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By Don Nelson

I'm proud of the way Texans are able to adapt to all kinds of situations, whether they're imposed by the weather, greenbugs, rules of etiquette or the government.

I'm especially impressed with the way Texans adapted overnight to the new 70-mph speed limit!

It might surprise you to know who is the longest continuous advertiser in this newspaper.

It's Dr. Milton Adams of Hereford, the dean of optometrists in this area.

He established his practice almost 50 years ago, and his business-card ad - giving his name, address, phone number and office hours-has been a fixture in the News ever since. His ad ran every week for many years, then every other week.

But now we're losing him. Ill health is forcing him to retire.

His final ad is in this issue, telling his patients how much longer his office will be open, so they can pick up their records.

I hope Dr. Adams has a hap retirement. He has earned it.

If you have any Christmas shopping left to do, do it here. The malls are a nightmare this time of year. Merry Christmas!

Brown Bag assists 100

The Castro County Ministerial Alliance 'Brown Bag' Christmas campaign will benefit almost 100 families this year, with the items collected set for distribution today (Thursday).

Volunteers will be needed for distributing the boxes, beginning at 4:30 p.m. Those wanting to help may come to the old Sears building at 108 SW Second.

Those who will receive items from the project are asked to have someone available to receive the delivery, or it will not be left.

About 63 families requested help in Dimmitt, with an additional seven elderly persons and five families that were "adopted" by individual families or groups. An estimated 20 families in Hart will receive holiday aid.

"I believe we had a better community response this year than we have in past years," said Bill Newland, president of the Ministerial Alliance. "I'm really impressed with the community spirit that is shown through this project--a good spirit of helping the needy."



BOXES AND BAGS of canned foods are sorted by students from the Dimmitt Successful Opportunities Through Learning (SOL) school Tuesday morning in preparation for boxing and distribution to needy families this week. The food and toy project is being coordinated by the Castro County Ministerial Alliance and all donations will be given to needy families. Photo by Anne Acker

Donations enable Santa to deliver gifts to abused, neglected children

Christmas will be extra special for 16 Castro County children this year thanks to the generosity of local residents who believe that the joys of Christmas are achieved from giving and not receiving.

More than \$1,400 was donated to Child Protective Services during a holiday campaign, and members of the board forwarded part of that money to Santa Claus, who was able to purchase Christmas gifts for 16 children from the county who are residing outside their own homes because they have suffered from abuse or neglect.

Money also will be used to take care of the children's basic, everyday needs during the coming year.

Donations also came in the form of toys requested by some of the children and household goods for young adults.

Several items have been received in response to needs of two young ladies attempting to establish their own homes while independently and for another who is in college.

"There is still a need for a bed and dresser for the college girl," said Donna Stump, Child Protective Services caseworker.

Stump said she has received offers from several individuals who wish to purchase items for the girl. She and the girl recently selected some

kitchen and linen items, including a removed from their homes and are bed and dresser at the Resale Shop on East Bedford. The owner of the shop, Tammy Black, also donated a chair and lamp to the girl.

"Contributions toward these purchases may be made directly to the Resale Shop," Stump said.

In the past three years, more than 300 children in Castro County have received services through Child Protective Services. The majority of these services involve investigations into suspected abuse and services are suspended when the investigation is concluded, Stump said.

Others are served through referrals to other social agencies which can help a family meet children's needs. If referral services are not sufficient to assist the family, Child Protective Services will provide in-home direct services to the family. Most in-home services are concluded within 12 months or sooner if the parents are able to reduce the risk of abuse or neglect of their children.

"Often, parenting classes or counseling services are provided to educate and assist the family," Stump said.

When a family is unable to protect children in their own homes, Child Protective Services must provide protection through conservatorship of the children. The children are placed in substitute care.

During the past three years, this type of service has been necessary for 48 children, Stump said. Of those 48, 16 are still in substitute care. Twenty-one children have been reunited with their natural parent or parents. Four have been adopted by relatives and six have reached the age of 18 and are living independently. Of those six, three have attended or are currently attending college, and two are married and starting families of their

When children in the state's care reach the age of 15 they begin to participate in a "Preparation for Adult Living" program which is designed to expose a child to various living skills. Among those skills include instruction in how to apply for a job, how to obtain housing, how to use public transportation systems, how to maintain a checking account, how to plan and prepare meals, how to conduct interpersonal relationships and many other adult living skills to help prepare the child for independence.

Many of the children who reach adulthood while under Child Protective Services' care have been separated from family members for a long time.

SNOWY CREATION—John

David Gonzales, 4, and his

Kryselda, admire their newly-

created snowman Monday

morning. The children and

their father created the frosty

creature Sunday from the

area's first snowfall, which

measured just an inch.

little

sister, 1-year-old

Photo by Anne Acker

'Abduction' call is only a mix-up

situation turned out to be only a mix- incident. We plan to emphasize in up for a 5-year-old Pre-K student at Dimmitt's Richardson Elementary in the future to check with someone School Monday morning.

Dimmitt Police received a report the school day," Aleman said. of a possible abduction from a concerned citizen about 9:30 a.m. The Les Miller said, "We want to emphaperson had seen a small girl enter a car in the vicinity of the school and elementary--the importance of reported the license plate number checking in at the office if they and a description.

said the little girl had arrived late to school because her bus had been right." delayed due to muddy roads.

"She entered the school building and went to her class, but no one was there because they had gone to P.E.," Aleman said. "Apparently, the child became confused and left the building without checking with any-

Aleman said the child was picked up near the school by friends of her family who gave her a ride home, but did not notify anyone. When police checked at her home, she was Greeting project, but their donations there.

official then picked her up and Christmas card. brought her back to school.

"We certainly appreciate the alert citizen who reported what they saw.

Early deadlines established for next two weeks

The News has established early deadlines for its Dec. 28 and Jan. 4 editions.

Social news and advertising including weddings, engagements, showers and other "people" news, and news from community correspondents will be due by Friday at 12 noon for both issues.

The regular news and advertising deadline will remain on Tuesday.

What could have been a tragic It could have been an unfortunate our programs to elementary students before leaving the building during

Dimmitt School Superintendent size to all students--not just come in late or leave early. It could Dimmitt Police Chief Ray Aleman easily have been a tragic situation. We're just glad it turned out all

> Miller said the schools are giving reminders to students in each building.

More residents offer greetings

Several Castro County families donated to Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary's Operation Christmas were too late to have their names Aleman reported that a school printed on the News' pictorial

> Those from Dimmitt wishing their friends happy holidays include:

The Virgil Brockman Family **Bob and Jackie Crozier** Ed, Sharon, Shawn & Chad Ewing Clara Gladden

Bob & Wanda Murdock Pete, Darla & Brian Stewart Gene & Mary Smith Dick & Shirley Schacher Danny Schilling **Darlene Stanton** Ralph & Avis Smith **Una Ward**

Hart residents wishing everyone a Merry Christmas include:

Bill & Mamie Rich Don & Neoma Williams & Rachel Wall Paul & Irene Brooks

Fitzgearld to run for county sheriff

Castro County Sheriff CD Fitzgearld has announced he will be seeking re-election in the March 12 Democratic primary election.

Fitzgearld was appointed sheriff in July 1992 to fulfill the unexpired term of Lonny Rhynes. He was elected to the office later that year and started his first full term on Jan. 1, 1993.

Fitzgearld has a 28-year background in law enforcement. Since he has been sheriff, he has attended four Sheriff Association of Texas training conferences, jail conferences in Huntsville for the past two years and schools sponsored by the Texas Association of Counties. He serves on the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission Criminal Justice Board.

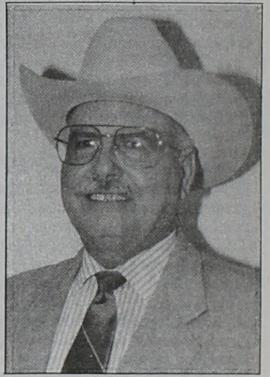
"We have been able to arrest and convict numerous individuals on narcotics charges since I've been in office," Fitzgearld said. "We are continuing to work on eliminating illegal narcotics and drugs from the county. We started the DARE program, and are currently in our second year with it."

Fitzgearld said his department has added two four-wheel drive vehicles to its fleet at no cost to the county.

"Since I've been in office, we've had a lot of concerned citizens come forward and stand up against crime," Fitzgearld said. "They have given us information which has helped us solved crimes like child molestations, drug offenses and more. If it weren't for these citizens, we would have serious problems.

"We have cut rural burglaries almost in half," Fitzgearld added. "We do still have a problem with theft of aluminum irrigation pipe and we're currently working on several cases of this which are unsolved."

Fitzgearld urges farmers to regu-



CD Fitzgearld

larly check their stockpiles of aluminum pipe, and to immediately report any missing pipe to the sheriff's

"I feel like we have a good working relationship with the citizens of the county," he said.

Fitzgearld said the county jail had a one-time capacity of 12 prisoners when he took office, but now the capacity has been raised to 18.

"That required several meetings with the jail commission, but it was worth it. We've saved a lot of money by not having to house as many prisoners out-of-county."

Fitzgearld and the sheriff's department have established an agreement and working relationship with Amarillo College, too, and under that agreement, the school conducts training schools in Dimmitt.

"I appreciate your support in the past and ask for your vote in the future," Fitzgearld said.

Current farm program could receive extension

Farmers could be operating in 1996 under this year's farm program if Congress fails to approve a new farm bill by Dec. 31.

The current farm program could be extended if a new plan isn't approved by the end of the year, and Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle (S-South Dakota) took the first step toward that extension this week when he asked Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole (R-Kansas) to either schedule a floor debate on the farm bill or extend the farm programs for one year.

"If we can't debate farm policy on the Senate floor and if Republican budget negotiators refuse to accept our bottom line principles at the budget negotiation table, then the only alternative is to pass a one-year extension of the current law and come back next year and pass a farm bill that allows all of rural America to participate in the debate," Daschle said.

Members of a House and Senate Conference Committee reached an agreement, but it hasn't been approved by the full Senate and House yet, and further changes may

be made before it garners final approval.

House-originated farm proposal included in the vetoed GOP budget reconciliation bill failed to pass the House Agriculture Committee and was never considered in the Senate, but agricultural reconciliation conferees of both chambers agreed to the proposal.

Carl King of Dimmitt, president of Texas Corn Growers Association, says the proposal is radical and that the trend seems to be toward letting free market rule.

"My guess is that they'll wind up voting for a resolution to grant a year's extension on the current program," said King. "I'm hoping Clinton will hold out until he gets a reasonable proposal for the farmers, welfare programs and Social Security."

One facet of the proposal that worries King is a stipulation which would repeal the 1938 and 1949 agricultural acts. King said the 1949 act is a "safety net" for farmers and repealing it would be bad news for

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A bell ringer's story

By DANETTE BAKER Lubbock Avalanche-Journal

Thought you might be interested in this story, the caller said.

He went on to tell me about Solomon Harris, a bell ringer with the Salvation Army.

"I've visited with him for a while. I think that you'd find him very interesting," the caller concluded.

I found Solomon Wednesday night outside Barnes and Noble ringing away and bestowing Christmas greetings to those passing by.

The 78-year-old's life reverberates of war and death. His two brothers were killed at Pearl Harbor; his son died at age 23 in Vietnam.

Solomon himself served his country in war. In his 20s, he joined the Army and, during World War II, was a member of the famed Darby's Rangers. He's the only survivor of the 29th Division, 116th Infantry the men who stormed the beaches at Normandy.

His parents, who were past the century mark, have died within the past seven years. He and his wifewho was his childhood sweetheart—lacked one month marking their golden anniversary when she died just 3-1/2 years ago.

You can't help but form a first impression when you hear about a guy who's lost everything important in life and has turned to the streets for comfort.

But here's the rest of his story.

Solomon retired from the military with rank of lieutenant colonel. Afterward he earned a bachelor's degree in business administration at Notre Dame. Upon graduation, he worked 33 years as time keeper for Great Northern Railroad in Montana.

Upon retirement at age 65, he did turn to the streets. But not in the manner one might think. For to him, the streets are his adventure; and as Solomon puts it, "If I lay down, I'll die."

With retirement pensions and Social Security, Solomon says he has a comfortable income. His only expense is \$105 in rent for an apartment in Decatur, Ill., his hometown.

Most of the time, however, he travels.

This year he's planning a trip to Israel to search

genealogy records. He's traced family members back to a concentration camp where they were killed, but he hopes that a cousin or two survived.

"If more people my age could do that (travel), they'd live longer."

Last year about Christmas time, Solomon was headed to Decatur after visiting friends in southern California. He got as far as Lubbock when he ran out of money for the month.

Solomon turned to the Salvation Army. "They were always so good to us in the service."

This year the trip to Lubbock was planned.

"I was out in California again visiting and just planned my trip to come through here. Capt (Dan) Proctor (of the Salvation Army) told me last year to come back if I could."

As a holiday shopper approaches, Solomon stops talking for a few minutes to ring his bell.

"Merry Christmas. God bless you," Solomon replies, his eyes sparkling. "About one in 12 that walk by will put in a dollar. Then there are people who drive up in their fancy cars with their suits on who drop in a few coins. That's OK; it's their conscience."

Despite life's heartaches, Solomon is content. He makes his yearly rounds, as he will do when he leaves Lubbock in a couple of weeks, to Arlington National Cemetery, where his son is buried. Then it's back to the Decatur cemetery where his parents are buried. "To pay my respects," he explained.

Life has dealt him some tough years, he agrees. Being Jewish, Solomon said for years he stewed with a hatred for the German government.

But, "that generation is gone. I couldn't continue to harbor such hatred; for hatred will only kill you."

His one wish in life?

"That I would have had some grandkids. We've got to depend on kids and give them gidance. They are our future ... they are the ones to keep this country the way we fought for it to be."

Danette Baker, a former Dimmitt resident and a former Castro County News staffer, is the Lifestyles editor of the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal.

Stopping subsidies may be costly for consumers

From the Amarillo Sunday News-Globe

Members of Congress often display a distressing habit of allowing political currents to sweep them along. They might buck those currents a little while, only to surrender to the prevailing tide, even when it runs counter to their constituents' interests.

The move to end farm subsidies is an example.

Congress has agreed on a farm bill that eventually will end price supports for many commodities grown on the High Plains--cotton, wheat and corn. Is there a price to pay for ending those subsidies? You bet there is.

Families all over the nation will see them at the grocery store.

Subsidies along with efficient technology have helped the US create the cheapest food policy in the world. Americans spend about 11% of their disposable income on food, compared with 26% in Italy and 53% in China, according to the Texas Dept. of Agriculture.

Why do we spend such a low percentage of our income on food? Because subsidies help protect farmers against the forces of nature--such as weather and infestation.

Why, then, is Congress scrapping this policy? US Rep. Mac Thornberry, R-Clarendon, a rancher, said that fewer and fewer members of Congress have any connection with the land. They don't understand the vagaries and risks associated with life on the farm or the ranch. They don't comprehend the forces that decimate crops and destroy families' livelihoods.

"It's harder for ag issues to get a hearing in Congress," said Thornberry recently at a breakfast meeting

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in Amarillo. "Farmers are fighting a losing battle."

Thornberry pointed out that while the federal government keeps increasing entitlement spending on social programs, spending on farm programs has declined about 9% a year since 1986.

So, it becomes popular in Congress to say: Eliminate the subsidies. Let the farmers go it alone. Let's try to save a few bucks.

Lawmakers have the guts to say it because farmers don't pack much of a wallop these days. This year, the Census Bureau said that since farm families constitute less than 2% of the total population, that it no longer would include them while compiling statistical data.

Communities--such as ours--that depend on agriculture and agribusiness understand the forces of political inertia. It's a bit ironic, too, that the impetus for cutting subsidies comes from Republicans whose party has depended for years on farmers' votes.

The political world has turned upside-down.

It is important, though, to understand that as the political tides sweep away farm subsidies over the next several years that we had better be prepared to pay for their absence.

The new farm bill phases out subsidies over time, about \$13 billion in the next seven years. It's a lot of money, but not when compared to the size of a federal budget laden with wasteful programs. The good news is that the bill lets farmers--and consumers--down gently by maintaining some price supports. It could have been worse, had Congress enacted the Freedom to Farm Act, sponsored by Agriculture Committee

The Original

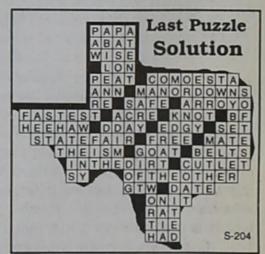
Chairman Pat Roberts, R-Kan. That bill would have pulled the rug out from under farmers, and it drew stiff opposition from Thornberry and Rep. Larry combest, R-Lubbock.

Remember this, too, as we await the impending end to farm subsidies: No major country in the world--certainly not in Europe--lets its farmers go it alone against the whims of nature. They subsidize farmers to ensure stability in their farm community. For the US to end this program now puts our farmers at a competitive disadvantage against farmers overseas. And it has been our farm subsidy program that enables agriculture to be the bright spot in this country's balance of trade.

Granted, the farm subsidy program hasn't always worked well. The government has pumped money into foreign-owned farms, taking money away from US food producers. But the program works for US farmers and saves consumers a lot of money.

If Americans insist on getting rid of these subsidies, that is our right. We should remember nevertheless that ending this program comes at a

We'll save money in our federal budget, but our household budgets are sure to take the hit.



TEXAS

Gambling industry luring children? Stone said his company wants to

By KEN CAMP

Casinos, not Santa Claus, may be putting some electronic games in children's stockings this Christmas.

And their intent is to create a new generation of gamblers, according to political consultant from Longview--a charge industry spokesmen deny.

More than a year ago, Richard Blankenship began noticing something odd in his local newspaper. Retailers advertised electronic versions of poker and blackjack next to Lego blocks and Power Ranger toys.

Suspecting a link between the commercial gambling industry and the electronic games, he made a list of the games' manufacturers and asked a local broker to research them. Blankenship found that Radica Games, Ltd., and Tiger Electronics, Inc., dominated the market.

He discovered that Radica had sold at least 9% of its stock to International Game Technology and had agreed to begin manufacturing gambling machines for IGT.

He also found that Tiger Electronics makes casino-style electronic games under the "Bicycle" name, a registered trademark of the US Playing Card Co. Tiger also manufactures games sold under the trademark "Caesar's Palace," a subsidiary of Caesar's World, Inc., a major Las Vegas casino operator.

"So, there you have it," Blankenship said. "The toy casino game manufacturers are linked with the world's largest maker of slot machines (IGT) and one of the preeminent casinos in Las Vegas (Caesar's Palace) and the US Playing Card Co."

Diversification is not the casinos' goal, he maintains. He believes the

own future by spawning a new generation of casino customers.

Blankenship had worked as deputy campaign director for the 1991 anti-lottery campaign waged by Texans Who Care. He also had worked for the organization, now known as Texans Against Gambling, in its 1987 campaign against parimutuel gambling.

"The gambling industry is driven by greed," said Blankensip. "Their goal is to take your money by any means possible.

"They also know that a generation of computer literate, video-oriented youth will be more receptive to playing electronic casino games, whether hand-held or computer-driven."

Most of the electronic versions of casino games carry disclaimers saying that they are not meant for gambling purposes. But the owner's guide of "Las Vegas Casino Corner," a product of Micro Games, makes no pretense about the product's "educational" value.

"Practice our games to sharpen your skills and, after you have learned with us, you won't ge surprised by the games in Vegas," the

Nancy Jablin, marketing and promotion manager for Micro Games, along with Harold Stone, marketing director for Radica, and Jamie Roth, public relations and promotion specialist for Tiger Electronics, said their companies market casino-style games to an adult audience.

"I don't think it is appropriate to market these games to children. We prefer to market them to the adult segment of the public," Roth said.

Roth said she was not aware that retailers were advertising the casinostyle games alongside children's

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be known as a maker of "adult gaming devices," and they would prefer to be sold in retailers' electronics departments rather than in toy sec-Roth denied that the electronic

games are training tools for gam-"They are for pure entertainment,

that's where their value lies. In no way are they promoting gambling. No money is exchanged. They are not intended as a stepping stone toward anything else," she said. However, she acknowledged that

the games include "sights and sounds of the gaming tables in Vegas," and that is part of their appeal. Critics maintain that the appeal is

especially strong for adolescents eager to move one step beyond the local video arcade.

The proliferation of electronic casino-style games particularly is disturbing because it contributes to the growing problem of teen gambling, Blankenship said.

Researchers say at least 1 million of the estimated 8 million compulsive gamblers in the US are teenagers. And many gambling counselors say that about 7% of their case loads involve adolescents.

The instant gratification of electronic casino-style games particularly appeals to problem and compulsive gamblers, experts say.

The games are just one step removed from video poker and video lottery terminals, the fastest growing source of casino revenue in Nevada and Atlantic City, N.J., said Weston Ware, associate director of the Texas Baptist Christian Life Commission.

The proliferation of casino-style electronic games in video arcades and their sale for home use serve a dual purpose for the gambling industry, Ware said.

"They use them for education in the skills of gambling and for leverage in their efforts to introduce video gambling machines into our state,"

Michael Boston, a therapist who treats problem gamblers at a Reno, Nev., medical center has called video lottery terminals "the crack cocaine of gambling." And a number of experts say that they particularly draw younger players who are used to playing video games.

"The intent of the commercial side of the gambling industry is to desensitize the children of America to the activity of gambling by selling the activity to them as entertainment and fun," Blankenship said. "Unfortunately, the kids and their

parents are buying it hook, line and

sinker. The commercial gambling

industry is cultivating its future crop

of customers and revenues."

Together We Can

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On the Go with Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

Merry Christmas!

The Town and Country Extension Club met at the Pancake House for lunch on Monday and enjoyed a meal of chicken-fried steak, baked potato, okra and biscuits and gravy. Some of the ladies ordered blueberry cobbler but others waited for their dessert.

They all went to the museum to exchange Christmas presents. Margaret Womack received a loaf of homemade bread made by Oneida Hutto so she served it to the club members. Claudene Langford brought a delicious cake that she served with coffee and hot spiced cider.

Other club members present were Edith Graef, Ann Henderson, Wannie Stevens, Betty Freeman, Rosetta Bellinghausen, Mary Edna Hendrix, Kate Beecher, a guest, and Marilyn Neal, extension agent.

The museum board members met on Thursday evening for their monthly meeting and Christmas party combined. Very little business was discussed since we spent so much time eating. Rosetta Bellinghausen served lasagne, tossed salad and homemade bread, Madge Robb brought a rhubarb pie and apricot bread, Clara Vick brought hot spiced tea, and Mary Edna Hendrix brought cherry delight pudding and whipped cream. Others enjoying the dinner were Dale Winders and Bill and Kathryn Birdwell.

Doug Meredith of Amarillo has been the Schwann's representative for several years in Dimmitt, but he is being transferred to another area. On Monday, he brought the new representative to introduce him to some of the customers. He is Ed Croust and he lives in Plainview.

The Plains Memorial Hospital auxiliary met on Wednesday morning with Mattie Seale presiding over the business meeting. Florene Leinen read the minutes and Barbara Sava gave the treasurer's report. Other members present were Irene Blanton, Lucille Drerup, Betty Freeman, Gertie Waggoner, Laquita West, Edna Reinart. Ethel Fry, Claudene Langford and Mary Edna Hendrix. A "This & That Sale" was offered to the public after the meeting.

Have you ever eaten green peanut patties? Howard Smithson always makes the traditional red peanut patties but this time he thought it would be fun to make green ones! If you eat them in the dark you'll never know the difference--they taste the same as the red ones.

Mable Brock went home with her son, Dr. Bob Brock, so she would like to get a card or letter from her friends. Her address will be: Mable Brock, %Bob Brock, Box 1340, Palestine, TX 75802.

A dozen members of the Republican Organization of Women and one guest enjoyed holiday visiting and pick-up foods at the home of Marguerite Cole at Easter last Monday evening. A report of the quilt drawing was given and the club will be able to send at least one and possibly two girls to Girls State this coming year. Cassa McCormick won the quilt, made by Cenci Hardee and Yvonna Hays and quilted by Dell Moore.

The children's Christmas program, "The Missing Magi," was presented at the First United Methodist Church on Sunday morning, led by Terri Loudder and helpers with 27 children participating.

This is a story in song of a wise man, Artaban, the Fourth wiseman, who spent his life trying to see Jesus.

It was done in contemporary style. The cast included: Jake Loudder as Tommy, Matthew Sanders, Kris Lindsey, and Tyler Myatt as friends, Caitlin Buckley as Marci, Holly Lane as Alice, Katy Loudder as Lisa, Chris Reynolds as Zach, Kami Sanders as Julie, and Ramey Rice, Matthew Sanders and Tyler Myatt as soldiers. The Junior High youth portrayed homeless people and pro-

vided backup singing. Afterward, Santa brought coloring books to the children, and the congregation joined together for lunch and a pounding to honor the pastor and family.

On Sunday evening, "A Christmas Festival" was presented by a 50voice choir directed by Bill Newland and Charles Axtell at the First Baptist Church. These were voices from

the community churches. Soloists were Beth Jones, Joyce Bolton, Chuck Braafladt, Sue

Atchley, Don Nelson, Wayne Proffitt, Robin Gonzales, and Tami Griffitt.

Paul Kenley gave the welcome to an overflow crowd on a snowy night and offered a prayer. Marie Winders and Deanne Clark played a medley, Go Tell It On the Mountain.

The instrumental ensemble were Walter Maynard on piano, Ronda Wise on organ, Renise Blair on clarinet and recorder, Joan Craig on flute and Dale West on snare drum.

The Bell Choir from First United Methodist Church was directed by Gainell Minnick and the children's choir was directed by Debra Ball.

Many Christmas carols were sung, with the audience singing along on several songs, such as The Hallelujah Chorus at the end of the pro-

Johnny Robertson gave the benediction and the postlude was We Wish You a Merry Christmas. Following the program, there was a social for the choirs, ensemble and bell choir members and their spouses in the Baptist Fellowship Hall.

During the Sunday morning worship service at First Baptist Church, Tami Griffitt sang Breath of Heaven as Cindy Odom portrayed the character of Mary, the mother of Jesus.

Paul and Barbara Kenley held Christmas Open House in their home assisted by the Deacons and their wives on Sunday afternoon. The decorations were beautiful in white and gold. Faye Mohon served pretty Christmas cookies, candy and fruit punch. A cheese ball and crackers were served in the den along with some delicious peanut brittle made by Paul Kenley.

The High School Choir under the direction of Dwight Joiner presented a Christmas Concert at First United Methodist Church Sunday afternoon. for Texas Tech at Lubbock Munici-Several solos and duets were per- pal Coliseum on Saturday. formed by the students.

Bay and Bobbie Baldridge attended a Christmas spectacular, That Night, a musical drama presented by Central Baptist Church of Pampa. This was the eighth year for the pageant. It has expanded each year, and it was televised in 1989-91

Between 2,500 and 4,000 people attended the four-night pageant in standing-room only conditions. This year the raising of Lazarus was added.

Participating in the pageant were Kevin Hucks, son-in-law of Bay and Bobbie. He portrayed John the Baptist and one of the disciples. Bay andBobbie's daughter, Sheril Hucks, sang in the choir. Granddaughter Heather was one of the bearers for a wiseman. Grandson Tyler was one of the children with Jesus. Also in the pageant was Kevin Howell, nephew of Jack and Jimmy Howell. He played Joseph this year and sang The Lord is With You and Little Yeshua.

Maurine Henderson, who recently moved to Arlington, was in Dimmitt on business with her son and daughter-in-law, J.C. and Loreta Henderson. A quick round of phone calls and an announcement at prayer meeting brought in some old friends at the home of Dorothy and V.C. Hopson for a visit with the Hendersons.

Those dropping by were Mauzee Youts, Oleada Hance, Phoebe Claborn, Ruby Ramsey, Oma Dee Heard, Frances Smith, Denise and Shelby Schilling, Donna and Adam Reinart, Agnes and Don Schilling, Ray and Chance Schilling, Bobbie Baldridge and Elizabeth Huckabay.

I know there were several we couldn't contact, but Maurine will be back in town Dec. 29; perhaps they can see her then. Her address until after the first of the year is: P.O. Box 286, Stratford, TX 79084. Send her a Christmas greeting.

T.D. Davila, his daughter Mary, his mother, Victoria Davila, and his son's fiancé, Amy Thompson, attended the commencement exercises

They went to see graduate Terry Hudgins of Lubbock, who is married to T.D.'s daughter, Vickie. Terry graduated cum laude with a bachelor of arts degree, with a major in political science. Also present for the ceremony were Terry's parents, Roger and Zelma Hudgins of Weatherford I 1940 lls 2911mg

Nazareth with Virgie Gerber, 945-2669

The annual Christmas band concert was performed Sunday afternoon at the Nazareth Cafeteria

with a large crowd attending. The fifth and sixth grade bands played several Christmas songs, followed by the Swift Band, which presented a concert. It was a very entertaining program.

The Nazareth CCD class and teachers attended "The Touch of Faith" Christmas pageant presented by Paramount Terrace Christian Church in Amarillo on Sunday afternoon. A group from Nazareth also attended Saturday afternoon and Sunday evening.

This is a great Christmas pageant depicting the birth of Jesus and continuing with His life through the Resurrection.

The Sunday evening performance was extra special to my family as Alan Pohlmeier portrayed Joseph throughout the story and performed a solo with the infant Jesus.

Thanks to the 4-H Club members who distributed sacks of Christmas goodies over the weekend.

The family of Marie Venhaus are thankful that the biopsy report they were given on Marie was a lab

A group of ladies from the Legion Auxiliary in Nazareth spent a day last week in Amarillo at the Veterans Hospital, helping patients with their Christmas gift wrapping.

Prayers are asked for Patty Gallegher, niece of Matilda Anderle, who has been diagnosed with Hodgekin's Disease. Prayers also are asked for Vincent Guggemos, Leonard Schulte, Max Acker, Elma Schacher and Eric Rose.

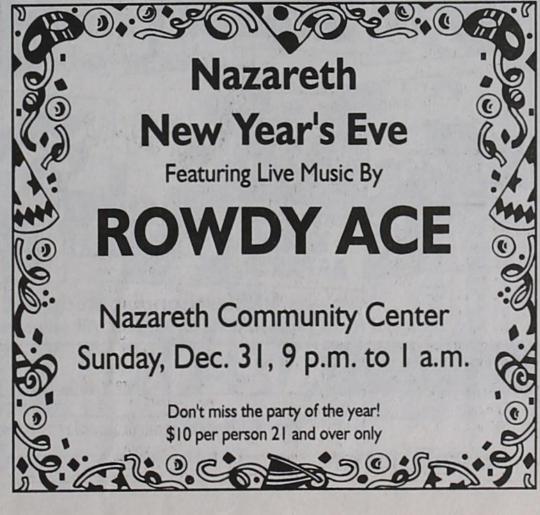
A group of Nazareth students enjoyed watching the West Texas A&M University men's basketball team including Nick Johnson, against the Abilene Christian University.

Members of the Rose Birkenfeld family gathered at her home Sunday for an early Christmas celebration.

WIC relocates

The Women, Infants and Children's (WIC) program in Castro County has relocated its offices to 113 West Bedford next to the Chamber of Commerce.

Immunizations are being offered daily to WIC participants.





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OUT OF TOWN

Adrian and Monica Aguilar are the parents of a baby boy, Johnathon Isiaah Aguilar, who was born at 4:22 p.m. on Dec. 7 at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo. He weighed 7 lbs., 1-1/2 ozs., and was 21 inches long. He has a big sister, Elizabeth, who is 5. Paternal grandparents are Alonzo and Connie Aguilar of Dimmitt. Maternal grandparents are Pete and Virginia Gonzalez of Roosevelt. Greatgrandparents are Jesus Triana, Julia Aguilar and Mike and Manuela Nino, all of Dimmitt; and Victoria Gonzalez of Lubbock.

PLAINS MEMORIAL

It's a boy for David and Yolanda Ortega of Dimmitt. Their son entered the world at 9:24 a.m. on Dec. 6 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. He weighed 9 lbs., 4.6 ozs., and was 20 inches long. He has been named Christian Joel Ortega. He has a big sister, Jessica, who is 7. Paternal grandmother is Victorina Ortega of Rio Grande. Maternal grandparents are Jessie and Gloria Reyes of Dimmitt.

Bridal shower honors Evan

A bridal shower honoring Jeanie Evan, bride-elect of John Wall, was held last Tuesday in the home of Mrs. J.R. Brown.

The house was decorated for Christmas and the serving table held an arrangement of white silk poinsettias and wine magnolia

blossoms with gold appointments. Carla Nutt and Pat Keith served cranberry salad, fruit bread, almond cheese squares and wassail in Christmas china.

Georgie Wall.

Out-of-town guests were Winda Gallaway and Lavada Neff, both of Floydada.

The 35 hostesses presented the honoree with a set of stainless steel flatware, cookware and additional dishes.

Breast cancer screening set for Tuesday

A breast cancer screening clinic will be conducted at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt on Tuesday, and appointments are being accepted.

Those wishing to schedule an appointment should call the Women's Center at Harrington Cancer Center, 1-800-377-4673 or 806-359-4673.

The clinic will be conducted by the Women's Center and High Plains Baptist Health Systems.

Each participant at the screening will receive a breast exam and oneon-one instruction in breast selfexamination by a registered nurse specially trained in breast cancer detection and a mammogram by a mammography technician. The program is certified by the Food and Drug Administration, American College of Radiology and the state health departments of Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico.

Cost for the screening is \$70 and financial aid is available for breast screening and mammograms to those who qualify.



David Wayne Bratton and Pamela Christian Primavera

Couple plan June wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Peter H. Primavera of Austin announce the engagement and regular morning services, but there approaching marriage of their daughter, Pamela Christian, to David Wayne Bratton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney E. Bratton of Milsap.

The couple plan to exchange wedding vows June 8 at 2 p.m. at St. Ann p.m. for those wishing to partake in Catholic Church in Coppell.

The bride-elect is a 1989 graduate of Westlake High School. She graduated nion service. cum laude from University of North Texas in 1993 with a bachelor of science degree in early childhood education. She is employed as a second-grade teacher at Bransford Elementary in Grapevine/Colleyville Independent School lesson in the study book on I Peter.

The prospective groom graduated from Milsap High School in 1989. He Spence Moore will be the guest graduated from Texas A&M University in 1993 with a bachelor of science degree in agriculture economics. He works as a highway patrolman with the Texas Dept. of Public Safety.

After the wedding, the couple plans to live in Dimmitt.

Here are the school lunch menus for Special guests were Pat Evan and Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth for the week of Dec. 21-22.

DIMMITT

THURSDAY: Choices of *hamburger on a roll, corn dogs or beans and rice with sausage; *Ranch Style Beans, hamburger salad or potato salad; tossed salad with dressing, applesauce or fresh fruit; hot rolls, flour tortillas or crackers; apple, orange or banana; and *milk, punch or tea.

