

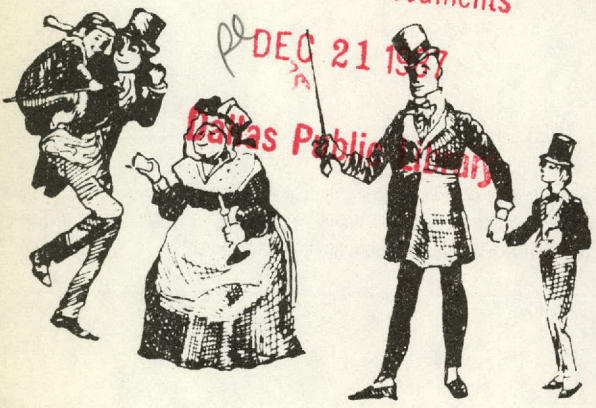
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DECEMBER 1987 - FEBRUARY 1988

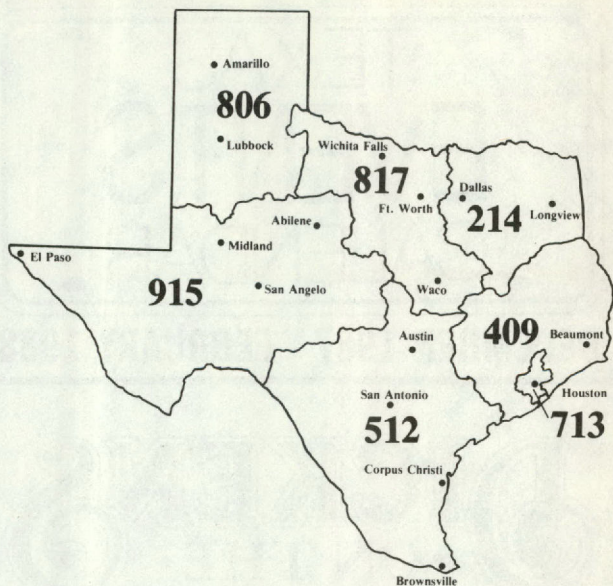
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- 1 **Conroe** Fantasy of Lights (downtown on the square; holiday lighting, caroling, holiday treats, Santa) (409/756-6644)
- 1 **El Paso** Soup & Sherry at Museum of Art (915/541-4040)
- 1 **Gilmer** Yulefest (tree lighting, choirs, refreshments, tour of lights, Santa) (214/797-2060)
- 1 **Hondo** Wintergarden Area Pecan Show (pecan judging & bake sale)
- 1 **Kilgore** Christmas Parade (6:30 pm; Santa's official arrival) (214/984-5022)
- 1 **Marshall** Christmas Parade (214/935-7821)
- 1 **Mercedes** Winter Texan Reception (music, gifts, prizes, refreshments) (512/565-2221)
- 1 **Mt. Pleasant** Christmas Parade (214/572-8567)
- 1-6 **Austin** Christmas at Caswell House (began Nov. 29; decorations reflect 1900s culture; tea room, bazaar) (512/472-0779)
- 1-6 **Eldorado** "Christmas & More" Crafts Exhibit (915/853-2990)
- 1-13 **Fort Worth** Natl Cutting Horse Assn World Cup Futurity (world's top cutting horses compete for \$2 million purse & intl honors; in new \$18 million equestrian/livestock/agriculture show complex) (817/244-6188)
- 1-20 **Lubbock** South Plains Quilters Guild Show (at Garden & Arts Center) (806/762-6411 x 2724)
- 1-31 **Mt. Vernon** Downtown Fantasyland (downtown gazebo and plaza become Christmas fantasyland; gingerbread house, Santa's sleigh & reindeer, living Christmas Tree, Christmas carousel) (214/537-4365)
- 2 **Denton** "The Madcracker" (satirical presentation of "The Nutcracker" at NTSU Auditorium) (817/565-2428)
- 2 **Houston** Lighting of the City Christmas Tree (mayor officiates over program of music, Christmas lights, street vendors & other holiday excitement) (713/641-7530)
- 2-5 **Linden** Square Deal Days (Christmas parade & car show Sat) (214/756-3106)
- 3 **Brenham** Downtown Christmas Stroll (a candlelight stroll through festively decorated downtown; entertainment, free wassail at shops, Santa visit) (409/836-3695)
- 3 **Ennis** Downtown Christmas Choir Stroll (luminarias along sidewalks; photos with Santa)

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- 3 Grapevine City Lighting & Parade of Kids, Choirs & Candles (parade of floats & Mr & Mrs Claus) (817/481-1522)
- 3 Lubbock Community Christmas Party (at Memorial Civic Center) (806/762-6411 x 2265)
- 3 McAllen Yulefest Concert by Valley Symphony & Chorale (Christmas favorites including the Messiah sing-along) (512/381-8682)
- 3 Muenster Christmasfest Parade & Lighting of Town (817/759-2227)
- 3 Taylor Christmas Parade of Lights (evening parade with lighted entries; carolers, music, entertainment, Santa) (512/352-6364)
- 3 Texas City Christmas Parade (409/935-1408)
- 3-5 Dallas Chi Omega Christmas Market (holiday specialties of 125 merchants; benefit shopping event) (214/739-0588)
- 3-5 Jefferson Christmas Candlelight Tour (4 historic homes ranging from picturesque Dutch Colonial Revival to quaint batten board cottage, all decorated in fresh greenery and handmade ornaments; carolers in historic district and special Christmas music at First Methodist Church) (214/665-8390)
- 3-5 Marshall Ark-La-Tex Shoot Out Basketball Tourney (214/938-4626)
- 3-4, 6 Canyon Old-Fashioned Christmas at Panhandle Plains Museum (hostesses in authentic costumers of 1880s-early 1900s in Pioneer Village; gingerbread and hot cider served) (806/655-7191)
- 3-6 Dallas Candlelight Tours at Old City Park (step back in time to 1885 to the re-created charm of bygone Christmases; music, carolers) (214/421-5141)
- 3-6 Irving "The Nutcracker" (214/252-7558)
- 3-6 Mesquite Magnificent Mesquite Centennial Finale (214/285-0211)
- 3 Centennial Dinner
- 4 All-Day Exhibits & Activities at Schools, Historical Performance in Evening
- 5 "Snow White & the Seven Dwarfs" by Eastfield College Players
- 6 Symphony Concert, Tree Lighting Ceremony with Choral Groups, Bell Choirs, Santa
- 3-6, 11-13 Bulverde "The Gifts of the Magi" at STAGE Theatre (O. Henry's captivating story is a musical treat) (512/438-2339)
- 3, 17 Columbus Walking Tour; Arts, Crafts, at Thursday's Treasures (features city's museums, historic structures, antique & art shops) (409/732-5881)
- 3-10, 17 Fredericksburg Old-Fashioned Christmas (luminarias light the streets for late shopping; carolers entertain; tree-lighting ceremony starts these special shopping evenings) (512/997-6523)
- 4 Bandera Christmas Parade & Shoppers Jubilee (shopping specials & refreshments, caroling on library lawn) (512/796-4312)

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- 4 **Beaumont** 24th Garden Clubs' Christmas Tour of Homes
(3 homes & Garden Center decorated for the
holidays; decoration boutique with wreaths,
baskets, angels, swags, trees) (409/892-9206)
- 4 **Brownfield** Christmas Homes Tour (806/637-7436)
- 4 **El Paso** Ballet Folklorico Christo Rey
(at Civic Center) (915/591-4965)
- 4 **Farmers Branch** Christmas Tree Lighting (Santa & his elves,
old-fashioned sing-along) (214/788-2000)
- 4 **Hallettsville** Christmas Lighting Ceremony (community choir,
bands, sing-along, Santa's arrival) (512/798-2716)
- 4 **Hallettsville** Country Opry (music by local &
regional artists) (512/798-2311)
- 4 **Houston** "The Nutcracker" by Houston Ballet
(at Wortham Center) (713/227-ARTS)
- 4 **Kingsville** Christmas Parade (512/592-8516)
- 4 **La Marque** Christmas Parade of Lights (409/938-0527)
- 4 **Nacogdoches** Christmas Tour of Homes (4 distinctive
homes, crafts sale) (409/569-0883)
- 4 **New Braunfels** A Visit from St. Nicholas (at
Sophienburg Museum) (512/629-1572)
- 4 **Nocona** Downtown Christmas (tree lighting &
special events) (817/825-3526)
- 4 **Orange** Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony
(on Riverwalk) (409/886-7424)
- 4-5 **Cleburne** The Christmas House (bears are featured:
bear ornaments, "It's Bearly Christmas"
play, puppet show, children's games, bake
shop) (817/645-7844)
- 4-5 **McAllen** Christmas Candlelight Posada (live entertainment,
food & gift concessions) (512/682-2871)
- 4 Lighting of Easter Seal's Lights of
Love Tree, Town Band Concert,
Santa's Arrival, All-City Choir Festival
- 5 Lighting of City Christmas Tree, Candlelight
Procession to the Park & Enactment of the
Nativity Story, All-City Bell Choir Concert
- 4-5 **Muleshoe** Arts & Crafts Bazaar (70 exhibitors;
sponsored by Moonlight Extension Club)
- 4-5 **Pasadena** Texas Police Officers Rodeo Assn State
Finals (at Gilley's Arena) (713/941-7990)
- 4-5 **Plainview** Lions Pioneer Classic Men's Basketball
Tourney (daily 8 am-9 pm at
Wayland Baptist U) (806/293-2533)
- 4-5 **Tyler** Holiday in the Pines Homes Tours (candlelight
tours Fri; all day Sat) (214/561-8566)
- 4-5,11-13 **Bryan** Christmas Music Pageant (12 choirs
and ensembles perform sacred
Christmas music) (512/686-7418)
- 4-6 **Beaumont** Symphony of Trees (ice skating, arts,
crafts, Christmas trees exhibit,
children's activities) (409/866-4774)
- 4-6 **Boerne** Weihnacht's Fest (festival of lights in main
plaza, shopping opportunities) (512/249-9373)
- 4 Musical Walking Parade Ends at
Plaza with Santa's Arrival
- 5 Children's Parade, Musical Entertainment

