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May Your Home Be Blessed This Holiday Season!

Louis and Barbara Stas and Family

Fourth, Final Drawing Is Christmas Eve



THIS IS MY LIST: Payton Austin (right) came prepared when he visited with Santa at the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce Open House; he had his list with him. Corbin, 17 months, is not too sure what to think about the jolly old St. Nicholas. The boys are the children of Joe and Liz Austin of Wheeler.

By Louis C. Stas

Getting two papers out in the same week was quite an experience. This is a first in 42 years.

We do appreciate all the cooperation we received in this effort.

We also hope you enjoy the Santa Letters in this issue.

We titled a cutline wrong last week. James Chapman was not 'Player of the Year'. He was named to the Associated Press 1-A Defensive State Team. It was right in chat, but wrong under the picture.

-cwe-It is good to see all the college students coming home for the holidays. Another semester is completed and you are that much closer to gradua-

-cwe-We have a notice in the paper from (Continued Page 7)

Wheeler Council Holds Dec. Business Meeting

DECEMBER 17, 2001 Mayor Wanda Herd called the regular meeting to order at 7:05 PM. Jimmy Hill made motion seconded

by Barbra Koelzer to approve the minutes as written. The motion car-

Jay Randels made motion, seconded by Bob McCain to pay bills as presented. The motion carried.

Bobbye Hill spoke to the council concerning the traffic on Main Street (Continued Page 10)

County Churches Plan New Year's Eve Service

The churches of Wheeler County will join together for a New Year's Eve Worship Service Monday evening, December 31. The service will start at 6:00 p.m. at the Country Chapel in Wheeler.

Preaching the service will be Toby Henson, minister of the First Baptist Church of Wheeler.

Everyone is invited to attend.

RECOGNIZED: Mitchell Pritchard and Nancy Morrison were recognized as resident and employee of the month at Wheeler Care Center for December. Mitchell Pritchard has made Wheeler Care Center his home since December 14, 2000; he is 78 years old and likes to smoke his pipe and listen to "The Price Is Right". His favorite foods are Snickers and Dr. Peppers. As a part of history, Mitchell remembers when, as a little boy, he had to hide behind an old cook stove when the "James Gang" broke into his house, He remembers that his anut got shot in the hand. All the staff members at the Care Center love Mitchell very much. Nancy Morrison has been employed at Wheeler Care Center for the last six months in the business office; she is the payroll clerk and accounts payable clerk. Nancy has been a resident of Wheeler for 16 years and has three children, Jeff, Lorie and Bekah, all Wheeler High School graduates.

The fourth of the \$1500 Chamber of Commerce Christmas drawings will be held Monday, December 24, 2001.

Eight individuals will share the Wheeler 'Cash'. Four envelopes with a value of \$25.00 will be handed out first. The second group will be two envelopes with \$50.00 in Wheeler 'Cash'. The last two tickets drawn will be worth \$100.00

Following the Chamber drawing, 23 additional tickets will be drawn. Each individual claiming the tickets will be awarded a \$25.00 gift certificate from First State Bank of Mobeetie of Mobeetie and Wheeler

Graveside Rites Are Held Thurs. For J. P. Meek, 85

J. P. Meek, 85, died Tuesday, December 18, 2001, in Amarillo.

Graveside services were at 10:30 a.m. December 20, 2001 in Gageby Cemetery with Aaron Laverty, pastor of Gageby Baptist Church, and Jerry Jewell of the Country Chapel in Wheeler officiating. Arrangements were by Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.

Mr. Meek was born June 24, 1916, to Edward and Esther Phoebe Minor Meek in Forestburg. At 2 year of age he moved with his family by covered wagon to Wheeler County and at about 12 years old he moved to Hemphill County where he resided

He played football at West Texas State University and graduated in 1941. Pro teams wanted him to play for them but the Coast Guard took him and he served for four years. He married Martha Fort on Aug. 19, 1955, in Canyon. He was a farmer and rancher and was active in church and civic affairs. He will be missed dearly by his family.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Jay Phil Meek, in 1982; and five brothers, Clyde Meek, Carnes Meek, Clinton Meek, Jack Meek and Wayne Meek

Survivors include his wife, Martha Meek of Briscoe; a son, Mack Sides and wife, Linda, of Shamrock; three daughters, Suzann Everett of Shamrock, Cindy Hartsfield and husband, Don, of Monterey, Tenn., and Phoebe Hartline and husband, Chuck, of Canadian; two sisters, Lois Meadows of Briscoe and Lola Cyphers of Odessa; a grandson, Shawn Everett and wife, Amy, of San Antonio; 11 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to Waxahachie Children's Home in

Evaline E. Penn, 94, Is Buried Dec. 22 In Kan.

Evaline E. Penn, age 94, of Neodesha, Kansas died Wednesday, December 19, 2001 at the Wilson County Hospital in Neodesha, Kan-

Evaline was born February 3, 1907 in Thayer, Kansas to Henry and Harriett (Black) Thomas. Evaline grew up in Thayer, Kansas and graduated from the Thayer High School in 1925.

Evaline married Joel Franklin Penn on August 30, 1930 in Independence, Kansas and they made their home in Neodesha, Kansas. Joel preceded her in death on January 26, 1992. Evaline was a school teacher in rural Thayer and Altoona, Kansas. She was also a homemaker. After retirement Evalie and Joel moved to Fairfield Bay, Arkansas for 12 years until returning to Neodesha, Kansas. She was a member of the Neodesha First Christian Church and taught Sunday School.

Survivors include three daughters, Louise Pendleton of Neodesha, Kansas; Valetta Frankenbery of Wheeler, Texas and Joelene Evans of Georgetown, Texas; seven grandchildren; eleven great-grandchildren and 11 great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband; one brother Bert and one sister Alice Reece, two grandchildren and one great-grandson.

Funeral Services were held at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, December 22, 2001 at the Neodesha First Christian Church with the Rev. Harry Cunningham officiating. Burial was in the Neodesha Cemetery under the direction of the Loran Fawcett Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were grandchildren; Kenneth Frankenbery, Kevin Frankenbery, Terry Pendleton, Randy Pendleton, Jeff Pendleton, Stacy Rivera and Kelly Finkenbinder. Visitation hours were from 5:00 p.m.

to 8:00 p.m. Thursday, December 20 2001 and from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Friday, December 21, 2001 at the Loran Fawcett Funeral Home. Casket was closed except for Visitation.

The family has suggested memorials be to the Neodesha Gran Villa or the First Christian Church Disciples

to be spent with a business participating in the drawing.

The annual Christmas Drawing will again be offered by the progressive merchants of Wheeler. Certificates will be given away during December totaling \$1500. The merchants of Wheeler feel this is one way they can thank you, their customers, for the support you have given them during the year and are giving you a chance to share the profits.

Merchants began giving tickets on November 24, 2001. You are eligible for a ticket each time you enter a sponsoring business; with each five dollars spent, you will receive an additional ticket-up to 100 tickets per

Four drawings will be held. The drawings will be held on Saturdays, December 8, 15, 22 and Monday 24 Christmas eve. The drawings will begin at 2:30 p.m. again this year. Some 58 lucky Wheeler shoppers will have Wheeler cash to spend again this year. The drawings will be in the amounts of \$300 on the first Saturday, \$400 on the second and third Saturday and \$400 on Monday, December 24.

As has been the practice for the past several years, script is given away to the lucky individuals instead of cash. The script can be spent like money with any of the participating merchants. The 'money' will be in \$5

ATTENTION DOG OWNERS

The City of Wheeler wants to make the public aware there is an Ordinance which prohibits dogs from running loose in the city. If your dog is missing, please call City Hall at 826-3222, so we can return your dog. Please have proper identification on your pet which might help save it's life.

Thank you, **Wesley Bradstreet** Animal Control Officer

Hospital Notes

Extended Care

Estelle Orr Virginia Frye Ruth Ledbetter Verne Lohberger Ardie Martin

New Admissions 12/17 Ralph Hovey Julie Boydston 12/20 Andrew Wilson

Dismissal 12/18

James Cottom Elsie Hughes Nellie Lackey Janice Sparlin 12/20 Ralph Hovey

Remember, each time you enter participating stores, you are entitled to a ticket; ask for it, sign it, deposit the ticket in the containers, which are conveniently located in the sponsor-

You will receive one ticket per each \$5.00 of the purchase value-up to a maximum of \$100.

When the day of the drawing arrives, all of the tickets will be placed in a large container and the winners drawn. You MUST be present to win; however, husbands and wives may claim each other's prizes.

Each sponsor giving tickets will dis-(Continued Page 10)



T-SHIRTS: First State Bank, Wheeler and Mobeetie presented t-shirts to Wheeler Care Center for the residents to wear on outings. A group was taken to Pampa Friday evening to see the lights; a trip to Elk City is planned for a later date. First State Bank is proud to sponsor this project for the Wheeler Care Center. We appreciate the important work that Mrs. Howard and her staff do for our communities and their citizens. Since 1906, the objective of First State Bank has been to serve the financial needs of our community and customers. We have always felt it important to contribute back into the communities from which our business comes. Pictured are residents Sallie Harris and Joe Cooke. Standing are Bill Howard of First State Bank and Kenna Howard, Wheeler Care

Allison Schools Receive High Rating In Texas Education Agency Report

The Texas Education Agency recently released the accountability data for all schools across the state. The accountability system was developed as a method of informing the local district and the public of the performance of their school. Schools are measured on TAAS scores, attendance rates, and other student performance indicators, as well as fiscal information on the school district. The Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS) is used to analyze the data and place the schools in a rating system which consists of four levels of performance. Districts receive an accreditation status of either Exemplary, Recognized, Academically Acceptable or Academically Unacceptable. Campuses receive performance ratings of Exemplary, Recognized, Acceptable or Low-performing.

The Allison ISD received an accreditation rating of Exemplary with additional acknowledgement in:

TAAS/TASP, Recognized High School Program and Attendance. Some of the data used to generate these ratings are as follows:

Average

Campus

Reading 88.9% 93.7% 87.9% 95.1% Writing Mathematics 90.2% 95.1% Other data of interest includes: Attendance 96.8% Rate 95.6% Expenditure per Student \$3,479 Instruction 13,321 School Leadership \$347 \$1,573 Other School Costs \$1,499 Total School \$4,751 \$16,393 Budget

The AEIS report was presented to the Allison ISD Board of Trustees on Thursday, November 8, 2001. The Board acknowledged the work of everyone involved.

A copy of the campus report card from the state is going to be sent home with each student's report card following the end of the third sixweeks. Others who wish to see the entire report may do so by contacting Allison School at 375-2381.

Dobson Cellular To Offer \$2500 Scholarships

Communications (NASDAQ:DCEL) today announced it will award a quarter million dollars to deserving students through its PRIDE Scholarship program.