FRIDAY: Choices of *fish nuggets, sausage and pepperoni pizza or fajitas with sauted

salad; tossed salad with dressing, haystack finger salad or cantaloupe; *cornbread, hot wheat rolls or crackers; apple, orange or grapes; *milk, punch or tea.

French fries with chili and cheese, crackers, fruit and milk.

FRIDAY: No school!

NAZARETH THURSDAY-FRIDAY: No school!

onions; *green beans, baked potatoes or pasta

THURSDAY: Frito pie (elementary) or

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Church Happenings

First Christian Church

Christmas Eve Sunday will have will be no evening service. However, the building will be open from 6 to 8 a come and go candlelight commu-

Dec. 27 the Wednesday Bible study at 7 p.m. will cover the third

On New Year's Eve Sunday, speaker bringing the morning message. For the Sunday evening service, there will be a singspiration, followed by a time of games and fellowship to see in the New Year. All are invited to bring sandwiches and snack foods and share in the fun.

Members are reminded to save labels from Campbell's soup and Swanson's products and place them in the box at the church for Alpha Christian Children's Home to get credit toward the purchase of a van.

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It doesn't matter what's been told, In spite of what you've heard in town, The day you turn 40 years old— You'll still be able to run'em down.

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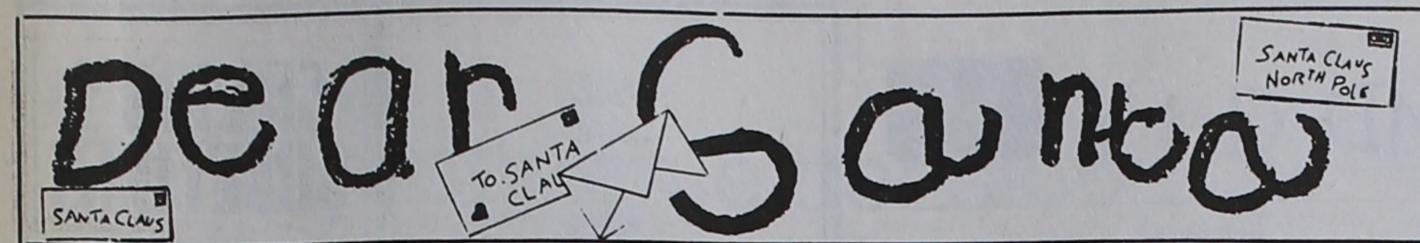


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Dear Santa Claus.

I want a computer and a teddy bear for Christmas. I help my mama clean the

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cookies and milk for you. Love Yvette Arce

Dear Santa.

I want a purple bike with a bell. I also want a Barbie that skates. I want some red shoes and a play kitchen. I keep my room clean and I help my mama.

Jessica Cactillo

Dear Santa,

Could you please bring me some white power rangers and a super nintindo game of any kind. I also want a new bike with a CD plaer. I wish you could bring me a big go cart with a top on it.

> Your friend, Seth McLain

Dear Santa, I want a bike to ride, a power Ranger game, and Some Power Rangers. Please bring me some toys too. Santa, I like Christmas and I like you. Bring my mom a diamond ring.

Aaron Arcos

Dear Santa.

I want a GI Joe and a skate board for Christmas. I also would like a gargles toy and a big Christmas tree with toy and lights and a star on top. I help my mom cook and I help my dad build houses. See you at Christmas Santa Claus.

Elias Calbera

Dear Santa. This is Danny Lopez asking for some toys for me and my sister's and Baby brother. And asking you to Tell My Daddy I love him A lot. I have been a good kid

this yer. I think mommy said I was. Love you always Danny Lopez

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Dear Santa.

I am written this letter to you Santa because I wish to get a doll from you Santa and a bag so I can to put my things on their an don't lostem. And I wish to get A barble car so I can put my little doll in the car and take them for a cruise so we can have fun together. And I wish I can see you Santa Claus.

> Your Friend Ana Olmos.

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy so far this year. I wish that I can have for chirstmas this year is a remote cantrol car, power rangers, clothing, pocuhones shoes and lion king Part 3# that is all that I won't for Chirstmas Santa and have a Happy Merry X-mas, a Happy New Year. Po wer rang-

> Love Your Freind Julian Chavez

Dear Santa.

I want a bike for Christmas I will have milk and cookies for you.

Veronica Martinez

Dear Santa,

I want a boom box with a lot of Bat on Rage. I want a lot of games of a Game Gear. I want a remote control car of tire storm. I want a Dallas Cowboy blanket. Have I been good?

> Your Friend, Luis Porras

Dear Santa.

For Christmas I would like a Sheryl Swoopes basketball jersey, and a new basketball. I also would like some new tapes of Sheryl Crow and David Lee Murphy and a sound track to Apollo 13. I also would like a new No Fear shirt that saids You let up you lose, and a Christmas watch, and if you have time a book thats called Tackle Without a Team. Well, Thanks!

Sincerley, Shelley Paxton Dear Santa,

I want you to bring me a car so I can play with it. My sister wants to you to bring a doll her. Merry Christmas For You All Thank You

Jose Silva

Dear Santa Cloz,

te escribo esta cartita porque quiero que traigas una muneca que able I una casita con juguete I un barbi I una bari I su beibi I toda la familia I un carito te quiero Santa Cloz

Yoryina Carpio

Dear Santa,

I am a good girl. Please bring me a bike, a baby and some clothes. I love Santa Claus.

Your friend, Lesley Hinojosa

Dear Santa,

If you are busy I just want a doll for my sister. And toy cars for my little prother. And two remote control cars for my big brother and for me. And some money for my mom. And some clothes for all my family. And a Nintendo. And two real cars for my mom and Dad. And some shoes for me and a new sink for my Aunt Esther. And some toys for me and my family. And a Christmas teddy bear for my teacher, Mrs. Merrit.

> Your friend, Roy Sanches

Dear Santa,

I want karioki machine, walkie talkie, my own phone, new tabs for my bike, a four wheeler, sega Genesis, rubber bands, Gum, Dry Dry erase board, my own bed, books, a cat, math papers, my own computer.

Sincerely, Niccole Heard

Dear Santa,

I want a computer so I can learn a lot of stuff. And a new bike. I am a nice girl. And I wish you could bring me a computer. You don't have to bring me both. I'v wanted a computer since when I first saw it. Please bring me a computer, Santa.

> Your friend, Liliana Aguilar

Dear Santa,

How are your reindeer? I want a computer and a remote control car and a jet. I want a teddy bear and a Christmas tree. Please bring Felipe a bike. Have a merry Christmas Santa.

Love Fernando Ramirez

Dear Santa.

Hi Santa! How are you doing? I am fine. I would like a little puppy for Christmas and a two story house. I would also like an "A" on my report card this six weeks.

Yours truly, Marsela Morales

Dear Santa,

I want a football and a guitary. I want a radio and a go-cart. I will leave cookies and milk by my window for you.

Your friend, Oscar Rodriguez

Dear Santa, I hope you are having a good time. Well I am. I just want three things. They are a game gar with four games. Then I want a car that is called wellbom. Oh one more thing then nike shoes.

Dear Santa,

I want a bike and a game Boy and a verey Big prezet and a steryo wand and a modr sicol and a ras car wite a remot control and a cool cars to.

Your friend, Manuel Chia

Dear Santa.

Please send me a pink Ranger jeep, the Mighty Morphan Power Rangers The movie, a pink Ranger helmet and a pink Ranger punching bag.

Yours truely, Sofia Flores

Dear Santa,

I wish for a ring neckes, and kittens. will leave some cookies and milk by my window.

> Your frind, Alex

Dear Santa,

I want a jump king trempalin & a bigg, bigg, bigg, bigg teddy bear. And Baby Kelly Barbie doll. And Gak, Smud, Flome and a present for my dog Pepper. And Swimming lesons and some skates for my mom and dad--roller blades, that is, and some for my dog, too, but he will fall down until he learns.

> Love, Mindy Maxwell

Dear Santa,

I would like a tenepled for Chismus, and a doll that walkes and a dog and a raido, gigle bells shot gun shell, robbin laid an egg batmobil broke a wheel Joker got away, yeee haaa ride a cowboy and win the loto. Oh. I forgot a tv in my room. Chelsia Young

Dear Santa,

I wood lick a sega on a tv with vesear and a remot but plees bring a lot of mony! I really want to get som cd's for my player. I also want some new cloth and mist of all a phone prity cool hu hay how is it up in the north pole?

Ethan Martin

Dear Santa,

I know your busy right now but please will you being me a nice present. Well let me ask you what I want for Christmas all I want for Christmas is a Nike shoes and a black pant a marroon shirt, 12-speed bike a big sleigh and for it to snow all the whole year. I want to see you land on the top of my souse with comet cupet rudolph, prancer, dancer, doner blintsin, vickson. Merry christmas to you Santa and the

Diana Martinez

Dear Santa,

I would realy like it if I got a walkman a ten speed bike a super NES game a goosebump book a toy car where do live? So whats up santa? How do you travel around the world in one night? I would like the game MKIII my mom would like a clown david would like some work shoes how did you become santa did rodoph

Jake Wright

Dear Santa,

This is what I want for Christmas. A big black keyboard Thats all that matters. And a Barble that teaches school. And a braclet. Merry Christmas.

Maggle Lopez

Dear Santa,

All I want for Xmas is a ten spead bicke and we will have some cookes and dp for you and maybe some carots for you raindeer.

Shae Odom

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you Santa? I am 4 years old. I would like you to bring me any kind of present. I like clothes, Barbie dolls, and books. Have a Merry Christmas. I love

Alisha Womack

Dear Santa,

I would like a sega cd with a year suply of games. Santa I would like a sparkle blue low rider with daytons. I would like CD player with CD's. My brother would like a styem for the buggy. My sister would like a T.V. and a Stario. My mom would like to have a big screen T.V. in her room. My dad would like 5,000 dollars and a semiey full of tools. What up Claus. Has eneny of your deer had concosens. Has Comet ate Comet or tide.

Joel Puente

Dear Santa,

I no you are busy right know but I want a Talk boy, a stuffed kittly cat, my own trapaline, my own room but most of all I want my niece home. Whe was born November 8, 1994 her daddy took her away from us he never did like us never by the way did I say her name was Alyssa Nicole Nunez.

Denise Perez

Dear Santa,

for christmos I wait a trapoling. But how are you doing I'm doing fin. If I was santa what would you whot for christmos. I told you what I what. I don't what my sister.

Ashley Saenz

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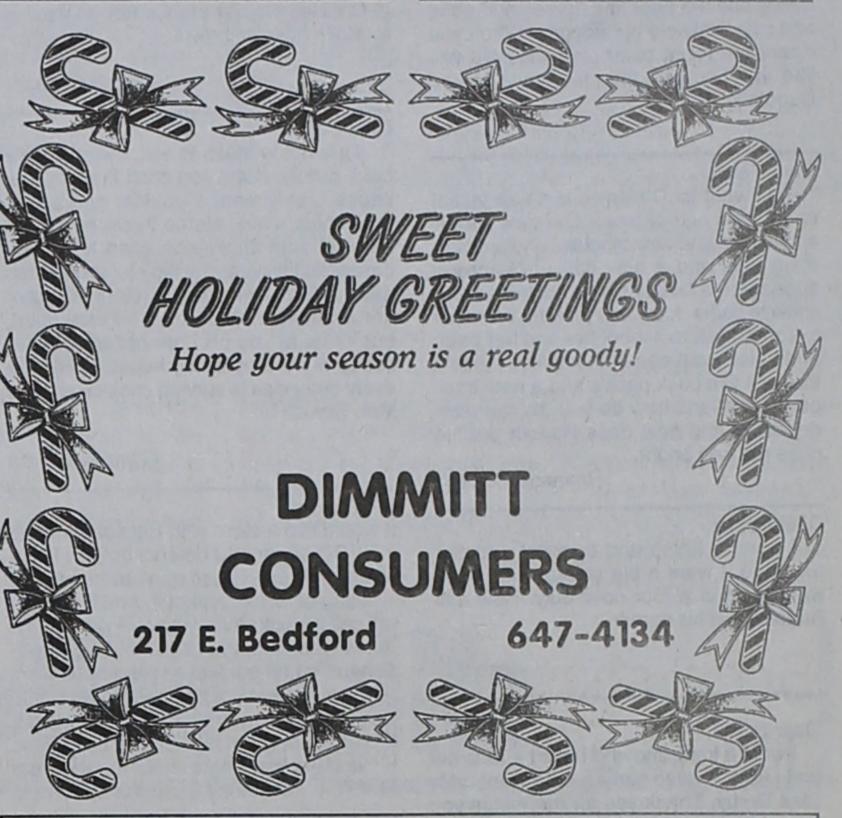
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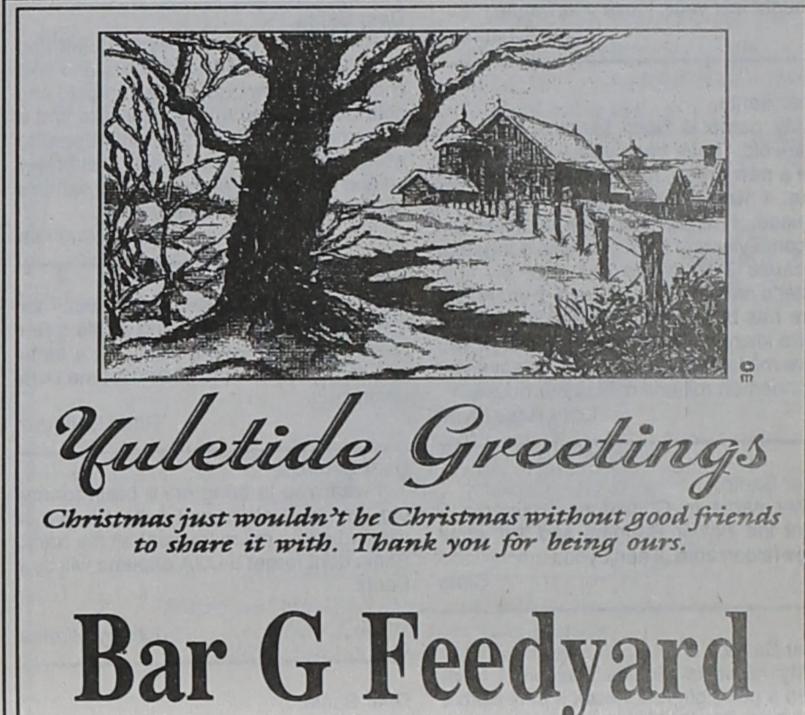
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Dear Santa,

My name is Kass Tijerina. I want a Barbie doll, a kitchen set, furniture, Cormy doll house, roller blades, and doll with a

Kass Tijerina







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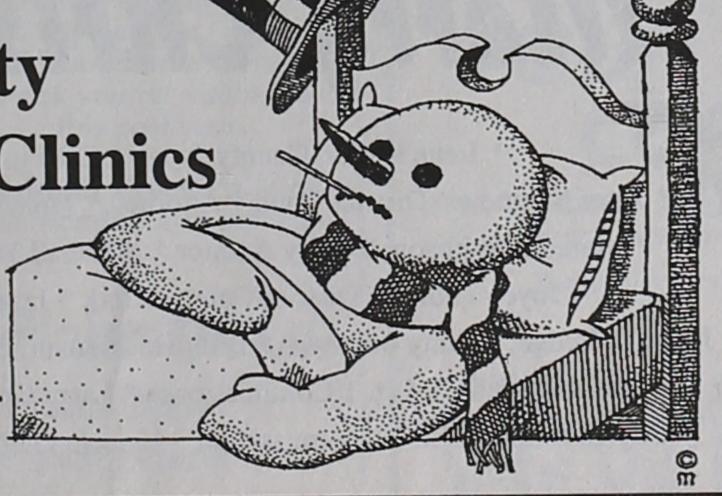
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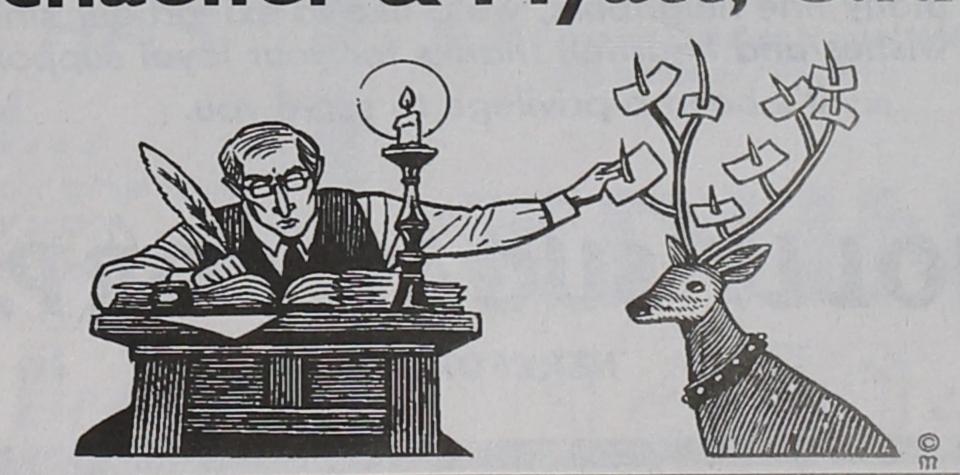
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For Christmas I wold like a headphone set 3 monopoly juner 3 a barbie that talks. Lucy DeLaPaz

Dear Santa.

All I would like for you to bring me this year is a game for my SEGA Genesis called Comix zone and please help the needy and the poor find homes and good and jobs. How old is Rudolph? When you heard the Night befor christmas did you like it? Do you like the song called Rudolph?

Todd Jansa

Dear Santa,

All I want for Chrismas is a new jacket and a new pair of jeans and new twevle speed bike and new tripoleini and a swimming pool and a new pair of Grant Hill shoes and a Dallas Cowboys jerges and snow to come down and for Mrs. Wardlaw to come back to school her and her baby and I also want one of those little purse's that look like back pack's and a new trapper keeper and how do you get the reindeer's fly and how does Rudolh get his nose red and bright.

Roxanne Oltivero

Dear Santa.

I wand a horse and a jacket and my own dog. I want a big stereo but what I want Most is a four door duly. How did Rudolph get his name

Josh Hill

Dear Santa, I want a trampline and I want a race car and I want a video games and I want a My Size Barby. Thank you for the things you brought last year. I love you Santa.

Love Chauncey

My name is Ross Myatt and I am 7 years old. I have been good. Please bring me a new green, red and white mountain bike. I want to ride to all my friends' houses. I would also like a millenium falcon. Tyler and I can play with it together because Tyler wants one, too. My little sister's name is Shea. She is 2 years old. She has been pretty good. Please bring her a kitchen. Thank you for the toys you gave me last Christmas. We will leave you a cinnamon roll and milk at our house.

My name is Christopher Balderas. I want the Power Rangers and the white

ninja falcon zord. Thank you.

Love Ross Myatt

Dear Santa. My name is Monica Rascon. I have been a good girl and I want a pink Barbie car and a Pocahontas doll. Thank you.

I want a Power Ranger robot and Red Ranger robot. Be careful on your trip. Maybe I can go with you sometime. I will make rice crispy treats with M&Ms and hot chocolate for you. ★ I love you Santa. ♥ Love Derrick Trey Maynard

P.S. Please bring some toys for Brian and

How are you. I want a Barbie car, my size princess and a doodle bear. I love you Santa Claus.

Love Keili Laurent P.S. Amy wants a CD player and Cameron

wants clothes and CD's.

On Christmas I want a Barbie, water baby and a sofa. Say Hello to Mrs. Santa. God bless everyone. ♥

Casey

I want a CD player, remote controle truck. And a sega and some games or a tv. A remote controle car for my little brother. He like toys. My older brother wants MK III. He likes them. My older brother would like some CD's. My mom would like a big screen TV. My dad would like 10000,00 dollars. How are the reindeer? Has Comet ate Comet or tide? Is roudolfs nose still red?

Samuel Cavazos

Dear Santa,

If it is not to much to ask. I would like a baby puppy. But if you can't thats ol. Because I realy want a goldcar and a new dress plus a new stereo because my big sister amand thinks she onse it but she dosent so this year my big sister does not need a Christma present. So if you give her a Christma that whant be very good, but its up to you oh I am not triing to be bosey ok ps. Stop by my house first cause every body else is surving cookies and tell Mrs. Clause hi.

Cynthia Barrera

Dear Santa.

I would like a stero with Big specars and CD plarer and berchel boy it's like a game boy but it goes on your head. The

thing of all it is a pitbull. And if I get it I will call it spick. A new bike. A game boy. A two year suppliys of game. I want a B-B hand gun. I got two all read but it wont hert if you get it. That is it. So wuz up!!!

or whats down And one thing I would a year supplys of nike shorts and shose and t-shirts. Thats all for me this year Anthony Cisneros Zambrano

Dear Santa,

I would like dallas cowboy Jaket and some Levies Jeans Nike Sockes and nike shoes and a Low rider white and gold and gold datonys and a Low rider bike and a fore wheller for christmas and a sega So what's up or shall I say Down I better say up and down And nike shorts and sandals nike a nike shirt and Irish boxers.

Kenneth Worsham

All I want for christmas Get ready for this. I want nert producs and a little sister cause my Brother is a pain and a sega with mortal combat part 2 and let me boro Chris Enriquez

Dear Santa,

I want you to bring me a brain for my big brother. I also want a be be gun a wimpy belt so my mom wont hit me hard. Santa dont forget a USA ariplane will bye

Johnny Mireles

I've been a good boy. I do all my homework and I don't pull no colors. I want a truck for Christmas. I learned by ABC's and 123's. I want some new clothes and a white power ranger. I promise I won't get any spankings, anymore. Say hi to the elves and Mrs. Claus and the reindeers. Have a Merry Christmas.

Love Marcus Herrera

I want a tea set, a cowgirl suit, and a clown. I love you and I hope you come see

Love Kaylee Morris

I want in-line skates, Barbie jeep and My Size Princess Barbie Doll. I love you

Leah Setliff

Santa, can I have a heather doll and a Barble Jeep? Thanks for the toys last year.

I wish you a meery Christmas Santa. I have been a good boy this christmas. I want a trampling and puppy and sega and a bike and the move of the toy store and a swiming pool and a toy farm and the toy store puppts and the move of teme the tooth and the move of the power rangers and the move of the Lion King part two and the movie of pocuhones. A baby cat Jose Chavez

Dear Santa,

My name is Mary. I want a bike, I want a Fsr. I want a Walkman. I want a cool tools. I want a watch. I want a kitten. I want a doll. I want a trampoline. I want a swimming pool. I want a swing set. I want a stuffeb. I want a camear. I love you. Mary Ellen Sanchez

games for Sega, trumpoline, celr, new back pack, teddy bear, new bike, batman. I love you.

Dear Santa. hi Santa Claus,

will you bring me a Barbie Car, Barbie van, Princess Barbie, Bedtime Barbie, little mermaid dall, Barbie clothes, camping

Love Samantha Howell

Dear Santa,

I want a CD and some barbies cloths and a new Barbie and a little bag of toys and a yoyo and a picture of you and a plants.

Love Brittany

Dear Santa. I want a carvet. And a toy. And a doll. And a ten toys.

Love Natashia Jordan

Can I please have a desk a conpyooter with christmas conpyooter games and a C.D. player with C.D. Christmas C.D.s thank you Santa. I ♥ you.

Your friend, Chelsea P.S. Can I please have a new baby

Dear Santa, I want a Toy Beak. I want a mermaid. I

want a color book and some colors. I want

three Candy Canes. I want a Barbe car. I want a trampoline. Thank you. I want three Candis Rodriguez First Grade

All I want for Christmas is a doll clothes, play kitchen with dishes, food so I can play house with my sister. I'll leave

Kimberly Martinez

some milk and cookies

Dear Santa, What I would like for Christmas. I want a big Tonka Truck and a semi truck that you push buttons and make noise. And the

Power Ranger movie. And that's all.

What I want for Christmas Santa is a big truck and a remote control airplane. I also

that talks too! Thank you.

want a boy teddy bear that's very big and Jon Lule

Dear Santa,

My name is Sammy. I live at 403 SW 5th for Christmas I want 4 bicycle, a T.V. for mom's room, a sega, a tent, 6 games for the sega, a little puppy, a watch for my sister Mary, and a pool table and a VCR. Love Sammy

I would love to have a toy truck. What are you. How many reindeer. Have a Merry Cristmas.

Angel Melendez

Dear Santa.

How are you & miss Claus. I have been a good girl so you can put a g for good on your list. And I would lik for my best friend not too move the Anshels of W.D.N and a kitty kitty kiten and a cd player and cd's thank you

Amy McGowne

Dear Santa,

I want for christmas is a telophone and a prettey ring. How are you and misses clause doing today are you going to come throuh my chiminy this christmas eve? I made a santa clause t-shirt I hope it looks like you. Write me a letter about how your elves and if you have kids? Please give me a moutian bike and mericale. P.S. I want to have a new real horse.

Whitney Nutt

How are you doing is Mrs. Claus all right. How is Donner and Blitzen comet and cupid, Dancer and Prancer Dasher and Vixen doing. Oh and rudolph to. I want a batman forever game and the batman forever movie. I also want a batmobile and the batplane the last thing that I want is the bat ski. Could you bring my dad a new game for his super nintendo. And my mom a new pair of shoes. And bring my brothers and sisters what ever they ask for.

Jimmy Armstrong

Dear Santa,

What I want for Chrismas is. A new bike. So I can go to my freinds house. And I won't a cool and bad Super Nintendo so I can be playing my rest of my mouth. And a motisikel so I can be jumping the hills. So Santa how are the reindeer. I'll be they are so will hu.

Alex Castillo

Dear Santa, How are you today and your reindeer to? I have being a nice boy. I want to have a new gocate. And I want a new sega To so if my gocat does not have gas. I can have a lots of fun to. And a new dog

house to. And take enter cafe if not stop at

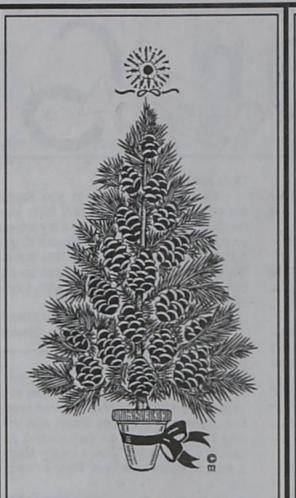
Ramon Aguero Jr.

Dear Santa,

my house

I relly wan't a cd play and a trampaling for christmas eve. How are you and miss. Clause doing out there in the cold and how are the eleves doing the toys back overthere in the storge room. Have they been making lots of pretty toys fore the little kids. I'd relly like a cd player and a

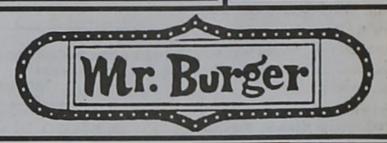
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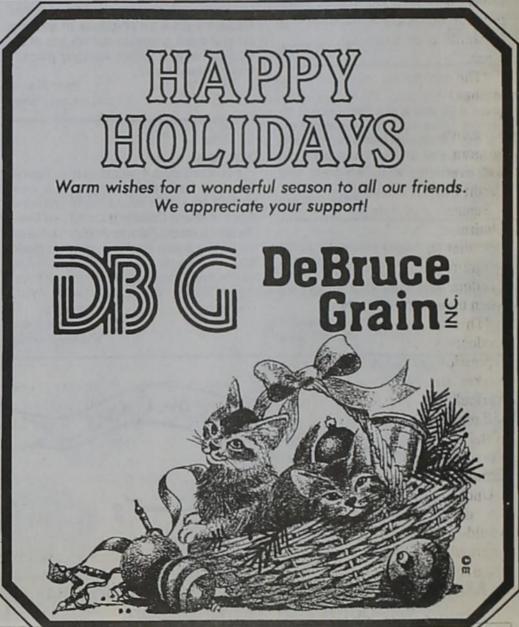


May the warmth of the season be shared by you and yours.

> We appreciate your valued patronage.

Merry Christmas, everyone!







Merry Christmas!

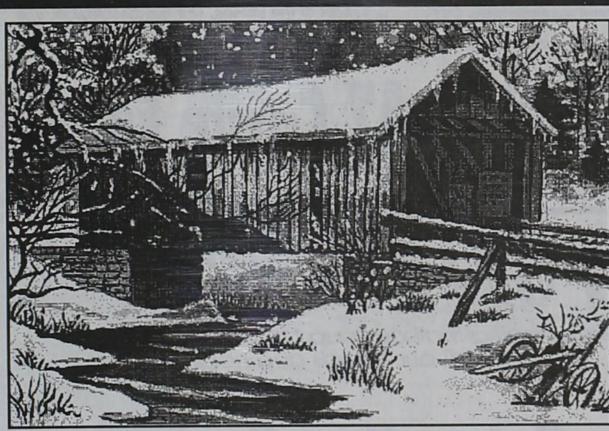
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To our many fine neighbors, we'd like to extend our sincere best wishes and heartfelt thanks for your loyal support. It's been a privilege to serve you.

HOLLY SUGAR CORP.

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Farm program extension

(Continued from Page 1) agriculture.

"If congress can't reach an agreement on a new farm bill, it falls back to the 1949 bill. That would give us higher loans, price supports and they don't want that to happen," King said. "If they do away with that, we'll also have very little regulations or safety measures."

Daschle said the farm proposals in the Republican budget plan "would have dramatic and disastrous effects on farm policy well into the next century. This is the first time since I was born that Congress has failed to write a farm bill on time. The last time this happened was 1947."

The proposal is "the Freedom to Farm Bill with some changes," according to David Senter of Senter and Associates in Washington, a consultant to the Texas Corn Growers Association.

"Loan rates will be frozen instead of lowered, except the secretary will lower the rates if prices fail to prevent default," Senter said in a facsimile transmission to King last week.

"The dangerous part is the repeal of the 1938 and 1949 agricultural acts, and the decoupling of payments. In fact, there will be no programs after the year 2002. This will even eliminate the Commodity Credit Corp.," said Senter.

Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Dick Lugar (R-Indiana) said that the new direction in farm programs will "give farmers the freedom to plant what they want, when they want.

"This historic change ends the production control programs of the depression era and provides a smooth market transition for American Agriculture," Lugar said. "This bill will replace all agriculture programs of the past and provide a seven-year transition to full market-oriented farming."

Under the conference agreement, the major commodity programs would be replaced by an "Agricultural Market Transition Program." This proposal would

I want short set, a pair of jeans, a

How are you & Mrs. Claus doing? I

hope you are doing ok. I've been a good

girl this year. I've even helped my mom.

Please bring me a pink & purple & teal

bike, a 49ers jacker, a cabbage patch

baby with blond hair and purple eyes,

some games for my families computer, a portibal Cd player & Cd's and please give

the orphans a toy. I hope you have a safe

flight. Have a merry Christmas and a

How are you & Mrs. Claus doing? I hope your doing great! Are the elves mak-

ing good toys? Cloud you please bring me

a barble car that strecthes, camra, Shool

barbie, telephone, computer, Dallas Cow-

boy jacket. Cloud you bring my little sister

a Kelly that waves her hand, cabage patch. My mom and dad bring my mom a

gold shiny watch, Cd player with Cd's. My dad a 8 speed bike. My brother a power

ranger movie game, Morticycle bike.

Sheena Ehly

Angelica Lara

newborn baby doll, Barbie doll car.

Dear Santa,

happy New Year!

Merry Christmas

guarantee annual payments to years, down from the \$900 million in producers under "production flexibility contracts."

In order to participate, producers would have to adhere to existing conservation compliance and wetlands protection regulations, but would otherwise be free to plant and farm according to signals from the marketplace, rather than edicts from the federal government. Acreage reduction programs would be eliminated, planting flexibility would a requirement for program be greatly enhanced, and farm spending would be capped so payments decline each year as the transition progresses.

Some of the proposed provisions continued. follow:

♦The payment limit will be reduced to \$40,000 and the three entity provisions will be retained.

contract payments will be retained and the overall pool available to make payments will be reduced by \$2.2 billion, a result of retaining the existing commodity loan program. Each commodity's share of the contract pool will be based on the share of the congressional budget office's projected expenditures through 2002, rather than the 1990-95 average share. One year's participation between 1990 and 1995 will be required for eligibility.

♦The current structure of commodity loan programs will be 1938 and 1949 Acts of affected retained for the most part. Loan rates will be capped at the 1995 level for wheat and feed grains. Loan rates for years and the repeal of the cotton will be capped at the 1995 level, with a minimum level of 50¢ per pound. Loan rates for rice will be frozen at \$6.50 per hundredweight.

flexibility and decoupling will be dismantling the US Dept. of retained. In 1996-97, 15% of acreage Agriculture and programs. The Farm will be designated to "non-contract Service Agency also will lose its acreage" and may be planted to any ability to sell crop insurance in some crop, including fruits and vegetables, states," Senter said. and may be haved and grazed. In 1998, the non-contract acreage will see in the farm bill, according to increase to 30%.

I would like mouse trap the game

would also like a huge electric train. I

would like a new skateboard to. I would

also like some old fashioned cars and

some old fashioned motorcycles. I would

I wasvbery nice this year. I want you to

bring me a new bike and some presents

for my family. My little neses could have

some little barbies. But we don't have a

chimeny. If you could write a letter to me

would you. I want to tell you how is it look

at the north pole. I wish I could fly with you

Where were you born at Santa. Why do some peopl say your not real I think your

real. I hav'nt seen you but I belleave in you. Well this is what my family. I want a

nerf crossbow. My brother wants a shot-

gun. And I also want a fourten and thats

I was good. I wot a football and a mol

and Reggie Laurent

mostly what my family wants

Stephen Goode

Nicolas Cuevas

Robert J.

Isreal Ellis

also like a gear for my bike.

Santa Letters

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

christmas day.

Dear Santa,

current law.

◆Cotton storage payments will be continued.

◆EEP levels of expenditures will be kept at the House position, a \$1,172 million reduction over seven years, with an additional \$50 million reduction in 1996 and 1997.

♦The Farmer-Owned Reserve will be eliminated.

♦Crop insurance purchase will be participation as in the House position, but dual delivery, permitting USDA sale of catastrophic coverage, will be

CRP spending will be capped at baseline spending levels and acreage in CRP will be reduced 1.6 million acres. Producers who wish to extend ♦The Freedom to Farm transition their contracts before the expiration will be allowed to do so. Rental rates for extended contracts must not be less than 75% of the original contract

> ◆The Wetland Reserve Program may only offer 15-year easements, rather than permanent easements.

♦A new program, Livestock Environmental Assistance Program, will be created and will spend an estimated \$600 million.

◆Farm programs for affected commodities will be effectively ended after 2002. Provisions of the commodities will be repealed.