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- 4-6 **Conroe** "Let's Sing Christmas"/"The Gift of the Magi" (at Crighton Theatre) (409/756-1226)
- 4-6 **Corpus Christi** Auto Show by Coastal Bend New Car Dealers (512/882-5500)
- 4-6 **Gruene (New Braunfels)** A Country Christmas (512/629-5077)
- 4 Wine Tasting & Turn-of-the-Century Texas Ball
- 5-6 Arts, Crafts, Foods, Demonstrations by Blacksmith & Potter, Antique Car Parade, Carolers, Folkdancers, Petting Zoo, Hayrides, Santa Arrives on Horseback; Entertainment by Jerry Jeff Walker at Gruene Hall
- 4-6 **Longview** Electronic Show (214/757-3333)
- 4-6 **Lubbock** Arts & Crafts Show at Memphis Place Mall
- 4-6 **Raymondville** Fun Fiesta (512/689-3171)
- 4 Christmas Parade
- 5 Arts & Crafts Bazaar
- 5-6 Annual Ranch Roundup
- 4-6 **Salado** A Christmas Stroll (Main St. shops & galleries aglow with holiday selections, carolers, luminaries, antique quilt show, Mr & Mrs Claus) (817/947-5567)
- 4-6 **Salado** Historic Homes Tours (5 historic buildings, decorated for the holidays) (817/947-8846)
- 4-6 **San Angelo** Christmas at Old Fort Concho (a dramatic heritage celebration of Christmas past; historic fort buildings, each decorated to honor area's multicultural heritage; Christmas shopping opportunities, foods, historical pageant, tree lighting ceremonies, wagon rides, music, dance; shuttle busses from Convention Center)
- 4-6 **Uvalde** YouthPop Christmas Production at Grand Opera House (512/278-4184)
- 4-7 **Canton** First Monday Trade Days (browse & barter for bargains along 15 miles of booths) (214/567-6556)
- 5 Chili Cookoff
- 4-12 **Wichita Falls** Santa House at Historic Kell House (817/723-0623)
- 4-6,11-13 **San Antonio** Fiesta de las Luminarias (festival of lights follows tradition begun in 1500s representing Holy Family's way to Bethlehem; River Walk illuminated by 1000's of candles) (512/227-4262)
- 4-6,12,19 **Granbury** "The Vaudevillians" Musical Comedy at Historic Opera House (817/573-9191)
- 4-6,11-13,18-20 **Bryan** Holiday Winery Tours (Victorian Christmas tours; lights, decorated trees, music at Messina Hoff Wine Cellars) (409/778-WINE)
- 4-20 **Corpus Christi** 27th Christmas Tree Forest (Art Museum of South Texas is transformed into breathtaking forest of spectacularly decorated Christmas trees) (512/884-3844)
- 4-6,11-13,
18-23,26-31 **Arlington** Holiday in the Park (Six Flags Over Texas is transformed into a winter wonderland with thousands of twinkling lights, horse-drawn carriage rides, a "snow" hill for sledding fun, Christmas shops; 5-11 pm) (817/460-8900)
- 5 **Athens** Jingle Bell Run (5-K & 10-K runs; [1-mi tentative]) (214/675-6210)

