Thursday night with a Christmas party. Members

and their husbands present were Mr. and Mrs. Orval Manning, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Godsey, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Rowan, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Johnston and Rev. Bill Trice and Mrs. Trice. Games of 42 and Skip Bo were enjoyed by all. Refreshments of coffee, lemonade, candies, nuts, pies, sausage balls and cake were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Covey were in Lubbock last weekend to attend the funeral of Clyde's brother, Dick Covey.

Mrs. Bernice Rowan and Jerry Rowan of Henrietta were in Amherst Saturday to attend the wedding of Keith Rowan and Martha Brantley.

Mrs. Ruth Clark of Dallas returned her mother, Mrs. Jim Roberson to her home here over the weekend.

College students home for the Christmas holidays are Angelia Reid from Texas Tech in Lubbock, Ruthie Trice of Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, and Jonathan Godsey of Western Texas College in Snyder.

The Young Married Couples of The O'Brien Baptist Church went Christmas caroling last Tuesday night. Those in the group were Rayland and Jill Hayes, Rex and Debbie Henry, Butch and Sue Stephens, Don and Diane Roberts, C.H. Underwood, Jerry and Debbie Curd, Charles and Faye Reed, Johnny and Vonnie Ivie, Jan Burt, Vicki Hewitt, Joe and Daniel Godsey, Nellie Duncan, Rev. Bill Trice and Mrs. Trice. Craig and Susan Carver joined the group at Butch and Sue Stephens after the caroling for fun and refreshments. One of the highlights for the carolers was singing at the Care Home

Taxpayers will receive their Federal income tax packages within the next two weeks, the Internal Revenue Service says.

The IRS sends taxpayers either a 1040 or 1040A package, depending on the form the taxpayer filed last year. Taxpayers who need to file a different form this year, because of a change in tax status, can pick up the proper form and schedules from their local IRS office, or from one of the many post offices that stock them. Extra forms are also available by using the order blank in the back of the tax package.

Whether taxpayers use the form the IRS sends them or

order a different one, the IRS encourages use of both the peel-off address label and pre-addressed, coded return envelope provided in the originally mailed tax package. The label and envelope speed up the processing of the return, lessen the chance of making mistakes, and produce a faster refund for the taxpayer.

If there is a mistake on the label's information--the taxpayer's name, address, and social security number--or if the envelope is marked with the incorrect form number, the IRS said the taxpayer

should make the necessary changes in ink.

The tax package contains complete instructions for filling out the tax return and any schedules which the taxpayer needs to use. If additional information is needed before deciding what credits, exemptions, or deductions should be claimed, there are over 90 free special publications that can be ordered by mail using the order form in the tax package, or by calling the IRS number listed in the local telephone directory. If more convenient, they can also be picked up at most IRS offices.



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Red Cross Serves A Large Area

The Red River Regional Blood Service is located in Wichita Falls, Texas and serves forty-one county hospitals in twenty-eight counties in Texas and Oklahoma. These hospitals receive all the blood and blood products patients need from this regional blood

service. The region extends from as far South as Rotan (near Abilene), as far North as Elk City, as far West as Wellington (near Amarillo), and as far East as Tishomingo (near Ardmore, Oklahoma).

"Community Responsibility" is the basic policy of American Red Cross Blood Service. Since there is never a requirement to replace blood used by a patient, the community as a whole, is responsible for contributing its "fair share" to the total blood supply. The only way blood can be drawn, processed, and made available to patients in regional hospitals is by volunteers like you, who take time to donate blood. Anyone living in one of the twenty-eight regional counties will receive blood anytime, whether or not they donate blood. You are never asked to replace the blood you have used, nor are you asked to pay for the blood itself. You will be asked to pay the processing fee, which includes the cost to process the blood.

When a resident receives blood from a hospital that is outside the "region", please contact American Red Cross Blood Service in Wichita Falls at (817) 322-8686, or contact your local Blood Services Chairman. Blood Services will then offer a one for one replacement, as needed.

Louisiana Woman Pleads Guilty

A 46-year old Morgan City, Louisiana woman pled guilty on November 17, to two counts of concealing pertinent information from the Social Security Administration.

According to James Harper, manager of the Vernon Social Security Office, Anaita V. Stokley of Morgan City, Louisiana, entered her guilty plea before U.S. District Judge John M. Shaw in Opelousas, Louisiana. Stokley concealed information concerning her disabled son's employment and wages enabling her to receive \$3,861.32 in Supplemental Security Income Benefits that her son was not eligible to receive. Income and work activity is considered for eligibility to Supplemental Security Income since the program is based on need.

