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Candidates may file for county offices

Filings are again being accepted for most local offices for the 1994 elections after all local filings were returned to prospective candidates last week.

A San Antonio lawyer also called local officials threatening an injunction, but that action has not occurred.

"We have known all along we couldn't have the commissioner races, but we pretty much have the go ahead to hold the other elections," County Judge Polly Simpson said. "We are waiting on an official order of the court, but it looks like everything will be okay on the elections."

Castro County's government has been in turmoil since the redistricting process began following the 1990 census. The county's commissioner precinct lines are still not set and have been the subject of several battles from the commissioner's courtroom to courtrooms in Washington.

A hearing on local elections was held Thursday in Washington, DC by a two-judge panel. After hearing arguments Thursday from Virginia Daugherty, the county's attorney in the redistricting; Judith Sanders Castro, a MALDEF lawyer; and US

Justice Dept. attorneys, the elections had been placed in limbo.

Monday, however, Justice Dept. lawyers orally agreed that the county could hold its other elections. Local officials are awaiting an order of the court that states, in writing, that elections for positions other than county commissioner may be held in March.

Castro presented a 68-page brief at the Thursday hearing, county officials said. The brief, other documents and depositions will be submitted at a March 11 hearing in Washington on the redistricting dispute.

The March 11 hearing will be after the primary elections.

Carole Dyer, Democratic Party county chairman, told the News she received a call last Wednesday afternoon from a man saying he was Jose Garza, an attorney from San Antonio. Dyer said the man asked her if she was accepting filings for local elections, and she replied that she was. The man then told her he would be filing an injunction against the county. The threatened injunction could have precluded the county from holding elections, Dyer said. No action has been taken in that regard against the county or any local political party officials.



400 COUNTY RESIDENTS ARE HELPED--Volunteers Tara Grand, Amy Beck and Tisha Rice make selections from donated goods as they fill boxes for the annual Brown Bag Project on Tuesday. The boxes, containing food, toys and other goods, were to be delivered Wednesday. The project is sponsored by the Castro County Ministerial Project and helped over 400 persons in Dimmitt, Hart and rural parts of Castro County. Photo by John Brooks

Dr. Lee retires

Dr. Bill Lee officially retired as of Friday after 33 years of private family practice in Dimmitt and Castro County.

His High Plains Clinic is now closed, but will re-open Jan. 3 as Medical Center of Dimmitt, operated by the Castro County Hospital District through its Castro County Community Clinics program.

The clinic will be staffed by Dhiraj S. Patel, M.D., and Joe Wayne Morrow, D.O.

Dr. Patel has been practicing here several years, including the past year at Dr. Lee's High Plains Clinic. Dr. Morrow comes to Dimmitt from a four-year practice at Amarillo.

Patients' records compiled by Dr. Lee will remain on file in the High Plains/Medical Center clinic and will be available to any physician of the patient's choice.

Gins process 54,400 bales

Castro County ginner will be able to enjoy the Christmas holidays without worrying about when they will finish ginning the 1993 cotton crop.

Thanks to an almost trouble-free harvest, Castro Co-Op Gin, North Gin, Hart Producers Co-Op Gin, Bruegel Bros. Gin, Royston Five-Point Gin, Dodd Gin and Sunny-side Gin are through ginning.

The final tally on the total number of bales ginned in the county this year is 54,400.

Jim Bradford, manager of North Gin, said this year's harvest was "fast and furious."

"To gin this many bales and get through this early is amazing," said Bradford.

He added that the quality of this year's crop was excellent — and could be the best recorded here.

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Abused children benefit from \$3,377 in donations

The generosity of people from Castro County has made it a Merry Christmas for 19 abused and neglected children from the county.

Castro County residents donated \$3,377 to Child Protective Services, which used the funds to purchase Christmas gifts for the children.

"We have really been overjoyed with the response," said Randy Smithson, treasurer for Child Protective Services. "We're in the best financial condition we've been in since I've been a board member (three years)," Smithson said.

Donna Stump, local caseworker, said each child received close to \$100 in gifts this year, and she

purchased everything from Barbie dolls and Gameboys to clothing.

"We purchased the gifts for seven of our children, then sent money to foster parents who will buy for the rest," Stump said. "The foster parents often know more about what the children they are caring for want or need."

Child Protective Services launched a fundraising campaign in November, when local banks agreed to include in their customers' bank statements cards with requests for donations.

That effort netted Child Protective Services more than organizers had hoped for.

The generosity didn't just come

from adults, either.

Stump said Linda Koch's class at Richardson Elementary School in Dimmitt decided to donate to the needy children the money its children would spend on exchanging Christmas gifts at school. Teachers at RES also donated to CPS money which would have been spent on gifts for each other.

"This is the most we have ever raised," Stump said. "We made \$600 on our Mexican Fiesta fundraiser earlier this year and we thought that was great. This (money donated at Christmas) is just wonderful. It was beyond our expectations."

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By Don Nelson

Dear Santa:

I know you remember me. I'm the kid who wanted the little airplane a long, long time ago. Not a toy plane, if you remember, but a kid-size plane that I could sit in, and fly in. I just wanted to fly it around the back yard, among the trees. I would never have flown it out over the alley or into the street. Honest.

I wanted that plane for two or three Christmases in a row. I didn't know there was no such thing; I just thought you didn't believe that I would really be careful with it.

At that time, I had about outgrown my big green tricycle. That was a great Christmas present, too. I went everywhere on that tricycle — outside and inside — and my Dad said I was an expert on it. Maybe that's why I thought I'd be pretty good in my own airplane.

There was just one other thing that I wanted several Christmases in a row that you didn't bring me. A bicycle. I didn't understand why the war during those years should

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Signatures can be rescinded from petitions

Signatures can be withdrawn from candidate petitions by persons who may not have been informed of the requirements that follow petition signing.

"If a person gathering signatures has not clearly informed the signer BEFORE signing the petition that he or she is obligated to vote in the primary of the candidate and no other (primary), or if the person failed to tell the signer the party of the candidate, a signature may be withdrawn," said Deanne Clark, Republican Party county chairman.

Several local candidates have circulated petitions over the past few weeks. By obtaining an adequate number of certified signatures, candidates may file by petition and not pay a filing fee.

Some petition signers were apparently not told they would have to vote in a particular primary if they signed a candidate's petition.

To withdraw a signature, a signer must request in writing that the signature be withdrawn. If too many signatures are removed, candidates may be forced to supplement their original petitions with new signatures. Complete information on the withdrawal process is available from the county-district clerk's office.

More families offer greetings

Two Dimmitt families signed up for the Operation Christmas Greetings program, but they were too late to have their names listed on the Christmas greetings page.

Wishing their friends and neighbors a Merry Christmas are Gene, Shari and Mary Bradley, and Mr. and Mrs. David Behrends.



CHRISTMAS SPIRIT — This group of third graders from Linda Koch's room at Richardson Elementary School took a hint from Santa Claus and decided to get into the spirit of giving this Christmas. Instead of exchanging gifts in school, the children took a secret vote and elected to donate the money they would spend on gifts to

Child Protective Services, so abused and neglected children can have a Merry Christmas. On Tuesday afternoon the children presented CPS' Secretary-Treasurer Randy Smithson (man helping to hold box) with almost \$30 in cash, which is stuffed into a gift box. Photo by Anne Acker

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City sets hearing on 4-H center

A public hearing to discuss a new 4-H Education Center will be held Monday at 6:30 p.m. at Dimmitt City Hall.

Charles Summers, a Castro County 4-H adult leader, and assistant County Extension Agent Brian Reynolds, told the Dimmitt City Council at a special meeting Monday that the local 4-H is pursuing a grant for a new facility that could be built just north of Dimmitt on N.W. Fifth. The facility may be built just south of the present Dimmitt FFA feeding pens.

Local Extension Service officials are pursuing grants to build the center, which would include a building for classroom, exhibitions and other needs, and feeding facilities. The feeding pens would be used by children who live in Dimmitt or others who do not have access to feeding areas for livestock projects.

Weather

Temperatures and precipitation are recorded each day at 7 a.m. for the previous 24 hours by KDHN Radio, official NWS observer

Thursday	.45	.24
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Tuesday	.41	.23
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On the Go

With Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

Merry Christmas to all!

Pro-Family Forum hosted its Christmas Party last week, with 19 members and guests. The group enjoyed good fun and fellowship, wrapped over white elephant gifts, and wrapped presents to be given to the Lubbock State School patients at Lilly Dorm.

The Promise of Christmas was presented by the Living Christmas Tree at the First Baptist Church in Amarillo for four nights last week. My daughter, Mary Lynn Lankford, sings in the choir up in the huge tree and Janice Davis, daughter of Bob and Phyllis Mooney, is the pianist.

The First United Methodist Chancel Choir, bells and accompanists presented *Christmas Fantasy*, a compilation of carols and special Christmas anthems, in their worship service Sunday morning. Ishan Arduerumly, district superintendent, was also present. *Angels Aware* was the musical presentation of the children Sunday evening before the Christmas cookie party. Santa came by for a visit, and the Rev. Johnny Robertson and his family were pounded. Terri Louder, assisted by Polly Bolton and the Malcolm Reynolds, directed the musical.

The Rev. Paul and Barbara Kenley entertained with Christmas Open House in their home on Sunday afternoon. Their home was pretty with all the Christmas decorations including a beautiful nativity scene. The deacons' wives served cookies, candy, punch and coffee to church members and friends.

Frances Duke and her daughter-in-law, Lori Duke, went to Dallas over the weekend to visit Lori's family.

The adult choir of First Baptist Church of Dimmitt presented *City of Light*, directed by Bill Newland, on Sunday evening. Walter Maynard

was the pianist, Ronda Wise was the organist, and Dale Pfrimmer accompanied on trumpet. Others on the program were Jack Edwards, Tami Griffith, Wayne Proffitt, Barbara Kenley, Debra Ball, Prissy Boothe, Daniel Proffitt, Justin Sutton, Tanner Griffith and the Rev. Kenley. Many Christmas carols were sung and carols by candlelight were very impressive.

A choir fellowship was held following the service in the home of Cheryl Pybus with choir members bringing sandwiches, dips and chips, cookies, punch, Cokes and coffee.

The Methodist youth director, Cathy Hildebrand, graduated from West Texas A&M on Friday and her parents held a reception in her honor at their home in Hunsley Hills. Going from Dimmitt were Karen Sheffy, Shelly Brandi and Tisha Rice, Deanne Clark and Will Shannon.

Southwestern Public Service employees of Dimmitt and Hereford held their Christmas party at Panchitos in Hereford. They gave door prizes and each employee received a Texas Lottery scratch-off ticket. Attending from Dimmitt were Calvin Marsh, Bobby and Wanda Murdock and Leon and Billie Gunn.

The Betty Campbell Circle held their Christmas Party last week in the home of Shirley Wise.

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church celebrated the Virgin of Guadalupe on Dec. 10. The choir and congregation sang *We Are the Light of the World* and other songs. The Virgin of Guadalupe brought in the incense and the children danced an Indian dance. Prayers were offered, including the Lord's Prayer. Members participated in Mass and communion with the pastor, the Rev. Guillermo Morales. A reception and covered dish supper were held in the Parish Center following the services. They

played games and exchanged gifts. George Sides celebrated his birthday at noon Wednesday with friends at El Sombrero. Comic cards kept up his spirits. Dimmitt High School's choir sang various selections in groups, duets and solos Sunday at the DHS auditorium. A cookie and punch reception was held afterward. Charles Richard celebrated his birthday recently and he was honored with a dinner at the Sirloin Stockade in Hereford. Friends enjoying this special occasion were William and Rosetta Bellinghausen, Andy and Oleda Schumacher, and Charles' wife, Rena. Oleta Gollehon was among the guests at her great-grandson's first birthday party in Amarillo. Little Marshall's parents are Ron and Jeana Rankin and grandparents are Johnny and Kathy Poer of Plano, who also attended the party. Clell Bonafield celebrated his 84th birthday on Sunday while he was at the open house at the Kenley's. Several sang Happy Birthday to him. Clell is Faye Mohon's father. The restaurants have been full of pheasant hunters recently, but I understand the pheasants are not so plentiful this year. We saw Howard and Maretta Smithson and Donald and Janice Shelton one day in the restaurant with some hunters including Clinton (Foster) Smithson and his son, Clinton III.

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Charles and Sue Atchley entertained pheasant hunters in their home, Jim and Jan Dickens, and their children, Jim, Charles and Becky, from Lubbock.

Dan and Oma Dee Heard had as their guests cousins from Breckenridge who were here to hunt pheasants.

Larry Lee has a new hunting partner. He had asked Van Hopson to go with him, but since he couldn't go Van's son, Cory, said he would like to go. They went pheasant hunting first and enjoyed it so much they went deer hunting together near San Angelo.

Jeff and Ann Watts of North Carolina are visiting Jeff's parents, Jerry and Carolyn Watts, and will be here through the Christmas holidays.

Some of the college students are home for the holidays: Tisha Rice, daughter of Danny and Shelly Rice; Nikki Kenley, daughter of Paul and Barbara Kenley, and Tonya Newland, daughter of Bill and Shirley Newland.

Tommie Sue Nisbett's brother, "Cotton" Sission of California, was a visitor in her home for a few days. Then he went on to San Angelo to visit another sister.

Bernice Hill was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club that met at the Senior Citizens Center and she served a delicious cake (ask her the name!). Susie Reeves won high score and Dude McLauren won second high. Others playing were Dugan Butler, Helen Braafladt, Virginia Crider, Ina

Rae Cates, Cleo Forson, Neva Hickey, Edith Graef, Johnnie Vannoy, Louise Mears, Mary Small, Ferne Dickey, Alma Kenmore and Elizabeth Huckabay.

Lon Woodburn wanted to visit the museum but when he got out of the car he fell and broke his hip. He died a week later. He will be missed at the museum, since he had been a board member and president of the board for several years. He had worked hard to make the museum a better place. We still miss Helen Richardson, who was an inspiration to all of us at the museum; George Bagwell, who did much for the museum including working on the windmill when he was 90 years old H.C. Nelson, who worked on so many projects and whose children are still working at the museum; and Jim Elder, who did so much work and enjoyed working so much at the museum with his grandson, James Jackson.



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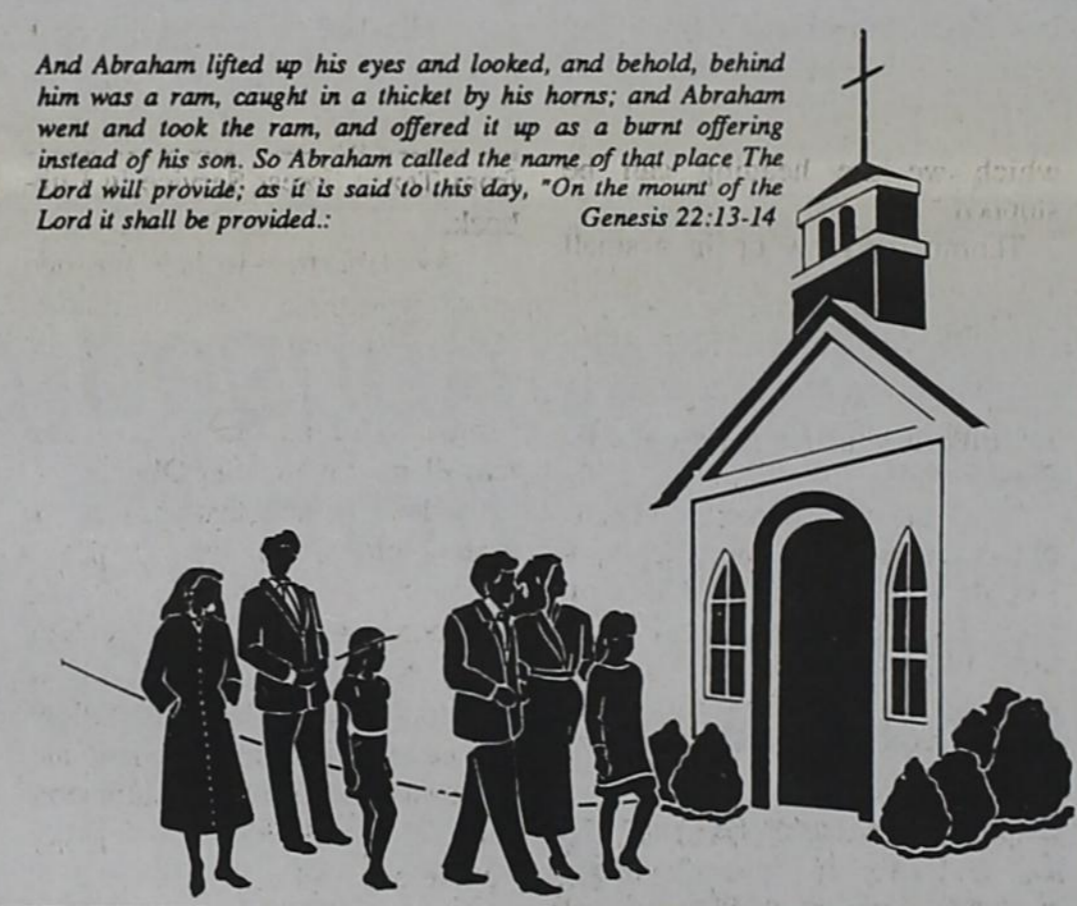
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And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns; and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called the name of that place The Lord will provide; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided." Genesis 22:13-14

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Sunnyside

By Teeny Bowden, 647-5703

The evening service at the church Sunday included congregational singing of Christmas carols; a duet by Gerald Elkins and LaWanda Wilson; four poems; two scripture readings; a candy cane story by Lori Sisemore; and Ezell Sadler played the fiddle while Gerald Elkins sang. The Lord's Supper was observed, and then a fellowship meal with pick up foods, presents were exchanged, and the pastor and his family were pounded. Embree Roy Sadler made a video of the proceedings to send to Gale and Verna Sadler in Tanzania.

Several from the community attended services Friday at Lazbuddie Baptist Church for Kenneth Cox, father of Lynn Cox. Lynn was a Sunnyside resident for many years. Kenneth Cox died Dec. 15 in a Hereford nursing home. He was a long-time resident of Lazbuddie. Lee Bradley was one of the pallbearers.

Gay Sadler, Ruth King, Brenda Johnson and boys attended the graveside services Wednesday of Ruth's sister-in-law, Alice Williams, of Amarillo.

Flossie Jones was dismissed Saturday from Lubbock Methodist Hospital and will stay for awhile with Lonnie and Renee Wilson and child-

ren of Springlake. The ride home tired her, of course. LaWanda Wilson and Willie Mae Sadler visited with her a short time Sunday afternoon.

It is rather ironic that a former resident of the community, Naomi Lee, was found dead Thursday morning. An autopsy showed her death was caused by an aneurysm which no one knew she had. Naomi and her husband, Wayne, joined the Sunnyside church in 1951. Their first three children, Terry and the twins, were born here. They have lived in Plainview for a long time.

Gay Sadler ran into Naomi Brown in Wal-Mart in Plainview when we were having the wind and sand storm. So were they. Naomi said Cliff was not doing well at all, but he was in the car. He is just losing ground faster than before. Also, Lynn Brown is close to the kidney machine himself. He, like Cliff, is a juvenile diabetic. A dialysis patient who has diabetes or develops it never has much chance to get better. Send Cliff a card or note if you know him. It will help.

Lee Bradley had eight stitches in his right pointing finger Sunday after getting it in the electric saw. He drove himself to Dimmitt without passing out.

Have A Ring-Dinger Of A Holiday!

We'd like to chime in and say thanks to all!

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BRANDI RICE of the Castro County 4-H shows off a t-shirt which will be presented to blood donors who give at Coffee Memorial's blood drive Tuesday at Dimmitt City Hall. Donors will be accepted from 2 to 7 p.m. Photo by Anne Acker

Blood drive set Tuesday

Dimmitt residents have an opportunity to give a unique gift this holiday season. They also could become a "Friend for Life." All it requires is a commitment to donate blood during the holiday season. Coffee Memorial Blood Center will be at Dimmitt City Hall Tuesday from 2 to 7 p.m. Your special holiday donation of life-saving blood will assure area hospitals of having adequate blood inventories for the weeks ahead. Each donor will receive a specially-designed "Holiday Hero" t-shirt from Santa. Refreshments will be available to donors.

Nominations due Jan. 17

If you want to acknowledge someone who makes Dimmitt a better place to live, nominate that individual for citizen honors, which will be recognized at the Chamber of Commerce banquet on Jan. 29, 1994. Nomination forms for Citizen of the Year, Citizen Through the Years and Teacher of the Year are available at the Chamber office or you can call the office at 647-2524 and request a form be mailed to you. Deadline for nominations is Jan. 17, 1994.

13th District GOP hopeful speaks here

Mac Thornberry, a Republican congressional candidate for the 13th District, discussed the value of women's involvement in politics with members of the Republican Women's Organization (ROW). A dozen women enjoyed chicken casserole, salads and desserts prior to a short business meeting and Thornberry's talk. The meeting was held Monday night at the home of Frances Duke in Dimmitt. New officers were installed, including Patsy Franks, president; Marguerite Cole, vice president; Dorothy Hopson, secretary; and Gwen Bryant, treasurer. "Helping government save jobs or protecting private property rights is as important as feeding the hungry or helping the homeless find homes," said Thornberry. He said many bills and a lot of legislation has been killed or saved by one vote. "We can't sit back and let things happen," he said. "1994 is an important year to ease the upcoming and present burdens of energy and agriculture regulations. The people are frustrated and could not with-

stand 435 congressmen and women like Bill Sarpalius. "When government programs get started, they are difficult to stop," Thornberry said. "If Bill Sarpalius were representing the people of his district, I would not be running. Present polls in this congressional district rate Bill Sarpalius and President Clinton the same—under 50% approval rating. It's not just the tax package either. There is an agenda of the present administration that will hurt agriculture and energy and pile on more costly regulations and intrusive government that has just begun. If enough conservatives are elected, the disastrous direction in which we are heading can be stopped." Thornberry grew up in a small agricultural town and spent time in Washington working first for Tom Loeffler and then as chief aid to Larry Combest before moving to Amarillo to practice courtroom defense law. "I am the most experienced candidate running in the March 8 Republican primary," Thornton said. "I suggest that we should have not just environmental impact studies before legislation is enacted, but economic impact studies as well."

RWSWCD taking orders

Orders for windbreak trees are now being accepted by the Running Water Soil and Water Conservation District in Dimmitt. Windbreaks are valuable to homeowners, according to SCS personnel. The trees protect homes from wind, snow and blowing dirt, and can provide good cover and food for wildlife. Forty potted evergreen trees may be purchased for \$65, and 50 bareroot hardwood trees may be purchased for \$25. The trees come from Texas Forest Service in Lubbock. Available trees include Austrian Pine, Ponderosa Pine, Redcedar, Rocky Mountain Juniper, White Pine, Bur Oak, Desert Willow, Mulberry, Pecan, Sandcherry, Native Plum and Russian Olive. Also available this year will be trees from Colorado: 30 potted evergreen trees for \$55 and 50 bareroot hardwood trees for \$25. Trees available from Colorado will include Lilac, Golden Willow, Colorado Blue Spruce, Pinon Pine, Honeysuckle, Hybrid Cottonwood, Scotch Pine, Siberian Elm, Sumac, Cotoneaster and others.

The trees will be delivered to Dimmitt in March. Trees may be ordered by calling the RWSWCD office at 647-4324 or by stopping by 114 W. Belsher, Suite B.

Armed Forces Hometown News



Johnnie L. Dozier

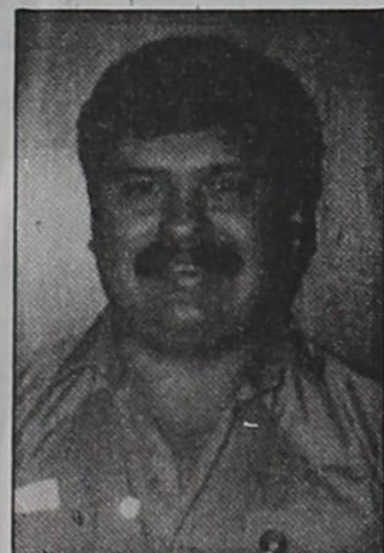
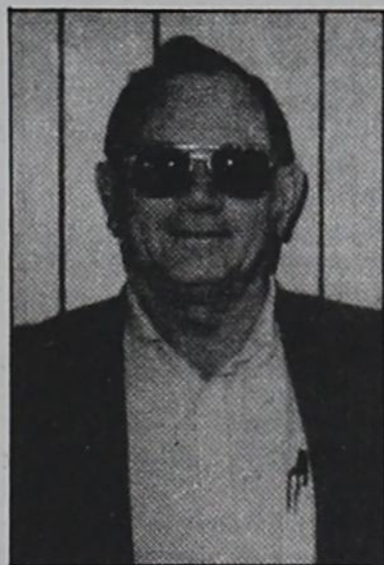
Navy Seaman Recruit Johnnie L. Dozier, son of Johnnie L. Dozier Sr. of Dimmitt, recently completed basic training at Recruit Training Command in Great Lakes, Ill. During the cycle, recruits are taught general military subjects designed to prepare them for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 occupational fields. Studies include seamanship, close-order drill, naval history and first aid. Although the Navy is getting smaller, the state-of-the-art ships, aircraft and high-tech systems in today's fleet require bright, talented young men and women to operate them. The Navy has more than 60,000 job openings this year, most of which include guaranteed training. Dozier is a 1993 graduate of Dimmitt High School and he joined the Navy in September 1992.

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Op-Ed

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Letter

Jesus is the reason for the season

Dear Editor: We wanted to let you know that we appreciated your editorial about Nazareth's cancellation stamp in last week's paper.

As you know we did resubmit revised art work along with a petition to the Postmaster General (which was signed by many people in and out of the county) objecting to their actions last Christmas.

It also was rejected because of the religious theme. Another drawing was made and on Dec. 11 we received their final decision that it had been rejected again.

That was no surprise to us after all the bureaucratic run-around. Their reasoning is that the figures in the artwork are not historically connected to our town (that is how we submitted the artwork—that the family in the drawing has historical significance to our town).

We feel the Postal Service has denied us our freedom of speech and we do intend by the Grace of God to right that wrong.

Today in America we seem to be more comfortable in celebrating Xmas rather than Christmas. Jesus or anything having to do with Christianity seems to be a threat to our society. We in America are having this huge, wonderful birthday party that takes months to prepare for and we forget to invite the honored guest, Jesus.

Without the birth of Jesus there would be no Christmas.

REMEMBER: Jesus is the Reason for the Season.
LYNN CAMERON
LOU WETHINGTON

Letter

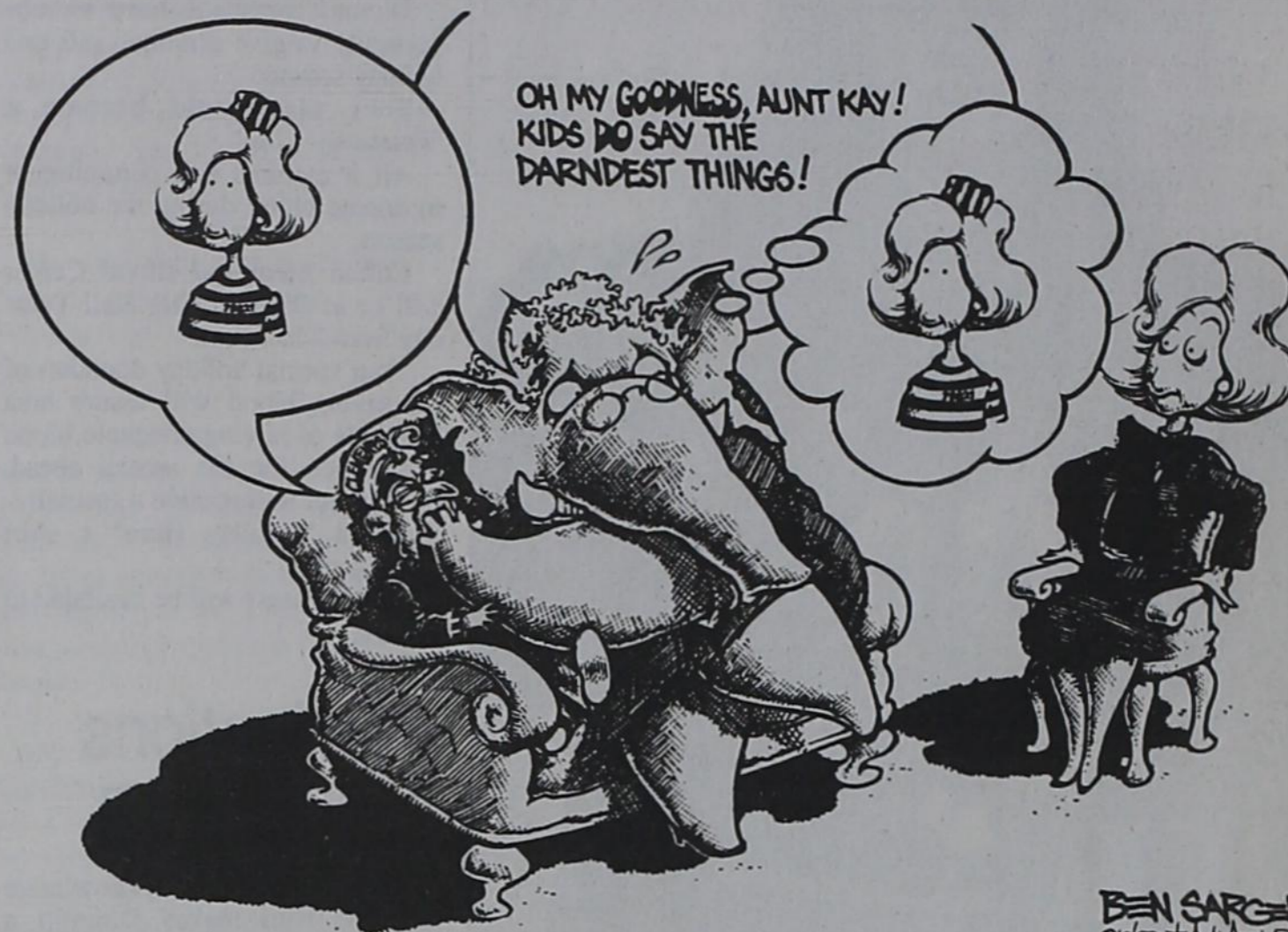
Nuns grateful for tribute page

Dear Editor: To all our friends at Nazareth, especially to those who wrote in the "tribute" to the Benedictine Sisters in the Dec. 9 issue of the *Castro County News*, we extend our heartfelt appreciation for the beautiful acknowledgement of our services for 475 years in the Nazareth Community.

Your friendship, your loyalty and the support you gave US in school and church leaves us with many pleasant memories.

God bless all of you and Seasons Greetings from all of us.

SISTER JOSELLA BIRKENFELD
SISTER ADRIAN WEWERS



BEN SARGENT
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Behind the Headlines

Health care crisis should be addressed

By PHILIP C. CLARK

Much of the debate surrounding health care reform has focused on how to pay for President Clinton's promise to provide health insurance for every American. But there are other equally important questions that must be addressed.

In addition to the cost factor, Americans want to know how much government intervention is necessary. Among the other questions they are asking is, "Will patients still be able to choose their own doctor?"

There's another more fundamental question that has largely been overlooked in the current debate, namely, is health care to be considered a universal right? And in that context, is health insurance guaranteed for all by the government really compatible with our private enterprise system and free society?

To judge from the debate in Washington, these questions already have been answered by politicians of all stripes. Yes, it's a right and yes, it's compatible with American values. But these answers also have produced some worries.

Journalist Robert Novak, for example, in pointing out that Washington has agreed to the need for universal health insurance, takes issue with the politicians—especially Republicans—who don't challenge that premise. And members of the American Medical Association, in criticizing the Clinton health plan, point out that it would, for the first time in history, put doctors and hospitals directly under the control of the government.

Certainly, America has always been a compassionate society with neighbors helping neighbors as well as strangers. That's why the arguments being advanced to guarantee health insurance strike a chord in many Americans. No one wants to think of the elderly, the young or anyone going without medical care. But the current problems in the health care sector spring not from a failure of the free enterprise system, but rather from 50 years of government intervention in the medical marketplace.

Consider how we got to where we are. Prior to the 1930s, health insurance did not exist. People who needed treatment paid for it themselves, and often not with cash but with goods and services. Also, more people knew more about taking care of themselves with home remedies for minor ailments and injuries.

That's because many if not most home remedies worked. Take common chicken soup for an example. Researchers have found that far from being a joke or old wives' tale, chicken soup actually contains ingredients that stimulate the body's own defense mechanisms against germs. Although it represented no major remedy, neither did it diminish individual self-reliance.