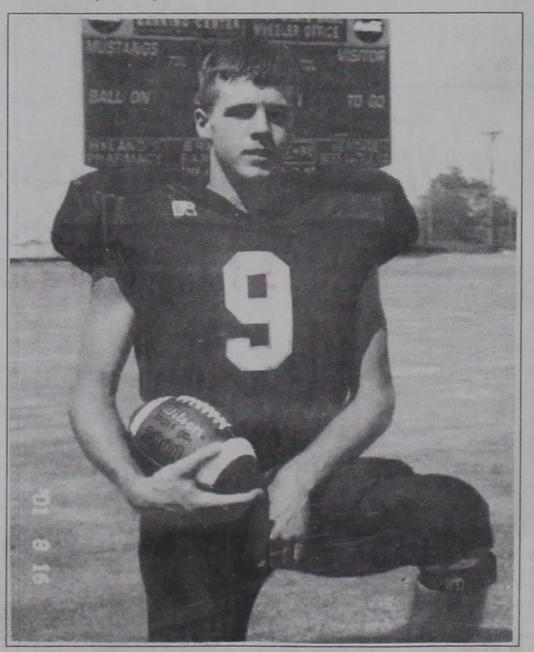
The Oklahoma City-based telecommunications provider said it would grant 100 scholarship awards worth \$2,500 each to graduating high school students and undergraduate college students who are customer of the company's wireless services as well as customers of Logix Communication and Dobson Telephone Com-

Applications for PRIDE Award will be available on-line at www.dobson.net and in Dobsonowned Cellular One and Dobson Cellular retail locations beginning Jan. 15. Ablue-ribbon panel of community leaders, politicians and business leaders will select recipients of the award.

company spokesman said. The 2002 Dobson PRIDE Scholarship Awards represent the largest pool of cash Dobson has made available since the program's inception in 1996. The Dobson scholarship awards are funded by proceeds of a charity golf tournament sponsored

Deadline for entry is March 15, a

ALL STATE: Wheeler defensive back, James Chapman was named to the first team Associated Press Defensive Football team. The teams are selected by a poll of Texas sports writers. James played quarterback and defensive back for the Mustangs this year. A sophomore this year, he weighed in at 180 lbs. He is the son of Von and Sindy Chapman and the grandson of Hannah annually by Dobson.





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surpirse me with a few gifts. I hope you have a safe trip.

Signed: Mariah Marshall

Dear Santa Claus.

Please bring me a stereo with C.D.'s and speakers. Please can you bring me a little Christmas tree with my sisters and my picture on the Christmas tree. I wish you and Mrs. Claus a Merry Christmas Signed:

Lynnesae Salas

Dear Santa Claus, I wish you would bring me a bike and a trampoline. Then my other wish is a CD player and a game boy and

the new one and the color blue. Thats Merry Christmas Thank you! Signed:

Abdias Sapon

Dear Santa Claus,

I hope you have a happy Christmas. I want a sand art and all the football equipment and a lava lamp and a motorized-scooter and a set of drums and a four-wheeler. My brother wants some toys like a trike. Happy New Year and a Merry Christmas S.

Signed: **Payton Austin** doll. Also I hope I see you this Christ-

Signed: Mayra Martinez

Dear Santa Claus,

Could you get me a dirt bike with the spike tires and a 22 rifle. We wish you a Merry Christmas.

We wish you a Merry Christmas. and a Happy New Year. Signed:

Jeremy Houto

Dear Santa Claus,

Please Santa Claus what I want for Christmas is a kitten shirt, Sony Mary-Kate and Ashley game, rug rat gameboy game and a flute. Merry Christmas Santa Claus. Signed:

Caitlyn Burch

Dear Santa Claus,

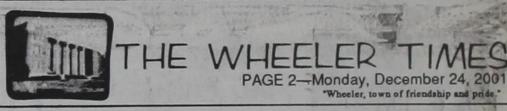
I wish that you would bring a bike so I can ride on it. I wish for an CD player and a stereo and some clothes. I wish you a Merry Christ-

Signed: **Gladys Zapata**

Dear Santa Claus,

I want what ever you please to bring for me and I hope you have a very happy Christmas. Signed:

Kenneth Lopez



Dear Santa Claus,

de Jugete y diario esto.

Signed:

Beatriz Galla

Dear Santa Claus,

a Happy New Year.

Collin Hampton

Signed:

es todo a dios Santa Clos.

Santa Clos vo beatriz ho e sido mui

a bedientea mi mama I vo te pidoque

Porfabor me traigas una grabadora

Please bring me a guitar and a

electric scooter. And I want to have a

GI Joe for Christmas. How is Mrs. S.

Claus? Have a Merry Christmas and

Dear Santa Claus.

I would like air snares and a keyboard. Please bring my brother a remote control car.

You and Mrs. Claus are very nice.

Signed: Spencer Ford

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a little motorcycle so I can ride with my friends and go racing. The second thing I want is a Band Set like drums and guitar and I wish you all a Merry Christmas

Signed: Chase Scales CRS

Dear Santa Claus, I wish you a Happy Christmas and I wish it to Mrs. Claus, too.

Can you please bring me three things? a doll, doll house, stereo. I wish you can make it to Wheeler and I hope you bring Rudoloph. I wish you a Happy Christmas again, your friend

Signed: Carla Mendoza

Dear Santa Claus,

Please brind one or two toys I will name them Santa Claus.

Please bring me a CD player and a puppy. Merry Christmas Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus. Signed:

Kacey Callaway

Other Santa Letters . . .

Dear Santa,

I am almost 4 years old. I live in Mobeetie, Tx. I want a truck like my dads and a Barbie Jeep and lots of

I have tried to be a good girl all

I love you Santa, Bailey Ann McAlpine P.S. I want it to snow.

Dear Santa,

I am 3-years-old, me and my brother have been good this year. I would like a new trike this year. I'm getting so big my old one doesn't fit my legs any more. I really need a John Deer Tractor like my Pa's. We have lots of fun on it. I'll leave cookies and milk.

Love you, Santa **Jarrett Childress**

Dear Santa,

I'm three-years-old, too. I'm bigger than my twin brother by 2 lbs., so I for sure need a new trike this year. so we can both ride together. Pa takes both of us on his travtor, so I need a John Deer for me so Pa can play with both of us. My sister wants a computer, so we'll be waiting for

Love you HooHoo, **Garrett Childress**

Lyndon Loyd **Auctioneers** Lyndon & Novelene

A Very, Merry Season To All You Gentlefolk!

Christmas was a simple affair, A time filled with friends, family and prayer. A time when strangers were welcomed with open arms. A time to sing God's many praises in hymns and psalms.

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14875 CO RD A Mobeetie, TX 79061 December 7, 2001

Dear Santa, I want for Christmas a M and M telephone and GI Joe stuff. Your friend,

> Rt. 1 Box 223 Mobeetie, TX 79061 December 7, 2001

Thank you for all the gifts that you

gave me last year. This year I want a kintten, Brinttny Spears doll, Brinttny Spears bag. Mary I like this Kate and a Aslashly doll, New shrit, My own telephone.

Your friend, Karen Kelley

Davis Corse

P.O. Box 79 Canadian 79014 December 7, 2001

Dear Santa, Cristmas will be coming soon. I wrote what I won't from my parents at home. For Cristmas from you I want a sleigh. I also whant the tape Ruydolf the raindeer. What I want the most is a baby Ritty. I also whant some roler skates. When you come to are house you will see our Cristmas tree with all the pretty light's.

Your friend, Marissa

> P.O. Box 92 Brisco TX 79011 December 7, 2001

Santa I like your beard. I wish I

could play with your beard for Cristmas. I want a real monkey. Also for

Cristmas I want a horse. A second thing I want for Cristmas is a telephone. Anothe thing I want for Cristmas is a alexa Doll. The last thing I want from Santa is a pogo

Thank your for giving kids toys that have no toys. Also thank you for giving me toys.

your friend, Charity

> 8101 FM 3104 Mobeetie, TX 79061 December 7, 2001

Thank you for what you got me last year for Christmas. This year I want a new playstatoin game, a playstoin 2 with games, and a snap together corvett modele, and a radio control car, a teloskope, a remote control monster truck, and every one with hearts full of the true meaning of Christmas.

your friend, **Dawson Clark**

> Rt. 1 Box 66 Mobeetie, TX 79061 December 6, 2001

Dear Santa, I want a stuff puppy a four wheelr

and a computer. your friend Chelsea Selby

> 8199 CO RD 9 Mobeetie, TX 79061 December 7, 2001

I love Rudolf the Red Nose Reindeer and the other reindeer. Everbody loves you. I will put milk and cookies on the table and some hay on the roof for the reindeer.

What I want for Christmas is a gocart and a reindeer that can fly. I also want a picture of you and your reindeer. Merry Christmas!

Your friend, Gatlin Duncan

HCR 2 Box 21 Wheeler, TX 79096 December 7, 2001

How is Rudolf the red nose reindeer and the other reindeers? I hope their fine! We mite cook you cookies. What I want for cristmas is a gocart, and a hourse, and a micrope. I've been good so I'll propaly get theis thing. Merry cristmas Santal

Your friend, Sarah Horn

> Rt. 1 Box 258 Mobeetie, TX 79061 December 7, 2001

I want a gocart a train boombox a real monkey and a remote control pickup a car and to have a happy Christmas with my family. Your friend,

Kory

P.O. Box 1131 Wheeler, Texas 79096 December 4, 2001

You are my favorite person but why do you have to wear red. It is not your This year for christmas I want

something gold. Your friend,

Colby Hanson

8199 Co RD 9 Mobeetie, Texas 79061 December 4, 2001

Dear Santa,

I want a new pair of tennis shoes and a bike for christmas.

Then I want a lot of sweatpants for christmas and a baby puppy that is potty trained.

Your friend, Hayden Duncan

Box 24B Pampa, Texas 79069 December 4, 2001

Dear Santa, I want a whole lot of presents. I want choclote candy at the bottom of my stocking. I want a hat just like yours. A house of my own would be nice, or even my own room. I really want new shoes and a big screen T.V. You do a good job a delivering toys. I

really love your bright red suit. Yours truly, Sara Hathaway



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Rt. 1 Box 249 Mobeetie Texas 79061

December 4, 2001 Dear Santa,

I will leave you milk and cookies. Please bring some new headphones, Ariel The Ty Beanie Buddy, a big Ty Beanie Kid, a blow-up or fuzzy chair. How the Grinch Stole Christmas movie, and a gameboy advance or nintendo game cube.

Love, **Balley Estes**

P.O. Box 115 Briscoe, Texas 79011 December 4, 2001

Dear Santa, I have always wanted to know why you always wear red? I don't think red

You are my favorite person (even if you don't bring me what I want always). And do you ever not want to do christmas? And why don't your elves get tired? Well anyway this year for christmas I want a seigh just like

yours, and a trampoline (a little one),

and a remote control car and that is 2

Sincerely, **Blake Baker**

> P.O. Box 66 Mobeetie, Texas 79061 December 4, 2001

Dear Santa,

I know you have to deliver a lot of presents but I want a few things like a puppy. Nintdo 64 with this game Air combat. That is all I want for Christ-

Why do you wear red and white? That's last year. So I think you should wear yellow and blue. That is your color and how do you keep Rudlf' nose going all threw the night? That is all I want to know about you.