Judge Shaw had deferred sentencing pending a presentence investigation. The maximum sentence for each count is imprisonment for one year and a \$1,000 fine.

Harper said the Stokley Case was developed by a full time Social Security Investigative Unit responsible for detecting program violations in the five-state region.

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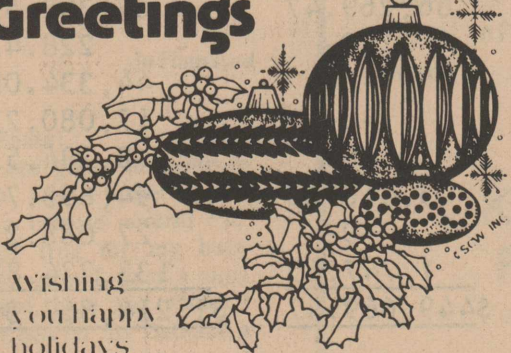
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SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, December 25--Christmas Day
Tuesday, December 30--Varsity boys and girls in Stamford Tournament
Friday, January 2--Varsity at Rule, GB
Saturday, January 5--Classes Resume, Stamford, here, 4:00, 7GB, 8GB
Tuesday, January 6--Lueders-Avoca, here, 7:00, GB



Greetings



Wishing you happy holidays

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Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus

I have been a good girl this year. I would like a bike and a baby doll. and some boots.

Love you
Paula Large.

Dear Santa

My name is Ricky Dwayne Vasquez But call me Dwayne for short, so you don't get me and my dad mixed up. Bring me a big truck an super man suit a real bird, a cage for my bird. A Star Wars battle Ship, a Dallas Cowboy Coat a western suit a play coke machine a chips motor cycle, a basketball a bat mobile, and a Dukes of Hazzard Car with only Daisy. That's all for now thanks. See ya next year.

Love
Dwayne

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GREETINGS

Getting ready to roll around and wish you the best this Christmas Season. Stop in and see us sometime. We're here to serve you.

Marion's Conoco Station
KNOX CITY 658-3424

Merry Christmas

Scott Stephens

Suzanne Stephens

Stefani Stephens

Stay warm and happy this holiday enjoying family and close friends. We consider you our dear patrons and warm friends. We hope that you have a wonderful holiday season.

Lady Bug Shoppe
MINI MALL

RTA Members Enjoy Christmas Program

The Knox County Retired Teachers Association met Tuesday afternoon, December 16, at 2:30 o'clock in the Knox City Community Center.

Bringing Christmas, the program and serving as hostesses were Jewell Lea, Mary Beth Smith, and Wretha Fitzgerald.

President Hazel Long called the meeting to order, and Sammie Carpenter read the minutes of the previous meeting.

Mary Beth Smith gave an interesting review of selected Christmas stories from The Guidepost's Christmas Treasury from Guideposts Magazine.

Accompanied by Gretchen Colehour at the piano, Wretha Fitzgerald directed the group in singing "Jingle Bells" and "Silent Night."

Hostesses served Christmas dainties from a table beautifully decorated by Jewell Lea with a Christmas tablecloth and an arrangement of silk poinsettias which Mrs. Lea had made.

Mrs. Lea also brightened Christmas spirits by pinning her beautiful, bright colored, handmade butterflies on each member present.

Attending were Mary Beth Smith, Hazel Long, Wretha Fitzgerald, Louise Finley, Sammie Carpenter, Sudia Cash, Mary Jo Lankford, Mary Frances Shannon, Exa Faye Reed, Mary Groves, Lillian Logan, Jewell Lea, Maurysse Stone, Euris Reid, Bessie Shannon, and special program guest Gretchen Colehour.

Mrs. Long explained to members that the November program, which was called off due to bad weather, would be presented in January, since those responsible for the January program, could not present it.

Sammie Carpenter and Maurysse Stone will give the program, and hostesses will be chairman Louise Finley, Hazel Long, Exa Faye Reed, and Margaret Siecke.

Barnett-Lieb Vows Read December 20

Manda Ray Barnett and John Charles Lieb were married Saturday in a double ring ceremony at Parkview Baptist Church Chapel in Monroe, Louisiana, with the Reverend Harold Hughens officiating.