"With one-time sign-up for seven permanent legislation, it raises the possibility of another round of down-sizing of county and area offices and even closures. This ♦ House Freedom to Farm planting legislation is a blueprint for

What the Democrats would like to Daschle, are maintenance of ♦ Cotton Step 2 payments will be permanent law to preserve the safety limited to \$700 million over seven for rural America; cuts no greater than those proposed by President Clinton; increasing marketing loan rates significantly; increasing planting flexibility; adequately funding conservation; including the Conservation Reserve Program and the proposed Environmental Quality Incentive Program; and creating a fund for rural America which would "preserve rural communities" by assisting with research, development and value-added processing.

> "We're just trying to get the loan increased-then they can have the rest of those subsidies," King said.

First United Bank of Dimmitt Monday. Tables throughout the bank lobby were laden with festive foods from different countries and cultures, and

'CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD' was the

theme of the annual Christmas open house at the

hundreds gathered to enjoy the food and decorations, and to visit. Barbara Bain chaired the event, assisted by directors' and officers' wives and bank staffers. The bank's open house has become a popular Christmas tradition here in recent years. Photo by Don Nelson

Police Calls

sion around 2:30 p.m. last Thursday.

Castro County News

Eileen Womack of Dimmitt was treated at the scene for injuries she received in a one-vehicle roll-over on Dec. 13 around 12:40 p.m. 10.9 miles northeast of Dimmitt

According to Dept. Of Public Safety reports, Womack had been heading east on County Road 610 near FM 2567, when she lost control of her vehicle and attempted to correct it. The 1992 Chevy pickup she was driving rolled over. She received a ticket for unsafe speed.

A 31-year-old Dimmitt man remained in jail Tuesday under \$3,000 bond after indictment on felony DWI charges.

A 40-year-old Dimmitt man was picked up Monday on two warrants: one from Potter County and one from Hutchinson County.

An assault warrant resulted in the arrest of a Nazareth man, 22, on Saturday evening.

Two DPS warrants resulted in the arrest of a 26-year-old Dimmitt man for violation of probation, stemming from theft charges.

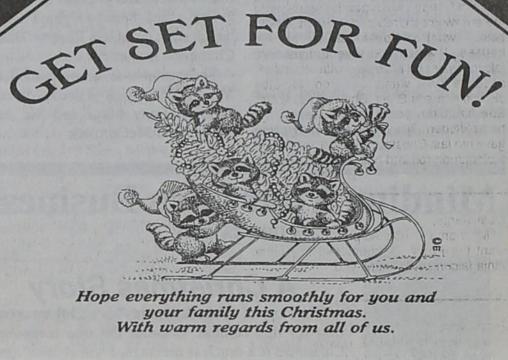
A 20-year-old Dimmitt man was picked up Dec. 12 on a warrant charging him with indecency with a child. The offense allegedly occurred over a period of several months and involved a 13-year-old child.

A Summerfield man, age 34, was arrested Dec. 12 on a warrant for misdemeanor theft by check. He was released on \$1,500 bond.

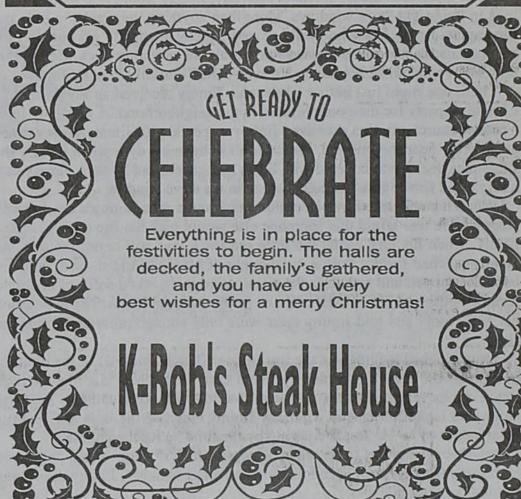
A 1980 Chevette belonging to Jesus Guajardo of Dimmitt was taken by a suspect without permis-

The vehicle was recovered. Jacqueline Vaughn of Dimmitt

reported last Thursday around 5 p.m. that a girl's 10-speed bike valued at \$55 had been stolen.



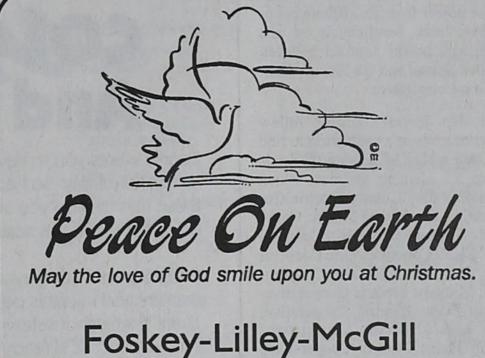
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May this holy season blanket you and your loved ones with warmth and contentment. Merry Christmas from all of us.

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Funeral Home

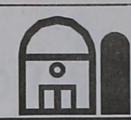




ABI Agriculture, Business & Industry









Dimmitt FFA exhibited pigs around the state this weekend

in several different shows over the weekend so members could garner more points from the Texas Club Pig McCormick also won reserve grand Association.

Attending Kerrville's Christmas Classic in the Hills was Jeremy Simpson, who exhibited the Breed Champion white OPB and Breed Champion Spot; and Tanner, Shantell and Tucker Self, who exhibited the Breed Champion Chester White barrow.

Accompanying the group to Kerrville was Mr. and Mrs. Brent Self and Mr. and Mrs. James Simpson.

Tucker Schumacher attended the Levelland Jackpot on Saturday and his Yorkshire earned Breed Champion honors. On Sunday he traveled to Tahoka for the "Christmas Classic," and he showed a first place York and a fifth place Hampshire. He was accompanied by his father, Randy Schumacher.

Another FFA group traveled to the Dinosaur Valley Pig Jackpot in Glen Rose. They included Wesley Mays, Aaron Wilcox and Jay McCormick.

Mays exhibited a first place lightweight black OPB, a first place and third place heavyweight black OPB and the champion and reserve Champion honors. champion black OPB.

black OPB.

McCormick exhibited a first place Mrs. David McCormick.

The Dimmitt FFA exhibited pigs Class 5 Cross which was named breed champion and also claimed reserve grand champion honors. champion honors in the senior showmanship competition. He had a fourth place animal in Class 2 and Class 3 Hampshire barrows. McCormick also had first and sixth place heavyweight Yorkshire barrows. He finished first with a Class 2 Cross and first place Class 5 Cross barrow.

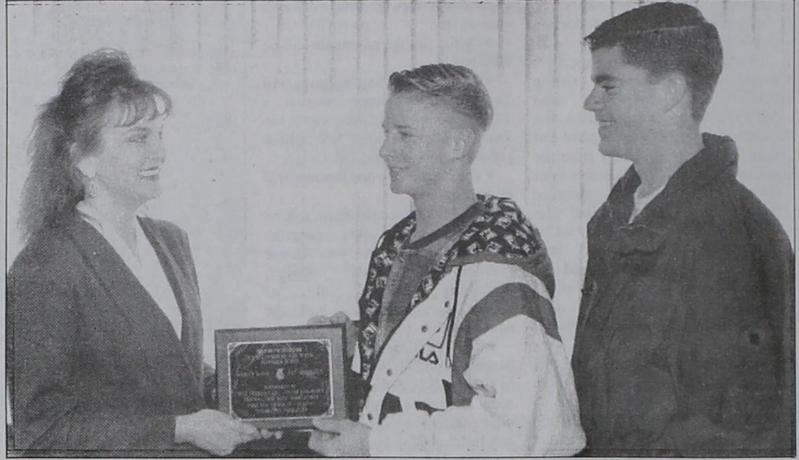
> Mays, Wilcox and McCormick also showed pigs at the Bluebonnet Classic at Wichita Falls.

> Mays showed a fourth place lightweight black OPB.

> Mays exhibited a first place lightweight OPB which also was named Reserve Breed Champion. He had second and third place heavyweight black OPB's, too.

> McCormick was named the Grand Champion Showman in the senior division. He exhibited a first place lightweight Hampshire barrow, a fourth place Class 2 Hampshire barrow and a fifth place Class 3 Hamp barrow. He also exhibited a first place Class 1 Cross barrow, fourth place heavyweight Cross and a first place heavyweighted Cross which went on to win Reserve Breed

The group was accompanied by Wilcox showed a second place Mr. and Mrs. Rick Wilcox, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Mays and Mr. and



FFA STUDENTS OF THE WEEK—Dimmitt FFA members Wesley Mays (center) and Jay McCormick (right) were honored last week as FFA Students of the Week by KBUY 94/KTNZ 1010 AM Radio of Amarillo. Presenting the two with a plaque in

recognition of their honor is the radio station's farm director, April O'Neil. FFA Students of the Week are nominated by ag teachers, sponsors and radio listeners, according to O'Neil. Photo by Don Nelson

Golden Spread plans to construct 400 megawatt generating plant

pacity and 11 megawatts of demand-

Co. of Amarillo, CSW Energy, Inc.,

of Dallas and LS Power Corp., of St.

Louis, Mo., to review Golden

Spread's plan, then the cooperative

will consider revised proposals that

offer better value for Golden

Planergy, Inc., of Austin and

Southland Industries Services, Inc.,

of Lakewood, Calif., offered

side alternatives.

Spread's members.

GS Electric Generating Cooperative, Inc., an affiliate cooperative which will operate as an exempt wholesale generator of electric power, is planning to construct a 400 megawatt generating plant and will sell the output to Golden Spread Electric Cooperative beginning in

Golden Spread owns sites near Denver City in Moore County south of Sunray which could be utilized for the project, which is estimated to cost \$165,223,000. Golden Spread plans to use the Denver City site.

"The plan proposed by Golden Spread will provide the lowest cost power supply for the 94,000 retail member/consumers served by the Golden Spread member systems," said Golden Spread President Robert W. Bryant. "Golden Spread's studies show substantial savings for consumers compared with current rates paid for wholesale purchases from Southwestern Public Service Co. (SPS).

"The retail customers of SPS also will benefit because SPS will not need to construct new generating plants to serve the Golden Spread loads," Bryant added.

Golden Spread also filed an application with the Texas Public Utility Commission seeking approvals needed for Golden Spread to purchase power from its affiliate cooperative, and certification of the wholesale power contract between Golden Spread and GS Electric Generating Cooperative.

Golden Spread's actions follow years of study and evaulation to find the best means of serving the loads of its 11 member systems, which include Bailey County Electric Cooperative, Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative, Greenbelt Electric Cooperative, Lamb County Electric Cooperative, Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, Midwest Electric Cooperative, North Plains Electric Cooperative, Rita Blanca Electric Cooperative, South Plains Electric Cooperative, Swisher Electric Cooperative and Tri-County Electric Cooperative.

Because additional power resources are needed to meet area loads by 1998, Golden Spread filed a request on Sept. 15, 1994, for approval by the Public Utility Commission of a notice of intent to construct a 400 megawatt power plant. The commission approved Golden Spread's notice of intent on April 17. However, the Texas Legislature amended the Public Utility Regulatory Act, effective Sept. 1, to eliminate the need for a notice of intent. The legislature also amended the act to allow exempt wholesale generators to sell power at wholesale in Texas.

Golden Spread hired the consulting

As a part of its planning process,

firm of R.W. Beck to conduct an alldemand-side proposals that could source competitive bidding process, reduce the load now served by and to independently evaluate alter-Golden Spread's member systems through energy efficiency improvenative power supply proposals from other utility and non-utility suppliers. ments. The Planergy and Southland Golden Spread received proposals proposals would not alter the amount from 11 bidders offering multiple of new generating capacity to be power supply options. Bids included installed in 1998, but would offer 2,555 megawatts of supply-side calong-term value and are being pur-

side load reduction. At the conclu-Golden Spread intends for GS sion of the evaluation of proposals Electric Generating Cooperative to received, Beck ranked two generatconstruct 300 megawatts of coming proposals developed by Golden bined cycle generation and 100 Spread superior to all other supplymegawatts of simple cycle generation. Natural gas will provide the primary fuel for the plant. Black & Because additional power resources must be in place by 1998, Veatch, a Kansas City-based engi-Golden Spread is seeking regulatory neering firm, is expected to oversee approval to go forward with its plan. the design and construction. However, Golden Spread has invited Golden Spread purchases more bidders Southwestern Public Service

sued by Golden Spread.

than 95% of its power requirements from Southwestern Public Service Co., the largest supplier of power in the Panhandle region. Golden Spread will continue to purchase a large block of power from SPS following completion of the GS Electric Generating Cooperative's power project. Golden Spread also purchases power and energy from West Texas Utilities Company of Abilene.

Colorado native is new national WIFE president

Jenifer Felzien has been elected national president for Women Involved in Farm Economics.

Felzien and her husband, Gordon, own and operate a family farm and ranch near Sterling, Colo. The couple has farmed for 23 years and currently raise organic millet and wheat. They also run yearling grass cattle.

Felzien has been active in WIFE since 1977, when she joined Sterling Chapter 5 of WIFE. She has held numerous offices in her local chapter, including president. On the state level she has served as secretary, delegate to the national board of directors and was a two-time state president. Her national positions have included nominations chairman, national convention chairman, national spokeswoman, media relations chairman, second vice president and first vice president.

She was inducted as national president at the recent convention in Dodge City, Kan.

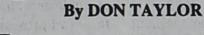
"Agriculture continues to face the challenges of a new farm bill being written for the American consumer instead of the American farmer and rancher," Felzien said. "In the past farm programs have reimbursed farmers for their continuing need to adopt new technologies which in turn lowered consumer prices, but has not increased producer profits. The 1995 Farm Bill, currently in committee, is being driven by budget restraints rather than concern for the producer."

Felzien said that even after the new farm bill is approved, WIFE will continue lobbying to fine-tune the bill in order to protect the family

"As agriculture approaches less than 2% of the population, WIFE must continue to educate the consumer and our legislators on the importance of agriculture to the American public," Felzien said.

Other national officers elected were Sheila Massey of New Mexico, first vice president; Mary Schuler of Montana, second vice president; Marlene Kouba of North Dakota, secretary; Nancy Spiegel of Kansas, treasurer; Colleen Rottman of Wyoming, Area I director; Norma Hall of Nebraska, Area II director; and Diane Relyea of Arkansas, Area III director.

Minding Your Own Business





A Christmas Story

The story of "Unlucky Jimmy" is a Christmas tradition for this column. Because the true meaning of Christmas is a timeless message, I will share it again. Unlucky Jimmy is a sad little story my mother read

to me when I was small. It's about a little boy named Jimmy whose family was very poor. His little sister was an invalid and spent most of her days in bed. Christmas held no hope or joy for either of the children.

As he trudged home from school each day, Jimmy would stop to look at the toys in the bright store windows. More than anything, he wanted a little red fire engine. Jimmy knew he would never be lucky enough to get one. In fact,

his only marble had rolled down a storm drain the previous week. He felt that he was the unluckiest boy alive. He even called himself Unlucky Jimmy. Then, one night just before Christmas, Jimmy received an invitation to a Christmas party for the poor children in the neighborhood. A nice lady from

a nearby church mission promised Jimmy a special gift. Jimmy grew excited as he drew near the mission. He couldn't believe his eyes when he saw the Christmas tree. It was covered with lights and surrounded by toys. Jimmy saw a bright red fire engine just like the one in the store window. When it came time for each child to pick out a gift, Jimmy's heart nearly stopped. He was afraid that someone else would pick the fire engine. Fortu-

nately, when his turn came, the little red truck was still under the tree. As Jimmy reached for the engine, he thought of his frail little sister at home in bed. He stopped and turned to the mission lady. He asked softly if he might pick two gifts, one for himself and one for his sister at home. The lady shook her head sadly and told Jimmy there were only enough presents for one per Jimmy looked longingly at the fire engine. Then he picked out the prettiest

doll under the tree. It had blue eyes and curly blond hair just like his little sister. As he returned to his seat with the doll, the other children began to laugh and make fun of him. Unlucky Jimmy clutched the little doll and ran from the mission. He stopped crying by the time he reached home.

Jimmy began to feel better when he saw the look of surprise and delight on his sister's face. As she hugged the doll and cried with joy, Jimmy didn't feel so unlucky after all.

Later, as Jimmy sat by his little sister's bed watching her play with her doll, someone knocked on the door. When he opened it, the mission lady was there. She gave him the red fire engine and explained to Jimmy that the children were sorry they had laughed at him. They had not known about his sick little sister. After she told them why Jimmy had chosen the doll, the children asked her to bring the fire engine to Jimmy.

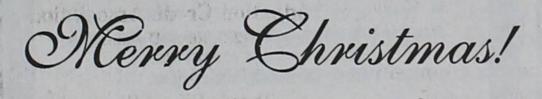
The True Meaning

I often think of Jimmy at Christmas time and usually feel a little selfish. Shall we start a "Jimmy" tradition this Christmas season? We can make the coming year a joyous occasion for all people by giving more of ourselves.

Volunteer time to your favorite church or charity. Make or bake something for someone less fortunate. Take time to listen to someone who needs you. Let's make this year a year of giving.

Remember the real reason we celebrate Christmas is Christ's birth. Whether or not you are a Christian by faith, Christ's life of giving, sharing and caring is a good example for all of us.

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Farm Service Agency Update

By PATRICIA A. ELLIOTT **County Executive Director**

Ballots were counted at the county office on Dec. 6 for all three Local Administrative Areas (LAAs) in Castro County.

Kenneth Frye was elected to a three-year term in LAA-1 (old A & B Community) while Robert Boozer was named first alternate and Bryan Reinart was named second alternate.

The newly-elected representative for LAA-2 (old C Community) will be Ronald Gfeller and he will be serving for a one-year term. First alternate will be Shari Willis Bradley and second alternate is Bruce Fuller.

In LAA-3, Weldon H. Davis is the new board member for a two-year term with Steve Buckley serving as first alternate and Emmett Heard being second alternate.

One-stop USDA service

As I mentioned in our newsletter last month, the Farmers Home Administration lending programs were transferred to the Farm Service Agency as Ag Credit.

The Ag Credit files are still in the "old" FmHA portion of the US Dept. of Agriculture building in Castro

Since the Ag Credit office is currently understaffed, those who have business should contact employees in the FSA office.

The Rural Economic and Community Development (RECD) has moved the Castro County housing loan files to Amarillo and an RECD representative will be in the Ag Credit office on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.

If you have an active file and wish to make an appointment, call 647-5141 so the representatives can bring or before Dec. 31. your file with them.

For general questions, an appointment will not be necessary.

Emergency loans

Castro County has been declared eligible for Farm Service Agency disaster emergency loans.

Generally this means that farmers who have lost at least 30% of their production due to flooding, hail and tornadoes which struck the area

between June 2 and 4 of this year are eligible for FSA loans.

Proceeds from crop insurance and the Acreage Reserve Program are

taken into account when determining eligibility. FSA Credit Manager Rodney L.

Baker is urging farmers who are interested in receiving an emergency loan to get their applications into FSA as soon as possible.

"We hope farmers will get their applications in early rather than waiting until near the deadline which is June 26, 1996," Baker said.

"The longer they wait, the more chance there is for long delays in getting their checks. If the applications come in early, we can avoid backlogs and speed up the process."

1995 wool and mohair

The delivery of wool or mohair on consignment to a marketing agency to be sold for the producers' account constitutes a "marketing." The producer will be entitled to the proceeds of such marketing if the agency meets the following by Dec.

♦ Has guaranteed a minimum sales

♦Was unable to sell the wool or mohair for more than the minimum sales price.

♦With the producer's consent, takes possession of the wool or mohair at the minimum sales price.

◆Indicates on the sales document that the price is the "guaranteed minimum sales price."

The guaranteed minimum sales price must be finalized by Dec. 31. Producers will be required to provide acceptable documentation of the minimum price guaranteed dated on

Applications for 1995 wool and mohair should be filed by Jan. 31,

When applying, producers are asked to furnish the place and time of shearing, number of head shorn, amount of freight paid, and number of unshorn lambs purchased and

Sales documents must bear the original signature of the person who prepared the document.

1995 deficiency payment and overpayment

Producers are overpaid on wheat, barley and oats deficiency payments because the advance payment rate is greater than the final payment rate.

These overpayments are due by July 1, 1996, but notification letters will be sent this month. This will not affect 0/85/92 producers because their payment rate is guaranteed. However, if you have planted and Conserving Use for Pay acres on the same farm and crop, we will apply the guaranteed money to the planted acres overpayment.

Producers should also be aware that if they received advance payments for 1995 upland cotton, corn or grain sorghum, those payments may have to be refunded during 1996 because of the high market prices. Producers who wish to refund the payment within the 1995 tax year should call the FSA office for information.

Farm record changes

If you have sold, purchased, leased or rented land recently, or made any other changes in your farming operations, you should contact the FSA office and update your farm

"This will allow us to serve you more efficiently and accurately in the future," said Elliott.

Direct deposits are available to producers

Direct deposit of your FSA farm program payments is a free service now provided by the FSA/CCC.

Producers may have their payments directly deposited to their bank checking account. This is a voluntary option.

of receiving payments, contact the Levelland. FSA office.



LEARNING TO GIVE-Thirty-five preschoolers from Pybus Christian and Preschool check out at Dimmitt's ALCO discount store last Wednesday after buying lots of Christmas presents for someone they don't know. They purchased shoes, jeans, shirts, underwear, a coat, gloves and toys for a

"Adopt an Angel" project. At right is the school's owner, Cheryle Pybus. The children also were accompanied on their shopping trip by six other parents and adult pals. Photo by Don Nelson

Marketing workshops planned

The new federal farm bill appears to be heading toward more flexibility for farmers to respond to the market as they decide what crops to plant, but that means farmers must become more skilled in using available marketing tools.

To help farmers prepare to alternative pricing opportunities, the Extension Service will hold a series of one-day, indepth, introductory cotton marketing workshops in January.

The workshops will be held Jan. 23 at Post, Jan. 24 at Big Spring, Jan. For more information on this form 25 at Plainview and Jan. 26 in

Each workshop will be held from

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The registration fee of \$30 will include an extensive set of materials. Spouses are encouraged to attend, and the registration fee includes a spouse's registration.

A workshop at any site will be cancelled if 10 paid registrations haven't been made by Jan. 12.

"This new flexibility will likely result in more price variability," said Dr. Jackie Smith, professor and Extension Service economist at Lubbock. "This increased price variability and the likelihood that deficiency payments will be available price risk management

A cotton farmer can take advantage of profitable pricing opportunities only if he is prepared to evaluate the various alternatives, Smith said.

Dr. Carl Anderson, professor and Extension cotton marketing specialist from College Station, and Smith, will be instructors for the course.

Topics will include introduction to futures, localizing the futures basis, introduction to options, estimating costs of production, comparison of pricing alternatives, developing a discontinued will force farmers to marketing plan, cotton situation and become more familiar with the outlook and an overview of current farm bill provisions.

American Corn Growers to hold annual meeting in South Dakota

The future of ethanol, ETBE and the 1995 Farm Bill are planned. reformulated gasoline, the latest in agricultural technology and the impact of the 1995 Farm Bill will be among the topics which will be addressed at the fourth annual convention of the American Corn Growers Association.

The convention will be held Feb. 8-10 at the Ramkota Inn in Sioux

Falls, S.D. Theme for the 1996 convention is "America's Future—Farming 2000 and Beyond."

Among the speakers invited to the convention include Sen. Tom Daschle, Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman, Con. Earl Pomeroy of North Dakota, and nationally-known radio commentator Barry Weber.

Interesting discussions on the future of ethanol, ETBE and reformulated gasoline; the dangers of corporate concentration in swine production, meat packing and the transportation sectors; the latest in agricultural technology; the international roll of agriculture; and the impact of

Entertainment and a special spouses program also have been

planned for the convention. For more information about the convention contact the ACGA National Office in Washington, D.C. at (202) 835-0330, Chairman Larry

Davies at (816) 738-4748 or Presi-

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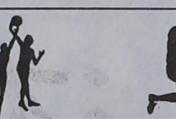
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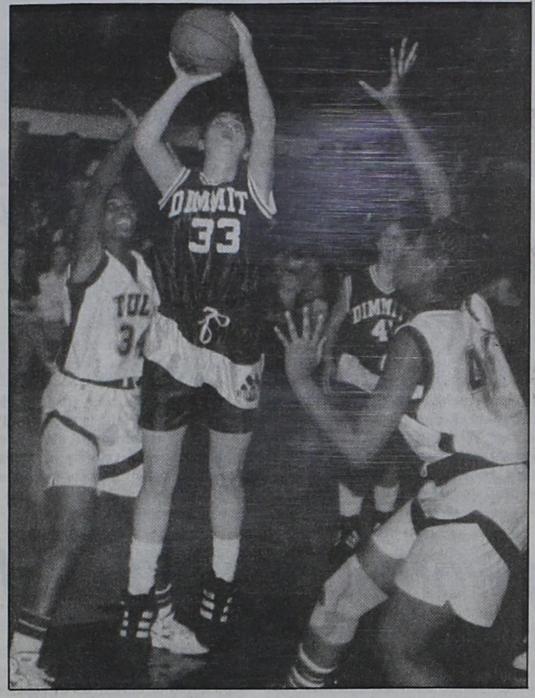












EMILY ROBERSON (33) of Dimmitt fakes out one Tulia defender and gets off a shot before weakside help arrives Friday night when the two teams met in a regular season game in Tulia. The Lady Hornets edged the Bobbies in a thriller, 52-49. Photo by John Brooks

'Cats hold off Hornets in last seconds to win

Justin Newman exploded for 16 points in each half Friday, and the Bobcats held on by the skin of their teeth for a 66-64 win on Friday at

The streaky Bobcats had another great first period, rolling to a doubledigit lead early in the game, then continued to roll in the second quarter to lead the high-octane Hornets by 34-22 at halftime.

The lead was just enough. Tulia outscored Dimmitt 42-32 in the last two quarters, but threw the ball away against the Dimmitt defense with a second to play.

Tulia was able to get back in the boys' game for much the same reason as their girls defeated the Bobbies in the previous game: at the foul line. Dimmitt was whistled for 12 fouls in the second half and sent the Hornets to the line 16 times, where they made 12 free throws. Tulia had just five fouls in the first 14 minutes of the second half, and Dimmitt had just two free throws in the last two periods. Those were shot by Newman, as were the other five charity tosses by Dimmitt.

Tulia's duo of junior 6-4 post Tim Marshall on the inside and 5-10 junior guard Nathan Culwell on the outside tried to keep up with the Bobcats early, but Newman's big night augmented by plenty of other great plays by Dimmitt boosted Dimmitt to a lead that was 17 points at one time. By halftime, Tulia had closed to 12.

Dimmitt had been having problems coming out of the dressing room at halftime, but not last Friday. Dimmitt outscored the Hornets 10-5 in the first four minutes of the third period to stretch its lead back to 17, 44-27. From that point on, it was almost all Tulia, as the Bobcats were outscored by the Hornets 37-22 the rest of the way.

Helping Tulia was the absence of Brandon Smith and Jason Nino for the last half of the third quarter and part of the fourth. Smith twisted an ankle but was able to come back and play all of the fourth period. Nino had to sit out for awhile after picking up his third foul, but finished the

Twice late in the third quarter, the Hornets cut Dimmitt's lead to less than 10. Culwell made two free throws with 1:52 to got to make it 44-35, but Joey Martinez nailed a trey 20 seconds later to make it 47-35. Newman hit two free throws 10 seconds later to make it 49-35. Tulia then scored two baskets and three free throws in the last 1:13 to make it 51-42 after three periods.

Joe Larra hit a trey a minute into the fourth quarter to put the Bobcats up by 12, 54-42. Tulia came back to cut the lead to eight, 58-50, with 5:02 to go, but Newman answered two Tulia baskets to hold the Hornets off. Culwell hit a trey to make it 62-55 with 4:14 left.

Ellis answered with a smooth jumper midway through the period to give Dimmitt its last significant lead, 64-55.

A minute later, after Tony Williams had canned a trey, Newman and Marshall tangled for a rebound. Marshall threw a forearm that sent Newman crashing to the deck. Newman was called for the foul, though, and Marshall made the front end of the two-shot foul to make it 64-59 with 3:16 left.

Dimmitt then stuck the ball in the freezer, running the spread offense. Tulia couldn't foul the Bobcats to put them on the line and try to get the ball back, because the Hornets had committed only four team fouls with three minutes to go in the game. Dimmitt froze the ball until there were just 83 seconds left in the contest, having run 1:43 off the clock.

Tulia finally forced a turnover, and Culwell was fouled by Larra while trying to score a trey. Culwell made the first two of three free

throws to make it 64-61. After forcing a Dimmitt turnover, junior wing Lance McCaslin had a three-pointer go in the hole only to rim out with 1:08 to go. Dimmitt again ran the clock, and drew a foul from Williams with 57 seconds left. It was only the Hornets' sixth, and Williams had to foul again with 31 seconds left.

Newman had been perfect from the line, and the rest of the Bobcats went down the court to play defense. Newman's front end shot missed, and the Hornets delayed a second before getting the rebound ("We were in shock because he missed one. We didn't think he would," joked Tulia coach Tommy Miller after the game).

Culwell got free and nailed a trey to tie it at 64 with 21 seconds left, but the Bobcats briskly worked the ball down the floor. They found Newman breaking wide open to the basket, and the senior post nailed a layup with eight seconds left to win

Tulia had one more chance, and tried to work the ball underneath. The Hornets fumbled the ball, though, giving Dimmitt the win.

It was the fifth straight game for Tulia that had been decided in the last 30 seconds, but the first the Hornets had lost in that stretch. The wins came against high-powered Slaton and Estacado, among others.

Together We Can

Late Bobbie rally comes up short

Dimmitt's girls came back from a thanks in large part to a steady pabig deficit Friday, but a lack of patience at the end may have cost the Bobbies in a 52-49 loss at Tulia.

Dimmitt came back from a 12point deficit early in the second quarter (20-8) and an 13-point Tulia lead late in the first half (26-13) to lead by six points at one point in the third quarter, but couldn't overcome hurried shots late in the game and a huge advantage at the free throw line by the Lady Hornets.

Amy Ethridge made a nice move for a layup with 1:35 to go in the game to make it just a two point Tulia lead, 51-49. In the next 60 seconds, Kara Josselet got a huge rebound and a steal for two Dimmitt possessions, and Shawna Kenworthy forced a charge by Tulia's Karla Kirkpatrick with 32 seconds left.

Each time, the Bobbies squandered their scoring opportunities. Each time, the Bobbies got a second life, including a five-second call on an out of bounds play with 26 seconds to go. A quick three-point shot by Josselet, her second in the last minute, was no good, and Tulia grabbed the rebound.

The Bobbies fouled Kirkpatrick with 14 seconds left, and she missed the front end of the one and one. Dimmitt got the rebound, but again couldn't handle the ball. Kirkpatrick was intentionally fouled with four seconds left. She missed the first and made the second, giving Tulia a two point advantage.

Tulia got the ball out of bounds in the backcourt, and Zuri Bossett was fouled quickly. She missed the front end of the one-and-one with two seconds left, and Dimmitt got the rebound, but a last-gasp shot was far

The effort at the end dimmed memories of a great two quarters by the Bobbies in the middle of the game—especially the third period.

Tulia had enjoyed its big lead

rade to the free throw line. Dimmitt was whistled for its 10th foul of the first half with 5:06 left in the second stanza. At the same moment, Tulia had just one.

Dimmitt's only two free throws of the first half were shot-and made-by Amy Matthews with 48 seconds left in the half to make it a 29-23 game at intermission. Meanwhile, Tulia made 12 of 17 chances in the first two periods.

Even without the free-throw advantage, Dimmitt outscored Tulia 29-10 over the last 4:37 of the first half and the entire third quarter to claim a 42-36 lead after three peri-

Dimmitt came out after halftime with a trey by Ethridge in the first minute to make it 29-26. Amber Matthews then got a nice feed from Josselet for a layup to make it 29-28 with 6:40 to go in the third. Dimmitt took the lead on a 21-footer from Jacy Buckley to make it 31-29 Dimmitt with 6:09 to go int he third.

Crissi Brooks tied it for Tulia with 5:41 to go in the third, but Buckley converted a three-point play with 5:12 to go in the period to make it 34-31. Buckley picked up her fourth foul of the game a few seconds later, though, was pulled from the game, and remained on the bench the rest of the contest.

Baskets by Amber Matthews, Carrie Bradley and Josselet, helped guide Dimmitt to its six-point lead by quarter's end.

Tulia came back to take the lead for good on a Roni Henderson free throw with 4:06 to go, 44-43. A minute later, Mandi Culwell nailed a trey to give the Lady Hornets a 47-43 lead, and Dimmitt never got closer than two points during the last 2:56 of the game.

Amber Matthews led Dimmitt with 12 points, while Ethridge added



DIMMITT'S JUSTIN NEWMAN picks up two of his game-high 32 points on a layup against Tulia Friday night. Newman scored the game winning basket for the Bobcats with seconds left in the game, boosting the Bobcats to a 66-64 victory. Dimmitt improved its record to 11-2 with the win.

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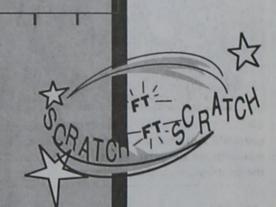
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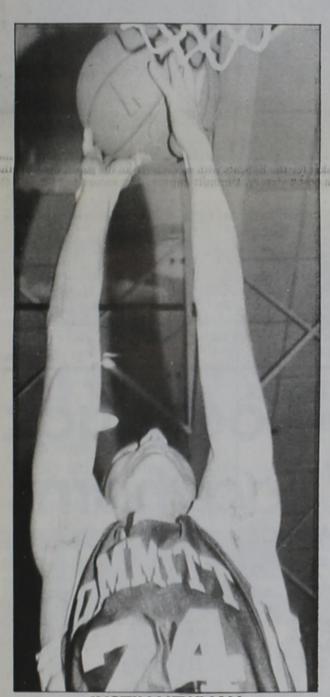
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Ladyhorns silence Lazbuddie

playing down to the level of weaker a 14-point edge at one point and a opponents this year.

That wasn't the case Monday when they blasted the Lazbuddie girls, 68-42, at Lazbuddie.

In the nightcap, the Hart boys ran into big sophomore Jason Thomas, who packed in 21 points to lead a balanced Lazbuddie attack in a 63-60 win by the hosts.

weak teams and lost, and we have played and won against some teams that might have been a little better talent-wise than us," said Hart girls coach Chelle Wilcox. "Tonight we had nine girls that played well. We had nine kids who made a contribution, and that doesn't happen all the time."

In Friday's contest against New Deal, the Hart girls didn't shoot the ball well, Wilcox said.

"We came in tonight wanting to concentrate on our shooting, especially our free throws. You just have to make those," she said.

Hart's girls have had a habit of free throws in the first half to roll to 32-20 lead at halftime.

The individual story of the night for the Hart girls was Tiffany Bradford, who had 10 of Hart's 16 firstquarter points. After taking off for the second period, Bradford had another 14 in the second half to lead all scorers with 24 points.

