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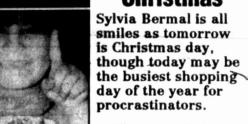
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Craft fair revenues go to Blue Santa

Jim Lancaster looks as some of the items for sale in the Highland Mall recently during the Blue Santa arts and crafts fair, benefitting the Big Spring Police Department. The fair netted \$2,300 for the program to help needy area chil-







The Salvation Army will have a Christmas Dinner for the needy Saturday. Serving will take place at 308 Aylford from 4-6 p.m.



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More than 20,000 lights make up the Christmas Colorado River Municipa! Water District building on 24th Street.

World

Children of sadness:

For Nguyen Thi Hang, there is no cheer, no doll of her own, no mother to hug her, no father to remember. See page 5.

■ Nation

 Santa threatened in Denver: Santa listened to children's Christmas wishes from the safety of police stations after death threats led eight Denver-area shopping malls to cancel appearances by St. Nick. See page 3.

Texas :

Violence in schools:

A student is stabbed to death in a school hallway in Anthony Independent School District in El Paso County. Two teen-age girls leaving school in Plainview are shot in the campus parking lot. See page 2.

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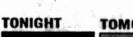
•Mavericks tie record:

Dallas Cowboy quarterback Troy Aikman signed the biggest contract in NFL history Thursday, agreeing to a \$50 million, eight-year deal that includes an \$11 million signing bonus. See page 9.

Weather 3

•Cloudy, snow possible:

Tonight, mostly cloudy, low in the lower 20s. North wind 15-20 mph and gusty. See extended forecast, page 6.











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Charitable donations **see-saw**

By JANET AUSBURY

Staff Writer

How did Christmas charity efforts fare this year compared to previous years? It all depends on the charity. Well-known charities such as United Way and Salvation Army, which rely heavily on cash donations, have not done well this season.

However, the local Blue Santa effort, a program run by the Big Spring Police Department, raised more money than any year before with the help of a craft show.

Lt. Albert Villafuerte of the Salvation Army said his organization's fund-raising efforts are far behind previ-

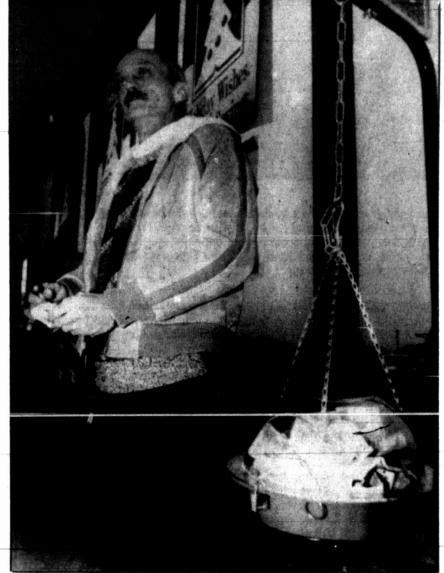
"Our goal was \$40,000 and that was lowered from last year because we didn't make last year's goal," said Villafuerte. "We've only raised about \$20,000 so far from our mail appeal and kettle bell program."

Villafuerte said the Salvation Army will attempt to meet its goal next year and hopes to raise public awareness about the organization's need for funds.

"We want people to know that food and toy donations are greatly appreciated, but it takes money to do what we're doing," he said. "We use that money throughout the year to help people."

Villafuerte is particularly worried because the United Way, whose fund-raising program will continue for several more days, is also short of meeting its goal. This means organizations including the Salvation Army will receive less money than last year.

"Between us not meeting our goal and receiving less money from United Way, we will end up several thou-Please see DONATIONS, page 6



Kettle donations is just one way the Salvation Army raises needed funds for its programs. This year, donations to well-known charities such as the Army and the United Way have been down while newer charities are seeing a growth in donations

City recipient of grant for rennovations

By TIM JONES Staff Writer

The Dora Roberts Foundation has granted funds to the city of Big Spring for needed renovations to municipal buildings.

The city plans to begin with the restoration of the old central fire station building. Improvements will provide space for a council chamber and a municipal courtroom.

The balance of the funds will be used to completely restore the city hall building. Both of the older buildings will be made handicap accessible and their central location makes then worth renovating.

City Manager Lanny Lambert said "We'll hire an architect to insure an aesthetic look for the renovations. The construction itself will be done in-house."

A separate grant will permit the city will begin a "Teen Court" in January. Teenagers between the ages of 16 to 19 are given the option to go through the current municipal court process or to choose judgment by their peers.

All of the participants in the courtroom roles will be teenagers. The grant will cover both implementation and paperwork costs for the first

Gamco founder dies

Herald Staff Report

Gamco Industries founder and former Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce president George Allen McAlister Jr., 71, died morning at his residence.

McAlister was born Nov. 28, 1922 in Hunt County and graduated from Commerce High School in Commerce in 1939. He married Lavonia Marie Shipp on Jan. 17, 1944 in Dallas.

He received a bachelor's degree in mathematics in 1947 and a master's degree in mathematics in 1948 from East Texas State University. He was induced as an Outstanding Alumnus at East Texas State University in October 1992.

McAlister enlisted in the United States Marine Corps on Dec. 2, 1942 and served during World War II in the Pacific Theater with the Marine Corps Fighter Squadron VFM(N) **533.** ∽

He was the highest-ranking staff sergeant and received a meritorious NCO appointment to officer training school in 1945, after which he was commissioned a second lieutenant.

McAlister was released from active duty in 1946 and returned to college, then was recalled to active duty for the Korean War. He returned to inactive duty in June 1952 and resumed his teaching career. He retired in 1966 with the rank of

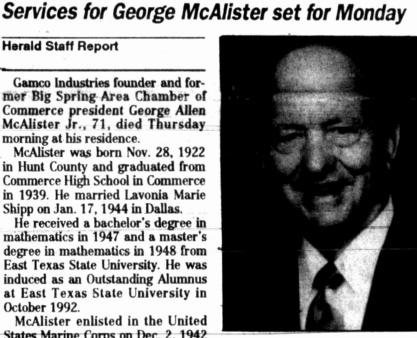
In 1947 he was granted a teaching fellowship to complete his master's degree at East Texas State University in the math department. He then joined the staff and taught in the summer of 1948. From 1948 to 1959 he was chair of the mathematics department at Howard College and

also served as dean of men. In 1960, McAlister founded and was president of Gamco Industries Inc., a national manufacturer of teaching aids, and produced the first classroom computer in 1966. In 1968 he went public with Gamco stock by merging with Siboney, a company listed in the American Stock Exchange.

He founded McAlister Oil Company in 1970 to engage in venture drilling. In 1979, he and his son Kyle founded Questor Petroleum Corporation and Parthenon Corporation, of which he served as president. Both companies engaged in petroleum trading.

McAlister founded and became president of Herd Management Systems Inc., which designed and produced computer software for cattle management, in 1984. In 1986 he founded and was president of Texas Cavalcade Corporation, formed to produce an Imax (70 millimeter) movie about the battle of the Alamo based on his 1988 book "Alamo-The Price of Freedom."

In 1987, Texas Cavalcade Corpo-



GEORGE McALISTER

ration became managing partner of a limited partnership to build the Imax Theater located in Rivercenter Mall in San Antonio and also to produce "Alamo-The Price of Freedom." McAlister served as executive producer and co-wrote the screenplay with director Keith Merrill.

The movie opened on March 6, 1988 and has run continuously, attracting over 500,000 patrons annually. In 1991 he resigned as president of Texas Cavalcade Corporation and retired to run Herd Management Systems Inc.

He served as president of the American Business Club in 1967, president of Big Spring Country Club from 1970-71, president of Big Spring United Fund in 1972, director of Big Spring YMCA from 1970-74, director of the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce from 1971-74 and president of the Chamber in 1974. He was a member of First Baptist

Church, a member and past director of American Red Brangus Association and an inactive member of Oak Hills Country Club and a member of Blue Coats (an organization to promote the Air Force and National Defense) of San Antonio.

McAlister was also a member of the Council for National Policy and director of the Alumni Association of East Texas State University. In 1990 he was appointed honorary member for life by the Daughters of the Republic of Texas for making the movie "Alamo-The Price of Freedom."

In addition to the above title, he had published two books: "Dominoes-Texas Style," in 1977 and "A Time to Love-A Time to Die" in

McAlister received a heart transplant on Jan. 20, 1993 at San Antoniò Heart Institute.

Survivors include Lavonia McAlister, his wife of 49 years; a son and daughter-in-law, Mike and Judy Please see McALISTER, page 6

Dad's gone but his spirit still oversees Christmas

Danielle Dickerson sticks cotton balls onto two paper plates as she and others in her class

were creating snowmen at the Hillcrest Child Development Center Wednesday afternoon.

CINDY HEPNER



I moved to New Orleans in May of 1978. It was really an exciting time for me. I was looking forward to having a the Christmas of a different

Creating her own snowman

My father took me

all over the French Quarter, the French Market, Bourbon Street, everywhere.

My memory begins on December 8. My father had been sick with pneumonia and had gotten his release to return to work. He was very glad to go back because he was never one. to just sit around.

When he came back home after his doctor's visit, he decided it was time to do some early shopping. This was totally strange for him because he never really shopped for anyone except mom.

I got his "first" grandson who was four months old at the time dressed and packed up for a day in New Orleans with his grandfather, and we set out to do the obvious, "shop 'til we dropped." We let Mom sleep in because he had to get her gift.

We stopped in at local donut shop that my father went in every morning. He just had to introduce his grandson to everyone. I just knew the baby was going to get sick eating all of that jelly out of my dad's donut. We said our farewells and got the baby cleaned up, we headed out to the Naval Sup-

port Activity where my father worked. He

turned in his release and assured his boss he would be in Monday. He showed me around

and told me about some of his duties, and how he really missed not being back at Webb.

After our tour we headed to the Credit Union for what else? SHOPPING MONEY!! With his grandson in his arms, he talks to all of the employees. I never knew that a withdrawal could take almost an hour.

We are now on our way, finally. We bought presents to mail home and a few new decorations and things we really needed, but Dad was really in the Christmas spirit.

We decided to check in with Mom, since we really kind of left without letting her know where we were going. She decided to join us for the afternoon. We had lunch, and shopped some more, and finally the big decision, the tree. This was always a family decision, and this year was no different. After careful consideration we chose one. As a child I always had a real tree, and this one topped all of the ones I remember. It was huge, and full, and had such an aroma, it filled the room with the smell of pine like I had never known.

We loaded up the tree and started back home. It seemed like it took just as long to unioad all of our treasures as it did to buy them, but what a great time we had.

Dad put the tree up and strung the lights, like he did every year, then sat down in his recliner to supervise the finishing touches my Mom and I were doing. His grandson all nestled in his arms, they both dozed off.

After a very late dinner we sat around admiring our hard work and watching television. We all decided to go to bed. After all, we had been all over New Orleans from early morning to late afternoon. Around midnight, Dad got sick. We called the ambulance and he and Mom left for the hospital. That was the last Please see CHRISTMAS, page 6

School

violence

TEA taking new

look at issue

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The Associated Press

AUSTIN - A student is stabbed to

death in a school hallway in Anthony

Independent School District in El

Two teen-age girls leaving school

in Plainview are shot in the campus

gunfight in Houston, sending a teen-

With school violence taking a

start the new year with a new look

The board at its January meeting

plans to vote on a "Safe School

Checklist," required by a new state

law to help schools assess their

strengths and weaknesses; discuss

school violence; and hear from

groups that have been studying the

Education Board Chairwoman Car-

olvn Crawford of Beaumont. "I think

there are more violent kids now. I

think it's the breakdown of the fami-

ly. It's the kids unsupervised after

school, the models of violence that

A draft of the school checklist

includes separate sections to be

filled out by administrators and rep-

resentative samples of teachers, stu-

It asks administrators, for exam-

ple, whether a plan has been devel-

oped to address such emergencies as

accidents, assaults, gang altercations

It asks students, parents and

teachers for their views on safety

and crime - for example, whether

there are particular places at school

where youngsters or teachers don't

feel safe, and whether they have

Task forces also have been examining school violence, with one Edu-

cation Board group working in con-

junction with juvenile justice offi-

haven't collected information

statewide on incidents of school vio-

lence, so it's difficult to tell if it's on

the rise. The Texas Education Agency is surveying school districts to try to get solid figures, said

spokeswoman Della May Moore.
Ms. Crawford said the state is try-

ing to develop a more complete pic-ture of school violence with an eye to

issuing a policy statement outlining

the issues and suggesting approach-

es that schools and communities

include legislative recommendations.

will not be a mandate for school dis-

probably be community by commu-

taken steps, with the installation of

metal detectors, security guards

and, in Houston, a policy requiring

The Texas Federation of Teachers

says several school districts have

adopted its "zero tolerance" propos-

tricts, she said.

nity," she said.

see-through backpacks.

Please see SCHOOL, page 6

The policy, which also could

"I think that the solutions will

Some communities already have

Education officials say they

been threatened or attacked.

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and suicide threats.

"It is a very serious problem," said

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Appeal frees couple jailed in child's death

The Associated Press

SULPHUR SPRINGS - Shocked and admittedly overwhelmed that their story was finally being believed, Debbie Tucker Loveless and John Harvey Miller walked out of prison and began preparing for their first free Christmas in four

"This is the best (Christmas present) I've ever had," said Miller "I'm a little confused right now.

Ms. Loveless said she was still in a state of shock.

"They woke me up at 7 o'clock this morning. Told me to get up to pack my stuff. I've been in shock since them.

Until Friday, the couple from Somerset, Ky., has been in jail or prison since Jan. 17, 1989, when they were arrested in the Jan. 4, 1989, death of Ms. Loveless's 4-year-old daughter, April. They said they found the girl outside their rural Rains County home and she told them they had been attacked by dogs.

Prosecutors convinced jurors the child was the victim of child abuse, however, and the couple were sentenced to life in prison.

But with the help of attorney Robert Ardis, the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals last week threw out their convictions, saying that apparently ineffective counsel prevented evidence that supported the dog theory from being presented during the trial.

The court then worked quickly to issue an order allowing their attorney, Robert Ardis, to have them freed before Christmas.

Hopkins County Sheriff's deputies



John Miller and Debble Loveless meet the press after being released from the Hopkins County jail in Sulphur Springs Thursday. Inprisoned nearly five years for the death of their daughter, they were released after the conviction was overturned. Miller and Loveless have maintained the child was attacked by dogs.

picked up Miller from the Winn Unit in Huntsville and Ms. Loveless from Gatesville and transported them to Sulphur Springs Friday, where they were freed after posting \$10,000

Friends and relatives met the two at Ardis' office, where they called their relatives and firmed up plans for visiting Kentucky.

Ms. Loveless telephoned her 12year-old daughter, Amy, who lives with her parents in Somerset. Miller called his 15-year-old son, Shane.

Ms. Loveless and Miller were common-law husband and wife when

they were jailed. But Ms. Loveless has since married another man, a former Harris County law officer she said was introduced to her by a friend while she was in prison. Prosecutors have not said whether

they will retry the couple. If they do, Ardis said he has five

nationally known forensic experts including experts in animal attack injuries — ready to testify that is was obvious the child died of a rare, frenzied attack by a pack of dogs.

'We are confident that we have the quality expert witnesses available to show that this was a dog attack and no way was there child abuse," Ardis said.

Railroad-crossing accidents increasing

The Associated Press

AUSTIN — Despite increased safety efforts, the number of railroadcrossing accidents has risen this year in Texas, which leads the nation in accidents and fatalities.

Fifty-one people were killed in 390 railroad-crossing accidents in the first 10 months of 1993. That's five more than the same period in 1992. If the statistics hold up, it could be the first time in four years that the accident rate rises.

"I would just urge all Texas drivers to be aware of one thing: a motorist always loses in a tie with a train at a highway-railroad crossing," Railroad Commissioner Mary Scott Nabers said Thursday.

December and January are usually the most dangerous months, she

"Winter months bring the holidays, family get-togethers, frosty weather and, tragically, an increase in the number of accidents at highway-railroad intersections," she said.

Railroad-crossing accidents are more common during the winter months for a variety of reasons, Ms. Nabors says. Winter days are shorter, meaning motorists must drive in darkness for longer periods.

Other contributing factors include fogged windows, and noise in cars due to heaters and stereos. Many drivers involved in crossing accidents can't hear trains' whistles or see flashing lights because of those

Ms. Nabors advises motorists to be cautious at railroad crossings during day and night because "freight trains don't operate on schedules."

She also recommends turning down heaters and radios, and even rolling down windows to make sure no trains are coming. Texas has more railroad crossings

than any other state. The state's 13,016 public highway-railroad crossings represent 7.6 percent of all the country's crossings. Texas has 22 percent more crossings than the second-leading state, Illinois.

The commissioner attributes the high number of accidents in part to the high number of crossings.

Last year, there were 433 crossing mishaps. There were 491 in 1991, 512 in 1990 and 628 in 1989.

So far this year, the Houston area has been by far the most dangerous in the state. Two people were killed and eight were injured in 31 Harris County wrecks, according to the commissioner's figures.

Hutchison's pre-trial hearing set to wrap up

The Associated Press

AUSTIN — A pre-trial hearing in the case of U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison is expected to wrap up

Visiting State District Judge John Onion said he would rule on Mrs. Hutchison's motion to move the trial after he has heard more arguments on one of her motions to dismiss the indictments against her. He scheduled the pre-trial hearing to resume

Much of Wednesday's testimony dealt with Mrs. Hutchison's claim that she could not get a fair trial in Austin because of publicity about the

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Mrs. Hutchison, a Republican, was indicted on charges that while state treasurer she used state employees and state equipment for her personal benefit and then destroyed records as a coverup. The charges carry a maximum sentence of 51 years in prison.

She has denied any wrongdoing and says the accusations are part of a Democratic plot to foil her re-election bid.

Her attorney, Dick DeGuerin, said much of the local media coverage about the case had been negative and spurred by the Travis County district attorney's office. A "politically charged atmosphere" existed that would prevent Mrs. Hutchison from getting a fair trial in Austin, he said.

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"This is one of the most publicized cases accusing a person of wrongdoing that I can think of," he said. This case has, rightly or wrongly, become notorious.

Steve McCleery, Travis County first assistant district attorney, denied the office gave news leaks to the media about the case. "This is a politically charged case because the defense has made it that way," he said.

More than a dozen people, including media representatives, Mayor Bruce Todd, workers and volunteers, testified that they believed Mrs. Hutchison could get a fair trial

"This is a community of openminded, fair-minded people,' McCleery said.

Money laundering case shows need for new laws

increases McALLEN (AP) - An indictment accusing two bankers of laundering \$30 million for a reputed Mexican drug gang shows a need for new laws to monitor large wire transfers of money, a U.S. Customs official

says.
"I think change is on the way,"
Vince Klink, resident agent in charge
of the agency's McAllen office, said Thursday.

Klink said "Operation Choza Rica" or Rich Shack — has drawn the attention of congressional staffers working on proposals to enact federal reporting requirements for large wire transfers.

The government requires banks to A high school scuffle turns into a report currency transactions of \$10,000 or more, but no such law covers wire transfers.

In Fort Worth, a substitute teacher Klink said the continuing case is falls down a flight of stairs while the largest money laundering invesrunning from a gun-wielding stutigation involving his agency at pre-

P&W taking comment harsh toll around Texas this year, the State Board of Education will on Big Bend plan

AUSTIN (AP) — The Parks and Wildlife Department is taking public comment on a draft management plan for the Big Bend Range State Natural Area.

Department official said Thursday that the plan should provide access for public recreation and scientific study without diminishing the resources or primitive character of the 265,000-acre area.

Big Bend Ranch is located along the Rio Grande west of Big Bend National Park. Acquisition of the tract in 1988 doubled the size of the state park system.

Part of the Chihuahuan Desert, the area supports many kinds of unique plants and animals. The remains of more than 10,000 years of human occupation also are found there, ranging from Native American hunters and early farmers to Spanish. Mexican and Anglo-American settlers.

The management plan was developed using information gathered over the past five years, including public testimony.

Dell mum on Sony's computer involvement

AUSTIN (AP) — Dell Computer Corp. isn't commenting on reports that Sony Corp. would supply computers for a notebook line Dell will

introduce next year.

Meanwhile, The Wall Street Journal reported Thursday that Dell could announce as soon as next month that it will resell notebooks made by rival AST Research Inc. According to The Journal, an agree-ment could be announced as early as next month on a separate notebook

The newspaper quoted unnamed sources close to the situation as saying that Dell will resell a slightly modified version of AST's Bravo line under its own name. Company officials wouldn't comment.

A Tokyo-based financial newspaper, Nikhon Keizai Shimbun, quoted unnamed Sony corporate sources as saying that Sony would provide Dell with notebooks that would be marketed under the Dell name.

Roger Rydell, a Dell spokesman, said the Sony link is the latest of several rumors about its notebook plans. "It's very, very speculative," he said Wednesday.

Leaders oppose strip joints on Riverwalk

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - Some city leaders bristled Thursday at the suggestion of introducing adult-oriented businesses along the Paseo del Rio, a popular tourist attraction.

Mayor Nelson Wolff said he was confident an ordinance could be passed to ban adult businesses in the area, also known as the Riverwalk.

City Councilman Bill Thornton said he would ask the city legal staff to research ways to prevent sexually oriented businesses from opening along the San Antonio River. The city-appointed Riverwalk Commission also would be asked to help, according to Thornton.

Two owners of Riverwalk property have been approached about opening a gentleman's club, with topless dancers, WOAI radio reported Thursday.

Sale of embattled nursing home ok'ed

FORT WORTH (AP) — A judge in Austin Thursday approved the sale of a nursing home recently seized from Fort Worth's mayor pro tem, ending fears that its elderly residents would be homeless for the hol-

Virginia Nell Webber and her husband, Wu Fang Huey You, on Wednesday relinquished control of the All Seasons Nursing Center, saying they could no longer afford to operate it. Ms. Webber said state sanctions had caused more than \$150,000 in Medicaid to be cut off. from the facility.

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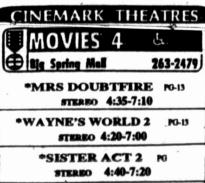
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Key to latest Clinton flap is credibility of troopers

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LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — The outcome of a controversy pitting the word of two Arkansas state troopers against the man they once guarded, Bill Clinton, may hinge on the troopers' credibility.

In that respect, a \$500,000 auto insurance lawsuit involving the stroopers, Larry Patterson and Roger Perry, could be illuminating.

Patterson and Perry served on Clinton's security detail when he was Arkansas governor and claim to have facilitated sexual liaisons for him with several women. They also claim Clinton offered their colleagues federal jobs in return for their silence — allegations Clinton has denied.

The troopers' credibility is crucial because they've offered little more than their word.

On Tuesday, Hillary Rodham Clinton accused the troopers of promoting stories she called "outrageous" for political and financial gain. On Wednesday, the president denied any wrongdoing but refused to discuss specifics of the allegations.

Both troopers say it was not the alleged infidelity that made them go public; rather, it was Clinton's alleged misuse of state personnel and property to arrange his affairs. They admitted under questioning at

a news conference that they abused their power and broke the law themselves if their claims about what they did for Clinton are true. They said they did it because they feared he would have them fired.

They also accused Clinton of offering members of the governor's security detail federal jobs if they would keep quiet or keep tabs on stories with which colleagues might go public. They attributed this information to a trooper they declined to name, but whose identity became known as Danny Ferguson through contact with other present and former troopers.

Ferguson denied Wednesday that Clinton offered him or any other trooper a job in exchange for silence or help in shaping their stories.

Although state police records generally portray Patterson and Perry as satisfactory officers, a check of the troopers' records revealed incidents over several years involving their credibility.

A report showed that in 1970, Patterson's sergeant confiscated his gun, badge and state car after a domestic incident in which Patterson reportedly beat his wife. The couple later divorced and the woman died two years later of cancer. Patterson said this week his wife's allegations of abuse were not true.

A 1981 report on Perry showed he was reprimanded for being asleep

Perry had been addressed in the past about being absent-minded and irresponsible, and that his actions had become "almost intolerable."

In a 1991 sexual harassment lawsuit, a female employee of the Arkansas State Police Association accused Perry of continuously making sexual suggestions and sexual movements that caused her stress and forced her to leave the job. Perry was president of the private group for state troopers at the time. The suit was later dropped. Perry said this week that the allegations were unfounded.

There is even a Perry vs. Patterson

In a suit pending in Pulaski County Circuit Court, Perry accuses Patterson of being drunk when Patterson drove a state police vehicle into a tree in December 1990, injuring Perry and a female trooper who was Patterson's companion. In an initial filing in his suit against Patterson, Perry said he was seeking more than \$500,000 in damages.

An attorney representing Patterson's insurance company pointed to inconsistencies in both troopers' statements to the company and suggested they might be in collusion to collect insurance money.



Guardian Angel Sebastian Metz, dressed as Santa Claus, is escorted by fellow Guardian Angels while visiting children in the Capital Hill neighborhood near downtown Denver Thursday. Metz took on the role of Santa after death threats led local malls to cancel appearances by Santa.

Threats put Santa into protective custody

The Associated Press

DENVER - Santa listened to children's Christmas wishes from the safety of police stations after death threats against "that fatso" led eight Denver-area shopping malls to cancel appearances by St. Nick.

David and Jeffrey Henderson, twins who will turn 4 on Sunday, planned to sit on Santa's lap at the Crossroads Mall in Boulder. Instead they had to visit him at the Boulder Police Department, a few blocks

"They said, 'Why is he at the police station?" said their mother, Vicki Henderson. "I told them some bad person wrote a letter to Santa and said they were going to hurt him, so this is where he can be

They were among hundreds of children who had to go to police and fire stations because of the anonymous threats — delivered by mail and fax machine — calling Santa an happy time of year.

Time is running out on that fatso," one letter warned. "By

Thursday, he will be history along with anybody that gets in my way.' The letter-writer said that he had

enough guns and ammunition to kill 100 people and that the slayings of four people at a Denver-area pizza restaurant earlier this month "was nothing" compared with the carnage he would cause.

Police, FI I agents and the Postal Service investigated the threats as malls posted notices that Santa had returned to the North Pole.

Then police officers, firefighters and other volunteers suited up as St. Nick in more than a dozen highsecurity Santa workshops. By noon Thursday, officers guarded long lines of children.

"I sure never imagined I'd be protecting kids and Santa," said Detective Jim Wollack, who watched 75 children line up in suburban Westminster. "This is supposed to be a

At another site, an 8-year-old boy solemnly warned his Santa to be

said Sebastian Metz, a member of Thursday.

interested in him than his elves -Guardian Angels who had come to Denver to organize a citizen street

"I was a little jealous," Metz said. "I think these older kids believe

At Denver police headquarters, 7year-old Jason Woodward didn't seem bothered by all the security as he embraced Santa. But the situation frustrated his parents.

also feel safe being in the police

Communities stand to gain from ruling on Superfund

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Hundreds of U.S. communities stung by lawsuits seeking millions of dollars in hazardous waste cleanup costs are likely to take heart from a federal judge's ruling in a Connecticut case.

Judge Peter Dorsey of the U.S. District Court in New Haven ruled Thursday that municipalities and small businesses are not liable for Superfund cleanup costs at landfills that mixed their ordinary trash with toxic chemicals.

"It affects every community in the country," said Bill Butler, a Washington attorney representing 23 affected Connecticut communities.

The ruling applies only to communities or small businesses whose garbage did not contain any of the hazardous substances the Environmental Protection Agency specifically calls toxic in the nation's Superfund regulations.

The Superfund program was designed to get polluters to pay for creating the toxic dumps. But because many industrial polluters have tried to pass the costs onto local communities that sent their household waste to the same landfills, many communities are facing potentially bankrupting charges.

More than 450 municipalities in 13 states have been sued or threatened with suit by industrial polluters.

In New Jersey, for example, more

than 108 cities have been sued. Cities want liability based on the toxicity of the waste rather than volume, since municipal waste generally contains only small amounts of hazardous chemicals

Dorsey said the fact that the waste contains items made with the listed toxins isn't the same as direct disposal of the raw chemicals.

His ruling came in a case involving cleanups at two of the nation's most polluted landfills: the Beacon Heights landfill in Beacon Falls, Conn., and Laurel Park landfill in Naugatuck Borough, Conn.

EPA sued the 20 largest companies that contributed toxic waste to the landfills. The companies then sued hundreds of other parties, like the local towns and small businesses, that shipped trash to the sites.

The cost of the cleanups was estimated at \$70 million, with half the waste volume assigned to the cities, Butler said. The cities contend they should not have to bear half the cost because industry contributed the toxins that necessitated the cleanup.

A congressional official familiar with the Superfund law said Dorsey's decision has important implications: "What this decision does for the first time is to tell those industrial polluters that unless they can show specifically that toxic chemicals were sent to a landfill by a municipality or small business, they can't pursue these parties.

"He told me, 'Watch out, Santa,"

the Guardian Angels crime-fighting group who dressed up as St. Nick on Metz said some kids seemed less

more in the Angels than in Santa."

"It's really a helpless type of feel-

ing," Jim Woodward said. His wife, Barb, added, "But we

department."

Kidnapped baby found abandoned

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — A newborn kidnapped from her mother's side last week was abandoned in a church by a woman who asked a priest about having the child bap-

tized, then disappeared. Seven-week-old Crystal Guerrero was reunited Thursday with her parents, Jose and Maria Guerrero, at Illinois Masonic Medical Center, where doctors said the baby had been well fed and was in excellent condition.

Volunteers at the Queen of Angels church found the infant on the floor. Hours later, they encountered the mystery woman again, and turned her over to police. No immediate charges were filed.

The unidentified woman had been rebuffed by a priest, who said she needed an appointment to discuss a baptism. She then disappeared, said volunteers hanging Christmas wreaths at the church.

Katherine Fearon, 14, said she found the baby sleeping on the vestibule floor. The teen-ager and her mother, Gail, recognized the child from a newspaper picture and called police.

"When I saw the mom hold up, the kid and cry, I teared up," said Officer Mike Healy. "Most of the time, it's a bad ending. But this time it was a good ending.



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The constitutional right of free expression is powerful medicine in a society as diverse and populous as ours."

John M. Harlan, Supreme Court justice, 1971

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We salute!

The Big Spring Herald, each week, recognizes local citizens or groups who have been singled out for special honors or who have helped make a difference in the quality of life in and around our

•To all the readers of the Herald who sharing their special Christmas memories with us.

•Big Spring Federal Correctional Institute inmates for making toys for needy children this Christmas.

•Brian Watts for winning TU Electric's "Louie's Lightening

•VA Medical Center for sponsoring the "Tree of Hope" and bringing cheer to the elderly and disabled this Christmas season.

Riding to Rush's rescue

WASHINGTON - Riding into battle as he always does - trumpets sounding, sabers glistening and Old Glory rippling in the breeze — Rep. Robert Dornan, R-Calif., has arrived to save Rush Limbaugh.

Or maybe it's another way around. Dornan has arrived to save all the men and women in the American military so they can hear Limbaugh on the Armed Forces Radio and Television Service.

Whichever way, Dornan has drawn a new line in the sand with his usual flourish of a patriot who dares death and dismemberment to serve his nation and mankind.

This time Dornan is demanding that the "liberal leadership" in the Pentagon unmuzzle Limbaugh so our service men and women, now presumably listening in vain at their lonely outposts, can tune in Limbaugh on the service network.

Limbaugh is the radio and TV talk show entertainer riding a wave of success in a daily routine that grinds up Democrats, with special personal care devoted to President Clinton, his administration and his entire

Like any prophet, Limbaugh is not universally admired and many of his detractors are Democrats who think talk radio is all right — you'll understand - but prefer talk show entertainers who grind up Republicans.