Your friend, Cody Selby

> P.O. Box 76 Bricoe TX 79011 December 7, 2001

Will you please get me a dirt bike and a go cart a new bike a boom box a remot control pikeup and a car next will you get me a remot control dart bike a remot control truke from Borger at big K. I love you Santa. Your frieand,

Roland Newman

HCR 2 Box 152 Pampa, TX 79065 December 6, 2001

Dear Santa,

You are the best so are your reindeer. Please let it snow. And please get me this. A pair of snow boot, a sleigh and some walky talkys And give money to the poor. Merry Christ-

Ailene

8383 CO RD5 Mobeetie, Tx 79061 December 4, 2001 Dear Santa,

You are a very special guy. The reason why you are special is you make a lot of people happy. Any way lets get to the point. Why do you give the people presents when you have them right next to you? That's so like merchindice. You got the presents all to yourself and you give them away that's so like wierd.

Do you know the Rudohf joke? Probuboly not but I'll tell you. How do you make a randier not run a red light? Change his nose bulb to green. Anyways have a Merry Chrismas. Bring me a good present.

Your friend, Karly Lovelace

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May you share in the joy that is Christmas. Many thanks to all.

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Ed & Laurel Hershman



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David and Patsy Rarden



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Hebrews 13:5: God has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you. That is why we can say with confidence; "The Lord is my helper, so I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do

Happy Brithday to T. J. Cole, Katrina Bodkin, Mike Wash, Evelyn Hale, Isabel Moore and Elva Wood on Dec. 30; Martha Helton, Liz Shipp, Kelsey Zybach on Dec. 31; Evalyn Free, Jeanette Jahnel, Bill Finsterwald, Larry Lee Horn and Randy Barr on January 1; Davis Corse, Katie Jo Hennig and Tracy Young on Jan. 2; Teda Seuhs, Jill Lister, Daphne Zybach, Deidre Harris, Inez Moore, Mike Bell, Morgan Lane and Clifton Fletcher Jr. on Jan. 3; Derek Murray, Angila Forward, Kenny Lancaster, Shane Goad and Novalene Loyd on Jan. 4; Lou Dean Douthit and Rhonda McWhorter on Jan. 5. Also Anna Dell Myers on Jan.

Happy Anniversary to Terry and Shelia Mick and Raymond and Isabel Moore on Dec. 30; Susie and Billy Umsted, Thad and Tammy Greene and Al and Sharon Ryan on Dec. 31; Don and Cindy Zumstein on Jan. 4 and Darville and Sammie Atherton on Jan. 5.

taurel Hershman took Willa Fillingim to Elk City Tuesday for a doctor's appointment on her eye. Not a good report. It is not getting better. If not better by Dec. 27, doctor will do some surgery to repair the damaged area. Pray for Willa. This has been such a trying time for her. Hard for her to drive and she is off by herself. She feels it is a little better.

Wheeler County **COURT RECORDS**

List of instruments filed in Wheeler County Clerk's office from December 14, 2001 - December 19, 2001. **DECEMBER 14, 2001**

OL-Linda J. Brian to Schonwald Land Inc., 8-30-01, N 1/2 Sec. 3, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey. OL-W. H. Brian Trusts to Schonwald Land Inc., 8-30-01, N 1/2 Sec. 3, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey. OL-W. H. Brian Jr. to Schonwald Land Inc., 8-30-01, N 1/2 Sec. 3, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey. OL-Beverly B. Gilbert to Schonwald Land Inc., 8-30-01, N 1/2 Sec. 3, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey. C/C WILL & ORDER-Lon Moser to Ex Parte, 12-12-01.

OL-Stiles Resources Ltd. to Green River Exporation Company, 7-10-01, W 1/2 Sec. 5, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

EXECUTOR OL-W. Gordon Stiles to Green River Exploration Company, 7-10-01, W 1/2 Sec. 5, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. DT-Stillwaters LLC to Stillwater

National Bank and Trust Company of Stillwater, Oklahoma, 10-29-01, NW 1/4 Sec. 22 and all of Sec. 15, Blk. L. J. M. Lindsey Survey.
QUITCLAIM ASSIGN.—Executive

Properties Inc. to Kismet Properties Inc., 12-10-01, SE 1/4 Sec. 44, Blk. 24, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. EXT. DT-N. Philip Marshall, et ux to First National Bank of Shamrock, 10-15-01, All of Lots 1 and 3, S 10' & N 40' Lot 2, Blk. 15, Shamrock. ASSIGN.—Millennium Energy Fund

L L C to Mirant Americas Energy Captial LP, 12-6-01, Pt. Secs. 22 and 23, BIC D, J. M. Lindsey Survey; and Pt. Stephen Keith Survey. D-Garland Moore, et ux to Matthew

D. Moore, et al, 12-14-01, Sec. 20, Blk. O\$2 and Sec. 62, Blk. A-7, HAGN Ry. Company Survey. DECEMBER 17, 2001

SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE AFF.-Gene Martin, et al to Gene Martin, 9-

QCMD—Rosemann Mahoney Trust to Gene Martin, 9-26-01, W 1/2 Sec. 47, Blk. 24, H&GN Ry. Company

OCMD Gene Martin to Gene Martin Trust, 9-26-01, W 1/2 Sec. 47, Blk. 24, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. ASSIGN.-Katharine Knorr to Katharine H. Knorr Revocable Trust, 10-3-01, NW 1/4 Sec. 23, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey; NW 1/ 4 Sec. 14, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey; and 6.31 acs. Sec. 11, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company

ASSIGN.—Ruth N. Houston to Ruth N. Houston Revocable Trust, 11-5-01, NW 1/4 Sec. 23, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey; NW 1/4 Sec. 14, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey; and 6.31 acs. Sec. 11, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. DVL-Velma Maxine Blake to Kenneth Campbell, et al, 12-11-01, N 100' Lot 4, Blk. 47, Shamrock.

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Alan Frame, 12-17-01.

Next Sunday night, December 30, will be the 5th Sunday singing at Wheeler Baptist Church. Everyone invited to come participate at 6:00 p.m. or just listen. (I'm a good lis-

Friday, Dec. 28 Wheeler High School will play basketball at Ft. Elliottt. Booker will come play Saturday afternoon Dec. 29 at 2:00 at Briscoe, Samnorwood is scheduled to host Ft. Elliott New Year's Eve at 2:00 p.m. at Samnorwood.

Mickey Atherton is doing o.k. since his fight heart attack and should be home pretty soon. He is visiting rela-

Nice to see Chuck Hartline's dad, Garland Hartline, and friend, Pat Holcomb, from Chickasha at J. P.'s funeral. (Thanks for the pecans, Garland) and Don Hartsfield's dad. Also cousins from Borger that have a prison ministry singing and preaching to the inmates. They have been to the Canadian Boot Camp. The

Querido amigo(a)como te encuentras hoy.

El Salmo(40:1) Nos dice. Pacientemente espere a Jehova, y se inclino a mi, y oyo mi clamor. y me hizo sacar del pozo de la desesperacion, del lodo cenagoso; puso mis pies sobre pena, y enderezo mis pasos. La santa biblia es la que nos muestra que Dios hace cosas nuevas. Si yo preguntara cuantos de ustedes decean una vida nueva? yo le aseguro que si somos honestos mucho diriamos yo. Y si le hago la misma pregunta pero le agrego una palabra mas cuantos de ustedes no tan solo decean una vida nueva? si no que necesitan, vida nueva? creo que muchos diriamos: no tan solo deceo una vida nueva sino que necesito una vida nueva para estar felices con mi familia. Por ultima vez boy hacer la misma pregunta agregandole otra palabra: cuantos de ustedes decean y estarian dispuestos a pagar el precio para tener una vida nueva.? A qui es donde muchos fallamos o mejor dicho no queremos paga el precio dela transformacion. Dios esta mas que dispuesto a darnos una vida nueva, y nos asegura una vida nueva. y nos asegura una vida nueva El dice Ezequiel(36:26) Os dare corazon nuevo, y pondre espiritu nuevo dentro de vosotros; y quitare de vuestra carne el corazon de piedra, y os dare un corazon de carne.

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It is my personal goal to return the duties that belong in the Treasurer's Office back into the hands of the treasurer as soon as possible. The Treasurer's Office has been ill equipped to deal with the necessity of being a self-reliant office and with performing the duties of the Treasurer as set by the state. The Office of the Treasurer, in Wheeler County, has long been considered a "part-time" job. Make no mistake; the office now requires a full time treasurer. For many, many years, other offices within the courthouse have been performing a large majority of the treasurer's duties. I have taken back some of those responsibilities and I am working, with the cooperation of such offices, on many more. Hopefully that will give those offices the freedom to fully perform the duties of their office with out the worry of expending time on something that needn't have been placed on them had their been a "full-time" treasurer. Responsibilities such as maintaining the records for accounts/invoices payable, receiving bills, personnel files, time sheets, investments, payroll, and insurance have all been performed by someone other than the treasurer. These are treasurer's duties. Some of those things have been implemented back into the Office of the Treasurer and the rest are to be added sometime in the future.

As of January 1, I will be receiving the county bills to be paid, filed and kept within the office for a period of 12 months, at which time they will be given to the records manager. I am also excited about the utilization of the newly acquired computer program. It allows for a cut back in expenses. Such as, the checks issued by the treasurer are now computer generated in-house, not typed with carbons, and will save a considerable amount of expense from check printing charges. It also eliminates the monthly maintenance fee that was being charged by another company for a program whose purchase price was 4 times the amount of the new one and had not been used. The new package is an updated version of the program now in use by the County Auditor. That alone lets the Treasurer's office and Auditor's office work better together. There may come a time when Wheeler County needs a more expensive program, but with the economic conditions the way they are, now isn't the time.

functioning branch of the county it should be. Your vote is very much needed and very appreciated.

(Pol. Adv. paid for by Jauna Benefield, P.O. Box 24, Wheeler, TX 79096)

I intend, if elected, to restore the Treasurer's office back to the full

Hartline family lived in our house when kids were small; Chuck was in 6th grade.

Nice to meet a lovely lady named Roda White at Maxeys. She works with Shepard's Crook. Always good to see Bill and Kay Stiles there with Bill's sister, Sandra

Pray for "MaMa" Addie Swift. She is in Northwest Texas Hospital with a bruise on her head that they think was caused by a fall. Cathy Hunt found her in her chair Tuesday, unable to respond or get up or unlock the door. She got Fat to come help and they had to break a window out to get in. They called an ambulance to come for her. Addie had been to the ball games on Saturday. Addie played basketball when she was in school and enjoys watching granddaughter, Jackie Dukes, play. Such a sweet lady. While Bells are ringing midnight clear,

Three gifts I ask for this New Year. Faith is the pilgrim staff I crave To keep me strong, to keep me brave. Hope is the candles pinpoint star To lead me on the path afar Love is the mantle I would wear-Heartwarming garments lined with prayer. Father, God, with these priceless three

Enrich the days Thou sendest me. Lou Dean Douthit and Billie and Donald Stuckey are expecting Don and Peg North and Stephanie aned Mark Bowman and LeAndra and Mounty Whittenberg and Mathew to come and celebrate Christmas together De-

Ed and Laurel Hershman are hosting a family Christmas dinner at their house Saturday, Dec. 22 pot-luck. Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Margaret

Trout, 92, in her death. A fine lady.

Members of XI Upsilon Eta were distributing bags of delicious goodies with holiday cheer Wednesday afternoon. Thanks for remembering us! Members include Dena Brown, Jane Dukes, Pat Graham, Maren Green, Linda Hall, Cathy Hunt, Rita Pearson, Kara Richardson, Gina Seitz and Bobbie Walker. Thank you, lovely ladies! Always good to see you, Rita.

