

We wish you a Merry Christmas!

Instead of sending individual cards to our local friends, we have contributed to this Community Christmas Card.

The Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary will use the money to buy life-saving equipment for our hospital. This is our Christmas gift to our community.

We hope Christmas for your family is filled with the eagerness and joy of children awaiting Santa's visit, and also with the wonder and awe of the shepherds who witnessed the very first Christmas.

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And they came bearing gifts...
May Peace, Love and Everlasting
Joy be your gifts this Christmas.
Thanks for the treasure of
your friendship.

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Children's Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa,
How are you. I have been good. Please bring me Robot, BB gun. Thank you.
David Gil

Dear Santa,
How are you? I have been good. Please bring me a bike, gun, skateboard, trampoline.
Kyle Shelton

Dear Santa,
How are you. I have been good. Please bring me a doll house and a Bebe this and that doll. thank you.
Maggi Paxton

Dear Santa,
How are you? I have been good. Please bring me a book, playhouse, game, skateboard, play Super Market, and a Barbie doll.
Jennifer Lea Justice

Dear Santa,
How are you? I have been good. Please bring me a play super Market.
Nora Catano

Dear Santa,
How are you? I have been good. Please bring me a Gloria
Gloria

Dear Santa,
How are you? I have been good. Please bring me a skate, robot.
Nicky Polivoda

Dear Santa,
How are you? I have been good. Please bring me a bee gun and a Robo and a train and truck.
Roy Dale Nelson

Dear Santa,
How are you? I have been good. Please bring me a B.B gun, and a Robot, thank you.
Justin Lee Nelson

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a second grader. I am a good girl. My teacher is Mrs. Sheffy. Please bring me a guitar, a skateboard, a barbie town house, a baby come back, a kick and go, Cats' Eye, a new bicycle, a quick curl, a sun tan barbie, suntan barbie takes a vacatie to the north woods, a ballerina barbie, a new bed, a sun shine family farm.
Love,
Trisha Lynn Hufhines

Dear Santa,
I'm a boy. I'm a second grader. I'm in Mrs. Sheffy room. Please bring me a skateboard.
Love,
Junior Garza

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I am a second grader. Please bring me a pinball and a typewriter also skateboard and a Baby come Back.
Love,
Bernice Ewing

Dear Santa,
I have a good teacher and she is Mrs. Sheffy. I want a train a bike and a typewriter for Christmas.
Love,
Leo Castro

Dear Santa,
I'm in the second grade. I am eight years old and in Mrs. Shffy's room. I want a football for Christmas.
Love,
Richard Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
I am a girl. I am a second grader. I would please like a BarBie and craft kit.
Love,
Denise Lynn Schulte

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good girl. Im a second grader. Mrs. Sheffy is my teacher. I would like Baby Cry and a baby cradle and a typewriter and a record player.
Love,
Stacy Wilson

Dear Santa,
I am a girl and I am in second grad. I would like record player and a doll.
Love,
Ida Sotell

Dear Santa,
I am a second grader and my name is Tami. Please bring me a pumper barber shop. And please bring me a guitar, two more things I would like a record player with a microphone and some roller skates.
Love,
Teresa Field

Dear Santa,
I am a good second grader. My teacher is Mrs. Sheffy. Pleas bring me a toy van and drum and a guitar also a flash light and a B.B. gun.
Love,
Ignacio Soliz

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I am in the second grade. I would like a typewriter and a skatboard.
Love,
Lonnie Ramirez

Dear Santa,
I hope you bring what I want. I am a 8 year old boy in the second grade. I want shoots-a-way. I want a electric football game. I want a speedometer.
Cary Buchanan

Dear Santa,
I am a boy. I have been a good boy. I am a second grader. I want a skateboard and a bike.
Love,
Raymond Falcon

Dear Santa,
I would like to have Charlie Angels. House and dolls. And I would like to have a pink bike. And barbie town house. And a farra face with make-up and eyelash and Tuesday Taylor.
Love,
Delia Garcia

Dear Santa,
I am a second grad girl. My teacher is Mrs. Sheffy. Please bring me a typewriter.
Love,
Mecca Wilkerson

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl and I am in the second grade. I want a Baby come Back and a barbie farm and a Super star Barbie and a Town House.
Love,
Kristi Kelley

Dear Santa,
I'm a girl in the second grade. Please bring me a doll, a game and a stuff rabbit. I want some roller skates too.
Love,
Misti Ott

Dear Santa,
I would like a 4,10 shotgun and a hamp hog a bunch of 100s in the grade book and not to go to school. I have ben bad.
Mark Standlee

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a helmet and tow SWAT men.
Love,
Tracy Hatla

Dear Santa,
I would like a bb gun, skateboard and a motre cross bike and a helmet and some gloves and boxing gloves and Merry Christmas.
Love,
Kirk Ward

Dear Santa,
I love you. I want a Baby come back. And hellow Hous-shoos. and for my mom I want Sunday shooze. And for my dad a musel shirt and soks. Maby I can see your elfs and Fling rander. Is roodof giting fat? I wachet the story on t.v. with you on it. and roodof the red nose rander. I am just 8 years old.
Love,
Traci R. Hill

Dear Santa Claus,
Bring me a combine and a bulldozer at the other store, and give me some more candy. Thank you.
Davy Maxwell

Dear Sata Cluse,
I want a doll and a bike and a ball. I want Play money and a sun boll. I want a watch.
Ruth

Dear Santa Claus,
I want for you to bring me a Baby alive.
Irma Gonzales

To Santa Clause,
I want a watch. I want a doll. I want a ball. I want donny and marie dolls and I want a play tent and I want a sun ball.
Lupe Gonzales

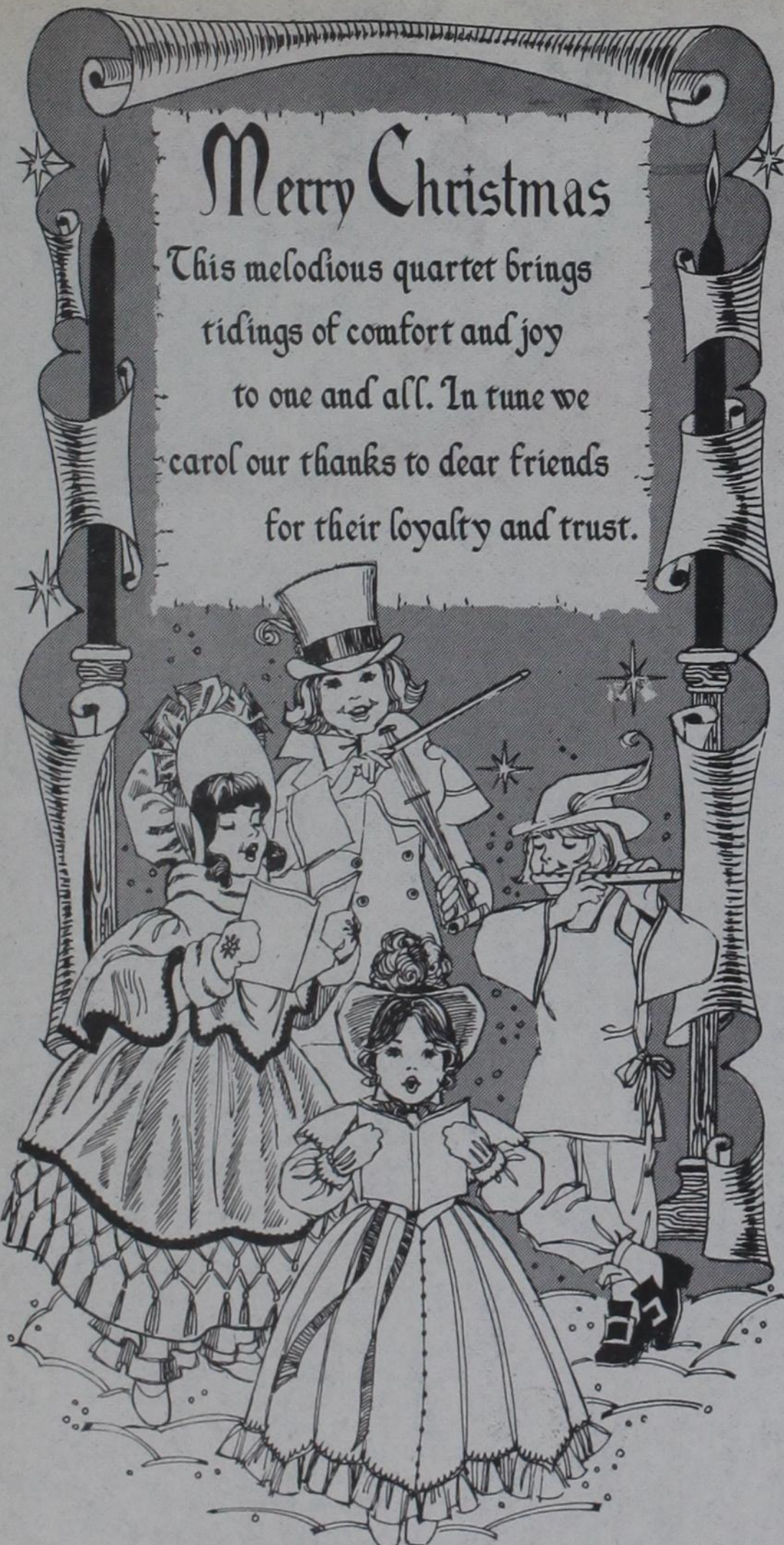


SEASON'S GREETINGS

Extra! Extra! Read all about it! Our sincere best wishes to all our friends and neighbors for a very happy and healthy holiday!

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Merry Christmas

This melodious quartet brings tidings of comfort and joy to one and all. In tune we carol our thanks to dear friends for their loyalty and trust.

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May the peace and comfort so richly provided by Our Saviour Jesus Christ be yours as you celebrate His Birth.

And may our special thanks add to the splendor of your holidays.

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Dear Santa Claus, I have been good and I love you Santa Claus. Wood like for you to Bring me to pairs of Boxing gloves. Luis Martinez

Get a Bigger Sleigh, Santa Claus!



Dear Santa, I have been a good Girl. Would you please bring me a baby come back for Christmas?, and any thing else you want to. I love you. Rosa Lopez

Dear Santa, I have try to be good. I wood like a bike and truck and 3 earplans and that is all I want. Love, Refugio Marquez

Dear Santa Claus, I like you very much. I am only going to oder a few toys because I know you have a long list of toys. I want a Operrating the Fat man. I want a Strech arm Strong, I want a Hot Tomato. I will leave some tamales and cup-cakes. Love, Alex Trigo Jr.

Dear Santa Claus, I am Writing you this letter to let you know What I Want you to bring me This Christmas. I Would like for you to bring me some new Clothes. That's What I Would like for Christmas This Year. Lupita Paz

Dear Santa, I would like a b.b. gun, spider man doll, c.b. base station, calculator and a telephone to go in my room. Love, Scott Hill

Dear Santa, I would like to have a bike for christmas, and a wach and a calculator for christmas, and some clothes for christmas and a pair of rollerskates and a skate board, for christmas, and let my sisters and my brothers and my father and my mother and me. Love, Irma Esparza

Dear Santa, I want a big trailer please. Marco Trevizo

Dear Santa, Have a very happy Christmas. Please bring me a jewelry maker if you can. I love you very much. Whould you bring my Mother and Father and all my brothers and sisters something. I hope you have a safe trip. Love, Marlo Hartman

Dear Santa, Merry Christmas I hope you have a safe journey and get to see all of the children. May I please have a nerf-rocket with launcher and a game of cats-eye. I hope you give me a Max Machine too. Love, Randy Joseph Hochstein

Dear Santa, Please bring me a Monday Night football and a Buddy L Coke-a-Cola Company. I am trying to do my best in school and at home. I live at Nazareth, Texas and I am in the third grade. I love you very much. Merry Christmas. Love, Shawn Wilhelm

Dear Santa, I hope you have a safe journey. I like the things you brought me last time. May I have a Singer Speed bike and pickup for Christmas. Will you bring my family something for Christmas. Merry Christmas. Love, Wade E. Drerup

Dear Santa, Please bring me a soft doll that crys. Would you bring my little sister a doll? Please bring my baby brother a toy tractor? I hope you have a safe trip. Have a Merry Christmas. Love, Charlotte Heck

Dear Santa, I hope you have a safe trip. Would you please bring me a Repeatin Richochet Tracer Racer and a Trigger Jet and a Lego 400 set? Would you also bring my mother a new set of silver wear and my dad an electric saw? Merry Christmas. Russell Acker

Dear Santa Claus, I want a push button truck. Merry Christmas Santa and Rudolph too. You thick I been good, please bring me a Dallas cowboys suit. I love you and Rudolph and the other reindeers. May I have a picture of you and Rudolph, and the other reindeers, and your sleigh. Please, please bring me a Dallas football. I love you Santa Claus take care of all of you reindeers, and please take care of your self. Have a safe journey. I want a sleigh just like yours. I hope you read all of our letters. I hope you have a safe ride down the chimney. Love, Paul Bermea

Dear Santa, Please give me a Handa Tricat. I want 50 head of cattle. I want Milky the Milk cow and two big eighteen-wheelers. I hope you bring me a big truck. It is about two feet tall. I hope you have a safe journey. Hav a good Christmas. Love, Leroy Schulte

Dear Santa, I would like to have a bicycle. I want a Dallas cowboy helmet and a Dallas cowboy suit. I want a Thunder-Shift 500. Please bring me these things. I try to be a good boy. My Sister said "I was doing good in Class". I hope you can find my house. Merry Christmas, Craig Huseman

Dear Santa, I wish you a Merry Christmas. Please bring me a farm with 50 cattle, five horses, and three cattle trucks. Bring me a Dallas football suit if you think I am good. Love, Kenneth Wilhelm

Dear Santa, I tried not to fight any more. What I want from you is a babby come back. I will try not to fight any more. Love, Carolina Sanchez

Dear Chris Kringle, Please bring me a Dallas Cowboy football suit. I would like a Lane Ranger and Silver and also a Tanto Indian and has house Icoat and Butch carven-disk and his house Smoke. May I have 70 play cattle, and 50 play horses with saddle, Merry Christmas. Love, Clint Hoelting

Dear Santa, I would like a pistol B-B gun, and a herd of cattle and horses. I have been trying to be better this year. I am in the 3rd grade. How is Rudolph. I hope you have a safe trip. Merry Christmas Santa. Love, Phillip Durbin

Dear Santa, I live in Nazareth, Texas. I am eight years old. I think I have been a good boy and I hope you do to. Will you please bring me a Dallas Cowboy suit. But don't forget my brothers and sisters especially my mother and father. I hope you give something to the poor people. Merry Christmas. Love, Kenny Kern

Dear Santa Claus, I hope you have a Merry Christmas. Bring Rudolph so we can see his nose Glow. I like whit you brot last year. I want a Tin Can Alley. Please bring me a Glow in the dark Dubble loop racer. Have a grate Christmas. Your friend, Patrick Birkenfeld

Dear Santa, I would like to have a bike for Christmas and a pair of gloves and boots and a hat and bb gun and a peilt gun helmet skate bord and a boxing gloves and a Merry Christmas. Love, David Norther

Dear Sant, I have tried to be good. I want a 22 gun and a tiptrir and a watch and a Green mashin. Love, Edward

Dear Santa, I have been a good girl this year so please bring me some toys, a Baby Come Back Kisses and Camera. Paula Sanchez

Dear Santa, I'm a girl. I'm in first grade. Will you bring me a babby cisses. Love, Sandy Garza



We're sure your holidays will be filled with the bright harmony that only Christmas brings. A resounding note of thanks for your patronage.



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As Santa jingles your way bringing all the treasures of the holiday, we join him in wishing you a host of bright Christmas memories to shine through this merry, merry season.

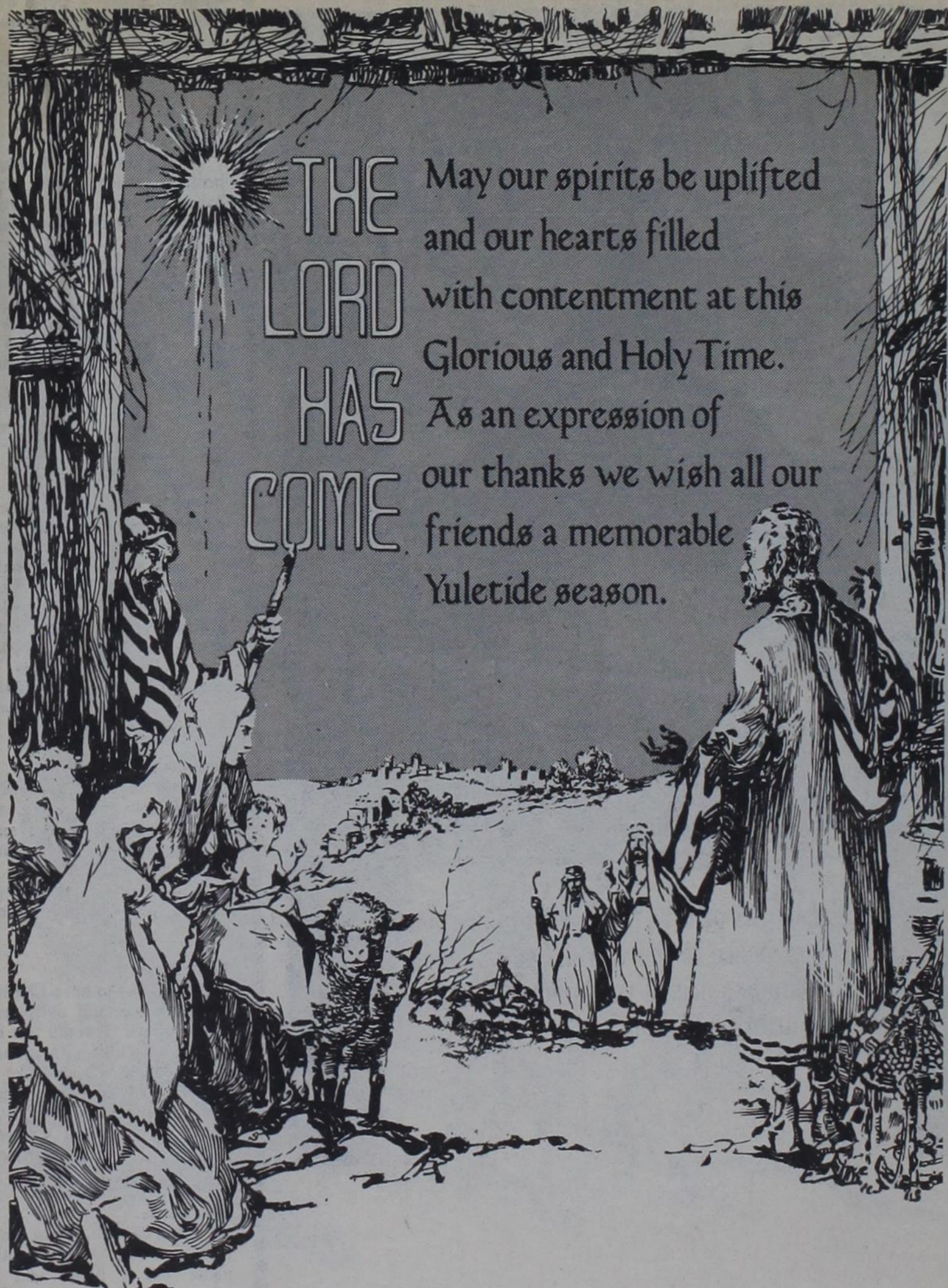


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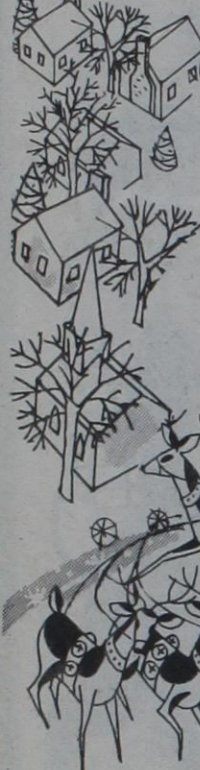
THE LORD HAS COME

May our spirits be uplifted and our hearts filled with contentment at this Glorious and Holy Time. As an expression of our thanks we wish all our friends a memorable Yuletide season.



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MERRY CHRISTMAS



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Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a nite clog next Christmas. I hope to get a b.b. gun and a pellet gun and a desk to do my home work. My homework is pretty hard, espeshely Math. Math is the hardes thing. i will like a calculator to prack-to my times and pluses and takeway and how do your elves make toys and where do you live and I would like to have cowboy boots and a cowboy hat and have a merry Christmas.
Love,
Johnny Flores Jr.

Dear Santa,
I would like a collie dog. And some pants. And some Charlie Angles dolls. And lots more things.
Love,
Beverly

Dear Santa,
I want two Barbie dolls, a Charlies Angls T-shirt, toy Koala bear, pair of roller-skates and a Professor Calculator. Merry Christmas.
Love,
Kayla Jones

Dear Santa,
I wish you a Merry Christmas. I hope you have a very good time getting in to houses. I hope you get me a doll named baby alive and I want a bracelet and a chain with a little boy and a little girl or the chain. I wanted to tell you when my birthday is, it is December 30, 1977. I hope you get me something on my birthday.
love Santa,
Criselda Mata

Dear Santa,
I would like a Charlies Angels hideout and Angels and small horse live and little professor calculator and many more.
Love,
Iris Jones

Dear Santa,
I hope we do have gifts. I hope I get a coat and Charlie's Angels dolls and a bike. And one more thing I hope I get some clothes. And I hope me and my brothers and sisters can earn enough money so we can get the things for my Mom and Dad. And I hope my big sister's have a nices Christmas. And I hope all of my family have the nicest Christmas they ever had. And one more person who is the nicest teacher I ever had is Mr. and Mrs. Sutton.
Love,
Linda Saenz

Dear Santa,
I would like a happy Christmas to my mother if she is in the hospital and a happy Christmas to my father and my sister and me.
Love,
Ruben Martinez

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a blue skate board and a ten speed bike for Christmas, and one more thing skates too.
Love,
Nadine Gauna

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a Chopper bike and a football airpump and Evel Kneivel and one calculator and a Rifle, green machine and 100 marbles, 5 bigwheels, a walky talky Cb and farm yard with animals.
Love,
Rafael Luna

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a bike and a pellet gun and a watch and a skate bord.
Love,
Damas Chavaria

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a Charlie-Angels dolls. and a bike too and a Elvis Record, barbie doll and a purse and coat and sock and professor calculator and clothes.
Love,
Lisa Talley

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a happy brithday tender love. And baby That away.
Love,
Anna Marie Rivers

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a watch. I would like to have a gown. I would like to have a pantsuit. Santa, I hope you have a nice Christmas.
Love,
Carol Archer

Dear Santa,
I would lick to have a new taperecorder and some hotwheels, a football and a basket ball gool and a basket ball. And then I wold lick to have a go cart and a horse, a pellet gun and a calculator. And then I wont a new coat, some gloves, some snow boots, a new bick.
Love,
Cody Brock

Dear Santa,
I want to have a Charlie Angels dolls and a Farrah Faucut doll and clothes and Sunshine Family dolls and Skateboard and Rollerskats.
Love,
Anita Jo Evans

Dear Santa,
I would like to have Charlie Angels house and dolls and cloths with it. I would like to have a blue bike with a basket, and light. I would like a Tuesday Taylor. And levis, gouchos, jumpsuits.
Love,
Cindy Martinez

Dear Santa,
I would like a b.b. gun. and pillet gun and a Mr. Mouth game and a Robot and a bunch of preate girls and a Minibike and a shotgun. Thats all.
Love,
Ricky Henderson

Dear Santa,
Please come to my house. I want a bike and a baby sister.
Ramon Zamora

Dear Santa,
May I please have a Tonka dump truck and digger. Please bring Mom a new quilt and my little sister a doll and don't forget to turn on Rudolph's nose.
Love,
Matthew Hatla

Dear Santa Claus,
Merry Christmas Santa Claus. I hope you have a safe journey. Do not forget the poor people. Will you please bring me a push button Auto Transport Truck. I would like a milking cow called Milky the Milking Cow. I would like a Girder and Penel Building Set. Be sure to bring Sister Immaculata and my parents and my brothers and sisters something. Hope you have a good time.
Love,
Alan Herman Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas. I want a Baby Crissy please.
Maria

Dear Santa Clause,
I want a pet fish and a Donny and Marie set and two models and Bigfoot and I have been good.
Robert Upshaw

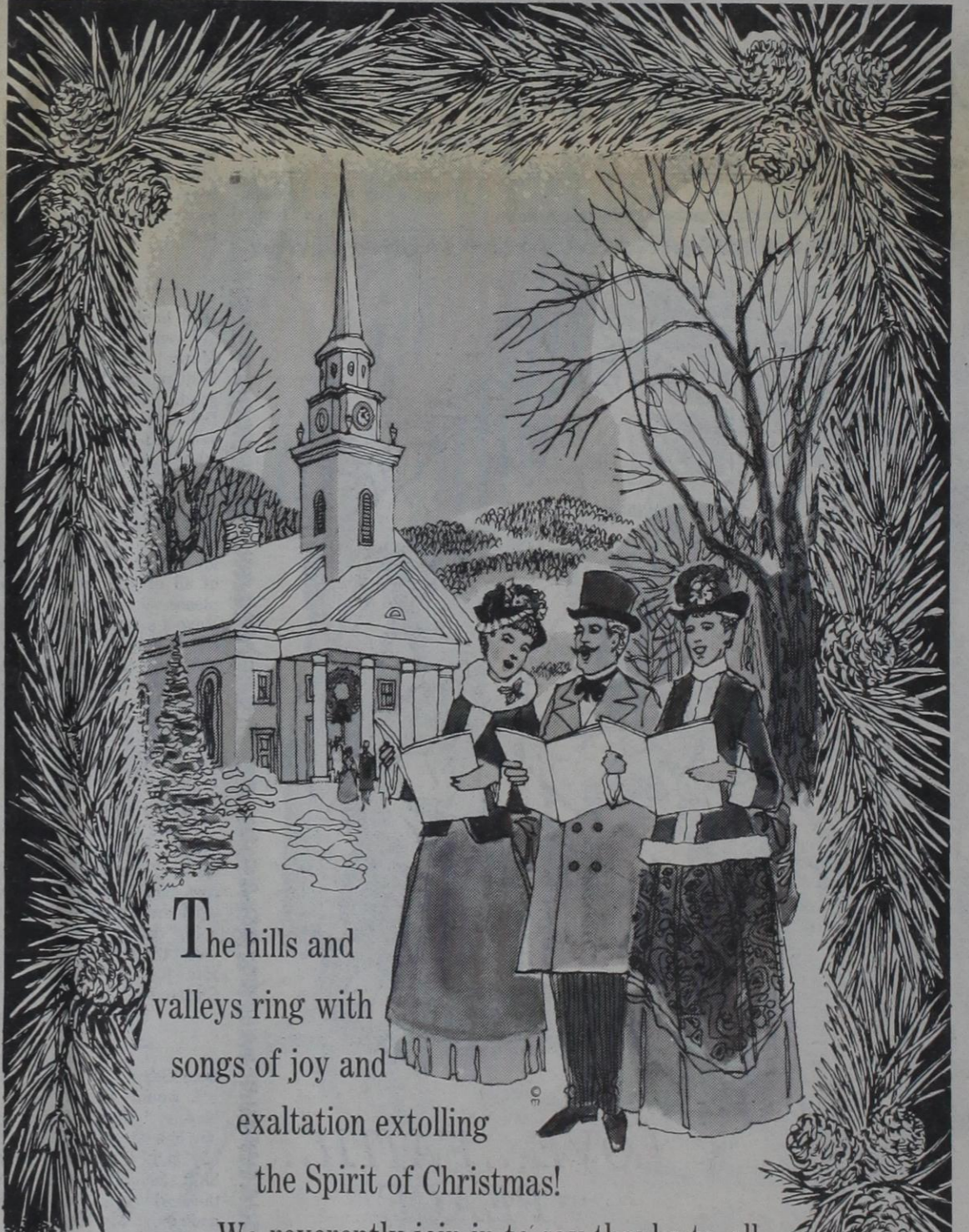
Dear Santa Claus,
I am eight years old, and I live in Nazareth, Texas. And I hope you have a merry Christmas. And for Christmas I want a watch and a yoriky dog radio and a jewelry maker.
Love,
Pam

During this Holiday Season and every Season of the year... our Generation is for you

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The hills and valleys ring with songs of joy and exaltation extolling the Spirit of Christmas!

We reverently join in to say thanks to all.

Merry Christmas

Higginbotham-Bartlett Co.

Christmas GREETINGS



Letters to Santa Claus



Remembrance, like a glowing candle, shines brightest at Christmas. We are thinking of you dear friends, and wishing you every happiness.

Dimmitt Welding & Electric
Mike Patterson J.D. Parker
TULIA HWY. EAST

Dear Santa claus,
Are you cold today? Is it fun to ride in the sleigh? I hop you have a nice christmas. Plese bring me a watch.
Love,
Sarah Gabel

Dear Santa,
Would you please bring me a baby alive or a bicicle? Thin i would like some candy nuts and fruit. I have two sistrs and a baby brother. Please bring them something too. And don't forget mama and grandma. I am 7 years old and in the second grade.
I love you,
Kristin Wimberley

Dear santa clous,
I love you santa. I want sum cars. And I wish you a happy marry Christmas. And I hop that my teacher gets a present from you and all the children get one too.
Thank you,
Lupe Galvan

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I want a Green Machine and some Hot Rods and whatever you want to bring me.
I Love you,
Genaro Catano

Dear Santa,
Can I have a Bionic Woman and my Sister wants a doctor kit. Thank you.
Noamie & Yvonne Hernandez

Dear Santa,
I would like a Tender Loven Kisses and a Superstar Barbie Fashion Face and a Stuffed Koala bear and a Baby That A Way, Suntan Tuesday Taylor and hop that Mrs. Sutton has a nice Christmas and same to you Mr. and Mrs. Santa and everyone in the world.
Love,
Cara Odom

Dear Santa Clause,
I have been a good boy. I want a teddy bear, nerf football, stretch armstrong. I would also like a bigger bicycle for Christmas. I will leave some cookies and milk for you by the tree. Please bring my brothers, Keith and Chad, some toys also.
Thank you,
Shane Backus

Dear Santa,
I want a sewing machine, a doll and a doll house. Be sure to bring all the little boys and girls all over the world a nice White Christmas with lots of toys.
Thank you, Christy Killough

Dear Santa,
Please bring me Love Note, a Big Wheel and a skate Board. I hope you have a nice Christmas.
Love you,
Jeanna Hanson

Dear Santa,
I want a chapper bike, star wars game, shots away, orange nerf football, two silly swords.
Kyle

Dear Santa,
I am 7 years old. I would like a race track that has one white and black car that plugs in. I want a robot fighter, some army tanks, a semi-truck. I hope this is not too much.
Love,
Britt Boozer

Dear Santa,
I want a white Christmas most of all, but I would like to have a doll, a typewriter, a snow cone machine and aholly hobbie sewing machine. Bring all the other boys and girls Christmas too. Thank you.
Faye Killough

Dear Santa,
I want a stretch armstrong and evil kneviel and a bullet gun. I think thats all.
Love you always,
Raul Trigo Jr.