My own brief exposures to Limbaugh led me to believe — mistakenly, I guess — that Limbaugh was just another guy on the radio using politics as his hustle and crafting an appeal for cuckoos on the right,

instead of cuckoos on the left. But with Dornan's endorsement, Limbaugh emerges, not as just another guy on the radio, but as a full-blown character in political burlesque, an entertainer who joins Dornan in slapstick patriotism and all that hilarious innuendo of race and sex.

Dornan is himself an acquired taste for political junkies, sputtering on now for 17 years, a pinwheel of Uncle-Sam-suit patriotism in a Congress that still seems unable to appreciate his greatness.

Dornan's act — the right word appears to have been patched together from characters ranging. from Colonel Blimp to Sergeant Bilko, with a lot of Rambo's derringdo and generous helpings of the malaprops and blind-alley narrations of the late Robert Benchley as he stammered through the club's financial report.

In a recent interview in which he discussed his letter to the Pentagon

Berry's World

"That's a new one — 'COMPASSION BURNOUT."



Leonard Larsen

about our fighting forces in the field.

He'd been in Turkey on one of his liberal stuff."

It's the sort of Dornan tale that can accommodate all the services. Two Marines might come storming can't we get Rush Limbaugh's

the sea where they've been practicing underwater demolition ahead of an invasion and they ask: "Why can't we get Rush Limbaugh's

Why, indeed, can't those politically starved young service men and

women get Rush Limbaugh's show?

from the Pentagon. One spokesperson recently told The Washington Post that surveys of military audiences showed that only .02 — that's two-hundredths of 1 percent - said they wanted to watch the Limbaugh TV show and

"The interest is in sports and music, overwhelmingly," said the

Dornan, who by some coincidence occasionally sits in as host of the Limbaugh show, is no stranger to this sort of fight with the liberal Democratic establishment. I expect he'll shred those cooked-up Penta-

As Dornan and other patriots can point out, it makes no sense that young military people who love their country would rather hear sports and music on the radio than listen to Rush Limbaugh.

Leonard E. Larsen writes com-



requesting that Limbaugh's radio program be put on the Armed Forces radio network, Dornan was true to form, ready with an anecdote

world travels visiting our military, Dornan said, and two Army paratroopers — probably among those who'd just floated down from the sky recognized the visiting congressman, approached him and asked: "Why can't we get Rush Limbaugh's show? ... We have to listen to all this

ashore, preparing for an island inva-sion, and they would ask: "Why

Or a pair of Navy Seals rise out of

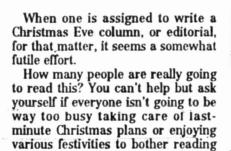
There are reasons, if you want to believe trumped-up explanations

only 3.9 percent said they wanted to hear talk radio, any talk radio.

military spokesperson.

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mentaries twice weekly for Scripps Howard News Service.



your trivial offering. And for those of us who've been charged with a Christmas Eve column for the last 100 years or so, it has seemed an exercise in total futility, even if anyone is reading.

Why, you ask? Simple. It has to do with a little girl named Virginia and a man named Francis Pharcellus Church.

Church, an assistant to the editor of The New York Sun just over a century ago, was assigned to write an editorial concerning the credibility of Santa Claus.

A true Christmas classic, that editorial has outlived its writer, the recipient and the newspaper that gave it life.

So, rather than bore my audience, I'll offer Mr. Church's masterpiece courtesy of The Associated Press:

"We take pleasure in answering at once and thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of The Sun:

"'Dear Editor:

"'I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says, "If you see it in no enjoyment, except in sense and Wednesdays and Fridays.

Scripps Howard News Service

Zoe Baird problems have been

curiously selective; some people

were seriously affected, others

appeared to be immune. Commerce

Secretary Ronald Brown, for exam-

ple, was not hurt by the disclosure

that he had failed to pay taxes, and

How does (Defense Secretary-des-

ignate Bobby Ray) Inman fit in? He

must have known he owed the Social

Security for his housekeeper. He

says he did not pay because he was

waiting to see whether Congress

would raise the salary threshold ...

at which the taxes become due. But

even if any changes might affect

future payments, certainly he owed

the taxes from when the housekeep-

er was hired in 1987. Why did he

wait to pay until it appeared nonpay-

ment could hurt his chance to

the Senate should decide which

transgressions disqualify someone

for high positions and which do not.

That way, the process will have less

of an ad hoc quality, and no one can

allege that some individuals get

more favorable treatment than oth-

Does it really make sense for Bor-

der Patrol agents to run around ...

many miles from the border, making

an occasional arrest, when hundreds

of arrests easily can be made each

night immediately along the border?

We think not. Neither does the Gen-

crai Accounting Office, which for

years has been urging the Border

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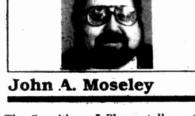
. The Clinton administration and

become secretary of defense?

St. Louis Post-Dispatch

he settled the account.

Other views



Timeless classic holds true

The Sun it's so." Please tell me the truth, is there a Santa Claus? "Virginia Hanlon

"'115 West 95th Street'"

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except what they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world around him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa would be no childlike faith then, no the heart of childhood." poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have

Patrol be combined with the Cus-

toms Service, Coast Guard and other

federal agencies into a more effec-

tive border-management agency.

The Clinton administration flirted

briefly with this idea as part of its

plan to "reinvent government." But

t backed away in the face of

A second federal judge in Ohio

ruled ... that the Ku Klux Klan can

erect a Klan cross, this one at the

Columbus Statehouse. District judge

James Graham admitted the irony

that the KKK would want to erect a

symbol of the "prince of peace." He

felt "freedom of speech would be

meaningless if it did not apply equal-

ly to all groups, popular and unpopular alike." Maybe the Klan should

infuse the First Amendment with

even more "meaning" by petitioning

to erect a tree branch with a hang-

man's noose. How about a small,

burned-out schoolhouse? Or a dis-

play of the Aryan Nation's favorite

images? Paradoxically, we suspect

these decisions will convince many

that the First Amendment has lost its

Our sense when the president and

Mrs. Clinton went on "60 Minutes"

in January 1992 was that they had

pretty well disposed of the issue (of

sexual affairs by Clinton) — both for

the voters and for themselves so far

as their marriage was concerned.

The (Arkansas) state troopers seek

to reopen the case (with new allega-

tions of misconduct). But they have

The Washington Post

"meaning."

bureaucratic opposition. Too bad.

The Wall Street Journal

It's an excellent idea.

childhood fills the world would be extinguished. "Not believe in Santa Claus! You

sight. The eternal light with which

might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas eve to catch Santa Claus. but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

'You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, not even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.
No Santa Claus! Thank God he

lives, and he lives foreyer. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay Claus! It would be as dreary as if ten times ten thousand years from there were no Virginias. There now, he will continue to make glad

John A. Moseley is news editor of the Herald. His column appears on

life that he has already said he regrets. They claim he has since broken both the law and his word. But their case so far is suspect and short of convincing. The New York Times

Russians voted their fears, pain and anger ... when they turned toward anti-reform demagogues in

surprising numbers. The West cannot cure Russia's distemper with the promise that better days are sure to follow if only Moscow will move quickly to a market economy. It must provide aid, and soon, so that Boris Yeltsin's reformers can protect Russia's most vulnerable citizens from the wrenching dislocation of economic reform. No society has transformed

itself without outside help. If the West forces Russia to try, the likely outcome is social turmoil and political reaction. The Christian Science Monitor

Another merit of the GATT talks is that they reduce the exclusivity of regional trade blocs, such as the just-approved North American Free Trade Agreement... . As trade barri-

ers overall come down, the advantages of being part of a bloc become less important. Despite its promise, the Uruguay

Round alone does not hold the key to economic progress. Other factors also may play a key role. For example, many developing countries are not creating jobs fast enough to keep up with their burgeoning populations. This feeds protectionist sentiments in industrial nations, with jobcreation problems of their own, that overwhelming numbers of thirdwill take away jobs.

their own agenda, and far and away the largest part of their report deals only with the period of Mr. Clinton's Write the Editor

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At Christmas, let freedom ring out loud

Editor's Note: This is a "best of Lewis Grizzard" column which previously ran in 1990. Lewis Grizzard has experienced health problems this holiday season, but he sends Happy Holiday wishes to all his

The single life. There's a few things to be said for it.

I can squeeze the toothpaste tube from any end I please, for one thing. For another, I can throw my underwear on the floor if I want to; and, for yet another, I have complete control of my television channel clicker. Perhaps the greatest advantage to

being single, however, is if you don't want to bother with putting up a Christmas tree, you don't have to. I can remember the annual Christ-

mas tree conversation when I was She: Let's go get our Christmas

Me: Don't you think it's a little

early?

She: If we don't go now, all the good trees will be gone. Me: Can't we at least wait until

after Halloween? We would eventually go and get our tree, of course, and I don't care how far the women's movement has

marched, it's still tougher on a man than a woman during the Christmas tree ritual. The woman picks out the tree. Women shop for Christmas trees like

women shop for everything. They have this inbred fear that if they don't see every tree, don't study it as if it were a Renoir (or a Toyota),

don't compare it to every other tree, they might not get the best one. This can take hours. But when she eventually does select a tree, the man has to pick the thing up and get it into the trunk.

Carrying a Christmas tree is difficult. The needles prick your face; you get sap all over you and smell like Pine-Sol for a week.

And there's never been a Christmas tree that would fit easily into the trunk of a car. And that's the

"Be careful," she admonishes as the man attempts to put the tree into the trunk.

Trunks were made to haul spare tires and golf clubs, not anything

that grows in the woods. Then there's hauling the tree into the house — which the man also is responsible for.

And then comes the ultimate nightmare: getting the tree to fit into the stand. Performing brain surgery with a hangover is easier.

You've got to get down there under the tree, suffering rug burns and breathing difficulties, and cut off the little knots at the base of the trunk in order to get it to fit in that red-and-green monster, the stand. That can take hours.

When you finally get the tree standing on its own, you crawl out of there with bleeding hands, severe neck and back injuries and a desire to choke the very next reindeer you I've never been around for the

decorating of a tree. Once I'd hauled the thing home and got it in the stand, I wanted no more part of it. I'd have a few adult beverages and go to sleep. This is my eighth Christmas in my

most recent single period, and it will be my eighth straight Christmas without a tree. I get a marvelous sense of relief

with that thought. It's like hearing the dentist say, "Well, I don't believe we're going to have to do that root canal after all." The single life. No tree. No stand.

No hassle. I squeeze my tube of toothpaste from the top, by the way. Let freedom ring. c 1993 by Cowles Syndicate Inc.



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MINERALNYE Four masked gui children and the took off today in with explosives, t this southern Rus The men had lion and a plane

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HANOI, Vietnam - For Nguyen Thi Hang, there is no cheer, no doll of her own, no mother to hug her, no father to remember.

She is a Vietnamese child of sadness, only 8 years old, shivering in the winter chill of Hanoi, dressed in ragged clothes and tiny rubber sandals. Her only toy is a doll shared among the little waifs at her orphan-

Her head is bowed, fixed to the ground, her big brown eyes filled with the sadness of a child whose father abandoned her even before birth and a mother who died three years ago. Oh, how she misses them. Her longing to have them back is too painful to talk about, so she turns

For Hang, there are no musical Christmas cards chiming sweet carols that the Vietnamese children are fascinated by and love so much, no presents under the tree at the SOS Children's Village of Hanoi.

The village is one of more than 300 SOS-Children's Villages around the world that provide care for children. The organization was founded in 1949 by an Austrian, the late Dr. Hermann Gmeiner, and is headquar-

MINERALNYE VODY, Russia -

Four masked gunmen holding seven

children and their teacher hostage

took off today in a helicopter packed

with explosives, then landed again in

The men had demanded \$10 mil-

lion and a plane to Iran, but took off

in the helicopter after negotiations

broke down on the second day of the

hostage crisis, a spokesman for the

State Committee for Emergency Situ-

After circling for an hour over the

city, followed by a police helicopter,

they landed again in Mineralnye

Vody, where the tense standoff con-

minute, and they could change their

destination, too. They don't really

know what they want," Maxim

Peshkov, a Russian Foreign Ministry

official, told The Associated Press in

The drama began Thursday morn-

ing when the gunmen, armed with

three automatic rifles and a pistol,

burst into a classroom at School No.

25 in the southern Russian city of

Rostov-on-Don, the ITAR-Tass news

PANMUNJOM, Korea — The Unit-

ed States and North Korea have nar-

rowed their differences and are clos-

er to agreement on inspections of

the North's nuclear facilities, South

The reports of progress came as

U.N. Secretary-General Boutros

Boutros-Ghali crossed the highly

militarized border to North Korea on

Friday, becoming the first secretary-

general to visit South and North

He said he was confident that

nuclear tensions on the divided

peninsula could be resolved peace-

In Seoul, leading South Korean

newspapers, in their Friday editions,

"The bandits are changing their

ations said.

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The Associated Press

Korean newspapers said.

Korea since 1979.

this southern Russian resort city.

The Associated Press

Gunmen demanding \$10 million

demands and conditions every and forced a bus driver aboard. But

for release of seven hostages

They feel sad because they want a sponsor. The sponsors contact they be letters and postcards. This is very important for the child."

> Tran Thi Kim Dung **Deputy director**

tered in Vienna.

While Christmas is not a traditional holiday in Hanoi for Buddhists, some among the minority of Catholics and Protestants observe it with church services, exchanges of cards and gifts, and parties. A smattering of decorated trees adorn the

Hang and the other 102 girls and 62 boys in the village are aware of Christmas because of the cards and gifts some of them receive from foreign sponsors. But on this Christmas Eve, none await Hang, even though she has a sponsor.

"Perhaps the mails are late," says Pham Thi Kim Quy, the sponsorship secretary at the village, trying to soften the disappointment.

While the excitement and joy of Christmas can be felt in Hanoi, much of the holiday is lost on little Hang and the rest of the orphans and abandoned children who have nowhere to go.

The 16 homes in the village are dotted with Christmas cards from

They forced a teacher and approx-

imately 11 students, believed to be

about 14 years old, into a bus and

drove to a military air base, where

they demanded a plane or helicopter

Tehran, the Iranian capital, is

about 1,000 miles south of Rostov-

on-Don. It was not clear exactly why

the gunmen chose Iran as their des-

ITAR-Tass quoted some children

as saying the hostage-takers wanted

treatment for syphilis. A conflicting

report said the gunmen warned that

they had AIDS and had nothing to

After one of the children was

freed, authorities provided a heli-

copter late Thursday. Before taking

off from Rostov-on-Don, the gunmen

loaded the chopper with explosives

they released two more students and

a soldier who had been seized dur-

The Interfax news agency said the

From Rostov-on-Don the gunmen

flew 185 miles south to the city of

Krasnodar. During the night, they

ordered the pilot to take off again for

Mineralnye Vody, a mineral springs

resort about 250 miles further to the

ernment officials as saying the Unit-

ed States has basically accepted

North Korea's most recent offer in

North Korea previously has

refused to allow international

inspections of some alleged nuclear

sites, reinforcing suspicions it is

developing nuclear weapons, which

U.S. and North Korean negotiators

met twice this week in the United

States, but refused to comment on

"They appear to have made

progress, but some issues still

remain," Suk Ryul Yu, director-gen-

eral of the South Korean Foreign

Ministry's Department of National

Security and Unification Studies, told

gunmen appeared nervous and fired

ing negotiations, ITAR-Tass said.

several shots into the air.

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Nuclear inspection agreement nears

the foreign sponsors who send money to the headquarters in Vienna to pay for the upkeep, schooling

and the village. "We haven't got any money for any toys," says Ms. Quy, the secretary.

and other expenses of the children

Some sponsors send letters, and toys or cards, for birthdays and Christmas. But 28 of the children have no sponsors. For them, it is a feeling of rejection to be left out.

"They feel sad because they want a sponsor," says Tran Thi Kim Dung, deputy director of the Children's Villages of Vietnam. "The sponsors contact them by letters and postcards. This is very important for

Hang is a heartbreaker, starving for affection, clasping the hand of an American visitor, looking away when she is asked about her mother.

"Y only know she went to the hospital and the doctor could not treat her so she died," she says through a translator.

Other children around the world will be opening their toys this Christmas weekend, warmed by the surroundings of home and family. Some homes in the village might have a small party for their children, says Ms. Quy. But there is little else, no tree, no festive, big celebration. Maybe next year, says Ms. Quy.

Hang will be sleeping Christmas Eve on a straw mat on a bunk bed in a cold, bare room with three stuffed animals as tattered as her clothes. She will have no doll of her own to

That would have been her favorite gift, even before new clothes, she says, her eyes lighting up just thinking about it. At least she would have a companion.

For now, Hang's gift is her resiliency. Even though her red jacket is tattered and the closet in her room is empty, even though all she will have to eat is boiled cabbage and soy bean cakes, she finds a brief moment of joy.

That spark of joy is found in the favorite game of the girls in the village: They jump rope.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The address of the SOS Children's Village is Mai Dich, Tu Liem, Hanoi, Vietnam. The telephone number is 84-4-344837.

sands of Israelis who could have



Despite few toys and clothes, Nguyen Thi Hang, 8, right, an orphan, and Nguyen Thu Loan, 9, an abandoned child, make the best of what they have. Here they engage in one of their favorite pastimes, jumping rope.

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Briefs

Clinton releasing bank

papers under pressure WASHINGTON (AP) — Under increasing demands for disclosure, President Clinton is giving the Jus-

tice Department personal records of a real estate venture that is part of a broad federal inquiry of a failed savings and loan. White House officials predicted the move would stem a growing controversy over the ties between Clinton,

first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton and James McDougal, the owner of an Arkansas savings and loan that failed in 1989 at a cost to taxpayers of \$47 million. Clinton spokesman Mark Gearan said Thursday the president and his

wife were releasing the documents voluntarily. Federal investigators had not requested them, he said. "At no time did anyone, anywhere,

anyhow ever remotely suggest that there was any impropriety regarding the president and Mrs. Clinton's investments," Gearan said.

Grenade attack kills six, injures about 20

MÁNILA, Philippines (AP) — A grenade exploded today at a market in the southern Philippines, killing six people and wounding about 20.

ABS-CBN television said the explosion occurred about 1 p.m. in a village near the town of Bonifacio, about 470 miles south of Manila. No group claimed responsibility, and the motive for the attack was not

Such violent incidents are common in the southern Philippines. Numerous armed gangs, including Communist and Muslim insurgents, operate in the area.

Convicted spy feels no remorse for actions

WASHINGTON (AP) — Despite a pending plea for clemency from President Clinton, convicted spy Jonathan Pollard has made statements indicating he doesn't feel remorse for passing U.S. secrets to

'Granted, I broke the law. But to tell you the truth, I'd rather be rotting in prison than sitting shiva (mourning) for the hundreds of thou-

to make your appointment for your Glamour sitting at

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died because of my cowardice," Pollard was quoted as saying in the April 30 issue of the Jewish magazine. Sh'ma. The interview did not come to the

attention of the news media until it was republished recently by other Jewish publications.

In the article, written by Rabbi Avi Weiss, Pollard discussed his feelings about passing thousands of pages of top-secret intelligence data to Israel, including satellite photos of Libyan anti-aircraft bases.

Regulations do little to quell controversy

OCEANSIDE, Calif. (AP) - Marine Staff Sgt. Victor Coaxum, getting his twice-weekly haircut at the Oceanside Barber Shop, says heterosexual members of the military have a right to know if anyone in their unit is

"Once you come to the military, nothing should be secret." he said Thursday, a day after the Pentagon issued regulations that did little to quell the debate over homosexuals in uniform.

Some homosexuals — čivilian and military alike — say that views like Coaxum's are widespread and that many commanding officers will continue investigating gays despite the "don't ask, don't tell, don't pursue"

The rules, which take effect Feb. 5, attempt to define homosexual conduct and the circumstances that could lead to removal from service.

Christmas cease-fire

begins in N. Ireland BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP)

- The IRA began a three-day Christmas cease-fire today, but a leading supporter said the British-Irish peace initiative is too weak to persuade the IRA to end its armed campaign.

Protestant paramilitaries who oppose the IRA campaign to end British rule in Northern Ireland had not declared their own Christmas cease-fire, but there were no incidents by early today.

As in previous Irish Republican Army cease-fires at Christmas, security forces remained on alert.

The IRA has yet to announce its verdict on the "framework for peace" announced by prime and isters John Major of Britain and Albert Reynolds of Ireland in London on







Donations

sand dollars short of what we need."

"We hope those who haven't given

The Big Spring Police Departmen-

t's Blue Santa program has an

entirely different story to tell. The

program, which raises money to buy

gifts for children, was more success-

A craft show, organized by Mel

Prather of Arts and Crafts Shows,

took place Dec. 18 and 19 at High-

land Mall. The Blue Santa program

earned \$2,300 in revenues from

items sold at the show, compared to

\$1,500-\$1,600 generally earned by

other fund-raising methods for Blue

"We usually help 12 to 13 kids a

year," said Sgt. Stan Parker, director

of the Blue Santa program. "This

year we're helping 20 kids and buy-

ing food." The program originally

helped five children when it was

Parker was pleased with the craft

show. "It seemed to work out really

good. We try to make the program

it worked so well - without it, we

wouldn't have done what we wanted

lovs were purchased earlier in the

to do. Mr. Prather did a good thing."

week and were scheduled to be dis-

tributed to families this morning

. Parker is not sure how Blue Santa

funds will be raised next year but is

sure of one thing: "Next year, we'll

AUSTIN (AP) — Here are results

of Lotto Texas Pick 3 winning num-

bers drawn Thursday by the Texas

Pearl Lawrence, 89, died Friday

morning at Mountain View Lodge

following a long illness. Services are

pending in Albany, Texas. Local

arrangements were by Myers and

Lottery, in this order:

Pearl Lawrence

Smith Funeral Home.

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plan a little more in advance.

The craft show is the reason why

bigger and better every year.

started four years ago.

along with food.

to us will and those who have

already given will give again."

ful this year than last year.

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said Villafuerte.



upper 20s.

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents:

Criminal mischief was reported in the 300 block of Runnels. A window valued at \$400 was damaged.

 Assault was reported in the 500 block of Northwest 11th. Theft and assault were reported in the

400 block of Gregg. •Theft was reported in the 300 block of

 Criminal mischief was reported in the 700 block of Gregg.

Alfonso Acevedo, 41, was arrested for

•Theft was reported in the 1100 block of North Lamesa

*Citations for failure to yield right-ofway at a stoplight and no driver's license were issued after an accident at Owens and East Third. Assault was reported in the 100 block

of Airbase Road.

*Lionso Hernandez Jiminez, 55, was



The Howard County Sheriff's Office Pedro Amaro Jr., 33, was transferred

by the police department. **McAlister**

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McAlister and their children, Kip and Kate of Sulphur Springs; son and daughter-in-law Kyle and Liz McAlister and children Jake, Travis and Kent of New Braunfels; son Clint McAlister of Dallas; and a daughter and son-in-law Cindy and Randy Hillman and children Sterling and

Lauren of Big Spring. Also surviving are his sister, Angela Montgomery of Dallas and his stepmother, Ruby McAlister of Dallas.

Services will be 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 27 at First Baptist Church with Dr. Kenneth Patrick, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park under the direction of Nalley-Pickle and Welch.

The family suggests memorials to the First Baptist Church, 705 Marcy, Big Spring, Texas 79720 or the American Heart Association, Howard County Division, P.O. Box 1223, Big Spring, Texas 79721-

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Pearl Lawrence, 89, died Friday. Services are pending

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Nalley-Pickle & Welch **Funeral Home** and Rosewood Chapel 906 GREGG BIG SPRING

George Allen McAlister, 71, died Thursday. Services will be at 2:00 P.M. Monday, December 27, 1993 at First Baptist Church. Interment will follow in Trinity

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My most memorable Christmas ... continued

Giving people embody spirit of Christmas

Joanne Forrest

Memories of Christmases past are filled with thoughts of peppermint and hot ovaltine and Christmas carols playing on the radio at my grand-parent's home in Stanton on Christmas Eve. And, on Christmas Day there were presents and cousins, lots of love, laughter and a big dinner complete with Heavenly Hash.

My most memorable Christmas however came after I was married and had children of my own. We drove to Stanton in the darkness of Christmas Eve watching for Santa's sleigh high in the sky. My husband and I along with our two little girls stopped by the family hardware store for a look at Mr. and Mrs. Santa in the window and for the children a ride on the rocking horse that was such a favorite with the town youngsters.

Once at my parents we unloaded the car and had a snack before bundling the children off to bed so we could complete the Santa Busi-

Finished at last we had retired for the night when the phone rang, My dad answered to hear a friend say, "James. I just found out, the kids down the street don't have any Christmas presents." We heard him answer, "I'll meet you at the store in ten minutes." We hit the floor, threw on our clothes and accompanied him down the deserted streets to meet the friend in the guiet of Main.

We entered the darkened store and began our shopping spree choosing a doll and toy trucks and all the things to make a special Christmas for little kids whose folks were down on their luck. Finished, our caller asked, "How much do l owe you?" to which my dad answered, "Nothing, Merry Christ-

It was clear and crisp as we droved home and when we got out of the car it was so cold our breaths made smoke. It was right then that I realized what I must have already known in my heart. THE CHRIST-MAS SPIRIT CONTINUES TO LIVE THROUGH PEOPLE LIKE MY DAD.

Poem expresses happiness of **family Christmas**

TERRY BURNS

Christmas

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time I saw my Dad alive.

I watched the "Statler Brothers" one time, and they were talking about their best and worst Christmas. Somebody said they didn't believe people could pick them out

The next day I was looking

through his suits, and I found my

Mom's Christmas present, a small

bottle of "My Sin" perfume, a tradi-

tion they had between them for

years and years. I quietly took it to

my bedroom and wrapped it with

shiny paper and put it in my suit-

case. As we traveled back to Big

Spring to bring him home I knew our

Christmas would include him. It may

seem sad to some, but that small

bottle of perfume setting under my

Big Spring Mall

that clearly, but I said I certainly could. The worst was the year my brother died at Christmas, and the best the year my children were bap-tized together in a candlelight ceremony on Christmas Eve. However, there's not much more to say on either one of those, so let me tell you, instead about "Christmas at Grandmother's house," and share a poem written for my family a short

CHRISTMAS PAST

Christmas at my Grandma's house was there ever such a time?

And I a button scarcely large enough that I could climb upon the wing of Grandpa's rocker, feet upon

And watch him smoke his pipe & smile as I told him many a tale.

Christmas at my Grandma's house and the tree would reach the ceiling. The smell of cooking filled the air and the world was bright with feel-

From the height we looked the presents stacked more than halfway up the tree. And came back down near half the

wall, and many of them for me! Christmas at my Grandma's house, and music filled the air.

Uncle Ray's piano shook the room as he played without a care. Uncle Bill's fiddle took it high, Daddy's guitar filled it in;

We kids supplied the chorus, though maybe a little thin. Christmas at my Grandma's house,

but we always had to wait For Uncle Edgar to get back home

from the shopping trip he'd take. We kids would gather round his door and try to peek inside

As he wrapped those final presents while the smallest of us cried. Christmas at my Grandma's house, and how excitement grew!

For though the gifts cost not too great neither were they too few. As parents, aunts, uncles & cousins all bought something small

For each kid, and our eyes bugged out as our stack grew oh so tall! Christmas at my Grandma's house, and little did I know

That I was filling my heart so full of love that through the years would

faces plain as day And though I live a hundred years,

I still recall and see it clear, the

I'll always feel this way. For Christmas at my Grandma's

house is a fairy tale in time! When love and laughter filled the air and everyone felt just fine.

It cannot be repeated, nor would I For our own have been as special,

but still there was that night... When Christmas at my Grandma's

house made all the world seem But now I would remember, and

have YOU see that sight. And as you celebrate this year

comes this vision from the past. And I hope this time is just as good and hope these joys do last.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU AND YOURS WITH ALL THE BLESSINGS

Grandmother's tree was a symbol of

lasting love between Mom and Dad,

and this Christmas was really no dif-

ferent than all of the others because

his spirit was ever so strong with us.

Now, he has two grandsons, Justin

and Timothy and fifteen years later,

he's still with us in our hearts. We

miss him but it makes all of our

Christmases special. The perfume

name has changed to White Linen.

Merry Christmas Daddy, I love you

but it comes from him with love.

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LANA SCHOOLER

To pick one most memorable Christmas is a tough choice, for I think all Christmases are memorable, whether good or bad. Let's face it, it's a time of the year one cannot ignore and we are all a part of it in one way or another.

As for me, I love it all. I make an event of it with all the gifts, the music, the food, the Christmas plays, and celebrating Jesus' birthday.

Every year for about the last eight or so, I have put together a Christmas program at St. Paul Lutheran Church with the children of the church. Sometimes I write them, and we start singing Christmas music at the beginning of October. The program takes place on Christmas Eve, and I can't express the feeling I have when those children are up there saying their parts and singing the many songs I have taught them. I always make my annual speech to them that this is their chance to give something back to God, and that the magic of Christmas is in the giving.

That always reminds me of one magic Christmas in Germany so many years ago, when I first realized the importance of giving and shar-

My sister and I did something very different that year. The Christmases in Germany were like a continuing fairy tale for me, with the snow, the quaint villages, white mountains, and evergreen trees grown by God.

That special year we visited a German orphanage and helped make someone else's Christmas special by just giving of ourselves. We didn't arrive with arms full of presents, but only with hearts full of love and arms full of hugs.

These kids could not speak English, but we cared enough to Tearn their language. We visited, we laughed and played with them, and we sang songs. I remember standing there singing "Stille Nacht" (also kown as "Silent Night") with tears in my eyes as our visit was about to

We thought we were giving by being there with them, but little do those children know that they gave more to me than I could ever give to them. I wish I could relive that moment so I could say Danke

schoen" to those children with whom I shared Christmas that year.

Now each year I teach the children at my church to sing "Stille Nacht" each year and I still get tears in my eyes, because everyone thinks I'm giving to the children at St. Paul, but actually they are the ones giving - to me and to God. I love children and I'm so thankful for the chance to work with them, whether at church or at school.

Thank you, children, for giving. Merry Christmas to the kid in each of us. Get involved with a child and you will have a memorable Christmas for sure.

School

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al that includes moving students to an alternative setting if they assault others, bring guns to school or use

profane language with teachers. The group also has asked the board to support such a policy. TEA general counsel Kevin O'Hanlon said, "We're looking at ways to provide essentially more options for kids that have proved themselves essentially unworthy to be in the general student population.

O'Hanlon said the board's role would likely be to share information with school districts about programs

In Anthony ISD, Superintendent Gert Peck said the killing of a 16year-old student in January was an isolated incident that nonetheless prompted such action as using handheld metal detectors, hiring a security guard and initiating locker

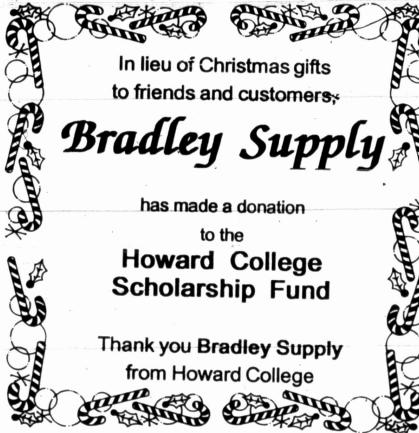
There hasn't been a fight in school since the killing, said Peck, who added that schools don't deserve the blame for violence. He said the state should look at the big picture, including the juvenile justice system and conditions that lead to violence.

"I personally feel we're doing our job — always have done it. We have some of the finest kids in the state of Texas here. We're doing it on a shoestring budget because we're not funded adequately," Peck said, noting that money spent on security means even less for the classroom. He said a major problem is pover-

"People who do these kinds of

things have the attitude they have nothing to lose. When you have nothing to lose, you do bizarre things," Peck said. "Until we address the whole problem, and not just Band-Aid it to death, we're not going ot get rid of juvenile crime." Ms: Moore says state education

officials don't want superficial solutions either.



