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# Merry Christmas

to all our friends,  
customers, advertisers and readers  
during the past 100 years.

*Wishing you joy during this  
Holiday Season!*

We give a special thanks to our  
advertisers in this issue who are  
expressing Christmas wishes to their  
customers and sponsoring all the  
Santa letters from area children.



The Lynn County News office  
will close at noon Christmas Eve and will be closed  
the rest of this week for Christmas.

We will re-open at 9:00 a.m. Monday, Dec. 29; the Jan. 1 New Year's Day issue will print  
on Wednesday afternoon, and we will be closed Jan. 1 and Jan. 2.



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## Letters To Santa

from school children in  
Tahoka

### TAHOKA PRE-KINDERGARTEN Mrs. Kathy Gardner

Dear Santa,  
I am going to give you cookies. I want a dirt bike. My dog ate the cat.  
Love, Timothy Garcia  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
I have a Christmas tree. I want a Barbie with the clothes on. You gave me a baby. Shu-Shu. I have been a good girl and I go to sleep.  
Love, Yulissa Villegas  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
I love you! Can I go to the North pole? I wish I could see the elves. I want a train with a track.  
Love, Jordan Fowler  
Age 5

Dear Santa,  
I love you! Please bring me some presents. I want a Christmas tree and a play car for my toys.  
Love, Charles Johnson  
Age 5

Dear Santa,  
I like Rudolph. I want "Hulk Hands." I know the song "Frosty the Snowman."  
Love, Rainbow Duran  
Age 5

Dear Santa,  
I love you! I want some drums and a red train. I've been good all the time!  
Love, Lionel Perez  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
At the Northpole, I will see you next year. I have been good. I would like some drums and a skateboard with Spiderman on the bottom.  
Love, Kaleb Rodriguez  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the presents last year. I want a Gigi doll that you open and find a pen. I'm being good.  
Love, Shay Smith  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
I'm being a good boy. I want you to bring me presents. I want a Harley present.  
Love, Christian Aleman  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
Santa I have been good! I want a Sima Storm Truck, it is yellow and red.  
Love, Nathaniel Ramirez  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
I will see you tomorrow. I would like a Hulk puzzle. I have been good, so have my sisters.  
Love, Brit Lockaby  
Age 5

Dear Santa,  
I love you! I am going to take a picture of you. I want to go to the Northpole. I would like "Degret the Choo-Choo Train."  
Love, Austin Furlow  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
I love you! Merry Christmas! I like your reindeers. I would like a Baby Born. I like Baby Born better than Shu Shu.  
Love, Haley Stephens  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
Happy Christmas Santa! I like the toys that you bring me. I would like a Brat Barbie. I have been good.  
Love, Michaela Lopez  
Age 4



HOLIDAY HOME - This home at 1819 N. 6th Street in Tahoka sparkles with lights on trees and reindeer this Christmas season. (LCN PHOTO)

Dear Santa,  
Happy Christmas! I want a Barbie bike for Christmas. I also want a fake Jeep.  
Love, Chelsa Hunter  
Age 5

Dear Santa,  
Thank you Santa for my doll last year on Christmas. I am going to leave you cookies. I want a real Barbie with a purple dress.  
Love, Leticia Olvera  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
I love you! I want a singing Barney. That's all I can think of.  
Love, Andrew Forsythe  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
I like your reindeer. I like all your toys. I want a 4 wheeler and a green Power Ranger.  
Love, Braden Cook  
Age 5

Dear Santa,  
I want what is kind of like a pinball machine. How do the elves drink in the North pole?  
Love, Seattle Jackson  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a dog. I will leave you cookies and a snowcone.  
Love, Elizabeth Calzonet  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
How are you and how are your reindeer? I want a walking pup. Merry Christmas Santa.  
Love, Soniya Dunnum  
Age 5

### TAHOKA PRE-KINDERGARTEN Mrs. Terry Proctor

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a Harry Potter game. I love you.  
Your friend, Daniel Alvarado