The altar area was decorated with poinsettias and Boston Fern.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney R. Barnett of Oak Grove, Louisiana. Mr and Mrs. Arche Lieb of Knox City, Texas are parents of the bridegroom.

Jamie Barnett was the bride's honor attendant, and Arche Lieb was best man.

The bride wore a formal length gown of candlelight pleated lace and also wore a diamond pendant, a gift from the groom. She carried a nosegay of red silk roses. Her honor attendant's gown was of a red chiffon over red satin.

The reception was held in the bride's home assisted by Harriet and Loraine Monroe, Jeanette Barnett and Sally Shelton. The bridegroom's parents hosted the rehearsal dinner at the Holiday.

The bride, a graduate of Oak Grove High School and Northeast Louisiana University, is employed as a teacher by the Ouachita Parish Schools. The bridegroom is a graduate of Knox City High School and Texas Tech University. He is employed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service in Monroe, as a project engineer.

After a Caribbean cruise, the couple will at home at 2703 Sterling Road in Monroe.

Dicie Singleton and James and Charlotte Patterson visited Frances Milligan.

Kelton Smith enjoyed his visitors, his mom and dad, Elsie Pierson, and Phama Lou Wilhite.

Bro. John Gillispie visited H.E. Wall Sr.

Yuletide Enjoyed at Wild Horse Creek

Christmas was celebrated Saturday, December 13, at eleven o'clock at Wild Horse Creek in the home of Mrs. Greg Clonts. Assisting Mrs. Clonts with hostess duties was her mother, Mrs. W.R. Black of Breckenridge.

Guests were served delicious refreshments of assorted colorful Christmas cookies, sausage balls, a variety of cheeses, crackers, nuts, cakes, punch and coffee.

Those attending thoroughly enjoyed seeing the interior of Mrs. Clonts' home as well as the visiting and refreshments.

Attending were Peggy Jones, Marion Perdue, Mabel Wilson, Melanie Whitley, Ann White, Jo Hacker, Leona Burkham, Bertha Driver, Melanie Dillon, Sharon Newton, Mary Margaret Campbell, Mary Frances Shannon, Romain Stubbs, Lillian Verhalen, Lillian Rae Verhalen, Kitty Spencer, Pansy Russell, Peggy Urbanczyk, Debbie Wilson, Melissa Josselett, Billye Angle, and Stacy Angle.

November

Weather Summary


The average temperature for November 1980 was 51 degrees F, tying the long-term average. The highest temperature for the month was 89 degrees on the 8th and the lowest was 27 degrees on the 18th.

Precipitation for November totaled 1.11 inches, with .94 inches being recorded as snow. Average precipitation received in November is 1.06 inches. Total moisture received for 1980 is 20.81 inches, 2.49 below the long-term average.

ATTEND FUNERAL

Mr. and Mrs. Joe E. Flores and Mrs. Dan Martinez were in Fort Worth Friday to attend funeral services of Julis Acosta, Mrs. Martinez's brother and Mrs. Flores' uncle.

Merry Christmas



Christmas Blessings

Let peace and kindness reign in the hearts of all men.

Peace and Kindness
Prueckley



We hope your Christmas is filled with love and warmth and laughter. Your continuing patronage has made this Christmas a wonderful one for us!

City Cleaners

658-3641 Ken & Lorene Bradford Knox City

Warm Wishes



We're thankful for your patronage and we hope you'll continue to rely on us!

Lynn Electric

Merry Christmas



We've drummed up a great holiday for you!

Charles & Marie Auburg



BEST WISHES!

We love to have you as our customers and we hope that you will enjoy a happy Christmas season. We look forward to seeing you in the near future.

O'Brien Food Store

The Coy Hewitts

PEACE



Wishing you serenity and happiness this Christmas and always.

Farm & Garden Supply

Knox City, Texas

News Notes from the Brazos Valley Care Home

By Laura Ivie

On Tuesday, December 16, an all day open house and Christmas party was held for our residents and their families.

The day began with a Christmas queen contest. The contestants were Ruth Harden, Eda Faye Pounds, Dicie Singleton, Hallie Barrington, Zona Guffey, Esther Bradford, Jimmy O'Pry, Lillie Dennington, and Opal Dennington. The winner was Zona Guffey. We would like to thank our judges, Doris Crownover, Beth Staggs and Terry Keener. The ladies were all very lovely and I'm sure it was a hard decision for them to make.