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ATTENTION CALENDAR USERS: Bingo listings appear on Sunday Springboard. Today

 Dominoes, forty two, bridge, and chicken track from 5-8 p.m. 2805 Lynn, Kentwood Center. Public invit-

•7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Spring City Sr. Center will have a country/western dance. Public invit-

•The Spring City Senior Center will have free fashion painting classes from 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited.

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Monday There will be gospel singing at the Kentwood Center on Lynn Drive at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome. For information call 393-5709.

 Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright St., has free bread and whatever else is available for area needy

from 10 a.m. to noon. •The Big Spring Senior Citizens Center will have ceramics classes from 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older

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•There will be a Country/Western music & singing at the Kentwood Center, 2805 Lynn, at 7 p.m. Public invited.

•Big Spring Alliance for the mentally ill will meet 7 p.m. at the Howard Co. Mental Health Center, 4th and Runnels. For information call 267-7380. Friday

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•Big Spring Squares will dance 8 p.m. in the Squarena on Chapparal Rd. For information call 393-5693 or 267-7043.

Monday •There will be gospel singing at the Kentwood Center on Lynn Drive at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome. For information call 393-5709.

·Women's Aglow will have their monthly meeting 7:15 p.m. at Days Inn. Optional Buffet 6:30 p.m. For information call Kay Bancroft.

•Howard County Youth Horseman meeting 7 p.m. at Howard County Youth Horseman Arena Clubhouse. For information call Paula Perry 393-5617.

Tuesday •VFW Post #2013 will meet 7 p.m. at VfW Hall.

Religious traditions add holiday spirit

By DEBBIE LINCECUM **Features Editor**

For many people, Christmas Eve is anticipation: What's behind the wrapping paper? When will company arrive?

After more than a month of the commercial hype and its focus on shopping and eating - some Christians have had enough. They're looking for ways to keep religious traditions alive during the 12 days of Christmas.

Local pastors have some sugges-



Have

By TIM JONES

makes it easier.

Staff Writer

Bellef alds Inmates

at ioneiy Christmas time

Being in prison at Christmas time

Harvey L. Simpson, chaplain of the

Federal Correction Institute, is

cheerfully greeted as "hello, Brother"

by the inmates. His greeting is

accompanied by a wonderfully wide

Edward Cantu are incarconated at

inside, but has gained strength and

calm in this last year. Former feel-

ings of being unloved and left out of

any overall plan for his life have

been replaced by internal happiness

by sharing newfound joy and love

He's enrolled by correspondence in

an Old Testament Bible survey

course, and has started working on a

master of arts degree in Christian

and professional counseling. He

"Inside, we miss shopping malls

and being with family, and there's no

Santa coming down the chimney,"

Curry said. He added, grinning, "but

Grieg also is spending a third sea-

son there, but it's three down and

three to go. A supportive family and

his daily goal to avoid self-pity helps

"It's the hardest when your wife

Early Sunday morning, 21 people,

including seven adults and 14 youth,

will leave Big Spring from the First

Church of the Nazarene for a mission

trip to Monterrey, Mexico. This trip is

an annual event, sponsored for the

already has a bachelor's of arts.

God's not locked out of here.'

to turn negative into positive.

Nazarene mission

Charles Curry, Robert Grieg and

smile and an uplifting laugh.

the satellite camp.

with others.

is difficult, but six inmates said faith

tions. Some Christian traditions fit well into a family's holiday celebrations. "One Keeping

the faith

Christmas

dren.

thing for parents to share with chil-

we can do to observe the season,

said Leo Free, minister at Living

Water. "I like to emphasize being

thankful. I consider Thanksgiving the

entryway to the Christmas season,

which sets the stage for end-of-the-

as an attitude at this time of year."

"I like to emphasize thanksgiving

Some churches observe the

Christmas season with lighting of the

Advent candles - a wreath with four

candles surrounding a larger one in

year reflection in worship.

"We're always looking for things

really good thing is to read the scripture passage that tells about **HANES** the first

Christmas," said Stan Hanes, music minister at First Baptist Church. An often-used version of that story is in the second chapter of Luke.

"It talks about Mary finding out she was going to have Jesus, and the angels and shepherds, the whole story," Hanes said. "That's a good

the middle.

Some families buy an advent wreath to use at home, lighting one candle for each of the four Sundays before Christmas and the center candle on Christmas day.

Flynn V. Long Jr., pastor at First Presbyterian, suggests using a family advent wreath or making a nativity scene, or creche, with children in

the family. "The celebration Christmas is an example for chil-

helping dren. them to tie things together in the Christian tradition," Long said.

"There are a lot of beautiful Christmas stories and poems that deal with the religious traditions. Christmas, Long said, is "celebrat-

ing God's gift to us." Carroll Kohl, pastor of St. Paul Lutheran Church, said the key is tak-

ing time to develop family traditions. It's a matter of priorities," Kohl said. "We never have time to do anything unless we set time aside for it. A person has to intentionally make time in their schedule, be intentional about setting aside the time.'

Traditions for use during the holi-

days can be passed on through the generations. Worship, Kohl added, is an essential element.

The Rev. J.P. Delaney, priest of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, urged getting back down to the basics."

God came down, was born as a baby to live like us and show us the way, show us how we should live, he said. "We celebrate that because it's the greatest event the Universe has ever seen.'

For a dose of the Christmas spirit rooted in religious traditions, several local churches plan Christmas Eve

services today. They include: •First United Methodist Church, 5:30 p.m. organ recital; 6 p.m. ser-

vice with communion.

• First Presbyterian Church, 7:30 p.m. candlelighting service; 11 p.m. full worship with communion at 11

DELANEY Immaculate Heart of Mary,

mass at 5 p.m. and 9 p.m.

midnight mass; readings and prayers begin at 11 p.m. ·Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

•First Baptist Church, 11 p.m. ser-Please see Religious, page 8.



Rejected no more

Christ reaches out

By DARRELL HENDRICKSON First Church of God

No pain is more familiar than the pain of rejection. Whatever our age,



we have experienced it.

fell in love with a man Robert, her parents didn't approve of and they rejected her. Elizabeth wrote to her parents regularly. After ten

Elizabeth

HENDRICKSON

years of silence she received a package from her parents: a box full of her unopened letters.

Jesus, the Savior of the world, came into a world filled with hate and was rejected by the very ones who should have welcomed him gladly. The apostle John writes, "In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God, and the Word was God...He came to that which was his own but his own did not receive him. Yet to all who received him, to those he gave the right to become Children of God..."

The Psalmist said, "The very stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone." One of the messages of Christmas is that all who feel rejected, which is all of us at some time, can feel accepted by Christ. But if you're moping then you aren't cop-

We must remember that God is! When we feel we are missing out, we must remember that Jesus came to preach good news to the poor, proclaim freedom for prisoners, release to the oppressed.

Some people wonder why Jesus as born in such humb ings and was subjected to the rejection of man. The answer is that if He had not been rejected, He could never have ministered to the reject-

When lepers came into His presence they were required to yell "Unclean! Unclean!" But what did He do? He touched them and healed them!

Perhaps you have never been hurt. That would be sad because you would never know the wonderful touch of that nail-pierced hand.

If you have felt rejection, I want to say, Hang in there. Christ loves you and remember there are people who need you.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Inspiration is written each Friday

wonderful New Year. by a local minister.

viduals participating in singing, sharing, preaching and praying. The mission will end Jan. 2, as the

buses pull out of Monterrey to return

to the U.S. The local group will

return to Big Spring the same day. The live "Drive-Thru Nativity" was a highlight of 1993 as 5,513 attended. Thanks to all that supported the effort throughout our community.

Peace concentration At noon Greenwich time Dec. 31 Please see Church, page 8.



One of the ways inmates at the Big Spring Federal Correctional Institution keep busy during the lonely holiday season is buy making the wooden toys shown here. The toys will be donated for needy children.

are not there," Grieg said. He's working on a degree in hotel and restaurant management, and says

that staying busy helps. Cantu has been inside nine months and this is his first season.

"I've learned about cause and effect, that everything has a consequence," he said. "Prison is a time to resolve that painful awareness that you did it, and time to get your heart

Daily he practices the opposite of his old thoughts and behaviors. "I read the Bible before on the outside. Inside it's different, you get slowed

Oklahoma. It is the third time for the

calls and starts to cry because you down enough to hear and feel what conversion and I know have extenyou read." inner peace," he said.

Cantu also expressed gratitude for the volunteers who've come in to teach Bible studies.

Walking inside the prison fences toward the chapel, Simpson explained that Christian, Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist, Native American, Jewish and Rastafarian religions are practiced by the prison population. At the chapel Gleason Roussell,

Earl Sherod and Rodrigo Correa were waiting to talk to a visitor.

Gleason said his second season inside is okay. "I know the difference since my

fifth time by Southern Nazarene University (SNU) in Bethany, Monterrey Monday.

Big Spring church to participate.

The local group will travel more than 12 hours by church bus to Harlingen where they will be joined by SNU students and their sponsors, as well as other youth groups from Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Arkansas. The entire group, numbering approximately 230, will con-young mothers. tinue the trip on Mexican chartered

buses for 4-5 hours and arrive in

will be divided into teams to work on several projects: continue construction work on four churches that have already been started, participate in Christian teaching and evangelism efforts, plus doctors and senior nursing students from SNU will treat needy people and offer training to

The mission group from the states

will be working with Nazarene churches from Monterrey in the various projects. The teaching project In Monterrey, the mission group will take on a Vacation Bible School approach, reaching out to children with clowns, puppets and music. And the Americans will join the Monterrey churches in established evangelistic efforts.

sive prayer time and have found

"I used to know more than my

Dad, but I've learned so much that

my father has gotten a lot smarter

than he used to be. We are not

locked in here, but you all are locked

Sherod said he knows his relation-

ship with God, and cited James 1:25

as telling us the law of God is liberty.

He plans to assist others in dealing

with the season, saying "I've always

Correa is spending his fifth

out. This is our community.

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been a helper."

On New Year's Eve the entire group, Americans and Mexicans, will meet for a service with various indi-



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Community will rebuild church destroyed by arson

By The Associated Press

SUMMIT, Miss. — The 50 members of Springhill Freewill Baptist Church will spend Christmas celebrating the rebirth of their church.

It was one of two churches set afire one night last April by three white teen-age arsonists who targeted the all-black congregations.

When apologies and prison sentences for the arsonists weren't enough to heal the pain of that fiery night in rural southwest Mississippi, whites picked up hammers and began building.

More than 130 volunteers, mostly white, began construction this

"They figure that they owe us something, but a lot of those people don't owe us anything. They're just loving Christians," said Rosie Young, financial secretary of Springhill in Amite County.

They're trying to help us get back before we scatter apart," she said of the small congregation which meets twice a month. "It's a big old Christmas present."

Church members planned to spend the holidays worshipping in a small temporary sanctuary while remembering what they'd had. The congregation had spent \$12,000 on renovations this spring, days before the chapel was burned down on April 4, the 25th anniversary of Martin Luther King Jr.'s assassination.

A group of businessmen stepped in. A bank supplied meeting space until the rebuilding, financed by donations, is complete early next

"We were in this rundown place with no heat, no lights, no nothing. Now we've got a warm place for Christmas," said Young.

Building organizer Jack Honea said a Boy Scout troop is among the building volunteers. He said many in the blue collar town of Summit have come forward with everything from nails to cash.

lot is the desire to do something Dixon said. good," Honea said.

The arson fires, occurring 20 years after nightriders' unsuccessful 1964 efforts to firebomb the sanctuary, have to live together," said the Rev. that should never have happened."



Rocky Point Missionary Baptist Church members Bernice Dixon, her husband Stafford and Uriah Collins, rear, sit on what was the entrance to their church near Summit, Miss. Arsonists burned the building on the anniversary of Martin Luther King's assassination last year. Now the community is working together to rebuild.

month for the three white teens.

They used Springhill's hymnals to ignite the first fire. At their next stop in neighboring Pike County 15 miles away, the teens screamed "burn nigger burn" as flames raced through Rocky Point Missionary Baptist Church, prosecutors said. Both churches burned to the ground.

"We just couldn't imagine that we had anybody still living here that was that mean. We thought that we had lived through that time," Young said. Some church members complain

that sentences were too lenient, but they're finding peace in the building efforts at both churches. "It violated our civil rights. It vio-

lated everything we stood for," said Uriah Collins, surveying the ashes and rubble at Rocky Point. "What we had here was ours. We

weren't bothering anybody else. For them to come along and destroy it is "Some of it is to bury the past. A something else," member Stafford

For most, forgiveness has followed. "Boys will be boys and we can't do all the work themselves "to send hold the whole city responsible. We a positive message out of something

resulted in prison sentences this Leon Moore, assistant pastor of Rocky Point, which has 25 members and services twice a month.

> "They (whites) regret what's happened, and they're trying to right the wrong and fix the relationships. They don't want it to be a racial thing," he

As the building program continues, the three teens will serve federal prison sentences. Charles W. McGeehee Jr., 18, of Summit and Jerome A. Bellelo, 17, of Franklinton, La., were sentenced to 37 months and Roy J. McGovern, 18, of Summit received a 46-month prison sen-

The teens, who pleaded guilty to conspiracy to violate the civil rights of church members, were also ordered to pay \$138,000 in restitution. Church members wonder if they ever will see any money.

Summit banker Frank Martin said volunteers hope to raise \$50,000 and

1905 Hyperion
The 1905 Hyperion Club met Dec.
6, 1993, at the First United Methodist Church. Mrs. Carl (Joyce) Bradley introduced Randy Stevens, organist/choral Director. Stevens played the following pieces, giving

interesting information about each.

O Come Little Children **Shepherds Pipe Carol** Sussex Carol

Angels We Have Heard on High

Bring a Torch Jeanette Isabella Silent Night Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

In Dulci Jubilo

Joy to the World Following the program, Hostesses Mrs. Ben (Geraldine) Johnson, Mrs. Coy (Jessie) Nalley and Mrs. Lee (Fran) Emerson greeted 18 members and 3 guests in Garrett Hall. Mrs. Harlan (Doris) Huibregtse and Mrs. Clyde (Annie Matt) Angel presided at the tea table.

Later Mrs. Huibregtse introduced Mrs. J. Robert (Carol) Scott as a new member. Next meeting will be January 20, 1994.

Extension Homemakers

The City FCE (Extension Homemakers) Club met in the home of Mildred Callihan for their annual Christmas party with 10 members present.

The 1994 officers are Jowili Etchison, president; Jean Cantrell, vice president; Jamie Bennett, treasurer; Irene Priebe, secretary; Rozelle Dohoney, council delegate. A hamburger luncheon was served

Christmas in prison and says they

are difficult. "I was a big executive

Correa said he has found out why

"I was moving way too fast, and

God's slowed me way down, teaching

me that sharing my life with others is

the joy I never found outside," he

said. "I just handed my life over to

An inmate called Pops Penn, who

calls himself a brother in the strug-

Faith

here is here.

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that made a mistake.'

Him, now I'm truly okay.

Here is one thing about Xmas in prison,

That is to share much

That is the same as being

And show others that you care;

We sing carols, we go to church,

gles, wrote this poem:

Xmas in Prison

Out there,

Love and joy,

Elbow Club

And we have a Xmas tree,

To come down our chimney;

You miss shopping, you miss

There's so much you miss you see,

Oh yes, there are many differences

But we won't have a

But there's one thing

That's missed the most,

And that's your family;

Between Xmas in prison

And the one on the outside,

One thing you learn while

There are many locked

Although we are locked

God has never locked us out.

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First Christian Church

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Unida Northside

507 N.E. 6th

Presbyterian

First Presbyterian

Santa Claus.

The crowds,

Being here,

Up at Xmas,

Up in prison,

Merry Xmas.

Is to let God abide;

But in their hearts

There is no doubt,

by the hostess. All the other members brought sweets or other Christmas goodies. After lunch there was a gift

Games of 42 and chicken track

were enjoyed by all during the after-

The next club meeting will be Jan. 14 at Jowili Etchison's and all who

are interested are invited to attend.

Homemakers council The Howard Extension Homemakers Council met at Days Inn for a luncheon for their Christmas party with 14 members and 2 guests.

Tamara Sneed and Debra Hart were guests. They gave a musical program of Christmas songs after the gift exchange.

The tables were decorated with holiday greenery, candles, nuts and candy cups and plate favors.

For 1994 the county wide officers, Frances Zant will serve as chairman, vice chairman, Lou Vincent; secretary, Myrl Soles; treasurer, Iriene Priebe: F.E.H.A. chairman, Myrl

Lou Vincent, Myrl Soles and Irene Priebe were the committee that planned and made preparations for the gathering.

The Elbow Club met Dec. 2 in the home of Syble Duffer with eight members attending. Zula Rhodes gave a book review of the history of Howard County.

The Dec. 16 meeting was a covered dish luncheon and gift exchange hosted by Dot Blackwell. Eleven members and two guests (Mildred Hayworth and Tasha Rock) were

In 1992 Tasha was an exchange student to Brazil, she shared some of her experiences along with some of the customs and cultures of Brazil.

Tasha is presently a student at

Elisha Mack DAR

Capt. Elisha Mack Chapter of DAR met Saturday, Dec. 18 at the Big Spring Country Club. Members brought gifts for the veterans at the VA Hospital.

Sug Ann Damron presented the program which was on the life of Thomas Jefferson as a farmer about the various contributions he made to the farming industry. This is the 250th year of Jefferson's life.

Bonnie Hale was welcomed as a new DAR member. Laura Pollard was a guest.

The next meeting will be a business meeting to be held in January at

1948 Hyperion

the Country Club.

The 1948 Hyperion Club met on Dec. 16 in the home of Jan Foresyth. Sixteen members were present. The secretary Kate Irons read the meeting minutes. The members approved to send \$200 to the building fund of the old Cosden Country

Members were served by hostess Jan Foresyth and co-hostess Delores Currie. Members exchanged about Christmas experiences.

The next meeting will be on Jan. 20 in the home of Joyce Choate. The speaker will be Beth Boone.

Drifters donate

Bob Noyes and Dorothy Jones of Christmas in April accepted a donation of \$220 recently from the Western Drifters Club.

Church

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(6-7 a.m. CST), people around the world will purposefully link minds in concentration on innner peace. Believing that inner peace of a person manifests as outer peace, participants try to maintain one hour of peace-giving activity. The Quartus Foundation estimates

that over a billion people were tuned into peace during the same hour in

Locally, Unity House of Prayer at 307 Union offers a place to participate in this thrust for "Peace on Earth." It will open at 5:45 a.m.

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Police chaplains fill vital role for departments By The Associated Press

BISMARCK, N.D. — In the aftermath of the initial siege at the Branch Davidian compound near Waco, Texas, police Chaplain Ken Ashlock learned that his presence,

as much as his words, provided comfort to officers. Ashlock, who works with the Texas Department of Public Safety, remembers trying to console a federal agent whose best friend was among four agents killed in the Feb.

The day after the raid, the two sat in silence for about 45 minutes. The agent apparently didn't want to talk. 'Occasionally, though, he would

reach his hand over to see if I was still there," Ashlock said. When darkness fell, Ashlock — the only chaplain on the scene - was reminded again of the effect of his presence.

"Some of those guys that were standoffish, didn't want to talk to you, they were macho — all at once instead of a handshake, they'd reach out and hug you and say, 'I'm glad you're here.

Ashlock was one of about 235 members of the International ace of Police Chaplains who mc. in pismarck recently for their annual training cossion.

The group has about 1,200 members in the United Jintes and Canada, said David DeRevel its executive director. About 70 members are full-time chaplains, while most work part time or volunteer.

Religious

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·St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10:30 p.m. music service, 11 p.m.

•St. Paul Lutheran Church, children's pageant and song service at 6 p.m. today; Christmas Day worship at 10 a.m.

•St. Thomas Catholic Church, mass at 7:30 p.m. and 10:15 p.m. today.



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By STEVE RE Sportswriter In most yes would gladly se championship

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kman inks \$50 million contract

By The Associated Press

IRVING — Troy Aikman came to the Dallas in 1989, saying he hoped within five years to be compared with Cowboys Hall of Fame quarterback Roger Staubach.

With a year to spare, few can be compared to Aikman.

Aikman signed the biggest contract in NFL history Thursday, agreeing to a \$50 million, eight-year deal that includes an \$11 million signing

In four seasons, Aikman has become one of the NFL's marquee names on and off the field.

The quarterback's stock has risen dramatically each season, from losing all 11 games he started as a rookie to leading Dallas to a Super Bowl victory last January. He was the MVP of the 52-17 victory over

"Troy Aikman has been the one constant we've had with the Cowboys as a player since we were 1-15 all the way up to winning the Super Bowl," said team owner Jerry Jones, who made Aikman his first draft pick after buying the team in 1989.

"Arguably, Troy Aikman is considered ... maybe THE star of the NFL. Certainly, the Dallas Cowboys have had our success and have our future based upon the way Troy Aikman is as a player and as an individual."

To put Jones' commitment to Aikman into perspective, consider that he paid \$65 million to buy the team, \$75 million for Texas Stadium and now he's spending \$50 million for a single player.

"If those dollars are worth it for anyone, they're worth it for a roy Aikman," Jones said.

Under the \$11.2 million, six-year deal Aikman signed as a rookie, he was the 31st highest-paid quarterback in the league before Thursday.

By The Associated Press

most of a 20-point lead.

another one.

imminent.

Timberwolves.

the free throws.'

Mavericks seemed ready to blow

They had 23 turnovers. Their star

rookie, Jamal Mashburn, got himself

ejected by committing a flagrant

foul. And they had frittered away

A 21st consecutive loss appeared

With the game on the line, howev-

er, they made the plays. For only the

second time all season, they made

the plays. And their NBA record-

tying losing streak finally ended

Thursday night with a 93-89 victory

over the hospitable Minnesota

"It's a big relief," said Jim

Jackson, whose 28 points included

four free throws in the closing sec-

onds. "I think we matured tonight.

When they made their run, we

stepped it up on defense and made

Mavericks halt losing

streak, down Wolves

MINNEAPOLIS — The Dallas it. We talked about staying up and



Dallas quarterback Troy Aikman, left, accepts a signing bonus check from Cowboys owner Jerry Jones at Texas Stadium in Irving Thursday night.

ion average, the highest in the

league prior to Thursday.

But he wasn't complaining.

"I was happy with the contract I signed as a rookie, and I'm happy with the contract I have now," said Aikman, whose new deal wiped out

Aikman said the honor of being the game's highest-paid player is nice,

but it won't last. "I'm sure there will come a point where someone is making more money than I am now," he said. "But that's the way the league goes."

The 27-year-old Aikman will receive salaries ranging from \$1.75 million in 1994 to \$7.5 million in

got a big lead and it's difficult with a

young team to maintain that. We got

challenged late and we stayed with

The victory enabled the Mavericks

to avoid breaking the single-season

record they share with the

Philadelphia 76ers, who lost 20

The league record for consecutive

losses, 24, was set over two seasons

by the Cleveland Cavaliers in 1981-

The Mavericks are now 2-0 at

Target Center and 0-23 elsewhere —

including 0-12 in their own Reunion

"If we could work hard and play

Minnesota every night, we'd get a lot

of victories," a laughing Mashburn

said. "But we can't play Minnesota

every night. We've got to play some

who said his players were "non-

Timberwolves coach Sidney Lowe,

being very active and we did."

straight in 1972-73.

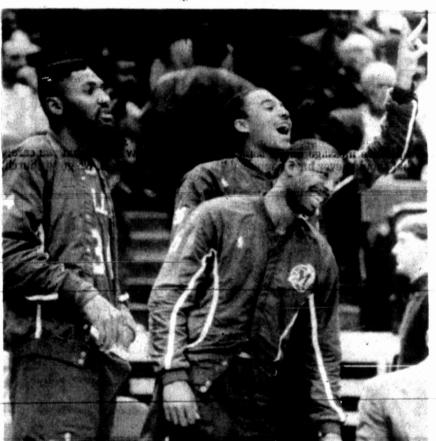
82 and 1982-83.

quality teams.'

he considered the \$11 million bonus Aikman's 1993 salary jumps from the \$1.12 million of his old contract "a whole lot of guarantees." to \$2.5 million. He'll make \$1.75 mil-Even if Aikman's contract is

lion next year, as opposed to the topped, there's a clause that will \$1.37 million he was due under the keep him among the best-paid quarterbacks over the final two years of In subsequent years, Aikman colthe deal. By meeting certain perforlects \$4.15 million, \$4.9 million. mance goals such as making the Pro \$5.25 million, \$6.2 million, \$6.75 Bowl, he'll get the average salary of million and \$7.5 million. The average the five highest-paid quarterbacks, salary is \$6.25 million per year, easi-Steinberg said. ly beating Steve Young's \$5.35 mil-

The deal was struck on the last day NFL teams could rewrite contracts without the entire package being No one was saying whether any of subject to the salary cap, which the contract was guaranteed, but begins for the first time with the Aikman's agent Leigh Steinberg said 1994 season.



coachable" at times Thursday, won't Dallas Mavericks Doug Smith, left, Fat Lever and Donald Hodge, rear, celedispute Mashburn's assertion that brate after the Mavericks beat the Minnesota Timberwolves Thursday night.

Yuletide ramblings from the Herald sports desk

Random thoughts while setting out milk and cookies for Santa (hey, some habits die hard):

If you, like a certain bearded sportswriter I know, have to work this Christmas Day, you have my sympathies. But then again, there are worse things than working on Christmas.

Like being without a job right about now.

So be like me. Quit griping. At least in public.

I know the previous item really a didn't have anything to do with sports, but that's never stopped me

before. I really don't know what Nike had in mind when it signed Dennis Hopper to do those off-the-wall commercials, but they're either a stroke of genius or the depths of

stupidity, depending on your point The commercials, which have been getting plenty of air time during football games recently, basically feature Hopper portraying the

type of fringe loony he's been famous for during his career. Dressed in a referee's shirt and cap, raincoat and Lord knows what else, Hopper cavorts across the screen expounding on the exploits of Troy Aikman, Barry Sanders or

Bruce Smith. Well, expounding is too tame a word. It'd be better to say that Hopper bounces across the screen like a speed freak.

What all this has to do with selling shoes is anybody's guess, but I have to say the commercials definitely grab my interest, and I guess that is the whole point to the things I have to admit one of the plugs is

just a little too strange. It shows Hopper in a locker room, holding a rather large shoe. "I am holding (pause) Bruce

Steve Reagan

erential tones. And then he sniffs it. Makes me want to buy a pair of

Nikes, how about you? The Christmas season, aside from being a good excuse for us to be nice to each other, also presents

a bit of a break for your friendly neighborhood sports staff. With the high schools and junior college shut down, there's just not a ton of stuff happening around

town, at least on the sports beat. Needless to say, my heart is broken at such developments. The day just doesn't seem complete unless I have about 20 or 30 assignments on the back burner and three games to cover that night.

Do you think my sarcasm was broad enough just then?

Anyway, with not a lot of immediate sports news to cover, Hoosier Hargrave and I have been working on various year-in-review stories. A new item we'll unveil next week is Sports Notables of 1993, a series of stories on folks who we considered particularly worthy of recognition.

Other than that, however, there's not all that much to keep your friendly neighborhood sports staff busy over the next few days, so I do have a moment or two to reflect on the past year and its relevance in the overall scope of things.

OK, now that I've done that, what's next?

(Music, please.) Have yourself a merry little Christmas ...

Steve Reagan is a sportswriter Smith's shoe," Hopper says in rev- for the Herald.

Tech takes on OU today

EL PASO - When teams led by players like Cale Gundy and Byron 'Bam'' Morris are pitted against each other in a bowl game, there should be little doubt that what's in store is a shootout.

Oklahoma coach Gary Gibbs and Texas Tech coach Spike Dykes will pretty much be counting on it as their tea. 's face off into today's John Hancock Lowl.

"It's what !'d have to pick," Dykes said Thursday before leading his Red Raiders through a final walk-through in the Sun Bowl stadium.

You would expect a lot of points to be put on the scoreboard," Gibbs

The game between the 19thranked Sooners (8-3) and Southwest Conference runner-up Texas Tech (6-5) features a host of talented

however, are Gundy, Oklahoma's quarterback, and Morris, the Texas Tech tailback.

Gundy is the top passer in Oklahoma history with 6,142 yards and 35 touchdowns. He leads a balanced offense that comes in averaging 386.4 yards and 28.8 points.

He set single-season school records this year by amassing 2,096 yards and 14 TDs. He threw just six interceptions.

Dykes has dubbed him "absolutely

wonderful. Morris, who has looked good even when the team hasn't, is the lynchpin of the Red Raiders' offense. which is averaging 475.2 yards and

The Doak Walker Award winner led the nation in scoring with 134 points, 12.18 per game. He finished second in rushing yardage, with a 159.3-yard average.

37.2 points.

Said coach Quinn Buckner: "We Minnesota isn't a quality team. **UGSA teams go on title rampage**



By STEVE REAGAN Sportswriter

In most years, some counties would gladly settle for just one state championship. In 1993, Howard County got five - in one sport.

The Big Spring and Coahoma United Girls Softball Association allstar teams went five-for-six at the state tournament in San Angelo July 20. In Class A, Coahoma's all-stars swept all three of its division finals, while Big Spring teams won in Divisions I and II, but lost to Andrews in the Division III finals.

In perhaps the most exciting game of the tournament, Coahoma's Audra Bingham and Hawley's Amanda Cobb waged a scoreless pitcher's duel through nine innings in the Class A Division III title game, until Coahoma broke through for three runs in the top of the 10th for a 3-0

Big Spring's Class 2A Division II tars also engaged in a classic battle with San Angelo in their division final, rallying from five runs down in the the final inning to take a 9-8 victory. It was Big Spring's third the Sidewinders finish in the top 10



Big Spring UGSA Division Pall-stars celebrate their state title game victory over Snyder earlier this year in San Angelo. Five of the six Howard County UGSA teams that competed in title games brought home championships at the tournament.

straight state title in that division. In other tournament action, Coahoma won the Class A Division I title with an 8-2 win over Lovington. N.M. and the Division ii crown with a 14-9 victory over Lovington.

Big Spring won its Division I battle, 11-6, over Snyder, but dropped the Division III finale to Andrews, 13-7.

Champions were also in evidence at the Big Spring YMCA, where the Sidewinders gymnastic club took top honors at the state YMCA meet held earlier this year at Dorothy Garrett

At the national YMCA meet at Tampa, Fla. in July, five Sidewinders Karen Neighbors, Stephanie Stewart, Kristin Myers, Casey Kim

of the meet's team competition for the first time ever.

Tennis split its season between individual and team competition, but Big Spring was successful regardless of the format. In spring individual play, the doubles team of Brandi Willis and Kristen Sevey led a group of six BSHS players who qualified for the regional tournament. Others qualifying were Greg Biddison and Rob Lee in doubles, and Paul McKinney and Maria Villareal in sin-

Willis and Sevey graduated, but the others returned in the fall to help lead the Steer tennis team to an undeafeated regular season and a third-place finish at the regional ten-nis tournament in Lubbock.

In high school golf, the big news was Forsan's district championship won in April.

