



Monahans Christmas Parade

Celebrating Community for Over 21 Years

The Monahans Chamber of Commerce is once again bringing holiday cheer to our community with the annual Monahans Christmas Parade! This year is extra special as it marks 21 years since we first participated in this local tradition. It's a perfect time to reflect on the love, support, and connection we've shared with our communities over the years.



Our theme in 2005 was “Gingerbread House,” and for 2025, we're bringing the magic to life with “Santa's Workshop.” We believe in investing in our communities in every way, from teaching in schools and supporting educators to celebrating together through events like this parade. From financial services to our Focused Community Commitment, our goal remains the same: to be **Present for You**.



Christmas Shopping on a Budget

Core Value: To be a Financially Sound Leader

It's the most wonderful time of the year—but it can also be one of the most financially stressful. This season, try to keep the focus on what truly matters: family, traditions, and the moments that mean the most to you.

To help you stay in control of your holiday spending, we've put together 10 tips to keep your finances on track. Start by setting a budget: decide who you're buying for and how much you can spend, and most importantly... stick to it. Want the full list?

Visit www.comcfcu.com/statements/ or scan the QR code to read all 10 tips and download our printable holiday budget as well as our monthly budget planner. Take charge of your finances this holiday season and set yourself up for confidence and control all year long!

BUILDING A BUDGET

Christmas Edition



Online Banking Feature: “Trends”

Take Control of Your Banking

With Trends, you have a powerful budgeting tool right at your fingertips! Simply log into your online banking account on a desktop and navigate to “Trends” on your account dashboard to start tracking your spending and planning your financial goals with ease. Here you will find access to budgeting software, transaction analysis, a net worth calculator, and many more financial tools. Contact us for more information.



Fraud Blog Series - *Grandparent/Romance*

Protecting Our Members from Fraud - ESPECIALLY During the Holidays

Fraud is evolving rapidly and our commitment to keeping you informed and protected has never been stronger. In this series, we explore the latest fraud trends and offer practical advice to help you stay safe in 2025 and beyond. This is just another way CCFCU can be Present for You.

Blog 5: Grandparent Scams, Romance Scams & Other Emotional Traps

Fraudsters often rely on technology to deceive us, but what do we do when they target our emotions? In this blog, we explore what these scams look like and how to defend ourselves against them. It is important to remain vigilant, especially during the Holidays when fraudsters know we are distracted and swiping our cards more than usual. Follow this series and other blog posts on our website at comcfcu.com/blog.

If you receive a suspicious call, voice message, text or email, leave no room for doubt and contact us directly at 432.550.9126 to verify its legitimacy. Stay vigilant and stay safe!



Merry Marketplace - Breakfast with Santa

Reindeer Food, Cookie Decorating & FUN



The Junior League of Odessa (JLO) is a nonprofit organization made up of women dedicated to strengthening our Odessa community through hands-on projects and volunteerism. Each year, JLO hosts Breakfast with Santa, a joyful, family-friendly tradition where children can share their Christmas wish lists with Santa himself.

This year we had the privilege of helping little ones create their own reindeer food and decorate festive Christmas cookies. Moments like these remind us how special our community truly is. We're grateful for our continued partnership with organizations like JLO and for the families and neighbors who make West Texas such a wonderful place to call home. To learn more about partnering with us, visit our website at comcfcu.com/complex-cares/.



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Tis' the Season! Southern Cornbread Dressing - *Deborah Bias, wife of Les!*

Vegetables:

1 cup chopped green onion
1/2 cup chopped yellow onion
1 cup chopped celery (small chop)
1/2 cup tender leafy centers of celery stalks

Breads & Eggs

1 box self-rising cornmeal mix
2 slices of white bread
5 eggs (3 boiled and 2 raw/beaten)

Liquids & Seasonings

Chicken broth or bone broth
**Bone broth for richer flavor*
Added to taste - There should be enough
broth to create a soupy consistency
Salt, to taste
Pepper, to taste

Make the Cornbread

Prepare cornbread using the self-rising cornmeal mix according to the package directions. Do not add sugar, even if the package suggests 1–2 tablespoons.

Stir the chopped green onion, yellow onion, celery, and celery leaves into the cornbread batter.

Bake until light golden brown. Let cornbread cool completely, then crumble into a large mixing bowl.

Add the Bread

Toast 2 slices of white bread. Tear into small pieces and add to the crumbled cornbread.

Add the Eggs & Broth

Chop the 3 boiled eggs and add them to the bread mixture. Add 2 beaten, raw eggs.

Begin adding chicken broth, mixing well. Add enough broth until the mixture becomes soupy. Season with salt and black pepper to taste. Make sure all bread and cornbread pieces are broken down well.

Bake

Pour the mixture into a baking dish.
Bake at 350°F until the top is light golden brown and the dressing is set.

Optional: Add cooked chicken to make Chicken & Dressing!