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a football game, a wheelie game, a dirt bike game cue players. My mother needs dishes and fix my daddy's brakes. I love you.  
Your friend, Carson Barham



artwork by  
Colton Stice  
Tahoka Pre-Kindergarten

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a four wheeler and games. Mother needs an angel that hangs and Dad needs a four wheeler. I love you.  
Your friend, Brennon Castillon

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. Please bring me a Barbie Light girl and a new umbrella. Mom needs an angel to put on the tree and Dad needs a new vacuum. I love you.  
Your friend, Kendra DeLeon

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a mission turtle game and a Hulk. My mother wants a snowman.  
Thanks, Michael Farrell

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. Please bring me a scooter. My mother wants a shiny angel and daddy wants a yellow motorcycle. I love you.  
Your friend, Meagan Fox

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a Hot Wheels, a dinosaur, and my sister wants a doll. My mother wants a paper heart. I love you.  
Your friend, Nicholas Gonzales

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. Please bring me Barbies, dishes, and clothes. My mother needs dishes and bring daddy tools. I love you.  
Your friend, Daisy Hernandez

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. Please bring me a Barbie doll, a Repenzul book, a ring and a necklace. Mom needs a diamond ring and daddy wants a watch. I love you.  
Your friend, Bailey Jolly

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a tractor with a trailer and hang up on the wall jelly stuff. My mom wants some Christmas hats and dad wants hats too. I love you.  
Your friend, Tristan Sanchez

Dear Santa,  
I would like a motorcycle. My mom would like a dollhouse. For my dad he would like a four-wheeler.  
Love, Ashton Sterley

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a magic deal, a mini motorcycle. Mom needs a candle and dad needs some tools. I love you.  
Your friend, Colton Stice

Dear Santa,  
I would like a reindeer, a hulk game, and for my mom I would like angel, and my dad would like a Harley.  
Love, Brant Webster

### TAHOKA KINDERGARTEN Mrs. Becky Henley

Dear Santa,  
I want a tree house, a Spiderman game, my own computer, a Coke machine and a printer for the computer.  
Love, Jordan Alvarado

Dear Santa,  
I want a big horse. I need a pet named Rover. I want a singing doll and a typewriter, and a cowgirl hat, and a doll that can dance.  
Love, Briana Boling

Dear Santa,  
I want a toy that is a motor toy, and I want a toy that stands up with four deals and it's a Play Dough toy. And that's all. I hope you come and see me and all my friends.  
Love, Austin Bigham

Dear Santa,  
I want an X-Box game, and a present of a bike, and a roller coaster toy.  
Love, Bruce Burleson, Jr.

Dear Santa,  
I want a dolly, a little baby cat, and a pretty Barbie with kind of orangeish yellow hair and a pink dress with hearts on top. I love you a lot. And I will leave some cookies for you.  
Love, Miranda DeLeon

Dear Santa,  
I would like presents. I want a green monster that you squeeze and he makes a noise. I like dinosaur toys and goey monster toys that you squeeze and it make sounds. I like all the presents.  
Love, Chris Earnest

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. What I want is a white horse and a girl's bike. For my mom she would like anything you would send her. I love you.  
Your friend, Syndey Salinas

## Feliz Navidad

We thank you for your patronage and look forward to serving you in the New Year!

## PEDROZA'S RESTAURANT

1501 Lubbock Hwy. in Lamesa

# MERRY CHRISTMAS

From the Residents and Staff at ...

## Tahoka Care Center

For unto us is born this day a Savior, who shall be called Jesus.

May the blessings of Christmas be with you and your family.

from Fern Docekal, Eva DeLeon, Mary Alice Calvillo, and Juanita Salinas

## Family Wellness Clinic

OF THE LYNN COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT  
1705 Lockwood Street • Tahoka, Texas • (806) 998-4604

## MERRY CHRISTMAS

We hope you have a heavenly Christmas.

A sincere thank you to all our wonderful friends and customers.