Coahoma ISD Financial Statement August 31, 1893

	GENERAL	SPECIAL	DEBT	CAPITAL	
DE JENNIE	OPERATING	REVENUE	SERVICE	PROJECTS	
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Local, Intermediate, and Out of State	\$2,936,504	\$96,94 0	\$298,421	\$2,216	\$3,334,081
State Program Revenues	\$1,586,643	\$3 ,169	\$ O	\$O	\$1,589,812
Fedral Program Revenues	\$0	\$226,469	\$0	\$0	\$226,469
TOTAL REVENUE	\$4,523,147	\$326,578	\$298,421	\$2,216	\$5,150,362
EXPENDITURES					
Instruction	\$2,527,964	\$124,033	\$0	\$0	\$2,651,997
Instructional Administration	\$68,547	. \$0	\$0	\$0	\$68.547
Instructional Resources and Media	\$69,900	\$4,014	\$ O	\$0	\$73,914
School Administration	\$219,864	\$0	\$ 0	\$0	\$219,864
Curriculum and Staff Development	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Communication and Dissemination	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Guidance and Counseling	\$43,653	\$0	\$ 0	\$0	\$43,653
Attendance and Social Work	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Health Services	\$32,196	\$0	\$ O	\$0	\$32,196
Student Transportation	\$223,441	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$223,441
Co-curricular Activities	\$276,196	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$276,196
Food Service	\$0	\$254,190	\$0	\$0	\$254,190
General Administration	\$267,330	\$0	\$ O	\$0	\$267,330
Debt Services	\$0	\$0	\$704,416	\$0	\$704,416
Plant Maintenance and Operations	\$510,005	+0-		**	\$5+9,605
Facilities Acquisition and Construction	\$11,7794	\$0	\$ 0	\$0	\$11,794
Data Processing Services	\$35,780	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$35,780
Community Service	\$0 *	. \$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$4,296,270	\$382,237	\$704,416	\$0	\$5,382,923
OTHER RESOURCES					
Other Resources	\$276,118	\$55,659	\$1,300,000	\$0	\$1,631,777
Other (Uses)	(\$1,376,327)	\$0	\$0	(\$271,195)	(\$1,647,522
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Excess (deficiency) of Revenues					
Over Expenditures	(\$873,332)	* \$0	\$894,005	(\$268,979)	(\$248,306
Fund Balance Sept 1 (Beginning)	\$2,664,755	\$0	\$172,604	\$268,979	\$3,106,338

Hobbling Oilers preparing for explosive 49ers

By The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Cris Dishman sees the San Francisco 49ers as a great defensive challenge for the Houston Oilers.

The problem is the Christmas Day meeting between the league's highest scoring teams comes at a time when injuries have ravaged the Oilers' secondary.

"Those guys over there are very explosive," said Dishman, Houston's left corner and the only definite starter Saturday from the four-player unit that began the season.

We have a lot of respect for them. Hopefully, we're going to keep them under the 55 points they scored at Detroit," Dishman said.

San Francisco (10-4) clinched the NFC West title and a first-round playoff bye with last week's 55-17. victory over the Lions.

Houston (10-4) beat Pittsburgh 26-17 for its league-best ninth straight win, securing the AFC Central crown title. But the Oilers also were struck by more injuries.

Receiver Webster Slaughter went down with a season-ending knee injury and strong safety Bubba McDowell sat out the second half of the Pittsburgh game with a bruised knee. He was listed as questionable for Saturday.

Terry Hoage, added to the Houston roster after he was waived three weeks ago by San Francisco, would start if McDowell can't.

Houston defensive coordinator they're coming hard.

BASKETBALL

College scores

Connecticut 75, Fairfield 57

Bradley 71, Drake 63

Kalamazoo 87, Aguinas 63

Arkansas 93, Tulsa 91, OT

California 85, Richmond 78

UNLV 77, E. Kentucky 62

Wyoming 78, Houston 66 TOURNAMENTS

Kentucky 93, Arizona 92

Texas 89, Notre Dame 72

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NBA standings

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Loyola, III. 74, Morehead St. 71

NE Illinois 81, Jackson St. 76

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Maryland 109, Towson St. 71 St. Peter's 94, Long Island U. 58

reshiva 67, St. Joseph's, N.Y. 58

SW Louisiana 82, Memphis St. 79

Cleveland St. 104, Kent 101, 4OT

Visconsin 115, Miss. Valley St. 79

Texas Christian 92, Louisiana Tech 74

Colorado St. 87, Cal St.-Fullerton 70

Notre Dame, Calif. 67, Cal State-LA 62

San Diego St. 88, Loyola Marymount 84, OT

Minnesota 66, San Jose St. 53

SPORTSEXTRA

Phoenix

LA Clippers

Wednesday's Game

Atlanta 108, Boston 103

New York 84, Atlanta 75

Miami 109, LA Lakers 92

Chicago 81, Detroit 72

Dallas 93. Minnesota 89

Utah 96, San Antonio 88

Portland 108, Indiana 96

Houston at Phoenix, 2:30 p.m

Orlando at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.

Indiana at Cleveland, 1 p.m. Atlanta at New Jersey, 6 p.m.

Minnesota at Denver, 9 p.m.

Sacramento at Miami, 7:30 p.m.

Golden State at Portland, 8 p.m.

Boston at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.

Friday's Games No games schedule

Phoenix 87, Seattle 86

Charlotte 118, Boston 100

Miami 98, Philadelphia 90

Chicago 106, Minnesota 98

LA Clippers 109, Washington 92

Orlando 122, New Jersey 112

Cleveland 107, Milwaukee 88

Golden State 141, LA Clippers 95

acramento 114, Washington 88

LA Lakers

Buddy Ryan already has pressed Bo Orlando and eighth-round pick Blaine Bishop into service as replacements for free safety Marcus Robertson and cornerback Darryll Lewis, both out with season-ending knee injuries.

In the 49ers, Houston faces the top-ranked passing attack, which broke through a good Lions defense last week to score the most points ever at the Pontiac Silverdome. Steve Young threw for 354 yards and four touchdowns, all to different players, in three quarters.

'It was an awesome sight," Houston coach Jack Pardee said.

And even though Houston's runand-shoot is clicking behind Warren Moon, averaging 356 yards and 23.9 points, the last thing the Oilers want is an offensive free-for-all. San Francisco's top-ranked offense is averaging 401.5 yards and 30.9

Houston will be leaning on its defensive front to slow the 49ers and harass Young, the league's passing

The Oilers' have 44 sacks, second only to Chicago's league-high 46. Houston also has been adept at forcing opposing offenses into mistakes, coming up with 22 turnovers in the last five games.

"We're going to have a tough time up front," San Francisco guard Ralph Tamm said. "(William) Fuller, (Ray) Childress, all those guys,

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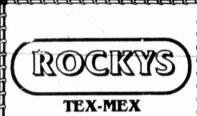
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	Supplies and Materials	\$1,500	-0-	\$1,500
	Other Operating Expenditures Tax Payment to Local	-0-	-0-	-0-
	Education Agencies	\$12,937,338	\$12,973,957	(\$36,619
	Total Expenditures	\$12,943,038	\$12,978,402	(\$35,364
	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	(\$166,848)	(\$144,496)	\$22,352
~	Fund Balance - September 1, 1993 (Beginning)	\$167,349	\$167,349	-0-
	FUND BALANCE - August 31, 1993 (Ending)	\$501	\$22,853	\$22,352
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BIRTHDAY SWEEPSTAKES OFFICIAL RULES

1. The Big Spring Herald Birthday Sweepstakes Contest begins today and will terminate Friday, December 24, 1993.

2. Entry forms for the Birthday Sweepstakes Contest will appear in the Herald each day. Additional entry forms will be available at the participating merchants. No purchase is necessary. A person may become a contestant by depositing their entry form with the participating merchants or delivering their entry form to the Big Spring Herald, 710 Scurry St., P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, TX 79720. All entries being forwarded by mail must bear sufficient postage. The Herald takes no responsibility for any lost or misdirected entries.

3. During the first 50 days of the Herald's 54 day contest, the Herald will publish 2 birthday dates as chosen by random draw from all entries received in the advertisements of 2 participating merchants on the Birthday Sweepstakes page each day. The value of each of the birthdates published will be \$10.00. The final week of the contest will be known as Grand Prize Week; Tuesday and Wednesday of this week (December 21, 22) the two birthdates published will have a value of \$25.00 each, on Thursday (December 23) the two birthdays published will have a value of \$100.00, Friday, December 24, the final day of the contest one birthdate will be published. The value of this number, know as the Grand Prize Birthdate, will be \$250.

4. All entries drawn during the contest, up to and including December 24, will be returned to the draw drum the day following the publication of the birthdate number.

5. The holder of the Birthday number published in the Herald's Birthday Sweepstakes Contest from October 24th to December 24th, must call the Big Spring Herald at 263-7331, by no later than 5:30 p.m. on the 7th business day following the publishing of the winning number. Contest Department hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday. The contest office is not open on Saturdays, Sundays or Statutory holidays. Upon reporting a winning Birthday, the holder of the number will be advised of the steps to follow to claim the prize. Published Birthday numbers reported to the Herald following the close of the contest department on the 7th business day following publication of the number, will not be accepted and will not be eligible to claim a prize.

6. The holder of the Grand Prize Birthday number as published on December 24, the final day of the contest, must call the contest department of the Herald at 263-7331 no later than 5:30 p.m. December 31st. Business hours are shown in rule number 5. If the Grand Prize, relating to the birthday plate number published in the Herald on December 24th, has not been claimed by the close of the contest on the 7th business day following publication, a 2nd Grand Prize Number will be published on the 8th business day following the publication of the initial Grand Prize number. This process will be repeated, until the Grand Prize has been claimed.

7. If a successful winner receives 6-day home delivery of the Big Spring Herald, by carrier, motor route delivery, or mail, the prize money awarded to that person shall be DOUBLED. The winner must be receiving home delivery the day the winning number appears in the Herald.

8. It is not necessary to purchase the Herald to participate in the contest. Live birthday numbers will be posted in the main business office of the Herald, 710 Scurry St., and copies of the Herald are available for inspection during regular business hours.

9. Published birthday numbers will not be given out over the telephone.

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12. Photo identification is required to collect your prize.

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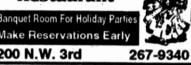
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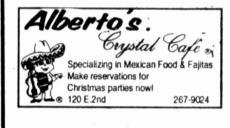
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Jacqueline Bigar - Horoscope

FOR SATURDAY, DEC. 25, 1993

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don't let another's rude behavior get to you, and try to be a bit more understanding. Indulge yourself, and strive to please those around you. Tonight: Go for a drive and enjoy the holi-

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): All's well that ends well, so get into the spirit of the day and become a leader in organizing fun events. A partner might be acting a bit difficult or cranky. It's just a case of holiday

fatigue and overload. Tonight: Indulge, indulge. **** GEMINI (May 21-June 20): The day improves rapidly, and you feel better with each passing hour. There is much you want to share with others, but choose to keep it within for now. Be aware of others' motives

and of your expectations as well. Tonight: Your time has come. *** CANCER (June 21-July 22): You feel really good today, largely thanks to a friend. Be indulgent with loved ones, and extend enough space for a grumpy person play Scrooge. Reserve some quiet time for yourself.

Tonight: Vanish while you can. **** LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You are the main event today - or at least the centerfold. Take your responsibilities seriously, and don't be too hard on a partner who is not in the holiday mood. Remain your positive and

optimistic self. Tonight: Get together with friends. **** VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): All your creativity is necessary to solve a current problem. A change in plans has you upset, but you'll be able to deal with it. Be aware of a loved one's good intentions. Tonight: Drop in on a parent or make a key call. ***

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): One-to-one relating is highlighted today, although you might end up disappointed by another's mood or lack of willingness to budge on a certain point. Lighten up and be aware of how much you are cared about. Tonight: Hook up with a friend and exchange gifts. ***

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Control the urge to insist that all things go your way. Lighten up about events, be more easygoing and look to the positive. Recognize how deeply you are cared about. Tonight: Make plenty of time for that special person. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You feel overworked and really do need some time off. The festivities

put more pressure on you than you expected. Know that you soon will be enjoying yourself again. Be open to a partner's overtures. Tonight: Be where the gang is. ** CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your creativity and willingness to share are high. If a friend disappoints

you, read between the lines. Perhaps your expectations are too high. Tune in to another's energy, and be sensitive to the moment. Tonight: Do something for you. **** AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Enjoy all the goings on, and don't let pressure get to you. Caring too much about what others think could add undue stress. Lighten up and let your childlike side take ever. Tonight:

Be playful. *** PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Morning is the best part of today, when you should make any important phone calls. You'll enjoy the input from a friend. Someone at a distance might make you feel less than ter-

rific. Tonight: Catch up on sleep. *** IF DECEMBER 25 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: If you let go of what is not working for you, the year ahead could turn out to be extraordinary. Look at your friends and goals realistically. You might feel stretched financially, but that will end. Be willing to look for new solutions, and try some. Opportunities for enhanced understanding will come easily. Romance could be intense for those who are single.

THE ASTERISKS (*) SHOW THE KIND OF DAY YOU'LL HAVE: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so

Dear Abby - Letters...

She should wait for right time, right man

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 14-year-old virgin, and I have a problem. I'm in love and want to have sex with my boyfriend — he's 17 — but I'm scared of getting pregnant. (My mother put me on birth control, and said that she "trusted" me, but I know that some girls have gotten pregnant even when they took the pill.)

Abby, I don't want to end up with a child at my age, but I love him so much it's hard to say no. What should I do? - SCARED IN VIC-TORIA, TEXAS

DEAR SCARED: Please say NO. What you do now will influence how you feel about yourself and future relationships for the rest of your life. Read on to see how a 17-year-old girl feels about waiting for sex — and notice that I support her decision:
DEAR ABBY: A fellow I had recently met

was attempting to "figure me out." He looked me over, then said, "Well, you definitely don't look 'easy' and you're too old and too pretty to be a virgin, unless you're waiting for marriage or something stupid like that ..."!
I was sickened. I am 17 years old. I gradu-

ated from high school early and I am now enrolled in college. I have had several boyfriends and plenty of dates, and get this: I am a virgin. I'm not ugly and I'm no prude. I have had more opportunities than I can

I am not necessarily "waiting for mar-riage." I am waiting for the right man someone who deserves the gift a girl can give only once. Although I am proud to be a virgin, it is not something that I care to broadcast, so if you publish this, please don't use my name. I don't want to be commended just respected. — WAITING FOR THE RIGHT

MAN IN MASSAPEQUA, N.Y. DEAR WAITING: You are a very wise young

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woman. Thank you for a letter that may inspire other young women to be in no hurry to give the gift that can be given only once.

DEAR ABBY: I have a suggestion for your PEANUTS readers. When calling unexpectedly at someone's home, do not be too persistent when ringing the doorbell. Just because you know someone is there, do not assume that she hasn't heard you if she doesn't answer the door. It is not always possible for a person to answer the door when it rings unexpectedly.

I came home today to some upsetting news and was on "hold" on an urgent long-distance call when someone rang my doorbell. When the ringing persisted, and I heard someone banging on my front door, I feared it was some kind of emergency, so I dropped the phone and ran to the other end of the apartment and down the stairs to answer the

Well, it turned out to be a kindly gentleman from the church I had just joined — he was delivering a calendar! I ended up snapping at him, and for that I feel terrible.

Unless it is extremely urgent, or you know the doorbell doesn't work, or the person is hard of hearing, it's better to err on the side of caution. Ring once or twice, then wait. If there is no answer, come back another time.

Thanks for all the good you have done in the world. — REBECCA P. IN ALBANY, N.Y.

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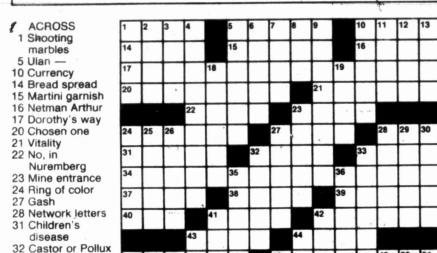
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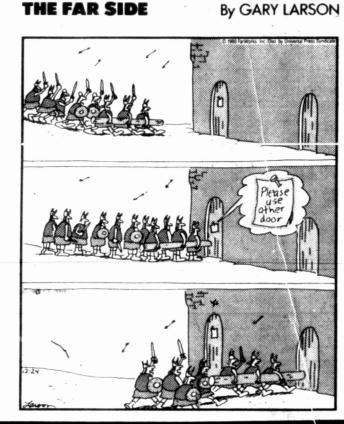
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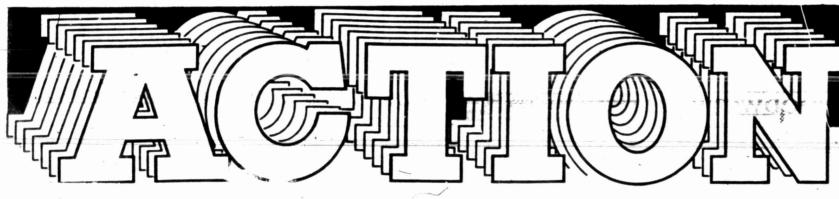
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baby sister. And just one more thing,

I need make-up. Love, Brittany

Dear Santa: I want a Jurassic Park

Game, and a real dog. I want a big

"Batmobile" and a big bat, I need a

ball for the bat. I want a real rein-

deer. I need a Jurassic Park

Helicopter. Love, Shay Long.

Dear Santa: I want this thing that

carries your baby on your back, and

a "Barbie". I want a "Barney" t-shirt.
I want a basketball and a "Bart

Simpson" book. Love, Tasha Pittman.

Dear Santa: I want a real live turtle

and I want a "Barbie" doll, the one

that is pregnant. I want markers at

Dear Santa: I want a new red bike

and a new jacket that is blue. I want

a "Ninja" turtle, a toy one. And some

want a Mickey Mouse too. Love,

Dear Santa: I want a horse and a

Dear Santa: You know the dogs on

T.V., they have two kinds of hair and

I want the brown one. And I want a

present and a heart necklace like my

teacher's. There is a pony on T.V.

that has a brush and I want that. I

want a real live dog or kittens. I want

new pink play-doh. Love, Amanda

Dear Santa: I want a pink bike. I

Dear Santa: I want a red firetruck.

and a black "Ninja". I want presents.

I want a red balloon. Love, Sergio

Dear Santa: I want a "Barbie",

"Barbie" car that is red, and a sleep-

ing doll. I want a doll house and

another "Barbie". Love, Marisa

Dear Santa: I want a back-flip tur-

Dear Santa: I want an animal...a

puppy and an orange pencil to write

Dear Santa: I want a "X-Man"

video tape, a toy "Ninja" turtle and a

book about "Batman". I want a

"Batman" video tape. I want a pre-

sent for my mom. I want all the

Dear Santa: I want ice cream and

candy canes and many presents. I

want a "Barbie" doll, some black

shoes, and a red bow for my hair and

a purple necklace. I want a red ring.

I want a real puppy. Love, Jennie

Dear Santa: I want a motorcycle

that I can ride. I want a bear puppet

and I want a little "bouncey" ball and

a bear pencil. And I want a pet rab-

Dear Santa: I want an "Indian"

Barbie and a big bike that is red and

a gerbel and a ghost movie. Love,

Dear Santa: I want a puppy...the

Dalmations ones, and a coloring

book about Christmas things. I want

a "Barbie" car and that's all. Love.

Dear Santa: I want a my size

"Barbie" with "Hollywood" hair. I

love you Santa. Thank you for bring-

ing me toys. I want a lot of clothes.

Dear Santa: I want a Barbie car

with a telephone and brakes to push

and pedals. And a Teddy bear with a

necklace that sings. Love, Cassie

Dear Santa: I want a big present: a

Dear Santa: I want a zebra and a

present and a book. Love, Jennifer

Batman car. Love, Gilbert Silva.

bit. Love, B.J. Hilario.

Whitney Marquez.

Chrystal Adams.

Love, Carmen Lewis.

Mrs. Wynn's Class

Emerson.

"Batman" stuff. Love, Tony Rivas.

with....that's all. Love, J.D. Dairla.

tle. Love, Joshua Ruth

want a "Baby Bop" and a "Barney"

pencil and a pink diamond ring. I

bike. I want a red bike. Love, Jarrel

home. Love, Jessica Levva.

Rickey Churchwell.

Farmer.

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effers to Santa Claus

Dear Santa: I was a Teddy bear ANDERSON KINDERGARTEN Mrs. Ball's class and a clown puppet. Love, Matthew Dear Santa: I want a Barney doll, a

Dear Santa: I want a wedding clown, and gold keys. Love, Megan Barbie and a Barbie car. Love, Heather Franco. Dear Santa: I want a teddy bear turtle and a shape necklace. Love,

Dear Santa: I want a Big Foot truck, a toy pizza maker, a bear that Dear Santa: I want a "Sally drives a motorcycle and a motorcycle. Love, Timothy Clover. Secret", and I want mother to have a

Dear Santa: I want a toy McDonald's store and a Barbie car. Love, Summer Blatchford.

Dear Santa: I want a toy McDonald's store, Love, Vanessa Dear Santa: I want a Barbie Jee

car and a toy McDonald's store. Love, Jessica Olivas.

Dear Santa: I want a baby brother. I want a big toy car. I want a Christmas tree. I want a 10-speed bike and a Sega. Love, Ruben Solis. Dear Santa: I want a baby doll and

a Barbie! Love, Amber Levario. Dear Santa: I want a camping tent a remote control toy truck and a cassette player. Love, Rene Rodriguez.

Dear Santa: I want a toy motorcycle, a basketball, and a motorcycle watch. Love, Anthony Acosta. brand new purple shoes. And some "Super-socks"...brand new ones. I Dear Santa: I want a big car. Love,

Charles Downing. Dear Santa: Please bring me a big present: a toy car. Love, Abel

Dear Santa: 1 want a Santa Troll

and an ice cream bike. Love, Michael Dear Santa: I want a remote control car and a witch troll. Love.

Reynaldo Gonzales. Dear Santa: I want a Dalmation dog and I want a bike for me. I want a little toy that makes noise like Santa. I want to be a "washing man". Will you give me a book that has lots of pictures and words about you? Love, Jacob Ramirez.

GARDEN CITY

want a blue bear and pink ball. And a blue bow for my hair and pink dia-monds for my ears. Love, Eugina Ms. Pitts 3rd grade class Dear Santa: I would like to meet you. I hope you can bring me a Game Boy it's called Kirby's pinball Land. The other one is called X-Man, and one more, its called Street Fighter two. I hope you are feeling good. I've been kind of good. I believe in you. Yours truly, Samuel.

Dear Santa: I wish you could give me some toys to play with. How do your raindeers feel like. I want a bike wanted. Your friend, David.

Dear Santa: I wat for Cristmas a can of jerkey, there gold earrings and a necklace to match echer pare of earings. Your friend, Sarannah. PS. I wish gogg peopl will not dey.

Dear Santa: This year I have been good. I want a doll, Snow White hand held game, time table cards, and a toy sewing machine. How are your reindeer? My teacher is very nice. I wish the poor people a Merry Christmas. I believe in you. Your friend, Susie Wiebe.

Dear Santa: I know that you have to travel around the world in two days. I know that you have to carry a lot of toys, but it's ok, cause I like what you bring me. This year what I would like is a charm for my charmbraclete, Jambox, gameboy, and roelerblades. I love you Santa. I haven't been good, but I haven't been bad, but prutty good. Your friend, Lisa Hoelscher.

Dear Santa: For Christmas I wish for a bike and a 2XI and Sega. How are rain deer doing. I have bin good. Love, Joshua Schmitz.

Dear Santa: How are you doing? I want a Game Boy, bike, and a baseball game. I want an intendo games, ball, and a baseball bat. I want a bulldozer, stuffed riandeer, and a set of cars. Thats what I want for Christmas. I been good. Yours truly, Peter Dyck.

Dear Santa: The only toy I want is an Easy Bake Oven. Also for Christmas I want-new church shoes. I want people to pray to God as much as they can, and to help the poor. I also want to help the people who don't have any clothes. For Christmas I want to help my own family. I want to make the bad people turn into good christionan people

and to help the homeless. Have a good ride. Sincerely, Lisa

Dear Santa: I have a pretty long list this year. I want a ring and a necklace. I collect a Barbie for Christmas every year. A lcetickle bear is the only stuff animal I want this year., I want to help people that are poor. Maybe some clothes. One pair of shoes. To make bad people good people. How are you. I have been a little bad. I will leave you some cook-ies and milk. Your friend, Chelsea

Dear Santa: For Christmas I wish for happiness in the world. I've been good this year., I want a crosshow, a kate board, and roler blades. How are your reindeer, and how are you? I bet your fine. See you soon. Your friend, Keith Batla.

Schwartz.

Dear Santa: I've been good and bad. How is Mrs. Santa and the reindeer? I know you and your elves are busy making toys. I also know you are real. You friend, Carolyn Sullivan.

Dear Santa: How are your reindeer doing? I hope your ok to! I want a new bike for Christmas. I have a bike but its pretty beat up. I have been pretty good so please deliver it. Your friend, Aron King. P.S. I hope you stay well.

Dear Santa: I wish for peace on earth. I also wish that the porr could get what they want. I haven't been real great but I haven't been real bad either. How are your reindeer? I hope you feed them enough. Oh, I just have one more quiestion, how are you doing? I hope your doing pretty good. P.S. Write back soon. Your friend, Alan King.

Dear Santa: I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like a Sega with 3 games. How are the

Dear Santa: I wish for a Baby cheack up, Baby Get Well, gak, llash card rime tables, stuff animals, Sorry Game, Kid speaker Aladin, Jasime, Aladin suit case, Aladin swing suit, Aladin shirt-pant-socks-shoes-and head-band, Aladin tape, a new bike. Santa I has been doing very good this year Yours truly Natalia Hoelschar

Dear Santa: I want a game for Christmas and a nintendo. I hope you can make it because sometimes it is and some others kind of toys too I real snowy. Just put my present wish every won had every thing they under the tree. I've been very good this year. Even my parents have been good this year. I will leave cookies. Your truly, Donato.

Dear Santa: I want a bike for Christmas. I will get a watch for Christmas, skates and some makeup Baby Shivers. I been good at home. Love you, Monica.

Dear Santa: I want a gold necklace and a bracelet, a bow that sing "Santa Claus is coming to Town. and I hope I can pass all the time tables. I what you to help the poor people. Love you, Carla Garcia.

Dear Santa: I want a bike for Christmas. How are the reindeer? Last year it didn't snow. Maybe it will this year. I've been good this year but not that good. How is Mrs. Santa? Your friend, Andres. P.S. And I want a Sega and a game.

LAKEVIEW HEADSTART Ms. Mary Lou Gutierrez and Ms. Andrea Lopez' class

Dear Santa; I want a bike, a baskethall and a water gun. I have been good this year. Love, Jake Rubio.

Dear Santa; I would like a water gun this year, also a car and a truck for my mommy. Love, Antonio

Dear Santa; I would like a Batwoman Doll. Love, Megan Dear Santa: I would like a Baby

This is" Doll. Also a bike. I've been good this year. Love, Laura Burney. Dear Santa; I want a barbie and a Barbie House and a bike. I have been a real good girl this year. Love, Roxanne Juarez.

Dear Santa; I want a Batman car and a Batman. Love, Vaughn Lee

Dear Santa; I want a pink bike and a real Birdie, also a Barbie house.

Love, Chelsae Turner.

Dear Santa; This Christmas I would like a train set and a Batman car. "I have not been bad this year". Love, Joe Statham.

Dear Santa; I want a Barbie car and a telephone. I have been good for my Papo. Love, Shannette Walker.

Dear Santa; I want a doll house and a Barbie doll. I have been good this year. Love, Stephanie Chavera. Dear Santa: I want a real motorcy-cle and a little ring for my sister.

Love, Riley Brooks.

Dear Santa; I want a motorcycle, a Batman racing car and please bring my new baby brother by Christmas.

Love, David Rodriguez.

Dear Santa, I want roller skates and knee pads, also I would like a Barbie house with a Barbie. Love, Amanda Hepner.

Dear Santa: I want a bike and play.

Dear Santa; I want a bike and play make-up. I have been good this year. Love, Michelle Gonzales

Dear Santa: I would like a finger paint set with a paint brush, some play make-up and pretty clothes. Please bring my brother Chato a Tonka truck. We have been very good this year. Love, Mary Rogers.

Dear Santa; I would like some racing cars this Christmas. Love, Justin

Dear Santa; For Christmas I would like some Tonka trucks and my new baby sister. Love, Jacob Garza.

GARDEN CITY Ms. Buzbee's kindergarten class Dear Santa; Please bring me a crawling doll, markers, and dishes.

Your friend, Elisa Dear Santa; I want a motorcycle, a tractor, and a car, I promise that I've been good. Your friend, Herman.

Dear Santa; Please bring me a gun, deer? How are you at the Northpole? a play T.V., a play truck, and a puz-My parents have been good too. Your zie. I've been real good at home, but friend, Adrian Trevino. my sister has been naughty. Your friend, Grant.

> Dear Santa; Please bring me a batman car, a water gun, and a truck. I have been very very good this year. Your friend, Juan.

Dear Santa; Please bring a play house, truck, bicycle, and a candy cane. Bring my brother Bernhard a toy too. Your friend, Peter Dear Santa; Please bring me a bat-

man car, lots of batman stuff, and turtle stuff. I promise that I've been good Your friend, Landon.

new shoes, a barbie, a mermaid, and a doll house. Your friend, Samantha. Dear Santa, Please bring me a motorcycle, some new markers, and a hat. Your friend, David.

Dear Santa; I want a fantastic flower set, a toy Santa Claus, a troll watch, and that's all. I've tried to be good all year. Your friend, Tyler.

Dear Santa; Because I've been good, I want My Size Barbie, a doll nouse, and a little turtle for my brother, Joseph. Your friend, Madelyn.

Dear Santa; Please bring me a doll, troll doll, and new markers. I have been good. Your friend, Monica.

Dear Santa; I want a batman toy, turtle stuff, and a barbie for my little sister. I've been real good this year. Your friend, Agustin.

Dear Santa; Please bring me a little play jeep, a frisbee, a football, and a remote control race car. I've been kind of good this year. Your friend,

Dear Santa; Please bring me a doll, new crayons, a barbie and a new book. Your friend, Lupe.

KENTWOOD ELEMENTARY Dear Santa; I hope I get a hol lot of presents but I hope a lot of other people get some present too I would like any kind you would like me to have. I would not want just presents I would like some clothes too like some more sterup pans and a few of slip on sweters any color. Your friend, Lindsay Spannaus.

Dear Santa; Pleas help the poor.

Pleas give them some food to eat and presents. Pleas help them a lot. I don't want much for Christmas. Your friend, Kyle Flenniken.

Dear Santa; I wonte a Sega Genisis and a drt bike as wel. I wonte a juuk

boxs go-cart and make that a skat I want a Billy Ray Siris tap. Jessica bod and a three welry. Your friend, Jon Lusk.

Dear Santa: All I want for Christmas is a bike. doll and I want you to give all the hungary people food and give all the homless people shelter. Your friend, Timmi Blackshear.

Dear Santa; I want a sega genisis. I hope all the poor people get food and toys and clothes to. How did you fine thoes reindeers: How did you all so get Ruolph? And that red nose. Your friend, Jonathan Greenwald.

Dear Santa; I would like a dirt bike. Because I like to go on jumps. If you can't get that I want a pooltable. Becoes I am good at it. I want the gamegnie for the Sega Genisis. If you get me a game I already have Jurasik park and Mortal Combat Bart VS the space aliens. Sonic the hede hog 1 and 2. I can't remiber but a boxing game too. The very best is my mom gett together. Not your frend, Brandon Martin.

Dear Santa; Would you please bring me a black horse, a go-cart, do you have a stering weele in your sled. Love, Skipton Kloss.

Dear Santa; I want a camcorder and a real power tool shop and a knock out game and a jurassic park toy's and a bike that looks like a motorsicele that has a bike radeio. And a micdonal's food maker. Your friend, Grayson Cauley.

Dear Santa; Can you place bring me my size Barbie and food for other peopole that are poor and don't have no food. Bring me anything and a Baney and roller blades and makeup and a helimet for my rollerblades and ellbow pades for my rollerblades and hellment and knee pades that go with my ellbow pades and my hellment and roller blablades and I want games and I wand a new bicickle all of that for Christmas. Your friend, Bridgette Coleman.

Hello there Santa; What I want for Christmas is Baby Allgon and pink cow girl boots too. And pleace let the por people have a happy Christmas too. I bleav in you Santa. Love, Lainie

Dear Santa; I do not wan't one but wan't a friend to have it I won't to give the presents away. I wan't a sled. Your friend, Aaron Gibbon.