Keep praying for Sammie Brittain, 22, who was very seriously injured in a vehicle accident. Still critical last I

When Edna May read about our dropping the big honey jar on the cement floor, she wanted to share her delemia that happened at her house with her stove. She was cleaning behind her cook stove when she started smelling something that smelled like burning rubber. She called nephew Bill Donaldson. He checked for a gas leak but didn't find any. He found a short in an electrical wire that went to a light in the oven, and fixed it. She was so proud to get it fixed—it was a dangerous situation. Thanks, Edna, for

Nice to have Jack and Pam Ledford join us for lunch at Maxeys Thursday. We had a real good visit. He is on 100% disability because of his back. He was recently re-evaluated by a doctor for Social Security. Jack does have quite a bit of pain at times. The doctor was amazed that Jack could even walk and wasn't falling. Pray for Jack and Pam. Pam is taking training to work in a prison. The Ledfords lived for a time in the gray house south of Gageby Church and Jack worked in the oil field.

You might like to try these delicious and easy

Pineapple Coconut Snowballs 8 oz. cream cheese softened

1 can 8 oz. crushed pineapple well drained

2 1/2 cups flaked coconut

In small mixing bowl, beat cream cheese and pineapple till combined. Cover and refrigerate 30 minutes or more. Roll into 1 in balls; roll in coconut. Refrigerate for 6 hours or over night.

from Taste of Home Magazine

J. P. Meek has been very ill in BSA at Amarillo. The family gathered in to be with him. Some there were his wife Martha, Mack and Linda Sides, Chuck and Phoebe Hartline and Aaron and Tamera, Shawn Everett from San Antonio, Jimmy Sides and Cory from Abilene, friend Gary Grimes, Kathy Meek, Don and Cindy Hartsfield and Glory and Havden from Tennessee.

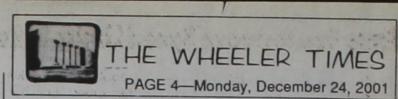
J. P. Meek, 85, passed away Tuesday evening Dec, 18 about 6:00 p.m. We've enjoyed J. P. and Martha and family through the years and will surely miss him. But know heaven has much greater blessings and joys for him. And we will see him again. Sincere sympathy to all the family. He was a man of integrity, and liked to joke sometimes, too. He was beloved by his family and many friends and was a hard worker. May God comfort each of you.

Good to see Mindy Duncan and Hayden, Gatlin and Karly Lovelace at Wheeler Dairy Queen Thursday. Nice to have Ed and Laurel eat with us. Also there Ann Jones and granddaughters Shelby and

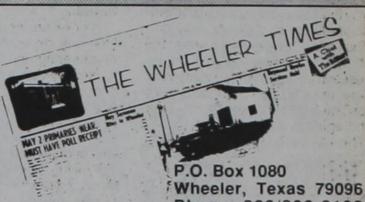
Maggie.

Many friends and relatives came to J. P. Meek's funeral at Gageby Cemetery Thursday. Pallbearers were grandsons and included Hayden Hartsfield, Aaron Hartline, Shane Everett, Jimmy Sides, Dale Sides and Shawn Everett. Nephew Keith Meek sang. Ministers giving scriptures, prayers, and good words were Bro. Aaron Laverty, Bro. Jerry Jewell and Bro. Johnny Crawford, from Briscoe Community Church.

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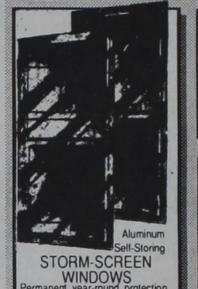


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State can allow speed limit increases in rural areas

Rural-areas of Texas could soon see higher speed limits on portions of the state highway system. New rules allowing for a maximum

speed limit of 75 mph in rural, less populated areas were approved today by the Texas Transportation Commission during its monthly meeting.

The rules implement House Bill 299, which allows speed limit increases in counties with populations of less than 10 persons per square mile. The bill was passed during the 77th Legislative session.

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people usually drive a few miles over the speed limit because of the distance involved in getting from point A to point B," said Rep. Pete P. Gallego, who authored the legislation. "The increase in the speed limit will allow people more room to gauge a comfortable yet save driving speed when

Before an increase in the speed limit can be considered, traffic and engineering studies must be conducted by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDTOT) to ensure that a higher speed limit is safe and reasonable for a particular roadway.

The factors evaluated during speed limit engineering studies may include: prevailing speeds, roadway width, crash history, horizontal or vertical curves and shoulder conditions. The amount an location of driveways for residential and commercial developments are also considered in the engineering studies.

BELLS IN YOUR BELFRY

Lorena g. Males It was eerie! It was dark! It was scary!

Out of no where the sound seemed to come

I was awakened by the faint sound of a Christmas song-Was it "Silent

In about five minutes "Joy To The World" came floating on the midnight

It sounded something like a music box or a tape recorder. Was someone serenading me? Is that a bell I hear clanging?

Usually I hate to hear bells ringing. For twenty years I marched to the tune of school bells. Enough is enough!

My sister, Glena Belle Crane, loves bells and chines. She had sneaked into my house and left me two Christmas clocks.

One is a bird clock. Every hour on the hour a different bird sings.

The other is a bell clock. It rings a

bell on the hour. The clocks were not quite together, a symphony of sound when

the clocks sang to each other. "Tweet-tweet," said the bird clock "Ding dong," said the bell clock five minutes later. My sister's house

is full of bells and birds. Knock on her front door and some mysterious voice sings: "Oh what fun it is to ride in a one horse open

Maybe she's right.

Maybe we should fill our homes with bells and birds and their Christmas blessing.

My birds and my bells are now singing every hour, on the hour. My favorites: "Little Drummer Boy", "Away In A Manger", and

"Sweet Little Jesus Boy." P.S. Santa, next year, I'd like another musical clock

ONE MONTH

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NEW YEAR

The 75-mph speed limit will not apply to commercial trucks, truck tractors, trailers and semitrailers But it will apply to light trucks and light trucks pulling a trailer. The nighttime

Ins. Customers Can Protect Information

Insurance customers, including health insurance customers, must notify their insurers, in writing, if they want to protect personal financial information from being shared with other entities, according to rules issued Dec. 13 by Texas Department of Insur-

"It's too bad that people have to request their privacy rather than the insurance company being required to

request permission to share this information." said Lewis Foxhall, MD, a Houston physician and chair of the Texas Medical Association Privacy Task Force.

speed limit will remain 65 mph.

Eighty-six of Texas' 254 counties, predominantly in West Texas, are

eligible to request a 75 -mph limit.

The new rules cover disclosure of personally identifiable financial information collected by an insurer. This includes information gathered from insurance applications, collected in

Harriet Dean is one of the hidden victims of the September 11th terrorist attack. She was not in New York City or Washington D.C.-Harriet was a heroin addict

dying from heroin overdoses are as much victims of the terrorist attacks as those who died in the World Trade Center and the Pentagon-they just never get counted.

As far back as 1986 The New York Times reported that terrorists in Afghanistan funded their activities with drugs-and they were providing 50%

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high as 90% of the heroin sold in Europe The Drug Abuse Warning Network,

The hundreds of young Americans

which tracks drug abuse deaths and emergency room episodes in major U.S. cities, reports that there has been a steady increase in the number of heroin-related deaths since 1992.

"Just as the lives of the victims in New York were devastated by the terrorists, we see lives ruined by heroin every day," said Michael Anzalone, President of Narconon Arrowhead, one of the largest and most successfid drug rehabilitation facilities in the United States.

And the Taliban is turning a blind eye to its own religion's strict prohibition on drugs because they are directly profiting from it.

According to the U.S. Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL), the Taliban imposes a tax of 10% to 20% on the profits of those who grow, process, transport, or sell morphine base and

They make money on every step of the process, from the opium fields to street sales, reaping \$40 to \$50 million a year. Their agreement to halt production last year looked good, but in fact they have stockpiled the drug.

Cheap, plentiful and rendered glamorous by the music and movie industries, heroin is attracting-and killing-a growing number of users in cities throughout the United States.

And the users are getting younger every year. National surveys show that nearly 80% of the new users attracted to heroin are under the age

Harriet was just 16 when she was first introduced to drugs. By the time she was in college she was having problems coping with life and suffered vicious migraine headaches

"I was miserable," said Harriet. "I didn't know what I wanted to do with my life and I wasn't confronting my problems at all." One day a "friend" offered her heroin and at first it seemed to solve all her problems. However within a very short time she was addicted and for the next several years Harriet traveled the hard road to hell.

With no friends and a menial job making just enough money to support her habit, Harriet lived each day to get her fix. She was in and out of rehab programs with no result and completely alienated from her family.

Her sister kept trying to help her and when she found Narconon on the Internet Harriet agreed to try rehab once again.

"I was done, "said Harriet. "I couldn't go on. I either had to get real help or I was ready to kill myself " She went through the Narconon program and has now been sober and drug free for over two years. Harriet attributes her success at rehab this time to the innovative and drug free methods used by Narconon. Methods that were researched and developed in the late 70's by author and humanitarian L. Ron Hubbard and which have a remarkable 75% success rate in rehab

centers around the U.S. "Americans need to support effective drag rehabilitation methods so we can make a dent in the demand and make a strong statement that we do not want drugs, crime or war in our society," said Anzalone.

"People who sell drugs are not your friends," says Harriet. "Heroin ruined my life and almost killed me. It is horrific to think that terrorists fund their activities by selling drugs to people like me."

We all need to be aware of the role drugs played in the attacks on September 11th. With effective solutions to the drug abuse problem we can break the fatal connection of drug abuse and terrorism in our country.



cess, or obtained from consumer re-

porting agencies "But the biggest problem is that there still are no rules protecting the privacy of personal health information held by HMOs, insurance companies, utilization review agents and other regulated entities that hold such information," Dr. Foxhall said. "TDI is now promising these protective rules in 2002 and we can only hope that they will be as much of a priority for the Commissioner as they are for our

"We're pleased that TDI is moving in the right direction; such rules, it adopted, would more adequately address TMA's concerns over the confidentiality of patient information and reflect the intent of state and federal privacy laws already on the books." The proposed rules regarding fi-

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David and I are so blessed to have such an extended family. When my Grandma passed away I could not believe all that was done for my family and I, but then I had to remember where we live. If anyone knows me they know how much I appreciate all that was done. To the girls, Randy and Bill, everyone who sent plants and cards, and really just for saying many prayers for my Grandma. David's family is SO good to us anyway and when this happened my heart just filled with more pride to be a part of his family. I am proud to say that when someone asks me where do you work or where are you from...I say proudly Wheeler County is my

Thanks to everyone and may God Bless you and your family in this Holiday Season.