But then along came government wage and price controls, beginning with the Great Depression and World War II. Because many businesses could not offer higher wages to attract workers, they turned to "fringe benefits," health insurance included. Not long afterward, the Internal Revenue Service ruled that health benefits, for the most part, deserved tax breaks. As more and more people were covered by health insurance, spending on health care started to rise, and rise, and rise. At first it was mostly just for hospital care. Visiting doctors on an outpatient basis meant paying out-of-pocket, so their costs rose more slowly.

That is until 1966 when the government created Medicare. Soon this program was expanded to cover doctors' visits as well as hospital care. And the private insurance industry followed suit. The rest is history.

Spending on health care exploded, largely because somebody else, either the government or private insurance companies, were paying the bill.

Faced with a cost explosion, the government stepped in again in 1988 to clamp down on spending for the Medicare and Medicaid programs. Essentially setting price controls, this clampdown encouraged hospitals and doctors to shift their cost to private insurance patients. Whereupon the insurance companies complained and employers complained, and so now we're in a real crisis.

Significantly—and ironically—before we had all this government involvement in health care, there wasn't a crisis. In other words, when people were responsible for themselves and didn't look to the government for solving nearly every problem, there wasn't much of a problem. Now it seems the Clinton health care reforms would eliminate even more individual responsibility, restricting still further our individual freedoms in the process. As some politicians in Washington see it, all that remains to be decided is just how much more government control the public will stand for. They could be in for a surprise.

Capitol Comment

Workfare would help reform welfare system

By KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON
U.S. Senator

President Clinton promised to "end welfare as we know it" during his campaign, but after one year the Administration has yet to make a specific proposal. We should not delay any longer. That's why I and others are calling for Congress to go to work immediately.

Fortunately we do not need to resort to trial and error with unproven reform ideas. A number of states—Wisconsin, New Jersey, Ohio and Wyoming—have implemented comprehensive reforms of public assistance welfare programs. We can learn from their successes and failures.

The central premise of reform efforts is individual responsibility. In other words, welfare is not a lifelong entitlement. Able-bodied adults must work and counterproductive behavior should not be rewarded.

The real test will come when we face up to the tough decisions—decisions that will dethrone the people and groups who have built careers out of encouraging dependency.

Reform must convert our current system of a one-way handout into one of shared responsibility in which government provides the bridge assistance needed for those who are willing to take responsibility for their lives and go back to work.

The federal government ought to mandate workfare for all states, and provide the states with financial resources, technical backup and flexibility to get workfare programs up and running within one year of Congress enacting reforms.

We ought to start with able-bodied, non-elderly, adult welfare recipients. First, no public assistance should be given unless a person is demonstrably engaged in efforts to be self sufficient, either by taking classes, working a part-time job or going through an on-the-job training experience, or performing community service work, in really looking for a full-time job.

Single parents with children in school, who account for about one-half of all AFDC (Aid to Families with Dependent Children) recipients, can and should be required to participate in workfare. When necessary, certain scheduling flexibility or after-school-hours child care can be built into the workfare program. Also, a work requirement would offset the current AFDC financial incentive for a welfare-dependent parent to have more children.

Finally, to ensure that able-bodied welfare recipients have a real stake in becoming independent, they should be limited to two years on welfare. If AFDC

parents do not find work within the two-year period, they would be required to earn their way through full-time work in a community service program.

Republicans and Democrats alike agree that our current welfare system is in desperate need of an overhaul. The federal government spent an all-time high of \$306 billion in 1992 (5% of our Gross Domestic Product) on various forms of welfare support. That's your money and my money. But despite this outflow of resources, there have not been enough positive steps toward eventual independence.

The truth is that the current welfare approach, more than anything else, simply encourages reliance on the government for everything. It isn't just the notion that welfare is an entitlement. It promotes the crushing notion that welfare recipients are incapable of doing better.

A helping hand, some encouragement or even a push will do a lot more good for people in need of help. If we adopt this "tough love" approach, we will not only get a better return on taxpayer dollars and reduce overall welfare costs, we will add millions of productive people to the work force—people who will have pride in themselves and foster this in their children.

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Last Puzzle Solution

The Original TEXAS CROSSWORD

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ACROSS
1 TX Clyde Barrow got an inmate to _____ off two of his toes
5 TXism: "if _____ rooster, he'll crow"
6 description of TX actress Lovelace
7 OPEC's 2nd largest oil producer
8 you see 'em on Austin's Drag (2 wds.)
18 cable network
19 what TX DPS uses to catch speeders (3 wds.)
20 TXism: "that chaps _____ hide" (angers)
21 type of exam
22 used for shootin' practice
24 TX helped this country begin new airline
29 TXism: "wouldn't hurt _____" (gentle)
30 "Machine Gun" Kelly and his TX wife got _____ sentences
31 Olton h.s. class
32 TX Walker tune: "Up _____ Wall"
34 TXism: "burn some _____ leather" (run)
35 heart test (abbr.)
36 Big _____ Natural Area
37 this Shivers ran for governor in '52
38 TXism: "if he _____ giddyup, you better go" (mean hombre)
39 TXism: "useless as _____ a sow"
41 "_____ lifel"
42 "Capricorn _____" was filmed in Galveston

DOWN
43 TX Morgan Fairchild TV show: "Falcon _____"
44 "_____ mel!" (despair)
45 TXism: "take a look _____"
46 football cheer or yes vote
47 Ann wore blue _____ suit to inaugural gala
48 today's cowboys get _____ beef as part of wages
50 TX Holly wrote "True Love Ways" for wife Maria _____
51 pie _____ mode
52 TX singer Stuckey
53 in Taylor Co. on I-20
15 monster
16 TXism: "_____ rat" (kid)
17 TXism: "_____"
18 an egg-sucking dog
21 TX Prentiss film: "The World _____ Orient"
23 G.I. "dog _____"
24 Houston's Space Center has Sky _____ training module
25 TXism: "in a coon's _____" (long time)
26 TXism: "I'll _____ your hide!" (spank)
27 TX Rex's "Personal Guide to Home _____"
28 TXism: "touched _____ in the head"
29 space under a roof
30 Texas suffered _____ in savings and _____ scandal
33 TXism: "hot as _____ road _____ in July"
34 TXism: "couldn't _____ pass an ink _____ test" (slow)
35 "table graze" at home
37 TX Belle Starr shot by unknown _____
38 TXism: "sling it on the wall and _____ it sticks" (try it out)
40 TX Gambell Goose Refuge inhabitants
41 TXism: "Sunday _____ meetin' clothes"
44 TXism: "if he _____ dog he wouldn't have his own tail" (lazy)
47 TX Benson & Tower were in U.S. _____
49 there's never a rain _____ in Astrodome

ABI Agriculture Business Industry

MINDING YOUR OWN BUSINESS



By DON TAYLOR

A new idea

We have an unwritten guideline around our office that says every new idea is worth exactly 17 cents. Now that doesn't make some folks very happy, particularly if they have an idea for a new product that they believe will make them rich.

Let me try to explain how we came up with the value of 17 cents. The world is full of ideas for new products. People have new ideas every day. Most are foolish, some are adequate and one in a million may be brilliant.

The real problem is that often the foolish ones appear brilliant—especially to the creator and his or her immediate family—and the brilliant ones may seem foolish. Factor in the failures and the successes and we came up with an average value of 17 cents.

I should point out here that I know some of you have clever ideas for new products. I may not recognize your idea as a great one when I see it, but it may be a good one. So, for those of you who

may have a current brainstorm, let me try to help you along a bit.

I've visited with several product buyers over the years and they tell me they look for several characteristics in new products. If you are going to be successful with a consumer product it must have some of the features I've listed below.

Success characteristics

- New products must solve a problem or have a strong, positive emotional appeal. People only buy two things—solutions to problems and good feelings.
- Successful products must be simple and easy to understand. If you have to furnish detailed instructions to educate the consumer, the product may not sell well.
- The benefits of a new product must be obvious. Consumers will ask the "What's in it for me?" questions before every purchase. The positive attributes and advantages must be easy to see or grasp. If the benefits

aren't apparent, the consumers will usually pass up the purchase.

- A new product must be made from easy-to-get materials and require a low initial investment.
- Every new product must have a positive image to sell well through traditional retail or service channels. It cannot be harmful to mankind, animals or the environment. It should not put down a race, religion or sex. It should be constructive and safe.
- If you are trying to sell the product from a prototype, the prototype must work. If you cannot build a functional sample, don't try to sell the idea.
- Every new product should stand alone. Don't rely on the sale of another product or component to produce sales of your product. It should be independent and sell on its own merit.

Some final thoughts

- Don't assume everyone will buy. They won't.

- Don't try to create a product that will appeal to everyone. Most likely you'll create something that will appeal to no one. Look for an easily identifiable target for your product.
- Don't send money to companies who promise to market your invention until you have a list of references. Personally, I wouldn't send any money after I'd checked references. I've never met anyone who has had one of the "invention marketing companies" make them any money.
- Don't assume that it has to be high-tech to sell well. Simple, but effective is the key. I don't want a faster, more powerful computer. I want one that costs less and is easy to learn to use.

In summary, a new product should be simple, easy to understand and have benefits that the potential buyer can see clearly. Otherwise, it may not be worth millions, it may only be worth 17 cents.

You may write to Don Taylor in care of "Minding Your Own Business," PO Box 67, Amarillo 79105.



RIBBON CUTTING ceremonies were held last Thursday at Country Club of Dimmitt. On hand for the ceremony were (from left) Max Newman, Club Manager Jeff Fontanilla, Neal Bryan, Club Owner

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Irrigation conference slated Jan. 10 and 11

The annual High Plains irrigation conference will feature an agricultural trade show covering a five-state area as well as a keynote address by Texas House Speaker Pete Laney.

The conference has been held for more than two decades, according to Leon New, Extension Service irrigation specialist and chairman

of the event.

"The 1994 conference will be quite different because we're encompassing all of Texas and going out to other states as well," said New.

The conference and trade show, sponsored by the Texas Irrigation Association and Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will be held in the Amarillo Civic Center on Jan. 10 and 11.

The expanded program will include two full days of seminars and workshops and a much larger trade

show, according to Mike Stephens of Lubbock, president of TIA.

"We are targeting a much wider audience, ranging from the in-state agricultural producer and equipment dealer to their counterparts in five neighboring states with some exhibitors coming from as far away as Minnesota and North Dakota," said Stephens.

Laney will deliver the keynote address at Tuesday's noon luncheon. Bob Givens, KGNC Radio's agribusiness news director, and host of "agribusiness news at noon" will broadcast his show live during both days of the conference.

More than 75 industry equipment and service vendors will be on hand for the trade show.

According to New, concurrent sessions will run both days and provide indepth programs on innovations in chemigation, business management, marketing and state and federal regulations all of which have application for both producers and dealers.

"On Tuesday we are placing a heavy emphasis on six major commodities including corn, grain sorghum, wheat, peanuts, sugar beets

and cotton, as evidenced by the excellent support by our sponsoring grower associations," New said.

Nurse aide class set

Plains Memorial Hospital will hold a nurse's aide training class beginning in January.

The course will be 100 clock hours with 60 clock hours of classroom time and 40 clock hours of clinical experience.

Tuition for the course will be \$120 and financial assistance is available.

The course is open to junior and senior high school students as well as adults. Upon completion of the course, students will receive a certificate of completion from Plains Memorial Hospital and will have completed the American Heart Association's basic life support course.

For more information contact Mitzie Brockman at 647-2191 or 945-2246; or Cindy Ellis at 647-2191.

New stickers start Jan. 1

A new anti-theft device will become available in January: a new vehicle registration sticker that goes on the inside of a vehicle's windshield instead of outside on license plates.

The sticker is larger and of a different design than current stickers. Its main purpose is to deter theft. If the sticker is peeled off the windshield, the word "VOID" appears on it, making it a useless scrap of paper.

In 1992, 568,885 replacement license plates and stickers were issued. Texas Dept. of Transportation said 60% of replacement stickers were issued because of theft. At \$5.30 per replacement, replacing the stickers cost the public \$1.8 million and a lot of time and aggravation.

Substitute in-service is planned

Individuals interested in serving as a substitute teacher for the Dimmitt Independent School District during the second semester should plan to attend an in-service workshop.

The workshop will be held Jan. 4, 1994, beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the board room at the DISD Administration Building.

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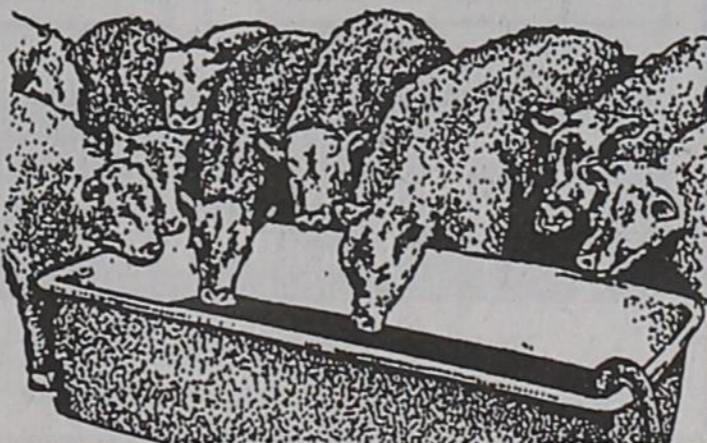
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People

Mr. and Mrs. Malone make home in Denton

Mr. and Mrs. Raiford Kemp Malone will be home in Denton Sunday after enjoying a seven-day wedding trip to the Caribbean.

The couple were wed Dec. 18 in a formal, double-ring ceremony in the Southmont Baptist Church in Denton with Larry Reynolds officiating.

The bride is the former Michele Lee Bradley, daughter of Mrs. Lou Ann Hays Bradley of Denton and Michael Robert Bradley of Dallas. The groom is the son of Dr. and Mrs. David H. Malone of Denton.

The church was decorated with white and pink poinsettias, garland, burgundy, green and gold bows and candles.

Music was provided by pianist Jerilyn Doss of Denton and Richard Mauney of Denton and selections included *Love Will Be Our Home* and *I Cross My Heart*.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a candlelight satin dress with wedding band collar atop a high illusion neckline and Juliet sleeves. The tight fitting bodice was covered with Chantilly lace and pearls. This motif was carried out on the cathedral-length train, which also was accented with cutouts. The full ballgown skirt was edged with lace.

She wore a tiara formed with beads and pearls and it held a fingertip-length veil.

She carried a large bouquet of fresh white flowers including lilies, roses, stephanotis and assorted other white flowers accented with fresh Christmas greenery.

Matron of honor was Lou Ann Hays Bradley of Denton, mother of the bride. Bridesmaids were Jane Boyl of Denton, Suzanne Manning of Lewisville and Amy Taylor of Rhome, friends of the bride. Melissa Bradley of Kentucky, sister of the bride, was a junior bridesmaid.

Flower girl was Mollie Mathews of Lewisville, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Manning.

The attendants wore long skirts of burgundy and hunter green taffeta with a touch of gold. The outfits also included hunter green fitted, long-sleeved jackets which flared at the waist.

The junior bridesmaid and flower girl wore long dresses made from the same material as the bridesmaids' skirts.

Best man was John Green of Denton, friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Michael Yeric of Denton, Cekiel Danielson of Oregon and Kris Hall of Lewisville, friends of the groom.

Ring bearer was Patrick Hall of Denton.

Guests were registered by Kristen Ridgway of Denton, friend of



MRS. RAIFORD KEMP MALONE
... nee Michele Lee Bradley

the bride; and were escorted to their seats by ushers Walter Malone of Arkansas and Mathew Malone of Wichita Falls, brothers of the groom.

After the wedding, a reception was held in Motions at the Holiday Inn in Denton. Decorations followed the Christmas theme used in the church and the colors were burgundy and green.

The bride designed and decorated her wedding cake and the

groom's cake.

The bride is a 1988 graduate of Denton High School. She is attending the University of North Texas at Denton and manages the Cake Decorator at the Candy Haven.

The groom graduated from Denton High School in 1985 and from University of North Texas with a degree in kinesiology. He is teaching biology and coaching varsity girls' soccer at Denton High School's Ryan Campus.

Nazareth

By Uirgle Gerber, 945-2669

Congratulations to Paul and Edith Huseman, who finalized the adoption of a baby girl, who was born March 18. They have named their daughter Kendra Marie. What a beautiful Christmas gift for the couple! Grandparents are Louis and Gin Huseman and Paul and Joan Durbin.

Prayers are asked for Amanda Acker, daughter of Dale and Marlene Acker. The child will be undergoing tests in Amarillo on Monday. We hope she gets a good report.

Prayers are asked for Mary Ellen Ramaekers, who had knee surgery last Friday at St. Anthony's Hospital. She is home to recuperate.

Congratulations to Nikki Schulte on her graduation from West Texas A&M University. She received her degree in elementary education during Friday evening commencement services. Some 20 relatives and friends later enjoyed a party in

her honor at the Country Barn in Amarillo.

Lucille Drerup enjoyed spending several days in Lubbock caring for her grandchildren while their parents, John and Carol Gary, took a business trip to Dallas last week.

A large group of Virgie Gerber's family thoroughly enjoyed the Christmas pageant at the Amarillo Civic Center on Sunday evening. The pageant was produced by members of the Paramount Terrace Christian Church in Amarillo.

The choir, acting, costumes, lighting and sound effects were fantastic. Alan Pohlmeier played the part of Joseph and performed a solo and that made it special for us. We enjoyed visiting with him after the pageant.

Rose Birkenfeld entertained most of her family with Christmas dinner on Sunday. Everyone enjoyed being together and had lots of fun. Andy Benke and Mike Morris of Oklahoma also were present.

Bridal shower honors Russ

Denise Russ, bride-elect of Todd Durham, was honored with a bridal shower on Dec. 4 in the home of Carol Schroeder.

Guests were greeted by Mrs. Schroeder, the honoree and her mother, Mrs. Charley Russ, and the prospective groom's mother, Mrs. Jerry Durham.

Refreshments of almond tea, coffee, fruit and gourmet sausages were served from a table covered with a Battenburg lace cloth. The centerpiece held a porcelain angel in a sleigh surrounded by crystal oil candles and Christmas greenery.

The 35 hostesses assisting Mrs. Schroeder with the shower presented the honoree with a comforter set and vacuum cleaner.

Special out-of-town guests were Miss Russ's mother and sister, Mrs. Doug Muir of Panhandle; the honoree's aunt and grandmother, Maurcen Russ and Katy Dorris, both of Panhandle; the prospective groom's grandmother, Mildred Gardner of Portales, N.M., his aunts, Mrs. Fran Bilberry and Marilyn Gardner, both of Portales, and Tracy Vaughan of Clovis, N.M., and his cousins, Sharla Sharp, Jett and Belynn, all of Clovis.

Church Happenings

Presbyterian Church

A candlelight Christmas Eve service will be held Friday at 7 p.m.

Steven W. Hoggard will be leading the service and preaching. Beth Jones will play the piano and will sing.

Sunday School Classes will meet at 10 a.m.

Steven W. Hoggard will preach at the Sunday morning worship service, which will begin at 11 a.m.

Billboard entries due

The Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce's Tourism and Promotion Committee is conducting a contest to improve the city's entry signs and they are accepting entries until Dec. 31.

Designs should be easy to read from a moving car and should convey a positive message about Dimmitt, said Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Delores Heller.

The winning entry will be announced at the Chamber banquet on Jan. 29, 1994, and the winning entry will receive \$50 Dimmitt Dollars.

Designs should be drawn on an 8-1/2 x 11-inch sheet of paper and should include the artist's name, address and telephone number.

Entries will be judged on originality and the positive message each conveys.

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I'd like to thank the staff of Richardson Elementary School, and the third grade teachers for making me feel so welcome and at home during my student teaching experience. I will truly treasure the new friendships I've made.

To Barbara Bain and the Third Grade Tribe, your expertise, humor, and friendship have guided and motivated me to become the best teacher I can be. It was a pleasure to share with you daily. I learned much more from you, than you did from me!

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More about

Gins process . . .

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Yields were about average and turnout has been termed good to excellent.

This year's crop was "better than average," according to Scotty Abbott, county executive director of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service. Abbott said on the average producers yielded between 1-1/4 and 1-1/2 bales per acre with some making 2.

About 5,000 acres of cotton was lost to hail early in the season, but damage was spotty, according to Abbott.

All indications point to a near-record crop for the High Plains, according to information from Plains Cotton Growers of Lubbock. The December US Dept. of Agriculture (USDA) crop estimate remains at 3.45 million bales from Texas crop reporting districts 1-N and 1-S, the two districts most often used as a yardstick of overall production in PCG's 25-county service area.

Grades have been good, the quality is holding up and the cotton

is selling well, according to a representative from Dodd Gin, who added that farmers are making 60 cents with the loan deficiency payment.

Bradford said a lot of domestic mills bought area cotton because farmers in the southeast didn't make a crop this year, and that helped keep the price up.

"Usually our cotton is shipped overseas. But our high-grade cotton fulfilled their (domestic mills) needs," Bradford said.

Cotton in this area is "selling quickly," according to Shawn Wade of Plains Cotton Growers.

"Domestic mills in South Carolina and other southeastern areas who usually buy cotton from the Mississippi and Delta areas are looking for other places to buy quality cotton this year because those areas have had problems. They are coming here for that quality cotton," Wade said.

"We've got good, quality cotton here, and there's plenty of it this year," Wade said.



SONGS OF THE SEASON--Dimmitt Girl Scouts and Brownies performed Christmas carols Friday at the gazebo in Dimmitt. Photo by Linda Maxwell

More about City . . .

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The city must hold a hearing because the facility would be with the one-mile extraterritorial jurisdiction of the city. The nearest residential area to the proposed site are the senior citizen apartments on NW Fifth. Property owners near the site will receive certified letters from the city this week, notifying them of the proposed facility and of the hearing.

The hearing is necessary for the Extension officials in preparing the grant application. The application must be submitted before year's end.

More about Donations . . .

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Stump said donations came from individuals and civic groups and organizations, and she also received donations from people as far away as California and Colorado.

Child Protective Services spent approximately \$1,500 on Christmas gifts, which means it has a surplus in funds, and that money will be used during the coming year for birthday gifts, clothing and other essential items for the children, Stump said.

Stump said two of the children who receive an allowance each month from a sponsoring group, had saved their money and purchased Christmas gifts for their siblings.

"The other day when I took them their gifts, I found they had bought a tea service set and a doll for their sister. They had even wrapped the gifts. It was really special."

The gifts which Stump purchased and wrapped were delivered this week, but the children won't get to open their gifts until Christmas.

"When I delivered gifts to Buckner's Children's Home, one 7-year-old boy couldn't believe how many little gifts he had and how many I had to deliver yet."

She said the children, and Child Protective Services, will write letters of thanks to those who donated.

Police Calls

Dimmitt police are still investigating a shooting Sunday in northeast Dimmitt.

A woman said persons were driving away from a house on NE Fourth when they turned and fired a shot toward the house.

Dimmitt police arrested a 38-year-old Dimmitt man on family violence assault charges Saturday.

The man was arrested after police were called to a disturbance in northwest Dimmitt.

Other reports during a light week for police activity included:

--A vehicle was damaged by spray paint in the 600 block of NW Sixth.

--Two students were arrested for disorderly conduct Friday at the Dimmitt-Ralls basketball game.

Francisco Javier Munoz, 48, of Hart, was cited for running a red light in an accident Friday at Broadway and Bedford.

Munoz, driving a 1988 Chevrolet pickup, was going south on US 385 when he allegedly ran the traffic light. He collided with a 1984 Buick driven by Josefina Posada of Dimmitt. Posada was going east on SH 86 and had just entered the intersection when Munoz's pickup struck her car on the driver's side.

Both vehicles were moderately damaged. Neither driver sustained more than minor injuries.

Edward Lyle Crigler, 49, of Plainview, was ticketed for an unsafe lane change when his truck collided with a car at US 385 and Stinson on Friday.

Crigler was going south on US 385 when he changed lanes into the path of a car driven by Petra Reyna, 29, of Hart. Reyna's 1991 Ford Tempo received moderate damage and she was taken to Plains Memorial Hospital for treatment of injuries and released. Reyna's four passengers were not injured.

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Sports

Dimmitt teams facing tough Caprock field

Dimmitt teams will play in one of the toughest holiday basketball tournaments in the state Tuesday through Thursday in the annual Caprock ABC Holiday Tournament at four sites in Lubbock.

The Bobbies were undefeated last year until they stumbled twice in the Caprock against Randall and Canyon. This year, the draw is no less tough--the Lubbock Christian High School girls, at 9 a.m. Tuesday at the Lubbock High School gym.

"It's a shame that over half of the field lives within a 12-mile radius of Lubbock, but we've got to get up at 5 a.m. and go to Lubbock," said Dimmitt coach Richard Wood. "I just hope that we play well. We need to work more on our offense before district starts."

If the Bobbies win, they'll play Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Monterey against the winner of the Midland Lee-Plainview game. The winner of that game plays Wednesday at 3 p.m. against Coronado, with the semifinal at 10 a.m. Thursday at Lubbock High. The fifth place game is at 8:30 a.m., the third place game at 4:30 p.m., and the championship game at 7:30 p.m., all Thursday at the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum.

If the Bobbies fall in the first round, they would play Wednesday, against the Lee-Plainview loser, at 1:30 p.m. at Monterey High. The winner of that game goes to the consolation "A" semifinals at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday at Lubbock High. The consolation "A" finals are Thursday at 2:30 p.m. at Coronado High.

The Bobcats play Lamesa at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Lubbock High. If they win that contest, they play Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. at Monterey against the winner of the Lubbock-Knox City game. The winner there plays either Levelland, New Home or Abernathy at 3 p.m. Wednesday at Monterey, with the winner of that game going into the championship semis at 10 a.m. Thursday at Coronado.

The fifth place game is 8:30 Thursday at Monterey. The third place game is at 6 p.m. Thursday at the coliseum, while the finals are Thursday at 9 p.m. at the coliseum.

If the Bobcats lose their first game, they would play the New Home-Abernathy loser at noon Wednesday at Monterey.

Lady Horns to play in tournament

Hart's Lady Horns will take on Lockney, Floydada and Littlefield Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, respectively, in a round robin tournament at Littlefield.

The winner in the four-team event will be selected based upon the best record over three games, and the winning team will receive a trophy.

Hart will take on Lockney Monday at 2:50 p.m.; Floydada Tuesday at 2:50 p.m. and Littlefield at 3:10 p.m. Wednesday.



I NEED SOME ELBOW ROOM--Dimmitt's Fernando Ontiveros (14) tries to get away from a Snyder trap during the first quarter of the first round game Friday at the Brownfield Rotary Club Invitational Tournament. Ready to help, at right, are teammates Garland Coleman (31) and Tait Crow (30). Snyder was whistled for a foul on the play. The Tigers won, 46-34.

Photo by John Brooks

County players dominate 2-1A all-district team

Hart and Nazareth dominated the District 2-A all-district football team announced this week.

Hart defensive lineman Manuel Minjarez was named the district's defensive most valuable player. He led the 'Horns from noseguard throughout the season.

The offensive MVP was running back-punter Tim Williams of state champion Sudan. Williams was also a first-team pick at defensive back.

Nazareth placed center Bryan Charanza, tight end Scott Brockman, receiver Brad Keel, running back and kicker Nick Johnson, defensive lineman Morgan Heck, and defensive back Gaylon Schilling on the first team.

Hart had offensive linemen Fred Reyna and Chris Hernandez, quarterback Jason Aven, defensive lineman Fernando Urbina, linebacker Harvey Robledo and defensive backs Fred Reyna and J.R. Lee on the first unit.

On the second team from Nazareth were offensive lineman Jaret Schulte, running back Morgan Heck, quarterback Gaylon Schilling, defensive lineman John Johnson, and Charanza at linebacker.

Hart's second teamers included center Manuel Minjarez, J.R. Lee at receiver, running backs Cesar Salas and Eddy Chavers, kicker Raynea Garcia, Chavers at defensive lineman, Salas and Alberto Barron at end, linebacker Chris Hernandez, and Jeremy Card at defensive back.

Together We Can



DISH BY ETHRIDGE--Dimmitt's Amy Ethridge gets inside the Ralls defense and is ready to pass to a teammate during the fourth quarter of the Friday night contest at Kenneth Cleveland Gymnasium. The Bobbies held back a Ralls rally to win, 49-45.

Photo by John Brooks

Bobcats stumble twice at Brownfield tourney

Sometimes, you just can't score a basket, no matter what.

Like Friday in Brownfield. Oh, the Dimmitt Bobcats hit a few--dam few. It was a frustrating day for the team, coaching staff, and a couple of dozen fans who made the day trip to the Brownfield Rotary Invitational Tournament. They saw a little bit of everything in a 46-34 loss to Snyder in the first round game.

The Bobcats had a better shooting day Saturday, but fell to Slaton, 61-57, in the consolation finals Saturday.

Dimmitt's first round game Friday against Snyder (eventual tournament champion) was like the bus ride to and from the game--too long. Snyder shut out the Bobcats until Fernando Ontiveros hit a 15-footer with 2:37 to go in the quarter. The basket cut Snyder's lead to 8-2. A minute later, Derrick Thomas hit a three pointer to make the score 10-5 at quarter's end.

Dimmitt got off to a slow start in the second quarter, too, going scoreless until Eufemio Saucedo hit one of two free throws with 5:52 to play to cut the lead to 15-6. Saucedo scored 22 seconds later off a turnover to make it a 15-8 game, then scored with 3:40 to go. That sliced Snyder's lead to 17-10, and was the last time Dimmitt scored in the half. Meanwhile, Snyder slipped away to a 23-10 halftime lead.

The Bobcats weren't particular about what kind of shot they missed--snowbird layups popped around and out of the basket just as often as long bombs. The Bobcats were four of 20 in the first half--20%.

The fourth quarter was much the same, except the Bobcats' frustration showed through on a technical foul called against a player "for

laughing," an official said, at one of his calls. Snyder extended its lead to as many as 15 points before settling for the 12-point final margin.

Derrick Thomas led Dimmitt with 16 points. Saucedo was next with nine, while no others had more than three. The Bobcats shot 13-of-40 from the field, including five-of-12 on three-pointers and eight-for-28 on other field goal tries.

Dimmitt's frustration also stemmed from a huge differential in foul calls. The Bobcats were whistled for 29 fouls, while the Tigers were called for just 14 fouls. Snyder was 20-of-30 from the line, while Saucedo was the only Bobcat to shoot free throws, going three-for-six.

In Saturday's game, Slaton charged from behind in the fourth quarter to win a rematch of a hotly-contested game played in Dimmitt a week ago.

This time, Slaton came through in the fourth quarter after Dimmitt had rallied in the third.

The teams see-sawed in the first half as the Tigers claimed a 35-28 halftime lead. In the third quarter, Dimmitt outscored Slaton 16-6 to take a 44-41 lead after three quarters.

Helped by a huge free throw differential, the Tigers rallied in the fourth quarter and outscored the Bobcats 20-13 to grab the four-point win.

Dimmitt outscored Slaton from the field, 52-44. Slaton was 17-for-27 from the free throw line while Dimmitt was five-for-nine. The Bobcats were whistled for 25 fouls while the Tigers were called for just 11 fouls.

Thomas, who had five three-pointers, led all scorers with 19 points. Saucedo added nine points for Dimmitt.

The Bobcats will take off until the Caprock Tournament begins Tuesday.