Dear Santa; I want a bike some skates, game genie sega genisis, sonic 2 on game gear. Batman bord game. Your friend, Jacob

Dear Santa: I want a batman. game benie is Rudolph stel gluing our slad if he is I want to met hem. Your friend, Brandon Brooks.

Dear Santa: I would liek to have a Sega Genisis, game genie, John Madden 94 on super nintendo, roller blades,, Zelda on game boy and a game geine for super nintendo. Your friend, Ryan Wegman.

Dear Santa; For Christmas I want 1,0000,00 dollars a mini dirt bike a go-cart and everybody to have fun. Your friend, Erin Partee.

Dear Santa; I want a stereo for Chrismas, I also want a bell off your sled. Will you get my mom a knew car. I relly like the trampaline you gave us. I like Chrismas a lot. Also how are your reindeer. Your friend, Kristine Vassar.

Dear Santa; I wish I had a puppy, big doll and i also wish The poor people have food To eat. Your friend, Destiny Roach.

Dear Santa, I want clothes shoes and toys and jewlery how is mrs Santa is she okay how are your elf's. is Rudolph okay how are the other reindeer. Your friend, Andrea

Dear Santa; I want a Game Boy Free Willy Jinga Roller Blades and a Metal Bat. If you ever Get this for me thanks. Don,t wory if you can't get all that to me. Because I don't need all of it. And All my brother wants is junk food. I wouldn't let him have all that junk food. Coley Hollandworth. Dear Santa; I want Easy a Do and

Aladdn the movie. I also want a Super Nintendo and a puppy,. I want a Barbie Moterhome and new skates. I want a T.V. of my own. I want a new bicycle and my own makeup set.

Local & Area Children

Share their dreams & gifts

Dear Santa; I want a blue jean shirt and a game boy whith a magnifier. I want a four wheeler and a dog and a skat board and a nerf bow and arrow. Jake Smith.

Dear Santa; I want a Pogo stick. And I want some lase up ropers. and some red jeeas. And some purple plase up ropers. With my purple jeans A I want to live with my Dad and my Brother and my step-mom so I can go to the green wood school. And I want the movie Home ward Bound. And I want the movie Baytoveen. and I wand the movie home alone two. And I want the book of Baby siteral ab. And I want a computer of my own. And a game boy with wheel a forchen and Barbie. And I want a desk of my own And I want a T.V. of my own in my room. Kendra McMurtry.

Dear Santa; I want a ten speed. I want a Aladdin movie. I want a puppy. I want a super Nintendo. I want a game boy. I want makup. I want a T.V. I want a Billy ray siris tap. Lindsay Wilks.

Dear Santa; I want a skate board a game boy a camra, and a talk boy. Jonathan Chambers

Dear Santa; I want a T.V. that has cable. And I want a sleeping bag. And I want the tape of the three Muskuteers. And a missle storm. John Wilkinson.

Dear Santa; I want a bike from Santa. And a Pogo Stick. And a puppy. And blak shus. And a cat. And a Doll Houes. And a T.V. with a V.C.R. And a Computer. And a brdle set. Whitney Oppegard.

Dear Santa; I want a dart bike and a puppy. I want a happy family and a happy holiday and roller blaes and a computer. Bryson Hall. Dear Santa; I want a Pogo Stick, a

puppy, cumputer, a TV; a 10000, a blue jean dress. Laura Ferguson. Dear Santa; I want an older brother and a dart gun and a nice holiday and a missle storm and the G.I. Joe Genroal and a gabbling dart gun and

the worlds bigest Chrismas. A game boy. David Brooks. Dear Santa; I want one of Mrs. Kenndey's puppy's and i want a toy cnan and an anamal and all the nerf toys and a pop gun and like all toys in the world and i wood liek a fox

tell. Jeff Stanley. Dear Santa; I want brother, cabel v., mt. climber, dart gun skate board, pogo stick the three muskater movie, motor cycle, puppy, bow and arow. Kody Jackson.

Dear Santa; I wht an a dretbuje and a computer and a dalles cowboy sowie and a ape and a foxetel and a motorcycle and to have a merry

christmas. Brandon Gross. Dear Santa; I want a missle storm. I want a gain dart gun and high jacker. I want 6X6. a rakpak and a grgbow. Jackson Inman.

Dear Santa; I want a dart gun and 15 super nintendo tapes and the adaptor to Sega and a skate board and a computer and a rocket pack. Dear Santa; How are you? I would

like a toy truck. and I would like a toy wagon and I would like a toy motorcycle. Love, David Hughes. Dear Santa; How are you? But

would you bring me a robot t-trex? Love. Spencer Roberts. Dear Santa; Ho, Ho, Ho, Santa haw are the reindeer dooing? would you

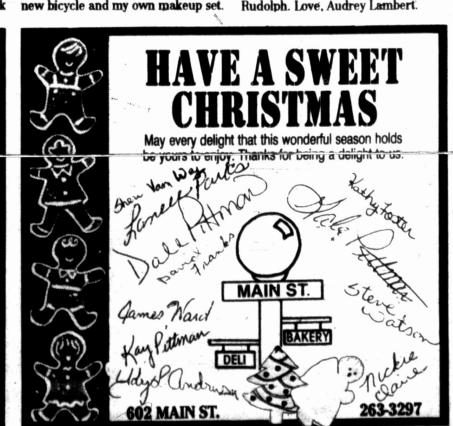
bring me a book? Love, Cheridan Dear Santa; Can I see you on Christmas? Ide-like to see you. For Christmas ide like a game boy. How is Rudolph? Is he good? Aur the reindeer coling Rudolph names? Is Rudolph crieing? Love, Allen Risner.

Dear Santa; How are you? Can you please breaing me a puppy on Christmas day? Love, Brad Bair. Dear Santa; Santa I would like a

bird for my mom. Santa my dad would like a cap. I will be good to my mom and dad. All I want is my mom and my dad. You are grate. I love Santa. Love, Amanda Burcham.

Dear Santa; I wut a Barbe moedr home. I love Christmas. I wil leva Shanta coocees. I wut to meet you and your reindeer is peshule Rudolph. Love, Audrey Lambert.





Dear Santa; I wish I cud go to the Northpole and make a snoman and woch the elfs make toys and I wud like evry thing tet dus sumthing. Love, Jessica Tipton.

Dear Santa; I would like foor you to get me a telafone and a pup. But my mom is not, Shoor about that yet or one moor ting just dont' let my dog lit awt oof the gate inny mor. But iff you can't get that it is owcay just get me a tevey. from, Kyndra Watson.

Dear Santa; Santa doe you rily have Rudolph? Cud I no if he has a red nose? Whut I wunt for christmas is a doll. It is a ickspinsis doll. I like Santa. And Santa loves me to. Love, Paige Gainey.

Dear Santa; Is Santa bise? I love Santa. I want a pink shirt Santa Ho, Ho, said Sanda. Love, Amanda

Dear Santa; I like christmas verey much and you santa claus. I wot this for christmas I wot a bike for Christmas. Love, Rachel Gee.

Dear Santa; How is Rudolph? I would like to see you. Please bring me a baby doll. Love, Brittany

Dear Santa Claus; How are you doing today? How are your Rudolph? For Christmas I would like a new bike. And I would like a bel from the reindeer. Love, Heather Vassar

Dear Santa; I would like a yo-yo And clay. But be here. Santa I like you are nise. Travis McKiski.

Dear Santa; I wont a ship and a car and a tran. A wagon. Love, Chris Castro. Dear Santa; How are your rein-

deer? How is Rudolph? Santa I wood like a dart bord and a new bike and a er hocky tabel. I like Santa his is nice. Love, John Marino.

Dear Santa; How are you? how is reindeer. How is your wif? I would like roller baldes and sum Borbe cklos and a tv and a veser and a stereo. Love, Megan Jackson.

Dear Santa; How are you? I wuld like a TV and a BB gun and a big bell frum the sla I would like school days off. Love, Jamin Herrera.

Dear Santa; I like Santa. Did you like me? Please bring a presnt. Love, David Anderson.

Dear Santa; How are you dowen? Is it cod at the North pole? I wesh for a doll. Love, Carrie Spannaus.

BROWNIE TROOP #189

Dear Santa Claus; for Christmas I want a Sheperd dog and a video called the Big Rock Candy Mountain, and some earrings. I even whant a computer. Merry Christmas Santa Claus, Love, Andrianna Marlow.

Dear Santa Claus; I wnat a doll and ten dellars and a bike and earings, candy, a Aladdin doll and something realy special for my mom and my family. Love, Sarah Anderson.

Dear Santa Claus; I want a new bike, and a talk Barney, ten dollars, A coloring book and a game a globe of Texas shirt a win suit and a apple computer, and a dictionary and a watch and jewlery and a bracelet. Your friend, Angie Pace.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a big doll for Christmas and a dog and a new bike and a tree house and a crystal ball. I wish the poor people have a good Christmas and get food to eat. Love, Destiny Roach.

Dear Santa Claus; I want my own room, a new bike, big doll, a new coloring book, a new sweater, a computer, a Huge lollipop, Diamond ring, Diamond bracelet, Diamonda necklace. Your friend, Felicia Osburn.

Dear Santa Claus, I want a new bike and 10 dollars. I want a computer. Love, Jeneane Richard.

Dear Santa Claus; I want a ring, baby all gone, baby giggils-n-go, a new bike and a new doll. Merry Christmas Santa, Love, Veronica Ras-

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TRUCK / TRAVEL CENTERS

WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY

Dear Santa; I love you. I want.a radio and amy brothers want Juresic Park toys for Christmas. My mom wants a little table to draw on. I hope you get something for Christmas too. **Brittany Blackmon**

Dear Santa; Hi, how are you doing today? Have you been busy all year making toys? Thank you for the toys last year. I had fun with them. I want a radio control truck, a dark white tooth brush, and a math book and can I have a inhaler for my asma? Can I have a 1 speed bike a flea collar thank you and have a Merry Christmas and have a Happy New Year. David Rios.

Dear Santa; I like you are nice to children. I am 8 years old. I want a Walkman for Christmas and I want to get my sister a cat, I want to get my mom some flowers, my dad a new car, my brother a Sega Genesis, and my yonugest brother some skating training wheel. Natalie Nava.

Dear Santa; I want for Christmas some games and a Barbie and I want to give a present to my mom and dad and my brother wants a sega. My mom wants a ring and my dada wants a new truck. My brother wants to see Santa and my little brohter too For poor people I want to tell Santa to give them some money so they can buy houses. Becky Vela

Dear Santa; On Christmas can I have a super nuntendo please, and super mario world and super mario all stars please. Those are neat. I like you very much. Love, Blaine Stevens.

Dear Santa; I want a bike without training wheels. Me and my sister don't fight. Get my sister a ten speed. And get my mom a ring. Please give my dad something and something for my grandma and grandpa. Don't forget me. Alicia Martinez.

Dear Santa; I hope you bring me a present. I hope it is a Barbie. Bring my dad and mom a present too. I hope you bring us a pretty things. Please bring us fruits and food. I hope you bring some presents to my friends. Nelly lbarra Limon.

Dear Santa; I want a kitty surpise for Christmas and my sister she want a pony surpise for Christmas. I like you so much and you are nice too. You bring prtecues for me and my sister and all of the children too some chilren are good too. And we got what we shnt we play with it all day it was fun too. Crystal Moreilon.

Dear Santa; I would like a bike, Sega Genesis a ball And I have been good boy. You are a nice man when you bring present. People are very happy when they recieve presents from you Santa give kids who can't get presents and food. Fidena Cantu

Dear Santa; I can't find a present for my mom and dad can you please try to find them a good one. I know how much work it is. I bet my dad will want a football tape but you don't have to get him it. I bet my mom will want a loseweight tape but you don't have get her either. You don't have to give me any thing. but can you give my sister somthing please. Thack you Santa. Laura Fier-

Dear Santa; This Chrismas my sister would like santa her a pair a skates and my bruther would like would like to have sage genesis. I am asking Santa for a bike. My brother, sister and I are going to our dads for Chrismas. Sarah Ames.

Dear Santa; I want a game called snart darts for gidden bridge and great e scape. I hope you don't for get to tell your elfs. Bobby Joe Bar-

Dear Santa; I love you Santa. I have been good this year, and I am 8 years old. For Christmas I want a regular nanterdo and a game boy Mareo. I want a big fire truck that makes sound, some red boots, and super soker zoo. I want a t.v. too. Anthony Wanner

Dear Santa; I like you Santa but will you please get my mom and dad

something for Christmas. I want asega genesis and I want some clothes. Please get my brother a super nintendo. Garland Gilbert

Dear Santa; There are many children that want presents in the world the like christmas alot becuase the snow is white and some people love play in the snow I love presents alot to Santa Claus is nice to bring presents to me to. Selestino Hernandez.

Dear Santa; I whant a bike whith out training wheels. me and my sister whant a bike I whant a stereo and a computer. Your frind Zuleika

Dear Santa; I want a new bike, I want a new car, I want a new tv. I want a new bed, I want a new toy, I want a new room, I want a new book, I want a new nintendo, I want a new lamp, I want a new cat, I want a new placet, I want a new hap, I want a new sanyo, I want a new colored pencilsry, I want a new tree, I want a new fan, I want a new van, I

want a new sled. Joshua Hernandez.

Dear Santa; I want Barbie clothes
and every toy of the Brabie Cabbage and every toy of the Brabie Cabbage
Patch kids I would like Stacy TwoWheeler; My bundle Baby Doll and
Magic Jewels; Sozzie Skates I would
like Troll Doll and Cabbage Patch
Furniture, Monica Salis.

Dear Santa; I love you Santa, I
would like to have a remote control
car and a video game too please. Stefen Stone

fen Stone.

Dear Santa; This is Veronica Riffe I want the triplet dolls. A stereo, boot's. Alladdia towel. And some

boot's. Alladdia towel. And some cloth's. And a new bike. And some new skates. Veronica Riffe.

Dear Santa; I want a bike and a super nintendo, and a remote controlled car, and a toy gun, and a toy car, and a toy cop pack, and a toy jet, and a ball, and a bat, and a glove, and a toy army pack. Robbie Wilkinson.

Dear Santa: I have tried to be a ery good girl this year so I think I eserve something I want a nintendo and a micky mouse watch. Your riend, Rosanna Sanchez.

er Santa: I have been very good his year. I would like gameboy, and collerblades, also a bird, and a phone. A doll, a present that you can ck a present for me. Love Brittany

Dear Santa; How are you? I am ne. You are very nice to children. I hope you have a safe flight Christmas Eve. I will leave you some cookies and milk by the tree. Please bring me a doll, a puppy, and a Barnie. Tammy Farr.

Dear Santa; I want a barble fold'n fun house. I want a jewelry box and some jewelry to. And a ice tickle bear, three of them. I want a doll just like you and you're wife. Well I half to go. Menry Christmas, Oh and bring me a gray mouse. A fake one. Give my mom something too. Roses are red violets are blue but I love you

Santa Claus. Jaclyn Smith. Dear Santa; I want a pair of boots, some toys, a super sonic nintendo, some tapes for my nintenido, a bike, a Mitey Morten, Power Ranger, a Bat Man, a football a chiocogo, Bulls. Shortset, Baceballl, and a bat to hit with. Michael Ford.

Dear Santa; I want a doll of you Santa and a lots of pens and pensols and a bebe gun and all of the little ninja turttles and a pallet gun and a bow arrow a rillane and a gun a rillane thates all. Adam Munoz.

Dear Santa; for christmas i want a power wheel for christmas and a power tool shop and a nintendo and a street fighter 2 and a super secreet fighter 2 and a barney and a super genesis and a pen ball. Jeremy

Dear Santa; I am glad it is almost christmas time Santa i want a drum for christmas and the sticks to it i want a scat bear dr and lote of cars to play with and a toy jeep the end. Benjumin Hasham.

MRS. REED'S 2nd grade

Dear Santa; I want a bike and a barbie set. I all so want a lot of toys. and a sega with some tapes that goes with it please bring me some cloths and some shoes and socks and a tv and a phone I want those too things inmy room. that is all and I ben a

good girl this year If you bring some be good but sometims it's hord but a ring, and some dolls too my last more priesints please. I love you o I what ever hapins I will try my best to thing I want is a Sega too. Love, Kim am goeing to leav you some thing to be good always. Karissa Gray.
eat. Lisa Viasana. Dear Santa; For Cresms i

Dear Santa; I want a be be gun. I have bin a good boy. Can I have a tv in or bed room. I mete leve you same choclet cookes o and one more thang a bicke. I like you Santa. I can't wat an tell Christmas. Daniel Pickens.

Dear Santa; For Christmas I want a stuf dalmation for Christmas and I want a littl black and wite cawe and I want a tint and I want a big berbee car and I want a stuf rood of the red nas randir and I want a stuf rabit and I want a pir uv ise scats. Happy Christmas Santa. Misty 8.

Dear Santa; For Christmas I want a computer and a game named twister, I also want the game named Nickeldeon color writer, thank you for al of the toys ladst year. I will give you some cand, or cokies with milk. I am going to set down a present for you and I hope you like it. I will will like snou this winter. And I want some roller blades. I have to go now by anta I hope to see you soon. Melissa

Dear Santa; for Christmas I want a skatebord. A skatebord is my bestest of all. I want a barbie doll. I wish I had lots of friends. And lieve you Santa you all ways bring us lots of toys: I wish I had a baby doll of Santa. Your friend is Natasha.

Dear Santa; I want a saga for

Christmas. I want a new bike and

christmas. I want a new bike and a water tanke. I want a race track, and cars for it. And I want a keyfors. I want a watch. I want a 5 inch ty. And I will leve you some cookies and milk. Jeremy Jewett.

Dear Santa; For Christmas I want a new bike for Christmas. I no that you'r not real. If you are real I will leave you cupcakes and coca on the table. If you can't rap my gift leave it on the front porch. Can you give me a 1000 doler bills on the table were I put you'r cupcakes? And give me a put you'r cupcakes? And give me a ring with a dimandse on it. And rap a dog for my brother Keith. And get my mom a new car, And for my brothers and sisters, give my brother a nintindo. And sisters give them all bikes for chrismas. o.k. Kristina Woodruff.

Dear Santa; I want some roler blades. Or a painten dazzel Barbie, I will leve you a cookie and some hot coca, I have ben good all year. Whatever you do be carful for the lights. please leve a present for my family too. I also want a playhouse," and the santa; riir by name is Jeremy Knight. I am in the third grade. And this is what I wan for Christmas. A gocart, A par a hicking shoes, And a real nice pair, a Sago Genisis, A streetfighter Game-boy, A Super Nintendo with lots of games, I want the tame called I from the pit, Electronic Rattlechie. give my brother a voise copear like on home alone 2. And my mom a excumashon mark perfume. Or my papa a new t.v., Marry Christmas and a happy new year. Santa Clos.

Sarah Beth Vela.

Battleship, And lots of cool clothes, And I want lots of cool toys too, And lots of cool games. Bye! Jeremy Knight.

Dear Santa; How are you I am fine. I My name is Nichole Rushin. and I

Dear Santa; I want a goodter and a football and a voisekope on home alone and a toy resinmen wheth a resinmach. Nathan 22.

Dear Santa; For Christmas I want a doll and a plag gep and a bon cuv presenst to an a happe christmas. Joann Berry.

Dear Santa; I want supr neienteo, I

want srete fiter. neg tartlees neinteo. Supr nese sonek neienteo. and that neg tartleea wite. The dinosor tyrannosaurus rex. neg tartlees dinoris tlisratop. Dinorus The one tod my mom. Ruben.

Dear Santa; I want a toy the nigtmaer be for Chrismas My siter wos a doll I wont a dog a toy gun and a cat give my mom a ring Merry Chrismas santa the toy the game and Botmon the toy. Alfredo.

Dear Santa; For christmas I want a segmuachnanda nightmare before christmas watch and sckull moutinen toy and a nightmare before christmas toys. Patrick Gonzales.

Dear Santa; I want the whole key forse!!! and giant skull- mountain, the whole intire team of Dallas cowboys football cards, love is wressless CD, that Deer Manican with soft center, Nfl 94 for sega, Dallas cowboy bike helmet jurasic park or king Salmon for sega you know. Ryan

Dear Santa; For Christmas I want baby gigils, a gatar, I want a twister. Nikandiyn gams. skat bord. and I want some ice skats. and a new computer. ges what flaver cookes I mad for you colit cookes! I have been a good listener in class I try my best to

Dear Santa; For Cresms i want a supr negmikvskop and a sagu C.D. and of the mite mas and bebe gan and crosfir. John.

Dear Santa; I want a barbie. I want a those kittn that pru. Jaclyn Sasser. Dear Santa; I want a saga and a power wills I will set you down some cocees. I am good. I will set down a presint. Justin Leonard.

Dear Santa; For crismis I wont a doll that is as big as me. and a liveing danmoishin pupy just pwt the pupy in the liveing room so it will borck I like you santa. Erin.

Dear Santa; I wat a sega for Christmas. Are you ril? Are you koming to my home at night? I will lev you kookes at night. Andy.

Dear Santa; For Chrismas I want clothes and Barbes. Are you going to come to are school in washonton school? And I want toys. I want you to bring all my faily presens. Beat-

MRS. FAULKNER'S 3rd grade

Dear Santa; How are you? I am fine. I would like an airhockey and a tv. I want video games. Love, Ryan.

Dear Santa; Hi, my name is Kendra I'm in the 3rd grade at Washington Elem. I relly want a super nintindo and I like games so maybe a cople of them and maybe a few movies. Love, Kendra Perry.

Dear Santa, M name is Sally I am

in the 3rd grade. I would like a bike. I would like a million dollors. I would like a bady sister and a nother brohter and more puzzles. Your friend,

Sally Aralellon.

Dear Santa; Hil My name is Jeremy
Knight. I am in the third grade. And Battleship, And lots of cool clothes,

an in the 3rd grade at Washington Elem. My teachers' name is Mrs Faulkner. I want a bike, spekin spell, computer, my tody bear, that is can thik of. Your friend Nichole Rushin.

Dear Santa; Hi! My name is Carolina Gonzales or Ramirez because. I am just writing to you a lot of words it takes like 3 or 4 or 5 pages. I want for christmas is a Hollywood hair barbie and shoes of Hollywood hair and a bike a ten spead but it has to be red and black and. I want is a power wheel for me and. I want 100 colors and a barbie car and that stuff like that has a swimming pool and it has a slike and a pencils sissors and some big colorful paper and all kinds of trolls and a dog, and two dogs and two cats real one and pretty rocks and a super in tindo for me and. I want a rudlph the red nose raindeer. I want dress shoes and good looking shoes. I want a big school house and I want the play house for me. I want you to come over here. Love Carolina Gonzales Ramirez.

Dear Santa; my name is Lucy and Im in the thrid grad I washginton Elementry what I want is red boots and cloths and toys and a camra and I hop I get what I said. Your friend Lucy.

Dear Santa; this is what I want i want a bike and a game called candy land and some pizzles, too I want a Barbie doll Ken, and a game called Kerplumk, too and a stero and a Barbie pool for my dolls too and some more pizzles, too and a Barbie doll girl and some more games too I want

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Dear Santa; I'm in 3rd grade. I want a new cd. I also want a walkmen. I hope you can make it this christmas. I want a NFL football.

Love, Stephen. Dear Santa; I want for Chrismas street fighter game. Bike swingset shirt hornet jakeit toy. Book key force car truck shoes Hornet shirt,

from Samuel. Dear Santa; I want a sega please send it and merry merry christmas santa! Jesse Vanderbilt.

Dear Santa; I want a lego set labeler shoes a bike that's what i want for christmas. Scott Poeppel.

Dear Santa; I want a new bike for christmas as I really hope you get me one because on the second day of chrismas my bike got solen we was robed and I want a bike barbie car barbie moter home my size barbie new perses new clothes new shoos ear rings. New glasses new watch new fishes new birds new car new fone new house new bedroom new barbie house new room to my self new jod new school new books new teachers new talking barbies new jaket new compoter new chalks new board new desk But the best is to see my causin Kari I want my family. Your frind, Kirsten.

MRS. MYERS' class

Dear Santa; I want a doll bed. And a doll. A camra that takes picturs. A gum bal fish tank. Boots and sise u big sise but not to big. Love, Hilary.

Dear Santa; All I want for Christmas is a room by my slef, motorcycle, sega, to have my family spin Christmas with us. Love, De.

Dear Santa; I want a game boy. I want a Sage. I want to win the lotto I want a vodeo gane. Love, Josh.

Dear Santa; I want a radio for Christmas, and I want a big big big big ball. I want a dog for Christmas. want to win the Texas Lettoro I want fore everyone to be happy. Merry Christmas, Your friend, Mandi Sim-

Dear Santa; for Christmas I want for my 2nd grade teacher to evaporate, a saga, to go sno skiing to win the lottery and be rich and not have to move. Love, Rachel Danley.

Dear Santa; this is what I want for Chistmas. Gakpump up, knex, color blaster, piano, and our house that we bought. And please let my Grandma come back. Love. Jiana.

Dear Santa; I would like to have a baby giggles and o, baby all gone, Sally Secrets. And I also want a toy that your elfs made. And can you give me a nofe money to get my mom a pretty leckless or earrings. Brittany

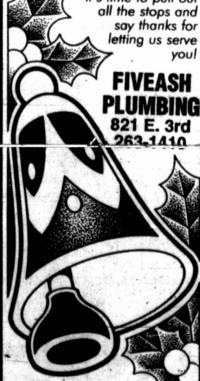
Dear Santa; I went a bike, ninja rtles, vindo game scrime, raido conteroll truck, or my staff, turtle, blumpone, turtle sewer set, LA Gear lights shoe. Love, John Ramsey

Dear Santa; I want a bike and a 3X3 that means 6X6. And I want to get my familiy back together. Love,

WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY MRS. RUDINGER'S 3rd grade

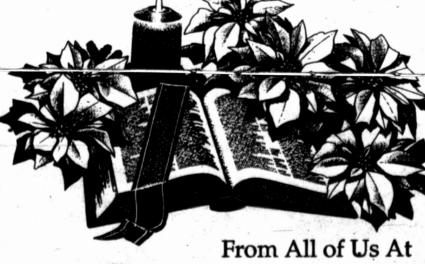
Dear Santa; Plese sind me a, bear, ring, game, dows, shos, dolls, and for people that don't have some thing plese sind them tking to. And wish them a marry Christmas. Love, Jen-







"And the angel said unto them Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manager. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace, good will toward men."



Season's Greetings To You And Your **Loved Ones**

Luke 2:10-14

Carter's Furniture

Dear Sar

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Dear Santa: I want a horse for christmas and a dirt bicke. now about comming down my chimmini this year. love, Anthony.

Dear Santa; I want a Jinnie for Christmas becouse I can have three more wishes I wish for a remokecan troll car with out the cord and a 100 million dollars and a 12 more dogs and a Dallas cowboy jarsy and I wish from some friends to and a happy Chirstmas and a cowboy jacket and a cowboys money and cowboys hillment and a lmitt Smith otograph and Ivins, troys and hoppar. Love, Curtis.

Dear Santa; How are you doing. Me I'm fine. do you know what. I want for Christmas. I want a Barbie, and a Bear and a coloring book to. and I want chalk. and I want skates to. and a jump rope, and earrings and a braslet and neckles. Love, Alice.

Dear Santa; Would you send me a real power tool shoop, a golf car, power ranger toy's recone 3 games in one pool table, sega Genises, super nintendo, 10 dollar bill, a christmass tree, a trip to Hawaii, and a nonstop school, and a football cards, new crayons, new markers, new pencils. Love, John Solis.

Dear Santa; when you bring some stuff please bring moon sheors, jeans, shirt, boots, hand held gams, aladdan, sonics, games gere, colered bike, thet whith wind slepping bag, pellow case, suit, black and white shirt and long sleves, kerplunk, don't brack the ice, wach, clue, all the mighty maces, football, roller blades, elbe paads, new pads. Love, Kristal.

Dear Santa; All I want is a game boy and a new bike, and a kite and a car, and a lunchbox for Christmas. from Donelle Boyd.

Dear Santa; I wod like a new bike for Christmas and a helthy happy Christmas. Merry Christmas, Kristi-

Dear Santa; can you bring me some skates and a cheerliging outfit with ponpoms and a real ring with diamonds and a computer with games. From Amber.

Dear Santa: I want a nintendo and a real power tool shop a eretor set and steel tex game genie and one hungeres ten millon dollers. A party and have recess every second and have fun subject like math and art. VCR and a lemmo and 1986 courtach 5.000 Quattrovalvo and lot's of friend and I wish I was the fastist kid in the world and I hope I got to heran. Love, Jerod.

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Dear Santa; please send me a bike

Dear Santa; I want a happy Christmas. Sincerely, Andy Allen.

Dear Santa; I want a bike, a 4,000,000 dollers and I wish I will win the lotty, and a cart hat is a low rider. Thanks, Jonathan.

Dear Santa: Please send me X mutarts, X-nen, Golden aX2, jarassic park, and agos powered remot contol helicopter. Merry Christmas, R.C.

Dear Santa; All I want for Christmas is a super nindendo and a Cd player. A dallas Cowboy t-shirt a singed hellnet. uiform of the Dallas Cowboys. And some sheet's of the Dallas Cowboys. Some sighned cards of the Dallas Cowboys. A hat of the Dallas Cowboys. And a Cowboy jacket. Sinceraly your, Eddie Olivas.

Dear Santa; I want a bick for Christmas and two pars of boots. I wish school was over for the rest of the year. And I ohop everyone has a merry christmas. Love, Tamara.

Dear Santa; I want a tall Baby and that tropke swiming pool and for the Barby and the hole pet shop and a doll house to and sigenetdo to and a TV with my bed room to, that avete Christmus have alot of prezt uner the

Christmus and a comter to in my room and poll tavell and a chering out fit to and save Xary to have a good meay Christmus to puss all of the oer and a bike to and ever doing briday on Christmus to. By I have to go Santa ok. Sinsly, Peggy.

MRS. ARMSTRONG'S 3rd grade Dear Santa; I wunt a cd player and cds. I wunt to be rich and fames and a segusgens. I want a mundsicl and a

cogt car. Christopher Berry.

Dear Santa; I want a baby doll that talk's and walks and bick for christmas and i want to buy my mom a present from me. and my aunt norma and my other aunt's there very nice. they all ways love me. and i like my cousin's and uncle's and i will allways love them very much. and i will buy my best teacher Mrs. Armstrong a present to and i will allways love my teacher to very much and i want to buy my cousin a santa teddy bear and a barbie for her to go give it to her. And I wish you a merry christmas to all of my mom's sisters and my cousins's and uncle's and i will allway love them all. Merry hundred pice puzzle. Pricilla Franco.

Christmas. Stephanie Dircera Dear Santa; I want a set uv wake takes, and a gena that is could it from the pet and pesis for the grils in my class. Brandon Mendoza.

Dear Santa; I will like to meet you some time. I want a ten speed and I will like a skatbowrd and I want a dog. and I will like a gold car. and I will lik skates and I will like a new football and a new tee that gose with it. Michael Ornelas.

Dear Santa; I woud like a key bord, a stuft toger and for my dog a new bown and my baby sister a doll and my mom and dad to clen ther room. Michelle J. Price.

Dear Santa; I would like two parse becase I'm his friend and I would like four moldols with one super sound raceing track for Devon. for my mom. I would like some new dresses for her because she needs new dresses. for Devon's brothers. and a golt cart and a mini motorsicle. Robert Par-

Dear Santa; I want a bike that make noise, and a romokentrol car. Romeo Villcvvell

speed for chrasmas and a new born-treer troll, big trampline, little gak splat, erings, a new soot and soks and shos, make up a white powerwell and a barbi that is pregnet and a pisher of you and the randers and your elfse and long har new chalk rings. Heather Johnson.

