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*It's beginning to look like Christmas!  
Hope your Home and Heart are filled with  
Joy, Laughter and Goodwill this Glad  
Holiday Season.*

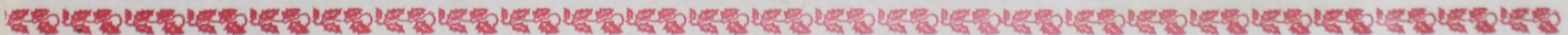
## **First National Bank**

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**Diabetic Fruit Salad**

2 cups low-fat buttermilk  
1 large sugar-free instant vanilla pudding  
1 12 oz. carton Lite Cool Whip  
1 24 oz. can fruit cocktail, drained  
1 8 oz. can mandarin oranges, drained  
1 12 oz. can crushed pineapple, drained  
Beat buttermilk and pudding with mixer. Fold in cool whip. Stir in remaining ingredients, then refrigerate at least 30 minutes.

**NUTTY CHOCOLATE TEXAS MARSHMALLOWS**

2 cups milk chocolate chips  
1 can (14 oz.) Eagle Brand milk  
1 jar (7 oz.) marshmallow creme  
40 large marshmallows  
4 cups coarsely chopped pecans  
In microwave or heavy saucepan, heat chocolate chips, milk, and marshmallow creme just until melted; stir until smooth. Mixture will be thick. With tongs, dip marshmallows one at a time, in chocolate. Shake off excess and quickly roll in pecans. Place on waxed paper lined baking sheets. Refrigerate until firm. Store in airtight container.

**Five Layer Pie**

First Layer: 1 cup flour, 1 cup pecans, chopped, 1/2 cup margarine, melted - Mix these ingredients together and press into the bottom of a 13 x 9 pan. Bake at 325 degrees for 15 minutes. Cool.  
Second Layer: 8 oz. cream cheese, softened, 1 cup powdered sugar, 1 cup Cool Whip - Beat together until smooth, then spread over first layer.  
Third Layer: 1 small pkg chocolate instant pudding mixed with 1 1/2 cups milk - blend together, then spread over second layer.  
Fourth Layer: 1 small pkg vanilla instant pudding mixed with 1 1/2 cups milk - blend together, then spread over third layer.  
Fifth Layer: Cover top with remaining Cool Whip and refrigerate.

**Peanut Butter Fudge**

4 cups sugar  
1 cup evaporated milk  
2 cups peanut butter, crunchy  
2 cups marshmallow cream  
1 tsp. vanilla  
Cook sugar and evaporated milk in sauce pan, stirring constantly, to soft ball stage. Remove from heat and add all remaining ingredients. Pour into buttered 13 x 9 pan. Cool and cut into squares.



**The Story Of Santa Claus**

The legend of Santa Claus has ancient European roots - beginning in the 4th century - and continues to influence the celebration of Christmas throughout the world today. Although little is known about Saint Nicholas, he is traditionally identified as a bishop in Asia Minor who was the patron of children and sailors; and who gave generous gifts to the poor.

Traditionally observed on December 6, the feast day of Nicholas was celebrated with the exchange of presents. German Protestants, after the Reformation, encouraged reverence of the Christkindl (Christ child) as a gift giver on his own feast day, December 25. The Nicholas tradition prevailed and became attached to Christmas itself. The term Christkindl evolved to Kris Kringle which is another name for Santa Claus.

The American version of the Santa Claus figure received its inspiration and its name from the Dutch legend of Sinter Klaas, brought by settlers to New York in the 17th century - where he was depicted wearing a bishop's robes and was said to be accompanied at times by Black Peter, an elf whose job was to whip the naughty children. As early as 1773 the name appeared in the American press as "St. Claus," but it was the popular author Washington Irving who gave Americans their first detailed information about the Dutch version of Saint Nicholas.

The American image of Santa Claus was further elaborated by illustrator Thomas Nast, who depicted a rotund Santa for Christmas issues of Harper's magazine from the 1860's to the 1880's. Nast added such details as Santa's workshop at the North Pole and Santa's list of the good and bad children of the world. A human-sized version of Santa Claus, rather than the elf of Moore's poem, was depicted in a series of illustrations for Coca-Cola advertisements introduced in 1931. In modern versions of the Santa Claus legend, only his toy-shop workers are elves. Rudolph, the ninth reindeer, with a red and shiny nose, was invented in 1939 by an advertising writer for the Montgomery Ward Company.

**Strawberry Cake**

1 pkg white cake mix  
1 can Eagle Brand milk  
1 can cream of coconut  
1 24 oz. carton Cool Whip  
1 carton frozen strawberries, thawed and drained  
Prepare cake mix according to package directions and bake in 13 x 9 pan. When cooled, poke holes all over top of cake with end of wooden spoon. Mix Eagle Brand milk and cream of coconut together and pour over cake. Fold strawberries into cool whip, then use for topping on cake. Keep cake refrigerated.

**EASY LEMON BARS**

1 box lemon cake mix (18.25 oz.)  
1/2 cup margarine, softened  
1 egg  
1 cup chopped pecans  
8 oz. cream cheese, softened  
1 can (16 oz.) lemon frosting  
2 eggs  
Heat oven to 350. Grease and flour a 13x9x2 pan. Combine cake mix, margarine, 1 egg and pecans in mixer bowl; mix well. Press mixture into bottom of pan. Beat cream cheese and frosting in mixer bowl until smooth and fluffy. Reserve 1/2 cup for frosting. Add 2 eggs to remaining cheese-frosting mixture. Beat well. Spread over mixture in pan. Bake 30-40 minutes or until lightly browned. Cool. Frost with reserved 1/2 cup cream cheese mix. Cut into squares or bars.

**Cinnamon Candy**

2 cups sugar  
1 tsp oil of cinnamon  
1 cup water  
red food coloring  
3/4 cup light corn syrup  
powdered sugar  
Boil sugar, water and corn syrup to hard crack stage (290 degrees) in a heavy saucepan. Add oil of cinnamon and food coloring. Pour into 13 x 9 pan that has been lightly greased and sprinkle with powdered sugar. Run a knife through the candy as it cools to make it break apart easier. When cool, break into pieces.

**Creamy Pralines**

2 cups sugar  
1/4 cup butter  
1 cup brown sugar  
1/4 tsp salt  
1/2 cup milk  
3 cups pecan, broken peices  
1/2 cup Eagle Brand milk  
Combine sugars and milks with butter and salt in a heavy saucepan. Bring slowly to a full rolling boil over medium heat. Add nuts and continue to boil until soft ball stage is reached. Remove from heat and stir only enough to give a creamy look. Spoon out by tablespoonfuls onto wax paper and let cool completely.



1985

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a good girl and I'm 4 years old. Please bring me a big toy box, a doll, a jogging suit and anything else you want to bring me. I live in Amarillo now. Bring mama some waterbed linens and daddy some new clothes and Bub a bicycle. I can sing the Santa song too.  
Love,  
Amy Butler

Dear Santa,  
I have been as good as I could be. I would like a "My Buddy" a train set, and a basketball goal. I will leave you a sandwich and some milk.  
Don't for get my brother and sister.  
Love,  
B.J. Price

Dear Santa,  
Would you please bring me a Go-Bot that changes into a Jet. and a gun, a tent and a...Also would you please bring my little sister, Natalie, something to ride and a baby doll. I will leave some milk and cookies and some hay for your reindeer.  
Love,  
Nathan Wheeler

Dear Santa,  
I want a tent and a pony nursery if you have them. And my little brother hasn't got a whole lot of toys so bring him a bunch of his own. He is 1 1/2. We will leave you something to eat if you are hungry. Cricket and Muffin find a stocking too so bring some cat toys.  
Love,  
Traci Ham & Chase Ham

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a four wheeler, and Leader I and turbo. I am 8 years old and I have been very good this year.  
Your friend,  
Jeremy Leal

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Glo-Worm and a Pony castle. Bring other kids toys too.  
I love you,  
Karyn Conner

Dear Santa,  
I want a motorcycle, a four wheeler, and a go cart.  
Your Friend,  
Michael Lane

Dear Santa,  
I want a motorcycle and a four wheeler and a go cart I am 8 years old and I live in Turkey.  
Your friend,  
Tracy Guest

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a real four wheeler, Get me in Shape, a Real baby. I am 8 years old and I live in Turkey. I have been good this year. I will leave you some milk and cookies surprise. Merry Christmas I Love you. Have a fun Christmas.  
Your friend,  
Amanda Fuston

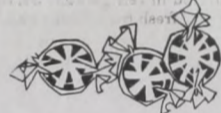
Dear Santa, I want a small motorcycle, a cowboy hat, boots, and every thing in the SEARS and the BEST Catalog, in the Toy department! Jam box, new dress, shoes, Gobot, and VCR.  
Love,  
Coy McKay

**MICROWAVE PEANUT PATTIES**

Microwave for 3 minutes:  
2 cups sugar  
1/2 cup water  
1/2 cup Karo syrup  
Stir and remove from microwave.  
Add: 2 cups peanuts  
Cook 10 minutes longer.  
Add: 1 Tablespoon butter  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
Red food coloring  
Stir until mixture starts to set up and drop by teaspoons onto wax paper. Let cool. Enjoy!  
PATTY KIMBELL

**HOT CHOCOLATE MIX**

3 cups sugar  
2 cups coffee creamer  
2 cups powdered milk  
1 1/3 cups cocoa  
Mix all ingredients until well blended. Use 2-3 tablespoons per cup of boiling water for delicious, rich hot drink. Also makes nice gifts. Just package in a pretty jar and include a Christmas mug and some marshmallows.



**CRANBERRY MARSH**

1 1/2 pounds white chocolate  
1 can (14 oz.) Eagle Brand milk  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
1 cup chopped pecans  
3/4 cup raisins (sweetened dried cranberries)  
Combine white chocolate and milk in a 2 quart glass bowl. Microwave at 100% power for 6 minutes, stirring every 2 minutes. Stir in vanilla and pecans. Fold in raisins. Pour into 13x9x2 waxed paper lined pan. Chill until firm and cut into squares.

**BAKED BEANS**

Cook: 10 slices bacon (chopped)  
Add: 1 onion, chopped  
Saute until onions are done.  
Add: 1 large can Bush's Baked Beans  
Add: Ketchup, brown sugar, mustard and worchestershire sauce to suit your taste. Let cook for 20-30 minutes in skillet simmering on stovetop.  
PATTY KIMBELL



**Chocolate Jumbles**

12 oz. chocolate chips  
12 oz. butterscotch chips  
6 oz. chow mein noodles  
1/2 cup roasted peanuts  
Melt chocolate and butterscotch chips over low heat, stirring constantly until melted. Then add chow mein noodles and peanuts. Gently stir until well coated. Drop by tablespoonfuls onto wax paper. Let cool completely.



**SWEET POTATO-NUT ROLL**

3 eggs  
1 cup sugar  
2/3 cup cooked, mashed sweet potatoes  
1 teaspoon lemon juice  
3/4 cup flour  
1 teaspoon baking powder  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
2 teaspoons ground cinnamon  
1 teaspoon ground ginger  
1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg  
1 cup chopped pecans  
1/4 cup sifted powdered sugar, divided  
Filling (Recipe follows)

Grease bottom and sides of a 15x10x1 inch jellyroll pan with vegetable oil; line with waxed paper, and grease and flour the waxed paper. Set aside.

Beat eggs until foamy. Gradually add 1 cup sugar, beating until thick and lemon colored (5-6 minutes). Gradually add sweet potatoes and lemon juice, beating well after each addition.

Combine flour and the next 5 ingredients; gradually fold into sweet potato mixture. Spread batter evenly in prepared pan. Sprinkle with pecans. Bake at 350 for 15 minutes or until a wooden pick inserted near the center comes out clean.

Sift 2 tablespoons powdered sugar in a 15x10 rectangle on a linen towel. When cake is done, immediately loosen sides and turn out on sugared towel. Carefully peel off wax paper. Starting at narrow end, roll up cake and towel together. Let cool completely on wire rack, seam side down.

Unroll cake. Spread cake with filling and carefully re-roll cake without towel. Chill. Place cake, seam side down, on serving plate. Sift remaining 2 tablespoons powdered sugar over roll just before serving.

**FILLING:**  
1/4 cup butter or margarine, softened  
2(3 oz.) packages cream cheese, softened  
1 cup powdered sugar  
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

Combine butter and cream cheese, beating at high speed of an electric mixer until light and fluffy. Add powdered sugar and vanilla, beating until smooth. Yield: 1 1/2 cups. Unbearably Good! This can be made ahead and frozen. JOAN HELMS

Dear Santa, I would like a new bike!

1972

Dear Santa,  
I would like for you to bring me a "Farmer Says" and a "Musical" baby doll. And whatever else is left that you might think I'd like to have. A Merry Christmas to you, Santa  
Your friend,  
Leslie Monk

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a chip away set, talking Viewmaster, Raggedy Ann, tunnel frog toybox, unicycle, Jane West Pop Corn popper, cotton candy machine, Barbie's Beauty Center. Thank you, I've been good.  
Love,  
Timi Hinkle



**It's Beginning To Look A Lot Like Christmas!**



Dear Santa,  
I have been good because daddy said he would let me have this pocket knife if I was and he gave it to me. I want a crash car and a wiggle waggle, and don't forget where I live.  
Dane Scott

Dear Santa,  
I have been a pretty good boy this year. I still suck my thumb a little, but I am going to quit. Sure do hope you will still bring me some toys.  
I would like to have a Stick Shift Big Wheel a train, some guns, GI Joe and a camper. Would you please bring my Daddy a pretty little doll. He doesn't have any toys to play with.

Well thank you, Santa, and merry Christmas to you and everyone.  
Bud Ham

Dear Santa,  
I've been a pretty good boy. Please bring me a inchworm, wagon, tractor (like Daddy's) and a puppy. And Santa please fill my stocking with candy. And please remember Elaine Adams,  
I love you Santa,  
Derek Mullin

**Happy Holidays**

H is for the happiness we will all experience in the coming year.  
A is for the advancements that we each shall make.  
P is for the productivity of each one of us.  
P is for pleasant memories that we share with our loved ones.  
Y is for the yearning to return to our former homes at Christmastide.  
H is for the helpful spirit toward those in need.  
O is for the opportunities that we will have in the coming year.  
L is for the loyalty of our friends.  
I is for the ideals we hold dear.  
D is for the determination to be a better person in 2001.  
A is for all the many joys we share each and every holiday with those we love.  
Y is for remembering those jolly days of yesterday.

The Valley Tribune

Silent night holy

At this holiest of seasons, we pray

SPORTS

Dear Santa,  
How are you? Thank you for that cool stuff that you sent me last year. I'm always playing on the playstation and I'm almost finished with the Harry Potter collection on the last one. You know what I'm thankful for Santa. I'm thankful for the family I get to spend time with because some children don't have family to open presents with Christmas day or on any of the holidays. I'm also thankful for shelter I have over my, the food I get to eat and the clothes I have wear. Some people don't have none of these things. My Christmas wish is that either a child gets adopted to have a family to spend time with or some person out on the street finds a home to stay in. I don't really know what I want for Christmas because just the other day my dog got ran over but she wasn't out of the road. She was down in a ditch. I either want a puppy that is miniature beagle or tumbler me either one is fine with me. That's I want for Christmas. Please send me to the village for me also please give all the reindeer a little treat on me. Also give Mrs. Claus a bear Hug from me tell her not to work hard and try to not work yourself to hard either! also one more thing I wish for is more Christmas wishes. It's that I wish my brother would come live with us for at least a year.  
Your friend  
Autumn Phillips

Dear Santa,  
I would like night vision goggles, Power ranger battlezone, remote control airplane.  
Love, Brandon Pointe

Greetings of the Season

We'd like to take this opportunity to wish our friends the best Christmas ever. Happy Holidays

BROWN-Mc





**Silent night,  
holy night**

At this holiest of seasons, we pray that you will be blessed.

**SPORTSMAN  
CAFE**

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a playstation a pordible cd player a remot control jeep a bike a puppy cloths shoes a gamboy advance books a football a basketball spiderman the move a spider man web blaster a laptop.  
Jeffrey Thibodeaux

Dear Santa,  
The things I want for christmas. I wanta lot off stuff for christmas. is to many stuff for christmas. all my stuff is dirt bike, a play station two, a remote control dirt bike for Christmas i have a lot of stuff for christmas. a four wheel for christmas. most all my stuff is a spinat stuff. and clothes, a shelve, hamer, scrdiver, player, pocket knife, drill.  
scencily, Jose G

Dear Santa,  
I hope I have been realy good this year but I realy dont need very much. What I want is a PlayStation2 a pocket knife. the movie Stuart Little 2 and a helmet for the four wheeler. There is probably more stuff tht I want but you dont need to bring everything out because this is all I want.  
sincerely, Isaac Smith

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I'm fine. Please bring me a Gameboy Advance with the game Lord Of the Rings the Two Towers and a dirt bike. also a GI Joe Long Ranger Army Sniper and ski clothes. Thank you.  
Love, Jacob Hancock  
P.S. Bring my cousins and frineds what they want to.