At noon, a special meal was prepared for the residents, their families and all the employees. A turnout of nearly 200 enjoyed the delicious meal. We would like to thank the ladies that prepared this meal, it was a big job.

After lunch, the residents and their families enjoyed a Bingo game called by Loyce Dennington. The evening program started with the staff singing a welcome song. Annette Evatt recited two Christmas poems and her daughter, Sherry, played a special on the piano. With Mutt Logsdon on the guitar, she, Johnny Brown and I sang "Winter Wonderland" and "Rockin' Around The Christmas Tree".

Jennifer Holmes played the piano for us and we want to thank her.

The program ended with a comedy skit of "Twas the Night Before Christmas" put on by Donna Burt, Grace Kelton, Earlene Meinzer, Irene Struck, Hope Poe, Nonie Johnson and Bessie. Then came the long awaited arrival of Santa Claus.

The Cub Scouts and the O'Brien Baptist Church came caroling for us and it was wonderful.

It was a very successful day and we want to thank the staff at Brazos Valley, the residents, families and all the churches and organizations that helped make this a very special Christmas for our residents. Without their help and the many caring people of Knox City this day would not have been possible. A lot of hard work was involved and we want to thank everyone that took part in this day. We would like to give a special Thank You to Doyle Graham for his love and caring of our residents. To all of you from all of us at Brazos Valley, may God bless and we wish you all a very Merry Christmas.

Thursday's Bingo winners were Abb Johnson, Hallie Barrington, Dicie Singleton, Mrs. Dennington, Mrs. Harden, and Mr. Strickland. Blackout winner was Mrs. Jackson.

Elsie Pierson and Phama Lou Wilhite visited Lela Loper, Sudie Ballard, Agnes Floyd, Nena Alvis, Frank Leija, Onefro Gonzales, Carl Murrell and Mack Barrie.

Happy Holidays



Hope you've served up a great big tasty Christmas!

Tolleson's City Cafe

Cornelia Tolleson
Knox City, Texas

Christmas Blessings



May you know His peace at Christmas.

First United Methodist Church

James Patterson, Pastor

KNOX CITY - O'BRIEN CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1980

	Knox City- O'Brien Consolidated I.S.D.	Haskell- Knox Consortium	Total
Revenue			
Local Taxes Collected	\$ 362,026.69	\$ -0-	\$ 362,026.69
Other Local Revenue	41,047.71	18,344.71	59,392.42
Revenue from Education Service Centers	19,107.99	26,957.15	46,065.14
Foundation Fund and Other State Revenue	388,254.20	353,884.32	742,138.52
State Distributed Federal Funds	67,883.00	54,372.00	122,255.00
Other Federal Revenue	3,297.02	-0-	3,297.02
Total Revenue	\$ 881,616.61	\$ 453,558.18	\$ 1,335,174.79
Expenditures			
Instruction	\$ 406,003.93	\$ 348,426.41	\$ 754,430.34
Instructional Administration	990.00	27,809.94	28,799.94
Instructional Resources and Media Services	3,665.93	-0-	3,665.93
School Administration	40,698.51	-0-	40,698.51
Guidance and Counseling Service	1,119.08	66,269.47	67,388.55
Health Services	228.42	-0-	228.42
Pupil Transportation	44,334.05	-0-	44,334.05
Co-Curricular Activities	17,080.25	-0-	17,080.25
Food Service	3,294.53	-0-	3,294.53
General Administration	89,237.72	5,416.00	94,653.72
Debt Service	27,068.22	-0-	27,068.22
Plant Maintenance and Operation	131,477.23	1,747.65	133,224.88
Total Expenditures	\$ 765,197.87	\$ 449,669.47	\$ 1,214,867.34
Excess of Revenue Over Expenditures	\$ 116,418.74	\$ 3,888.71	\$ 120,307.45

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
I want a Fancy and Sassy Make up Kit and some pom poms like the cheerleaders have. That's all for now.
Love,
Tracy Rios

Dear Santa
I want a truck and an eighteen wheeler. A car. And uh a tonka.
Steven Diaz

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl five years old. I have tried real hard to be a good girl this year. I would like a Moppet secret doll house and a merry-go-round stroller. Please don't forget my sister, Joy.
Love you,
Julie Gentry