## AgTexas FCS

## May God Bless Your Home This Holiday Season

Wherever you live, may you be visited by faith, love and good fortune in the year to come.

We feel blessed to have so many good clients and friends.

## HUFFAKER, GREEN & HUFFAKER

Attorneys At Law

### TAHOKA KINDERGARTEN Mrs. Becky Henley

Dear Santa,  
I want a new computer, really good present like kitchen. And a new brown horse. I love you.  
Love, Rame

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a T-Rex dinosaur, and the rainbow bike and that is.  
Love, Rame

Dear Santa,  
Have a good trip. I want a good trip. I would like to gloves. I would like to get some new Spiderman tent you Santa.  
Love, Rame

Dear Santa,  
I would like to get a small John Deere tractor, and a Spider Man button that presses the we like to get some chocolate stocking.  
Love, H

Dear Santa,  
Would you please bring me a little fake pter and a Barbie writing you coming real soon or time?  
Good-bye, I

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Cinderella dress and Cinderella shoes to go with it. I forgot some sleeping.  
Love, Rame

Dear Santa,  
Can you bring me a Christmas. I would also like with rap music, and some and a water gun.  
Love, Rame

Dear Santa,  
I am going to want a Barbie car on Hi and I am thankful for.  
Love, Rame

The Holidays have brought you what you want.

May the traditions of the holidays be with you.

And as always, from the staff of Family Wellness Clinic.

We hope you have a smooth and happy holiday season.

from Lynn



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**TAHOKA KINDERGARTEN**  
**Mrs. Becky Henley**

Dear Santa,  
I want a new computer, and I want a really good present like a new, play kitchen. And a new horse stable for a brown horse. I love you Santa.

Love, Andrea Garcez

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a monster truck, a T-Rex dinosaur, and that is all. I want a rainbow bike and that is all.

Love, Ramon Montemayor

Dear Santa,  
Have a good trip. I would like a water gun. I would like to get Spiderman gloves. I would like to get a football and some new Spiderman tennis shoes. I love you Santa.

Love, Carlos Moralez

Dear Santa,  
I would like to get some roller skates, a small John Deere tractor to play in the dirt, and a Spider Man glove with the button that presses the webs out. I would like to get some chocolate candy in my stocking.

Love, Hadley Reynolds

Dear Santa,  
Would you please bring me a cookie bake oven, a little fake pony for my sister and a Barbie writing pen. Santa are you coming real soon or is it still a long time?

Good-bye, Kaci Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Barbie house, a Cinderella dress and the matching Cinderella shoes to go with my dress and oh I forgot some sleeping beauty gloves.

Love, Adriana Salinas

Dear Santa,  
Can you bring me a motorcycle for Christmas. I would also like to have a CD with rap music, and some lay racing cars and a water gun.

Love, Devin Smith

Dear Santa,  
I am going to want a present from you. I would like a Brat Doll named Jay. I would like a Barbie car one of those jeeps. Hi and I am thankful for you.

Love, Amber Soto

Dear Santa,  
Would you please bring me a dollie, purse and a drinking bottle for my dollie. At my house we have a lot of present already.

Love, Natalie Vasquez

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a Barbie car, a doll castle and a playstation 2. Santa how is Mrs. Claus doing?

Good-bye, Sarina Ybarra

**TAHOKA KINDERGARTEN**  
**Mrs. Kim Mercer**

Dear Santa,  
Are you going to bring a lot of presents? I would like you to bring me a Barbie computer, a baker for kids to cook food and a swimming pool for me to swim in when it's hot. I have been a good girl come to my house.

Love, Tanianna Pena

Dear Santa,  
Have the elves been working hard? I would like some Red Power Ranger toys. I love you Santa!

Love, Tony Garcia

Dear Santa,  
How are the reindeer? I would like you to bring me a present. I want anything for Christmas. Any kind of toys and even some clothes. I have candy canes on my tree. I'll sleep a long time. I'll wake up early to see what's under the tree.