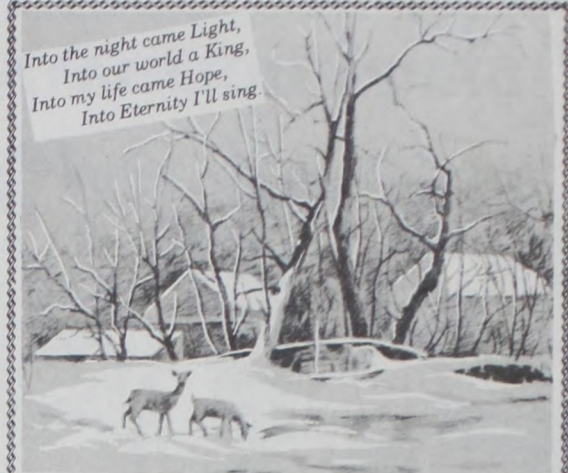
Dear Santa,  
I want some stuff for Christmas. This is what I want for christmas. I want a computer and some games. I want a pet for Christmas I want a dog and a cat. I want a CD player and some CD to, take everywhere. I want a bike to ride everywhere and go around town. I want a breakable doll and I want lots of stuff.  
By, Ilsa Ortiz

Dear Santa,  
All I want for Christmas is some thing that is Harry Potter, and please catch me in Mexico, and I have been a good girl, and don't forgin me sisters, brothers. I think I'll see you in Mexico  
Your friend, Mariela

Dear Santa,  
What I want for chistmas is a computer, bike and a play house. for my brother givehim a CD game and for my sister clothe and my parent a surprise.  
Veronica

Dear santa,  
I want a gameboy, gocart, fourwheeler, remaket razcar, a buncha presents and santa I will leve cooke and milk.  
From, Salvador

Dear Santa,  
I want Kelly Rowland new cd and a lip gloss set, a Izone camera and bracelets, Necklaces. a portable cd player and a new bike. a computer with computer games. a new game for my color gameboy.  
Sincerely, Rebecca Ramos



**MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!**

**CAPROCK HOME CENTER**  
Roland & Donna Hamilton  
Jim & Mitsi Messer Jake, Jessy & Tyler

Dear Santa,  
I want more arrows for my Bow because I only have one and a nice BB gun so I can shoot the 202250 and fix my airplane or get me a new one. but one just the same. and more nintindoe 64 games and computer games and lots of love and care and I guest and some movies and a laptop computer and to be in steer riding and a cat that looks and does the same thing as Tanner the cat and in my stocking will you put a coke and candy and my cat will you put it outside.  
P.S. I hope you and Mrs. Clause are doing good and let the elves have a break and I hope the raindeer and Roodolf and the other s are doing good. Jesus is the key and the light of the world.  
Tanner Clay in Turkey

Dear Santa,  
I will liv you some cooks and sum milk. My name is Daniel. I want a computer car and toys for me to play with. Maybe a gameboy and a dog too. I live in Turkey and I want a sakte bord and a bike.  
Love, Daniel Valdes

Dear Santa,  
My name is Andrew. I want a skate bord and a reindeer. I want a bear and a pair of wings and licene. I want a gettar and a new video game to the nintendo and a gun and a Kerplunk that lights up.  
Love, Andrew Gonce

Dear Santa,  
How are you? Thank you for all that cool stuff that you sent me last year. I'm always playing on that playstation and I'm almost finished with the Harry Potter collection I'm on the last one. You know what I'm thankful for Santa. I'm thankful for the family I get to spend time with because some children don't have a family to open presents with on christmas day or on any of the holidays. I'm also thankful for the shelter I have over my, the food I get to eat and the clothes I have to wear. Some people don't have nay of these things. My christmas wish is that either a child gets adopted =to have a family to spend time with or some person out on the streets finds a home to stay in. I don't realy know what Iwant for Christmas because just the other day my dong got ran over but she wasn't out on the road. She was down in a ditch. I either want a puppy that is a miniture beagle or tumblen mats either one is fine with me. Thats all I want for Christmas. Please say Hi to the village for me also please give all the reindeer a little treat on me. Also give Mrs. Claus a bear Hug from me tell her not to work so hard and try to not work yourself to hard either! also one more thing theres one more Christmas wish I have. It's that I wish my brother would come live with us for at least a year.  
Your friend,  
Autumn Phillips



**Sweet Potato Cobbler**  
1/2 cup oleo, 2 tbs. whipping cream, 1 cup sugar, 1/4 cup packed brown sugar, 1 tsp. cinnamon, 1/4 tsp. nutmeg, 1/4 tsp. salt, 2 large sweet potatoes sliced thin, 1/2 cup butter or oleo, 1 2/3 cups flour, 1/2 cup buttermilk, Streusel Topping. Melt oleo in large cast-iron skillet over medium heat. Whisk in cream and next 5 ingredients. Remove from heat. Layer sweet potato slices evenly in cream mixture. Cover with foil and bake at 350 for 25 minutes or until golden brown. Streusels Topping\*\*\*1/3 cup uncooked oats, 1/3 cup flour, 1/3 cup packed brown sugar, 3 tbs. butter cut up, 1/3 cup pecans. Combine first 3 ingredients; cut in butter until crumbly. Stir in pecans.  
Nadine Davis  
Turkey, Texas

**MANY THANKS TO YOU!**  
When it comes to the holidays, fill 'em up with the best fuel of all, peace and joy. We wish you all the best, because you are the best.

**Alexander's Fuel & Service**



Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a baseball set for Christmas this year. Could you also bring a truck for my younger brother, Jacob?  
Thank you,  
Jere Kendall

Dear Santa,  
My name is Blayne and I am 5 years old. I have been a pretty good boy this year.  
Would you please bring me a track for my Hot Wheels cars. I would also like to have a bow & arrow set and some toy guns. I would like to have a couple of movies too. I want E.T. and Spirit.  
I Love You, Blayne

**Happy Holidays!**

We wish to you and yours the best of the season... thanks for your patronage!



**GRIFFIN OIL CO.**  
Johnny Griffin - Owner

Dear Santa,  
I'm looking ford to hearing you on the rool. I bleve in you but some people don't beleve in you. I love you! You are a peshl to me. You are one that I have loved! One thing I want is a pair of earrings.  
I Love You,  
Sarah Marie Clay

Dear Santa,  
I want a big bike and 1700,00 dollars new  
Norma



Dear Santa,  
This is what I want for Christmas. I want a heart locket and some gel pens and pad with other stuff and a standing mirror and my name is Abby Hill. I live in Turkey, Texas and I love you and I like Christmas and I have one more thing. I want a barbie computer and a barbie bank.  
Love,  
Abby Hill

Dear Santa,  
I like you. Please get me a Fun bake oven. I want a Santa doll. I would also like some roller sneakers. I hope to see you at Christmas.  
Your Friend,  
Michael Edwin Ortiz

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike & a Mary Kate & Ashly Crush cars game. Clothes, shoes swimming pool. trampoline, a flat mat, a tv.  
Jordan

**JOY TO THE WORLD!**



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To all our valued customers we offer our gratitude and good wishes for a happy holiday season.

Dear Santa,  
I would like night vision goggles, Power ranger battlezone, remote control airplane.  
Love, Brandon Pointer



**Greetings of the Season**



We'd like to take this opportunity to wish our good friends the best Christmas ever. Happy Holidays All!

**BROWN-McMURTRY**

**Sweet Potato Pie**  
2 cups of mashed sweet potatoes, boiled, peeled and cooled  
1 egg, beaten  
3/4 cup brown sugar  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1 teaspoon cinnamon  
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
1 small can of evaporated milk  
Heat the oven to 125 degrees for 15 minutes. Pour the ingredients into unbaked pie shell and bake for 15 minutes. Reduce the temperature to 350 degrees and bake for 45 minutes more or until an inserted knife comes out clean.  
Nadine Davis  
Turkey, Texas

Dear Santa,  
Hello my name is Landon and I am 5 years old. I have tried to be a good boy this year most of the time. For Christmas this year I hope that you can bring me a wooden train set and a spiderman adventure set. I will leave you cookies and milk by the fireplace.  
Merry Christmas,  
Landon Weatherly

Dear Santa,  
It's me again making my list shorter. You probably won't bring me everything but I am writing just in case. For Christmas this year I would like you to bring me a bike, a brat car, and barbie of some kind. I will leave you some cookies and milk so don't forget them.  
Love, Madison Weatherly  
P.S. Please don't forget my brother Landon.

Dear Santa,  
for chirstmas I v ant a toy like a bike that is blue because blue is my favorite and I also want a game boy advance for christmas because I had never had a game before so Santa can you get that for me. Merry christmas santa claus.  
sincerely, armando

**Oh, Blessed Season!**

Just as a star showed them the way, may His light guide you through each passing day.

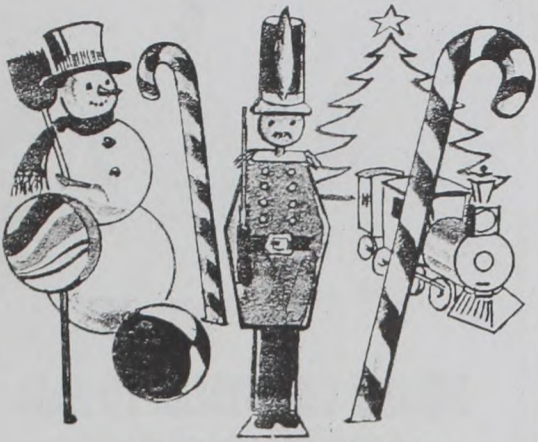
**MYERS - LONG**  
Funeral Directors

Silverton, Quitaque, Turkey





# HAPPY HOLIDAYS



It's the season for remembering wonderful friends like you, our patrons!

## Johnson's Gin

Dear Santa,  
This year I want a gameboy Advance and an Alm bank and the movie Sarah Plain and Tall and the hole Christy series of movies. Santa that's all I want this year.  
Love, Sunny Helms

Dear Santa,  
I want a game cube and super Mario sunshine, and Mario party 4. I have been a good boy this year. Please Santa I really want this. How are you doing and Mrs. Clause?  
Love, Blake

Dear Santa,  
How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? Also say hi to all the Reindeers, Rudolph and the Elves. My name is April Marie Villarreal. I'm 6 years old. I have been a good girl this year. Santa, I want you to bring me a big bike, a trampoline, a Barbie play bus, The Rapunzel movie, The Rapunzel Barbie doll and some CD's. Santa, I will leave you some Gingerbread Mans and some chocolate milk for you to eat and drink. Have a safe trip back home. Merry Christmas and Happy New Years!  
Love, April Villarreal

**PEACE on EARTH**

May the peace that passes understanding begin in each heart and encompass the whole world at Christmas.

**City of Quitaque**  
CITY COUNCIL  
Walter, Junior, Maria

Dear Santa,  
Play station 2, game boy, Transformer or Mario that octopus pride, a box of markers a power that turns an eagle, Jet with a remote and you push the button up down these two ways < & > and it flies win you push the button. how are you doing santa? how is Mrs. Claus doing? how is the reindeers?  
love, Jose Mendoza

Dear Santa,  
I love you Santa. I want a Nintinio.  
I love you, Shawn Mann

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike for Christmas and a bow and arrow and the world is not enough 007 and a game boy collar and a family book and dog.  
P.S. Santa Marry christmas  
Love, John

Dear Santa,  
I want a flash light for christmas and a sleenky and a motorcycle. Then I wat a little car como santa meshen. car cos I like them yol presents sare prete how are you dowing and your reender and your dowing over there?  
Love, Gustavo

Dear Santa,  
My name is Christian. My sister Yuzalette. My mom is florencia, my dad is Ramon. Santa claus i ama good boy i wunt ples breeing a yogeoh.coars. And i wunt a Bigbox of power rangers and i wunt a Mevi of Tom and jerry. And my sister ple breeing a babydoll of with no naer. Thank you Sant. Claus.  
Christian



Dear Santa,  
How are you? I am doing fine. for christmas I would like a Mix Me DJ and the DVD Spiderman. I will leave you some brownies and some hot coco.  
With Love,  
Tamran Castillo

**Happy Holidays**

To all our cherished friends and customers. We truly appreciate your business.

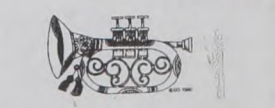
**MAYFIELD & ASSOCIATES**

Dear Santa,  
I want a fake cat and I want a game boy, I want another Angel Barbie, a poodle and a ET video and a Kitty dkl and a peanut the floppy puppy, cherished Teddies and a dpring doll and a winter precious moments doll. Thank you Santa. Don't forget my sister.  
Love, Jerrica

Dear Santa,  
What I would like for chirstmas is a transformer Otamis Pride, Power Ranger Robot Wild force, G gundum, Butt Ugly Martians Robot. Thank you Santa.  
Cory W. Belmares



Dear Santa,  
I want a barbie doll for christmas and a Kichen Cooker for christmas, a barbie car for Chirstmas.  
Laura



Dear Santa,  
I can't what for Christmas. I hae so much fun with my family and friends. I am thankful for all of my fmaily and friends. With them it makes Christmas fun. I hope all of my friends can have a Good christmas. I've tried to be good and I hope I can get this stuff. I want Gundom Death Sythee Hell, Wino Gundom Zero, Altron Gundom, Heavy Armes, Tallgess gundom, and Epeyon gundom. I also want fundom Sandrock with 4 dart guns big one and Licn Park CD and K&MG5 Racing Dirt bike.  
your friend,  
Jarette Valdez



## Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, Inc.

**Enchilada Casserole**  
2 pounds ground beef  
1 onion chopped  
1 10 oz. can cream of mushroom soup  
1 10oz. can cream of chicken  
1/2 cup of milk  
1 jar enchilada sauce  
1 4oz. can chopped jalapeno peppers  
Corn tortillas  
2 lbs. mexican velveda cheese chopped.  
Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Brown ground beef with onions in skillet stirring until ground beef is crumbly. Stir in soups, milk, enchilada sauce & pepper. Bring to a boil. Layer tortilla, meat sauce & cheese 1/2 at a time in greased 9x13 inch baking dish. Bake for 15 minutes or until cheese melts.  
Nadine Davis  
Turkey, Texas

**Sour Cream Chocolate Cake**  
1 1/4 cup sugar  
1 3/4 cup sifted flour  
3 tablespoons cocoa  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1 1/2 cup sour cream  
2 tablespoon melted butter  
2 eggs, beaten  
2 teaspoon soda dissolved in 4 table- spoons boiling water  
Sift dry ingredients in mixing bowl. add sour cream, melted butter and eggs. Beat until smooth. Add soda mixture and beat well. Bake for 25 minutes at 375 degrees.  
NADINE DAVIS

Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is a watch and a Football suit of the rams and a Basketball suit and a Basketball  
Ketch Smith

Dear Santa,  
My name is Carson. High, I was wandng how you are doing? It is boring here. I want a desk with assessoris. You can bring me anything.  
Your Friend,  
Carson Proctor

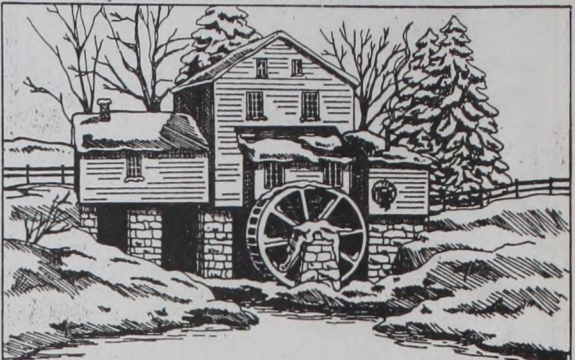
Dear Santa,  
You are a jolly friend santa. I don not want that much stuff. Santa can I have a datagirl 2. A datagirl 2 is an American girl thing you can learn 7 different languages and it tells time and you can play a lot of things on it. Can I have a gameboy too with a case and games. Please take it to my memes Judey house. I want a cholet memes and jell pens with a pad.  
Love, Sierra Burlison



Dear Santa,  
I like you. Please come to my house. Please give me a twinty two and some skates and a new knife.  
Your Friend,  
Hayden Meyer

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? How are Mrs. Claus and the raindeer? I like Christmas because it is Jesus' birth- day. I've been a good boy. could you please bring me a scream machine and as gameboy advanced. Thank you very much.  
Love, Ben Seth Ramsey

Dear Santa,  
This year for Christmas I want a nintindo and a Santa doll and a sailor man doll and thers one more thing i want for christmas a small computer. How are you and your raindeer? I hope Missis claus is all rite. I have been a good girl this year and I hope you have a happy christmas.  
Love, Sanantha Mae Sanderson



## SEASON'S GREETINGS

An old-fashioned Christmas wish to all our friends.  
**Two J's China & Gifts**  
Tom & Wilma Eudy

Dear Santa,  
I want a flashlight for christmas and a sleenky and a cap gun and a G.I. JO desert stormfiter. aya and some caps to.  
Love, Pecos

Dear Santa,  
My name is JayCee. I want a buzz lightyear, a remote control dirt bike. hope you and MRs. Santa claus have a Merry Christmas.  
JayCee

Dear Santa,  
How are your raindeer and, this is I want I want p52 and a caream machine and a KX65 2003 and a 223 gun rifle with a scope. This is the games I want for PS2 ATV off Road 2 and the new 007 game and NBA and supper cross. I love you and your raindeer.  
Love, Kameron Heath

Dear Santa,  
I want a scream msheen. and I want a game that is called Candy land. And I want a nintendo 2. And I wunt a fisha dn dog and a monkey and a bird and a nother dog and I wunt to now how are you doing and misses class and your rander are they good? I hope yall are good and your elfs I bet after you get are leters these elfs will be besy yall do good santa buy santa.  
Love, Macy Valdez



Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. I would like some new clothes, some makeup and lots more stuff. I will leave you milk and cookies.  
Your friend,  
Jessi Messer

Dear Santa,  
How are you and everyone at the North Pole? Can you bring me these things, skatebord, remote control dirtbike, clothes, shoes, chaps, scooter, bike, lava lamp, stero, blue watch, dirtcike gear. That is all.  
Love always  
Dalton

P.S. Mom says that i've been pretty good this year!  
Dear Santa,  
How are you? I am fine. Please be careful flying this year. I would like a truck with the engin that comes up in the back and a hot wheels garage. Thank you.  
David Greene  
P.S. I will put some cheese and crackers out for you.  
Love, Vicky Pozos

THE JOY OF Christmas

May it be yours now and always!

