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CROP INSURANCE REFORM - GET THE FACTS

The Federal Crop Insurance Reform Act of 1994 signed into law October 13, 1994, combines crop insurance and disaster assistance into one program. For insurable crops, the law virtually eliminates the possibility of future disaster assistance.

The major difference between catastrophic coverage and disaster relief is that individual crop losses can now "trigger" a payment. Assistance will no longer be dependent on multiple state disasters, or the uncertainty of the political process. The uncertainty of emergency disaster assistance has been replaced with the predictability of crop insurance coverage.

New incentives reduce the cost of higher levels of insurance. Coverage in excess of the catastrophic level is generally only available through private sector crop insurance agents.

Farmers may choose to sign-up for catastrophic insurance coverage through a local USDA office or a private sector crop insurance agent.

Farmers MUST sign up for at least the catastrophic level of crop insurance

coverage to be eligible for USDA farm programs including commodity price support, the Conservation Reserve Program, and certain FmHA loans. Sign up with your local crop insurance agent or USDA county office PRIOR TO THE APPLICABLE SALES CLOSING DATE.

If you grow non-insured crops, you may be eligible for benefits that are comparable to those provided under the catastrophic insurance plan. In order to qualify, you must report acres and yields to your local USDA office. Furthermore, area losses for the crop must exceed 35 percent and individual crop losses must exceed 50 percent of the expected yield in order to trigger a payment.

Certain crops will have an extended sign-up deadline only for catastrophic coverage. Additional coverage is available up to each crop's sales closing date.

The law takes effect immediately for the 1995 crop year. Producers should contact their crop insurance agent or local USDA office for program details.

CLINIC REOPENING PROVES SUCCESSFUL

When the County Commissioner Court made the decision to reopen the local County Clinic, there was some skepticism about the move, many people fearing the facility wouldn't be utilized.

When Dr. Larry C. Boyd began seeing local patients each Thursday at the clinic, it was quickly evident the reopening was a prudent move. The first few Thursdays saw some twelve to fifteen patients consulting Dr. Boyd, but as more residents became aware of the facility, more patients began to show up. His staff says they are currently averaging some 25 patients each Thursday.

This response could increase in the very near future. Dr. Boyd is currently interviewing Physician's Assistants, and one will be hired after the first of the

year. A Physician Assistant is able to perform any patient services his sponsoring Doctor authorizes in his formal Protocol of practices. A similar clinic in neighboring Tatum, N.M., has been operating very successfully a number of years with a Physician's Assistant.

The addition of the Assistant to the current staff, along with Dr. Boyd, will be able to minister to a larger patient load, and quite possibly, could lead to more than one day per week in which local residents can see a Doctor without leaving town.

Dr. Boyd had earlier announced another Physician coming to Denver city after the year end, but now says Doctor Chris Cotton will not

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WALKER PREPS FOR LEGISLATURE

Gary Walker, winner of the recent State House Representative election for our District 80, was one of 21 incoming Freshman Representatives, and five new Senators attending a week long indoctrination program in Austin the week of November 28.

"It was a pretty hectic and jam packed program. We started each morning at 8 o'clock, and attended a variety of subject meetings until 5 PM," Walker said. A copy of the agenda he brought back listed meetings covering Legislative Service Agencies, Press Relations, Ethics and Open Record Laws, How a Bill Becomes Law, House Policies and Procedures, The Governors Role in the Legislature, review of Texas State Finance, Criminal Justice Issues, The State Budget, and a host of other topics and functions. There was a similar indoctrination session for spouses of the newly elected Solons.

The new Legislature, officially taking office January 10, will have an interesting make-up, consisting of 61 Republican House members, and 89 Democrats, with 17 Democrat Senators and 14 Republicans. "I think there will be many very close votes in the Senate, as at least two of the Democrats are noted for their very conservative approaches to legislative matters," Walker stated.

He reported his personal, most lasting impression of the indoctrination, and what would benefit him most, was the overwhelming complexity of the Legislature and Governmental process. "It bears no similarity to day

COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETS

The Yoakum County Commissioner Court met in regular session Monday at the Courthouse. Present were Judge Dallas Brewer, and Commissioners John Avara, Bob Thurston, Jim Barron, and Macky McWhirter. Also present were County Auditor Hazel Lowrey, County Clerk Ruby Bruton, County Treasurer Toni Jones, and Tax Assessor-Collector Wanda Smith.

The Assessor-Collector's monthly report was submitted and approved. Various line item transfers to different departments were approved. The following bid action was taken; Bid for one new motor grader for Prec. 3 accepted from West Texas Equipment Co. for Cater-

to day business we are all accustomed to in our ordinary, civilian life. You have to become accustomed to and how Parliamentary procedures affect the law making process," he stated. Over 7,000 bills are submitted to the Legislature in normal years, an overwhelming amount of paper work the Legislature must at least be familiar with.

Walker talked of the difficulties the incoming electees' face after the swearing in process January 10. "After the ceremony, we return to the House, and for the first time, have access to an office, phones and equipment. And on that office desk we are assured of finding a mountain of correspondence from constituents at home, and pending Legislative matters. This backlog of work must be taken care of before we can really start to function as bona-fide legislators," he reported.

Walker has already hired an Administrative Aide to assist in his daily duties, and once installed in his office, will have to hire a Legislative Aide, whose primary duties will be reviewing and deciphering the huge number of pending Bills, and especially scrutinize those involving his to be

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USDA COUNTY OFFICE SHUFFLE

A recent announcement from the Department of Agriculture will affect a number of statewide ASCS, FmHA, and SCS county offices.

The following counties will be closed as soon as feasibly possible: Bandera, Borden, Camp, Dallas, Franklin, Glasscock, Gregg, Grimes, Irion, King, Marion, Montgomery, Morris, Rains, Real, Rockwall, Sabine, San Jacinto, Ward, and Zavala.

The following counties will be co-located: Atascosa, Bell, Blanco, Brewster, Burleson, Burnet, Chambers, Cherokee, Clay, Cochran, Collin, Colorado, Concho, Cooke, Coryell, Crockett, Crosby, Delta, Denton, Dickens, Dimmitt, Duval, Eastland, Ector, Edwards, Fisher, Fort Bend, Gaines, Hansford, Harris, Haskell, Hudspeth, Hunt, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Karnes, Kent, Kimble, LaSalle, Leon, Liberty, Live Oak, Llano, Moore, Navarro, Nueces, Oldham, Parmer, Presidio, Reagan, Red River, Reeves, Roberts, Schleicher, Shackelford, Sutton, Tarrant, Uvalde, Val Verde, Webb, Williamson, and Wood.