Hart put the game completely "We have played against some away with a huge third quarter, outscoring Lazbuddie 22-6 in the period for a 54-26 lead after 24 minutes. The Parmer County girls hung on the periphery until Gayla Reyna hit two three-point bombs and Bradford canned a layup off a steal in the middle of the period to run the score from 36-24 to 44-24 in less than a minute. Hart continued to roll, allowing Lazbuddie just one more basket the rest of the quarter as Hart increased its lead to 28 points by quarter's end.

Lazbuddie outscored Hart in the fourth quarter, but only by two And, they did. Hart made 11 of 14 points as Hart maintained a balanced

attack to ease to the win.

Near the season's midpoint, and during a break in the tough District 3-AA schedule, Wilcox said she is pleased with the team's progress to this point, but knows there is still progress to be made.

"I knew this would be a tough season for us and would take a lot of time," the coach said. "It hurts us for district to be here so soon, and we lost some games in tournament play that we really needed. We only had two games in the Friona tournament and two games in the Highland Park tournament. We could have had three more games, and we needed to play all of them.

"We are getting better, but we struggle with teams that have height. There are all kinds of teams out there, but it seems like we don't know how to play against teams with big post players. We've got to learn to play our game against a tall post player. We can do it, we just have to convince ourselves.

"The best part of the season so far

is that the girls have responded well to what we have been trying to do, what we have been trying to get across. They bust their tails working on defense. The effort is always tremendous. We have come back from 10, 20 points down. We have never quit one time this year, and that's a credit to these girls."

The Hart boys didn't quit Monday night, but waited way too late to get started in a three-point loss at Lazbuddie.

Sophomore post man Jason Thomas had most of his 21 points in the first half to lead Lazbuddie to leads as big as 30-18 in the first half after a three-point play. Hart cut the lead to nine points, 34-25, at halftime on a basket by Armando Minjarez with 17 seconds left in the half.

In the second quarter, Jeremy Card hit a trey in the first 10 seconds, and Hart continued surging to make it 36-32 early in the quarter. After a timeout, Lazbuddie responded with another big splash, scoring three straight baskets to run the lead out to 49-36.

play to make it 51-42 after three Lazbuddie's Josh Warren hit the quarters. Lazbuddie rolled to 13point leads twice in the fourth quar- later to make it a three-point game. ter, the last at 58-45 with 4:10 to go. the way back.

three minutes left, the second after a for the win. steal, to make it 58-52. Card hit two free throws with 1:57 left to go to while Lee added another 16. (59-54)

Seconds later, Thomas missed both ends of a two-shot foul, and Hart got the rebound, but Lee fumbled the ball out of bounds. Brown then hit two free throws with 1:41 left to score what would be the winning points.

Card hit a trey in traffic with 35 Jeremy Card responded with a seconds left to make it 62-60, but trey, and after a basket by Heath missed a shot from the free-throw Brown, J.R. Lee hit a three point line with 10 seconds left. back end of a two-shot foul a second

Hart scurried down the court and In the last stretch, Hart outscored got Lee free behind a screen for a Lazbuddie 15-5, but couldn't get all wide-open trey, but his shot failed with two seconds left, and Card hit back-to-back treys with Lazbuddie hung onto the rebound

Card led all scorers with 25 points,



DETERMINATION! Hart's Charbra Lee (40) nabs a rebound despite a New Deal girl's desperate lunge for the ball in a District 3-AA battle Friday night. Tiffany Bradford (24) works her way inside to help out teammate Lee. New Deal managed to pull out the district victory, leaving the Ladyhorns with a 1-1 Photo by David Knox loop mark.



Freshmen Bobcats won the Canyon 9th Grade Boys (middle, from left) Brandon Allison, Beau Hill, Isaac Tournament Dec. 8-9. They defeated Plainview, 94-20; Johnson, and Raymond Powers; and (botton, from Valley View, 71-66; and Canyon, 59-51. The team's left) Jacob Larra, Ralph Enriquez, Ben Coleman, tournament included (top, from left) Derek Buckley,

CHAMPIONS--The Dimmitt Wesley Wright, Jerry Thomas, and Ephraim Torres:

Photo by Linda Maxwell

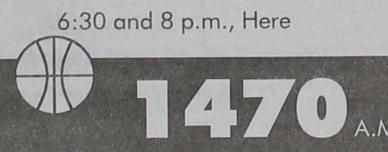
season record stands at 9-0. Those playing in the Ricky Calloway and Jaime Escamilla. KDHN "Your Sports Station" LGA installs

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> > Clovis



new officers

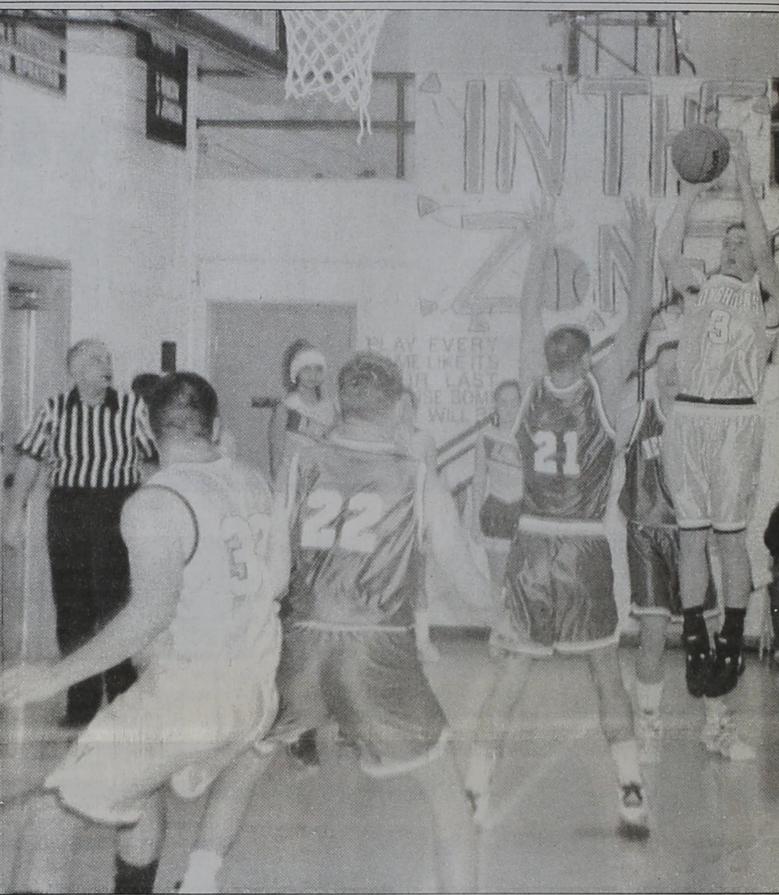
Jo Beth Mays was installed as president of the Ladies Golf Association Friday during the group's annual Christmas party.

The group held the party, exchanged gifts and installed new officers at the Country Club of

In addition to Mays, other officers installed were Mozelle Lilley, vice president; Kellie Proffitt, secretarytreasurer; and Jan Glenn, reporter.

Anyone interested in joining the organization is welcome.





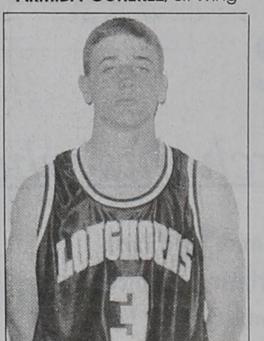
HART'S JOHN WELPS (3) nails an outside shot over New Deal's Chad Henderson (21) Friday night when the two teams met in a District 3-AA contest. Hart's Dusty Ortiz (32) and New Deal's Dustin

Marlin (22) battle for rebound position under the basket. Hart dropped to 1-1 in district after New Deal won Friday's game.

Photo by David Knox



ARMIDA GUTIEREZ, Sr. Wing



JOHN WELPS, Sr. Post/Forward

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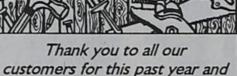
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22-Notices

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Political Announcements

The News has been authorized to list the names of the following candidates for public office in the Mar. 12 primary elections. Candidates are listed in alphabetical order. Incumbent office holders are designated by (i) following their names.

DEMOCRAT PRIMARY:

For County Tax Assessor-Collec-Billy Hackleman (i)

For Commissioner, Pct. 3: W. A. (Bay) Baldridge (i)

For County Treasurer: Janice Shelton (i)

James Dobbs (i)

For Commissioner, Pct. 1: Newlon Rowland (i)

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For County/District Attorney: Jerry Matthews (i)

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- 3. Homes and apartments for rent 16. Auto parts and supplies
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- 5. Miscellaneous items for sale
- 7. Garage sales 8. Household goods for sale
- 9. Farm equipment and supplies 20. Help wanted
- 11. Feed, seed and grain for sale 23. Lost and found
- 10. Agricultural services
- 12. Farm produce for sale
- 14. Automobiles for sale
- 15. Recreational vehicles
- 17. Business opportunities
- 18. Services
- 18A. Insurance
- 19. Students seeking work
- 22. Notices
- 24. Cards of thanks 25. Legal notices

23-Lost & Found

13. Livestock and pets

FOUND at Merle Norman about two weeks ago -- a single key to a Honda car. Stop by 115 E. Bedford.

24-Card of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Beverly Durham wishes to thank everyone who brought food, sent cards and flowers, came to visit, drove Beverly to Amarillo for radiation treatments, and the many prayers to help us through this difficult time. A special thanks to Dean Wiseman, Harry Riggs, Jackie Byrnes and Diane Sanders for their fre-

quent visits and many deeds of kindness. A special thanks to the Home Health Service of Plains Memorial Hospital, Shelly Rice, Cindy Rohrbach, Cindy Ellis, and Patty Kern and all the nurses who helped attend to Beverly. A special thanks to Dr. Christopher Ruud, Monte Wise RN, all the staff at Harrington Cancer Center at Amarillo, and the eighth floor nursing staff at High Plains Baptist Hospital for their

special care of Beverly. A special thanks to Hospice of Palo Duro Hospital of Canyon for making the care of Beverly and her family a lot easier

during the last few weeks. Words cannot express the kindness and help we received from Pat and David Keith for the past 13 months. May God bless you all.

> JERRY DURHAM TODD & DENISE DURHAM, **BRADY & JASON** LESLIE DURHAM MILDRED & PETE DAVIES LARRY & TOOTER GARDNER PAT & T.L. BROOKS **BUTCH & MARILYN GARDNER BONNIE & GARY BRAKEBILL** RODNEY & VICKIE GARDNER

> > FRANCES BILLBERRY

24-Card of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS

I would like to say thank you, thank you and thank you again for the support and great turn-out of our community at the Christmas cantata at the First Baptist Church Sunday night. Perhaps I didn't have much faith that there would be such a large attendance (especially after the rain and snow, which was very much needed and we thank god for sending it, even on performance night!) But you came, you boosted the choirs' morale, and I think we have the greatest commu-

To the directors and accompanists, soloists, musici instruments, it was great Don't we really have lots of good talent in Dimmitt. The people who worked with the children's Choir did a fantastic job and they performed beautifully. Thank you, workers and parents, for getting your children to the practices. There were many practice sessions. I

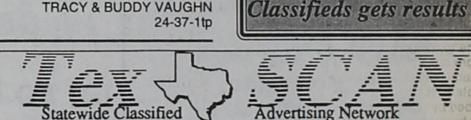
think most of us questioned if it would come together, but it always does with hard work and God's help. The handbell choir was so pretty and added so much. Thanks to all the churches which either dismissed or rearranged schedules so people could come.

God bless you and to everyone a very blessed Christmas and a very good 1996. OMA DEE HEARD 24-37-1tc

CARD OF THANKS We wish to express a great, heart-felt thank you to our friends who sent their sympathy in the loss of our mother, Jean Christian. Your cards and prayers were very much appreciated. Always know we

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24-Card of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank everyone who helped us when Eileen had her accident. Thanks to the Castro County Sheriff's Dept., the Volunteer Fire Dept., and the ambulance service for your quick response. Special thanks to our family, friends, and neighbors for your help, calls, and prayers. We appreciate each and every one.

LESTER AND EILEEN WOMACK 24-37-1tc

25-Legal Notices

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATION OF CONTRACT TO

PURCHASE ELECTRIC POWER Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Golden Spread") hereby gives notice that it intends to purchase a portion of its requirements for electric power and energy from an affiliated exempt wholesale generator. Golden Spread has filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("PUC") requesting that the PUC make certain determinations required by the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 and certify the Power Supply Contract between Golden Spread and its affiliate exempt wholesale generator.

It is anticipated that the affiliated exempt wholesale generator, GS Electric Generating Cooperative, Inc., will construct a generating plant consisting of approximately 300 MW of combined cycle and 100 MW of simple cycle generation fueled by natural gas, located in Yoakum County, Texas, approximately 4 miles east of Denver City near County Road P10/P10 North and adjacent to the Plains gas plant. The estimated cost of this project is \$165,223,000. The contract between Golden Spread and its affiliate exempt wholesale generator for which certification has been requested requires that Golden Spread purchase electric power and energy from the generating plant and pay therefore an amount sufficient to cover all fixed and variable costs associated with producing power and energy purchased by Golden Spread. The contract has a term commensurate with the life of the plant. The PUC will determine whether the proposed contract is reasonable. Golden Spread anticipates that the proposed contract will lower the cost of providing service to consumers.

Persons with questions about Golden Spread's application should contact Robert W. Bryant, president and general manager of Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, Inc., at (806) 379-7766. Persons who wish to intervene in the proceeding or comment upon action sought should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas at 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Austin Texas 78757, or call the Public Utility Commission Consumer Affairs Office at (512) 458-0256 or 458-0221 for the text telephone. The deadline for intervention in the proceeding has not been determined. Golden Spread intends to request that the PUC set January 3, 1996, as the deadline for

25-36-2tc

LEGAL NOTICE NO. PR 2202 THE ESTATE OF

ROGER C. DAVIS, DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF

CASTRO COUNTY, TEXAS NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF

ROGER C. DAVIS, DECEASED Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of ROGER C. DAVIS, Deceased, were issued to me, the undersigned, on 11th day of December, 1995, in the proceedings indicated below my signature hereto, which proceedings are still pending, and that I now hold such Letters. All persons having claims against said estate, which is being administered in the County Court above named, are required to present the same to me, at the address below, given before suit upon same are barred by the general statute of limitation, before such estate is closed, and within the time pre-

My residence and mailing address is: Valeria A. Davis, P.O. Box 1091, Dimmitt, Texas, 79027

VALERIA A. DAVIS Independent Executrix of the Estate of Roger C. Davis, Deceased

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE WORK

Sealed proposals for mowing highway right-of-way in all counties of the Lubbock District will be received by the Texas Dept. of Transportation located at 135 Slaton Road, Lubbock, Texas, beginning at 8:20 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 12, 1996.

All prospective bidders are encouraged to attend the pre-bidders conference on Wednesday, Dec. 20, 1995, at 1:30 p.m. at the above address.

Bidding proposals, plans and specifications will be available at the Engineer's offices as listed below:

For the counties of Hale, Floyd, Castro and Swisher, on LP 445, 1.4 miles N. Of IH-27 in Plainview; phone 806/293-5101. 25-36-2tc

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING

CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF **BILLY EDGAR BRANTLEY**

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of BILLY EDGAR BRANTLEY, Deceased, were issued on the 13th day of December, 1995, in Cause No. 2201, pending in the County Court of Castro County, Texas, to Ruby Jo Brantley.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law to such Independent Executrix in care of the attorney of said Independent Execu-

H.M. LaFont, LaFONT, TUNNELL, FORMBY, LaFONT & HAMILTON, L.L.P. P.O. BOX 1510, PLAINVIEW, TEXAS 79073-1510.

DATED the 13th day of December,

RUBY JO BRANTLEY Executrix of the Estate of Billy Edgar Brantley, Deceased 25-37-1tc

DAILY:

9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

25-Legal Notices

LEGAL NOTICE

The Dimmitt Independent School District Food Service is accepting sealed bids for the purchase of bread items for the second semester of the 1995-96 school year. Information may be obtained from the Administration Office at 608 West Halsell, Dimmitt, Texas 79027. All bids must be returned to Johnny Hill. Business Manager, or Charles Ketchum, Food Service Director, at 708 West Stinson by 2 p.m. on Jan. 5, 1996. Dimmitt ISD reserves the right to reject any or all bids. All bids must be for the full semester.

25-37-2tc

LEGAL NOTICE

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FRIDAY

Bobcats 66, Tulia 64 20 14 17 15 - 66 11 11 20 22 - 64 SCORING-DIMMITT: Justin Newman 32, Chad Ellis 12.

Bobbles 49, Tulia 52 7 16 — 52 SCORING-DIMMITT: Matthews 12, Amy Ethridge 9.

Longhorns 62, New Deal 73 18 24 9 11 - 62 New Deal 18 17 17 21 - 73 SCORING-HART: Dusty Ortiz 18, J.R.

Ladyhorns 43, New Deal 59 8 12 9 14 - 43 New Deal 13 12 18 16 - 59 SCORING-HART: Gayla Reyna 11, Tiffany Bradford 10.

Swifts 69, White Deer 46 Nazareth 15 13 21 20 - 69 White Deer 14 15 11 6 - 46 SCORING-NAZARETH: Hoelting 20, Gaylon Schilling 14.

Swiftettes 32, White Deer 25 9 12 5 6 - 32 SCORING-NAZARETH: Schmucker 10, Tiffany Schmucker 6.

MONDAY

Longhorns 60, Lazbuddie 63 8 17 17 18 — 60 12 22 17 12 - 63 SCORING-HART: Jeremy Card 25, J.R. Lee 16.

Ladyhorns 68, Lazbuddie 42 16 16 22 14 - 68 8 12 6 16 — 42

Dimmitt and Naz to play in holiday **Caprock Tourney**

Both varsity teams from Dimmitt and Nazareth will be among the 62 teams in the 37th annual Caprock Holiday Basketball Tournament, set for Dec. 28-30 at five venues in Lubbock.

Dimmitt's boys will play tough regional rival Seminole in the first round on Dec. 28 at 10:30 a.m. at Lubbock Municipal Coliseum. The Bobcats beat the Indians two weeks ago in double overtime, 76-70.

Dimmitt is in the same part of the bracket as Hale Center, Shallowater, Muleshoe and Monterey. If the Bobcats win there first-round game, they play again on Dec. 28 at 6 p.m. at Lubbock High School. A loss sends them to the old gym at Monterey at 10:30 a.m. on Dec. 29.

Nazareth's boys also play at 10:30 a.m. on Dec. 28, facing Frenship at the old gym at Monterey. The Swifts are in the same part of the bracket as Lorenzo, Abernathy, Childress and Borger. If the Swifts win, they will play again Dec. 28 at 9 p.m. in the new gym at Monterey. A loss in the first game would send the Swifts to the coliseum on Dec. 29 at 10:30

Dimmitt's Bobbies get a rematch with Borger in a first round game Dec. 28 at 1:30 p.m. at Lubbock High. A win would push the Bobbies into a second round game Friday at 9 a.m. at Lubbock Coronado against Randall or New Deal. A loss in the first game moves the Bobbies into a consolation bracket contest at noon Dec. 29 at Irons Junior High.

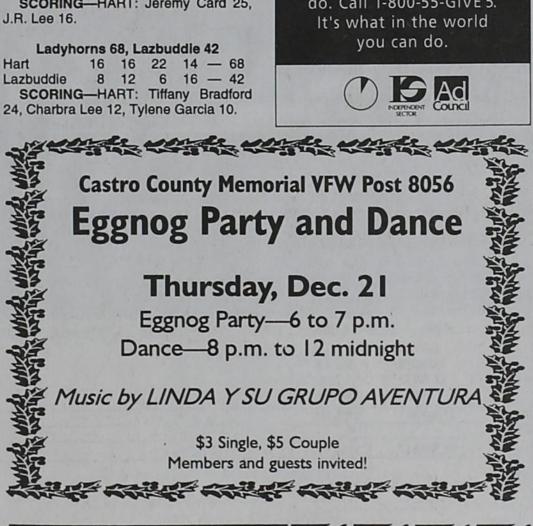
Nazareth opens the tournament in the old gym at Monterey at 6 p.m. on Dec. 28 against Seminole. The Swiftettes will be heavy favorites to win that contest, and would move into the second round at 10:30 a.m. on Dec. 29 against San Angelo Central or Stephenville in Monterey's

The tournament is sponsored by the Caprock chapter of American Business Clubs, and is the largest of its kind in Texas. The tournament benefits various charities, and two \$1,500 scholarships are awarded each year to a senior boy and girl from the teams in the tournament.

Ticket prices include tournament passes, \$23 for adults and \$17 for students and senior citizens; day passes, \$8 for adults and \$6 for students and senior citizens; and session passes, good only at the site purchased, \$5 for adults and \$3 for students.

Championship and third-place finals will be held Dec. 30 at the coliseum.

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SUNDAY:

1 p.m. to 5 p.m.



THE JV BOBCATS captured the championship in the Tulia Tournament recently with victories over Floydada in the first round, Hart in the semifinals and Nazareth in the championship. Team members are (top row, from left) Stuart Sutton, Casey Smith, Cameron Lust, Albert Ewing and Brad Beck; (middle row, from left) Zac Matthews, John Paul Ramos,

Jared Townsend, Aaron Ewing and Richard Carpio; bottom row, from left) Cyrus Norman, Conrado Saucedo, D.J. Fleeks, Jonathon Ivy and Richard Martinez. Ewing led the team in scoring in each of the three games, with 10 against Floydada and Nazareth and 17 against Hart. Smith scored 35 in the three games. Photo by Anne Acker



Obituaries

Edith R. Acevedo

Edith Rollins Acevedo, 63, of Dimmitt, died at 11:53 p.m. on Dec. 18 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt after a brief illness.

A vigil service was held Wednesday evening at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Dimmitt with Father Guillermo Morales, pastor, officiating.

Services will be at 2 p.m. today (Thursday) in the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. Burial followed in Castro Memorial Gardens under the direction of Foskey-Lilley McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mrs. Acevedo was born on Aug. 14, 1932, in Fort Ringgold. She lived in Georgetown before moving to Dimmitt in 1956. She married Julian Acevedo on April 14, 1949 in Donna.

She was a retired clerk for TG&Y and was a housewife.

Survivors include her husband; four sons, Julian Acevedo Jr. of Del Rio, Robert Acevedo of Levelland, Florence Acevedo of Pampa and Albert Acevedo of Dimmitt; two daughters, Mary Helen Flores and Maria Epifania Fuller, both of Dimmitt; four brothers Wesley Rollins, Walter Rollins and Clemente Garza Jr., all of Rio Grande City and Jesus Garza of Waxahachie; two sisters, Maria Elena Salinas of San Antonio and Adelita Rodriguez of Midway City, Calif.; her mother, Adela Garza of Rio Grande City; 15 grandchildren; and a greatgrandchild.

Amarillo, and Frank Alvarez of Plainview; five sisters, Anna Velasquez of Mascot, Fla., Maria E. Oviedo, SanJuana Moren, Isabel Alvarez and Maria Castillo, all of Dimmitt; and his parents, Jose and Celia Alvarez of Dimmitt.

Eunice Newman

Eunice Newman, 97, of Hart, died at 5:23 a.m. last Wednesday in

Services were held Saturday afternoon at the First Baptist Church in Hart with Rev. Denzil Leonard, retired minister; and Rev. Gerald Aalbers, pastor, officiating.

Burial followed in Hart Cemetery under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mrs. Newman was born Feb. 18, 1898, in Erath County. She lived in Hart until moving to Levelland nine years ago. She married Hubert E. Newman on July 31, 1926, in Erath County. He died on Dec. 20, 1985. She was a member of the Hart First Baptist Church since 1941 and she was a homemaker.

Survivors include three sons, Joe Newman of Denton, Ray Don Newman of Dimmitt and Max Newman of Levelland; three brothers, G.V. Bostick of El Paso, Sercy Bostick of Stephenville and Earl Bostick of Grand Prairie; a sister, Merle Sharp of Grand Prairie; seven grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to the Hart Cemetery, P.O. Box 174, Hart 79043.

Marion Edwin Reed

died last Wednesday in Amarillo.

Graveside services were held Friday at Memorial Park Cemetery in Vega with Rev. James Peach, pastor of First Baptist Church of Vega, officiating. Burial followed under the direction of Vega Funeral Home.

had been a resident of the Vega area for 25 years. He served with the US Army in the Pacific Theatre during World War II. He achieved the rank of staff sergeant and was a mine demolition expert. He received heroism recommendations, a Bronze Star and a Good Conduct Medal. He married Lucille Holt in 1946 in Trinton. He was a Methodist and a retired farmer.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Billy Reed, in 1985.

Survivors include his wife, Lucille Reed of Desoto; three sons, Max Reed of Vega, Joe Reed of Amarillo and Jim Reed of Kearney, Mo; one daughter, Linda Barnes of DeSoto, three sisters, Geneva Ballew of Gun Barrel City, Francis Ballew of Van Horn and Ruth Downey of Shallowater; nine grandchildren; and

The family requests memorials be

Ashby L. Widener

82, of Lockney, former Dimmitt resident, died Dec. 12.

First Baptist Church of Lockney of Dimmitt, Almondo Alvarez of tery under the direction of Moore-

Rose-White Funeral Home.

Mrs. Widener was born in Jack County and she graduated from Dimmitt High School, She attended West Texas State Teachers College. She taught at South Plains and Lockney.

She married Dale Widener in 1936 at Clovis, N.M. They moved to Floyd County in 1949 from Dimmitt. She was a member of the Athena Study Club, the Pollyana Club and the Lockney Senior Citizens.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1993.

Survivors include a son, Ernie Widener of Lockney; two daughters, Jeanette Young of Levelland and Nelda Ruf of Phoenix; a brother, Major Bruton of Fence Lake, N.M.; a sister, Nell Morgan of Portales, N.M.; eight grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

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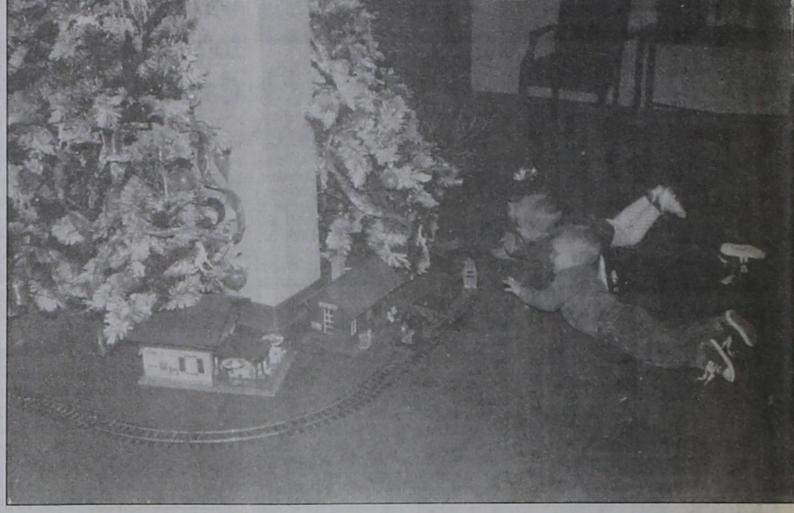
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ENTHRALLED — Clayton and Ben Sides and Kisha Smith decided early on one of the presents they'd all like to get for Christmas-the big German - made choo - choo train that they saw

chugging around the Christmas tree at the First Bank of Muleshoe, Dimmitt Branch, during Santa's Open House this year. The city-wide event drew big crowds to local stores. Photo by Don Nelson

Christmas trees WEATHER in Texas The very first Christmas tree High Low Pr. farms in Texas came in 1972-one in Orange County and one in Smith County. Today there are somewhere between 300-400 Monday 40 27 1.33 Tuesday 30 25 .. Tr. farms. Most of the trees grown. es sold in Texas in Texas are his year will come Virginia pine es in Texas. Th and Afghan Temperatures and moisture are recorded each day at 7 a.m. at KDHN Radio, official National Weather Service reporting or each Christ foot tree makes Together We Can

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Medical fund set up for Mathis

A medical fund has been established at First United Bank for Jerry Mathis, who was injured in an automobile accident two weeks ago in Oklahoma City.

Mathis is the grandson of Lois Waggoner and the late E.R. Waggoner.

Since the accident he has been in a coma and has been in the intensive care unit. He is beginning to show signs of improvement.

Anyone wishing to donate to the medical fund should do so at the bank.

Your new

Ruben Alvarez

Ruben Alvarez, 45, of Dimmitt, died last Wednesday in Dimmitt.

A vigil service was held last Thursday in the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church's activity center. A funeral mass was held Friday afternoon in the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church with Father Guillermo Morales, pastor, officiating. Burial followed in Westlawn Memorial Park under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mr. Alvarez was born June 10, 1950, in Dimmitt. He lived in Atlanta, Ga., for a while before returning to Dimmitt a year ago. He was a carpenter and a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church.

Survivors include four sons, Ruben Alvarez Jr. of McAllen, and Benito Alvarez, Carlos Alvarez and Angel Alvarez, all of Earth; a daughter, Chriselda Alvarez of Lubbock; five brothers, Lee Alvarez, Jose Alvarez Jr., and Martin Alvarez, all

Marion Edwin Reed, 72, of Vega,

Mr. Reed was born in Irene and

a great-grandchild.

to the Dept. Of Veterans Affairs Medical Center Auxiliary, 6010 Amarillo Blvd. West, Amarillo

Ashby Lorene Bruton Widener,

Services were held Saturday in the with Rev. Harold Abney officiating. Burial followed in Lockney Ceme-

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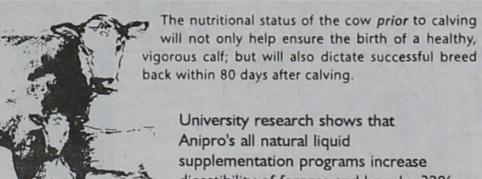
NAZARETH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND SIMILAR TRUST FUNDS YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1995

GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES

200-499

Contr	ol	GENERAL	SPECIAL	DEBT SERVICE	CAPITAL	NONCOOPERATIVE	COOPERATIVE	AUGUST 31.	AUGUST 31.
Codes		FUND	REVENUE FUND	FUND	PROJECTS FUND	EXPENDABLE	EXPENDABLE	1995	1994
	REVENUES:								
5700	Local, Intermediate, and Out-of-State	\$338,010	\$42,428	-	-	-	-	\$380,438	\$350,238
5800	State Program Revenues	1,248,120	2,910	-	-	-	1-	1,251,030	1,084,359
5900	Federal Program Revenues	1,687	107,996	-			-	109,683	97,606
	Excluding Revenues Funding Function 14	\$1,587,817	\$153,334	-	-	-	-	\$1,741,151	\$1,532,203
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5030	Total Revenues	\$1,587,817	\$153,334	-	-	-	-	\$1,741,151	\$1,532,203
	EXPENDITURES:								
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0022	Instructional Resources and Media Services	17,751			THE PARTY OF THE		-	17,751	18,442
0023	School Administration	92,410		7000		-	-	92,731	93,001
0025	Curriculum & Instruct. Staff Development	4,458	-	-	-	-	-	4,458	4,330
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0031	Guidance and Counseling Services	20,604	-	100 3 3 3 3	-	The - Dill	-	20.604	19.425
0032		-	-	-	-		-	- 1	
0033	Health Services	5,717		-	-	-	-	6,162	5,485
0034	Student Transportation	75,795	- 4	KING .		The second	-	75,795	51,344
0036	Co-curricular Activities	97,754	-	-	-	-		97,754	96,640
0037	Food Services	-	78,784	-	-	-		78,784	75,509
0041	General Administration	126,846	-	-	-		-	126,846	118,583
0042	Debt Services	-	-	-	-		-	4	
0051	Plant Maintenance and Operations	129,149	-	-	-	-	-	129,149	136,269
0052	Facilities Acquisition and Construction	41,259		-	300,768	-		354,545	51,570
0075	Data Processing Services	_		-	-			-	-6.00
0061			354	-	-	-	2 11 - 11	354	71
	Expenditures Excluding Function 14	\$1,367,983	\$153,888	-	\$300,768	-	_	\$1,822,639	\$1,514,753
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6050	Total Expenditures	\$1,367,983	\$153,888		\$300,768			\$1,822,639	\$1,514,753
1100	Excess (Deficiency) Revenues Over Expenditures	\$219,834			(\$300,768	,	- 1000	(\$81,488)	\$17,450
7990	Other Resources	12,582	5,180	-	300,768	-		318,530	63,012
8990	Other (Uses)	(315,441	) -	-	-	-	-	(315,441)	(58,833)
1200	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other								
	Resources Over Expenditures & Other Uses	(\$83,025	54,626	-	-	-	-	(\$78,399)	\$21,629
0100	Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	608,866	(2.470	) -			LARGE BUT	606,396	584,767
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3000	Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$525,841	\$2,156	-	-	_	-	\$527,997	\$606,396

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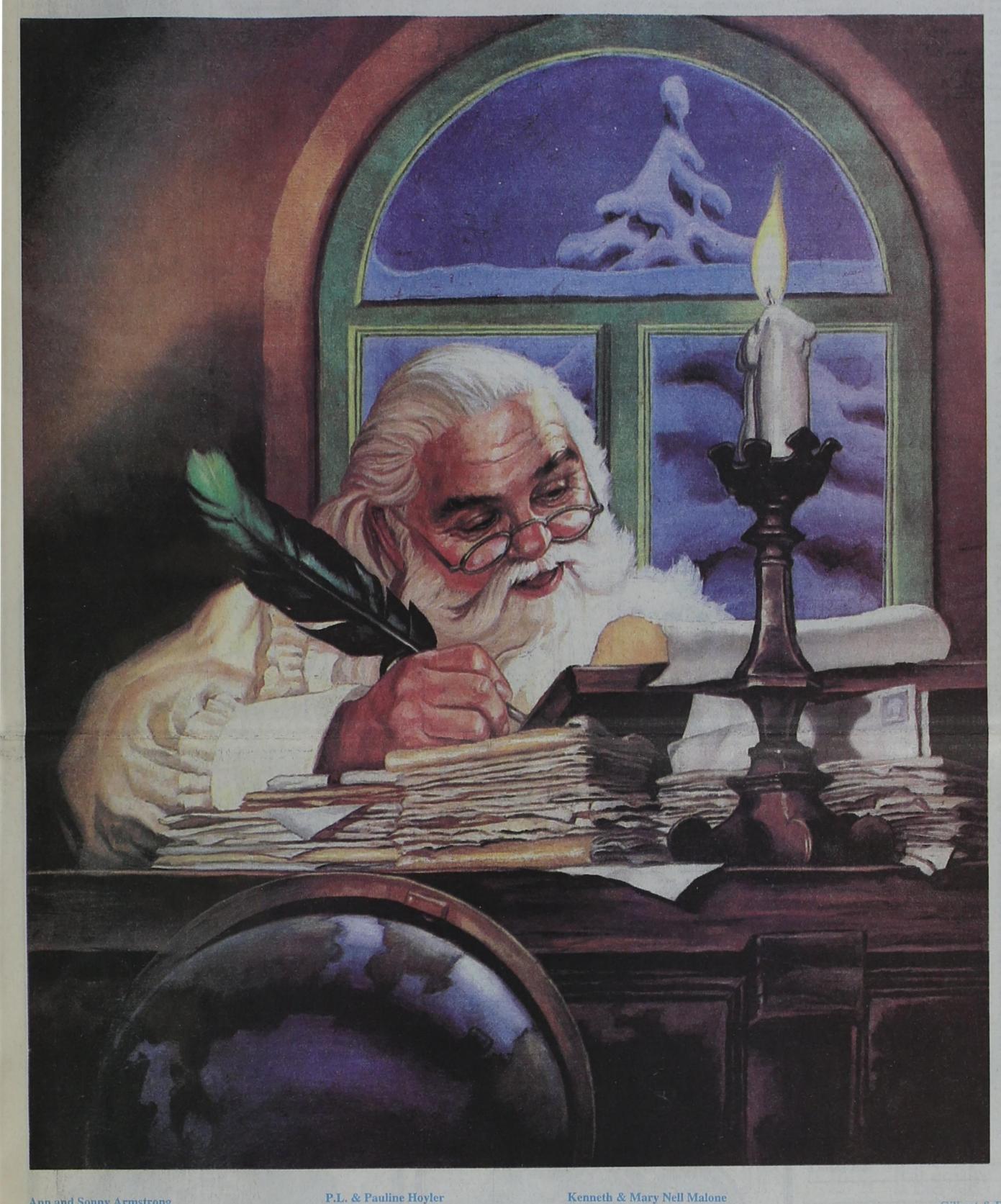
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# Dear Santa, Here's What I want for Chrismas

choo choo train.