Dear Santa,
I want a fire truck, an ambulance and a highway patrol. I can't write a whole lot of numbers, can you? How many can you write? I love you but you won't bring me anything because I'm too mean sometimes. I will be good if you bring me a boat and car.
Love,
Zachary Cornwell

Dear Santa Claus,
How is Mrs. Claus? How are things at the North Pole? Please bring me a Baby Wet and Care. and a diaper bag. I would like a play cash register and a record of Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer and a picture of you.
Thank you for the presents you gave me last year.
I hope you have a Merry Christmas.
Love,
Aimee Ford
December 15, 80

Dear Santa
For Christmas I would like, if you think I've been good enough.
My list a baby soft Sounds a sweetie face a Barbie beauty secret's a Powder Puff Hot Cycle a Radio some games a red telephone some barbie clothe's and some coloring books
I love you Santa. and my mommie and I will be at Grandmaws and papa's. We will leave you something in

the kitchen.
Kandi Zeissel

Dear Santa Claus
I won't a doll and a stove and play house and bike, and some shoes and a dress and a couch and chair and a table and some candy and a car and lots off toys and a bed and I won't some toys for my sister and brothers.
Love
Lisa Polk

From Johnny
Dear Santa
I want a Ter race track and a Football game and a criss cross crash race track and a bat and a ball. and a stuff bear and shirt's and pants and socks and a Dallas cowboy shirt. and boxing gloves.
Love
Lisa Polk

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas. How are you Doing. I want a Baby Cry and Dry. I also want some make up. Is rudolf ok. I Love you.
Amy Henry

Dear Santa
I want a little doll call Fashion Candy. You can change her hair different colors. There's another doll that can eat baby food. There's a Barbie doll house that I want for my Barbie dolls. I've been good.
Thank you,
Melanie Chaney

Dear Santa,
I am happy. I want to play with my baby doll. I want to play with dishes. Please bring me a skunk, a play one, baton, and that's all.
La Shonda Cotton

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doctor kit. I went to Abilene to ask you for some of it. My sister, Sara, wants a doll, a toy, a little book and I already ask the rest at Abilene. I'll be at Mama's House on Christmas.
I love you,
Jacy Dillon

Dear Santa, I love you. I want a baby doll, a baby dog, a doll house, a dog house and a bottle and dishes and tennis shoes. I been good.
Renaee Ellis

Dear Santa;
I want a doll and some make up, and a doll set. I love you and I try to be good. When I get my picture I will send you one. I want a picture of you. Please give me a wagon and a tricycle.
Necie Flye

Dear Santa,
My mommie is helping me write this year, because i am only three.
First, I want you to know that I am going to be at my Papa Hidi Rector's house, so please do not forget where I am going to be Christmas.

Santa, I have been as good as a three year old girl could be, with all my growing pains. So would you please bring me a Fisher Price Medical Kit, a 32 inch walking doll and a doll house.
Please do not forget to bring my bulldog and horse something, and all the other good kids.
Thank you, Santa
Love
Lila Jo Rector

Dear Santa
I wish I had a remote control car and a calculators so I can add and subtract.
Love
Edmund Casillas

Dear Santa Claus
I would like a umbrella and a watch a strawberry shortcake doll and robe. and a alarmclock and Snow for Christmas.
From Sara Lorenz

Dear Santa
I want a skoodoole and a wipe your tears baby and I want a holly hobby oven and a color book and colors and other good toys.
12/10/80

Dear Santa Claus,
I wish very much that I could get a cowboy jogging suit and I think that last year I wanted too much. I want chutes away and Master Caster and I would like to have a bicycle seat because mine broke. And an x-wing and pilot. because I like to play with the men in the Empire Strikes Back Show. This is all I want.
from Andy,
I love you, Santa

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Maggie Rodriguez. I am 6 years old and in the 1 grade. For Christmas I want a doll, dishes, a bike, a new coat, and a coloring book. Take care of yourself and the reindeers.
Love
Maggie Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
I want a Hot Xycle and a football thing that you can set up on your shelf. I like you. That's all.
Love, Mike Bunton

Dear Santa,
I want Dallas Cowboy Football pants and a football thing about that long with football players. And an Oakland Raiders jacket and that's all. I've tried to be good.
Thank you,
Rob McIlhane

Dear Santa,
I be good. Would you give me something. I like you.
Love,
Michael Cabrera

Dear Santa,
I want a pop-up pinball and table and chairs, and "I took a lickin from a Chicken" game, and Hurry Jump It's a Skunk and Hungry Hippos. And Cuddles and horse, little horse and that's all.
I love you,
Amy Carver

Dear Santa,
I have a cat. I tried to be good. I want a car, a play one.
Love
Chris Casillas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Teddy Bear and some dishes. That's all I want to say.
Thank you,
Hanna Williams

Dear Santa,
I am 7 years old. I have been pretty good this year.
I would like for you to bring me Team America Super Stunt Dirt Bike. Race Car Hauler Set. Race Team Set. Potry craft. Please remember my little brother Seth. he is 1 year old. He has been good this year, Too.
Thank you
Love
Abel

P.S. There will be a snack waiting for you.