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FARMING STARTS UP AGAIN



Stalk Cutting On Welch Farm

While the 1994 cotton crop harvest nears completion, many local producers are already preparing their land for the coming growing season. A variety of tillage operations are going on around the county. Stalks are being cut, some spring tooth harrows are being used, and breaking plows are working where there is adequate soil moisture. Most of the dry land planted acreage will have to wait for rain or snow before it can be worked. The age long 'Prepare, Plant, Grow, Harvest' cycle goes on.



Disc Plowing On Welch Farm South Of Town

CHRISTMAS HOME TOUR BIG SUCCESS

Approximately 130 people enjoyed the beautifully decorated Bell, Ancinec, Tuggle, Welch and Bearden family homes on the Methodist Church second annual home tour December 7.

Following the tour, refreshments were served by the Plains State Bank, where Jerri Warren won the Door Prize, a beautiful Christmas Trumpet Wreath, donated by Renaissance Flowers & Gifts. The annual event raised \$600 for the church.

DIVIDE THE STATE NOW !!

Vernon, Texas. The wave of sentiment for the division of Texas came to a climax here a few days ago when a mass meeting of citizens passed the following resolution:

"Whereas, all the state schools, public buildings and higher courts are situated in the eastern and southern part of the state, and

"Whereas, the state legislature has always ignored northwest Texas, including the great Panhandle country, in the distribution of its public institutions and appropriations, and

"Whereas, all the school lands are located in the western and northwestern

part of the state and the annual payment of the western part of the state into the state treasury is \$300,000 more than it draws out and

"Whereas, the present legislature continues in line with its predecessors, and "Whereas, the interests of this section are altogether different from southern and eastern Texas, be it

"Resolved, that unless these matters are remedied, our association favors the calling of a convention at some date in the near future for the purpose of creating out of the northwestern portion of Texas a new state."

'The Texas News',
Nov. 1, 1895

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assigned duties, as a member of one or more Committees.

"While new people are allowed to report their preferred committee assignments, the total authority of assigning committees is in the hands of the Speaker of the House," Walker said. He has asked to be considered for assignment to Public Education, Natural Resources, Environmental Issues, or Agriculture committees. He added, "The Public Education Committee faces a monumental task, and a monumental stack of proposals for the Committees consideration. I was also quite interested in serving on any of the other three Committees. Natural Resources addresses state water issues, something of vital interest to me and all West Texans. Environmental Regulations concern issues such as the County Landfill I am involved with for Sandy Land Underground Water District, and of course, Agriculture involves all of us in West Texas."

Walker said Freshmen Solons rarely have a large impact in the Legislature, often because of Committee assignments. "Whatever areas I am assigned to work in, I must demonstrate to the Chairmen and the Speaker that I am in Austin to work, and work hard, and my personal performance will determine my future Committee and Sub-Committee assignments."

Walker said he reached the decision to run for the office, which would soon be vacated by retiring Representative Jim Rudd, Brownfield, only after long and painful deliberations. "Sometime early in December, 1993, after my Democratic opponent announced for the office, a number of Farm Bureau people, and other Water District people confronted me with the idea to run. I faced a serious dilemma. I thought I could effectively serve the people of District 80 as their State Representative, but I was Manager of Sandy Land, and to continue to feed myself and my family, I knew I had to keep this job, but that approval decision would have to be made by my Board of Directors," he reported. He would eventually approach the local five member Board, and tell them he had been asked by many parties to run. They unanimously encouraged him and voted to allow him to seek the office and keep his job, and he would eventually demolish his Democrat opponent in the November election.

"Some really crazy and weird things happened while my wife, Frankie, and



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I were campaigning. We walked every single town in the ten County District. Once we approached an elderly man in his front yard, and he saw the pamphlets and brochures we were carrying, and he pretty sternly said, 'If that's bills you're bringing me, you just turn right around and get outta here'. Once we were walking in Denver City, and Frankie mentioned it happened to be our anniversary date, and this lady said, 'Well, I'll probably vote for you, but right now, you get on home now and treat your wife real nice'. Walker also reported one man, after impatiently listening to the appeal for his support and vote, "Naw, I don't vote, there ain't no good candidates".

We know how hard the Walkers worked in the long, hard campaign, and we expect his work ethic will follow him to Austin each time the Legislature is in session.

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be able to complete his US Navy commitment until sometime in July. When he moves to Denver City he and Boyd will probably share time at the local clinic, bringing us more medical assistance.

The local Clinic is open each Thursday, from 11 AM to 4 PM, and prior arranged appointments are strongly suggested.

PISD STUDENT OF THE WEEK SANDI WARREN



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pillar Model 140 G, \$124,775. Bid for one new loader, Prec. 3, accepted from West Texas Equipment Co. for Caterpillar Loader model 938 F for \$21,350 net after trade in of 1991 Cat loader.

Bids for two County used pickups, 1986 and 1983 models were accepted from J. R. Slenz, 1986, \$1025, and Glen Fannin, 1983, \$625.

Motion made and approved to advertise for purchase of asphalt, hot and cold mix, gravel, gasoline and diesel fuels for four precincts and county parks for the year 1995.

Bids for these items will be opened Friday, Dec. 30 and action will be taken by the court Jan. 3, 1995.

All county bills and part time salaries were approved for payment.

J P COURT

The following is a summary of cases and action taken in Justice of Peace Court, Precinct One, Judge Melba Crutcher presiding.

- 11 Traffic cases filed by Department of Public Safety
- 1 case filed by Yoakum County Sanitarian
- Bonds Set:
- Motion of Surety - original charge of Assault Bodily Injury - \$2,500 bond
- Assault - Family Violence - \$5,000 bond with order for Further Detention
- Escape - Grand Jury Indictment - \$5,000 bond
- Indecency with a Child - Grand Jury Indictment - \$10,000 conditional bond set
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- Aggravated assault with a Deadly Weapon - Grand Jury Indictment - \$5,000 bond
- Driving while License Suspended - \$500 bond
- Speeding / Instant - \$75 fine
- Parole Violation - TDCJ Pardons & Parole Division held until transported
- Driving while Intoxicated - 1st offense - \$1,000 bond
- Reckless Driving - \$500 bond
- Evading Arrest or Detention - \$500 bond

A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

I love Christmas and the Christmas Season! The Bible stories, Nativity Scenes, expectant children, the hustle and bustle of the malls (as long as I do not have to go), the decorated homes (as long as I don't have to put up Linda's lights), the special emphasis on Jesus, the cards from families and friends, the wonderful food, families together, all are very special.

Have you noticed the world and its greed is beginning to eat away at "the reason for the season?" Many analogies are flying around concerning Christmas, but many are doing Christmas without Christ. The great Christian scholar and theologian C. S. Lewis writes concerning what we will sometimes do in removing God from our lifestyle in his analogy - "When I knocked out my pipe, the ashes arranged themselves into letters which read, 'We are the ashes of a knocked out pipe'." Are we a people who have started to dictate to God? I pray that I will not become cynical towards this season. I do not want the Grinch to steal Christmas, or the world with its greed to steal away the joy of this season. But more and more we are seeing this "holiday" become less than a "Holyday". We are seeing this season become a "best seller!" In other words, this particular season is the biggest money maker. That is not the "reason for the season".