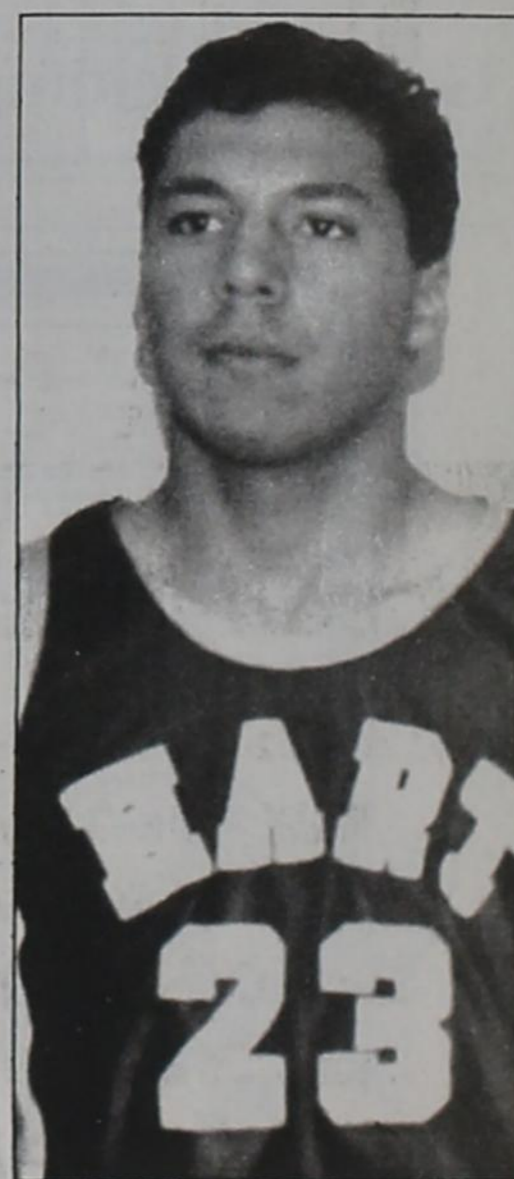
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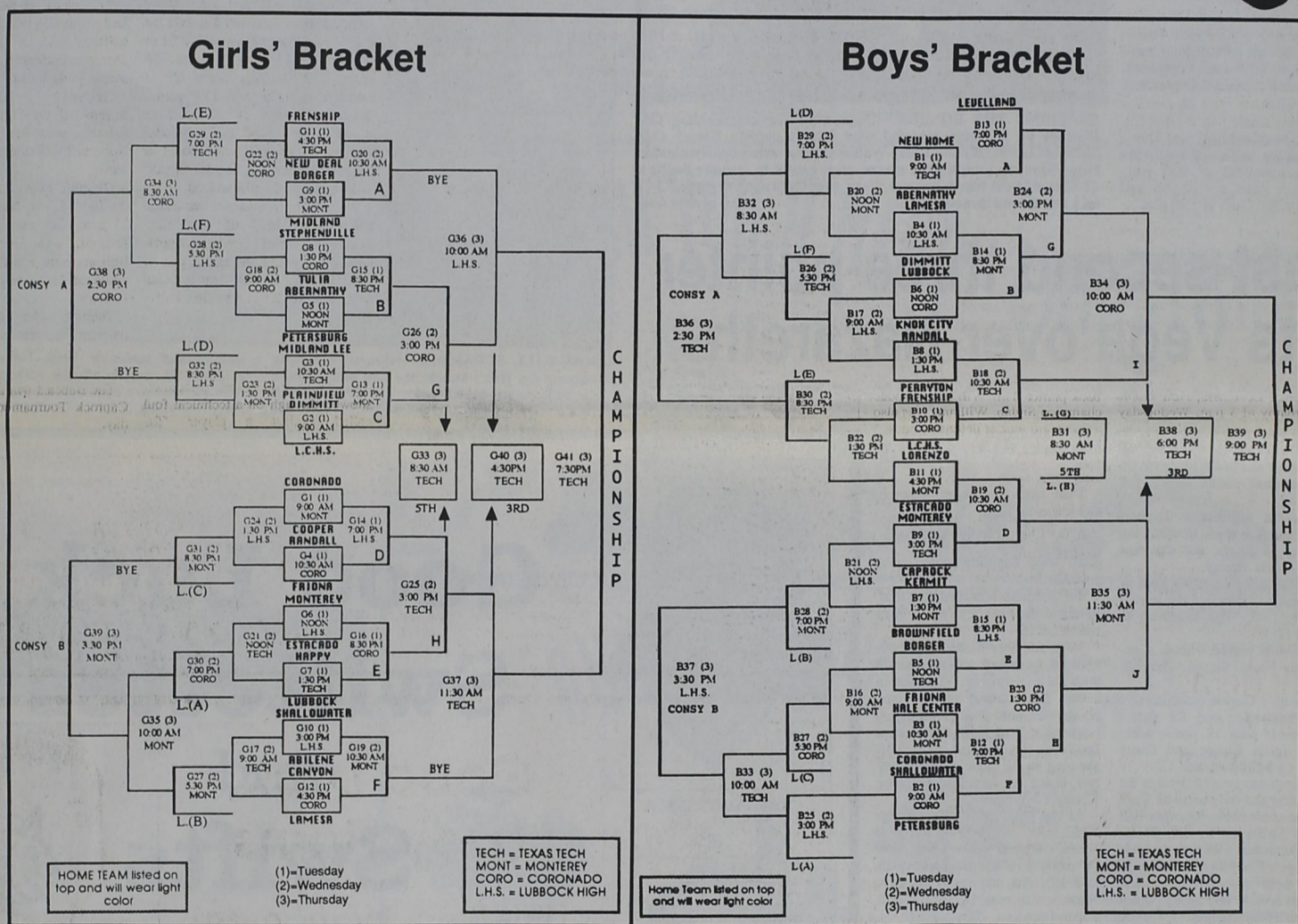
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Naz ready for Sudan Tournament

The Nazareth Swifts and Swiftettes will compete in the Sudan Booster Club Tournament Tuesday through next Thursday.

The Swiftettes will meet Olton Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. in the new gym in a first round game while the Swifts will take on Idalou at 6 p.m. in Sudan's old gym.

Other first-round girls games on Tuesday include Carlsbad vs. Whiteface at 7:30 p.m., Muleshoe vs. Anton at 10:30 a.m., Hale Center vs. Portales at 1:30 p.m., Sudan vs. Idalou at 1:30 p.m. and Seminole vs. Springlake-Earth at 4:30 p.m.

The boys' tourney features Farwell vs. Olton at 9 a.m., Morton vs. Crosbyton at 9 a.m., Sudan vs. Whiteface at 12 noon and Springlake-Earth vs. Anton at 12 noon. Muleshoe also is entered in the tournament and drew a bye in the opening round.

If the Swiftettes beat Olton, they will play the Muleshoe-Anton winner Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. Should Nazareth lose the first game, they will play the Muleshoe-Anton loser Wednesday morning at 10.

The girls' schedule next Thursday includes the consolation championship at 1:30 p.m., third-place game at 3 p.m. and championship finals at 6 p.m.

In the boys' bracket, next Thursday's games include the consolation championship at 1:30 p.m., third place game at 4:30 p.m. and championship finals at 7:30 p.m.



CRASHING THE BOARDS — Nazareth's Gaylon Schilling (24) snatches an offensive rebound over Vega's Jeremy Kinsey (32), Shannon Taack (10) and Dusty Walker during action Friday night in Vega. Schilling grabbed the carom, then scored to give the Swifts a 62-52 lead in the fourth quarter. Vega went on to win the game, 73-72 on a last-second three-pointer. Photo by Anne Acker

Swiftettes hold off Vega down stretch for 58-53 win

Illness and injuries plagued the Swiftettes last week, but that didn't stop the No. 2-ranked team from beating the No. 6-ranked Vega Lady Horns Friday night in Vega, 58-53.

Two Nazareth starters did not suit up for the Friday night game—starting post Kelley Boyd and starting wing Lena Durbin. Another varsity player, Mary Ellen Ramaekers, was sidelined for the season when she suffered a knee injury recently.

Nazareth Coach Ritchie Tarbet moved up two junior varsity players for Friday night's game, and both saw a lot of playing time.

The Lady Horns had a distinct height advantage over Nazareth. Vega's starting lineup featured a 6-2 post, Cari Allred, and 5-11 post Stephanie Jackson, while Nazareth's tallest player was Melinda Schmucker at 5-10. At times Friday night, the Swiftettes had three players under 5-5 on the floor.

But Nazareth out-hustled the Lady Horns, forcing Vega to turn the ball over 23 times; and shot the lights out from the three-point line, hitting 11 during the game.

Melinda Schmucker led both teams in scoring with 23 points, while Kristin Brockman had 15. Allred was

Vega's high scorer with 21 points and Keri Wagner had 8.

Schmucker and Allred traded baskets through the first half of the opening period, and Schmucker's trey with 4:56 left put Nazareth up 5-4, and gave the Swiftettes their first lead of the game.

Nazareth never relinquished that lead, either. A three-pointer and fast-break layup by Schmucker in the final 1:38 of the first period gave Nazareth a 12-6 lead.

Kandal Derrick canned a trey with 4:30 left in the first half to give the Swiftettes a 15-9 edge, then the teams traded baskets for the next two minutes before Vega cut the lead to two points when Misty Meyer scored with 1:26 left.

The Swiftettes' hot outside shooters prevailed, though, as Derrick and Kristin Brockman each hit a three-pointer before intermission to put the Swiftettes up 25-19.

A three-pointer by Schmucker and a free throw by Brockman early in the third quarter gave Nazareth its biggest lead of the game, 10 points. Vega cut the lead to six at one point, but Nazareth stayed in control and was up 44-36 at the end of the stanza.

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LOOSE-BALL SCRAMBLE—Nazareth's Kristin Brockman (on floor) knocks the ball away from a Vega ballhandler, then reaches for the loose ball during Friday night roundball action between two

state-ranked teams in Vega. Nazareth won the game, 58-53, despite playing without two starters. Also pictured are Nazareth's Lynette Kleman and Kandal Derrick. Photo by Anne Acker

Last-second three-pointer lifts Vega over Nazareth

A last-second shot by Vega swished the net and propelled the Longhorns to a 73-72 win over Nazareth Friday night in Vega.

The Swifts had led at the end of each quarter and had been ahead by 12 at several points during the game.

Vega put together a 21-point fourth quarter and limited the Swifts to 14 points, and that was enough for the victory.

The loss was Nazareth's third of the season and dropped the team's record to 12-3. Vega improved its mark to 11-2.

The Swifts played without regular starter Nick Johnson, who was ill.

Nazareth's Gaylon Schilling and Colby Pohlmeier tied for game-high honors with 19 points each. Vega's Justin Moore and Dusty Walker each finished with 13.

Nazareth was never behind in the first period and only allowed Vega to tie the score twice. Trampas Ball put the Swifts up by six, 21-15, with a jumpshot with nine seconds left. Vega's Cody James banked in a long three pointer from the left side, just beating the buzzer, to cut Nazareth's lead to 21-18.

Nazareth reeled off nine unanswered points to open the second stanza on a pair of free throws by Pohlmeier, a basket and three free throws by Schilling and a jumper by Justin Wethington, and Nazareth was up, 30-18.

Vega answered with six straight

points to cut the lead to six, but by the end of the stanza, Nazareth was up by 11, 43-32.

Nazareth stayed in control in the third quarter, but only held a 58-52 lead.

Then came the fourth quarter, and it was all Vega.

The Swifts put together an 11-point lead with 3:30 left in the game when Schilling scored on a put back.

But Nazareth managed just four points in the final 3:30 while Vega reeled off 16.

Vega's Jeremy Kinsey sank both ends of a one-and-one opportunity with 3:12 left to pull Vega within seven. Then after missed three pointers on both ends of the court, Nazareth's Brad Keel scored on a fast-break layup—also with 3:12 showing on the clock. (Timekeeper had failed to restart clock after Kinsey's free throws.)

At that point the Swifts were up 70-61.

Les Galbraith gave Vega hope by canning a three-pointer with 1:49 left, then teammate Shannon Taack scored with 1:17 left to pull Vega within two.

After Nazareth missed a three-point attempt, Vega got the rebound and called a time out with 52 seconds left.

The Longhorns came out and ran 50 seconds off the clock, working the ball around the perimeter of the three-point line, before the winning

shot was launched with two seconds left.

Bobbies beat back Lady Rabbits rally

Dimmitt broke loose to take a commanding lead in the fourth quarter, then held on against a furious Ralls rally to take a 49-45 win Friday at Kenneth Cleveland Gymnasium.

The Bobbies, 8-6 after the win, trailed much of the first half before charging back with 15 second-quarter points to take a 24-20 halftime lead. Ralls was within three points, 31-28, with two minutes left in the third quarter before Dimmitt began a 14-3 run through the end of the third quarter and the first five minutes of the fourth period.

Dimmitt extended its lead to 39-32 at the end of the third quarter, and was up 45-35 with 2:30 to go. Ralls came back to 45-42 with 57 seconds left, on both ends of a one-and-one. Kara Josselet hit both ends of a one-and-one with 43 seconds left to give

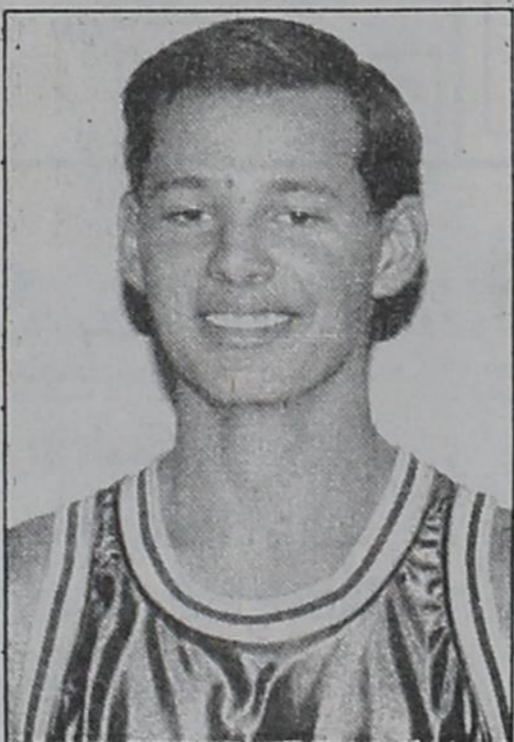
the Bobbies a 47-42 lead.

The Bobbies forced a Ralls turnover with 20 seconds left and Ralls immediately fouled Amy Ethridge. She missed the free throw, but Tiffany Wilcox rebounded and was fouled. Because a scab was broken loose on the play, Katrina Acker took her turn at the free-throw line. She missed and Ralls rebounded. Ralls hit a three-pointer with six seconds left, cutting the score to 47-45, and called timeout to try to force a Dimmitt turnover. The Bobbies held on, and Josselet hit both ends of a one-and-one with 1.8 seconds left for the final margin.

Acker led Dimmitt with 12 points, while Dolores Dimas hit nine. Dimmitt was five-of-seven from the line, while Ralls hit just seven of 16 free throw tries.



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More about 1:1

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affect Christmas.

Outside of the airplane and the bike, you've been really good to me through the years.

The favorite Christmas present of all time that you ever brought me was my own football.

That was the year we went to Central Texas to visit kinfolks for Christmas. My cousin James heard my Dad talking to my Uncle Mac, and he told me that I was going to get the football I wanted. It was all I had asked for.

I guess I was glad to know, but knowing took some of the zing out of it.

On Christmas day, though, it didn't matter. I had my football! James and Arlis and I had a great time with it down there, and after we got home, I could start my own game whenever I wanted.

In case I forgot to say it earlier, thanks for the football.

You brought me some other great things through the years. The black-faced wrist watch that you could read in the dark. I wore it through high school and into college. (It was a Jurawatch, remember? Made in Switzerland.) After you brought me the silver-faced Wyler to replace it, I had its face refinished and sold it to my roomie, John Gilbreath, who gave it to his brother Zay for his birthday.

And the shotguns. A single-shot at first, and a few years later, a pump. My youngest son now has the Ithaca Featherweight that you brought us, and I'll probably use my Winchester Model 12 the rest of my life and pass it down, too. You really knew how to make guns in those days. I've had more great experiences with them outdoors than I can count.

Remember the Christmas you brought me a camera? It was a Fed-Flash—a plastic, fixed-lens camera with a clip-on flash that used Press 25 blue-dot bulbs. I use cameras in my livelihood now, and shoot with some of the finest cameras and lenses in the world. But none of them gives me more of a thrill than that Fed-Flash did!

As exciting as Christmas was when I was a kid, it was just as exciting when the time came for me to help you.

Even when I was out in the freezing cold at 2 a.m. that Christmas eve, having to re-tap a brace

for Connie's first swing set, it was exciting.

You understand, don't you, why I was as excited as David was when you brought him that 10-speed, Dutch-made Pegasus bicycle? Wow, what a bike! It stayed in the family until both boys had their own cars. It was finally stolen on the UT-Austin campus, presumably by one of our Future Leaders of Tomorrow. But, wow, what a bike!

And remember that Christmas when you brought the kids those tickets to the Cotton Bowl game? It was a great adventure for our whole family, even though Nathan and I were in the popcorn line down below when Penn State scored the winning touchdown.

I really got a kick out of being your helper all those years. Those Christmases have been some of the highlights of my life, thanks to you.

Nowadays, I'm not your helper anymore.

Well, yeah, I try to help you get some things together before Christmas for some of the kids around, but I'm no longer right there with you on Christmas eve. A new generation is doing most of that for you now.

And I find myself back at square one, trying to tell you what I want for Christmas, just like in the old days.

I don't really want anything for myself this year. But what I *do* want may be too much to ask for.

I'd like to see less hate and bigotry in the world. There's so much of it around. It shows up in too many daily conversations, in too many private thoughts, in too many public forums, in too many letters to the editor, even in some of our so-called religious beliefs. It leads to violence, and wars, and "ethnic cleansings," and all kinds of other horrors.

If we could just replace all the hatred with love, if everyone in the world could just try to understand and appreciate each other instead of dwelling on all our differences, maybe we could have peace on earth.

That's what I'm really asking for, isn't it? Peace on earth.

That's what Christmas is all about, isn't it? That's what the Christ Child tried to bring us. And that's what you've been trying to bring us, too, all these many years.

You started out in a small, remote region of the Middle East, just as the Christ Child did. You've visited us at Christmas for centuries now, all over the world, bringing the hope and joy and spirit of selfless giving that make people love each other again, if only for a little while.

If we could just accept, and hold onto, that greatest gift that you give to all of us every year. . . .

But too many think that's unrealistic, I guess—a myth.

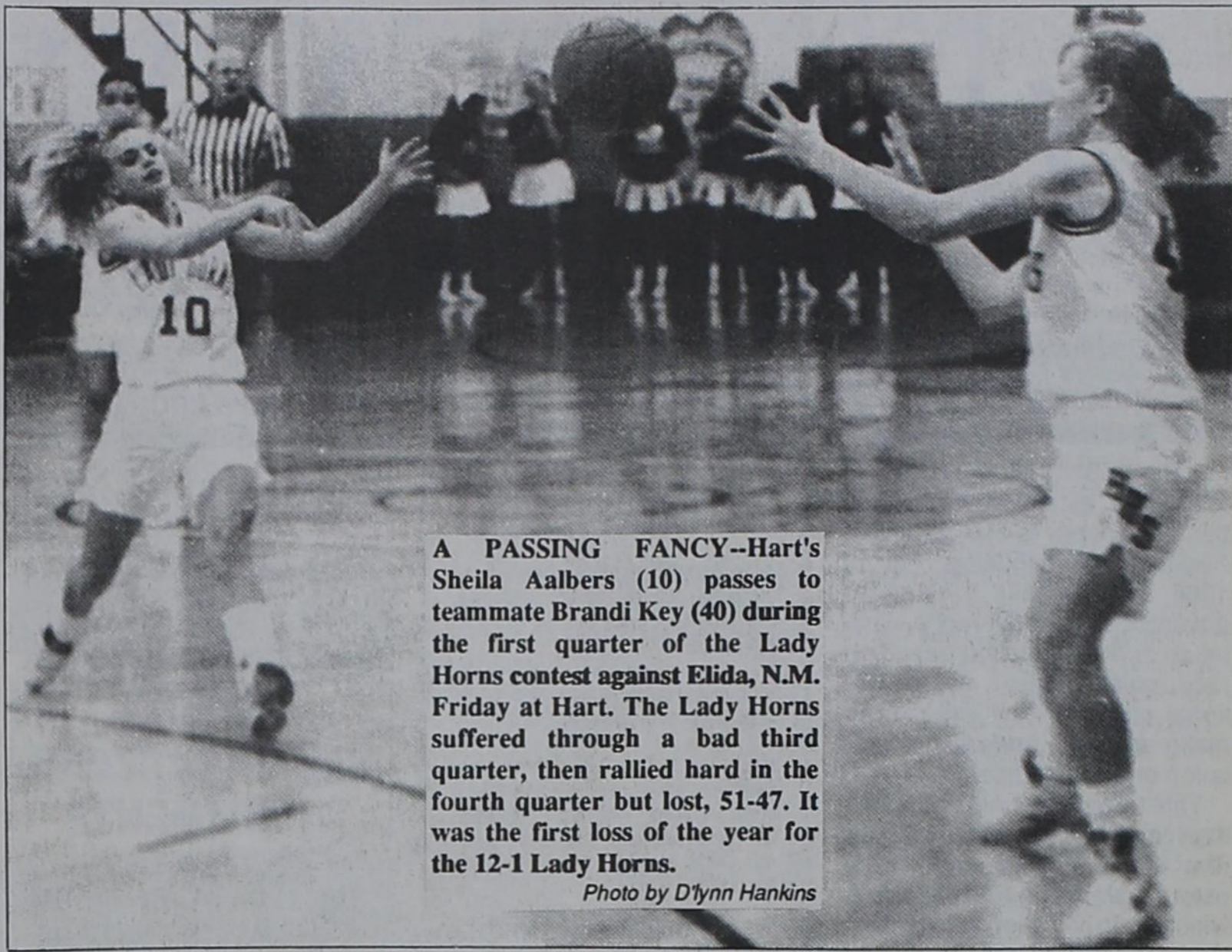
In fact, many so-called wise men think you're just a myth.

I don't think that, though. I've experienced and seen so much of the joy that you've brought during so many Christmases that I know you're real.

You'll outlive me for sure, Santa.

Come to think of it, that's another thing I want for Christmas.

As long as you're alive, there's hope.

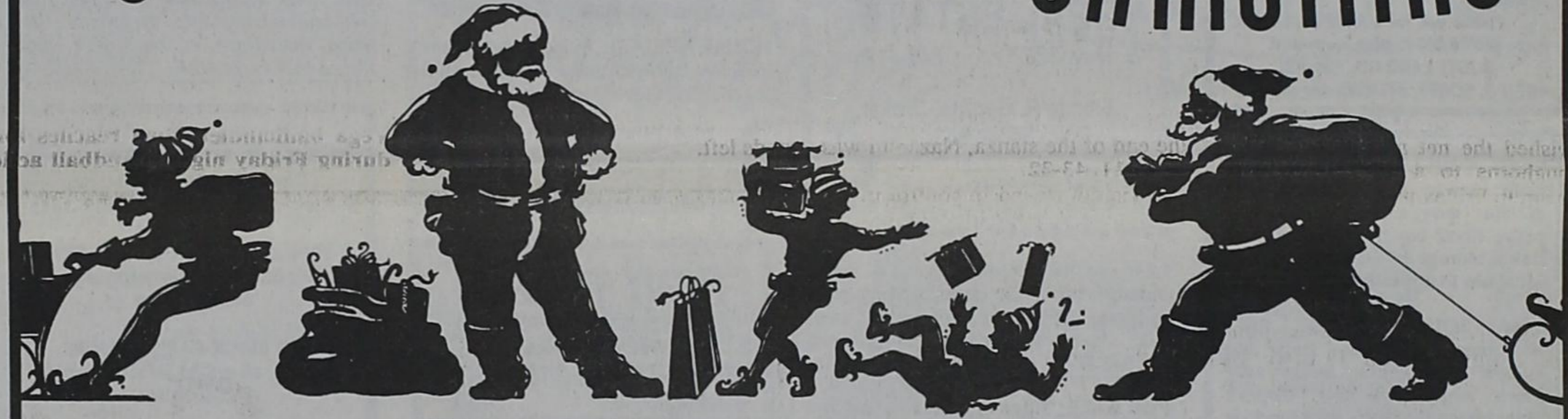


A PASSING FANCY--Hart's Sheila Aalbers (10) passes to teammate Brandi Key (40) during the first quarter of the Lady Horns contest against Elida, N.M. Friday at Hart. The Lady Horns suffered through a bad third quarter, then rallied hard in the fourth quarter but lost, 51-47. It was the first loss of the year for the 12-1 Lady Horns.

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Snyder 46, Dimmitt 34
Dimmitt 5 5 10 14 -- 34
Snyder 10 13 9 14 -- 46

Dimmitt: Derrick Thomas 16, Eufemio Saucedo 9.

Slaton 61, Dimmitt 57

Slaton 19 16 6 20 -- 61
Dimmitt 16 12 16 13 -- 57

Dimmitt: Derrick Thomas 19, Eufemio Saucedo 11.

Friday

Bobbies 49, Ralls 45

Ralls 11 9 12 13 -- 45
Dimmitt 8 16 15 10 -- 49

Dimmitt: Katrina Acker 12, Dolores Dimas 9.

Swiftettes 58, Vega 53

Nazareth 12 13 19 14 -- 58
Vega 6 13 17 17 -- 53

Nazareth: Melinda Schmucker 23, Kristin Brockman 15.

JV Swiftettes 28, Vega 22

Vega 73, Swifts 72

Nazareth 21 22 15 14 -- 72
Vega 18 14 20 21 -- 73

Nazareth: Gaylon Schilling 19, Colby Pohlmeier 19.

JV Swifts 46, Vega 23

Elida, N.M. 89, Longhorns 47

Elida 22 30 30 7 -- 89
Hart 9 9 22 7 -- 47

Hart: Raynea Garcia 13, Barry Washington 11.

JV Longhorns 37, Elida 34

Elida 51, Lady Horns 47

Elida 15 21 9 6 -- 51
Hart 16 1 14 16 -- 47

Hart: Traci Knox 12, Shea Bennett 8, Sheila Aalbers 8.

JV Lady Horns 38, Elida 33

Monday

Lady Horns 46, Lazbuddle 45

Hart 14 10 10 12 -- 46
Lazbuddle 10 17 4 14 -- 45

Hart: Shea Bennett 15, Sheila Aalbers 11.

JV Lady Horns 36, Lazbuddle 25

Lazbuddle 93, Horns 65

Hart 17 18 10 20 -- 65
Lazbuddle 22 27 23 21 -- 93

Hart: Eddy Chavers 13, Raynea Garcia 12, Harvey Robledo 10.

Lazbuddle JV 66, JV Horns 57

Tuesday

Sudan 54, Bobbies 46

Dimmitt 12 15 8 11 -- 46
Sudan 12 21 6 15 -- 54

Dimmitt: Kim Thomas 16, Katrina Acker 11.

Sudan 62, JV Bobbies 33

More about Nazareth . . .

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Vega put together a run late in the game, outscoring the Swiftettes 17-14 over the final eight minutes.

Meyer hit a three-pointer to cut Nazareth's lead to 51-45, then Allred hit a pair of free throws and another basket to narrow the lead to two points with 1:18 left.

But Nazareth held onto the ball in the final minutes, forcing Vega to foul. The Swiftettes made those fouls count, turning in a 7-of-10 performance from the charity stripe in the last minute. Senior Lynette Kleman led the free-throw shooting frenzy, hitting 4-of-5, including a pair with less than 10 seconds left for a 58-53 win.

The Swiftettes improved their record to 10-5, and Vega fell to 10-3.

Kern, Martinez win final drawing

Patti Kern and Yolanda Martinez were winners in the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce's final Dimmitt Dollars Drawing.

Kern, who registered at Coleman Pharmacy, won \$200 while Martinez, who registered at Merle Norman, won \$100.

The Dimmitt Dollars may be redeemed at any Dimmitt store.

The drawings are part of the "Light Up Christmas — Dimmitt Style" campaign sponsored by the Retail Merchants Committee.



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22—Notices

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For County-District Clerk:
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For Commissioner, Pct. 4:
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For County Judge:
Robert Hawkins

25—Legal Notices

BID NOTICE
The Castro County Hospital District is accepting bids for architectural services. Project will plan conversion of a one-physician clinic to a three-physician clinic. Project will include renovation of existing space and addition of new space. Sealed bids should be delivered to the administrator of Plains Memorial Hospital at 310 W. Halsell, P.O. Box 278, Dimmitt, Texas 79027 by 5 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 26, 1994. Bids will be opened at 8 p.m. that same day. Bids should address charges for all architectural and related services as well as time frame for completion of architectural services. The Castro County Hospital District reserves the right to reject any and all bids. 25-37-2tc

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Bid specifications may be picked up at the county judge's office, Courthouse, Dimmitt, Texas, 647-4451, or by contacting Precinct 1 Commissioner Newlon Rowland, Hart, Texas, 938-2451, home, or 938-2598, county barn. Bids should include alternate payment methods, guaranteed maintenance and guaranteed repurchase.

Castro County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and the right to waive formalities.

MRS. M.L. SIMPSON JR.
Castro County Judge
25-36-2tc

PUBLIC NOTICE

The citizens of the City of Dimmitt are hereby notified that Castro County, acting through its 4-H Council, has requested the permission of the City Council of the City of Dimmitt to construct a facility for the raising of livestock within the extra-territorial jurisdiction of the City of Dimmitt. This facility will house "show animals" (primarily calves and pigs) owned by Castro County youth involved in the 4-H program.

This facility is proposed to be located approximately 215 feet North of the Castro County Senior Citizens Housing Authority on NW 5th Street.

A HEARING has been set before the City Council at a Special Meeting to be held on December 27, 1993, at 6:30 o'clock p.m. in the Public Meeting room of the City Hall, located at 201 East Jones Street.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND OPINION IS NEEDED!

25-37-1tc

BID NOTICE

Castro County Hospital District is accepting bids for banking services. Sealed bids should be delivered to the administrator at Plains Memorial Hospital at 310 W. Halsell, P.O. Box 278, Dimmitt, Texas 79027, by 5 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 26, 1994. Bids will be opened at 7:30 p.m. that same day. Bid should explain interest rates to be paid by bank, charges to be assessed by bank and method of securing the funds deposited. The Castro County Hospital District reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

25-37-2tc

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO The Unknown Heirs of J.W. SMITH, Deceased, AND ALL PERSONS AND PARTIES INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF J.W. SMITH, Deceased, No. 2142, County Court, Castro County, Texas.

JACK W. SMITH and MALVA TEAGUE-SMITH, Guardian Ad Litem, persons claiming to be owners of the estate of such decedent, in the above numbered and entitled estate, filed on the 16th day of December, 1993, their verified Application for Declaration of Heirship in the Estate of J.W. SMITH, Deceased.

Said application will be heard and acted on by the Court at 10 o'clock A.M. on the first Monday next after the expiration of 10 days from date of publication of this Citation, the same being the 3rd day of January, 1994, at the County Courthouse in Dimmitt, Texas.

All persons interested in said estate are hereby cited to appear before said Honorable Court at said above mentioned time and place by filing a written Answer contesting such application should they desire to do so.

All interested persons are further advised that they have the right to employ an attorney and that if they or their attorneys fail to file a written answer with the Clerk who issued this Citation by 10 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of ten days after the publication of this Citation the Court may enter Orders with binding effects upon said persons.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates thereof, and make due return as the law directs.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF SAID COURT at office in Dimmitt, Texas, this 16th day of December, 1993.

JOY JONES
CLERK OF THE COUNTY COURT
CASTRO COUNTY, TEXAS
BY: BETTY RICKERT, DEPUTY
25-37-1tc

LEGAL NOTICE

The City of Dimmitt is accepting bids on carpet for the Police Department, approximately 100 square yards. The carpet must be at least 26 oz. commercial carpet, with jute-type backing. Bid must include removing old carpet and gluing down new carpet. Bids must be received by 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 3, 1994, and will be opened at the Councilmembers' regular meeting. The city reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

REEFORD BURROUS
City Manager
25-37-1tc

BID NOTICE

Castro County Hospital District, dba Plains Memorial Hospital, is accepting bids for the sale of an anesthesia machine, Aircor, Ohio Medical Products, Heidbrink, Kinet-O-Meter, stock number 2333, serial number ABEA00065. Sealed bids should be delivered to the administrator of Plains Memorial Hospital at 310 W. Halsell, P.O. Box 278, Dimmitt, Texas 79027 by 5 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 26, 1994. Bids will be opened at 8:30 p.m. that same day. Castro County Hospital District reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

25-37-2tc

Holiday stress can be avoided

Holidays, although filled with joy, can be hectic, chaotic and stressful if families don't take the time to plan for them.

One way to alleviate some holiday anxieties is planning — no matter what the date, according to Dr. Lillian Chenoweth, professor of family sciences at Texas Women's University.

"It's never too late to start planning," said Chenoweth.

Previous holiday pitfalls often can be avoided with pre-planning. A good way to start is by scheduling a family meeting where goals and timetables are discussed, she said. Decisions can be made based on the type of holiday events that are acceptable to everyone. For example: Would it be better to plan a family vacation or to visit family members? Is Christmas caroling an option, or is there a favorite play for the family to attend? Family members also may choose to avoid

commercialization and, instead, make gifts for loved ones or plan an outing where everyone can contribute to the shopping.

Fixed activities need to be considered when special events are planned — for example, piano lessons that cannot be missed or company parties that must be attended.

"Many people overcommit for the holidays," said Chenoweth. "They have to practice saying no."

People naturally want to do everything, but when they plan too much and experience extra stress, the events tend to become more of a chore than a celebration.

Here are some ways to help alleviate holiday stress:

Special types of parties can help complete some holiday chores. Cookie exchange parties can help

with baking needs. Guests are asked to bring large amounts of one kind of cookie and those attending can then exchange cookies so that they have a variety to enjoy. Baking during the party also can add to the festivities.