Box 673
Knox City Texas

Dear Santa Clause,
I would like to have a race track, a train set, a electric football game. I also would like a Basketball. I have been a pretty good boy.
Blaine Summers

Dear Santa
Please bring me a racing track set, a BB gun, a Dallas Cowboy Bike, a baseball, and a bat.
Thank you,
Love,
Shannon Taylor

Dear Santa;
I want a teddy bear and a truck and also one more- a racing track. I been good and I love you.
Love,
Steve Ledesma

Dear Santa;
I want a doll that eats and a crying doll. I need some new crayolas and a color book. I love you and come see me.
Love
Kristi McKinney

Dear Santa;
I want a play saw, ranches, a button truck with cars on the back and car shop. We don't have enough money either.
Love you,
Cody Manning

Dear Santa;
Hi! I want a play store and a doll. I like you and I've been good. I'm done.
I love you.
Tonya Manuel

Dear Santa,
I would like for you to bring me a Racing Track that is called Criss Cross Crash set. I would also like an OFF-Road Racer and A Bronco Busting Rodeo set. This is all I want. I
Love
Wendolyn Washington
Sante Claus
Dear Sante Claus
I want a bicycle a playhouse I want a Taddy Bear and a Doll and that all. I'm seven year old and Im in 1st grade
your truly
Wendolyn Washington
P.S and a pr. boot

will leave you some milk and cookies under the Christmas tree.
I have also been a good boy
Love
Robert Saucedo

P.S.
Bring my little Brother Eric a Bike.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a racing track, a B.B Gun, and a Dallas Cowboy bicycle.
Love
Ramon Lerma

Dear Santa
I believe I have been a good boy this year. I would be very happy if you would bring me a remote control car and a pair of gloves to keep my hands warm.
Love Paul

O'Brien Tex.
Wendolyn Washington

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O Come All Ye Faithful



The Carver Family
Dad, Mom, & Tracy



Holly, poinsettias and pine . . . Symbols of the beauty of Christmas. May your holidays abound with every peace and joy.

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Fayteen and Collins
Benjamin, Texas

And thou shalt
Mt. 1:21
call his name Jesus,
Is. 9:6 Is. 9:6
Prince of Peace, Mighty God,
Is. 9:6 Mk. 1:24
Wonderful Counselor, Holy One,
Jn. 1:29 Acts 3:15
Lamb of God, Prince of Life,
Rev. 15:3
Lord God Almighty,
Rev. 5:5
Lion of the Tribe of Judah,
Rev. 22:16 1 Jn. 1:1
Root of David, Word of Life,
Heb. 12:2
Author and Finisher of Our Faith,
1 Jn. 2:1 Jn. 14:6 Lk. 1:78
Advocate, The Way, Dayspring,
Acts 10:36 Jn. 8:58 Jn. 1:34
Lord of All, I Am, Son of God,
1 Pet. 2:25
Shepherd and Bishop of Souls,
Jn. 1:41 Jn. 14:6 2 Pet. 2:20
Messiah, The Truth, Savior,
Eph. 2:20 Rev. 19:16
Chief Cornerstone, King of Kings,
2 Tim. 4:8 Jn. 8:12
Righteous Judge, Light of the World,
Eph. 1:22 Rev. 22:16
Head of the Church, Morning Star,
Mal. 4:2
Son of Righteousness, Lord
Acts 15:11 1 Pet. 5:4
Jesus Christ, Chief Shepherd,
Jn. 11:25
Resurrection and Life,
Lk. 1:69 Mt. 2:6
Horn of Salvation, Governor,
Rev. 1:8
The Alpha and Omega.
Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today,
and forever. Heb. 13:8

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JOYOUS HOLIDAY GREETINGS



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O'Brien, Texas



ROEL

Deck your halls with holly and ornaments of every kind. 'Tis the season to make merry!