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- 5 Athens Christmas Parade (bands, marching groups, floats, Santa) (214/675-5181)
- 5 Bonham Christmas Parade (214/583-4811)
- 5 Brady Christmas at Heart Arts & Crafts Fair (many booths & attractions; Mrs Claus & Santa's elves will be on hand) (915/597-1510)
- 5 Breckenridge Christmas Parade (dozens of floats, bands, marching groups) (817/559-2301)
- 5 Caldwell Christmas Arts & Crafts Show (409/567-7979) & Holiday Tour of Homes (409/272-8963)
- 5 Calvert 1st Saturday Flea Market (picturesque setting on old jailhouse grounds behind interesting Main St)
- 5 Castroville Old-Fashioned Christmas (bands, carolers, arts, crafts, nativity scene, readings & plays, Santa) (512/538-3115)
- 5 Center Christmas Parade & Musical Program (409/598-3521)
- 5 Clear Lake Area Christmas Boat Lane Parade (7 pm; from Clear Lake through Seabrook/Kemah boat channel; boats feature Christmas lights, decorations, costumes; view from shoreline) (713/488-7676)
- 5 Cleburne "Amahl & the Night Visitors" Christmas Play (at Layland Museum's Carnegie Theater) (817/645-3921)
- 5 Cleveland First Saturday Arts, Crafts, Antiques & Collectibles Show (713/592-7711)
- 5 Cleveland Christmas Parade (tree lighting, caroling, Santa) (713/592-8786)
- 5 Corpus Christi Harbor Lights (mayor flips the switch to light holiday lights on stores, masts of boats in the marina, & city's Christmas tree; Mr & Mrs Claus arrive by boat; carols, dancing, entertainment) (512/882-3459)
- 5 Crosbyton Annual Christmas Bazaar (stage entertainment, children's choirs, style show, Santa) (806/675-2261)
- 5 Daingerfield Christmas Parade & Lighting Ceremony (214/645-2126)
- 5 Dalhart Christmas Arts & Crafts Bazaar (806/249-5469)
- 5 Denton Victorian Christmas on the Square (caroling & tree lighting; hay rides with Santa) (817/566-1487)
- 5 Farmersville Christmas Parade (214/782-6234)
- 5 Fredericksburg Santa Parade & Kinderfest (morning parade with Santa; Christmas party for children in afternoon sponsored by Historical Society) (512/997-2121; 997-9196)
- 5 Gatesville Christmas Parade (817/865-2617)
- 5 Gatesville Country & Gospel Music Jamboree (817/865-6145)
- 5 Georgetown Christmas Stroll Parade (parade & open houses around square) (512/863-0528)
- 5 Goldthwaite Arts & Crafts Festival (quality arts & crafts; concession stand) (915/648-3619)
- 5 Goliad Christmas in Goliad (Santa & Mrs Claus arrive in a sleigh pulled by a Longhorn; handmade arts & crafts show, antique doll exhibit, antique autos, food & continuous entertainment; Las Posadas procession from courthouse to Presidio La Bahia) (512/645-2330)
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- 5 **Granbury** Christmas Candlelight Tour (a walking & driving tour of Granbury's historic homes; all-day Yuletide entertainment with the Texas Boys Choir, horse-drawn trolley rides, Santa visit) (817/573-5548)
- 5 **Hillsboro** Christmas Parade & Festival of Lights
- 5 **Houston** Montrose Children's Pageant Parade (from 3400 Montrose to Museum of Fine Arts; tree lighting) (713/522-4505)
- 5 **Kerrville** Christmas Cheer at the Museum (benefit party at Cowboy Artists of America Museum) (512/896-2553)
- 5 **Lampasas** Teddy Bear Christmas (historical Christmas exhibits at Museum) (512/556-3641)
- 5 **Liberty** Fiesta '87 Christmas Bazaar (handcrafted items, plants, gifts; at Methodist Church) (409/336-6401)
- 5 **Longview** Living History Christmas at Gregg County Museum (costumed characters reenact activities of early Christmases in historical settings) (214/753-5840)
- 5 **Lumberton** Santa Comes to Lumberton Parade (float contest, arts, crafts, entertainment)
- 5 **Lubbock** West Texas Opry (806/762-6411 x 2265)
- 5 **Magnolia** Christmas Parade (713/259-9488)
- 5 **Matagorda** Fisherman's Festival (gumbo cookoff, arts, crafts, seafood lunch of shrimp, oyster gumbo) (409/244-7650)
- 5 **Memphis** Big Tom's Country Round-Up (806/259-3701)
- 5 **Mexia** Christmas Festival Parade & Tour of Homes (817/562-5569)
- 5 **Mineola** Christmas Parade (214/569-2087)
- 5 **Mt. Pleasant** Festival Fun Run (3-mi run; trophies) & Annual Christmas Ball (214/572-8567)
- 5 **Mt. Vernon** 49th Christmas Parade (noon parade followed by Santa visit) (214/537-4365)
- 5 **Muleshoe** 28th Christmas Parade (806/272-4248)
- 5 **Navasota** Christmas Parade & Candlelight Tour of Homes (seasonal demonstrations in retail area, food booths; melodrama, Christmas plays; tours of Victorian homes) (409/825-7328)
- 5 **New Braunfels** Antique Car Auction (512/629-1961)
- 5 **Nacona** Santa House for Children (817/825-4338)
- 5 **Orange** Christmas Parade & Riverwalk Dedication Ceremony (409/883-3536)
- 5 **Pearsall** Christmas Parade and Tree-Lighting Ceremony (afternoon parade; at 6 pm children bring ornaments to decorate tree; Christmas story reading & caroling) (512/334-2242)
- 5 **Pottsboro** Christmas Parade (214/786-6002)
- 5 **Quitman** Christmas Parade (214/763-4411)
- 5 **Raymondville** Arts & Crafts Bazaar (512/689-3171)
- 5 **Richardson** Christmas Parade & Tree Lighting (250-unit parade culminates with lighting ceremony) (214/234-4141)
- 5 **Richardson** 25th Symphony Holiday Concert (214/234-4195)
- 5 **Seagoville** Annual Christmas Program (crafts, games, booths & Santa; evening musical program) (214/287-5184)
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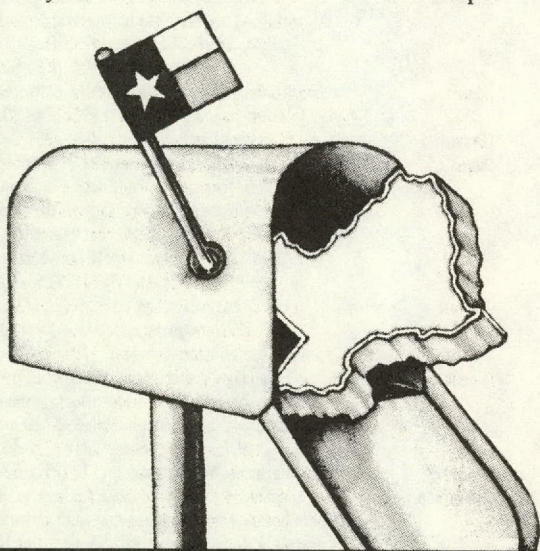
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- 5 Sealy Fantasy of Lights Parade (concludes with tree lighting & displays) (409/885-3222)
- 5 Stamford Holiday Happenings (arts & crafts, style show & brunch) (915/773-2411)
- 5 Stephenville Handel's "Messiah" by Civic & Tarleton U. Choirs (817/965-5313)
- 5 Sulphur Springs Lone Star Beefmaster Sale (214/885-8071)
- 5 Texas City Holiday Arts & Crafts Show (sponsored by Garden Club at Nessler Center)
- 5 Waxahachie Christmas Tree Lane Tour of Homes (holiday decorating ideas; homemade refreshments at one home) (214/937-2390)
- 5 Weslaco Christmas Open House at Valley Nature Center (demonstrations, entertainment, guided walks through 5-acre garden, gift items, all-day barbecue)
- 5 Wharton Downtown Christmas Celebration (parade & tree lighting ceremony) (409/532-2491)
- 5 Woodville Christmas Tour of Homes (409/283-2632)
- 5-6 Abilene "Nutcracker" Ballet (8 pm Sat; 2 pm Sun) (915/673-1981)
- 5-6 Amarillo "Home for Christmas" Festival of Trees (9 theme trees decorated with unique, handmade ornaments; handmade rocking horse, doll cradle, furnished Victorian doll house & Centennial quilt to be given away; gift shop, food service, home-baked goodies & canned goods) (806/353-6949)
- 5-6 Andrews Christmas Arts & Crafts Show (915/523-2695)
- 5-6 Arlington Texas Gun & Knife Assn Show (512/257-5844)
- 5-6 Athens Christmas Tour of Homes (homes decorated in Christmas spirit) (214/675-3210)
- 5-6 Bellville "Small Town Christmas" (tours of vintage & special interest homes decorated for the holidays; arts & crafts festival on the square) (409/865-5620)
- 5-6 Boerne Oma's Christmas Fair (arts, wooden craft items, gifts, folk art, handmade items) (512/249-3075)
- 5-6 Bryan Christmas Tour of Homes (409/268-2727)
- 5-6 Buda Budafest (100 vendors offer antiques, collectibles, & folk art of Texas and the Southwest; special foods include fajitas, sausage wraps, baked potatoes, homebaked sweets; entertainment by "Buda Philharmonic [no strings attached] Orchestra") (512/295-7601)
- 5-6 Calvert Christmas in the Country (a Christmas stroll down historic Main Street and showcase of historic homes) (409/364-2933)
- 5-6 Corsicana Carriage District Assn's Christmas Parlor Tour (beautifully decorated vintage homes exhibiting a warm, hospitable, old-fashioned holiday atmosphere) (214/872-4525)
- 5-6 Dallas Holiday Bazaar at Farmers Market (214/670-5880)
- 5-6 Galveston Dickens on the Strand (the fantasy and fun of 19th Century London re-created with costumed characters, food vendors, entertainers, handbell concerts; all in the glow of gaslights and lanterns. Victorian brunch at Ashton Villa Sat) (409/765-7834)
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- 5-6 **Goliad** Texas Frontier Rendezvous (living history demonstrations of frontier lifestyles at Presidio La Bahia; candlelight tours following Christmas Las Posadas Dec 5) (512/645-3752)
- 5-6 **McKinney** 16th Christmas Tour of Older Homes (5 private residences plus 4 Chestnut Square Historical District homes decorated by Heritage Guild members; handmade gifts & commestibles, hearth-cooking demonstrations, treats of syllabub & beaten biscuits) (214/548-0487)
- 5-6 **Plainview** ABWA Arts & Crafts Festival (806/293-1312)
- 5-6 **Richmond** Christmas on Morton Street (choirs, madrigal singers, arts, crafts, collectibles, horse-drawn carriage rides, petting zoo, dance & drama presentations) (713/341-8447)
- 5-6 **San Angelo** Craft Guild's Arts & Crafts Show (at City Auditorium) (915/655-2498)
- 5-6 **San Angelo** Symphony Christmas Pops Concert (features San Angelo Symphony & Chorale; in City Auditorium)
- 5-6 **San Antonio** 34th Christmas Pilgrimage & Merry Mart (tour of lavishly decorated homes; trees decorated with handmade ornaments, bazaar with holiday foods & crafts) (512/824-9981)
- 5-6 **San Antonio** River Walk Christmas Fair (handmade arts, crafts displayed in booths along River Walk) (512/227-4262)
- 5-6 **San Antonio** Volksmarches (512/333-8390; 512/659-0202)
- 5-6 **Sweetwater** Arts & Crafts Show (915/235-5258)
- 5-6 **Waco** Christmas on the Brazos (tours of stately museum houses, Christmas bazaar with crafts, gifts & foods at convention center; stagecoach rides) (817/753-5166)
- 5, 12 **Corpus Christi** Floral Designers' Christmas Showcase (area florists decorate the rooms of Centennial House, the city's oldest building, in keeping with the period; gift shop) (512/882-4144)
- 5-6, 12 **Goliad** Horse Racing at La Bahia Downs (post time: noon) (512/645-8208)
- 5-6, 12-13 **Dallas** Biggest Little Arts & Crafts Show (at Market Hall) (214/231-7678)
- 5-6, 12-13 **Dallas** DickensFest at Fair Park (Victorian holiday festival with 200 costumed characters, handcrafted arts & crafts, live entertainment on three stages; children's corner with puppets, crafts & treats; roasted chestnuts, wassail, gingerbread cookies & holiday foods) (214/937-6130)
- 5-6, 12-13 **Odessa** "The Wind in the Willows" at Permian Playhouse (915/362-2329)
- 5-7 **Richmond** "A Gift of Christmas Past" (300 candles light the way to decorated historic buildings; harp music, wassail and cookies at the Moore home; Santa at the courthouse; horsedrawn carriages, period costumes; arts, crafts) (713/342-6478)
- 5-16 **Kingsville** Christmas Tree Forest (afternoons, at South Gate Mall) (512/592-1819)
- 5, 19 **Odessa** "Brand New Opre" (country & western talent at Globe Theater) (915/332-1586)