Dear Santa Claus,
Would you please bring me a baby doll and a doctor kit? My little brother, Royce, would like a dump truck and a farm set. My little sister Nadine would like a baby doll. We wish everyone a Blessed Christmas!
Kara Schulte

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a playmake for Christmas. I will not be at home in Dimmitt. I will be with my family in Ruidoso. Santa, thank you for bringing presents to me every year. I love Christmas because it is Jesus' birthday.
I love you,
Lori Glidewell

Dear Santa Claus,
I will be nice when you bring my toy. Will you please bring me a baby comeback. I hope you remember to find us in Ruidoso on Christmas, and I love you.
Amy Glidewell

Dear Santa:
Will you bring me a little present to put under our tree for baby Jesus birthday. Last night saying my prayer in bed, I promised Him I would ask you to bring Him one.
Santa, my little brother baby Michael would like to have the Whistling Mr. Michine and Ethel the Milking cow. And I would like the Evil Kenevil Van and the Sesame Street Clubhouse. Oh/ and Santa, have a nice trip.
Merry Christmas,
Rene Cano

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like some toys for Xmas and a Big Doll. Your,
Fanny Lopez

To Santa Claus,
I love you. Would you give me a football and a evel Knieviel and some lincoln logs.
Kevin Grisham

Dear Santa,
I hope you are real fat this year. I want a stble, saddle, bridle and a Appaloosa horse and a set of horses, and a lamb brush, pig brush.
Love,
Trampas Moke

Dear Santa,
I want a Elvis record album with Christmas songs. And a big pretty house for our family. All so an inden set too. And I want a 22 rifle, Pluse a pistol. And what I want the most is not to go to school.
Love,
Tommy Pina

Dear Santa,
I like you. I want a Farrah poster and a bb gun and brass knuckles and a spiderman doll, Farrah beanbag and a skateboard and a Farrah book.
Love,
Darrell Lewis

Dear Santa,
I want a Jaws game and a bigwheel and a basket ball.
Basilio Flores

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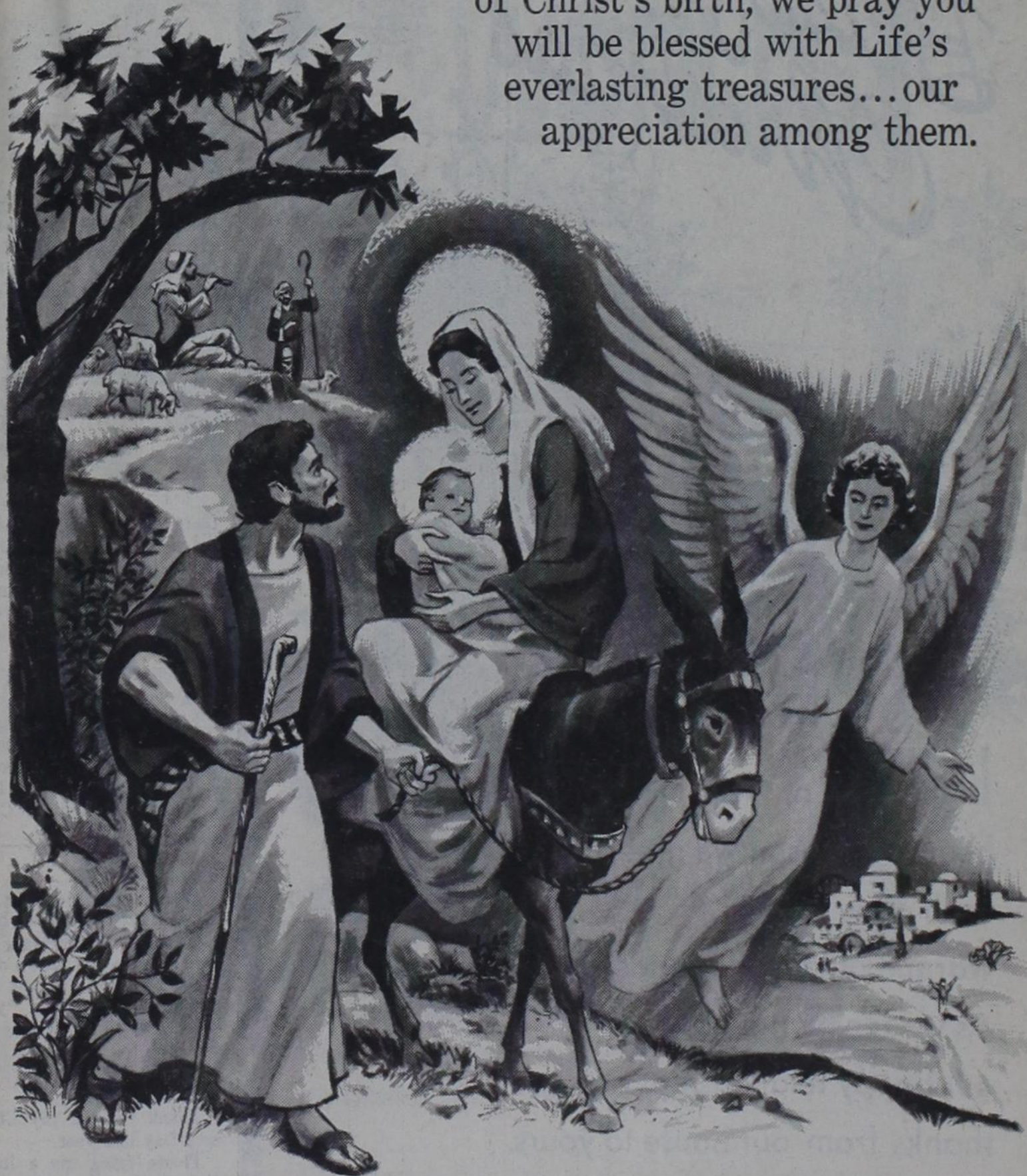
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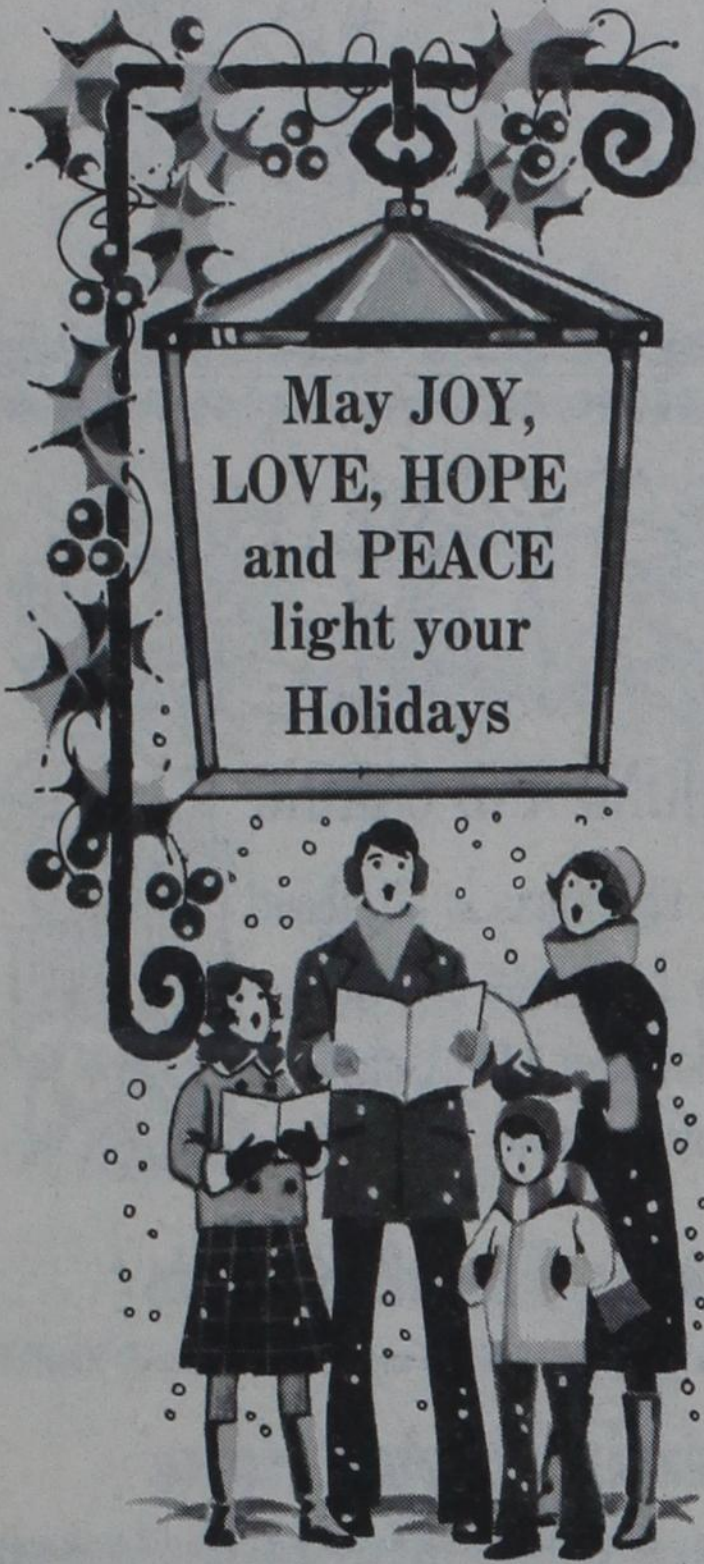
...for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him. Matthew 2:2

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May JOY,
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and PEACE
light your
Holidays

a Merry Christmas

**DIMMITT
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Dear Santa,
I am a 4 year old girl. I have been good. Please bring me a talking Big Bird, a Dancing Mickey Mouse, Weeble Tree House, and the Hospital Lego set.
Love,
Stacy Stahl

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a SWAT gun set, a Max Machine, some firetruck legos, and a Safari set. I have been a good boy.
Love,
Scott Stahl

Dear Santa Claus,
I am four years old. I have tried very hard to be a good little girl. I want you to bring me a bicycle and a Baby Alive Nursery set, and some Lego building blocks. Bring my daddy a three piece western suit, and bring my mommie a microwave oven. Oh, don't forget my little brother. Bring him some toys. He's just 6 months old. Remember all the other kids! Be sure to get my cousin Christa a lot of toys too!
Love,
Jennifer Warren

P.S. There will be candy and hot chocolate for you.

Dear Santa,
I want a doll, doll house, record player for Christmas. I have been good and so has my sister Jamie and brother Mark. Please bring them what they want.
Love,
Amy Standlee

Dear Santa Claus,
I am writing to say I want a baby Alive and a coat and clothes and thats all. Please bring some presents to my friends. Merry Christmas.
Melissa Quintero

Dear Santa,
I want a mr. quarterback. And I want a NFL superbowl electric football game.
Keith Teesas

Dear Santa Claus,
I like a tonka truck, and a pet puppy and some fish. And I wish you would give me a teddy bear to sleep with. Besides all of that I still love you.
James Garibaldi

Dear Santa Claus,
I wish that you would let me see you some night. If you would I would be a good gril all the time. But I don't think I will get to come and see you. Oh, one more thing I wish I could have a trampuline.
Your friend,
Anessa Scott

Dear Santa,
I want a mighty mo tow-truck and a real bb gun and tv and a basball, a glove and a bat and a tv tennis game.
Russell Heath

Dear Santa,
Would you bring me Kodak camera for Chistmas.
Vanessa Pigg

Dear Santa,
I want a racing track an a bb gun for Christmas. Thank you.
Miguel Aranda

Dear Santa,
Will you come to the el-netre School in Dimmit, room 6.
Love,
Juan Baldwin

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a pair of boots and close for my techer a dress size 10 and my sister a doll for my brother a truck.
Esmeralda Vallreal

Dear Santa,
I want a dirt bike and two mithy mo-fire ingin and a tie shirt.
Billy Martin

Dear Santa,
I would like a puppy dog, and a Tender Loven Kisses doll and Superstar Barbie, Wonder Wovmen doll, Clothes, Baby doll, Koala bear, and a Stuffed mouse, and a Sun Tan Tuesday Taylor for Cismas.
Love,
Brenda Schinkus

Dear Santa,
I would like a bike for Christmas so I can go to schul on it.
Love,
Joe Olivarez

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like for my Daddy to be with us. I would also like some guns and a big car.
Yours,
Jose M. Lopez Jr.

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me a Mickey Mouse red watch. Rusty wanta a watch too.
Love,
Jennifer Carter

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me some toys for Christmas. I would like a Six Million Doller Man, System 7, and a big yellow dump truck. Thank you for the toys. Please hurry!
Love,
David Bills

Dear Santa Claus,
Thank you for my Christmas Day last year. Please bring me a Rub a Dub Dolly and a Lite Brite, and a Play Oven. I'll leave a cookie for you.
I love Santa Claus,
Angie Bills

Dear Santa,
I want a Sugar Take a Bath, doll clothes, doll furniture, and doll house.
Jo

Dear Santa,
I have been nice. I want a bike. I want a race Track. I want a gun belt. I want a Evulkunevle jump set. I want a kit. I want a stretch monster.
Love,
Jim Nelson

Dear Santa,
I have been good. Will you bring me a 22 Gun. and bring my littel brother a dog.
Love,
Ralph Soto

Dear Santa,
I like you very much. I want a toy. The toy I want is a little doll. Her name is tambolina.
Love,
Debbie Zuniga

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good. Will you bring me a borbe and a Baby dad away.
Love,
Rosie Luna

Dear Santa,
I wood like a baby heart-beat and a tippy tumble and a record player and a Bionic woman sports car.
Dondi Hays

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good. I would like a Baby Hartbet and a Super Star Burbe. Thack you.
Love,
Beth Miller

Dear Santa,
I want a Record and a miny Bike.
Love,
Kevin Reed

Mr. Sana Claus,
Please bring to me a bike.
Richard Alvillar

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Children's Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
I want one of those play dough barber shops. I want a doll that takes a bath and comes with her own soap and everything. I would like a baby that crawls by herself. And I want a baby that goes about three feet and comes back to me. That's all. This time I might have some hay out for Rudolph—last year I didn't get to it. And maybe some hot cocoa for you.

Love,
Lorelea Acker
P.S. I want a Marching Donald, or Mickey.

Dear Santa,
I want a small doll for my Raggedy Ann. And I want a doll that goes in the bath tub and has soap with it and a thing that you spray. And a little play stove and that's all. And a tractor for my brothers. And a dollhouse for me. And for my Mom, a housecoat. And for my Dad some house shoes. And that's all.

Love,
Dana Schulte
P.S. I want a girl barbie and a boy barbie and a cheerleader dress and a rocking chair.

Dear Santa Claus,
We are children in the Kindergarten Class at Hart, Texas. We have tried to be good all year. We would like for you to leave the following things at our houses:

Cody Garrity—Lite brite, trucks viewmaster.
Amanda Quiroga—Punching clown, play camera, scooter.

Oscar Castillo—Batman walkie-talkie, computer, clay.
Blair Brown—football pants and pads, bow and arrow, football.

Ann Weaver—baby that cries and wets, stroller, baton.

Ernie Alcada—racing car, hot wheel.

Daniel Ramariz—crayons, Santa Claus book, car.

Roger Portillo—hot wheels, swing, car.

Javier Chavez—bike, truck.

Dickey Sosa—boots, football, bike.

Rumaldo Gonzales—bike, cars.

Cecilia Diaz—baby doll, dog that you pull — wiggles his tail and head, ring.

Robyn Truelock—trampoline, playhouse, microwave.

Angelica Guerrero—doll, bike, lunch box.

David Rodriguez—truck, hot wheels, racing track.

Dilphia Ponce—Baby Alive, trampoline, play house.

Saul Salas—bike, truck, trampoline.

Paul Henderson—Big foot, Steve Austin, football helmet.

Rene Mata—car, racing track, bike.

Melissa Dalton—blue bike, Donny & Marie, necklace, ring.

Missy Barrera—Baby Love, little bear, necklace and ear rings.

Anel Montemayor—table and chairs, baby doll, dishes, baby rocker.

Rachel Sarabia—shoes and clothes for Barbie, pillow for big doll, Raggedy Ann doll.

Rachel Sarabio—Stove, ear rings.

Donna Velasquez—Baby doll, baby bottle, bird, bee, ring.

Esrael Ramirez—bike, little house, table & chairs, dishes, little toys, refrigerator.

Ramon Friar—Christmas tree, bike.

Roberto Fuentes—Big Wheels, motorcycle.

Adam Kendrick—Big Wheel, water trailer truck, play house, motorcycle.

Nena Moreno—play house, bike, doll that cries, Baby Alive.

Trina Menchaca—doll that cries, wagon, bike.

Ricky Ojeda—motorcycle, airplanes, play doh, B.B. gun.

Rosario Gonzales—B.B. gun, truck, play blocks.

Sammy Valadez—18 wheel-truck, cars, B.B. gun, shot shooter.

David Carrasco—truck, cars, motorcycles.

Brian Nelson—trampoline, B.B. gun, toy motorcycles.

Freddy Medellin—bicycle, balloons, B.B. gun.

Dear Santa,
I want a baton suit, and I want a rub-dub-dub dollie, and a dollie that crawls. I want some barbie dolls and a little house for them. I don't care if I didn't get that one house that I wanted last year. That's all.

Love,
Gwen Hoelting

Dear Santa,
I would like to have baby that a way and tippy tumble.

Love,
Brenda Daniel

Dear Santa,
How are you doing. I like Critmas a lot I wish I was you.

Love,
Juan Baldwin

Dear Santa,
I want a play CB and a Sit-and-spin. And a Starsky and Hutch Barbie doll. And a stretch Armstrong and Stretch Munster. And a football suit with a football helmet with Dallas Cowboys on it. And a matchboy and country.

Love,
Brian Schmucker

Dear Santa,
Will you bring me a baby swing, and a play pen. And I hope you have a Merry Christmas. Will you have a Merry happy Christmas, Mr. Santa Claus and Mrs. Santa Claus.

Love,
Laura Sadler

Dear Santa,
I want some guns, and a rifle, and a tree top house with a little weeble car and weeble people. I want a little coke truck with a coke lifter and a little eoke pickup with coke in the back. I want a marching Donald Duck. See you on Christmas—if I ever get up to see you!

Love,
Harold Vercamp

Dear Santa,
I want a football suit and a treetop fireplace. Then I want one of those weeble wooble things that is a Mickey Mouse Club thing. That's all I want, just three things.

Love,
Bobby Kern

EARL'S GARAGE

Dear Santa,
I would like the babywalk. I would like the play shopper. I would like the Mickey Mouse walker. I want a record player, and a play watch, and some tennis shoes, and pants, and a shirt. I would like some books too.

Love,
Marla Ramaekers

Dear Santa,
I want a rub-dub-dub dollie, Mickey Mouse watch, a Barbie doll, and please bring Bridget a doll. I want some play sunglasses. I had a play Mickey Mouse typewriter but it got broken so I would like to have another one. I want a dollie that walks and crawls by itself.

Love,
Kristen Birkenfeld

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Dear Santa Claus,
Thank you for the things you gave me last year. How is it in the North Pole? Will you please bring me a Jaws game. And would you please bring me some barbie clothes. And I would like a Don't Cry Baby doll. Would you please bring my brother and sister something too. I really don't want very much for Christmas. Thank you very much.
Love,
Kelly Schilling

Dear Santa,
I would like to thank you for last years Christmas presents. For this years Christmas presents I would like to have a watch and a bicycle.
Sincerely,
Dezane Schacher

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the toys you gave me last year. How is it in the North Pole? I hope it shows sometime so I can build a snowman. I like to play in the snow. I would like a skateboard, Suntan Tuesday Taylor and a Baby Come Back. Please bring my brothers and sister and parents something too.
Sincerely,
Annette Schmucker

Dear Santa,
How are you? If you can, will you bring me a pellet gun and bicycle and a auto transport.
Your Friend,
Troy Huseman
P.S. Please bring everyone else something too.

Dear Santa,
You are a jolly old Santa. I like you because you give people gifts all around the world. You haved to make a lot of stops at every bodies houses. I would like a lot of things. But I can do with two or three things for Christmas. Everybody ought to like you. I shure like you Santa.
Your pal,
Billy Steffens

Dear Santa,
I would like to thank you for all the tings you gave me in the years to pass. I would like a set of tapes that are clear. I would like a ring. I wish for something for mom and dad and for my brothers and sisters.
Yours truly,
Theresa Wilhelm

Dear Santa Claus,
How is it in the North Pole? I would like to have a U-drive it, pitch back net, town dump side, a new baseball glove, a baseball, G I Joe hilicopter, a G I Joe, pool table, football game, bow arrows.
Thank you,
Benny Schacher

Dear Santa Claus,
I thank you for coming to our house. I hope you come again. You are very friendly. I want a Suntan Tuesday Taylor barbie doll. And I want a Decarading Cook Set. And I want a Housecoat and shoes. Maybe I want some pom-poms. Don't forget my family. O.K. Thank you for want you gabe me last year. Well I'll see you on Christmas Day.
Your friend,
Ramon Heiman
Ramon Heiman

Dear Santa,
I like you. I like your toys and your candy. I want a Change Machine and a football. I like your candy and I want some. And I want a race track and a Max Machine. And a sports car with a molt controll.
Love,
Kevin Hoelting

Dear Sata Claus,
This Christmas I want you to bring me a doll candy ball skatbors lunchbox books pufooms and a Christmas presents and all things you want to bring me like a neles.
from Sandra Carrasco

Dear Santa,
My name is Armida Rascon and for Christmas would realy like an esy oven to make some little cake to eat.
Love,
Armida Rascon

Dear Santa Claus,
This Christmas I want a football and a train and a bike and a racingcar and a motorbike and a boxing gloves and a Gun and a walkie talkies and a Skateboard and a book and a notebook and a coat and a truck and a car and a playing pickup.
Love,
Jesse Guererro

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a racingtrack and a bike and a pelletgun for Christmas.
From Paul Ramirez

Dear Sana Claus,
I want for you to come to school at Christmas and I want for you to bring me some candy and a doll. And I want for you to come to my room at school. I will meet you at my room. and I hope you come.
Dolores Perez

Dear Santa Claus,
We are all thankful for the presents. I want a skate board and a radio.
Love,
Judy Steiert

Dear Santa,
For Chrismas I would like Thristee Baby Tender Love, a Farrah Fawet doll, an a basket ball goal. Maybe a poster that I can color by number.
Love,
Shelly Heck

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Silvia Gutierrez and for Christmas I would like a doll.
Love,
Silvia Gutierrez

Dear Santa Claus,
I love you Becuase you bring me toys and this year I want a bike so I can ride and I go with my friends.
Gabriela Beanas

Dear Santa Claus,
please bring me a skate-board and a Record player for Christmas and I love you Santa Claus.
to my friend Santa Claus
from Dennis Smith

Dear Santa,
I wont a bike and a football and I wonta racing track.
Mary Christmas Santa
by Ramiro Garcia

Dear Santa,
My name is Martin Castillo and for chrismas I would like a Mr. Professor or a stretch armstrong. And please give my brothers and sisters some presents. And I would like you to give my mother and father what they want.
Thank you,
Martin Castillo

Dear Santa Claus,
This Christmas I want a watch and a neckless and a bike for Summer. And a tetherball a easybakeoven a lunchbox and some new boots and some new close.
From Tammy Menchaca
Martinez

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a racing trak and a peletgun and a piseel and a stracharm man and the six million.
Rudolfo Zanbrono

Dear Santa,
This Christmas that coming I want you to bring me a car that goes driving back and forth. Santa I am very happy.
Tony Guzman

Dear Santa Claus,
This Christmas I want a Miney bike and a tralr and some big poster's and a boat and a Udrive.
Juan Garza

Dear Santa Claus,
In Christmas I well like a football.
Manuel Espinosa

Dear Santa,
I want a Baby Come Back and a Barbie doll that crawls. Thanks!
Love,
Shelly Albracht

Dear Santa,
I would like to thank you for the things you have given me and my family. I hope you have a nice Christmas. I would like to see your reindeer? I would like you to bring me just one thing and that is a Big Bird. Is Roudolph still the lead reindeer? How are you? I am fine. Do you like it in the North Pole?
Sincerely,
Elaine Verkamp

Dear Santa,
I want a football suit and a football. I live in Nazareth.
Love,
Tami Ball
P.S. I also want a Nerf football.

Dear Santa Claus,
I wish I was in North Pole with you because I would like to see the sleigh and you. I would like to see your raindeers fle and I would like to be with you there to see all off North Pole. And I thing that your Chrismis tree is the best I would like. I would like a bi bi gun and a spider man race track.
Love,
Danny Bermea

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll called Tippy Tumbles and a Bonic Women Sports Car.
Love,
Teresa Jurado

Dear santa claus,
I would like to have a football and a recdr and a train track and a airplane a family tree house a watch, a walketalks a oscar Golman brief case and a play van.
Love,
Joe Porter

Dear Santa Claus,
May I please have a tape recorder and some roller skates and the Barbie doll called Farrah Faucit?
Love,
Charlynn Hunter

Dear Santa Clause,
I would like to thank you for the things I got all the other times. I would like to have a minibike and a gocart for Christmas. Don't foreget my brothers and sisters. Dale Wayne Anne Joyce and Miss Bridger too.
Sincerely,
Robert Birkenfeld

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good. I will want a borbe and a bike and a baby come back.
Love,
Janie Martinez

Dear Santa,
I want a cheerleader dress, a rub-dub-dub dollie. I want a cow that really milks and eats out of a tray, and a dollie, and a drum, and a play church, and a play school, and a kind of game, and a magic box, and a book. I think that's all.
Love,
Nikki Schulte

Dear Santa,
I would like you to bring me a Baby Heart Beat and a necklace. I would also like a ring.
Love,
Darlene Heck

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want a Barbie Doll, and a doll that walks. Bring my sister, something too!
Love,
Bridget Birkenfeld



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Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie doll, a talking bird, and a Raggedy Ann. I want a walking doll, a plain dog, and I want a book. That's all!
Love,
Janet Fernandez

Dear Santa,
I want some trucks, some bubbles, a farm, bikes, wagons, and some pickups, some dogs, and a house, and cars.
Love,
Norbert Acker

Dear Santa Claus,
First I want to say. Give me any thing you want to give me. But there is somethings I want like a Colection Doll, a Sontan Tuesday Taylor, a Sorder Tootie Bag, And how is it at the North Pole? It is OK down here. I want to say don't forget my family and the Poor. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.
Your pal,
Debbie Schmucker

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a Merry Christmas. I hope you have a safe journey and get to see all of the children. I would like it if you would go to the poor people first. I would like it if you gave me a game of cat's-eye and a Max Machine you steer it by remote control. Would you please get me a nerf-rocket set with targets and launcher and I would like a game of Gnip-Gnop.
Love,
Randy Joseph Hochstein

Dear Santa,
I like you. I would like a skateboard and a radio control Move in on truck, a play disk and trator. And a bike. A Dallas Cowboys football suit and pads. Fly Aces Aucaftercarrer and Stretch Armstrong.
Love,
Brian Ramaekers

Dear Santa,
I want a baby alive.
Love,
Carla

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a cowboy hat.
Love,
Andy Bermea

Dear Santa,
I want a Rub-Rub-Dub doll. I also want a Ken doll.
Love,
Dindy Braddock

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a very good boy. We have moved out on a farm, our address is Rt. 2, Hart, Texas. This is what I want for Christmas: a three in one car, a football with Joe Nameth's signature on it, a Walkie Talkie. Merry Christmas.
Scott Blackwell

Dear Santa,
I would like a walkie-talkie set, a back holer, and a front end loader.
Love,
Steven Lange

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope you are fine. Do you have a doll. I hope you will bring lots of presents for Christmas. Will you bring me a coloring book. I hope you will bring my Mother a coffee mate for Christmas. I want some boots and some Sunday shoes.
Love,
Mary Lou Bermea

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas Santa. I would like a Buddy L coke-a-Cola Company. Please Bring my a toy cowboy set. Please brang my sister a doll-house. I would like for you to bring my Mother and father a rocking chair. Merry Christmas Rudolph. I would like a football. I would like a redskin football sut.
Love,
David J. Steffens

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to thank you for things you have gave me so far. This year I would like to have a Stretch Arm Strong, a Motorcycle, and a Electric Football Game. How is it down at the North Pole?
From:
Mike Huseman

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope you can make it and I hope your raindeer can make it to. Would you please bring me a watch and a ramote control car and a tictactoe in the water. I hope you can bring the poor food and money. I hope you can bring me a football to. Happy Christmas.
Love,
Bruce Huseman

Dear Santa,
I hope your raindeer can make it from the North Pole. I hope your elfes can make enough toys for everone. I like your elfs toys. I hop you don't get stuck in a chimney. I hope everone gets something. I want two cars for my race-track. I want a skate-board, and a watch.
Your friend,
John Kleman

Dear Santa,
I would like to thank you for what you gave me last year. Please give me a C.W. Mc-haul semi truck And give me a Minnesota Vikings watch. Please bring my brothers and sisters something too. I hope you have a nice trip.
Your friend,
Dale Albracht

Dear sant claus,
Sant Claus how are you in the North Pole. I'm fine. I know you are not going to give me what I whont but I'm going to tell you what I whont anyway. I want a peletgun, I wish I get what I won't. We arn't going to have Christmas at home, but at least some of my friends are. That is all for today. See you in Christmas.
By by by Sant Claus,
Jerry L. Mato

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas. I hope that you go the poor people too. I hope that you come to me too. Will you please give me a Sizzlers II. May I have a Hot wheel set. Please give my Mother and Father and brothers and my sister something.
Love,
Chris Kleman

Dear Santa,
How is it at the North Pole? Thanks alot for the things I got the other years. I really enjoyed them. I would like Charlie's Angels, a watch. Please give the poor children some toys. Don't go through alot of trouble for me. Bring my mom and dad and brothers and sisters something nice.
Thank You.
Gail Birkenfeld.