**CARSON INSURANCE**  
PAT & TINA CARSON

Dear Santa,  
What I want for chirstmis is a Pogo stick and a Borby Hotell and a BynyBaby and a tedy Bear that says I Love You and says pres and a BBgoon and a Pelltgoon. Thank you Santa Clas!  
Kelby Williams

**Here's hoping that love and joy continue to thrive in the holiday season and beyond!**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL! and HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

**The Colvin Family**

Season's Greetings

Happy Holidays to all our special friends. We wish you a bright Christmas.

**VALLEY SCHOOL**  
STAFF, ADMINISTRATION & SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Valley Tribune

May all yo We extend our since season. Thank

**MERRI**  
Warren Lee, Alber

Dear Santa,  
for Christmas I want a real and arrow with a safty lock. I want two soccer ball goals that set up book that shows you how to soccer. I want a rugby ball. I want a soccer ball. A PBR comp game. a ranch set farm set. A bike. A skinning knife. A foot helmet jersey pants pads of Greenbay Packers number 4 B far. A Madden football 2 nintendo 64 game. A gi Joe a setsuit that you wear with a chine gun that shoots pop caps. a new rope  
Jayson Glyn Pig

Season's Greetings

**Debbie's Beauty Sho**  
Quitaque, Tx.  
Debbie & Barbara

Dear Santa,  
How are you, the elves, and the reindeer doing? I'm doing fine. I going to ask you if I can have afo wheeler, roller blades, new sho new clothes and some fake hair rock collection and a hamster i christmas. I only want these things because I know that Chris mas isn't only abot presnets. I all about Jesus' birthday. I no that you can get me the se thing but if you can't I don't care. Ther you.  
Madison Meyer

**JOY TO THE WORLD!**

Tune up for a great holi our appreciation for yo

**CAR SALES**

**CITY AU**  
STAFF & MA  
GMC - PONT





May all your wishes come true  
We extend our sincere wishes for a very joyous holiday season. Thanks for your valued business.

**MERRELL FOOD**  
Warren Lee, Albert, Donna, Jenifer & Ricky

Dear Santa,  
for Christmas I want a real bow and arrow with a safty lock. I want two soccer ball goals that set up. a book that shows you how to play soccer. I want a rugby ball. I want a soccer ball. A PBR computer game. a ranch set farm set. A new bike. A skinning knife. A football helmet jersey pants pads of the Greenbay Packers number 4 Brent far. A Madden football 2000 nintendo 64 game. A gi Joe army setsuit that you wear with a machine gun that shoots pop caps. And a new rope

Jayson Glyn Pigg

Dear Santa,  
All the Stuff I would like this year is pretty big, so there's not to much. First I would like Westie puppy. I would also like skis and a miniture grill. The only other things I'd like are clothes, a cream cheese maker, a smoothie machine, and some cooking things such as emerils kids kit, some klutz and American Girl books would be nice. I'll leave you some Pie and cookies with milk.

Sincerely, Lauren Young



**Caramel Pumpkin Cake**

3 1/4 cups all purpose flour  
1 T. baking powder  
3/4 t. soda  
2 t. cinnamon  
1/2 t. cloves  
1/2 t. nutmeg  
1/2 t. allspice  
3/4 cup butter flavored shortening  
2 cups sugar  
3 eggs  
1 t. vanilla  
1 cup canned pumpkin  
3/4 cup buttermilk  
Preheat oven to 350 degrees, Spray 13x9x2 inch pan with vegetable cookin spray. Sift dry ingredients together; set aside. Cream shortening and sugar. Add eggs and beat well. Add vanilla and pumpkin. Add dry ingredients alternately with the buttermilk. Pour into pan; bake about 45 minutes. Punch holes into warm cake and spread with icing.

Lawana Cruse

**Caramel Icing**

1 cup melted butter  
2 cups packed brown sugar  
1/2 cup evaporated milk  
2 t. vanilla  
6 or 7 cups powdered sugar  
3/4 cup chopped pecans  
Mix butter, brown sugar and milk in a saucepan. Cook on low heat until it bubbles. Remove from heat and let cool slightly, add vanilla, powdered sugars and nuts. Mix well. Pour over warm cake.

Lawana Cruse

LET IT SNOW...!



Dear Santa,  
How are you, the elves, and the reindeer doing? I'm doing fine. I'm going to ask you if I can have a four wheeler, roller blades, new shoes, a rock collection and a hamster for christmas. I only want these 7 things because I know that Christmas isn't only about presents. It's all about Jesus' birthday. I hope that you can get me the se things, but if you can't I don't care. Thank you.

Madison Meyer

Dear Santa,  
for Christmas I want a computer and some game's for my play station, and I want the Movie Crossroads, and a new bike, and I want a chalkboard and some chalk with it.

Pablo Martinez

Dear Santa,  
How are you and Mrs. clause? How are your reindeer and elf's? Are you all ready for christmas eve? Thank you for all my presents that you gave me last year. I have really enjoyed them. Snata, would you please bring my mom some nice jewelry and my dad a backscrubber please? I would really appreciate it. Santa, this year I'm in fourth grade. My teacher is Mrs. Proctor. Our school just had U.I. L. we won! I also got a new cat her name is terry. Just thought I'd let you know about what recently happened. This year Santa would you please bring me concrete and some leather gloves please? I'm very thankful for my family, Jesus Christ, my toys, all my pets, my home, school, my friends, my club, my country, my world, my clothes, my shoes, food, wter, and me. I can't wait til December 25! Have a merry, Merry Christmas!

Love, Khaki Scrivner  
P.S. Please tell Mrs. Clause, the reindeer, and the elf's Hi for me. Oh, and what kind of cookies do you like?  
a year.



Dear Santa,  
I want a Barbie Video Camera, a Barbie Camera, Baby Annabell, a Green Scooter and also little puppy dog named Trizee. Please bring my brother, Kameron, a Army man House. I have been a good girl. Hope you have a safe trip to Turkey. I Love you, Santa. don't forget my cosin's Braydon, Jayton, Mason, Blake, Rheagan, Blaze and gunnar. Also bring my daddy-Bryan a new cap, my mom-shadi a new necklace that sparkles, my nannie a new bracelet and my granddad a new radio. Don't forget Joey and my 2 kitty's!

Love, Kennadee Buchanan  
Dear Santa,  
This is what I would like for christmas this year. I would like a bren new bike and also anew basketball net a little net. This is also what I would Like for christmas sant. A new NFF football to Sant.  
Sincerely your bigs fane  
Lisette M.

**City BANK**  
**Happy Holidays**  
**CITY Bank**  
SILVERTON, TEXAS

My Christmas List:  
CD Player (Lime Green), Igia Hiartools, Lip Gloss Maker, (New)Clothes, (New)Shoes, Kelly Rowland CD, Ashanti CD, Fuzzy Baby blue slippers, Ice Age Movie, Crossroads Movie & Sound Track, Lizzie McGuire CD, A White Christmas with all my family.

Desiree Star Casillas

Dear Santa,  
I want a telescope, microscope, more gameboy games, clothes, Nintendo 64, a tv, a horse, all of the CAPTAIN UNDERPANTS books. All the NBA LIVE games, more, books, Guess Who? clue, more dogs, more basketballs, a basketball goal, a football, I don't rely care.

Ezekiel Clay

**O' HOLY NIGHT**  
May the wonder of His love guide you now and forever.  
Thanks and best wishes for a joyous holiday.  
**HAWKINS INSURANCE**  
W.E., Shirley, Jay, Tracy, Braxton, Jacy, C.L., Casen & Morgan

Dear Santa,  
My name is Madison Pigg. I am 1 year old. I have been a very good girl this year. Please bring me a play kitchen that is my size. I also would like a baby doll and some books. Please remember all the other good little boys and girls especially all my cousins.

Love, Madison  
P.S. There will be cookies and milk for you and hay for your reindeer.

Dear santa,  
How are yo? I am fine can you please bring me these things, DVD Player and with the DVD's Harry Potter, Knight's Tale, Scooby Doo, clothes, choes, CD's., earings, Books and the world to know Jesus that is all.

Sincerely,  
Sadie Josephine Valdez  
P.S. I also want a monster Tennis ball.

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like two beanbag chairs a basketball print and a leopard print one, and I want a magnetic cat sculpture, a make your own rootbeer kit, and two movies Mac Keibel's Big Move, and Big Fat Lier.

Alyssa Pointer

Dear Santa claus,  
How are you, Mrs. Claus, the reindeer, and the elves doing? If you're wandering I am doing great and I am also ready for Christmas. Well, for christmas can I please have a digital camera that you can download on my computer and put frames and writings around the pictures. Can please, also have 2 sorting cabinets to sort different kinds of cards. Will you please give me at least 2 pair of earrings. Thank you! Have a safe frip through the american Atmosphere.  
Love, Payton Price  
P.S. I will leave some cookies and milk out for you!!

**GOOD CHEER**  
Always  
**WELCOME HERE**  
...And so are you!  
A very merry Christmas and many thanks for your loyal patronage.  
**ODEN CHEVROLET**  
Floydada, TX

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS**



Dear Santa,  
For christmas I want a new bike. And a computer. Guess Who. I want alot of movies. I wnt a baby puppy. It relly doesent matter what I get as long as I get something. Thank you for last years stuff. Thanks Santa.

Keri

Dear Santa,  
I want a x box Ninido for christams and a new-bike for Christmas I a goat car and a cumputer for Christmas and that is all Santa Merry Christmas.

Jesus

**Meatloaf**  
2 pounds ground round steak  
2 eggs  
1 1/2 cups bread crumbs  
3/4 cup ketchup  
1 teaspoon accent  
1/2 cup warm water  
1 pkg. Lipton's onion soup mix  
1 8oz. can tomato sauce  
Mix all ingredients thoroughly, except for tomato sauce. Put into loaf pan. Cover with 2 strips of bacon if you like that flavor. Pour 8oz. can of tomato sauce over it. Bake one hour at 350 degrees. Serves six. Don't count on leftovers for lunch the next day. There won't be any.

Nadine Davis  
Turkey, Texas



Dear Santa,  
for christmas I want a x Box, and a trampoline, and a game boy antvance, and new shoes. I want a computer, a swimming pool, and new clothes and a pet hamster, and a hot wheels track, and a necklace, and new clothes for my mom and some toys for my little sister.

Enrique Mendoza

**SEASON'S GREETINGS**  
**MERRY CHRISTMAS**  
**HAPPY HOLIDAY**  
**JOYOUS NOEL**  
No matter how you say it, we hope it's grand!  
From all of us at  
**Quitaque Producers Co-op**

**JOY TO THE WORLD**  
Tune up for a great holiday! We're glad to express our appreciation for your business and support.  
**CAR SALES**  
**AUTO REPAIR**  
**CITY AUTO, INC.**  
STAFF & MANAGEMENT  
GMC - PONTIAC - BUICK

**SEASON'S GREETINGS**  
We've enjoyed serving you this past year — thanks for your patronage.  
**Silverton Oil**



**JOY TO THE WORLD**

... the Lord is come! We pray that your lives may be blessed this Christmas.

**Valley Peanut Growers**

**Sing We All Noel**

May the joyous sounds of Christmas ring in your hearts throughout the year.

**JACK'S AUTOMOTIVE**

Jack Wellman Family Dennis Farley Family

Dear Santa, I hope you are doing good. My family and I are ready for Christmas. We have Christmas lights up, our decorations, and mom's showwille everywhere. When you get to my house to fill our stockings, remember Jesus was born on Christmas. That's the only reason we celebrate Christmas. Christmas is my favorite holiday, because the gifts, songs, and Jesus was born. Another fun thing about Christmas is snowball fights. Brennan, Dalton, and me have snowball fights. We try to make forts, but sometimes we can't. I like building snowman when I don't feel like having a snowball fight. When I finish my snowman, I tell my brothers and then we destroy it. Its very fun. When I get thrown on the ground, I make a snowangel, then I get up. Sometimes, I think about what I am thankful for. I am thankful for my parents, brothers, food, water, friends, cousins, aunts, uncles, grandparents, toys, cars, God my school, churches, Jesus, and my wonderful playful pets. All the people or things I am thankful for are wonderful. I would like a few things for Christmas, a bike, a gameboy advance game, and a football clock. Say hi to your reindeer for me! Bye!

Love, Chisum Shannon

**SEASON'S GREETINGS**

Our good reputation is built upon service, but our success is due to good customers like you. Happy holiday and thanks.

**HIGGINBOTHAM-BARTLETT LUMBER Matador, TX**

Dear Santa Clause!  
I'm writing this letter to you because I want to tell you what I want. I want a car, and a remote control truck, and I think htats all. Thanks! Santa Cluase.

Gustavo Alanis

Dear Santa,  
I am Alexes Galvan. I will like to get a control car and 6 more presents like my little brother. I tried my best to be good this year.

Alexes

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? I am ready for christmas. I am thankful for my family and God and all my friends. this christmas I would like a auto B.B. Gun with 5 co2. I want a auto B.B. Bun because I like to pul the trigger several times at a bird. I would also like a pair of house hoes. the reason I would like some house shoes is because any time I go in the basement my toes almost fall completly off! One more thing I would like is a chest protector. I would like a chest protector because whenever I race if I wreck it would be more painful. Then if your are behind someone the mud they are slinging up in the air is very painful when it comes down and hits you. That would be all I would like.

Grant Wheeler

**NOEL**

From all of us, go our deepest thanks to you for being such good customers and friends!

**Stapp Body Shop**

Lockney, Tx.

Dear Santa,  
I am thankful for my Parents ;and for Christmas. I would like a doll that walks and that talks an my wish is if I could have my own beanie baby santa claus. and my own beanie baby Mrs. Clause. I am thankful for my brothers and sisters and the food that we eat and the toys that you give us when you come to my house and. I would want some roller skates and I would like a Santa Clause book.

Your Friend,  
Blanca Santos

Landon Allen

Dear Santa,  
This iw what I want a game boy advance and a bike the game crush course & a CD player with Cd's an a scooby Doo movie. and a barbie so sweet lip tint & No 1 tint lip bloss watch with 22 stickers & little sweet honesty pink pleasures glitter set an this nail color plus glitter & holiday nail art & birthstone 3 piece set ina gift box. and a binder.

Courtney Reshealle Galvan  
P.S. I'll leave you hot coco and cookies.

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a horse, a game boy secret agent Barbie, a bean bag chair, the spirit Movie, and a barbie video camara. I'm in the second grade at Vally school. How is Mrs. Claus?

Love, Colleen  
p.s. and please bring me a watch

**Joy**

May every wish be fulfilled for you and yours at this holiday season—have a happy Yule!

**Turkey Post Office**

Lori Wallendorff  
Cory Price,  
Barbara Saul  
& Danny Barrett

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl this year. I hope you will bring me a pretend zebra and giraffe. Also, please bring me some dishes because I love to cook.

Love, Kylie Brown

**Angel Crisp Cookies**

1 egg  
1 cup shortening  
1/2 cup brown sugar 1/2 cup sugar  
2 cups flour  
1 tsp. cream of tarter  
1/4 tsp salt 1 tsp. soda  
2 tsp vanilla  
Cream sugar, shortening, egg, vanilla.  
Add dry ingredients Chill. Roll into small balls about the size of walnuts & bake on ungreased cookie sheet at 350 degrees for 10 minutes. Makes about 4 dozen.

Nadine Davis  
Turkey, Texas

Dear Bis S.C.  
I would lik eto have, if it's not to much trouble a Barbie house, a beach Barbie, an easy bake oven, some tapes for my Karaoke player, and a little puppy. I am 7 years old and hope I have been good enough this year.

Love, Mandy Purcell.

Dear Santa,  
I hope you are feeling well, santa I am thankful for my family. I want the Two Cute Twins, a DVD player for my room, a movie for Seth, a new gun for my diad, a bookkeeper for my mom for allher books insted of carrying a backpack around. I also want a very happy Christmas to all. I wnat to tell you a very very Merry Christmas to you and may you sleep well. and let my friends have a very very Merry Christmas and all are pets I also hope the reindeer get a very good night sleep.

Your friend,  
Katalin M. Fuston

**Cornbread Salad**

2pkgs Mexican cornbread mix(cooked)  
2 large onions-chopped fine  
1 large bell pepper-chopped fine  
1 or 2 large ripe tomatoes- chopped  
Cool and crumble corn bread. Add onions, bell pepper and tomatoes, chopped.  
Mix 1 pint mayonaise(not salad dressing) 1 carton Sour Cream-8oz.  
1 4oz. pkg. dry Ranch Salad Mix  
Stir into the crumbled cornbread and chopped onions, bell pepper and tomatoes real well. Refrigerate overnight before eating. It gets better the older it gets! Yum!Yum!