They shall call Him Emmanuel, which is interpreted "God with us!"

My prayer for my home, Plains, Texas, is that truly we will celebrate "God with Us" in the person of the Lord Jesus Christ. May God be with each one of you and may His richest blessings fall upon you and your family.

With Much Love,
Brother Bill
First Baptist Church

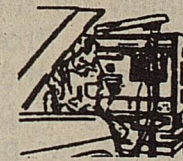
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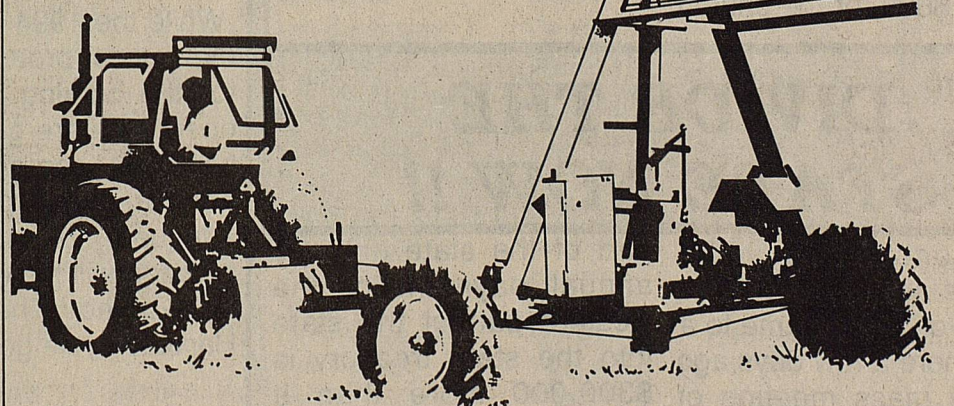


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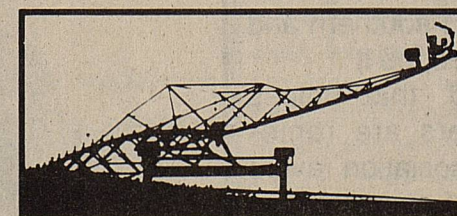
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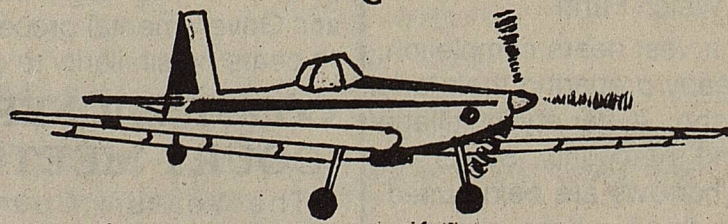
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"American Legion Auxiliary Meets"

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit #0585 met Dec. 8 in the home of Mary Jo St. Romain, President, for their quarterly luncheon and business meeting.

Members attending were Sit Jones, Sarah Shelton, Melba Bearden, Billie Blundell, Mary Jo St. Romain and special guests, Mrs. Walter Driver, Jennifer Earnest, Mary Pettigrew and Pete St. Romain.

Jennifer Earnest, Plains High School Senior and daughter of Eddie and Bonnie Earnest, presented a program on the Yoakum County Teen Court. Ms. Earnest discussed her involvement with the Court as a part of her activities at PHS. She explained serving on the jury, serving as County Clerk, Bailiff and Attorney. All Teen Court

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GOOFY GIFTS

What is the worst, silliest, most useless Christmas gift you ever received... or sent? Read recently where an estimated \$4 billion...yes billion, is wasted annually on Christmas gifts people don't want or need.

When the editor was a freshman in high school, an eccentric aunt, who could have afforded me a new Rolls Royce, awarded me one Christmas with a cheap little ceramic cowboy boot shaped ivy planter, something every young boy really yearns for.

If you've received some bizarre gift in Christmases past, tell us about it. Drop us a brief article about it, Box 179, bring it to our office, 1205 Copeland, or give us a call, 456-8451, no later than Friday, December 16, and we'll feature it in our December 21 issue. Might be fun.

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COWBOY-COWGIRL BASKETBALL

COWGIRL VARSITY BUMPED BY SEAGRAVES

In their second meeting of the young season on Dec. 6, the big and tough Lady Eagles proved too much to handle for the Cowgirls, downed this time 63-44.

The win was probably the result of the Eagles better performance at the free throw line, and points scored on turnovers. The Eagles made 73% of their free throws, the Cowgirls 44%, and the Eagles scored 22 of their points from turnovers, while the Cowgirls could manage only 13.

Individual scorers were, Kyley Bearden 15, Stacey Jones 9, Tessa St. Romain and Robin Squyres 6, Amber Bryan 4, and Misty Willett 2.

COWBOY JV DOWNED BY EAGLE JV 56-51

In the JV's second outing against the Seagraves Eagle JV Dec. 6, the Cowboys found another night of action. They got off to a fast start the first quarter, outscoring the Eagles 19-13, but cooled in the decisive 2nd and 3rd periods.

Scorers included Ralph Ramirez 12, Joe Luna 11, Kirk Parrish 8, Jacob Lester 6, Jason Robertson 5, Wayne Willett 4, Marte Pierce 3, and Chris Payne 2.

COWGIRL JV 22, SEAGRAVES 45

The Class 2A Seagraves Lady Eagles bested our smaller JV girls again on Dec. 6 in their second meeting. The Cowgirls played hard, but were physically out classed, as were their Varsity teammates. Scoring for the Cowgirls were Lindsey Six 8, Amanda Koncaba 6, Sylvia Tarango 4, Wendy Beckham 2, Shawna Box and Neomi Stewart 1 each.

FRESHMEN DOWN EAGLES 81-55

On Monday, December 5, the Freshmen Cowboy basketballers won their first game of the young season, soundly trouncing Seagraves 81-55.

Scoring for the Cowboys were; Roy Ramirez 14, David Flores 13, Shawn Cullins 10, Adam Dominguez 10, Jamie Caballero 7, Eric Luna 7, Eric Estrada 7, Jonah Moreno 4, Abraham Garcia 3, Chris Willett 3, Will St. Romain 2, Derek Brunson 1.

Others seeing playing time were Doug Rushing, Alberto Tarango, & Giden Traweek.

"It was a good game for the first outing," Coach McMinn reported.