Dear Santa; I want a new dog, a little one, a new big bed, a new bike, a game boy. And why your at it can you bring my mom a hiar setter, and I need mackers. Amber Long.

Dear Santa; I want a bike and I want to get my mom something to. And I want a par of shoe's and a rmocoen car and a wach and some pies aroed my house. And I want my own room, And a water bed and a bath room in my room and lots and lots and lots and lots and lots and lots of toy's. and lot of motorsitck. And I want to live in machan and have lots and lots and of money. And I want to be the most riches boy in the would. and I wish I could go with santa. and I wont the most preset in the wold. and I want the most betful house in the wold and the bigis christmas her in the wold and a merry christmas. Jaime Smith.

Dear Santa; I wout a control car. And a bike. And a tramprien. And a swiming pool. And a motorcycle. And a rateya. And some close. And a reing for my mom. And a watch for my dad. And a bike for my sister.

Dear Santa; I want to have a new bike for me and my sister. I want two gameboys. See ya soon Santa. Joe Barrientes.

Dear Santa; I want a bike for Christmas and I want a doll I don't if I want a doll because my parents say that I don't play with dolls and when I play with dolls. My mom wants a ring for christmas and she wants a new blue geens and she wants a new socks and new shoes and she wants all new clothes and also her grandson too. And she loves her grandson and not my brother and she loves me too. She has a grandson that she screams at him and then I tell her not to hit him. And she buys him a lot of toys too and loves him too and she is always going to love little Menl.

Dear Santa; I want a doll that walks when you hold her hand. And I want the dimosaur that says "Mama mama". And i want a barbie that is pregnet. And a picture of you and your raindeers. I want some roller skates and earings. I want the earings that jigle and I want a christmas teddy bear. And clay. I want a chalkboard and a nice present for the boys in my class. A nice present for my friends. A boy present for 4 boys in my class. A present for 3 girls in my class and some barible clothes and a neckeless too and some carvings and some books and jacks and a play phone and a real radio and one

MRS. LOCKE'S 2nd grade

Dear Santa; I want to have a b-b gun like my twin brother Adam. I want a lot of Barbie dolls a bike for my brother batman nlack. I want some make-up and a trampoline two of them trampline's, one for my and one for him. Bye. Cynthia Munoz. Dear Santa; What am I getting for

Christmas? Am I getting a remote control car? John Solis.

Dear Santa; I want a jam box if you can aford it. I hope you don't run in to bad weather and I hope none of your reindeer gets hurt. Well, I guess There want no milk and cookes.

pleas put all of my toy's up sters and foxes Bown wheth my stuff place.

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by the rest. Toby Gray.

Dear Santa; I hope you don't run out of gas! All I want is a good Chrismas and a lot of toys. And I want to say thank you for giving me presents last year. OK Lets get to the toys. I want a barbie and a make-up set and of rollerblades for me and Albert I won't bring it to school and I love my family and please write back. Have a good night, Love, Taylor

Dear Santa; Thank you for the presents last year, expecially the trampoline. I wish I could have a four wheeler. Will it fit your sleigh? Dear Santa; Santa, I like Christ-

Dear Santa: I would like a bike for Christmas. I also want a game. And a remote control car and a robot.

Johnny Viera. Dear Santa; I want a gun for christmas. Can I see one of your elves? Can I have a Baby All-Gone too? Have a meery christmas and a Happy new year. We do not have a chimney. Laura Smith.

Dear Santa; How are you? Can you say hi to your elves and Rudolph for me? I have been a good little girl. Can you bring me a TV because my mom wishes that you can bring me & TV. Natalie Hernandez.

Dear Santa: I like the reindeer. I like the elves. I like the sled. Please bring me a Godzilla. Tony Arguello.

Dear Santa; How is Rudolph and your elves? I want a baby All-Gone. and a yo-yo. Please tell me what it is like there and I want a gun that squirts water. I hope you are happy. Stephanie Frisby.

Dear Santa: Please bring my little sister toys. And clothes. Please bring me clothe, shoes, skates, and jewlrey. I hope you and the reindeer can get through the weather on Christmas night. Erica Stewart.

Dear Santa; Thank you for the things you brought me last year. I was surprised that you brought me a popcorn maker last year. What are you going to bring me this year. How was your weather last year? Did it snow or rain? Was it cold out there? Are you going to my house? If you are I won't be there. I'll be at my Grandma's house for Christmas. Amy

Myname is Rachel. I want roller blades for Christmas and maybe that big hollywood barbi. Ive already called you on the phone but we have to write to you at school. Rachel Masuain. Dear Santa; Thank you for the toys. want a remote control car for

Dear Santa: How are you doing?

Christmas. And how is your weather? And have a merry christmas. David Rodiquez. Dear Santa; Will you bring me a remote control car? I have been good

this year and I love my family. Will you give me a game? Clay Faulkner. Dear Santa; I want you to bring me a pair of roller skates. I like you, Santa. Please santa can you bring a

wind suit to wear size 12. I have to

go Santa. I love you, Santa. Lanae Dear Santa: Please bring me a bike and a football and a nintendo and a cat and a jacket and dog. Ruben

Dear Santa; My name is Nick. And I have been a good boy. I want to see you and your reindeer, but I do not have a chimney. I will tell you what I want. I want a football. Nicholas

Dear Santa; How are you? Can you say hi to your elves? Could you give me a present? I like you. Can I also have a bike? Brandon Jaramillo.

Dear Santa; I am glad it is December because you ride with all your reindeer Are you glad it's December? Santa, I want a present. Just 3 mas. I want a trampoline and I want a per baby hamster: Or two baby

BROWNIE TROOP #286C

Dear Santa; For Christmas I want a bike, a car- Maxima, lots of money, jewelry, clothing (including) shirts, socks, pants-jeans, shoes (nike), clowns (cause I collect them), stereo (double deck). Lisa.

Dear Santa; I whas a good little browney. Do you now what what I

what a house good strong house I whan it to be black house I what a 2 bous a girl and boy I what roler blas. Lindsey Schoeppner.

Dear Santa; Hi this is Sara I want a teddy bear and that all. Sara.

Dear Santa; I want a hat and druther bumper car. Casey. Dear Santa; I wat a doll hows and

a staft toy. Rowdaf the red nose You're friend, Tamara Stanhape. randir. Arielle. Dear Santa; I have ben a good girl. I what a bike and a horse for Christ-

mas and a skates. Katrina Flores. Dear Santa: I wan beaufu and the beast game, a laddin book, aladdin game, bike, picture of adaddin. Amy Pineda

Dear Santa; I want same roller dlades. And I want a computer and a thank's all I went but I wish you a merry christmas. Zadina.

Dear Santa; bike and skates 2 and a pict and kite big. Patsy Franco. Dear Santa; I want a bike and a

box of play dough and some toys thats all. Love, Jennifer H. Dear Santa: I want for Christmas is a tube for my bike new shoews and

skates. Lacey Chavrria. Dear Santa; I love you Santa I hope you have a merry christmas. Amanda

COLLEGE HEIGHTS

MRS. ADAMS' 3rd grade

Dear Santa; I want a bear and a ten speed. I wan a pair of clothes and socks. Santa, how are you doing? How is Ms. Claus and the reindeer? I wonder if you get cold? Do you have fleas in your beard? Do you give the fleas for presents to your reindeer? Do you ever sleep? D you ever shave your bard? Does your nose freze? One more thaing, can you bring me a barbie and a kitten? If you have time a fish also. My other one died. Five thousand dollars. I really don't won't a lot. You frird. Beha Stallings.

Dear Santa; I want to know how you are doing? I want clothes for winter and summer, toys, a new house, and new friends. I want a new jacket. I want a boll house for my doll's and a dog house for my dog. I want \$1,500 dollers. Pamela Marquez Castaneda.

Dear Santa; I want a thousand dollar bill, the little mermaid jewelry doll, and a limosene with everything in it. I will also want a Sega Genisis. I will **send** you money, and I will send Mrs. Claus and the reindeers presents. Also, I want jewelry, a lot of candy, my own phone, my own TV, my own office, my own keyboard, my own store, a lot of toys, my own swimming pool, and my own Aladdin Castle so I can play all the games. I will leave out the milk and cookies

Dear Santa; How are you doing? I am doing fine here. I would like a five speed. I have been wanting it for years and years. I want to be with my family. I want my aunt and uncle to come down. My brothers want a gold car. I want a three wheeler. I want a Sega Genesis to my self. I want a teelevision to myself. I would like a room to my sef also, I would like all these toy's to myself. Thank you Ashley Smith.

out for you. Thank you. Eve Tobar.

Dear Santa; I wan't to know if you're wife is feelingwell. I also wan't to know if you are feeling good. If you're n ok, I hope you get well soon. Santa I want to know how do you et in? I want a McDonald's snack thing an easy to do button an a wreath, an a star pillow. What I really want is fore my whole family to be toghether.

Dear Santa: How are you doing? I'm not asking for much. All I want is a Super Nintendo, games, and skates I also want more. Like a barbie swimming pool, \$1,000. Big swimming pool for me, a board that changes in to lots of stuff to play. One more thing, I also want my family to be together. Oh! and for mom to win the lotto! If you don't have the Alladin movie sting barde and car money, I'll ask next year bye. See you soon, Krystal Nechole DeLeon

Dear Santa; I want a bebe gun, a ten speed bike, my own swimming pool, a tv, a vcr, and a car. I also want a suitcase full of money, a candy bar, and a skate board. I really want the car the most, and a big bag of toys with the candy bar box and roller skates. Mark Hernandez.

Dear Santa; How are you? I'm fine! How cold is it up there? I'v always wondered! What I want for Christmas is a peaceful earth. There is always too much violence!! I would also like some fish. I have the fish tank all get the food! Please! Can I have the fish? Haven't I been good enough? I'm desperate! Please! Are you ageless? I'm not. Sincerely, Catherine Pearce.

Dear Santa; I want a real turtle, a rudolph, and a happy Christmas. I want to get off the medication. You are my favorite guy Santa. How are you? I want a bag full of toy and a super nintendo with games. Your friend, Adam Cobos.

Dear Santa; I want a super nintendo and 18 games with it. Oh, I also want 1,0000 dollars. Santa, if you think thats a lot, then just give me the money. Merry Christmas! Your friend, Good by, Miguel Banda.

Dear Santa; I want my family to be together on Christmas day, and not for my dad, brother, and step brother to have to go to work. My dad needs a new pickup. My mom need new glasses. My sister needs baby clothes. I want a doll. I want a stereo and especially a new little brother. I want a tv. I want a bake set, I want a bag full of toys. I want a candy cane. want lots and lots and lots of money. Thank you Santa. I will leave out milk and cookies. Be careful. Love, Stacey Speer.

Dear Santa; All I want for Christmas is a X-men movie. Please bring me a Sega. How are you doing old Saint Nick? I hope you do okay on Christmas Eve. It might snow. We might have the fireplace on so, don't fall or your bottom will burn yourself. Merry Christmas Santa. John

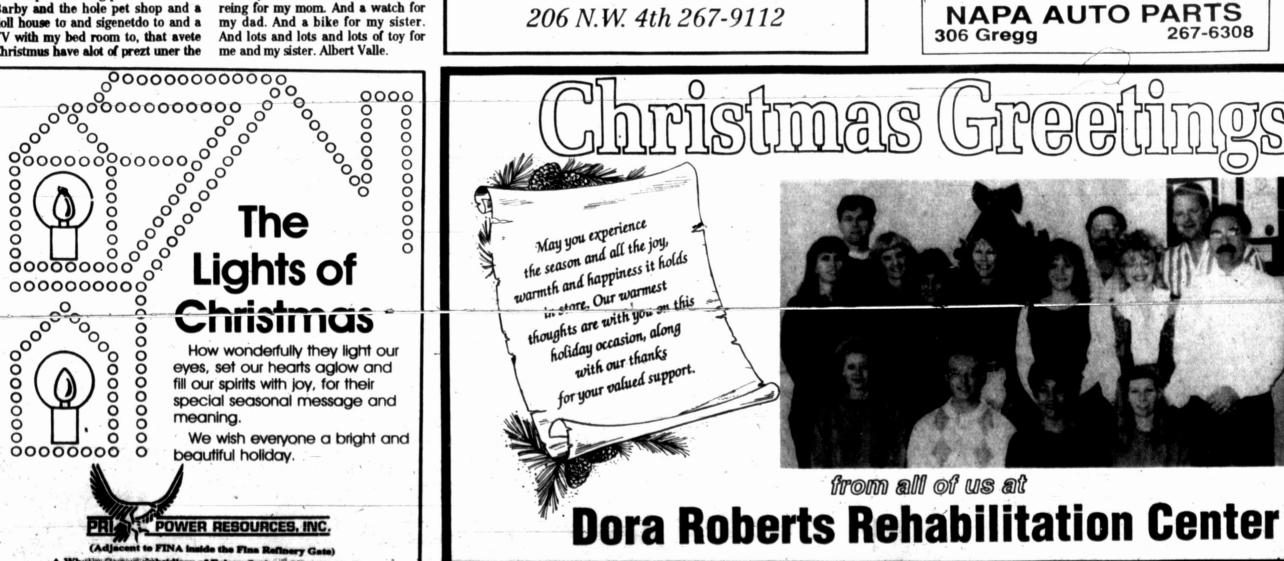
Dear Santa; How are you Santa Claus? How are your reindeer? I want a bike and a skate board. That is all I want. So, have a good flight to the North Pole. Dont forget, I'll want more next year. I want a computer, a camera, and a nintendo. Most of all, I want money. Keith Gamble.

Warm Wishes

Happy New Year!

from your friends at







Letters to Santa **Continued**

Dear Santa; Santa, how are you doing? I want a jam box. I want a vcr in my room. I want a million books. I want some money and a bike. I want a lot of Christmas clothes. I want a lot of summer clothes. I would a also like a mansion too, my own million dollers, and a super nintendo. Amanda Contreras.

Dear Santa: How are you doing Santa? Santa, I wonder if you can can give me a bunch of stuff this year. Here's a list of things I want. I want a bb gun. I want a mountain bike. I want a pogo stick. I also want a million dollars, and a new box for school, and new pencils. Thank you, Gary Austin.

Dear Santa; I want a bike for Christmas. I hope you are doing fine. Are you doing fine? Are your elves doing ok? I am going to put some cokies and milk for you to eat and drink. Donna Payne

Dear Santa; I want a new game boygame, a walkman with some tapes, money, lots and lots of books, and a German Dictionary. How are you doing? Please bring me what I want. Joshua Barnett.

Dear Santa; I want a bike, a sega, and a remote contool car. I want \$100,000 dollars. Are you ok? Thank you, Raymond Castillo.

Dear Santa; I want a bike and a skateboard for Christmas. I really want a sega for Chrstmas. You are really nice, and I will want to see you. Your beard is big and white. Will you get my sister somthing for Christmas? It is going to be fun this week. I am going to stay up to see you. When it snows, I am going to make a snowman and find a red hat just like yours. Matt Fowler.

Dear Santa; I want clothes for Christmas, I want a little game boy, I want a little car. I want a sega. I want a nintendo for Christmas. Thank you, Justin Rawls.

Dear Santa; I want a bike. I want a football. I want a bear. I want a game boy. I want money. I want a book. I want a move. P.S. I will leave cookies and milk on the table. Goodbye,

Dear Santa; I want a bike. I also want a stereo, a dog, and some other toys. Thank you, Terrell Jackman. MOSS ELEMENTARY

Dear Santa: I want a motorsike and an out law. I want a sega genisis and motar cross game. Love, Jarrod.

Dear Santa; Do you think you can get me a magic eight ball? I saw it like a bike and a tape and a mortal before at a store. Can you also get combat. Sincerely, Lorenzo me a Barbie? I hope I like it. Do you think you can come to my house like like a Rudolf Easybake oven. Sinlast year? I might leave you some cookies and milk! First think I woke up I will go to the living room. If I don't see presents, I will go to my Lucero. grandmas house. I hop you, Mrs Santa, Rudolf and the other reindeer have a Merry Merry Christmas and a Gina Happy New Year! Love, Jacquelyn Bowen.

Dear Santa; I want a bunch of cars. Love, Duncan.

Dear Santa; I hope you are ok I want my family to get a presents and I want a bike, Barbie jeep Barbie car, Barie shoes, Barbie clothes and my size Barbie. Love, Crystal. Dear Santa; I like Ms. Santa, She is

nice and pretty I love Santa, you're elfs work all the time. and tell Rudolf I like his nose. Love, Andreana.

Dear Santa; I want a madrey flexer and a scootee also. A girl rabbit and a dog. Also a skate board and models a toy bull dozzer I wish you and Mrs. Santa and the elves and the reindeer and and Rudolph a Merry Chrstmas. Love, Zach.

Dear Santa; I want a sega and a bike. And I want a new bungee card. And I want a three wheeler. And a hand held street fighter II. Love, Vance.

Dear Santa; I love you and I want to see you and do you have a wife and I want a good toy for me and I been a good boy and my brother been good to and I want a super nintendo and my little brother wants a toy and my other brother want a new sister and I want a new brother. Love, Jonathan.

Dear Santa; I want a motorcycle super nintendo and sega gensis and a game boy and a hand held street. fighter II game. Love, Raymond.

Dear Santa; First can I tell you the Christmas presents I wan game boy, shoes and I want a room buy myself. I love you santa and \$100. Love, Lakenya Green.

Dear Santa; Why do you have elves? What do you do when you are finished with the presents? Santa do you have a son? Santa Why do you eat cookies? I wish you could come and see me. I want a supernintendo. Love, Marcus.

Dear Santa; I want a sega gensis and a little baby sister. Why do you hav such a beautiful house? Love,

Dear Santa; I wish I'll get a bike from you and allso I wish my family get stuff too and I will give you some cookies and some milk on the fireplace and I wish you have a Merry Cristmas and I wish you could bring me a radio. Love, Randi Carson.

Dear Santa; I want roller blades. And I want a computer too. I want a glitter pen. I want to be on the honor roll. I wish yiou a Merry Christmas.

Dear Santa; I would like a helacopter that's run by gas and game gear and super all stars, and Dr. hock as in a bike and \$6 in the 3rd stocking. Love, Ryan.

Dear Santa; i hope you come to my ouse and leave me some presents I am going to wait for you Santa I hope I see your reindeer here are the things I want bike bebe gun gak Love, Michael.

Dear Santa; Can I please have a steelers football suit and a dolphin football suit and a motorcyc. Merry

Christmast Love, Travis Van Wey. Dear Santa; I would bring a letter to santa claus. I want a socoer ball.

Dear Santa; I wish I had a bike. I wish you came too see me. I like you. Thank you. Love, Rachel.

Dear Santa; I want peace on earth and every one to get what they want and a happy new year. PS. Is it cold where you live? Love, Lauren Chesworth.

Dear Santa: How are you? I would Dear Santa: How are you? I would

cerely, Kaye.

Dear Santa; How are you? I would like a barbie doll. sincerely Jennifer

Dear Santa; How are you? rein-deers I would liek a tether. Sincerely,

Dear Santa; How are you? I would like a Easy bake oven and how are reindeers and how are Rudlof. Randi. Dear Santa; How are you? would like a bike. Priscilla.

Dear Santa; How are you? I wold like a bat m. Zack. Dear Santa; How are you? I

wowuld like a batman. Ray. Dear Santa; How are you? I would

like a bike. Cody sincerely. Dear Santa; How are you? I wowld like a bike Sincerely, Jose.

Dear Santa; How are you? I would like a bike. Ashley.

Dear Santa; I like to get Mrs. Warrens a cup How or you? I would like a bike. Sincerely, Misty.

Dear Santa; How are you and rudolf? I would like a bike. Sincerely,

Darnice. Dear Santa; How are you? I would like a Barbie doll. Kassey.

Dear Santa, How are you? I would like a bike. Santa. Sincerely, Tony. Dear Santa; How are you? I would

like a mortnlcomgat. Sincely Ruston. Dear Santa; How are you? and Rudolf I would like a motorcycle. Sin-

cerely, Dennis, Dear Santa; How are you? I would like a bike. sincerely, reideers.

Dear Santa; How are you? I would like a ninetendo tape. sincerely, Dustin

Dear Santa; How are you? I would like a barbie doll, and a bike and a nintendo tape. Sincerely, Jennifer

Dear Santa, How are you? I would like a motorcycle saga. sincerely,

MRS. SWINNEY'S 1st grade

Dear Santa: I've been a good girl. For Christmas I would like a waterbaby, a dollhouse, and the game of eat it. I am doing good in school. I like Mrs. Swinney. I love Christmas. I love my mom and dad. Love, Lisa.

Dear Santa; I've been a good boy this year. I want a power tool shop, a game called crossfire, rollerblades, a bike that I saw in the catalog, and a saga. I also want a game called creepy crawlers, and some power ranger suits. I love Mrs. Swinney. I love Christmas too. I will leave chocolate chip cookies and a glass of milk for you. Love, Brandon.

Dear Santa; I have been a good boy. For Christmas I would like to have a toy Batman, an Aladdin, a ninja turtle, and a little dog. Please bring some things for Corinna and Tohonito. Love, Randy.

Dear Santa; I have been a good girl. I want roller blades, pet shop, a puppy, a dollhouse, some skates, and a bike. I also want some shoes, socks, pants, and shirts. Love, Maria Elena.

Dear Santa; I have been a good girl. I want the pet shop, some skates, and a waterbaby for Christmas. Please bring some stuff for my sister Stephanie. Love, Heather.

Dear Santa, I have been a good boy. Please can you bring me a 6X6 car, roller blades, and Home Alone 2 for my gameboy. I will leave you cookies and milk. Love, AJ.

Dear Santa: I have been a good boy. For Christmas I want some rollerblades, a nintendo, and tapes to go with it. I hope you can find my house, okay? Love, Carlos.

Dear Santa; I have tried to be a good boy. For Christmas I would like a nintendo and a gameboy. Don't forget my brother wants some toys too. I will leave you some cookies. Love, Dear Santa; I want a dollhouse and

a bike for Chirstmas. I've been a good girl this year. I would also like to have some skates. I want a pet shop, a puppy, some pants, some socks and shoes. Love, Keyoka.

Dear Santa; I've been a good girl. I want a my size Barbie, a dollhouse, and a waterbaby. I will have cookies and a glass of milk for you. Lu.,

Dear Santa; I've tried to be a good crossfire and the game of Sorry. I also want some rollerblades. I love Christmas Love, Andy.

Dear Santa; I love Christmas. I've

been a good boy. Please bring me a 6X6 car, a puppy, a bb gun, and a bike. I love my mom anbd dad and they love me. Have a good Christmas. Love, Matthew.

Dear Santa; I have been a good girl. I want a puppy for Christmas. I also want a waterbaby and a Barbie. Have a nice Christmas. Love, Jessica.

Dear Santa; I have been a good boy. I want a bike for Christmas. I also want a video game and rollerblades. My sister wants a dollhouse. We will have chocolate chip cookies and milk. Love, Chris.

Dear Santa; I love Christmas. I would like a suzuki bike, a bb gun, and a sega game gear. I also want a sing-a-lodian. Don't forget my broth-

er Chris. Love, Cody. Dear Santa; I've been a good girl. I would like a Barbie folding funhouse and a waterbaby. Could I have a beel from your sleigh? I will have cookies, milk and a candy cane for you. Love,

Heather Wood. Dear Santa; I have been a good sister. I want a waterbaby, a bike, a Barbie and a book about numbers. Plase bring some things for my sister

and brothers. Love, Chandra.

Dear Santa; I have been a good girl. I want a dollhouse, a bike, and skates. Please bring something for Toni and Nathan. I will have you two graham crackers. Love, Jamie Jo.

Dear Santa; I have been a good girl. I want a Barbie doll and clothes for it. I want clothes for me too and a dog that walks. My sister wants a necklace. My mom wnats a ring. My dad wants a Jesus necklace. Love,

Dear Santa: I have been a good girl. I would like rollerblades and a my size Barbie. I will leave you some milk and cookies. Love, Melanie.

MARCY ELEMENTARY

MRS. MEYER'S CLASS Dear Santa; How is Rudolph? I want some rolrblades. My mom wants a new coat. My bruther want a robot. Do you rele have kids? Love. Joey Lloyd.

Dear Santa; I want a wood dog. Love, Nicholas McMahon. Dear Santa: How iz Rudodolph?

Dear Santa I want drt bike close. Love, Jettley Walker. Dear Santa; How is Mrs. Santa Clu-

oes? How can you sliad dawn the chimney? Santa Cluoes how woud you like some cookies? I want a Saga CD. Love, Melissa Sayers. Dear Santa; How do you get toys?

Ples can I have a ten foot barbe? Ples can I have a pupy Ples can I have a Jasmin? Love, April Tatad.

Dear Santa: Would vou liek sum cookies and sum milk? I want 2 three fut brbees for mie sistr. Love, Matthew Islas.

Dear Santa; I love toys, reindeer, hrudolph, snow cookies, iua ngtr d bicmomre. Love, Randy Hernandez.

Dear Santa; I like reindeer, Rudolph, and jolly cookies. You are nice. Woud you tri to giv me a saega CD please? One thenge, cood you giv my sister a skirt? Are your elves

havng fun? Love, Raul Marquez. Dear Santa; Haw is Mrs. Santa? Is she Happy? I wod like rollrskas. Wod you ples get me a pupy? How is Rudolph? I wod like a toy. Rudolph. Love, Joshua Burnett.

Dear Santa; Wud you like sum cookies and milk? How is Rudolph I wont I a fut Barbee. I want you to bring a ring like Mrs. Meyer fur my mem. My brothr wants a ras car. Love, Krystal Thomson.

Dear Santa; I want a Sega CD How is Rudolph and the Elvis? I love Denver H. Michael H.

MRS. WALLACE'S 1st grade Dear Santa; I love you Santa Claus I'll lev cookees and hot chaclit. I wunt

ou to bring Mi sis Barby Dol. Love, Cassandra Will Dear Santa Claus; I wout wat ninia stors, 2 gocats, 2 jep gocots. Love,

ance, Murphy. Dear Santa; Wood leave a parwell and a sisr i was leave you cookies.

Love, Jennifer Wells. Dear Santa; Merry Christmas! I wot a bribe I lov you, Emiliy Alvarez.

Dear Santa; I love Santa. I wnt a remot cntrol cr and a gep. I wnt a cap gun and mi brutr wnts a gop. I wnt culrs, glu, tape. Mi brutr wnts a cap gun. Love, Chris Salazar.

Dear Santa; I lov you. I want sm toys for Christmas. I want a klub,

plan and truk. I want ot see yu at nit fli Santa Claus is watching you. Love, Manuel Esca Millia.

Dear Santa; I been a green lit boy I want 5 present, Nokout, cinderella tap, bic, bat mobil, Aladndl. Lov. Malachi Clark.

Dear Santa; I what 100 toys. Wood you breing me a seag genns and a sonk the hch hog? Love, Tony Cam-

Dear Santa; I want a niw bike. Love, Jonathon Smalley. Dear Santa; I wus a green lit kid.

Merry Christmas Santo. Love, Vanes-

Dear Santa; Doo you lov me? Merry Christmas Santa. Love, Derrick BoMills

Dear Santa; I want a jepe and a bike and a neu pet pup. and a Happy Christmas. P.S. I wood lev a present Do you love me? If you have some munee brege it. Love, Richard Ornelas.

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Dear Santa; Thank you for the preset. and that is good that gesus isbourn. Love, Joshua Valenzuela.

Dear Santa; I will leave you a present. And the boys and girls have ben good. Thank you for the toys last Christmas. Love, Mandy Hughes.

Dear Santa; I want a bike mi but hrs mit want biks mi sistr mit want Bornee. Luv, Michael Soto.

Dear Santa; I will lic a present for christmas win you cum at nit on a slad. I leave cookies at nit. Love, Ashley Gonzales.

Dear Santa; I wt you to bregm 10 prezis beg and the raders. P.S. I ben a green lit girt. I wood lev you sam cookies. I wot Brbe and Big ti De Br. Frum, Andrea Hilirio.

MRS. McGRIEVY'S class

Dear Santa; I would like a took famlei dool house. and a 3 fett brbei. and a brbei car. and a baby uo gon. and a baby gigols and a brbei's. and a Brbei fold fun house. and a dool. and a bike. and a gameo and a puzl. and a book. and a vitey. Love, Felicia.

Dear Santa; I want a 3 fet Borbe. and a Borbe car. and a book, and a pair ov shoos. and a baby uogon. and a baby gigl. and a Borbe flden fun hauos. and a candl. and a game. and a doll and a puzl. and a bike. Love,

Dear Santa; I wish for a 6 whler. and a stktbord and a motorcycle bike. Love, Marcus.

Dear Santa; I want a litl pupe ad a litl dog holsae. Love, Chris. Dear Santa; I would like an X-mn. car, dinosaur, deer, hen, Love,

Miguel. Dear Santa; I want a pop up car.

Love, Bryce. Dear Santa; I would like a bow and erow and a ball. Love, Matt.

Dear Santa; I want some clothes and taes. Love, Brandie. Dear Santa; I want a Brbei car.

Love from Toni. Dear Santa; I would like a brbe caruvet and a brbe foldn fun hous. and a baby piolsandpo. and a new

Dear Santa; I want a Brb car. Please breng me a drss. Love, Susie. Dear Santa; I want prasants. Please breng me a tadde bar and a car. Love, Abel.

Dear Santa; Please bring me a bike, car, airplane and a helicopter. Love, Jessica.

MRS. COOK'S 1st grade

bike, Luve, Liza,

Dear St. Nick, I want a Hugges Surprise bike I want a baby brother and the game that you can pool a tooth and for my sister bring her a convertiable For my dad I wont a little golfball that can go down snw. Love, Veronica.

Dear Santa; Please get me a doll for crismis and sum earrings tow,

and boox. Please git my dad for me. Please get my mom a duzzin earrings. Please get my step dad a tool box. Please git my sister a dawmashon. and pleas git my brother pleas git my baby a radol. Love,

Dear Sant; I want a bike and a wageing. Love, James.

Dear Santa; I want a, doll, clay, and a baby. Please. Love, Leslie.

Dear Santa; I want a doll hows and trole Barby and a rowdaf the red nose randir. Please. Your friend,

Dear Santa; I want a race car set. Please will you bring me one. Your friend, Ryan.

Dear Santa; I want a doll please bring me a doll and a dog. Love,

Dear Santa; I woaunt a yoyo, an ball, I woaut crayons an bus. My friend Lee, he woauts a bilck. Bye,

Dear Santa; I want a yo-yo and twins and clay a paint set and truk and a car. Love, Matt.

Dear Santa; Will you please bring me a toy ship, a doll, a jumprope, a paint set, a puppet, a puzzle, a yo-yo, a ball, same clay, computer games, and a game or two. Will you please

bring them? Love, Lindsey. Dear Santa; I want a bike and for my sister and me sum kittens. Love,

Dear Santa; I want my dad bac. I want dog. I want computer games. I want board games. Love you, Neomi.

Dear Santa; I want a yoyo. I want a paint set. I want a jump rope. I want a ball. I want a puppet. I want a tools motorcle. Love, Daniel.

Dear Santa; I want my brother's, and I want my mom and dad, and I want a ball, doll, a bike, badualive, and \$100 \$102 19 cent and a yo-yo Please will you? Love you, Jadreya. Dear Santa; I want a doll please will you bring me a doll. Love,

Andrew. Dear Santa; I want a toy train and I want a toy computer games. and miy mom want a car. Lov, Aaron.

Dear Santa; Can you pleas bring me a unukorn that flies a rad? Love, Kandis.