Nadine Davis  
Turkey, Texas

**YOU'RE ON SANTA'S LIST**

...And ours, too! We're sending our best holiday wishes for a season filled with happiness and cheer, along with our thoughts of thanks for your very valued business. Your friendship means a lot.

**Quitaque Post Office**

Tammy, Gelene,  
Barbara & Zeola

**Happy Holidays**

Warmest greetings of the season to all our fine patrons.

**HAMMOND SHEET METAL**

"Your Lennox Dealer"  
Floydada, Texas

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good giltr. Please bring me a Barbie Doll, a Play Kitchen, a Barbie Car and a Microphone, also a Barbie Doll that dances.

Love, Laura Mora

Dear Santa,  
My name is Macy, I am in the 1st grade. I have been a good giltr. I would like to have a teddy bear, a chou, chou doll, rollerblades, cd's, computergame, and Ice Age. I will leave you some milk and cookies.

Love,  
Macy Maynard

Dear Santa,  
I want really bad a bunch of scooby-Doo stuff, a siderman costume, five puppies, block men, pellet gun, Bee-Bee gun, a police jacket, hat, badges, new shoes, pants, and shirts, scooby doo pillow and blanket some new police cars.

Love, Ryan

Dear Santa Clause!  
I'm writing this letter to you because I want to tell you what I want for me. I want a purse and mecklace and I don't know what else I want but I think thats it Thank you! Santa Clause.

Monica Alanis

Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is a horse, gameboy, robot, racing car, dirt bike and jonah the movie. I will leave you cookies and milk. I love you.

Caleb

Dear Santa,  
How are your elves doing? how is Mrs. Clause doing I want Playblack horses and 1 brown horse and I want a stuff show dogs and a skateboard. I would like to get my dog a hamburger chewtoy. Merry christmas!

Your friend, Kacee Mcgaw

Dear Santa,  
I'm having a great time with my family. I am thankful for my family and my nephews. I want two things for my two little nephews. My little nephew has 10 months and my other nephew has 1 year and 10 months old. I want a computer, CD layer, scooter four wheeler a little house a bunny rabat a taptop that shows you many diffeant stuff and a enentendo 64.

Sonja Mora

**A Wish for YOU!**

Just to let you know you're wished the very best!

**BRISCOE COUNTY COURTHOUSE & BRISCOE COUNTY ELECTED OFFICALS**

**VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS**

A wish that your Christmas blooms with happiness, love and caring!

**Script Printing & Office Supply**

May the warmth of Christmas glow in your hearts and keep you toasty all season long. We appreciate your valued business.

**Just Because**

Flowers, Gifts, & Collectables

The Valley Tribune, Q

**Luu Roast**

3 lb. pork loin (boneless)  
1/4 C. pineapple juice  
1/4 C. vegetable oil  
1/4 C. dark corn syrup  
2 Tbl. lime juice  
1 small clove garlic (crushed)  
1 tsp. dried minced garlic  
2 Tbl. packed brown sugar  
2 tsp. prepared mustard  
2 tsp. soy sauce  
1 tsp. salt  
1/2 tsp. ground coriander  
1/4 tsp. ground ginger

Mix together all ingredients except pork. Place pork loin in a large zip-lock bag and pour the marinade over it. Seal the bag securely and place in a refrigerator. Turn the bag every few hours and turn the bag every few hours. Marinate at least 8 hours and longer than 24 hours. (I usually marinate mine about 24 hours.) Remove the zip-lock bag leaving the pork in the marinade in the baking dish. Cover and bake 3 hours at 325 degrees. Occasionally spoon the marinade over the pork during baking. Approx. 10 servings. (This pork reheats very well in the micro-oven) Enjoy!

Nadine Davis  
Turkey, Texas

**TURKEY GEN STORE**

Turkey, T

**Christmas**

**Happy N**

Your continued patrona

**TURKEY GEN**

Dear Santa,  
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Jorden Espinoza

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Time to get things roll customers, a very

Thank you for doing

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**Luau Roast**

3 lb pork loin (boneless)  
 1/4 C pineapple juice  
 1/4 C vegetable oil  
 1/4 C dark corn syrup  
 2 Tbl lime juice  
 1 small clove garlic (crushed) or 1/2 tsp dried minced garlic  
 2 Tbl packed brown sugar  
 2 tsp prepared mustard  
 2 tsp soy sauce  
 1 tsp salt  
 1/2 tsp ground coriander  
 1/4 tsp ground ginger

Mix together all ingredients except pork. Place pork loin in a large zip-lock bag and pour the marinade over it. Zip the bag securely and place in a large baking dish. Place in the refrigerator and turn the bag every few hours. Marinate at least 8 hours and no longer than 24 hours. (I usually marinate mine about 24 hours.) Remove the zip-lock bag leaving the pork and marinade in the baking dish. Cover and bake 3 hours at 325 degrees. Occasionally spoon the marinade over the pork during baking. Approx. 10 servings. (this pork reheats very well in the micro-oven) Enjoy!

Nadine Davis  
 Turkey, Texas

Dear Santa,  
 My name is J.D. House Schnitker. I have been really good this year & worked hard. I need a real BB Gun with BB's so I can go hunting with my dad. I also want a dirt bike with a battery, a real go kart, a remote airplane and a boat. I also want a toy pocket knife and a real one for my dad. Please tell Rudolf hi and have a safe trip.

Love, JD



Dear Santa,  
 I'm writing this letter to you on a christmas night because I have to many wishes to make and this are my wishes: I want a Barbie with her house, and I want some shoes, and I want some more toys, but I know that you have to give toys to other kids., so that's all I want for me. Thanks.

Francisca Alanis

*A Holiday Tradition*

What memories this season brings ...  
 we hope your holidays are the happiest!

**CITY OF TURKEY**

Dear Santa,  
 I want a BB gun and a four wheeler and remote control truck and a new bike. That is all I want for Crismas thank you Santa.

Adan Alanis

Dear Santa,  
 I want a computer and some things for my easy bake oven and I want some lights for my easy bake oven I also want a set of things like school supplies if I wasn't good for all of this I want to give it to the poor and please get cathy and sara what they want for they can stop asking me.

Natalie

Dear Santa,  
 For Christmas I would like a desk and a chair and assessories like pens, pencils, markers, glue, tape, stapler with staples, scissors, notebook with paper, ruler. But also I would like some stuff for other people besides myself, like my friends and family.

Caitlyn Brown



Dear Santa,  
 I Love You! My name is Angelica Renteria. I have been a sweet little girl this year. Santa, all I want for christmas is a Barbie doll and will you bring my baby sister some Barbie toys for her to play. Santa, I will leave you some sandwiches and KoolAid in the bedroom for you to eat and drink. I also have my Christmas tree up in the living room so you can see and leave me my present. I will miss you Santa.

love, Angelica Renteria



Dear Santa,  
 My name is Shawn Williams. I have been good this year and I would like a transformer for Christmas. Thank you and Merry Christmas.

Shawn

Dear Santa,  
 I have been a good boy. I want a dirt bike and toy cars four wheeler and also I would like some clothes and lots of wrestlers. and don't forget my brother, sister.

Love, James Castillo

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Jorden Espinoza

**Baked Chicken Casserole**  
 line bottom of 9x13 in pan with bacon  
 Pour one cup of dry rice over that Lay chicken breast on rice bed Season with  
 1/2 tsp parsley  
 1 tsp chives 1 tsp paprika  
 1 tsp salt 1/4 tsp garlic  
 Pour 2 cans cream of mushroom soup, 1 can water & wrap in foil & fold & seal. Cook 325 degrees for 2 1/2 hours. Do not peek.

Nadine Davis  
 Turkey, Texas



Dear Santa,  
 My name is Talyn Dee Valdez. and I stay with my nini on the week-ends. What I would like for christmas is a nike football, a wrestling ring with a cage, and also I would like a four wheeler. I have been a very good boy this year. I will have santa cookies and milk for you laid out for you at my nini house and that's all

love, Talyn

**A Merry Christmas To All**

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 My name is Barrett Bland. I would like to have two remote control dirt bikes, a football computer game, and a mobile missile launcher.

Thank you, Barrett

Dear Santa,  
 What I would like to have, a dirt bike, four wheeler, snow jacket and golves and cd's.

Love, Biren Clardy



Dear Santa,  
 I think I was good this year can I have a buzz lightyear action figure and a remote control batman and monster truck. Now I want a rocket and a motor scooter. Also a powergun that shoots balls. I'll leave you cookies and milk.

Love, Tyler

Dear Santa,  
 I want a motorcicle for Christmas and a nintido game cube.

Love, Enrique Mora

Dear Santa,  
 How are you doing? My name is Ivon Mendoza. Santa, I have been a good girl this year. I want a teddy bear, a Barbie doll, a computer, and some CD's for the computer. Santa I will leave you some cookies and milk in the kitchen for you to eat and drink. Good bye Santa i Love You!

Love, Ivon Mendoza

Dear Santa,  
 How are you doing? I am doing great. How is Mrs. Clause? Is Rudolph still doing good? I think I have been a good boy this year. I would please like a Power Ranger suit, a gun, and a sword. I would also like a pretend crystal ball with a light in it. Next I want a skateboard with lighting strikes on the bottom. I would like a new bike. And some glow in the dark shooting stars. I wish you a Merry Christmas! I hope you have a safe trip.

Love your friend,  
 Walker Carson

Dear Santa,  
 for christmas i want new video games for my intindo 64, new bellbottoms pants some new T-shirts new shoes and some new hair stuff. I want something else to Santa claus 2, Spy Kid to, and Big fat lie'r. I get to go on a trip for Christmas so I want you to give these toys, movies, and clothes to somebody who needs them.

Kammi Warr

Dear Santa,  
 for christmas the thing I want most is an easy bake. I would also like the games clue, guess who, and scooby Doo monopoly. and the Movie Harry potter and the chamber of Secrets and a nintindo. p.s. I'll leave some coca-cola and cheese.

Kortni

Dear Santa,  
 I want a bow and arrow, a bik, a microscope, a buck masters dear hunting 2003 cuputer game, a PBR bull riding cumputer game, a mat to practice Gymnastics on. a bucking barrel. also the movie Bodacious the yellow whale. Santa claus 2 the Movie. A game boy. A Texas Tech Rader Jersey.

Jacob Pigg

Dear Santa,  
 for christmas I want a harry potter poition maker. I want a bobbie head Kitty, too I want a dvd for my family dvd player that is called Lilo and Stich. I want a computer. And I want a family christmas where my dad won't lave to go to work on christmas morning and the same for my mom. And I want some Sweet Valley books to read. And I want the game Guess Who and Mad Gab. and I want a horse.

Danielle



Dear Santa,  
 I have been very good. I want a new barbie and a new barbie hotel and barbie house. Ho Ho Ho

Baylie Pointer

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Nadine Davis  
 Turkey, Texas

Dear Santa,  
 How are youdoing? I would like a Polly Barbie, a new pet dog, a new cat, a miracle move babydoll, and a new book. Please bring my brother, Andrew, a skateboard and brig me one too!

I Love You,  
 Annah Gonce

Dear Santa,  
 For Christmas I want a package of gel pens I also want some glittery eye shadow and some glittery nail polish there is only one more thing I want and that is a basket-ball

Chambray Smith

Dear Santa,  
 I hope you have a good Christmas Eve. Heres my lidst for Christmas. I wish I had an Ice Megasord, a gameboy advanced, the wolf power anger, the playstation deer hunter game, and games for my game boy advanced.

Your Friend, Germain

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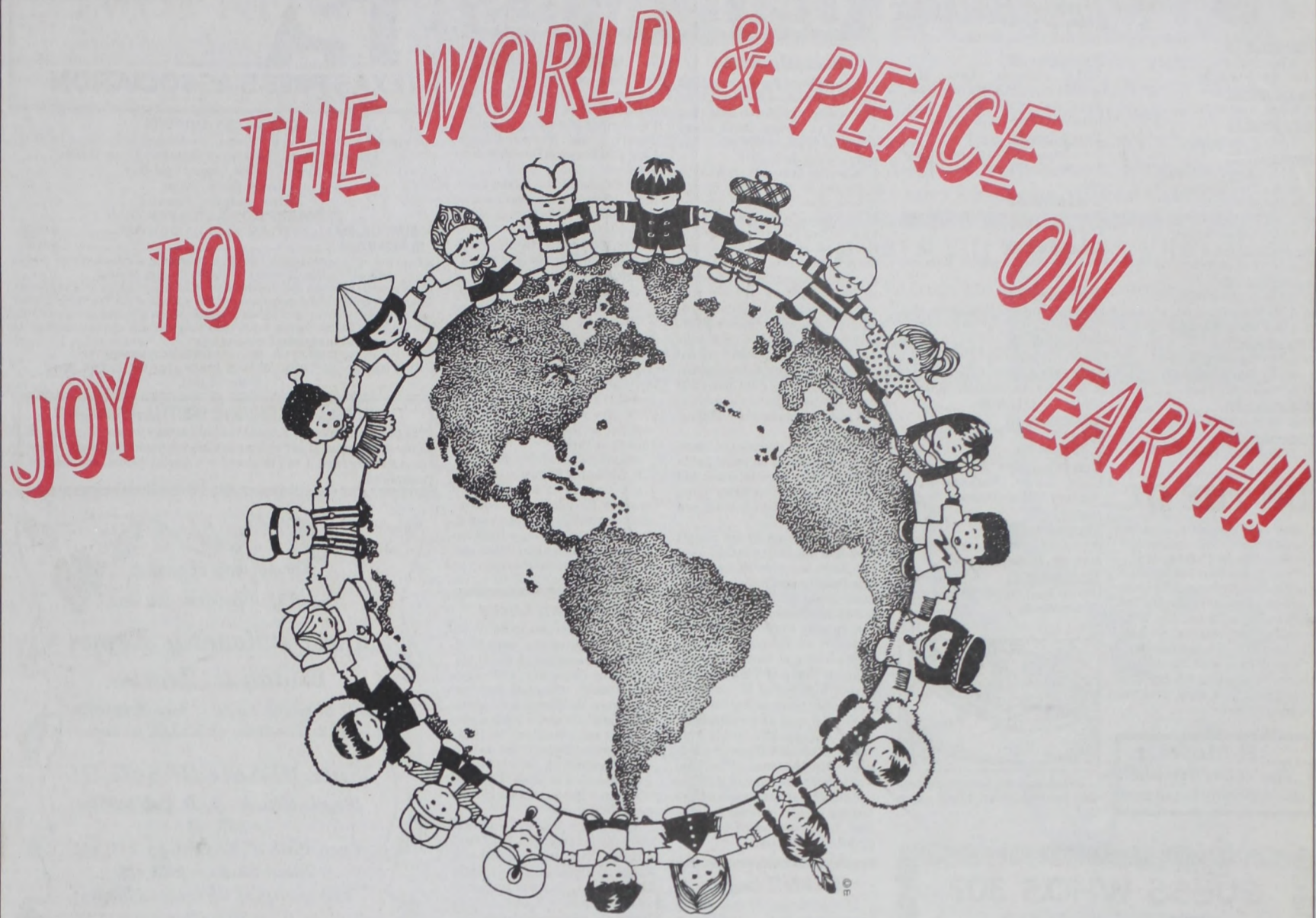
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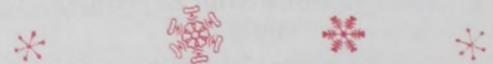
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**"A Star Is Born"** was the title of the Children's Christmas Music Program at the First Baptist Church of Quitaque on Sunday evening, December 15. This lively, yet inspiring, program was directed by Susan Ramsey

## Santa Claus Will Be In Turkey Christmas Eve

Santa will be coming to Turkey on Tuesday, December 24, Christmas Eve on the local firetruck. He will visit your house that night if you have been good little boys and girls. Let us know if you would like for Santa to stop by.

You can call Jim at 423-1149 or Karen at 423-1373, they are helping Santa make appointments. All toys or donations are welcomed. Have a Merry Christmas!