COWGIRL VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM



Front Row, L.-R.: Misty Willett, Kylie Bearden, Stacey Jones, Tessa St. Romain, Kassie Lowe. Back Row, L.-R.; Bridget Bernal, Amber Bryan, Shyloh Winn, Robin Squyres, Sandi Warren, and Head Coach Steve Osborn

COWBOY - COWGIRL FARWELL TOURNAMENT

The Cowboys swept the field in the Farwell basketball tournament Dec. 8-10, and in their three game victories, Ladd Winn and Shannon Ward won ALL-Tournament Honors. On Thursday, the Cowboys shut down Melrose 77-45. Winn had 23 points, followed by McMinn 21, Ward 14, Clanahan 7, Bitolas & Bernal 4, and Flores and Davis 2.

In game two, the bested Farwell 77-64. Scoring were Winn 23, Ward 17, McMinn 12, Flores and Bernal 8, Bitolas 5, Clanahan 4.

The final outing was a tough one, the Cowboys outlasting the Elida Tigers 63-60. Winn had 20, Bernal 16, McMinn 13, Clanahan 10, and Ward and Davis 2 each.

The Cowgirls did not fare as well as their male counter parts in the tournament going down in defeat to all three of their opponents. Texico beat the Cowgirls 71-56 in the first game. Scoring for Plains were Squyres and Bernal, 11 each, Bearden 9, St. Romain and Willett, 8 each, Bryan 6, and Winn 3.

Lazbuddie outscored the Cowgirls 50-40. Jones led Cowgirl scoring with 7, followed by Bearden 7, Squyres 4, St. Romain, Bernal & Winn, 3, Willett 2, and Warren 1.

The girls dropped the final game to Olton 69-54. Scorers were Jones 19, Squyres 18, Winn 8, Bearden 6, and Warren 3.

COWBOY - COWGIRL SUNDOWN JV MEET

The Cowboy JV basketballers swept all three of their games in the Dec. 8-10 Sundown Tournament, and brought home the First Place Trophy. They defeated Meadow 82-39, Morton 79-28, and Sundown 66-47. Scorers in the three games were; Meadow- Dearing 11, Lester 10, Ramirez and Luna 10 each, House 8, Parrish and Robertson 7, Pierce 5, Willett 4, Forbus and Payne 3, Deaton and Smith 2. Morton- Lester 18, Ramirez 15, Parrish 11, House 9, Willett and Luna 8, Dearing and Payne 4, Smith 2. Scoring was not available for the final Sundown game. Coach Brink was well pleased with the three game performance, noting, "I'm proud of this group. All thirteen team members had a hand in the victories."

The Cowgirl JV team lost the first two very close outings in the tourney, going down to Meadow 32-31, then again on Friday 40-38 in overtime. They bounced back to trounce Southland 43-10 on Saturday. Scoring stats were, Meadow (1)- Tarango 12, Six 10, Box 5, Beckham and Koncaba 2 each. Meadow (2)- Tarango 12, Koncaba 9, Box 6, Six, Beckham and Morales 3, Stewart 2. Southland- Six and Morales 8 each, Box and Gonzales 7 each, Beckham 5, Koncaba and Stewart 4 each.

PARTY FOR SONYA YOUNG

Mrs. Sonya Young, student teacher in Mrs. House's third grade class, was honored on Dec. 2 with a surprise birthday party by the students. The event was also a going away for Mrs. Young, who finished her student teaching this semester.

Both Mrs. House and the youngsters expressed their thanks to Mrs. Young for her efforts, and assured her she will be missed.



PISD ESSAY CONTEST WINNER

We are proud to announce the winner of our recent PISD High School Essay Contest, one young Mary Morales. A Sophomore student in Mrs. O'Quinn's English class, she competed in the contest we sponsored, with the Holiday Theme, "My Most Memorable Christmas". This contest was limited to Freshmen and Sophomore students, and a word to the wise in the Junior and Senior classes; 'You'd better work hard, kids, because these two classes behind you have some writing talent'.

It was by a very narrow margin vote we chose Mary's essay as winner. Mrs. O'Quinn submitted four of the works to us, and we thought they were all excellent examples of young writers work. We appreciate all their efforts, and all displayed much thought and talent.

Here is Mary's essay, exactly as turned in to her instructor;

"NOT WITHOUT MY FAMILY"

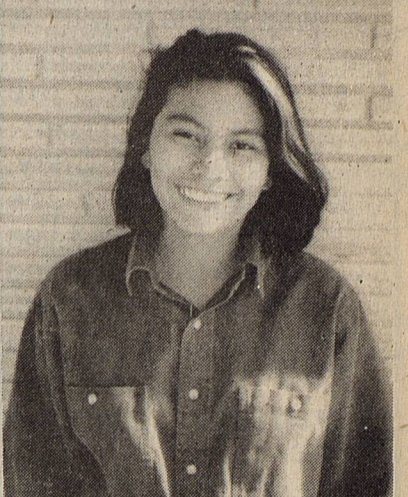
For me, the most memorable Christmas, by far is the Christmas we nearly weren't all together. First of all I'll give a little bit of background from my life. We have a big family and the ties run deep. It's unheard of to spend a holiday or feast without anyone and everyone there. Two Christmases ago, though, the total nightmare happened. We have eight people in our family. Two little sisters and myself still remain at home with my parents. My older brother lives in San Antonio and my two eldest sisters live in Amarillo. It happens that my oldest sister, Rosa, in an R.N. and it was her turn to work on Christmas Day. The roads were blocked from San Antonio, and my other sister, Martha, was down with the flu. We were just thrown aback. What was Christmas without the family? This all seemed terrible and my mother was really depressed. We hadn't spent

time together in a long time. We decided that Christmas dinner wouldn't be the same so we would keep it down to a small private affair. Me and my little sisters Laura and Kristian moped around all day long one because our dinner was going to be very dismal and two because we weren't going to receive all the gifts we had planned on. Christmas Day finally rolled around. The gloominess chill of outside matched the feeling inside of the house. I got up and went to the living room and I couldn't believe my eyes there was my brother. He said, half-asleep, that he had flown down, because he couldn't bear the thought of being alone and he being a bachelor also stated he didn't know how to cook a turkey. Our outlook brightened a bit. The day went on, we built a snowman that crumbled and looked better crumbled. Then I heard honking so I turned around and my face lit up. My sister, Martha, had recovered from the flu and felt well enough to have her husband drive her down. Was this a miracle or what? But the fact remained that Rosa was stuck in a hospital taking care of her patients. Christmas dinner came and with it both joy and sorrow. How was I supposed to eat with a big lump in my throat? At our house, it's customary for everyone to contribute to the prayer. When my turn came I just thanked God for everything, but I wished my sister was here to make everything complete. As the prayer concluded, the door suddenly burst open and my first reaction was "burr" followed by the "Oh, no, it's that stupid Santa Claus wanna be." But then as I came out of my daze, there stood Rosa, radiant as ever. Her patient got well and she had the day off because her patient insisted she come spend the day with us. The celebration began. The biggest gift I have ever received,

and the best as for that matter, was from a person I don't even know. It's from that kind lady who sent me my family home for Christmas.

