

# The Winters Enterprise

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### Pearls of Wisdom

For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

—Luke 2:11

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### Enterprise to mail papers Dec. 23, close Dec. 25 & 26

### Early deadlines for Christmas edition

Due to the upcoming Christmas holiday, *The Winters Enterprise* has scheduled the edition of Dec. 25 to be printed Dec. 23. We request that newsprint for this edition be turned in to our office no later than the following date and times:

Fri., Dec. 19 Noon  
General news  
Retail advertising

Fri., Dec. 19 5 p.m.  
Classified advertising

Newspapers will be mailed Dec. 23.

The *Winters Enterprise* office will be closed Thursday and Friday, Dec. 25 & 26, and Thursday, Jan. 1, so that employees may enjoy the holidays with their families.

*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!*

## Christmas parade, coronations Saturday

"Winters Christmas Wonderland" is the theme for the 2003 Christmas parade which begins at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, December 20. Several divisions including cars, bicycles, riding clubs, off-road vehicles, and floats, as well as Sno-Queen and Sno-Flake candidates will be presented during the parade.

There are seven young ladies competing for the title of 2004

Sno-Queen, and eight girls who each dream of being crowned 2004 Miss Sno-Flake. Queen candidates are Jennifer Gray, Crystal Grenwelge, Kayla Horton, Amber Leverett, April Leverett, Marci Paschal, and Adyva Vasquez. Miss Sno-Flake candidates are Jessie Rashae Childers, Alyssa Gray, Brittany Gray, Katie Gray, Maci Lin Oliver, Sabrina Renee Oswald,

Hannah Wade, and Katie Wade. The coronations will immediately follow the parade in front of the Rock Hotel. Winners of the parade will also be announced at this time.

Chamber Secretary Julie Frierson said invitations have been sent to all former Sno-Queens to attend this year's 30th anniversary celebration. Referenc-

es of past queens and pictures of this year's candidates are published on pages 7 and 12, respectively.

Mrs. Frierson says, "We'll also have representatives of the Winters Volunteer Fire Department and the Winters High School Band, and a special appearance by Santa Claus, of course."

## Winters Housing Authority Directors—



RENEE WOFFENDEN, BETTYE PINKERTON, and DAWSON MCGUFFIN (l-r), all incumbents, were appointed to the Winters Housing Authority Board of Directors by members of the Winters City Council during their regular meeting on November 24. Their appointment is for two years. Not pictured is Geraldine Broyles. Other members of the WHA are Dan Killough and Dottie Loudermilk. (courtesy photo)

## Business Forum today

Are you looking for ways to improve your business efficiency, or are you interested in starting a new business? Then your answers may be waiting right around the corner.

The Winters Area Business and Industrial Corporation will be hosting the second Business Forum at noon on December 18 at the Rock Hotel.

Guest speaker will be Judy Wilhelm, director of the Abilene Small Business Development Center. She will discuss "Exploring New Business Ideas."

The Business Forum will provide resource personnel each month to assist Winters area business owners. There is no charge for the forum and everyone is welcome to attend.

## Winters Pizza Hut closes — again

by Jean Boles, editor

Like a slow revolving door, Pizza Hut has closed its doors again in Winters.

Sunday, December 14, was the last day of business at the restaurant located at 710 N. Main.

Sandy Hamrick, local manager, said she was told by the franchise owners that there was not enough revenue to justify keeping two employees on staff at all times, which the owners felt was necessary for safety reasons.

The Winters Pizza Hut opened in June of 1986, as a franchise operation owned by an individual from Amarillo. The original fast-food business offered only drive-through service. In 1991, the franchise was sold back to the Pizza Hut corporation with headquarters in Wichita, Kansas, and Dallas,

Texas. Franchise owner Mike Baird in McKinney was unavailable for comment at this time.

The restaurant closed once before, in January, 1997. But a rally cry from Winters residents and a concerted effort by the Winters Area Business and Industrial Corporation (WABIC) convinced owners to reopen.

A 20x20 ft. dining room was added to the restaurant in September, 1998, and the business reopened.

Randall Conner of WABIC said his organization has tried to encourage the franchise owner, but to no avail.

The property is owned by Milton and Naomi Gerhart of Winters, who say they have plans "in the works" for the building.



'TIS THE SEASON for dressing up in lights and colors. Celebrating the Christmas season is the Kerry Frierson residence on Penny Lane with an assortment of colorful decorations. (photo by Jean Boles)

## Carols and candles to highlight First Baptist Church service

Sunday, December 21, will conclude the 2003 Advent Services at First Baptist Church, Winters. These four Sundays have emphasized hope, love, peace, and joy.

Come and join members this Sunday at 10:45 a.m. for the final Advent Service. The Advent Wreath will become a full circle of light depicting the eternal nature of God, and the hope, love, peace, and joy that His Christ brings to one's heart. This year, a Chrismon Tree

has been added for the Advent Services. "Chrismons" are symbols representing names and attributes of God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

At 6:00 p.m., First Baptist Church will have its annual service of "Carols and Candles in the Sanctuary, fol-

lowed by a Christmas party in Jones Hall. This service will have a handbell choir along with the carols and candles.

Pastor Barry Taylor, on behalf of the congregation, says that everyone is invited to attend and help celebrate the birth of Christ our Savior and Lord.

## Volunteers needed for Christmas baskets

The Winters Ministerial Alliance will again provide Christmas baskets to those in need.

Plans are to distribute about 120 baskets on Friday, Dec. 19. Volunteers are needed at 7 a.m. at Lawrence Bros. IGA Supermarket to load some of the groceries. Anyone with a pickup who can help is encouraged to do so. Baskets will

be put together at 8 a.m. at the Outreach Center at 117 N. Church. Deliveries will not be made this year so recipients will need to pick up their baskets from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m..

Anyone willing to help defray the cost of baskets can send a donation to the Winters Ministerial Alliance, P. O. Box 211, Winters, Texas 79567, or through your local church.

The City of Winters welcomes tourists. Visit our lake parks. Call 723-2081 for information.

Christmas Stew served at Rock Hotel after Christmas parade. Friends of the Z.I. Hale Museum and Rock Hotel will be serving a Christmas Stew Lunch Saturday, Dec. 20, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Cost for the stew, cornbread, dessert, and drink will be a freewill donation. Proceeds benefit restoration of the Rock Hotel. Please come join in!

# Editorial

## Oil Bidness

by Reg Boles © 2003



Ready or not, it is time for that event we all (at least some, probably a few, or at least a couple of us) look forward to: my annual comment on the oil and gas prices to come for the new year.

Thanks to unprecedented stability in product prices, my prognostications of just a few short twelve months ago don't look too shabby. Unfortunately, in-depth analysis would indicate that this unexpected accuracy is due mainly to market stability rather than my forecasting abilities.

But, on to 2004!

I think that oil prices will once again act in a relatively narrow range, with some notable exceptions.

Prices will float between \$26 to \$31 per U.S. barrel most of the year due to economic growth in the U.S. and the far east. If the economies of Europe turn around, then prices could tend toward the high end of that range.

There will be some downside pressure on prices in the late summer after elections in Iraq because traders will sense stability leading to higher sustained oil production rates there, I think. There will also be some downside pressure in early spring when weather patterns will indicate an end to a relatively mild winter. Both of these events may push prices below \$25 for a few days or so, but monthly averages will likely rebound enough to stay within the range quoted above.

Gas prices are harder to predict. Demand remains strong throughout the world and North America, but there are a number of large field development and pipeline completion projects that will come through late in the year.

This will likely push prices down in the short run. However, prices should return to a normal cyclical range where prices drop in the spring, rise some throughout the summer, and really heat up (pardon the pun) in late fall.

I see a range of \$2 to \$6 per thousand cubic feet of gas all year, with the down-cycles seeing \$3 or so, while \$6 will be the going rate in January, February, and December next year. There may be occasional spikes above \$6 but they will be short-lived. I don't expect to see any

prices below \$2 for the entire year.

All in all, I have a pretty optimistic attitude about prices, at least from the selling perspective. There are likely to be some hiccups along the way, but the job of all of us will be to make sure we respond properly to the stimulus the market provides whether prices are high or not so high.

Have a wonderful holiday season. See you next year.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY

#### COMPLETIONS

##### Nolan County

Pioneer Exploration Ltd. Has completed the AAA-Texas #1 in the Northwest Hylton Field (5 miles S of Nolan) at an initial rate of 50 BOPD & 10 BWPD in the Cambrian (perms 6000-28). Loc. is Sec. 21, Blk. Z, T&PRR Sur., A-444.

#### STAKINGS

##### Callahan County

West Inland Energy, Inc. has staked the Fanous #2 in the Fanous Brothers Field, 4 miles NW of Putnam (Depth 4000). Loc. is 1940 FSL & 2500 FEL of Sec. 12, D&D Sur., A-1114.

##### Coleman County

BC Operating has staked three wells in the County Regular Field, 5 miles W of Burkett (Depth 3500). The W. H. Henderson #4 is loc. 530 FWL & 1646 FNL of J.L. Luckenback Sur. No. 258, A-470. The #5 is loc. 500 FSL & 1250 FWL of same Sur. The #6 is loc. 1030 FEL & 2550 FNL of J. Harris Sur. No. 80, A-375.

Bob Hughes Oil Company has staked the D. Lee #4 in the County Regular Field, 3 miles NE of Coleman (Depth 1700). Loc. is 330 FSL & 4070 FNL of Sec. 668, M.D. Trevino Sur., A-637.

##### Runnels County

St. Mary Energy Company has staked the Fort Chadbourne Odom Lime Unit #1398 in the Fort Chadbourne Field, 5 miles W of Wingate (Depth 5600). Loc. is 279 FEL & 539 FSL of J.B. Childers Sur. No. 36, A-1226.

##### Taylor County

James K. Anderson, Inc. has staked the Allyn #1 as a Wildcat, 5 miles SW of Buffalo Gap (Depth 3000). Loc. is 555 FWL & 823 FNL of TTRR Sur. No. 2, A-1660.

##### Tom Green County

Mulloy Operating, Inc. has staked the Turner Ranch #1 as a Wildcat, 16 miles NW of San Angelo (Depth 7500). Loc. is 660 FSL & 660 FWL of Sec. 113, TTRR Sur., A-4365.

## Letters to the Editor

### Local volunteer shares letter of thanks for doll program

Dear Jean,

Tim Crawford, Executive Director of Henderson Settlement, a mission agency to help with the basic human needs in Appalachia, wrote to thank all the people in the Winters area for their help with the Christmas Doll Program.

We were able to send 65 dolls this year. The dolls came in pretty poor condition but left all cleaned up, wearing new clothes, in some cases, new hair with a bonnet or even little crochet shoes. Each doll was wrapped in a handmade blanket and all were ready for the Christmas program.

Many thanks go to Estella Bredemeyer and her niece Kathryn, Dan and Elaine Miller, Margaret Pruser, Renee Calcote, Gloria Abernathy, Billie and Ray Alderman, Barbara Gray, Loretta Herrington, Jenene Laird, Rose and Leann Alatorre, Lisa and Craig Gray, Dawn Bryan, Tammy Young, Jo Collins, Clo Hill, Edna England, Lucille Cecil, Thelma Hoppe, Sylvia Dobbins and Jean and staff of the *Enterprise*.

Sincerely,  
*Nadine Bedford*

### City Manager encourages Community Oriented Government Services (COGS)

Dear Editor,

On November 25, 2003 our Chief of Police, Keith Williamson, presented a program at Lions Club. He elaborated on Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS). While he was talking, I was thinking that our whole system of government is designed to be community oriented. This was the reason the phrase "Government of the people, for the people, by the people" became so popular and frequently used by the politicians. To put this phrase in community oriented English, it should read government of the community, by the community, for the community.