David and Stefanie Jones Jennifer, Maggie and Shelby

nancial disclosures do not protect individuals applying for insurance coverage. The rules also do not pro-tect individuals participating in employer-sponsored plans or individuals participation in labor union health plans because these plans are shielded from state regulation by the federal Employment Retirement In-

come Security Act (ERISA) of 1974. Insurance companies must notify customers of their privilege to "opt out" of disclosure of personal financial information. Once a customer, takes that step, in writing, it remains in effect until the customer, again in writing, notifies the insurer that it is OK to release personal financial in-

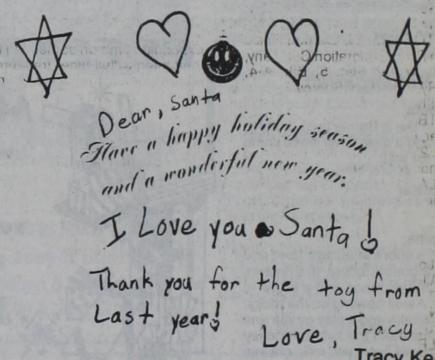
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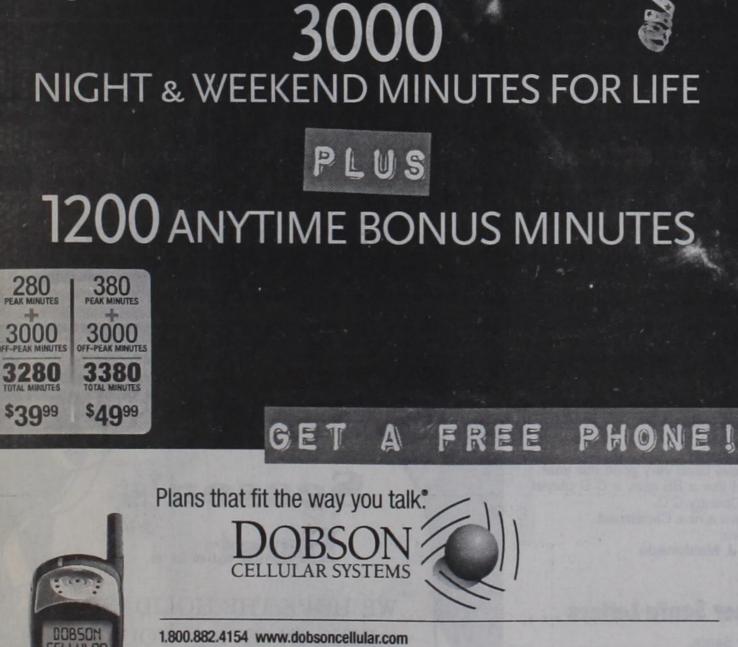
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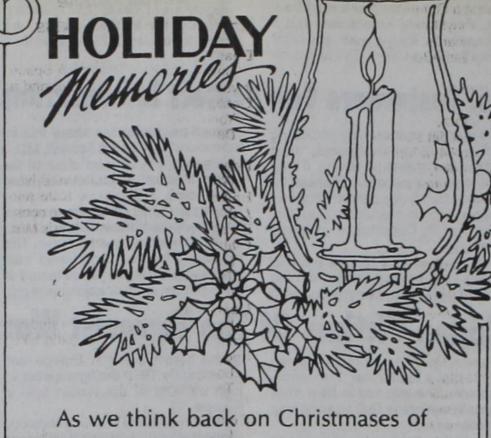
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On this wondrous holiday, we join with you in celebration and prayer and extend our thanks for your valued patronage.



long ago, it makes us appreciate our many blessings. Happy holidays!

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Allison Letters To Santa Claus . . .

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a basketball goal and a Barbie jeep. Also a play kitchen set and a Barbie swimming pool set. I would also like a real swimming pool for my dad and me. Please leave me a desk and chair so I can do my home work. I will leave you some cookies and milk.

Monti Sappenfield

P. Sofflease bring my mom a blowdryer.

Dear Santa Claus,

I want makup because I'm a girl and a Barbie magic key house. I want a boom box and a radio for my brother. ilwill leave you cheese and milk and cookies.

Love, Kori (age 4)

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like an Ashley and Kate video and a new bike. I will leave some milk and cookies for you.

Kaylynn Kiker (age 4)

Kindergarten

Dear Santa.

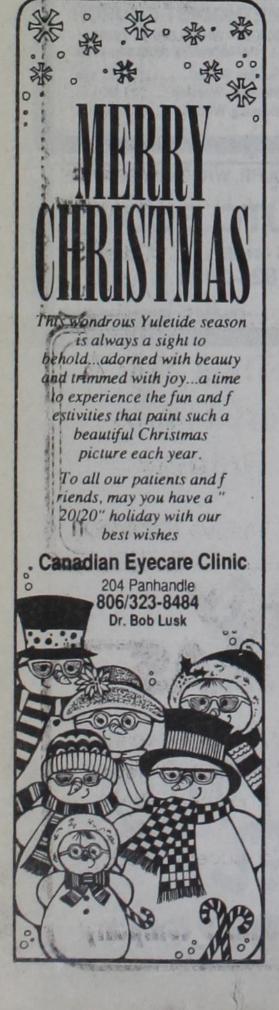
I would like a Barbie jeep, a pony, a horse and a deer. I will leave some cookies for you. Love,

Lvnda Kai (age 5)

Dear Santa,

I want a cobra in a cage (toy) and a remote control cobra that scares people. A plain moon and a skunk to put on it. A wolf howling on the rocks, toy rattlesnake and a play giraffe and toy elephant and toy zebra, monkey and tiger_I will leave you milk, cheese and cookies.

Jake (age 6)



Dear Santa.

I would like a Barbie house and some swimming goggles. Please bring me a purple rabbit, also a stuffed elephant. I would also like a poo bear puppet and a Tigger. I will leave you some chocolet milk and cookies.

I love you Mindy Crismas

Dear Santa,

I want a desk and a chair hooked to with a rack on bottom, a toy monster truck that you can drive in, basketball shoes size 1, large basketball court, basketball goal, a fake beard with funky hair, toy Indian village with Indians and toy tools. I will leave you some cheese.

P. S. I want a remote control toy cobra and a toy lion.

First Grade

Santa Letters

Dear Santa,

I want a computer with a barbie game, or other games with it. I want a real radio and a Barbie cd. I want a printer with my computer. I want a huge coloring book from you, Santa. I would like markers, too. I would like

a lot of tapes and cds. I love you, Santa and Mrs. Claus. My sister and I would love to ride in

your sleigh. Meredith Weatherman

Dear Santa,

How are you? I will leave you some milk and cookies outside. I have been a good boy this year.

I want a Game Boy color with a game. I want a cotton candy maker. I especially want a scooter. And the new Rudolph movie. That's all

J. W. Goldsmith

ay the holidays abound

with all the warmth and

goodness we wish for

you and yours...wrapped

in love and happiness.

Johnny's Shamrock

Johnny, Betty & Justin

Melissa & Slade

GREETINGS TO ALL!

P.S. Do you have a laptop? Love, J.

Dear Santa and Mrs. Claus,

I am a really, really good girl. How is Rudolph? I'd like him to stay a while at our house because I really like him a whole lot.

What I'd like is a Princess Barbie. A fairy Barbie princess. I'd like a Starlight Barbie and a scooter, too. I want it painted pink, purple, and silver. I'd also like some magic markers and Frosty the Snowman's movie and the new Rudolph's movie. I want a computer, too.

Love,

Jade Forward P.S. I love you, too, Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus

Second Grade

Dear Santa,

How are you, Santa? I want a bike and a computer with a gameboy. I would also like a princess Barbie. And a lot of books.

Love, Trey Selvidge

Third Grade

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. I want a C.D. called Pull My Chain a Toby C.D. I want a new bike, a remote control fourwheeler. I want a gameboy color, a Smash mouth C.D. I want an Acktion man with the Silver car. I want a pump 3-B gun. I will leave you cookies milk and cheese.

Love, Michael

Dear Santa,

Have you built any things yet? I would like a mountain bike with red and black lightning stripes, Also I would like a real cano rifle, Jurassic Park 1, 2, 3, movie set and country CD's. Have a Merry Christmas, to all and to all a good night. Love,

Grant Archer

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. I would like an Extreme motorcycle and a Deer Hunter 5 for the computer and a Big Game Hunter 5 for the computer. I will leave you cookies and Love

Matthew Kiker

Dear Santa,

Santa you are a good man. I would like a C D player, C D's, and I would like a computer, have a nice Merry Christmas. I love you. With Love,

Sara Lizabeth

Dear Santa,

How are your reindeer this year? I would like a couple of CD's for my CD player. If you can't get me that, I would like a game for my Game Boy. If you can't get me either one, I would like a" blow up game" like Ms. Lohberger's. Have a nice Christmas!

Vicki Goldsmith

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. I would like a BB gun, a C D player, and Country C D. Have a nice Christmas!

A. J. Maldonado

Other Santa Letters . . .

I have been a good boy this year! Please bring me some vrooms vrooms (cars) and some balls. Love,

Alex Dougherty Age: 2, Wheeler, Texas

Dear Santa,

PHARMACY

109 W. TEXAS

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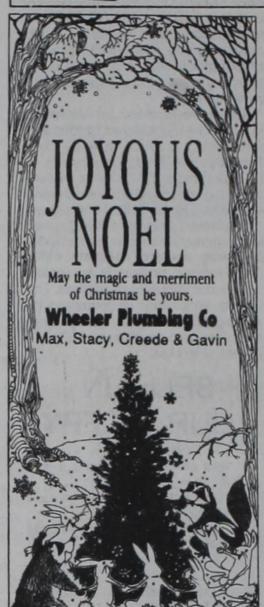
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I want a drum set and Big Beast machines.

Would you bring my sister, Melody, a soft toy? Would you bring my

brother, Dillan, Pokeman soft toy? I would also like a Leappad and a Harry Potter three-headed dog. I have tried to be good this year.

Love, Tre McElveney Age: 6, Wheeler Kindergarten



Fourth Grade

Santa Letters

Dear Santa.

This year I want a little C.D. player, a remot controlled four wheeler, a hockey stick, a set of roller blades, and clothes. I don't want much. So I will see ya later.)

Jeremy Kliewer

Dear Sana,

You know what I want for Christmas is a twenty-two hornet, a a re-mote controle truck from Wal-Mart. A tv but just a little one. Some like crackers. A remote controle plane. A dirt bike. (I've been wanting it for a long time.) Love,

Cody Essay

Dear Santa,

I want a skat board, shoes that can roll, a Computer, a CD player, and printer. These are the things that I want for Christmas.

Senserly, **Brittney Pierce**

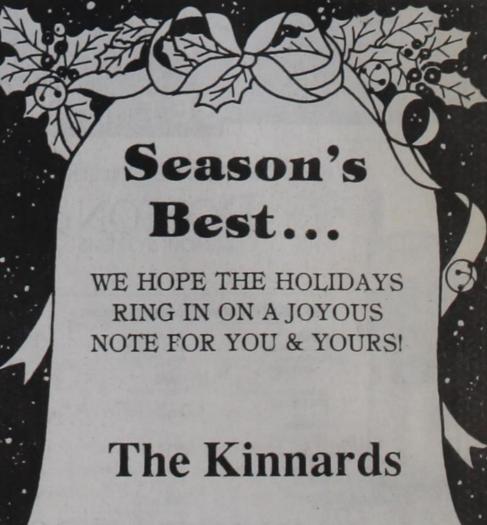


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Elva Wood







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First Grade — Mrs. Porter's Class

lear Santa,

I want a scooter and a skatepoard. Also please bring me the Eaby. Thank you for the toys. Love,

Elizabeth

ear Santa, I want a toy car and a real car. I want motorcycle, I want a C D player, I want my brother's truck,

and I want pokemon cards.