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- 5-20 **Dallas** Old-Fashioned Christmas at DeGolyer Estate, Dallas Arboretum & Botanical Gardens (some 15 decorated trees; different theme in each room) (214/327-8263)
- 6 **Alvin** Christmas Tour of Homes (713/585-8662)
- 6 **Boerne** Historical Homes Tour (5 distinctive homes; special holiday displays at Historical House Museum & Henry J. Graham Bldg) (512/249-2469)
- 6 **Centerville** Holiday Tour of Homes (214/536-7261)
- 6 **Corpus Christi** Christmas Festival of Arts & Crafts (arts, crafts, plants, imports, collectibles) (512/991-2438)
- 6 **Del Rio** Winter Visitor Welcome Party (musical entertainment, food, prizes for Winter Texans) (512/775-3551)
- 6 **Ennis** Christmas Tour of Homes (214/875-3580)
- 6 **Farmers Branch** "Christmas Past" at Historical Park (1850s rock house with authentic historical decorations; entertainment, refreshments) (214/788-2000)
- 6 **Goliad** Family Christmas Concert at Mission Espiritu Santo (Victoria Grand Chorus, chamber orchestra & soloists; historic mission in Goliad State Park) (512/645-2351)
- 6 **Hallettsville** Arts & Crafts Show, Pictures With Santa (512/798-4381)
- 6 **Hubbard** Holiday Tour of Homes (817/576-2415)
- 6 **Kerrville** Christmas Arts & Crafts Show (512/367-4184)
- 6 **Lakeway** Christmas Homes Tour (6 homes decorated for the holidays by local florists & exclusive shops) (512/261-5261)
- 6 **Mineola** Christmas Homes Tours (214/569-2087)
- 6 **Mineral Wells** Tour of Homes (candlelight tours, 4-8 pm; buggy ride with Santa, refreshments) (817/682-4998)
- 6 **Odessa** Bureau of Land Management's Horse Adoption (817/498-2640)
- 6 **Orange** "The Messiah" at Lutcher Theater (409/886-5535)
- 6 **Overton** Home & Garden Tour (holiday tour; refreshments) (214/834-6250)
- 6 **Perryton** "The Messiah" at Perryton High School (806/435-6806)
- 6 **Schroeder** Bethlehem Marketplace (benefit sales by costumed shopkeepers from "Bethlehem" storefronts, living nativity tableau)
- 6 **Van Alstyne** Merchants Open House (214/482-5188)
- 6 **Victoria** Sneak Preview of Santa's Workshop (arts & crafts show) (512/575-8524)
- 6-8 **Brownsville** Valley Arts & Crafts Exposition (at Friendship Garden Pavilion)
- 6-11 **Orange** "A Nostalgic Christmas" at Heritage House Museum (409/886-5385)
- 6, 13, 20 **Sealy** Choir Singing at City Park (409/885-3222)
- 6-27 **McAllen** Christmas Tree Forest (individuals and organizations decorate trees according to a theme; prizes awarded) (512/631-4723)
- 7 **Brownfield** Lions Club's Christmas Show (806/637-4727)
- 7 **Marshall** Christmas Choral Concert (at E Texas Baptist U) (214/935-7963)

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- 7-8 Canyon Madrigal Dinner (authentic Renaissance period dress, food, entertainment, lords & ladies, court jesters; at West Texas State U) (806/656-3861)
- 7-12 San Antonio Fiesta Navidena in El mercado (Christmas festival in Market Square with entertainment, dance, music, traditional holiday foods; highlights for children are pinata parties, blessing of the pets, visit by Pancho Claus) (512/299-8600)
- 8 Weslaco Mid-Valley Winter Texan Reception (512/968-4511)
- 8-9 Wichita Falls Christmas Candlelight Tour of Homes (817/766-3347)
- 10 Fredericksburg "Christmas Card" Choir Concert (from balcony of Pioneer Memorial Library; bring lawn chair) (512/997-4656)
- 10 Goliad Our Lady of Loreta Candlelight Mass (in historic Presidio La Bahia) (512/645-3752)
- 10 Taylor Nativity Procession (dramatic evening performance; wise men, camels, singers, spotlighting; concludes in live nativity tableau) (512/352-6364)
- 10-12 Houston Candlelight Tours at Sam Houston Park (each 19th Century structure decorated to re-create the spirit of Texas Christmas) (713/655-1912)
- 10-13 Odessa "A Christmas Carol" at Globe Theater (915/332-1586)
- 10-23 Lubbock 32nd Santa Land (at K.N. Clapp Park) (806/762-6411)
- 11 Center 22nd Annual Tour of Homes (409/598-3578)
- 11 Round Rock Christmas Family Night (tree lighting & Santa visit; carolers, puppet shows, magicians; roasted chestnuts & refreshments, candle-making, gifts) (512/255-3612 x 532)
- 11 Texarkana Pianist Roger Williams at Historic Perot Theater ("Mr. Piano" performs with 10-piece band) (214/792-8681)
- 11-12 Bonham Trades Days (214/583-4811)
- 11-12 El Paso Symphony Concert with Gary Carr (915/532-8707)
- 11-12 Henderson Candlelight Tour of Homes (early Christmas at 1841 Walling Cabin; Victorian Christmas at 1855 Howard-Dickinson Home; Christmas of Today in modern Southwestern architecture) (214/657-5528)
- 11-12 Pharr All-Valley Winter Vegetable Show (incredible array of award-winning produce; fun run Sat) (512/383-2777)
- 11-12 San Antonio "The Nutcracker" Ballet (performance by Ballet West at Lila Cockrell Theater) (512/224-1635)
- 11-12 Victoria "The Nutcracker" (performed by Victoria Ballet Theater) (512/576-3971)
- 12-13 Amarillo "The Nutcracker" Ballet (performance by Lone Star Ballet with Amarillo Symphony Orchestra) (806/372-2463)
- 11-13 Amarillo Arts & Crafts Show at Amarillo Value Mall
- 11-13 Fredericksburg Kristkindl Markt (German Christmas market filled with toys, decorations, confections, handcrafted specialties, music, German foods) (512/997-5955)

DECEMBER (Continued)

- 11-13 **Richardson** "Nutcracker Suite" by Richardson Ballet (214/669-2787)
- 11-13 **San Angelo** "The Nutcracker" by San Angelo Civic Ballet
- 11-13 **Tomball** Candlelight Tour of Historic Buildings (buildings include 1860 home, barn & cotton gin, doctor's office, early German church, all candlelit & decorated for Christmas; wassail & homemade cookies) (713/356-2495)
- 11-13 **Tyler** East Texas Arts & Crafts Show (214/566-2122)
- 11-27 **Dallas** "Nutcracker Suite" by Dallas Ballet (except 12/14 & 12/25; at Fair Park Music Hall) (214/744-4430)
- 12 **Bridgeport** Lighted Christmas Parade (evening parade with all vehicles & floats lighted) (817/683-2076)
- 12 **Cleburne** Christmas Candlewalk Tour of Homes (6 historic homes, 1 business, old churches, Layland Museum; old-style crafts & entertainment at each; country store gifts) (817/645-7566)
- 12 **Coldspring** A Country Christmas on the Square (4,000 luminarias line the street; evening parade with bands, floats; community choir, live nativity scene, business open houses) (409/653-4395)
- 12 **Conroe** Children's Christmas Parade (floats, bands, Santa) (409/756-4212)
- 12 **Conroe** Conroe Chorale's Christmas Concert
- 12 **Corpus Christi** Pre-Christmas Arts & Crafts Show (all items hand painted or hand crafted) (512/991-2236)
- 12 **Edinburg** Christmas Posada (512/383-4974)
- 12 **Florence** 26th Christmas Fest (band music; Santa)
- 12 **Fredericksburg** 24th Tour of Historic Homes (several homes decorated for the holidays on mapped tour) (512/997-2359)
- 12 **Fredericksburg** The Christmas Hand Work Haus (handmade Christmas items by 26 local artisans) (512/997-4589)
- 12 **Goliad** Our Lady of Guadalupe Candlelight Mass (at Mission Espiritu Santo in Goliad State Park; historical mass in Latin & Spanish recalling first mass in 1777; walls, walkways & interior of restored mission lined with luminarias; visiting choirs) (512/645-3405)
- 12 **Grand Saline** Christmas Homes Tour (candlelight tour of 5 homes & Salt Palace) (214/962-3555)
- 12 **Hewitt** Christmas Parade (3 pm; Hewitt Dr from Midway High School to Hewitt Plaza) (817/666-1200)
- 12 **Hondo** Christmas on Main Street (carolers, arts, crafts, music, foods, games, Santa; 4-H food show, Christmas play at Raye Theater)
- 12 **McGregor** Christmas Parade (817/840-2292)
- 12 **Martindale** 2nd Saturday Art, Craft & Antique Show (music, foods, bake sale) (512/357-2193)
- 12 **Montgomery** Christmas in Old Montgomery (celebrating town's 150th birthday; candlelight tours of century-old homes, antique stores, 2 historic churches; old-fashioned Christmas dinner at Community Center) (409/597-6304)