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am fine. Is it nice in the North Pole? You were very nice to me last year. This year I would like a pool table, a air hockey and a basketball. All the things I hope I get are going to be for the family. You are very nice. How is Mrs. Clause?
Sincerely,
Cecelia Kern

Dear Santa,
Is it could at the North Pole? Does your reindeers fly? I want a Dallas shirt and coat and a crane.
from,
Craig Wilhelm

Dear Santa,
How are you doing down in the North Pole. Would you please bring me a play semi trick and some boots. And a watch with Pittsburgh's helmet inside. Would you bring my mom and dad something too and don't forget to bring the poor some food and clothing. Have a happy happy Christmas.
Love,
Darryl Hoelting

Dear Santa,
I thank you for the Tumb-lina doll. Do you like living at the North Pole? How are your reindeer? I want a Donny & Marie record or tape, a basketball, a barbie doll van. Bring my dog a puppy bone. Don't forget my mom, dad, Rick, Lyndal, and Kellie. Bring Princess and my raccon something.
Your Pal,
Gina Shelton

Dear Santa Claus,
How is it in the North Pole? I want a nine set hot wheels and a Max Machine, Auto Transport and a fixint shop, Tranpoline a Mac tractor trailr.
Love,
Kyle Schacher

Dear Santa,
I want a set of walkie talkies and the fonz juke box radio and a ten speed bike guitar and two suits and pair of boots and I lee some cake and glass of milk.
Earnest Lee White

Dear Santa,
I would like to have some Dallas cowboy set, a football Life game, Electric football game and a bike, flying coper.
Love,
Frankie Huseman



Let us Adore Him

We herald the Child
born in the manger
and ask His blessing
for you and your loved
ones. In the profound
spirit of the Yuletide
we extend sincere
thanks to our friends.

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Let there be Peace
throughout the world and
let us walk side by side in
love and abiding good will.
Thanks and

Merry Christmas

HARLIN DODD,
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ONE PRAYER... ONE HOPE



May the Peace and Happiness
of the Christmas Season
be yours forever more!
Our fervant thanks to all.

REEVE-FLEMING CHEVROLET



GREETINGS

The beauty of Nature
and the glory of the
Yuletide bring a
fulfilling sense of
wonder, peace and
hope to all. It is our
pleasure, as we share
the majesty of the
season, to extend
every good wish
for your happiness.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

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VEGETABLE PROCESSORS & SHIPPERS
of Dimmitt
Albert Maxwell, Zee Newberry, Frank Torres, David Terry



Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa,
I want a doll for Christmas, a Baby Come Back, a Baton and, that's all I want for Christmas. Santa, do you have enough money to buy it? Well Santa if you want me to write back to you just send me a letter. I would like to write letters to Santa. Well Santa if you bring toys to me I will send a gift to you.

Dear Santa,
I would like a suntan Tuesday Taylor and some doll clothes and a baton and a tape recorder and some candy. I love you Santa.

Your friend,
Kerri Collins

Dear Santa,
I want a doll for Christmas. Do you have enough money so you can give it to me, Santa? I will send you a letter Santa if you bring me some toy's. I will be your friend!

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a bike, and a calculator, and a coat with a hood on it, and a pair of boots. Santa I love you and I hope you can make all of them.

Your friend,
Becky Casas

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want an Easy Bake Oven and the decorating seat. I would also like a watch.

Dear Santa,
I want for you to give money too my father and mother so they can by me a Barbie doll for Christmas and clothes for me to wear. We all want you to be happy on Christmas Day.

Your friend,
Maria Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
I want a Swat gun and a Batman and Robin Walky Talky, a golfset and a football suit.

Dear Santa,
I want some Micronauts for Christmas from you. I want a pellet gun from my mother. I also want some Micronauts from my mother. I hope your reindeer are ok. Merry Christmas Santa.

Love,
Paul

Your friend,
Frank Cluck



Dear Santa Claus,
I have bine good. I want the Jene Borbe doll. and I want a elvs doll. and I want a rood of the red nose rain deer doll. and I want a recored player with Chrstmas recored. I love you, Santa Claus.

Cynthia George

Dear Santa,
I would like a football and a B-B gun. My brother wants a B-B gun also. I hope you can read my card.

Your friendly,
Henry

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a Jamie Summers doll set and a baby Come back doll and a watch and dishes for Christmas. I would like a lot more stuff but you can't get all of it.

Love,
Deanna Sears

Dear Santa,
For Chrstmas can you bring me a Spirograph, and a watch.

Love,
Katrina

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing and how is Mrs. Santa Claus? I would like a Baby Come Back, a Farrah Facet head set, so I can fix her hair. And I hope that you will give me a candy cane in my stocking. I would also like a new bike. Write back. And have a Merry Christmas.

Love,
Laura Nelson

Dear Santa,
From you on christmas I would like a record player. I will give you a picture of me. Merry Christmas.

Love,
Robert

Dear Santa,
I want a breast harness for my new horse and a saddle that fits me for Christmas.

Love,
Scott Morris

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a Farrah Facet head that I could put makeup on and fix her hair. How is Mrs. Claus? And how is Rudolph? And I hope you come to my house. And in my stocking I want some candy and something else. I like wat you gave me last year. I love you.

Love,
Gay Waggoner

Dear Santa,
I wish I had a foot ball and a swing bike and for my little brother I wish he had a teddy bear and a wagon and a little choo choo train. For my sister I wish she had a doll. I wish I had a ten speed and I wish my brothers had bikes. Merry Christmas!

Love,
Barney Luna

Dear Santa,
I have been a nice boy. I want a bike, shaps, spurs, basketball and goal, football tee, race car set, NFL football game.

Love,
Garry Leatherwood

Dear Santa,
I wish you a Merry Christmas and lots of fun making toys. Here is what I want: I want Snoozy Bear, a tape recorder and a lot of other things.

Your friend,
Amy Ray

I am in the 3rd grade and I have been good.

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like to have a dirt bike.

Steve

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like to have operation and pool table.

Tim

Dear Santa,
for Chrstmas I would like a bike and a Bionic Women and her sport car. That would be all.

Your friend,
Lupe Lopez

Dear Santa,
for Christmas I would like to have whiz a ton cal.

Sabrina

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Babby alive and a Babby come back.

Love,
Rachel

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like to have watch and football uniform.

Paul

Dear Santa Claus,
I love you Santa. I want some boots and Pepsi coke mushing and some dishes.

Gloria Galvan

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like to have Baby alive.

Marisol

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like to have Race track Dirt Bike Pin Ball Machine.

Kelly

Dear Santa,
I want a dirt byc for Chrstmas. My brother Paul wants a train. My sister wants a doll.

Tiffany

Dear Santa,
How are you. I have been good. Please bring me a doll.

Sylvia Garcia

Dear Santa,
I want a baby doll, dog, a watch.

Lucy Rojas

Yuletide Wishes

Hoping your Christmas will be merry
Your holidays bright and gay,
And all the good old fashioned joys
Cross your hearth and stay.

Heartfelt thanks for your valued friendship.



EASTER GIN CO.

HOLY NIGHT



The miracle of the Holy Birth . . .
the inspiration of the Star . . .
the adoration of the Wise Men . . .
the legacy of Love.
May these joys and treasures be yours at Christmas.
Thanks for your good will.

C&S EQUIPMENT CO.

Management and Personnel

CHRIST IS BORN

It is with a deep feeling of gratitude that we greet our friends and pray that the Blessings of the Father's most precious gift be yours this wondrous holiday.

THE NORTH GIN
Bill Birdwell, Manager

hope

peace

love

joy

happiness

Sears

Authorized CATALOG SALES MERCHANT

Mrs. Tom Person
Clara Patton

Margaret Womack
Shearon Spinhirne

Start Packing Your Bag Right Now, Santa!



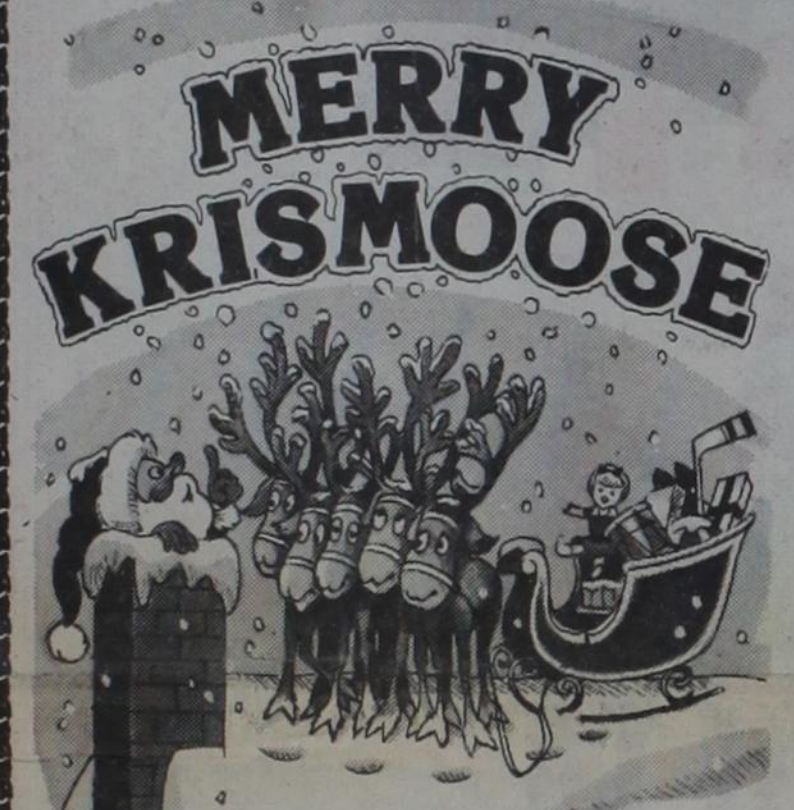
Dear Santa,
I wish you could bring me a Baby-a Live and a T.V. for my room.
Your friend,
Lori

Dear Santa,
I trid to be good. I want a 10 speed, I want a football, I want a evelchev.
Love,
Joe Dan Yokum



Thanks good friends for your loyalty and good will. Hope your holidays will be filled to the brim with old fashioned Christmas cheer!

GEORGE'S EXXON STATION



We're hoping the holidays will be packed with love and laughter for our thoughtful friends and patrons!

SCHUMACHER BROS. Custom Farming

Dear Santa,
I wood like a raganda and I wood like a skybd and a mekemows that woks.
Love
Sandra Garcia

Dear Santa,
I have been good. Will you bring me drums and cars and close.
Love,
Ramon Garcia

Dear Santa,
I have ban god today. I would like a wod dr-wom and opurach.
Love,
Danne Hewart

Dear Santa,
I am a lil bad boy but not always. I want for Christmas a watch and a gun.
Love,
Ronaldo Sandova

Dear Santa,
I want a Brby Dole. I like you Santa and I wont a Dole.
Love,
Jill Evans

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good. I want some boots and socks.
Love,
Nora Castill

Dear Santa Claus,
This Christmas I want a big dog bank and a record and a latch hook, a stuffed Pink Panther, Elvis poster, and I guess thats all.
Love,
Risha Ammons

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good. I want a Gi Joe, I want a gun belt, I want a race trak, I want a modl airplan, I want a Batman doll, I want a wodr womn doll, I want a Batman and Roben set, I want Evle Knevl car with the parasoot.
Love,
Mike Hauf

Dear Santa,
How are you? I have been good. Please bring me a game, doll, bike.
Irene Ramirez

Dear Santa,
How are you? I have been good. Please bring me a train track. Thank you.
Rene

Dear Santa,
For christmas I would like a Baby Alive, Bugs Bunny talking alarm cloc, a birthstone necklace. I have been a good girl. Don't forget my two sisters Joann and Monica.
Bonny Perez

Dear Sant Claus,
I have been a good girl and I want a Teddy Bear and a Talk Doll and a Bike and a jump rope and a Baby Alive Doll and a Horn and a Baten and a puzzle and a little puppy and a Boat and a Dress and Shoes and pants and a coat and socks and mittens and a toy Box.
I love you,
Sylvia

Dear Santa Claus,
I have ben nice and good. Bing me a baton and a bycklul and Santa and Miss Claus.
Love,
Judy Ann Mauk

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been very good. This year would you pleas bring me a toy doll. and a toy Book. and som shoos. I love you Sant Claus.
Angelica Gonzales

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a snoopy watch, and a bugs bunny, and tweety bird, and a Qiz kid, Thank you Santa Claus.
Love, Kim Clark

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been very good this year. I want Santa Claus to leave me a bike because I don't have one. I know that I will get a bike for Christmas and I want a train and a football. I think I will get this thres things for Christmas. I love you Santa Claus.
Pedro

Dear Santa Claus,
I em good and I want a big car track and a big BB Gun.
Love,
Rene Zambrano

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Blip and two pare of boxing gloves and a foot-ball.
Love,
Daniel Lacy

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a Snoopy speedway, Christmas candy, Watch, Fishing pole, Motorcycle, Race track. I have be goud.
Love,
Matt Hooper

Dear Santa Claus,
I have ben nice and good. Bring me a car and a Bic and a green muchen.
I love you,
Andres Barron

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a train and a bicke, and a basketball and a tip-erider, greenmachine, batman and Robon.
Modesto

Dear Santa Claus,
Wood you bring me some toys. I am going to be good and nice to my mother and Father. Wood you bring me a toy gun and a real wach and some more things but not to much things and my name is Jaime Lopez and I love you Santa Claus.
Jaime Lopez

Dear Santa Claus,
I wot a peletgun and a motorcycle helmet. I want a Dallas cow boy suit, car track, motorcycle seat.
Luv,
Cody Myrick

Dear Santa Clus,
I want a ball and a cat and a bear. I am a good girl. And a doll.
Victoria Ledesma

Dear Santa Claus.
I want a Strech arm Strong, train, gootball, greenmachine.
Jamie S.

Dear Santa Claus,
I have bin a good girl. I want a pare of mittens. And a Holly Hobby radeo and a tunnel for my brother and rub-a-dub dolly and baby that-away for my sister. And a fonsy radeo.
Love,
JaDonna Johnson

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I want a doll and a babey alife and I would like a game and its a oparachn game and I would like for you to gif mi.
Love,
Kim Lawson

Dear Santa,
I want some little cars and some blocks. And that's all.
Love,
Zac Hatla

Dear Santa,
I want Jaws, Strech Arm-strong and that's all I want.
Love,
Brent Durbin

Dear Santa,
I want some little race cars and some play tools. I want to get a big jeep. That's all I want, just three things.
Love,
Kenneth Lange

Dear Santa,
I want a football suit. I want some new boots. I also want some new tinker toys, and a new toy maker blocks. That's all.
Love,
Marty Gerber

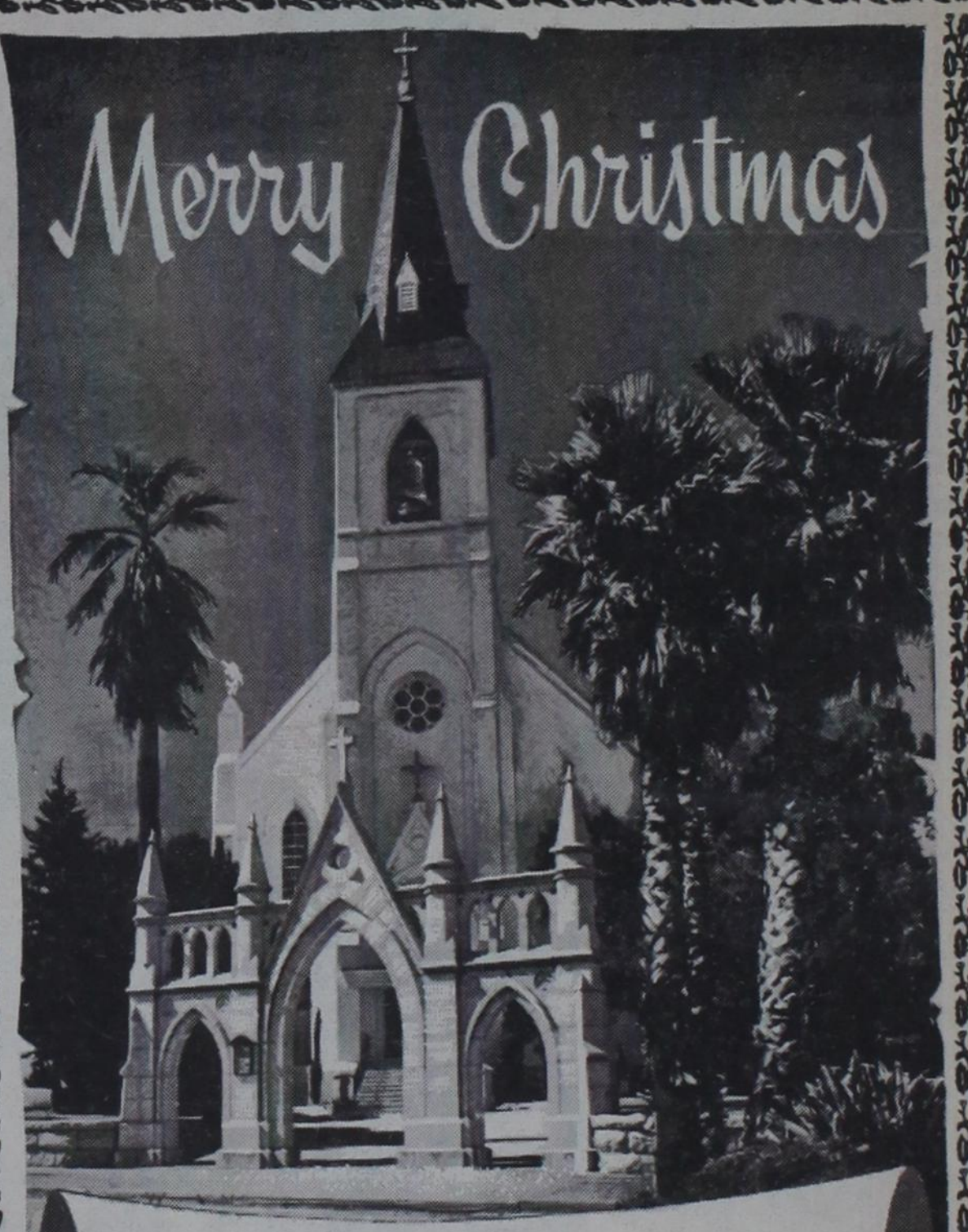
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a baton and a hula-hoop. I love you, Santa. My mom said just get two things so that's all.
Love,
Valerie Bermea

Dear Santa,
I have been good. Can I have a kick and go and a ten sped.
Love,
Montalvo Armondo



Love and adoration fill the hearts of all mankind as the wonder of that Holy Night lights the world anew. Greetings and thanks to our friends at this inspiring season.

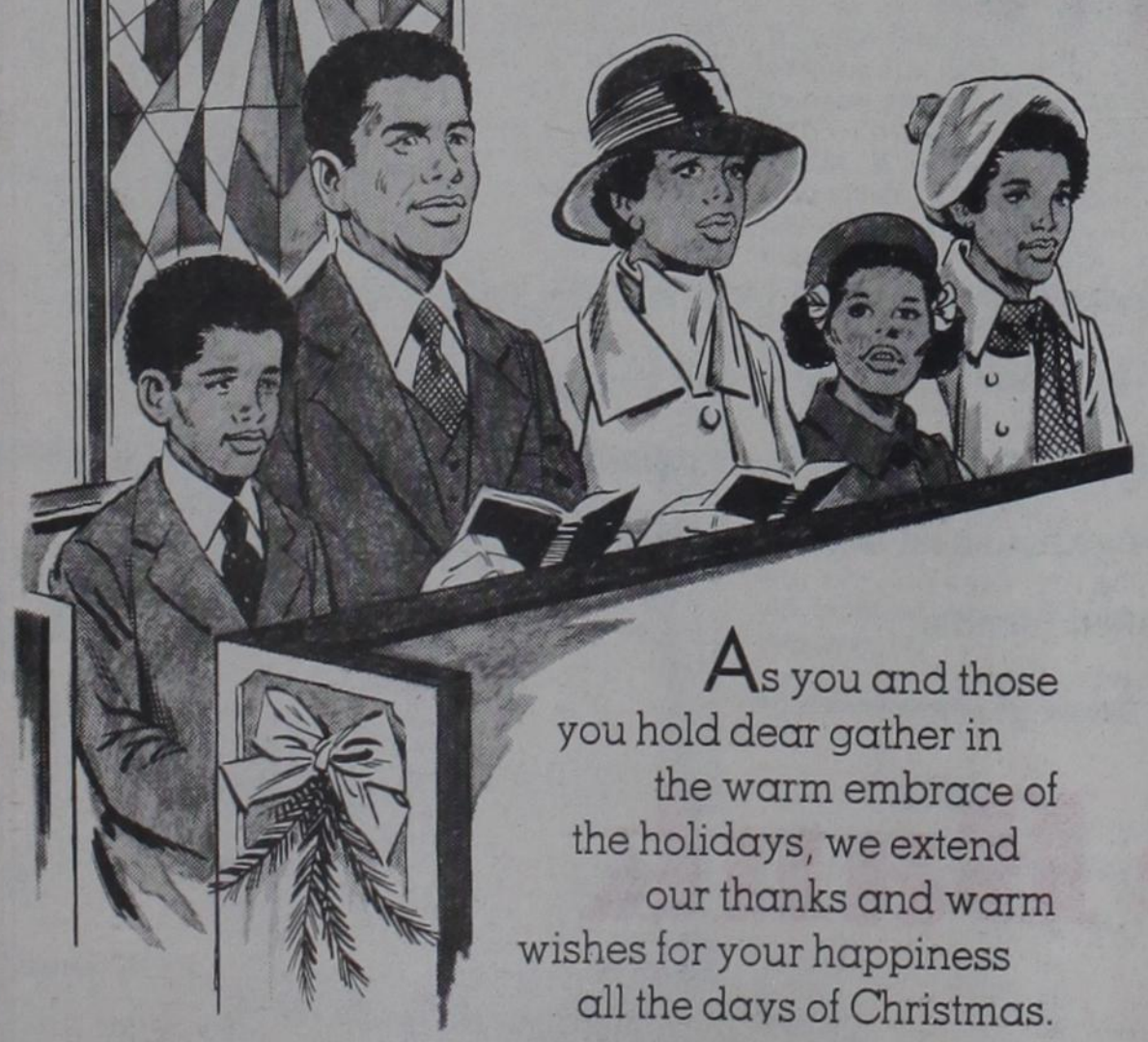
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The wonder of Christmas strengthens the bonds of brotherhood, fills joyous hearts with peace and gives pause to us all as we look ahead with hope. Heartfelt thanks for your faith and trust.

Hays Implement Co. And All Employees

a Moment to Share



As you and those you hold dear gather in the warm embrace of the holidays, we extend our thanks and warm wishes for your happiness all the days of Christmas.

DIMMITT AGRI INDUSTRIES



That real Christmas feeling comes from your warm, friendly glow! Thanks... we're so happy to know you.

ALVIN'S DRIVE-IN CLEANERS

THE GLORY OF CHRISTMAS



When it became known that the Son of God was born to Mary, all bowed down to worship him. The Wise Men set forth on their journey, for to them alone had the Star miraculously appeared. It guided them to where Jesus lay. There they presented their regal gifts and adored Him.

The awesome wonder of Jesus' holy birth and the lesson of His life will forever enlighten the hearts and minds of people everywhere. As all join to celebrate in the exultant spirit of this hallowed season, we extend best wishes and heartfelt gratitude to our many cherished friends.

The First State Bank
of Dimmitt

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FOLLOWING HEROD'S ORDER, Roman soldiers seek out and kill all male children 2 and younger throughout Judea in an attempt to eliminate the new-born boy who was rumored to be the new "King of the Jews." The scene is from the Nazareth Christmas Pageant, which will have its final performance Friday night at 8 in the Holy Family Church.

Castro County farmers have been in the forefront of American Agriculture demonstrations over the area since their strike to secure higher farm prices began last Wednesday with a general closing of Dimmitt business houses.

They formed part of a massive occupation of Lubbock Tuesday night, which resulted in arrests of several farmers by Lubbock police after tractors had surrounded plants of food processors and distributors who ignored the farmers' request to shut down for 24 hours.

Harold Bob Bennett of Hart was among spokesmen for farmers from over West Texas who were in the tractorcade.

Another group of the bitter farmers picketed the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal building and representatives presented a petition to the editor demanding a public apology for a term used in a recent editorial concerning the farm strike.

On Page 1 of the paper's Wednesday issue a story pointed out that the A-J editorial warning the farmers against adopting "the anti-social tactics of union goons" did not refer to the farmers as "goons," the word they resented.

They drove tractors, pickups and passenger cars to Amarillo to help man picket lines at food processing plants which farmers from over the Panhandle kept closed for 24 hours.

Without a full night's sleep after returning from Amarillo, they were called by farmers of the Plainview area to help there, where Missouri Beef Packers had secured an injunction to turn back pickets at its plant.

Tuesday afternoon they went to Hale Center to join others from over the North Plains for a move into Lubbock at midnight, converging there with a similar tractorcade from South Plains counties. No reports were heard of Castro County participation in the earlier visit to South Plains Mall at Lubbock.

Farmers involved in the movement here did not attempt to say how many went from Castro County on any of the trips, since American Agriculture is not an officially organized movement and has no officers to keep an account of numbers. Farmers have gone in groups or individually from various parts of the [See Tractorcade, Page 14B]

Christmas light awards announced

Christmas lighting at the Avery Thrasher home, 1604 Sunset Drive, was awarded first place in the home decoration contest sponsored by the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce.

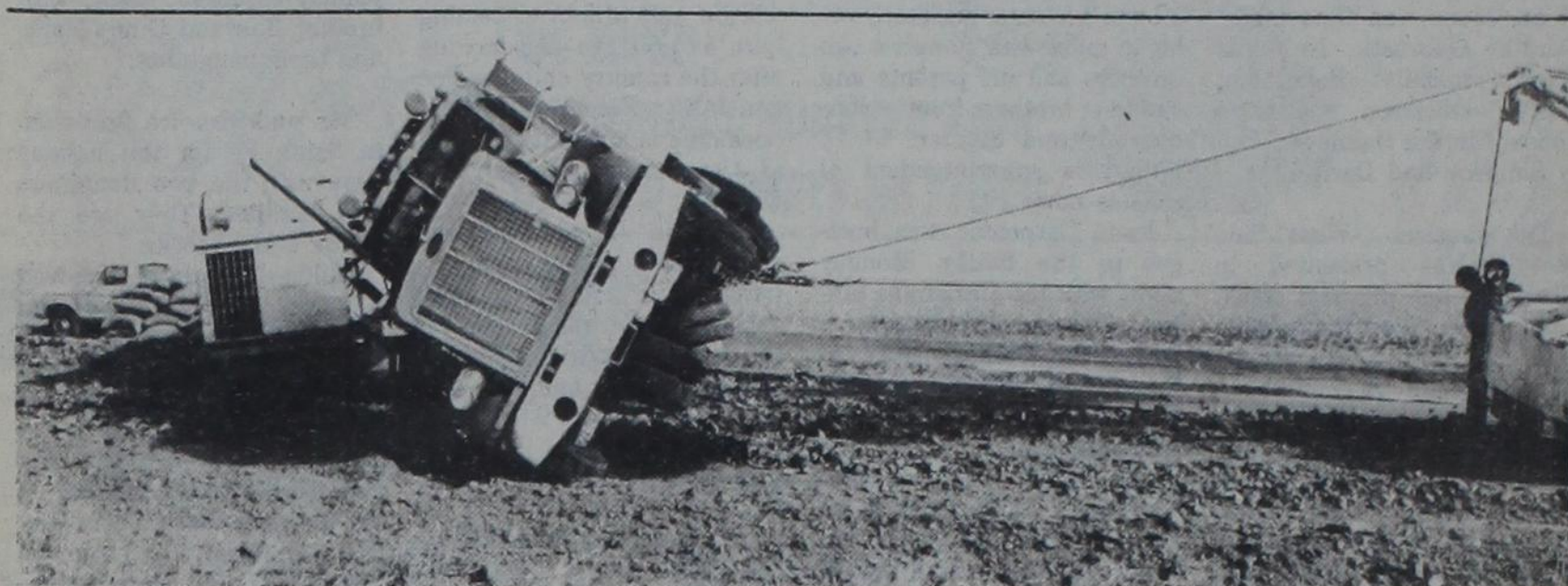
The Richard Schacher home, 209 NW 12th, placed second and the Charles E. Armstrong residence, 609 W. Stinson, third.

Special mention was given by Garden Club members who served as judges, to a painted Madonna on the front window of the Manuel Catano home, 610 SW 5th, and a unique tin-can Christmas tree at the Joe Cowens', 600 SW 10th.

Honorable mention was given in three categories. For doorways and entries, the homes of Dent Bradley, 1009 Oak; Ted Sheffy, 1000 Maple; Don Warren, 719 Cleveland; Roy Lilley, 702 Maple, and John Lantz, 707 Cleveland, were mentioned.

Cited for yard scenes were the residences of Bill Sava, 103 NW 12th; Don Gregory, 503 W. Jones; Bobby Murdock, 607 W. Belsher; Robert McLean, 1012 Oak, and Arlon Ewing, 206 W. Locust.

Mention was given for lights at the homes of Norbert Gerber, 705 Oak; J. R. Mixon, 604 Oak; Chet Braafladt, 700 SW 10th; James Bradford,



UPSY DAISY—This rig hauling 462 sacks of cotton seed meal had to be uprighted by T. Miller Wrecker Service of Amarillo after it had turned over due to high wind and poor road conditions Friday morning on US 385 south of Dimmitt. Driver Richard Long of Anthony, who was en route to Colorado, was uninjured. State Trooper Jackie Gunnels said there was heavy damage to both the tractor and trailer of the rig, and the trailer may have been a total loss. The driver reportedly lost control of

the rig when he edged to the right to allow more room for an oncoming truck. The section of the road where the accident occurred is under construction. While at the scene of the accident, Gunnels was called to another accident farther down the road, where a rear-end collision was caused by poor visibility due to blowing dust. No injuries and only light damage was reported in the second mishap.

42,422 bales reported as harvest ends

Cotton farmers and ginners in Castro and neighboring counties can relax for the holidays after completing the biggest harvest in more than 20 years.

Several gins have already closed for the year, but half report "a few more to go" before the ginning total is in. "We're working now mostly with pick-up cotton which was harvested earlier and stored in the fields, and is now being brought to the gin," one operator said, and others echoed that report.

Only one gin in the northwest part of the county expected "a few hundred" more bales with some of the bumper crop in that area remaining to be harvested.

Ginning totals from 10 plants in the county amount to 42,422 bales. Final figures were given by five of the gins and totals were estimated by others.

With generally high yields and excellent quality of staple, the cotton crop this year has topped the brightest spot in the county's farm picture while prices for other major crops fell below the cost of production.