Love, Irving

ear Santa. I want a bike and a fishing pole nd I want my family to be happy. I rget to tell you I want a puppy. hank you.

Love, Ismael Dear Santa,

I want a new nintindo 64 please and a Slithering Jake. Love. Braden

I want a Barbie, Barbie car, Ken. doll, clothes for Barbie and a Barbie house.

Love. Aby

cube, games for my play station and game for cube, toys robot, RC Car, quantum megazord, clothes, toy castle with war army, ninja turtle, a game boy color.

Daniel

Friendship comes in all shapes and sizes

Wheeler Veterinary Clinic

IT'S CHRISTMAS



Marshall's **Discount Auto**

Darrell, Maggie, Steve and Mechelle Mack, Heather, Mariah, Trevor & Makalli Mark, Joanna & Urrick

Dear Santa,

Thank you!

Dear Santa,

I want a play station, a game

here, and to all our friends, we wish you Christmas joy ... all thru the coming year!

cards, Playstation, a toy army truck, digimon cards, a ninja turtle game for my GameBoy.

Love. Miguel

I want a GameBoy, Pokemon

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa.

I want a dirt skate board, Nintendo 64, a Mario Racing, a four-Wheeler, Slitherin Jake, Remote control Dinosaur, Digimon.

Love. Jason T

Dear Santa.

I want a playstation, a nitendo game, a puppy. I also want a slithering Jake. I also want a Boom box, four wheeler, and trampolin.

Love, Garrett

Dear Santa,

I want bunk beds. I also want a baby doll, toyhouse, and kitchen toys, swimming pool, trampoline, puppy and goldfish.

Love, Maggie

First Grade

- Mrs. Burrell's Class

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. I want a playstation and guitar. Have a good Christmas.

Love, Lane

Dear Santa,

I want a horse for Christmas. I would like my horse to be white. Also I want a rabbit. Also a bull.

Jesus

I want a motorcycle. I want a four wheeler. I want a car. I would like a new trampoline. I want a white Christmas. I hope I have fun. Love,

Zay

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a cotton candy machine and a watch for Christmas. Love,

Brooke

I want a 4-wheeler. I also want a trumpet. Would you also bring me a BeeBee gun. I want a computer

Love, Moroni

Dear Santa,

I want a Power Ranger and a b.b. gun. I also want a bike and a drum set. I want a trampoline. I would like

Love, Matthew

Dear Santa.

I want a barbie car. I also want a barbie my size.

Love, Paloma

Dear Santa.

I want a robot to go to space a play station, Shrek, a dirt bike. I have been good this year. I will leave cookies for you.

Love, Zack

Dear Santa,

I want a black and white puppy. Also, please bring me a remote control car. I would like everyone to be

Love, Karsjhaun

I want play station with two controls, two CD's-Mortal Combat and Bike, and a bicycle.

Love. Josue

Second Grade Mrs. Thomas' Class

Dear Santa,

Can you please give me a Space Invader Game, a motorcycle, and a

Centipede Game.

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

Love.

Dear Santa,

blue pants.

Dear Santa,

Yours truly,

Banesa Sapon

Barbie Hotel, and a Mary Kate and

Ashle Play Station. I will leave cook-

ies and milk and carrots. How is Mrs.

How are you and your reindeer

I want you to give me a pink and

Hike it when you give me any thing

you want. I like the presents that you

gave me last year. I want to be your

a Barbie Beetle car for Christmas. A

Barbie Locker for Christmas, too.

What I want for Christmas is a foot-

ball, professor costume, and a remote

control airplane. Please have a safe

The Pink Dress

Doll

Lorena g. Males Christmas would be bleak this year.

The broomcorn crops didn't make

The turkey money always bought

the year's luxuries, but this year

Santa wouldn't have anything but

apples and oranges to put in the

Cotton picking vacation was just

Even little kids could make a lot of Christmas money picking cotton, but

we used that money for clothes and

"I want only one thing," said seven

year old Virginia. "It's that pretty dollwith the pink dress that's in Mr.

Ma looked away and wiped a tear

Pa gave Ma a good-bye kiss, a love

pat and slammed the door as he started to town, a six mile round trip,

by foot. Their dependable Old Molly

"It looks like it's going to snow and

Pa may not get back in time to hear

you sing. He wanted so much to hear

you sing your first solo at the Christ-

When the time came for the Christ-

mas Eve Christmas program, Ma had

all the children dressed and ready to

go. They were all sure there'd be

something on the tree for each of

mas program Christmas Eve.

der if there is a Santa Claus."

end?" thought Virginia.

stage and sang with all her heart.

crowd over. Where was Pa?

His shoulders stooped.

at the very top of the tree.

out of the pound.

are wrong.

the high 60's.

me sing.'

Chat

Standing on stage, she looked the

Outside snow beat against the win-

He looked haggard and whipped.

"Pa walked all that way just to hear

When Santa came into the room he called Virginia's name and handed her the pink dress doll from way up

the city on dogs running loose. It will cost you \$25 if you have to get them

There is a possibility we will be

We had temperatures Thursday in

With Christmas Eve falling on Mon-

day, I guess we will have to skip the

regular card game. Hopefully games

having a white Christmas. Hope they

(from Page 1)

You could hear the wind howl. Suddenly, way in the back she spot-

Virginia was crying with joy.

go on as it's that time," said Ma.

Jennings store window."

from her eye.

had died recently.

them except Virginia

and the coyotes got all of Ma's Christ-

How is Mrs. Claus doing?

Leandra Westbrook

Trevor Carr-Marshall

Dear Santa,

mas turkeys.

purple bike. I would also like some

doing? I want a G.I. Joe, a dirt bike,

Claus and the reindeers?

Tanzia Brown

and some roller blades.

Tayt McCasland

Yours truly,

David Ramirez

How are you? I am good. I want a Play Station 2 for Christmas and a GI Joe and a remote control car. What I want for Christmas is a

Willie Al Morris

Dear Santa.

How are you doing? Well this is what I want for Christmas. I want a bike, trampoline, and a radio. How is Mrs. Claus doing? Christmas is my favorite holiday. It is fun. I hope you come to my house. I will leave you some cookies and milk. You are very, very nice. Mrs. Claus is nice also.

Love. Deidra Salas

Dear Santa.

I hope you had a great Thanksgiving! I want a basketball, a slippy water slide, and a new bike. I hope Mrs. Claus is having a great day. Maybe I will feed the reindeer and give you some cookies and a glass of milk. Love you,

llene Butler

Dear Santa,

friend because you are nice What I want for Christmas is 007 Agent Under Fire, Tony Hawk's Pro Skater 3, and a watch. How are you. Aidee Emiliano I hope you receive this letter. Thanks for every thing. Dear Santa I want a big bike fo Christmas and Love,

Kallen Moore



and through the woods,

we're sending special holiday

wishes to you! --Thanks all.



Dr. & Mrs. Mike Smith Lacey & Staff Jon, Robyn & Dianna Cook Kristin & Ben Crowe

Dear Santa,

I want a deer hunting game, a bike, and a twenty-two.

From, **Brett Johnson**

Hunter Dan.

Dear Santa, I want a Deer Hunter Dan, and a Turkey Hunter Dan, and a Duck

Love, **Dustin Hunt**

Dear Santa,

I would like a new pink bicycle. I would like black pants and some black skirts with flowers. Some white shoes would be nice. Have a safe trip. Love.

America Almanza

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a barbie beetle, a barbie hotel and baby dolls that are twins. They are a girl and a boy. I was wondering if Mrs. Claus is doing fine. Love,

Paige Jones

Dear Santa,

How are you? How is Mrs. Claus? I am fine, please can I have a dress and a barbie and a dollhouse please? My little brother would like a car! My big brother would like a new bike! think my mom would like a new purse! Dad may like a bracelet!

Love. Victoria Watson

Dear Santa,

I want a computer and a Nintendo and roller skates. I do not have a chimney so go in through my door. I will leave some cookies and milk on the table. Love,

Genaro Mendoza

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you? I want pink fluffy carpet for my bedroom. I want you to bring mom a diamond ring. I will set milk and cookies by the Christmas tree. I want a bed for my dog. I would like the Barbie Hotel and the Barbie beetle car, too.

My love, Gabi Menefield

> It Never Hurts to Ask Jan Miller Girando

Dear Santa, Here's my Christmas list-I hope I'm not too late! If you could help with some of this That really would be great!

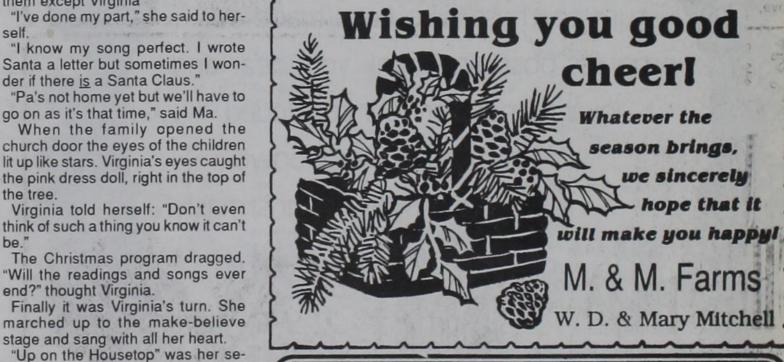
To start with, I'd like brotherhood And peace throughout the land, And gifts of faith and hope for those Who need a helping hand.

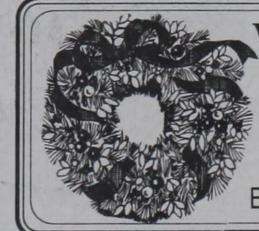
Could you deliver dreams come true, Fill lonely hearts with love, And bring us close (at least in. thought) To those we're fondest of?

I know this list is getting long (I'm almost out of space), But could you put a Christmas smile On every child's face?

With all of your commitments This may seem a daunting task, But I've been good . . . and anyway, It never hurts to ask!

Merry Christmas!





Wishing You A Very Happy Holiday

Bill & VonEva Robertson



Mayyour stockings be filled with love and cheer, as we thank you for a successful year.

will be played-just not with the regu-Wheeler Lumber Company

This Holiday Season

In the true spirit of Christmas, let's join together and ask

His help for those who are less fortunate than ourselves.

Merry Christmas & God Bless You All

& HOME HEALTH AGENCY

PARKVIEW HOSPITAL



An old-fashioned Christmas wish to all our friends.

Eastern Panhandle Insurance

Noel Walton

Kay Luttrell

Ft. Elliott Elementary Santa Letters . . .

16746 Highway 152 Wheeler, Texas 79096 December 4, 2001

Dear Santa,

You have the nicest reindeer all around the world. How do you keep Rudolf from running out of light? This year for Christmas I would like

a rumble robot Your friend, Pate Alls

> 305 West 3rd Street Mobeetie, TX 79061 December 4, 2001

Dear Santa, For Christmas I would really like a stereo and some CD's. The CD's I want are Toby Keith, Now 8 and Dancing with Thunder.

This is all I want from you. My family can take care of the rest.