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- 12 **Port Aransas** Lighting of the Harbor (lighting of boats in the harbor; parade & contest for originality and lighting; Santa arrives on Coast Guard cutter) (TX toll-free 800/242-3084)
- 12 **Schulenburg** Christmas Around the World (program of Christmas customs; food, drinks, mini-auction) (409/743-3380)
- 12 **Stratford** Pheasant Hunt (reservations necessary) (806/396-2260)
- 12 **Stratford** SCOT Depression Supper (806/396-2138)
- 12 **Terrell** Christmas Parade (214/563-5703)
- 12 **Van Alstyne** Christmas Parade (214/482-5650)
- 12 **Waxahachie** A Faire on the Square (Victorian holiday festival; handcrafted arts & crafts, costumed characters, foods & games) (817/937-2390)
- 12 **Weatherford** Candlelight Tour of Historic Homes (817/594-3801)
- 12-13 **Amarillo** Texas Gun & Knife Assn Show (512/257-5844)
- 12-13 **Austin** Holiday Candle Trail (2 miles of luminaria through Hancock Golf Course; 3,000 candles provide festival of lights; entertainment by Sweet Adelines, Tiny Tots, folk dancers; hayrides, Santa) (512/453-7765)
- 12-13 **Beaumont** "The Nutcracker" by Beaumont Civic Ballet (409/842-4525)
- 12-13 **Houston** "World's Largest Trading Post" (at Astrohall) (713/799-9555)
- 12-13 **Kingwood** (22 mi N Houston) "A Timeless Christmas" Homes Tour (4 holiday-decorated homes in Fosters Mill Estates; handcrafted treasures, baked goods, refreshments) (713/358-7979)
- 12-13 **Mission** Poinsettia Show (512/585-1256)
- 12-13 **Odessa** "Santa's Last Chance" Arts & Crafts Show (915/362-4497)
- 12-13 **Waxahachie** Candlelight Tour of Historic Homes (gingerbread houses decorated for the holidays; evening tour) (817/937-2390)
- 12-13, 19-20 **Brady** Horse Racing at G. Rollie White Downs (62nd season; noon post time) (915/597-0702)
- 12-13, 19-20 **Crystal Beach** Crystaland Christmas (409/684-3345)
- 12-13 Boat Sleigh Rides on Beach, Luminaries on Beach, Boat Parade, Christmas Store
- 19-20 Nativity Scene, Caroling, Christmas Store
- 12-13, 19-20 **Granbury** "Children's Christmas Show" at Historic Opera House (817/573-9191)
- 13 **McAllen** Holiday Sing-Along at Villa Real Center (traditional carols & holiday songs; sheet music provided) (512/682-2871)
- 13 **Corpus Christi** Last Minute Christmas Arts & Crafts Show (arts, crafts, imports, collectibles) (512/991-2438)
- 13 **Fredericksburg** Lions Club Community Christmas Program (512/997-7536)
- 13 **Houston** Christmas Tour of Historic Bayou Bend (713/529-8773)
- 13 **Houston** Jingle Bell Run (1-mi run for children) (713/659-8501)
- 13 **New Braunfels** Mid-Texas Symphony Concert (512/379-6420)

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- 13 San Angelo West Texas Boys Ranch Christmas Play
- 13 San Antonio Die Deutsch Weihnachtsfeier (traditional
candlelight Christmas service entirely in
German; sponsored by Bethany Congregational
United Church of Christ with cooperation of
German Dept of Trinity University and
Liederkrantz Choir) (512/342-6034)
- 13 San Antonio Las Posadas Procession (reenactment of Holy
Family's search for an inn; procession winds along
River Walk with candles, songs to La Villita
where clay figure of infant Jesus is placed in
creche; pinata party for children) (512/224-6163)
- 13 Schulenburg Holiday Homes Tour (409/743-4368)
- 13 Stonewall Christmas Tree Lighting at LBJ State Park
(official lighting by Lady Bird Johnson; park
tours, refreshments, Santa) (512/644-2252)
- 13 Van Alstyne Tour of Homes (214/433-3445)
- 13-14 Marshall 1st Methodist Choir/Orchestra Concert (214/935-7963)
- 15-16 Galveston Historical Foundation's Spirit of Christmas
(open house, candlelight tours, refreshments at
historic properties: Ashton Villa, the Elissa,
1839 Williams Home, Museum) (409/765-7834)
- 16 Dallas Sheraton Dallas Jingle Bell Run (1-mi fun
run & 5-K race; winners judged on costume
creativity; "After Run Bash" follows runs;
Blood Center benefit) (214/770-4100)
- 17-19 Anson Cowboys Christmas Ball (first held in
1883; grand march nightly, many dress
in historic fashions) (915/823-2390)
- 18 Bastrop Christmas Candlelight Stroll (Main
St, downtown) (512/321-2419)
- 18 Cleveland Chamber of Commerce Open House
(Christmas music, refreshments,
historical scrapbooks) (713/592-8786)
- 18-20 Corpus Christi "The Nutcracker" by Corpus Christi
Ballet (512/991-6151)
- 18-20 El Paso "The Nutcracker" Ballet (at Civic
Center) (915/532-4661)
- 19 Overton A.D. Players Present a Christian Drama
(at Baptist Family Life Center) (214/834-6233)
- 19 Van Horn Christmas Parade & Santa (915/283-2043)
- 19-20 Houston Volksmarch at Brazos Bend State
Park (713/467-9654)
- 20 McAllen Concert & Dance with Myron Floren
(at Villa Real Center; the sound of
the big bands) (512/682-2871)
- 20 Round Top Open House at Winedale Historical Center
(19th Century Christmas decorations,
singing & refreshments) (409/278-3530)
- 20-21 Beaumont Spindletop Blowout Basketball
Tourney (409/880-8008)
- 21 Houston Concert Chorale of Houston (at
Worthan Center) (713/227-ARTS)
- 23 Conroe Christmas with the New Christy Minstrels
(at Crighton Theater) (409/760-2787)
- 23-24 Olton Santa's Visit & Prize Drawings (807/285-2653)
- 23-27 Bastrop Trails of Christmas Memories (in Cocheron
Compound of historic buildings) (512/321-4483)

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- 24-27 Van Horn Holiday Happenings on Main Street (915/283-2043)
- 25 El Paso John Hancock Sun Bowl Football Classic (915/533-4416)
- 27 Fredericksburg Old-Fashioned Christmas Party (at Pioneer Museum; sponsored by Historical Society) (512/997-9196)
- 28-29 El Paso John Hancock Sun Bowl Basketball Tourney (915/533-4416)
- 28-30 Alvin Lions Club Holiday Basketball Classic Tourney (713/585-8662)
- 28-30 Brownwood 51st Holiday Classic Basketball Tourney (20 teams from Central Texas compete in 2 divisions) (915/646-9535)
- 30-Jan 3 Dallas Southwest Boat & Tackle Show (at Convention Center (214/670-3957)
- 31 Boerne New Year's Eve Dance at Kendall County Fairgrounds
- 31 El Paso New Year's Eve Dance at Coliseum (915/533-9899)
- 31 Fredericksburg New Year's Eve Dance at Gillespie County Fairgrounds (country/western music) (512/997-6523)
- 31 Houston Bluebonnet Bowl Football Classic (713/520-0816)
- 31 Sulphur Springs Matt Syler Brangus Sale (214/885-8071)