As we announced in last weeks paper, the young writer will receive a \$20 Gift Certificate, which can be exchanged at the business of her choice, Jerri's Boutique, Renaissance, or Bayer Lumber and Hardware.

Our congratulations, Mary!



YOUNG AUTHOR, MARY MORALES

PISD STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Plains High School Student of the Week is Sandi Warren. Sandi is a Freshman at Plains High School and is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Howard. She was nominated by Mrs. O'Quinn.

This weeks Student of the Week was unanimously selected by faculty members. that comes as no surprise to the teachers and coaches who teach this student. Qualities that set this student apart include, conscientiousness, determination, dedication, and heart. This student's work is always done to perfection, and without fanfare. You would normally observe this student as quiet, shy and reserved until you see her compete in volleyball and then she becomes quick, aggressive, and helps take charge of the court. Lately, she has spent almost every tutorial for the past month practicing for UIL journalism events.

Sorry, out of space. See Sandi Warren's photo on page 2.

PLAINS HIGH SCHOOL FIRST SEMESTER EXAMS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1994

	From	To	
1ST Period	8:15	9:00	45 min.
2nd Period	9:04	9:49	45 min.
Break	9:49	10:04	15 min.
3rd Period (EXAM)	10:08	11:23	1:15
4th Period	11:27	12:12	45 min.
Lunch	12:12	12:52	40 min.
5th Period (EXAM)	12:56	2:11	1:15
6th Period	2:15	3:00	45 min.
7th Period	3:04	3:31	27 min.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1994

1st Period	8:15	9:00	45 min.
Break	9:00	9:15	15 min.
2nd Period (EXAM)	9:19	10:34	1:15
Break	10:34	10:49	15 min.
4th Period (EXAM)	10:53	12:08	1:15
Lunch	12:08	1:00	52 min.
6th Period (EXAM)	1:04	2:19	1:15
7th Period	2:23	3:31	68 min.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1994

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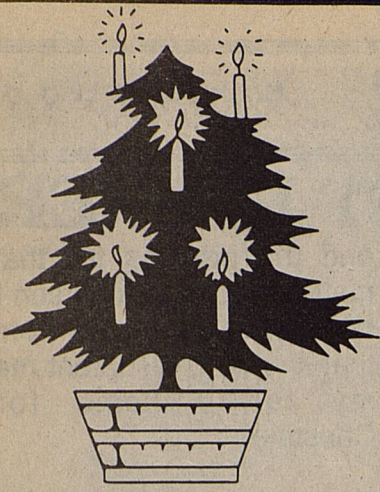
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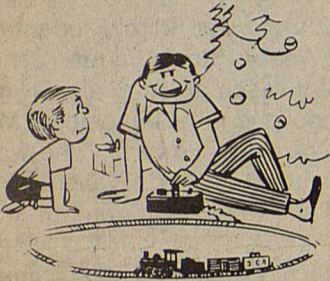
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CHRISTMAS DECOR LOOKING GREAT

We may not have a White Christmas, but it's going to be a real pretty one, nevertheless. Downtown, the Pioneer Plaza with its new tree by Danny Steffens, and the Courthouse front, decorated by John Curry, looks its best in years. The Plains State Bank and Lea County Electric building are again resplendent with Christmas lighting, and Linda Powells' Renaissance window sparkles. There are far too many examples of beautiful, creative, home decorating ideas in the residential areas than we can cover. If you haven't done so already, go for a leisurely drive around town one evening soon. It will be worth your time.



NIKKI MCGINTY TO GRADUATE DECEMBER 17

Nikki McGinty will receive her Master Of Science Degree in Agriculture from Tarleton State University December 17.

Her graduate research emphasized Entomology, including the completion and publication of her Thesis, "Hymenopterous Pupal Parasites of the House Fly in Dairies, Erath County, Texas, 1993 and 1994."

While attending graduate school, she was employed by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, District 8, Entomology, and Tarleton State University as a graduate teaching assistant, Freshman Animal Science Labs.

Nikki is the daughter of Kenneth and Ann McGinty. She graduated from Plains High School in 1989

PLAINS HIGH EX IN XMAS SHOW

"Kountry Kicking Khristmas", a presentation of A Texas Happening, was presented in Athens, Texas on Friday night, December 9 at the Trinity Valley Community College auditorium.

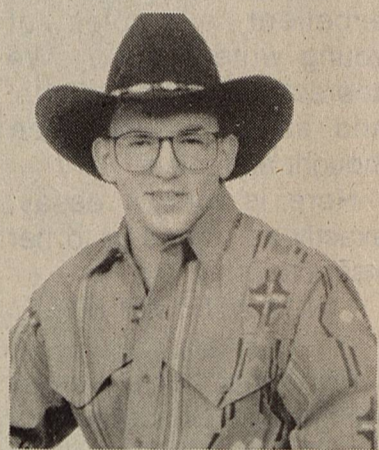
The community program featured former Cowboy graduate Jimmy Robertson singing his George Strait type country music. Jimmy is the son of Mr. & Mrs. J. R. Robertson of the city.

BAND CONCERT

The entire Cowboy Band, 5th thru 12 grades, will perform a concert Sunday, December 18, at 2:00 PM in the High School Auditorium. The bands entire program will feature Christmas theme numbers.

Byron Morgan, Band Director, reports five members of the band received All Region Honors Dec. 10 at the Association of Texas Small School Bands (ATSSB) competition in Brownfield. The five are Tessa St. Romain, Steve Vasquez, Eric Estrada, Jason Robertson, and Brad Seaton. Robertson and Seaton will now compete in the ATSSB area competition at Sundown in January, in hopes of advancing to the All State competition.

Come hear our Bands' "Big Sound" December 10. You'll enjoy it!



Jason Robertson

FROM THE HACK

Recently heard a Nobel nominee for Philosopher of the Year award at 'The Table of Wisdom' spouting off in rare form, "Yes sir, I've got a lot of friends, but I guess old So & So is the best one I ever had," or some such nonsense.

Now just a moment here! How does he know he has lots of friends? Did he take a voter exit poll? Did he send out, 'List Your Favorite Buddy' ballots? Does he have an affidavit from old So & So telling him he's his bosom buddy?

In order to determine true friendship, you must submit the would be friend to one or more Litmus tests of fidelity. Get yourself in deep, dark financial shape, and ask old buddy to loan you money, for one true test. Or, let a rattlesnake bite you on one of several unmentionable parts of your anatomy, then see if Pal Joe or Jane will orally remove the venom. Tell your dear friend you have suddenly and madly fallen in love with his or her spouse, and see how ardent an admirer they remain.