Your friend, Stormi Lancaster

> Rt. 1 Box 19A Briscoe, Texas 79011 December 4, 2001

Dear Santa Claus, I can't wait for Christmas so you can come. I would like for you to bring me a stocking full of candy, C.d's and toys. I would like a bracelet and games under the tree and tell Mrs. Claus I said hi.

Your friend. Amber Maddox

> RT. 1 Box 249 Mobeetie, Texas 79061 December 4, 2001

For Christmas will you please bring

me a Play Station Two, or a X-box, a Cd, a game for my Gameboy Color, and a new outfit for my American Girl. Your friend. Halley Estes

P.O. Box 163 Wheeler, Texas 79090 December 4, 2001

Dear Santa,

You do a super super job each year, will you please bring me a whole bunch of stuffed monkeys and a baby puppy and I want my sisters and brothers get to come live with us. Have a Merry Christmas

Yours truly, Amanda Woodworth

> Rt. 1 Box 15 Brisco, Texas 79011 December 4, 2001

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Claus, For Christmas I want a slide for my guitar, some CD's and a Tv. Yours truly, Morgan Lane



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> Jerry & Barbra Vince, Greg & Joe

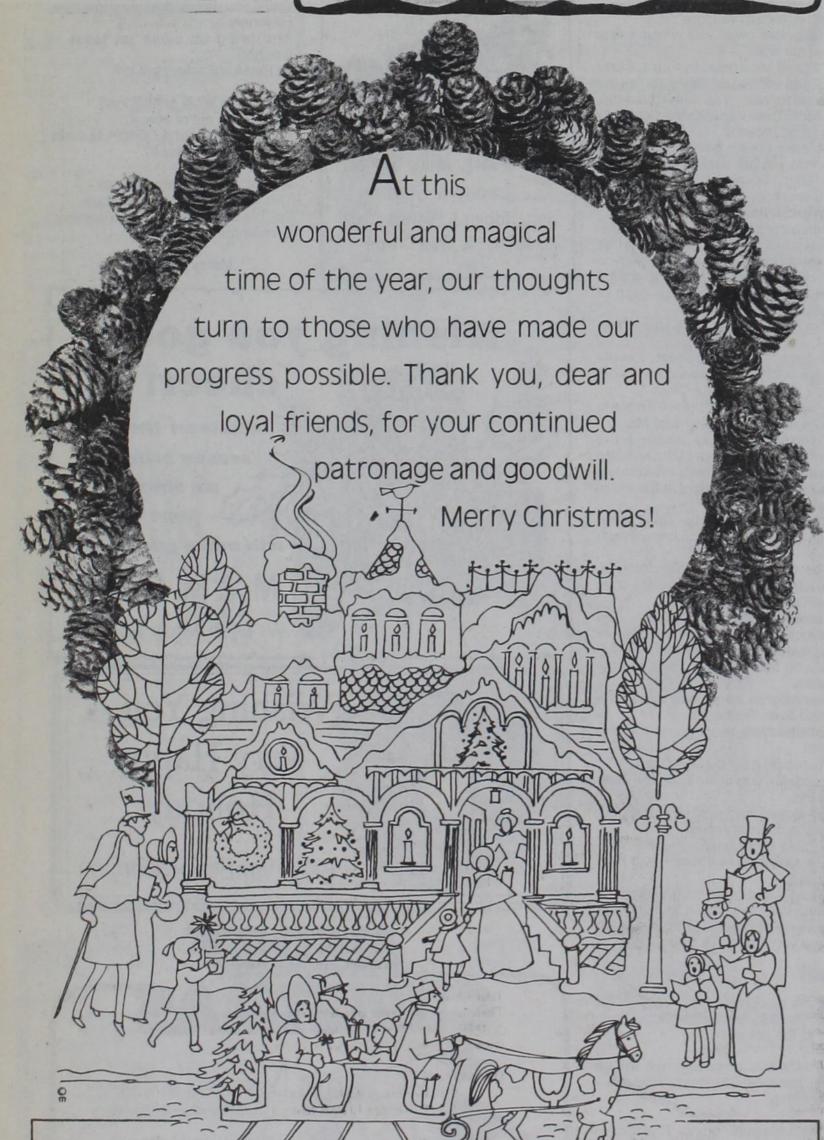
P.O. Box 73 Briscoe, Texas 79011 December 4, 2001

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want something big, with 100 mega bites. (a C.D. player.) I also want Dale Earnheart bedspread, clock, posters, and playing card. That is all I really want because my mom got me everything

Yours truly, Kelsi Wiggins





McCain's Auto Body

Bob, Gwen, Kelly, Cristen, Brooke, Kennan, Cory, Gayla & Grace



P.O. Box 41 Briscoe, Texas 79011 December 4, 2001

Larry & Bobby

Dear Santa,

This year I have been really good. I don't want much. All I want this year is some jewelry, CD,s Toby Keith or Shedaizy, some candy in my stocking, and most of all, I want a baby sister. I promise to be a good girl.

Your friend, Kaleigh Schaub

> HCT 2 Box 21 Wheeler, Texas 79096

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I would like a c.d. walkman, a bean bag, a t.v. for my room, a charm for my charm braclet, the "Now 8" cd, a digital camera, clothes and a horse.

Thank you so much for the telescope from last Christmas!

P.S. Please put the horse outside not in my house! My mom might get Mad!!!

Your friend, Megan Horn

> P.O. Box 51 Mobeetie, Texas 79061 December 4, 2001

Dear Santa,

You do an extremly GREAT job. For Cristmas I want some beanie babies. I aslo would like some jeans, t-shirts, socks, and a new pair of shoes. Also a scooter.

Yours truly. Tisha McLaughlin

> P.O. Box 115 Mobetie, T.X. 79061 December 4, 2001

Dear Santa,

You always give me good presents. This year I want a Nintendo 64 game, portable CD. player and a Nintendo Game cube system.

Yours truly, Brandon Finsterwald

508 Circle Drive Mobeetie, Texas 79061 December 4, 2001

Dear Santa,

Your doing a EXELLENT job at sending presents every year. For Christmas I would like a Fib Finder, and a Personal Journal.

Yours truly, Kaylie Ralston

First Grade:

Dear Santa,

I want a guitar that turns into a violin, new Wrangler jeans, new Nike shirt, and new shoes. My mom wants some diamond earrings. My dad wants some new black boots. My sister wants some new black pants.

I love you **Brandon Hathaway**

Dear Santa,

I want a C.D. player, snow boots, a T.V., Barbie clothes, and new tennis shoes. My mom wants a new car. My Nannie wants a Suburban. My Papa would like to have a new belt.

I love you **Tracy Winter**

Dear Santa,

I want a Game Boy game, a stuffed bear, a globe, a Nintendo game, and skates. I have been good this year, and so has my sister. My mother wants the movie Sleepless in Seattle. My dad wants a new whistle. I love you

Tyler Schaub

I want a remote control truck with trailer and an airplane.

Houston Barr

Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie horse, snow boots, snow suit, new cow girl boots with stars and spurs, a new radio, walkietalkie, new PE tennis shoes, and new Barbies, and some new make-up. My brother wants two Mega Zords, My mom wants new clothes. I will good for my mom, my dad, my brother and

I love you **Emily Wyant**

If you pick up a starving dog and make him prosperous, he will not bite you. This is the principal difference between a dog and a man.

-Mark Twain



Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie doll with a purple dress, a real baby kitten, play couch, and a big teddy bear. My little sister needs a rattler, a doll, and a toy lamb. I have been good this year, and my little sister has been good too.

Love Kathy Kelley Dear Santa,

I want a remote controlled car, a robot, a play candle, a top, and a Santa doll. My dad wants a pocket watch, and my mom wants a red candle that smells good. My sister wants scissors that cut.

I love you **Derrick Hungate**



Home For The Holidays

May the many blessings of the season visit you and your family this Christmas.





Speedi-Mart

Mrs. Masters' Third Grade

Santa Claus, 9 Christmas. I would like a new dan angel and a snowbourdia log. Tell Mrs. Claus Merry mas gavs a good Christmas.

ia Flores

Santa Claus, uld like a Ninendo game cube, ry card and a battery. Have a merry, merry Christmas and a happy, happy new year. At my you will see something to eat ink. Thank you Santa claus.

ar Lopez

Santa Claus, ase bring Barbie and angel for om, Thank you.

PPy Holidays" vanna Luna

Santa Claus, want for Christmas is a bunk id two chapter books. Tell Mrs. and the elfs hello.

lee Marion

Dear Santa Claus,

There are just two things I would really like. Sockum Boppers, and a punching bag to punch and kick. That's what I would like for Christmas. And here's a little present for you. Your nose and cheeks are red. violets are blue, but most of all I LOVE YOU!

Signed: **Jaten Todd Moore**

Signed: Rolando Salas

Dear Santa Claus, I want a skateboard ramp and a regular ramp for a scooter. Mrs. Claus and Mr. Claus have a happy Christ-

Zach Verden

Dear Santa Claus,

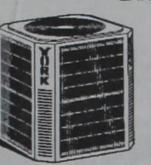
Have a happy holiday.

I want a trampoline, playstation, 2,

P.C., go car, bike and a drum set.

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Dear Santa Claus, For CHRISTMAS I would like a full size blue trumpet set with a pack of MERRY CHRISTMAS! Signed:

Dear Santa Claus, Yo ciero un carro y un trampolin Signed:

Pedro Hernandes

Chris Schubert

Dear Santa Claus, I would like a talking Ash and nentendo 64 and a toy car for my brother. Thank you. Signed:

Adrian Mendoza

Dear Santa Claus, I would like a Barbie and a Trampoline. Santa, I wish you a happy Christmas and Mrs. Claus too.

Signed: Karen Mendoza

Dear Santa Claus, Un Pleinti hchon. Una cuatrimoto Una Pistolas Una gitara Un Paro Un caro Uno abioneta Signed:

Obed Francisco



... And to All A Good Night! WERKY CHRISTMAS

Santa's coming and on his sleigh, are a few words of greetings to brighten your day. May peace be with you wherever you go - we think you're a great bunch of people to know!

The Management and Staff of

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PAGE 9-Monday, December 24, 2001 "Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

Dear Santa Claus,

Most I want my brother to come home. Have a Merry Christmas. Tell Mrs. Claus to have a Merry Christmas. I would like a picture of you and your elves and Mrs. Claus. Last but not least a vase of roses. Signed:

Shawna M. Hampton

Dear Santa Claus,

I don't care what I get for Christmas. I love what I get. But there is one thing I want is to have everybody to have a the best Christmas.

Signed: Leslie Erwin

Dear Santa Claus,

I love what you got me last year. This year could you please get me a choo-choo train, game boy-color and lots and lots and lots of collectable cars and maybe a surprise.

Signed: Jim Hubbard

Other Santa Letters

Dear Santa,

Please give me a blow-up chair, a porsilan doll, and a cd player. Please I am going leave you a letter, and milk and cookies. I Love you!

Tracy K.

P.S. Please bring these to me. Please make the blow-up chair purple. Thank you. I Love you!

Dear Santa,

My name is Taylor Kay I am 2 yrs. old. I live in Mobeetie, TX. I want lots of fun toys to play with. I have been good all year long.