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- 1 Dallas Cotton Bowl Parade (214/421-8737) & Cotton Bowl Football Classic (214/634-7525)
- 1 Fredericksburg Volksmarch (512/997-8056)
- 1-3 Austin Texas Gun & Knife Assn Show (512/257-5844)
- 1-3 Dallas Southwest Boat & Tackle Show (began Dec 30; at Convention Center) (214/670-3957)
- 1-4 Canton First Monday Trade Days (browse & barter for bargains along 15 miles of booths) (214/567-6556)
- 2 Calvert 1st Saturday Flea Market (picturesque setting on old jailhouse grounds behind interesting Main St)
- 2 Cleveland First Saturday Arts, Crafts & Collectibles Show (713/592-7711)
- 2 Gatesville Country & Gospel Music Jamboree (817/865-6145)
- 2 Memphis Big Tom's Country Round-Up (806/259-3701)
- 2-9 Odessa Sand Hills Hereford & Quarter Horse Show & Rodeo (many well-known cowboys participate in this RCA event) (915/366-5647)
- 2-3, 10 Goliad Horse Racing at La Bahia Downs (post time: noon) (512/645-8208)
- 5 Beaumont Barry Douglas in Concert (young pianist was winner of 1986 Tchaikovsky Competition in Moscow) (409/833-7832)
- 5 San Benito Welcome Winter Texan Reception (512/399-5125)
- 7 San Antonio Pavarotti in Concert (famed Italian tenor in first San Antonio concert; at Gonzalez Convention Center) (512/271-7100)
- 7, 21 Columbus Walking Tour; Arts, Crafts at Thursday's Treasures (features city's museums, historic structures, antique & art shops) (409/732-5881)
- 8 Henderson Performance by Baldknobbers of Branson, MO (214/657-5528)
- 8 Texarkana "Singing in the Rain" at Historic Perot Theater (a genuine on-stage rainstorm is featured in this lively musical) (214/792-8681)
- 8-9 Bonham Trades Days (214/583-4811)
- 8-9, 15-16 Conroe "Dial M for Murder" by Crichton Community Players (409/756-1226)
- 8-9, 15-16 Odessa "The Night of January 16" at Permian Playhouse (915/362-2329)
- 8-10 Abilene Big Country Quarter Horse Show (915/677-4376)
- 8-10 Harlingen Gulf Coast Antique Show (512/423-5440)
- 8-10 Lubbock Motocross (at Municipal Auditorium) (806/762-6411 x 2265)
- 8-10 Mercedes All Valley RV Show (512/425-3795)
- 8-17 Houston Intl Boat, Sport & Travel Show (latest in boats, sports equipment, RVs; travel destination exhibits; Astrodomain Complex) (713/526-6361)

JANUARY (Continued)

- 8-10, 15-16,
22-24, 29-30 **Amarillo** Kwahadi Indian Dancers Winter Night
Ceremonials (ceremonial dances of Pueblo
Indian people performed by nationally
acclaimed Explorer Scouts) (806/383-8828)
- 9 **Conroe** Coshatta Camelia Show (409/856-4392)
- 9 **Lometa** Jr Stock Show (512/556-8271)
- 9 **Martindale** 2nd Saturday Art, Craft & Antique Show
(music, foods, bake sale) (512/357-2193)
- 9 **Mason** Wild Game Dinner (915/347-5758)
- 9 **Port Arthur** Square & Round Dance Festival (409/866-4686)
- 9 **Richardson** Psychic Fair (sponsored by N. Texas
Parapsychology Assn) (214/238-5577)
- 9 **San Antonio** "Los Pastores" Medieval Christmas Pageant
(brought to America in 16th Century, play depicts
conflict between good & evil and was used to
teach mission Indians the story of the birth
of Christ; performed in Spanish on grounds of
San Jose Mission [chairs, blankets advisable];
colorful costumes, set; Mexican foods & treats
precede performance) (512/224-6163)
- 9 **San Benito** Arts & Crafts Show (512/399-5125)
- 9-10 **Pharr** Border Gem Fiesta (512/262-3333)
- 9-10 **Waco** Texas Buckle Jamboree (2,000 collectors
converge to buy, sell, & trade buckles from
shoe to belt varieties; arts, crafts, &
agriculture toy show) (817/829-1291)
- 9-10 **Wichita Falls** Texas Weapon Collectors Gun &
Knife Show (817/692-3766)
- 9-12 **Stephenville** Erath County Jr Stock Show (FFA & 4-H projects;
dairy, beef, lambs & swine judging Sat; judging
& showmanship of steers, swine & sheep Mon;
awards & auction Tues) (817/965-5313)
- 9, 23 **Odessa** "Brand New Opree" (country & western talent
at Globe Theater) (915/332-1586)
- 10 **Boerne** Kendall County Jr Poultry Show (512/249-9343)
- 10 **New Braunfels** 20th Anniversary Open House, Circle Arts
Theater (in Landa Park) (512/625-4824)
- 10 **Truscott** "Grandma's Sunday Dinner" (graciously served Sunday
dinner—prepared by genuine grandmas; \$4,
benefiting community center) (817/474-3288)
- 12 **McAllen** "Singing in the Rain" by McAllen
Performing Arts (512/682-2871)
- 12-13 **Beaumont** Junior League's Forum Follies (409/892-9020)
- 13 **McAllen** Union Mill Opry in Concert (bluegrass music by
11-member group from Missouri) (512/682-2871)
- 14-16 **Boerne** Kendall County Jr Stock Show (512/249-9343)
- 14-16 **Brownwood** 37th Brown County Youth Fair & Stock
Show (cattle, swine & sheep sifting
Thurs; sheep, rabbit judging Fri; cattle
& swine judging Sat) (915/646-9535)
- 15 **Dallas** Arbor Day Observance at Dallas Arboretum
& Botanical Gardens (214/327-3990)
- 15 **Grapevine** Arbor Day Celebration (tree-planting ceremony
in new town square) (817/481-0395)
- 15-16 **El Paso** Symphony Concert (at Civic Center) (915/532-8707)
- 15-16 **Fredericksburg** 4-H & FFA Stock Show (judging of
steers, sheep, hogs, cattle, goats,
broilers & turkeys) (512/997-3452)

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- 15-16 Lampasas Jr Stock Show
- 15-17 Odessa West Texas Gun Show (915/332-3445)
- 16 Muleshoe 38th Community Banquet (806-272-4248)
- 16 New Braunfels Circle Arts Theater's 20th Anniversary
Gala (512/625-4824)
- 16-17 Fredericksburg 19th Rockhounds Gem & Mineral Show (lapidary
& mineral exhibits, demonstrations & dealers;
fossils & artifacts; food service) (512/997-4889)
- 16-17 Galveston Texas Gun & Knife Assn Show (512/257-5844)
- 16-17 Richardson N. Texas Gun Club Show (214/286-5448)
- 16, 23 Manor Horse Racing at Manor Downs (512/272-5581)
- 16-24 Austin 25th Boat, RV & Motorcycle Show (512/478-9085)
- 17 Hallettsville 35th State Championship Domino Tourney (tables
also for "just for fun" games) (512/798-2311)
- 19 McAllen Kansas Picnic (512/581-1580)
- 19-24 San Antonio Sport, Boat & RV Show
- 20-24 Lubbock Young Farmers of Texas Tractor
Pull (806/762-6411 x 2265)
- 21-23 Abilene Taylor County Stock Show (915/677-4376)
- 21-23 Kerrville Hill Country District Jr Stock Show (512/367-5316)
- 21-23 Uvalde Uvalde Follies (512/278-4184)
- 21-24 Donna 37th South Texas Lamb & Sheep Exposition
(exhibits, carnival, concessions) (512/464-3029)
- 21 Blue Jean Queen Contest
- 22 Sheep Judging, Shearing Contest, Lamb
Costume & Jr & Sr Showmanship Contests
- 23 Champions Contest, Dog Pet Show, Lamb Auction, Dance
- 24 Variety Show
- 22 Harlingen Square & Round Dance Festival (at Sunshine
RV Park; afternoon & evening sessions)
(512/423-5440; toll-free 1-800-292-7272)
- 22 Schulenburg Rotary Club Fish Fry (409/743-3687)
- 22-23 Lubbock Lubbock Symphony Classical
Concert (806/762-6411 x 2265)
- 22-23 Raymondville Willacy County Stock Show (512/689-2412)
- 22-24 Abilene World of Wheels (915/677-4376)
- 22-24 Odessa Continental Antiques Show (806/622-0727)
- 22-Feb 7 Fort Worth 92nd Southwestern Exposition & Fat Stock Show
(top cowboys and ranch stock, horse shows, midway,
exhibits, name entertainers) (817/332-7361)
- 22-24 Port Arthur Gun & Knife Show (409/985-7701)
- 23 Coldspring 4th Saturday Trades Day (at Heritage Center)
- 23 Conroe "Br'er Rabbit" (all-black rendition of children's
classic by Ensemble Theater) (409/760-2787)
- 23 Dallas Camellia Show at Dallas Arboretum
& Botanical Gardens (214/327-3990)
- 23 McAllen The Chordsmen in Concert (75 male vocalists,
2 barbershop quartets) (512/682-2871)
- 23 San Marcos Jr Horse Division Stock Show
- 23 Texarkana The Roy Clark Show at Historic Perot Theater
(musician/comic Clark performs with band &
banjo whiz Jimmy Henley) (214/792-8681)
- 23 The Woodlands Arbor Day Observance (seedlings given
to encourage natural landscaping and
reforestation) (713/363-6159)
- 23 Van Horn Culberson County Stock Show (915/283-2023)
- 23-24 Amarillo Adventure '88 Travel Show (exhibits from travel
destinations, airlines, cruise ships, resorts)