Price of cotton remained above the loan levels to the very end of the season.

Yields ranged from half a [See COTTON, Page 15B]



FIRST SNOW—We would have had a white Christmas—if Christmas had fallen Tuesday, as the winter's first snow did. Surprised residents awoke Tuesday morning to a light, white blanket that had covered lawns and shrubbery during the night. Here, Chip

Thrasher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Avery Thrasher, checks Santa's equilibrium on the front lawn early Tuesday morning. The Thrasher home was the first-place winner in Dimmitt's Home Lighting Contest.

City holds Christmas-New Year hearing on closing days fixed R-S funds

Dimmitt's city commission Monday night held a public hearing on proposed uses of federal Revenue Sharing funds, and seven citizens turned out to make additional proposals.

The commissioners also approved bids on an automatic control system and on dirt work for the new city water wells.

On the hearing on the Revenue Sharing funds, a proposed budget had been set up to cover \$122,249.00 available from two entitlement periods covering Jan. 1, 1977 through Sept. 30, 1978. However, the spending of the funds will cover only the period from Jan. 1, 1978 to Sept. [See CITY HOLDS, Page 15B]

Holiday closing schedules have been set by most offices and business houses in Castro County, and schools will close this weekend for a vacation that will continue until after New Year.

Nazareth schools will dismiss this afternoon (Thursday) at 2 o'clock, while Dimmitt elementary and Middle School will close at 2:30 and Dimmitt High at 2:40 p.m. Friday. Both will resume classes Jan. 4.

Hart's schedule is different, with the holiday extending from 2 p.m. Friday to Jan. 3. Postmaster Bill Sava announces that the Dimmitt Postoffice will be completely closed Dec. 25 and Jan. 1, with no mail placed in boxes those days. On Dec. 26 and Jan. 2 the windows will be closed and there will be no

home deliveries, but mail will be put in boxes at the post-office.

Regular Saturday service, for an hour in the morning, will be given on Christmas Eve. Also an employee will be on duty until 5 p.m. behind locked doors, but available to residents who need to pick up packages.

Courthouse and city hall offices here will close Friday through Monday for Christmas, and again on the Monday after New Year's Day. Pioneer Gas Co. will close its office at noon Friday and remain closed Monday after Christmas, and close again Jan. 2.

Continental Telephone Co. announces that it will take the Christmas and New Year holidays on Mondays, while Southwestern Public Service will be closed Friday and Monday but has not set its New Year closing day.

First State Bank in Dimmitt and Farmers State Bank in Hart will take their holidays on the two Mondays, as will state and federal offices here.

Early copy needed

The News office will be closed Monday in observance of the Dec. 26 national holiday.

Early copy will receive priority for next week's issue. Please submit your news copy, club reports, correspondence and news-photo requests today or Friday if possible.

The News advertising staff will attempt to contact all regular advertisers today and Friday also. If you wish to schedule an advertisement for next week's issue, please call the News office at 647-3123 anytime today or Friday morning.

Greetings fund reaches \$1,678

Contributions to "Operation Christmas Greeting" total \$1,678.50 according to a preliminary check at the First State Bank where the funds for the annual community project have been received.

Names of those contributing, with their holiday greetings to friends in the community, appear on a page in this issue of the News.

Others, whose contributions were received later and who wish friends here a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, are:

- Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Ballard
- Wade, Walter and Wyyette Maynard
- Six Sides
- Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hays
- Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Brown and Family
- Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bruegel Sr.
- Fred and Bobbie Bruegel and Family
- The Jerry Cluck Family
- Mr. and Mrs. James Slough
- Pete, Darla and Brian Stewart
- Bob, Sue, Michelle and Melanie Caddell
- The Jack Flynts
- Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Beyer
- Joe Paul Weatherford and Family
- The Milton Bagwell Family
- Dr. Dennis Blackburn and Family
- Jack and Jan Edwards and Family
- Ward and Oleta Golden and Family
- The Dan Nelson Family

The project is sponsored in Dimmitt each year by the Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary which uses the funds to supply needed hospital equipment not provided by the regular budget. Residents are asked to contribute the amount of money they would spend to send greetings to local people.

about dimmitt and castro county by b. m. n.

Burglar takes family's gifts

Christmas packages for the Robert Benton family were taken from their farm home about five miles west of Dimmitt, the Bentons discovered Saturday night when they returned from a short trip to Lubbock.

The seven or eight wrapped packages taken from the home were gifts from Mrs. Benton's mother. Most of the family gifts were not on a Christmas tree or out where they could be found easily, Benton said.

"I'm sure the burglar was disappointed in the haul," Benton chuckled, "because most of the packages contained handmade items which represented a lot of time and work and meant a lot to us, but were not of great money value."

The intruder or intruders entered the house through a back door from the garage which had been left unlocked in the hurry of leaving for Lubbock, Benton said. The Castro County sheriff's office is investigating the incident.

In addition to the packages, the only thing the Bentons missed was change taken from a piggy bank in the children's room.

Final staging of pageant is slated Friday

A final presentation of the Nazareth Christmas Pageant in Holy Family Catholic Church is scheduled at 8 p.m. Sunday, following the second performance set for the same hour Wednesday.

The 1977 version of the Nativity pageant opened last Sunday, bringing numerous visitors to the Castro County town which is offering the Christmas drama for the sixth consecutive year. New scenery and costumes have been added, as is customary each year.

Familiar carols and hymns blend with music composed for the pageant, as the church choir is directed by Noreen Klemman Carson to accompany the tableaux and action by players from the community.

The pageant portrays the New Testament story of the birth of Christ, with Mary Beth Ramaekers in the role of Mary, Russell Schacher of Joseph and Albert Hartman of the Angel Gabriel to head the large cast.

The public is invited to see the religious drama. There is no admission charge.

Since the annual event began five years ago, the elaborately costumed and staged pageant has been seen by hundreds, with its reputation spreading to a wider area each year.

What? A tree in the house?

One night recently my husband and I approached our children with a wonderful idea: "Let's have a real Christmas tree this year."

"A real tree? In the HOUSE?" asked an indignant Scott.

"Whoever heard of a real tree in the house?" chorused Greg.

"Why, all the LEAVES would fall off!" exclaimed the shocked Debra.

From Jennifer we heard, "Oh, wats!" (Translated: "Oh, rats"—her expression when completely disgusted.)

I sat in stunned silence. Who did they think all those real trees in front of TG&Y and the grocery stores were for? Obviously, not for THEM. It had never entered their minds that we would buy one of those trees for our home.

It was at this point that my husband—who always believes in staying on top of the situation—made his profound statement: "That settles it. We'll use our good, old-fashioned, artificial Christmas tree again this year."

So Merry Christmas everyone. May it be full of new and old-fashioned joys—whatever they may be!

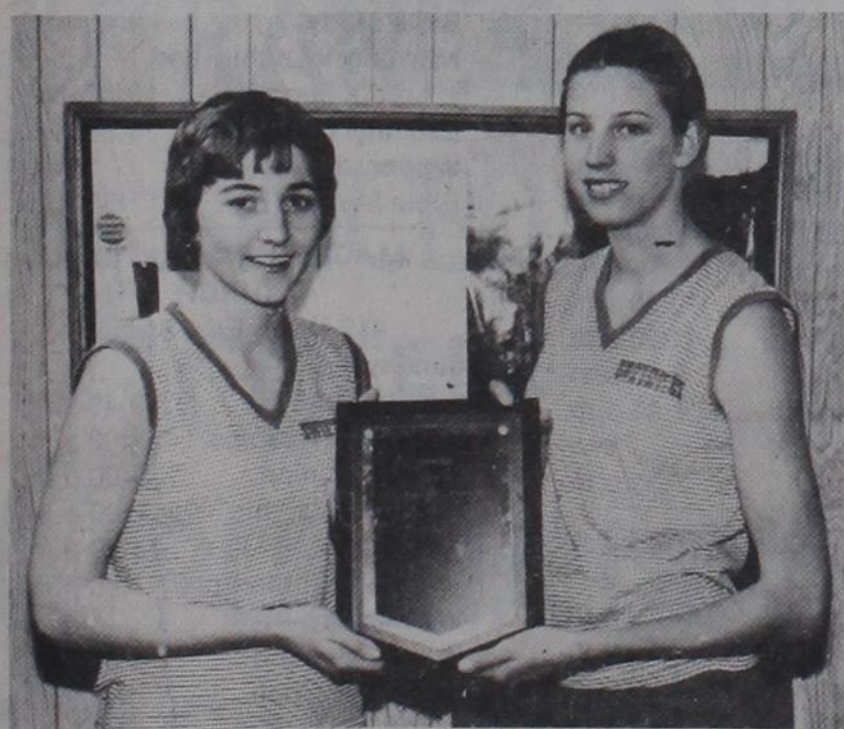
—Jacque Sava

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[Readings recorded at 7 a.m. daily for the preceding 24 hours.]

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Thursday	68	25	
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OLTON TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS in the girls' division were the Nazareth Swiftettes. They won over River Road, Abernathy and Lockney, all AA schools, defeating each one by a margin of at least 20 points. Here, the team co-captains (from left) Karen Schulte and Cheryl Hartman show the championship plaque. Hartman was Nazareth's high scorer in every game.



FLYING HIGH—Dimmitt's Bobcats proudly show the third-place trophy which they earned in the Reese Air Force Base Tournament last weekend in their first appearance in a large-school bracket. Competing against all Class AAAA teams, the Bobcats defeated Lovington 56-44 and Big Spring 83-50 to capture third place. Their only loss was to powerful Abilene Cooper—the pre-tourney favorite—by a 50-44 score in the semifinals Friday. Dimmitt's Rocky Rawls [10] was named Most Valuable Player of the Tournament to complete an impressive showing by Coach Ken Cleveland's Bobcats.

Shelly's Chatter

Christmas parties add sparkle to social scene

By MYRTLE SHEFFY

A group of ladies went to Amarillo last Tuesday for their Christmas luncheon and bridge at Rhet Butler's place. Mona Merritt made the arrangements. The party was in the upstairs dining room where bridge was played after lunch. Going were Shirley Wise, Mona, Ina Cleavinger, Dorothy Gilbreath, Jo Eddie Riley, Joannis Robertson, Betty Patterson, Carolyn Jones, Martha Dannevik, Polly Simpson and Doris Lust.

The musical "West Side Story" was presented in Plainview one day last week. Going from here were Polly Bell, Jo Gregory, Edna Riley and Lois Scott. A good show, the girls say.

Jim and Ruth Hays were hosts to the "42" dinner club Friday evening. They served the Christmas turkey and the people brought salads and desserts. Having fun at this party were the Gene Iveys, the Elmer Youts, the Buster Morgans, the Morgan Dennises, the Ivor Bagwells, the N. A. Brysons, Billie Wesson and Irene Carpenter. Mr. and Mrs. Noel Gollehon are also members but couldn't attend. Noel is doing well after his recent heart attack.

The open house Saturday morning at Mrs. Brice Dowells was very pretty—Christmas tree sparkling, many arrangements to decorate, a fire glowing in the fireplace and dozens of friends talking. The serving table was covered with a founced ruffled red check cloth with fresh flowers for the centerpiece. Pretty Susie Cluck dressed in a long red Christmas dress served hot spiced tea and coffee and little cakes and candies. Besides the locals I saw Rita Pohlmeier from Nazareth, who has just graduated from Tech and is going to Denver, Colo. to work for Texaco and the Dowells' daughter Melony who will finish school at Tech in the spring and has a job promised at Midland. Flo Lust is a senior at Tech and is home for a three week visit with Houston and Doris.

Also saw Sarah Northern and friend Anita Barnard of Amarillo down for the party, and a short visit with nephew Donald and Katy Wright. With Sue Merritt were friends Janet and Betty Mathis of

Amarillo. Mr. and Mrs. Mathis have moved recently to Amarillo from Westville, N.J. And Mrs. Steve Olsen from north of town was there with Dorothy Sinclair and her daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ryan are going to Brownwood for Christmas day to be with J'Lynn's sisters, back to Hawley to meet with Robert's two brothers and his parents and another brother from Albuquerque and Sumter, S. C. Robert is superintendent of schools now.

Irene Carpenter was hostess to the family Monday night with the Christmas dinner. Guests were daughters Joyce and James Autry of Rocky Ford, Floyce and Jim George, granddaughter Shelly and Dan Rice, Tisha and Brandi, J. O. and Florence Carpenter, Darlene and Brice Dowell. Later Irene will go home with the Autrys for the rest of the holiday.

David and Melody Bellinghausen came in from Fort Worth to be with his parents Will and Rosetta. David teaches physical education at one of the schools there and Melody is studying to be an MD at the medical school. She is a Levelland girl.

The South Hills Manor folks had a fine party Friday night, with a big pretty tree and Zella Ellison at the piano playing and singing the holiday songs. Santa came running in. He is beautiful with the red velvet and fur trimmed suit. He sounded like Jack Flynt. The girls that work out there were so pretty in their long Christmas dresses helping Santa hand out gifts, and helping serve punch and cookies. Probably 200 folks were there.

Granddaughter Cyd Sheffy is coming in from Fort Worth. She is supervisor over three grade school libraries there and Joe Sheffy is assistant coach at Pearlland near Houston. He will be here too. They and the Bob Sheffys will be hosts to their children and Robbie teaches at Hereford. Mrs. Gladys Morris, Mildred's mom, who has been in Dimmitt's hospital, hopes to join that family.

I plan to spend Christmas with daughter Dorothy and Bill Bond in Dallas (will be home Monday). They have their one and only granddaughter for me to see and their daughter Leslie and Brian will be in from Boston.

Lenabell Sloan Martin and her nephew Charles Lee Davidson of Denver, Colo. were here Saturday to visit Fannie Mahan at South Hills. These ladies were roommates at Clarendon College in 1914 and were later bridesmaids for each other. Mrs. Martin's father, C. L. Sloan, was a rancher near Estelline and was one of the founders of the college. They went by the hospital to visit friend Mrs. Tucker.

John and Sue Merritt were hosts at the dinner bridge with a Christmas party one day last week. Their guests were Goldman and Carole Dyer, Ted and Dorothy Sheffy, Harold and Shirley Stephens, Charles and Esta Vandiver, Russel and Myrtle Lois Moran, Ralph and Avis Smith, John and Flo Nichols from Tulia and Aural Davis.

Thursday Carole Dyer, Esta Vandiver and Sue Merritt were hostesses at brunch and bridge at the Hereford Country Club. There were six tables, that is 24 ladies, enjoying that nice event.

Bill and Julie Glenn and sons Brad and Larry (the other son is in Italy) have moved to Dumas where Bill will be golf pro. And coming here as golf pro and looking after the country club are Joe and JoElyn Ziegler from Lubbock. Joe is a relative of Jacob Canyon and formerly of Dimmitt.

Jim and Joyce Davis will spend the holidays with his parents in Lubbock and Joyce's at Levelland. Jim is the county-district attorney.

John Roberts and Lee Wall were married Dec. 9 in a quiet ceremony here in Dimmitt. They will live in Dimmitt.

The Methodist Betty Campbell Circle served a fine dinner to the 30 widows of the church Wednesday at the home of Ina Cleavinger. They had salads and Katy's chicken tetrazzini and Lois's good hot rolls. Mrs. Naylor gave a Christmas reading by Kathryn Marshall—go find someone to do for besides the family. Our friend Beulah Wright came down from Hereford. Her home is King's Manor now.

Mike and Manuela Nino, some of their children and two grandchildren spent a few days visiting relatives at San Marcos. Little Monica went along, she is Virginia's daughter, and Virginia is a nurse at South Hills.

Norma and Ken Pace moved here recently. Ken is a trained hospital orderly and Norma is with South Hills Manor. They attend church with the Nazarenes.

Zola Langford went to Altus last week to attend the funeral of a cousin Lizzy Steen.

Helen Richardson spent her holiday in Hugo, Okla. with brother Bob and Ginny Estes and their daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Brown go to Santa Fe for the holiday time with the two daughters and families. They are the Byrds and Pollocks.

Mildred Bradford received a news clipping and a card from Leola Longan who lives in West Pittsburg, Calif. She is Pat Roberts now and is a very good self-taught artist according to the news. She has quality work hanging in the galleries there. Leola Longan and sister Elsie Irene and brother W. L. were in my Sunday school class at the Union Church at Flagg about 40 years ago. The Flagg Ranch opened for settlers in 1926. They were there. Sid and I bought the McLean land, not Flagg. The Bradfords came from near Paris and had the cotton gin. The Lusters lived at Bethel.

J. F. and Jodie Latimer are coming up from Louisiana for a visit with his parents Frank and Josephine and sister Ann. J. F. and Jodie will visit friends in Amarillo and Lubbock. The Latimer's usually spend Christmas at the family ranch at Higgins.

Mr. and Mrs. Zane Ellison and children will spend Christmas with Zane's grandparents Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Layton at Morton.

Ted and Jean Robb and family, Larry, Cheryl, Jan and Lonnie, the parents P. P. and Madge will spend the Christmas time with the Don Robbs at Idalou.

Frank and Louise Mears and Sam and Virginia Gilbreath of Sun City went to Gruver to spend the holiday with Zay and Charlotte Gilbreath and boys in their new home. Oh yes, John and Dorothy and three sons went also.

Dora Johnson returned last Thursday from Bridge City where she visited her daughter Imogene and Ray McKinney. She stopped in Lubbock and her daughter Beverly and Carl Russell brought her to Dimmitt. Dora has been at Plains Memorial Hospital here with a toe infection. Hopes to be home for Christmas. And Josie Bradford had quite a stay in the hospital recuperating from some chest pains.

Ben Golding of Dallas came home to visit his parents Lizabeth and Jim Golding for the holiday. Ben is internal auditor for the Hunt Oil Company.

Seth and Anita Ralston and children Donna and Wesley went to Spearman where they holidayed with both parents, Preston and Edith Smith and Bill and Reba Hunter. Seth is

assistant county agent. Leon Sanders attended the funeral of a cousin Clifford Scrivner at Reydon, Okla. Jessie Ebeling couldn't be because of the strike—just work, work! Clifford was a cousin of both Jessie and Leon.

One day last week Goodwin and Jeanie Miller, Edna Riley and son Ray Joe, Allie Mae Willis and Anita Morris went to Las Cruces to attend the funeral of Kent Davis, who was killed in a car wreck. Kent is the nephew of Jeanie and Edna.

Omega Johnson tells me that she and C. J. have two sets of twin grandchildren. One set are girls six years old and they belong to Don and Carol Dennis. They live in

Garden City, Kan. The other pair belongs to Russell and Eileen Johnson who live at Plano. Omega is one of the hardworking nurses at Plains Memorial Hospital.

Kelton and Jan Cates and [See CHATTER, Page 5]

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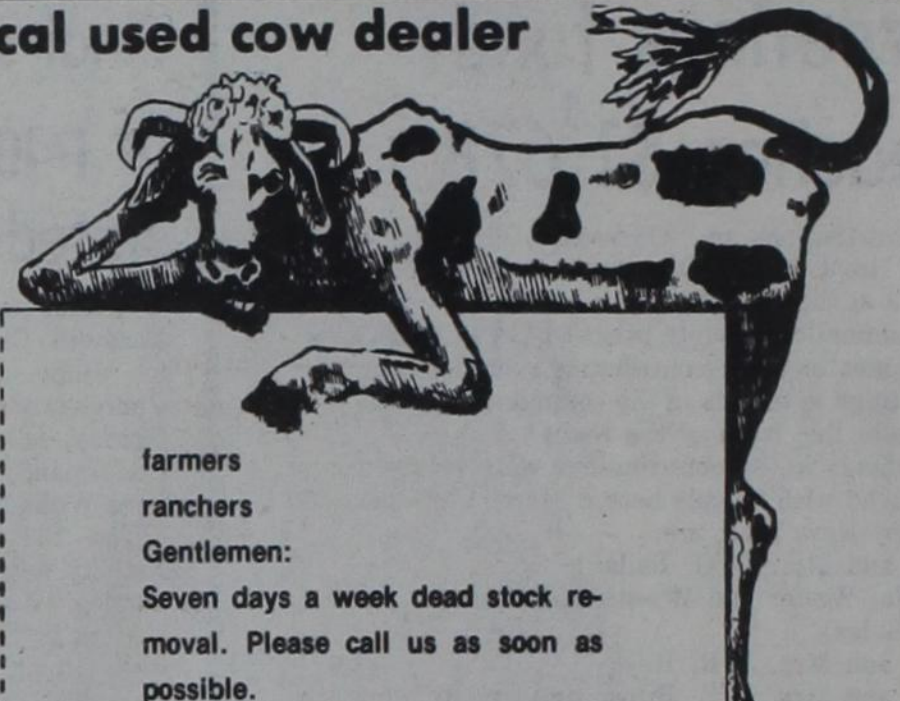
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Wednesday—
General Meeting
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Choir 7:30 p.m.

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Rev. John Street, Pastor
Sunday—
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
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Evening Worship . . . 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday—
Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m.
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Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
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Evangelistic Service . . 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday—
Mid-Week Service . . . 8:00 p.m.

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Morning Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
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Evening Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
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Wed. Prayer Service . . 8:00 p.m.
Friday Bible Study . . . 8:00 p.m.

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Sunday—
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Morning Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Training Union 6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship . . . 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday—
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Several homes in very desirable locations. These homes are appraised and can be financed with qualified buyers.

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THREE BEDROOM HOUSE for sale; one and three-fourths baths, fenced corner lot, sprinkler system, lots of extras. Call 647-4343. Go by at 1012 Oak Street. 1-50-tfc

FOR LEASE: 1/4 section, 3 to 5 years, available Oct. 1. Ph. 276-5333. 1-50-tfc

FOR SALE: 134-ft. frontage on Pine Street. Call Huckabay, 647-3519. 1-33-tfc

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TWO BEDROOM house for sale by owner. For appointment call 647-5227. 1-4-tfc

FOR SALE: 3 bedroom house, 401 NW 4th, Call 227-2087 collect or 647-3242 after 5. 1-11-tfc

FOR SALE: 2 bedroom brick house, near school, 700 W. Bedford. Owner left town, must sell. Call 806-447-5858 or 2996. 1-10-4tc

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1/2-Section southeast of Dimmitt, good water.

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Merry Christmas to All



SQUARE DANCE TIPS

By Billy & Carolyn Harman

The Dimmitt Promenaders had their regular meeting the 13th of December. It was the Christmas party and gift exchange. Three squares enjoyed the salad supper. Johnny Gillenwater called the cues for the squares.

The Promenaders wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

The next dance will be Jan. 10.

More about

SHEFFY'S Chatter

[Continued from Page 2]

girls came in from Binger, Okla. for a holiday visit with his parents Dery and Lorena Cates and sister Darlene and Rex Wooten at Flagg.

Dent and Bessie Mae Bradley were hosts to the Boothe family for a holiday get together, the Dan Bootes from Hollis, Johnnie and Truett Boothe, and the grands, also Alma Nelson and Mrs. Dan Petty.

Saturday evening Russel and Myrtle Lois Moran invited me (Myrtle) and Jim and Ina Cleavinger to drive to Muleshoe to have supper at that Mexican place. Very nice and good food. We looked at the pretty stores and lights and saw that beautiful sunset going down that way.

Also we drove around Dimmitt to see the decorations and lights. James Bradford and Arlie Petty have lit up roofs, and Thrashers have lights and scenes in their yard

on Sunset Drive. All over town are nice things to see, Christmas tree lights in the yards and the stores are pretty too. Do drive around.

Dan and Hazel Nelson were hosts at a dinner and get together in their home Sunday evening for the Senior Citizens of the Bedford Street Church of Christ. Quite a large crowd was there. This is a yearly party the Nelsons give to their older friends of the church.

The high school group of the Methodist Church presented the Sunday morning service. Laura Duncan gave the meditation with Heidi and KaKa Bruegel directing the special music, Johnny Merritt did the prayer and Amy Merritt did the children's program. Eight of the girls read different scriptures. This was one of the best programs.

And the fellowship class with Mrs. George Bagwell, president of the class, acting as hostess had dinner in a group at the Colonial Inn Restaurant. Rev. and Mrs. Roark and Bob Green, Mrs. H. H. Carlile were special guests and Mr. H. H. Johnson of Amarillo was there too. He is the father of Jan Roark.

Bob Green, the intern or student preacher at the Methodist Church, went to his home in Richardson this week. He will re-enter seminary.

Paul Mauldin of Portales was a weekend guest of his brother Larry Mauldin. Larry is with Dimmitt Agri Industries.

The high school band and chorus presented the Christmas concert to a full house Sunday afternoon. Mr. Allen has been director of the sixth through eighth grades and they were excellent. And the Henry song birds were good. And everyone knows that Ralph Smith and his high school band is one of the best.

Basketball calendar

DIMMITT
Thursday:
4-7th boys vs. Olton, here
5-8th boys vs. Olton, here
6:15-9th boys vs. Olton, here
3-9th girls vs. Olton, here
4-7th girls vs. Olton, here
5-8th girls vs. Olton, here
Tuesday:
6-Varsity boys vs. Lubbock at Caprock Tournament

NAZARETH
Tuesday:
2:30-Varsity girls vs. Friendship in Slaton Tournament
Thursday:
10-Varsity boys vs. Grace Christian at Amarillo Tournament.



ME, TOO!—The American Agriculture strike movement seems to be gaining support from all ages now—including 5-year-old Stacy Waggoner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Waggoner of Sunnyside.

View from the Library



By BRICK AUTRY Librarian

After living four years in Eastern New Mexico, I knew all about the wind here on the high plains, so all the dust and roar today doesn't concern me much.

We are sitting here in the office today (Friday) and Marie is working on her typing. Later she will present me with dozens of catalog cards for me to file away. That's her way of keeping me out of trouble.

In the meantime, I am thinking of things for this column. For example, I do hope you have visited the library in time to see our Christmas decorations. Marie, of course, has decked the halls and I have furnished the boughs of holly and the greenery. You had better come quick while it's still green. Our wreath may not make it to Christmas.

We will close the library Friday afternoon. The library will remain closed through the holiday weekend and open again as usual Tuesday morning, the 27th.

There will be no story hour tomorrow and there will be no films that afternoon after school.

- Merry Christmas.
BEST SELLERS
Week of Dec. 12-17
FICTION
1. Silmarillion, Tolkien
2. Thorn Birds, McCullough
3. Honourable Schoolboy, LeCarre.
4. Daniel Martin, Fowles.
5. Beggarman Thief, Shaw.
6. Dreams Die First, Robbins.
7. Gnomes, Huygen.
8. Second Deadly Sin, Sanders.
9. Illusions, Bach.
10. Delta of Venus, Nin.
NONFICTION

1. All Things Wise and Wonderful, Herriot.
2. The Book of Lists, Wallace.
3. Looking Out for #1, Ring-

Old Bible is new museum addition

The building on West Hall-sell St. is open from 2 to 5 p.m. each Sunday, according to Clara Vick, secretary of the museum association. She is one of the members who volunteer to work in turn as hostesses on Sundays.

Fannie Cash Laas of Plain-view, who loaned the Bible for display in the museum, is the daughter of Harvey Cash, an early Castro County Clerk who married a daughter of the B. T. Bells.

The old Bible, which has an 1852 date in it, belonged to the first Texas Supreme Court judge, James H. Bell. It was given to his son, B. T. Bell, who came to Castro County in the early years.

Items recently added to the displays in the Castro County Historical Museum, including a Bible more than a century old in the Bell Family collection, may be seen by visitors who now can visit the museum Sunday afternoons as well as weekdays.

Other old books and dresses of bygone styles which belonged to the Bell family are in the museum collection.

Another new addition to the museum is a list of World War II veterans from Castro County.

15-LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE
We have been advised by the Environmental Protection Agency that our system failed to meet the microbiological maximum contaminate level of the drinking water regulations as well as those of the Texas Department of Health. Water samples analyzed by the State Laboratory showed that the water from our system had failed the limits set by Federal and State Regulations for coliform bacteria. The limit is one coliform per 100 ml as the average of all routine monthly samples collected. The coliform organism is an indicator of contamination and is not harmful in itself.

The location where the water sample reflected a discrepancy was rechecked three consecutive days in accordance with regulations. All three "CHECK SAMPLES" were in compliance. The City's investigation revealed the discrepancy was the result of taking the sample rather than our drinking water being contaminated.

We will keep you advised of the steps we are taking to insure that water from our system meets every established standard.

-S- GARNETT HOLLAND
City Manager
City of Dimmitt, Texas
15-10-3tc

15-LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICIA LEGITIMO
La Agencia del Proteccion de Ambiente nos han avisado que nuestra sistema tiene que satisfacer las regulaciones de la nivel de contaminacion de maximo microbiologica del la agua que se toma. La sistema tiene que satisfacer las regulaciones del departamento del sanidad de Tejas.

Pruebas del agua analizado por el laboratorio del estado ensena que nuestra agua de la sistema ha fallado los limites asentados por las regulaciones del Estado y Federal para la bacteria coliforma. La limite es una coliforma por cada cien ml que han calculado de rutina las pruebas cada mes que han colegido. El organismo coliforma es una indicacion de contaminacion y no es danoso.

La situacion donde la prueba he reflejado una diferencia fue examinado tres dias consecutivos con acuerdo de las regulaciones. Las tres "Pruebas estaban en conformidad." La investigacion de la ciudad he revelado la diferencia el resultado de la pruebas tomadas y no de la agua que hemos tomado que se ha contaminado.

Les vamos avisar de las acciones que conducimos para segura que la agua de nuestra sistema, satisfecha cada norma establecida.

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Former C-C manager in WTCC post

Edward H. Coltharp, former manager of the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce, has been appointed executive vice-president of the West Texas C of C, it has been announced by E. Bruce Street

of Graham, president. Coltharp has acted as executive vice-president since the resignation of J. F. Godfrey, and became the permanent executive Dec. 1. Formerly he had been WTCC development director four and a half years with primary responsibilities in local action, agriculture and ranching, tourist and travel development.

He served as chamber manager in Vernon and Terrell as well as in Dimmitt in the 1960's. He owns and operates a stock farm in Fisher County. A native of Sweetwater, he holds a degree in economics and business administration from Hardin-Simmons Univer-

sity. His wife is the former Glenda Elliott of Abilene and he has a teen-age son and a 12-year-old.

On the go

Jack Flynt flew to Houston last week to serve as a pallbearer in the funeral of Billy B. Hester, a victim of the recent tornado which struck that city. Hester was a close friend of Mr. and Mrs. Flynt.

FOR easy cleaning of blender jar, fill the container one-fourth full with warm water and a drop of liquid detergent. Cover jar, run on low speed for a few seconds, and rinse with clear, warm water.