I love you Santa Claus Taylor Kay McAlpine

Country

Bro. Jewell is from Country Chapel church. Children there included Mack and Linda Sides from Twitty, Suzanne Everett from Shamrock, Cindy and Don Hartsfield and Glory and Hayden from Tennessee, Chuck and Phoebe Hartline and Aaron and Tamera. Other grandchildren included Shane and Misty Everett and children of Shamrock, Shawn and Amy Everett and children of San Antonio, Dale Sides and Jimmy Sides and children of Abilene and Tina Hawley and children of Amarillo. Also there was Martha's sister Marie and husband Bobby from Morton. J. P.'s sister Lois Meadows was there and daughter Lucy and Rick Lucas and Carssa Franklin and Reagan from Kentucky and many other relatives and friends. A delicious meal was served at Gageby church. Thanks to all who

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There was a Christmas party at Monday night for Wheeler Baptist Chuch Deacons and wives and Pastor Toby and Kloette Henson. A fine

Hope you all have a blessed Christmas and a Happy healthy New Year. Thank the Lord for his goodness! And help make the world a better place.

Roy and Nell Bradstreet and Wesley and Cindy Bradstreet went to Hinton, Oklahoma to a cantata Wesley's brother was in. They enjoyed eating and visiting together.

Nice to have old friends Joe and Sherry Wagoner meet us for supper at Maxeys Monday night. Always have a good visit. Some others there Dr. Mike and Jenny Smith, James Vise with Glenn Scott, Riley and Deleise Atwood.

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The following telecourses are scheduled for broadcast over OETA for Spring 2002 *NOTE - All students taking telecourses are required to attend an on-campus orientation session at either Sayre or Weatherford.

Library Auditorium

Orientation Schedule:

6:30 PM January, 9 2002 Weatherford 6:30 PM January, 10 2002 Sayre

Student Union **SAB101** Marvick 1223T Art Survey **SAB101** 2263T Intro to Macroeconomics Wooton SMH111 0121A Keyboarding Wooton **SAB101** Endicott 1023T Modern World History **SAB101** American Hist Since 1877 Arranged Bromert **SAB101** Atterberry Wellness Concpts & Apps Arranged 2413T Intro to Literature Stoffers **SAB101** Arranged Instructor **SAB101** 1453T Intro to Philosophy 3 Arranged **SAB101** 3 Arranged Worley 1103T American Govt. & Polotics Froneberger SAB101 Intro to Sociology 3 Arranged **SAB101** 3 Arranged General Psychology **SAB101** Haught English Composition I 3 Arranged 1113T **SAB101** 1153T Nutrition 3 Arranged

Enrollment remains open through Jan. 9. Offices will be close for Christman Dec. 24-Jan 2.

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1004L General Chemistry Lab 4 2:00-3:500 1 1:30-2:20 Computer Lit in Radiography 1 1:30-2:20 Quality Assurance & Control 1 1:30-2:20

January 10th

Dale and Melba Corcoran went to Elk City Tuesday for Melba's eye surgery. She is doing fine and seeing

Santa may be from the North Pole, but

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we serve is the basis for

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Diane Dukes

Wanda Hefley

Season's Greetings

During the Christmas

season more than ever, our

thoughts turn gratefully to

those who helped us

through the year.

And in the spirit we say,

thank you and best wishes

for a wonderful holiday.

Stephanie Coulter

Tammy Maddox

Ben Howard

Mary Hovey

Member FDIC

Holly McCurley

Stephanie Jones

our success.

Dorotha McCurley

Randy McCurley

Melba Darnell

Bill Howard

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Thanks, all

he's rounding up his reindeer

to wish all of you cowpokes

a rootin', tootin'

Christmas!

Thanks for

patronage.

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your continued

Aaron and Arica Lancaster return to Mobeetie Wednesday to spend Christmas. It is always a pleasure to have them next door. Aaron is enjoying his retirement.

Lynn Sims flew to California to spend Christmas with his son Robert The First Baptist Church had their

new sound system installed Wednesday. They were still working on it when church was over. They were

hospice. They also visited with Leta Mae Gatlin in the hospital in Pampa. Remember these in your prayers. Rob and Geniva Hogan from Stillwater are here at their house for the holiday. They are visiting with

instructing the new sound volunteers

how to operate the system. Don Burke

where the wall was taken out of the

ited in Amarillo with Charlie George in

youth classroom Thursday.

Chuck and Louise Hogan. Word has been received on the death of Ann Uzzle. I will have more details later. Our sympathy goes out to Judy on the death of her mother.

Dale and Melba Corcoran and Pauline Barnes of Wheeler visited Thursday night with Densel and Fern Reed.

Jack and Bernice Hefley went to Lubbock Thursday for the birth of their great-grandson Alexander

Ft. Elliott Kindergarten Santa Letters . . .

Dear Santa.

Please bring me a C.D. Player, a Barbie, Innertube Floatie, a red Barbie Jeep that has stickers and a toy doggie. Love,

Jessica Alls

Dear Santa,

I want a T.V. and a motorcycle with Cougar prints on it. Love,

Haley Barton

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Barbie Jeep, a blue ring, a video game, a doll and some baby clothes.

Kasey Barton

Dear Santa,

I want a real computer, a play watch, plain paper and a Barbie.

Jayton Childress

Dear Santa,

Please bring me Cybo Shark and a Buz Light year like Zane's.

Cody Clark

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a watch, a gas truck and a gas trailer.

Love, Ty Ford

Dear Santa,

I want Hopscotch, a jumprope and a Rugrat doll.

Love, Keelie Ralston

Dear Santa, Please bring me a Battle Bot, radio, 10 Power Rangers, a real horse and a play horse.

Love, Zane Zybach

Johnson. He was 20 inches long and weighted 7 pounds and 12 ounces. His parents are Bryan and Tiffany worked on the cabinet for the sound 30 Johnson. Grandparents are Mark and system and put down some carpet Melissa Hampton of Wheeler, Great-Grandparents Jack and Bernice Hefley of Mobeetie and Great-Great-Bob Meller and Nadine Lane vis Grandmother Opal Hefley of Wheeler.

Drawing (from Page 1)

play a poster in their window, indicating they are giving drawing tickets. Drawing tickets have been available since November 24, 2001 at

sponsoring businesses. The merchants giving tickets are: Cross Car Center, Hefley Hardware, Hyland's Pharmacy, Marshall Dis-

count Auto, Mainstreet Communications, Mel's Diner, Thriftway, Ware Chevrolet-Buick-Oldsmobile-Pontiac, Wheeler Flower & Glft Shop, Wheeler Lumber Co.

Those merchants sponsoring the drawings are:

Bittt Ranch, Cross Car Center, County Star News, Eastern Panhandle Insurance, First State Bank, Mobeetie & Wheeler, First Ag Credit, H & R Block, Hefley Hardware, Heritage Beef Cattle, Hibler Implement, Honey Inn, Hyland's Pharmacy, Bobby Hill-Attorney, Jennings Plumb-ing, Jones Fuels, Charles Kuntz-CPA, Lyndon Loyd Auctioneers, Marshall Discount Auto, Maxey's Steakhouse, Mel's Diner, Dr. Louie Mendiola, Mr. Bar-B-Que, McCain's Auto Body, Mainstreet Communications, Parkview Hospital, R & M Quality Car Wash, Dr. Mike Smith, Soto's Family Restuarant, Speedi-Mart, 3-H Cattle Co., The General Store, Thriftway, Ware Chevrolet, West Texas Gas, Wheeler Banking Center, Wheeler Flower Shop, Wheeler Lumber Co., Wheeler Times, Wheeler Vet Clinic, Wheeler TV System, Wright Funeral Home, Wheeler Care Center, Zodell's,

Other Santa Letters

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas! How is Mrs. Claus doing? And how is Rudolph and the other reindeers doing?

I have been a good girl this year, so would you come visit me sometime, Santa? I would like an ice cream maker/

snow cone maker and the two twins that come with the stroller and a Leap

And would you bring my brother, Alex, some cars?

I love you Santa and Mrs. Claus! Shai Dougherty Age: 5, Wheeler Kindergarten

Trying to make things work in government is sometimes like trying to sew a button on a custard pie.

-Admiral Hyman Rickover

America is like a large, friendly dog in a very small room. Every time it wags its tail it knocks over a chair.

-Arnold Toynbee



LET'S SEE: Three-year-old Tyler Walker seems to be trying to think what he was supposed to ask Santa to bring. Tyler, the son of Justin and Stephanie Walker of Allison was one of 150 youngsters visiting with Santa at the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce Open House Sunday and Monday evenings, November 25 and 26, 2001



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Council (from Page 1)

She stated motorists were making U-turns in front of Hefley Hardware which was making it very dangerous for motorist trying to get through the intersection at Texas and Main. TxDOT suggested the City adopt an Ordinance to prohibit any U-Turns on Main Street. This will be discussed at the January Council meeting.

The Wheeler Public Library was discussed. The possibility of part-time help will be on the agenda next month. At 7:34 p.m. The council entered

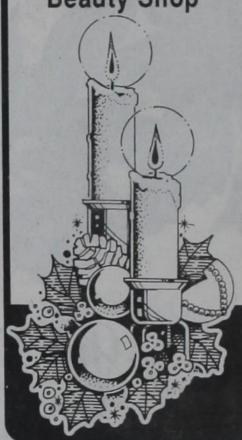
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Jerry, Carolyn, Justin,

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executive session as provided Texas Government Code 551.07 The Council returned to regular se sion at 7:37 p.m.. It was decided give Christmas bonuses as desi nated in the budget.

Marla Ford, Wheeler EDC Cool nator, explained to the council the the WEDC had not met due to lack quorum. The possibility of change times for the meetings was also di

The City entered executive set sion at 7:49 p.m. as provided by Texas Government Code 551.074. The Council returned to regular session a 8:01 p.m. The council also announceo the appointment of Gary Alston and Ravonda Hardcastle to the W Board. It was also decided that I

should be written to the WEDCL or members restating the policy of have ing members serve two or three year terms, with renewal if desired, which allows members to leave the board they desire.

Lugert/Altus Water Authority ha stated they would do all the ditchin for a water line for the city if it wa needed. Mr. Clepper gave the cit water rights earlier this year which approximately eleven miles north c the City of Wheeler. Donna Kirby with the water authority stated she would need to know the length and depth of the line, size of the pipe and approximate date we would need their service. The City engineer is getting this information for us and we will send it to her. Mrs. Kirby stated the city would need to also let her know in advance the date we would need the work done. It will need to be done during their slow time of the year.

The "golf course" land was also discussed. The council discussed whether it would be more feasible to lease the land or to have someone bale the hay for the hay. It will be discussed at the next meeting.

Jimmy Hill made the motion seconded by Jay Randels the meeting adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:32 P.M.

Those present: Mayor Wanda Herd. Council members: Barbra Koelzer, Jimmy Hill, Bob McCain, and Jay Randels. Marla Ford, Frank Clymer, and Claudine Finsterwald.

The most beautiful experience we can have is the mysterious It is the fundamental emotion which stands at the cradle o true art and true science.

-Albert Einstein



Hoping your holidays are trimmed with happiness.

Ed & Patricia Forrester





Dr. Louie L. Mendiola & Family and Staff

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Michelle, Rusty, Christopher, Little Dave, Justin, & Chris Monica, Dale, Ann Marie, Joseph, Sarah & Rachael Roger, Cindy, Halee, Reese and Chadd