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- 23-24 **McAllen** 15th "Fiesta on the Border" Ceramics Show
(sponsored by Ceramics Intl Assn) (512/425-9030)
- 23-24 **Midland** Texas Gun & Knife Assn Show (512/257-5844)
- 23-24 **San Angelo** Concho Kennel Club Dog Show
- 23-31 **Mission** 51st Texas Citrus Fiesta (held at
peak of citrus season; special events
for Winter Texans) (512/585-9724)
- 23 Fun Fair (day of fun & entertainment ranging from
children's events to folklorico dancers)
- 24 Arts & Crafts Show
- 28 Coronation of Queen Citrianna (a young lady chosen from
a Valley community) & King Citrus (a citrus businessman
honored for his contribution to the industry)
- 29, 31 Product Costume Style Show (intricately
designed costumes made from Valley products;
orange peel, citrus seed, onion skins, etc.)
- 30 Parade of Oranges (grand parade
featuring citrus-covered floats)
- 24 **Dallas** "A Taste of Chocolate" (more than 30
chocolate exhibitors celebrate a Valentine
theme with displays, samples; entertainment,
contests, prizes) (214/238-8688)
- 24 **New Braunfels** Dinner With the Arts (512/625-4824)
- 24, 31 **Brady** Horse Racing at G. Rollie White Downs (62nd
season; noon post time) (915/597-0702)
- 26 **McAllen** Oklahoma Picnic (512/686-3382)
- 26-30 **Wichita Falls** Northwest Texas Field & Stream
Assn Sports Show (817/692-1141)
- 27 **McAllen** Minnesota Picnic (512/686-3382)
- 27-31 **Brownsville** Wildcat (collectibles) Show (512/541-3512)
- 28-30 **San Marcos** Jr. Stock Show
- 28-30 **Uvalde** Uvalde County Jr Stock Show
- 29 **Mabank** Foggy River Boys Show (214/887-2451)
- 29-30 **Hondo** Medina County Jr Stock Show
- 29-31 **Bryan** Brazos Valley Boat & Sport Show (409/822-0875)
- 29-31 **Lubbock** Continental Antique Show (806/762-6411 x 2265)
- 29-31 **McAllen** Trader Show (512/682-6403)
- 29-31 **Wichita Falls** World of Wheels (817/855-0499)
- 29-Feb 1 **Canton** First Monday Trade Days (browse & barter for
bargains along 15 miles of booths) (214/567-6556)
- 29-Feb 8 **Dallas** Boat Show (at Market Hall) (214/655-6100)
- 30 **Amarillo** Symphony Concert with Pianist Lee Luvisi
(featured artist has performed with nearly
every major orchestra in US) (806/376-8782)
- 30 **Breckenridge** Wild Flower Seminar (at Fine Arts Center
sponsored by Natl Wildflower Research Center)
- 30 **El Paso** Rudolph Nureyev (ballet) with
El Paso Symphony (915/532-8707)
- 30 **Grandview** "Band on Run" 2-mi & 10-K Runs (817/866-3316)
- 30 **Hallettsville** 40s-50s-60s Soc Hop (best dance & costume
contest, live entertainment; benefit for
ABWA scholarship fund) (512/798-3668)



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30	Lubbock	Council of Garden Clubs Home & Garden Sale (806/762-6411 x 2724)
30	Marshall	Symphony Concert (flutist, mezzo-soprano & classical guitarist) (214/935-4484)
30-31	Boerne	"Up With People" Concert (512/336-2231)
30-31	Fredericksburg	Texas Gun & Knife Assn Show (512/257-5844)
30-31	Odessa	West Texas Kennel Club Show (915/333-9544)
30-Feb 7	Dallas	Dallas Boat Show (at Market Hall; sponsored by Marine Assn of Dallas) (713/558-1183)
30-Feb 7	Weslaco	Sugarfest '88 (carnival, shows, dinners, cooking & baking contests) (512/968-2102)
30		Miss Weslaco Pageant
Feb 6		Sugarfest Parade
6-7		FFA Project Displays

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1	Canton	First Monday Trade Days (began Jan 29; browse & barter for bargains along 15 miles of booths) (214/567-6556)
1	McAllen	North & South Dakota Picnic (512/686-3382)
1	Victoria	Belgrade State Folk Ensemble (at Victoria College) (512/572-9449)
1-2	McAllen	Air Force Band in Concert (512/686-3382)
1-7	Dallas	Dallas Boat Show (began Jan 30; at Market Hall, sponsored by Marine Assn of Dallas) (713/558-1183)
1-7	Fort Worth	92nd Southwestern Exposition & Fat Stock Show (began Jan 22; top cowboys and ranch stock, horse shows, midway, exhibits, name entertainers) (817/332-7361)
1-7	Weslaco	Sugarfest '88 (began Jan 30; carnival, shows, dinners, cooking & baking contests) (512/968-2102)
6		Sugarfest Parade
6-7		FFA Project Displays
2	Edinburg	"And All That Jazz" by South Texas Symphony (a blend of old and new to please jazz buffs & Bach lovers) (512/381-8682)
2	McAllen	Illinois Picnic (512/686-3382)
2	San Benito	All-Valley Billiard Tourney (512/399-5125)
3	McAllen	Iowa Picnic (512/781-1660)
3-7	Abilene	Sports & Vacation Show (915/676-6211)
4	Edinburg	Crafts Show (512/383-7931)
4	Kilgore	Community Concert (Manhattan Rhythm Kings; at Kilgore College)
4	McAllen	Nebraska Picnic (512/581-7650)
4	Texarkana	Texas Opera Theater's "Lucia de Lammermoor" at Historic Perot Theater (performed in English) (214/792-8681)

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- 4-7 **Mercedes** All-Valley Boat Show (512/399-5123)
- 4, 18 **Columbus** Walking Tour; Arts, Crafts at Thursday's Treasures (features city's museums, historic structures, antique & art shops) (409/732-5881)
- 5 **Fredericksburg** Masken Ball (dance has been held since 1850s; sponsored by Historical Society; prizes for best costumes) (512/997-5822)
- 5-6 **Bonham** Trades Days (214/583-4811)
- 5-6 **McAllen** Texas Square Dance Jamboree (round & square dancing, all level squares; at McAllen Civic Center; companion events at Villa Real Center and Paradise Park & in Harlingen) (512/682-2871)
- 5-7 **Navasota** Go-Texas-Days (rodeo, chili cookoff, arts, crafts, carnival, dances) (409/825-2817)
- 5-7 **Odessa** Midessa Marine Dealers Show (915/366-7651)
- 5-7 **San Antonio** Great Country River Festival (free country/western music by natl & regional artists; at Arneson Theater & along River Walk) (512/227-4262)
- 5-13 **El Paso** Southwestern Stock Show & PRCA Rodeo (C/W entertainment, specialty acts; rodeo is ranked 23rd of 600 in US in its class) (915/532-1401)
- 5-16 **Galveston** Mardi Gras Festival (parades, music, art, costume contests, jazz, balls, displays, pageants—all in the festive air of Mardi Gras)
- 13 Grand Night Parade (magnificent floats, marching bands, entertainers)
- 6 **Calvert** 1st Saturday Flea Market (picturesque setting on old jailhouse grounds behind interesting Main St)
- 6 **Cleveland** First Saturday Arts, Crafts, & Collectibles Show (713/592-7711)
- 6 **Conroe** Texas Opera Theater presents "Amadeum Conducts Mozart" (409/760-2787)
- 6 **Gatesville** Country & Gospel Music Jamboree (817/865-6145)
- 6 **Marshall** Bayanihan Philippine Dance Company (at Civic Center) (214/935-4484)
- 6 **Memphis** Big Tom's Country Round-Up (806/259-3701)
- 6 **Orange** "A Trace of Old Lace" at Heritage House Museum (409/886-5385)
- 6 **Victoria** Musical Treasures by Victoria Symphony (512/576-4500)
- 6 **Woodville** Miss Tyler County Pageant
- 6-7 **San Angelo** Texas Gun & Knife Assn Show (512/257-5844)
- 6-7, 13-14 **Odessa** "The Pied Piper" at Permian Playhouse (915/362-2329)
- 7 **Harlingen** Magic Valley Square Dance (512/682-1656)
- 7 **Longview** Charity Dinner Dance at Maude Cobb Center
- 7 **New Braunfels** Half Price Fair (at Civic Center)
- 8-14 **Dallas** Virginia Slims Tennis Tourney (at SMU) (214/352-7978)
- 9 **Texarkana** Summit Brass at Historic Perot Theater (brass ensemble's musicians come from first chair positions of major orchestras) (214/792-8681)
- 11 **Marshall** "Ain't Misbehavin'" Musical (at Civic Center) (214/935-4484)
- 11 **Uvalde** Riders in the Sky at Historic Grand Opera House (512/278-4184)
- 12 **Colleyville** "An Evening With Friends" Silent Auction (music, refreshments) (817/488-7148)