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Bobby, Louise & Jennifer



O Holy Night

A Christmas Prayer: Let us rejoice for the Prince of Peace is come again, bringing us a renewal of faith and hope.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

John Gillispie, Pastor

Season's Greetings

Christmas in America is As Varied as Its People

Christmas in America — the words evoke different remembrances to each of us, as varied as America itself. To the New Englander, Christmas can mean Santa coming to town on a hay wagon . . . to the New Mexican, it can mean decorating one's home with *luminarias*, those festive candle lights of Spanish and Mexican tradition.

Whether city-bred or raised in rural America, children in this country find a richness of holiday traditions to draw upon.

For those living in New York City, for instance, Christmas means the lighting of the great tree at Rockefeller Center, and dazzling productions of the classic ballet, "The Nutcracker." Ice skating at Rockefeller Center is another well-loved holiday pastime.

On the other coast, Los Angeles has its own traditions of the season. The annual "Hollywood Christmas Parade of stars" featuring Santa and celebrities, and the spectacular parade of illuminated boats along Los Angeles Harbor are among the many holiday attractions.

In one Wisconsin town, the usual holiday celebra-

tion consists of the lighting of the community tree, followed by a parade with Santa as its main attraction. But, another town, in Louisiana, celebrates the season with fireworks!

As you might expect, the town of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, puts on a spectacular display of colored lights during the Christmas season. The Pennsylvania Dutch, on the other hand, are noted for their beautiful Nativity scenes, featuring carved figures and greatly detailed landscaping.

Santa Fe residents pay tribute to the city's Spanish and Mexican heritage by enacting "Las Posadas," the story of Mary and Joseph's search for *posada*, or lodging. Also part of many New Mexican Christmas observances are special Indian rituals, such as the animal dances.

Children living in rural areas of midwestern and northern states may still enjoy an old-fashioned Christmas complete with sleigh-rides and snowmen, but youngsters in such warm-climate states as Hawaii and Florida have an altogether different Yule experience. In Hawaii, greetings of the season are more than likely to consist of floral leis bestowed with a *ki* on the cheek and an "Aloha," and in Florida, palm trees are decorated for the holidays.

Wherever you go in the United States this Christmas, you will find customs that have been brought to the New World from the Old . . . plus, customs that the New World has contributed in turn. Each tradition tells us something about the history of that particular area and together, the history of the country itself, as told through our varied celebrations of Christmas.



Joseph and Mary: A Story of Devotion

With all the wonder of Christmas, one of history's most beautiful love stories is often overlooked: the devotion shown by Joseph toward Mary, the mother of Jesus.

The Gospel accounts don't tell us very much about Joseph, other than that he was a "just man," who did not wish to expose Mary to reproach when she was found to be with child. In keeping with Jewish tradition of the time, he planned to divorce her quietly, before the required two witnesses, and avoid a public scandal.

But, before he had time to act, his bitter disappoint-

ment with Mary was turned to joy. An angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, Matthew tells us, and said to the troubled man, "Do not be afraid, Joseph, Son of David, to take to thee Mary thy wife, for that which is begotten in her is of the Holy Spirit. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus; for he shall save his people from their sins."

All his life, Joseph had heard about the Messiah, who was to come and redeem Israel.

Now, a messenger from God was telling him that Mary, his betrothed, was to be the mother of the Messiah! And, Joseph was to be her husband!

Joseph instantly set aside any past doubts and misgivings, the Gospel tells us, and "did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him." From that moment, the portrait of Joseph in scripture is that of a faithful companion to Mary.

It is Joseph who searches for lodgings in Bethlehem when it becomes apparent

that Mary's time has come.

It is Joseph who is at her side when she brings forth the infant Jesus, under the gaze of the creatures of the stable.

And, it is Joseph who names the infant Jesus, as he had been commanded.

And, when the scheming Herod threatens the infant's life, Joseph is the one who is warned to take the mother and Child into Egypt. Matthew tells us that "He arose, and took the child and his mother by night, and withdrew into Egypt." Mary and Joseph remained there with Jesus until Herod's death, when the angel again appeared to Joseph. Again, he obeyed without question and took his wife and the child Jesus back to Israel, to resume the life that had been interrupted.