Parties scheduled close together, on consecutive nights, take less time since only one housecleaning session is necessary. Menu planning and grocery shopping also can be combined to save time.

Activities as simple as getting the Christmas tree can become a problem when all aspects are not considered. People should look at options, such as having a tree shipped to the family every year, finding a Christmas tree farm that allows them to pick and chop down their own tree or visiting the corner tree lot.

Gift giving also is a source of extra anxiety, but with a little planning and preparation it can become a joyous occasion. Family gifts always are a possibility for large or hard-to-buy for groups. Games such as croquet or "Pictionary" are good choices. Food items, such as a selection of cheeses or cookies can be placed in holiday containers for the entire family to enjoy. Gift certificates can be purchased almost anywhere for meals or entertainment parks.

Holidays tend to prompt feelings of guilt when people do not have time for all their plans. They often expect too much of themselves, Chenoweth explains.

"We aren't florists or bakers or cake decorators, so we shouldn't try to be something we aren't the rest of the year," she said.



DRIVING FOR A BASKET--Dimmitt's Kara Josselet drives past a Ralls defender for a basket during the fourth quarter of Friday's game at Kenneth Cleveland Gymnasium. Josselet hit four key free throws down the stretch to help Dimmitt to a 49-45 win.

Photo by John Brooks

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Obituaries

Penetha Armstrong

Penetha Armstrong, 81, of Dimmitt, died Sunday in Houston.

Services were Tuesday in Ivey Chapel at Foskey Funeral Home with the Rev. Paul Kenley, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial followed in Castro Memorial Gardens.

Mrs. Armstrong was born on Nov. 12, 1912, in Brown County and moved to Castro County as a child. She married Noble Armstrong on Nov. 3, 1928 in Dimmitt. He died in 1976. She attended Sunnyside schools and was a member of the First Baptist Church and the Castro County Extension Homemakers. She had taught sewing and crafts. She had lived in Houston the last five years.

She is survived by a nephew, Kenneth Griffin of Houston.

Memorials should be made to the First Baptist Church of Dimmitt.

Homer Garrison

Homer Garrison, 79, of Hereford, died Saturday in Lubbock.

Services were Tuesday at First United Methodist Church in Hereford with the Rev. Joe Wood, pastor, and the Rev. H.W. Bartlett of Temple Baptist Church in Hereford officiating. Burial was in West Park Cemetery by Gililand-Watson Funeral Home of Hereford.

Mr. Garrison was born August 22, 1914 in Detroit. A former resident of the Hart and Sunnyside areas, he moved to Hereford in 1970 from Plainview. He was a farmer and cattleman and also owned an automobile dealership. A member of First United Methodist Church of Hereford, he was a Sunday school teacher, chairman of the church board, a choir director and a member of the finance committee. He served on the first board of directors of the Region XVII Education Service Center, and was on the board of the High Plains Research Foundation.

A 32nd Degree Mason, he was a driving force in the establishment and ongoing programs of the Hereford Senior Center.

He was Plainview's Citizen of the Year in 1962, past president of school boards in Plainview and Hart, and was a past member of the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission and the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. He was an active member of Golden K Kiwanis in Hereford.

Survivors include his wife, Mary; a son, Larry of Tulia; three daughters, Sarah Hart of Hart, Marihelen Willis of Red River, N.M., and Patricia Moore of Muleshoe; a brother, Shirley Garrison of Hereford; a sister, Etola Nelson of Wolforth; three stepchildren, Melinda Woods of Austin, Mike Wadzek of Houston and Robert Wadzek of Borger; 14 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials to Hereford Senior Citizens Association or the First United Methodist Church of Hereford.



Georgie Henderson

Georgie Lou Henderson, 93, of Dimmitt, died Dec. 14, 1993.

Services were Friday at Lee Street Baptist Church with the Rev. Ron Redding, pastor, officiating. Burial followed in Hart Cemetery by Foskey Funeral Home.

Mrs. Henderson was born June 13,

1900 in Nazareth and lived in Castro County most of her life. She married J. Richard "Rich" Henderson on June 30, 1930 in Tahoka. He died July 23, 1952.

She was an active member of Lee Street Baptist Church, where she taught Sunday School for over 50 years. She attended West Texas A&M University and was a retired teacher. She taught school in Arney, Mulkey, Snyder, Valley View, Lamesa and in Capitan, N.M. She was a member of the Castro County Senior Citizens.

Survivors include five sons, Roy Henderson of Bogota, Carl Henderson and Bill Henderson, both of Dimmitt, Ronald Henderson of Calahan, Colo., and Stanley Henderson of Colorado Springs, Colo.; a sister, Lillie Dell Jolly of Fritch; 21 grandchildren; 37 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

Her grandsons served as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers were her great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, P.O. Box 1890, Amarillo 79174, or a favorite charity.

Leslie McGee

Leslie McGee, 85, of Clifton, Colo., died Dec. 12, 1993.

Services were Thursday in Central Baptist Church with the Rev. Tim King officiating. Burial was in Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Grand Junction, Colo., under the direction of Martin Mortuary.

Mr. McGee was born Dec. 6, 1908 in Young County. He married Velma Gene McBride on Dec. 3, 1939, in Pettit. He was a farmer and worked at Parks Home & Garden and at Monarch Aviation before retiring in 1982. He was a Methodist.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Billy Gene of Grand Junction; a daughter, Bobbie Kincade of Grand Junction; three sisters, Faye Tiffin of Graham, Eloise McMaster of Dimmitt and Nita Haggerton of Sundown; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Lon Woodburn

Lon Woodburn, 78, of Dimmitt, died Friday in Amarillo.

Services were Monday in Ivey Chapel at Foskey Funeral Home with the Rev. Johnny Robertson, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was in Castro Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Woodburn was born Nov. 5, 1915, in Dimmitt and married Mary Raper on August 19, 1951. A 1933 graduate of Dimmitt High School, Mr. Woodburn was a farmer and a member of Castro Masonic Lodge No. 879. He was very active in the Castro County Historical Association, serving several years on the museum board. An active volunteer at the museum, he assisted with much of the work done with displays at the museum. He assisted with the restoration of the prisoner-built chapel at the Hereford POW Camp, and helped unearth the Imperial Mammoth skull currently displayed at the Llano Estacado Museum at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview.

Survivors include his wife; a nephew; and three great nieces.

Pallbearers were Mark Woodburn, Richard Angel, Sammy Raper, Troudel Woodburn, Darrel Sims and Alva Ray Butler.

Memorials should be to the Castro County Museum, P.O. Box 457, Dimmitt 79027.

Simon Ynfante

Simon Ynfante, 86, of Mathis, died Dec. 12.

Services were held Dec. 15 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Mathis, with burial in Cenizo Hill Cemetery.

Survivors include two sons, Jesus Ynfante and Juan Ynfante, both of Mathis; five daughters, Rosa Salinas of Dimmitt, Francisca Robles of Skidmore, Maria Jimenez of Papalote and Angelina Navarro and Manuela Munoz, both of Midland; a brother, Blas Ynfante of Santa Rosa, Calif.; 36 grandchildren; 56 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.



WOMAN INJURED IN ACCIDENT—A Dimmitt woman was taken to an Amarillo hospital for treatment of injuries sustained in a one-vehicle accident west of Dimmitt on Tuesday afternoon. Maria Del Rosario Cuevas was one of three persons in the pickup thrown from the vehicle when a blown tire caused the pickup to go out of control on SH 86, about six miles west of Dimmitt. The pickup rolled over and all three persons in the vehicle were thrown out of the pickup. The other two persons, Elena Cuevas Luz and one-year-old Mayla Villinia, were not injured. The accident occurred about 4 p.m. Tuesday.

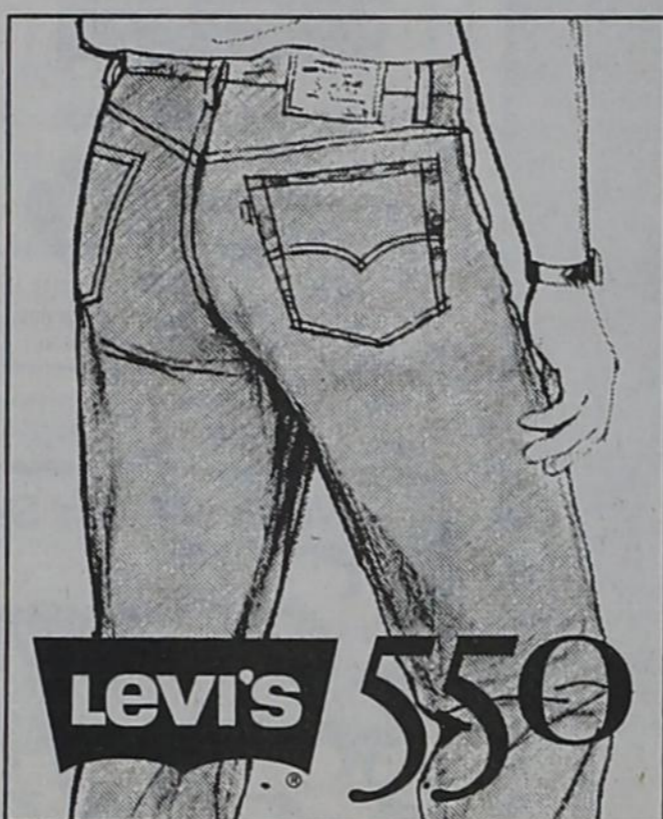
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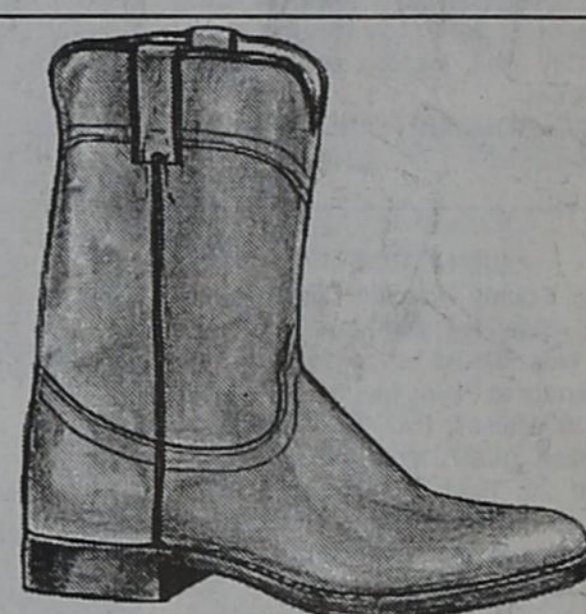


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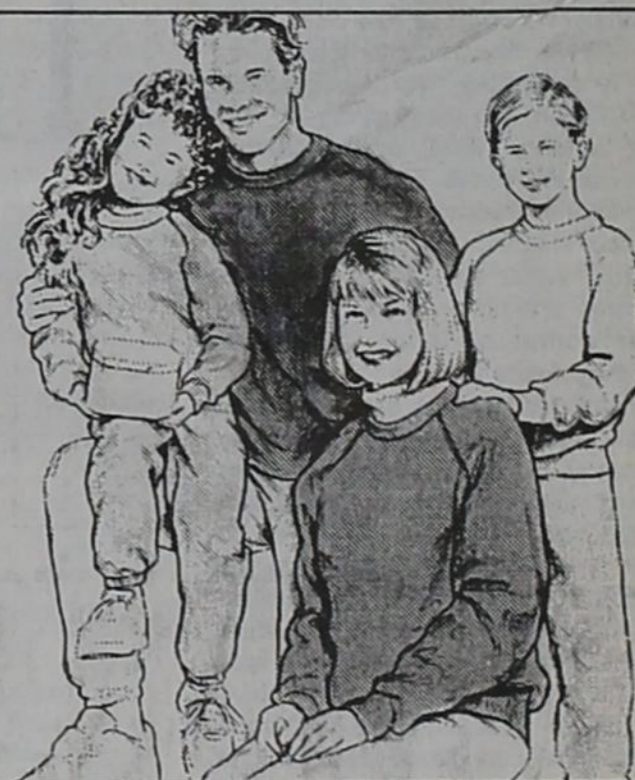
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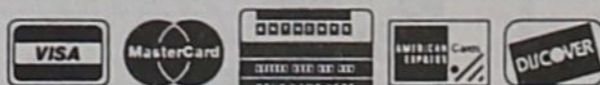
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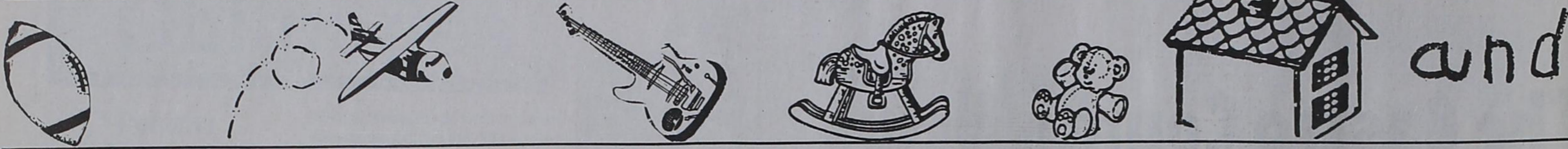
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Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. I would like to have a Gameboy and a game that goes with it.
Daniel Ivan Rodriguez

Dear Santa Claus,
I have tried to be good. What I really want for christmas is a leather jacket and a telephone. Thank you for the presents last year Santa claus.
Love Roxanne Oliviero

Dear Santa,
I'm six years old. I have one brother and one sister. i like to color. i like to play dolls with my sister Jaci. I would like to be a store lady when I get big. I want a doll that cries, some clothes and a puzzle.
Love,
Yanine Correa
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm five years old. I am in Kindergarten. I like to play with toys at my house. i want a cop, cop car and a Batman book. I have two brothers and three sisters and a baby. I'll leave you some cookies. I like you.
Love Diego Salinas
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like to have a Sega Genesis. and a Game Gear. I will see to it that I will buy the games.
Love Todd Jansa

Dear Santa,
I want a Ninja Turtle, Frankenstein, a T.V., and Batman. I want a puzzle and a computer. i'm six years old. i have two sisters named Bridgette and Ester. I like to play in the play kitchen with my sisters. I want to be a nurse when I grow up. I want t make people well. I like Rudolph your reindeer. I like your pretty reindeer.
Love
Chris Velasquez
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
I'm in kindergarten. Mrs. Bymes is my teacher. i like to ride bikes with my brother, Tanner. i like to play Power rangers with my friend Casey. i live in the country. i have some pigs that I feed everyday. I want to be a policeman when I grow up. I want a motorcycle bicycle, tool set and a sweatshirt that is all different colors.
Love,
Tanner Self
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm five years old. I am in Kindergarten. I like to play with toys. I have one sister. I want a Little Mermaid for Christmas, toy house and a watch. I like you Santa Claus.
Love Amber Enriquez
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. For Christmas I would like some makeup, a new bike, a Hollywood Hair barbie, new clothes and a new folder.
Love Justina Navarro

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm five years old. I am in kindergarten and Mrs. Bymes is my teacher. I like to play with Kevin at school. I want a computer and anything Santa wants to give me. and something for my dog. I'll leave you some candy.
Love Casey Maurer
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm five years old. I am in kindergarten. I like to put puzzles together. I like to play cards with my sister and brother. When I get big I want to put up a Christmas tree by myself. i want a Little Mermaid car, a teddy bear and some pretty clothes from J.C. Penney's. I'll leave you some cookies and milk.
Love,
Vanessa Caballo
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
I want a play cat, a play dog, a play fish, and Sparky. i want a baby doll, some letters and a book. I like to play dolls with my sister. Lydia is my best friend. We play house. I want to be a teacher like Mrs. Bymes. I like to play at school.
Love Sandra Bentura
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
I am in the 2nd grade i am a good boy. I want a bike, and a play toy truck. I want a big foot truck.
By Edward Ledesma

Dear Santa,
I wish I could have a bike. I wish I had a Baby check-up.
Love Amanda Rose
8 years old

Dear Santa,
I want a my size Barbie, a computer, a play cat, and a book called Cinderella. you push buttons and it makes noise. I like to play a Barbie game with my sister, Christy. I like to color and play with toys at school. Cobra is my black and white dog. I want to be a nurse when I grow up. I like you and I love you Santa Claus.
Love Rebecca Bryan
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
My name is Darcy, I'm in kindergarten. I'm six years old. I'm a pretty little girl. I have a dog named Daisy. I had some cats but I sold them. I like school. I like God. Would you please bring me a Barbie car, an icicle bear and Barney? I'll leave you some Christmas cookies to eat. I like Rudolph.
Love Darcy Fisher
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
I want a new real barbie car. And new clothes. and a new white bear. And new lalights. They are showed.
Love Diana Martinez

Dear Santa,
I wish I could have a bike. I wish I had a Baby check-up.
Love Amanda Rose
8 years old

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm five years old. I am in Kindergarten. I like Kindergarten. I like to work in Kindergarten. I have one sister, when I get home I play with her. I want a fishing pole for christmas, and truck and a car. I like you Santa claus.
Love Kevin Jackson
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Laura. I have one brother named Michael. I love my momma and daddy. I like to ride my pink bicycle. I like to have tea parties with my brother. I like your little Elves because they make toys for us. I want a water Baby and Baby Alive for christmas. I want a horn for my bike and some new clothes. I like the toys you give me.
Love Laura Rasor
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Clause,
I want a Baby giggle and go from w-mart. Do you Love me I love you.
Sharette Johnson

JOY
...TO THE WORLD
And the warmest of wishes to you, our cherished customers.
ROGER'S REPAIR
Nazareth

NOEL
With the arrival of Christmas, our hearts turn to all those near and dear to us.
To you, our good friends and patrons, we wish abundant joy and peace. We thank you for providing us with these blessings all year long!
Panhandle Building Services

CHRISTMAS IS BEST OUT WEST!

Some of the best places we know and some of the nicest folks are right here. And we're mighty happy to be doin' business with you.
Merry Cactus!
Bryant's Sales & Service
315 N. Broadway, Dimmitt 647-3149

Dear Santa Clus,
I have ben nice a lot. and I make 100's a lot. and I have a library book and I got Santa Clus. and I want a lite shoos and a jet and that is it.
Love Grafida Barrera

Dear Santa,
I love you very much. Can you bring me a monster truck that has claws that come out when they clim rocks? I hope you can because that is all I want for Christmas. I have been real good.
Thank you,
Luis Porras

Dear Santa,
I have been a good little girl, so I would like a Dalmation Dog, a baby and a little horse.
Thank You,
Lesley Hinojosa

Dear Santa,
Will you give the other children a good Christmas? Will you give them a good present? I will take whatever you want to give me.
Your friend,
Corrie Kate Black

Dear Santa,
I want this for Christmas Matel nickel-odeon color writer, Playskool spin Around Carousel or Train, Toy Biz pretty N Me Doll, Christmas snowflake Friends, Christ-Mas snowflake Teddy Bear, Kenner Littles pet shop playset, Playskool Magic tea party, Barney toothbrush sets, sing-a-long cassette player.
Love April Morgan

Dear Santa,
I want some clothes, a desk, a Barbies, Shoes, boots, a bike, T.V.
Love Angelica Lopez

Dear Santa,
I want a tee shirt and a baby.
Love Angelica Flores
Headstart

Dear Santa,
I want a choo-choo train on a rocket show, a puzzle like a different one so I can fix. A new shirt, a cat.
Love, Victor Ortiz
Headstart, Age 4

Dear Santa,
I want a nintendo and Batmobile.
Love Clynt Moyers
Headstart, Age 4

Dear Santa,
I want a toy car and a BB gun for Christmas. If you bring me a toy car and a BB gun I will put cookies and milk on the tv for you. Please bring som presents for my family. And I hope you come to my house to bring us are presents.
Love Mark

Dear Santa,
My name is Yvette Marie Carrasco and I am 4 years old. I have been a good little girl this year (most of the time anyway). Santa, could you bring me a present, please? I would like a Barbie house. My brothers would like for yu to bring them a gift. DJ. would like a computer and Victor wants a Nintendo game boy. Please don't forget all the other girls and boys and my mom and dad.
Thank you! I love you.
Yvette Marie Carrasco

A PARTRIDGE, A PEAR TREE

...a cozy feathered nest.
We wish you all these homey comforts during this holiday-fest!
Gregory Real Estate

SEASON'S GREETINGS

Christmas Day is near, The time of joy and cheer. Now all that's left to do, Is thank each and every one of you!
Pay & Save Foods
Hart

BRIGHT WISHES

We've been burning the candle at both ends to get ready for Christmas, and now that it's here we'd like to say "thanks", to all of you who've helped light up our lives throughout the year!
Terra International
Hubert Backus, Area Manager
Jim Hoelting, Location Manager
Mark Gerber, Plant Operator
Al Maurer, Nazareth Plant Operator
Norman Gerber, Salesman
Julene Gerber, Secretary
Mick Gerber, Asst. Plant Operator

Waterside Greetings

This season's treasures are so abundant. We hope you are blessed enough to partake of them all. Thank you for your ongoing patronage.
Castro County Farm Bureau Insurance
304 N. Broadway, Dimmitt

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Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a motorbike, headphones, a football and a game boy. For my brother I would like a bike. And for my sister a doll in a basket.

your pal,
Matthew Ruiz

Dear Santa,
Please will you give me a bike and a book for Christmas. I liked the things you gave me last Christmas.

Your freind,
Michelle Barrera

Dear Santa,
I loved my baby you gave me last year. This year I would like to have the game scategories and the game clue. I would also like to have baby all gone and Snoopy snow cone stand. I have been a pretty good girl. I will leave you some milk and Rainbo snack cakes.

Love,
Kami Sanders

Dear Santa,
I want an It game, Aladdin game, and a nut cracker. Thank you.

Love Keenen Doss

Dear Santa,
I want a choo-choo train, blocks, a toy.

Love Raul Casas
Headstart, Age 4

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle bike and a black bike.

Love Jason Dones
Headstart, Age 5

Dear Santa,
I would like a pet turtle and a new bike for Christmas. I would also like a new TV. A new ironing board for my mom. A new nintendo. Please bring my dad a new stereo for his car. You can bring me a basketball goal, and a walk-man. One last thing that I need some school clothes. I live at 403 SW 5th.

your friend
Manuel Sanchez

Dear Santa,
I would like if you could bring me some roller skates for Chirstmas.

Thank you,
Michael C. Guzman

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be a good girl. Please come down this Christmas Eve. I will save you some cookies and milk. I would like these things, Playful Doll House, a Back Pack, Crayons, Big castle Polly Pocket, Paint and Dazzle Barbie. Have a safe trip.

Love, Sarah Silva

Dear Santa,
I want a lot of stuff for Christmas like Baby-gigles and go, Ten-speed, Mountain bike, A lot of clothes a lot of shoes, and a lot of toys, stereo, and what you can bring me.

Love
Bianca Shawan Williams



Have A Very Merry!

You deserve the merry best.
Bennett Grain, Fertilizer & Cattle
Hart

Dear Santa
I wot a fiyr sruk and a sagu and Free WILLY a 2XL Robot.

Love,
Javier Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
Please get me a chemistry set and a B.B gun. And a new bike and a guitar. And Twenty-one model cars and trucks.

your friend
Anthony Cisneros

Dear Santa,
Hi santa how are you and Mrs. santa doing. I hope you are doing well. I sure hope you do not get sick before Christmas. Here is a list of things I want for me and my brother and sister. I would like a Barbie doll house and a Barbie cra and a bradie. For my sister Amy she would like a doll and a smill little tuble with makeup. For my brother Tony a football and a Dallas cowboy jacket. We love you and Mrs. Santa.

Love you
Ashley Saenz

Dear Santa,
I would like a six wheeler car that does fast spins. The second thing is a trampoline I want a bb gun. A segas.

Colby Williams

Dear Santa,
I wish I had a bike. I wish I had a bat. I wish I had a gameboy. I wish I had a superintendo. I wish I had a sega. I wish I had a four wheeler. I wish I had a dirtbike. I wish I had a TCR race set. I wish I had a skateboard. I wish I had a cap.

Casey Villanueva

Dear Santa Claus,
We are in kindergarten at Richardson Elementary School. We have been good this year.

Ana wants a pink bike.
Roger wants a red toy car.
Adrian wants a toy truck and trailer.
Sergio wants a blue toy truck.
Teresa wants a brown toy bear.
Emeterio wants a blue bike.
Aaron wants a purple toy airplane.
Xavier wants a pink toy truck.
Samantha wants a purple bike.
Angelica wants a green bike.
Vicente wants a yellow toy orse.
Herman wants a red toy fire truck.
Please bring Isaac, Ruben and Ramon a nice toy this Christmas.
Thank you and we love you.
Bye.
Mrs. Turner & Mrs. Espinosa's Class

Dear Santa,
Bring me a doll that cries and you kiss it and it stops crying. My family is proud that you bring gifts to parents and children. I like the songs of Christmas. I like Rudolph best because he has a bright red nose. Please bring gifts for my 2 brothers, sister, mom, dad, and me.

Your friend
Marcela Salinas

PS We are going to buy cookies and milk for you.

Dear Santa,
I have been a pretty good girl this year. I want a bicycle, little pet shop with pets, kiuty surprise, baby burpy, water baby and a dollhouse. We're making cookies for you. I love you, Santa.

Love Mackenzi Pigg
Age 3

Dear Santa,
I will leave you some milk and Christmas cookies. Santa I would like for you to bring me a Barbie doll, a radio, a tv in my room, My own room and Day bed. That is going to be all for this year! Santa Claus

Love Sally Caldera

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

With the holidays upon us once again, there's so much to celebrate, so much for which to be thankful. We count our many blessings, but we'd be remiss if we didn't say how much we celebrate our friendship with you and we truly value your ever-loyal patronage. Here's to hoping that we continue to share more wonderful moments ahead.

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Dear Santa,
I try to be good. I want some b.bs. and I want tigers and lions. And a game boy And some waterguns. And don't forget the other boys and girls.

Jorge Martinez

Dear Santa,
For Chrismas I want some shoes, and sox and some clothes. And a barbie, and toys. And a new act. And a new doll. And a car for my brother. And a dolls for my sisters and for me a Barbie house.

Thank you Santa
Martha Lopez

Dear Santa,
How is Rudlph. Is he doing fine. I like his nose. Is his shining real bright. What present are you giving me. Is it nice or is it not nice. I ben very good to people. Do I deserve a present from you. I haven't got a pool for Christmas. Your wife is pretty.

love Norma Romero

Dear Santa Claus
I wonder what how are you doing at the North pole. I want for Christmas a car for my dolls. I want a kitten for Christmas. I want some new socks, and pair of jeans, and a shirt. I want a good doll call Aladdin. I want a Rudolph tape. I want a puppet like Rudolph. I want trapper keeper. I want a watch for Christmas. I want to win the Texas lotto for Christmas.

Your friend,
Angie Hernandez

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

We hope your season turns out to be lucky and that your Christmas is simply ducky!

Garner Ball Photography

WARMEST GREETINGS OF THE SEASON

It warms our heart to think of you in this most wonderful of seasons, because there's just so much to celebrate, and your friendship is one of the reasons!

Merry, Merry Christmas!

Hill Land & Cattle Co.
Hart

Dear Santa Close
I want a sega genesas and pereshootcloos and a Dalles cowboy bootball soot and a bootboll a TV a shirt a galhit a gamboj a pack of marbels a supemeteneto a Gijoe toys ninjaterle toys a pupy a vedyowgane calld strect fitting three.

Jose Gil

Dear Santa,
I have been a good little girl this year. For Christmas I want a trampoline, a tea set, a twin set. I like your beard with the curls in it.

Love Heather Snitker

Dear Santa,
I want a tractor, a football, a nintendo game. Also I wish I had my very own T.V and VCR.

Thank you
Ricky Ramirez

Dear Santa,
Hey! How are you doing? I am do good. Well it is fixing to be Christmas. I just wanted to write you a letter to you. What I want for Christmas is a walkman, trampoline, EZ to do and that is all I want for Christmas. Bey.

Love Chris Back

Dear Santa Claus
Santa, I want a football for Christmas and a cowboy hat to. I want a trapolen and a bike to. I want a little good car to. I want a bat for Christmas. I want a baseball to for christmas to. I want a socker ball. I want a cowboy t-shirt to. I want a cowboy shoes. I want a radio for christmas to. I want a matin bike to.

Your freind
Oscar Melendez

Dear Santa,
I would like a saga, a supper nintendo, a cumputer, a telocope, a kernertryset. Oh yea I want every one to be happy. and maby 2 addiser.

Thank you santal
Love Casey Jones

P.S. Say hi to Patch.

Dear Santa Claus
I wonder how the reindeers can fly. I want to go see how the elfs are working. Is Mrs. Claus fine. Is it good living in the North Pole. Is everyone o.k. there. I'm glad I got these kind of perants. I wonder where you found rudolph the red noze reindeer. For Christmas I want a super nintendo, remot control car, new nintendo games, some new games, a football team and basketball of Miami Dolphins and Chicago Bulls, and players and a poster of every football, basketball, baseball, wrestlers and hockey players.

Your freind
Emilio Porras

Dear Santa,
My name is Valerie Martinez. I am eight years old. How are you doing I hope you are doing fine. Me I am doing great. This is what I want for Christmas. I want a typewriter and a color blaster. Have a happy Christmas.

Your friend,
Valerie Martinez

Dear Santa Clause,
I want another dog for Christmas. And I want a computer for Christmas. I want new boots for Christmas. And I want new shoes for Christmas. I want a really, really good book for Christmas. Santa Clause, I want you to help my mom get well from her heart for Christmas.

Love Nancy Quiroz

Come Let Us Adore Him

We join you, your family and families all over the world in celebrating the birth of our Lord.

Castro Co-op Gin

We Three Kings of Orient are Singing a Song of Holiday Cheer!

Won't you join us?
Happy holidays to all our friends and patrons.
Thanks for your continuing support!

Holly Sugar Corp.
Hereford

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Dear Santa Claus,
This year I would like a Sega, a Sega CD player with Cds, and a suit of Batman. I also want an Air Blaster Double Trouble and a Nerf Arrowstorm. Also I would like a new bike, a skateboard, and a set of rollerblades. Merry Christmas. I deserve these things because I have been a good boy and I love you.

Love
David Miller

Dear Santa Claus,
I think I've been very good this year so can you bring me a race track, a Game Boy, a Bike, and a computer. I hope you don't get hurt going down the chimnies!

Your friend,
Victor Carrasco

P.S. Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,
How are you? I'm fine. I have a nice teacher. Her name is Mrs. Herriage. I like my class. The things I would like is counrty mucsic tapes, a easybake oven, some earings, and I would like it if you get me a walkman also.

Love,
Amanda Russell

P.S. Merry Christmas and Thank you.

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? I'm doing pretty good. I want a super nintendo, a race car and some clothes, a new car for my dad, and a new pickup for my mom. Have a merry Christmas.

Thank you
Ignacio Gonzales

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy so I wish that we have a joyfun world and that there is peace all over the world. But I also wish that I could have a super nintendo.

Love
Barron

Dear Santa,
Please bring me Baby Bop. I already have Barney. There is nothing else that I want. I am 2 years old.

Have a Merry Christmas!
Caitlin Huseman

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a talking doll house, a piano, a tape player and Baby Check Up. Santa, thank you for what youb rought me last year. Hope you have a safe trip. I will leave some milk and cookies for you and some hay for your reindeer.

Love Holly Klemen

P.S. I love you Santa

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a super Nintendo, a bike and a super soaker. I also want some hand cuffs but some big ones. I want a Kriss Cross tape too. I been a good boy.

Love
Michael Reyna

Dear Santa,
I wish you could bring me a bike, a pool table, a Sega and a water gun. I think I deserve this because I've been good. Have a Merry Christmas!

Love
Keith Fine

Dear Santa Claus,
I know you got a lot of things to bring to the children but I wish you can bring a bike with pink, purple and blue colors on my bike. Have a fantastic Merry Christmas.

Love,
Jessica Guerrero

Dear Santa,
I wish you good luck with all the children's presents. What I want for Christmas is a bike and new rad cool clothes. I also want a Dallas Cowboy football and some new shoes. I always wanted a T.V. and a Sega, but I never got one so please try to bring me one of those.

Your friend,
Steven Mendez

Dear Santa,
I hope you have what I want. This is what I want. I want a pair of cop's handcuffs, clothes, some money like \$80.00 a Sega Game Gear, a hot shot, and a new bike. Good luck. Thank you.

Love
Eric Gutierrez

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I want a Barney and Baby boy. I have been a good girl. I love you very much!

Love,
Mirella Mendoza

Dear Santa,
I want some toys for Christmas. I want a basketball and some cars. Please bring Adam some trucks. I love you.

Thank you,
Adrian Rosas

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want a Gameboy so I can play it. Can you bring me a walkman so I can hear songs. I want a football suit so I can play football. Can you bring me Rudolph the Rednosed Reindeer so I can ride him.
Can you bring me a racing car so I can play with it. Can you bring me some book so I can read them. How is Mrs. Santa? How are your reindeer? How are your elves?