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- 12 Galveston King Neptune Arrives at the Elissa
(Neptune proclaims beginning of Mardi
Gras weekend) (409/765-7834)
- 12 San Antonio Kodo (rhythmic production of renowned
Japanese drummers & dancers of
Sado Island) (512/225-6516)
- 12 Weslaco Arts & Crafts Fair (512/968-7978)
- 12-14 Dallas Auto-Rama (at Market Hall) (214/655-6100)
- 12-19 Monahans Ward County Livestock Show (915/943-4313)
- 12 Stock Show Breakfast
- 15 Kanine Karnival
- 12-21 San Antonio Livestock Show & Rodeo (stock judging,
rodeo action & carnival fun at Freeman
Coliseum) (512/225-5851)
- 12-13, 19-20,
26-27 Uvalde Sahawe Indian Dancers Winter Ceremonials
(authentic American Indian dances
& costumes) (512/278-2016)
- 13 Andrews Celebrity Waiter Gala (Heart
Assn fundraiser) (915/523-6800)
- 13 Boerne Masken Ball (special evening for masket
personalities; sponsored by Fair Assn)
(512/249-3075) & Benefit Valentine's Dinner
& Dance at Community Center (512/698-1702)
- 13 Donna Winter Texan Heart of the Valley
Festival (512/464-3272)
- 13 Martindale 2nd Saturday Art, Craft & Antique Show
(music, foods, bake sale) (512/357-2193)
- 13 Odessa Brand New Oprea (country-western entertainment
at Globe Theater) (915/332-1586)
- 13 San Antonio Vienna Boys Choir (at
Trinity U) (512/224-2939)
- 13 San Benito Arts & Crafts Show (512/399-5125)
- 13 The Woodlands Annual Marathon & 10-K Run (713/367-9622)
- 13-14 Abilene Texas Gun & Knife Assn Show (512/257-5844)
- 13-14 Beaumont Southern Lady Arts & Crafts Show (409/866-2725)
- 13-14, 27 Manor Horse Racing at Manor Downs (512/272-5581)
- 13-21 Laredo George Washington's Birthday Celebration
(international event with parades, pageants,
fireworks, ethnic foods) (512/722-0589)
- 14 Conroe 23rd Go Texan Parade (kickoff of Go Texan Days;
floats, dignitaries, horses, bands) (409/760-3631)
- 14 Harlingen "Funny Girl" by Broadway Cast (512/423-5440)
- 14 Harlingen Valley Art League's Annual Show (large
variety of styles & subjects)
- 14 McAllen Heart of the Valley Health Fair (free health
screening & information) (512/682-2871)
- 17-21 Amarillo "Macbeth" by Amarillo College
Theater Group (806/371-5000)
- 18-20 Graham Jr Stock Show (sheep & hog judging 18-19;
steers, 20; auction 20) (817/549-0737)
- 18-20 Odessa Shakespeare Festival at Globe Theater
(Natl Shakespeare Company presents
"Julius Caesar") (915/332-1586)

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- 18-21, 25-28 **Odessa**..... "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown" at STAGE Theater (Charlie & friends remind audiences of the joys & miseries of childhood) (512/438-2339)
- 18-22 **Odessa**..... Golden Gloves Boxing (915/333-4101)
- 19 **Cleburne**..... Zonta Intl Dinner (foods & costumes of 6 foreign countries) (817/641-2588)
- 19 **Mt. Pleasant**..... Foggy River Boys of Branson, MO Show
- 19-20 **El Paso**..... El Paso Symphony with Glen Dicterow (at Civic Center) (915/532-8707)
- 19-20 **Mercedes**..... Hidalgo County Jr Stock Show
- 19-20 **Panhandle**..... Carson County Jr Stock Show (806/537-3882)
- 19-21 **Brady**..... Muzzle-loading Rifle Assn Frost on the Cactus Shoot (flintlock rifles, pistols, shotguns; knife & tomahawk throwing contests, children's events) (915/597-2571)
- 19-21 **Longview**..... Sports & Vacation Show (214/757-3333)
- 19-21 **Wichita Falls**..... Boat Show (817/767-7391)
- 19-22 **Wichita Falls**..... 57th District Jr Beef Show (817/322-1967)
- 20 **Beaumont**..... Joffrey II Ballet Dancers (409/842-4525)
- 20 **Harlingen**..... Winter Texan Confederate Air Force Airsho (flying exhibitions by World War II aircraft) (512/425-1057)
- 20 **Kilgore**..... Lions Club Variety Show (local talent performs at Kilgore College)
- 20 **Sulphur Springs**..... Miss Sulphur Springs Pageant (214/885-3807)
- 20 **Richardson**..... Symphony Concert (featuring winners of young artist competition) (214/234-4195)
- 20-21 **Georgetown**..... Williamson County Gem & Mineral Society Show (noncompetitive exhibits, demonstrations, door prizes, food available) (512/452-4873)
- 20-21 **Kerrville**..... Hill Country Cat Fanciers Show (512/895-2030)
- 20-21 **McAllen**..... Ballet Espanol by Rio Grande Valley Ballet (512/682-2721)
- 20-21 **McAllen**..... Rio Grande Valley Quilt Guild Show (512/565-1410)
- 20-Mar 6 **Houston**..... Livestock Show & Rodeo (largest in the world, stock show has some 20,000 entries; rough & tumble rodeo action in the comfort of the Astrodome) (713/791-9000)
- 21 **Hallettsville**..... Shriners Benefit Domino Tourney (512/798-4164)
- 21, 28 **Brady**..... Horse Racing at G. Rollie White Downs (62nd season; noon post time) (915/597-0702)
- 23 **McAllen**..... Michigan Picnic (512/686-3382)
- 23 **Marshall**..... Joffrey II Ballet (at Civic Center) (214/935-4484)
- 23-28 **San Antonio**..... "The Sound of Music" at Historic Majestic Theater (512/226-2626)
- 24-Mar 6 **Edinburg**..... Fiesta Hidalgo (celebration includes carnival, crafts, activities, dances) (512/383-4974)
- 25-27 **Odessa**..... "The Music Man" at Globe Theater (915/332-1586)
- 25-28 **Dallas**..... Tri Delta Charity Antiques Show (special exhibit of Japanese cloisonne; lectures by internationally known experts, nationally prominent dealers exhibit in decorated room settings) (214/369-1509)
- 26-27 **Conroe**..... "The Little Foxes" by Crighton Community Players (409/756-1226)
- 26-27 **Lubbock**..... Lubbock Symphony Classical Concert (806/762-4707)
- 26-27 **Lubbock**..... UIL Girls Regional Basketball Tourney (806/762-6411 x 2265)

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26-27	New Braunfels	New Braunfels Junior Miss Pageant (512/629-4430)
26-27	Odessa	Round & Square Dance Festival (915/368-4717)
26-28	Beaumont	Sesame Street Live (409/838-0786)
26-28	Odessa	Motocross Racing (817/627-7483)
26-28	Wichita Falls	Tornado Alley Racquetball Tourney (817/761-1000)
27	Coldspring	4th Saturday Trades Day (at Heritage Center)
27	Corpus Christi	Czech Festival (Czech dancing, food, music, arts, crafts; special guest is Vlasta, "The International Queen of Polka") (512/241-7782)
27-28	Amarillo	"Make A Wish" Antique Car Show (one of largest vintage car shows in Texas) (806/378-4297)
27-28	McAllen	Expo 88 Arts & Crafts Show (Valley & natl artists; demonstrations, puppet shows, doll & miniature show, music, auction, refreshments) (512/682-8116)
27-28	Mercedes	Tractor Pull (512/565-2456)
27-28	Plainview	Hi Plains Gem & Mineral Show (806/293-3577)
28	Longview	"Buy East Texas First" Auction (214/757-5588)



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