In Nazareth, where Mary and Joseph settled down with the young Jesus, the carpenter continued in his devotion to his family. When Jesus was twelve and became separated from them while on a visit to Jerusalem, Joseph and Mary searched for Him for three days. How their hearts must have ached as they combed the city. Mary even remonstrated with the young Jesus: "Behold, in sorrow thy father and I have been seeking thee."

St. Luke tells us that the boy Jesus returned to Nazareth with Mary and Joseph and was subject to them. He even followed Joseph's trade as a carpenter before beginning His ministry.

Tradition has it that Joseph died before that ministry began. But, the love and devotion of the humble carpenter for his young wife and her Son shine before us as we celebrate this holy season.

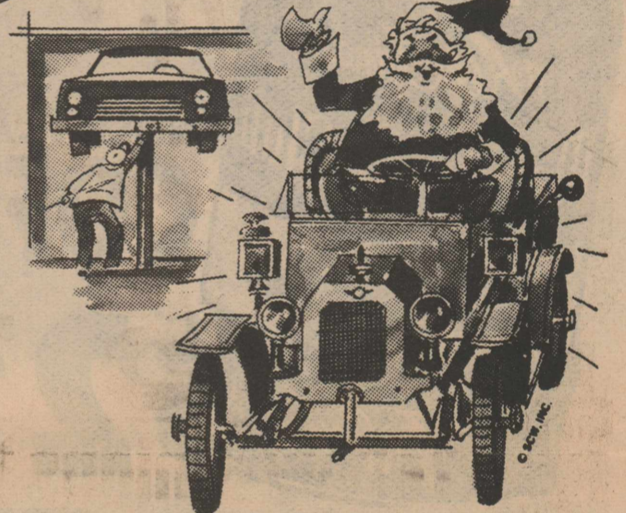


May the spirit of the Holy Night bless all.

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A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS!



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Ken's Texaco Station

Doris & Ken Crossover

Childress Man Convicted of SS Fraud

James Harper, Social Security manager in Vernon, announced another conviction for Supplemental Security Income and Social Security Benefit Fraud. Harper reported that Gilbert Vasquez of Childress was sentenced in U.S. District Court in Amarillo, on December 15, 1980, on charges of having concealed and failed to report his work and earnings in order to continue receiving SSI and SSA Benefits.

Vasquez was sentenced to two years confinement which was suspended in favor of placing him on five years probation and was fined \$1,000.00.

This conviction resulted from a joint investigation by U.S. Secret Service and Regional Field Integrity Staff of SSA. He said there are numerous other such criminal actions pending throughout the five states comprising the Dallas Region of SSA.

Harper said that SSA is dedicated to servicing the public and insuring that eligible individuals promptly receive payments to which they are entitled. He said, however, that SSA is also responsible to the public to insure that those who attempt to cheat on SSA programs will be held accountable for their actions and that the administration is continuing and stepping up its efforts to eliminate fraudulent and improper payments.



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W.S. (Bill) Heatly

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Rochester, 743-3211



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69¢
20 OZ. STILLWELL

MRS. TUCKER'S SHORTENING 42 OZ. CAN **\$1.49**

Borden or Foremost WHIPPING CREAM 1/2 Pt. **49¢**

STEW VEGETABLES

GLADIOLA FLOUR 25 LB. BAG **4.49**



HUGGIES 18 CT. **2.69**

MINUTE MAID LEMON JUICE 7 1/2 OZ. **69¢**

WHITE SWAN QUART JAR SALAD DRESSING **89¢**

MORTON'S FROZEN HONEY BUNS 9 OZ. **59¢**

MUNT'S WHOLE PEELED Tomatoes 28 OZ. **69¢**

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HEALTH & BEAUTY

Tooth-paste 4.6 OZ. TUBE **99¢**

Baby lotion For baby and you 4 OZ. **98¢**

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SUPER DISCOUNT SPECIALS

WITH FILLED **Buccaneer** DISCOUNT BOOKLETS

 29¢ 200 CT. WITH EACH FILLED Buccaneer DISCOUNT BOOKLET	WHITE SWAN INSTANT TEA 3-Oz. Jar 98¢ WITH EACH FILLED Buccaneer DISCOUNT BOOKLET	GRADE "A" LARGE EGGS DOZEN 39¢ WITH EACH FILLED Buccaneer DISCOUNT BOOKLET	FOREMOST MILK Gal. Jug \$1.69 WITH EACH FILLED Buccaneer DISCOUNT BOOKLET
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