In jest, tell him or her you furnished their name to the IRS as a good subject for auditing. If you're really

serious about testing friendships, pour a cup of friendly sugar in their friendly gas tank.

I have a semi-retired, semi-lawyer, semi-literate, semi-friend living in San Angelo whom I most assuredly would not submit to any of the above tests. We correspond regularly, and some of his writings are quite humorous, but far too smutty to repeat here. His favorite Term of Endearment for me is, "You S.O.B.", but swears it means Sorry Old Boy. The feeling is mutual, of course.

His latest missive, remarking on a recent piece in this column about Christmas shopping for my bride, suggested I give her what she really needs and wants; A divorce. He further offered to arrange it for considerably less than the \$400 mentioned in the column. That's a pretty good gesture of friendship, especially for a rotten lawyer, don't you think? Merry Xmas, Townes. And you're one too.

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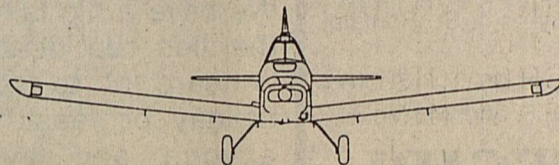
volunteers must participate in required training sessions, carry out the instructions of the Judge, ensure confidentiality of hearings, and agree to serve a term of six months. The cases heard by Teen Court under class 1 are traffic violations, such as equipment violations, vehicle registration, inspection stickers and parking violations, Driver's License violation / restrictions, no seat belt, no helmet, run red light/stop sign, and speeding 0-15 miles over the speed limit and 0-9 miles over the speed limit within the school zone. Class 4 offenses include negligent collision and speeding 25 miles over the speed limit and 10 miles over the speed limit within the school zone. The sentencing range is 4-8 hours of community service for Class 1 violations to 24-30 hours of community service for Class 4 violations.

Ms. Pettigrew serves as Teen Court sponsor for the Plains Schools. She encouraged citizens to sit in on the hearings. She said all visitors would be required to sign the confidentiality oath, swearing that all information received during the Teen Court case presentations remain secret. Ms. Pettigrew emphasized the importance of this program in teaching responsibility to our youth.



Left: Jennifer Earnest, Right: Mary Pettigrew

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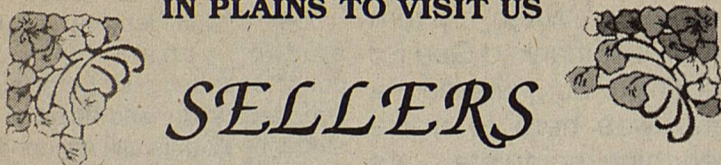
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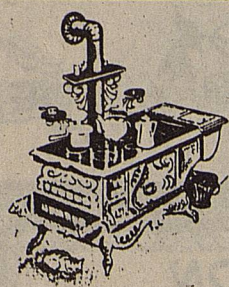
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MICROWAVE PEANUT PATTIES

- 2-cups sugar
- 1/2 cup light corn syrup
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/8 tsp. salt
- 1 1/2 cup peanuts (raw)
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 2 tsp.. oleo
- 3-4 drops red food coloring

Combine sugar, water, syrup and salt in a glass bowl. bring to boil in microwave, app. 3 mi.. Stir and add peanuts. Return to microwave and cook 8 mi... (9 mi.. for harder candy) Add oleo, vanilla and food color. cool. Then beat until creamy. Drop by teaspoonfuls onto waxed paper.

Always use raw peanuts. Because if the nuts are roasted the husk will come off in the candy. The husk will become hard, and could cut your mouth.

THE LOCAL CANCER SUPPORT GROUP MEETS THE 2ND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MO. IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL OF THE FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 5:30PM. THE MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO ANYONE IN THE AREA.

Did you hear the one multitude of angels came about the wife who returned home from a Christmas shopping spree appearing thoroughly disheveled? Her clothes were wrinkled. Her hair unkept. Her makeup smeared. Her husband could visibly tell she was depleted both physically and emotionally. He was concerned and worried. Fearing something terrible had happened, he walked up to her and very com- fortably asked her what had happened. She replied, "I was malled!"

Have you been to the mall in the past couple of weeks? Just to sit and watch the people is surely a lesson in human (or animal) behavior. But the people I feel sorry for is not the hurried customer looking for just the right gift for that special person. It is not those members of the crowd moving like a heard of cattle through the maze of consumer credit. It is not even the truly courageous who try to move against the flow of traffic moving around the ornate displays.

Those I feel sorry for are the clerks. Always expected to be on best behavior. Always held responsible for the decisions made in corporate headquarters. Always the brunt of the customer's frustration even though the poor clerk hasn't the ability to do anything but smile. Most of them are just trying to make a little extra money during the holiday season so they can provide a little something extra for a special member of their family. But you have seen the abuse they sometimes take in order to make the customer happy.

All of that activity. The irony is that it occurs right in the midst of the Christ- mas season. I thought the

declaring, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." (Luke 2:14)

The next time you find yourself getting caught up in the rush, the next time you feel your frustrations about to overcome you; look for someone with the tell-tale hollow face and give them the special attention of Christmas. Jesus forsook the splendors of heaven and took upon himself the form of a servant in order that we might know the miracle of God's grace. You, too, can be his ambassador in the marketplace. Take the risk. Your heart will be better because you did.

Cleve Kerby

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

IT'S MUCH MORE IMPORTANT TO TRY SOMETHING AND FAIL THAN TO NEVER TAKE A SWING AT IT.

CHRISTIE BRINKLEY

EVER TIME YOU TRY SOMETHING NEW, EVERY TIME YOU REACH FOR A NEW LEVEL OF ACHIEVEMENT, WHATEVER THE OUTCOME, YOU WILL LEARN VALUABLE LESSONS. YOUR IDEA MAY OR MAY NOT WORK. BUT IF YOU NEVER GIVE IT A TRY, IT HAS ALREADY FAILED.

PRAYER CONCERNS

- D. WILSON
- JW BEAL
- PAT HENARD

HAPPY
HOLIDAYS
FROM -CCN

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

- December 14;
Linda Bernal, Jeannette Head
- December 15;
Scott Addison, Raynee Davis
- December 16;
Tessa St. Romain, Misty Willett, Gay Wilmeth
- December 17;
Stacie Earnest, Billy Winn, Wade Gass, Kathy Bell, Manuel Estrada, Jack Palmer, Doyle & Candi Seaton (A), Gary & Kathy Six (A)
- December 18;
Brent & Kim Van Dyke (A), Tommy & Cindra Box (A)
- December 19;
Tim Addison, Renece Sellers
- December 20;
Travis Austin, Jason Durham, Cecilia Knight, Rosario Medina, Wilma Powell, Peggy Squyres

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PRESENTED

The First United Methodist Church presented their annual Christmas Program on Dec. 11, "A Savior Is Born". The children were excited and did a great job. Like every year, Mr. and Mrs. Barron Blair provided sacks of candy for the children. Finger food was served in the fellowship hall after the program. Thanks to all who helped with the program. A job well done. The children will always remember it.