We cannot discuss how community oriented our federal, state, or county governments are, because it gets too lengthy. So let's narrow it down to the city level and talk about Community Oriented Government Services (COGS) in our own community.

Thank God our town is small enough that we can remember most people by their first names. In a city our size, not just COPS is essential and ideal. We can program the whole city government services to become more and more community oriented. With joint city and community effort, we can make COGS principles more realistic. Those of us at City Hall must try to remember that we are the community servants, and that we are paid for our services. The community, on the other hand, should know, appreciate, and respect what their city does for them. Every time they turn on the water in their homes, they should think about those who work day in and day out to make the water run. Every time they flush the commode, see a pot hole fixed, or a park mowed and cleaned, they should think positive and appreciate. They should be thankful that someone from the city made those facilities possible, available, and enjoyable.

COGS makes partnership between the city and the community very fruitful. If a citizen sees someone from the city and reports a pot hole by his/her house that needs to be fixed, and the city employee goes and looks at the pot hole and has it fixed the next day, that is COGS.

COGS needs every citizen and city official to help make it grow strong. COGS is a fruitful, two-way street. The best way to handle city services is in a community oriented way.

*Aref Hassan, Ph. D.*  
Winters City Manager

## Obituary

### Noble Lynn Faubion

CREWS—Noble Lynn Faubion, 87, a lifelong resident of Runnels County, died Saturday, December 13, 2003, in Ballinger.

He was born on March 20, 1916, in Runnels County. He attended school at Crews and graduated from Winters High School. He married Harvey Mae Faubion on December 19, 1935, in Runnels County.

Mr. Faubion was a farmer and rancher and a member of Hopewell Baptist Church in Crews. He was named a Runnels County Conservation District Man of the Year and served on the Elm Creek Water Control District Board for 30 years. He loved to work the land and loved his children and grandchildren.

Survivors include his wife, Harvey Mae Faubion of Crews; two sons, Noble Lynn Faubion, Jr. and wife Carol of Fort Worth and Rodney Gene Faubion and wife Alzirene of Fort Worth; two daughters, Carolyn Louise Kraatz of Austin and Donna Eileen Cartwright and husband Kenny of Crews; one brother, Aubrey Faubion and wife Patsy of Ballinger; three sisters, Lavinia Webb of Dallas, Elnita Tackett and husband Terry of Odessa, and Nelda Thomason and husband Bill of Maverick; thirteen grandchildren; and seventeen great-grandchildren.

Family visitation was at 7:00 p.m. Monday, December 15, at Winters Funeral Home. Services were at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, December 16, at Hopewell Baptist Church in Crews with Reverend Ferris Akins officiating. Burial was in the Crews Cemetery, directed by Winters Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Wayne Kraatz, Kyle Kraatz, Chad Kraatz, Gene Faubion, Brian Faubion, and Jeremy Prater.

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# Community

## Pastor's Points

*Editor's Note:* This column features a different Winters minister each week in no particular order. Comments may or may not reflect the opinions or views of *The Winters Enterprise*.

### Ten Commandments for a blessed Christmas

by Bob Jones, Pastor Assembly of God Church

- Where did the name *Christmas* originate?
- In the medieval ages the celebration of Christmas took the form of a special mass said at midnight on the eve of Christ's birth. Since this was the only time in the Catholic church year when a midnight mass was allowed, it soon became known in the Old English as *Christes Masse* (Christ's mass), from which is derived *Christmas*.
- The following item appeared in a church newsletter and contains some good advice that will help us keep selfishness in check this Christmas:
- I. Thou shalt not leave "Christ" out of Christmas, making it "Xmas." To some, "X" is unknown.
  - II. Thou shalt prepare thy soul for Christmas. Spend no such on gifts that thy soul is forgotten.
  - III. Thou shalt not let Santa Claus replace Christ, thus robbing the day of its spiritual reality.
  - IV. Thou shalt not burden the shop girl, the mailman, and the merchant with complaints and demands.
  - V. Thou shalt give thyself with thy gift. This will increase its value a hundred fold, and he who receiveth it shall treasure it forever.
  - VI. Thou shalt not value gifts received by their cost. Even the least expensive may signify love, and that is more priceless than silver and gold.
  - VII. Thou shalt not neglect the needy. Share thy blessings with many who will go hungry and cold unless thou are generous.
  - VIII. Thou shalt not neglect thy church. Its services highlight the true meaning of the season.
  - IX. Thou shalt be as a little child. Not until thou has become in spirit as a little one art thou ready to enter into the kingdom of Heaven.
  - X. Thou shalt give thy heart to Christ. Let Him be at the top of thy Christmas list.
- Anyone keeping these commandments is sure to have a blessed Christmas.

**Puzzle Solution**

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**WINTERS WOMAN'S CLUB** members (l-r) Cheryl Bedford, Marlene Smith, Jane Allcorn, Virginia Brown, Brenda Burton and Donna Smith, add the final touches on their downtown decorations Saturday morning. The club is participating in the **Adopt-A-Window** program sponsored by the Winters Beautification Committee. Any club, organization or individual willing to adopt a window may call Mike Neal at 754-5433 after 5 p.m. (photo by Randall Boles)

### Woman's Club entertained by second grade music students

The Winters Woman's Club met Tuesday, Dec. 9, and were entertained by a few of Mrs. Fran Kidwell's second grade music students. The children gave a preview of their Christmas program. The event was held in the Fellowship Hall at the First United Methodist Church.

Hostesses were Ouida Nichols, Hortie Joyce, Bonnie Lee, Cheryl Bedford, and Betty Byrns.

Others attending were Dollie Airhart, Jane Allcorn, Pat Ambrose, Phyllis Boles, Theresa Briley, Joyce

Broadstreet, Virginia Brown, Cheryl Bryan, Brenda Burton, Kay Colburn, Sandy Griffin, Becky Hays, Dortha Laughon, Rhea Parramore, Marthiel Russell, Donna Smith, Marlene Smith, and Sylvia Wilson. Melissa Hall was a guest.

### Ruth Sunday School Class celebrates Christmas with party

The Ruth Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church held their Christmas party on Monday, December 8, at Jones Fellowship Hall. They enjoyed a delightful potluck meal and shared their thankfulness. Everyone brought a \$5.00 gift for the Chinese Christmas.

Present were Marlene Wood, Nancy Williams, Marcie Webb, Thelma Taylor, Bobbie Sue Jackson, Sue Hukill, Judy Harrison, Shirley Hall, Betty Gray, Mary Beth Drake, Ruth Cooper, Mary Jane Blackshear, and Nancy Foreman.

**Winters Christmas Parade, Miss Sno-Queen, Miss Sno-Flake contests**

**Sat., Dec. 20 10 a.m.**

**2003 Theme: "Winters Christmas Wonderland"**

### WISD Fitness Center sets holiday hours

Holiday hours for the WISD Fitness Center will be as follows:

- Mon., Dec. 22, 6-8 p.m.
- Tues., Dec. 23, 6-8 p.m.
- Wed., Dec. 24, closed
- Thurs., Dec. 25, closed
- Fri., Dec. 26, 6-8 p.m.
- Mon., Dec. 29, 6-8 p.m.
- Tues., Dec. 30, 6-8 p.m.
- Wed., Dec. 31, closed
- Thurs., Jan. 1, closed
- Fri., Jan. 2, 6-8 p.m.

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**Dec. 22 through Dec. 26**  
Subject to change

**Monday, Dec. 22:** Goulash, hominy, asparagus, cornbread, and cookies.

**Tuesday, Dec. 23:** Swiss steak, mashed potatoes, peas, cornbread, and peach cobbler.

**Wednesday, Dec. 24:** TAKE OUT LUNCHESES ONLY: Tator tot casserole, corn, pear salad, bread, and pie.

**Thursday, Dec. 25:** Closed for Christmas holiday. Merry Christmas!

**Friday, Dec. 26:** Closed for Christmas holiday. Merry Christmas!

Meals are served at 11:30 a.m. daily. Anyone who does not take the meals regularly are asked to reserve a lunch by contacting the Activity Center at 754-4205 by 10 a.m.

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Dec. 18-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center  
Noon, Business Forum, Rock Hotel  
5 p.m., Christmas Party, Sr. Citizens Nursing Home  
Christmas Gift Delivery for Needy Children in Community

Dec. 19-8 a.m., Christmas Baskets Put Together, Outreach Center  
11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center  
Noon-5 p.m., Christmas Basket Pickup, Outreach Center  
7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco

Dec. 20-10 a.m., Christmas Parade & Sno-Queen/Sno-Flake Contests  
Dec. 21-10:45 a.m., Adyent Service, First Baptist Church  
6 p.m., Carols & Candles Service, First Baptist Church  
Dec. 22-9:30-10:30 a.m., SS Rep, Winters Housing Authority  
11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center  
6 p.m., City Council, City Hall  
6:45 p.m., 4-H, Catholic Church Hall  
7 p.m., Wingate Masonic Lodge  
InFO, San Angelo  
SCHOOL HOLIDAY  
FIRST DAY OF WINTER

Dec. 23-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center  
Noon, Lions Club, Sr. Citizens Activity Center  
7 p.m., AA, First United Methodist Church  
7 p.m., Athletic Boosters, Blizzard Stadium  
7 p.m., WVFD Auxiliary  
SCHOOL HOLIDAY

Dec. 24-7 a.m., Industrial Board, Windmill Enterprises Office  
11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal Carry-outs Only  
SCHOOL HOLIDAY

Dec. 25-SCHOOL HOLIDAY  
No Sr. Citizens Meal Served  
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**Saturday, December 20, 2003**  
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**First United Methodist Church**  
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**Basketball '03**  
 Catch the Action  
 Dec. 19—Bronte, 4 p.m., There, JVG, JVB, VG, VB

Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Matt Odum  
 Opponent: Iron County Date: 12-02-03  
 Place: Iron County

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN
WINTERS	7	5	9	19		40
OPPONENT	16	25	13	11		65

Free throws made:  
 Player's Name Points Rebounds Steals Assists  
 Tim Fenwick 4 2 1 2  
 Wacey Canon 0 0 0 0  
 Jose Hernandez 0 1 0 0  
 Aaron Colburn 1 2 0 0  
 Max Harrison 5 6 0 0  
 Jeremy Sherman 0 0 0 0  
 Scott Bryan 0 0 0 0  
 Pete Griffin 0 1 0 0  
 Benji Valles 6 5 2 2  
 L.J. Nitsch 1 2 0 0  
 Michael Liggins\* 25 4 6 2

Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Matt Odum  
 Opponent: Ballinger Date: 12-04-03  
 Place: Ballinger Tournament

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN
WINTERS	6	2	14	7		29
OPPONENT	12	12	5	8		37

Free throws made:  
 Player's Name Points Rebounds Steals Assists  
 Tim Fenwick 4 1 0 0  
 Wacey Canon 0 0 0 0  
 Jose Hernandez 0 0 0 0  
 Aaron Colburn 2 2 0 0  
 Max Harrison 6 5 0 0  
 Jeremy Sherman 0 0 0 0  
 Scott Bryan 0 0 0 0  
 Pete Griffin 0 0 0 0  
 Benji Valles 6 4 0 0  
 L.J. Nitsch 0 0 0 0  
 Michael Liggins\* 11 3 0 0

Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Matt Odum  
 Opponent: Coleman Date: 12-05-03  
 Place: Coleman Tournament

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN
WINTERS	11	18	10	2		41
OPPONENT	23	7	4	15		49

Free throws made:  
 Player's Name Points Rebounds Steals Assists  
 Tim Fenwick 3 1 0 0  
 Wacey Canon 6 6 0 0  
 Jose Hernandez 0 0 0 0  
 Aaron Colburn 3 3 0 0  
 Max Harrison 15 7 0 0  
 Jeremy Sherman 0 0 0 0  
 Scott Bryan 0 0 0 0  
 Pete Griffin 0 0 0 0  
 Benji Valles 4 3 0 0  
 L.J. Nitsch 0 0 0 0  
 Michael Liggins\* 10 2 0 0

Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Matt Odum  
 Opponent: Central H.S. Date: 12-06-03  
 Place: Ballinger Tournament

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN
WINTERS	6	17	14	23		60
OPPONENT	12	22	15	14		63

Free throws made:  
 Player's Name Points Rebounds Steals Assists  
 Tim Fenwick 7 2 0 0  
 Wacey Canon 0 0 0 0  
 Jose Hernandez 0 0 0 0  
 Aaron Colburn 3 4 0 0  
 Max Harrison 15 7 0 0  
 Jeremy Sherman 0 0 0 0  
 Scott Bryan 0 0 2 0  
 Pete Griffin 0 0 0 0  
 Benji Valles 7 3 0 0  
 L.J. Nitsch 2 2 0 0  
 Michael Liggins\* 24 1 0 0

Team: Varsity Girls Coach: Deb Whittenburg  
 Opponent: Hamilton Date: 12-09-03  
 Place: Hamilton

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN
WINTERS	4	12	10	5		31
OPPONENT	21	20	21	13		76

Free throws made: 3 of 6 for 50%  
 Player's Name Points Rebounds Steals Assists  
 Jennifer Gray 0 0 0 0  
 Ashly Santoya 5 4 1 2  
 Macy Hopson\* 7 2 2 2  
 Amber Green 4 3 3 2  
 Jessica Bear 3 2 4 0  
 Erica Lujano 4 2 0 0  
 Marci Paschal 3 3 0 0  
 Kari Walker 0 1 0 0  
 Suzanne Jones 5 5 1 0

Team: Varsity Girls Coach: Deb Whittenburg  
 Opponent: El Dorado Date: 12-12-03  
 Place: Miles Tournament

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN
WINTERS	16	15	13	10		54
OPPONENT	9	12	5	8		34

Free throws made: 3 of 8 for 38%  
 Player's Name Points Rebounds Steals Assists  
 Jennifer Gray 0 2 0 0  
 Ashly Santoya 6 2 2 2  
 Macy Hopson\* 17 2 0 1  
 Amber Green 12 1 2 2  
 Jessica Bear 5 4 1 4  
 Erica Lujano 2 3 0 1  
 Marci Paschal 4 0 1 0  
 Kari Walker 2 2 2 3  
 Suzanne Jones 6 3 3 2

Team: Varsity Girls Coach: Deb Whittenburg  
 Opponent: Blackwell Date: 12-11-03  
 Place: Miles Tournament

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN
WINTERS	9	8	15	11		43
OPPONENT	15	8	21	8		52

Free throws made: 6 of 11 for 54%  
 Player's Name Points Rebounds Steals Assists  
 Jennifer Gray 0 0 0 0  
 Ashly Santoya 3 2 1 1  
 Macy Hopson 6 1 0 0  
 Amber Green 2 3 0 0  
 Jessica Bear 9 4 1 2  
 Erica Lujano 2 1 0 2  
 Marci Paschal 7 1 0 0  
 Kari Walker 4 2 0 2  
 Suzanne Jones 10 2 1 1

Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Matt Odum  
 Opponent: Blackwell Date: 12-11-03  
 Place: Miles Tournament

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN
WINTERS	15	13	13	13		54
OPPONENT	18	11	12	14		55

Free throws made:  
 Player's Name Points Rebounds Steals Assists  
 Tim Fenwick 11 1 0 0  
 Wacey Canon 0 4 0 0  
 Jose Hernandez 0 0 0 0  
 Aaron Colburn 5 4 0 0  
 Max Harrison\* 18 10 0 0  
 Jeremy Sherman 0 0 0 0  
 Scott Bryan 0 0 0 0  
 Pete Griffin 0 0 0 0  
 Benji Valles 12 6 0 0  
 L.J. Nitsch 9 4 0 0  
 Michael Liggins 0 0 0 0

Team: Varsity Girls Coach: Deb Whittenburg  
 Opponent: Basal Date: 12-13-03  
 Place: Miles Tournament

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN
WINTERS	8	1	10	4		23
OPPONENT	13	10	12	7		42

Free throws made: 7 of 17 for 41%  
 Player's Name Points Rebounds Steals Assists  
 Jennifer Gray 0 0 0 0  
 Ashly Santoya 6 2 1 2  
 Macy Hopson 4 1 0 0  
 Amber Green 2 5 1 1  
 Jessica Bear 1 3 0 1  
 Erica Lujano 0 3 0 1  
 Marci Paschal 0 2 0 0  
 Kari Walker 8 7 0 1  
 Suzanne Jones 4 3 2 1

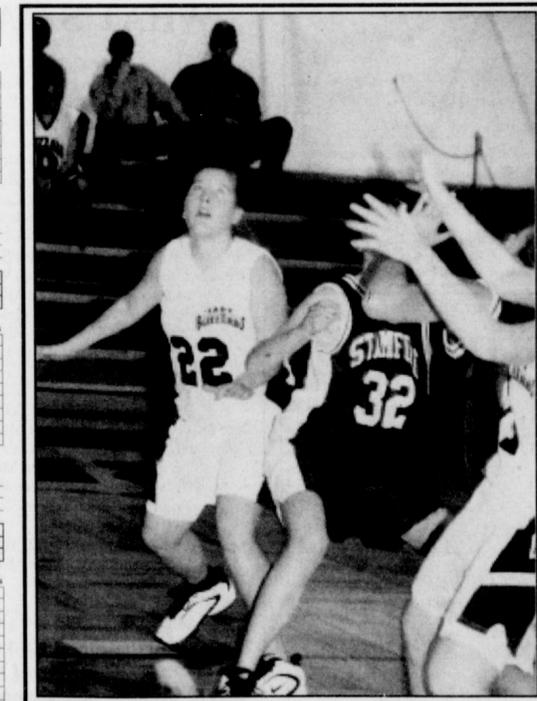
Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Matt Odum  
 Opponent: Lakeside JV Date: 12-12-03  
 Place: Miles Tournament

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN
WINTERS	18	12	15	6		51
OPPONENT	9	6	3	4		22

Free throws made:  
 Player's Name Points Rebounds Steals Assists  
 Tim Fenwick 8 1 0 0  
 Wacey Canon 4 4 0 0  
 Jose Hernandez 0 0 0 0  
 Aaron Colburn 2 4 0 0  
 Max Harrison 25 12 0 0  
 Jeremy Sherman 0 0 0 0  
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KRYSTAL GIBBENS #22 waits for the rebound after a free throw during junior varsity action for the Lady Blizzards against Stamford. (photo by Jean Boles)

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 JVG Junior Varsity Girls  
 JVB Junior Varsity Boys  
 9B Freshman Boys  
 8B 8th Boys 8G 8th Girls  
 7B 7th Boys 7G 7th Girls  
 \*Denotes District Games

**Oops!**  
 The Winters Enterprise has incorrectly published in our basketball reports the first name of Mr. Fenwick who plays on the junior varsity basketball team. Our apologies to Justin Fenwick for whom we have been listing his younger brother's name.

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 The office will re-open Tuesday, January 5, 2004.

# Outdoors

## Grand Christian Cowboy Opening planned Dec. 21 for new Talpa church

Corey Ross, founder of Cowboy Ministries Outreach Center, will be the guest preacher for the Grand Christian Cowboy Opening of the Talpa Living Water Cowboy Church on Sunday, December 21.

Ross was born in Casa Grande, Arizona, where his father worked on the 26 Bar Ranch for the "Duke" himself, John Wayne. Being a cowboy was always a way of life in the Ross household and it paid off in 1989 when Corey made the College National Finals in Team Roping.

At a young age, Corey answered the call to preach and sing for the Lord.

After pioneering several Cowboy Churches and having a couple of albums under his belt, Corey and his wife Jaime travel full-time across the country, singing and preaching the Word of God.

Everyone is invited to hear Corey preach and sing at Talpa Living Water Cowboy Church at 10:30 a.m. (sharp) Sunday, December 21. The church is located in downtown Talpa in a refurbished 100+ year-old building. Come as you are!

## Funding for Texas Hair Sheep Producers Coalition

Bryan Daniel, Texas USDA Rural Development State Director, recently announced \$145,194 in economic development to strengthen rural communities in Texas.

Texas Hair Sheep Producers Coalition received a Value-Added Product to Market Development Grant to establish a feasibility study to create premium products to expand hair sheep production in rural

Texas.

The VAPG program is designed to provide agricultural producers or rural businesses with grant funds to further refine agricultural commodities, increasing their value to consumers. The grants will also provide capital to allow producers to better market their products so that they can better compete in domestic and international markets.

## Causing quite a stir...



...IS THIS LARGE PROPELLER BLADE OF A WIND TURBINE. The Physical Science Classes of Winters High School recently took a field trip to Trent, under the direction of teachers Mandie England and David Wood. For a comparison of length, the freshman students stood side-by-side to see if they could make a line as long as the blade.

(courtesy photo)

## Ag Talk

by Congressman Charles Stenholm

### COOL Funding Stripped

Congressional negotiators have been meeting over the last few weeks, and they decided to withhold funding to prevent implementation of mandatory Country of Origin Labeling (COOL) of retail meat products.

Mandatory labeling is opposed by processors, packers, and industry groups such as the National Cattlemen's Beef Association and the National Pork Producers Association.

As I have mentioned many times before, some experts believe that mandatory labeling would unnecessarily impose billions of dollars in costs on producers, all for record-keeping purposes.

The action by House and Senate negotiators will result in the withholding of COOL funding until September 30, 2006. I believe this was a good compromise in this situation because it will allow us to work towards achieving a feasible solution that ensures producers face only minimal costs.

### West Texas Water

Many of you have probably heard of recent developments regarding a private business entity called Rio Nuevo. Rio Nuevo is composed of mostly Midland oilmen, and this group is interested in leasing

several hundred thousand acres of state land in West Texas so they can pump and sell groundwater.

This Rio Nuevo organization has many producers and local communities very worried. They fear that these developers could suck up all the water underneath their land and, therefore, there would not be enough water left for their livestock and community water needs.

As many of you know, with the rule of capture still in effect, producers have rights to the water underneath them and can pump as much water as they want. With developers dipping into the same source as producers, problems could arise.

Early estimates indicate that the State of Texas could receive approximately \$500,000 annually in royalty income that would go towards state education programs.

As this process moves forward, let's be very careful when it comes to using our sources of drinking water.

Be in touch with your state Representative and state Senator because this is an important issue that we all should be interested in.

### Grazing Buyout

Recently two bills filed in

Congress would create a national and state voluntary grazing permit buyout program for ranchers who use public lands to graze their livestock.

H.R. 3324, the Voluntary Grazing Permit Buyout Act, and H.R. 3337, the Arizona Voluntary Grazing Permit Buyout Act, would pay ranchers who use public lands \$175 for each animal unit per month to permanently retire a grazing permit.

For example, under this program, a one-time payment of

\$262,500 would be issued to a rancher with 300 cows grazing on public lands for five months.

The proposal covers grazing permits on land managed by the Bureau of Land Management, permits on national forests, national parks, and units of the national wildlife refuge system.

This issue does not affect the 17th Congressional District lot, but it is of extreme interest to the beef cattle industry overall.

## Bow Hunter



NINE-YEAR-OLD DUSTY DAY and his first kill of the season, a 6-point buck taken on the Schrader place in Santa Anna. He and proud sister, Kacie, 6, are the grandchildren of Myron and Brenda Schrader of Winters. Parents are Terry and Sammie Day of Ballinger.

(courtesy photo)

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# Life

## Blessed Daze

by Jean Boles

### My early Christmas present

Do you ever get an early Christmas present? I received one last week and I must say it's one of the best ever. It was only about 28 inches tall and weighed about 23 pounds but was full of something I needed so much.