Your pen pal,
Chris Rodriguez

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Ross Layne Myatt. I am 5 years old. How are the elves doing? Are any of them sick? Thanks for the tennage Mutant Ninja Turtles sewer playset you brought to me last year. Please bring me a Batman bike with training wheels, a new Batman, a new Leonardo, and an Bat at Ralph's game. I would also love a Master Splinter. I've been a good boy. I'll leave you a Dr Pepper and some popcom since you'r probably going to be tired of milk and cookies.

Love,
Ross Myatt

Dear Santa,
I am writing to you because it is almost Christmas on December 25. I want a radio.

Your friend,
Amanda Gonzales

Dear Santa,
Hi How are you doing? Fine? Good because I would like a bike so I can ride it. I want a Game Boy so I can play it all day. I like Game Boy and I always wanted one.

Your friend,
Arthur

Dear Santa,
I would like a beter world and a lot more things for crismtis. I would like a SoperNintedo bt I would like my very own hose

Yor Friend,
Edgar

Dear Santa,
I want a B.B. gun with a scope, I also want a black moto cyc bike, and a new football. I also want a sound-swing bat, a Super Nintendo, I also want a sega genesis.

Love,
Javier

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle and the X-Man toys and a gun for Christmas. With b.b.s in the gun and I want a bike and books for Christmas.

Your friend,
Thomas

Dear Santa Claus,
Santa Claus, how old are you? Santa Claus, how long have you been in the business? Santa Claus, how do you fly in the night? Santa Claus, do you have Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer? Santa Claus, I wnat Emmit Smith come to my house for Christmas.

Love,
Marcus Reyna

Dear Santa Clause,
For Christmas I want triplets because I don't want to take care of my baby brother. Also, I want a bike so I can ride around the block.

Love,
Elsa Herrera

Dear Santa Claus,
I Want a boom box for Christmas and a walk man too. I want a skate board, roller skates and a kids motorcycle.

Your pen pal,
Zachary Jones

P.S. My teacher wants a new 1994 red suburban.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a front end loader. I can do faster in my sand box. I want a football tape for my game boy. When is your birthday? Another thing I want is a Michael

Dear Santa,
I want nija trult Rafel and Leonardo and Donatelo and Mickelango and Shreder and Bebob and Rockste and Foot so jers. I aols wont Batman and Roben and Joker and Catwoman and Batman motorcycle and his batmobile. I want clothes and shoe and socks and pases and shers and 80 Books of allcin.

Love Rudy Salinas

Dear Santa,
I want a bike. This year also some Kiste cross cars. And I love you.

Thank you,
Albert Ruiz

Dear Santa,
I want Secret Treasures. It is a bike. I also want my two front teeth.

Meggle Lemons

Dear Santa,
I would like a motor yell bike an a Ninitdo and a swing pool and a preten bee gun and a baskeball gold and a bat a big foot car and a book.

Senily Mark

Dear Santa,
I want a radio with a microphone, and a doll. I want a Barbie car where Barbie talks to you on the phone. I have been good.

I love you,
Julie Centeno

Dear Santa,
I want a Barney doll, some boots, and a new car. I want a new house for my family. I love you.

Love,
Andrea Pantoja

Dear Santa,
I want a doll and a purse. Please bring a gift for Mommy and Daddy. I have been good.

Love,
Britta Scruggs

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like for my family to be in the best of health. I also want a bike, clothes, and wallet.

Thank you
Omar Pena

Dear Santa,
I want a cover of Barney and Babybop. I want a pillow too. I want a Barbie with a wedding dress. I love you. I have been a good girl.

Love,
Julia Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
I would a b.b. gun, game boy, a poster of Emmit Smith, Sling Shoot. Also a Sega game and a pool tabel, a real horse. I would like two mores Jurassic Park. And the Ninja Turtals 3. Also a Dallas cowboys t shirt and a boys ring. Also I hope we all have a Merry Christmas. thank you for all the gifts.

Love you,
Jorge Marlin

Dear Santa,
Hi this is April I am 8 years old. My brithday is March 25. I am in third grade. For Christmas I want Baby checkup, 50 dollars, a new bike, a horse all for me, a lote of presents, two stocking one from my real Dad in Kansas and one from my mom in Hart, but most of all I want my brother from Kansas t come back home. Well I better let you go now.

Sinsurly
April Saldana

Dear Santa,
I want a mare horse for christmas so I cane help my daddy drive the cows in I also want a bike, a a six shooter bb gun with a case please.

your friend zachary

Dear Santa,
I want a Playhouse with hot pink carpet, blue tile, Precious Moment wallpaper, and a small table. Also I would like to visit to the North Pole.

Thats all
Your friend,
Lauren
P.S. I want the playhouse homemade.

Dear Santa,
Hoiw is your life? Do you really have lots of toys? Are you real? Do you really have reindeer?

What I want for Christmas is some Mioramachines,mX-Men toys, bows and arrows and a hamster.

Your Christmas friend,
Micah White

Dear Santa,
I would like for Christmas is a tea seat and the collection of x-man videos. And wish my dad a Merry Christmas

Love
Jenny

Dear Santa,
I hope I'm not asking to much! I've already asked two of you'r helpers (in case they havn;t got back to you) (well I did ask for this) any as I was saying I ask for a pair of black boots! (not lacers) and a siamese cat for my mom Janet Wylie Mitchell.

You'r's forever,
Whitney Mitchell

Dear Santa,
I want a horse, a truck and a trailer. I want a loader that picks up cars.

Love, Valentin Colorado

Dear Santa,
I want a truck with a trailer and a horse.

Love,
Marco Corrales

Season's Greetings
Thank you for putting your trust in us.
Jones-Rawlings Insurance Agency

ALL THE BEST!
Thank you to all my customers and Seasons Greetings!

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May Good Fortune Be With You
Wishing you joy, harmony and prosperity this Christmas.

James Cobb Home Repair
James & Bonnie

WISHING YOU A CHRISTMAS WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS
'Tis the season of dreams. We thank you for making ours come true!

Cluck Feed Yard
Sunnyside Feed Yard

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our customers and friends for their patience during our transition year from Associated to Town and Country Insurance. We hope to give you better and more efficient service in 1994. Thank you for your confidence in us and we sincerely wish you all a *Merry Christmas* and a *Happy New Year*

Town & Country Insurance Agencies
Vega Dimmitt Farwell

Christmas Traditions...
Holly wreath hung,
Carols sweetly sung,
Snowflakes softly falling,
Friends and family calling,
May all this and more be yours this special season.
Happy holidays,

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Dear Santa,
Hi! I've been kinda extra good this year! Please bring me a Thomas the Train puzzle and a Nintendo (I'll share with Jason and Jami). Thank you Santa!

I love you,
Matthew Birkenfeld

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a doll house with lights in the doll house, and I would like a doll that is 3 feet tall, and that I could wear its clothes. And I wish I had a little black puppy. And a dress that is white and a purple bow. And I wish I had a camera with film. And I wish all of my family had a picture of our family. And my Uncle Leo and my Uncle Salud and every body els in my family said hi.

Maribel Garcia

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is a computer, two jeans any kind, a leather jacket, two shirts, one pair of shoes and twelve socks.

Sincerely! Your friend
Christina Moctezuma

Dear Santa Claus
This is what I (Amy) want for Christmas,

- 1. Cowgirl hat with a string to tie it on with
2. Remote control toy truck
3. The Little Mermaid tent
4. The Little Mermaid bag
5. And how to spell! Please
This is all I want for Christmas

Amy Hubble

Oups, P.S. I forgot a basketball.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a trampoline. That would be about it. All I want is a trampoline. And Santa Claus, I Want my one front tooth back.

Zane Hubble

Dear, Santa
I hope you are fine. I would like a five speed bike, and a tv with a vcr, and a gameboy. Love you.

Love, Megan Pigg

Dear Santa
I have tried to be. Good I want a Barbie house. Don't forget the other children.

Love
Tabitha

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. Please bring me a new bike and a vcr and a new watch. Thank you for remembering me.

Love,
Whitney Nutt

Dear Santa,
I want a baby doll with clothes, a little doll house and a book with a cassette. I want to visit you Santa.

Love,
Patricia Barrera

Dear Mr. Claus,
I've tried to be a good girl this year. wopuld you please bring me a Minni Mouse doll and a Barbie house too. And don't forget Barbie. I would like something to help me learn my ABC's and 123's. Thank you. Love you. Merry Christmas.

Angel Diaz

P.S.--My 2 front teeth! I want.

Felisha Starling

Dear Santa
I'd like a bicycle and a robot that could take the trash out for me. And I want 1,000 dollars.

Juan Diaz

Dear Santa Claus,
I ant a crying baby doll for Christmas, please.
Thank you and stay warm

Steffany Ruiz

Dear Santa Claus,
would you please give me a Mickey Moust for Christmas. I promise I'll try to be a good boy and also a little talking robot to help me learn my ABC's. Thank you. I love you Santa.

Dino Diaz

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a Santa doll for Christmas. And I want a 3 horns dinosaur and tyranasaurus rex. And a Barney doll and baby bop. Thank you. Stay warm. I love you.

Francisco Ruiz

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a talking Barney for Christmas.

Christopher Ruiz

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a fake robot cop and my Dad too come and live with us and a bow arrow and a lots of little cars. Thank you, Santa I love you

Michael Diaz

Dear Santa,
I want a Jasmine Barbie Doll. I also want horse toys, my favorite color of horse toy is black and white.

Your friend,
Erin Black

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie with sparkle eyes. I have been a good girl.

Love,
Josie Chla

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Sparkle Barbie, a cheerleader skirt and shirt, and a Barbie book. I've been good.

Love,
Amber Palmore

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a big tractor, Barney and a stuffed toy. I have been good.

Love,
Joel Vega

Dear Santa,
I want a doll with stickers, a barbie. Please bring my brother Rene a ball. I love you Santa.

Love,
Roxanne Gonzales

Dear Santa,
I Want a toy gun with bullets. I've been good.

Christopher Clevenger

Dear Santa,
My name is Felisha Starling. I am 6 years old. I'm in the first grade. I have been very good this year. Could I please have a Barbie car for Christmas?

Felisha Starling

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am fine. Thank you for all the toys last year. I have been a good girl this year. This year for Christmas I would like a Minnie Mouse Bicycle, the Magic Nursery Triplets, a new Barbie, and a Barbie Grocery Store. Please remember to bring my little sister, Catlin something too. We will leave you some cookies on the table.

Thank you,
Cassidy Watts

Dear Santa,
I want a baby doll and a doll house and some play food. Say "hi" to the reindeers.

Love,
Gillian Gonzales

Dear Santa,
I Want a shooting gun with the balls that com out. I put up my Christmas tree and IU am ready for you to come. I also want a little car to drive.

Love,
Dustin Venhaus

Dear Santa,
I want a book, a fire truck and a horse. I also like dinosaurs and you.

Love,
George

Dear Santa,
I want a farm set, Aladdin, guitar, and a train. Say Hi! to the reindeers.

Love,
Aaron Salgado

Dear Santa,
I want a toy gun and some trucks. I have been good.

Fernando Ramirez

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some cowboy boots. I want a pistol and a cowboy hat. I want a pair of jeans. I have been good.

Love,
David Guerrero

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie with a wedding dress. I want new shoes. I want my own Christmas tree for my room. I have been good.

Love,
Nancy Montemayor

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some toys. I want a car and a tractor. Please bring my brother David a tractor too.

Love,
Danny Guerrero

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I want a motorcycle and a g.i. joe boat set. I also want a hot shot electric moving back board basketball game.

Love Jonathan Welch

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Priscilla Ramirez. I am seven years old. I live in Hart, Texas. How have you been? I have been a good girl this year. Please bring me a computer, barbie car, a new Christmas tree and a barbie bike this year.

Love,
Priscilla

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope I get an Aladdin tiger game, the move, "Free Willy," a real puppy, my own room, my own camera, my own telephone, and a game boy with a Tetris game. I tried to be nice, so I could get all is. Merry Christmas Santa, and please come to my house.

Love,
Cynthia Gonzales

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope I get lots of presents but, not, too, too much. I don't want too much toys either. I want want some clothes, shoes, and my grandma to come. I miss her. Please, try to bring everything I asked for.

Your friend,
Vanessa Rocha

Dear Santa,
I want a Walkman and a bike.

Your friend,
Hank

Dear Santa claus,
I would like a lot of things for Christmas, but one of the I want the most is a speed bike. With my speed bike I would ride around town.

Another thing I Want is a electronic turtle hand game. I also want a remote control car. One more thing I would like is a cop set. If you get me all of this I will be more than satisfied.

Your Friend,
Trevor Barnes

Dear Santa,
I want a computer, small puppy, new shoes, clothes, and some fun games.
Most of all I want everyone in the world to have a safe and Merry Christmas.

Love you,
Kelly D. Reyes

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas to Santa Clause. Will you gave me a water slide and a Bike and some 7 20s in a Marybe a watch.

luv Willie Thomas

Dear Santa,
I have been riding my bike that you gave me last year. This year give me hunting boots and a remote control plane. Bring my Family nice things too.

Thank you,
Daniel Coleman

Dear Santa,
I want a baby skate. and a Barbie spray.

Love Krystal

Season's Greetings And Many Thanks!

Here's hoping your holiday delivers an abundance of cheer. We appreciate your support throughout the past year.

Oasis Package Store
Nazareth

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Marsela Morales. I am 6 years old. I live in Hrt, Texas. How have you been? I Have been a kind good girl this year please bring me a barbie doll hous and bring me a lot of things for Christmas this year. I will lev you some milk and cookies.

Love,
Marsela

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Angel. I am 6 years old. I live in Hart, Texas. How have you been? I have been a good boy. Please bring me a motorcycle bike, a game, and some swings, a batman toy and ninja turtles for Christmas this year.

Love,
Angel

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Adrienne. I am 6 years old. I live in Hart Texas. How have you been? I have been a good girl this year. Please bring me some barbie clothes for Christmas this year. I will leave you some milk.

Love,
Adrienne

Dear Santa,
My name is Jennifer I am 7 years old. I live in Hart, Texas. How have you been? I have been a good girl this year. Please bring me some majic dolls and games for christmas this year.

Love, Jennifer

Dear Santa,
My name is D'Neise Smith. I am 7 years old. I live in Hart, Texas. How have you been? I Have been a good girl this year. Please bring me some dolls, barbie dolls, and clothes for Chrisas this year.

Love,
D'Neise

Dear Santa,
My name is Amanda Reyna. I am seven years old. I live in Hart, Texas. How have you been? I have been a good girl this year. Please bring me a bike that looks like a motorcycle, and a baby that laughs, a football, a tv, and a cap that has the Chicago Bulls on it, for Christmas this year. I will lev you some cookies and milk.

Love,
Amanda

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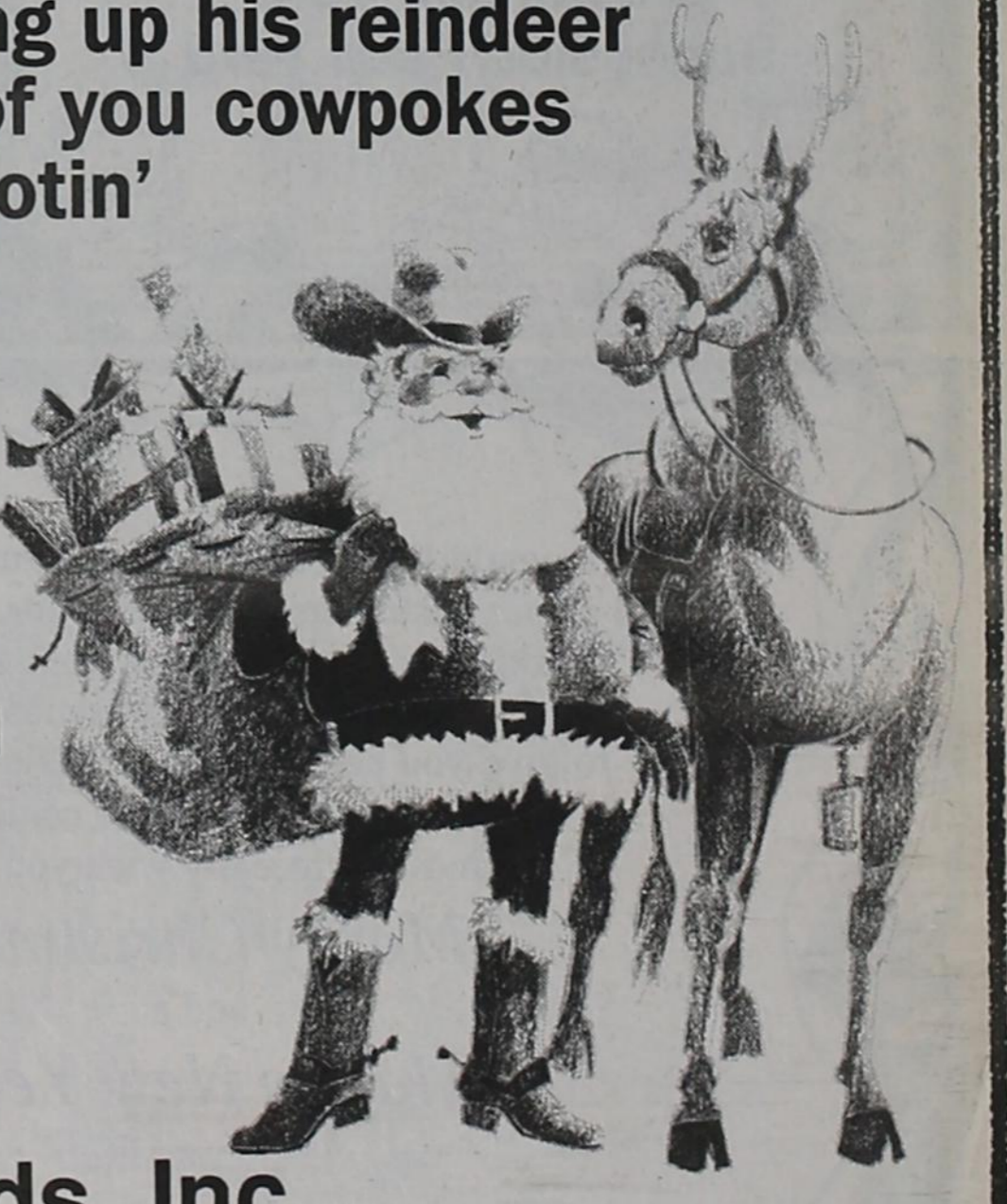


Merry Christmas, Pardners!

Santa may be from the North Pole, but he's rounding up his reindeer to wish all of you cowpokes a rootin', tootin' Christmas!

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Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a Gameboy with a Ninja turtle game and some toys like those street fighter toy figures. I would also like dinosaurs and GI Joe. I've been better this year than last year, so can you bring me these toys. Merry Christmas, Santa Claus.

Love,
B.J. Ramirez

Dear Santa,
My name is Tony. I am 7 years old. I live in Hart, Texas. How have you been? I have been a good boy this year. Please bring me a motorcycle bike, a football, a tv, a super nintendo, and a bulldog.

Love,
Tony

Dear Santa,
My name is Jose. I am 8 years old. I live in Hart, Texas. I have been a good boy this year. Please bring me a gun game, a motorcycle, and the clothes of the Power Rangers. I want the toys of the Power Rangers and a bb gun.

Love,
Jose

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a robot and a trampoline. Please bring Ryan a farm set with horses. He has been a good boy, too.

Kyle Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,
Thank you Santa for what you brought me last year. I really enjoyed my presents. I also really enjoyed my brothers guitar. I also liked my doll. This year I would like for you to bring me the moves Alladian and Beauty and the Beast.

Yours truly,
Millie Longoria

Dear Santa,
I just wanted to thank you for the stuff that you brought to me. This year I just would like a pair of roller skates, a doll crib, the two magic twins, and a Aladdin watch.

Your friend,
Fatima Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the things you brought to me last year. They were neat. I hope you can do the same this year. I would like it, Santa. I would like a Sega Genesis, and some games. Most of all I want my brother to come home for the holidays.

Your friend,
Salvador Velasquez

Dear Santa,
I like what I got last year. I would like the claw, hot shot, splat, the bug game, my very own room, Nentindo, game gear and a big foot.

Dear Santa,
I want to thank you for the cat and other things you gave me last year. I don't want many things I only want puppy that's not sick and a pony. That's all.

Love,
Kellie George

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the presents you brought me last year. This year I would like for you to bring me two things. I would like a bike and a Super Nentindo.

Love,
Lily Herrera



Expert offers tips on Santa Claus visits

You remember them well, those childhood visits to Santa Claus. The jolly man with the beard and red suit held you in his lap and listened intently to your toy-filled wish list. Photograph taken, you left a happy child, secure in the knowledge that Santa knew what you most wanted to find under the Christmas tree.

You're a parent now, standing in line, waiting for your son or daughter to enjoy one of your fondest memories. As the line moves forward, however, your child grows less eager to come face-to-face with the bearded stranger in the red suit. Reluctance eventually becomes outright refusal.

What's a disappointed parent to do? Chill out, says Dr. Linda Sluder, assistant professor of early childhood education at Texas Women's University, and remember it's more important to do what's best for your child than to try and recreate your childhood experience.

"Parents have to remember that what children see is not always

what we see as adults," Sluder says. "We have to step outside our ideal and ask ourselves what is really best for the child."

If your child doesn't want to visit Santa, don't force the issue. And be supportive, never critical, of his or her decision, Sluder says. "It's important to tell them, 'It's your decision and whatever you decide is okay.'"

Sluder offers the following tips on handling the Santa Claus predicament:

- ◆ Be accepting if your child initially says no to a visit with Santa, but also leave room for a change of heart. Say something such as "It's okay if you don't want to see Santa, but I'll be going back later if you change your mind."
- ◆ Talk to your child about what to expect: that Santa may seem large or that his beard may be scratchy, but he's a nice person. If your child enjoys reading about or

watching videos of Santa, make the comparison to the "live" version.

- ◆ Schedule the visit to coincide with your child's peak time—if he or she is a morning person, don't plan the trip for evening. Also avoid times when your child is hungry, tired or just seems out of sorts.
- ◆ If possible, avoid weekends when the lines are long, the crowds are noisy and confusion reigns. It may be that your child is more frightened of all the commotion than of Santa himself.
- ◆ Say hello and talk briefly to Santa before putting your child in his lap.
- ◆ If your child is adamant about not visiting Santa, suggest other activities.

Children who dread a personal encounter still can enjoy writing a letter to Santa or leaving milk and cookies out for him on Christmas Eve.

Use soap for snow

Do you like the look of freshly fallen snow? Now there is an easy way to decorate wreaths, windows and Christmas trees with the look of fresh snow. It's easy, and all you need is a box of laundry soap (not detergent) and water.

Begin by mixing the soap and water together with an electric or rotary beater. The mixture should be the consistency of meringue or whipped cream. Continue to add soap or water as needed. If you're making snowballs or figures, the mixture should be dense. One regular box of soap should not have more than two cups of water added.

After the mixture is complete, you can apply the snow to trees or other greens. Wearing rubber gloves protects you from the pine needles. Drape handfuls of the snow on each branch. For a lighter snowfall, flick the soap on using a whisk or long-bristled brush.

The last step is to sprinkle the mixture with dry soap flakes. This gives your decorations the fluffy white look you want. Let your decorations dry at least 90 minutes before moving.



Dear Santa,
I am thankful for the gifts that you gave me last year. I have been a little bad and a little good. I would like to have a tractor and a shredder. Have a safe Christmas, Santa.

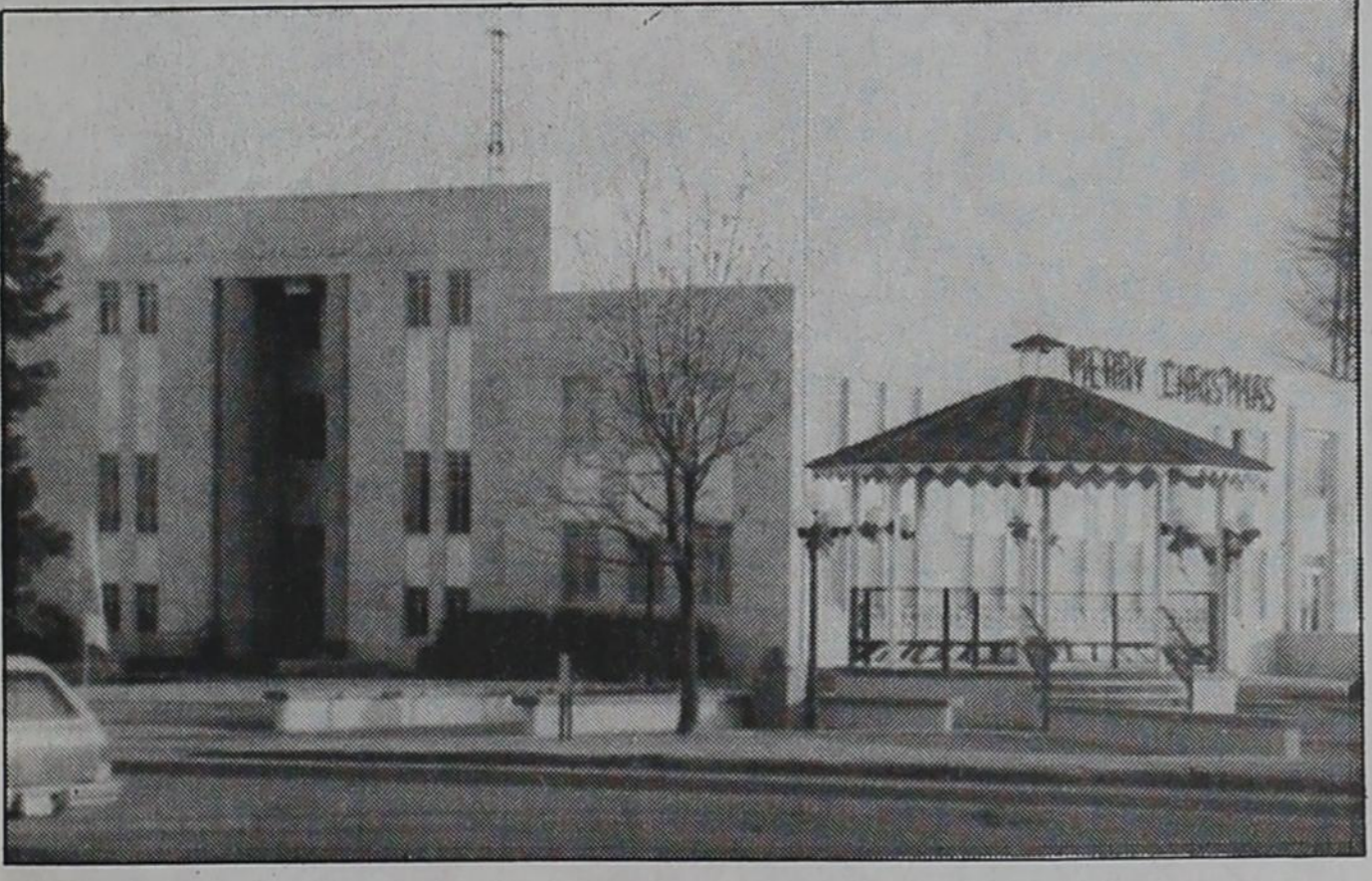
Love,
Luis Lujan



Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Chico. I am 7 years old. I live in Hart, Texas. How have you been? I have been a good boy this year. Please bring sega genesis for Christmas this year.

Love,
Chico

Merry Christmas



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The Christmas gift that keeps giving

Christmas is just around the corner and even old Saint Nick is running out of last-minute gift ideas. Year after year, he vows to plan ahead—and year after year, the *Castro County News* comes to the rescue with great gift ideas from convenient local stores.

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Season's Greetings from Nazareth

Christmas greetings from the community that's named for Christ's hometown. Instead of sending individual cards to our local friends, we have donated our card money to benefit the Holy Family Cemetery. We hope Christmas 1993 will be blessed and memorable for you!

Magdalena Acker
The Jerry Acker Family
Ralph & Evelyn Albracht
Sam, Margie & Cindy Albracht
The Alvin Anderle Family
Evelyn Backus
Helen Backus
Hubert, Joan, Marlon & Ron Backus
Urban Ball
Father Darryl Birkenfeld
Kent & Teresa and Blake & Brock Birkenfeld
Leonard & Julia Birkenfeld
Margaret Birkenfeld
Greg & Glenda Birkenfeld & Family
Joe Lynn & Mary Lou Birkenfeld & Family
The Herman Birkenfeld Family
The Keith Birkenfeld Family
David Bownds
Louise Braddock
Margaret Braddock
The Cecil Braddock Family
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Arnold & Katie Brockman
Ernie & Florine Brockman
Jerome & Margaret Brockman
Cyril & Mitzie Brockman & Family
Dale & Mona Brockman & Family
Donna, Kris Ryan & Bryan Charanza
Duane, Nan & Cody Davis
Father Neal Dee
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Joe, Imogene, Stanley +, Kim, Tammy, Tracy, Wade & Julie Drerup
Lucille Drerup
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Gladys & Angela Fortenberry
Dan, Karen, K'Lynn, Shawna & Clifford Gerber
Fritz & Julene Gerber
Vincent & Toby Gerber & Boys
Joel & Mary Beth Gerber & Family
The Leonard Gerber Family
The Virgie Gerber Family
Vincent & Dorothy Guggemos
Denny, Dolores, Darrin & Rodney Heiman
Charley, Beverly, Todd & Traci Hill
May & Bernie Hochstein
Cecil, Norita & Annette Hoelting
Clyde & Bea Hoelting
Greg & Tinie Hoelting
Keith, Karleen, Mandy, Brett & Kyle Hoelting
Ronnie & Regina Hoelting
Tom & Raelene Hoelting & Family
Jim, Sandee, Cory, Wade, Nathan, Barry, Whitney, Monte and Jake Hoelting
Virgil, Dianne, Evan, Kendra & Caitlin Huseman

Arnold, Catherine & Craig Huseman
Louis & Gin Huseman
Martha Huseman
Vincent & Bertha Huseman

Derwin & Vera Huseman
Joe & Jeanette Johnson, Trey, Tara & Trina
Bud & Rita Kern
Jerry, Carol, B.J., Jessica & Susan Kern
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Alphonse, Viola, Brad & Monica Kleman
Alvin & Dorothy Kleman & Family
Carl Dean & Mary Kleman
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Mary Litsch
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Walt, Lucy, Kalina, Karmen, Shawn & Bryce Pohlmeier
Leroy & Dorothy Pohlmeier
Philip & Dora Pohlmeier
J.C., Jocelyn, Jill, Colby, Amy & Daryl Pohlmeier & Dominic Fortin
Henry, Linda Jo, Mary Ellen, Jill, Kristi & Heidi Ramaekers
Ed & Leola Ramaekers & Family
Rex & Vera Ramaekers & Family
F.P. & Lucille Schacher
John & Norma Schacher
Danny Schilling
Kenneth Schilling
Randy & Monette Schilling & Family
Walter & Anita Schilling
Dan & Ethel Schmucker
Joe, Amy & Janet Schmucker
Lawrence Schmucker
Aurelia Schoenenberger
Bob, Bev, Jill & Ross Schulte
Clarence & Odelia Schulte
Floyd, Dorothy, Leroy & Dana Schulte
Gilbert & Dolly Schulte
Martha Schulte
Marvin & Darlene Schulte
Mary Ann Schulte
The Elmer Schulte Family
Pete & Earlene Steiert
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Lavern, Ronnie, Cecil & Theresa Wilhelm
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John & Margaret Womack

We're
Getting Ready
For The
Merry Moments

The Christmas tree,
The stockings,
And all the rest are really great!
But knowing you're our friends...
Now, that's a cause to celebrate!

The way we look at Christmas...
The beauty is in joining together
and helping each other!

Greetings from Hart

Christmas greetings from "the town with a heart." Instead of sending individual cards to our local friends, we have donated our card money to the Hart Cemetery Fund. It's a tradition which we feel honors the memory of those who helped make so many Christmases happy for all of us.