Pioneer Seeds announces promotion for Barry Love

Barry Love of Dimmitt has been named a district sales manager for the Southwestern Division of Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc., it is announced by Clarence Kerns, division sales manager.

Love, who has been a farmer near Dimmitt in recent years, will direct sales of Pioneer brand seed in an area including Lamb, Hale, Floyd, Motley and Cottle Counties. He has formerly been a plant manager for a seed processing firm and a research specialist for the High Plains Research Foundation at Half-

way. A member of the American Society of Animal Science and the Plains Nutrition Council, he is secretary-treasurer of the Texas Corn Growers' Association and a director of the High Plains Research Foundation.

Love is a native of the Durant, Okla. area and holds a bachelors degree in animal husbandry from Oklahoma State University. He later earned a masters degree from the University of Illinois.

He, his wife and their three children are active members of the First United Methodist Church here.

Pioneer Hi-Bred, with headquarters in Des Moines, Iowa, is the world's oldest agri-genetics organization, marketing seed throughout the United States and in several foreign countries. The Southwestern Division produces all seed for its domestic and import sales.



Barry Love

VETERAN'S SERVICES

By BEDFORD W. SMITH
County Service Officer

Our office will be open today (Thursday) but then closed until Dec. 28 and Dec. 29. This word to VA pensioners who need help with the AIQ cards, see me at once so your 1978 pensions will not be cut off. A Merry Christmas to all.

November checks going to 1.2 million Veterans Administration pensioners were accompanied by a questionnaire on income to assist them to qualify for continuing VA pension payments. Pensions—unlike compensation for service-connected disability or death—are based on income.

Questionnaires also went to 28,000 parents receiving dependency and indemnity compensation (DIC) checks.

Completed questionnaires must be returned to the VA by Jan. 1 to insure continued receipt of benefits.

Pensions are paid to needy veterans who are totally and permanently disabled from nonservice-connected causes, or to their widows. Amount of the monthly stipend is based on the annual income of the recipient.



On Wall Street
By Bob Hill
A.G. Edwards & Sons, Inc.

There is a friendly spirit of cooperation between the US and Mexico, warmer than it has been in many years. But fundamental weaknesses in the Mexican economy will put a severe strain on that relationship in months to come.

The US sells \$3.5 billion worth of goods and services to Mexico. US banks have loaned \$11 billion to Mexico and Mexican industry. American tourists spend an estimated \$700 million in Mexico. A new trade pact, just signed by the two countries should boost trade by \$100 million. The prisoner swap is another sign of cooperation.

Now for the bad news. Very simply Mexico has a population crisis. It is one of the fastest growing populations in the world. It has doubled since World War II and will double again in less than 23 years. One-third of the labor force is unemployed or underemployed. Over 45% of the work force held "marginally productive" jobs and 81% of those workers called actively employed work only nine months a year.

There is little hope that the Mexican economy can change even with ambitious economic planning. Mexico has a population of 64 million, up 15 million from 1970. Mexican economists are telling US authorities that this country will have to continue to absorb a big chunk of the surplus Mexican population.

Immigration authorities point out that 75% of the

illegal aliens in this country come from Mexico. It's even hard to guess how many illegals there are in the US—anywhere from 8 million to 13 million. Another problem is that aliens from other countries than Mexico tend to match Americans in age, wealth and education. Aliens from Mexico tend to be from the poorest economic and educational levels.

One solution to Mexico's problems is more foreign investment. But the Mexican law requiring at least 51% of all companies to be owned by Mexican Nationals has limited foreign investment. US officials hope they will change the law soon.

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Sunnyside

Missionaries to Tanzania present church program

By TEENY BOWDEN
Rev. Vestal Blakely and his wife Carol Jean, missionaries to Tanzania, spoke following the family missions supper at the church Wednesday night.

many of them ever get. The center offers many basic courses including typing and sewing. Various projects are also popular. The center has 11 teachers now, freeing Rev. Blakely to work more in the rural areas and as an advisor to the native pastors.

mortar and pestle. Where the people live in mud huts the men will help put up the sticks and the tin roof but when it comes to the mud they say, "That is woman's work."

lights. Rev. Raymond Jones portrayed the grandfather, Joe and Rosa Lopez, Sharon Bradley and Cinnamon Cox were the grandchildren. Anne Guy played Mary, Ray Lynn Owens, Joseph, Laura Anderson, Brandon Cox and Melody Sadler were the three wise men.

charge. The church budget committee met at the church Thursday to work up a proposed budget for the coming year. Gale Sadler served as chairman.

with Nazareth this week Hoby was the leading scorer with 11 points. Clint had 8. Kim Haydon and the Wolverettes won third place in their tournament last week.

and Mr. and Mrs. Gale Sadler, Cindy and Susan had their Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Embree Roy Sadler Saturday. Cindy came home from Tech for the holidays Saturday.

dinner with his family in the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Dorsey Sunday.

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Gas costs \$2 a gallon and less than one percent of the people have cars. Women do most of the work. In the rural areas they build their own mud huts, cut their own thatch for the roof, make their own brooms to sweep their dirt floors, and some walk as many as 16 miles to get water and carry it back the 16 miles on their heads.

The annual Christmas program was presented at the church Sunday night during the worship hour. Mrs. Hershel Wilson had charge of the program, "The Christmas Story", which featured a grandfather in front of the fireplace reading the Christmas story to his grandchildren with the various scenes in the story acted out under spot-

lights. Mrs. Gale Sadler had charge of the music. Hershel Wilson, Lonnie Wilson, Gerald Elkins, Lynn Brown, Susan Sadler, Tammy Ross and Daneen Wilson provided the music in the form of solos, duets and trios worked into the various scenes. Cliff and Naomi Brown and Lee Bradley helped with the props and lighting. The committee consisted of Mrs. Lonnie Wilson, Mrs. Bruce Bridges, Mrs. Jimmy Waggoner, Mrs. J. Paul Waggoner, Mrs. David Sadler, Mrs. Lee Bradley, Mrs. Carl Dean Carson, Mrs. Raymond Jones and Mrs. Lynn Cox.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Parson and children attended the Christmas party at South Hills Manor in Dimmitt Friday night. Mrs. Eules Waggoner and Mrs. L. B. Bowden helped with keeping the museum open Sunday afternoon and helped decorate the Christmas tree in front of the fireplace.

The G.A.'s concluded their study of Japan this month with a sukiyaki supper at the church last Thursday afternoon. They sat on the floor and used chop sticks. Mrs. Hershel Wilson, Mrs. Lonnie Wilson and Daneen served the supper to Shannon Ott, Anne Guy, Melody and Karla Sadler, Kay Owens, Cinnamon Cox, Channin Ross and Sharon Bradley.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Parson and children attended the foster children's Christmas party in Dimmitt Tuesday night. The church provided a gift for each of the children.

David Montiel and Susan Sadler were in the cast of the play "Jack and the Beanstalk" in Dimmitt Thursday night and Monday night. Mrs. John Gilbreath attended the Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary meeting at the hospital Wednesday morning.

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Vows spoken at Meadow

A mid-afternoon wedding Sunday was conducted for Marsha Su Blair of Meadow and Charles Stephen Cox of Hart. The setting was the Meadow Church of Christ with John McCoy, minister, officiating.

Candletrees based with fresh greenery were flanked by Grecian urns holding red and white flowers as a background for the ceremony. White satin bows and streamers marked the bridal aisle.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Blair Jr. of Meadow. Cox is the son of Claude Cox and the late Mrs. Irene Cox of Amarillo.

Her father gave Miss Blair in marriage. She was attended by her sister, Kay, as maid of honor and a cousin, Terri Templin of San Angelo, as bridesmaid. Carol Pendergrass was the flower girl.

Lonny Davis acted as best man and Don Sanders groomsmen. Both are Hart residents. Mike and Larry Cox of Canyon, brothers of the groom, and Martin Blair, the bride's brother, were ushers. Candles were lighted by Keith Blair, another brother of the bride, and Kathy Wilkes. Linda Martin of Friona invited guests to register.

The Sunny Day Singers of Lubbock Christian College sang the processional march,



MRS. CHARLES STEPHEN COX
... The former Marsha Su Blair

and as a recessional, "Joy to the World." Jo McCoy and Logan King were the soloists

who presented "For All We Know," "Close to You," "We've Only Just Begun" and "You Light Up My Life."

Multiple layers of tulle made the voluminous skirt of the bride's gown, with an overskirt of Chantilly lace edged in pleated double ruffles of the tulle. The figurine bodice and long sleeves with petal points at the wrist were also of the lace.

Lace flower motifs bordered the portrait neckline and her bouffant veil was edged with lace scallops.

She carried a French cascade of miniature white carnations, daisies and gypsophilia with fresh foliage and white satin ribbons.

Bridesmaids were dressed in holly-berry red knit frocks in empire style, with touches of white lace at the round neckline and long sleeves. Their nosegays were of red and white carnations with gypsophilia and green leaves.

The wedding reception was held in the church fellowship hall. Rita Pohlmeier of Nazareth, Natalie Smith and Debbie McCallister served refreshments from a table centered with red and white flowers massed around silver candelabra holding red tapers.

Others in the houseparty were Mes. Jesse Brooks, James Smith and Jim Pendergrass.

Mr. and Mrs. Cox left on a honeymoon trip before making their home in Hart. The bride wore for travel a brown gabardine jumpsuit with cowl-collared blouse in beige and brown. Her corsage was a white poinsettia.

She is a graduate of Nazareth High School, now a senior in West Texas State University majoring in business education. Cox is employed as a farm manager for the Hill Farms. He attended WTSU after graduation from Hart High School.



MRS. STEVE BAGWELL
... The former Anita Smith

Bagwells at home following marriage

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Lloyd Bagwell are at home in the Bethel community after their recent marriage in an afternoon ceremony at the First Baptist Church and a trip to Colorado Springs.

The bride is the former Anita Neil Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James N. Smith of Dimmitt. Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Milton I. Bagwell of Dimmitt.

Rev. Charles Higgs, formerly of Dimmitt and now pastor of Forest Park Baptist Church in Corpus Christi, officiated for the wedding.

Holly sprays, red bows and white satin ropes decorated the altar area, where arched and spiral candelabra held white tapers.

Tammy Mundy of Canyon was the maid of honor and Robert Funck the best man. The bride's sister, Darla Smith; her cousin, Doris Hough of Friona; the groom's sister Carol, Darendra Moore and Pam Heard were bridesmaids.

Brothers of the groom, Randy, Ricky and Scott, with cousins of the bride, Rodger Coffey and David Hough of Friona, acted as groomsmen.

Andrea Higgs of Corpus Christi was the flower girl and Colin Fallwell of Canyon carried the rings. Janice Coffey, cousin of the bride, and the groom's brother Kyle lighted the candles.

Wedding music included Kimberly Pegram's solos, "Love I Come to You" and "Wedding Prayer," and duets by Roger and Bennie Edwards of Tulia, "All My Love" and "I've Always Loved You." Mrs. Jim Pegram played organ accompaniments and solos.

The bride's gown of organza over taffeta was styled with wedding ring neckline, full sleeves banded with lace and gathered to lace cuffs, and a skirt with a deep flounce spreading into a chapel train.

The flounce was headed and bordered with lace, and appliques were scattered over the skirt.

Her bouffant veil had a lace edge. She carried white silk roses with babybreath and as heirloom pieces wore a ring belonging to her grandmother, Lillian Smith of Amarillo, and a watch that belonged to her late grandmother Faola Hardesty of Friona.

Her attendants were dressed in Christmas red peau de soie with long chiffon sleeves. Their flowers were poinsettias with green babybreath.

At the wedding reception in the church fellowship hall, guests were registered by Kristen Fallwell of Canyon, cousin of the groom. Allison Cox of Canyon and Charlotte Alma of Plainview served the tiered wedding cake which was ornamented with poinsettias, satin bows and a topping of satin and pearl wedding bells.

The bride's table was covered with white net appliqued with sequined red bells. Flowers of the bride and her attendants were laid around silver candelabra holding red tapers. The Christmas punch was red tinted.

At the groom's table, laid with an ivory cloth made by the bride's great-grandmother, chocolate cake and coffee were served by Nelda Fallwell of Canyon and Oma Dee Heard.

For travel Mrs. Bagwell wore a camel colored pantsuit with brown sweater and accessories. White roses made her corsage.

The bride attended West Texas State University after graduation from Dimmitt High in 1976. The groom, a farmer at Bethel, attended Texas Tech. He is a 1973 DHS graduate.

His parents were hosts for the rehearsal dinner in the church fellowship hall.

Kiwanis board to meet January 9

Monday was the last meeting of the Dimmitt Kiwanis Club until Jan. 9 because of the holidays, according to club president Mark Cleavinger.

"The December board meeting will also be put off until 6:30 a.m. Jan. 9," Cleavinger said.

At the Monday meeting, visiting Key Club President Johnny Merritt announced that the Key Club would like to challenge the Kiwanians to a basketball game "to improve relations between the clubs."

The Kiwanians accepted the challenge, but a date has not yet been set.

Club secretary Richard Stahl announced to the members, "I thought you might like to know about a new line

of wind-up dolls just on the market. They'll make great Christmas gifts.

"The Elmer Berryhill wind-up doll paints houses, the Jimmy Davis wind-up doll takes you to court, the Robert Benton model throws golf

clubs, the Danny Vermillion doll sings "My Country 'Tis of Thee", the Danny Lewis wind-up doll forgets what to do, the Joe Nelson doll tells jokes, and the Floy Driver wind-up doll won't do anything."

The 17 members present exchanged gag gifts as the program for the meeting. Some of the items received by various members included a Frisbee, a yo-yo, a baby pacifier, a baby bottle and a can of spray deodorant.

Guests included two other Key Clubbers, Rodney Craig and Bobby Crozier, along with Kiwanis scholarship winner Donny Davis, and Vera Patton, daughter of member Jack Patton. Club Sweetheart Leanne Crozier was also present.



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Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Travis of Dimmitt are the parents of a boy, Christopher Lee was born Dec. 16 and weighed 7 pounds, 15 ounces.



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IN MUSICAL DRAMA—Kings, shepherds and other characters in the Dimmitt Middle School's Christmas pageant with music are grouped here. The fine arts department pre-

Irene's Ideas

Rice poem captures spirit of Christmas

By IRENE KEATING

It is Christmas and I hope that each of you has a very nice holiday. If you're traveling, be sure to drive carefully. At this time of year, we're all filled with compassion and love and I hope we can keep this feeling all year. Helen Steiner Rice says it so well in her story of The Christmas Guest.

It happened one day at the year's white end. Two neighbors called on an old-time friend, and they found his shop—so meager and mean—made gay with a thousand boughs of green. And Conrad was sitting with face a-shine. When he suddenly stopped as he stitched a twine and said, "Old friends, at dawn today when the cock was crowing the night away, the Lord appeared in a dream to me and said, 'I was coming to be your guest.' So I've been busy with feet astir strewing my shop with branches of fir. The table is spread and the kettle is shined. And over the rafters the holly is twined, and now I will wait for my Lord to appear and listen closely so I will hear His steps as He nears my humble place and I open the door and look in His face.

So his friends went home and left Conrad alone for this was the happiest day he had known. For long since, his family had passed away, and Conrad had spent a sad Christmas Day. But he knew with the Lord as his Christmas guest, this Christmas would be the dearest and best. And he listened with only joy in his heart, and with every sound he would rise with a start and look for the Lord to be standing there in answer to his earnest prayer.

So he ran to the window after hearing sounds but all that he saw on the snow-colored ground was a shabby beggar whose shoes were torn and all of his clothes were ragged and worn. So Conrad was touched and went to the door and he said, "Your feet must be frozen and sore, and I have some shoes in my shop for you and a coat that will keep you warmer."

So with a grateful heart the man went away, but as Conrad noticed the time of day he wondered what made the dear Lord so late and how much longer he'd have to wait when he heard a knock and ran to the door. But it was a stranger once more, a bent old crone with a shawl of black and bundle of faggots piled on her back. She asked for only a place to rest, but that was reserved for Conrad's Great

Guest. But her voice seemed to plead, "Don't send me away; let me rest for awhile on Christmas Day." So Conrad brewed her a steaming cup, and told her to sit at the table and sup.

But after she left he was filled with dismay for he saw that the hours were passing away, and the Lord had not come as He said He would and Conrad felt sure he had misunderstood when out of the stillness he heard a cry—"Please help me and tell me where I am." Again he opened his friendly door and stood disappointed once more. It was a child who had wandered away and was lost from her family on Christmas Day. Again Conrad's heart was heavy and sad, but he knew he should make this little girl glad. So he called her in, wiped her tears and quieted all her childish fears. Then he led her back to her home once more but as he entered his own darkened door, he knew that the Lord was not coming today for the hours of Christmas had passed away.

So he went to his room and knelt down to pray and he said, "Dear Lord, why did you delay? What kept you from coming to call on me for I wanted so much your face to see." When soft in the silence a voice he heard, "Lift up your head for I kept my word. Three times my shadow crossed your floor; three times I came to your lonely door, for I was the beggar with bruised cold feet, I was the woman you gave to eat, and I was the child on the homeless street."

Black, Newsom of 'Horns on all-district

Glen Black and Johnny Newsom of the Hart Longhorns were named to the Class A All-South Plains team for 1977 by the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal.

Both are seniors in Hart High School this year and both were picked for the de-

fensive team, Black as a 5-9, 180 pound linebacker and Newsom, 5-10 and 150 pounds, to secondary position.

Two other Longhorns were given honorable mention on defense. Larry Marble, 6-3, 200 pound tackle, and Kent

Hill, guard at 6 feet, 180 pounds, are also seniors.

Mike Jones of Petersburg was chosen as Player of the Year and Jim Edwards of Lorenzo took Coach of the Year honors on the All-South Plains squad.

DMS enacts Christmas story

A nativity drama with musical setting was presented by the fine arts department of the Dimmitt Middle School last Thursday night, followed by a play in the same theme Monday night by the eighth grade drama class.

"A Night for Miracles," with music composed and orchestrated by Dwight Joiner of the Dimmitt schools music faculty, was the Thursday presentation. Brenda McClellan was dramatic director and Doug Henry choral director.

Soloists were Ruby Moultrie, Zeldia Ellison and Henry Jerri Ka Clark and Jill Brown played special flute selections and a recorder ensemble was composed from Fred Allen, Joann Fleming, Henry and Joiner.

Students from fourth, fifth and sixth grades made up a

20-piece instrumental ensemble and chorus.

Actors were Winnie Zuniga and Felix Falcon as Mary and Joseph; Jesse Garibaldi, Kyle Neely and Manuel Saenz as the Magi; Bryan Gregory and Gilbert Esqueda as shepherds; Mamie Smith, Ross Gauna, Kevin Spinhirne, Jose Sepeda and Jay Reeve.

Pam Patterson served as stage manager, Wayne Broadstreet as lighting director, Loretta Sandoval, Peggy Huddleston, Rhonda Ross, Diane Martinez, Tonya Polivoda and Kent Kirby on the stage

crew. Eighth grade drama students staged a short play, "The Little Angel Who Was Always Late."

Appearing as Annie was Vickie Bird, while Kent Kirby portrayed Uncle Gabriel, Rhonda Ross as the timekeeper, Diana Martinez the assistant timekeeper, Rena Moore, Jackie Rivers, Leticia Hickman, Debbie Gonzales and Sonya Andrews the angels.

The Holy Family tableau was formed of the same actors who appeared in the Thursday production.

Nazareth

Yule programs held

By VIRGIE GERBER

A good crowd enjoyed the entertainment by the Nazareth band director, Mr. Syring, and the first through fourth grades who sang Christmas songs and also Mrs. Thurman's speech class presented a short play. The Home and School Association meeting was held after the program.

Donna Charanza and sons

Kris Ryan and Bryan of Temple visited in Odessa with her brothers, Harold, Kevin, Gene and family. She then spent several days in Nazareth with her parents, the Albert Gerbers.

The Nazareth Swift Band had its annual Christmas recital Sunday afternoon. A nice crowd enjoyed the program.

Doug and Alice Wilhelm of Houston and Gene and Michelle Schmucker of Lubbock spent the weekend with the Francis Wilhelm family.

Jerome and Glenda Gerber and family of Tatum, N.M. visited with the Tony Gerber family.

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DEC. 23 — Jill Pohlmeier, Patti Hochstein, Kathy Durbin, Cheryl Sammann, Johnny Wilson, Andy Behrends, Krista Cantrell, Bob Crozier, Rachel Cantrell.

DEC. 24 — Darla Underwood, Donny Nelson, Karen Seely, Rita McDaniel, Leslie Cowan, Mary Jane Huseman, Mike Huseman, Chris Gerber, Tonja Anderson.

DEC. 25 — David Lust, Charlie Wales, David Tuggle, Jeanie Wilhelm, Keith Birkenfeld.

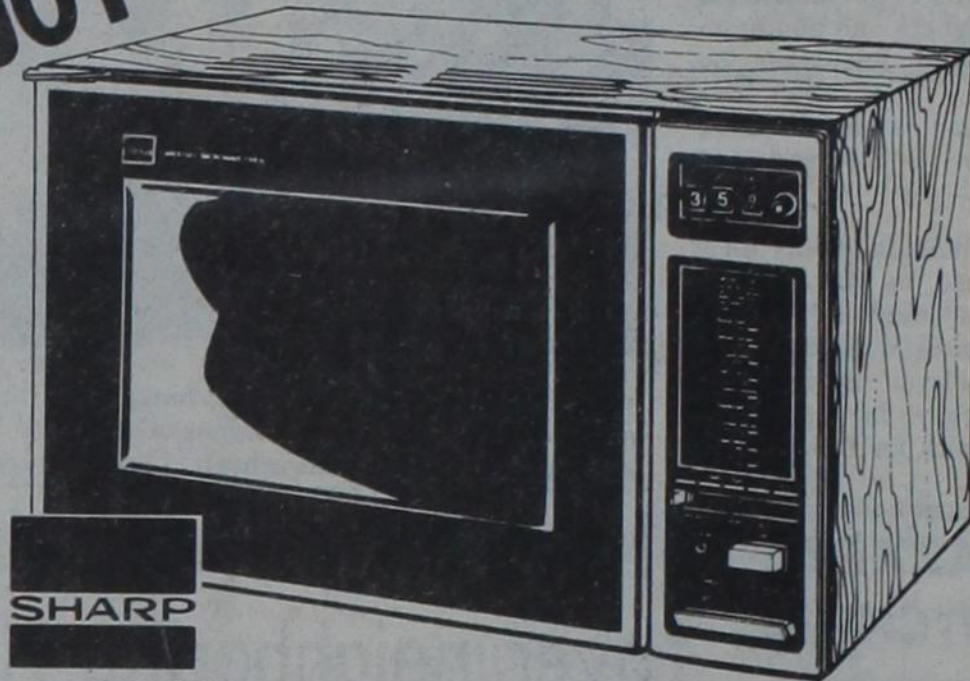
DEC. 26 — Brenda Hoelting, Darrell Huseman, Danny Bruton, Randy Glenn Wilson, Rebekah Cantrell.

DEC. 27 — Oleta Sanders, J'Lyn Ryan, Kim Watts, Peggy Ewing, Mark Huseman, Jenny Huseman, Debbie Keel, Dennis Gerber, Lydia Gerber, Clyde Schulte, Joy Ringwald, Kent Hoelting.

DEC. 28 — Bea Acker, M. A. (Buster) Tidwell, Carol Bagwell, Mark Klemman, Cyrella Brockman, Mary Ann Schulte, Royce Huseman.

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Huseman gets 4 spots on all-South Plains

Derwin Huseman of the Nazareth Swifts not only won a place on the Class B all-South Plains grid team as a kicker on the defensive squad, but honorable mention for the three other positions he played in the 1977 season.

Frank Acker, 5-10, 165 pound senior guard, was chosen for All South Plains from the Swifts, and quarterback Kenny Brockman earned honorable mention.

Huseman, a NHS senior who stands 5-10 and weighs 185 pounds, was mentioned as runningback and punter on offense, and linebacker on defense.

Brockman is also a senior this year, a 5-9 and 155 pounds.

The All-South Plains team was picked by the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, which chose Lonnie Williams of Sudan as Player of the Year, John Ritchey, Jayton mentor, was the pick for Coach of the Year.



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Nazareth teams win over neighboring Hart

The Swiftette defense led by all-district Colleen Gerber, which held Hart High's girls to 13 points in the first half, was credited by Nazareth Coach George Cox with the big share in an 88-47 triumph over their neighbors from

Hart Tuesday of last week. The Nazareth boys also gained a victory over the Longhorns, 59-39.

Playing on their home court, Nazareth's Swiftettes staged a balanced offensive that saw the starting forwards, Cheryl Hartman, Karen Schulte and Glenda Gerber, each score 10 points in the first quarter.

After Coach Cox put in a new forward squad he saw them score four apiece in the first five minutes. The starters played for a time at the other end of the court.

Five Swiftettes scored in double figures, Schulte high with 20, G. Gerber 18, Hartman 16, Doretta Ramaekers 13 and Michelle Acker 12. Lori Gerber added 8 points.

For the Longhornettes, who went to Nazareth fresh from a victory over the strong Hale Center girls, Melanie Upshaw got away in the last half on a scoring spree that gave her the lead for her team with 26 points, and Stacy Averitt hit for 12.

Junior varsity girls from Nazareth also took the measure of a Hart team, 47-22, paced by Marlene Huseman's 19 points and Christine Huseman's 16.

In the boys' game, high point men were Jeff Schmucker for the Swifts with 22 and Vick Hart for the Longhorns with 11 tallies.

Cities' tax rebates reflect farm prices

Early Christmas cheer for cities of the area, in the form of sales tax rebate checks for the past month, was mailed last weekend from the state comptroller's office. They represent city taxes on November sales.

Total checks to Castro County cities show a decline for the period, also for the year to date, reflecting the effect of lower farm prices on the area economy. However, the check to Hart was more than \$500 over that for the same period in 1976, and Nazareth shows a year's total up almost \$1,300.

State Comptroller Bob Bullock reported a \$3.2 million increase in checks for the entire state, over the monthly period last year. The state total for the year is up \$58.9 million.

The city of Dimmitt received a check for \$17,765.93 for its share of taxes collected on retail sales the past month. This compares with \$20,592.56 for the same month last year.

The year's total has reached \$137,506.51. The substantially higher total of \$194,509.47 for 1976 is attributed partly to local purchases of material for the Amstar Corp. plant additions that year.

Hart's check for the month was for \$2,586.18, compared with \$2,070.57 last year. It brought the year's total to \$15,641.90, still less than the \$17,603.72 of 1976.

Nazareth's total for the year reached \$10,953.82 compared with \$9,676.50 at the same

date last year, but for the month its check for \$1,520.80 was slightly down from the \$1,781.52 received the same month last year.

Figures for other cities in this area, generally lower for the November sales period, include \$7,742 to Friona compared with \$8,766 last year; \$27,943 to Littlefield compared with \$28,116; \$54,971 to Hereford compared with \$53,787; \$3,384 to Hale Center compared with \$3,460; \$5,175 to Olton compared with \$5,662; \$18,304 to Tulia compared with \$18,644.

Referring to statewide figures, Bullock said optimistically, "These figures indicate that 1977 was a banner year for merchants and other sales tax permit holders in Texas, and we expect the coming year to be as good or better."

20-year Army vet retires

S. Sgt. Steven P. Moore, whose wife Betty lives in Hart, recently retired from the Army at Fort Riley, Kan. after more than 20 years on active duty.

S. Sgt. Moore was last assigned as an Intelligence sergeant with the US Army Garrison at Fort Riley.

The sergeant is a 1956 graduate of Central High School, Tulsa, Okla.

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Love,
Jerry Lopez

Dear Santa,
I tried to be good. I will like a baby this and that, and I will like a baby came back, and I will like a honda kick-n go, and I can't think of anything else.

Love,
Suzanne Mendez

Dear Santa Claus,
Here I am writing this few lines to say what I want for Christmas. I don't want very much just what you can afford to bring grandma, grandpa, mama and most of all my new friends, especially my daddy.

Love,
Lupe Inez Alaniz

Dear Santa,
I want a doll coloring book a play puppy and some dishes.

Love,
Rebecca Ojeda

Dear Santa,
I want a puppy dog. I want a gun. I need two front teeth. I am four years old.

Love,
Scott

Dear Santa,
I want a truk, trailer, airplane, a train, a football.

Love,
Tony Gonzalez

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bowling game. I am four years.

Love,
Janna

Dear Santa,
I want some racing cars, and a gun, airplane, a football and a police car.

Love,
Reno Montiel

Dear Santa,
I have been this year. Please bring me Baby Come Back.

Love,
Lori Lawson

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bike and a doll. I want a Baby come back, and a doll that call tiny Love Kiss doll and a doll for my sister. She is three year old. And a bike for my sister and I am a good girl.

Love,
Lisa Garcia

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. Please bring me a Big Foot.

Love,
Joe Flores

To Santa,
Bring me a doll that kisses, Winny Pooh clock, dress, radio, boxer dog! Have a merry Christmas!

from Tracy

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Your friend,
Sharon Bradley

Dear Santa,
These are the things I want for Christmas. Milking cow, rings, purse, skateboard, skates, tent, rub-a-dub dolly, umbrella, play supermarket, spin panter.

Love,
Kristi Petty

Dear Santa,
Please bring me three pairs of pants, a green machine, a lunch pale, a typewriter, a little TV. Thank you Santa. Last Christmas I had lots of fun with my toys. Please come to eat at my house.

Martha Martinez

Dear Santa Claus,
I think you for what you send me last year, and what I would like this year stretch armstrong and stretch monster, SSp mod van drag set, Bionic Bigfoot, Action Bridge skyscraper, Turn on, eleknevel, airplan with fuel.

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This year for Christmas I would want the Lone Ranger. And I would also like to ask you one more thing The Stretch Monster. I hope I will see you, Santa, at the store, and don't forget to bring my present on Christmas. And have a merry Christmas.

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Junior Arce

Dear Santa Claus,
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Love,
Debbie

Dear Santa,
I want a Baby That away, and a easy bake oven. I have been a good girl.

Love,
Becky Hernandez

Dear Santa,
I want a tractor for christmas and a police car. I want a big truck to, and one pair of real walky talkies. But especially I want a big fury bear. I want a bike to. If you can get me all of this get it. I want a chalk board with chalk. And I want a camera and a pilet gun to shoot at something. I want a train that runs on tracks. I want modle to and a little T.V. set. A football set to. And a cemy truck that ran on battery.

Randy Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbies baby doll and Betse Clark play set and a Brown Bear.

Love,
Toni

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing this Christmas? I am fine. I have been trying to be good this year. I want a Girder and Panel international Airport set. And some walkie talkies. And Ridge Riders Chapper and motorcycles set. And Evel Knievel stunt world set.