### Calendar Of Events

- December 20**  
\*Valley vs Chillicothe, JVG,JVB,VG,VB Here @ 4 p.m.  
\*Valley School Christmas Hoilday Begins!
- December 21**  
\*Valley School Teacher Workday
- December 23**  
\*Turkey Lions Club @ 7 p.m.  
\*Quitaque Fire Department meeting
- December 25**  
\*CHRISTMAS
- December 26**  
\* Economic Board meeting

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**December 19**  
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Mr & Mrs Todd Mills  
**December 21**  
Mr & Mrs Weldon Purcell  
**December 22**  
Mr & Mrs Richard Irby  
**December 23**  
Mr & Mrs Jerry Bob Smith  
Mr & Mrs Cory Pointer  
Mr & Mrs Scott Saul  
Mr & Mrs Seab Washington  
Mr & Mrs Ramiro Ramos  
**December 25**  
Mr & Mrs Prof Patrick  
**December 26**  
Mr & Mrs Joe Edd Smith  
Mr & Mrs Danny England  
Mr & Mrs Harold Ham  
**December 28**  
Mr & Mrs Ron Eudy  
**December 29**  
Mr & Mrs Frank Lane

**December 19**  
Vicky Billegas, Lela Mae Hutcheson, Christine Hinojosa, Jewel Hall, Callie Helms, Greg Ramsey, Parker Clayton Eudy  
**December 20**  
Gene Payne, Wilburn Leeper, Asia Beavers, Cheri Davis, Susie Shannon  
**December 21**  
Susy Saul, Dalton Allen, Mindy Dickman  
**December 23**  
Charles Hamner, Dale Ramsey, Gavin House  
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Nicholas Ortiz, Bill Pigg, Alexandra Skinner  
**December 25**  
Danny Fuston  
**December 26**  
Rick Farmer, Andre Gaddis, Rhonda Fuston, Vicki Lindsey  
**December 28**  
Kathy Fuston, Leticia Galvan, Amanda Mullin  
**December 29**  
Chris Abram, Barbara Saul, Courtney Makay Beavers, Peggy Irby  
**December 30**  
Brice Hicks, Neil Guest, Santiago Martinez, Hollie McKay  
**December 31**  
Dianne Washington, Koree Price, Tiffany Woods

**OBITUARIES**

**Mozelle Eudy**

Mozelle Eudy, 85, of Austin, died Tuesday, November 26, after a brief illness. She was born on December 20, 1916 in Turkey, Texas, where she lived most of her life. She moved to Austin in 1998. A loving homemaker, Mozelle dedicated her life to her family, friends, church, and community. She was an active member of the First United Methodist Church, a Sunday school teacher, and a member of Eastern Star. An avid historian, she researched and documented the history of her church and community and assisted in obtaining historical landmark designations in the Turkey area. Mozelle and her husband, Lewis, were engaged in farming for many years, were owners of the Eudy-Seale Funeral Homes in Turkey and Mator, and were owners of a Phillips 66 dealership.

Mozelle was preceded in death by her husband of 65 years, Lewis H. Eudy; her parents, John and Pearl Young; brother Brigg Young and sisters, Thelma Roberts and Vera Guest.

She is survived by son Ronald Eudy and wife, Kay; grandchildren, Ron Eudy and wife, Kim and Angela Browder and husband, Mark; great-grandchildren, Marshall, Gracie, and Parker Eudy, and Gunner, Brodee, Stormee, and Tyler Browder, all of Austin; brothers Byron Young of Fort Worth and Truman Young of Turkey; sister Vivian Fletcher of Victoria and many other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday, November 30, at the First United Methodist Church in Turkey. Don McMahan of the First United Methodist Church of Turkey and Faye Roberts of River Road Fellowship Church of Amarillo officiated. Interment was in Dreamland Cemetery in Turkey.

**H. Odell Logan**

H. Odell Logan, 84, died Friday, December 13, 2002. Services were held Monday, December 16 in Greenwood Funeral Home Chapel. Graveside services were held Tuesday, December 17 in Quitaque Cemetery of Quitaque. Mr. Logan was born February 26, 1918 in Hope, Arkansas.

He was preceded in death by Billie Logan, the mother of his three children.

Survivors include three daughters: Lou Ann Blaylock and Sue Robinson, both of Fort Worth, and Jana Beth Logan of Navato, California; a brother, Jack Logan of Kerrville; two sisters, Ruth Brunson of Quitaque and Betty Harrison of Muleshoe; five grandchildren, Anthony Blaylock of Little Rock, Arkansas, Angela Cryer of Weatherford, Chad Merritt of Lake Tahoe, Nevada, Eric Robinson of Keller and Michel Robinson of Austin; two great-granddaughters, Adriane Blaylock and Audrey Blaylock, both of Little Rock; a great-grandson, Chaz Merritt of Lake Tahoe and numerous nieces and nephews



**Keelie McKall**

Landon and McKenzie Lane want to announce the arrival of their new sister, Keelie McKall. She was born on Monday, December 9, 2002 in Amarillo. Keelie weighed in at 5 lbs. 7 ozs. and is 19 inches long.

Proud parents are Chastity and Michael Lane of Canyon. Grandparents are Stan Price, Keelie was born on his birthday, of Quitaque, Elois and Tom Edmondson of Quitaque and Cindy and Frank Lane of Turkey. Great-grandparents are Jessie and Odie Reagan of Quitaque, Betty and Bruce Price of Quitaque and Estelle and Tink Lane of Turkey

**Margie Gafford**

Funeral services for Margie Gafford, 78, of Floydada were held on Monday, December 9, 2002 at the First United Methodist Church in Turkey, Texas. Reverend Steve Ulrey and Reverend Don McMahan officiated.

Burial was in Dreamland Cemetery in Turkey under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Floydada.

Mrs. Gafford died Saturday, December 7, 2002 at Mangold Memorial Hospital.

She was born on October 10, 1924 in Murchinson to the late Ira J. Huckaby and Ola Turner Huckaby. She attended schools in Newlin, Texas and Turkey.

She married R.B. Gafford on April 26, 1942 in Amarillo. She moved to Floydada from Turkey in 1973. She was a housewife and a member of the First Methodist Church in Turkey.

Survivors include her husband, R.B. Gafford of Floydada; one son, Larry Gafford of Amarillo; one daughter, Rhonda Burson of Silverton; two brothers, Don Huckaby of Corpus Christi and Jake Huckaby of Amarillo; six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

**Betty Lou Olive**

Graveside services for Betty Olive, 70, of Silverton were held Thursday, December 19, 2002 at the Silverton Cemetery with Rev. Randy Mullin officiating. Services were under the direction of Myers-Long Funeral Directors of Silverton.

Betty was born March 19, 1932, in Silverton, Texas. She passed away December 16, 2002 in Silverton at the age of 70 years, 9 months and 3 days. She was a lifetime resident of Silverton.

Survivors include four nephews: Steve Olive, Larry Olive, Ron Olive, and Dan Olive; one niece: Rebecca Rogers; and one sister-in-law: Betty Louise Olive. She was preceded in death by two sisters: Gladys Holcomb, Hattie Rose and two brothers: Thomas Olive and Bob Olive.

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Ross and Patsy Herrington had a large group of their children and grandchildren for Thanksgiving. From Austin were Ron and Kim Eudy, Parker, Gracie and Marshall. Also from Austin were Lisa and Bud Welborn, Blake, Betsy, and Bella. From Floydada came Lex and Dana Herrington, Emery and Everett. Patsy, Lisa and Dana went Christmas shopping the day after Thanksgiving. A great time was reported by all.

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**FLOMO**  
BY EARLYNE

**Christmas Decorations**  
When reading about old timers being traditions of Christmas long ago mad days with my paternal grandparents. getting the needle were cranberries. Back then and there, folks couldn't decorations for their Christmas trees or the discount store in their small c what they had in their kitchens or a One old timer remembered that food coloring, shaped the dough into sycamore balls, which were dipped in a parent's cigarette packages. One year brought a new wrinkle picked up at a Homemaker's club. T Then let it drip droplets onto an oil wiggle it so that every droplet is abo harden. Then get out your needle and almost a half century ago. Nowadays, you see fancy and beaut Through the eyes of children, trees gl and dreams of toys come true. Thro comes shining through. They sav Christ's birth anew.

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Carol Ann and Johnney Turner an Lubbock visited the weekend at the and Skylar attended the Methodist C morning.  
Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin we die check up. She received a good Sunni Parsons.  
Visiting the past week with Erma sister and daughter, Mrs. Jimmie Fortuna, California. They also visite Johnie Starkey accompanied his r ney, Sunday to visit his sister and her husband, Homer. Margie returned her cal Center in Lubbock following surg Jere Banewski of Houston is visiti dall and family, wife Melissa and ch visiting Mr. and Mrs. Travis Kendall.  
Weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Sorrel Schmidt of Lubbock and Barry Sunday was Cara Franks of Canyon.  
Jerry Barclay visited Wednesday in Mrs. S.D. Barclay.  
Mrs. Waydeta Clay and Wilbur graduation ceremony of Ky Merritt of Lubbock Saturday.  
Mrs. Tim (Gina) Shannon and da day until Sunday in Carrollton with daughter, Kasey.  
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# FLOMOT NEWS

BY EARLYNE JAMESON

## Christmas Decorations Back Then and There

When reading about old timers being interviewed about memories and traditions of Christmas long ago made me think of past Christmas holidays with my paternal grandparents. I remember stringing popcorn. Also getting the needle were cranberries.

Back then and there, folks couldn't run out to a discount store to buy decorations for their Christmas trees. They didn't have the time, money or the discount store in their small communities, so they made do with what they had in their kitchens or around outside.

One old timer remembered that her family dyed bread dough with food coloring, shaped the dough into cunning forms, baked them and hung them on the tree. In another family, the kids foraged in the woods for sycamore balls, which were dipped in water, then flour and hung them on the tree. Still another collected pine cones and wrapped them in foil from a parent's cigarette packages.

One year brought a new wrinkle to decorating activities, something picked up at a Homemaker's club. Take a red or green candle and light it. Then let it drip droplets onto an oilcloth on your kitchen table. Try to wiggle it so that every droplet is about the same size. Let the droplets harden. Then get out your needle and thread. We're talking tedious here and almost a half century ago.

Nowadays, you see fancy and beautiful decorations on Christmas trees. Through the eyes of children, trees glow with sparkling lights, candy treats and dreams of toys come true. Through the eyes of seniors, Christmas joy comes shining through. They savor times of love and peace and laud Christ's birth anew.

## Has Surgery

Mrs. Angela Clay had surgery, Tuesday, December 17 at the Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. Her husband, Larry was with her.

## Christmas Candlelight Church Service

The First Baptist Church in Flomot held an impressive Christmas Candlelight Service Sunday night, December 15 with the Rev. Nathan Mulder presenting the Christmas Story. As he related the scripture of the birth of Christ, his wife, Kathy lit different colored candles depicting the characters in the story.

At the closing, a candle representing the baby Jesus reflected God's guiding light for those attending to light a candle. When returning to pews with the candles glowing, it was shown and related how God's light and the birth of Jesus Christ illuminated a world of darkness.

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Carol Ann and Johnney Turner and granddaughter, Skylar Blount of Lubbock visited the weekend at their rural home in Flomot. Carol Ann and Skylar attended the Methodist Church service in Matador Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin were in Lubbock, Monday for her a cardiac check up. She received a good report. They had lunch with Ms. Sunni Parsons.

Visiting the past week with Erma and Bill Dean Washington were her sister and daughter, Mrs. Jimmie Ballinger and Mrs. Judy Baird of Fortuna, California. They also visited Mrs. Edith Washington.

Johnnie Starkey accompanied his mother, Mrs. C.W. Starkey to Lockney, Sunday to visit his sister and her daughter, Mrs. Margie Cypert and husband, Homer. Margie returned home recently from the Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock following surgery.

Jere Banewski of Houston is visiting this week with friend, Tim Kendall and family, wife Melissa and children, Jere and Jacob. He is also visiting Mr. and Mrs. Travis Kendall.

Weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Coy Franks were Cary Franks and Sorrel Schmidt of Lubbock and Barry Pickett of Garland. Visiting them Sunday was Cara Franks of Canyon.

Jerry Barclay visited Wednesday in Lockney with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S.D. Barclay.

Mrs. Waydette Clay and Wilburn Martin attended the Texas Tech graduation ceremony of Ky Merritt of Lamesa held at the Spirit Arena in Lubbock Saturday.

Mrs. Tim (Gina) Shannon and daughter, Nellie visited from Wednesday until Sunday in Carrollton with her sister, Mrs. Rhonda Cowgill and daughter, Kasey.

Darrell Cruse, his mother, Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse of Flomot and mother in law, Mrs. Marihelen Wason of Matador were in Spur Saturday night to attend the basketball game of Derrick Cruse and V alley teammates who defeated the Spur Bulldogs. Derrick's mother, Mrs. Brenda Cruse is on the sick list and received medical treatment in Lockney.

Mrs. Christi Milam, Emily and Haley of Petersburg visited Thursday and Friday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter.

Members of the First Baptist Church in Flomot engaged in their Christmas tradition of delivering fruit baskets to residents of Flomot following the Sunday morning church services and a church luncheon.

Mark Clay of Terrell visited from Wednesday until Friday with his brothers and wives, Joe Ike and Anna Beth Clay and Ronald and Waydette Clay.

# Cooks Corner

By Virginia Sailsbury

HO! HO! HO! One week from today is the day AFTER CHRISTMAS! I know all of you are busy and I hope that you are getting everything ready and aren't too far behind. This week, I have some suggestions for your Christmas dinner. If you are tired of ham and turkey and want something different this year, how about prime rib? Or maybe a standing rib roast or a whole roasted ribeye? Besides being delicious, it is much easier to fix than a whole turkey dinner. Along with the beef of your choice, I suggest Hashbrown Casserole, Molded Egnog Salad, and Pistachio Cheesecake. Add a green salad from a bag if you like, and enjoy!

**HASHBROWN CASSEROLE**  
1/2 cup margarine  
1 bag (2 lbs.) hashbrown potatoes, partially thawed  
1 cup chopped onion  
2 cups grated cheddar cheese  
1 can (10 3/4 oz.) cream of mushroom soup  
3/4 teaspoon salt  
1 cup sour cream  
**Paprika**  
Melt margarine; combine with potatoes, onions, 1 cup of the grated cheese, soup, salt, and sour cream. Place in a greased 13x9x2 baking dish; sprinkle with remaining cheese then paprika. Bake at 350 for 1 hour and 15 minutes. May be made ahead of time and refrigerated. Serves 10-12.

**MOLDED EGGNOG SALAD**  
1 teaspoon unflavored gelatin  
1/4 cup water  
1 can (16 oz.) sliced pears  
1 package (6 oz.) lemon Jello  
1 cup sour cream  
3/4 cup eggnog  
1 can (11 oz.) mandarin oranges, drained  
Orange slices and cherries for garnish, if desired  
In a small bowl, combine gelatin and water; set aside. Drain pears, reserving juice; set pears aside. Add water to pear juice to make 2 cups. Heat to boiling, stir in gelatin mixture and lemon Jello until dissolved. Cool about 15 minutes. Stir in sour cream and eggnog until well blended. Chill until partially set. Cut the oranges and pears into chunks; add to the eggnog mixture. Pour into greased 6 cup mold. Chill until firm. Unmold and garnish with orange slices and cherries. Serves 10-12.

**PISTACHIO CHEESECAKE**  
2 cups flour  
1/2 cup ground almonds  
1/2 cup cold butter or margarine  
3 pounds cream cheese, softened  
1 can (14 oz.) Eagle Brand milk  
2 packages (3.4 oz.) each instant pistachio pudding mix  
5 eggs  
Chocolate syrup  
Whipped cream or Cool Whip  
Combine the flour and almonds in a mixing bowl; cut in butter until crumbly. Press onto the bottom and 1" up the sides of a greased 10" springform pan. Bake at 400 for 10 minutes. Beat in mixing bowl the cream cheese (Yes, 3 pounds), milk and pudding mix until smooth. Add eggs; beat on low speed just until combined. Pour over crust. Place pan on a baking sheet. Reduce oven to 350. Bake for 55-60 minutes until center is almost set. Cool on a wire rack 15 minutes. Carefully run a knife around edges of pan to loosen. Cool 1 hour, then refrigerate overnight. Remove sides of pan. Slice cheesecake; drizzle slices with chocolate syrup and garnish with whipped cream. Makes 12-16 rich servings.

Merry Christmas, Peace, Comfort and Joy to you and yours! See you in 2003!