Lester, Rhonda, Jason & Jared Aven
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Harold Bob, Ruth, April & Shea Bennett
Bob & Nancy Bowden
Everett & Bea Cole
Mrs. Harvey Davis
Sue A. Dinwiddie & Family
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Entrekin
Lloyd & Augusta Farris
Mr. & Mrs. Billy Farris
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Nora Lancaster
Vernon & Frannie Mapp
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Tom & Laverne McLain
Mrs. Dick O'Daniel
Dean & Betty Sanders
Mrs. Orval Sharp
Nell Swopes
Nancy Wescott & Jay



Dear Santa

SANTA CLAUS
NORTH POLE

I want a

Dear Santa
Will you please bring me a baby check-up and a talking Barney.
Love
Erica Rascon

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been pretty good this year. I am sorry when I have been bad. Will you please bring my toys for me? I would like Baby Giggles 'n go, Baby Check-up and Minnie's Closet.
Thank you.
Love,
Haley Heard

Dear Santa
I want Sea Life toys, Game Gear, dominoes, Ninja Turtle 3 Video Game. I want a Play rattlesnake.
From a very good Boy
Garrett Behrends

Dear Santa,
My name is Melissa Campos I'm 5 years old I live at 405 NW 7th Dimmitt TX. And I've been a pretty little girl this yrs. This is what I want for Christmas please Barney bike, Barney color book, talking Barney, make-up, a Baby Check-up doll, RolloSkating doll, a new bed,
Thank you I Love you Santa
Melissa Campos

Dear Santa
I would like a monster truck and a batman helmet
Love
Frank DeLa Paz

Dear Santaclaus,
I would be very happy if you could get me one of these toys for Christmas. What I really want is a Polly Pocket, Barney, Baby Bop, Barbie dolls, and lots of stuffed animals. The rest of my list is a porcellian doll, a Go Go Walking Puppy, my size Barbie, and play dishes. Santa that is the end of my Christmas list. If you can please bring me one or two of these toys.
Sincerely,
Kathy Amador
6 years old

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Beau Gonzales, I've tried to be good this year. I want an electrical car for Christmas and lego maniacs and a suprise. Thank you very much.
Your friend
Beau

Dear Santa Claus,
This year I want: clothes, light-ups shoes L.A. Gear, football uniform, Holiday Video and please bring my sister Danielle something and my big brother wants something too. And I wish for all children in the world to get a gift from you.
Love you
Bobby Prieto

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want to ask you for a Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle, Nuchawks, a sega, new jacket, a small airplane, Robin, Batman, a new black and blue back pack, sparkle Playdoe, jumping rope, Nickelodeon Gak, a toy reindeer, and my 1st thing is my favorite a bike!
Your friend,
Gabriel Mireles

Dear Santa,
I want a Jurassic Park talking command center that says over 100 things and a big T-Rex.
Sean Hunter

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I'm fine. I'd be happy if you brought me these items. a Karate Ninja Turtle, Sega Game Gear, a Batmobile, and We're Back! A Dinosaur's Story for the Super Nintendo. Thanks!
Your friend,
Nicholas Ortiz

Dear Santa, I would like for you to bring me a troll barbie Doll, and a doll that has cherries and a bottle and a Dollhouse too. and two barbies that have a swimming pool and a car with a bed for my barbie Doll.
Love,
Ivy Sofia Sanchez

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a yo yoball and a walkman and a racing set.
Thank you
Ben Birdwell

Dear Santa
I would like a mega fire control for my Sega, a Jet Flash remote control car, a Hero Quest and the great Escape game. If I get these presents I promise to be a good boy forever!
Stephen Bueno

Dear Sanat
How are you Santa I want a bike, and I would like a barbie and a Power Ranger and my brother wants a bike. I want Mrs. Myatt to have a nice Christmas. I want the Little mermaid, that is all I want Please say hi to Rudolph the rednosed reindeer.
Love
Rosalia Saenz

Dear Santa
I want my first Precious Moments Baby and I want a Kodak Designer desk and I want my First sony Walkman and I want my First Sony Stereo Boom Box toy and I want a Frustration Ball, But I really want a Talking Barney and Baby Bob and I want a Play House and a little Bear and I want TV for my room and a nintendo too. I want a Barbie Doll of Beauty and the Beast and a Aladdin, mokey, and the Boy Barbie. I want a Christmas dog and a cat, But I want a ChalkBoard with a white, blue and a pink Chalk and I want a Bike with a Basket and a Crayola Mold-a-saurus and I want a Hi Ho! Cherry O. I want a Husker Du? and a Barbie car. Thank You!
Love,
Jessica Perez

Dear Santa
I wonta Sega Genesis, and My 4 front teeth.
and I wont a remote control racecar, and a skate board
Orin Schulte

Dear Santa,
I have not pulled a color. That means I have been good. I would like a desk and a CD player. I will leave you some cookis and some milk. I love you.
Callen Mixson
Age 7

Dear Santa
I would like a Kids jeep and also a typewriter and computers also super nintendo. I hope I get what I want this Christmas. Merry Christmas.
Yours trooly
Casey Caballero

Dear Santa
I want a Barbie house and a Barbie Jeep and a cowgirl and a box of colors and coloring book and a book that haves some buttons that make some sans and some fake makup.
Your friend
Estella Garcia

Dear Santa
Hie my name is Raynee Bradley. will You plesse Bring me a roller blade babe. And iskase. And a TV. plesse bregre Beau semthege to. than you santa.
Love,
Raynee Bradley

Dear Santa,
I want a Game Boy and some gams and a box to carry them in. My baby sister Jill wants a play kitchen and some dishes. Please be careful on your trip. P.S. I'll love you a snack.
Love
Ryan Miller

Dear Santa
I would like to have a new lunch box and a bee-bee gun. I would also like to have some new clothes. But most of all I would like to have a Merry Christmas.
Thank you Santa
Love,
Fabian Pena

Dear Santa
I wont you to bring me a race car track and I wont you to bring me a game boy and Nintindo.
Love,
Jeremy Liel Norman

Dear Santa Clos
I want a per of golf club and a buckt of golf ball and a bike a fleser bike.
The end of my stof.
Love,
Chris Casas

Dear Santa
My name is Ruby. Ive been a good girl I would like a doll name Baby Alive and the walker baby and the fever baby
Love,
Ruby Espinosa

Dear Santa
Hi my name is Charley Saenz. I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a football and a remote control car and a Gess Who Game and a ice hockey Super nintendo game.
From
Charley

Dear Santa
I want a Sega game called Street Fighter 2. also I want a remote control car and Moic wast a BerBee.
Luv
Casey Alaniz

Dear Santa,
My name is Asia Spencer. I have been good this year. I hope you can bring me some of the things that I want for Christmas. I have made this list for you. 1) Barbie doll 2) Baby Check Up 3) Alladin toys. 4) Tea set 5) Swing set 6) Board games 7) Big girl Barbie jeeps so I can ride in 8) Teddy R. that talks 9) new clothes 10) and last I want for everyone in the world to have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
God Bless us every one.
Asia Spencer

Dear Santa
Santa I would like for you to bring me a Robot Bank, a Talking Barney, a Jet Plane, a motorcycle, a bird, some Hot Wheels, a Jump rope and a real Bunny Rabbet. Have a nice trip on Chrmas Night.
Love
Jordan Bell

Dear Santa
I would like a firetruck, and a dress for my sister, and A teddybear for my brother.
Thank you,
Daniel Jackson

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a game boy and some different things of the Dallas Cowboys and Los Angeles Raiders! Also I would like a present for my little sister.
Thank you,
Orlando Olvera

Dear Santa
Please, I would like a TV and Barbie. Some light up high-tops, too.
THAKS
From
Kayla Acker

Dear Santa
I want a race car and a dinsaur and a train and a truck and a bear and a dog jack and box and a four wheeler and new shoes and a little piano and a new bed and a new T.V. and a V.C.R. and computer and a red car.
Your friend,
Jeremiah Sanchez

Dear Santa
I want a playhouse, my size, and a Barbie doll too, and a bike. For mom and grandma a large make-up kit and for my grandpa and my brother a power ranger. That is all I want
Thank you
Trisha Lee Reyes

Dear Santa
My name is Jackie Ramirez I been a good girl I wish for a bike and a barbies with The clothes and a Barney and I been a good little girl in school, And Listen to my teacher. Please bring my little sister a bike, and my big brother a nintendo and my little brother, a race car and track and my baby sister a teddy Bear that sings and my baby brother a rattle, and my big, big brother some nintendo games and my big big sister some makeups
Jackie Ramirez



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Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us. Matthew 1:23

May The Miracles of the Season Be Bestowed Upon You.
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One Solitary Life

He was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman. He grew up in still another village, where He worked in a carpenter shop until He was thirty. Then for three years He was an itinerant preacher. He never had a family or owned a home. He never set foot inside a big city. He never traveled two hundred miles from the place He was born. He never wrote a book, or held an office. He never went to college. He did none of the things one usually associates with greatness.

He was only thirty-three when the tide of public opinion turned against him. His friends deserted him. He was turned over to his enemies, and went through the mockery of a trial. He was nailed to a cross between two thieves. While He was dying, his executioners gambled for the only piece of property he had - his coat. When He was dead, He was taken down and laid in a borrowed grave through the pity of a friend.

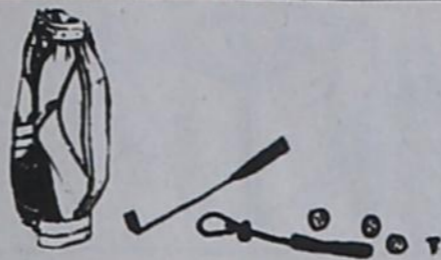
Nineteen centuries have come and gone, and today He is the central figure for much of the human race. All the armies that ever marched, and all the navies that ever sailed, and all the parliaments that ever sat, and all the kings that ever reigned, put together, have not affected the life of man upon this earth as powerfully as this "One Solitary Life."

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Although this poem has become popular in recent years, it is not a contemporary piece. The poem actually has tracings back to medieval times, and the poet to this day remains anonymous.

We pause to reflect on his life during the Christmas Season, and celebrate his birthday on Christmas Day.

Merry
CHRISTMAS
from
SWISHER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE



and a

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Shenea Wright. I moved to a new house out of town, please come to my house. I want a Baby Giggles and Go, also Baby Checkup. I have been trying to be good, I will leave you some Santa Claus Cookies. How are your reindeer doing?

Love,
Shenea Wright

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. Please bring me a My size Barbie, a bicycle, Baby Check-up and a puzzle. I would also like a new bear and a new soft white rabbit. I will leave you some milk and oatmeal cookies.

Love,
Robin Nicole Beames

Dear Santa
Please Santa Claus I would like a Nintendo game and a set of cars. I help my mom clean my room. I have 2 brothers and 4 sisters Please bring them some presents, And my little sister she wants a big bear.

Love,
Manuel Bentura

Dear Santa
My name is Joshua. I am 7 years old. I have been kinda a good boy, so please bring me some neat toys to play with so I will be a better boy for you and my mother this next year, OK. Now I would like for you to bring the toys to: Joshua McAllister, 300 SW 4th St., Dimmitt, TX 79027. 1. INENTO game 2. MARO II 3. New Cards.

Joshua McAllister

Dear Santa,
Hi. I am six years old and am in the first grade. This year for Christmas I would like a Barbie my size. I have been a good girl. Thank you Santa.

Love,
Cindy Martinez

Dear Santa
I want a Super Nintendo and a motorcycle.

Love,
Ricky

Dear Santa
I want a barbie doll with clothes and a Santa Claus doll to hug and sleep with. I also want a barbie house for my dolls. I have been good at my house. I help my mom do work and clean the sofas.

Love,
Jessica Navarro

Dear Santa
All I want for Christmas is a walkman and a set of cars and a trilon and a trailer. And I want a big pack of cards and a motorcycle and a dummy crasher. I try to be good and I clean up my room. P.S. I also want a bird.

Love,
Cory Back

Dear Santa
I have been a good boy all year so could you please bring me a football suit and a new bike. Please bring my little brother a football.

Love,
Ignacio Sifuentes

Dear Santa
I want a NiNtendo.
I want a Bike.
I want a car.
I want an airplane.
I want a skates.
I want a skate borad.
I want a pair of shoes.
I want two pair of skates.
I want a Helmet
Dear Santa I Love you.
I want a truck.
I want a hat.
I want a Color Book too!

Thanks
Martin Alvarez

Dear Santa
I would like a purple bike for Christmas. I also want a remote controled car that goes 85 miles per hour. I would like a long haired black and white cat. I have been good this year. I do chores at home. I also want a Free Wheelee tape.

Love,
Michael Webb

Dear Santa
I would like a motorcycle bike and a football and a walkman and a football helmet and trapolen and a glove and a bat from basball a lite cargo for christmas.

Merry Christmas.
Love,
Raul Melendez

Dear Santa
I would like a pull the string and the motorcycle would go toy and Fake bow and arrow and target. I have been helping my mom put up the Christmas tree and clean up my room. P.S. I also want a Nintendo.

Love,
Adam Mendoza

Dear Santa
I have been helping at home and I have been good. For Christmas I would like a white and blue bike and a Super NES Nintendo. And one more thing a remote controled fighter.

Merry Christmas.
Love,
Chris

Dear Santa,
I want a real fast bike that has a ninja turtle seat. I want a costume like Robin on Batman. It has a cape with R on the front. I want a white karate suit with a black belt. I want a golden ring, a red ring, a green ring and a blue ring to wear on my fingers. I want some black boots, black jeans and a black Dallas Cowboy shirt. I want a belt buckle that says Jerry Jr. and a belt that says J.J. Pena on the back. I want a red and white candy cane.

Love,
J.J. Pena
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a red Power Ranger and black Power Ranger. I want a semi-truck and a toy whale that you can put in the water. I want a play gun and a Mickey Mouse toy. I want a toy dinosaur.

Love,
Bo Sifuentes
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I love you. Will you bring me Power Rangers and a car that can goes by itself? I want you to bring me a dinosaur and a remote control car. I want a toy motorcycle. Do you know where I live? I live in Coronado Acres on a dirt road.

Love,
Ricky Guerra
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
I want a playhouse for Christmas. I want a necklace, a ring, a bracelet and a little sweater for me. I want play dough and a toy monkey. I want a stuffed bear and a ball. That's all.

Love,
Bridgette Velasquez
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
I want a black bike, some stamps, a chalkboard, some books and viewmaster. I want a pencil sharpener and paper.. That's all I want. I like you Santa.

Love,
Jeffrey Nino
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
I want a play car, a kitchen, a Barbie doll and some play kitty cats. I love you Santa. I want a pubble a bear, and a rabbit.

Love,
Kendra Smith
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
I want an Easy Rider. I love you Santa. I also want Baby Check-up. I wish for a baby sister. I wish I could go to your house, Santa. I wish Rudolph was at my house. I want a Barbie that you paint on her shirt.

Love,
Monica Dozal
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a mii trampoline, a stuffed horse and a Baby check-Up. I would like a new purple and pink bicycle and a My Size Barbie. Thank you Santa for all my toys.

Love,
Brittany Williams
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie that is just my size. I want another baby kitten and I want a bunk bed. Santa please bring me some books so I can read and someday I want to be a teacher. I also want a stuffed zebra and a real horse.

Thank you,
Hayli Wise
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
I want a Ninja Turtle skateboard, a Batmobile that I can drive by myself and a new Batman and a new Batmobile for him to fit in. Thank you for all the toys and presents. Love,

Ross Hunter
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie car and a big trampoline. I want some books to read and some big ABC letters to put on the wall. I love you very much.

Love,
Ashlee Nino
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Calus,
I want some drums, a ninja turtle and a motorcycle. I want a stuffed cat and a bear. I also want a play dinosaur and a book about the Three Little Pigs.

Good Bye,
Aaron Herrera
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a skateborad, a Ninja Turtle, and some blocks to build things. I also want City People. I will you some cookies when you come to my house.

Love,
Ryan Hunter
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a toy truck, a gun and a blue ninja turtle. I want Michaelangelo, Rafael and Leonardo. I want a pencil and a rabbit. I also want a new school box with a picture of ninja turtle on the top. I want a blue car with Donatella.

Love,
Isaac Aguiar
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
I want my Mommy to get a new purse. I want to get a big size Barbie and a pink bike. Give my sister some new markers. I want to write santa's name. I want some play cats and an angel. I'm going to send you a card I made for you.

Love,
Isela Velo
Kindergarten

Dear Mr. Claus,
"Hey" don't be sad I know that you work to hard anyways can you give me a corvette and I'll give you something too.

Love,
APRIL Torres

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a trapolen and a daybed, a bike, rollskates, a little motocyclebike for my litte brother, he wants some books. I want a desk in my room, some clothes, The Boxcar Children book, a BarBiecar, I hope I have a happy Christmas. I am so sad your elves have to work so hard. I hope they don't work s hard because they will be so tired.

Sincerely, Love
Amy Melendez

Dear Santa,
I want Baby Check-Up, a trampoline, a play kitchen and Madame Baby Doll with white dog ears and a pink dress with little flowers on it. Happy Christmas Santa. I want a jeep too.

Love,
Shauna Nutt
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I love you Santa Claus. I want a Barney, a blue bike, a jeep and another jeep.

Love,
Gerald Thomas
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
I would like a puppy for Christmas. I want a Barbie House, too.

Cindy Alvarado
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I want to be rich and I want to make so many 100, on my pepres, and I want so many things,

Love,
Lizbeth Gonzales

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am fine. I want you to have a safe and happy Christmas. Would you if you could make people stop fighting so we can have peace? I would like the game of Life. I would like Princess Jassmam and Aladin. A bunch of collatable toy horses. I would like a real kitten or a puppy or a mouse or a ginny pig or a parrit or parreecat.

Sincerely,
Jill Merritt

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The Spirit of the Season



*The spirit of giving is upon us. And we appreciate all that
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May you always be offered the gift of love.*

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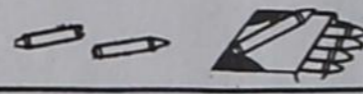
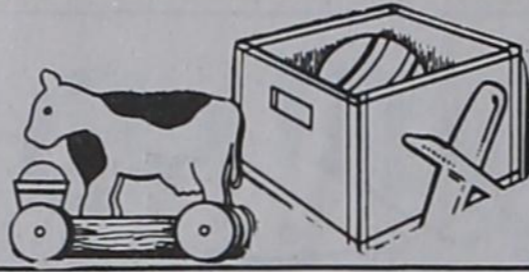
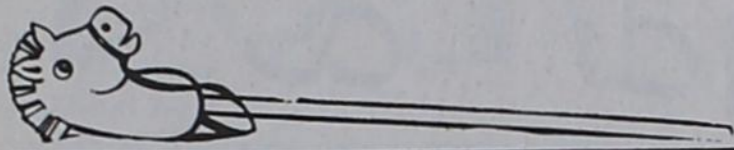
DECK THE HALLS



*Hang up the holly...
String up those lights...
Wrap up the presents...
That are sure to delight...
Share the warm fire...
With someone you love,
And give thanks for these blessings
To the good Lord above!*

Merry Christmas from all of us.

**Dimmitt
Ready Mix**



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Dear Santa,
I will like a Seag, a race car, a football. I want to be a fireman and a cop. I want lots of lots of toys and clothes. I want a new TV. Who are you? Where is the North Pole? Did you like summer and fall? My birthday in April the 8th.
And Mary Christmas
Love,
Danny Garcia

Dear Santa,
I want you to give me a gife. I want a bike, puzzle and a train, I want you to go two every house because some people don't have a house. How is Mrs. Claus? How are you doing in the house? Every body like Chritams because it is fun and we can get prest and we could have a party for chritams. I like Chritmas because chritame it when it snow and every body could do snowman and we could play snowfight.
Love,
George Ruiz

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I'm doing fine. All I want for CHRISTMAS is... A Trampoline mat, clothes Collect 4, Ear rings with a necklace and A Merry Christmas
Love,
Leticia Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? Well I am doing fine. Well I am going to get on with my letter. Will you please try to bring me a camer, football, Tv, vcr and remote, and finly a telafhone.
Your child seneral,
Wendy Blade
Nazareth

Dear Santa,
How are you? I'm fine. This year I've been a good girl. May I please have a lamp and a lampstand to fit in between my bed and the wall. I would like to have knee pad, elbow pad, and a helmet.
Love,
Karen Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I would like anything. I would just like a surprise. I am doing fine. I hope your reindeer don't get stuck. I won't be awake when you come. Hope you come soon!
Love,
Kristi Ramaekers

Dear Santa,
How are you today? and Miss santa, I would want a sega and a game that what I want for Christmas and a ten sped for Christmas too I hope you will bring it to me this year on this Christmas.
Sincerely your Best friend,
Raymond Lopez

Dear Santa,
Can you get me a corvete and a race car, Please give my Mom and Dad a car and my sister a jeep and a new pair of shoes for my cousin.
Love,
Rubin Aguero

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? How is Mrs. Claus? I want an easy bake oven, new shoes and a scooter. I know that isn't very much but I am going to get more from other people.
LOVE,
JENNA STEINLE

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am fine. I hope your doing good Are all the elves ok? Every one at my house is fine. Now this is what I want for christmas. I would like a bicycle and a walkman. Thank you Santa.
From,
Teri Ramaekers

Season's greetings

...And many thanks for being part of "our circle" of friends and patrons. We look forward to seeing you "around" more and more.

Kevin's Kustom Awning

Dear Santa,
How are you doing santa. I wish you would come to my house because I wish I could have a game boy for Christmas. I wish you would go to ever house in the world. Would you do that for me Santa please?
Love,
Lee Brown

Dear Santa,
Don't worry about working that's why you have elves. How can you carry all those presents in your sleigh? How do you know which present goes to which house? When you go down a chimney how do you? What I want for Christmas is a computer, movie, toycar, and a book, and 5. pencils.
Love,
Jody Stovall.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want to have some GAK for Christmas a trampoline, Jazzy jelery, a pretty pretty priensece game, a light bright and a football for my borther, Roy. Bring a good toy to Roxanne. A tie for my dad for my brothers a game to play and for my mom a dress. Go to some ones house please.
Love,
Rose Anne Rivera

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am doing fine. For Christmas I want a 26 inch 10 speed bike. I want two sega games, Joe Montana's football and Taz-Mania. I want an Eliminator race car. Can you give me a pool table? I want a big Oiler football. Can you give me a Bam Morris Texas Tech hersey? I want some black and blue basketball shoes. I want two movies, Beethoven and Home Alone 2. Can you give me a Texas Tech and a Texas Longhorn cap. I also want a radio. Can you give me a Colorado rockie and a chicago White sox cap. That is a I want for Christmas.
Love,
Eric Schilling

OHAVE A BALL!

We hope the holidays are as much fun for you as serving you is for us. We're so happy you're part of our family (Christmas) tree.
Happy decorating... and celebrating!

Agri-Plex Transport, Inc.
Nazareth

Dear Santa,
I want a computer, a mouse. Could you bring me a Barbie Jeep cause that is what I wanted for a long Time
Love,
Reyna Aguero

Dear Santa,
Hi, How are you doing? Fine I hope. I'm writing to tell what I want for x-mas. I want a computer, baby-wanna-walk, and a Mountain bike. And I want Monie and Richard to get some outfits the same. And Santa I want two more things. My mom a new truck and my little sister a Baby-Feed-Me.
I Love you.
Love,
Tiffany Smith

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like whatever you want to give me. I really would like a bike, cars, Super Ninetendo. P.S. How are you and Miss Claus doing and how are the elves doing?
Love,
Albert Fuller

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am doing too tell you what I want. I want a barbi set for Chritmas. and I also want a play car. I have been good this year.
Love,
Dorothy Cameron

Dear Mr. Claus,
How are you doing in the North Pole? I hope you are fine. I am fine. These are the things I wont. a moder bike, Thunder Strike 20, Mighty Maxx 'skull mounin'
Love,
Robert Casas

Dear Santa,
Your so nice to bring us presents and make so many anyway. Thank you for making all my Chritmases good anyway. I'm not asking for much like some people. I'm just asking for the game Jazzy, thats all I relly want becuse I don;t want yu to make so much. Please make enough presents for every one please. Sant how are your elves and how is Mrs. Claus and how are you? Well never mind I got to go but I want to tell you Merry Chstmas.
Sincelery
Roxie Saenz

Dear Santa Clus,
I would like to have a trampoline for Chirismas and a computer and some skates for Chirismas. By the way hor ware you and Mrws. Clus doing? I just want you to know that to send presents to the poor and the people who don't have a home.
Sincerel,
Sarah Sanchez

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I hope your fine. How are the renders to. Can I place have drums, and new chlovs Santa
Love,
Veronica Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
How are you doing. I'm doing fine. All I want for CHRISTMAS is... a c.d. walk-man, c.d.'s and some clothes. How is Mrs. Claus and the Elves doing. Is there any baby reindeer? I like Chirstmas movies.
Love,
Caitlin Buckley

Dear Santa,
How have you been?
I would like you to give me a sega for Christmas and a bike and clothing, boots, and a stero and a camand truck and a Dallas cowboy football and have a good Christmas time.
Love,
Steven Paz

Dear Santa,
How are you? How is Mrs. Claus? Can you bring me a windsuit, a barbie sparkle light bed, a barbie wedding gift set, a stampen horse and barbie set, a fantasie Tracey and her horse, and a barbie fun hottub. I hope you have a Merry Christmas. Thank you for the presents last year. If you stop at my house there will be a note with the cookies. Please write back any time or call 945-2534. Don't get sick Santa.
Love,
Kimberly Brockman

Dear Santa,
How are you? How is Mrs. Claus How is Rudolf? I what a skate borde and a streee fiter toy and a super nintindo. Are you going to bring rudoff.
Your friend,
Adam Hunter

SEASON'S GREETINGS

Our good reputation is built upon service, but our success is due to good customers like you. Happy holiday and thanks.

ED HARRIS LUMBER
HART, TEXAS

Dear Santa,
How are you? How is Mrs. Claus? Thank you for the toys you gave me last year. I would like for Christmas a bunkbed daybed, I would like to be a crystal princess. I would like a blobbe, a grade book, stickers, a telescope, all the peshishs moments, alot of books, and the real roudoff. My sister would like books, nightgowns. I would like some too. Thank you
P.S. Please write or call 945-2428.
Love,
Nicole Francis

Dear Santa,
How are you? Thank you for the nerf bowen arrow last year. I want a ten speed bike. How are your reindeer? I want a skate board. How are your elves? I want a race care track. Do your elves ski?
Monty Hoelting

"For Unto Us A Child Is Born"

May the holidays augur a bright new day for all of us and the world at large. Your friendship is so special to us. We are ever grateful.

Dimmitt Agri Industries, Inc.

Dear Santa,
How are you? Who is Mrs. Claus dowing thank you for the other toys last Christmas and nerf gun and my roming truc and my set of trucs. I want a cameputer. and a littel baide for my littel sister. and my sister Kassanday a cameputer to and a nuther thing I wont a super niteow with thow thosely.
Love,
Nathan Olvera

Dear Santa,
I love you very much. How are your reindeers. I went a cat sprise and a boy barbe. I also want a staft Santa and a staft Mrs. Claus and a name tag that the reindeers sinde.
Love,
Rebecca Lynn Olvera

Dear Santa,
How is it at the north pole? Well this is what I want for christmas a remote control car, a troll, a toy farm set, a nexs last but not lest a race car set. P.S. Writ Back
Love,
Andrew Brockman

Dear Santa,
How are you? How is Mrs. Claus? Are you getting ready for Christmas? I've been pretty good this year. I hope you stop by my house. I would like for you to bring me a Fisher Price Dream house with the people, animals and a Walk-n-Roll Baby Doll. I think she would be fun to play with. Tell all the reindeers Hi for me. I love you.
Love and Kisses,
Kalissia Robertson

Dear Santa,
How are you? I'm fine. Please listen to my short list. This christmas I would like a drum set and a Texas Tech suit.
Sincerely,
Ross Schulte
Third grade, Nazareth



CHECKING IT TWICE

When it comes to what we'd like for Christmas, your continued friendship is at the top of the list.

Colonial Inn Motel

Thank You

May your Christmas tree be filled with garlands of love, bells of hope, tinsels of charity, and wreaths of wonder. Happy Christmas.

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Dear Santa Claus
I have been a good girl this year. I would like to have a room of my own and would you bring my baby brother Isaac a little car.

Love
Lori Sifuentez

Dear Santa Claus,
Can you bring me some toys. I want a doll. I want a pool. I want a lentendo. I want a coat.

love
Veronica Agüero
Second grade

Dear Santa Claus,
I want my family to come from Mexico and a doll that makes cakes and a barbie.

Love yessica

Dear Santa,
May I have a computer and a bike please? Thank you!

Love, Regaie Wilkerson

Dear Sant Claus,
I want a Crayola
I want a doll
I want a baribe
I want a littlee house

I love you
Rosina Omelas
Second grade

Dear Santa Claus,
can you bring me a simming poo. and a caprire toy piyano toy a pizzle. and a little tv. a little mero. and blace. and a bike. and a wach. and a fun.

Love
Patricia Marrufo
Second grade

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? I want a Hi jumper for Chistmas and I want a Game boy.

Love,
Jared

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Christina C. I have been a nice girl. These are the things I want for Chistmas: A Gameboy and Barny and Baby Bob set, and a big trampoline. thank you. I will be waiting for you.

Love,
Christina Campos

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a watr gun, I want a tevie, I want movy I want a bike

Henry Rameriz H
Second grade

Dear Santa Claus
Andy Sias from 2 grad. I yunt a toy car. I yunt a suprintind. I yunt a toy. I yunt a sled. I yunt a hat. I yunt a led truck.

Love Delia Arredondo

Dear Santa,
I want this for Chistmas: Mattel Nick-elodeon Color Writer, Chunky School House or Garage, Playskool SpinAround Carousel or Train, Chistmas Snowflake Friends, Toy Biz Pretty 'N Me Doll, Barbie Hollywood Hair Salon, Bathroom Play Set or Supermarket Set, Mattel Paint Dazzle Barbie, Kenner Easy Bake Oven Super Treat Center or Snack Center, Kenner Littlest Pet Shop Playset, Western Stampin Barbie and Friends, Glitter Beach Barbie and Friends, Glitter Beach Barbie Spray 8 Play, Remote Control Fashion Quad, Talk Tina Playset, McDonald's Burger Maker, and Mix 'n Spin. I have been a good girl this year.

Love,
Christy Morgan

Dear Santa Claus,
Merry Chistmas! I hope you are fine For Chistmas I would like a Barbly a ven. trailer a Bear a Game

Love
Alejandra

Dear Santa
Santa I wish I could have a bike an a suit of wrangler pants and a pretty shirt to go with the wrangler. Santa I might leave you some oreos. Brittnye is my name. Gonzalez.

Dear Santa Claus
Can you bring me A Little Doll that haves Pampers. and a telefon. and A swimmingpool. and pencils.

Love Delia Arredondo

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year. For Chistmas I would like (1) A ring with my birthstone in it, (2) House shoes, (3) New born baby alive, (4) A barbie campor, (5) Barbie bubblin' shower, (6) Baby walk'n roll, (7) A hollywood hair doll, (8) Mattel Sally secrets, (9) Happy Holidays barbie, (10) Twinkle lights barbie.

Love,
Shantell Self

Dear Santa Claus,
Merry Chistmas! I hope you are fine. I want a romat car, I want a bike.

Love,
Rene

Dear Santa Claus,
I want toys and I want to be rich and get all 100's on my pappers and that my mom and dad will get together agin.

Love Nancy Paz
Second grade

Dear Santa Claus,
I am Amy and I would like all the children that have no toys and food to give them what they want. I want a horse. Merry Chistmas.

Love, Amy

Dear Santa,
How are you? I have been good this year. Please bring me Hollywood hair Barbie, makeup, a play house, Jamine barbie and a jump rope. Please bring my little brother L.A. Lights, A nintendo, super man, guns, Barney flash light, Power Rangers and tonka dump truck. Please bring my little sister a blue mini van and a magic Snow white mirror. Please bring my mom a watch. Please bring my dad socks. When you come in I will leave some cookies and milk on the tabl for you.

Love you always,
Angelica Lara
Age 8

Dear Santa Claus
Merry Chistmas! I hope you are fine. For Chistmas I would like two biles one for me and my brother and swings and Nintedo

Dear Santa Claus.
I want a tambing and a baribe and also a piyano.

Love Susie Limas
Second grende

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Barbie, but I want a boy doll and a Barbie car and a Barbie house and a Barbie bubble shower bath and lots of clothes and a lots of shoes. I love you Santa Claus.

Love,
Suzanne Bentura

Dear Santa Claus,
Merry Chistmas! I hope you are fine. I would like a doll. I would like a barbie house. I would like a barbie car.

loves
Yadira

Dear Santa Claus,
Merry Chistmas! I hope you are fine. For Chistmas I would like a bike.

Love
Jorge

Dear Santa Claus,
Merry Chistmas! I hope you are fine. For Chistmas I would like a roller skates baby.

Love
Yuri

Dear Santa Claus,
Merry Chistmas! I hope you are fine. For Chistmas I would like a intindo sagu

Love,
Carlos

Dear Santa Claus,
Merry Chistmas! I hope you are fine. For Chistmas I would like a 3 Clay 3 shose 3 house 3 colaring book.

Love,
Cristela

Dear Santa Claus,
Merry Chistmas! I hope you are fine. For Chistmas I would like a doll. and a Barbie

Love,
Nallely.