Dear Santa; I have been good this year. Here is what I would like: bear, boots, bike. Thank you, Love, Sara

MRS. RAGLE'S 1st grade

Wilson. Dear Santa; I have been goom this year. Here is what I would like: glode, boll, bus. Love, Jeremy. Dear Santa; I have been good this

year. here is what I would like: reindeer, belt, videogames. Thank you. Love, Tarafe Novern. Dear Santa; I have been good this

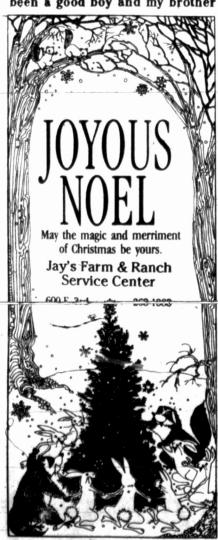
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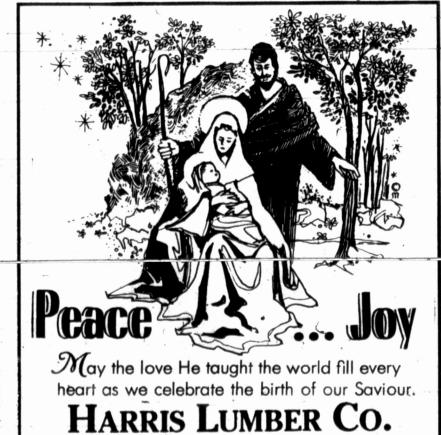
cats, bats. Thank you. Wesmlieke

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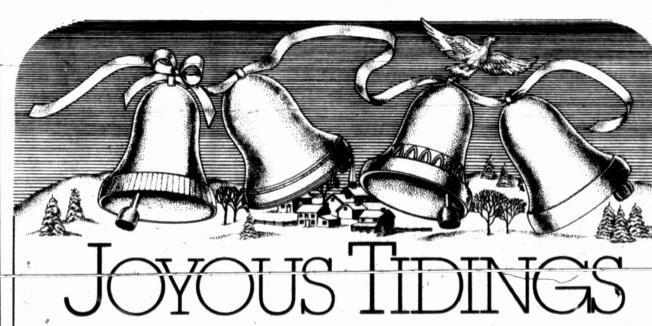
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As the Yuletide bells resound, joy and laughter all around, Filling every heart and home with merriment and cheer. What better time for us to say, "Thanks to you in every way. May this Christmas holiday be the start of a great year."

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Carbona. Dear Santa; I

year. Here is wh dolly (bottle), s Love, Cecily Loya Dear Santa; I year. Here is wa

cat, dog, Love, Vo Dear Santa; I year. Here is wh candy canes, r Thank love you! | Dear Santa; I vear. Here is v

horse, dog, b Danelle. Dear Santa; I year. Here is wh bear, barbie dol Angel Bledsoe.

Dear Santa; I] year. Here is wh dog, boots, Thank Olivio. Dear Santa; Il year. Here is wha

puter, nintendo, Love, Gina Yanez Dear Santa; I l year. Here is wha tendo, guitar, c Love, Jose Brito. Dear Santa; I h

year. Here is wha bike, ball. Than Grices. Dear Santa; I h year I would like: Thank you, Love, Dear Santa; I h

year. Here is wha sega, computer. Ben Ward. Dear Santa; I h year. Here is wha games, radio, ra love Johnny Borer MARCY ELEMENT

Ms. Stone's class

Dear Stana Cla good girl this ye barbie car. And a a easy baker for leave some cook mike on the talbe Merry Christma LaCyndra Parker. Dear Santa Cla good girl this ye

scooteer and a su sega. I will leave milk for you. Men friend, Andrea Am Dear Santa Cla good boy this yes

tendo and a new Merry Christmas. Galvan. Dear Santa; I ha this year. I would I do and a bike for c leave some cookies on the mantel for

mas. Your friend, J

Dear Santa Clai good girl this yes now bike. I would would also like a Christmas. Your Guzzo. Dear Santa Clas good boy This year

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good girl. I would a necklace. Merry friend, Rosemary A Dear Santa Clau good girl this year.

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e and a year. Her is what I would like: bike, oll, clay, present, frosty. Thank you, Michael die. Carbona ows and

Dear Santa; I have been good this year. Here is what I would like: bike, dolly (bottle), sandles. Thank you, Love, Cecily Loya.

Dear Santa; I have been good this year. Here is want I want: bear, rout cat, dog, Love, Venesa

Dear Santa; I have been good this year. Here is what I would like: cat, candy canes, romote control car. Thank love you! Randy Yanez.

Dear Santa; I have been good this year. Here is what I would like: horse, dog, baby, Thank Love Danelle Dear Santa: I have been good this

year. Here is what I would like: dog, bear, barbie doll. Thank you. Love, Angel Bledsoe.

Dear Santa; I have been good this year. Here is what I would like, biki, dog, boots, Thank you! Love, Jennifer Olivio.

Dear Santa; I have been good this year. Here is what I would like: computer, nintendo, Barbie. Thank you! Love, Gina Yanez.

Dear Santa; I have been good this year. Here is what I would like: Nintendo, guitar, drum. Thank you! Love, Jose Brito.

Dear Santa; I have been good this year. Here is what I would like: Sega, bike, ball. Thank you. Love, Josh

Dear Santa; I have been good this year I would like: bike, boors, horse. Thank you, Love, Jenna Mathis. Dear Santa; I have been good this

year. Here is what I would like: bike, sega, computer. Thank you! Love. Ben Ward.

Dear Santa; I have been good this year. Here is what I would like: vido games, radio, rason. Thank you, love Johnny Boren.

MARCY ELEMENTARY Ms. Stone's class

Dear Stana Claus, I have been a good girl this year. I would like a barbie car. And a 10 speed bike and a easy baker for christman. We will leave some cookies and a gass of mike on the talbe by the tv for you. Merry Christmas. Your friend, LaCyndra Parker.

Dear Santa Claus, I have been a good girl this year. I would like a scooteer and a super nintendo and a sega. I will leave some cookies and

iriend. Andrea Amara. Dear Santa Claus; I have been a good boy this year. I would like a good girl this year. I would like a litstereo this year, and a super nontendo and a new car wen I gow up. Merry Christmas. Your friend, Ricky

Galvan. Dear Santa: I have been a good boy

Dear Santa Claus; I have been a good girl this year. I would like a now bike. I would like a now dog. I would also like a now bed. Merry

Christmas. Your friend, Michelle Guzzo. Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good boy This year I wold like a new super nintendo for Christmas. And I would like a bike for Chritmas. And I

would like a new ten speed bicycle. Merry Christmas. Your friend, Hector Castenda. Dear Santa Claus, I have been a

good girl. I would a Barbie. I would a necklace. Merry Christmas. Your friend, Rosemary Alvarez.

Dear Santa Claus; I have been a good girl this year. I would like a new

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Dear Santa; I have been good this bike for Christman. I would also like a Christmas Barbie. And a cross necklace. We will leave a plate of cookies and some milk for you. Merry Christmas. Your friend, Krystal

> Dear Santa Claus; I have been a good girl. this year I would like a new house for Christmas. I'll like a new tv. I will like a new super NES nintendo. I will live you some cookies and milk. Marry Christmas. Your

friend, Bertha Olivas. Dear Santa Claus; I have been a good boy this year. I would what a superman for Christmas. I would also like a toy gun. We will have milk and 5 cookies on the table. Have a Merry Chrismas! Your friend, Vincente Flo-

Dear Santa Claus; You now what I want for Christmas is a bike and the set for car and a bxig. Merry Christ-mas. Your friend, Edward Gallardo. Dear Santa Claus; I have been a

good boy this year. I want a roldial control monster truch that has real sounds also colthes welle that start sup and a tran set. Merry Christmas. Your friend, Ken D Luna

Dear Santa; I ben a good girl this year. I wood like a cat, and a dog, a doll. I am going to leave you some cookies on top of the chimney. Merry Christmas. You friend, Kristie Avalos.

Dear Santa Claus; I have been a good boy this year. I would like a supper nintendo and sega genesis and a monster truck. We will leave some cocklit cip cookies for you. Merry Christmasn. Your friend, Will Kington.

Dear Santa Claus; I would like a bike for christmas. And I would like a big toy elephant and a car and a tv. terry Christmas. Your friend, Timothy Overton.

Dear Santa Claus; I have been a good girl this year. I will like a Barbie oll for christmas. And i will like bike for christmas. And a baer whth bells. lerry Christmas. Your friend, Veronica Rodriguez.

Dear Santa Claus; I want a Barbie boll. I want a boll, and I want a doll. and I have some milk and cookies. Have Merry Christmas! Your friend, Beatrice Gomez.

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good girl thes year. I would like a new barbie f christmas. I would like a new necklace and a new golden ring We well feave some cookies eggnog on the chemne for you. Merry milk for you. Merry Christmas. Your Christmas. Your friend, Arlie Terese

Dear Santa Claus; I have been a the baby dell for Christmas. I would also like a bike. I would also like a new barbie for Christmas. I wil leave you some cookies and some candy on the table for you. Merry Christmas.

this year. I would like a super nintendo and a bike for christmas and I will leave some cookies and some eggnog on the mantel for you. Merry Christmas. Your friend, Jeff Delossantos.

Your friend, Terrie Petty.

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good boy. This year. I would also like a sega genesis and a surfing board and a skates. we will leave some cookies and eggnog on the mantel for you. Merry Christmas. Your friend,

Dear Santa Claus; I have been a good boy this year. I wood like a new super nitendo for christmas. and a football and a truck and eggnog on the mantel for you. Merry Christmas. Your friend, Matthew Franks.

MRS. SANDERS 3rd grade

Dear Santa, I could wish for any thing in the world I would wish for my mommy and my brother to get well and I want just are gift I wank just ane pair of clip on earings and help the sick people get well. And help the porr, but most of all I would like for my mommy and my brother to get well. Thank you Santa, Krystle

Dear Santa: I would like a spuer NES game. And I would like my brothers to have a new bed. I would have my mom qut her job, I would like a 6X6 remote coatro car. For my dad he would get a big gift. For you little brother he would get a new colther. Eric Sancez.

Dear Santa; I and my sister wish for Christmas I wish for a 6X6 truck, cars, roller sankes, ice sankes, sankesborads, cat. books, bulldogs, rattlsnake, tramplyn, fishs, goldfish, 6X6. John Garcia.

Dear Santa; I want a bom box. and a mom ring for my mom of how much she has brougth me, and i want some boots of christmas bad very bad i want them so much i want. Chasiti McDaniel.

Dear Santa; I want is nerf borin arrow and close bb gun and pice in the world nobody finting aganst ever gody. Jesse Martinez.

Dear Santa: I want roller bodes and a million dollars a lot of candy and a go-cart remote control car and a remote control airplane. Nathan

Dear Santa; I have some thing I want frist I want you to get my sister's somethings and my mother some thing to my little sister a baby, all gone baby doll and my sister Ashown pone and my own bed room set. Melissa Gonzales.

Dear Santa; I want a bike, sister, brother, candy, ice cream, grandfarther, grandma, dady, mom, uncle, car, bed, home, I dan't want a chismas. Robert Litke.

Dear Santa; For Christmas I want a Bairbe car for my cousin her name is Vanssa and a gliter bech Barley for my sister for Christmas I want a segu genese. Jennifer Martinez.

Dear Santa; For Christmas I want a baby giggle's troll and a santa troll a big one. And for my mom I want a a sword and a knife. Love, Jared. big watch. And for my sister I want a sega. And all the homeless peeple to come to our classroom so that we have food and a home. And my coisen's to get what they want beast. I hope my aunts and uncles get what they want. For my Granny I want some villeges for her. For my Granma and Granpa I want a coffe pot. Kassandra Cantu.

Dear Santa; You give everyone gives, and give the poor people food sick boll and a boll that walks in a walker. you give the poor people money and clothes. And a home. and give them a christmas tree tree. you are a good Santa. I have ben good every day santa. How is Mrs. Clause Get my sister a bady cradle for my Nefee Markus, and a tramplayn for y Hernandez.

Dear Santa; I want the pece in the erth and the homlis to get rich, and I want the hol colecchon of x-men, and my mom and dad a new car and truck. Joe FLores.

Dear Santa; I woot a big dog for Robert and for me and for brother. I woot a bebe gun. I woot two bebe uns. I woot teight bebe gun. Dennis Brehm.

Dear Santa; I want peace on earth and I want all pore pepol to get a job. I want my mom to get me the Mega Zord and dragon zord and the titanus. And i think Christmas is the best holiday for frends and family to get tegether, Have a very merry a bike. Christmas. Andy Rodriguez.

the mega zard and goldare Plase give homeless a home and food. Travis

Dear Santa; For the homeless to have homes for people to be free. loppin Louie Hap meal maker to be a roll model for kids new clothes new game new shoes new tv game gear a lot of toys a new NES game a radio control race car 5 stacks of gum 200 comic books a peice of pizza. Gwan

want 81 rings for my mom near western wear and boats for my dad for my brother a collection of cars and for me 85 chevy truck. Alonzo

MRS. PAYNE'S class

Dear Santa Clau. I would like a super nintendo some clothes for my mom and brother and some for my granparents too and a bone for socka and copelle le nee too. Jeremy.

Dear Santa Claus, I miss you so much and I want christmas to come. I want a barbie doll house for christmas. Love, Rosa.

Dear Santa Cluas, I want a power wheel. thats all. Love, Chris. Dear Santa Claus; I want a play sword, a power ranger suit, and a play knue. I want a wa dart gun. Love, Rickey. ie. I want a water gun and a

Dear Santa Claus; I wish I had a horse for christmas I hope I get a now bike. Love, Michael D.

Dear Santa' Claus; I wan sega genasi for Chrismas I want clothes for Chrismas. Love, Mark Quin.

Dear Santa Claus; I wish I could have a bike for Christmas right outside the door and a baby a live, and one more thing, a doll house too. ove, Samantha.

Dear Santa Claus; I want a bike for, Christmas and I want music for ley a heart to heart baby doll. my Christmas. I hope you can come to mother a charm braslat, and me my my house. Merry Christmas. Love,

Dear Santa Claus; I want a street fighter game a game boy, a game of ninja turtles, and a game of sega game gear for, Christmas. A game of X-men. I love you to Love, David.

Dear Santa Claus; I want a belt buckel, a belt, pants, and kirate dudes. Love, Michael Shockley.

Dear Santa Claus; I hope you give me my rerote contol car and my other crhristmas tos too. Love Jef-

Dear Santa Claus; Will you get me Dear Santa Claus; I wish you could could see you and you can see us. I wish you could being presents to us.

Love, Angela Pena. Dear Santa Claus; I want a termenater 2 a ninja turtle game. A street fighter II game. A sega game gear. for Christmas. Love, Anthony.

Dear Santa Claus: I wan't my daddy and my fammily to stick and gives I want a skat boll and a together 'Oh" and by the way I wan't a wienerdog. Love, Kristi.

Dear Santa Claus; Santa I miss you very mush When are you going to come? Don't be late because I want my christmas presen. Love, Karissa. Dear Santa Claus; I want rings for Chrismas, some earings and some

toys. Love, Linda. Dear Sant Claus, I want a Barbie doll house and I want a dog and a

gold fish. I want the littles per shop too. Love, Sarah. Dear Santa Claus; I wish you a

Merry Christmas. I hope I'm on your list. I hope you get my letter befor Christmas. Tell Mrs. Claus hi. Merry Christmas to everyone in that big town. Love, Jesi Wilkey.

Dear Santa Claus; Merry Christmas and a happy new year I want a color blaster. Love, Zack.

Dear Santa Claus; I want you to come. I want a get well doll. I love you Santa Claus. Love, Melissa. And

Dear Santa Claus; Ilove you and Dear Santa; For Cristmas I want that's all I want for Christmas. Love

MRS. SCHRODER'S 2nd grade class Dear Santa; For christmas I whant a naw bike and my dad's kneww to get betre on christmas and new ews. Kristie Cuellar

Dear Santa; I think you are nice because you give every body a present. Love, Steven Savell.

Dear Santa; I wanat a bike a ten speed for Christmas and a big hug from you and prety dress and shoes

Dear Santa; I want peac on earh I for Christmas a I will give you a treat. Mallory Gerhardt.

Dear Santa; I want a super nintendo and a seg Genesis and a Soncie Hedgehog game and a bike and a friend and a wagon and a superman men and army men a game genie. Love, Mike Flores.

Dear Santa; I wont a nintdo game and sonic the degehog 2, and a motor sike bike, and a little stero, I hope you have a merry Chritmsa day. Love, Brandon Brooks.

Dear Santa: I want a real puppy with brown and white fur. I want a doll like you. I want a stuffed puppy and cat and pony surprse a ball a bike and a candycane. Love, Emily Copeland.

Dear Santa; I am making a list for you here is what I want a Jrasic Park tape next thing I want is sum more of Girbaud. Love, Jared Phillips.

Dear Santa; I would like Christmas tree and present and merry christmas Santa. Love, Maggie Mendez.

Dear Santa; I would like to have a watch and rings and money and my own dog and a doll that bumps and laughs. Love, Ruann Martinez.

Dear Santa; I want a doll, a toy cat and dog. A birth stone ring my color. My color is Orange. I want van in my back yard for my mom and dad. Love, Ashley Ornelas.

Dear Santa; I am tring to be good before and affter Christmas so I can get what I want. I hope you will have good Christmas. So don't forget me.

Love, Chris DeLeon. Dear Santa; I would like to have a ring, bunk bed, easy bake oven, and a bike that has a water bottle and a horn on it with training wheels. Love,

Veronica Rascon. Dear Santa; I want a men a truck and lot of toys. Love, Fabian Megiul

Galan. Dear Santa; I want a bike. and skates and a swing set. barbie and

dishes. Love, Andrea Levario. Dear Santa; I like a trak and a bike

and motersiku bike. Love, Daniel Dear Santa; I woud like a bike and a job. I love you Santa. Love, Daniel

Ward. Dear Santa; I hope you are okay. because I want for Christmas is a

bike and I want snow to. Merry Christmas Santa. Love, Marissa Loya. Dear Santa; I want a bb gun with

bbs and a foot book. Love, Sergio Dear Santa; I woud like a new pair of pants an a new pair of shars. Love,

MS. CARROLL'S class

Jacob Griggs.

Dear Santa; I want a sagu for christmas and I will give you some a four wheeler, a three wheeler, and cookies and milk. Love, Richard

Dear Santa; I want good presents christmas and a good year. I am trying to be good this year. Love, David

my sister a bike and bring my little sister a tricycle and bring my mom and dada something for chirstmas. Come at 12:00 clock. Love, Iman

Dear Santa; I don't care what you breg me. Love, Levi Edmison.

Dear Santa; I want you to give me a bird for Christmas and I was very good and I wish I had a dog how knase how to do tirx. Love, Blanca

Dear Santa; Will you please bring me a new cabbage patch and four pet birds? I am trying to be good every years. Please bring my brothers and sister some Christmas presents. Bring me 1,000 dollars. Bring me a new bike. I'm trying very hard to be good. Love, Amanda Henson. Dear Santa; I whont a bike a gora

cat and all the ice cream and some birds. Love, Mike Hernandez. Dear Santa; I wish you can bring a

present. for my mom and dad and my sister and. geat me a toll cat and.

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geat my sister a bike by my mom and dad a car. Marry Christmas. Love, **Emily Holguin.** 

Dear Santa; I tried to be good. You 📈 dodt have to bring me eny prasete. If you what to bring me praset you can.

Love, Tabitha Merrick. Dear Santa; I tried to be have. But can you bring me and my mom and dada and my brothers and siter a priset and could bring my brothers a car and my sister a my size Barbie and Santa have. Merry Christmas. Love, Johnny Rios.

Dear Santa; I want a jeep and a work sohp. Happy Christmas Santa and a power rangres big foet truck. Love, David Rivera.

Dear Santa, I hop you have a good year. Do you no what I whant. I want a new house. That it is a girl and it is black. and a 2 box a boy and a girl. Love, Lindsey Schoeppner.

Dear Santa: I want to have a bike and a new toy car and a set of steatted and a good good good Christmas. Love, Joey Young.

Dear Santa; I want a new bike and a doll and toys I can not name. Love, Katrina Flores.

Dear Santa; I wholpe you have a good Christmas. I would like you to get my sister and my cusen a lot of presents becasu I love my family. Love, Sarah Johnson.

Dear Santa; I tried to be good. I want a toy car and get something for my brothers and sisters. I hope you had a good year. Love, Vilele Garcia.

Dear Santa: I would like you to bring me a car and my size barby and my sister some clothes and bring my brothes clothing. Love, Agnes

Garcia. Dear Santa; I what a bike and a gepe Berbe car and a vas for my room and a lap and a socbod and a doll clas and a dog and a bere los av books tv. Love, Karissa.

SANTA LETTERS c/o BIG SPRING HERALD

Dear Santa; I want a ninja turtle splinder and Kenny Barbie doll, and also tape of Alan Jackson. "Htchoogie" to a radio cassette, "Walkie Takie" I love you Santa. Thank you, Sam Kelly

Dear Santa; My name is Cassie. I hope my name is on your list for good boys and girls because I think I have been good. I would like a tether ball set, a radio/cassette player with headphones, and Barbie, Skipper and Stacie Doll set. I would also like a swing for my backyard. I wil leave you cookies and milk. Your friend, Cassie, age 9.

Dear Santa; I would like a bat man, X-men for christmas. Love, Zachary

Dear Santa: I want an airplane for Christmas. I wish you a merry transformer, and erector. If your elves can make a stuffed airplane please get me a stuffed airplane. And me and my brother likes to play fight Dear Santa; Will you bring me and so can you get me and my brother boxing gloves. And maybe one surprise, I realy want these thing I almost need them. Love, Justin Petrowski.

Der Shanta; I would like a sega gesnes, a 911 rescue, a nerf sharp shootr, a thundr strike 20, a domino rally, a nerf sling shot and a nerf bow and arrow. also theer gams for my sega. They are Allddin, hard drivin. and street fighter 2. I will leva you milk and chocolit cookes and carrits for your randear. Love, Adam Hut-

Dear Santa, For Christmas I want a poster of Aladdin, a huge teddy bear, a wristwatch, a nintendo, a coat, and for my mom to get well. If you can bring me these gifts, I would really like it. Love, Randy Trevino.

Dear Santa; If you can bring me this, I'd really like it. I want my mother to get well and my father to be with me more often. Thats all I really want, Remember Christmas is not about getting its about giving. Love, Irene Trevino.







Dear Santa; If you can bring me these things. I would like it i a bike. skates, a bear, some clothes, a baby bop watch, a water baby doll, a pet rabbie, shoes, socks, stuff for my mom's kitchen, a my size barbie doll, and I want my mom to get well...all I really want is love. Sincerely, Alice Trevino.

Dear Santa; Please bring me a bicycle, baby checkup, a new doll cradle, and a typewriter. I really have been trying to sleep in my own bed all night. Love, Kristen Buzbee.

Dear Santa; I live out of town, am 8 years old and will be at my grandparents for Christmas. I would like to have 3 magic nursery dolls, jewelry, play house and pool, Barbie and Beaty & Beast tent, and remote control car and a real nice christmas for everyone and some toys for all girls and boys. God Bless All, Alisha C.

Dear Santa; I want a bat man and a car. Bryce Payne.

Dear Santa; I would like I would like a few things for Chirmas, the 3 foot barbie, baby crimp and curl, sally secret, barbie pool. Thoose are the things I want for Chirsmas. Sheena Payne.

Dear Santa; Could you please bring me a big wheel and a few other things maybe. My family too they have been to. I tried to be good I made the A-Honoroll Don't forget all the other kids. Eba Graves.

Dear Santa; I want a remat cantral car a bengal hat. Gack and gack michen. A basket ball gole. A hockey stick. Santa Claus I will have some cookies and milk for christmas. We might be at my house or at my gramals hose. You don't have to get everything. Your friend, Tye Butler.

Dear Santa; I have been a good girl, with, grandma and grandpa (Pete Rabbit) and Daddy, I want a vacuum cleaner, a phone, a Bubba & you, Uncle Jake, Yaya, Uncle Tony. Britt N. Valenusla.

Dear Santa; My name is Whitney Wells, I am seven years old, And have been very good this year. Would you bring me a game gear, and a sewing machine. I also wish for my brother Cody and Casey to come home from Dallas for Christmas. Happy Holidays to Santa, Mom and Dad, and all my family and friends. Love, Whitney.

Dear Santa; I'm a six year old. This is my list. I would like a lite bright alot of board games. The McDonalds set. The power rangers doll set. Also may God Bless each one of us. I would like G.I. Joe stuff, Colors and coloring books. Sincerely, yours, Alex Franco III.

Dear Santa; I'm a 3 year old. Here is my list. I would like a bike, so I can ride with my brother Alex. A lot of board games. The McDonalds set. A big fire truck. Colors and coloring books. Book so my brother can read to me. Also may everyone have a wonderful Christmas, Sincerely yours, Daniel Hilario Jr.

Dear Jesus and Santa Claus; I love you and Mary too. Please bring me a Christmas tree and I would like to go up into outerspace. I would like a ray gun, space helmet, robot, and lizards with space hats on. Love and Kisses, Alyssa Phipps.

Dear Santa; For Christmas I want micro machines, remot control car. jurassic park compound, Zbots mother of them all and I wish you luck on Christmas Eye. Your friend, Sean Peters. SANTA LETTERS

Dear Santa, This year I would like a T.V. with VCR. Also a rottweller puppy. I'm also writing for Fred and Sammy. They want pupperoni treats and some steaks. Bring Yo more money, so we can go spend it. I would leave you cookies and milk, but my Dad will eat them all! Hope to see ya Saturday morning! Love, Jody,

Dear Santa, I wood like a rascrana a bire and stitiex that is ol. Zachary. Dear Santa; I want a bearby mermaid and I want a nather beaby this

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**MUSEUM** 

Fred & Sam Williams.

is a mermade that has two sea twins and I whant a peeane and I whant a christmas dall and I whant a dall that has a baby. Daley S.

Dear Santa Claus; I wan't a brand new bike and a game boy and a new coloring box and a easy bake uven and a return to oz book and a happy meal maker and difrent colors of gliter and a set of colors and a staireo and play dohe and a cat and a dog and a bunie and a new desk and a set of skates and two nut krackers gak jinjer bread house and a trap and a new crhistmas ordument and a new set of markers. Tapley Holguin.

Dear Santa; this is what I want four christmas a new bisikel. Allison

Deer Santa; This is what I want game boy, and frekt set and sage and a rabit. Keith Baldwin.

Dear Santa; I wat a buk and a hadet christmas a hors and a sabul a tape ntido for my mom close shoosns and a nose. Gustu Martin.

Dear Santa: I wunt for Christmas gak and jalre, and glitr plado that is ol I wunt. Melissa Marlow.

Dear Santa; I want a bear and the my sies barby and a toy a leter back if you do not mined plese. Casi

Dear Santa: I want to tell you what I want that tey set wher it tern's the tey pink and you get a cracker and then you poor some water on it new let's talk about a nother toy like the water baby you put water in her and she fels werm ops got to go new good buy. Stefanie Garcia.

Dear Santa, this is what I want for Chirstmas. Baby need me, Polly Pocket, EZ two do, Esey Bake oven, clothes, gunie pig, and any other sirpires. Micaela Purcell.

Dear Santa; I want a bike and nintendo and some clothes. I would also like a back pack, crayons, shoes, and markers, toys and a truck. John Stil-

Dear Santa; I want a per of markers from you pleas. And a big eraser pleas. And a few prooty pincels pleas. And a few jewlry. And could you put a tee shurts and glidder with it. And some dangaling i errings. Kyrie

Dear Santa; I wont a puppy and a biced whith a baccit and a baby get well and a hourse set and a game boy a walking dogy. Love, Leanne Clifton.

Dear Santa; I have been good I want it to snow for Christmas and I want aladdin and I want some other prezents. Love, Daniel Hoard.

Dear Santa: I bin good, I want ntindo and a pupy like batouin. And a wet bicke. Lakacia Lewis.

Dear Santa; I wanta G.I. joe and sled and G.I. joe car. I hope you have a happy trip. I also would like a new pair of scissors. Charles Odinot.

Dear Santa; I wut a bike and a ball and a jax and ninja turtle and a doll and a dress. That's it. The end. Amanda Charlton.

Dear Sant; Plees git me rolr blas. Be cus I wot I like your boos haw bib you. luve, Chelsea Abnr

Dear Santa; Please bring me a daxue talk boy and a sirerin bike and a home Alone back pack like Keven's I like you very very very much. I want some triplits and a love and car baby. Thank you for all you've done Mrs. and Mr. Santa. How are your elves doing and how are your rian-

dar. Brennan Bailey. Dear Santa: I like all of the toys that you gave me. Christin Dawn Bal-

Dear Santa; I wont a borb and a teapot and a morinch roller by and a I wish it I ch. shed I wish I had a I borbee house and a dady dol and a wish I I wish I had my dog back. baby sister and a santa to Love,

Dear Santa; I would like too ride your sled I would like good theng foor chrismus har are you redir doo mx dem is hillang mee crisms to you. Hillary Burks.

Dear Santa; I love you I wish you a happy holluday to you agin. I love you good day. Stephanie.

Dear Santa; I love you santa. I wat game doy with game doy taps. and wat a cherack. and sum ckoes and I like your toerees and Mrs. Santa. and I like chrismas cherees. and I like Mr. Santa. I lik a star and I love Thova and I love Gesis. and I love Mereen. and I like you. Jeremy Furniss.

Dear Santa; I wunt a chramplen and a bube dol and a nooow kinpirar with sum disx and difrint game onit ewunf difrint thangs. Krystal Hughes.

Dear Santa; I wot a sega for crismis and a little dog for cismis and a littl cat and a littl at horse and i wort TV al room. I uv. Karmin King.

Dear Santa; I wunt a sagus storm and a cowboys hat a lobster in the fish tancke I wunt a sonick 2 and sonick the bimbol. Clay Kurykendall.

Dear Santa; I wish for a saga and a supper niantendo and all of the nina turtles and the mouvie Home Wurd Bowns and a big screen T.V. and a computer with the game aund nuntr. Love, Cory Reyna.

Dear Santa; Ther is gowing to bee a halt choclit mile by the crismis tree. I luve you. Dee cus you are speshaly. wuint a game boy for chrismis plees. I like you. And I want fur chruck plees. I wint lare 2 ares are 4 toes. I wnt gluvs for chrismas. I wnt a cat pees. I like you. you are gute. I like you. Miton Rider.

Dear Santa; Think you for the snoe. thank yoy pleas bring me a jeep. Love, Tommy Rodriguez.

Dear Santa; Pleas bring me a bike and a new back pack and a new dollhouse. Thank Mrs. Santa for the food and froot. And Santa thank you for bringing the food and froot. and candy. I want a book of Santa. And a farm book with animals. And skats and a swiming pool. Love, Mallory Schumpert.

Dear Santa; Can you get me a bike and can you get me a volly ball and can you get me a telfrone and can you get me a basketball. Kate Smiley. Dear Santa; I want a long batman book. I want alddin in the lamp. Alyant spine red not book. I want a computer just like my school. Love, Brandon Tant.

Dear Santa; I wont a borib swmming plooy and a borid glowin the dock bed you santa and iionle wont 2 thans doow you now my adves 305. Kendra Weeks.

Dear Santa; I like your bird it is soft to me I hop you have hapea chrismise I love you. Sentu and evrea blde i got to gow. Love, Stephanie Whetsel

Dear Santa; I wunt a play house and a cowboy hat, and shaps and a saadle, a toy chrane and a chrack. From Neisha

Dear Santa: I wut a tory for cish santa bcusu wi u mack it hier u will mack i tou hieh a tory for crishmsh. Justin. Dear Santa: I want some rol-

erbleadeg and a jambox and a two feet tol. Form Kale.