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- 1 TX Trini's "If \_\_\_ A Hammer"
- 5 Oldham Co. seat
- 6 TX Percy Foreman defended James \_\_\_ Ray
- 7 western writer
- 8 TXism: "fits like scales \_\_\_ fish"
- 9 struts
- 16 this Harper was in "Crimes of the Heart" with TX Sissy
- 18 San Antonio Zoo has biggest collection of these animals
- 21 Taylor of TX-based "Giant" (init.)
- 22 \_\_\_ Sandberg said "Texas is valor and swagger"
- 23 Van Alstyne h.s. class
- 24 prophylactic
- 30 TXism: "as hollering 'snake' at a quilting bee"
- 34 this Sally was in "Back Roads" with TX Tommy Lee (init.)
- 35 TX rancher Norris' \_\_\_ of One"
- 36 Don \_\_\_ Aury was 1st to claim Galveston
- 37 this Michael was in TX Audie film "Arizona Raiders"
- 39 mammals under Austin's Congress Ave. Bridge (3 wds.)
- 43 \_\_\_ Gay bomber

- 44 this TX Jack is CEO of MPAA
- 45 TXism: "good \_\_\_ boy"
- 46 \_\_\_ the night before Christmas ...
- 47 UT astronomers measure the distance between the \_\_\_ earth
- 49 chief counsel to "Red Scare" Sen. McCarthy
- 52 TX "Mr. Sam" (init.)
- 53 TXism: "hunkered down and rarin' to \_\_\_"
- 54 no longer gettin' milk from mama
- 55 ocean pictures
- 58 Philippine Island
- 59 amateur sports org. (abbr.)
- 60 Capone & Jolson
- 61 TX "Steak and \_\_\_"

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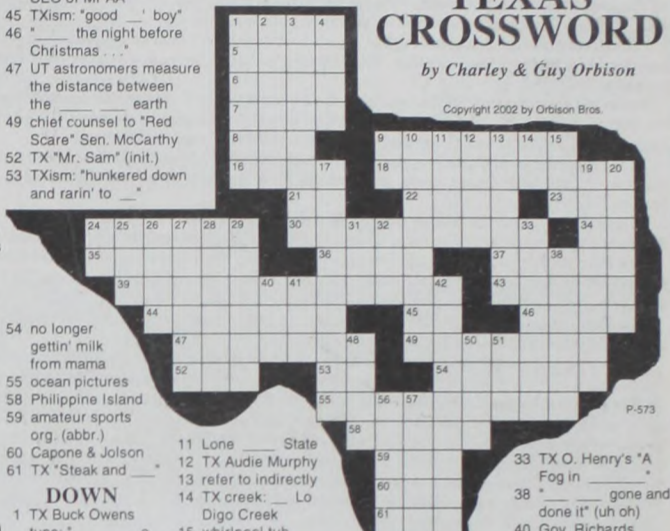
- 1 TX Buck Owens tune: "\_\_\_ a Tiger by the Tail"
- 2 in Robertson Co. on hwy. 79
- 3 TXism: "slippery as \_\_\_ pig"
- 4 this Timothy starred with TX Crystal Bernard on "Wings"
- 9 "Father of TX" (init.)
- 10 Houston's Indian wife was \_\_\_ of Will Rogers
- 11 Lone \_\_\_ State
- 12 TX Audie Murphy refer to indirectly
- 14 TX creek: \_\_\_ Lo Digo Creek
- 15 whirlpool tub
- 17 Aggie coach Gene from '65-'71
- 19 home of "Old Rip" the horned frog
- 20 TXism: "\_\_\_ a squirrel up a tree"
- 24 Gov. \_\_\_ Culbertson (1894-98)
- 25 TXism: "living high \_\_\_ the hog"
- 26 ex-Cowboy offensive coach Turner

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- 33 TX O. Henry's "A Fog in \_\_\_"
- 38 \_\_\_ gone and done it" (uh oh)
- 40 Gov. Richards
- 41 TXism: "call \_\_\_ day" (quit)
- 42 TXism: "write \_\_\_ he can't read fast"
- 48 TXism: "\_\_\_ a bull give milk?" (no)
- 50 \_\_\_ round school
- 51 Astro headwear
- 56 Abilene High class
- 57 TXism: "big fish in a \_\_\_ pond"

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# The Patriot

NEWS OF AND ABOUT VALLEY SCHOOL

## Patriots Off To Fast Start

The Valley Patriots defeated the Jayton Jaybirds Tuesday night to move their season record to seven wins and two losses. The Patriots used pressure defense to force 29 Jayton turnovers in the 50-40 victory. Dylan Gaddis ripped down 17 rebounds, nine on the offensive end, to lead the Patriots in a 41-30 rebound margin. Gaddis also scored eight points, five steals and a block.

Justin Wilks led the team in scoring with 14 points, while Derrick Cruse and Adam Ortiz each had five steal. The Patriots started the season with a disappointing 64-52 loss to Kress. Wilks led the team in rebounding with 13, while Douglas Payne threw in 13 points and Cruse had 12.

"The Kress loss was disappointing but wasn't heart-breaking," Coach Clay said. "They had been practicing a month and we had practiced one day. Our shooting is still off because we've only had five practices, but it will get better."

Valley got their first win of the season in the Patton Springs Tournament when they were matched up with the Patton Springs JV. Robert Mendoza pulled down 13 rebounds and scored 11 points to lead the charge. Payne scored 16 points and Cruse had five steals to lead the team to a 92-15 win.

In the second round, Cruse scored 21 points and garnered 11 rebounds to help the team to a 52-42 win over Guthrie. In the tournament finals, the Patriots let a lead slip away and were beaten 53-51 by the Patton Springs Rangers.

In a 58-49 win over the Motley County Matadors, Cruse had six assists, four steals, and 15 points, while Payne had 6 rebounds and 17 points. Justin Wilks chipped in with four offensive rebounds for the Patriots.

The Patriots next traveled to Spur to play in the Silver Spur Tournament. In the first round game against Amarillo Bible Heritage, Cruse had seven rebounds, five steals, and 14 points to lead the team while Wilks had eight rebounds and 11 points.

The Patriots defeated Jayton 57-16 in the second round when Cruse had seven steals, Wilks had 10 points, and Gaddis made his season debut with 12 rebounds.

In the finals, the Patriots knocked off the Spur Bulldogs 49-44 to win the Tournament Championship. Cliff Yearly pulled down a team high six rebounds while Wilks had five steals and 14 points.

"Well, we are 7-2 and improving," Coach Clay said. "We have been playing a lot of people at a lot of places and that takes a period of adjustment. We are really trying to push the tempo this year by playing tough-pressure defense, and get it up the floor quick offense. Guys like Cliff, Kellan and Robert are diving all over the floor on defense setting up scores for the other guys. Douglas, Derrick, Justin, and Dylan are doing the bulk of the scoring, but Chase, Ramiro, Adam and those guys are doing the dirty work."

The Valley JV has moved their record to 4-3 with wins over Kress, Silvertown, Clarendon, and Happy, and close losses to Claude, Wellington, and Lockney.

"The JV is a fun bunch to coach and to watch," Clay said. "They really get after people on defense. Their three losses have been by a combined 12 points. They were in each of their games. And they have won their four games by an average of 20 points. They are doing an excellent job."

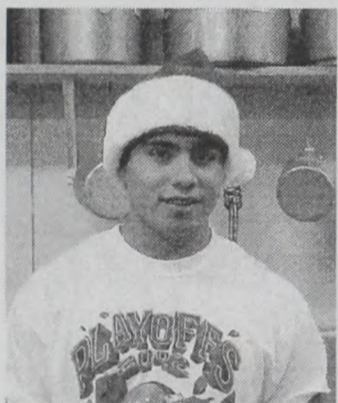
The Patriots host the seventh ranked Chillicothe Eagles tomorrow night at the Valley Gym.

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## "PATRIOT SPIRIT" STUDENT OF THE MONTH



**Manuel Chavez**

Manuel Chavez is a 18 year old Senior at Valley High School. Manuel is the son of Manuelita Chavez of Turkey. As an active Patriot, Manuel has excelled in many extracurricular activities. Manuel excelled in Football, Track and Power Lifting. Manuel was selected to the District 2-1A Six-Man All-District second team this year. Manuel has been an valuable member of the Valley Patriot Football Team whose record is 21 and 3 for the past two seasons.

Manuel is a member of the Valley FFA. He is also a student assistant in the Kindergarten Class. Manuel was chosen for this recognition because of his outstanding work ethic and his cooperative and pleasant attitude. He truly an "All Around Great Guy" and we are extremely proud of him.

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## Lady Patriots Defeat Jayton

Valley traveled to Jayton Tuesday to face the Lady Jaybirds. The Lady Pats overcame a sluggish first half to come out on top by a 52-30 score. Valley was led by Natalie Wheeler, who had a 13 point 4th quarter to finish with 29 points. Others who scored were as follows: Katherine Pigg - 6, Amanda Roys - 5, Scarlett Sperry - 5, Larissa Payne - 1, Natasha Ramos - 1, Chelsea Wheeler also added 5 points. The Lady Patriots next play Chillicothe at home on Friday night. Start time is 6:30 p.m. at the Patriot Gym.



**First Place Sr. Chapter Conducting: Scarlette Sperry, Jessica Wellman, Katherine Pigg, Paige Hughes, Matt Whittington, Zack Ramsey, Cody Varnell & JC Pigg.**

## Lady Patriots Take 2nd Place At Spur Tournament

The Lady Patriots traveled to Spur last weekend to play in the Silver Spur Holiday Tournament. In the first round, they played Amarillo Bible Heritage. The Lady Pats cruised to an easy 69-12 victory. Natalie Wheeler led the way with 27 points, followed by Katherine Pigg with 12 and Amanda Roys with 10. Chelsea Wheeler did a good job running the offense and handling the ball.

In the second round, Valley faced the Jayton Lady Jaybirds. Valley once again came out on top by a 71-31 score. Once again Natalie led the way with 32 points. Enequina Valdez had 12 points and Katherine Pigg had 10.

In the championship game, Valley faced the hometown Lady Bulldogs. Spur is ranked in the top 20 in the State and has a very talented squad. The Lady Patriots hung tough for 3 quarters, trailing by 1 at that point. In the fourth quarter, Valley lost 2 starters to fouls and ended up losing by a 51-38 score. Valley was led by Natalie Wheeler with 18 points and Chelsea Wheeler with 9. Natalie Wheeler and Katherine Pigg were named to the All Tournament Team.



**First Place Radio: JC Pigg, Sara Fierro & Leigh Anne Nielsen.**



**First Place Jr Chapter Conducting: Randy Farley, Cody Barrett, Fernando Regalado, Jennifer Carnes, Alicia Roys & Larissa Payne.**

## Valley FFA Leadership Teams Place At District And Area Competition

Valley FFA placed five teams at the District Leadership Contest at Clarendon College. Three of these teams placed first and advanced to the Area competition the following week. The following are the placing and team members of the teams that competed:

**Senior Chapter Conducting 1st District/6th Area** Team members: JC. Pigg, Zack Ramsey, Scarlett Sperry, Cody Varnell, Katherine Pigg, Paige Hughes, Matt Whittington, and Jessica Wellman

**Junior Chapter Conduction 1st District/12th Area** Team members: Jennifer Carnes, Alicia Roys, Randy Farley, Fernando Regalado, Larissa Payne, Cody Barrett, Charlie Walden.

**FFA Radio 1st District/8th Area** Team members: JC. Pigg, Leigh Anne Nielsen, Sara Fierro.

**Senior Creed Speaking 4th District** Team member: Katherine Pigg

**Talent Competition 2nd District** Team member: Scarlett Sperry. Leadership competition in FFA helps develop public speaking skills, career planning, and sharpens leadership abilities of the participating students. Area 1 in Texas includes all schools from Lubbock north, from all classifications...1A through 5A. It was a successful fall semester for Valley.



**Second Place Talent: Scarlett Sperry. Fourth Place Sr. Creed: Katherine Pigg.**

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Valley Patriot 2002

2002 Valley Patriot Junior High

Date	Opponent
December 9	Patton Springs
December 9	Nazareth
December 16	McLean
January 6	Olton
January 11	Motley County
January 13	Silvertown
January 20	Patton Springs
January 27	Silvertown
February 1	Valley Tournament
February 3	Spur
February 3	Nazareth

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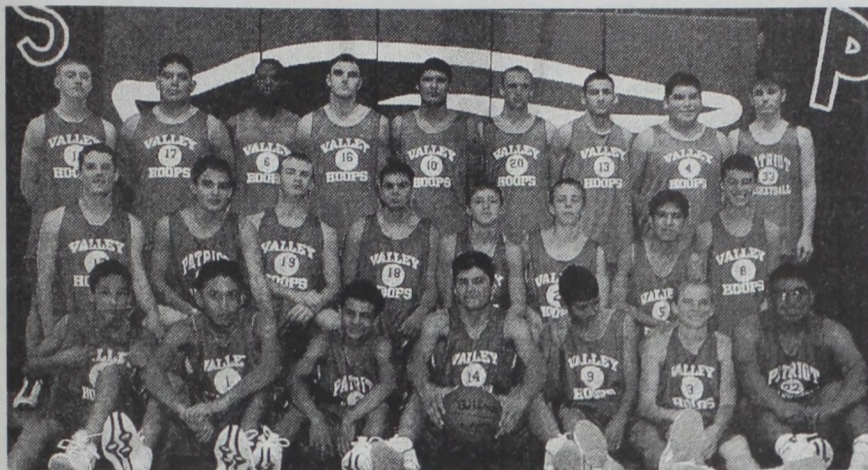
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# VALLEY PATRIOTS BASKETBALL



## 2002 - 2003 Valley Basketball Schedule



VALLEY PATRIOT 2002-2003 J.V. & Varsity Boy's Basketball Team



Date	Opponent	Place	Time	Teams
December 5-7	Patton Springs Tournament			VG, VB
December 5-7	Clarendon JV Tournament			JVG, JVB
December 9	Clarendon	Home	8:00	JVB
December 10	Motley County	Away	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
December 12-14	Spur Tournament			VG, VB
December 17	Jayton	Away	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
December 20	Chillicothe	Home	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
December 26-28	Silverton Tournament			VG, VB
December 30	Chillicothe	Away	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
January 3	McLean*	Away	6:30	VG, VB
January 6	Clarendon	Home	7:30	JVB
January 7	Silverton*	Home	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
January 10	Hedley*	Away	6:30	VG, VB
January 10	Happy	Away	5:00	JVB
January 14	Groom*	Home	6:30	VG, VB
January 14	Silverton	Away	4:00	JVG, JVB
January 17	Samnorwood*	Away	6:30	VG, VB
January 21	McLean*	Home	5:00	JVB, VG, VB
January 24	Silverton*	Away	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
January 25	Valley Tournament			JVG, JVB
January 28	Hedley*	Home	6:30	VG, VB
January 28	Happy	Home	5:00	JVB
January 31	Groom*	Away	6:30	VG, VB
February 4	Samnorwood*	Home	6:30	VG, VB
February 4	Silverton	Home	5:00	JVB

### 2002-2003 Valley Basketball Junior High Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place	Time	Teams
December 9	Patton Springs	Home	5:00	G, B
December 9	Nazareth	Home	7:00	G
December 16	McLean	Away	5:00	G, B
January 6	Olton	Home	5:00	G, B
January 11	Motley County Tournament			G, B
January 13	Silverton	Away	5:00	G, B
January 20	Patton Springs	Away	5:00	G, B
January 27	Silverton	Home	5:00	G, B
February 1	Valley Tournament			G, B
February 3	Spur	Home	5:00	G, B
February 3	Nazareth	Home	7:00	G



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Briscoe County Extension Program Council members met for their annual meeting Thursday, December 12, 2002.

**Briscoe County Extension Program Council Held Annual Meeting**

The annual meeting of the Briscoe County Extension Program Council was held at the Methodist Church in Silverton on Thursday, December 12, 2002. Everyone enjoyed a potluck "Mexican Stack" dinner. Sheila Martin, a Rural and Agribusiness Development specialist for the Texas Department of Agriculture, was the speaker for the event. She shared information on the programs and resources available through TDA for rural economic development. Brandon McGinty, CEA-Ag for Briscoe County interpreted the results of the ag programs conducted in 2002. An overview of the FCS programs in 2002 was given by FCS committee member Dona Smith, and Janinne Brooks, 4-H & Youth Development committee member reported on the happenings in 4-H for 2002.

The Extension Program Council works with Extension agents to plan, implement, evaluate and interpret the local educational programs. The overall effectiveness of a county's Extension programs depends on how well local citizens are involved in all aspects of program development. The Extension Program Council has two parts: an Executive Board with overall coordination and leadership responsibilities, and a variety of program area committees that are action oriented toward program interpretation. There are three program area committees in Briscoe County: Family & Consumer Sciences, 4-H & Youth Development, and Ag & Natural Resources.

A big thanks to the volunteers who serve on our Executive Board and Program Area Committees: Jimmy & Clara Ruth Davidson, Kyle Fuston, Rick & Jana Beesinger, Dona Smith, Norma Trevino, Delane Smith, Euc McFall, Diana Ivory, Jackie Mercer, Janinne Brooks, Wayne, Colleen & Ty Reed, Lana & Zack Burson, Scarlett Sperry, Jenifer Pigg, Lisa Campbell, Lisa Schott, Able Asebedo, Perry Brunson, Dewey Estes, Darrell Johnson, Joe Potter, Tobe Riddell, Jim Saul and Brad Zeigler.



**Briscoe County 4-Hers Compete At District 4-H Food Show**

Five Briscoe County 4-Hers competed at the Panhandle 4-H Food Show at Westover Intermediate School in Amarillo last Saturday. These five 4-Hers earned the privilege to compete at the District level by winning 1st place at the County 4-H Food Show in November.

Youth prepared a dish, served it to a panel of adult judges, and answered questions in an interview format. 4-Hers were asked about preparation skills needed to make their dish, food safety concerns involving the preparation and storage of their dish, the nutrients in the product as well as their community services and leadership activities in the foods and nutrition project.

The top four in each Junior category received medals. Khaki Scrivner of the Valley 4-H Club claimed one of the top four spots out of sixteen in the Junior Breads & Cereals Division with her Pumpkin Loaf. Other Briscoe County competitors included Charla Rhoderick, Jacob Pigg, Jessie Price, and Chancey Campbell. They each received a peanut butter cookie mix for their participation in the contest.

We're very proud of how well these five youth represented Briscoe County 4-H!

**Combs Urges Producers To Stand Up And Be Counted**

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs recently urged Texas producers to be on the lookout for the 2002 Census of Agriculture surveys, which were mailed December 16, and to promptly fill out the report forms on behalf of their operations.

"Watch for a large white envelope with the words 2002 Census of Agriculture printed in green on the outside. This is definitely not junk mail, this is the largest information gathering project for agriculture, and we need producers across Texas to put pen to paper and be counted among the nation's farmers and ranchers," Combs said.

Farm and ranch organizations use census data to evaluate and propose programs that help producers. Policy makers refer to the data when they draft agricultural legislation. State and local governments use the information for rural development planning, while researchers use the data to develop new technologies to keep agriculture progressive.