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a turtle, a red toy box, and a

I want you to come to my house and

bring me presents, please. I am very good

and I never fight with my brothers or sis-

ter. I want for Christmas a computer. I

wanted it for a long time. Do you like good

people? I wonder if you could come to

Dimmitt? Santa Claus can you bring

something for my Dad because today is

my Dad's birthday? I hope you could

come to Dimmitt. Did you know that your

nice. I like when you say Ho Ho Ho Merry

Christmas. That makes me laugh. Did you

like school? I like school because it's fun

so we can learn. I like Christmas because

we get presents and because it's Jesus'

birthday and I am glad. I want a

Pocahontas movie. I like you for a friend

please. I think I am passing third grade. I

I wish I had a BB gun for Christmas.

I've never gotten a BB gun and I want it

this year for Christmas and I want a walk-

I wish I had a computer, and a Super

I want a BBQ grill. What does the North

Pole look like? Bring my brother a train.

How do you know who is good or bad? I

I have been good this year. Please may

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Here's hoping that all of

this most magical of

Merry Christmas and

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seasons!

thanks to all!

your wishes come true in

I have a train and a game boy for Christ-

Nintendo, and a Power Ranger Movie,

and a Dallas Cowboy football. Have a

am sorry that I can't write more.

Dear Santa Claus,

man for Christmas.

Happy Christmas!

have been good this year.

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

mas. Thank you

Anthony Fuentes, 4

Dear Santa,

We have been good. We are in Kindergarten. Annia wants a Barbie and a cradle. Rays wants a red toy motorcycle. Marisol wants a white Barbie car and a Barble house. Cynthia wants a kitchen set. Victor wants a toy. Naoli wants a Barbie doll and big toy horse. Alex wants a toy car (green). Erika wants a baby doll that cries and a toy house. David wants a red bike and a white toy cow. Anna wants two new black Nike shoes and Barbie skates. Thalia wants a yellow teddy bear and a blue toy horse. Jorge wants a toy police car and a toy airplane and a toy tractor. Denisse wants a purple Pocahontas bike and a Barbie doll and car. Adriana wants a toy. We are in Mrs. Turner and Mrs. Espinosa's room.

Dear Santa,

I Love you so much! Would you please bring me Rollerblades, Sleeping bag, Tent, elefun, Toss Across, Treasure Rocks, doodle bear & SkyDancer? Thank you for giving me all that stuff.

Jamie Burks

How are you, I am fine. I have been a good girl. This year for Christmas I would like a black pickup, a bathtub baby, and would you please remember to bring my sister something too? I will leave you some milk and cookies on the table.

Thank you.

I Love You, **Catlin Watts** 

My name is Isidro rodriguez. I am five years old and in Kindergarten. I was not a good boy at the beginning but I am now. For Christmas, I want a computer, motorcycle, fishing rod, and teddy bears for my two brothers and sister. Thanks and Merry Christmas.

Isidro Rodriguez

Dear Santa,

I would like for you to bring me a red motorcycle and blue go-cart and a trampoline and a sega genesis with mortal kombat 3 and Dion Sanders game and gun called secret shot and a play farm and I want a big X-mas tree with lots of

Thank You **Anthony Lopez** 

I want a lunchbox. I want a trampoline. I want a computer for christmas. I would like a little teddy bear. I would like a barbie car power wheels. I would like a barble for

Vanessa Reyes

Dear Santa.

I want a mermaid and a Pocahontas dolly. And I want a bike. I want a shirt with Belle on it. I want a Christmas tree.

Isabel Garcia, 5

Dear Santa.

Please bring me a Barbie doll. My brother wants a choo choo train. He forgot to tell you. My sister wants an angel dress and a toy horse. Daniel wants a bike. My dad wants tools to fix the car. My little brother wants some toy tools. I want a pretty church dress.

Jessica Ramirez, 5

I want a Pocahantas doll. Give me a Barbie horse. I want a Barbie car. I want a

Klarissa Martinez, 5

Dear Santa

I want a Barbie, a Pocahontas doll, and a puzzle.

Stephinie Sanchez, 4

Dear Santa, I want a real cattle truck--not a toy--and

Erin Muniz, 4

Dear Santa, I want a doll with a black dress.

Kathleen Martinez, 4

Dear Santa.

I want a Fox and the Hound. I want a Beauty and the Beast "Belle" doll.

Jessica Leivas, 4

Please bring me a Barbie. I want a Pocahontas game.

Viviana Quiroz, 4

Dear Santa, I want a helicopter and some racing cars. I want some power Rangers.

Jared Yokum, 4

Me want a little truck. I want a little trac-

Rubin Buskirk, 4

Dear Santa

I want a Christmas tree. I want a Barbie

Renee Buskirk, 4

Dear Santa.

I want a mermaid doll, I want a new backpack with pocahontas on it. I want an Love.

Emmalei Rodriguez, 4

I want a white Ranger toy. I want a

I love you Santa, P.J. Perez, 4

I want a little elf. I would like some blocks. I want some toys. Krissy wants a

Love. John David Gonzales, 4

Dear Santa. I want a Pocahontas doll. I want a sucker. I want a circle.

> Love. Alyssa Saenz, 4

I want a Barble car and two Barbles. I want a Barble house.

Alisha Womack, 4

Dear Santa

I want a Green Power Ranger.

Martin Lopez, 4

I want a Barbie doll. I want a mermaid doll. I want a Perfume Barbie. I want a play dolly. I want a Pocahontas bike. I want a Pocahontas mvie.l want a Pocahontas shirt and neaklace. I want Pocahontas play

Mona Sifuentez, 5

I want a picture of a heart. I would like

a toy truck.

Markous Sifuentez, 5

Dear Santa,

Will you bring me a Ring-Around-The

Would you bring my brother a Dr. Dreadful Food Lab and a Dr. Dreadful ice

Brittany Flores, 5

I want a Power Ranger costume. I want a Christmas tree.

Daniel Ojeda, 5

Dear Santa,

I want a big Barbie. I want a Barbie man, too. I want a Barbie horse with Love.

Amy Saenz, 5

I am hoping for a Sega! And I am good in school. I want a computer. My birthday is on Thanksgiving. Did you know that? Did you know Christmas is a Good holiday. I want a pillow that looks like Taz. I am coloring you. Tomorrow is December Your friend, Adam Zambrano Dear Santa, I love you very, very much. I want a little bit of toys for christmas and a lot of

Your friend, Josh Dominguez For Christmas I would like a race car with a remote control and a toy gun, and a

clothes. I help my mom do chores.

Thank you. Matthew DeLa Paz

Dear Santa,

Your friend,

Your friend,

David Diaz

Your friend,

Love.

**Grant Feaster** 

Ryan Tyler Mixon

Javier Rodriguez

Ruby Espinoza

fireman with a dog.

I believe in you and I don't want a rock. Please bring me a present. I want a real Dallas Cowboy football helmet and a Texas Tech football helmet. When it is Christmas Eve I will get up and see you and give you a hug. I also want a texas Longhorn uniform. I need it little and I wear a 5. Please just bring me something cool on Christmas Eve. A new Donkey Kong Country Nintendo game would be nice, too. See you soon, Cool Dude! P.S. How about a horse (brown) and a saddle?

Dear Santa, If you can I want a Super nintendo, Baby Tumbles, and a Creepy Crawler Machine, too! And maybe a new jam box. Sussie needs some dog bones. Midnight needs some cat treats. And I don't know what Smokey needs.

Robin Beames

Klay Clearman

...We're Sending Our

Warm Wishes Your Way

We didn't want to let another

minute go by without letting

you know how much we

value your business.

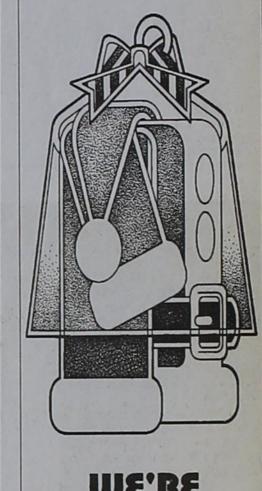
Merry Christmasl

Red X

**Travel Center** 

I want a football helmet of the Dallas Cowboys. I also want a life jacket for my cousin Carlos. I also want some spurse for my boots. I also want a light for my bike. Thank you Santa

Max Sandoval Jr.



Merry Christmas!

# FOR TIME...

To wish you a really neat Christmas! We appreciate your patronage.

# Alvin's **Drive-In** Cleaners





In the spirit of Christmas, we'd like to offer a chorus of thanks and good wishes to our kind friends and neighbors.

Castro County Farm Bureau

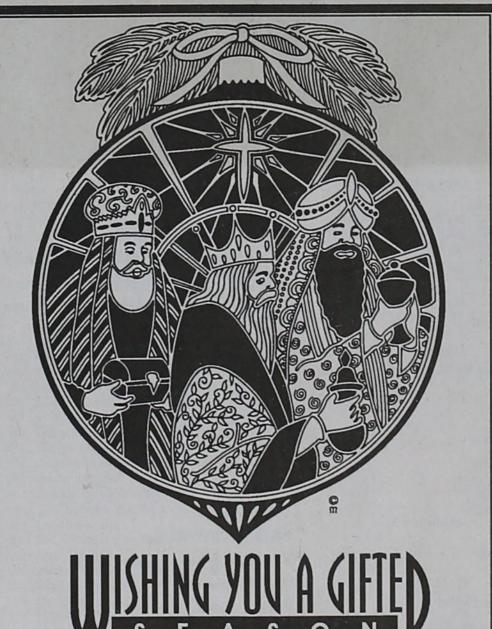


Everyone here is all revved up to wish you a high-powered holiday celebration, where everything runs smoothlyl

JERRY'S AUTOMOTIVE & MACHINE

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Dr. Lee and Darla Baggett



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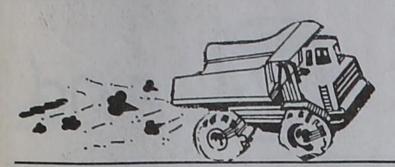
We just wanted to say "Merry Christmas", and "thanks" for calling on us this past year. We appreciate your kind patronage.

Bryant's Sales & Service

315 N. Broadway, Dimmitt

647-3149

Dear Santa,





Dear Santa,

I would like a Dallas Cowboy Jacket, a Dallas Cowboy football, a little car (red), some more friends, a Power Ranger movie, a new TV in my room. And a Sega game, a new pair of shoes and new clothes I would like anything you give me. Love,

Fabian Pena

Dear Santa.

How have you been? I have tried to be good. For Christmas I would like to have a CD player, a bike helmet and a bathtub baby. I would like a Barbie stampin horse set. Thank you,

> Love, Cassidy Watts

Dear Santa,

My name is Ashley Cotter. I would like a tumble doll, a dog treat, big new doll house. I want a barn. I want a new Barbie doll and a Pocahontas doll. I would like a baby doll. I am a very, very good girl.

Ashley Cotter

Dear Santa.

I want to see you Santa I want a 4-lane race car track, Sega Genesis, a Dallas Cowboy remote control car, and I hope you have a goodnight Santa Claus. I also want a train set to go around the Christmas tree. I would also like an Emergency City.

> Love, Michael Rasor

Dear Santa.

Please bring me and my brother a pickup. You be safe.

Season

God bless you and yours

at this holy time of year.

Jones-Rawlings

**Insurance Agency** 

Thank you, Jeremy Falcon

Dear Santa,

This christmas I do not want you to not forget the poor children. I want happiness love and pease, and good bless my family; and for christmas I want good toys; and whatever good toy you have.

I Love you, Santa Claus Shaira Gonzales

Dear Santa,

I want a car for my Barbies. I also want a power wheels car so I can ride. I want a teddy bear. I also want Little water baby. I want a slirp with the cup. Also a skydancer with launcher. Baywatch Barbie too, I want the movie Cinderella, Casper, and the Santa Clause. Please Santa Thank you.

> Sincerly, Amanda Casteneda

Dear Santa,

I want a 3 Little Pigs movie, motorcycle, a water bed, a base truck, and some cloth, a airplane, clock, Dallas Cowboy's suite and Foot-boll, Micky mouse piggie bank. Rocky Navarro

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. Please bring Me and My little brother a fort with a rope ladder and a slide. If you find a fun toy I need you can bring it too. I Love You.

Dennis Underwood, 6

Dear Santa.

Hi Santa. Please bring me an elephant toy parade, a Bear and a tractor and a new Sharpner and a Nigin Sword

Thank You Jonathan Orona Dear Santa,

My name isToby. I would like for you To bring me a bulldozer, a Tonka farm, a Brainball, and a Rescue copter. I am trying To be good.

> I love you, Toby Ward

Dear Santa,

This year I have been a good boy. I would like a Mighty Power game and a Remote control car. Thank You.

> From, Chris Pompa

> > Love

Yuri

Dear Santa, I wot a bear.

Dear Santa.

Victoria

Dear Santa. My names Yurl. I wont a bike

Hi my name is Micaela Salinas and I will go to Mexico to see my grandma and my grandPa but I will Put my letter in my table good bye

Dear Santa,

I see you up sleigh shirt is red I be good I watt barble love

Wendy

love

Marisela

Carlos

Dear Santa, I want a doll. I want a bear. I want a barbie. I want a bike

Dear Santa,

I lic a shoes for christmas lic a sega

I wot a bike for christmas

Dear Santa,

I wut a ras kar I lic a shos for kres Christmas I sut a titr I lic a litte ranger I wut

Isidro Dear Santa, I love you. I wont a motorcycle. With a

remote control. I wont a nintendo. I wont a dere. I wont a dog. I love santa. I wont a

Dear Santa,

remot car. I wont a cat.

I want a truck. I want a dinosaur. I want a car control. I want a porou Ranger. I want a motorcycle. I want a computer.

I want a bog. I hav six. I want a Seagu. want a Kar. I want a mosiko I want a gawrasher. I want a horse.

Manaure Rodriguez

I want a bike. I want a powr ranger. I wont a train. Can you have a car

Frankie Martinez

Dear Santa.

I wat a school bus. I wat a car wit boy. I wat a clock

Dear Santa, I want a motorcycle. I want to play. I want a prezent. I want a Ranger. I love my

Juan Dear Santa,

I love Santa. I want a toy. I wusz play. I want a costm of porou Ranger. I want a

prezent. I have a fake santa. I have a fen but he is santa. I have a car. Can you sed me a toy. I want a store of toy. I want a

Johnny Ramirez

toy. I love you santa.

I have been a good boy this year. I would like a racecar set, roller blades. I would like a windsuit and a bone for my

I want you to get me a Barbie car. And I want a phone in my Barble car.

Nicole Sanchez, 4

Dear Santa,

My dad wants us to have a trampoline. We used to have some swings but they flew away. That's all. I want a Barbie car

Laura Rodriguez, 5

Dear Santa, I want a water gun. I want a Big Foot

Dear Santa,

Jacob Rodriguez, 5

Dear Santa, I want a firetruck. I want a go cart. I

Dear Santa.

want a motorcycle. I want a Nintendo. I want a desk. I want a desk for my sister

too.

Love, Eric Rodriguez, 5

Stephanie Mendoza, 4

Dear Santa,

for the present.

I like Christmas and I like you and your elffs tou and I now were you live. And I like you wif she is prte and I like dress and I like you tou Santa.

I want a Pocahontas Barbie. Thank you

I love you, Sonya Gonzales Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie car. I a want a Mr. Smith for pocahontas. It is at Alco. I want a "curl and cut" Barbie. I want a puppy. And that's all.

> I love you, Santa, Melissa Ruiz, 5

Dear Santa,

I want a tea party cup. I want some Christmas lights. I want a "purdy purdy sun that don't get cold anymore." My kitty was cold and he ran to somebody else's house. I want arrows that stay on the Christmas lights.

Stephanie Castro, 5

Dear Santa,

I want gloves because I don't want my hands to get cold. And I want a toy. would like a gruck that I can put dirt in.

Nicolas Aguilar, 4

Dear Santa.

I don't have a computer. If you can not bring me a computer, I would like a Barbie with a car with a boy doll. I want a lot of toys. I have a book for you.

> Love. Sally Arce, 4

Dear Santa,

All We Want For

Is To Thank Our

**Many Wonderful Friends!** 

I hope you can come to my house for Christmas. I want some new skates. I want a new skating helment. I want a new knife. I want new handle bar grips.

The list may be long, but so is our gratitude for

we've bad the pleasure to

To all of you go our very

best wishes for a season

that delivers everything

you've ever wanted.

El Sombrero

Restaurant

Floyd Lopez and Son

Merry Christmas from all of us.

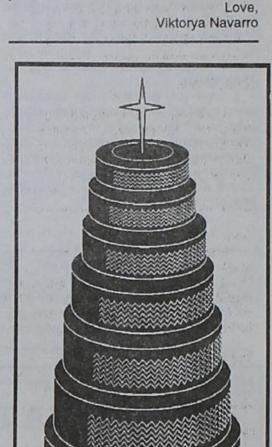
**Dimmitt** 

Ready Mix

the great bunch of folk

know this past year.

Your Friend, Ryan Miller



How are you doing this year? I am

doinig fine. Some kids can't wait till Christ-

mas. I think I can. It isn't long untill Christ-

mas. Sense its not a long time I ges I will

tell you five things I want for Christmas. 1.

Clothes. 2. Big shelf 3. Shoes. I hope all of

the children get all they want. I would like

to get along with my brother oj. And I was

going to ask you if I can always get one of

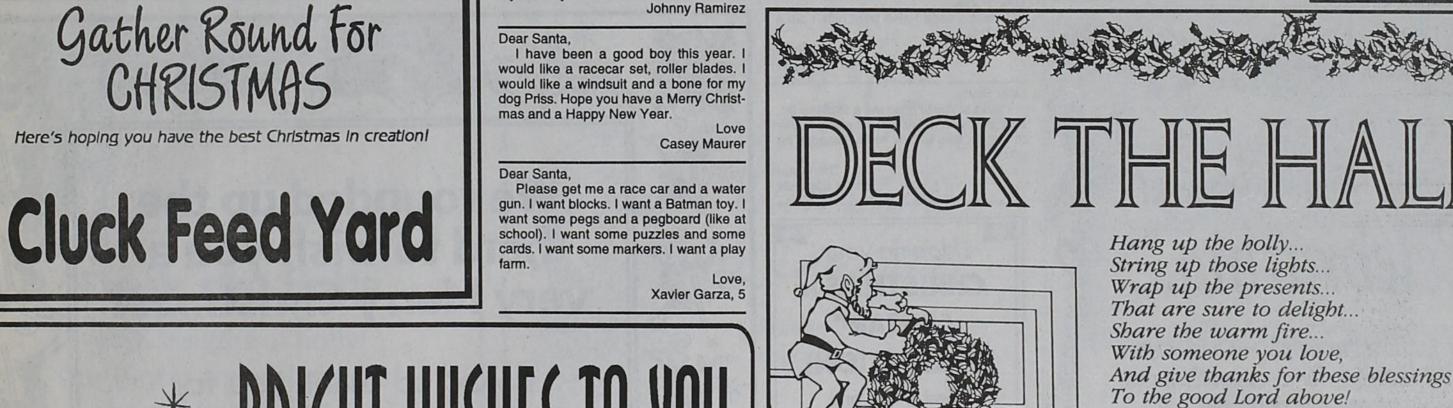
a presents I really want every Christmas

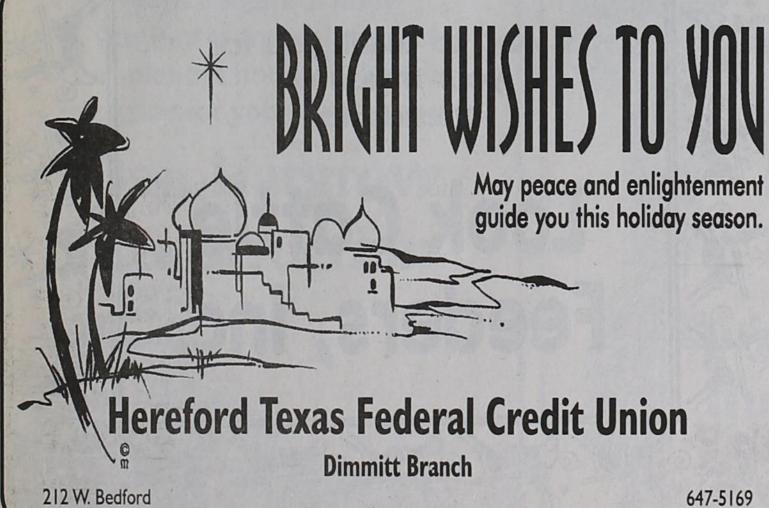
We never tire of customers like you, and hope that the good times keep on rolling for you this Christmas.

Thank you for helping to keep us on a roll.

## Paxton Tire & Service

603 SE 3rd, Dimmitt 647-4121















Dear Santa.

I want a remot control car and a rode fiter toy and a dog. And a 88 feet tV a nintendo gam. And a footbal.

> Your frind Jose Lopez

Dear Santa,

I want a shotgun. I want a Dallacowboys Football. I want a bull Dog. Morter Kombat two on Sega. I want a TV in my room. I want a snake. I want a talkboy. I wanr a go car. I want a skate bord.

> Your Friend Adam Mendoz

Dear Santa.

I hope you got this letter because I need to tell you what I want for christmas. Well here I go, I want a my size barbie, wishing barble, a lot of earings and wish my graet grandmother a Merry christmas. Her name is Enest, and please tell her it. Thank if you sald yes P.S and I will have milk and cookise on the table.

Your friend Samantha Hemandez

I want. For. You. To . Bring me A big. Red. Car. And. Atruck.

Your. Friend. Abraham. Alvarado. JR. Dear Sante.

I whant a now black becase I domt have a black becase my chan fell off and I can not ficks it so can you give me a now black and I whant a barble lamedergemey for my dall and I whant a my sixy barbie dall. And I what wich greming star.

> Your friend Sharette Johnson

I want a sega, sterel, dirt bike, bow and arrow. Three in one tournament table, watch, gun, truck, boots, jeans, belt, TV, movies, VCR, bike, roller blades and thats

P.S. I'll leave you milk and cookies.

Your friend, Matthew Calderon

Wishing You A Tasteful Season!

Creme de Cheer . . . . N/c

Extra Fine Wishes . .. . N/c

Warm Regards w/Angel Hair . N/c

To our many fine customers, we're serving up

our very best holiday wishes.

Thank you for dining with us this year.

**Pancake House** 

A CORNUCOPIA OF

May your holiday be filled with the love of

family and friends.

Many thanks and merry Christmas to all!

Earl's Garage

I would like you to bring me a gold car and bring my niece Samantha and Amanda bring a siut they could wear. And bring Amanda a box of candy becase she loves candy. And bring me a store. And a play house for I could play house with my friends and I hope you come to my house first because I want to give you some cookies. I hope you love them because they are chocolate cookies and a glass of milk to go with the cookies.

Your friend, Jessica Navarro Dear Santa,

Please give me a present. I want a Power Ranger Talk Belt. That's all.

Javier Ibarra, 4

Dear Santa,

I've already had Santa but now I need another one. I want a green Power Ranger. I want crayons. I want a black Ranger an a white Ranger and a red Ranger and a blue Ranger. I want teddy bears. I want black gloves to keep my hands warm. I want a Batman cape.

Damian Gauna, 4

Dear Santa, I want a Barbie car. I want a Barbie. I

want a play phone.

Kellie Martinez, 4

Dear Santa,

I want a Barble car. I want a Pocahontas doll. I want markers, puzzles, and books.

Kimberly Martinez, 4

Dear Santa,

I want to get a purple bike. I want a teacher Barbie and a Ken Barbie and a house for them so they wont be scared.

Samantha Guardado, 4

Arthur Castaneda

My name is Arthur Canstaneda. How is the north pole? I hope that the elves are good. I am a good boy. Bing me a little car. Bring me a truck and a bear. I want a Christmas tree. Merry Christmas

I wont a box of Power. Rangers. A Rode wet cars. A lot of cars. A game of real monsters. A game of Seg A little truek A little car A letter perfect. A culren book. A little subrben A truek wet A traler. Alfredo ByGoytia

I want a sega genisis and a power Rangers game and a tenspeed bikE, a Ittle car and a bee-bee gun and a mood sikl and a truck and a game of a rel monsters and a red power rangers and a whit Power Rangers and a kolmg book. And a

Humberto Jr.

Dear Santo.

I wich to get the race car and a kto with no lers and to dat is good for the race car is lave The race car and is buifo uvyla I nim is Omar Soto Santo pies get the race car and lave Santo

Dear Santa,

I want some clothes Santa I one a movie of the Power Rangers. I also want a Barbie. I also want a gameboy with the game of the Power Ranger I also want a little bear Bring me thirteen things like candy. I also want a cat. I also want a dog little. I also want Money. I also want a doli. I also want a can of cookies. I also want a poster of the Power Ranger.

Gladys Ruiz

Yadira Garza

My name is Yadira Garza. How is the north pole I nope that the elves are doing okcay and that they aren't to tired. I have been my bes to be good for Christmas. I wovld love to be able to get a bar ble

Dear Santa, I am a good bay. And I want a nintendo. I want a motorcycle Joshua Cano

good boy.

I want a sega I also want cars I am a

Merry christmas

Dear Santa.

I want to you to bring me a airplane So. I can play with it. My brother wants to you to bring a bike to him. Merry seasons for

Jaime Esqueda

Rene Villegas

Hoping your **CHRISTMAS** is

"SHEAR" **PERFECTION!** 

Best wishes and heartfelt thanks to our many fine customers

West **Barber Shop** 



Dear Santa.

I wanta a baby Chrisimas cat, a baby dog. And a bike. Please bring a power ranter for my brother, for my grandpa to fil beter. I love my grandpa, my grandpa fil beter, a baby sester. Thankyou Santa

Trisha Reyes

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a Barbie Car, a Barbie Bubele Gum Shop, My Size Barbie, that is if I am a good girl. I hope that you will stop by my house first, because I will have three cookies on a plate, and a glass of mik. I hope that Ruldogh's nose dosen't glow on the way down here! Merry Christmas!

Felisha Starling

Dear Santa,

I hope you come to my house. I want you to have a nice Christmas this year. Say Hi to Mrs. Clause and the elfs and the Raindeers, this is what I want for christmas. I want the chris cross crash Sestum and I wish you a Merry Christmas.

> Your friend, Elias Zepeda P.S. Write Soon

Dear Santa,

I want a tv, ver, together. And a Super Soder. And a Super Netendo game. And a Foot Ball. And a Baseball bat. And a game could jengal. And a game could

> Your friend Omar Pena

Dear Santa, I want a go cart and some clothes too. I want a diamond ring for my mom too, and to heel my dad's back and foot. I want a new car for my mom and a new truck for my dad. I want some nikey shoes. I want some clothes for my dad and shoes. I want some fish. I want some hamsters. I want a baby bunny. I want a hundred presents under my Christmas tree. I want to make hundreds in

school. Iw ant pink roller blades and pink

Love your friend, Apolonia Flores

Dear Santa,

I want a bear to sleep with and I want a barbie. I also want doll. I want a bicyle. I want a tares. I want a barbie house, I want a compter, I want a jagers, I want a little rode I want a book, I want a sandles, I want a folder I want a tape. I want a

Laura Diaz

Dear Santa,

Santaclos quiero un robokap nuebo kevenga en una cajo mebola portar bien con mi maestra y mis papas espero que me traiga loque quiero a mis hermanas tan bien a ellas trailes 2 barbis muchas gracias por todo Santa clos

I would like a lego house, a truck and a

Rubin Buskirk, 4

Dear Santa,

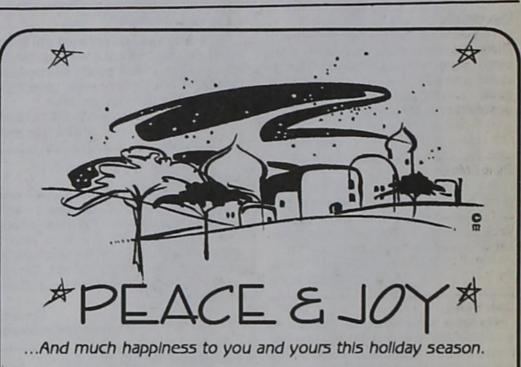
I want a book and something with com

Cody Collins, 4

Dear Santa,

I want two real deer and I want a real baby steer. I also want a remote 42 car that goes. I wish for Power Ranger--the Movie-1 and 1. And a Sega. Can I have a sleigh ride with you?

Love Houston Sutton



Dimmitt Welding & Electric

Hope It's Noteworthy!



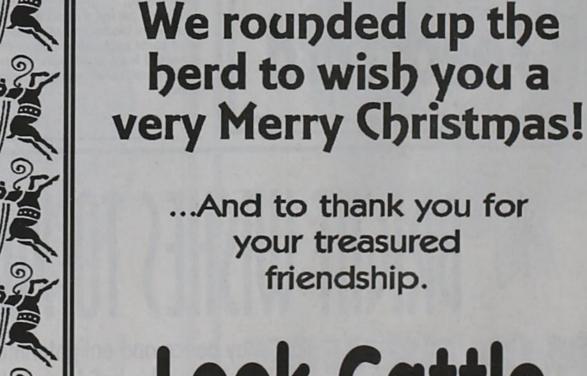
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Ann Armstrong, Manager Mark L. Kleman, Loan Representative Edna Sanders, Secretary

With warm wishes for a sweet holiday season. Serving you was a real treat for usl CUT Fertilizer, Inc.

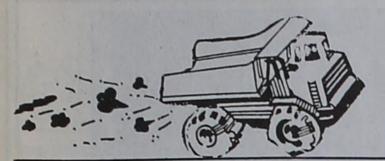






Feeders, Inc.







Dear Santa, Please bring me a Susie Stretch Doll. Thank you.

Love, Molly

Dear Santa. Hello Santa Claus. I want a fake horsie and a bike. I love you! I hope you have agood christmas. How have you been

doing? Marry Christmas. HO

Erin Black

Dear Santa,

For Christmas this year I would like a Barble Power Wheels and a My Size Barbie. I would also like a puppy, a CD player and a Barble mustang and camera. guess that's all for now. Say hi to Mrs. Santa and Rudolph.

> Love, Courtney Garza

Dear Santa.

For Chrismas I want a Dr. Dreadful and typewriter and cool tools and a Nintendo Thanks

Anthony Enriques

Dear Santa, I want Dinosaurs. Jack In The Box. Doctor Dreadful. Santa Clause toothbrush. New shirts. Real Dog. ABC Com-

Michael Cline

Dear Santa,

puter. Truck.

Hil This is Nicholas Archuleta. I had few things on my mind and I was wondering if you could get these things for me. I would like: a Sega Genesis, a pair of rollerblades, a bike, a batman car, and I would really, really like to see my grandpa and grandma and Dad. I'm not finished so don't go on me. I want a box of Lego's for boys not for girls. Santa I really don't care if I get all this stuff I just want to wish Jesus a Happy Birthday. Sincerely,

Nicholas Archuleta

Dear Santa,

I would like a white Power Ranger for christmas. Something for my brothers--Derrick and Cody. I also like Spiderman.

legos or building blocks and a ball.

I want a toy garage with cars, some

Matthew Anes, 2

Dear Santa. I want a doll and a barbie boy and a phone litter.

Diocelina

Dear Santa. My name is Zack. I would like a motor cycle bike, a horse and a truck and trailer because I was very good this year.

Merry Xmas Santa Zack Starling

Dear Santa,

I want a teacher Barbie and a teddy bear and a Santa bear. I would like a Pocahontis doll and John Smith.

Danny Lopez

Dear Santa,

I want some play horses and some dolls for Christmas.

Patricia Barrera

Dear Santa. I would want a rode rider and I would

want another new sword and I want a new sharpiner to and two more swords. Christopher Gregory

I want a remote-control car. I would like a teddy bear and a big power ranger and some blocks and a play phone and a play

Matthew Almanza

I want cool tools, truck, boat, motorcycle, coat, train and power rangers.

**Curtis Thomas** 

I Love You. I want you to bring me an ABC computer. I want a chalk board to write on. I want a kitchen to play in. Merry Christmas, Santal

Nayeli Monsivias

Dear Sana.

and a power rangr wite.

I would like a race car and a new bike and a power gun and a power Rangr red

> love Frank

I want a barbey doll weth a baby an a car an close an jense an a chaping. Say hi to your family for me Merry Chirsmas

Dear Santa,

What I want for Christmas is a carron fun system, Triple Arcade, pico the computer that thinks it's a toy from sega, girder and panel deluxe, Burger maker, Drink fountain, french fry maker, Tyco real cooking watch it Bake, hardwood fun table and fun table top, chicago medalist junior rollerblades, helmet, rapid fire shotgun, power ranger tent, life-like triple oval railway system, rock and roll run wall tracker, jet turbo python, fire and police station play set, smokin' semi rig. That is all I

> Sincerely your friend Bradley Lane

Dear Santa,

I love you please bring me, all of the girl. toys on page 37 and 38 of the toy book, a cheerleater outfit, a barble, a teddy bear and a barble jeep.