Patrick Killingsworth

Dear Santa,
I would like a Baja Cut off and a max machine and a toss Across.

Love,
Scott Sava

Dear Santa Class,
I want a boll and a baby bed and a rock chais and dishes and a little play table and a puppy.

Love,
Mary Tovar

Dear Santa,
I want a doll that cries. I also want a doll in a baby carriage. And a winnie the pooh T.V. I also want a rescue copter and a bracelet that has my name on it. I want a Cher beauty Center and Benji and Tiffany with puppies. I want a Mickey mouse Magic Kingdom. I also want a winnie the pooh Theatre.

Love,
Chanin Ross

Dear Santa,
I have been a nice girl. I want a barbies. I want a bick. I want a Baby come back and a recrtor and a phone.

Love,
Tammy Leatherwood

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll, and a calculator. You are a good Santa. I can't wait to Chrimas coms.

Love,
Rachel

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Two trophies gleaned by Nazareth's girls

Championship trophies from two tournaments were brought home by Nazareth High girls last weekend. The Swiftettes went to the Olton tourney while the junior varsity girls were playing at Springlake-Earth.

Varsity girls defeated Lockney 57-36 in the final game after eliminating River Road 71-36 and then Abernathy 51-31. All their opponents were from Class AA schools.

Three Nazareth forwards scored in double figures in each game, and Coach George Cox said the Swiftettes' goal on offense, to be ahead enough to allow all team members to play on the forward end and still win by 20 points, was accomplished.

"We're still working toward team balance on both

ends, and feel that we achieved that," Cox said. "Defensively, the team goal was to hold the opponents to 10 points a quarter, and the girls met that aim."

Cheryl Hartman led scoring in all three games, looping 26, 21 and 32 points.

The Swiftettes' record for the season now stands at 14-3.

For the third year, the JV girls won the S-E tourney and Coach Beverly McDaniels said she was "real proud of the way they defended their title." They are playing the 5-player game this year for the first time.

In their championship contest the JV girls downed Amherst 26-6. Sharon Gerber paced the scoring for NHS with 14 points.



BEACON PACKAGE STORE employee Opal Holmes points to some of the damage done by five shot-gun blasts fired at the door late Dec. 13 or early on the 14th, during the hours the store was closed for the night. The glass in the door had been completely shattered; the wooden check-out counter was splintered in places; and several bottles on the wall facing the door were broken. Damage was estimated

at about \$900. Mrs. Holmes said it was not known for certain whether or not anything was taken. The business had received five phone calls the 13th, apparently from the same person, asking if the store would be closed the 14th. Each time, owner Gene Bagwell said they would not close. Another phone call was received after the damage was discovered.

Funeral conducted for ex-resident

Funeral services for a former Dimmitt resident, Donald Lester Warnock, 76, were conducted recently at Rocky, Okla., where he lived the last few years. The funeral was in Salem Baptist Church and burial in Lone Star Cemetery at Rocky.

Mr. Warnock is survived by three daughters, Jewell Pierce of Fresno, Calif., Juanita Strelbel of San Jose and Sue Hance of Loomis, Calif.; a brother, Conard of Rocky; 15 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. He was the father of the late Charles Warnock of Dimmitt.

DMS boys runners-up in tourney

Both 7-A and 8-A boys from Dimmitt Middle School placed second in their divisions of the Hereford tournament last weekend, both suffering first defeats of the season in the championship games. Each now has a season record of 7-1.

Hereford LaPlata nosed out the Dimmitt 8-A's 42-40 in a game where fouls hurt the Dimmitt boys seriously. Two starters fouled out before the melee ended. Coach Jerry Durham named Mario Moreno as outstanding player.

In the first round Dimmitt beat the Plainview Reds in another close contest, 31-29. Moreno hit the basket with 40 seconds left for the winning margin. Phil King was named outstanding player in this game.

Dimmitt downed the Canyon Purple 39-22 in the semi-finals, when Moreno was again a powerhouse and Greg Cluck helped the cause ably. The 7-A boys had victories over Hereford Stanton, 40-19, and Plainview Blue, 27-24, before losing the final to Plainview Red, 38-32.

Against Stanton, Kevin Cleveland tallied 12 points and Fermin Gonzales was outstanding on the court. Jeff Watts was cited for action in the semi-final, and led scoring in the final game with 14 points.

AN Administration official omize—no matter how much declared: "We must econ- it costs."

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Rotary to hear Anne Helderweirt

Dimmitt High School American Field Service student Anne Helderweirt of Belgium will speak at the Rotary meeting Friday at noon in the Colonial Inn Restaurant, and the Rotari-Anns are invited.

"The public is also invited to hear Miss Helderweirt speak," Club President Bill Dannevik said. "This will be her first official public speech."

Dannevik announced at the Friday meeting that the club will sponsor an essay contest for high school students, with the winners allowed to attend a leadership camp in the summer.

At the club assembly last Thursday, committee chairmen reported on their progress toward the yearly goals.

"Be thinking about nominations for next year's officers. The election will be later this month," Dannevik said. He added that the office of secretary-treasurer will be separated into two offices for next year. Bill Behrends cur-

rently holds the combined office.

Program chairman Gary Moore asked club member and Middle School Principal Emmett Broderson to introduce the program.

First, music teacher Dwight Joiner on the piano and band teacher Fred Allen on the flute accompanied music teacher Ruby Moultrie as she sang a Christmas song written by Joiner.

The middle school choir, led by Doug Henry, sang "Over in Bethlehem Town," "It's a Big Christmas World," and "Christmas Story."

The DHS Singers, also led by Henry, performed several selections from the collection "A Christmas Happening."

The 13 members and club sweetheart were joined by five Rotari-Anns and six other guests, including Dr. A. V. Johnson of Midland and Dr. James Johnson of College Station, both guests of Dr. Charles Vandiver; and Richey Behrends and Paul Dannevik.

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- Ada Nelson
- Janie Perez
- Mary Bell Portillo
- Modesta Sandoval
- Doyle Underwood
- Faun Welker
- R. Young

PATIENTS DISMISSED:

- Martina Garcia
- Kate James
- Angela Ross
- Odie Moore
- Lena Behrends
- Matthew White
- Jerrold Welborn
- Cindy Ehly
- Leora Calhoun
- Beulah McMurry
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TUG O' WAR over Drusilla the cow in the Dimmitt High School Drama Department production of "Jack and the Beanstalk." The play was performed for the middle school and elementary students, as well as for the public, several days last week. Cast members shown are [from left] Susan Sadler [Sad], Melynn

Moore [Hen], Ricky Rickerd [Old Man], Ka Ka Bruegel and Debbie Dobbs [Drusilla], Jimmy Joe Butler [Jack], Jean Bradford [Mother], and Angela Ross [Happy]. Drama teacher Nancy Shurbet directed the production, the department's first for this school year.

NHS squads heading for tourneys

Holiday tournaments will keep Nazareth's varsity cagers in practice during Christmas vacation time, with both the Swifts and Swiftettes seeing action next week. Coach Bud Birks will take the Swifts to Amarillo where their first opponent will be Grace Christian Dec. 29, and Coach George Cox's Swiftettes will meet Frenship Tuesday in their initial game at Slaton. The girls' game will begin at 2:30 p.m. the winner will face winners of an Abernathy-McCamey clash at 6 p.m. Wednesday. Losers are to play at 1 p.m. Finals are scheduled Saturday, with the consolation game at 5:30 p.m., the battle for third place at 7 p.m. and the championship meeting at 8:30 p.m. The Swifts will play first at 10 a.m. Dec. 29 in the Amarillo College girls' gym. The

next game will be with winners or losers of the Groom-Valley contest; winners play at 4 p.m. Dec. 30 in the AC boys' gym and losers at 8:30 in the AC girls' gym. Consolations will be played at 6 p.m. on New Year's Eve, after the championship game at noon.

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NAMED MANAGER—David Pruitt, area development manager for Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative which serves part of Castro County, will become general manager of Greenbelt Electric Co-op headquartered at Wellington, on Jan. 16. Pruitt has been active in community affairs while he was with Deaf Smith REC at Hereford and is now a member of the school board there and president of Hereford United Way. His wife is a teacher in Hereford schools.

First: "I have a pig allergic to mud."
Second: "So what, I've got a horse with hay fever."

IF YOU ever want to write something that has a chance of living forever, sign a mortgage.

More about:

Dimmitt ...

[Continued from Page 1] problems since I first started picking cotton in 1914. It has been my opinion that, for the most of those sixty-four years, the farmers of the country have been the victims of a manipulated farm commodity market over which they had no control.

Those of us who would commit the farmers fortunate to the idea of a free market place, where prices are established by supply and demand, just don't understand our agricultural potential in its relation to demand. On the rare occasions when there has been a shortage of food and fiber supplies, and a seller's market resulted, agriculture has had a brief taste of prosperity with the result of people involved in other segments of the economy blaming the farmers for the high cost of living. The farmer, after all, gets only a very small percent of the consumer's food and fibre dollar.

The rest of us should realize that unless the farmer prospers, at least to the extent that he can pay for the tools and energy required to pay the cost of production, with something left over for living expenses, we will all be in deep trouble.

Have a Merry Christmas.

Grace: "Say Alice, why do you have a lemon in your ear?"
Alice: "You've heard of a hearing aid, haven't you? Well, this is a lemon aid."

THE REASON worry kills more people than work is that more people worry than work.

Hart takes two from Lazbuddie

Fresh from wins over Lazbuddie Tuesday night at Hart, the Longhorns and Longhornettes will head for the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce tournament next week, with the boys scheduled to meet Texline and the girls Estacado in Thursday action.

The Longhorns were pressed by Lazbuddie throughout the Tuesday game which ended 53-50, while Hart's girls had an easier time and came out with a 62-44 win.

Still working to improve their shooting, the Longhorns made their best shots of the year with Glen Black sinking 18 and Luther Isaguirre accounting for 16 points. Johnny Newsom also did an excellent job on the boards.

Stacy Averitt led scoring for the Longhornettes with 25, and Melanie Upshaw got 20. A tough forward press combined with a better defensive job gained better ball advancement for the Hart girls.

The Longhornettes placed fourth in the Olton tourney last weekend, losing to Abernathy 56-22 after defeating Olton 56-54 in the opening game and then losing to Lockney 51-29. Norma Catano led scoring against Olton with 22 points. Upshaw was high for Hart in the other games.

TEXAS Department of Water Resources set a public hearing Jan. 5 on a major rules change affecting contracts for downstream use of water from storage.

ASCS Notes

Deadline reminders given

By CHARLEY E. HILL
County Executive Director

Corporation recently announced a change in maturity dates for 1977 crop loans for wheat, corn, grain sorghum and soybeans. The loan period has been reduced from 11 months to nine months. If you have an out-standing loan, you may elect to leave the original maturity date in effect or if you wish to change the maturity date, please notify this office within 30 days.

HOLIDAYS: The Castro County ASCS office will be closed Dec. 26 in observance of Christmas Day and Jan. 2 in observance of New Year's Day.

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Swiftettes continue with parade of wins

Playing their fifth game in six days, the defending state Class B champion Nazareth Swiftettes showed their calibre in a 67-37 sweep past the Abernathy girls Tuesday night, following a win from Floydada Monday.

Coach George Cox will take his Swiftettes to the Slaton tournament next week, where they expect to play four games in five days, and he said this week's schedule prepared the girls for that. They will meet Frenship Tuesday, starting tourney play.

The win over Abernathy was the third for Nazareth this fall and their efforts were concentrated on overcoming the strong Abernathy defense.

The Swiftettes played without the services of a starting guard, Lynora Braddock, who was ill. Michelle Acker started in her place and was praised by Cox for her game. Colleen Gerber was a defensive standout.

Cheryl Hartman "really worked to get in her shots" as she led Swiftette scoring with 33 points, Cox said. Karen Schulte added 14 and various other team members scored as the coach sent them in during the last half.

A scoring attack led by senior forwards Hartman and Schulte gave the Swiftettes a 85-47 victory over the Floydada Whirlwinds at Nazareth.

"Unlike our lackluster game Saturday night against Lockney, we hit the gym Monday ready to play a fundamentally sound brand of Swiftette basketball," Coach Cox said.

"Schulte had a good night with five offensive steals and six rebounds. Germaine Pohlmeier, playing a point game, not under the basket, showed real leadership on the guard end by snagging six rebounds," the coach added.

Hartman was tops in scoring with 42 points and Schulte made 33.

More about:

Tractorcade hits ...

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At Amarillo last weekend, the Castro Countians were in picket lines at the Safeway Warehouse. They volunteered for that assignment as some opposition was expected from that firm, but none developed.

Union truckers honored their picket lines, they said, and even brought them coffee for warmup drinks.

"We made friends in Amarillo," one farmer said. "When they understood our purposes, people who had been cussing us 12 hours before, brought us food and coffee." Some firms volunteered to close for a day, he added.

Farmers are being careful to stay within the law, and only aim to close any place for 24 hours, local AA representatives explain.

They believe that policy has paid off at Amarillo and Lubbock, and even with Missouri Beef when officials of that company listened to explanation, dropped their injunction and apologized. That was the only serious opposition encountered by the farmers, and its result was to keep the Missouri Beef plant closed 48 hours instead of the usual 24.

"We don't want to hurt business," one spokesman insisted. "We want to cause some empty grocery shelves, but only for a short time, simply to impress on consumers what it would mean if the farmers in America stopped producing food on a large scale."

He said he believes the public is becoming better informed of strike purposes, and that "merchants are learning this strike hasn't caused a buying slump; low farm prices had already done that in this part of the country."

After Dimmitt businesses closed last Wednesday in support of the strike, one Here-

ford businessman reported that city "was full of Dimmitt people doing Christmas shopping Wednesday."

But on the other hand, a local farmer's wife who helped on picket lines at Amarillo said she intentionally passed up the opportunity to shop there, and drove back to Dimmitt to do her Christmas buying because the stores here had shown their support of the strike by closing for a day.

Generally, farmers who have been joining in the demonstrations say they are pleased with the support of Dimmitt businessmen who, in the words of one man, "are a part of farming in this county. They need us and we need them. We sure appreciate their help."

Some also mentioned appreciation for the support picked up from South Plains farmers, whose main crop is cotton.

Since a large cotton crop was harvested this fall and prices remained at a fair level in contrast to the drop below production cost for corn and milo, they said they were surprised at the cotton growers' enthusiastic support.

"I guess they feel they may be next," one commented. "They can see that ambulance coming for them with the red lights on!"

On the go

Beral Hance spent Friday night at Lamesa in the homes of her sisters, Junia Green, Blanche and Arthur Smith. She returned by way of Lubbock Saturday and went with the family of her son Kent to the first piano recital of her granddaughter Susan. Mrs. Hance enjoyed meeting Susan's teacher, Mrs. Bill Gunner, wife of the district Extension Service agent whom she has frequently met while she was employed in the Castro County Extension office here.



OLD FASHIONED CHRISTMAS TREE at the Castro County Museum was set up Sunday in the annex building next to the fireplace donated by Mrs. Dwight Axtell. The tree was donated by Madge Robb and decorations were brought by her, Mrs. Eulless Waggoner, Mrs. L. B. Bowden and Clara Vick. Helen Richardson also helped in decorating the tree. Mrs. Cliff Brown of Sunnyside supplied the antique toys under the tree. Decorations included strung popcorn and cranberries, stuffed cloth fruit, colored cut-outs, miniature wood furniture and miniature metal household items.

Church announces Christmas service

A change in time of services at the First Baptist Church of Hart for Christmas Day is announced by Rev. Joe Cariker, pastor, who invites the public for worship on the holiday.

There will be no Sunday school program and the morning service will be held at 10 a.m. instead of an hour later.

The evening service will also be canceled for the day.

THE State Highway and Public Transportation Commission has approved preparation of preliminary studies and plans for a Highway Tourist Bureau for the Lower Rio Grande Valley.



Greenery and glitter, turkey and treats, love and laughter, that's what holidays are made of. Hope your Christmas is the best!

Dimmitt 66, Inc.



Greetings

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A-1 Mechanical



THE D.H.S. SINGERS performed in their new purple-and-white choir robes for the first time at the public schools' Christmas concert Sunday afternoon. Here, Director Doug Henry conducts the choir in "Mary, Mary," from the modern cantata, "Christmas Happening."

20-year highway plan is projected

Highway construction and reconstruction in Castro County for the next 20 years, as projected by the State Highway and Public Transportation Commission, is noted in a plan which the commission has recently approved to guide its statewide planning.

The plan has three stages. Projects included in the first five years are approved for right of way acquisition and construction, according to George C. Wall Jr. of Lubbock, District 5 engineer.

Included is reconstruction and widening of SH 86 from the east city limits of Dimmitt to FM 168, 11.5 miles.

Also of interest in this county is the proposed reconstruction and widening of US 385 from the Castro County line to 1.5 miles south of Springlake, in Lamb County, 7.6 miles. This would continue a similar project now underway on US 385 from Dimmitt south to the Lamb County line.

Previously approved projects in the 1978 State Rehabilitation Program include, in Castro County, reconstruction and widening of US 385 from FM 1524 to the Lamb County line, 7.8 miles; US 385 in Dimmitt from the FW&D railroad south to Belsher St., .7 mile, reconstruction; SH 86

in Dimmitt from West 10th to east city limits, 1.4 miles, reconstruction.

In the second five-year segment, cleared by the commission for route studies, environmental reports, public meetings and hearings, schematics, determination of right of way requirements and acquisition of right of way, the plan calls for reconstruction and widening of SH 86 from FM 168 to the Swisher County line, 6.3 miles, also on SH 86 from the Farmer County line to West 10th St. in Dimmitt, 11.8 miles.

For the final 10 years, projects are approved for "advance planning to include engineering, social, economic and environmental studies necessary to determine feasibility of the proposed route or scope of the project."

The commission's plan for that period includes construction of two additional lanes on US 60 from the east city limits of Friona to the Deaf Smith County line, 14.6 miles, in Farmer and Castro Counties.

"By including these projects in the last half of the plan, their feasibility can be determined and priorities established as other projects move forward," the announcement said.

B. L. DeBerry, engineer-director of the Texas Department

of Highways and Public Transportation, warned that it is impossible to forecast needs exactly over a period as long as 20 years.

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Bobcats defeat Lubbock, 47-43

Dimmitt's Bobcats evened the score against the Lubbock High Westerners here Tuesday night, winning by a 47-43 count in a ragged game.

After Lubbock had erased a 10-point Dimmitt lead in the fourth quarter, Thompson Mayberry salvaged the game for the Bobcats by hitting five free throws in the final 49 seconds.

The Dimmitt victory left the two teams 1-1 against each other and set the stage for their third meeting Tuesday night in the opening round of the Caprock Tournament in Lubbock.

The weary Bobcats, playing their fifth game in six nights against Class AAAA competition, couldn't produce their usual scoring punch as Lubbock's sticky defense jammed the lane and applied an effective full-court press in the fourth.

But the Bobcat defense remained as forbidding as usual, and the Westerners had trouble getting close to the basket, too.

After an 11-11 standoff in the first period, Dimmitt edged to a 25-23 halftime lead. Both teams went cold early in the third, but the Bobcats surged late in the quarter and outscored the Westerners 12-2 in a 3 1/2-minute span to take a 39-29 lead. Lubbock sank a basket at the buzzer to make it 39-31 going into the final frame.

The Bobcats went without a field goal during the entire fourth quarter as the Westerners continued to chip away

at the Dimmitt lead. Lubbock cut it to 39-38 before Mark Summers hit a pair of charity tosses to put Dimmitt out front by four.

With their sticky full-court press paying off, the Westerners continued to chip away, and with 1:50 remaining they went ahead 43-42 on a shot by James Williams.

But the Bobcat defense forced a turnover and, with 49 seconds remaining, Mayberry drew a foul while driving under for a shot. He made both free throws to put Dimmitt back into the lead.

As the Westerners continued to commit fatal fouls, Mayberry collected two more free throws with 24 seconds left and another with 12 seconds remaining. All eight of Dimmitt's fourth-quarter points came on free throws, with Mayberry sacking six of them.

The free-throw line provided Dimmitt's winning edge. While the two teams tied in field goals with 16 each, Dimmitt sank 15 of 23 charity tosses and Lubbock collected on 11 of 18.

Jim Bradford sparked Dimmitt's attack, grabbing 10 rebounds and earning 19 credits while scoring 12 points. Mark Summers led Dimmitt's scoring with 13 points, while Mayberry finished with 10.

Leading scorers for Lubbock were Craig Mitchell and Ron Jenkins with 10 each.

In the junior varsity boys' game, Dimmitt defeated Lubbock 30-21 to make it a sweep as Steve Maples paced the Purples with nine points.

Cats to meet Lubbock in first Caprock game

After placing third in the large-school division of the Reese Air Force Base tournament, Dimmitt's Bobcats will take on the big guys again next week in the annual Caprock ABC Holiday Tournament in Lubbock.

Dimmitt has won the small-schools championship of the Caprock Tourney more than any other team, but has not competed in the large-school division before.

The Bobcats will open their Caprock action Tuesday at 6 p.m. when they take on Lub-

bock High's Westerners. Dimmitt and Lubbock have met twice before, with the Westerners winning the first game and the Bobcats winning the second.

In other first-round action Tuesday, Morton will meet Dunbar at 12:30 p.m., Iowa Park will face Monterey at 7:30 and Estacado will play Coronado at 9 p.m.

The Bobcats haven't played any of the other Caprock entries.

The Dimmitt-Lubbock winner will meet the Estacado-Coronado winner Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the semifinals, with the first-round losers playing at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday.

The third-place game is scheduled for 6 p.m. next Thursday and the championship bout at 9 p.m.

The consolation championship game will be played at 2 p.m. next Thursday.

The Caprock Tournament, sponsored by Lubbock's Caprock chapter of American Business Clubs, is being moved back to the Lubbock Memorial Coliseum this year, after having been staged several years in Coronado High School gym.

More about City holds . . .

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"We could have spent some of this money this past year if we had had a hearing like this before," Mayor Elmer Youts said, "but we didn't spend it, so it is still available."

In the proposed budget, current expenses were estimated on a yearly basis, while capital expenditures were figured in a lump sum.

In the area of current expenses, \$5,400 was allotted for operation of the ambulance; \$1,500 for health expenditures such as the city doctor fees; \$4,949 for insecticides, such as for mosquito spray; \$10,800 for the city's portion of support for Rhoads Memorial Library; \$2,000 for utilities for the Castro County Museum; \$3,800 for the city's share of the rent, utilities and janitorial services for the Mental Health/Mental Retardation Center in Dimmitt; \$6,800 for the salaries of those who maintain the city park; \$9,500 for the city's share of the salary for the police dispatcher and for upkeep of the jail; and \$1,000 for the utilities of the Senior Citizens Center.

Proposed capital outlays were \$25,000 for an emergency preparedness underground center, \$12,500 for improvements in the city park, \$35,000 for a new trash disposal truck and \$4,000 to go toward the purchase of a building for the Senior Citizens.

Representatives from the Senior Citizens and from the Museum Association requested additional funds than those allocated.

"This budget is only a starting place," Youts said. "We will have another hearing at the next commission meeting. Then we must send it in to Austin to be approved, and after that we can still change any item, but not by more than 10 percent."

After discussion from all sides, the commissioners agreed to budget \$2,400 to the current column for the Senior Citizens Center for a director's salary; \$10,000 in the capital column for the possible purchase of a new park site; and \$2,000 in to capital column to go towards the Museum Association's note payment due in April.

Commissioner Chet Brafladt proposed that the entire budget be reworked before the next hearing so that it would reflect only nine months' expenses in the current column rather than a year's expenses, since the funds will cover only a nine-month period, and to include the proposed changes.

The commission approved the \$2,500 bid by Ray Electric Co. of Amarillo to supply and install an automatic control system "to match the existing system and will operate in the same manner" for the new city wells and pump station.

Included in the quote are complete operating manuals and one day of instruction time for any city personnel interested.

The \$1,200 bid of Wall & Sons Drilling, Inc. of Hereford was approved for the preparing of two 50-sq. ft. pads for well site Nos. 2 and 3, with the dirt coming from a waterway north of the tail water pit on Joe Scott's property. If the dirt is not suitable and the haul must be made from farther away, the cost could increase slightly.

The commission also decided to tap the city water line going north of Dimmitt along US 385 near Tidwell's Spraying Service for the Dimmitt High School ag barns to tie into. The school will need to obtain an easement from Bruegel & Sons, Inc., whose land the line will cross, and from the Fort Worth & Denver Railroad.

Monterey just edges Bobbies

The Dimmitt Bobbies led Monterey until the last three minutes in a bout at Lubbock Tuesday night, only to lose a heartbreaker 53-51 when they were unable to stop MHS forward Marilyn Beckner as she scored 20 points in the last half.

Vicki Cleveland was Dimmitt's top pointmaker with 20. Lori Dyer had 16 and Norma Sandoval 13. The loss left the Bobbies with a 7-7 record for the season.

The Dimmitt varsity girls dropped a Monday night game to Vega, 57-48. Outscored in field goals, the Bobbies were also hurt by free throw shooting.

Louise Fagan, with eight rebounds to her credit, and Brenda Johnson, with six were Dimmitt guards cited for good work. Dyer and Cleveland each gave the Bobbies 17 points.

Oops! Where'd our guard go?

In the Dec. 8 issue the News carried a story about three Dimmitt football players making the all-District 3-AA team.

But the story named only two of them.

Lane Loudder was Dimmitt's all-district mystery man. The 165-lb. senior made the dream team as a defensive guard.

Loudder was joined by runningback Thompson Mayberry and linebacker Randy Roberts on the all-district squad.

More about:

Cotton . . .

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bale to nearly three bales per acre, depending largely on the amount of water used for irrigation. With corn crops demanding more water during the dry, hot summer, many farmers skimped on irrigation of their cotton.

However, in most areas the summer "cotton showers" dumped their small amounts of moisture at critical times to tide the crops over. The weather cooperated in other ways, too, with dry fall days that enabled the cotton to be gathered rapidly as it matured.

Trailer house damaged in fire

Dec. 17 the Dimmitt Volunteer Fire Department was called to a trailer house on fire behind the Don Ethington home near the city airport.

The trailer is owned by Ethington and was occupied by his son, Frank, who was not home at the time of the blaze.

There were no injuries and no damage estimate has been made as yet.

Basketball scores from week's action

Reese Air Force Tourney
Varsity boys 56, Lovington 44 (Jim Bradford 18, Rocky Rawls 17)
Varsity 44, Abilene Cooper 50 (Rawls 22)
Varsity 83, Big Spring 50 (Rawls 34, Named MVP) (third place in tourney)

Hereford Tournament
8th A boys 31, Plainview 29 (Phil King outstanding)
8th A boys 39, Canyon 22 (Outstanding M. Moreno)
8th A boys 40, LaPlata 42 (outstanding Moreno) (second in tourney)
9th boys 28, Plainview Red 37 (Terry Mixson 11)
9th boys 60, Canyon 55 (Ruben Nino 17)
9th boys 48, Canyon White 65 (Doyle Williams 15)
7th A boys 40, Hereford St. 19 (outstanding F. Gonzales)
7th A boys 27, Plainview 24 (Jeff Watts outstanding)
7th A boys 32, Plainview 38 (Outstanding John Smith and Watts) (second in tourney)

Mulshoe Tournament
9th girls 40, Levelland 48 (Chris Salinas 18)
9th girls 34, Canyon Purple 18 (Salinas 16)
9th girls 33, Tulia 30 (Becky Andrews 13) (won consolation) (Record: 7-1)
8th B girls 19, Farwell 25 (Patty Montes 10)
8th B girls 19, Littlefield 25 (Montes 12)

JV girls 30, Vega 22 (Sue Rita King 12)
JV boys 65, Vega 34 (Matt Gilbreath 13, Steve Maples 12, Gary Naylor 10)
Varsity girls 48, Vega 57 (Lori Dyer & Vicki Cleveland 17)
Varsity boys 45, Vega 28 (Rawls 13)
JV boys 30, Lubbock 21 (Maples 9)
Varsity boys 47, Lubbock 43 (Mark Summers 13, Jim Bradford 12, Thompson Mayberry 10)
JV girls 47, Monterey 37 (Record: 7-5)
Varsity girls 51, Monterey 53 (Cleveland 20, Dyer 16) (Record: 7-7)
Varsity girls 44, Canyon 87 (Norma Sandoval 18)

HART
Springlake-Earth Tourney
JV girls 41, S-E 36 (Sheila Mata 14)
JV girls 22, Amherst 28 (Janet Black 6)
JV girls 27, Bovina 35 (Mata 14)
JV boys 26, S-E 35
JV boys 61, Lazbuddie 45 (Chad Black 19)
JV boys 39, Nazareth 31 (Michael Finch 22) (won consolation)

Olton Tournament
Varsity girls 56, Olton 54 (Norma Catano 22)
Varsity girls 29, Lockney 51 (Melanie Upshaw 16)
Varsity girls 54, Abernathy 56 (Upshaw 22) (fourth place in tourney)
Varsity boys 44, Olton 55 (Glenn Black 12)
Varsity boys 55, Cooper 54 (Black 17)
Varsity boys 41, Nazareth 39 (Vic Hart 15) (won consolation)

7th girls 24, Springlake 16 (Linda Washington 10)
7th boys 20, Springlake 14 (Leonard Washington 6, Alex Carrasco 6)
8th girls 17, Springlake 26 (Teresa Mapp 7, Diane Davis 6)
8th boys 43, Springlake 23 (Derek Rich 16, Jorge Barretero 12)
JV girls 35, Lazbuddie 27 (Mata 16)
Varsity girls 62, Lazbuddie 44 (Averitt 25, Upshaw 20)
Varsity boys 53, Lazbuddie 50 (Black 18, Isaguirre 16)

NAZARETH
Olton Tournament
Varsity boys 39, Abernathy 59 (Chris Book 12, D. Huseman 11)
Var. boys 56, River Road 50 (Book 18, Huseman 19)
Varsity boys 39, Hart 41 (Huseman 14) (lost consolation)
Varsity girls 71, River Road 36 (Cheryl Hartman 26)
Varsity girls 51, Abernathy 31 (Hartman 21)
Varsity girls 57, Lockney 36 (Hartman 32) (won championship)

Springlake-Earth Tourney
JV girls 50, Farwell 31 (Christine Huseman 15, Sharon Gerber 14, Marlene Huseman 13)
JV girls 38, Bovina 21 (Gerber 22)
JV girls 26, Amherst 6 (Gerber 14) (won championship)
JV boys 38, Farwell 54 (Gary Book 13)
JV boys 31, Sudan 26 (Pat Hartman 13)
JV boys 31, Hart 39 (Chris Hatla 13) (lost consolation)

JV boys 33, Floydada 40 (Pat Hartman 12)
Varsity girls 85, Floydada 47 (C. Hartman 42, Schulte 33)
Varsity boys 57, Floydada 45 (Huseman 19)
JV girls 43, Abernathy 37 (Marlene Huseman 15, Sharon Gerber & Christine Huseman 14) (won in overtime)
Varsity girls 67, Abernathy 37 (Hartman 33)
Varsity boys 35, Abernathy 39

LAST MINUTE

CHRISTMAS Gift Guide

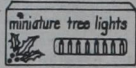


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Merry Christmas



Somewhere, among the caroling, the tree trimming, the visits to friends, the gift giving and the baking of goodies is the joy and peace that the holidays bring. Christmas is for each of us to experience and enjoy in our own special way. May all things that say 'Merry Christmas' to you be yours this holiday.