It didn't need batteries but still ran hour after hour, almost non-stop. It had the brightness of the sun and was able to melt my heart a hundred times.

It made me sing silly songs — the only kind I know — and repeat myself over and over and over again.

It caused me to roll on the floor and at times, crawl on my hands and knees, even in the grass. It made my back hurt by the end of the day but I fell asleep with a smile on my face. I loved every minute of it.

This early gift is named Kate — one of my precious granddaughters. She just turned 14 months old, has one tooth that looks way too big, eyelashes that even Tammy Faye can't match, and the cutest smile that makes her big blue eyes dance.

Our daughter and her husband took a working vacation and asked if I'd mind keeping Kate for a few days. Oh, twist my arm, would you!

Before you yawn and say, "Oh, no, just another doting grandma," please let me explain.

This was the first time hubby and I have kept Kate overnight without her mom and dad around, so it was one of those

special times in my life.

After losing my own parents way too early in my life, I've learned to savor every minute with the people I love and care about.

So for the past month, I've been counting down the days, just like a little kid waiting for Santa. And as sure as Christmas, the day came and Kate came to stay with Grams and Pops.

It's amazing the power that such a small person can have. Only could this toddler make her grandpa stay in his robe until noon because he was too busy playing dolls, reading books and playing chase.

For me, the mornings came much earlier than usual. "The definitely not a morning person, I have no problem with a 5:45 wake up call that comes from this little miracle with the puffy eyes and a grin that is the exact duplicate of her mother's early morning greeting.

Because I was not quite ready to face the day, I plopped her in our king-size bed. But it may as well have been a small cot because she and I shared a two-foot space. But that was more than okay because she needed to be close to touch my eyes, eyelashes, nose, mouth and ears at least fifty times, interspersed with an occasional "hum-m-m-m" and, of course, a big, one-tooth grin.

One of my favorite moments was (and still is) when this little

gift lies on my chest, so close I can feel her eyelashes on my cheek and her sweet breath on my neck.

After a morning of watching and dancing to "Wiggles," looking at but not touching the Christmas tree lights, reading ten books at least ten times each, and breakfast with her first fork attempt, we were ready for more fun. We managed to get dressed before lunch one day, but that was just so we could play outside.

Oh, how Kate loves the outdoors. The weather was absolutely gorgeous — with just a little chill but with bright, shining sun. Pops was busy trying to pick up pecans while Kate was busy throwing them out of the bucket, handfuls at a time. I was busy taking pictures; two kinds — one with a camera and one with my heart.

I had planned to sweep leaves off my patio but preferred to watch Kate walk through them over and over, enjoying the

crunching noise under her feet.

When we finally came inside the house, she "helped" me try to fold laundry. But I knew I could fold laundry the proper way another day. We needed to run under the warm towels and cover our heads for a magnificent game of peek-a-boo, and make each other laugh like crazy.

I tried to wrap some Christmas gifts, but again, my helper had other plans. It's amazing how much fun a ball of tape can be, especially when you wear it on your nose or your toes.

So as you can see, I didn't accomplish much in the way of physical chores. But I did get a big reminder of what's really important — that we love each other unconditionally, that silly giggles don't cost anything but time, and that hugs always make your heart feel better.

And those are gifts I'll never outgrow or get tired of.

We already have the blessing of Christmas; now let's be joyful.

## BEHOLD

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There once was a babe born in a stable; He was sent, the work of sin to disable. To Mary and Joseph in Bethlehem For all of the world to worship Him.

Behold the Son! Behold the Son! In the end — the battle will be won! Behold the Son! Behold the Son! All glory in the highest, to the mighty one!

He grew as a child in Galilee; Caused quite a stir with the Pharisees. He came to be baptized in the river Jordan For John to see Him as God made man!

Behold the Lamb! Behold the Lamb! The call goes forth to all the land! Behold the Lamb! Behold the Lamb! He will fulfill God's awesome plan!

He went forth to heal the sick, Of many men, the twelve He did pick. He raised a man named Lazarus, And oh how the world, it really shook.

Behold the Word! Behold the Word! Hear His voice! Now let Him be heard! Behold the Word! Behold the Word! See His mighty acts; let your heart be stirred!

He goes before Pilate, to complete the plan. His back is ripped and His blood, it ran. The crown of thorns, the rusty nails, The rugged cross, His love won't fail.

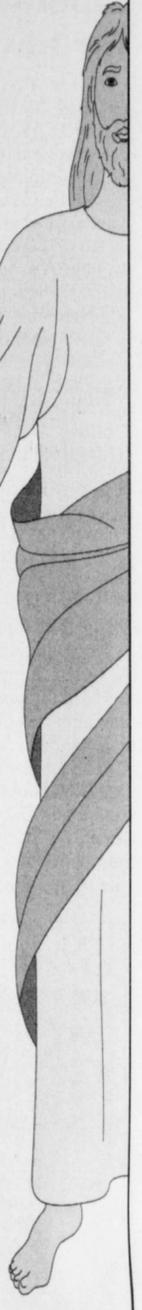
Behold the Man! Behold the Man! He will prevail, oh, yes, He can! Behold the Man! Behold the Man! Today He will see the promised land.

It was three days that He was dead. He went to Hell, the righteous He led; Took back the keys of death and Hell, Released every captive out of every cell!

Behold the King! Behold the King! Now all of heaven, the praises sing! Behold the King! Behold the King! We await the final victory that He will bring!

He sets now in heaven at His Father's side. Waiting for the day, the white horse He'll ride! So please be ready for the day to come, When we all bow down to the Holy One!

Behold the Son! Behold the Lamb! Behold the Word! Behold the Man! Behold the Son! Behold the Lamb! Behold the King! Behold the King!



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# Life

In celebration of 30 years—

## A look now at past Winters Sno-Queens

**Susan Byrns Kiser**  
1975

Currently lives in Dallas with husband John and 9-year-old twin boys, Luke and Logan. Works part-time for Special Care and Career Services, a nonprofit United Way organization. Spends majority of time volunteering at her children's school where she serves as treasurer for the St. Rita Parent's Club. Daughter of Betty John Byrns and the late Bill Byrns.

**Rita Cooper Anderson**  
1976

The daughter of Ruth Cooper. Currently resides in Lubbock. An Account Executive and a Top Ten Performer for a National Home Medical Equipment firm. Has two children, Amanda and Andrew.

**Mitzi Blackwood Hudson**  
1977

**Irma Gonzales Blackshear**  
1978

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Gonzales. Graduated from Winters High School in 1980 and attended Tarleton State University where she studied psychology and sociology. Returned to Winters in 1983, was employed as an assistant store manager, then worked for Dry Mfg. Later worked for the Texas Dept. of Criminal Justice where she was awarded Employee of the Month and then honored as the first Employee of the Year at the French Robertson Unit in Hamby. Then worked for Wackenhut Corrections. Currently managing the family-owned business, L-G's Place, where she is certified in Food Service Protection Management Training. Member of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church. Former treasurer of Recuerdos. Plans to complete a

course in Business Management. Has an interest in studying Police Sciences and Social Work. Has three nieces, Juanita, age 13; Vicki, 7; and Gabriela, 5.

**Dena Danford Kuhrt**  
1979

Married for 17 years to Morris Kuhrt. Has three children, Whitney, age 14; Kelsey, 11; and Zane, 10. Employed by Midland Independent School District as an Educational Diagnostician.

**Ci Les Fisher**  
1980

**Shelley Hewett**  
1981

**Sherri Gerhart Mikeska**  
1982

Graduated from Angelo State

University in 1985 and is a Registered Nurse. Married to Brett Mikeska. Has four children, Bryant, age 14; Braden, 11; Bryce, 8; Brenden 6. Actively involved with the WISD Blizzard Kid Backers. Works part-time with the family-owned business, Wingate Gin and Grain Elevator.

**Robbie Cole Fuchs**  
1983

**Jackie Connor Graham**  
1983

**J'Lynn Russell Cooper**  
1984

Daughter of Dr. Tommy and Marthiel Russell. 1985 Winters High School graduate. 1989 Baylor University graduate, received Bachelor of Science in Nursing. Married Alan Cooper. Has two children, Alanna and Cameron. Employed by Winters Independent School District.

**Jill Connor McNew**  
1985

**Libby Bedford Zemanek**  
1986

Graduated in 1991 from Texas A&M University with a bachelor degree in Community Health. Is the National Account Service Manager for Cigna of Los Colinas. She and her husband, Greg, live in Dallas with their 2&1/2 year old son, Victor. She is the daughter of Nadine Bedford and the late John Boyd Bedford.

**Jill Traylor Vaughn**  
1987

Married for 12 years to Gary Vaughn, a coach in Abilene. Was a secondary teacher for 8 years, now a stay-at-home mom. Has two daughters, Sterling, age 9, and Everly, 6 months. Enjoyed time as Sno-Queen — "wonderful opportunity to represent my community and to become more aware of the Chamber of Commerce and its function in the city."

**Marie Pritchard Payne**  
1988

Daughter of Johnny Bob and Deb Pritchard of Winters and Leta Pritchard of Houston. Graduated from Winters High School in 1990 and Texas Tech University in 1995. Currently employed in Pharmaceutical Sales in the Lubbock area. Enjoys scuba diving and mountain biking.

**Katie Harrison Alexander**  
1989

**Susan Bryan Hamilton**  
1990

Graduated from Winters High School in 1992 and Northwood University in Dallas with a Bachelor of Business Administration. Married Tony Hamilton in 1994. Has one daughter, Lauren, born November 19, 2003. Currently a legal assistant for Vinson and Elkins, LLP.

**Elizabeth Lozano Garza**  
1991

**Teri Vogler Albert**  
1992

Graduated in 2001 with a bachelor of arts degree in journalism from Angelo State University. Presently works for State Farm Insurance in San Angelo. Involved in "Keep San Angelo Beautiful" program and attends the Veribest Baptist Church with her husband Todd.

**Eileen Schreiber**  
1993

An exchange student from Germany who spent her senior year at Winters High School while living with Randall and Jean Boles and their daughter Jennifer. Of being crowned Sno-Queen, Eileen said she felt like Miss America.

**Christi D'Lynn Burton**  
1994

Crowned during her freshman year. Graduated from Winters High School in 1997 and received a Bachelor of Business Administration from Angelo State University in San Angelo in 2001. Lives in Austin where she is Assistant Manager for Enterprise Rent-A-Car at the Austin Mercedes-Benz Dealership.

**Amanda Collom**  
1995

**Jennifer Davis**  
1996

Will be graduating from Texas Tech University on December 20, 2003, with a Bachelor of Science in Multi-disciplinary Studies. Then certified to teach grades 4-8 in English, reading, and social studies. Currently student teaching in the Frenship School District. While at TTU, member of High Riders, an organization that supports women's athletics, and the International Greek Sorority Gamma Phi Beta. Named to the Dean's and President's Lists her junior and senior years. Engaged to Matthew Spencer with plans to marry in the fall of 2004.

**Misty Pritchard Sutton**  
1997

Daughter of Johnny Bob and Deb Pritchard of Winters and Leta

Pritchard of Houston. Graduated from Winters High School in 1999. Attended Texas Tech University and has just completed her first semester of Nursing School at West Texas A&M University in Canyon. Married Stuart Sutton this year. Currently resides in Dimmitt.

**Kelli Slimp**  
1998

Attending Abilene Christian University where she is majoring in Broadcast Journalism and minoring in Education. Works at the YMCA mentoring girls in junior high school.

**Shelley Meyer**  
1999

**Kayla Colburn**  
2000

A junior nursing student at Texas Tech University, Kayla is the daughter of Phil and Karen Colburn. She is employed by the University Medical Center in the neonatal unit and plans to pursue a degree as a nurse practitioner.