"It's a chance for farmers and ranchers to shape the way agricultural policies meet the changing needs of today's producer," Combs said. "The information comes straight from the source, the producer."

Not only is it in the best interest of producers to fill out the survey, U.S. law requires a response from all producers who receive a Census report, even if they did not operate a farm or ranch in 2002. This same law also guarantees that their information is kept strictly confidential. Completed forms are due by Feb. 3, 2003.

The Census of Agriculture is conducted once every five years and gathers information about land use and ownership, acres irrigated, crop acreage and quantities harvested, livestock and poultry inventories, value of products sold, participation in federal farm programs and more. New to the 2002 Census will be questions on computer and Internet use and on new commodities such as bison, elk, llamas, deer, emus and ostriches.

For more information on the 2002 Census of Agriculture, visit the National Agricultural Statistics Service web site at [www.usda.gov/nass](http://www.usda.gov/nass) or call (888)4AG-STAT.

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—Ralph Waldo Emerson

**TDA Accepting Nominations For Rural Heroism Award**

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs announced recently that the Texas Department of Agriculture is now accepting nominations for TDA's 2002 Rural Heroism Award. Candidates must have performed a heroic, lifesaving act within Texas during 2002. The heroic deed should be related to farming or ranching and occurred in a rural area. Automobile accidents or accidents caused by negligence will not be considered.

Nominations should include a written account of the incident and the names, addresses and telephone numbers of everyone involved. If available, newspaper clippings and photographs should accompany all nominations.

Nominations must be postmarked by Feb. 1, 2003 and mailed to Lola Lemmon, TDA Safety Coordinator, Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711. For additional information on qualifications, contact Lemmon at (512) 475-1611.

The 2002 recipient will be announced March 31 at the Texas Safety Association's annual conference at the Adam's Mark Hotel in Houston.

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**Quitaque Weather Forecast for Next 9 Days**

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Sat Dec 21	56	29	0
Sun Dec 22	55	40	0
Mon Dec 23	50	38	30
Tue Dec 24	49	31	30
Wed Dec 25	55	30	0
Thu Dec 26	52	30	0
Fri Dec 27	52	30	30



By Shawn Wade



News from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

**Cotton Industry Weighs In On Chinese WTO Situation**

National Cotton Council representatives are once again requesting additional action by the U.S. government to bring about the promised opening of Chinese markets to cotton fiber.

NCC representatives have voiced a steady stream of concern and had numerous meetings with USDA, USTR and Chinese government officials in an effort to bring the Chinese tariff rate quota system in line with WTO trading rules.

Under the terms of the bilateral agreement reached between the U.S. and the People's Republic of China cotton fiber markets in China would be opened through the adoption of Chinese import rules that conformed with international trading rules, specifically those rules that provide for the equal treatment of imported and domestic commodities.

Unfortunately, the TRQ rules China developed in 2001 and implemented in 2002 have failed to meet the requirements of the trade agreement they signed. While the Chinese marketplace has remained essentially out of reach in 2002, Chinese exports of cotton textile products to the U.S. are more than twice as large as they were in 2001.

The recent announcement by the Chinese that they would not change their TRQ rules for the 2003 year. The repeated refusal of the Chinese to modify their TRQ system to be in compliance with WTO obligations has prompted the U.S. Cotton industry to ask that the USTR's office make one last effort to meet with the Chinese to work toward an agreement that would bring China in compliance with the requirements of their current trade agreement.

Should the request once again be refused the NCC has requested that the U.S. seek a settlement dispute panel to force the Chinese to comply and to also consider additional action under the authority of the Trade Act of 1974 upon China's failure to comply with the U.S.-China bilateral agreement on China's accession to the WTO.

**Average Price Received By Growers Through November 2002**

Another up tick in the average price received by growers is being projected for the month of November as the preliminary average price received is projected at 41.40 cents per pound, up from the October average price of 39.00 cents per pound.

The weighted average price received by growers for the 2002 crop marketing year (August 2002 through July, 2003) will be used to calculate the final counter-cyclical payment rate on the 2002 crop.

The upward movement of prices is a welcome sight to many growers and should have little, if any, effect on the final counter-cyclical payment rate.

Due to the nature of the cotton marketing year and the time frame that the majority of the crop is marketed it is unlikely that prices would rise fast enough to significantly increase the marketing year average.

**Western High Plains Growers Affirm Commitment To TBWEF**

Cotton producers in the Western High Plains Eradication Zone voted overwhelmingly to continue boll weevil eradication efforts in the zone, passing a retention election by a 6-1 margin.

Don Parrish, reelected to be the zone's representative, said the vote shows the area's growers know they have benefited from the eradication program. "If we didn't have the program, growers wouldn't have seen the yields they have. They wouldn't have made that top crop or had the yields with the weevil pressure we had two or three years ago."

Parrish expressed his appreciation to state legislators, especially local legislators such as Sen. Robert Duncan and representatives Barry Walker, Delwin Jones and Carl Isett, for providing cost-share funding for eradication. "The program is mostly funded by farmers," he said, "but state cost-share funds have been tremendously important in getting us to this point."

The zone has seen a reduction of 99.9 percent in the number of weevils trapped in the zone since it began, said Charles Allen, program director for the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation. "This is a proven program," Allen said. "We had two zones that have reached functional eradication, and we're seeing the same kind of results in other zones as we've seen in the Western High Plains."

State law requires each active eradication zone to vote on continuing its efforts every four years. Voters in the Western High Plains originally approved beginning eradication in 1998, and activities began in the zone in the fall of 1999. Three other zones in the state previously passed retention elections, all by similar margins.

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Available now, the new Texas Pass offers free green fees at 100 participating courses throughout Texas. The 2003 Texas Golf Pass is only a contribution of \$35 and will benefit the cancer research, education and patient services programs of the American Cancer Society. So, not only is the Texas Golf Pass a good gift, it's a good investment in the fight against cancer.

**Lighting up the holidays**  
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If you discover any or all of these warning equipment nearby, and forego any activity, emergency authorities and ONEOK Western.

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NOTICE

Notice of Drinking Water NITRATE Violation

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the City of Quitaque water system that the drinking water supplied to customers had exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for NITRATE. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has established the MCL for NITRATE at mg/L, and has determined that it is a health concern at levels above the MCL. Analysis of drinking water in your community for NITRATE indicates a level of 14.01 mg/L.

Infants below the age of six months who drink water containing nitrate in excess of the MCL could become seriously ill and, if untreated, may die. Symptoms include shortness of breath and blue baby syndrome. If your child is under the age of six months, the child must be given an alternative water supply for any consumption. Boiling the affected water is not an effective treatment for nitrate removal.

Most consumers do not need to use an alternative water supply however, if you have health concerns, you may want to talk to your doctor to get more information about how this may affect you. At this time, the health effects to fetuses of pregnant women is unclear. If you are pregnant, you may also choose to use an alternative source of water for drinking and cooking purposes.

Bottled water is available at City Hall located at 105 North St. at no cost to expectant mothers and infants up to six months.

We are working towards a solution to this problem by seeking grant funding to possibly dig more wells at a different location.

For further information contact: Maria Cruz or Walter Skinner 806-455-1456 Monday thru Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Public Water System ID# 0230002

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For more information or to order the 2003 Texas Golf Pass, contact your local American Cancer Society office or call 1-800-ACS-2345. For your convenience, you can now also order on-line at www.texasgolfpass.com. The American Cancer Society is the nationwide, community-based, voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer.



Pigg & Martin Exchange Vows

Jamie LeAnn Pigg of Turkey and Ran Hal Martin of Matador exchanged marriage vows, Saturday, November 23rd, at the First United Methodist Church in Turkey. Rickey Lawrence pastor of the Full Gospel Church of Roaring Springs officiated the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Clinton and Joanie Pigg. Grandparents of the bride are Jan and Joy Turner and Jack and Johnnie Pigg. Ora King is the bride's great grandmother.

Parents of the groom are Hal and Kelly Martin. Grandparents are Art Green and Katherine Martin. Josie Martin is the groom's great-grandmother.

Given in marriage by her father the bride wore a chiffon a-line gown fashioned with an off the shoulder neckline. The Venice lace that accented the bodice was embellished with pearls. The a-line skirt fell softly to the floor and swept into a mid-cathedral length train. For her veil, she chose a halo of pearls and crystals. Double layers of tulle accented with pearls fell softly to the waist. Jamie's something new was her dress, for something old she wore her great grandmother Turner's pearl necklace, her garter carried out something blue and for something borrowed she carried a small bible with her bouquet belonging to her sister-in-law, Erica Pigg. Jamie carried a cascading bouquet of fall flowers and Amazon roses.

Kimberly Woods served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Emily Woods and Megan Whittington. They wore matching dresses in burgundy allure tissue faille. The dresses featured a square neckline and were sleeveless. The a-line skirts were full length with a sweep train. The bride's attendants carried arm bouquets of fall flowers.

Madison Pigg, niece of the bride, was the flower girl. Landon T ownley and Colby Phillips, cousin of the groom registered guests.

Cobey Turner served as best man. Groomsmen were Robert Gillespie and Aaron Green, cousin of the groom. Ushers were Ben Pigg, cousin of the bride and Kelby Phillips cousin of the groom.

Robyn Boedeker was the pianist and Scarlett Sperry sang "Standing Right Next To Me".

A reception and dance were held after the wedding at the Bob Wills Gymnasium. Serving at the bride's table were her cousins, Molly Brooks, Katherine Pigg and Scarlett Sperry. Serving at the groom's table were his cousins, Kristy Davis, Annie Green and Ashley Green. The Great Unknown provided music for the dance.

The bride is a graduate from Valley High School and a student at Texas Tech University. The groom is a graduate from Motley Co. High School. He is also a graduate of Tarleton State University. He is currently employed by Knowles-Taylor Cotton Co., in Matador.

After a honeymoon trip to Ruidoso, New Mexico, the couple has made their home in Matador.

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED INCREASE IN SERVICE CHARGES

On December 6, 2002 Atmos Energy filed a Statement of Intent to change its service charges with the Railroad Commission of Texas and each incorporated city listed below. The proposed changes will take effect no sooner than 35 days after filing.

The proposed increase will not effect the Company's other gas rate schedules. The change will apply to Residential, Commercial, Small Industrial, and Public Authority customers. The Company proposes the following increased service charges:

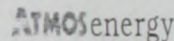
Table with 3 columns: Service Type, During Business Hours, After Hours. Rows include Turn on new service with meter set, Turn on service (shut-in test required), Turn on service (meter read only required), Reconnect delinquent service or service temporarily off at customer's request, Miscellaneous service calls.

The proposed service charge changes are expected to increase the Company's annual revenues by approximately 4% and therefore do not constitute a "major change". The proposed changes could affect approximately 215,000 gas customers in the following communities and surrounding rural areas:

- List of communities: Abernathy, Amherst, Anton, Big Spring, Bovina, Brownfield, Buffalo Springs Lake Canyon, Coahoma, Crosbyton, Dimmitt, Earth, Edmonson, Floydada, Forsan, Friona, Hale Center, Happy, Hart, Hereford, Idalou, Kress, Lake Tanglewood, Lamesa, Levelland, Littlefield, Lockney, Lorenzo, Los Ybanez, Lubbock, Meadow, Midland, Muleshoe, Nazareth, New Deal, New Home, Odessa, O'Donnell, Olton, Opdyke West, Pallsades, Pampa, Panhandle, Petersburg, Plainview, Post, Quitaque, Ralls, Ransom Canyon, Ropesville, Seagraves, Seminole, Shallowater, Silverton, Slaton, Smyer, Springlake, Stanton, Sudan, Tahoka, Timbercreek Canyon, Tulla, Turkey, Vega, Wellman, Wilson, Wolfforth.

\*unincorporated - Southland, Welch, Whitharrall

Copies of the filing are available at the Atmos Energy Office at 5110 80th, Lubbock, TX 79408-1121 or at an Atmos Energy Office nearest to you. Affected persons whose gas rates are subject to the original jurisdiction of the Railroad Commission may file in writing comments or a protest concerning the proposed changes with the Docket Services Section of the Legal Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711-2967, at any time within 30 days following the date on which the change would or has become effective.



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Your Nose

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Your Ears

Don't ignore a shrill hissing, blowing or roaring noise on your property. All of these could be signals of a high-pressure natural gas emergency.



Your Eyes

Visible warning signs of a gas emergency include water or dirt blowing in the air, discoloration of vegetation or continuous bubbling from standing water.



Take the Time to Call.

If you discover any or all of these warning signs, leave the area immediately. Do not operate motor vehicles or equipment nearby, and forego any activity that could generate a spark. You should immediately contact your local emergency authorities and ONEOK WestTex Transmission at 1-800-562-5879, or the operator of the pipeline.

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Turkey Roost Museum News

By Margie Pinkerton

I know that everyone in our communities are thankful for the beautiful weather we have had over the past few days. We really appreciated it on behalf of the Museum, because of our activities and no heat in our building yet. That will change after the first of the year. On Saturday Norman Witcher and Bill Choate brought one load of our heating and cooling units. Part of the units are new units that were damaged in shipment to a buyer and then taken by Odessa College's refrigeration class and repaired. Norman, who taught this class before retirement, was instrumental in getting the units donated to the Museum. If weather permits, they hope to get the units installed the last of January or early February.

On Friday the 13th the Valley Pre-Kindergarten class visited the museum. They were accompanied by their teachers, Mrs. Lemons, Mrs. Castillo and Mrs. Mullin. They are the first class to visit the Museum and it was a pleasure to have them. They were all very well behaved and gave me two handmade Christmas ornaments made from cotton bolls.

The Art Show held on Saturday the 14th by Ed Bright, of Clarendon, was very interesting. The work he did while at the Museum is called Lamp Glass Work. He made beads and jewelry while visiting with those who attended the show. Ed is a graduate in fine arts and learned his glass blowing at Texas Tech. He does pottery and really enjoys it, but is hindered some in that work because of injuries received in a car accident a few years ago. We really appreciate those who took the time to come by the Museum for this activity.

Advertisement for Bill Maddox's ZIP Auto Glass. Features ZIP logo, text: 'We will come to you NO EXTRA CHARGE', 'Offering ONLY Top Quality American Made PPG and Guardian Glass', 'All Work Guaranteed! We use LYNX certified installers.', 'INSURANCE CLAIMS WELCOME!', 'FREE ROCK CHIP REPAIR FOR ONE YEAR WITH GLASS PURCHASE', 'Your Area Representative Wilt Morrison 806-632-7420'.



**Season's Greetings To All**

*During the Christmas season more than ever, our thoughts turn gratefully to those who have made our progress possible. And in this spirit we say, thank you and best wishes for a wonderful holiday.*

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Dear Santa,  
My name is Larry. I have not been very good this year, but I don't want much. All I want is a Cowboy hat and some spurs. I already have some Nocona boots. If you bring me this, I will stop wearing my dewrag.  
love Larry



Dear Santa,  
My name is Deacon Burleson. I just turned 3 years old in November. I would like to see you on Christmas Eve. Can you please bring me a pow-pow cowboy gun, a big knife like cowboys use and a woo-woo car. I like chocolate money a whole bunch. I need a big sword too. I have been as good as I've needed to be. Oh yeah, if you have a trailer, I like new baby horses. My sister would like a Mix-It digital Music player from the American Girl catalog. Thank you alot!!  
love, Deacon

Dear Santa,  
I would like a CD player with headphones, some new clothes, a new puppy dog and a kitty! I have been a good girl this year. Don't forget my sisters and my brother. They have been nice to me this year. I love you Santa,  
Esmaleda Cruz

Dear Santa Claus,  
a CD Player, a Teddy bear, aekaraa CD, some Groovy girl stuff, a Brat doll, a ragedy Ann doll, a Beanie/Babie, a Poodle, some markers some Boots, a Talking baby, a Barbie house, a Pet Deer, and my own Brush. Some clothes and curlers and the movie Ice Age. I have bin pretty good this year. God Bless you.  
love, Sarah Ann Clay

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want Atailana Barbie house a talking Barbie computer and I want anna belle  
Shelby Shannon

**We Know Who's Been Nice...**

And we'd like to acknowledge you by extending our very warmest wishes for a very, merry season. It's always a pleasure to serve you.

**VALLEY FARM STORE**  
Jim & Barbara

Dear Santa,  
I would like a new doll, some candy, a doll house, roller skate shoes some new clothes and posters.

Thank you,  
Shalee Raye Thacker

Dear Santa  
My name is Cooper Hill. I would like a Ball Blast and some rattles for Christmas. I have not been here very long, so I have been very good! Remember to bring my sisters a present.

Love, Cooper

Dear Santa,  
My name is Haley Wheeler and I'm in Kindergarten. I'm pretty sure i have been a good girl, so would you please bring me baby annabell and a cd player. Please don't forget my sister, Chelsea. I will leave milk and cookies I love you Santa.  
Haley Wheeler

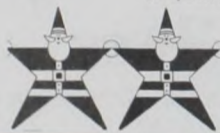


**JOY TO ALL**

May the spirit of Christmas be ever with you!

**TURKEY DRIVE-IN**

Dear Santa,  
My name is Jolee Hill. I would like you to come to my house and bring a present for me Abby and Cooper. I would like a rocking Girl that dances, a Barbie Cash Register and a Barbie Clock. I will leave some milk and cookies. Thank you.  
love, Jolee



**ALL DRESSED UP AND READY TO GO!**

OUR VERY BEST WISHES ARE ON THE WAY.