> Thanks a lot Carrie Armstrong

Dear Santa,

I am 5 years old. How are you and Mrs. Santa Claus doing? I would like a Sega Genesis and Mortal Kombat III game. A Christmas Tree and snow. Remote control car. Say Hello to the Elves and Rudolph.

> Love Erik Porras

Dear Santa.

I want a TV for Christmas and a rill phone and the Lassie movie and my sister wants a bord like mine sorry I did not rite you very much. I love you very, very much. Love Shauna

I want sum close and sum toyes and sum shoos too and sum pressants. Love Bianca K. Torres

Dear Santa, I want a football. I want cars. I want a

I want a goll cart. Love Fabian Diaz

I want a puppy. I want a saga ginascis

bike. I want a horse. I want a basket ball.

Love. Laura

want sam game's.

I want a TV for Christmas And a bike And a bell. And a apple toy And some money. And a spcilse presents.

Dear Santa,

I want a nitendo. I want a barbie. I want a cowboy shirt. I want a doll. I want a toys. I want a trampolen. Than you,

> Love. Elizabeth Marrufo

Dear Santa,

I would like a Bike, Remote Control Car, a tape of John Michael Montgomery, Shenia Twain, Garth Brooks, And One more thing Stuff to make things with, like a sewing set. Merry Christmas!

> Sincerely, Corrie Kate Black

Dear Santa,

Please bring me pink jammas. Please bring me a trampoline for me and my sisters. Thank you for the gifts you brought

Love Cailee Gilbreath

I want a scorpion, brat, pool table, Cd jambox, and some cd's and Born to be wild movie and Atmosfear.

Love, Heath Lunsford P.S. I love you.

Dear Santa,

I would like a doodle bear and butterfly princess Barbie, makeup, sticker maker. I have been good. I will leave you brownies. Love Haley Lunsford

Dear Santa,

Will you bring me a big screan TV and 1 more thang that I realy whant is a moder sikll but still I whant my only helment and two more thangs I want a bike and a football

Love, Tucker Self

Dear Santa

All I want for Christmas is a computer and a desk and for my mom a 10000.00 and my dad wants some new pants and shose. Please take care of all of my familey.

> Your best friend Ashlee Nino

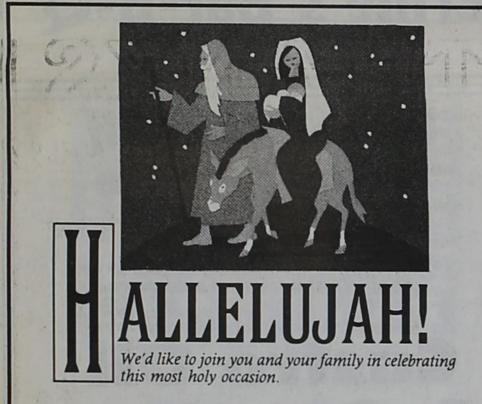
Hi! I am Dustin Thomas. I have tried so hard to be a good boy this year. I want Cool Tools, micro machine, van and cars, a bike, arrows for my bow and new tennis

I love you.

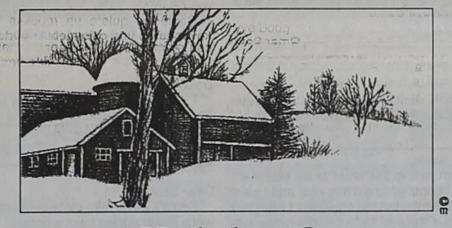
Dustin







Castro County Pump Co.

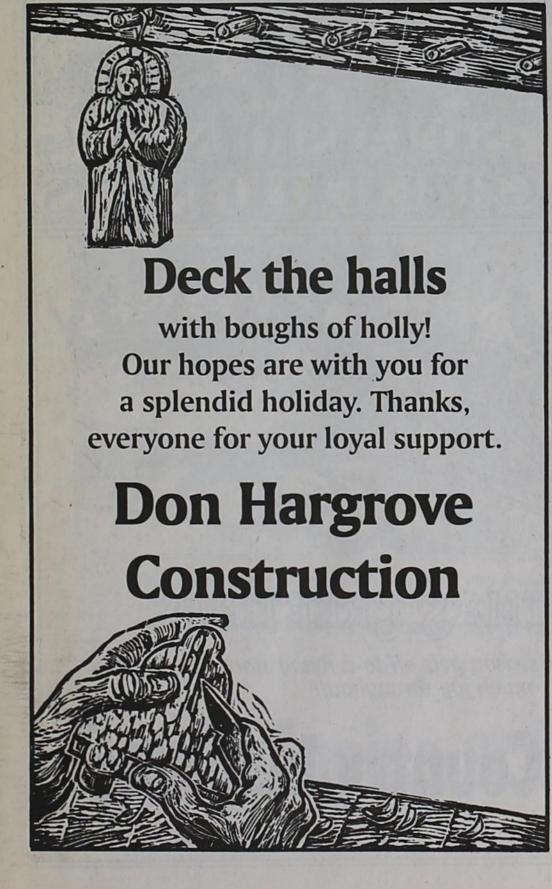


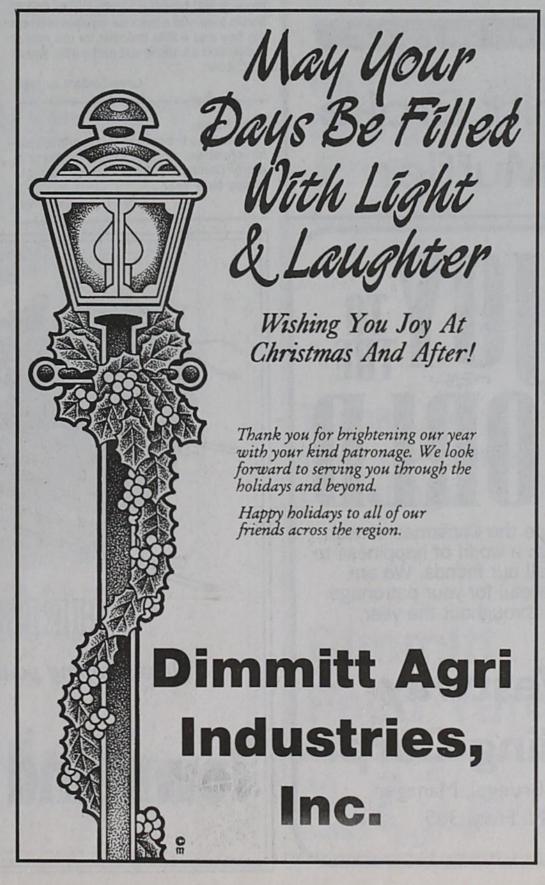
# **Country Holiday Greetings**

We wish all our neighbors a beautiful season.

# Gregory Real Estate











When a blanket of snow embraces the land, The beauty we see is the work of God's hand. Each snowflake unique in its own special way, Reminds us that soon it will be Christmas day. So give thanks to the Lord for the birth of the Savior; May you always enjoy both His love and good favor.

**Texas Corn Producers Board** 





Dear Santa,

I wont a BeBe gun. I wont A teve. I wont all the rolenworers and I wont A bell from your sed. I wont a master truck, and A movenclone.

Louve Jordan

Dear Santa,

I want a B.B. gun And a sow a van with a t.v. in the van. And a monster truck. That I can ride. And a skirent.v. And a bag m truck.

> Love Mark

I would like a puppy and I would like a new bike and I would like tow new cap's and I would like a new t-shirt and I would like a new TV

love Ryan

Dear Santa,

I wish if you can bring my and bruther a toy and me too or a earth gun or a good tag jets for me or my 2 bruther and giv my baruther a good toy too.

Love Elias

Dear Santa

I want all the toys you got! And all the TVs! And I want to see is you for Christmas. I hop I get a lot of presents. And I hope everbody gets a lot of presents. I love you.

Natasha

Dear Santa,

Want I want for Christmas is a baby stroler. And I don't cere want cind of toys you give me. Want I reley want for Christmas is a happy year to Jesus.

Your freind Haley Heard

Dear Santa Claus

I what a barbie jeep. You are the best santa Claus. I love Santa Claus. ARE you going to have fun? IT IS FUN! Santa Claus Clarissa Sanchez

Dear Santa.

647-4464

I like your letter. I want a Life Guard Barbie.

Love Jayme Garcia

I wat a little doll four Christmas and a toy box and a ring and a toy and a book and a little presents and a Santa toy and a bell and a toy book and a toy bell.

love Ester

Dear Santa,

I want a good prestet. I want my mom. want a doll. I want a ball. I want a 100 dolers. I want a byootfl blaket Mrs. Clos

> Love you friend, Maria Ramos

I wot a tid game and a boulk sikl a and fishing pol. Zane Matthews

Dear Santa,

I want a super nintendo and some clothes and shoes for school that will last all year and some bloue jeans and I have good grads on my report card and how is miss Claus.

Tabatha McAllister

I have been trying to be good. I now I have had two bad notes. But I am not going to bring no more bad notes. Last year I got everything I whated but bunkbeds. But now I have bunkbeds. This year I want to see the raindeer. I a sega and I want a new football. And how are the raindeer. And how are you and Mrs. Claus. Some cookies and milk for you. Love Sean Lookingbill

I want a super nintendo. I want a mountain bike. I want som shoes. I want a supernintindo control.

Love Wesley Nutt

A Great

Holiday Is

In Sight...

We'd like to thank you for trusting us,

and wish you all the

300 W. Bedford, Dimmitt

very best.

Dr. Morris Webb

**OPTOMETRIST** 

Merry Christmas and

many thanks.

How are you? I've been good all year. I want chicken limbo, splat and bugs, falling bridge and rollerblades for Christmas. I will leave you cookies and milk by the tree. Love Cameron

I want a barbie house will you rite me a letter so you no wut I want a sum candy for Christmas and sum cake for christmas and I want a Phone for christmas and I want a lot of barbies because my brother brock them. I am going to get you a presint on every christmas their mite be a presint for you under the Christmas tree. I love very very very very very very much. Kim ann Back

Dear Santa Claus,

thank you for the presents fum last year. I am doing good in school. I got los of friends. I wot a bike and cloth and Brbe car. Is Mrs claus doing well? I blev in you. I love you Santa Claus. Is it cold in the north pole? My sister want pretty and in sixle cloth. I love my sister Stacy. I love you Santa claus. I love you Mrs. Claus. Love, Kayla Saenz

Dear Santa Claus,

How is your randis? Thanks for the presents. I want Barbies and clothes. And Barbie cars and I whent too remiber Myra and Stephanie, J.J., Fabian. I belive in you can you go throw the chiminy's. I theck you can. I love you Santa Claus. I want pand bear I love Sata Claus. How is your randr's I will bee good on ckrismis mis Love Carmen Pena

Dear Santa Claus Me and my brother are good in school every day will you give me a presnets and my brother and my sister and my mom and my dad to I like pairs of shoes and tools and a bed for my mom and Dad and will you give my Dog a house to and will you give me a dall for me and a bear to me. I ♥ you Santa Claus.

Vicky Sanchez

Dear Santa Claus.

I want a speken and spel for Christmis AND I wont somtething for my sister. I want a pair of shoes for my sister. When it snows I owes play outsid me and my sister want a preset for us kus we lik preset kus tha are rel fun for Kist Kus Kist like preset. The preset are fun.

Love Rudy Corrales

you are my best freind. All I want for Christmas is a hound dog.

I want a pool table that changes into five different other games. I have been a good boy this year. If you have room in your sleigh, I would like for you to bring me a Street Shark.

I love you.

Eric Odom

Dear Santa, What I want for Christmas is a computer

and some new clothes. See you soon. Love Laraine

Dear Santa,

NORTH, SOUTH, EAST OR WEST...

We're Sending All Our Very Best!

Dimmitt Brake

& Muffler

I am writing this letter to tell you that I have been a good girl this year and I want lots of things, but the one thing I want this year is a tent and if you could arrange that could you please try to get it for me please and I've been very good this year. Thank

Ashley Patlar Dear Santa,

I is Carle Thomas. I am 2 years old. I want make up, Baby doll, I also want a Princess Bride and some earrings. I want a Rosie Doll too. I got lots of cookies for you. Come and see me. I love you.

Carle

My name is Frankie. I hope you get my four wheeler and a present and I hope you will when I go to school and I hope when I'm gone and I hope you bring my present. I hope you bring my sister a tea party and when she's gone to school I hope you bring it. That's all for now. Thank you.

Dear Santa,

The present I want for Christmas is a Sega Genesis. I want a football. I want a Stretch Ninja. I want the Dinozords from the movie.

Love Gabriel Martinez

Dear Santa,

My name is Amber Jones. I would like a jewelry box, please. Merry Christmas.

How are you, Mrs. Claus and the elves? I want a Yellow Power Ranger, a stuffed bear that is brown, a play phone, a doll house and a watch. Please bring Geena a black and white cow that can sleep with her and bring carsyn a baby doll of her own. Santa, tell Rudolph I said Hello. Please be careful in your sleigh. Tell the elves to do real good work on the toys and on my bear. I'm going to leave cookies out for you. I hope everyone in my classroom bes real good. I hope Mrs. Shannon gets lots of things for Christmas. I love you! Kamryn Steffens

Please bring me a Car Case, hot wheel cars, Christmas Bear, Train set, Lego's, lamp for my bedroom.

Love Tammy Howell

Dear Santa,

I love you. Please bring me a Dallas Cowboy suit with a helmet, a hot wheet mitsibushi, a tractor, a walkman like Jimmy's. Thanks a lot

Jordan Metaxas

Dear Santa.

I would like a bicycle, four horses, and a computer. Please bring my brother a Sega system and an Emmett Smith jersey. My daddy would like a red Corvette.

My brother and I have been very good. We will leave you some cookies and milk. Drive carefully.

I want street sharks and a cow boy hat and a short and some pents and a race car that has that macan re choll. Joshua Norman

Dear Santa,

Senta I wot a romt ctble motor cuclen I wot a motor cuclen I wot a horse.

Jason Hill

Santa, I wont some shoos an a toy an for my sister wont a gum an for my mother a gres an for my father a pas. Have a Hapee crismis.

Love Higinio Aguirre

Hi, My name is Jessica Arguijo. I am 6 years old and Im in the first grade. I want a bike and I want a barbie, a two barbie and I want a little bike for my little brother big boy and I want a barble house and a barble jeep and a jeep for my little brother big boy and a little bracelet for me and a thalclc and a bathing suit and a little home for his car.

Love Jessica Arguijo

Dear Santa,

I want you to bring me a dog and Barbie for christmas and to wish everybody a Merry Christmas to you and my family a Happy New Year.

Love Dana Sandoval



# Season's Greetings

Here's hoping that your holiday brings loads of contentment and many good things.

Thank you for your valued support.

# Panhandle **Building Services**



To all our valued patrons we extend our warmest wishes for a very merry Christmas and a prosperous year.

# Ernie's Bar-B-Q

From Earnest and Eva and Family

# have yourself a merry little christmas!

To all of you who visited us this past year, go our very best wishes for lots of good cheer.

Castro Oil & Gas, Inc.







Here's hoping your season gets off to a flying start, and brings much joy throughout!

Town and Country Insurance



I would like to have a baby doll, new clothes and shoes. My brother wants a bike. I have been good. I love you. **Brittany Allen** 

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I would like a yellow talking Power Ranger, a pair of moon shoes and a Bubble-Up Pup Game. Also, I would like a Free Willy 2 tape. Hope you will have a Merry Christmas. Love Anna Brockman

Dear Santa,

I wot four theng of the pocahontas. I do not wot moe then theng. If you give me more then theng I will just cep then.

> Love your friend KaShonddra Fay Sherman

Dear Santa,

My name is Beau Gonzales. I am 7 years old. Santa please can I have a new sled. Please send snow. I want a new remote control car without a string. P.S. I like you and look at our tree.

Love Beau

Dear Santa.

I want a 100 Dollar Bill and a Baby so real. Please Bring me a Picture of you. Santa I need some tumbling mats. I Love

Love Joslyn Harmonson

I have been a good boy this past year. Could you please bring me a power ranger move, power ranger falcon, ninga zord, morticycle bike, and Power Ranger movie game for nes, mighty morphan bikes. I hope you have a safe trip. I will leave you Cookies and milk. Please say hi to Rudolph and Mrs. Clause.

Your friend, Jessie Lara

Dear Santa,

Hi, my name is Isela Velo. I am 7 years old. I am in the first grade. For Christmas this year I want a Baby Born Doll, a wind sult, and some books so I can read. I have tried to be a good girl all this year. Please do not forget my sister and brother.

Love Isela Velo

Dear Santa, All I want for Christmas is racing car set, cool tools, go kart with two seats, street sharks, My size princess Barbie, sog logs,

the new DREADFUL Doctor, Super

Love Seth Noland

Dear Santa,

I want a 4-wheeler, stret charmstrongs, remote controle cars, a kitten, a segasaturn, I wunt a bic, I wunt the pawrangr the move, I wunt my flamle to be

Love Justin Dones

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a toy car but big and a play gun and same clothes and a Super Nintendo and some games and I well leave some cookies and some milk for santa and would you bing me a big giant teddy bear with a big red bow and a boom box with cassettes and some toy men and a hat and new shoes and a necklace and a watch and a football and toy dinosaurs. Scott Martinez

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. I would want a barbie with a horse. I also would want a baby doll too. I want a teddy bear that can sing me a song so that I could go to sleep. I would want a kitty cat black and white polk a dot. I want a new alarm clock so that I could wake up in the morning.

Your friend, Thelma Medrano

I won three sticks for my lips and Barbies and fish and a gening my Mom a shrt and my bruthrs a shrt I like crismus and my self a shrt and my Dad a shrt and Sipe a fish and jesten a fish and tasha fish and srthrlo a fish and filix a fish and my Mom slihrs and me a hat and me a his and Casey a fish.

Monica

I want a my Size Princess Barby, Princess Wishing Star and you can give me any thang you want but no boy stuff. Your friend, **Brandy Smith** 

Dear Santa,

You are nice to bring presents to all the girls and boys around the world at Christmas time. All I wish for is either a b.b. gun, a bow and arrow or a motorcycle bike, or maybe a pooltable.

Sincerely, Matthew Ray Ruiz

What I want for Christmas is a remote control bigfoot and a remote control car. And a ham, books, shirts and jeans. And bring my little sister a nice present. Your friend,

Willie Thomas

Dear Santa Claus,

Hi. My name is Jessica Delgado. How are you? I am fine. How old are you? I am 8 years old. What I want for Christmas is a doll and I want it to have food to give to the doll. I am very excited about this. And I want another thing. I want some stickers and a Barby. We are going to make a Posada. Another thing that I want is some socks, some shoes and some pants and a shirt. Today was very cold. Have a happy cristmas. Thank you.

Jessica Delgado

My name is really Angel Reynaldo Beanes. I have 1 brother and 1 sister and 1 dad and 1 mom. I try to do good. So does my sister. I want you to give my dad a Telafon to take it where he goes and I want you to give my mom a ring and my sister. I want you to give my brother a toy. He cood get on a truck. I want a train that goes around the track and changes. Thank you!

> Your friend, Rey Beanes

Dear Santa,

I want 8 books and a pair of rollerblads and a dictionary and a neat watch and a new barble house and a new radio and how is it in the north pole? I hope it is pretty in your house. I want a pet and a toy bear and a new caset and a barble that skates and that she states on ice and her

> Sincerely, Christina Lizette Ramos

Dear Santa,

I hope you bring me a bike and a car and Dirtebike and a football cards and Jenga and basketball and T.Z. and a Trixs home alone and three wheel and dogs and boat and sega and super and I love you and ball.

> Your friend, Leroy Ward

Dear Santa.

How old are you? I am ten. My name is Joe Ledesma and I live in the camp, I like Christmas and I like School too and I want a toy race car.

Your friend,

Dear Santa Claus,

I am excited about Chrismas because like the gifts my mom is going to buy for my brother and me: a Super nitendo and car for me and my brother wants a Power Ranger. Santa, I wish you could bring me

Your friend, Jorge Alvarado

Hi, my name is Raul Ceniceros. How are you? I am good. Would you bring me a little car and a baby puppy? Thank you. Your friend, Raul Ceniceros

I wish your elves could not work too much. If you could bring me a move I will be happy.

Jose Arredondo

Your friend

Dear Santa.

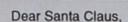
I want a lite car, a litte plant, a litte kite, and a bike. I want a hat. I want some colors and a game. I would also like a remote control car.

Your friend, Jesus Alvarado

Dear Santa Claus,

At Christmas I am going to have a new house. I live in town. My house is maroon and it has buses. The buses are blue and white and brown. There are three buses in my yard and a calf. I'd like to have a new bed and a new car.

Your friend, Joaquina Castaneda



I want you to come to my house and put presents on my Christmas tree. When it's time to open the presents I will go to the Christmas tree. If you brought a present I will open the present and I will look for another present. I will open them if they are mine and I will let everybody see my presents. I want a baby dog and a pair of shoes and I wear 1-1/2.

OORB

Yadira Villalba

Dear Santa Claus,

I hear that you gave a lot of toys to boys and girls. How old are you? I am 9 years old. My grama says that if you go to her house you well find some food. So you could eat and drink some milk. My mom just had a baby. It was a boy. We all take good care of him. He is 7 days old. We are moving to another city. On Christmas we are going to eat a turky and we are going to break a pinata. We all bring candy from Mexico. All of my dogs died and I want one for Christmas.

> Your friend, Cristela Casares

Dear Santa,

My name is Joey Rodriguez and I have 2 sisters and 1 brother. Their names are Gaby and Erika those are my sisters and this is my brothers name Domingo. How are you? What I want is just 2 books. One is a color book and the other one is a drawing book. This is what I want to say to you. Merry Christmas and have a great

Your friend, Joey Rodriguez

Dear Santa Clus,

I want to know how old you are. I know when is your birthday is Santa Claus. I want to know how many children are in your houes. I want to know how many reindeers you have. I want you to bring me some toyes.

> Your friend, Rene Rodriguez

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you doing? My name is Carla Carpio. I am 9 years old. I am in 3rd grade. My teacher's name is Mrs. Nutt. I have 1 sister and 1 brother and my Mom and Dad and me. I remember when you came to my trailer. Meand my Mom and my Dad were siting at the couch. Someone knocked at my trailer. It was you. I hope you bring me a toy. It can be a Barby. Thank youl Carla Carpio

Dear Santa,

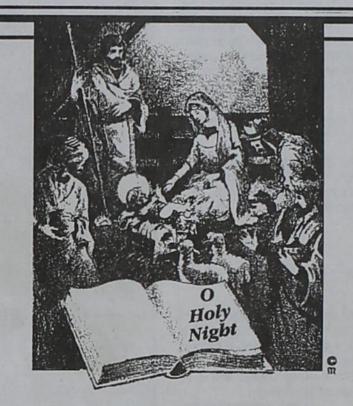
Ola santa m, nombre es Daniel. Yotequiero conoser para versito nos vasatraer los regales. Le unico que yo quiero de regala es que me cuides a mi familia en todas partes que esten. Grasias



## From Our **Family To Yours**

Our sincere best wishes for a sparkling holiday season. Thank you for giving us an extra reason to celebrate!

Flagg Fertilizer Co.



"Blessed are the peacemakers; for they shall be called the children of God,"

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We hope your holiday season develops beautifully. Thanks so much for making our year a snap!

> **Garner Ball** Photography



Santa may be from the North Pole, but he's rounding up his reindeer to wish all of you cowpokes a rootin', tootin' **Christmas!** Thanks for your continued patronage. **Dimmitt** Feed Yards, Inc.

Gary's Engine & Machine

What better time than Christmas to let you know just how much we value and appreciate your loyal support!

With best wishes and heartfelt thanks to all of you.

HAVE A VERY MERRY!



Dear Santa,



I want a phone. I want a t.v. I want a vcr.

Will you bring me a radio? Will you bring

me a football? I want a pellet gun. Will you

give me a computer? I want a drum set.

Will you bring me shoes? Will you bring

me some football cards? I want some

baseball cards, too. Santa will you give me

baseball and a bat. Will you bring me a

walkman? I want a glove for baseball. Will

you bring me a rocking chair? I want a

Dallas Cowboy cap. Will you give me a

Your friend.

Chris Casas

Your friend

Hayli Wise

helmet signed by Troy Aikman?

Dear Santa,

I'm writing this letter to wish you the best Christmas this year. Santa I want you to know that this year I have the best teacher in the third grade. Her name is Mrs. Axtell. Everyone would wish to have a teacher like her. I'm asking you to bring something very special for her. Also I wish that all of my family would get something special this year too. All I want this year is a Cut and Style Barbie, a bike and a computer so I can keep on learning. There's one more thing. I wish health and happiness to everyone around me.

Have a very Merry Christmas! Sincerely and your friend,

Andrea Ortiz

Dear Santa.

I would like a reooecanchoe car or traler and I would like some cloths for Christmas to waved you get me the movie power ragers and toy stary and modkabat and would you get me a vcr and my own tv. I would like some games for my very own super nintindo. I just want the prexexes for christmas. And I want a box of football cards and if you can get it.

Sincerely Darrell Reves

Dear Santa.

How are you? I am fine. I have been good with my family. For Christmas I would like a pair of skate and a doll. Have a Merry Christmas and say hi to Rudolph. Your friend, Rosina Omelas

Dear Santa,

All I want for Christmas is a portable CD player, Super Jennie Jymnast, house shoes, a job for my dad at Dimmitt, Tx, a basket ball goal and I have been good this

Kristin McClure

I want a bell from one of your raindeer's halter and moon shoes, A bigger bike, Sand Paintings Kit and jewelry, a helmet, Dream Phone, Dream Zeldar, 13 dad end drive, Skate Bord, CD catcher's, And Bring Beau and Taylor something.

Love Raynee Bradley

All I want for Christmas is the things that you bring me like clothes, toys, anything that a kid would want. That is all I can think

> Your friend, Shaun Martinez

Dear Santa,

I've been a very good boy this year. I want a B.B. gun. I want a Game Boy.

I want a rock collection. I want some cards. I want a Mortal Combat game.

I want a Yak Bak 2 I want a Karate Fighter

I want a Hockey stick I want a Hockey shirt

I want a Hockey puck I want some Hockey pants

I want a Hockey helmet I want some Hockey saktes

Thank you.

Love, Zjhon Smothermon

Dear Santa Claus, I want a talbpaper, that's all. Have a

great Christmas.

Dear Santa,

I want Mortal Kombat 3 and cassete player and a football and a TV for Christmas, a go-car and I want Mortal Kombat the movie and a power Ranger the toy that is Tommy the White Ranger and a bike and a Garale and a Cd player and a bean bag and I want a movie that is Casper and a dog pupy and a socks and a

Jerry Acevedo

I wont a good kericmis and a Ninja mag sord with a fouknsard with it and a good peresit

Dear Santa,

I wont a Ninja sowrd and a falcon zord and a Nijor suit. I and jr and Dad, mom and the family to have a grate Xmas day. I also think that I was a nice little boy. Stephen

For Christmas I want a motorcycle bike to ride. Please bring me a black go car and a stocking full of toys and games. I will see you December 25, at night.

Yours truly, Eric Saenz

Dear Santa, Claus

I want a motorcycle and a white go car that goes fast. I also want a wait wyler dog to take hunting. I want a cat for my mom. I will look for you to come to my house on Christmas Eve. I help take care of my brothers. See you soon. P.S. I want a bike with a stere on it.

FromLuis Lopez

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a Power Ranger movie white roller blades and some Lincoln Logs. Could you bring me a batman suit and karite Fighters. I have been doing good most of the time at school. I need a green bike with a radio in it and nerf gun that sticks on stuff. I think that's all.

Skyler Smothermon

Dear Santa,

I wish Santa Claus will bring to me a Black Blates and a little red car. I wish for a little power ranger That is white. I will look for you to come to my house at Christmastime.

> Yours Truly Jorge Olmos

Dear Santa. I wot a soupnier daBicBes a moutbie en aaatcjosen shoes I bigud at

mihows. I do god at school I em sevn im a Dahapfas I love my fame tha giv me fifty¢ I luv my fame I lic my fens.

Love, Jason Dones

Love C.J. Gregory

Dear Santa,

I wood like a techer Barby and som pupys som cottns to and a swimmyn Barby whith a wel to o' and a akshun Barby also a trapleen to.

Dear Santa.

I like the way you lagh even the toy is a toy story toy and hav a good Christmas Santa becuos you are Good

Love Paul.

Kyle Johnson

Dear Santa.

How are you doing? For christmas I would like a keybourd piano, pocket knife, new Super Nintendo vidio game, artist set, the moive Richie Rich and I will give you something which is a speciel. I love you. Your friend,

I want a Sega game gear, bike. I want candy in my stocking. A bunch of candy canes and vidio you can watch. Write to

Ricky

Dear Santa,

me back. Thank you.

I want a watch for Christmas. I also want a new cage for Patches. I want a tape player. I also want a new backpack because mine is starting to get a hole in it. Love April Morgan

Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie doll for Christmas. I want some books to read. I would like a little toy dog.I wash dishes for my mom. Have a safe trip to Texas. I live in Dimmitt. Daniella Covarrubia

Dear Santa Claus,

I have been good all year. I help my parents clean the house and I help my mom cook for Christmas. I want a Barble and a baby doll with clothes. I want some dishes, too. I will see you at Christmas. Daniela Zepeda

Dear Santa.

I would like a Bubble Barble and a baby doll for Christmas. I help my Aunt Janie clean and vaccuum my Grandmas house. Have a good flight.

> Love, Cassandra Garcia

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like a Barbie car and a Barbie doll with clothes and I want a new doll with a yellow dress on and new sockles and new shoes. I will have some milk and cookles for you.

From Sasha Lule

Dear Santa.

How are you doing? I will like roller Blades for christmas. I want a baby born. I want a pretty doll. I wish I was rich. I Love you so much!

Your friend, Marisol Arrellano

Dear Santa, I would like a pair of rollerblades of christmas--and bring Mrs. Olvera a plano. How are you doing? I love you very, very

> Your friend, **Ashley Torres**

Dear Santa Claus

I want a baby doll for Christmas. I want a pink bike. I want a brown bear with a bow around his neck. I would like a new shirt, too. I help my sister clean our room. Love Julia Falcon

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a bike to ride, and a go car, and a little white wyler. I also want a puzzle and some books to read. I am in the first grade and I am very smart. I can read and write and spell words.

How are you? I am doing fine. I want a

new electronic girls diary, new shoes, new

clothes, computer, and a new Hank the

Cowdog and Boxcar Children books.

How's Rudolph? I have been a good girl

this year. Dont forget the other children.

Don't forget Carrie Kate she has been a

great best friend to me and don't forget

Ruby either. Ruby has been a good friend

too. Thank you for all the presents you

have given me. I wish you a Merry Christ-

mas. Choose what you you think is best.

From Sean Luna

Sincerely,

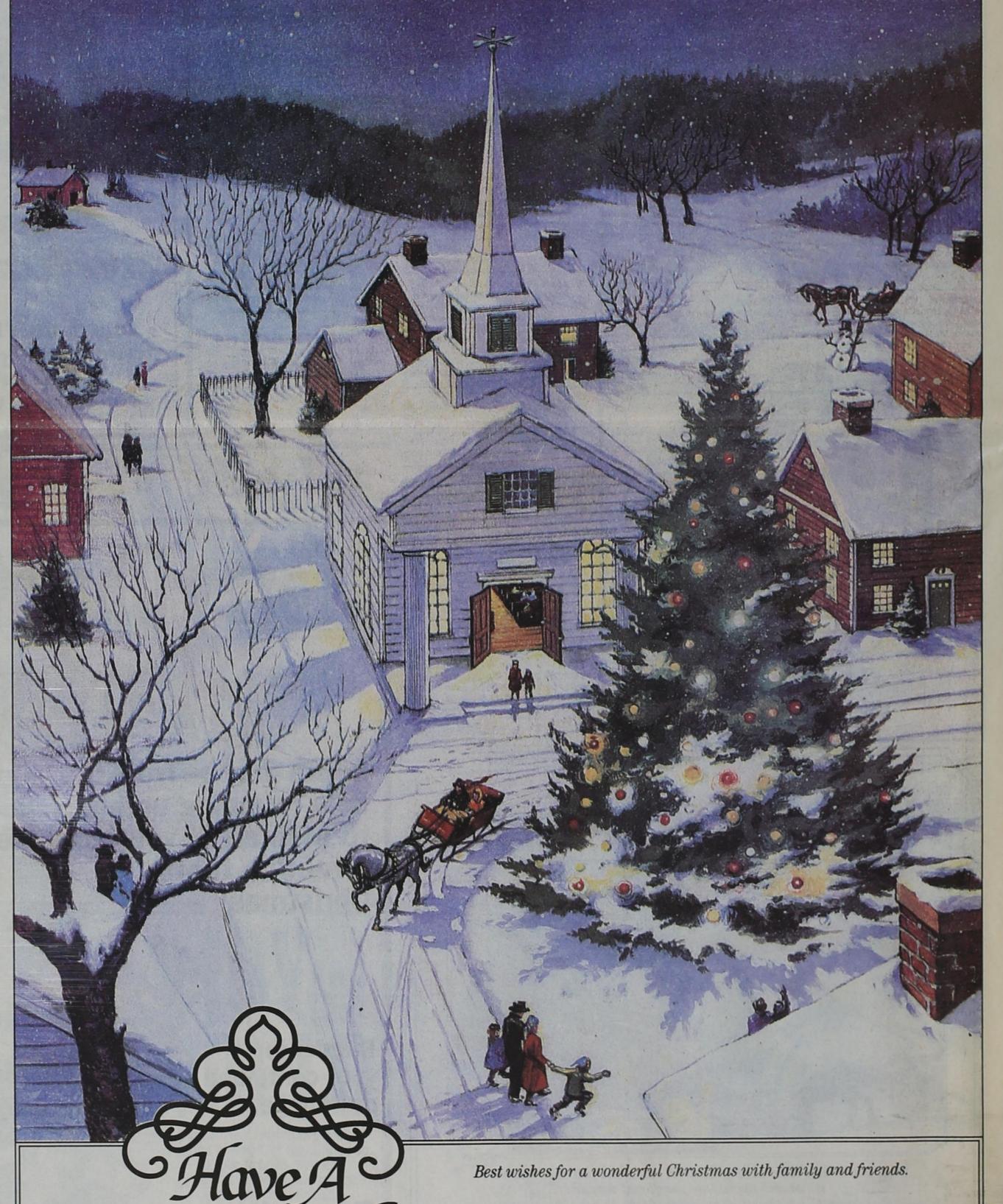
Nyssa Martinez

Dear Santa,

Iv been a good girl this year. I would like starcastle, a prinsses wishing star, a keybord and a puppy that is a papyon.