Dear Santa; I wanta a saable and shaps and sprs and long rope and a cowbow hat Love, Katy Dear Santa; I wount a big pink

teteeber. I wount alot uv books. I wount a bice, I wount sum close. I wount sun decurashens. I wount a tow clown. I wount a tow chrismis tree. I would a anjle. I wount funee fares. I wount a tv. I wount a telu-foue. I wount a dreser. I wount a cat. wount a face puppy, I wount a bed. I wount voe caryloree werdis. I wount a cumpyuel. I wount a radom. I wount a cendorane. I wount a tow erglane. Lour, Adam.

Dear Santa; I whant a all cind of thags like litl balls and litl bimes and easeback evw. Love Rachel.

Dear Santa; Haw ar you this is Karissa Dan.els. I would wont a borbe car and a barbe.

Dear Santa; bog and a bear and a ball. Nove Santa, Amber. Dear Santa: Wish I had a shire you

Dear Santa; May ...av a dalmason pupy n a beg play pup a thate is a santa nard na baby doll white I will

leve you sum milk n cookys. Cassidy. Dear Santa; I wont ot see yor elf I wont a wodr baby and a nutcrack for crismis and a rob and I wont a hors that walk all its own and sum boots and I wont a Santa Clos baby. Love,

Cynthia.

Dear Santa; I'v benn good I love Chrisimas can you come this year. I hope you can I love you. Do you? I want a Saly Secorit and Baby Checkup and Sher love with Jeseus. I love you. Love, Emilee

Dear Santa; I've been good I like a

Dear Santa; I lov you Santa, and I lik Santa, I lik premis dhd l Wgwa. prsmlth dnd. I woww theks jepe I iijrecewf kthmaapr esite and lik

Santa, and I lik you so music i rratis.

Dear Santa; I wunt a moletro care I wunt a game Santa I love you Santa I like crismus Santa. I like this mus eev Santa is it cold up ther you rr hise Elv make good stuf evree doa is it fiend eviree boooteevin you whetel ring sav the leni it the usg were got a tomared We love gouvnu crismus slool We are gund I made a pie for yor We are frend We try to ceed.

Dear Santa; I wate a cat. I wat a bog. I wote a elufut. I wot a gate, I wate a nag. I wote a pig. I wote a sci. I wote a egle. I wote buck. Terran.

**BAUR MAGNET** 

Dear Santa: I would like to have a magic spoon. Merry Christmas. Love, Sohnna Tubbs.

Dear Santa; I would like to have a lanch pail, and Barbie car and a gack and a hapey meal and a Merry Christmas for oll Love, Monica Lara.

Dear Santa; I would like to have a tea party and a color blaster. Merry Christmas. Love, Amisha Vanderbilt.

Dear Santa; I love you. Can you bring me a game boy for my brother and a Barney lunch box, and a baby Sister. Merry Christmas. Love, Eduardo De Los Santos. Dear Santa; I would like to have a

new bike and a Barbie for me. Love, Ashley Langston.

Dear Santa; I would like to have a knew, power rangers, and mouse trap. Merry Christmas. Love, Alex Franco. Dear Santa; I would like to have a

Barbie car, a ten carrat gold ring, and a bike with hearts. Merry Christmas. Love, Amando Pina. Dear Santa; I would like to have a

motorsicle for Christmas for me, a poweranger, an atwo bike for me. me and my brother for Justin Wes-

Dear Santa; I would like to have a robot that can block the door and a power ranger suit. Merry Christmas, Love, Regan Creswell: . M. ... M.

rocket and number toys and saga genises. Merry Christmas. Love, Brandon Brown Dear Santa; I would like a teddy

bear, and a grape escape gam and clothes. Love. Stefani Scott.

Dear Santa; I love you. Can you please bring me a game boy and a saga genisis for Christmas and a pretty dress for my mother. Thank you from Eddie Diaz.

Dear Santa; I would like to have a gold ring, a Barbie dress with designs, Barbie car. Merry Christmas. Love, Randi Pinkerton.

Dear Santa: I would like a bike a pair of rollrshates and two bikes for my sittors. Merry Christmas Sant. Love, Elizabeth Paga Dear Mom and Dad; I would like a

super soaker. I love you. Love, Fabi-Dear Santa; I would like to have a moped and a three wheeler. Love,

Anthony Trveno. Dear Santa; I would like to have a nintendo, game boy and a saga gene-ico. Love, Johnny Reyes.

MRS. PIKE'S CLASS

Dear Santa; How are you doing? I have been good this year. For Christmas I want a wind suit, and for Amber G. and Heather G. to be my sisters. And Santa, I want a stuffed animal. So don't forget! Are your reindeers ready? Love, Reina Lis-

Dear Santa; I would like to know what my sisters and I are going to get

on Christmas but you can't tel me can you? I want some police stuffand some fireman stuff. My little sister wants a little bike and a talking doll house? My middle size sister wants my size Barbie and a car for the my size Barbie? Love, Andy.

Dear Santa; I want a doll a doll my sister Barbe and a Hodia Barbe house and a supermario nintindo and and a my hir stola did I git that say yes mam say that a'lla drol you a barbie and the hole set of the barbie picher and coler it. P.S. I been good and a medyum bike and Amber wood you like me to be good. Sarah Greina and Rene to be my sisters and telophone for Christmas, Love,

Dear Santa: This is what I want for Christmas. I want a new bike and the power Rangers toys and a poster of Jorden with his name sind on it. and

a new sega and 1,000000 \$ in cash and fake funs and the criss cross crash set and a new nerf football and a skatebord and free will the video and this is what I like out of evry-thing Dentis the Menace. Love, Robert Puente.

Dear Santa, I would like a motor sikes bicycle and a saga and sonic and martal comback and how are ou feeling and the raindeer feeling and elfs to Love, B.J. Perez.

Dear Santa; I am a good girl I want a bike and a Barbie swimming pool. wind suit, a wedding Barbie, tiny tiney preamy, Sally secrets a lot of books, a ded, and Reina C. and Amber G. to be my sisters that is all I electric train a real computer and want for Christmas. I will leave you kids sister doll and a doll with a some cookies and milk and a sur-

prise. Love Always, Valerie Martinez.

Dear Santa; How are you doing? I
have been good this year I want
Reina to be my sister Prisma to be
my sister Heather to be my sister and thank you for the special teather. Love, Amber Granados.

Dear Santa; How are you doing in snow town with Frosty. It's ok in the real town. Yes I've been good. I wish for a car set, match box motors, motocekek bikes, power tool shop and lots, lots, lots, lots, lots of cars.

Love, Michael Parker,

Dear Santa; How are you doing? I am doing good. I have been good this year. This is what I want for Christmas. I want a ring and a bahy doll and I want a troll and a Barbie. That is all I want for Christmus. How are your Raendear doing. Love, Amber Jetter.

Dear Santa; How are you doing? Have you got your Christmas tree. Have your elfs made a lot of presents for me. I want B.J. to be my brother. Is rood of and the other raindeers fine? Santa I want a sega@hoos, Dallas cowboy helmet. Love, "Martin De Los Santos.

Dear Santa; How are you doing? For Chrismes I would like a bike and some dolls, and a pain of skates and a computer. and some, present too. Dear Santa: I wwould like to have Our I want a jeep so I can go visit Mrs. Pike. Our teacher wo is very nice to the class. and we are nice to her. Love, Rene Williams.

Dear Santa; I will put a cookie and a milk out for you and I want a bike and a x-man toy and a supernintendo. How are your reindeers Santa? Love, Ernesto Muniz.

Dear Santa: How are you doing? This is what I want for Christms wind suit, power rangher, x-men, play gun. Love, Rocky Torres.

Dear Santa; How are you doing? For Christmas I want a poster of Aladin, a teddy bear, a sega, a nintendo, sonic 2, I want Timothy to be my brother, and I want a x-man toy, and some nigi turtles easters I would also like stuff for my dad and love from mommy. I wish my mom feel well agian. I wish my sisers hud tape on their mouth. I will put cookies and milk out for you. Love, Randy Trevi-

Dear Santa; How are you doing? This is what I want for Christmas. I wont a transet and a tranosaris rex. and a power weel kattaak and a big bike and a nintendo whith a jrassic park nintendo game. Love, Timothy Sanchez.

Dear Santa; How are you doing Santa want a sega like my couin Tom and I wot a natndo and a 1000000 dolars. Love, Martin Mares. Dear Santa; I been good this year

this what I what a car for my Barbies and some cloethes for my Barbies and some shoe clothes for me and some earring for me and some shoe

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1993 and, some the Barbies fun house and I what my sistr and brother and me too and a bike for me this is the kind for bike I what a ten speed. Love, Dannetta Scott, Dear Santa; I want a skat board for Christmas. I will be sleping at home santa clas. I like you for my very biste frind. I love you Santa and my sistrs and my brother loves you very moch. I wont some scats for Chistmas, Love, Jim McDon-

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MS. NEITZEL'S CLASS

Dear Santa; Please bring me a tea. set for Christmas. Alicia Correa. Dear Santa; How are you? This year i have been kinda good. I would like a bike and a Barbie doll. Your friend, Ashley Cuellar.

Dear Santa; Please bring me a hike. I love you, Casey Gartman. Dear Santa: I want a nerf boeinario and a moclersucel bike. I still have

the puesh patrole. Love, Corey Dear Santa; This is my Christmas list. I want a computer. I want a Bar-

bie house. Can you fill my brothers stockings. Please, Love, Felicia Rios. Dear Santa; I want a bike and a toy car for Christmas. This is my list of my Christmas. I want a guitar and drums. I will leave you some coke.

Love, Gabriel Moreno. Dear Santa; I want a motorcycle for Christmas. Isreal DeLeon.

Dear Santa; Please bring me a bike for Christmas. What do the reindeers eat? I may not beat home. I may be at my mom home. Love, Jennfier

Dear Santa; Please bring me a bike and a motor cycle. Love, Jesse Reyes. Dear Santa; How are you? This year I have been pretty good. I would like a saga gensis and aninja turtle. Your friend, Johnny Rueda.

Dear Santa; Please bring me a bike and a go car. Thank you for the table last yeer. I will leave cookies and milk for you. Love, Kyle Briggs.

Dear Santa; How are you? This year I have ben goo. I would like a bike and a saga gensis. Your friend, Lacarnly Cross Dear Santa; Please bring me a

scooter and a tea set. I will leave cookies. Love, Marissa Vierra. Dear Santa; Please bring me a bike and drums. I also want a keyboard. For my mom and dada, I want a

baby kitten. Love, Martin Bentacur. Dear Santa; My Christmas list is a toy Alien and a book and a batman toy and a saga game of streetfighter. I will leev you some cookcees and

coke. Love, Nathan Yee. Dear Santa; My list is this: a bike. drums and nintendo and a book please. I love you Santa Claus. Love. Qientin Vanderbilt.

Dear Santa; Please bring me a bike, and a computer, and a Barbie pool. I will leave you cookies and coke. I have been good. Love, Sara Holladay.

Dear Santa; Please bring me a car that has a ramo cantroll, tea set, new bike, little tikes house, the night before Christmas book and a computer. I will leave cookies and coke. Love, Selina Gonzalez.

Dear Santa; How are you? This year I have been very good. I would like a ninja turtle and a game. Your friend, Tyle Wade.

Dear Santa; Please breeg me an Alien, Alien Warrior, computr, power Rangers, x-men and toys. I want to no how rudof is doing. Love, Kevin

sum giffs, and a computer and Merry Christmas Sant. I love you Santa. Joseph Olvera. Dear Santa and Mrs. Claus; For

Christmas I want a toy and a bike and polly pocket and a computer. Merry Christmas Santa and Mrs. Claus. Thank you to you for a Santa. Love, Ashley Martinez. Dear Santa; Fo Christmas I want

Love, Wesley Parks. Dear Santa; I want a Babie car and same toys and polly pocket and a

game and a bike. Love, Heather



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Dear Santa; Lwant a fon and a pool table for Christmas. o and I hop Rudolph is ok. Love, Rudy DeLeon.

Dear Santa; Thank you for toys and Rudolph and games and skate and Polly Pocket. Thank you for all the gifts. Love, Cheyenne Rauls.

Dear Santa; I want a Polly Pocket and a computer. I hope you have something for the Raindeers. Love, Cara Beth Shortes.

Dear Santa; I want a little Mermaid

Dear Santa; I want a Barbie sar and a polly pocket and a bike and a intendo. Bute how is rooded cooling to there? Is he dooing fin? I hope he a dooing fin. Love, Jessica Warra. Dear Santa; I want a Dallas cowboy

Dear Santa; I want a Dallas cowpoy soot and it is eight. I also want a football and a toy Troy Aikmen. Love you Santa. Ransom Gibbs.

Dear Santa; I want a Barbie are and a pool. I want a polly pocket ton is it snowing at the North Pole? Love. Monica Guitterrez.

Dear Santa; I want a computer and a pool table. How Rudolph? Love.

a pool table. How Rudolph? Love Prnce Vanderbilt.

Dear Santa; I want a fooball for cresmes and a games and a bike for cresmes and a saga bord and a vast and a for cremes and anteadow Haw is the randers? Robert Gonzales.

MRS. GRAUMANN'S CLASS

Dear Santa: I woud like a Baby Rock and Roll. I wish I had a rabbit. I wish I had a cat this black and white. Have a Happy Chistmas Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus. Your friend, Mary Katherine Bodine.

Dear Santa; I would like a basketball and a basketball goal, a football tee, a bean bag chair, a new clock. Your friend, Ralston Coates.

Dear Santa; I would like 10 barbis dalls. and kens all must be white and a picture of you. Your friend, Masissa Gonzales.

Dear Santa; I wish I could have Sally Secrets and paints. Please get me glue and crayons. I wish I could have Polly Pocket Play House. And paint and dazzle Barbie and stamp and play Barbie. Your friend, Heather Hernandez.

Dear Santa; I would like a bike. a power ranger suit the black one please. May I have an airplane please, or a fire creckers. New tires for my bike and game genie. Your friend, Daniel Hinojos.

Dear Santa; I want a new bike and a punching bag, and a remote control car and a basket ball, and a branm and a brand new back pack also a bottle of super glue and a toy robot and two xl, and a ninja suit and ninja weapons I would like a movie called Aladdin and the Bump bed.

Your friend, Michael Houlihan. Dear Santa; For Christmas I would like a bebe gun and I would lik a sling shot, and a pool table. I would like a basketball goal and a remote control car and a go cart. Your

friend, Felipe Lopez.

Dear Santa; What I want for Christmas a bike and a super nintendo and the game mouse trap. I would also like the game gear and a little game sonic the Hedgehog for little saga and the toys Mighty Morfin power rangers, and some combat shoes and a super socer two hundred and a sled and some z bots. Your friend,

Kaniel Miramontes. Dear Santa; I wanta a football suit, a power ranger suit, a football, a basketball, a super nintendo. I would olso like a bike a littel color TV. Love,

Jerel Moore. Dear Santa; I want a Easy Bake

Oven, a Barbie Fountain, pool, boots, knock out and a trumpet, easy 2 do. Your friend, Laura Olague.

Dear Santa; I would like to have triplets, a lamp, clothes, and a map. I wish you a Merry Christmas. From Heather Parnell.

Dear Santa; For Christmas I would like a go cart and a bike and a stareo, and a monster truk and marbler. From Wesley Porras.

Dear Santa; Please give me a nick-

Dear Santa; I want a little Mermaid and a Barbie car and Merry Christmas to Santa and Mrs. Claus. Thank you to. Luve, Cristal Lopez.

Dear Santa; Per Christmas I want a Barbie car and a computer. I also want games, bike, toys, and little mermaid. Love, Jessica Moran.

Dear Santa; I want toys and a power ranger. I love you Mrs. Claus. Santa I will leave mill: and concless for you. Love, Nicholas Perez.

Dear Santa: Thank you for the griss last yar. This yar I want some Power and a polly pocket and a pintenty and a remote control car. How w. Mrs. Claus and How are you? Love Cabriel Paredez.

Dear Santa; I want a Barbie car and a polly pocket and a bike control car. How w. Mrs. Claus and How are you? Love Cabriel Paredez.

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again. Also a game genie and super nintendo and a bike. Your friend,

Jake Valencia Dear Santa; Last year I did not get the stuff I wanted. I guess you couldn't make it. This Christmas I want a bank, a doll, and a T.V. But if your little elves cannot make it that's alright. I can get it maybe on my brithday or next Christmas. Your friend, Jazmaine Vanderbilt.

MS. WALLACE'S CLASS

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Dear Santa; I have been good all year. Please brig me a supernintendo and a jame box and tapes and mom wants a watch. Your Friend, Bryson a companier, and some, tlidrebnaV.

Dear Santa: I have been good most of the time. Please bring me a sling shot. Please bring me a sega cd. Please breing me roller blades. Pleas bring my brother a roller bladess and a vois command. Your friend, Vishal

Dear Santa; I been good all year. Pleae bring me a skts, and crimpn curl easy-to-do. I want my mom to get a real diamond ring and a set of earring and necklace for dad I want to get him a set of cologne. Your friend, Nina Herrera.

Dear Santa; I have been good all year. Please bring me lots of makeup and walkman radio. And try to bring my family a nice ver. And bring my mom a makeup set to. Your

friend, Lindsey Diaz. Dear Santa; I have been good all year. Please bring me a CD player. walkmen. VCR-TV. Please bring my mom a sport car. Your friend, Stacy

Lee Rubio. Dear Santa; I have been good most of the time. please bring me a CD player and a bike and a walkmen and a VCR-TV please bring my flamily my dad back. Your friend, Daniel Hull.

Dear Santa; I have been good all year. Please bring me a vacu farmer, key for ce and abb gun. I would like my mom a happy christmas. Your friend, Brett Griffin

Dear Santa; I have been very good this year. Please bring me a new jacket, GI Joe gun and a voice command please bring my family a sports car. Your friend, Israel Vela.

Dear Santa; I have been good all year. Please bring me a keyboard, and a game genie and color TV. Bring my cat a cat house. Your friend, Robert Lacey.

Dear Santa; I have been good all year. Please bring me Aladdin make-

up, and easy-to-do, dazzle Barbie, Please bring my mom and dad a water bed. Your friend, Katrina Rios.

Dear Santa; I have been good all year. Please bring me a TV and a Aladdin movie, crimp-n-curl. Please bring mom a new house. Your friend, Riqueel Whitworth.

Dear Santa; I have been good all year. Please bring me a BB gun, talk boy, TV-VCR, I am going to get a bear necessities. Your friend, Daniel Rodriguez.

Rodriguez.

Dear Santa; I have been good most of the time. Please bring me a skate-board And I want some skates. And may I have a bike. Santa could you bring Jim Chris Cross crash. Your friend, Joseph McDonald.

Dear Sahta; I have been so good all year. Please bring me a police motorcycle. 22 gun and my uncle a new job. Your friend, Alvin Russell.

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Santa; I have been good all fease bring me a jasine barb sace white wach and vide pur-

ple and pink bike helmet. Santa ple and place bike hemet, Santa please give my sister chic-a-boom. Your risid, Couriney Williams.

Dear Santa, I have been good all year loung. Please bring me Pony Dalamation Dog Alladin movie Santa.

bring my mont a cat. Your

Dear Santa: I have been very good most of the time. Please try to bring all three easy-to-dos and a CD player and lots and lots of Barbes. I want a ring for my mom and a dress for Whitney my friend. Toy GI joes for my dad and brothers. And bring my cat a cat liter box I even want a red bow to go around my dogs neck Your friend, Kristin Choate.

Dear Santa; I have been good most of the time. Please bring me a super slam basket, and a hig pool table. And bring my brother a barney purzle and bring my sister a dog. Your triend Joreany Cercia.

Dear Santa: I have been good most the time. Please bring me a walking my a him blike like Melessa and a

by bolke like Melassa and a down is stands up and starts to ing me the red car from last christmas day and one more thing well you bring me daddy well you bring him a petty tittel puppy dog this is a dala-mation dog that look's like Patch on the movie 101 dalamation. And well you please bring my mom a dog a dalamtion dog like Penny on the movie 101 Dalamation. Your friend, Alix Green.

MRS. GIBBS CLASS

Dear Santa; I would like some more clothes and one pair of shoes for Christmas. Would you please give my family something for Christmas. I will be good and I will leave you cookies and milk. Your friend, Stephanie Hemandez

Dear Santa: This is what I want for the world to have peace and everybody safe. Here is what I want for Christmas, a ninedindo and a TV to play it in and a Sega. Jose Badello.

Dear Santa; I would like a work shop, roller blades, a watch, and legos. I want you to see if you can try to have my teacher win the lottory, for my mom a sweater. Thats all bye bye! Your friend, Johnny Coley.

Dear Santa; I hope you are feeling good and how is the red nose raindeer? I hope he is feeling good. like you! How about the other raindeers are they having fun? How are the elves are they working hard? like you! Steven Franco.

Dear Santa; I want to go to six flags my family too I mean all of my family me and my sisters want a bike too and I want a big house to live in like a five story house I want Alice for is sister. I do not want a brother. Your

friend, Leticia. Dear Santa; I hope you could come for Christmas. My whole family wants to see you. My family wants a computer and a math cards so I

could learn. Valerie. Dear Santa; I want a Barbie doll for Christmas. and I want a puppy surprise. I love puppies too! Your prett puppies I want a bike too! Love,

Stariett Marshall. Dear Santa; I would like a ten speed bike and a pair of clothes and I would like to get my family some things too. So if you cun pleases bring me and my family somethings.

You friend, Jeanette M. Dear Santa; I hope you come soon becase I want something for my whole family like a computer or a book with things that I chould learn. Your friend, Tiffany Garza.

Dear Santa; I hope I see you soon It would be nice I wish I had a CD play-

much I would be a good thing to have. Your friend, Kimberly Martin.

Dear Santa; This is what want to tell you. What I want is a new bike. Please get my mom some dishes and a new car. Could you get mybrother a CO2 gun. Could you get my dad a job? And get me some new clothes? Thats all Lask youo. Love, Ana Orte-

Dear Santa, I would like a bike for Christmas so I could ride it everyday. I would have to share it with my sister because that's what sister's have to do. And I would like a nintendo for Christmas too. Your friend, Marilea.

Dear Santa; I wood like you to bring my whole family a teadoy bear and give me a hollywood hair Babrie Santa and give the homeless people food and a home to live in, and give the hole world a safe place to live.

food and a home to live in, and give the hole world a safe place to live. Love, Keem Parter.

Dear Santa, Phope you come to my house first and then I wish for my family to get a new van because we have one but it is broke down. Can you bring my family one please? Your friend, Chris.

Dear Santa; Please bring me a bike for christmas and a hot shot basketball game and a new football, a tool shop and a car maker and a for Bidden Bridge gams and a electronic Home Alone Game and clothes I will tell you the rest later. Your friend, Brandon Brown.

Brandon Brown.

Dear Santa; I am going to make a list for you please if you can me some things: a bike, dolf, a computer, a ring, a necklace, and same stuff for my mom. Your friend, Alice Trevino.

Dear Santa; I would like a new pair of skates. Because I love skating. I'm the best skater in my family. And I would like a keyforce. I don't car what you give me. Just something good. Your friend, Shawn Shugrue.

Dear Santa; I would like to see you soon Santa. I would like to have a bike for Christmas and a new dog too. Victor Ornelas.

SANTA LETTERS

Dear Santa; I want a remote control car, a choo-choo train, a miami

er it would be nice but it cart to dolphins football uniform, an apple tshirt, and a blue bike. Have a Merry Christmas. Love, Bradan Ritchey.

Dear Santa: I would like to have a puppy, an aladdin lamp and magic carpet, a Princess Jasmine, and a red bicycle. Have a Merry Christmas. Love, Luciann Cruz.

Dear Santa; I want some roller skates, a bike thing that makes noise, a motorcycle with pedals, an Etch-a-Sketch, a nickolodean color writer, a remote control car without a handle, a new Aladdin bed and some colored gak. Love, J.J. Wikerson.

Dear Santa; How is Mrs. Claus and the reindeer? I would like to have a baby brother for Christmas. I want some colored gak slime, a talking family doll house, a Barney and Baby Bop sleeping bag and tent, and some Barney and Baby Bop tennis shoes. Love, Mallory Kennedy.

Dear Santa; How are the reindeer doing? I want a baby rock and roll, a new poodle with remote control because my other one broke, a baby bop sleeping bag and a clip and curl pony Love, Kristal Haller.

Dear Santa; How is Rudolph doing?

would like a power ranger, a power ranger sleeping bag, games, a nick-

olodean colorwriter, a remote control truck, the animal trucks. Have a Merry Christmas. Love, Braxton

McMurray. Dear Santa: I would like a monster truck for christmas, because when I get big, I want to drive a real monster truck. I also want a puppy sur-

prise. Love, Cody Rosenbaum. Dear Santa; I want a red sleeping bag, a tent, the baby Bop kind, a bear, and a play clock. Love, Haley

Dear Santa; I want a bunk bed, a yo-yo, a picture for Shelly. I love you.

Oh yeah, I want a sleeping bag too. Love, Porscha Knowlton.

Dear Santa; I love him so, I pray for Rudolph every night, and I love the other reindeers. Please bring me the policeman thing like Heather got for her birthday. I want a radio control race car. I want all the things to get I want you to bring me a new piggy bank. I also want the car wash thing and a tea party for Morgan, and I guess thats all. You can write a letter to the elves. Santa if you bring me the right toy, I'll say thank you to Rudolph for stopping at the North Pole. Oh, and bring Clay all the same things as me. Love, Clint Lockhart.



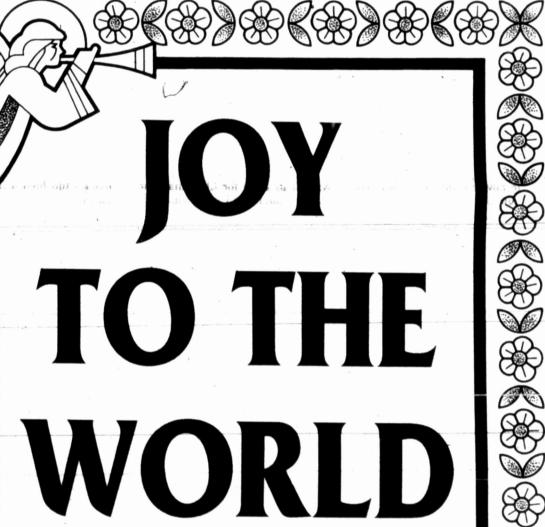
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To spread a little cheer starting here, we've compiled a list of things worth celebrating. Feel free to add a few of your own.

- 1. The aroma of Christmas cookies baking. 2. The satisfaction of knowing your Christmas
- shopping is finished. 3. The delight on the faces of small children on
- 4. The frost outside when you're in front of the fireplace.
- 5. The sound of carollers beneath your window.
- 6. The star on top of your Christmas tree.

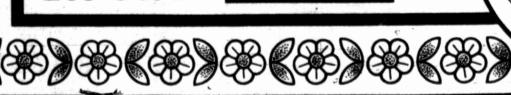
Christmas Eve.

- 7. The love and warmth of family. 8. An old friend.
- 9. A new friend. 10. That you're there to experience it all.



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# Santa vs. the mall

Interviews, background checks part of hiring

By ERIC GUNN

The Milwaukee Journal

The 5-year-olds and 6-year-olds who are authorities on the subject may tell you that Santa Claus comes from the North Pole. Bert Chotiner wishes it were so easy.

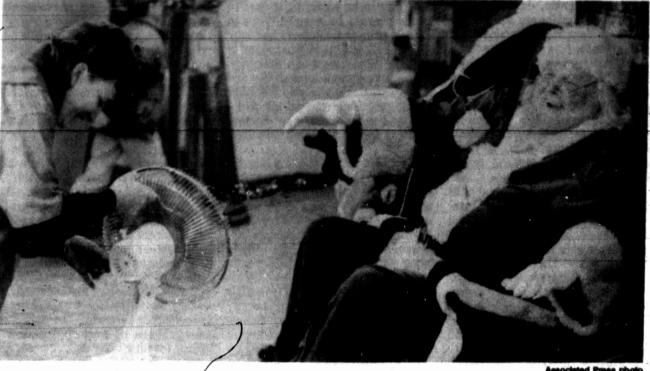
Chotiner spends each fall looking for a whole passel of Santas wherever he can, then hires them for stints of less than two months.

Chotiner runs B&B Promotions, an outfit in the Chicago suburb of Northbrook that contracts with stores and shopping malls to furnish Santa Claus impersonators from mid-November until Christmas Eve.

"It's like anything else," Chotiner says of recruiting surrogate Kris Kringles. "When you're dealing with part-time, seasonal employees, you've got to work at it."

Chotiner isn't the only one desperately seeking Santa. It's an annual task for shopping malls and many retailers everywhere.

The short season is just one challenge they face. Santa's job has some distinctive requirements. First and foremost: patience and the ability to make small talk with the short set. A portly frame and a natural white beard are preferred but not essen-



Santa Claus, portrayed by Bob Crosby, gets a bit of relief as a mall worker uses a fan to cool him off at a mall in Fairbanks, Alaska. Crosby said last year he stuck a thermometer in his velvet Santa suit and found the temperature to be about 160 degrees.

At the Boston Store chain, which plays host to Breakfast With Santa programs at some of its stores, Amanda Devine relies on a stable of people, mostly retired men, who have filled the role for years.

"I've been here for nine years," says Devine, director of special events for Carson Pirie Scott & Co. "Most of the (Santas) have been around that long."

She has never had to recruit, although this year she lost a Santa with 35 years experience — a farmer who had to retire from the role after

an auto accident. But most stores and malls now turn to talent and promotional agencies to run Santa Claus operations.

"We used to do it on our own," says Rebecca Powell, general manager of a Milwaukee mall. "But it's just so hard to take on additional staff at that time of year."

So the mall contracts with Santa Plus, a St. Peters, Mo., agency. Even so, the mall's marketing director interviews each candidate Claus to make sure the impersonator fits in with the smaller mall's "more intimate" atmosphere.

"Our Santa does a lot more walk-ing around," Powell says. "We try and make him more approachable."

B&B Promotions — named for founders Barb and Bert Chotiner typically furnishes a mall not just

entire team to photograph and video-tape each child who sits on his knee

In July, the firm begins hiring managers to be in charge of Santa operations at each mall. In September, the hunt for Santas starts in earnest. The company advertises, but it also relies on word-of-mouth, Chotiner says, as managers turn to people they know, relatives, church groups and the like.

Interviews begin in late September. A background check follows that includes inquiries with previous employers and even a check of criminal history, Chotiner says.

Chotiner won't discuss pay, but says it's enough to keep people for the job despite its short-term nature.

# Reindeer joined Claus late in life

By HINRICH BAESEMANN

**Deutsche Presse Agentur** 

The traditional picture of Christmas is of a magnificent sleigh pulled by eight reindeer carrying a bushy-bearded Santa Claus.

But the tradition is a modern one. Reindeer have only been in Santa's service since 1822. That's when Clement Clarke Moore, of Troy, N.Y., "invented" the sleigh-pulling rein-

The would-be poet's knowledege of popular views of Christmas was based chiefly on customs brought to the area by Dutch, German and Scandinavian immigrants.

Santa Claus himself was not Moore's particular concern when he anonymously submitted his first contribution to the local newspaper about "A Visit from St. Nicholas." His work quickly became popular, however, and was much published under the title "The Night Before Christmas."

The idea of reindeer serving as Santa Claus' loyal servants has its origins in one of several links between pagan and Christian ele-ments of North European culture.

If people are asked what they generally associate with the word "reindeer," the most common answer is Christmas. Few have actually seen the stag-like creature at close quarters in a zoo, and only a tiny minority have seen the animal in its natural habitat.

Wild reindeer are believed to have lived in northern Germany as far back as Roman times. They also roamed Poland and the Scottish Highlands up until the 16th century. Today they're still to be found in Scandinavia, the coasts of Greenland and the Taiga and Tundra of North America and Siberia.

Wherever it gets bitterly cold and in regions where the sun disappears for weeks below the horizon in winter is where the reindeer feels at