Dear Santa Claus,
Merry Chistmas! I hope you are fine. For Chistmas I would like a barbie car.

Loves
Nallely.

Dear Santa Claus,
Merry Chistmas! I hope you are fine. For Chistmas because i would like for you to bring me a doll that walks and eats and a small microwave.

Love,
Liliana

Dear Santa Claus,
Merry Chistmas! for Chistmas I want a bike and a nintendo and a barbie and a barbie doll house.

Andrea Jaramello

Dear Santa Claus,
Merry Chistmas! I would like a tratra crtron

Loe,
Jose A

Dear Santa,
I would like a new cat. I would like a computer and a doll that says mommy and a little statue on the bottom and it says happy birthday.

Love, Lucy De La Paz

Dear Santa,
All I want is a Baby dog. And I will name him Fluffy. I will feed him in the morning.

Love, Chris

Dear Santa.
My name is Jhirvon Starling. I'm in the Second grade. I'm 8 years old. I would like a paint and dazzle barbie doll for Chistmas.

Love, by Your friend,
Jhirvon.

Dear Santa,
I want a bike for Chistmas. I also want two hood shirts.

Armando

Dear Santa,
Can I have a white Swaatch Phone with pink bottons, camera, a tape of How the grinch Stole Chistmas, Game Boy, Walkmen, and a tape of The Great Mouse Detective?

Love, Alicia

Dear Santa,
I hope you could bring me a bike for Chistmas? And a bebe gun with bullets and Santa I also want a nuchoc.

Love,
Johnny

Dear Santa,
I want a Sega Cd? I want some new shoes like my cousin Joel Puente. I want a toy truck. I want some new clothes. I want a Tv. and a remote. Please, Santa I want this list.

Love, Eric

Dear Santa,
I want a sega Cd. I want some new shoes like my cousin Joel Puente. I want a toy truck.

Love, Adam

Dear Santa Claus,
May I have a game boy, please or a bike and a tv.? May I have a computer? May I have a watch? May I have my brother for Chistmas. His name is Robert.

Love, Martin

JOY TO THE WORLD!

To all our valued customers we offer our gratitude and good wishes for a happy holiday season.

EARL'S GARAGE

Cheers To You!

We value your friendship, loyalty and support. Hoping your season is merry!

Corner Place Package Store
Don and Shirley

HI-OH PRANCER!

With Chistmas on its merry way, We just have to stop and say, Working with you is a pleasure, Your friendship, patronage, we do treasure!

Have A Very Merry Chistmas!

Dimmitt Veterinary Clinic & Supply

We're SOLD... On Neighbors Like You!

We couldn't have asked for a finer community to do business with. May your home be blessed with contentment, prosperity and joy this holiday season.

GEORGE REAL ESTATE

May the Lord's bounty be opened to you and yours in this and every holiday season.

JOY TO THE WORLD

Flagg Fertilizer Co.

TO OUR EVER-LOYAL PATRONS!

Merry Chistmas & many thanks just for being yoursELVES!

Dimmitt Brake & Muffler
Kenneth Hollums

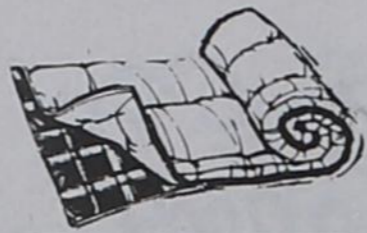
SEASON'S BEST

May the magic of Chistmas bring you and yours a happy holiday.

Many thanks for your patronage this year and best wishes for the new one!

Texas Corn Producers Board

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Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like Baby Alive, Barbie, and a Little Mermaid.
Love
Rosalinda Jaramillo

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like a Barbie car, Barbie doll house, Little Mermaid, Barbie.
Love
Christina

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a seledtrik giter. and for my mom a nooy TV. and for my dad a nooy tool box. and for my sister sum nooy socks.
Love
Francisco Ojeda
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I only want clothes I want shoes and pants and shirts.
I also want a watch for me to tell time. And a bike to so I can ride it.
The most thing I like are the shoes so bring them to me.
I want them high tops.
Your friend,
Raul Ontiveros

Dear Santa Claus
How is Mrs. Claus and the reindeers doing. I hope they are doing fine. I want a bike, a ring, a doll with a red wedding dress, some dishes that are breakable dishes that are breakable. Merry Christmas.
Your friend
Maggie Lopez

Dear Santa Claus
How are you doing at the North Pole? I would like a new car for my mom. I would like to have a new bed. I would like to be in fourth grade. I would like to have a new bicycle. I would like to have a pair of rollerblades.
Thank you
Brandon Furr

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like a Baby Alive a Kitchen a Barbie a Barbie van, a Barbie car, a Barbie huos, a Nintendo.
Love,
Rosa Maria Marrufo

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like a ninja turtle, Batman, Batman car, ninja rabbit with two swords, Shredder, Nintendo.
Love,
Joey Rodriguez

Dear Santa Claus,
I want crayolas.
I want glue.
I want a box.
I want a doll.

Love
CeCilia Castaneda
Second grade

Dear Santa claus,
For Christmas I would like ninja turtle in a blocks
Love
Edwin Hernandez

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like a doll that eats cherries and milk.
Love
Carla Carpio

Dear Santa Claus,
This is what I want. A car and a game and I want some socks and a truck and a big foot and nintindo Pliss bring me toys

Love
Victor Porras
Second grade

Dear santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like Barbie dicar, swimming pool, Swords, shredder, Little mermaid, a doll that eat cherries and milk.
Love,
Salud Rodriguez

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like a turtle, a Batman car, car, ninja suit, Shredder, Rudolph.
Love
David Diaz

Dear Santa Claus,
This is what I want. A trackter trailer. Some Socks. Some cars. Some shoes that light up.
Love
Angel Melendez
Second grade

Dear Santa Claus,
For Chrisimas I would like a super N.E.S. and a T.V. with a built-in vcr. I also want a Cd playr.
Marry Christmas.
Your friend,
Ruben Leal

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like a big truck ninja suit
Love,
Jesus Alvarado

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like a ninja, ninja suit, swords, a Batman car.
Love,
Jose Lopez

Dear Santa claus,
I want a big barbie. I want some crayons. I want some glue. I want a box.
Love
Maria Luisa Reyes
Second grade

Dear Santa Claus
I would like a three wheeler a bike and a truck and a gun and a dallas coat and a dallas cowboys shoes and a pat pack and a tape of beethoven and Sister act and a play tatoo and a T.V. and a V.C.R.
Your friend,
Ezekiel Sanchez

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like a doll an a Little Mermaid.
Love,
Jessica Delgado

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like a Barbie car, a Little Mermain and a red house.
Love
Susan Ornelas

DEar Santa Claus
For Christmas I would like a ninga suit, a jeep, two swords, a Nintendo, a Rudolph, a Shredder.
Love
Tony Ontiveros

Dear Santa,
I would like a barbie for Christmas. I love you Santa.
Love,
Amanda Acevado

Dear Santa Claus,
I want some cars and some trucks. I want new colers and new glue.
love
Niclas Cuevas
Second grade

Dear Santa,
Hi, my name is Brenda Ramirez I want stikers and some books and I want is a bike to and thats all I want and I want is a pall of cards and I hope you have a Mary Crishmas and I thing you are coming but you are not coming because you can't come. I hope you can bring the stikers and the books to me and I hope you still go to the nursing home and you are going to have fun with use and I hope you rely come because I have to toll you a segret and I really want what I told you biy see you.
Your friend,
Brenda

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like a Barbie and a Little Mermaid.
Love,
Joaquina Castaneda

Dear Santo Claus,
I want to be rich and have so meny things for my faily and I want a supernintendo.
Love
Ramon Agüero
Second grade

Dear Santa Claus,
I need a toy is a Micky mouse for my mom and a bus.
Baldemar Torres
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I'd like a big farmset with wagons and some horses feed trouts and some tractors with plows and other things in farm sets like trucks with tralers and a barn with a little christmas tree and play hay and then one thing more a back pack with an Egel relaxing on an old tree branch that was in the deset.
that is what I want. that's all merrey chrismes.
Charles Stubbs

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you and Mrs. Claus. I have tride to be a good girl but I get nervous because the doctor put a needle in my veins. For Cristmas I want some books like Santa Caus doesn't mop floors. I also want a barbie doll. I wish you a Happy Cristmas and a nice ride.
Your Friend,
Rita Lopez

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a baby doll.
I want barbie doll.
I want a pictur of you. I want a crayola.
Love
Ruby Castaneda
Second grade

Dear Santa
I would like a Bike, roller Blade, saga, I wish you well.
Love Your friend,
Steve Martinez

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good. So could you bring me a place house with some dishes. Could you buy me a doll Bring me a picture of you Santa. Have a Merry Christmas and I hope you dont get sick.
Thank you.
Love
Jessica Ortega

We're Singing Your Praises!

Working with you year-round is music to our ears. So what better to wish you at Christmastime than the triple harmonies of peace, joy, and love! "Hum" in anytime!

C&T Fertilizer, Inc.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me my size Barbie and a baby Alive. and Please bring my mon some dimond earrings. and Please bring my dad a watch. and please bring my brother a telephone for his Room.
Love,
Apolonia Flores

Dear Santa,
If you have any more presents left after you are done delivering to the other children if you might have a skate board left or a nice watch or maybe a billfold or a pair of snow gloves or snow boots that would be what I would want for Christmas. It would also be all right if you had some clothes. But if your big bag is empty thats all right. But thanks any way Santa.
Your friend,
Joe Birdwell

GLAD TIDINGS TO YOU!

Hope your season is a perfect "10"!

THE HEADHUNTER

God Bless You All

We wish you great joy at this time of year.
May this be your happiest Yule ever!

Circle M Irrigation, Inc.

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Happy Holidays

PEACE TO ALL BEINGS

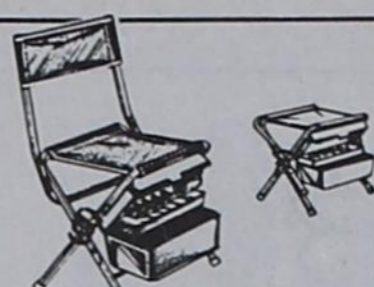
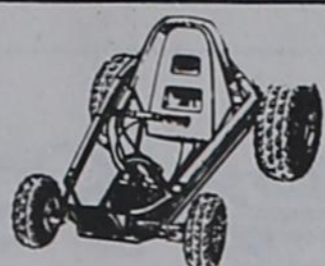
May enemies find themselves together as friends. May we all learn to accept differences in each other. May this blessed season bring understanding between those both like and unlike each other.

May you all embrace the true spirit of the season.

West Texas Rural Telephone Co-op

Here's hoping your Christmas yields big returns! We value your business and your friendship.

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Member FDIC



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Dear Santa,
How is Mrs. Claus? Please bring me a ten-speed bike, a Hi-Jacker remote control car, and an Ultra Cliffhangers race track. I will leave some milk and cookies out for you. Merry Christmas.
Love,
Shane Kleman

Dear Santa,
I would like the video Mighty Ducks, Mack donl with real food, a hoolahoop, a cookie maker, the book, the Boy Who Fooled the Giant.
Love,
Sierra Wilcox

Dear Santa,
Happy Christmas Santa. I wood like a number 88 dallas cowboy suit and a football and a tee, a baseball set the whole gladiator set I would like a worm up. Have a nice Christmas.
Thank you your friend
Katy Huseman

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph? Pleae bring me Baby Giggles and Go Thank You,
J'Lae Merritt

Dear Santa,
How are you. I want Pony Supris, TV Tedy, Western stamging Barbie, Paint 'n Dazzle Barbir.
Kelli Schulte

Dear Santa,
I want a jeep. I want a doll and a cassette player with earphones.
Love,
Dawn Cameron

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus,
How are you doing? I'm going to have a good Christmas. I don't want to make a big list, so if you come to my house I would like too have a gun. Have a Merry Christmas
From,
Carson Gerber

Dear Santa,
I want a watch and Barbies, I want Free Willy, I want Baby Walk 'n roll
Love,
Melina Braddock

Dear Santa Claus,
Since Christmas is coming up I would like to have some money because i never get very much money from the Tooth Fairy. If you would like to get me a watch i would like that. I would also like some spotted cow jeans please. I would die for a baby dalmation if you would and if you do that next Christmast I will give you a twenty dollar bill. Well, I don't think I need anything else since I asked my deapest question to get a baby dalmation, but a miniature football with my name on it please. But I only want my first name on it which is spelled (Laci) please.
Laci McLaurin

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph? PleaS bring me a Mama horse and a whip that cracks. and a shed. Thank you.
Jake Hoelting

Dear Santa,
How are you? I want Baby walk 'n-roll, and Kidsister, My size Barbie Beethoven 2, TV. Teddy, Puppy surprise, Cripen kerle Pony, And Love Me Kitchens. That is all I want.
Love,
Jamie Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,
I Love you. Is Mrs. Claus making cookies?
For Christmas, I want a choo choo train, doll cradle and a baby doll. Have a safe trip.
Brittany Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,
Hi, How are you and Mrs. Clause doing? What I would like to have. A lot of Batman figures please. Also I would like a giant Robo Cop. I want you to choose the rest.
Love,
Luke Price

Dear Santa,
I want a stamping Barbie, Free Willy, and Home Alone two, I also want a watch.
Love,
Jamie Black

Dear Santa,
I just what a few things. I will tell you what I want. Ok. I will like a batman cave, remote control, turtle van, with the four turtles and the rat and bad guys. And I would like a stereo that has tape player. thang you. I will see you next year.
Love,
Rey Bermea

Dear Santa,
How are the elves? Please bring me a rea McDonald thing, to make real hamburger and fries. I want crisscross and I want a gun. Thank you.
Nathan Huseman



JOY TO THE WORLD!

You've made us feel so welcome in this community, and for that and so much more, we thank you sincerely.
Merry Christmas!

GOODPASTURE, INC.

Dear Santa Clause,
I would like a football, a radio, and rollerblades. there is other things I would like but, you will know them, just like I do, right. You have a good memory. Our christmas tree will be by the bunny on the bench. Have a Merry Christmas
Love,
Shelby Wilhelm

Dear Santa,
I want a pool table that can turn into 3 things, a b-b gan, some baseball cards, a stick and some games
Love,
Jeremy Acker

Dear Santa,
For Cristmas. This year I would like a pair of roller blades, and a barbie, and makeup set, also I would like a little jewelry set, and a keyboard. Thank you.
Your friend,
Nicole Acker

Dear Santa,
I hope you've been nice. I have been nice. Please bring me a Water Baby, Magic Mirror and Barbie roller skates.
Santa tell Rudolph Hi.
Thank you,
Kendra Huseman

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Merry Christmas!

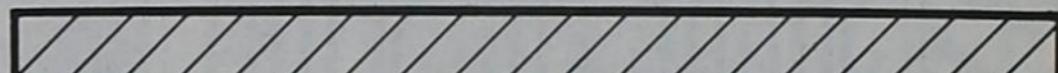
GOODPASTURE, INC.

Dear Santa,
This is Tyler Ehly. I would like a Go Kart with roll bars. I don't have any basket ball shoes so will you get me some. I want back one's. PS. If you want to write back. My address is box 243 Nazareth Tx.
Love,
Shelby Wilhelm

Dear Santa,
I want a jazzy jewelry set, baby get well, a go cart, and deluxe talk boy. Hope you have a merry Christmas and don't catch the flu.
Love,
Erica Gerber

Dear Santa,
I want a bible, a doll. I want a flour making set, a Denim skrit. I want a yonger sister or brother. Thank you Santa Claus.
Yours Truly,
Megan Schulte

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph? Please bring me a Redskins football suit and toys McDonald's happy meal and a toy guitar. Thank you Santa,
Skyler Birkenfeld



You Can Handle It!

Here's to hoping that a huge stack of joy and cheer comes your way on this wonderful holiday. One thing's for sure, you've got a "gift" for being a super friend and patron!

J.M. Jones Ditching and Allstate Insurance Co.

Betty Jones

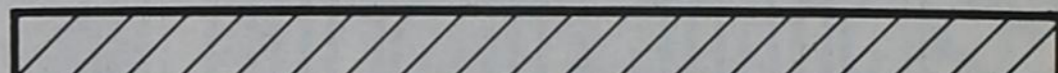


Dear Santa,
I what a water gun 300 with a big tank. Will you bring my a remote control car with no cord.
Sincerely,
Justin Kleman

Dear Santa,
This year could you please bring me a hunting vest to hold bullets. and a little roping dumme.
sincirley yours
Reece Hales

Dear Santa,
I think I have been a good girl. What I want for Christmas is a windsuit, a watch, and clothes. That is all I want for Christmas. Have a Merry Christmas
Sincerely
Jenna Braddock

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Christopher Bridenbaugh and I will be two on Dec. 31. I enjoyed all the things you brought me last year even though I didn't ask for anything. This year I would like a taling Barney because he is my favorite dinosaur. I would also like a jam box with a microphone so I can sing like my PeePaw, Bill Sava. Please bring me some new books so my MeeMaw can read them to me. I would also like some crayons and a color book to have at my Batty's house. I really like to color Big Bird and I bet Batty does, too!
I will be at my grandparents' house in Michigan so please come to see me there. I have been a very good boy this year! I will leave some milk and cookies for you and some carrots for Rudolph. Be sure and tell Mrs. Claus hello. Have a safe trip!
I love you!
Christopher Bridenbaugh

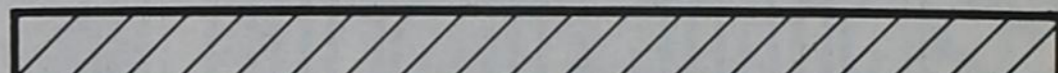


Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! I hope you are feeling well and your reindeers too. I have been good. Please bring me a Waterbaby and some glitter horses. Please bring my three sisters something, too. they've been pretty good.
Happy New Year!
Love,
Heidi Ramaekers

Dear Santa,
For my Cristmas I want a dumptruck and 22 long rifle bullets. that is what I want for Cristmas.
Sincerely,
Ben Irlbeck

Dear Santa,
I would just like to have some clay for my pottery weal. "Please." Maby some rollerblades. I hope I have ben good enough. I hope you fill good on Christmas Eve!
Love,
Rose Wilhelm

Daer Santa.
I want a train set. I want Free Willy. I want a watch for Cristmas.
Love,
Edward Wilhelm

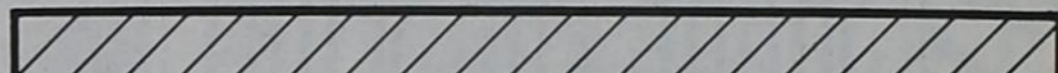


Dear Santa,
I love you. I want a watch and I want a bike. I want Beethoven. I want a Barbie.
Love,
Kelcee Kleman

Dear Santa Claus,
My list may be slightly whort, but all I need I would like a minybike bike Carsans, a nintendo tape or two either football or soccer, or pleas get me both, and the last thing I want is \$50 or \$75. I have had a great time writing this and I hope that I could have all of it, or maybe just most. Thank you.
Sincerely,
Justin Myers

Dear Santa,
If you could give me a tonament table I would like it. Could you give me a 8 ball.
from
Chase Schulte

Dear Santa,
I love you. I want a shatgun. Also I want a racecar bed, a watch, a motorcrlc, a toy truck, and a gocart
Love,
Jason Wilhelm



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A chorus of season's greetings go out to you, our friends and customers.

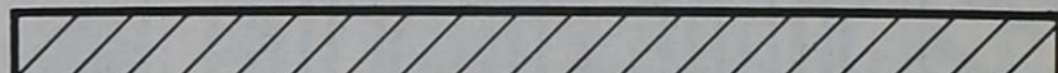
We look forward to beginning the New Year on an especially good note.

Hockhart Pharmacy
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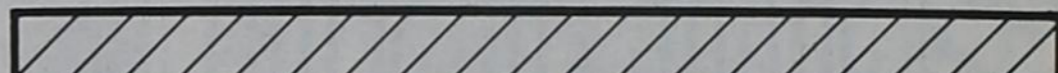
Dear Santa,
I wish I could have a football suit. I would like a T.V. and some nintendo tapes.
Love,
Evan Huseman

Dear Santa,
Santa I want a watch. I want a red cap and blue cap. I want a train Santa. I want an engine I want a book. I want a guitar.
Shay Wilhelm



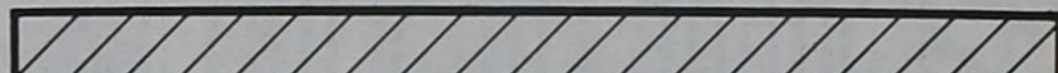
Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! Would you please bring me a farm set, a hand held football game, and a belted hay elevator? Would you please bring my little brother a train.
Love,
Craig Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,
Would you bring me a guitar, A bow and arrow, trainset, And a jeep. I also want the video Mighty Ducks.
Michael Acker



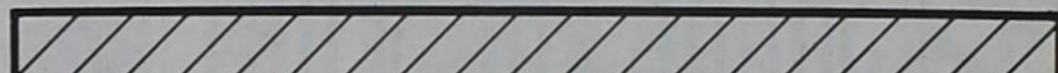
Dear Santa,
How are elves? Please bring me a whip that cracks and sled. Thank you.
Kris Ross

Dear Santa,
I would like a global air. I also want an airport with a loading gate to go with the airplane.
Love,
Ross Birkenfeld



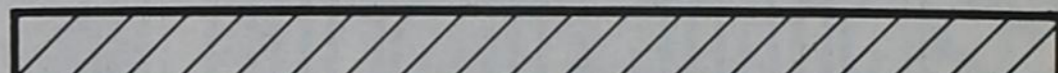
Dear Santa,
I like you Please bring me a football suit, Dallas cowboys and football. Thank you.
Alan

Dear Santa,
I want a tape and Free willy I would like a tap of Home Alone. I would like a tape of Mighty Ducks
Love,
Michael Horn



Dear Santa,
I like you. Please bring me McDonalds Wih real fries and cokes. Thank you.
Clifford Gerber

Dear Santa,
I want a Bow and Arrow and a batman and the tape of the Adams family and a real football suit and thats all
Tyson Schulte



Just Ducky!

That's what we hope the holiday season is for you and yours. Thanks for your support throughout the year.

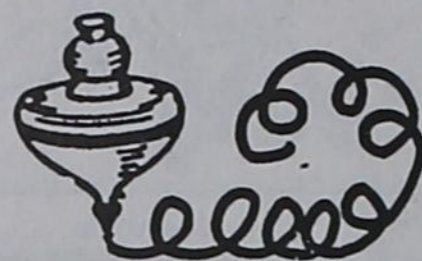
George's Exxon Station

Santa Claus Is Coming To Town!

The holiday's nearing,
The sleigh bells you're hearing.
The tree has been trimmed,
Just waiting for him.
Then the place will be hoppin',
Just after Santa drops in!

Ho, ho, ho!
Merry Christmas!

Gary's Engine & Machine



and

Dear Santa,
May I have a watch ring that goes with every season and a game boy with lots of games with it? Please may I have a bracelet that has a pretty design on it?
Oh, I almost forgot a bike. Thank You. P.S. Have a merry Cristmas and check the homeles please. Merry Christmas
Love
Katy Loudder

Dear Santa,
May I have a ring, barbie, doll that looks like me and a picture of the North Pole. P.S. I bet you it is cold at the North Pole!
Love,
Erika Perez

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a skateboard. I wish I could have a Nintendo please. I wish I could have a toy bus. and I wish I could have a clock.
Love,
John Lucio

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I am doing fine. Can you get me a cros cros crash. Would you get me a hand game? I'll hope you have good luck on Christmas Eve.
Your friend,
Adam Acker

Dear Santa,
How are you? Thank you for the toys last year. I have been a good boy. I want a Remote control off-road tiger, Computer, And a pack of baseball cards. I hope your not freezing up there.
Signed,
Brett Hoelting
Second grade

Dear Santa,
How are you and the Mrs. Claus? Thank you for the toys last year. I like the doll. I breiad her haer now. I know how besy you are and I don't want much just a love set and Adrian wants a Barry hard back book. Plece rite back as soon as you Can!!
Love,
Sarah Ellison

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some new clothes. I would like to have a stuffed reindeer. Please bring me a new T.V. I would like to have a barbie. Please come to my house early because I am going out of town.
Love,
Shayla Kenworthy

Dear Santa,
I would lik to have a new Remot-control truck Pleas bring me a mity max. Pleas bring me a nentendo. Pleas bring me a basketball and tell evrybody hello.
Sincerely, your friend
Daniel Corrales

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a suffed elf. Please tell the elv hello. I would like to have a tractor and. I would like to have a bow and Arow I would like to have an Nintendo. I Love you Santa Claus.
Love your friend,
Michael

Dear Santa,
I have been good exsept I have been a little bad. So would you still give me a stamp and a watch. But I do want more so this is what I want. I want Free Willy tape, a baby walk 'n roll, Garth Brooks tape and the Beethoven tape.
Love Jenna Acker

**"OOOOH."
"AAAAH."
"WOW."**

Hope this christmas is just what you wanted!
Happy, happy holidays, everyone!

Kittrell Electronics
103 E. Bedford

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a space telescope to look at stars with. I please need a remote control car because I lost my other ones. Could I have a nerf toy called arrow storm? This is my last toy I am going to ask for. Can I have this game for my S.N.E.S.? It's called Battle toads Double Dragon. Those are all my toys I want. I love you Santa Claus. And guess what??? I get to be Santa Claus in two plays.
Sincerely,
Matthew Sanders

Dear Santa,
I wish I could have some new clothes for my brother and me. I would also like a piano because I like piano. I wish we could have a fruit snack maker because me and my brother think it's cool. Also a Nintendos. And say hello to all your reindeers.
Your Friend,
Cinnamon Trotter

Dear Santa,
I would lik a new bike because my other two are to little for me. Could I please have a trampoline. and some snow please? I wold also like a puppy Please tell Mrs. Claus I said hello.
Love,
Lisa Sears

Dear Santa,
How are you Santa. I hope you bring something to all the kids in Jeanette's class. For Christmas I would like a Criss Cross Crash, and Hi-Ho Cherry-O and a baby like Jenna has and two robots and that's all.
Love Lacey Acker

Dear Santa,
I want a farm set. The Mighty Duck tape, a grain trailer, Pure Country and Beethoven
Love,
Garrett Kleman

Dear Santa,
How are you? I'm fine. How is Mrs. Claus is She fine. I hap She is well I Thac you for the press that cat and a new clos.
Love,
Darlene Moralez

Dear Santa,
I like the things that you got me last year. That's so nice of you. I wood like some wressalers and some facke gus for Chistmaus and a crody suite and nenchucks. I wood want a red car for my mother for Chistmaus. I wood want a Dallas couboy suite for chistmaus and a gameboy and a sega for Chistmaus How is Mrs. Claus
Love,
Ricky Pena

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a new barbie Please tell Rudolph hello. Will you please bring me a horse and a piano and a spotted puppu
Love
Cynthia Barrera

Dear Santa,
Please give me a Nintendo and maybe games. Please tell all the elves good wrk. I would also like a game of Aladdin.
Love,
Martin

Dear Sant Claus,
Please bring me a Santa doll that lookse like you. Please bring me a 10-speed that is diffrent colors. Please bring me a trampling. Please bring me a real dimene wreeg.
Love your friend,
Delfina Martinez

Dear Santa,
How are you? I'm fine. How is Mrs. Claus is She fine. I hap She is well I Thac you for the press that cat and a new clos.
Love,
Darlene Moralez

Deck the halls
with boughs of holly!
Our hopes are with you for a splendid holiday. Thanks, everyone for your loyal support.

Don Hargrove
Contractor

SHARE THE SPIRIT

We've got a lot to celebrate including your valued patronage.
Our best holiday wishes to you.

Dr. & Mrs. Robert Lindsey & Staff

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a new soccerball. And a new basketball goal. I wish I had a new wooden duck. I want a new baseball bat.
Love,
Rey Medrano

Dear Santa,
How are you? I'm fine. How is Mrs. Claus is She fine. I hap She is well I Thac you for the press that cat and a new clos.
Love,
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"He prayeth best who loveth best all things both great and small." Samuel Taylor Coleridge

We thank you for the many "great and small" kindnesses you've shown us. We join our prayers with yours for peace and joy throughout the world.

Nazareth Feed & Supply

Dear Santa
Please bring me a hamper for Christmas. Please bring me a black and wite puppy for Christmas. Please bring me a hourse for Christmas. Please tell Mrs. Claus hello.
Love
Laure Fraser

Dear Santa,
How are you? Hope your raindeers are good. Thank you for what you gave me last year. This is what I want this year, A Play School Doll House and Barbie my size and a Family talking doll house. that is all.
Love,
Cassie Price

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Contractor

Dear Santa,
can you please bring me a diary? I would also like a barbie doll because it is fun to play with it. I would like a bike because you can go on the street but I have to look for cars, and I would like to have a doll.
Love,
Erika Mendoza

Dear Santa,
Is ther a lot of snow up there? How are you? I want a chalkboard. Thank you for my presents last year. How is Mrs. Claus? I have been a good gril. My brother has to. my sister has to. My sister wants a lot of candy. my brother dose to. so do I want a lot of candy. My brother wants a reel big gun and a little gun. My mom and dad want a hug and a kiss. Santa one more thing for me please help Rembo come back. How old are you and Mrs. Claus.
Love,
Lindsey

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Contractor

Dear Santa
For Christmas I want a barbie car, a barbie house, a watch, a Mickey Mouse doll to sleep with, and more clothes. Don't forget to bring mommy, daddy, grandma and grandpa a present to. I've been a good girl.
Thank you Santa Claus
Clarissa Herrera

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a Merry Christmas! I just want two things for Christmas. So you will have more time making toys for other kids. The two things I want for Christmas are a Kitty Kitty kitten and love
Love,
Tanya Herring

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with boughs of holly!
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Don Hargrove
Contractor

Dear Santa Claus,
Merry Christmas I hope you are Fin My Barbie that stamp horse shows and stars. I love you
Kelly

Dear Santa,
How are you? I hope you am't sick. I would like a computer, a six by six race car, and a whip. I hope this not to much Dose rouldoph feel weel? If this is to much don't give it to me.
Your friend,
Trey Tayllor Robb

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with boughs of holly!
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Don Hargrove
Contractor

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a roller blades, video painter, desk and chair, and a glove. I've been good. Also bring bubba a bone, that's my dog Tell Rudolph Hi! Merry Xmas,
Dustin Schulte

Dear Santa,
All I want for christmas is a little skill pool table and a computer game called Football Pro. I think that might be to much, if it is just don't give me all of it and give some of it to the poor.
Love,
Brock

Deck the halls
with boughs of holly!
Our hopes are with you for a splendid holiday. Thanks, everyone for your loyal support.

Don Hargrove
Contractor

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! I have a new brother. Would you bring Adam something? I want Baby Giggles 'n Go and some skates. Thanks.
I Love You,
LANA

A Sign Of The SEASON!

The snow gently blankets the ground. The world becomes a softer place. And the time arrives to look around us, and count our many blessings. We count your friendship as one of the blessings we treasure most. Merry Christmas!

Don's Wrecker Service and Body Shop

SEASON'S GREETINGS

A merry, magical, marvelous and melodious Christmas to one and all!
Holiday wishes and heartfelt thanks for your continued support.

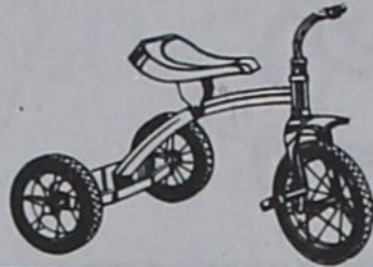
Dale's Auto & Salvage
Nazareth

HOME

Is Where The Heart Is...

Ind ours is with our many kind neighbors who have made us feel so welcome. We're proud to be a part of this fine community.
Happy Holidays and thanks!

Schaeffer, Sutton & Schaeffer



and

Dear Santa,
This is what I want for Christmas a Baby Need Me, Sally Secrets, Happy Holidays Barbie, Angel Lights Barbie, Decorate N Dazzle Barbie, Party N Play Stacy, Secret Hearts Barbie, Fold N Fun House, French Fry Maker, Easy-Bake Oven And Snack Center, and a C.D. Player, and Girl Talk.

Your friend,
Jací Bishop

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a club house, a mountain bike, 3 wheeler and a trian set for my little brother. Merry Christmas and Happy new year

Your friend
Isaac Velasquez

Dear Santa,
I've been good this year. The things that I want for Christmas are a Daybed and a Super Nintendo and a Game Boy. I would like something like a game and it is Monopoly and a New Jacket with my first name in the front and my last name in the back. And that will be all for Christmas.