**Mandy Pritchard**  
2001

Daughter of Johnny Bob and Deb Pritchard of Winters and Leta Pritchard of Houston. Graduated from Winters High School in 2001. Just completed her sophomore year at Texas Tech University where she is pursuing a degree in Education. Employed by Outback Steakhouse in Lubbock.

**Pricilla Ontiveros**  
2002

**Jessica Pritchard**  
2003

The daughter of Steve and Penny Pritchard. Currently a senior at Winters High School with plans to attend Baylor University in the fall of 2004.

*Editor's Note: The above information was provided by the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce in submittal to their recent request for updates. Please call 754-5310 from 8 a.m.-noon Monday-Friday if you know the whereabouts of or have more information about a past Sno-Queen.*

### A Christmas Wish...

'T was the night of Christmas, but I just couldn't sleep,  
I tried counting backwards, I tried counting sheep.

The leftovers beckoned, the dark meat and white,  
but I fought the temptation with all of my might.

Tossing and turning with anticipation...  
the thought of a snack became infatuation.

So I raced to the kitchen, flung open the door,  
And gazed at the fridge full of goodies galore.

I gobbled up turkey and buttered potatoes,  
pickles and carrots, beans and tomatoes.

I felt myself swelling so plump and so round,  
'til all of a sudden I rose off the ground.

I crashed through the ceiling, floating into the sky,  
with a mouthful of pudding and a handful of pie.

But I managed to yell as I soared past the trees...  
"Happy eating to all — pass the cranberries, please!"

May your stuffing be tasty, your turkey be plump,  
may your potatoes and gravy have nary a lump.

May your yams be delicious, may your pies take the prize,  
may your Christmas dinner stay off of your thighs!!!

author unknown

**Santa's on his Way!**

... and you are cordially invited to gather 'round our...

**Holiday Cheer Table**

**Tuesday, December 23**  
**9 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

Bring a non-perishable food item for the Winters Food Pantry. Santa will join us all day on Tuesday, December 23! He wants to have his picture made with you so bring your Christmas wish list. So that we may spend the holidays with our families we will close at noon on December 24 and be closed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

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# Dear Santa,

All I want for Christmas is...



**MRS. BERGMAN'S PRE-K CLASS**

I want a pink Barbie car. I will leave you milk and cookies.

Love,  
*Tia Campos*

I want a Santa toy and a princess toy. I have been a good girl.

Love,  
*Ashley Dittmer*

I want a Sleeping Beauty, Snow White, and Barbie. I'm going to leave you some cereal and chocolate milk.

Love,  
*Destiny Gallegos*

I want a play Barbie kitchen, some story books, and a rocking chair. I have been a good girl. I will leave you some barbecue.

Love,  
*Mireya Gomez*

I want a toy castle. I will leave some cookies on top of the refrigerator.

Love,  
*Drey Patton*

I want a Barbie doll and a Barbie house. I have been good. I will leave you some carrots and vegetables on the table.

Love,  
*Lisa Rahne*

I want a toy horse and a Barbie. I have been a good girl. I will leave you some cookies on the table.

Love,  
*Stephanie Santillan*

I want some gloves in case it snows. I have been a good boy. I will leave you a sandwich (peanut butter & jelly) in a bag on the T.V.

Love,  
*Chance Towe*

Can you bring me a toy Power Ranger. I have been a good boy. I will leave you a sandwich and coffee on the table in the kitchen.

Love,  
*Alex Hernandez*

I want some toy horses. I will give some cookies. I will give some cookies. I will leave them behind the tree. I've been good.

Love,  
*Mikala Hernandez*

I want a play station and a play motorcycle. I'm a good boy. I will leave you some macaroni on top of the door.

Love,  
*Jr. Gonzales*

I want a pop gun and a new scooter. I have been a good boy at school. I will leave a banana on the table in the living room.

Love,  
*Sam Woodall*

I want a little rocking chair, a Barbie doll and some colors, and play dough cutters. I have been good. I will leave peanuts, chocolate cookies, and bread on the table in the living room.

Love,  
*Ashlyn Collins*

**MRS. MCBETH'S PRE-K CLASS**

I would like a big motorcycle like Scott's. I want a gun to shoot coyotes. Mara wants a tiny gun. Dad needs a big gun like me and Christmas lights. Mom needs Christmas lights. Cory needs a big gun.

Love,  
*Marcus Mostad*

I would like a Spiderman toy and a Halloween bonehead toy. Nina wants a bonehead toy too. Mommy wants a new van. Daddy wants a hammer and a nail, tape, a snowman, and a pumpkin head.

Love,  
*Sean Mooney*

I would like a big Incredible Hulk toy. Nevach needs a Barbie Toy movie. Mommy needs a toy to play with me. Daddy wants an Incredible Hulk toy, too! Daddy loves my Mommy!

Love,  
*Dorlan James*

I would like an Incredible Hulk toy, an Incredible Hulk bed, and an Incredible Hulk shirt. Momma needs a princess dress and shoes. I love Mommy, Grandpa, Grandma, Thea, Stormy, and Theodore.

Love,  
*Joe Lewis Cavarian*

I wish for some barrettes and a black barbie with a necklace on it. Momma needs a vacuum cleaner, Grandma needs some dishes. Uncle Jerely needs an apple pie. Thea needs an apple berry pie. Doninique needs a purple Power Ranger. Timothy needs a motorcycle toy.

Love,  
*Justine Garcia*

I would like a Barbie Doll-Swan Lake. Glasses, new ones for Daddy. A new shonez for Mommy. A baby doll for Sissy with a bottle and pacifier. Bubba needs new spotted underwear.

Love,  
*Gabrielle Martinez*

I would like a Barbie Swan Lake and a Barbie house. Jessie wants a little bakery. Mommy needs an Angel. Sissy needs a Barbie Doll. Justin needs cars and fake birthday cake and new sheets.

Love,  
*Emiley Childers & Sissy*

I would like a Barbie dress with clothes and some make-up. Andriaa a baby bed for baby dolls and make-up. Mommy needs a new window. Our dogs need a dog house. C.J. needs a new dresser and a little clean-up broom. Make-up, a new dress, and shoes for Mommy.

Love,  
*Desiree Wilson*

I would like a purple Peter Built dump truck. Trayson wants a new Ninja Turtle X-Box game. Justin would like a Superman game. Dad would like a red truck, and Mom wants new clothes.

Love,  
*Scott Lange*

I need a new boat for the tub. Chance needs a new yellow ball. Cody needs a new bicycle. Allie needs a DVD player, and Devon a new wheelchair. Mom needs a new icebox. Dad needs a new bed.

Love,  
*Chase Towe*

I would like a car, Mickey Mouse books, a ball for Gelsea, Mom would like a hamburger cooker thingee, Dad needs a pen to write with. Martin needs spaghetti.

Love,  
*Sammy Reyna*

I want a little Mermaid, Cinderella toy, a ballerina, and Snow White toy. Devon needs a boy toy and Mary Jane wants a pretty girl mouse. Mommy wants grass for the lawn. Keithel wants a horse.

Love,  
*Veevus Gomez*

I would like Spiderman and Hulk toys. Mom needs big, big presents. Mickey needs little presents.

Love,  
*Chris Parramore*

Please bring Mommy a pancake pan. Alex a mask for his Spiderman suit. I want an ice cream machine that you can make your own Icee. Joe needs new books.

Love,  
*Ashley Martinez*

I want a Barbie Jeep with batteries, a Barbie house, a Barbie Star and a Barbie slide and a Barbie. Megan wants a Barbie and a Dora. Dillion wants a race car, a Mocha Joe. Trace wants a bike. Mommy would like a new shirt. Daddy would like pants and a shirt. I have been really good. I will leave you Santa cookies and milk.

Love,  
*Elizabeth Dittmer*

I want a Barbie Jeep with batteries, a Barbie house, a Barbie Star and a Barbie slide and a Barbie. Megan wants a Barbie and a Dora. Dillion wants a race car, a Mocha Joe. Trace wants a bike. Mommy would like a new shirt. Daddy would like pants and a shirt. I have been really good. I will leave you Santa cookies and milk.

Love,  
*Brittany Day*

I want that Sponge Bob goey thing that when you pull his pants down he says "Hey." Bring the Play Doh thing that is brown and green with leaves, a remote control car, that flips over and spins. My baby brother wants a baby toy. Mom and Dad want shirts and pants. I have been kind of good, really mostly good. I will leave you chocolate chip cookies and milk.

Love,  
*Brady Calcote*

I want a go cart, and a Barbie, Barbie telephone, a Nutcracker for Barbie, and another real dog. I want her to be peach. Tiffany and Destiny want a Barbie and a nutcracker. I don't know if they want one or not, but I am going to send one for them. Taylor wants another glowing green basketball, because I want him to be happy, happy. Mom wants a new telephone. Chuck wants an eagle. I have been good. I will leave you chocolate chip cookies.

Love,  
*Haylee Riffe*

**MRS. BUTLER'S KINDERGARTEN CLASS**

I want that roller coaster what I saw on Geoffrey's magazine. I want a football helmet, a Dolphin football jersey, and my own clock and telephone. Bring Christopher a Power Ranger movie named Power Force. He also wants the new ranger. Mom wants a bracelet with those diamonds on it. Daddy wants a new airplane. I will leave you some cookies and chocolate milk. I have been good. P.S. I also want Mario Party 5 also.

Love,  
*Daniel Gerhart*

Please bring me some new clothes. Carolina and Sarah want clothes, too. Marcus wants a car he can drive. Mom wants jewelry. Daddy wants some new boots. I have been really good. I will leave you some chocolate ice cream and some Pepsi.

Love,  
*Michaela Rodriguez*

I want a Christmas toy, a ranger, and a black and white Thunder Ranger. My brother wants a ranger, too. Mom wants some clothes. Dad wants clothes, too. I have been really good. I will leave you rainbow ice cream and some Dr. Pepper.

Love,  
*Samuel Reyes*

I want a May Blade, a Monster Shoot out, and a basketball goal. Also, I want a little blue race car. My brothers wants a car. My sister wants some paint. My Mom wants some Dolphins. My little brothers wants Destroyer World and Hulk gloves. My Dad wants a movie. I have acted really, really good. I will leave you chocolate chip cookies. Oops, my big brothers want cards. I also want a Nintendo.

Love,  
*Andrew Sanchez*

You are good! I want basketball shoes, some flowers, a bell, a baseball hat, and a light. Bring my Mom a necklace because I love her. My sister wants a bracelet. Santa bring Daddy a timer that will wake up my Dad. Tony wants some shoes like me. They need to be pretty. I have been acting good. I will leave you the kind of cookies you dip in milk.

Love,  
*Freddy Santoya*

I want Mario Party 5, two racing cars that are together, and curvy racing. Bring my brother, Christian, a car that races like mine. Mom wants a big camera. Daddy wants that thing that have circles that moves for his back. I am good all the time. I will leave you chocolate chip cookies and milk. I like chocolate cookies, too.

Love,  
*Jonathan Sandoval*

I want pretend clean stuff, a Barbie, coloring books and lotion. My Mommy wants a new swimsuit, new shoes and new clothes. Daddy wants new boots and a new swimming pool. My Grandma wants new clothes. My other Grandma wants swings and slides. My Grandpa wants shoes and cologne. My other Grandpa wants cologne and new clothes. I have been mostly good. I will leave you chocolate chip cookies and milk.

Love,  
*Angel Sanchez*

I would like a ring, a bracelet, a baby doll, a clock that wakes me up, and flowers. Justin wants a watch. My Moma wants a watch. My Dad wants a ring. My baby sissy wants clothes. I have been kind of good and kind of bad. I will leave you a cheese sandwich in a sack in the living room. I will also leave you a Dr. Pepper.