I have ben nice in scool and I want to have a eny cinde of toys. I love you Santa

I will see you at night by santa. Your friend Cesar



**American** Maize-Products Co., Inc.

# Season's Greetings from Nazareth

Christmas greetings from the community that's named for Christ's hometown. Instead of sending individual cards to our local friends, we have donated our card money to benefit the Holy Family Cemetery. We hope Christmas 1995 will be blessed and memorable for you!



"And Joseph went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be enrolled with Mary his betrothed, who was with child. And while they were there, the time came for her to be delivered. And she gave birth to her first-born son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger because there was no room for them in the inn."

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Lavern & Ronnie Wilhelm

John & Margaret Womack

Derwin & Vera Huseman & Family

The Arnold Huseman Family



Hi! How are you? My name is Alyssa. I am seven years old. I have been very good. For Christmas I want a big car set, and two little baby kittens. And a very very big trapleing and a watch, and some cars, and a swimming pool, and a cat toy for my cat. I also want an Opera-

Your friend, Alyssa Ritter

How are you doing? As for me I am doin fine. I have been a good girl. Can you find it in your heart to give me a present, for being a good girl. And can you please bring my little sister a present too. P.S. from Sarah Lee Sandoval

I want a toy story and the Tap. How are you doing? I want Batmobile for Christmas. I wont a game and a football and a Santa. Santa I want a little gog or

> I love you, John Corrales

I would like a toy car for Christmas. How are you doing this year? I have been P.S. I would like a Playstation.

Your friend, Andrew Dudley

How are you doin I would like a jet for Christmas. The kind that can fly. I love you very much!

> Joey Martinez I have been good.

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I would like a little P.S. Me and my baby sister have been pretty good this year.

Lisa Lopez

I would like a BB gun and a pellet gun and a 4 wheeler and a 22 and a 30-30 and a 22 magnum and a saddle and a rope and reins.

> Your friend, Zane Farris

How are you doing? I would like a horse that walks without batteris. And can you make sure you give Mr. Sanders a present. I love you Santa.

> Vanity Washington Your friend, Vanity

How are you doing? I would like a horse for my birthday. I would like you to bring Mrs. Olvera a new plano. I want a new bike for Christmas. I want roller blades for Christmas. I want a computer. Your friend, Sara Reyna

I want a desk, a kitty cat, a play one that goes meow-meow, a real microwave, a Lion King toy, a kitchen because my old one is dirty with spiders on it. I want clothes for school. I love you.

I want a Super Intendo Powr Ranger game, acomputer. No moré. I love you.

I want a yellow bike, and a blue bear, dolly that is black. I love you.

Dear Santa,

I want Barbie house with Dad Barbie, Mom Barble and Baby Barble, a satin dress, little desk with chairs, rocking chair and a dolly with some dresses. I love you.

I want roller skates, doll house with 3 dolls, a baby Barbie, momma Barbie and sister Barbie and man Barbie, Balley bear, Legos, pink, blue, purple bike, blue toy mouse. I love you!

Sherida

I want a doll that has her own shower, a Barbie that has her own whale, play dough. I love you!

I want real motorcycle, a horse, Red Power Ranger, a toy truck, a train, a pretend rabbit to sleep with, a pretend Christmas tree to play with, a car, a ball, a truck, a clock. I love you!

Jesus Longoria

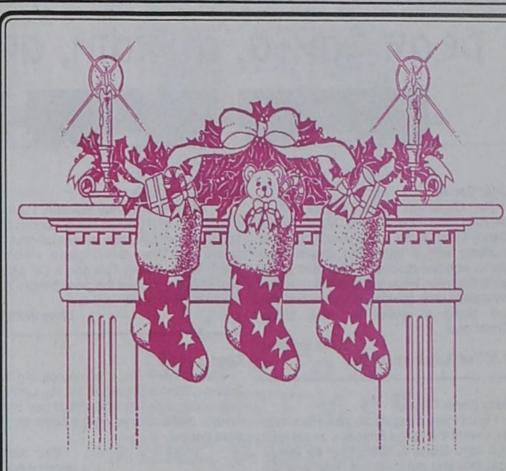
Dear Santa,

I want roller skates, school clothes, I want Baby Tumbles. I always wanted that, a Barbie what everone. I want a big bike not training wheels bike, a little doggy, a ball. I love you!

Dear Santa.

I want a real microwave, and I want a jump rope, and I want a trampoline because the dogs bit my trampoline, I want a doll that when you put the bottle in the thing it cries, I want the little bear, I want a book. I want a doll that you feed it and Ninentindo, doll and doll house, number cards, real motorcycle and bike. I love you!

Beatrice



# HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM HART

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

Annie N. Bell Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Felder Jerry & Edna Kittrell Mildred J. McLain Allen & Shane McLain Nancy Wescott Doug & Marilyn Higgins Donald Ray & Janice Clark **Everette & Bea Cole** Sue Dinwiddie **Bob & Nancy Bowden** Tom & Lavern McLain Ed & Sue Bennett Lloyd & Augusta Farris Mrs. Orval Sharp Brad & Karen Barnes & Family Mr. & Mrs. DeWayne Brown R.G. & Alva Henderson Joe Percy & Sarah Hart Sandy & Chad Hill J.D. & Freddie Sue Myrick



### Dear Zanta, a train, and a doll, and a Bike ...

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a Doll with a playpen and clothes, Old Maid Cards, Candy Land Game, a skydancer, a barbie mommy with a baby and stroller, and some wooden blocks. I have tried to be good this year. Hope you like the milk and chocolate chip cookies momma and me are going to make for you. Merry **Christmas!** 

Keila Schilling P.S. Tell Rudolph hi for me.

Dear Santa Claus,

I want there things from you. Here they go. I want the game Simon, a sweat shirt that says Sierra and the best for last, a coat that you put over our head and the kinde is Duke Blue Devil and that will be all for this year!!!

Sierra Wilcox Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I do not now if I was good or bad probaly bad. I only want 4 thing for Christmas of 1995. And thos things are bombox, some roller blades, Sega and a phone. Santa that is all I want for Chirstmas.

> Your friend, Jason Wilhelm

Dear Santa Clause,

I would like a bay horse with a shiny sadle and braded reins that will last me. It would please me if you would bring me a remote control car with a 6v jet turbo power battery and a remote control Harley Davidson motorcycle with a 6v jet turbo power battery. I also want the sega games Aladdin, Super Bowl 2 and Sonic and Nuckles not Sonic and Tales, Sonia and Nuckles. That is all I want. Love Garret Kleman

Dear Santa Clause,

How are you, the reindeer and Mrs. Clause? I am fine. It is getting near Chirstmas so I want to ask you if I could get a Trapper-Keeper and some folders to go with it for Chirstmas.

Love Jamie Black

Dear Santa Claus,

Hi. My name is Shay Wilhelm. I want a Playstation and I would like a Sandkit too. I want an Aero Monster remote-control car and a Star Wars 3-in-1 game. I want a Darth Vader Power Talk and a CD player too. I hope you give the poor people and the homeless some toys too.

Shay Wilhelm

Dear Santa.

Please bring me a computer, big ball factory, Winnie the Pooh for my brother, Santa Claus the movie, virtual boy and I want to make sure you get a home for the pore people.

Your friend. Jeremy Acker

I hope you'r having a rocking good time at the North Pole. Would you please bring me a Fort West and a Fort Apache. Also could you bring me a Ertl plow and a Ertl gravity feed wagon. I would also like a battle of Gettysburg book and a imperial outpost pirate set from Lego's. Last, I would like a pack of 3500 bb's. Have a Merry Christmas.

Love Ross Birkenfeld

I would like a lot of baseballs and hokey pads and Santa I would like basketball shoes and clothes and baseball hat says white sox and I would like two saga games

> Yours truly Orin Schulte

Dear Santa,

How are the elvs doing? I hope Mrs. Claus is fine. This is all I want if you can't get them that's ok. This is it: micro machine Military, K-nex, risk, 13 dead in drive, weapons & warriors, Grave Danger, Don't Wake Daddy, Monster Mash, Peanut Panic, Fraidy Cats, Wood burning set, Fort Apache, football, Li'l Indian Set. That's all! My dad wants a new holter and lead rope. I'll have cookies and milk! We'll be at mawmaw and pawpaw's house! By I love

Live Michael H.

I hope that you find my new house this year. I have been pretty good. Would you please bring me a peek-poo, four-wheeler, Big stuff Teddy Bear and a race car. Please find all the boys and girls.

Love Kelsey Hochstein

Dear Santa,

How are you? I have been pretty good this year. How's your reindeer? I know you've been busy, but I only want a few things. Would you give me a Girl Talk? If you would give me 3 more things I won't ask for anymore. Will you give me a new alarm clock and Princess Wishing Star and a ten-speed. Thank you.

Love Jenna Acker

How are you? Are your elfs tired of working? I hope you aren't tired from last year. May I have a remote race car. And May I have a air hokey game. And May I have some real tools. And may I have

**Dusty Braddock** 

Hi Santa. How are you doing? Are you tired of working? Are your elves tired? I'm going to tell you what I want. May I havve a race car, football, trapalyn, computur, dart gun, pour will full willer. My little sister want's a doll, barby, a bear. Mary

Nathan Huseman





How are you and Miss Clause. I am doing just fine. Will you please bring me a pair of roller blades. A neckles. And a real kitten please. Thank you.

Melina Braddock

Dear Santa,

I hope you are well. I just want a little because I'm going to write you another list. I know I've been sort of bad this year, but these are what I want this year. A motorcycle and a new pair of roller-blades. will need a size 5. Dallas Cowboy blanket, sled, so if it snows my popa or uncles can pull me on the 4 wheeler. This is what I want the best is a 12-speed bike. That is all I want this year.

Love Tyson J. Schulte

Dear Santa.

Merry Christmas, Santa. I want some new glasses because I lost mine. Please bring me what ever you want to. Thank you for the good gifts from last year.

Love Terin Ross

Dear Santa.

How are you? How is Mrs. Claus? I only have a few things I want. Some new sega games, a bible cover, everything from High Plains or Hastings. There are these bears called Doodle Bear. There is this diary you could bring me. Or maby evan drums or guitar. And maby a horse!! Cencerly,

Jamie Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Zandar, a ten-speed bike, puppy, clothes, boots, b-ball, b-ball goal, and all the kids a Merry Christmas.

Dear Santa,

I want for chrismas a barbie and a ring with my birthstone and a teady bear and earing and new shoes I want the Andre movie and a stereo. Plus a T.V. Love Monica Lynn Hernandez

Dear Santa,

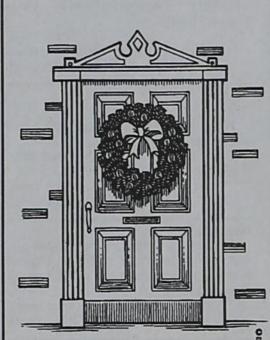
I wish you a Merry Christmas. This year I hope I was good enough to get presents. Will you please get me the moive called the Santa Claus. I want a big gum ball machine too. I went too stuff animals and their names are Winnie The Pooh Christmas and Glamour Kitten. That is all I went for Christmas. I wish you have a Merry Christmas and the elst too.

Love Kelcee Kleman

Dear Santa.

I have been a good boy this year. I would like a watch, t.v., 4 on 1, K'nexs, Dallas Cowboys suit, Power Ranger suit, CD player and a computer. Are your reindeer Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixon, Comet, Cupid, Donner, Blitzen and Rudolph ready to go? Well hope to see you on Christmas day.

Love Michael Acker



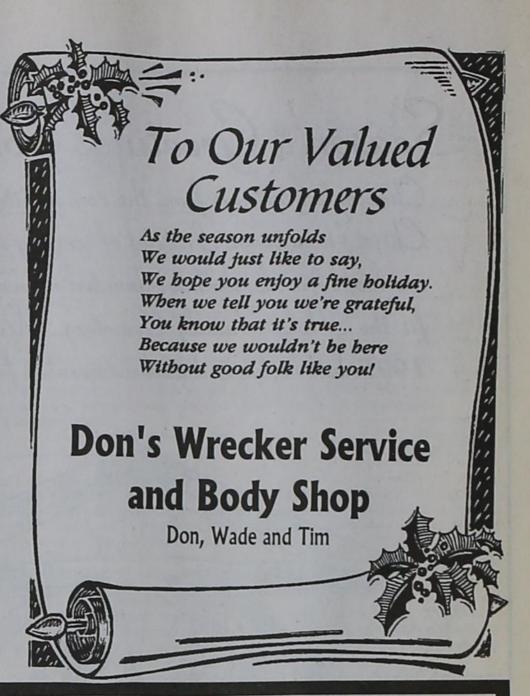
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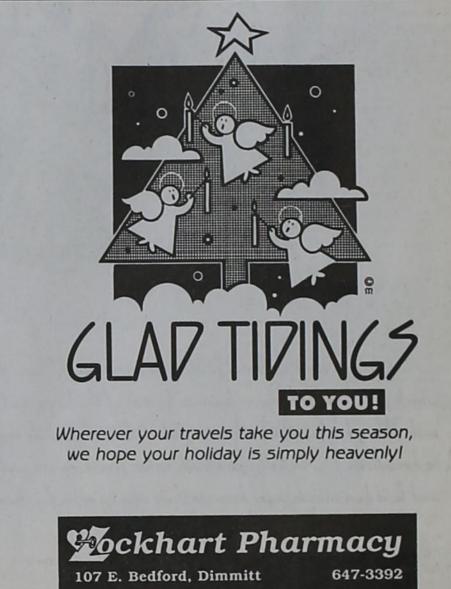
From Our Homes To Yours!

We hope your holiday season is really something to write home about! Enjoy all that the season has to offer with friends and family and plenty of good cheer.

Merry Christmas!

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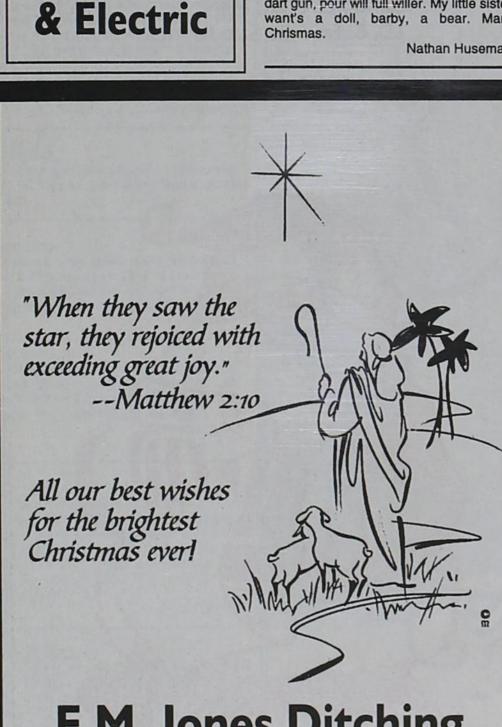




# Christmas is just Around the Corner

All over town, people are enjoying the beauty of the season with their near and dear ones. We'd like to send our best wishes for wonderful holidays to our friends everywhere!

Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative



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Betty Jones

Here's To A

**CHRISTMAS** 

Filled With Joy!

To everyone we wish a safe and happy holiday.

Have lots of fun, but please don't drink and drive.

The 19th Hole

Nazareth



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Dear Santa,

Would you please bring me a kitchen set, a talking Barbie, a basketball goal. Thank you for the toys you gave me last bring my sisters some toys also.

Love Tessie Huseman

#### Dear Santa.

How are you? Please will you bring me a pair of sunglasses, a watch that glows in the dark, and a pair of red cowboy boots. Thank you. Have a safe trip.

Joshua Braddock

#### Dear Santa,

I want for Christmas This Year a Hot Skating Barbie and a Pocahontas tape. Thank you Santa.

Love Valeria

#### Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like a Walkie-Talkie, an umbrella with Barbies on it, and a Jeanie Gymnast doll.

P.S. I will leave cookies and milk for you.

Brittany Claire Birkenfeld

#### Dear Santa,

Please bring me a loader truck, flashlight and a hammer and tools. Bring Dad, Grandad and Grandma my Teachers Pybus and Sheffy a surprise. Thank you. Love Mark Sheffy

#### Dear Santa,

Please bring me some work tools, a hammer, a loader truck and flashlight. Bring my teachers Pybus, Sheffy and Daddy, Brett, Grandad and Grandma a surprise. Thank you.

Love Matthew Sheffy

#### Dear Santa,

I have been good all week. Santa, would you bring me Treasure Rocks and the Three in One game and a little stocking that I can put on our tree. Do you fed your reindeers?

Love Lacey Acker

Dear Santa Claus,

Love Jacob Braddock

#### Dear Santa Claus,

How are you? I please want a Barbie car. I love you. I also want diary. Merry

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it's a wonderful life

for you, all through the holidays!

We appreciate

your patronage,

and look forward to

serving you again, in the future.

Dale's Auto

& Salvage

Nazareth

Love Brandi Olvera

#### Dear Santa,

Please bring me a baby doll, clothes, jewelry, and a basketball goal. Please

Love Brittany Hampton

#### Dear Santa,

I want a Dallas Cowboy football suit and football. I also want a Sega game and a doctor's kit. Last I want a phone and Uno. Santa bring Chelsea a pusher and a doll and bring my Aunt Melinda a car. I love you Santa.

Love Taylor

#### Dear Santa,

I been so good. How are you. Merry Christmas. Please bring me a cheerleader outfit and treasure rocks.

Love Allyson

#### Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I miss you. How are your elvse? Tell Mrs. Claus Hi. Merry Christmas to all. Dose Santa snora? I love you rootoff. May I have a dady doll? May I have a dog with bears? Can I have a chock boad? Can I have a tv?

Dawn Nycole Cameron

#### Dear Santa.

I have been a good girl. I want a Chicken Limbo and a Teacher Barble. Love Heidi Ramaekers

#### Dear Santa,

I have been good. Would you please bring me a Erector set, farm animals, Batman tape and a Noahs Ark Boat.

Love Matt Birkenfeld

#### Dear Santa,

I have been good. Would you please bring me a Baby Tumbles, and a baton, and a watch, and a new jump rope. We wish you a merry Christmas and a happy new year. Be good to the other boys and girls. Thank you.

Love Chandra Jordan

#### Dear Santa Claus,

How are you? I'm happy. I'm good. Can I have the Indein in the Cavrd. Born to be Wild. Dennis the Mennace. Thumbelina. My grandma wants a vcr. My mom wants Are you bese making toys. My dad lipstick. My Dad wants some tools. The wants boots. Mama wats a prin. I want Riddler. The Joker, Two-Face. Robin. The remote control car and Hot wels. I hope Land Before Time. The Land Before Time you can find my house. And I want cool II. I would also like a Game Boy Nintendo with a sonic game.

Love Brandon Wilhelm

Would you please bring me a My Size Barbie, Cheerleading Skirt and pompoms, a new book, Pocahontas Shoes, and a makeup. I wish you a merry Christmas. Love Jennifer Acker

What I want for Christmas is a Fighter, a submarine, a falcon, a night attack, micro military base and a super van city. Love Brady Schulte

How are you? I have been good most of the time. Santa for Christmas I want another easy bake oven please and some cady please. And I bet my dad wood want a new coat. And I bet my mom wood want some perfyum.

Love Kaytlin Huseman

#### Dear Santa Claus,

How are you? I have been good! How are your reindeer? I hope they are ready for Christmas. Santa can I please have an easy bake oven and bride surprise and a Polly pocket and can my mom please have the Santa Claus movie and Can my dad please have some new kids. Merry Christmas!

Love Candace Birkenfeld

#### Dear Santa,

I would like: Barbie, Phone, Piano, Dolls food, Play Stable, Van, Dishes, Computer. Please bring my gift to Whitney.

Love Beth

I would like a skating Barbie or a Baby doll. My little brother Devin wants a tractor. My big brother wants a truck. Merry Christmas. Love to Santa and Mrs. Claus. Love Brandi



Hallelujah!

Peace to all in this holy season.

Pro-Ag, Inc.

#### Dear Santa Claus,

I hope you are filling well. I hope your reindeer are ready. I have been good some times. Please bring me a Dallas Cowboys football and a Chicago bulls coat and Hot Wheels. Can I have a Waldo Boo and a Chicago Bulls basketball and a Dallas Cowboys helmet and some cars? Also can I have a game, for my sega and my gameboy? Can I have a toy for my dog and my cat? My dad wants new socks and my mom wants some clothes. Merry Christmas!

Love Dustin Schulte

How are you? I am happy. I have been good most of the time. Santa I want cool tools please and water gun. Dad want a candys. Mother want a pernoom.

Love Chase Black

#### Dear Santa,

Would you please bring me Chicken Limbo and a Race Track. Have you fed your reindeer? I am a good boy. Love Corey Makeever

#### Dear Santa,

I have been a very good girl this year. How is Rudolph doing? I would like to have a Jeanie Gymnist doll. I would also like a vollyball set for kids and a backpack purse. An umbrella with Barbies on it, a new T.V. for our living room and a hopscotch rug like Grandma Schulte's. Please be sure to bring my brother Garrett and my sister Kenley something.

We thank you for

the many "great

kindnesses you've

shown us. We join

our prayers with

yours for peace

throughout the

Feed &

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world.

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and small."

#### Dear Santa, Please bring me a maching moh with a

drum, a shaving ken would be nice. Merry Christmas, Thanks,

Love Brian

My size barbie, trampolene, baseball, barbie trash, barb Pizza Hut can. Darcy Kay'Lnn Schulte

#### Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Creepy Crawler Oven Kid Cad Computer Game, and Goofy Golf Machine. I will be good. How are your reindeers and Mrs. Claus.

Kyle Hoelting

#### Dear Santa Claus,

How are you? I am grat. Can I have Sonic 3 and hot wheels and pliers and 49ers and a tines ball. I'll leave you some milk and cookies out. I love you and I hope you love me. Can my mom and dad have sonic 3. Merry Christmas.

Love Troy Ramaekers

#### Dear Santa Claus,

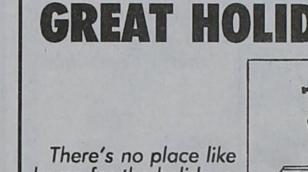
e prayeth best who loveth

best all things both great

I hope your reindeer are ready. I have been super most of the time. Please bring me a dance moven barbie, a dear diry, a talk girl, a barble walking horse, and my mom and dad want shiny dishes and clothes. We want candy, too! Merry Christmas!

Samuel Taylor Coleridge

Love Holly Kleman



home for the holidays, and we hope that yours is filled with love and laughter this holiday season.

> Thank you for your building trust in us.



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# A WISH FOR YOU AT CHRISTMASTIME

We'd like to deposit our best wishes for a truly worthwhile boliday season.

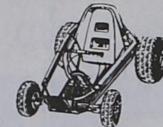
Thanks for banking with us!



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Dear Santa.

Please bring me a basketball ring, watch, computer, and some new clothes. I have tryed to be good this year. Please bring the poor people and my sisters something. I love you!!!

Love Jordan Hampton

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas. How are your raindeer? Is Mrs. Claus fixing you supper? How is Rudolph. Does he still have his bright nose. Santa I would like to have a real horse, extra suit without the hat, Python, Cool Tools, toolset, Nazareth cheerleading suit, and a tech football suit. Santa will you please give me all these things. Have a Merry Christmas Santa Claus. Tell Mrs. Claus I said merry Christmas and a happy new year. Overhead-pergeter with markers and the plastic paper. And one mor thing a sege game mickey mouse sege game like Jamie and

Jake Hoelting

Celebrate the

Christmas

May you always

be blessed with His

light and love.

The Fabric House

Merry Christmas Santa, how are your reindeer. And your elves. I want to have a GI Joe boat and a airplane with that. May I have a pak of parachute. That's all Santa. Cliff Ford

Dear Santa,

Plese I want a long horn ranch set, Remote control car, Super Nintendo game and a toy moterscle.

Skyler Birkenfeld

Dear Santa.

Merry Christmas. How are you doing? Are your elfs tired of working? I hope I get what I want for Christmas. How is Mrs. Claus and your reindeer? Deos Rodolf really have a red nose? Do you realy have reindeer? Is it very cold up at the north pole? I would like teacher books, barble and baby Kelly with it, easy bake and a baby carrier.

It's our pleasure to

wish all of you a very

merry Christmas.

Roger's

Repair

Love Kendra Huseman

Dear Santa,

How are you? Are your elfs tired of working. How is Rodoph. I hope you have a Merry Christmas. For Christmas may I have a Harly-Davidson Cycl, Road Rash Sega Genisis, the Santa Clause tape. Thank you Santa.

Alan Gerber

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you? I have been a good boy. So may I have some cool tools. And may some Dr. Dredful monster food? May I have a new pillow. And may I have the sonic three. May I neja Turles and May I have remote chrol pickup. And my dad wants he wod like some undes and my mom wod like makeup. Merry Christmas Love Keean Lilley

Dear Santa.

Would you please bring me a Texas Tech jacket or a Dallas Cowboy jacket? Would you please bring me a Case tractor? Would you please bring me a NBA Basketball. Santa have you fed the reindeer?

Love Bradley Gerber

Would you bring me a Teddy Bear and a little car. I have been a good girl. Love Amanda George

How are your reindeer? This is what I want for Christmas. I want a pinball machine and two Barbie dolls, a boy one and a girl one. My brother, Evan, wants a CD player with both Tim McGraw CDs, a Dallas Cowboy jacket, a Michael Irvin football jersey, and a reading lamp. My sister, Kendra, forgot to put in her letter that she wants a reading chart. I hope everybody in the world gets what they want for Christmas, especially the poor

> Merry Christmas, CAITLIN HUSEMAN

Dear Santa, Thank you for the bike that you brought me last year. How are your elves? Are they busy making toys? I would like for them to make me a remote control race car and a nerf gun. My sister, Haley, would like a baby doll and a barney toy. I will leave you some milk and cookies.

Kyle Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the train set that you brought me last year. I have played with it a lot and I would like some more pieces to go with it this year. I would also like a yellow motorcycle bike. I have tried had to be good boy and I will go to bed early so that you can come Christmas eve.

Ryan Birkenfeld

Dear Santa.

How are you? I am fine. Are you still tired? I hope you am't. I hope you won't get tired this year. Are your elfs still working? I hope they are. May I have a over-head pergekter, walky talky, brown belt, Fantasket fingernails, play store, My size barby, teacher desk, Reading chart, Stand that go's with it, G.O. bords, ruberband that go's with it, phone, cart? Merry Christmas.

Love Kasey Wood

I have been a good girl. Would you please bring me some toys? I want Don't Wake Daddy, Susie Stretch, twin doll, swing set and a bike.

Love Macee Schuite

How are you? I am great. Can I have the utamator and fire power? Merry

Love Val Keatan Rich

Dear Santa,

Would you please bring me a Watch, Dallas Play football suit, A new bike, Tournamene table, Bicycle Helmet, Night attack playset. I have been a good boy. I hope Rudolph is ready to pull your sled. Love Chris Acker

Dear Santa,

I want a starting Lineup Troy Aikman. I also want Mighty Morphin Power Rangers the movie, a Power Ranger Falcon zord and a Nintendo.

Love Eric Book

I have been good this year. I want a baby with some bottles and Go Fish cards, a blankle for my baby and clothes. Merry

Kelsey Schilling

Dear Santa,

I have really tried to be good this year. I want a Power Ranger race track, walkie talkies, a ninja sword, My First Rummikub Game and a red remote-controlled jeep cherokee. Thank you! I will leave you some milk and cookies by the tree. Merry Christmas Santal

Chance Schilling

Dear Santa,

Thank you for what I got last year. I want baby born and a cumputer and a trapoling and some clothes and a new baby sister. Bring what ever you can.

Your friend,

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I want a new bike. I want a new baseball bat. I want a new skateborde. I want a new pair of shoes. I want a dog. I want to visit Wonderland park, I want a turtle. How is it in the North pole? I want a Power Ranger game. I want a Power Ranger book. Thanks

> Your Friend, Jaime Cavazos

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a bike and \$1,000 Dollars. I want a go-cart and a computer. I want a piano. How are you, Santa Claus? Are you getting ready for Christmas. I know you are bringing my presents. And a power Rangers movie. Thank you, Santa Claus!

Rolando Ontiveros

My name is Natasha and for Christmas all I want is a new radio, a piano, and computer. If you want a candy cane off our Christmas tree, please have onel I think I have been good!

My name is Jesus I live on 709 SW 4th St. for Christmas I would like the collection of power rangers, another puppy, a big truck, a pair of power rangers shoes, a big fire man truck, lots of more toys, and lots of love from my friends, relatives, and

Jesus S.

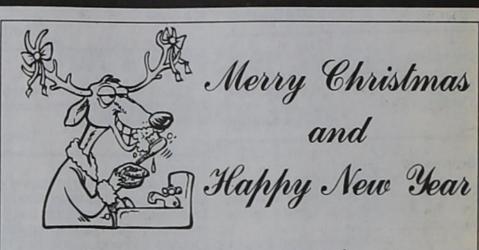
Dear Santa,

How are rainbears doing? Dus Rootofe's nose still bright. Are your elffs getting tirde if they are com get me. Thes are the thing that I wont a big sgring, ty notersikl, 10000230230103912109 dollars, gott cart a noow home, one fo your rainbers, hers cool tool set.

Kris Ross

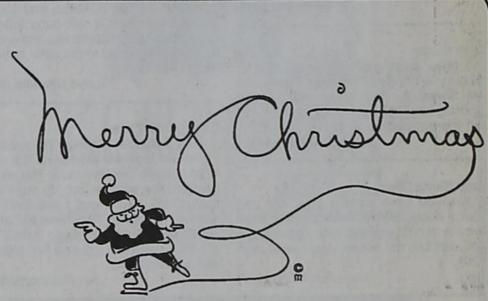
Merry Christmas how are you? How is the reindeer and Rodolph? I hope you are not to tired for chistmas. Are you having a lot of fun? May I please have a black Nancy and I want a Art Smart and thank you very much oh and tell Mrs. Clause Merry christmas and a happy new year.

J'Lae Merritt



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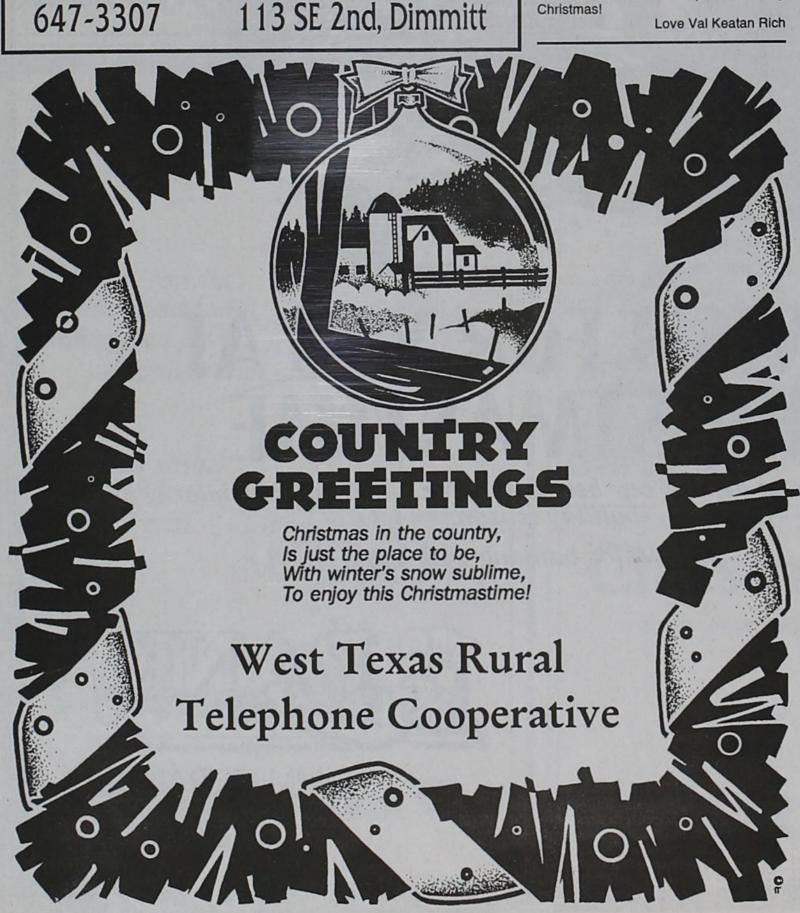
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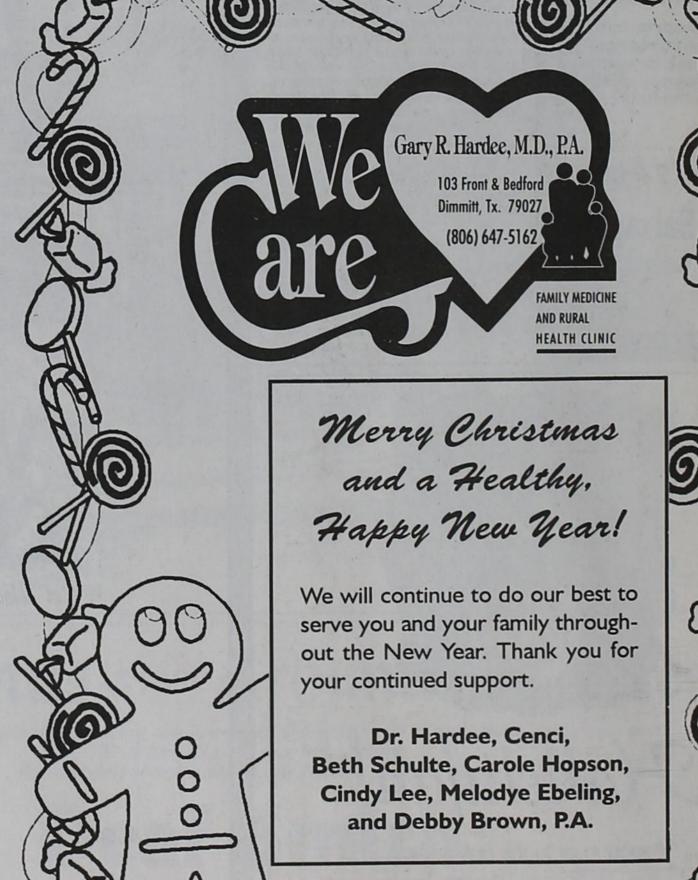


Just a line to let you know how much we appreciate your continued support.

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Clara Vick





Castro County News

# HOW ARE YOUR ELFS 2AN+A

Dear Santa, I would like a playhouse for Christ-

mas. I have been a good girl. Thank you, Jennica Ramirez

Dear Santa, I would like some Dollys, and a Pocahontas playing card for Christmas. I have been a good girl.

> Thank you, Mercedes Urbina

Dear Santa.

I would like a train set, belt, police car, colors, horse, and some cars for Christmas. I have been a good boy.

> Thank you, Mario Morales

Dear Santa.