DIMMITT FEED YARDS

Children's Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa,
How are you? I am fine. Are you coming to my house Christmas? When you come please get me a horse, a puppy, new clothes, new bike, a cat, a horse blanket, a saddle.
Love,
Sandi Wilke

Dear Santa,
Well I want a baby come back and boots and a easy bake oven. But I don't know if my mother can get it so try your best to help us.
Love,
Lisa Sanchez

Dear Santa,
You are verry nice. I hope you will give me to pairs of Boxing glvns please. I love you. I'll tri to be nice.
Alonzo Sarabia

Dear Santa Clause,
Santa Clause will you bring me a bike, gloves, boots and one cowboy hat. I am going to leave a peace of pie on the table and a glass of milk for you only Santa Clause. Please bring some candy to.
Bobby Northern

Dear Santa,
I love you Santa. Can I have a toy. my sisters wants a doll please. I want a Football. My mother want a dres. Can I have boots please Dear Santa. I want a train and a raes track.
Steven Reyna

Dear Santa,
I want a Stretch monster, Hot Wheels, Corkscrew, Biotron, Hydro Copter, Disney Favorytes view Master. Thank you.
Love,
Brian Stewart

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a tv and a barbell set. Also I would like to have a 4.10 and 2 packs of shells to go with it and a Dumb Dittes record.
Love,
Chad Smithson
P.S. Have a good trip

Dear Santa,
I like you Santa. Please bring me Fast racing set. Please bring me Hot wheels. Please bring me transport truck, free speret bike. I'm in 2 grade. 7 years old.
Jamey Ray Davis

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you and the elves doing? I want a walkie-talkie for Christmas, a watch, and a tape measurer. And I want a Green Machine and I want a radio. And I want a tape recorder for Christmas.
Anton Polivada
P.W. Write back.

Dear Santa,
Please give me racing cars. I like a stretch monster, gun, marbles, bike, coat, boat.
Manuel Medellin

Dear Sant Claus,
I have been very good this year. Would you please bring me a doll. I love you Sant Claus.
Andrea Guzman

Dear Santa Claus,
Would you bring Benji a toy. I would like a puppy and a poenseta. I would like to meet Rudeoff. And I would like a doll.
Love,
Jamie Reeve

Dear Santa,
Do you know what I want. I want super star barbie and yarn and earrings and Cherry lip smackers and clue game please. Can I have all that? Thank you for all those toys you gave me. Santa you give me good toys I like.
from Melinda Wilson

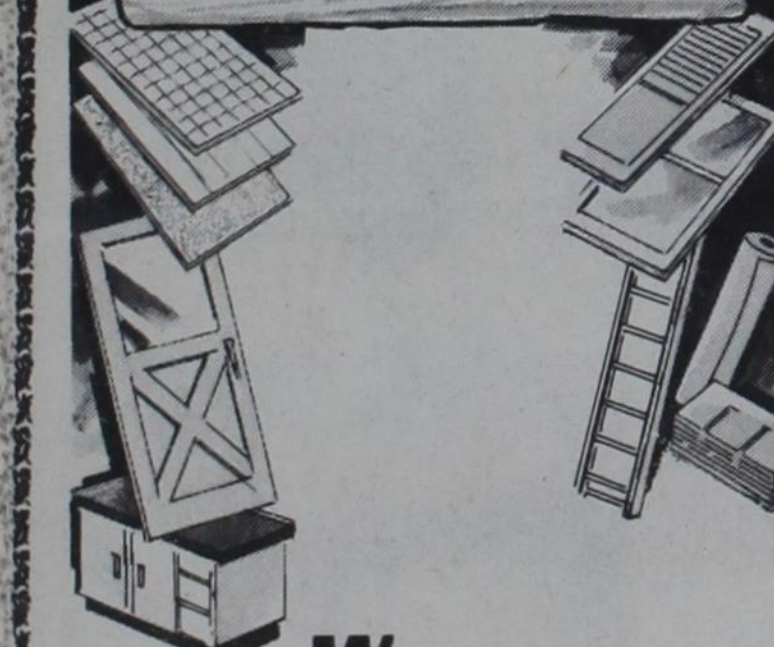


To Greet You at Christmas

It is our policy at this shining holiday to let you know just how much we value the bonds of our friendship. Thanks for your continuing trust.

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Christmas Greetings



We've put together a host of Christmas fancies to trim your holiday! Hope it's the merriest ever!

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Dear Santa,
I hopp you and roodof have a fun time at CHRISTMAS ON THE TRIP. Will you please bring me a Baby Wot Let Go please and a barbe set and soopr stor barbe please, but you don't have to get me a traping if you dont wont to. I rilly wont a bed spred please. I wont a twler set and boots and my mom will make me the sut. I am in Sakint grade.
Cindy Knox

Dear Santa,
I want a race track the cars that pas each other and a Dallas Cowboy helmant and a Cowboy football pants, and for my Mother a pot bellye fire place and for my father some t-shirts and a belt. I forgot somthing. I allso want a ten can alley, and a star wars robot thats all. I love you.
Todd H.

Dear Santa,
I want a dolly for Christmas. I want candy, a cat that can talk. Please give them. I want some shoes to. Thank you for your thigs!
Rosalinda Castaneda

Dear Santa,
Please gif me a stocking with good things in it. A toy cat and clown. Bot I like you and Christmas.
Lillie Beanes

Dear Santa,
I wold like you to bring me a Riviton and a two speed steam engine and a treasure detector and a F-15 Falcon modle flying areplin and a 5 unit diesel freight train and a spiderman doll and a moon Explorer robot and Shogun warriors. Thank you.
Edwin

Dear Santa,
I like you Santa. I am your friend. Santa I am 7 yer ol. Please bring me a ball and a kiss me baby dall and a baby come backe.
Isabel Carrasco

Dear Santa,
Please will you get a train. I love you.
Your friend
Ralph Domingez

Dear Santa,
I wish you would bring me duffle bag and a B.B. gun and a basketball and watch that push a button.
Todd Durham
Have a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Dear Santa,
I want for Christmas a pretty doll and one for my baby sister and alot of presents and alittle hous for Christmas.
Signed
Rosie Vasquez

Dear Santa,
Please give me a book. I want a Stretch monster, Stretch Armstrong, Racing Cars, Gun and Holster Set, marbles.
Ben Montiel Jr.

Dear Santa Clus,
I wish I could have Baby come back and some new clothes. And I wish I could have 8 track tapes.
Susie Flores

Dear Santa,
I want a midnight rider and a trampoline and a BB gun and thats all. I wish that you can make it to my house and I wish that you bring my brothers some toys.
Steven Gonzales

Dear Santa,
I wot a Babby come Bak. I wot a green mshen. I love you. Happy Holuday.
Kathleen McLain

Dear Santa,
I will leave you some milk and cookies on the table. Now I would like some piket cars, some hotwheels and a case. And then I want some air-planes and some armymen. And a chopper bike with mirrors and a go cart. And dumb ditties and the smokey and two trucks and a green machine and a twenty two.
Shannon



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Friends are a wonderful part of Christmas, so we want to say thanks for our congenial and warm relationship. May it continue to flower long after Christmas.

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Dear Santa,
I want six fancy hot wheels, Electric football, Dallas Cowboy football suit and helmet, Nerf football. My big brother wants a Donny and Marie stage, and my little brother wants a Pulsar. I've tried to be good. What's happening in the north pole. I am seven years old, and your very nice to us.
Your friend,
Bryan Wheeler

Dear Santa,
I want a boll and a motosico. Santa, I love you.
Linda

Dear Santa,
I like you Santa claus. Please give me a toy and you or so nice and you or so pretty and plesse give me some toys.
Daniel Guerrero

Dear Santa,
I want a bike an a dump truk.
Junior

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a boll, and a boat, and a fish, and a jump rope, and a bird, and a big game, and a train for my little brother nam Jessie.
Bessie Ruibcaba

Dear Santa,
I want babyalive an baby-comeback.
Love,
Malissa

Dear Santa,
Please will you get me a super star barbei. And the Bays City Rollers. Please wood you make all of them if you have time. I'm 7.
Love,
Jana Upton

Dear Santa,
I would like you to bring me a Skinny Baton and a Surprise. Would you please bring my mother a Microwave oven. That's what she wants for Christmas. Good bye.
Yours Truly,
Cinnamon Cox

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll. I wont a doll. I love you, I do, Santa.
my friend,
Maria Corrales

Dear Santa Clause,
Will you please bring me baby won't let go and a pink stroller with a hood over it please. A lite bright and a harmonica. Also a baby bed. I am in third grade age 8 my teachers names are Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Leal. I live in Dimmitt.
Love,
Melody Sadler

Dear Santa,
I want a big big rig wens-cow and wens pigs to. I like Santa Clas. My little sister wans two dolls. and I want a big bike, not so big and I want a big brn with big pigs and cow.
Ismael Moreno

Dear Santa,
I want a Easy bake oven and a Bike and a dress, size 10. Thank you for the thing you gave me last year.
Joyce McDaniel

Dear Santa,
How are you? I have been good. Please bring me a doll and Trampoline.
Melissa



ANGELS GATHER at the manger in one of the main scenes in the 1977 Nazareth Christmas Pageant. Mary is portrayed by Mary Beth Ramaekers, and Joseph by Russell Schacher. Angels are Laura Kle-

man, Anna Huseman, Debbie Schilling, Dianne Schulte, Brenda Schilling and Joyce Schacher. The final performance of the pageant will be at 8 p.m. Friday in the Holy Family Church.

Christmas Greetings From Nazareth

From the community that was named for Christ's home town, our greetings go out to you this Christmas.

It was from Nazareth that Joseph and Mary traveled to Bethlehem, where the divine miracle occurred. It was in Nazareth that the Son of God was raised to manhood. And it was from Nazareth that Christ went out later to give new hope to mankind. So this season is especially meaningful to us.

We are proud of two of our community's Christmas traditions. One is the annual Nazareth Christmas Pageant, which we hope you were able to witness this year. The other is this Community Christmas Card, through which we wish a Merry Christmas to all our local friends. Instead of sending you an individual card, we have donated to this Community Christmas Card to benefit the Holy Family Parish Cemetery.

We hope that during this holy season you will witness once again the joy of this miraculous event, and the renewal of hope that it brings. Merry Christmas!

- Father Stanley
- Jerome Brockman Family
- The Alvin Anderle Family
- Carl Dean Kleman Family
- Jerry and Nellie Wilhelm and Family
- Greg, Karen and Travis Schulte
- Doris Hattla and Children
- Mr. & Mrs. A. P. Hoelting
- Mr. & Mrs. Albert Schulte
- Vincent, Toby and Family
- Louis Schulte
- Mr. & Mrs. Greg Hoelting
- C. B. Wilhelm
- Rose Warren
- Helen Backus
- Charley, Beverly, Todd and Traci Hill
- Walter, Anita, Kenneth and Debbie Schilling
- The Cyril Brockman Family
- Ralph & Sharon Brockman & girls
- L. H. & Lorene, Charles & Chuck Birkenfeld
- Mr. & Mrs. Floyd Schulte & Family
- Mr. & Mrs. Gilbert Schulte & Family
- Mr. & Mrs. Bud Steffens & Family
- Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Huseman & Family
- Leonard, Julia & Richard Birkenfeld
- Ida Birkenfeld & Family
- Danny Schilling
- Mrs. Brigitta Dobmeier & Richard Christine Braddock
- Mr. & Mrs. Tony Gerber
- Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Schulte
- The Carol Birkenfeld Family
- Leo & Lynn Ehly
- Mr. & Mrs. Earl Backus
- Greg, Mary, Lance & Joel Venhaus
- Mrs. Flora C. Backus
- Agnes Brockman
- Bert & Marie Venhaus
- Mr. & Mrs. Philip Huseman & Family
- Joe & Imogene Drerup & Children
- Carroll Gerber

- Lawrence & Winifred Wagner
- Mr. & Mrs. Robert Verkamp & Family
- Mrs. Elizabeth Schmucker
- Emil & Mary Ehly & Family
- Mrs. Alphonsa Huseman
- The Jimmy Schmuckers
- Kathy Acker
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- J. C., Jocelyn, Jill & Colby Pohlmeier
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- Mr. & Mrs. Joe Lange
- Clarence & Margaret Birkenfeld
- Rose Birkenfeld
- The Dale Brockmans
- Mr. & Mrs. Walter Schulte
- Ronnie, Regina Hoelting & Family
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- The A. M. Huseman Family
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- Ann Wethington
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- Mrs. Philip Acker
- Mrs. Anna Ehly
- Lizzie & Petronilla
- The Herman Birkenfeld Family
- The Arnold Huseman Family
- Hubert Backus Family



Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa,
I want a baby roll over doll and some, pom poms. And bring something for my family and bring something to the poor people. Thank you.
Love,
Sylvia Bermea

Dear Santa,
I would like an Evel Knivel motorcycle and some socker Boopers. Also don't forget my brothers and my Mama and Daddy and all the other boys and girls.
Love,
Dale Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,
This is what I want for Christmas. I want a Craft workshop, ABC train set, an answer clock, Talking School Bus, rabbit soap, a machine, 4 dolls and House-n-Furniture.
Love,
JoAnn Fernandez

Dear Santa Claus,
I want some perfume, wonder women doll, and a Farrah doll.
Love,
Shana Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,
I am in the first grade. Please bring me a guitar, cowboy boots, a cowboy set, a Dallas cowboy piggy bank, a football, and a bike.
Love,
Wendal Huseman

Dear Santa,
I am in the first grade. I want a bicycle and Evel Knivel. Bring Mack a bike. Mother wants a dish washer. Bring Clyde a tool box.
Love,
Howie Mosier

Dear Santa,
I am in the first grade. For Christmas I want some horse-shoes, a Viking shirt and a Viking helmet, a glow in-the-dark Tracer Racer.
Thank you lots,
Kyle Schilling

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bike with training wheels, a cash register and a doll buggy and Charlie's Angels Hide-out game. Bring Dad a Gillette Pro-Max, a Super Shooter for Mom, a Sleep Upon Dog for Kristi.
Love,
Jenny Brockman

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the things you brought last year. This year I'd like some pom poms, Operation game, a Snoopy watch, spin art, a Santa Claus necklace, ring and ear rings.
Love,
Tammy Drerup

Dear Santa,
I'm Linda Birkenfeld. I'm in the first grade. I have been a good girl this year. I would like a watch and a typewriter from you for Christmas. You might also send a Barbie doll.
Thanks for everything,
Linda Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie doll, a Cher doll, and a bicycle.
I love you,
Regena Schacher

Dear Santa,
I want Evel Knivel, some horses and a target game. I have been a good boy.
Merry Christmas,
Brad Kleman

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a skate board, some candy, gum, nuts, apples, and oranges, and a surprise.
Love,
Lee Kleman

Dear Santa,
I want some horse shoes bean bag game and candy apples nuts and oranges. Bring my family what they want.
Love,
Clint Braddock

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a skate board and a Jaws game and a surprise.
Thank you,
Trent Johnson

Dear Santa,
Please send me a doll and some new shoes and some dishes, a stuffed lady mouse, a stuffed police house and some games.
Love,
Duvina Gutierrez

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I want a walkie-talkie set, a back hoe and a front end loader.
Love,
Calvin Lange

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a happy Christmas. I am in the first grade. I would like some toys for Christmas. Bring Lance something too. I love you. I love Mrs. Santa too. Give Cyrilla stereo.
Love,
Stephanie Brockman

Dear Santa,
Please, Santa, I want an electric train and tape for songs. Please bring something for Mommy, Daddy, and my brothers and sisters.
Thank you,
Robert Wilhelm

Dear Santa,
I love you Santa. My teacher has been good to me. I have a brother. Please my mother wants a bed for Christmas. Please will you get me a trampelen Santa. I hope you will come to are house.
Your friend,
Sanda DeLeon

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bike and a piano for christmas.
Arnold Peralez

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I will like a kissing doll or a Raggedy and Andy. I love you Santa.
Love, Rosie Quiroga

Dear Santa,
I want a Dallas cowboy suit & heament, a nerf football, a train set hook up with race car set. May I have dog house.
Your friend,
Matthew Long

Dear Santa,
I want a football, and i want a football suit and a socker ball, and I got a brother and a little sister to, and I want electric football set.
From Tommy Henderson

Dear Santa,
Please I want a cat. Please I want a stocking. Please I want a doll. Please I want a Bear. Please I want a clown. Please I want skats. I'm good!
Your friend,
Mandy Garza

Dear Santa,
I wood like a Aerial Labber fire fighter please! and a tractor trailer roll up rear door please! Smoking California long hauler! and a bicycle! PLEASE ALL OF THEM.
Thanks for all the things you brot me.
Chad Hill

Dear Santa,
Please give Baby doll. Please give a clown. Please give a dime. I love you
Teresita Rivera

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a stretch monster please, and a western Belt, a pair of nerf Rockets, a footBall, a tacker, a racking car set, a train set, a nerf football, a cat house, a soldier. Good by.
Federico Morales
I'm 8 years old.

PEACE JOY



A wish for all mankind...
may the light of His love shine
for you all through the Yuletide.

In this reverent spirit, we
extend thanks to our warm,
wonderful friends.



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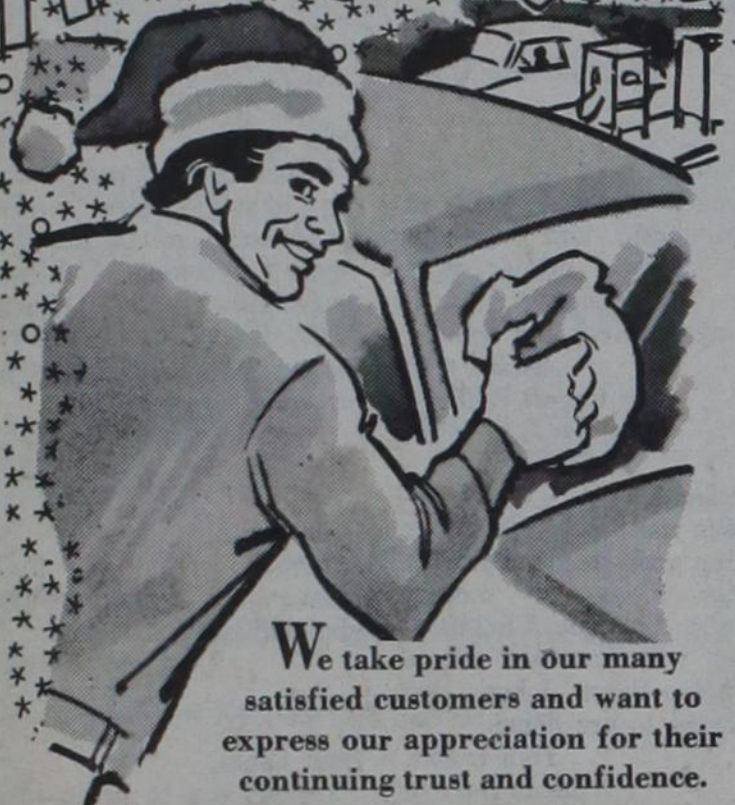
A JOYFUL HOLIDAY



May your holidays ring with the resounding spirit that is the heart of Christmas! Sincere thanks.

TROY KIRBY

Hi at Christmas



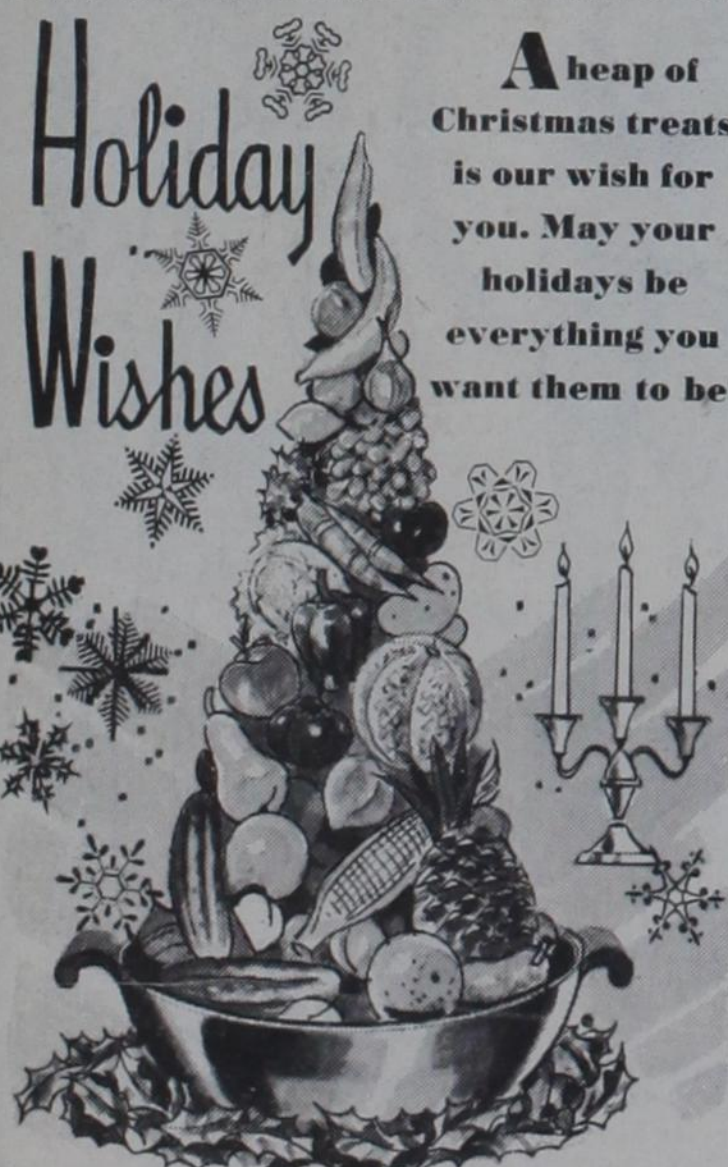
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We're happy to be of service to you all the year round, and happy to extend good wishes for your happiness and joy this festive season.

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A heap of Christmas treats is our wish for you. May your holidays be everything you want them to be!

BOBCAT DRIVE IN



Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa Claus,
I want babycomeback and clothes and Donny and Marie.
Ester Campos

Dear Santa Claus,
I want the doll its name is Baby come Back and clothes for her. Next year I want Donny and Marie. Thats what I want. Thank you.
Delia G.

Dear Santa Cluse,
Hi, my name is Valentin and can you bring me a blue and black bike.
Love,
Susie H.

Hi Sante Clause,
How are you doing? Can you bring me a doll. I am going to see you at Christmas. I think all of us will see you.
Susie H.

Dear Santa,
Please for Christmas bring me some surprises. I have been a good girl this year. I am in 3rd grade. I hope you have a good Christmas.
Love,
Whitney Warren

Dear Santa Clause,
Will you bring me a baby this and that and a lite bright. I will live you some cookies. I love you Santa Clause and Mrs. Clause.
Love,
Melody Sadler

Dear Santa,
I want a Baby Alive and Baby come back, chalk board and more stuff.
Sharon Sanders

Dear Santa,
I hope you bring me a battle ship game and a bike and a streacharmstrong.
Love,
Jared Goolsby

Dear Santa Claus,
I want some roller derby skates, a watch, and a paraket.
Love,
Jackie Spimirne

Dear Santa,
I want a doll, bike, coloring book, skate board.
Maria

Dear Santa,
I wish you a very good time. Will you please bring me a bulldozer and a walkie talkie. Please bring some toys to the poor and don't forget anybody. I thank you if you do that.
Love,
Gregg Gerber

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a truck that halls real liquid. And I want a b-b gun. And I want a walky-talky. Please bring me these things. Have a mary Christmas.
Love,
Heath Schulte

Dear Santa Claus,
How are your reindeer. I hope there doing find. Please bring me a farmset but not a barn. I want some walkie talkies. Santa don't forget my family or the poor people.
Thank you,
Darrin Heiman

Dear Santa Clause,
How are your reindeer doing. Please buy me a go-cart and ElectriedsuperBowl Game and a Farm Set and a Green machine and don't forget my family and the poor people. Thank you.
Love,
Cory Hoelting

Dear Santa,
Have a happy Christmas. I want a green machine and a skate board and a pair of spurs. Give my family something good. And give the poor kids something good. Thank you Santa.
Love,
Chuck Birkenfeld

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a Miss Beasley and a walkie talkie and a MacDonald. Please bring me a binoculars. Don't forget my family and the poor people. Thank you.
Kelly Hoelting

Dear Santa,
How are your reindeer. I want a green machine. And some walkie talkies. And I want stretch armstrong. Bing something for my parents, and all the poor people. Thank you.
Love,
Chris Schmucker

Dear Santa,
I want a b.b. gun. Ahd don't forget my family And the poor people.
Love,
Brad Hoelting

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! This year I'm getting two things not ten. Please don't forget the poor people and my family. I want a baton and A Santa claus radio. Have a happy Christmas.
Love,
Barbie

Dear Santa Clause,
I'm feeling very fine. I hope you are and Mrs. Claus and the Raindeers are doing fine too. Please bring me a Frosty Snow Man Sno-Cone Machine and Marching Mickey Mouse and Charles Anelgles Hide-out. Bring my little brother a Eeyore Rocker and a Jump Ball and three horses.
Love,
Bobbi Hochstein

Dear Santa,
Would you bring me a some Christmas books and a b-b gun and Santa Claus suit.
Curtis Durbin

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a B B gun and 4-wheel Drive Tractor.

Dear Santa,
I am Paul Birkenfeld and I want a pocket watch and Max machine and Tin can alley and some B. B. 's.
Love,
Paul Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,
I want a purse and some jewelry and a jewelry box. Thank you Santa.
Love,
Julie Hatla

Dear Sant Claus,
Please bring me a skate board. Bring Chad a little bike because he is a little boy. Please bring toy to poor people.
Love,
Renee Huseman

Dear Santa,
I wish you a mary Christmas. I hope Rudolph and the other reindeer are doing fine. Santa please bring me a doll that I can put make-up on her and curl her hair. Don't forget the poor people. Thank you.
Love,
Theresa Wilhelm

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a racing car track set; a Star Trek set; some books to read and some toy cars. I would also like to have some army men and a bat man kit. When you come to my house I'll have cookies waiting for you.
Curtis Don Ward

Dear Santa,
I want a skate board, and a bebe gun, and a timex watch, and bike and a red white blue football.
Juan Casas

Dear Santa,
I would like a bicycle for Christmas please. I love you.
Lisa Widick

Dear Santa,
I want a baby alive and a doll stroller. Please bring Kandal a baby alive too.
Love,
Krystal Derrick

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a play TV and a play dog that walks and barks. And I have a present for my mama. Well I got to go. Bye.
Karen Casas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Baby Come Back. Thank you.
Love,
Michelle Schulte

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me Charle's Angel Dolls and bring me a Spirograph and a bike and please bring the poor children some toys and bring Mommy and Daddy and Kristi something too. Thank you Santa Claus.
Love,
Melissa Brockman

Dear Santa,
I love you very much. I wan pom-poms real pom-poms and a baby needs you. Thank you Santu.
Love,
Angie Bermea

Christmas
I want a topcat bike and horses and cows. I will be good to others and I will be good to my friends to. I will give my mother a good present.
Love,
Eddie Bermea

Dear Santa,
I want Jaws, mouse trap. Please bring those to toys and bring what you can. Good bey Santa Clas.
Love,
Rachel Elizabeth Huseman

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas. I wish for a NFL football dome. And I wish for a max machine. We are going to have a Christmas Concert.
Love,
Marlan

Dear Santa,
I want a b-b gun and a ten speed and I want a Dallas Cowboy suit and Have A Merry Christmas.
Love,
Wayne Wilhelm

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph? Please bring me and Shelly a MacDonald land. Please don't forget the poor people. Thank you.
Your friend,
Stacy Albracht

Dear Santa,
My name is Carla. I want a doll and baby bed for Christmas. I also want barbies and barbie clothes. I want clothes too. Could you also bring me a doll to set up on my shelf? I would also like a play house.
Love,
Carla

Dear Santa,
I want a tamarine and some rollerskates. Thats all Santa.
From Donald

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a six million doller man, Walkie Talkie and a Adventure Buggy.
Lewis

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a bionic woman.
Love,
Leslie Ann

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this year. Please Santa bring me a tent, a record player, go cart, and a play drill. Don't forget my sister.
Thank you,
Kody Kitchens

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Baby That Away and a stove. I love you.
Karla Sadler

Dear Santa,
My name is Mat. I wot a BB Gun. I Wot a tragit Gun. That is ol.