Love,  
*Stacie Ventress*

I want a real own camera, a big Barbie house, a go cart, walkie talkies, and a pet hamster for my sister. Also bring my brother a football. My baby sister wants a little ball. My big sister wants a Barbie computer. I want my Mommy to have beautiful jewelry. My Dad I want for him to have new shoes. I have been good this year. I will leave you chocolate chips cookies with milk.

Love,  
*Bubba Niedeechen*

I would like a shopping toy, a basketball shooter, a thing my Dad has with the balls that the balls go in the holes on the corners. Bring Ashley a Barbie. Tyler wants a toy with Superman. Soo wants a Barbie, too. Grandpa wants a Batman. Daddy wants a magnifying glass. I have been really good. I will leave you pizza with pepperoni and a glass of milk.

Love,  
*Allyssa Gray*

I would like Spiderman and Hulk toys. Mom needs big, big presents. Mickey needs little presents.

Love,  
*Chris Parramore*

I want a Hulk toy and Spiderman, a real donkey and for my little brother a Pooh Bear and toy keys. My mom needs a watch and dad needs 2 candles for the living room.

Love,  
*Josiah Fernandez*

I would like some presents if you would please give me some. I really want a crossbow, and skates, a dirtbike, a little airplane with a remote control, a little boat, and that's it. I will give you some cookies and milk.

Love,  
*Cameron Cooper*

Can you get me a little Cat in the Hat, and a little car, and a Hulk that runs in the sand, and new shoes, and a Spiderman movie, and a soldier game for my X-box. Happy Christmas Santa!

Love,  
*Logan Reyna*

Please bring a Barbie car so me and my brother can ride in it. I want a kite, a little locker, a trampoline, and some crayons and paper for drawing, and some books. Can I go for a ride with you Santa, in your sled?

Love,  
*Samantha Marrera*

I want a castle bed for me and Vickie to sleep in, and we want our own T.V. I want a big swimming pool, and Vickie wants a Spongebob game, and bring two little puppies for us to play with. I will leave you cookies and milk on the table.

Love,  
*Gabriella Madrid*

I want you for Christmas! I wish I could see you and your reindeer. I wish I could have some play reindeer cards with Santa on them too, and a new purse and some makeup. I wish you could leave me Rudolph so I could play with him and ride him. When you come I'm going to get up and eat some cookies and corn dogs with you.

Love,  
*Chelsea Gray*

I want you to come to my house and bring me some presents. I want a motorcycle, a little monster truck, and a truck for my cars to drive on. Make it out of wood and paint it black. I'll leave you some cookies and milk.

Love,  
*Clifford Perkins*

I want to get a bunch of monster trucks, and a race track with lots of cars, and I need some more legos. Can you bring one big monster truck for my dad and bring my mom a slug bug car? Thank you Santa for the presents.

From,  
*Tony Sanchez*

I want a trampoline, and a big Barbie car, and a colored sweater, and a new Barbie backpack. Santa, when you bring me some presents I will leave you some cookies. Will you write a letter to me with the ABC's and put your name on it?

Love,  
*Shelbie Stokes*

Are your reindeer getting big? Would you bring me a Barbie with purple hair, and a baby doll with a purple shirt, and a necklace, bracelet, and new pants? Wendy wants a Barbie with green hair, and a baby doll with a green shirt, and a green slugbug. We're going to make you some Christmas cookies.

Love,  
*Tristan Welch*

Will you bring me a sandbox with sand in it, some drums, a football suit and helmet, and a little dog for me to play with. Bring something for my brothers too.

Love,  
*Geno Rodriguez*

I want an Incredible Hulk toy, a toy car that's breakable, and a magic hat and a magic wand so I can make a giant rabbit. I'm going to leave you some Oreo cookies and some candy.

Love,  
*Ethan Smith*

I want a Barbie for Christmas. My brother needs a toy truck. Will you get my Mama a Barbie too?

Love,  
*Breanna Luevano*

I want a Barbie car and a Barbie doll and a Scooby Doo for my little brother. Bring my Dad some race cars and my mom some power puffs, some chewing bones for Tiger and a mice toy for Sasha, and some presents for my grandma, grandpa, and my Abuela.

Love,  
*Alivika Villaveal*

Can you bring me a scooter, and a bike, a truck, a play horse, and a little night light. Pete needs a bike too and Shelby wants a baton.

Love,  
*Billy Cchoa*

**MRS. TEKELL'S KINDERGARTEN CLASS**

I want a big drum to play, and a black horn and a guitar and a piano. Billy wants a blue kitty cat. That's all.

Love,  
*Pete Cchoa*

I want a Hulk toy and Spiderman, a real donkey and for my little brother a Pooh Bear and toy keys. My mom needs a watch and dad needs 2 candles for the living room.

Love,  
*Josiah Fernandez*

I want a Hulk, a Spiderman, and a necklace. My mom needs some earrings. Bring dad something. I don't know what he needs, and a toy for my little brother.

Love,  
*Brandon Reyna*

I want a little real 4-wheeler. A tiny one for me. I want a motor scooter, more G.I. Joes, a real go-cart, and a dirt bike. My mom needs some more Christmas plates, Christmas glasses, (not the kind you wear). My dad needs a new John Deere lamp, Bryant needs a Superman lamp, Bryce needs some more fake cows, Braden needs a new Texas Tech cap. I want something else too, a bubble gum machine that looks like a basketball. And I want a pot of gold. Mrs. Tekell needs some more candy. I'll leave you some cookies where I put them last year and I want a GI Joe house.

Love,  
*Brendon Mikesha*

I want a Barbie car, a Barbie, a teddy bear, a ball, a basketball, and a chicken. My brother wants a Hot Wheels and a basketball. Grandma needs a clothespin and a chicken. I want a coloring book, and some clothes, some pants.

Love,  
*Julio Perez*

I love you Santa and would you please bring me an X-box and a bike and a tent and some games. My brother needs some deodorant, and a new bike too. My mom needs some perfume and a bracelet. I want a Dallas Cowboys hat for my brother and a dragon hat for me.

Love,  
*Elias Arispe*

I want a Barbie for Christmas. My brother needs a toy truck. Will you get my Mama a Barbie too?

Love,  
*Breanna Luevano*

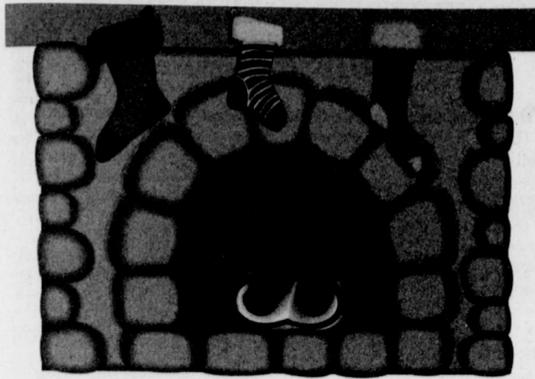
I want a Barbie car and a Barbie doll and a Scooby Doo for my little brother. Bring my Dad some race cars and my mom some power puffs, some chewing bones for Tiger and a mice toy for Sasha, and some presents for my grandma, grandpa, and my Abuela.

Love,  
*Alivika Villaveal*

Can you bring me a scooter, and a bike, a truck, a play horse, and a little night light. Pete needs a bike too and Shelby wants a baton.

Love,  
*Billy Cchoa*

**Open House**  
After the Christmas Parade  
10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.  
December 20, 2003  
**608 N. Main**  
Come by and check out this  
3 bedroom/2 bath home listed by  
Cottonwood Realty  
Monnie Davis 754-5628  
**Everyone's Welcome!**



**MRS. COLBURN'S FIRST GRADE CLASS**

I am going to leeve some cookese. Plees leev a meseg. I-no-that it is your Birthday. I want a Tobe Keth tape and a nouo game. hou have you been. I Bleeve in you Santa. I hope evreone has what hae want. haw do you get dawn the chimne. I want all of are famule to have a good a Chrstmos.

Love,  
*Ryan Young*

I want a little green ball and a soccer ball. I want a fireman. My Dad wants a basketball and my mom wants a puppet. I want a bike too.

Love,  
*Michael Marentes*

I want a lot of staf. Aspeshly a dirtbike with the soot and the hellmit and the gogls and the glaves and the boots. I have been good.

Love,  
*Javed Esquivel*

I want sum scates. I want a brby-dol and a blue camru. six toy pupys, blue dol unicorn. How do your reindeer fil?

Love,  
*Kristy Martinez*

I lik You kus You or nis ro childreh. Are You ok? I wook like a kumputer, a motorsykle and a poket-watsh. I hav ben a good boe.

Love,  
*Kendall Ferguson*

I want ne and elbo pads. I wil gev you a deer. I tri to be good. I wil give Santa, a rase cr.

Love,  
*David Sanchez*

I want a pup and a reang for my mom an I will bin good an I love you Santa. Ane I want to nowe how is Mrs Claus. An I want to nowe how are your nine reindeers.

Love,  
*Jennifer Rios*

I want a fourweeler for Christmas and Haw do you fil I fil grate. I wil see you soon breing toys to all of the bwees and girls. I want a jet ske for Christmas. how are your reindeers I have bin good.

Love,  
*Ty Cortez*

da you have Rudolph the red nose randir Plees Leeeve me some proof. Plees give me a durt bike and some scas and a haf pipe Plees. And a remot can chrol car.

Love,  
*Jacob McMinn*

I am going to sat out koocees and milk on my firplce. I want a big big baby stroler and a comeputer and I have been good and my sis has been good and my bob. Why does Rudolph have a shyney nose

Love,  
*Ashley Guy*

I am leveing you some kookes at my house. Santa. I want a remot car and a medem drt bick. I ned a noo bnike. Har is your Rendis.

Love,  
*Davyl Hagle*

how does Rudolph's nose light up and I will mabe leve some water for your reindeer on the roof and I want a bunch of army stuff and playstahion, two games. And how are your reindeer.

Love,  
*Lukas Kraatz*

how does your reindder live. And what I want is a game boy four Christmas. And I what you to no that we leve the fire on so I wel tel my mom and dad to poot out the fire. And I have been a good girl.

Love,  
*Jordan Frierson*

I want a dirt bick for Christmas so I ckood ride it top The stor win I want to get something for mom. I want a bick for Chistmas so I ckood ride to my friend's hose. Christmas with my famle is fun.

Love,  
*Michael Chavis*

hals your reindeer. I what a yel-low pour runjar. I thek of a fake duck I want a play mone I have bin good at school.

Love,  
*J.J. Ortiz*

**MRS. MOSTAD'S FIRST GRADE CLASS**

I want all the Pokemon toys and cards and I want some legos and some gof clubs.

Love,  
*Christian Tamez*

I want a staton 2. and a new pump I want a bike I want lamp for my Grandma Have a good Christmas

Love,  
*Jason Escobar*

Have you seen a reindeer with a red nose? and I no what I want for Christmas is a BLASTOLSE and I want a x box and I want all of the pokemon

Love,  
*Stephan Cleghorn*

I want a neclis. and get my sister some close and get my mom some close. and get my dad a woch.

Love,  
*Gabby Jimenez*

I want a new baby bear that has a neclis and shoos and earings. And I want a new diyery and I want some new close.

Love,  
*Marisol Sanchez*

I want a big screen .T.V. and Jessica needs sum close and I want a jumprope and I want a cat.

Love,  
*Clivia Rodriguez*

I want a swimming pool and I want a dog for me and ml SiSter and I want cloz.

Love,  
*Amanda Ruiz*

I want a bike and I want a diary and I want some clos and I want a pupe.

Love,  
*Bailey Hubbard*

I hope you'll have a good Christmas. My mom needs a big screen .t.v. I want a new play station.

Love,  
*Rudy Lara*

I want a dog. I want a swimming pool. I want a trampolen.

