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Come visit during the holidays!

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Goldthwaite is justifiably proud of its Christmas lights. Passing through on a Winter night, you find the town lit from one end to the other, colorful displays filling the park and turning Fisher Street into a place of enchantment for children and adults alike. The lights continue on to businesses on Highway 84, giving the impression Goldthwaite is a southern outpost of the North Pole.

That celebration of Christmas has not gone unnoticed, and this town can now count itself among a select group of Central Texas cities considered top destinations for holiday travelers. Joining the likes of Burnet, Fredericksburg, Johnson City, and Marble Falls, Goldthwaite was recently recognized by the website onlyinyourstate.com and writer Katie Lawrence as a must-see at Christmastime.

Lawrence encouraged her readers to check out our city’s sights as they tour her recommended list of ten Central Texas towns.

“There’s just something about a small-town Christmas

that makes everything seem right with the world,” Lawrence wrote in her December 19, 2017 article.

With 2017 featuring new courthouse lighting, an ever-growing array of City Park displays, the support of the city’s leaders and employees, and enthusiastic volunteers and donors working to ensure that Goldthwaite’s lights shine brightly, it is nice to know that hard work has not gone unnoticed. Every year, countless area residents and travelers drive through the park and up and down Fisher Street admiring one of this town’s greatest attractions, collecting memories that will last a lifetime.

As residents of Goldthwaite, we may not always fully appreciate what we have here, but the holidays remind us we have something special to share with the rest of the world.

Thanks to everyone involved in making Goldthwaite sparkle, people from far and near look forward to seeing this town don its holiday finery every Christmas season. Now that we’re “on the map,” we can expect even more visitors next year.

Taking Stock in Our Kids



Kids who grow up in Mills County enjoy the character building experienced with tending the farm, working the ranch, and raising animals for the big annual Mills County Youth Fair and Junior Livestock Show every January.