Your friend,
Natalie Jimenez

Dear Santa:
My name is Jimmy Caldera. I'm five years old and I'm in kinder. For Christmas I would like little bitty cars, bunk beds, jacket (cowboy) and shoes with lights. For my dad I want boots and a jacket. For my mom a purse, and my little sister, Vanna, a barbie car and some Barbies, and for my grandma I want a pillow. for my grandpa a jacket.

Love you, Santa,
Jimmy Caldera

Dear Santa
How are you I want a reindeer and I want a rope and a bike and a power Ranger and a Batman and a big Bunny and a Mermaid doll for my sister Rosalia and a Barbie to. my sister said hi. That is all.

Thank you
Roberto Saenz Jr.

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a camera, a barbie car that I can drive and a beauty and the Beast Tent

Love,
Kendra Puente

Dear Santa,
I have been a pretty good boy this year. I would like for you to bring me a remote race car, wrestling ring and wrestling nintendo. My little sister would like a Barbie doll.

Thank you
Bryan Hall

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I am 6 years old and I am in Kindergarten. I would like for you to bring me for Christmas a Super Nintendo, Remote Control Truck, Turtle, Space Robot and Transformers.

Love
Elias Porras

Dear Santa,
This is my Christmas List I want a little house, new bike, a baking oven, ice cream maker. Plus a baby walk, roller skates, Baby Giggles, A computer. A Mickey Phone A Color TV. And some new clothes.

Kimberly A.M. Saenz

Dear Santa,
I wish you would bring me all the things I want. I would like for you to bring me a barbie, barbiehouse, barbiecar, playing make - up, and some clothes, shoes, barbie clothes, barbie shoes, and a barbie hat. Santa I wanted to tell you that most of my class belifs in you and most of them don't so I wanted to tell you if you were real or not real if you are real circle yes or no to tell me if you are real or not real if you are just a person dressed up as santa circle none to tell me if you are just a person dressed up as santa.

Your freind,
Olivia Ontiveros

Dear Santa,
I would like a Pool Table, a new dog, for Colby and Ashley to fall in love, some clothes, a horse, to live in Dallas, a Ford Pick-up, a bigger house, a picture of Bill Clinton, my dad could be a football player, two big trees for christmas.

Your friend,
Patrick Hunter

Dear Saent
I would like to thank you for the nice things you got me and other children. This crismass I would like to have a compter, shose, watch, telphon, compes I thin thats all I want for cressmass. P.S. Happy creshmass and I hope Sata gets my letter.

Your friend,
Kristi Saenz

Dear Santa,
I would like a C.D. and my favorite tapes the two chipmunks tapes Gorge Strait and Garth Brooks and Alan Jackson. A T.V. that is nice as the living Room T.V.

I want a new black white and red ten speed bike at my mom's on Maple St. 1005 Dimmitt T.X. I want a game that is called Escape Great. And I want some more things but I can't think of them. P.S. W. Lee St. 701 Dimmitt T.X.

Your friend,
Ashley Irons

Dear Santa
Here I am writing you this letter because I have a cuz, that he is very, very sick and I dont need no toys what I need is for him to get well, I dont think he will have a Christmas this year. I am asking for this because he is my best cuz I have.

Thanks you Santa
Julian Ortiz

Dear Santa,
Hi Santa Claus My name is Jeremy. I want you to give me a motorcycle toy. And a candy cane. I want to sit on your lap And I want a Stretch Armstrong and a helicopter.

Good-bye Santa Claus
Jeremy Gamez

Dear Santa Claus
I want a bing bag and western Barbi and horse, a telephone and a T.V. a vanity table, Hollywood Hair Barbi, a Radio, A Toby, Game boy

Marisa

Dear Santa,
Hi! My name is Sergio Saucedo. I have been a very good boy. For Christmas please give me a Super Nintendo with some games.
P.S. I would also like a trampoline and some ninja turtles, please.

Thank you. Merry Christmas!
Sergio Saucedo

Dear Santa,
I would like a Barbiedoll, and I would like a trampoline. I have tried to be a good girl this year. I would also like to have a barbie Car. I would like some snow for a white Christmas. A big play-house would be fun to have also. Santa I would also like to have some new clothes and dress shoes. Thank you Santa.

Love,
Ashley Sears

Dear Santa:
Bring me a Bird and some toys for my brother Rocky, I would like a toy called Loopin Louie, some Nintendo games and a Big Toy Truck.

Thanks
Anthony Navarro

Dear Santa,
Hi, My name is KaShondra Sherman I am 5 years old. And what I want for Christmas is a Bike, Barbie doll car just to drive and have fun.

Your Friend,
KaShondra Sherman

Dear Santa
All I want for Christmas is a Nintendo and a Radio-controlled Big Bull Monster truck.

From
Fabian Diaz

Dear Santa,
I want a Nintendo and I want a new bike a VCR and a plono. I want a bat a ball and a football.

Christopher Saenz

Dear Santa Claus
I hope you are find for Chlsmas because i would like for you to bring me a Small pool and bike and a Skate board

Love,
Papo

Dear Santa Claus
I writing to Hi and I wanted any of this things and I want Boots, and Doll, Dalmatians Video or book with casset, The Beauty and Beast Video or book with casset, The little Mermaid Video or book with casset, Free Willy Video, Santa Claus Video. Well that's all have to write to you Bye-Bye.

Love
Victoria Nicole Tarange

Dear Santa
I would like a Baby Alive, A TV, washer and dryer. Please bring my brother a blue pickup and trailer. I will have cookies and milk for you. Merry Christmas

Mandi Ebeling

Dear Santa
I want a play house. And a Barbie grocery store and clothes and a baby sister.

Stephanie Enriquez

Dear Santa
What I want for Christmas is a lot of stuff. (1) my size barbie, (2) in line skates, (3) Bike, (4) Barney sheets, (5) Barney sleeping bag, (6) Barney piggy bank, (7) Talking Barney, (8) Barney Picture, (9) Barney Puzzle, (10) Barney Story Books, (11) Barney Blanket, (12) Barney Bath Towel, (13) Barbie dolls, (14) Plush Barney, (15) Legos fer girls, (16) dolls House, (17) clothes, (18) dress shoes, (19) Tennis shoes, (20) socks, (21) a bean bag chair, (22) Super nintendo and nintendo games, (23) walkie talkies, (24) Barbie Supermarket play set, (25) Barbie swimming pool, (26) A Barney watch, (27) A laundry center, (28) A Plush christmas teddy bear, (29) a Plush Teddy Bear, (30) Crayola crayons in a tin, (31) The christmas videos, (32) Free Willy, (33) The christmas cartoons on videos.

Thank you
Poppie Wait

Dear Santa Claus
My name is Jake Im Shenea's brother I tried to be good this year but can you bring me a skateboard and jurassic park hand held game and I am going to leave you a special cookie.

love,
Jake

Dear Santa
My name is Tabitha Ramos; I would love to have a Barbie car and barbie bike. I would also love to have a comforter of Aladdin, for my new daybed. I also want a big brown teddy bear, with a cherry nose, and big golden brown eyes like mine. So I can put it on my bed. P.S. Tell all the reindeers I love them, especially Rudolph.

Thank you
Tabitha

Greetings From the Santas
Along With Mr. & Mrs.,
We Send You Lots Of Love & Kisses.
Many thanks for your year-round support. Merry Christmas.

Hart of the Plains Pump, Inc.

HOPE SANTA IS GOOD TO YOU!

You've given us the gift of friendship, so we put in a good word with Mr. Kringle for you!

Thanks for everything and Merry Christmas!

Dr. Lee and Darla Baggett

Let Us Therefore Follow After The "Things Which Make For Peace."
—Romans VIII:28

As we celebrate the birth of the Prince of Peace, we join you in envisioning a world in which our fondest hopes may come to pass.

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Nazareth

PEACE

Greetings of the Season

To our many good neighbors we offer our sincere best wishes for a joyous Yuletide.

Dr. Gary and Cenci Hardee

Peace On Earth!

May the harmony of the winter landscape bring renewed hope for understanding and worldwide peace. Merry Christmas and many thanks.

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MERRY, MERRY MERRY CHRISTMAS

...From all of us revelers to you.
Thanks for marching with us.
Hope it's a high steppin' holiday!

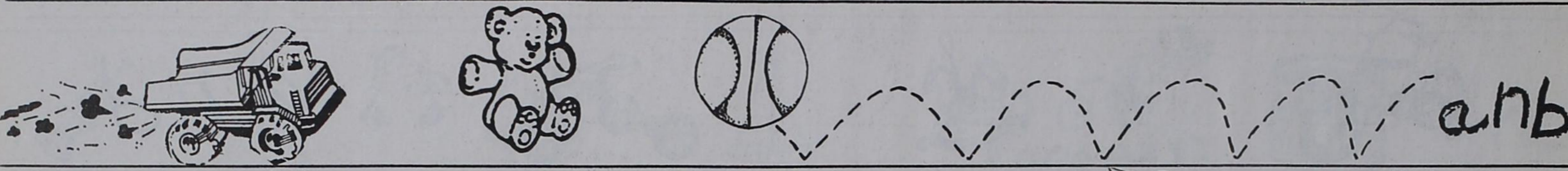
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*"What child is this, who laid to rest,
On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet
While shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the King."*

Wishing you a special Christmas Blessing.

**Westex Federal
Land Bank Association**



Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a Barbie and a Barbie car.
Love Lupe

Dear Santa,
I hope I am a good girl. I want for Christmas a big Barbie and \$10,000. I want to share the \$10,000 with my family.
Love Gina

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I don't want much. I just want my Size Barbie and a phone a T.V. I want everybody to be happy and for my mom and dad to be happy. I also want Babbb-n-Shower.
Love Sonya Garcia

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? Christmas is coming up. Well I am going to tell you what I want for Christmas well I want a bike and a ring with pink in it because that is my beartone. Well my name is Josie Gonzales. I hope I meet you at the hart's bank. But like seeing you all the time. Do you now I like Christmas and some other seasons but I like Christmas because I get anything.
Love Josie Gonzales

Dear Santa,
I want a real Dallas Cowboy helmet signed by every player of the Dallas Cowboys and real shoulder pads. Then I would want a kiiten, white and gray. If you bring me that stuff I would aprisheat it.
Love Alex

Dear Santa,
I would like Nikes and I would also like a real Dallas Cowboy football helmet signed by everyone even the coach.
Love Mathew

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I would like for you to bring me a pool table, a foot ball, Street Fiter II, a Sega game, Eat it Ralph, Gfooy watch, and a paire of shoes, that is all I want for Christmas.
Love Orlando Reyna

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a teen speed that's not that high for me. And I want a camera for my ownself. Is what I really wanted is a desk and computer in my own room. But I wanted a chamlion and a swimming pool that's 4 ft. or 3 ft. and a swing set that has a big slide and a thing to hang on.I told my dad if we can have stairs in our house but he said it cost a lot but for Christmas can you please make us stairs for Christmas and I'll be really, really happy.
Have a happy Christmas Santa.
A good girl,
Linda Longoria

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want a new teacher and a new teacher assistant. I want a new football for Christmas. For Chirstmas I want some runts for Christmas I want the movie of the Lion King. And I want some new clothes and boots and a Barbie car. And I want the tape of Billy Ray Cyrus.
Love Mariza

Dear Santa,
I want a doll and another troll and I want you to see my nice teacher.
Love Amy Gonzales

Dear Santa,
I would like you to bring me more trolls. A play house so I can stay in and a big huge slide.
I would like you to give me bumchies of clothes. Would you give us a bigger house please. I would like to have Easy to do can I please have a becket ball poll because I will be in little dribblers. I would like to have big kichen and my size.
Your friend,
Amber Ponce

Dear Santa,
Can you buy me a remote car and a play horse. Then you can buy me never thing you what I am 10 years old I would like to see you Santa.
Love Marcial Mendoza

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want new clothes and new shoes. I want a Sega game gear and a Football. I also want a poster of E. Smith, Troy, Michael Irvn and Harper. I want a helmet singed by E. Smith.
Love Eran

Dear Santa,
I am feeling fine. I want my very own room, some Gaboshorts, roller blades and a jambox. Thank you for giving me the teacher I wanted. When you come to my house I will leave your favorite cookies, orees with milk. I hope I get a lot of presents.
Love Crystal Lee Diega

Dear Santa,
I'm five years old and after five I'll be six. I like to play school. I like to play outside with my friends. My dog's name is Ginny. I love Mrs. Bymes. My cousin, Kendra, gives me treats. I would like a guitar, some drums and drum sticks for Christmas. I wish you would bring me a kite. I like your sleigh and reindeer.
Love Jonathon Flores
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want a Super Nintendo and a seroo. I also want a four-wheeler and a motorcycle bike.
Your friend,
Jacob Reyna

Dear Santa,
I want for Christmas a bike and a bootball suit. I want a littel trailer and a gun. I want a big car and a poster.
Love Roy

P.S. Please sign your name on the presents you give me.

Dear Santa,
I like to play with my brother, Jordan. I help my mother clean up the house. I really like your reindeer. I want a brown and purple play dog. I want some play dough, a Barbie car, and real brown and white cat. I'll leave some milk for you.
Love Jennifer Fuentes
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope when I wak up there will be a super nintendo set by the Chistmas tree. I also hope I can have a 49'ers football and a Dallas Cowboys hat. I hope you have a happy Christmas Eve.
Your friend,
Rene Rincon

Dear Santa,
I want a Paint 'n Dazzle Barbie. I would like real diamond jewelry, a fur coat and a dared pink and white wedding dresses and \$10,000,000.
Love Kaci Lee

Dear Santa,
This year I would like for my dad to get a new pickup, my mom to get a brand new ice box, my little brat brother to get a new attitude and me, oh, I just want a super nintendo game that involves fighting or guns.
P.S. And I wish for everyone to have a super super wonderful Christmas.
Your friend,
Logan McLain

Dear Santa,
I want to go to the north Pole because I haven't been there. I like your sleigh and reindeer. Would you bring me a chalkboard so I can write my letters and numbers? I can also write to my brother Jacob. I would like to be a teacher like Mrs. Bymes. I would like a party doll that talks. I would like a tea party set that has water that turns pink.
Love Rocio Rodriguez
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
Hellow how are you doing. I hope you are doing fine. I have been a good little girl. Here is some things I want for Christmas. I want a bike, doll, doll house, a baby, TV, new shoes, and a bammy. I know it is for kids, but he is nice. Well that's all I want for Christmas.
Love Jessica Tenorio

P.S. I want a hamster and hamster stuff so my mom can scream her head off.

Dear Santa,
I want a new trampolin and a super Nintendo tape. If I be good Santa, can you get me the things that I have on the letter. I know that I'm going to be good for you Santa, but if you can't get these things just bring what you want.
Thank you Santa and Merry Christmas.
Your friend,
Johnny Gutierrez

Dear Santa,
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Love Rocio Rodriguez
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
I hope you come to my house and brening preant to my family and I hope that we go see you in the bank and you sell give us a lolp and a picter a nitendo and a Saga and a game boy to.
Your friend
Rudy Vega

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a walk man. I would like baby all gone to. I would like a new white tool box for my dad. For my mom I want a pretty blouse. I would either saaa sede for Zachary. And for Zane another football. I would like a crib for my baby doll. I would like Sally Secret and real dimond jullrey. I would like a little sister. I want a wedding gown. I would also like milluon trilluon killun billun dollars. I would like ten millun books. I would like Paint and Dazall. I would like the Barbie doll that is as tall as me. I would like Odllies thas a game. Do I have to be good to Mrs. Olvera to get all of these presents?
Love Macgan

Dear Santa,
My name is Melanie D'Naye Davis. I am eight years old. I would like some trolls, an EZ to do fashion set, Picnic Panic, Home Alone two, Great Escape, and a new casset tape.
Your friend,
Melanie Davis

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie car, a play tea party set, a doll house and a Water Baby doll. I've been a good little girl. I'm five years old. I like to play dolls with my friend, Stephanie. I have three sisters and one brother. Please bring my sisters and brother some presents.
Love Desiree Sanchez
Kindergarten

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Your friend
Rudy Vega

Dear Santa,
I will be good to Mrs. Olvera so I can have my presents. I want a doll, a ball, some mony and a horse too. I want to do my dance at Christmas.
Love Dalila

Dear Santa Claus,
I am nine years old and my name is Bertha. For Christmas I want a traping, computer, radio, kitchen that makes real food and some skates. I hope you'll some-days take me to the North Pole with you to see Mrs. Claus and othe other reindeer like Rudolph. I also hope it snow on Christmas Eve and I wish everone a happy Christmas.
Sincerely,
Bertha Dominguez

Dear Santa,
I love you. I will draw you a picture of a rabbit's foot for Christmas Eve. I will put some cookies and milk for you in the mailbox. I would like you to bring me an Ice Tickle Bear that growls like a real bear. I also would like to have Pony Surpriso and a bear that talks. I love Mrs. Clause, too.
Your Friend,
Courtney Birdwell
Sikeston, Mo.

Our Christmas "Statement!"

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DIMMITT BRANCH
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SEASONS OF GREENING

In this celebration without stop, we'd like to start... by saying thanks for all your kindness and support.

The Company Store and The Hart Beat Hart

Warmest wishes for the happiest of holiday seasons.

Dimmitt Consumers
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Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year. For Christmas I would like a bike and gray ropers. Thanks.

Laura Gerber

Dear Santa,
I have been trying to be good. Please bring me a farm set and Dennis the Menace tape.

Love,
Kyle Hoelting

Dear Santa,
Hi! How are you doing? I want for Christmas a T.V., bike and a cat. I hope you have a save Christmas eve.

Your friend,
Isidoro Anzaldua

Dear Santa,
Can you give me a bigger trampoline. With a bigger house and a bigger and better school. And give me a walking doll! And come and see me in person.

Have a Merry Christmas!
Love Dannie Castillo

Dear Santa,
I know you have a lot of presents to deliver, but here is what I want: a Sega Genesis, Dallas Cowboy ring and two Cowboy jerseys they are emitt Smith and a Troy Aikman and a Micheal Jordan.

Merry Christmas!
Sincerely,
Joel Delafuente

Dear Santa Claus,
I am eleven years old and what I want for christmas is five books to read and some glasses to see beter and do thing wright and one calcalater to do my dding mutapacation, also I want a saga geneses for a real present for cristmas also a trampooeleen with a football so I can throw fare then a baseball and I hope you come to my house at Avenue B and our house number is 707 and I will save some cookies with milk.

Sincerely,
Javier Dominguez

Dear Santa,
I hope you come to my house so you can bring presents for me and my family. If you do put them under my Christmas tree so when I get up I can see my rpresents. We mite go and see you at the bank. Every fourth grade glss are going to see you there. We are going to take pictures with you are going to give us a lolo pop.

Your freind,
Elezar Esquivel

Dear Santa,
I want a 2XL robot, Licken Lizards, and a stage guitar and microphone.

Kyle Johns

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and the game call Knock out. I also want a cowboy hat and also let everybody have a Merry Christmas.

by Isaias Garcia

Dear Santa Clause,
How is your Christmas this year. I'm having fun. I want a hole lot of things but I'll name some of them. I want a paint & dazzle barbie car and paint & dazzle barbie. I want some more tapes for my super nintendo and some more clothes for me to wear.

Love Vanessa Garcia

Dear Santa,
I like to be dressed like a elf. I want a saga ginas and a dallas cowboy football and a Troy Akmen, Emmitt smith, Mchal Iven, and Aven Harper. Exspeshaly a ring.

Sinsierly,
Albert Velasquez

P.S. Put the presents under the christmas tree.

Dear Santa,
I would like a barbie doll, a big horse for my brother, little Mermaid doll, batteries for my radio, little mermaid cassettes, and a Barney casset and video. I have been a good Girl.

Beatrice Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
I would like a barbie doll, Minnie Mouse bike, a puppet, Black Kitty, Some bottles for my babies, and a lot of toys. And I have been a good Girl.

Samantha Menchaca

Dear Santa,
I would like a flag, dinosaur, gun, a white toy dog, baseball set, skates, skateboard, and some nintendo games. I have been a good boy.

Joey Llamas

Dear Santa,
I would like a bike, barbie car, dolls and mermaid babies. And I have been a good girl.

Courtney Finch

Dear Santa,
I would like some batman toys and a lot of dinosaurs. I have been a good boy.

Roland Morales

Dear Santa,
I'll listen to my family so I'll get some presents. For Christmas I want a real car and toy. I want a remote control car.

Your friend,
Adam

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some books for my sister, Susan, because she reads to me. Please bring some footballs for my sister, Melanie, because she plays football with me. As for me, I would like some Dallas Cowboys stuff. Thank you!

Your friend
Eric Book

P.S. Please bring some stuff for my parents too.

Dear Santa,
I want a Twister game.

Lisa Lopez

Dear Santa,
I want a hand B-B gun, a tool set for my farm, a pickup and tractor, a loader, a plow, a disc and that's all.

Zane Farris

Dear Santa,
I want a bear, Barney, sticker, Christmas Barbie, markers, crayons and a color book

Olivia Vega

Dear Santa,
I want a Bo-truck, a Mighty Max, and a ball.

Joey Martinez

Dear Santa,
I want a gold, glitter, and streamer baton, a ballerina suit, and ballerina shoes.

Chelsea King

Dear Santa,
I want a California Skating Doll, a Barbie car, and that's all.

Flor Vega

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie car, a skate doll, and that's it.

Ashley Torres

Dear Santa,
I want a bike, Batman, a blue turtle, a Christmas tree, and a baseball.

Aloum Rosous

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie, a Christmas tree, and Barney.

Marisol Arellano

Dear Santa,
I want a trailer, a truck, a car, and a dog.

John Corrales

Dear Santa,
I want a Batman and Robin, a Sega, and a Sega game, and a Shredder.

Chavo Hernandez

Dear Santa,
I want a remote control car, a remote control pickup, and a truck that makes noise, and some leather chaps.

Quentin Malone

Dear Santa,
I want a Christmas tree, dinosaurs, and that's all.

George Chapa

Dear Santa,
I want bike, a Christmas Barbie, and bananas.

Evorme Velasquez

Dear Santa,
I want a real pickup.

Orrin McLain

Dear Santa,
I want a Nintendo game, a basketball and Ninja turtles.

Eric Ramirez

Dear Santa,
I want a baksetball, a car like my sister's car, and a baseball.

Jessica Malone

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie, a bike, a Barbie car, a Barney video, a Barbie house, a sterio, a phone, and swings.

Vanessa Mendez

Dear Santa,
I want two loaders and two tractors, and two feedwagons for me and my brother.

Tyler Waggoner

Dear Santa,
For Christmas, I want an icycle bear, and Tobe terrier. For my sister I want you to give her a Santa toy, and Picnic Pack.

Your friend,
Cassie Sanders

Dear Santa,
I want to get my dad a toolchest for Christmas. My mom wants some jewelry for her. My sister wants two bags of beads. My dad wants a gun.

Your friend,
Isaias Ponce

Dear Santa,
I live in Hart, Tex. I really want a computer for Christmas. It is for everybody in my family. What is your phone number? I even want a Barbie Bake Oven.

Your friend,
Angelica Mata

Dear Santa,
I want a tv, a phone, some rings, some necklaces, a skirt, a shirt, sume makeup for my mom, a hat for my dad, some shoes for my sister.

Your friend,
Diane Bustos

Dear Santa, I want a shirt and a new football and a ring for my mom. and tools for my dad. and a bike for my brother.

Your friend,
Joshua Reyna

Dear Santa Claus,
This year I want a Irector Set that comes with a motor, a Minibike, something for my kitten, and piece on earth.

Your friend,
Russell Miller

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a Doll house, shirts, pants, football cards, X Men toy, a new coat, a Christmas cup, a fairytail book and a big fake candy cane.

Yours truly,
Mashay White

Dear Santa,
I have been very good because I gave my family some presents. Santa I want you to give us some presents.

Your friend,
Jessica Maldonado

Dear Santa,
I've been kind of good but I would really like these things, a Chore Chart, two stuffed animals, clothes, a Lego sett or an Art Center and Dennis the Mennice for the family.

Yours truly,
Trent Barnes

Dear Santa,
Can you give Jordon a Mr. Bucket and a toy car? For mom I want some makeup for her. And dad, I want himt o have a cowboy hat.

Yours truly,
Kathleen Diaz

Dear Santa,
Thank you for giving me toys last year. I would like a Sega Genesis and some games for my Sega Genesis. I would also like to have X-men, Taz Mainian Devil, street fighter 3, and my own telephone.

Love,
Marcos Velasquez

Dear Santa,
Thank you for my gifts from last year. This year I don't want anything. I really don't deserve any. I've been bad all yea long. The only thing I really want is a dad. Goodbye.

Your friend
Brandon Martinez

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the things from last year. I would like a combine and a collection of tractors. I have been bad, so you amy not want to bring me any thing this year.

Love,
Leon Minjarez

Dear Santa,
I am having a good day! My friend Rachel is going to come with me to Plainview. I am in third grade we are going to have a play about Christmas. I have pure A's this year! In the play I am goign to be a child #2. For Christmas this year I want a round trampoline. I already have my Christmas tree up! Hope you have a Merry Christmas!

Love,
Mallory Camille King

Dear Santa,
Thanks for the presents you gave me last year. Can you bring me the McDonalds Snack maker, the cookie maker, hamburger maker, shake maker, and frenchfry maker and a baby kitty.

Love,
Tina Garcia

Dear Santa,
Thank you for everything you brought me last year. This year I would like to have: a basketball goal, a dog, a new football and a football tee, a knife, a pistol, raffle, a new bike and a pro foot ball hersey and helmet, pads, mouth piece.

Love,
Austin Dudley

Dear Santa,
I only want three things those three things are a power slam bat and a 3 in 1 tournament table ans Street Firghter 1 for my Sega Genises and if I don't get them that's O.K. because I know their are a bunch of kid's out their so just forb get about me because I don't deserve anythign because I have been bad.

Love,
Erik Gogan

Merry Christmas & Many Thanks!

All Signs Point To A Merry Christmas

Hope your holiday is a real delight.

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Dimmitt Welding & Electric

Pile On The Cheer...

Christmastime Will Soon Be Here!
As we prepare for another festive season, our thoughts turn to the many individuals who have helped us grow this past year.
Thank you for putting your trust in us.

Dimmitt Printing & Office Supply

Best Wishes For The Holiday Season!

Time to have fun, time to eat, drink and be merry, and time to make New Year's resolutions. It's a busy time for all of us, but there's plenty of time to celebrate your holiday safely. For example:

- If you use an artificial Christmas tree, make sure it's fire resistant.
- Keep any kind of tree away from walkways and heat sources, such as fireplaces, heaters, stoves and radiators.
- Turn off tree lights overnight or when you're away from home.
- Keep paper decorations away from tree lights.

A little caution and care will add to your holiday fun and enjoyment. And, we wish you happiness and good health in the coming year.

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and THAT is all i Luv ue zanta

Dear Santa,
I want an airplane, ambulance.
Love, Christopher Garrett
Headstart, Age 4

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me an elephant toy a little farm.
Love Rafael Gonzales
Headstart, Age 4

Dear Santa,
I want a present, a reindeer, Ray wants a duck. Thanks.
Love Thelma Medrano
Headstart, Age 4

Dear Santa,
I want a ninja turtle, a motorcycle too.
Love, Aaron Arcos
Headstart, Age 5

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie car and a Barbie, fish animals. I leave you milk and red cookies.
Love, Monica Pena
Headstart

Dear Santa,
I want a doll that talks and eats, a barbie, and a car for her. I want two cars for my brother.
Love, Arica Cisneros
Headstart, Age 5

Dear Santa,
I want a phone, a kitchen, a toy, crayons, scissors.
Love, Yvette Arce
Headstart, Age 4

Dear Santa,
I want a cassette, a cassette kitchen, brand new colors, brand new pretty pencil, new scissors, a toy.
Love, Ashley Fuentes
Headstart, Age 5

Dear Santa,
Bring a fire truck, a bobcat shirt, some colors, some rudolph the rednose reindeer clock that sings songs.
Love Stephen Hernandez
Headstart, Age 5

Dear Santa,
Something play songs, toys, blocks, cars, tracks.
Love, Manure Rodriguez
Headstart, Age 4

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a barbie. I miss you.
Love, Mary Sanchez
Headstart, Age 5

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a barbie and a barbie car. I miss you. I wanna leave you milk.
Love, Natashia Jordan
Headstart, Age 4

Dear Santa,
Thank you for remembering all the children. I want a bike, a barbie and a baby doll.
Love,
Maria Ibarra

Dear Santa
I tride to be good this year. I want a sega genises for christmas. I want a Trampaling for christmas to. I love the way you treat me.
Love,
Ben Ojeda

Merry Christmas Santa!

Dear Santa,
How are you? What I want for Christmas is roller blades and some Barbie.
Love,
Mindy Maxwell

Dear Santa
Please bring my sister back from Dallas. My sister wants a camera and my other sister wants a barbie jeep and I want a baby giggles and go and walkman and a girls Secret Treasures And my mom wants a Two sofas in our living room. Even I want to thank you for giving toys last year. that's what I wanted. My sisters got what They wanted it to.
So I want to say Merry Christmas. Thanks.
Love,
Denise Perez

Dear Santa,
I was a good boy. I want a powerwhele, love and something for my family. Ples come to my hous. Ples thinc of evryone els. We will love you some godys.
Love,
Samuel Anthony Cavazos

Dear Santa,
I want a big tractor, a big truck a truck full of little cars, a big house, and some cows. I've been a good boy.
Love John Paul Mendez
Age 5

Dear Santa,
Can you bring us a Christmas tree? I want some toys and a barbie. I love you. I have been a good girl.
Love Anna Lopez
Age 4

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a motorcycle bike, and a computer. I love you Santa.
Love Brennen Luke Rodriguez
Age 4

Dear Santa,
I want some jeans, sweaters, red boots, shoes like loafers with belts on them, a leather jacket, a computer, a game boy, a fashion bride, Guess Who, Home Alone II, and a TV for my room. How's Rudolph? How's Mrs. Claus?
Love Rachel Malone

Dear Santa,
I love you. I want a new bike and a big water gun.
Love Johnathan Washington

Dear Santa,
I want a horse and a dog and a cow a little present and a cat and a tiger.
Love Gabriel Velasquez
Headstart

Dear Santa,
I tride to be good. But I wonte a bike. And a game boy. And a truck. And a gun. And a watch.
Love,
Alex Castillo

Dear Santa,
I have been a bad boy this year. Hope to be a good boy this coming year.
For Christmas I would want a nintendo game. 4-wheeler and a trampoline.
Thank you,
Brandon Martinez

Dear Santa,
I want puzzles, toys, books.
Love Alfredo ByGoytea
Headstart, Age 4

Dear Santa,
I want a fire truck and ambulance and a police car. Ones that have buttons and make sounds they come with buttons.
Love Eric Saenz
Headstart, Age 5

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a beauty and the beast dolly, Abarbie house.
Love, Jessica Castillo
Headstart, Age 4

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie, a car, a necklace like Mrs. Pennel, a dolly, Teddy bear.
Love, Dana Sandoval
Headstart, Age 4

Dear Santa,
I want another barbie car cause my 1st one is broken. I want a barbie, Santa Claus.
Love, Jayme Flores
Headstart, Age 4

Dear Santa,
I want a skateboard. Thanks.
Love Edward Wait
Headstart, Age 4

Dear Santa,
I want a pink bike, a doll, and skates. I miss you.
Love, Kayla Saenz
Headstart, Age 5

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and clothes.
Love Monica Casares

Dear Santa,
Thank you for all the wonderful presents you brought me last year. Thank you for the cobra you brought even though I didn't ask for it. I still have the cobra. How is the toy making going this year? May I please have the u main compound, a Jurassic Park video game on Super NES, a fake machine gun and a Sting figure.
Sincerely,
Tyler Myatt

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the gifts you gave me last year. Can I have a nintinado. Can I have a little pet shop. Can I have a kaboodle. Can I have some ken closs.
Thank you
Shae Odom

Dear Santa,
I am Sal. I liked the things that you brought me last year. I am glad there is a Santa Claus. I want a sega, genes and TV and clock, and a dictionary dinosaur book. Please Santa Claus.
Love,
Sal Chavarria

Dear Santa,
I want a barbie spray. I want some scissors.
Love Clarissa Sanchez
Headstart, Age 4

Dear Santa,
I want a skateboard, a bike (red).
LOve Fabian Lopez
Headstart, Age 5

Dear Santa,
I want black bik, a necklase, some shoes.
Love Alondra Castillo
Headstart Age 5

Dear Santa,
I want a mickey mouse, a horsey, Santa Claus and hands.
Love Saaha Garza
Headstart, Age 4

Dear Santa,
I want a toy a truck one you push the button and it goes by itself.
Love Scott Martinez
Headstart, Age 4

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Wishing you all some good clean fun and a very, merry holiday season.

Thanks!

Alvin's Drive-In Cleaners

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