Love,  
*Bianca Trevino*

I want a cute dog and I want a flufe cat. I want a Bab Sister.

Love,  
*Maci Oliver*

I want a brannew real live horse. and my brother wants Legos and my mom wants a brannew cote. my dad wants a new T.V. Dear Santa, you are my friend I hope you have a good Christmas!

Love,  
*Nina Mooney*

I wish for a play stahun 2 and a bike and I want a cumputr and my own room I want a motrsikl I hope you have a good Chrstmas

Love,  
*Jimmy John Ripley*

I want a brenew Live horse and I want some brenew close. My mom needs Some more babyesuf becus she doesn'tint have anuff stuff for the baby.

Love,  
*Victoria Sanchez*

I hope you get me a barbie and my sister a puppy. And I want a pup. And get my brother a playstation 2. I love you santa!

Love,  
*Cedie Taylor*

I want a N-gaje and a Hoce-stick.

Love,  
*David Torres*

I want to see snow I wut dog I want a game cube and my sistor wants a baby and my Mom wants a gold lockit and my Dad wants a toy apple. What do you want?

by,  
*Luke Prather*

I want a Pokemon silver version and I want a power rangr Ninja Storm. I will save you a snack at my hows, thats all.

I love you,  
*Jordan Hamrick*

My name is Katlin. I am 6 years old. and I want a noow bike. and a noow bed. and a noow shoos. and a noow dressers. and a noow clothes.

I love you,  
*Katlin Stewart*

I thank I have been a good girl. I will give you some cookys and milk. And will you give me lots of books and toys? And will you come to my Dad's house after Christmas? I am six

Love,  
*Logan Soungel*

My name is Ethan. I want a bebe gun and a horn and a play sord and a red getar and a game of jacks. I will leve you some milk and cokes and some otes for your reandear. And I have been a good boy.

Love,  
*Ethan Bredemeyer*

I want a toy motorcycle for me so I can play with it. I want a dinosaur toy to play with. I love you Santa.

Love,  
*Anthony Rodriguez*

my name is Coy. I want sum toys. I will leve Some milk and cookys at the tabol in the kichin. I want more games four my game boy.

Love,  
*Coy Banick*

I want a cotton maker for Christmas. I want a Barbie cD for Christmas to and don't forget it has to have a computer to put it in.

Love,  
*Angel Niedeechen*

I am mando I am 6. The 3 games that I want. is Lord of The Reangs one and Donke Con and trminators 3. the toys the iarn giant and flobe. and Gandoff. I am guna give you cookees and milk.

Love,  
*Mando Rodriguez*

my name is Racheal. I em seven years old. I bin good I want a star and my brother wants a ras coy My sister wants bear.

Love,  
*Racheal Nunez*

I do like you. I hope all the chil-jrun get toys to play with. And I do. I want a car a plane and a toy moder-ickl. and I want a helicopter. and a jet and a coten picker. I will leve you some cookies and cholet milk. The End.

Love,  
*Shelton Bryan*

I have been a good. grool and I want to ride in. yoor sla and I want a. backruvin and a gogo my wocing pup. The End

Love,  
*Christa Bahtman*

I am being a good boy. I am going to leve you cookies and milk buy my Door. I want Cosmo Timmy HLUK Hands, Spidman blow up cheir, Bob postrs Mowyo rasing game, crayons, notbook, and colrwng book. Good by!

Love,  
*Cody Towse*

For Christmas I want a vacuum cleaner, a ball, a car, and some big books.

Thank you,  
*Nathan Pomeroy*

P.S. I've been really good this year!

I want a skatne boornd and a tra-paleen and a goste costume

Love,  
*Kimble Bridgeman*

I want it to snow. I want a x box I want a puppy.

Love,  
*Taylor Hooper*

I want a bukXubutthe I want 3 bukXubutthe Hulk

Love,  
*Albert Campos*

I want a brbe jep. I want a back-pack. I want a stuf rabbit.

Love,  
*Megan Day*

I wana 2 play r u horse The a watch

Laev,  
*Kaylynn Squyres*

I want to see giving. I want a babye kitin.

Love,  
*Katie Wade*

I would like to see my an cook Abraham I want a brebebe cash reg-istr I want a trapaleen I want a puppy

Love,  
*Gabby Pena*

I would like a N-gaje and a Hoce-stick.

Love,  
*David Torres*

I want to see snow I wut dog I want a game cube and my sistor wants a baby and my Mom wants a gold lockit and my Dad wants a toy apple. What do you want?

by,  
*Luke Prather*

I want a glob. and a staf ber. and a staf cat.

Love,  
*Danielle Black*

I like a vedo. game. I like a prre. rahgr.

Love,  
*Ethaniel Reyes*

I want a Bick regu tate very BaBe dol book coolregc cin teve and sumelosz. and areg fr my mom and a wot fr my dad and a thuck fr my brush

Love,  
*J'Nae Hagle*

I want a Rabo tv and a stRoBere-shooRcake dol and a stRoBeReshoo-Rcake necklis

Love,  
*Sivva Aleman*

I want to see my dad. And i want a bike. And i will like a cat. And a dog.

Love,  
*Adreanna Lopez*

HO!

HO!

HO!

I want a go cart for Christmas please. How are the elfs doing, and Mrs. claus, how is she doing? How are Rudolph, Prancer, Comet, Ralph, and all the others? I'm giving you some cookies and milk.

Merry Christmas Rudolph and san-ta,  
*Taylor Riffe*

I want an alarm clock, Madden football game 2004, lights for my room. I want ba blades to battle.

Merry Christmas santa,  
*Christopher Gehhart*

I have been a good girl. I want a brat doll. I will give you milk and cookies. How are the reindeer doing?

Merry Christmas,  
*Destiny Chavis*

I want bunny ears for my TV. I want a REMote contrl car. I want a x box. and I want a go cart.

Merry Christmas,  
*Ryan Koenig*

How is Mrs claus? Have you been good or bad? I will give you milk and cookies. I want a puppy for christ-mas.

Merry Christmas,  
*Sivva Woffenden*

I have been good. I want a bike, clothes, doll, and a Bratz doll. I will leave you milk and cookies. Have you been working all year.

Merry Christmas,  
*Kara Heathcott*

How are you doing? How is Mrs. Claus doing? I will ik to have a ps2, a x box, gameboy, gameboy vanes, a gold game pockemon, remote controir dirtbike, remote controir care.

Love,  
*Dylan Day*

I want a presint. A reel Hamste. A gamboy avens. A moovey.

Merry Christmas Santa clas,  
*Zachary Schwartz*

I have been good to my brothers and sister. For Christmas can I have a Bratz doll. And a nuther thing for Christmas is a DvD with the move rideing in cars with boys.

Love,  
*Audrie Reyes*

I want shoes and some close Mrs. Claus. A new Tv. I have been good to my mom.

Merry Christmas,  
*Julia Maria Tamez*

I have been good. I want a Dvd. more games, hip clips. Also I want a pet, a bike, cloths. I also want a new C.D.

Love,  
*Vanessa Sanchez*

I have Been a Good Boy all year. Ba Blade and a spider mon toys, the HuLK hardes. and all the matrix moves. I love Santa.

Love,  
*Chris Potts*

I Want a remote cuntro car. a v madensool. in I Wunt a lots of PreSes. in a lots of book to reed. I want big cendy. Plese sind back this messajjes. Merry Christmas. Love santa.

Love,  
*Fermin Cruz*

I want a basbal and footbal

Luv,  
*Christopher Valles*

I want a glob. and a staf ber. and a staf cat.

Love,  
*Danielle Black*

I like a vedo. game. I like a prre. rahgr.

Love,  
*Ethaniel Reyes*

I want jump start Advanced. I would like a Laptop Computer. Please, bring me a hamster. Have a Merry Christmas!

Love,  
*Austen Green*

How are you doing? I'm doing good. I like Christmas a lot. I wish you could bring me a Barbie Coaputer, some clothes, and some Barbie dolls.

Love,  
*Destiny Doty*

How are you doing? I have been a good girl this year. I want head-phones, money and a C.D. Player. And some toe socks, cloths, doll, and a woopie cushion.

From,  
*Missy Calcote*

I will like a puppu please. I will like a Truds time and place House please,

Love,  
*Jaymee Pritchard*

Do you want milk or Dr. Peper? I want a ps2, and a trampoline, and a CD player, and a camrecorder, and a GO-cart, and a race car model

from,  
*Austin Edom*

Hi, my name is Iesha. Do you like a Barbie of swan lake toy. I like her. I want her for Christmas. I also want a kim Possible Toy. I want a care bear too. I love you, and have a nice Christmas.

Sincerely,  
*Jesha Tamez*

Can I have a Easy bake oven? Hi my name is Amanda Horton. How are you? I also want clothes. Can I have a book.

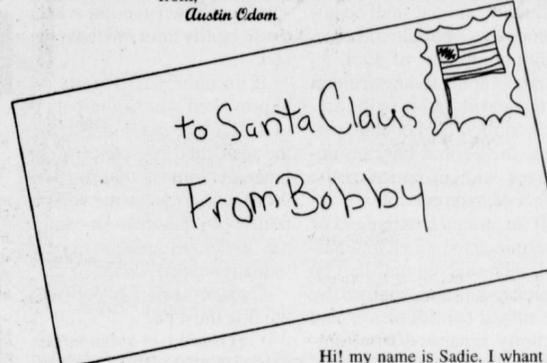
Love,  
*Amanda Horton*

Hi, My name is Vicki. I want a computer. I want books. I osl want a xbox.

Love,  
*Vicki Madrid*

Santa How is your day? I want a deer, butterfly cell fon. x-box, elfs, and clothes.

Love,  
*Ashlee Hollis*



how are you doing i been good everyday. I won't a puppy and i won't a CD player. I won't maney and i won't a stuffed bear. I won't a tramo-line.

Love,  
*Sophia Reyes*

I mind my mom. I want some games and I want a CD player and a trampoline and I want some cds to.

Love,  
*Emily Reyes*

Do you like the North Pole? If you find a hamster can I have it? Can I have Trudy's Time and Place House C.D.

Love your friend,  
*Katie Gray*

How are you doing in North Pole? I want a computer for chistmas and I want a Jumpstart 2nd Grade.

Love,  
*Max Perez*

I bin good. How are you doing Santa? Can I have a Video game And spy Gear and a Laptop Computer.

From,  
*Marshall Scates*

How are you? How is Mrs. Closs? How are the elfs. I want a Go-Cart and a computer.

By,  
*Eusebio Reyna*

I would like to have a gameboy sp. And I would like a PS2 games. And I would like a couple of dallar. And a toy car.

By,  
*Anthony Gray*

How has your hear gone. My year has ben good. I realy loved what you brough me last year. Santa I wish you will bring me some mikes for Christmas. Santa I wish you will get me a Playstation 2. I like Ruddph your reindeer with the red noinse. Santa well you Please bring me some books and Santa I hope you bring me a gun.

Sicerly,  
*Justin Ventress*

How are you doing how is Mrs. Claus and your elfs? Is the North pole cold? If you do not mind I would like Barbie of swan Lake the movie and the toys I would Barbie and the Nutck-racker. I would also like all the other Animal Ark books I do not have please. Thank you for all the other presents you have us in the past. P.S. Tell Rudolph I think his is cute and tell him I like his nose.

Sicerly,  
*Jennifer Huddleston*

Hi! my name is Sadie. I want a comuter. I also want a Bratz. I want a bike for Christsmas too. I also want a Annabell. How old is Rudolph? How are you doing? I also want a baby-doll.

Love,  
*Sadie Smith*

how was your year? Mine was good. I want a cellphone, Laptop, X.box. I want a computer, books, movies, robot and a hellucofer tictre.