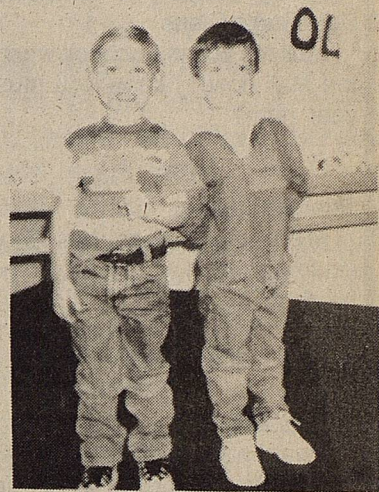
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New York Public Library Desk Reference Book
Men Are from Mars, Women Are From Venus
Wreath Magic
Apostles of the Bible
Home Coming
El Paso Chile Company's Burn- ing desires- cookbook
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Touched by Angels
Catcher Was a Spy
Diabetic Man
DOS For Dummies
Windows For Dummies
BOOKS ON CASSETTE:
Mrs. Pollifax - The China Station
Mrs. Pollifax - On Safari
Women of Brewster Place
Geronimo
Mists of Avalon Series
Mrs. Pollifax - Second Thief
Virtual Light
Stained White Radiance
Killer Angels
Mattie
VIDEOS:
Daniel - Animated
Ethan Frome
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States III and IV Series
Atlanta
Grumpy Old Men
Iron Will
My Father the Hero
Pelican Brief
Philadelphia
Rudy
Shadowlands
Christmas Video Music and Stories

LIBRARY FILM TIME

Twenty-five preschool youngsters enjoyed the weekly film time activities Wednesday, Dec. 7 at the County library. Those attending were; Jasmine Mares, Blake Longoria, Lauren Davis, Taylor Banfield, Katie Winn, Ryan Crump, Jacob Brink, Meagan McElroy, Alex & Heather Penner, Kevin John Gass, Landon & Dakota Earnest, Christopher & Stephanie Addison, Jason Durham, Marcos Rivera, Holden & Hunter Welch, Britnie Duran, Lepus R. Jimenez, Wyatt & Lee Dearing, Morgan Willis, Ashley & Nicole Sellers.

Birthday boys Jason Durham 3, and Holden Welch 4, were treated with a special party.



JASON DURHAM
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We hope you receive everything you wished for.



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LLMI sold 960 cattle, 79 sheep and goats, 48 hogs and 13 horses for 174 consignors Friday, December 9, 1994. The market was active, trade and demand good, buyer participation excellent with a house full of folks. Compared to last week, the calf and yearling market was \$2-3.00 higher with an excellent selection of calves on hand. Bred cows, and pairs were steady with last week, as were packer cows and bulls. Representative Sales include:

Dan Berry	Eunice	1 Char str	280	110.00
Dan Berry	Eunice	2 Char str	563	77.25
Philip Berry	Lovington	3 Char b/c	667	80.00
Caswell Ranch	Brownfield	8 Char X str	807	71.30
C & C Stock Co.	Lovington	4 Rd str	305	104.50
Frankie Caudill	Lovington	2 Brang str	293	105.00
Mary Foster	Dell City	3 Mf str	360	95.00
Clarence Massey	Tatum	22 Char X str	553	82.00
Russ Massey	Tatum	5 Char str	491	82.50
Lawrence Morgan	Carlsbad	1 Blk str	410	90.25
Leo Sims	Hobbs	4 Mxd str	324	98.00
S & W Cattle Co	Hobbs	7 Blk wf str	297	108.00
Luis Salgado	Tatum	2 Char str	348	99.00
Tom Cattle Co	Andrews	7 Blk mf str	395	94.50
Philip Berry	Lovington	7 Char hfr	450	84.00
Weever Eustrace	Seminole	1 Blk mf hfr	720	67.00
Johnny Fitzgerald	Plains	9 Char hfr	388	85.00
Clarence Massey	Tatum	14 Char X hfr	438	77.50
Bob Malone	Seminole	3 Brang hfr	328	83.00
Leo Sims	Hobbs	7 Mxd hfr	295	87.00
Jewel Toon	Lovington	2 Rd hfr	348	80.00
W & W Cattle Co	McCamey	3 Blk wf hfr	397	84.00
Gerald Woolam	Tatum	3 Rd hfr	895	62.50
Philip Berry	Lovington	1 Rd wf c	head	550.00
Henry Penner	Seminole	1 Rd c	head	470.00
Rick Tate	Marfa	3 Char X c	head	515.00
Troy Donley	Lubbock	1 Char c	head	560.00
Travis Tracey	Lubbock	1 Char pr	pair	610.00
Lea Brooker	Carlsbad	1 Brang c	810	44.00
Circle Cross Ranch	Timberon	1 Rd c	1210	42.25
Diamond & 1/2	Lovington	1 Brin c	875	40.75
High Lonesome Dairy	Hobbs	1 Hol c	1550	35.85
Ray Hilburn	Tatum	1 Blk c	1145	38.00
Kinsolving & Kinsolving	Tatum	1 Brn wf c	925	45.00
JC Mills	Abernathy	1 Char c	1090	38.75
Travis Marshall	Kermit	1 Rd c	1140	44.85
John Means	Vanhorn	1 Xbred c	935	39.85
Terry Nelson	Dell City	1 Brin c	985	41.50
Marvin Powell	Lovington	1 Char c	1120	44.00
Tom Powell	Hagerman	1 Blk c	1070	38.00
Ruch Dairy	Hobbs	1 Hol c	1435	37.00
Rockview Dairy	Hobbs	1 Hol c	1625	37.25
Woodward Livestock	Girvin	1 Blk c	1115	41.75
W & W Cattle Co.	McCamey	1 Rd c	1060	41.25
Louis Woodward	Girvin	1 Brin c	985	41.50
Dan Berry	Eunice	1 Char b	1845	54.00
Circle Cross Ranch	Timberon	1 Xbred b	1560	51.00
Kinsolving & Kinsolving	Tatum	1 Wf b	1875	50.00
Marvin Powell	Lovington	1 Rd b	1770	52.00
SHEEP & GOATS:				
Diego Anchondo	Plains	2 Ewes	175	41.00
Bivins Family Farm	Tatum	6 Muttons	head	60.00
Juan Pena	Lovington	1 Brn billy	head	87.50
B & B Livestock	Levelland	2 Tan billy	head	78.00
Joe McKee	Seagraves	1 Tan billy	head	77.50
Bill Prather	Roswell	1 Tan bill	head	93.00
Tim Sappington	Dexter	2 Mxd kid	head	31.00
T. L. Smith	Odessa	1 Pnt billy	head	62.50
L B Tippy	Hobbs	1 Mxd kid	head	32.50
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Mike Wilson	Artesia	1 Wh cab	head	75.00
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Juan Lopez	Hobbs	2 Wh gilts	220	41.50
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Leroy Tyson	Seagraves	1 App colt	head	480.00

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**LETTERS TO
SANTA CLAUS**

These great messages to Santa Claus are from Kindergarten, First and Third grade students in Mrs. Simmons, Morris, and Avila classes. We are reproducing them as written. We could not improve on them!