I would like a police car, and cars that makes noises for Christmas. I have been a good boy

> Thank you, Pedro Avila

Dear Santa.

I would like some Pocahontas toys, a barble, and play makeup for Christmas. I have been a good girl.

> Thank you, Lyssa Ramirez

Dear Santa,

would like some paints, dolls, barble doll and a duck for Christmas. I have been girl.

Thank you, Abelina Avila

I would like a barbie, dolls, dishes, and a bike for Christmas. I have been a good girl.

Thank you, Marizol Dominguez

I would like a truck, green frog, and Power Ranger lights for Christmas. I have been a good boy.

Thank you, Melchor Hemandez IV

Dear Santa,

I would like some cars, and trucks for Christmas and I have been a good boy. Thank You, Jesus Diaz

Dear Santa,

With glad tidings from all of us.

Molasses

Hope your holidays are trimmed with much joy!

The Company Store

The Hart Beat

Hi! How are you? My name is Kristi. I am six years old. I have been very good. For Christmas I want a rock tumbler, a game named Jingo, trampoline, wishing star doll, a My Size Barbie.

> Your friend, Kristi Miller

Dear Santa, Clause,

Hi! How are you? My name is Roxanne. I am six years old. I have been very good. For Christmas I want a Rosie doll and a Pocahontas Barbie and a easy bake oven and a Sky Dancer Barble, some barbie fumiture, Kellie barbie, a swimming pool, and the toy story.

Your friend, Roxanne Gonzales

Dear Santa.

My name is Charles. I am 6 yeas Santa for Christmas I wnt a car, a truck, a new house, a band, a minnie mouse, a toy chicken, some pencils, a crown, an elephant, a tiger and a big bird. Your friend,

Dear Santa.

Hi! How are you? My name is David. I am six years old. I have been very good. For Christmas I want a remote control car, truck, game, a nintendo, some candy canes, a book, and a new jacket. Your friend.

David Guerrero

Charles Bann

Dear Santa.

Hi! How are you? My name is Benjamin. I am six years ald. I have been very good. For Christmas I want a toy firetruck earthworm, spider man, a ninja tutle, A big trampoline, nintendo. Don't wake daddy

> Your friend, Benjamin Montemayor

Dear Santa,

Hi! How are you? My name is Josie. I am seven years old. I have been very good. For Christmas a baywatch barbae, and a little Goose and a little duck and I wont a play toy and I want a ball for Christmas and a yo-yo, a toy eggs, toy dog, and that's all.

> Your friend, Josie Chia

Dear Santa,

Hi! How are you? My name is John Paul. I am seven yaers old. I have been very good. For Christmas I want a bike, truck, a motorcylce, a toy tractor, a combine, and last I want six Power Rangers.

> Your friend, John Paul Mendez

Dear Santa,

I love you. Please give me a doll. And I will like to get a tennis shoses for school. And a Christmas coat. And a pretty pet. And a little pretty doll house.

Your friend, Krista Carrasco

How are you doing? I would like a pretty bike for Christmas and one that never gets flat. And I will want some rollor blades for Christmas. I will like a little backpack thatway I could take care of my breakfast ticket. That's all I have to say. love you Sata.

Love Your Friend, Gladys Torres

How are you doing? I would like a 2 wheeler for Christmas the kind that you can ride. I love you very much!

Your friend, Adam Rosas

Dear Santa,

I want lots of toys. And Santa, give toys to boys and girls who don't have money.

> Your friend, George Chapa JR.

How are you doing? Like I would like a tennis shoes for school.

and I want a rock tumbler and I want a

pick 3 ticket and that is all. Have a Merry

Cynthia Gutierrez

Dear Santa, For Christmas I want a microscope

Michael Miller

Santa buy me a Dallas Cowboys

football and a motorcycle bike. I need the

Power Ranger's game.

Thank-you, Love,



Dear Santa, Miguel Avila wants a car. Nadia Avila wants a My Size Princess. Delia Chia wants a My Size Barbie. Amanda Crocker wants a computer. Magdalena Diaz wants a Barbie. Paul Galvan wants dinosaurs and a fal-

Cheyanne Gonzales wants a color book and crayons.

Nathan Green wants a toy motorcycle. Leo Gutierrez wants a frog that jumps with

Trevor Kennedy wants Legos. Kimberley McReynolds wants real finger nail polish to paint my finger nails. Esteban Montemayor wants a car control. Anselmo Ramirez wants a remote control

Emily Ramirez wants a doll. Mayra Reyna wants a My Size Princess. Vanessa Rodriguez wants play food and

Krystal Vasquez wants a Barbie.

Dear Santa,

I want a talking doll with a car. The car must have a telephone. I will be waiting for you.

> Love. Britta Scruggs

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want some green roller blades and a brown teddy bear and a new orange basketball. I also want a green iguana for a pet. His name will be

Trendal Price

How are you? I want a 3 size Barbie doll, and a kite, and some new water paints. My sister Cheyenne wants a 3 size Barbie doll also ans a viw master.

Amanda Gonzales

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Power Rangr toy called Serpenterror and another one called the Dragonzord. I also want a Ninja Megazord. I want some new pet fish because my other ones died. His name will

> Love, Berry Clinton

Dear Santa,

I want new bike and some white bird house shoes. I also want a trampoline and a swimming pool for this summer. I would like you to bring me a Christmas tree this year. I want a Barbie and a Barbie car for her to ride in.

Nancy Montemayor

I would like a Big Tall Doll with a bottle, baby bed, table with chairs, dishes, and a kitchen set for Christmas. I have been a good girl.

Thank You, Anna Neudorf

The holldays are almost here, and we don't want to walt another minute to let everyone know how much we appreclate their patronagel Thank you all, and happy holldaysl Pay & Save Foods Hart



## "Luke—The Beloved Physician"

"He was speaking to his friends of love and ing picture of the shepherds on the hillside, the angel step was different from other men's, and the movement Christmas. of His body was like naught I had seen before. Men do not pace the earth in that manner. And even now I do not upon the field, and He smiles. And then He walked away. Kahlil Gibran's description of Jesus).

orful and magnificent fashion every year, with song, and him "the beloved physician." sermon, and ceremony, and sentiment, and emotion, and feasting and rejoicing. Yet you can ask almost anyone And few can tell. Most folks never stopped to consider the matter before. Which brings me to the conclusion from either layman or clergy.

"From the Bible," is generally the answer you filled with the writings of an army of men. And only one wrote into his books many stories that have beautified myself Doctor Luke's press agent, insofar as my circle is ever since; stories that the biblical writers who were conconcerned, and decided that every year at Christmas time temporaries of Jesus apparently never knew. I would remind my friends who it was that gave us the Christmas story, with all the Christmas glory. For, had it not been for Luke, Christmas would never have been heard of. It is true that Matthew, the Apostle, wrote about of the Good Samaritan, the sublime tale of the repentant the birth of Jesus in a house in Bethlehem, and about the thief on the cross, and others that make the Book of Luke wise men from the East who came seeking Him. But the most beautiful composition in all literature. And just that was all. And no other biblical writer mentioned it. think! It was simply a long, long letter, written by a Greek

the story of Christmas. There alone do we read the thrill- Jewish carpenter named Jesus. What drama!

strength. I know He spoke of love because there was chorus, the virgin mother tending her Babe whose cradle melody in His voice; and I know He spoke of strength was a manger. There only do we find the inspiration for because there were armies in His gestures ... His speech all the ringing joys, the sublime emotions that have was simple and joyous, and the sound of His voice was caused the world for near two thousand years to cellike cool water in a land of drought ... The rhythm of His ebrate Christmas. Yes, it was Luke alone who gave us

Luke, you may recall, was a practicing Physiknow whether He walked fast or slow. And I gazed at cian in the Greek city of Antioch a number of years after Him and my soul quivered within me—for He was beau- the crucifixion, when Paul dropped in there to preach tiful. He looked at me even as the seasons might look and teach Christianity. And, just as the Twelve dropped all that they had and followed the Carpenter, and as Paul But no other man ever walked as He walked." (From had done later, so did Doctor Luke-no doubt a man of culture and education-drop all that he had and followed Paul. He followed the great Salesman throughout the I always resent the fact that so few people, and world, caring for him, ministering to him, never forsakthat includes even the best Bible students, know the ori- ing him through prison and out and right to Rome where gin of the Christmas story. Here is a holiday and a holy Paul was put to death. He was the greatest friend history day combined that the whole world—except perhaps has any record of, steadfast as Truth itself, and he stayed Russia and other pagan lands-stops to celebrate in col- with his friend until death did them part. Paul called

And after Paul's death, Luke, who never saw you meet the question—"who gave us Christmas?"— Jesus, being one who came after, set out to gather the materials for the two mighty books he was to write. The book of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles. It is thought that my friend Doctor Luke has never gotten a fair deal likely by biblical students that Luke went back over the land where Jesus had spent his short life. We can imagine him visiting many parts of the Palestinian countryside, seeking traces of Him, asking the old folks if they get if you ask the above question. Sure. But the Bible is had seen Him, and what they remembered. And so he of those writers gave us Christmas. So I have appointed the world and brightened the hearts and souls of man

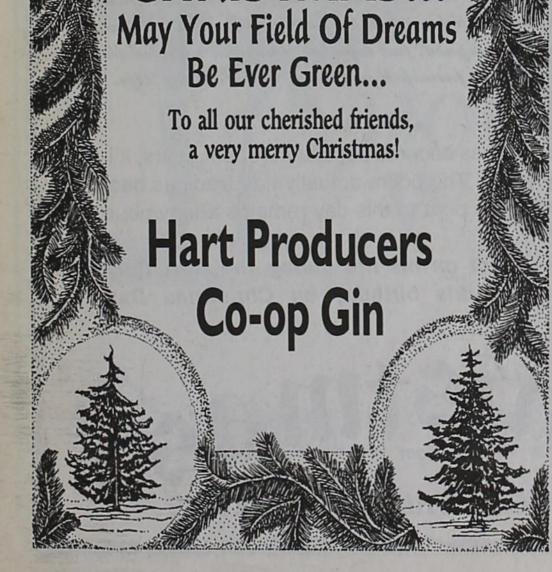
He heard the story of the Prodigal Son, the story In the Book of Luke, and only there, do we find Doctor to a Roman scholar named Theophilus, about a

We Wish You A Merry Christmas

**Ed Harris Lumber Company** 

Hart





CHRISTMAS.





Dear Santa,

My name is Vanessa Mendez and I live in Hart, Texas.

Well how are you and Mrs. Claus doing well is it snowing in the North Pole yet is it cold over there bet it is. Well it hasn't snowed over here in Hart, TX yet. Well it is that time of year again you know

christmas time and this year I just want four gifts. I want a barble that rides a bike ans also a computer and a pair of shoe's.

And my little brother John Paul also want's a computer and a Power Ranger movie. And I asked my Mom what would you like Mom and she said she want's a watch that glows in the dark and a diamond bracelet.

Please bring my Mom her two present's because she is my best friend and my favorite Mom. My fourth gift is I want a Dad for Christmas.

> Love. Vanessa Mendez

Dear Santa,

I don't know what I want for Christmas so I would like you to deside for me

please. Love Your Friend,

Chelsea King

Dear Santa,

I want a baby real rabbit, trampoline, brown teddy bear, swimming pool for our backyard. I love you.

Dear Santa,

I want a real motorcycle, a go-cart, B-B gun, movie Power Rangers. I love you!

Happy

We hope everything runs

I riple A

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Co., Inc.

smoothly, all through

the season!

**Holidays** 

Dear Santa,

Hi! How are you? My name is Adrian. I am six years old. I have been very good. For Christmas I want a truck and a car. I want for my mom and dad a pet. For my brother I want a bike. For my little sister I want a Barbie. And for me I want a toy Spiderman.

> Your friend, Adrian Rosas

Dear Santa,

Hi! How are you? My name is Mikey. I am six years old. I am in First Grade. For Christmas I want a bike, a truck, a puppy, a remote control truck, candy, and a lot of presents.

> Your friend, Mikey Sarabia

Dear Santa,

I wish you a merry Chritmas and a happy new year. I'll be glad to have a pair

Miranda Price

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I would like a 4 wheeler- A big 4 wheeler I love you very Your friend.

Tyler Waggoner P.S. My brother has been very good.

Dear Santa.

On this merry occasion

We'd just like to say,

May you enjoy a great boliday!

Thank you for shopping with us.

**Kittrell Electronics** 

103 E. Bedford, Dimmitt

I would like some cars, trucks, and a doll for my sister for Christmas. I have been a good boy.

> Thank you, Rene Ramirez Jr.

Dear Santa,

I want a Baby Tumples, My Size Barbie, baby doll named Newborn Nancy, Topsy Tail, a doll with hair to her toes, a puppy, a play kitty the one who tickles your nose, play doggy that barks at you, play dough where you make a necklace, motorcycle bike, Baby Bop puppet. I love you!

Dear Santa,

I want a blue truck with a shiny thing on top and a car that is red and a white hat. That's it. Also a star, and a gun and boots. I love you!

Samantha

Dear Santa,

I want Power Ranger Thunderzord, teddy bear, toy and toys, play gun, box of Power Rangers, another box of Power Rangers, I want 2 of them. A little toy rabbit and another box of Power Rangers. I love you!

Nathan

I want a horse, a baby with clothes, bike that is white, a basketball. I love you!

How are you? I want a doll. I want a bike. I want a bear. I want a barbie. I want a pupe. How are your randers? How are your elfs? I will see you on Christmas.

Love Julie Rodriguez

How are your reindeers? I want a toy bear. I want a doll and a ball. I want a bike and a wagon. I want a pupet and a kite. I want a diary and a dress. I want a big trampoline and a book. My rother wants Power Rangers. My sister wants a Barbie house that has lights. My mom and dad want bikes. My brother wants a nintendo and my other brother a sega. Have a Merry Christmas.

Love Mirella Mendoza

I would like a bb gun and a horse. I want a 4 wheeler and remote controlled tactor and a pellet gun anda 22 and that's

> Your friend, Blake Jones

How are you doing I would like a bear for Christmas. I would like a Power Ranger for Christmas. I would like a new bed. I would like a ball. I would like a Barbie. I w ould like a doll. I would like a

> Your friend, Olivia Vega

Dear Santa Claus, Do you know where I live? Where do

you live Santa? I hope you bring me a lot of presents because I love toys. So does my brother. When we were born my mom bought us a lot of toys. When it was Christmas my mom gave me presents fromher to me. And my present was a train. I love that train. When I was bored I got my train and played. Then I was not bored. My mom said that I was a baby playing on the floor. Thank you Santa. Your friend,

Andy Sias

Dear Santa Claus,

Hi, my name is Teresa Quezada. Hyo se como te llamas tu Ola Santa Claus yo vivo en Dimmitt TX, 79027. Santa Claus y tu donde vives? Tu tienes familia? Santa Claus yo quisiera que le trajieras a mi hermanito unos Carrito para Chrismas Santa Claus yo quisiero que me trajieras unas Barbies para Chrismas. Santa Claus Grasias parque me vos a traer la que te ped; para Chrismas Santa Claus. Feliz Chrismas Santa Claus, Ya te quiero ucho Santa Claus.

> Your friend, Teresa Quezada

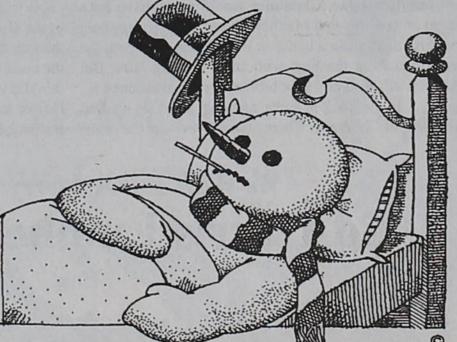
Ho! Ho! Ho! Merry Christmas Santa Claus. Hi, my name is Monica. I know your name. How old are you? I am 9. I want you to go by my house. I want Dick and a Barby and a Barby car. I'd like a big Barby house. I want a Dog and a cat to play with at My house everybody's house too. I am glad you are Sant Claus.

Monica Lopez

CATCH THE SPIRIT!

Wishing you and yours a healthy and happy holiday season!

Castro County Community **Clinics** 



Dear Santa,

How are you? I want a remote control truck. I want a nintendo and a rabbit. I want a yo-yo and a cat. I want a fish and a book. I want a vase and a drum. I want a bik and a kite. I want a candy cane and a Chucky. Please bring me some money and a shirt. I want some pants. I love you

Love Danny Guerrero

How are you? I want a baby kitten. I want some roller skates. I want a doll and a pupet. I want a diary. I want a coloring book. My brother wants Power Rangers. My mom and dad wants house shoes. Have a happy New Year.

Love Lindsay George

Dear Santa.

Are you comming to my house? I want you to please bring me a baby. I want a music box. Please bring my baby brother some pampers. I want you to bring me a pet. If you come by my house I will leave you some milk and cookies.

Love Cassondra Rodriguez

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I want a bike. I want a car and a dog. I want a toy truck and a bed. I want a turtle and a cat. I also want some clothes. I want a computer. Love Allan Montemayor

Dear Santa,

How are you Santa? How are your reindeers? I want a nintendo and a remote control car. I want a trampoline and a swimming pool. I want a wagon and a car. Please bring me a dog. I want a hat. Please bring my sisters some toys. Please bring my mom some shirts and my dad a hat. I like you.

Love Joel Vega

How are you Santa? I want a game, a puppy dog, and some colors. I want some dishes and some gloves. I want a stuffed dog. Bring me a barbie car. Please bring a happy Christmas for my family.

Love Andrea Pantoja

Dear Santa.

How are you Santa? I want a nintendo. want a remote control car and a stereo with CD's. I want a farm set too. Please bring me and my brother a cowboy hat. Love Tucker Waggoner

Thank you for all those presents last year this year I want something ellis I want a barbe limo the power ranger movie and a sega and a tellaphone and a happy

> your friend Amber Enriquez

Dear Santa,

I want the power rangers. And want batbobil. And a talk boy.

Your friend **Vincent Casas** 

### PEACE AND JOY AT CHRISTMASTIME

May the light and love of the season shine on you.

Merry Christmas to all!



George's Service Station

# RISTMAG

Hope y'all have a rip-roaring good time! Thanks for visiting us this year!



One Solitary Life

n Milles Milles

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

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

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

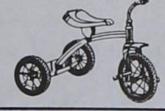
Although this poem has become popular in recent years, it is not a contemporary piece. The poem actually has tracings back to medieval times, and the poet to this day remains anonymous.

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









Dear Santa, Hi! My name is Maria Rodriguez and I want you to have a good time on Christmas with your wife. We are having a good time on Christmas. I wish to go to the North Pole. My Teacher is real nice to us and we are nice to her too. We are going to have a Posada. I want a pair of skates. Your friend.

Dear Santa Claus,

Hi my name is Rosalinda. I'm 9 years old. I live in Dimmitt, TX. In the labor camp there are lots of houses. In the middle is a park (beside my house). It is fun there. For Christmas I want a Barbie and everything that goes with the Barble. May I have that and clothes and socks and shoes. May I have that. Please thank you for everything. /I hope you have a Happy, Merry Christmas. I Love You.

Your friend, Rosalinda Jaramillo

Dear Santa,

How are you. I like to get a doll and a barbie and a nitendo and a tram-polen and a Nike shoes. And a bike and a shirt please santa.

Love Maria Quintana

Dear Santa,

I want a White Ranger and the White Shealgen zord and the White faucon zord and Ninga Megazord and shealgen Megazord and Tigerzord and tantenes for the shele zord.

Your friend

is for PEOPLE of every nation

is for EQUALITY among all God's creations

is for the ANGELS who spread His word

is for the CHARITY of those who heard

is for EXULTATION at our Savior's birth

Put Them All Together To Spell Peace On Earth!

With warmest regards this holiday season.

Terra

International

Dear Santa, Pleas can you bring me A shirt, boots and a barbie?

Love Alejandra Silva

I would like some skates and a nitendo and a bike and a trampeleng please santa. And some Nike shoes.

Love Norma Moran

Dear Santa,

I want a nitendo and nike shoes. I want a pair of skates. I want a stereo and six tapes. I want trampolen thank you santa. Love Adrian

Dear Santa,

Pleas bring me a bike and a wokmen and a miment into and a ball and a phalcon and a teddy baer and a camera and a worter gun and a basketball and a football and a rolla blades and a set markers and a car and a helcopter. Love Rafel

baking oven, ten speed, a cat, a dog,

new skats, new bed, New desk, New TV, New tabl, New movies, New shos. Fomr Kimberly Saenz

Dear Santa,

I want a computer for Christmas. My mom wants \$1000.00 for Christmas. Daddy wants a new set of shose. Love Ashlee Nino

I want a 4-wheeler, go-cart, race car, Super Nintendo games, basketball goal, t.v. with a vcr, street sharks, race track and a Free Willy II video. Please bring my sister, Makenzie, a Barbie Doll house and some Barbies. Santa have a safe trip to Dimmitt and I hope to see Christmas Eve. I love you Santa.

Love Tyler Don Cornett

Dear Santa,

I want a nitendo and barbies and a bike and I like skates and a trampolen. That's all I want. How are you? I am fine. Hi

Love Valerie Ledesma

I want a Sega and a 10-speed bike and a motorcycle with remote control. Love Sergio Ontiveros

I want a 5-speed bike and skates for Christmas. I also would like a doll. Thank you Santa.

Love Ana Sias

Dear Santa,

I like Nintendo and Sega. I would like one of them for Christmas please. My name is Ivan Perez.

Love Ivan Perez

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want A Barbie with Skates. Please How are you Santa. Love Kelly Ruiz

Dear Santa, I want skates, a bike, a doll, barbie, table, a shirt. May please have a sega. Love Janette Galvan

How are you. I want a Barbie for Christmas and a barbie house. And a doll and skates. May I please have a sega. Love Samantha Neri

Dear Santa.

I wish I had a Nintendo. I will go to sleep and close my eyes so you can come and I wish that I had a watch.

> Love, Fernando Aguero

I would like a motorcycle, I white a bike and I a truck. My name is Vicente Diaz. Can you please send these toys. Love Vicente Diaz

How are you. I wont a sega and a

nitendo and sum nike shoes and a bike love Luis Domingez

Thank you for the clother's last year and toy's and the x-men to this is what I want for Christmas. I want a white ranger and a clother's And falcen to the white ranger Your friend

Aaron Herrera

Dear Santa

I whant a gamboy and more cars thank you for the other toys last year thank you for the Elivis I forgot of them.

On Christmas I like a cool car please. I like a nike hat color green and nike shoes

Love Angelica Reyes

We learned about Sweden. How they celebrated Christmas. I learned a lot of Sweden. I am eight years old. I am in third grade. I like my teacher. I want a trampoline for christmas and a power wheels. I love my mom and dad. I love my cousins. I like my Grandmas and Grandpas. I like all of my family. I have a lot of friends. My favorite holiday is Christmas and Holloween. I love my sisters.

Nayelli Reyes

Dear Santa,

We are all good students. We work hard for Mrs. Lynn. The boys would like Power Rangers. The girls would like Barbies. Please come to see us. We will leave cookies and milk out for you. Please bring all the boys and girls something.

> Angela Vasquez Mayra Aguilar Leobardo Aguirre Julia Barrera Robert Barrios Alyssa Back Tabitha Caldera Crystal Silva Ray Velez Justin Alvarez Michael Rials Oralia Rodriguez Javier Rosales Comello Salina R.J. Sanchez Ruby Sanchez Selina Sanchez Isaac Sifuentez

Dear Santa,

I 'am good at school! I what sum dolls! I what a car and you "know" when I got a cake! I what three group of friends.

Your friend. Asia Spencer

I have been a good kid. I want a car fake car. I want some long heaer. I jist want two thengs ok. I love you Santa. I like kendra for my friend. She is nice. Good by Your friend, Monica Dozal

Dear Santa,

I want a sega for Christmas and a ten speed bike. How are you Santa. Will your elves to not work hard.

Love, Giovanni Rodriguez

Dear Santa,

I want a Sega and a new nitendo and a Niky shoes please. Love John Medrano

Santa thek you for giving me the toy santa I want a bike and a skat bord. Your frend

Kevin

Dear Santa,

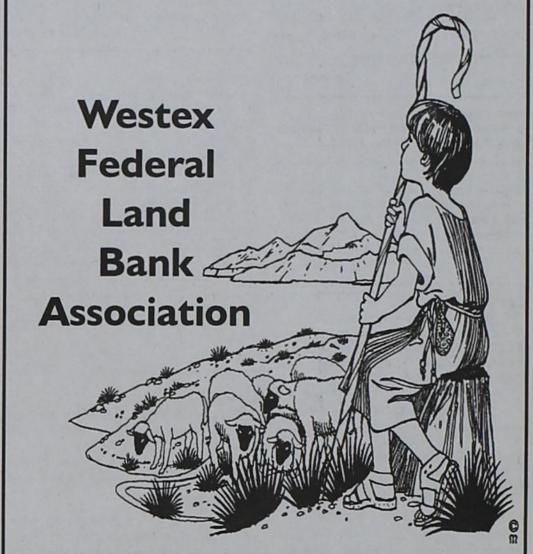
I wish I had a Barbie. I wish I had a bike. I wish I had some skates. Love Lupe Castaneda

Dear Santa,

May I please have a bike, a doll, skates and a sags. How are you. I have to go bye. Love Teres S.



We'd like to join you and your family in celebrating the Miracle of His birth during this holiest of seasons.





# Old-Fashioned Christmas Greetings

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Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl. I wood like to have a bike and a trampoline tarp. I hope you have a safe trip. My brother wants a go cart. Tell Roodolf I said hi.

> Love, Darcy Fisher

Dear Santa,

I want a baby tumbls suprise and pay day. And goosebumbs the move. I have been good. But my brother hasint. He wants a rase car.

> Love you all wase. Mandi

Dear Santa.

I have been a good girl this year. I wood like some new cothes and a new bike and a pair of girl skats and some new toys baskitball go and a new basketbaall and I want a new sute a new dress.

> Your frind **Ashley Sears**

Dear Santa,

I want a dog and a cat and for sner I want a baby named Cochy Coo and I want a cheirle tigr outfit and thank you wat you gave me last year

Dear Santa,

Iv been a good gril this year. I hope you come this year. I want a playhouse and a doll this year.

> Your friend, Sabrena Patlan

Dear Santa,

I like what you brought me last christmas. I liked it. Do you know what I want? A new bike and a toy for my cat and a nicholas for my mom and I wint a bow well I better go by-by.

Your friend Jennifer Fuentes

May I please have a new doll? May I please have a new bear? And may please have a new book? Thank you for the presents you gave me last year. Love Rebecca Bryan

game? Thank you.

Dear Santa, May I please have a my size barbe? May I please have a new doll? And a

Shenea Wright

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy this year. Will you please give me some biker mice, a race cartrak, street shark toys, a jeep, a tonka farm and a remote CoNtrol Bat moBile. That's all. Thank you.

Love Kaden Griffitt

Dear Santa,

I want a remote control race car, a guitar, Dallas Cowboys helmet and shirt, club house, a baby duck, a trampoline, a stuffed animal tiger and zebra and giraffe, a Sega Genises, a Fire Fighter truck and for mommy an Orlando Magic Jersey #32, and a rocking chair for daddy, a small cat bed for my kitten.

Luis Luna

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I want Newborn Nancy, Jeans, hiking boots, cd walkman, a collecting horse, and a teacher barble. I love you and I care for you.

Love MacKenzi Pigg

I want a Mexican baby doll that talks in English and Spanish, and a barble. I also want a big box of dishes. Love you,

Stayce Perez

I would like the red and white power ranger and a motorcycle bike and cars and a gocar Deon Sanders Jersey a hores, cow, pig and Dallas cowboy football; cap shrits shoes of cowboys and clothes a teddy bear that all.

Love George Dones 5 years old

Dear Santa,

Hi! My name is Haylee E. And I would like a Barble and a Barble house, and I would also like to have a Teacher Barbie I would like to receive a doll and a Barbie car that exter I have been a pretty good girl this year. Well this is all I ask for at this time I sure will thank you for this.

Dear Santa.

I would like a yellow Barbi car with a telephone, a pink Barbie coloring book, a sega and nintendo, a pink dress with flowers, and a Barbie camara, a yellow wallet, a doll, a Barbie that's yellow, a Brass dresser, a puppy, a yellow jumping rope, I want a yellow Diary with flowers. I want a pink Bike, a whistle, and pink pom pons, a yellow basket for Easter and I want the Bubble Gum Shop. Thank you

Love Heather 5 years old

Dear Santa,

I want an CD player and I want a trampoline and I want a pool table. Santa I want cd's I want a Biker Mice back pack. I also want a farm and some tractors. I want a besk and some legos.I want a carber movie and a Dallas Cowboys jacket and a football. I want Seja Genisis and the james to it.

Your friend, Raul

Dear Santa,

I want a basketball and a football. Also, I want a remote control pickup. Please bring my sister a Barbie. Bring my daddy a drill. Mommy wants a pig. I will leave some cookies and milk for you.

Love Caleb Snitker

Dear Santa.

I have tried to be good this year. Would you please bring me a bike, desk, baby. I believe in you Santa!!!

Love Brittany Williams

Dear Santa Claus,

I hope you have a good Christmas. I just want to tell you that I will like a shaving kin barble and a teacher barble Kelly and her sister. Merry Christmas Santa Claus

Love Jessica Ortega

Dear Santa,

I was a good boy. Can I have a motorcycle and a go-kart? And can I have a fire truck. I also want a hot wheels car wash. And a Jeep. And a new pick-up for Daddy. Santa, you are a nice man. Thank you for the presents. I love you. Santa, when you come will you wake me up so I can pet the deers? Bye Santa.

Love Andrew Larra

Thank you for last year's presents. Would you let me ride on your sleigh? This year I would like a go-cart that is purple, a hamster, a crane, and a black bear phone. I would also like to have some paint that washes. Santa would you please bring an elf with you and wake me up to see him. Would you bring Rudolph inside my house, where I can see him. I can also go to your home with you. I would like to see Mrs. Clause. I would really like to see her. Love Kalan Steinle

Dear Santa,

I would like a baywatch Barbie and twister.

Love Chrystal Ojeda

For Christmas I would like to have a toy train, and some money. I would like to also have a kitten. That will be all

Love Anthony Puente

Dear Santa, I have been a real good girl this year. Would you please bring me an Easy Bake Oven. My sister Kimberlea wants the Game Gator Golf. My new baby sister likes things with music. We love you. See you at

Love Jennifer Hiett

Dear Santa,

Christmas.

For Christmas I want a Barbie, Polsh na is Coloring Book, that's all I want for

Love Rubie

I forgot to tell you one more thing I really want for Christmas. #3 Baxman tent. Thank you, Landan Adams

Dear Santa.

I wish I had a gocar and a bat man for Christmus? And I like you very much? But last cristmas My brutters and my sitters did not get notting for Chirtmas. Can you give us something for chirstmus plesa? We will breing you something for chirstmas okl Have a nise Chirsmas!

Caleb Barrios

Dear Santa,

A toy car. I want a bike, jersey and shoes, shirts, Nike shoes, cars (boys car) power ranger.

Nick

Dear Santa,

Please Santa put a little puppy in my stocking. And a CD player. And a plano with a chair. And some little cats. Bring me a baby-sister. Will you bring me some basketball shoes.

Love Arica Cisneros

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy. I want a teddy Bear and Karate fighters. I also want some roller blades. Please bring me a game boy. Just one more thing Santa Please Bring me a White Ranger.

> Your friend. Joshua Smothermon

Dear Santa,

I Love you ♥. I want Karat Fighter. And some new clothes and some new shoe. Can you bring some canby. Love Eloy Salinas

Dear Santa,

I would like a remote control car also a new bike. When you come when I am asleep I will leave you some cookies and milk. I love you.

Clynt Moyers

This is what I want: trampoline, sega, tv, shoes, car, house, clothes, train, Batman, costume, Sega.

Dear Santa,

I want a B-B gun, sunglasses, a toy dinosaur in an egg, a toy Casper that glows in the dark, a watch, a real horse that is alive, a real airplane, a big, big, big live bass and give Bryant a little bass.

I love you, Santa, **Brett Logan** 

Dear Santa Claus, Please bring mine and Coby's toys. We

don't have a Chimney here so you will have to come thru the door. Please bring Coby a telephone. Please bring me "Power Ranger Binoculars." We will leave Rudolf and his friends some carrots. Love Dustin Paul Venhaus Age 5, Pybus Preschool

Dear Santa,

I want a stuffed toy pig, some dishes, new shoes, and a baby doll. If you can't bring all of them one will be ok. Thank you Santa. I love you.

Love Rosalinda Covarrubia

My name is Callie. I've been a very good girl this year. Please bring me treasure rocks surprise vanity, Pacahontos tent, a play house, and a new baby doll with baby stuff. Please bring my sister Berkley baby toys. Tell Rudolf and Mrs. Clause hil

Love Callie Crum

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl, and I want a My Size Barbie, and an airplane for my brother Martin.

Yvonne Lopez

Dear Santa,

My name is Ashley Fleeks. I live at 807 SW 6th. I want to thank you for the wonderful gifts you brought me last year. Santa, I'm still the same good little girl as I was last year. Jsut getting better each year. Santa on my list this year are these items: video tapes, combo T.V. set, Barbie Doll, Tumbling Doll clothes and shoe. Santa, please leave my brother, D.J., something for Christmas. Also, my parents. Remember all the boys and girls this year Santa. I will leave you some

cookies and egg nog on the table. Love you, Santa, Ashley Fleeks

Dear Santa, For Christmas I want. . .a trampoline, a computer, a game boy, some Nancy Drew books, some Baby sitters club books, a

> Sincerely, Holly Gilliam

Dear Santa,

baby sitter club doll.

I would like a ten speed bike and a see through phone and a Triple Arcade and an Incredible Pog maker. If that is too much, leave one of them out, one that you think I would not miss.

I hope I have been a good girl. Meggie Lemons

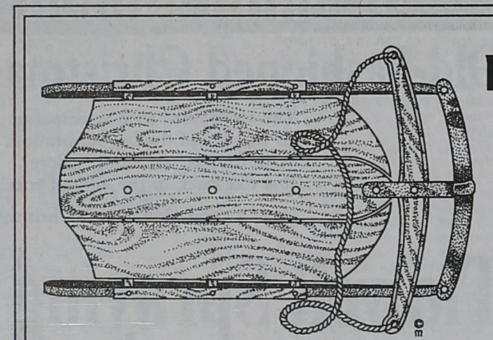
Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie Mustang, Barbie Pool House, Monopoly, Candy Land, Baby Sip 'n Slurp, Sand Sorry. Merry Christmas! Kayla Acker

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a remote control car. I want a trampoline for Christmas. I want a dirt bike too. I want a puppy. I want a super nintendo. I want a shelf of cards. I want a new pair of shoes.

Sincerely, Christopher Perez



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