Hubert, Delores & Susie

**Lacy Dry Goods**

Warmest greetings of the season!  
**TURKEY AUTOMOTIVE**  
Keith & Bettie Green  
Rick Mullin

**Christ, the Savior, is born**  
*Glad tidings and heartfelt thanks to all our friends. May your holidays—and all days—be filled with His blessings.*

**FELIS NAVIDAD! MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

**GALVAN'S RESTURANT**

**Cheer**

Blessings to you and your loved ones at this joyous season.

Danny, Vicki, Carissa, Jarrod & Allison

**CLARK PHARMACY**

Dear Santa,  
I want 4 video games for my nintendo 64 and two dirtbikes and 3 hotwheels cars and a skate board and a transformer minicon and a zoids that has weapons on his back and that is black and white and a hotwheels track that is called turbo jet city and a game boy with games and soccerball and new clothes and shoes and BB gun and a bowmasterII.  
Jose Valdez

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a bike and a gameboy advance. The Game crush course & hitclip CD's. A leather jacket & a Piano and a CD player & some games for my Nintendo. a turbo twist, books and a computer. An thats sorta what all I want.  
P.S. Thanks for what you brout last year.  
Courtney

Dear Santa,  
Why do you have a berd and is your name Criss Crengl? I want a new par of sneaker skates and a skate bord and a TV and a cooking stove and a big barbey with a dress. a barbey travel case with a dansin barbey and a Skooder.  
Love, Dodie Payne

Dear Santa,  
I have been very good the last three months, that how old I am. Please bring me a giggle & shake monkey rattle, some teething rings and some clothes. And anything that plays music. I like music alot.  
Love, Nikalyn McGinty

Dear Santa,  
I have been a very good Girl this year. I would like a purse, choo-choo doll, puppy, make-up and some clothes.  
love ya, Emily Barrett

Dear Santa,  
for Christmas can I please have a CD player, walkie talkies, a skip it, and a new purse. Santa will you help me think of a gift for my cousin Brady. And help me think of other presents for my friends Caitlyn, Chambray, Kammi, Madison, Alyssa and Jessie. On Christ 21, I will go to Amarillo we will go and see a movie and go through the light parade. On Christmas eve my family is going to Higgins my Grandma and Grandad. But first I will go to my great ants house and we will open presents. And then we go to my Grandmas. Then the next day we tair open the other present. And then we will go home. I hope I have a good christmas. Marry Christmas Santa Clause.  
Kristen Jenkins

Dear Santa,  
How are you and your reindeer? I am doing great! did you get alot of letters this Christmas. This is what I would like for Christmas, a DVD player, a CD Burner, Clothes, a 13" TV with VCR, my own phone, Jewelry, a playstation, movies, games for my computer, gameboy advance, an izeone camera, a sound system, basketball goal and a new basketball, a go-cart, big bear slippers, roller blades, a portable CD player and 1 for my brother. Santa please try to at least get me 1 present. Merry Christmas Santa.  
Sincerely, Courtney Thibodeaux

Dear Santa,  
I want a skateboard, silly gold, frog tennis, and a trampoline. I will share with my brothers. I have been a good boy!  
Love, Daxon Allen

Dear Santa,  
How are you this Christmas? Are your reindeer being treated greatfully? are your elves, getting along? I bet they've made some pretty unbelievable things this year. I think I've been good. My parents, my family, members might may other wise. These are the things I wish to receive, some cowboy boots, some more Wranglers, some nike tennis shoes, a cross necklace, some new charms for my Harry Potter charm bracelet, and everything else Harry Potter. I want everything Harry Potter. Including the 5th book and the new 2nd movie.  
Thank you, Lacie Pointer

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**FLOMOT GIN**

O.J.,  
Ruth,  
Roger,  
Josh,  
&  
Brandon

Dear Santa,  
My name is Brennan. I like quitaque. I want a gameboy advance, a pixter and more stuff. You are a jolly man. Will you come my house for Christmas eve?  
Love, Brennan

**It's Beginning To Look A Lot Like Christmas!**

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

**Happy Holidays**

from all of us at the  
**CAPROCK CAFE**

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas can I please have Harry Potter Potion maker, Groovy Girl, Some gymastic hat. And one more thing a bed from American doll. thanks Santa  
Love, Jessie

**The Valley Tribune, Quitaque, Texas, Thursday, December 19, 2002**

**Sesame Seed Bread**  
sesame seeds  
1 1/2 cup warm water  
1 tsp salt  
1 cup margarine, melted  
1 pkg yeast  
1/4 cup sugar  
3 1/2 cups flour  
2 eggs  
Mix yeast and warm water together until yeast is dissolved. Add sugar, salt, eggs and 1/2 cup melted margarine. Slowly add in flour and gently stir until well mixed, cover and let rise 1 hour in a warm place. Punch down dough and place in a x 9 pan sprayed with Pam. Pour 2 cup melted margarine over dough and sprinkle top with sesame seeds. Let rise in warm place for 1 hour. Bake at 400 degrees for 20 minutes.

**Santa's Favorite Cookies**  
1/2 cup shortening  
2 1/2 cup brown sugar  
2 1/2 cup flour  
1/4 tsp salt  
1/2 cup margarine, softened  
2 eggs  
1/2 tsp soda  
1 cup pecans, chopped  
Cream shortening, butter, brown sugar and eggs until smooth. Slowly add in flour, soda, salt and nuts. Drop by teaspoonfuls onto a cookie sheet 2 inches apart. Bake at 350 degrees for 12 - 15 minutes.

**Scalloped Potatoes**  
2 lb bag frozen hash browns  
10 oz cheddar cheese, grated  
1 can cream of mushroom soup  
1 onion, chopped  
1/2 cup margarine, melted  
1/2 cup sour cream  
Mix hash browns, onions and cheddar cheese in a large bowl. Heat margarine, soup and sour cream together in sauce pan over medium heat, stirring frequently. When margarine is melted pour this mixture over hash browns, mixing thoroughly. Salt and pepper to taste. Pour in greased 13x9 pan. Crumble crushed potato chips on top if desired. Bake at 350 degrees for 1 hour.

**JOY TO THE PEACE ON**

In the true spirit of Christmas, together with people of all faiths that inhabit this...



**Sesame Seed Bread**

sesame seeds  
1 1/2 cup warm water  
1 tsp salt  
1 cup margarine, melted  
1 pkg yeast  
1/4 cup sugar  
3 1/2 cups flour  
2 eggs

Mix yeast and warm water together until yeast is dissolved. Add sugar, salt, eggs and 1/2 cup melted margarine. Slowly add in flour and gently stir until well mixed, cover and let rise 1 hour in a warm place. Punch down dough and place in 13 x 9 pan sprayed with Pam. Pour 1/2 cup melted margarine over dough and sprinkle top with sesame seeds. Let rise in warm place for 1 hour. Bake at 400 degrees for 20 minutes.

**Instant Spiced Tea**

1 cup instant tea  
1 cup Tang  
1 cup sugar  
1 pkg presweetened Lemonade mix  
1 tsp cinnamon  
1/2 tsp ground cloves

Mix all ingredients together in large bowl. May be placed in airtight jars and given as gifts. Use 2-3 heaping Tbs with a cup of hot water for instant spiced tea.

**Santa's Favorite Cookies**

1/2 cup shortening  
2 1/2 cup brown sugar  
2 1/2 cup flour  
1/4 tsp salt  
1/2 cup margarine, softened  
2 eggs  
1/2 tsp soda  
1 cup pecans, chopped

Cream shortening, butter, brown sugar and eggs until smooth. Slowly add in flour, soda, salt and nuts. Drop by teaspoonfuls onto a cookie sheet 2 inches apart. Bake at 350 degrees for 12-15 minutes.

**Scalloped Potatoes**

2 lb bag frozen hash browns  
10 oz cheddar cheese, grated  
1 can cream of mushroom soup  
1 onion, chopped  
1/2 cup margarine, melted  
16 oz sour cream

Mix hash browns, onions and cheddar cheese in a large bowl. Heat margarine, soup and sour cream together in sauce pan over medium heat, stirring frequently. When margarine is melted pour this mixture over hash browns, mixing thoroughly. Salt and pepper to taste. Pour in greased 13x9 pan. Crumble crushed potatoe chips on top if desired. Bake at 350 degrees for 1 hour.

**Mincemeat Cookies**

3 1/4 cup flour, sifted  
1 tsp soda  
1/2 tsp salt  
1 cup shortening  
1 1/2 cup sugar  
3 eggs  
4 oz mincemeat

Sift flour, salt and soda together, set aside. Cream shortening, add sugar gradually and cream together until fluffy. Add eggs and beat until smooth. Add mincemeat, broken into small pieces. Slowly add in flour mixture and mix well. Drop by teaspoonfuls 2 inches apart in greased cookie sheet. Bake at 400 degrees for 12 minutes.

# Favorite Recipes



**Key Lime Pie**

5 eggs, separated  
1 15 oz. can Eagle Brand milk  
3/4 cup lime juice  
1 Tbs lime peel, grated  
1 9 inch pie shell, prebaked  
whipping cream

Beat egg yolks for 5 minutes or until thick. Slowly add Eagle Brand milk, lime juice and lime peel, then set aside. In another bowl, with clean beaters, beat egg whites until soft peaks form. Do not beat whites stiff. Gently fold the first mixture into the beaten egg whites. Spoon into the pie shell. Bake for 20 minutes in preheated 325 degree oven or until the filling is firm. Serve at room temperature with a dollop of whipping cream.

**CREAM STYLE CORN**

Cook: 8 slices bacon(chopped)  
Add: 1/2 onion, diced. Saute until onions are brown  
Add: 2 cans cream style corn  
Add: 1/2 carton whipping cream  
sugar to taste, and some butter  
Simmer about 15 minutes. Very Good! PATTY KIMBELL

**Angel Cookies**

4 1/2 cup flour  
1/2 tsp baking powder  
1 tsp salt  
1 tsp soda  
1 2/3 cup sugar  
1 cup sour cream  
2 eggs  
1 tsp vanilla  
1 cup margarine

Cream margarine, add sugar and continue to cream until fluffy. Add eggs and blend. Sift flour, salt, soda and baking powder together. Add flour mixture into sugar mixture and mix well. Chill in refrigerator 2 hours. Roll into 1 inch diameter balls and flatten to 1/4 inch thick. Bake at 375 degrees for 7-8 minutes.



Observe good faith and justice toward all nations. Cultivate peace and harmony with all...  
-George Washington

**1993**

Dear Santa,  
This is what I want for christmas. Is a fuss and ggle tripleas baby giggle and go a computer a perfer stockman poster and peace on earth and the wars to end a sweeter a pear of boots, a relly big cullydy bear, a jump rope, a picture book, a phoe, a red comverteble, 1900,000 dollars, a fashon plate disener, a mcdonald happy meal, a pony acrrerage, a new pear of shoes, a placet tree a new play dress.  
P.S. tell you dog I said what's up.  
P.S.S. tell Mrs claws I said send me some cholet.

Hi! I am Amanda Roys. I have been a good girl this year. all I want for christmas is a new bike, a new Magic nurser, Roller blades, a telephone, a new T.V., my size barbie, a new big caboodle, a new fish aquarium, a hew hamster, new parrot. Well, I have to go. Tell Mrs. claus ji. Sorry I don't have much to say today on December 3, 1993. Well Merry christmas to all and to all a goodnight. Tell MRs. Claus hi and Merry chirstmas.  
Amanda Roys

Thank you,  
Scarlett Sperry

Dear Santa,  
Hi! I am randa. all I want for Chirstmas is a T.V., a Telephone, a bike, a baby needs me, and make the bike 10 speed, a set of roller blades, a my size barbie, and I would also like a little baby hampster, a mother hampster, a father hampster, and a baby brother hampster. I would really like a little puppy And one more thing I would like a parrot. That is everything I want for Christmas.  
Randa Jan McBee

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. I'm going to go to Dallas the 3 of December. I want a lot of things for christmas. My wish list has alot fo things on it. How is Mrs. Claus? I hope she is doing fine. I want a 4 wheeler and a WAL-MART truck too. My dad is a WAL-MART driver. Me and My brother need a TV. Well, I have to bo by.  
Your Friend,  
JC Pigg

Dear Santa,  
This year I just want a few things the things that i want is my dad, a wind suit, a seaga geans, a trampoline, a horse, a watch, a Baby giggle and go a cat, a computer, a book, a baby sister, and a stamp collector, and that is all I want this year.  
Tessa Kelley

Dear Santa,  
First I want to tell you waht I want for Christmas. I want a picture of my grandmother and the rest of my family.  
The second thing I want for christmas is another picture of my friend because I have not seen her for a long time.  
The third thing I want for christmans a barbie, skates, Holly poket, a raindeer that is not rail.  
Thanks,  
Ana rosa

**Cheese Ball**

1 lb cheddar cheese  
8 oz mozzarella  
8 oz cream cheese  
1 Tbs chili powder  
1 tsp garlic powder  
1 tsp onion powder  
1/2 tsp liquid smoke  
1/2 cup chopped pecans

Let cheeses stand at room temperature until soft. Mix all ingredients except pecans with mixer until smooth. Shape into a ball and roll in pecans. Chill in refrigerator until firm. Serve with crackers.

**New Year's Dip**

3 cans black-eyed peas with jalapenos, juice included  
1/2 onion, chopped  
1 clove garlic, crushed  
8 oz cheddar cheese, grated  
1 cup margarine

Mix first three ingredients in a blender. Melt cheddar cheese and margarine in sauce pan on low. Add blended ingredients and heat until warm. Serve with tortillia chips.

## JOY TO THE WORLD & PEACE ON EARTH!



In the true spirit of Christmas, we'd like to join together with people everywhere to pray for peace, brotherhood and understanding between the many nations that inhabit this small planet we all call home.

**Merry Christmas, Amigos**

"Tis the night before Christmas, and all through the casa, Not a creature is stirring, Caramba! Que Pasa? The stockings are hanging, con mucho cuidada, In hopes that St. Nicholas will feel obligado, To leave a few cosas aqui and alli, For chico y chica (and something por mi!) Los ninos are snuggld all safe in their camas, Some in camisas and some in pajamas. Their little cabezas are full of good things, Todos esperando que Santa will bring!  
Santa is down at the corner saloon, (Muy borracho since mid-afternoon).  
Mama is sitting beside la ventana, shining her rolling pin para manana,  
When Santa will come in un manner extrana, Lit up like the star on the Mountain, cantando, Y Mama lo manda to bed with a right,  
Merry Christmas a todos y a todos "Good Night!"



**Spiced Coffee Mix**

2 cup non-dairy creamer  
1 1/2 cup hot chocolate mix  
1 1/2 instant coffee  
1 1/2 cup sugar  
1 tsp cinnamon  
1/2 tsp nutmeg

Mix all ingredients together in a large bowl. May be placed in airtight jars and given as gifts. Use 2-3 heaping tsp in cup of hot water for instant spiced coffee.

**Giblet Gravy**

1 qt chicken broth  
1 tsp season salt  
1/2 tsp garlic powder  
turkey giblets  
1/2 cup onion, chopped  
1/2 cup green bell pepper, chopped  
1/4 cup celery, chopped  
1/4 cup bacon drippings  
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1 cup milk  
1/4 cup flour

In a medium saucepan, bring chicken broth, salt, and garlic powder to a boil, add washed giblets. Reduce heat and simmer for 30 to 45 minutes. Remove giblets from broth, allow to cool, chop, and set giblets and broth aside. In a separate pan, saute' onion, bell pepper, and celery in bacon drippings, until onion becomes almost transparent. Stir to prevent sticking. After removing cooked turkey from pan to a serving platter, place the roasting pan over two burners and deglaze with reserved giblet broth. Pour pan contents into a medium saucepan, degrease, add milk and cook over medium heat. Add sauteed vegetables and chopped giblets. Add flour and stir constantly with a wire whisk until gravy boils, about 2 minutes. Use additional flour-water paste or milk to adjust the consistency as desired.

**Roast Turkey**

1 18-24 lb turkey  
2 Tbs season salt  
1 Tbs poultry seasoning  
2 Tsp thyme  
2 tsp meat tenderizer  
1 1/2 tsp garlic powder  
1 1/2 tsp onion powder  
1 1/2 tsp ground pepper  
1 tsp ground sage  
3/4 tsp ground paprika  
1 lg onion, quartered  
1 green bell pepper, seeded and quartered  
1 navel orange, quartered  
1 apple, seeded and quartered  
2 stalks celery with leaves, halved  
1 cup orange juice

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Take turkey from its packaging. Remove giblets and neck, set aside for Giblet Gravy, recipe follows. Rinse the bird under cold running water. Pat the bird dry, then place it, breast side up, in a roasting pan. Mix together salt and seasonings, and then thoroughly season the bird, inside and out, with the mixture. Don't forget the neck cavity. Fill the neck and body cavity with the cut-up vegetables, fruit, and orange juice. Fold wings under the body and tie legs together. Cover the breast with a piece of aluminum foil and roast approximately 15 minutes per pound. Baste about every 30 minutes, and remove the foil after approximately 1 hour to allow the bird to brown. Check often, and replace the foil should the bird become too brown.







***Here's Hoping You Have A  
Purrrr-fectly Merry Christmas!***

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