Dear Santa,
I want a little kids 4-wheeler, gymnastic Barbie, and Kiss and Giggles and that's all. Just 4 things is all I want for Christmas. I have been a real good girl.

I love you Santa,
Kimberly Jackson

Dear Santa,
I want a puppy dog, a Barbie and a boat that is in Wal Mart at Lubbock. A twist and style Tiffany is what I want to twist her hair. A microwave cake maker is what I really need to make my own dessert for supper.

Nicole Culwell

Dear Santa,
I want some new light-up shoes that I will wear to school. I want a phone so I can call my friends and Mrs. Simmons. I want a television so I can watch my own shows. A VCR would help me out a lot too.

Maghan Garcia

Dear Santa,
I really need some toy soldiers. I also want a rope and lace-up boots and a hat. Make sure you get the boots in black. That's all for now.

Scott Addison

Dear Santa,
I want a jeep. I want a Barbie

Yvette Luna

Dear Santa Claus,
I will tell you in Lubbock what I really want. Make sure you are at the Mall now! I know you must remember me talking to you last year, right?

See ya,
Landon Craft

Dear Santa,
My name is Desiraye Broome. I am 6 years old and in kindergarten. I want a brown horse. He is to be real. He needs to be about this big..... I really need a new Barbie, a Barbie house and a computer to practice on at home. I didn't even cry at the dentist office.

Desiraye Broome

Dear Santa,
I want a Night Bright. It is my favorite toy. That big Barbie that you put her clothes is what I need. I want a computer that shows on television. I want an alligator and a Miss May game.

Callie Howell

Dear Santa,
I want a new bicycle and a scooter. I will ride in my front yard with them. I want a truck that is called Tonka, a play snake that I can scare everyone that is mean. I want a new shirt (buttons). I want a hat that goes across.

Elizabeth Tarango

Dear Santa
For Christmas I want a tape called sweet Mother Texas. because I love that tape. and I want a remote control pik-up. but I will lev yousom cookies and milk and thatnk you for all you have done. Oh and I'll most to tell you I will leve the front door open or unlokit and I will be rety for you

love
Ross Talor

Dear Santo
in christmas I like because Santo Claus bring toys and presents. in I like to Santo Claus bring me a Barbie in I want a littil bare blue in went Santo Clous came I want to see the reindeer

Love
Elva Velasquez

Dear Santa Claus
Santa Claus I woud like a doll or a baribig. And I'm duon cook some Christmas cookies and hot choclet. And for your wife too. Thank you Santa Claus.

Love
April

3rd grade
Dear Santa Claus
I would wik to have a fourwheeler and. A presents and to see your reindeers thank you Santa Claus

love
Jose Avila

Dear Santa Claus
For Christmas I want a four wheeler ande a sega CD and a remote control and a typewriter and a ten present and a motorcycl and two reindeers.

love,
Richard Diaz

Dear Santa Claus
I want a small motorcycle for Christmas and a Sega. I will leave sum cookies and milk. And I want a Christmastree and a molorcyclebicycle for Christmas too. Thank you Santa Claus

Love
Larry Escobar

Dear Santa Claus
I want a typewriter for Christmas. And a dollhouse too. I want to leave you some cookies and milk. I hope I get a lot of presents. for Christmas this year. Please get it for me. I love to have a happy Chistmas this year. Thank you..

Love
JeannieLomgonia

Dear Santa
I what to tell you that I am doing good in school and I also tell you what I want for Chrismas. i what a tape of George Strait. I also what a sega cd. I what a remote control car. Please could I have all those things. Have a Marry Christmas

Love
Anthony Loya

Dear Santa Claus
Santa I want a typewriter and a barbie. I want some new Sunday shoes for christmas becaus I dont have no sunday shoes. My mom and dad are going to by us a present. My sister and my brother are wishing a present for christmas for me an mom and dad. Please let Peter my brother be a little more careful. Thank you my friend

Love
Helena N ?

Dear Santa,
For chistmas I want Talking Lapsella, Super Joker 1000.

Dear Santa Claus
I want a sleigh with some gloves. I wood like lots of stuff from you and Mr. Claus thank you Santa

Love
Lionel Olivas

Dear Santa Claus,
Do you know what I want for Christmas I want a dollhouse and four wheeler me and brothers. And please please give me a dollhouse and four wheeler

Sincerely Santa,

Dear Santa Claus
it's almost christmas and I hop you are coning in your Sleigh I want for christmas I want a Sega c.d. and a motorcycle bike the mew one and I want a mew hockey goal and a Joon madden football 1995. thank you

Love
Zachary

Dear Santa,
For christmas I want Talking Capsella, Super soker 1000, movie chare, T.V., Aces over Eurp C.d. for computer and V.C.R.. I was a good boy. Do pleas let me have thees things

Sincereley,
Nolan Newsom
Stetson Sellers

Dear Santa,
I want a toy like a swing, and I will leave a cookie for you to eat up.

Jose Luis Gallegos

Dear Santa,
I want a bow and arrow. I want a bear. He needs to be green.

Rudy Gonzales

Dear Santa,
I am writing to tell you how good my kindergarten class has been. Each one is very special. Each child is so delighted about this time of the year. Thank you for putting the little gleam in their eyes. We have been working very hard on learning the names of the alphabet and the sounds each letter makes. I know you will be proud of their work as I am.

Happy New Year,
Mrs. Simmons

1st Grade
Dear Santa Claus,
Thank you for the doll this year I woud like a ter speed and a trampoline.

Your Friend,
PrisciLLa

Dear Santa,
Thank you for teh five engine last year. This year I would like a guitar for Christmas, please

Your Friend,
Michael

Dear Santa Claus,
Tha dump truck last bike and a helmet and I would like bike and a Sum Nepesand a hem

Jason

Dear Santa Claus,
Thank you for a piano doll last year. This year. I Would like you to bring me a wagon for Christmas.

Your friend,
Gabriela

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the shoes Last year. This year I would lik a truck for Christmas.

Your Friend,
Sammy

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the rollerblades Last year. This year I would like a Trampoline.

You friend
Jordan

Dear Santa Claus,
Thank you for the blue race car last year This year could you please bring me a Nintendo and a fishing pole. i hope you have a good Christmas.

Your friend,
Leo

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