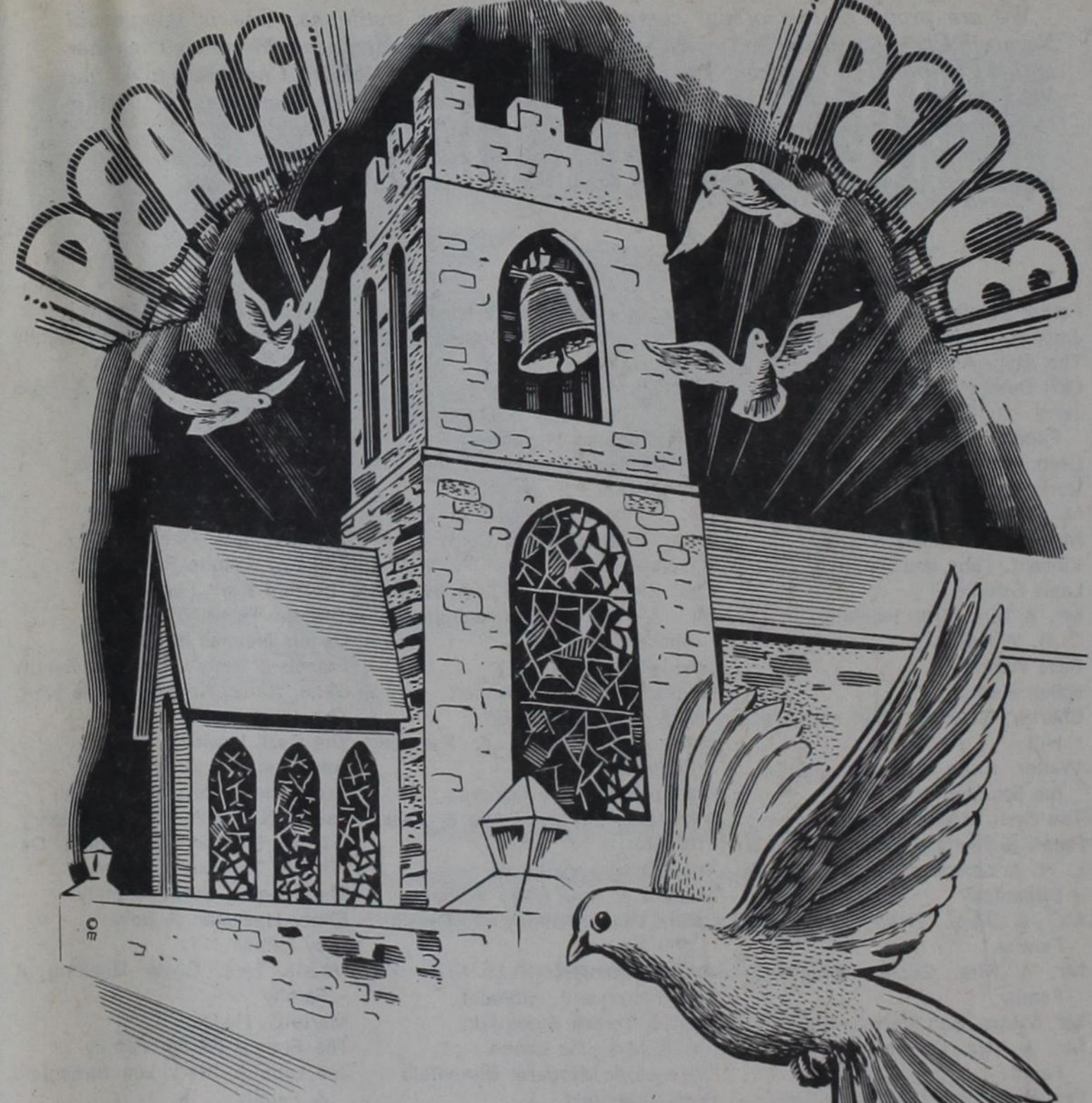
Dear Santa,
I want to know how cold it is. Santa please bring me a walkie talkin and a bow and arrow. And please give my family something too. Thank you.
Wesley Dobmeier



As we dispense greetings of the season we send a large portion of warm wishes your way. It's our pleasure to serve you.

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As holiday chimes peal we extend resounding wishes to all our friends... may Hope, Love and Peace be with you at Christmas and always.

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May yours be merry and gay. Our hearty holiday thanks for your kind patronage.

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a Christmas Message

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We calculate you'll have your most glorious Christmas ever. Add our sincere thanks for your loyal confidence.

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Santa Claus, Please Bring Me Some Green Slime!

Dear Santa,
I want a record palyer, a doll, and some clothes. I have tried to be a nice girl.
Love,
Rochelle Portwood

Dear Santa,
I want a ventur people. My brother wants a space accad-amy. Thank you.
Gerg & Chris Lay

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is a Baby Come Back and a coat for Christmas and I hope you bring it and I'll try to be a good girl. I love you Santa.
Mandy Gonzales

Dear Santo Claus,
I have been a very good girl all year and I want you to bring me a baby come back doll and a bike.
Lisa Dominguez

Dear Santa Claus,
I onct a typewriter and also a pencil holder and a book holder.
Love,
Ann

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Denise Leingang and I am 6 year old. Will you please get me a table and chairs and dishes. Thank you.
Denise Leingang

Dear Santa Claus,
I love you very much and thank you for my MAGIC SET last year. I would like to have a STAR WARS game, and have a happy Christmas Eve. I would like to have a LITE BRITE.
Your Friend
Kitzel Wayne Hoover

Dear Santa Clous,
Rojer like a toy truck and a biclyl and police car. That saw.
Your Friend
Juan

Dear Santa,
I am writing you this letter to let you know what I want for Christmas. I would like a long coat, boots, blackboard, doll, and a cash register. And Santa I've been good.
Alicia Hernandez

Dear Santa Claus,
Thank you for the toys last year. My name is Mark Muniz. My address 506. I live on west bedford street. We no not have a chimney but you can come through the door, Because the door will be unlocked. I want the six million dollar man. and a streach armstrong. and Evil Knevil. and a cho-cho train. and the play do barber shop.
Ray Dominguez

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a bike. And a Evil Canevil van. And the Bionic Man and his Bionic Transmition. And a big Wheel. And I think this is all.
Ray Dominguez

Dear Santa,
I am in the second grade. I want you to have a merry christmas and remember all boys and girls. I want a Baby Tender love, 6 Million Dollar Man, watch.
Sandra Sifuentes.

Dear Santa,
I want a doll, skates, doll clothes, McDonald people.
Brandy Cook

Dear Santa,
I like a bike, truck, car, and a little motorcycle. I have been good.
Mario Valadez

Dear Santa,
I want for Christmas some boots, skate board, and a doll.
Shandi McLain

Dear Santa,
I want a doll, clay, and a swing set, color book.
Elisa

Dear Santa,
I want a kite, a little motorcycle, a bike, a super-man, a race car.
Joe Moreno

Dear Santa,
My name is Maria. I want a sewing machine and necklace and coloring book, markers. Thank you.
Your Friend,
Maria

Dear Santa,
My name is Randall. I want a max-machine and a fuzzy pumper, bar ber shop and beauty shop and jaws. Thank you.
Your Friend,
Randall

Dear Santa,
My name is Alice. I want a bike jaws. Thank you.
Your friend,
Alice

Dear Santa,
My name is Christy. I want a drum-monkey and some doctor stuff. Thank you.
Your friend,
Christy

Dear Santa,
My name is Sandy. I want a milk-cow and drum-monkey. Thank you.
Your friend,
Sandy

I forgot candy.
Dear Santa,
My name is Sergio. I want candy. Thank you.
your Friend,
Sergio

Dear Santa,
My name is Carolina. I want drum monkey and a kiss doll. Thank you. Your Friend,
Carolina

Dear Santa,
My name is Jimmy. I want a bike and a stretcharmstrong and a jaws. Thank you.
your Friend,
Jimmy

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and some toy soldiers. My name is Juan.
your Friend,
Juan

Dear Santa,
My name is Damon. I want a truck that races. Thank you.
You Friend,
Damon

Dear Santa,
My name is Erasmo. I want a rabet and toys. Thank you.
Your friend,
Erasmo

Dear Santa,
My name is Ruben. I want a bike and a 18-wheeler and jaws toy. Thank you.
Your Friend,
Ruben

Dear Santa,
My name is Steve. I want a coloring book and a walkie-talkie. Thank you.
Steve

Dear Santa,
I want a biclea fireman basketball, warm clothes.
Love,
Henry Martinez

Dear santa,
I want a stretch monster, bike, a little trailer and a truck.
Love,
Albert Longoria

Dear Santa:
I want a big doll and some dishes.
Love,
Cristina Perez

Dear Santa:
I want a doll.
Love,
Connie Guitierrez

Dear Santa:
I want a doll.
Love,
Isabel Dominguez

Dear Santa,
I want a table to play on.
Love,
Rita Sanchez

Dear Santa Claus,
I have not been bad. I have been good. I want a B-B gun, choo choo train, barn and big bike. I am five years old. Please bring my sister something. Bring my brother some, please. Bring my mother and daddy something.
Love,
Junior

Dear Santa,
I tried to be good. I want a B.B. gun for Christmas and Walkie tokes.
Love,
John

Dear Santa,
I am in the second grade. I would like a doll that walks and skates.
Love,
Annette Flores

Dear Santa,
I am a good boy. I want a skate board, a bike and a ball and bat.
Love,
Mercy Saenz

Dear Santa,
I am a boy in the second grade. Please bring me a green machine and a trampoline, a Cats Eye a skateboard a bat and boll a toy arplane and a Strech Arm Strong.
Love,
Brad Buchanan

Dear Santa,
I am a second grader. Mrs. Sheffy is my teacher. Please bring me a Skateboard.
Love,
Bobby Moya

Dear Sante,
I am a boy. I am in the second grade and my teacher is Mrs. Sheffy. Please bring me tools and toll box, wtach, Jaws game and Catsye.
Love,
Jerry Don McMillon

Dear Santa Claus,
I hav ben good. I want a trampling. Wood you fixs my recored playr. I will leve it on the coych. I love you, Santa.
Sharmon Gay Bass

Dear Santa,
I am in the second grade. I want Baby Tendre Love kisses and a play puppe and a wath.
Elsa Rodriguez

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a combine, a truck, a little school, horse and a little table. Please bring Rosie, Joe and my little brother some toys. Please.
Israel

Dear Santa,
I want a doll, a stuffed dog, a book, and a doll bed.
Deiba

Dear Santa,
I want a pelletgun. Have a Merry Christmas and rember all boys and girls.
Oscar Balderas

Dear Santa,
I want a gun. I am three.
Allen

Let there be LOVE at Christmas

Cobb's

HO HO! it's Christmas

May the night before Christmas
And all the year through
Be happy and bright
And enchanted for you!

Warm wishes and thanks to you and your dear ones.

CASTRO COUNTY GRAIN CO.

Bill and Don Gregory



Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa,
I am in the second grad. I want a truck ann a skate board, and a biby gun. Are you coming to visit us. I want a trailer and a tractor and walky talking.
Jose Garcia

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and Baby That away, Baby tender love.
Lupe Lopez

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope you are doing fine, as I am too. I would like a doll in a cradle. Thank you.
Elizabeth

Dear Santa,
I want a sled, a skate board and calculator. I want a Rams football shirt with the number 39 on it. There will be a ham sandwich in the kitchen for you and some punch. I have been a good boy.
Love,
Ty Kellar

Dear Santa,
I am in the first grade. I would like a Play Dough Beauty Shop, and a doll. Also a Tuesday Taylor. Please bring a toy to all the boys and girls.
Love,
LuCynde Lynn

Dear Santa,
I want a toy air plane that runs on gas. And a Shutes-away. Pleas! Thank you.
Chad

Dear Santa,
For christmas I want a doll but make it baby come back and I want a skate board and that is all. Merry christmas.
With love,
Gina

Dear Santa,
Are you having trouble. I hope your not could. You bring me a racetrack and drums could you bring a football suit. The Dallis Cowboy suit. 12 Number.
with Love,
Chris

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a football and a stretcharmstrong and some racing cars and a truck. I which I could see you Santa Claus.
Love,
Danny

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a barbie, and a stuff toy rabbit, and a rubby dubby dolly, and a bonic woman, and a bicycle and a baby come back.
Whith Love,
Vicky

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a bonic woman and an easy-oven and baby come back and stuff peppy and Baby won't let go Super Star Barbie.
Love,
Rebecca

Dear Santa,
I would like to have A Max Machine, water gun, A Movie projector and a blue shirt and A Nerf rocket. I love you,
Santa.
Charlie

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a good girl and I want some boots and a long coat and a doll. And I want some dishes. I love you.
Nora

Dear Santa,
Please for a football suit cleet 13 1/2.
Coby

Dear Santa,
I want a walkie-talkie and a record Player. and that is all.
From Max

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a bicycle, Jaws game and some model cars to put together. Please don't forget Mommy and Daddy. Merry Christmas.
Wayne Schacher

Dear Santa,
I would like a Tuesday Taylor, a sewing machine, a real good purse. Be good and remember all the other boys and girls.
Love,
LeAndre Lynn

Dear Santa,
I want a 10 speed bike and a walky talking and boots like yours. My brothers to.
Mark Patterson

Dear Santa,
I am in the second grade. I want a 6 million dollar man watch. Have a Merry Christmas and remember all boys and girls.
Shannon Sulliven

Dear Santa,
I am in the second grad. I want A gun and A walky talking and a hand cuffs.
Joseph Jimenez

Dear Santa,
I am in the second grade. I want bike. I want bub Doll. I want play hous. I want watch. I want puppy. I want dishes.
Mary Ann Martinez

Dear Santa,
I am in the second grad. I want a doll. I love you. This is Marcie Cook. ho ho ho. happy Merry Christmas. I am happy here.
Marcie Lynn Cook

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is a doll name baby come back and a barbie name barb and a soft little panda bear.
Love,
Eydie

Dear Santa,
I know you are busy but there is one thing I realy want a Supperbowl game. I also would like a football suit #12, a football. Thank you.
Love Todd

Dear Santa,
I want a Baby cane back and easy owen Baby won't let go. and that is all.
love,
Robbie

Dear Santa,
I wote a big truk and a big car and race trac. I hope you not could.
Love,
Sam

Dear Santa,
This year I want a skate board and a sleeping bag with a pink panther on the front of it and a stuffed pink panther and a record called Mandy. I also want some barbie furniture.
Love,
Julie Davis

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I wold like for you to bring me a skat board and a long dress.
Love,
Maria

Dear Santa,
Do you know what I want for cresmus. I want a football.
love Jesse

Dear Santa,
I want a racing car with a sreet and a van and a stech arm stong and a ten spede bike and a football.
Love Hector

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a Baby come back and easy oven Baby won't let go. And some skates and a bike with two wheels. Please bring me this stuff and Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. And that is all.
Love,
Riva Cole

Dear Santa,
Could I have a football, and a stretcharmstrong but one thing I want is a football suit number 12.
Love,
Brett

Dear Santa,
I love you and i like you to bring me a B-B gun and i am nice to my brothers and my sisters.
Love,
Mike

Dear Santa,
I like you to brig me a bike. I will like a bike. I like Mary Christmas.
Love,
Martin

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Super Star Barbie and some yarn and a stuffed animal. Have a happy holiday.
Love,
Gwendalyn Wilson

Dear Santi,
This year I want a racetrack and I want sum Hot wheels and I want a car. I want a Dallas cowboys.
Love,
Cecil

Dear Santa,
I want a Stretch Monster, racing cars and a train.
Tommy J. Cobb

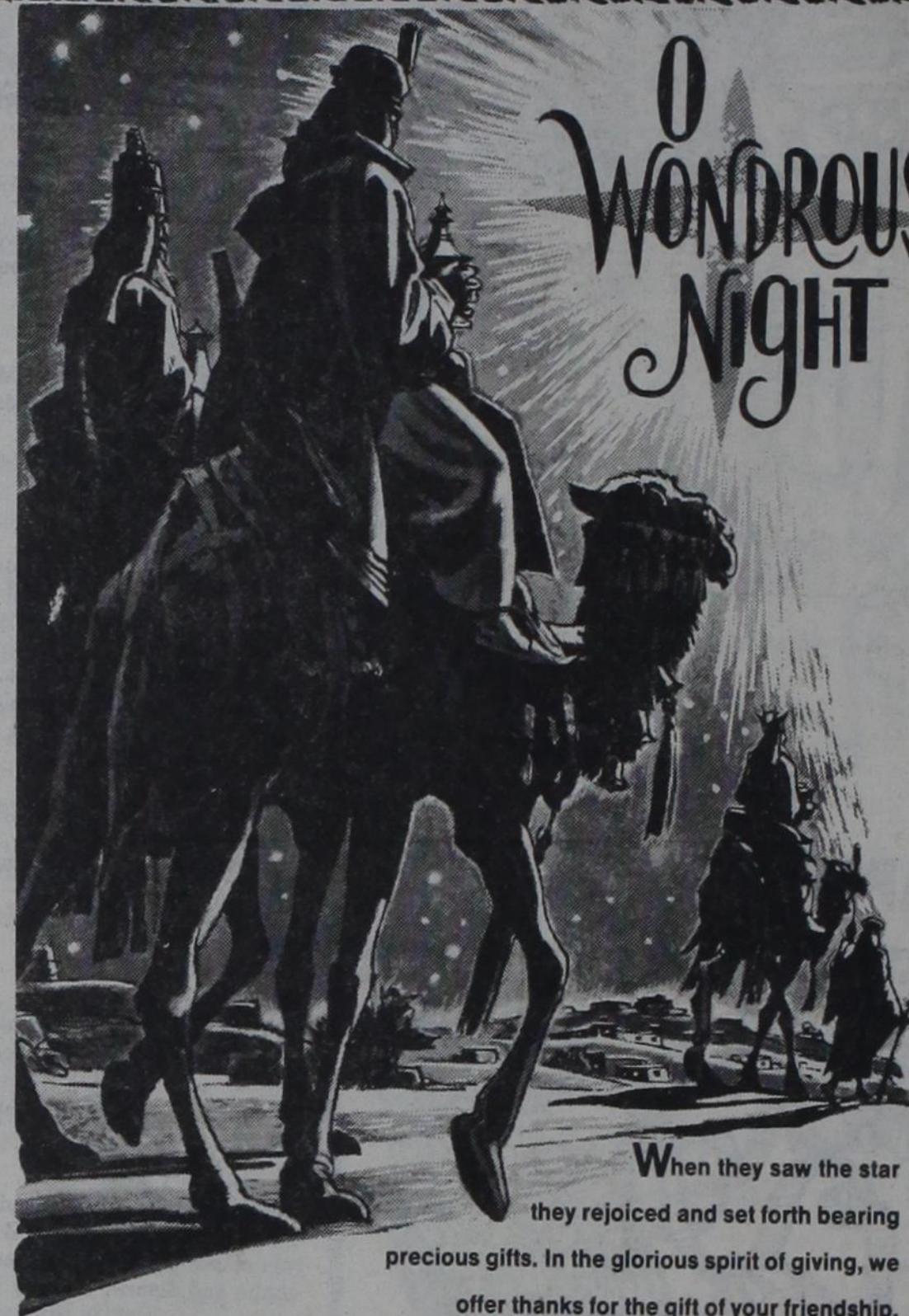
Dear Santa,
I want a Stretch Armstrong, real watch and racing cars.
Andy Castillo

Dear Santa,
I am in the second grade. I want Rub Dud dolly and Tug Boat shower and walky talking and some handcuffs and a watch.
Debbie Mohon

Dear Santa Clause,
Please bring me a Charlie Angels dolls, a operation game and a play house.
Your friend,
Sharla

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you. I am fine. Please bring me a skateboard and a watch and some lego toys. Thank you.
Love,
Troy Johnson

Dear Santa,
I am in the Second grade. I want Doll. Have a Merry Christmas and rember all boys and girls.
Elizabeth Coronado



When they saw the star they rejoiced and set forth bearing precious gifts. In the glorious spirit of giving, we offer thanks for the gift of your friendship.

**Anthony's Will Be Closed
All Day Dec. 26**



CHRISTMAS

At this glittering time of the year we send wishes for your happiness, glowing with bright hope for the future.

We look forward to serving you again

RIVERSIDE CHEMICAL CO.
Dimmitt & Nazareth

Blessings at Christmas

*Let Peace encircle the world
and all men walk hand in hand.
We raise our voice in thanks.*

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Lynn Polson, Agent

Let us Adore Him

May His ever-present love be a source of special joy to you as you celebrate His birth. May our thanks add to the splendor of your Christmas.

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Dear Santa -- I Would Like to have a Tractor and a Horse and a Plane and . . .



Dear Santa Claus,
I would like my Daddy to come home and a Baby Alive that's all. Thank you.
Kristina Lopez

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a doll for Xmas and a Baby Bed a Rocker. Thank you.
Mandy Oltivero

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a Big Monster of King Kong and a car. Thank you.
Adrian Guerra

Dear Santa,
I am in second grade. I want a minibike and a helmet with it.
Love,
George Paul Brown Jr.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a long dress, a big doll with cradle. I am a good second grade and that is all.
Love,
Angelita Martinez

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a bike and a strength monster and a racing car set. Thank you.
Danny Oltivero

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a little bike and some cars and gun. Thank you.
Johnny Oltivero

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a doll my size so I can carry her. That's all. Thank you.
Michele Guerra

Season's Greetings From Hart

We who live in "The Town With a Heart" send you this special greeting, with the hope that you will have a joyous, meaningful Christmas.

- Sue A. Dinwiddie
- Mrs. H. E. Loman
- Nora and Lester Lancaster
- Harvey and Delphia Davis
- Weldon and Gaylia Davis,
- Jennifer and Julie
- Jimmy Ray and Greta Davis,
- Diane, Donna and Jamey
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- Charles and Laverne Martin
- Mr. and Mrs. Furch Riley
- Doug and Marilyn Higgins,
- Lisa and Daniel
- Mrs. Ilene Sharp, Biff, Jim, Geoff and Chris
- Mrs. G. R. Bennett
- Sam and Nell Swopes and Louise Jones (In memory of Truman Swopes)
- Kinny and Sandy Hill and Chad
- Owen and Jo Hankins and Steve
- Vicki, Jim Bob and Adam Kendrick
- Mr. and Mrs. Percy Hart
- Mr. and Mrs. Allen Irons
- Lester and Rhonda Aven and Jason
- Mr. and Mrs. James H. Werner and Family
- Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Jones, Kelly and Scott

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a small pony with wheels to ride on. Thank you.
Carlos Guerra Jr.

Dear Santa,
I am in the second grade. I want a trailer and tractor, 2 speed bike and a walky talking.
Carlos Corpus

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a set of guns and a big truck. Thank you.
Wally Guerra

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. Please bring me a baby Come bakd and Tender Loving Kisses.
Love,
Debbie Fuentes

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. Please bring me a Baby Come Back and Tender Loving kisses.
Love,
Mecca Sauced

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. Please bring me a Green machine.
Love,
Fernando Catano

Dear Santa,
I want Milky the Cow, a grocery cart, and some Silly Putty, and a raccoon. Thank you.
Love,
Caroline

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. Please bring me a show Gun Warrior and Motor cross bike.
Love,
Brac Wardlaw

Dear Santa,
I want a dallas cowboy, a mickey mouse roller coaster, book and some dallas cowboy pamas.
Love,
Ware Brown

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. Please bring me a motor cross bike.
Love,
Timmy Northern

Dear Santa,
I want a football helmet, a football and a football suit. Also a basketball.
Love,
Junior Washington

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. Please bring me a Baby Alive.
Betty Sanchez

Dear Santa,
I want a doll, bicycle and That Away doll.
Love,
Cynthia Robinson

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. Please bring me a Mini Bike and stretch monster.
Chad Yokum

Dear Santa,
I want a bear, a tetherball, a duck, dollhouse, telephone and a cat.
Martha Chavez

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. Please give me a stretch Monster.
Love,
Adrian Guerra

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. Please bring me a Baby Alive.
Love,
Rachel Villgos

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. Please bring me a Starcy Hutch.
Love,
Hondo Garcia

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. Please bring me a Baby Alive.
Love,
Leticia Martinez

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. Please bring me a Six Dollar Man.
Love,
Tony Silva

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. Please bring me a truck and Stary and Hutch.
Love,
Santiago Tenorio

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. Please bring me two police cars.
Love,
Raymond Murillo

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. Please bring me a train.
Love,
George Flores

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. Please bring me a Dirt Bike.
Love,
Kevin Bruton

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. Please bring me a be be gun.
Love,
Jeff Masters

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. Please bring me a Baby That Away.
Love,
Michelle Guzman

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. Please bring me a dress.
Love,
Loretta Lee

Dear Santa,
I'm a girl. I'm a second grader. I would like a doll for Christmas.
Love,
Lupe Aranda

Dear Santa,
I am a second grader. I am a good boy. Please bring me a T.V. Tenus.
Love,
Tim Elliott

Dear Santa,
I am in the second grade. I have tried to be a good boy. Please bring me a big car and rifle, B.B. gun. Please bring me pup pup train and bring me a big house and a big teepee.
Love,
George Wall

Dear Santa,
I am a second grade girl. I am in Mrs. Sheffy's room. I want a Barbie for Christmas and a typewriter.
Love,
Debbie Arguijo

Dear Santa,
I have been a good second grader. I would like a penboll machine, a bat, green machine, trampoline and a Stretchman.
Love,
Truckston Ray McKay

Dear Santa,
I am a good boy. I want a stretchman and a trampoline and guitar and a bike. I love you.
Love,
Noel Gonzales

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good. I want a record player and records. I want hot wheels and spidercar and big driver dash board. I love you.
John McLain

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a dump truck and barn. Horses with the barn. Please come to my house first. I do not know what my sisters want. Come see them.
Royce

HOLIDAY GREETINGS



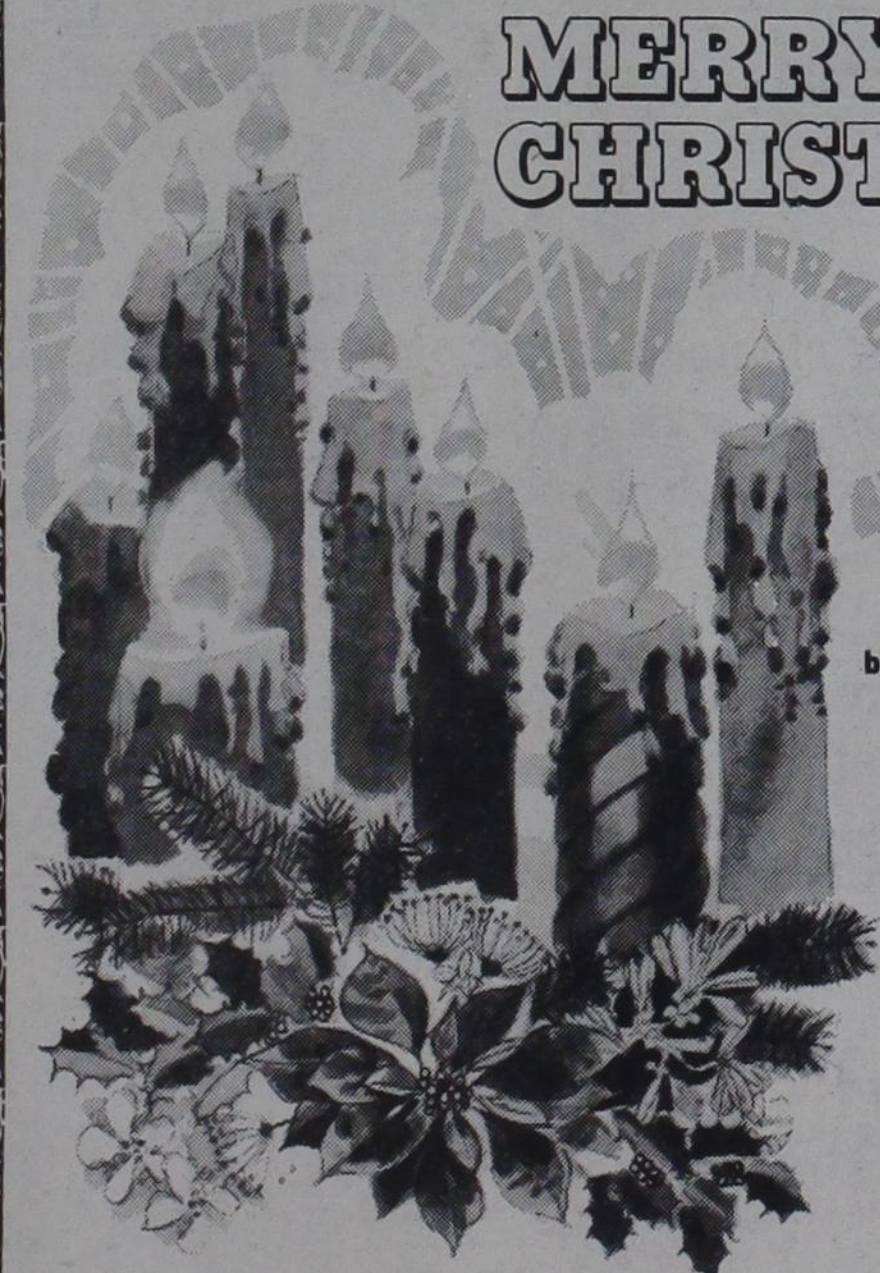
Hoping your holidays will be shining, filled with all the wonderful things that spell CHRISTMAS!

A&H Supply



This is our Community Christmas Card to you and our other local friends. Instead of sending you individual cards, we have donated our card money to the Hart Cemetery Fund. It's a tradition which we feel honors the memory of those who helped make so many past Christmases happy for all of us.

MERRY CHRISTMAS



May we take this time to send you all our brightest greetings for the Yuletide season, and our sincere thanks for your kind support.

THE VILLAGE SHOP



Christmas Wishes

Let there be love at Christmas when all the world is warm and bright with dreams. In the hushed landscape of this glorious season, we send tidings of comfort and joy and continuing thanks to all!

We Will Be Closed Monday, Dec. 26



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**... and Jesus
was born in
Bethlehem ...**

After Mary and Joseph, the animals in the stable were the first to see Him, in His swaddling clothes. The breath and the warm bodies of the animals warmed Him in the little room. If they could have talked, what would they have said to Him? What would the lambs have said to the Lamb of God who would be sacrificed on a cross?

The shepherds were the first men to see Him. They heard the angels sing: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will . . ." They came first to worship the little King who would make them the equals of anyone in the world. They were poor, so they couldn't have brought any Christmas presents—oh, maybe a little milk, or wool or a baby lamb. But their gifts weren't important. They brought themselves. It was all the Baby would have wanted from them . . . I'll bet they sang all the way home. Anyone who meets Jesus Christ goes away singing.

The wise men came to Bethlehem, too. They came from the East. The kings, in the East, were pretty powerful; the kings told the people what to do, but the wise men told the kings. These men were rich as well as wise. They brought gold and laid it at the feet of Jesus Christ, at the feet of One who was to be

poor until He died, who was born in a borrowed manger, who was to die on a borrowed cross and be buried in a borrowed garden. Up to then, you measured a man by his gold. You were somebody if you were rich, and nobody if you weren't. This Baby—did the wise men know it?—gave us a new yardstick for measuring the work of a man.

Many years later Jesus said, "What profit is there if you gain the whole world—and lose eternal life? What can be compared with the value of eternal life?"

. . . After they had left their gifts the wise men went back by a different road. Everything was changed. Every hut and stable gleamed with light. Every woman was a Mary. Every crude, cursing man was loved of God, with a new Friend back in Bethlehem.

It was a different road, a different world. God was in it now, as He had never been in it before . . .

Excerpts from "My Favorite Christmas Story" by Roy Rogers
Scripture: Matthew 16:26, Living Bible

We are grateful for our friends and customers. Thank you for doing business with us.

May you have a Christmas filled with joy and peace, and may the good Lord of Christmas take a liking to you.

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