Love,  
*Ty Black*

I hope you have fun dalivering the toys to children. I liked the present you brough be last year. I will give you milk and cookies. I want a winnie the Pooh playset that comes with a stroller, baby bed, baby swing, and a high chair.

Senciraly,  
*Lauren Bredemeyer*

Hi! How has your week been? Mine has been fine. I won't a x-box and moveis. The moivle name are Nashanal, Sucerdy. I won't some peluts and some B.Bs for my pellet gun. My name is 'Cobey'. I won't some cloths.

Love,  
*Corey Pritchard*

How has your day been going? Myday has been great. I want a Bratz doll and a baby Annabell and a crib and some clothes, stroller and high chair and books and movies and bean-ie babies.

Love,  
*Katie Lara*

How has your week gone my week has been fine I hop I have been good! how are thaning down at the north pool I bet the elfs are whiking hard. I want a baby doll crib, and a stroller and I want a high chair and a carrier and a baby doll.

Csinsirle,  
*Alanna Cooper*

# Law & Order

## Take caution of vicious, dangerous animals

Animal Control Officer Lillian Grissam reminds residents of regulations of the Winters Code of Ordinances pertaining to vicious and dangerous animals.

### Vicious Animals

No person shall own or harbor a vicious animal. A vicious animal is defined as any animal that commits an unprovoked attack upon a person on public or private property or that attacks, threatens to attack, or terrorizes a person on public property or in a public place, or an animal that has been declared vicious by a court of jurisdiction.

Such an animal shall be impounded as a public nuisance. If impoundment of such an animal running at-large cannot be made with safety to the animal control officer or other persons, the animal may be destroyed without notice to the owner or harborage.

If an animal is adjudged or determined to be a vicious animal, then said animal shall be apprehended and retained by the animal control officer and securely separated from animals. Upon refusal of any person to deliver such animal, the municipal judge may cause a warrant to be issued to the police for the arrest of such person, which warrant shall also provide for the surrender of the animal and shall be lawful authority for the apprehension and forceful taking of such animal.

No person shall place or maintain any dog which has been specifically trained to attack in any area for the protection of persons or property unless the dog is physically confined to a specific area, or is under complete and absolute control.

The area or premises in which a guard dog is confined must be conspicuously posted

with warning signs bearing letters not less than two (2) inches high.

### Dangerous Dogs

A dangerous dog is one that makes an unprovoked attack on a person that causes bodily injury and occurs in a place other than an enclosure in which the dog was being kept and that was reasonably certain to prevent the dog from leaving the enclosure on its own or a dog that commits unprovoked acts in a place other than an enclosure in which the dog was being kept and that was reasonably certain to prevent the dog from leaving the enclosure on its own and those acts cause bodily injury to that person.

If an individual reports an unprovoked attack, the police or a designee may investigate the accident. If the officer/designee determines that the dog is dangerous, the owner will be notified of that fact. An owner has 30 days to make an appeal to the municipal court.

Once an owner is notified, the dog must be:

- registered as a dangerous dog with the police or a designee,
- restrained at all times on a leash in the immediate control of a person or in a secure enclosure,
- insured with liability insurance coverage or the owner must show financial responsibility of at least \$100,000 to cover damages resulting from an attack.

If the owner of a registered dangerous dog moves the dog to a new location or sells the dog, the owner must notify the police or designee within 14 days.

Any dangerous dog so named by definition of the Code may be destroyed. The owner may face criminal prosecution and is liable for a civil

penalty not to exceed \$10,000.

Defenses to prosecution under this Code include that the person is a veterinarian, a peace officer, a person employed by an animal shelter, or a person employed by the state or a political subdivision dealing with stray animals who has temporary ownership, custody, or control of the dog while performing duties of that position.

Another defense includes that the person is an employee of TDCJ or a law enforcement agency that uses dogs for enforcement or corrections and

such person has temporary ownership, custody, or control of the dog while performing the duties of that position. Also dog trainers or employees of a guard dog company under the Private Investigators and Private Security Agencies Act while performing duties of that position are defenses from prosecution.

*Editor's note: The above information is from the Winters Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Animal Control.*

For more details, contact City Hall at 754-4424.

## Police Beat

The following are cases from the Winters Police Department. Some cases may still be under investigation. Information, reported through Crime Stoppers, leading to the close of any case could result in up to a \$1,000 reward.

The following are calls investigated by the Winters Police Department during the week of Dec. 8 through Dec. 14, 2003. Officers:

- arrested a subject on DPS traffic warrants issued in Concho County.
  - arrested a subject on warrants issued by Winters Municipal Court.
  - filed a report of Burglary of a Motor Vehicle at Winters High School.
  - arrested a subject for Public Intoxication and Resisting Arrest.
  - arrested a subject on a Taylor County warrant for Theft by Check.
  - filed a forgery report. The case is still under investigation.
- Please be sure with the Christmas season here to keep your vehicles and homes secure due to an increase in burglaries this time of year.**

## Official Records

### County Court Dispositions

Mueller, Inc., vs. David Nissen, suit on account, court ruled defendant is indebted to plaintiff for principal and interest of \$690.39 and reasonable attorney's fees of \$1,000, plus interest of 18 percent per year until sum is paid.

Theresa Louise Lane vs. Alfonso Martinez, application for protective order granted until Dec. 8, 2005.

James Earl Bliss, interference with an emergency telephone call, pleaded nolo contendere, sentenced to six months in county jail, probated to one year, fined \$100, plus \$236 court costs, assigned 32 hours community service.

Daniel Rodriguez Ortiz, driving while intoxicated (subsequent offense), case dismissed, defendant convicted in another case.

Daniel Rodriguez Ortiz, driving while license invalid, case dismissed, defendant convicted in another case.

### Criminal Cases Filed

**December 3**

Brad W. Binder, filed for hunting at night

John R. Nitsch, filed for hunting at night

Shea Bonds, filed for theft by check

Mariselda C. Carrillo, filed for theft by check

Susan Schmidt, filed for theft by check

Anita P. Walton, filed for theft by check

### December 4

Michael Camelin, filed for illegal dumping

### December 8

James Earl Bliss, filed for interference with an emergency telephone call

Kristi Brown, filed for theft

Michael Anthony New, filed for theft

### December 10

Robert P. Ortega, filed on two counts: for driving while intoxicated and for driving while license invalid

Bobby Lane Robertson, filed for terroristic threat

### December 11

Daniel Quirino, filed for assault

Marriage Licenses Filed

### December 11

Edgar Padilla Tapia and Gisela

Padilla Padilla

### District Court

**Grand Jury Indictments**

Ronnie Tucker, theft by check (\$1,500-\$20,000)

Otis Liggins, Winters, criminal mischief

Antonio Aragon, Winters, evading arrest/detention using a vehicle

Austin Lee Hord, Winters, escape

Martha Carson, driving while intoxicated with child under 15 years of age

Peggy Oneal Smith aka Peggy Oneal Reynolds, driving while intoxicated (two prior convictions)

Jeremiah Lynn Smith, Ballinger, possession of a controlled substance

Jon David Byrd, theft (\$1,500-20,000)

Henry Burton Lawson II, Ballinger, theft (\$20,000-\$100,000)

### Civil Cases Filed

### December 8

Mueller, Inc., vs. Dvorak Quality Construction, Inc., and Doug J. Dvorak, account

Geosite, Inc., vs. DBO Oil, Inc., Tom C. Hall and Hal Boyd Hall, breach of contract/account

### Justice of the Peace

### Precinct 1

### Criminal Cases Filed

### November 20

Myron Q. Tucker, filed on two counts of improper use of farm license plates

### November 29

Jimmy Lee Tyler, filed for violation of open container law, alcoholic beverage

Severio Jimenez Torres, filed for failure to identify

### December 2

Benjamin A. Elbel, filed for improper tagging deer

Brad W. Binder, filed for possession of an untagged deer



- 5:05 AM "Texas in the Morning" from the Texas State Network
- 5:30 AM "The Lone Star Farm and Ranch Report" from the Texas Agribusiness Network
- 5:55 AM Southwest Daybreak from VSA Radio Network

"First News from the Agriplex" 7:00 AM, 8:45 AM, 12:15 PM, and 5:00 PM

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## Keeping an Eye on Texas

### Business Info Online

The Secretary of State's OnLine Access (SOSDirect) web access system provides subscribers with up-to-date, on-line computer access to a variety of information maintained by the Office of the Secretary of State.

SOSDirect can provide many types of business information, such as records filed with the SOS relating to:

- Corporations
- Limited Partnerships
- Limited Liability Companies
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- "Bonanza" brother of TX Dan Blocker
- San TX
- "love" south of the border
- T-shirt size
- long distance co. for some TXns
- TXns are not quick to ...
- this Maiouf wrote "Cattle Kings of TX"
- endlessly
- junk piles to a redneck? (2 wds.)
- this TX Gray sang "The In Crowd"
- TX Burnett film: "The Four ..."
- Islamic ruler
- the worm in moscal
- San Angelo was named for this Mexican nun
- Buck Showalter ... the Texas Rangers
- TXism: "scared the dickens out of ..."
- De Leon's August event: "Peach Festival"
- TX Meredith was on "Pettit Junction"
- TXism: "cold ... banker's heart"
- historic "Texas and ... Railway"
- aquatic turtle
- El Paso originally: "pass ... to the north"
- TXism: "... the end of my rope!"
- female sheep
- TXism: "hot as ... of mesquite coals"
- internet co.
- TX firefighter Ben Thompson wore a ... hat
- TXism: "it's good for what you"
- lake glider
- Waco's "tex Zoo"
- White ... TX
- TXism: "clean ... hound's tooth"
- TX Buchanan ...
- TXism: "packed like cows in ..."
- newspaper in seat of Falls Co.
- missing soldiers (abbr.)
- TXism: "... hawk to a prairie dog"
- hometown of TX "Hoss" ... Kalb
- TX congressman Rayburn: "... Sam"
- TWU was first CIA: College of Arts
- NM ski town
- TXism: "... full of spit and vinegar"
- bullish investment firm (init.)
- TXism: "let sleeping dogs ..."
- TXism: "compadre" (2 wds.)
- "run ... (went crazy)"
- ex-TCU coach Moe
- prelude to TX Revolution: "Battle of ..."
- move furiously
- TXism: "the fat ... in the fire"

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- Push the accelerator while idling
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- Thunder's sound
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- Authorizations to search
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- Blue expanse
- Laurel
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- Shoppers' destinations
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- Snatch
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- Poet's shade
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- Place for a chapeau
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- "City of Light"
- Thumb and others
- Mr. Slaughter
- Deteriorate
- Jungle gym material
- Tightfitting garment
- Clergyman Norman
- Enthusiastic review
- Spoke very softly
- Toward shelter
- Use one of the senses
- Young one
- Like better
- Goos before
- Rich deposits
- Literary form
- Turmeric
- A ... apple
- ... on; serves
- Harrison or Henry
- Nothing
- Business transactions
- Girl's name
- Appeared unsteady
- Word with wies or car
- Play it by ...
- Improvised
- Greek letters
- Secluded valley
- Ride or Armstrong
- Commits a crime
- Polite response
- Part of the leg
- Skin lotion ingredient
- Small action
- Ending for Paul or Jean
- Musical group
- Gilbert and Teasdale
- "... star-spangled banner yet wave ..."

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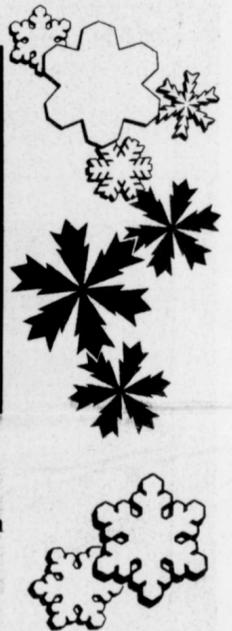
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