Love, John Quinonez

Dear Santa,  
Is it cold at the North Pole? I am excited for you to come to my house. I would like a real life baby doll that has black hair and blue eyes. I would like some clothes for her too. I have been a good girl!

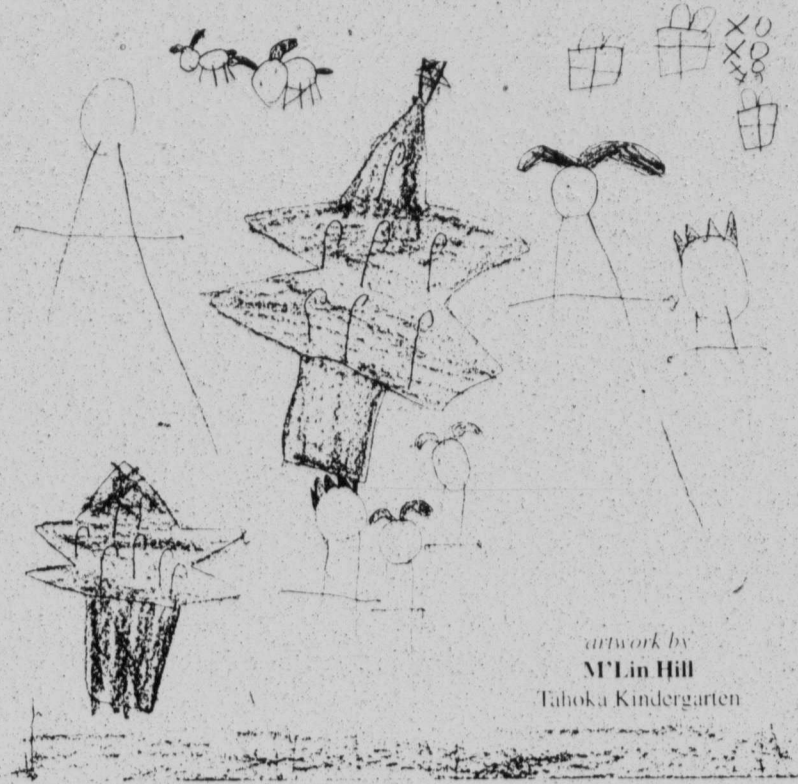
Love, M'Lin Hill

Dear Santa,  
How are you? How are the elves doing? How are the reindeer? I would like for you to bring me a Cinderella game and a Snow White game and a Sleeping Beauty game for my gameboy. I have been a good girl and I believe in you!

Love, Shelbi McMillan

Dear Santa,  
Are the elves doing okay? Are the reindeer doing okay too? I would like you to bring me a blue dirt bike, a scooter and a skateboard. I will leave you milk and cookies.

Love, Eric Chapa



artwork by  
**M'Lin Hill**  
Tahoka Kindergarten

Dear Santa,  
Has everyone been busy at the North Pole? I would like you to bring me a scooter, a Barbie and any kind of doll. I will leave you cookies and milk.

Love, Clarissa Lopez

Dear Santa,  
Have the reindeer been good? I have been good! I would like you to bring me a remote control toy that can change forms and carries drinks and it's got a light and it can go sideways on two wheels. I want this other remote control car and it's got bars over it and it can go backwards. Last I want a real snake to keep in my room. Be sure to give him some food in your sled.

Love, Trace Cook

Dear Santa,  
Thanks for bringing me presents. I would like you to bring me a red bike with training wheels so I can learn to ride, a blue ball and some new pants that fit just right. Thank you.

Love, Christopher Longoria

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? Are your reindeer being good? I have been good. I would like for you to bring me a Real Meal Easy Bake Oven, a Curly Q doll and a play kitchen that's pink. I will leave you milk and cookies.

Love, Selena Arroyo

Dear Santa,  
What are you doing? How are your reindeer? I would like a Barbie doll that's big. I would like a baby doll too. I love you!

Love, Xenia Charon

Dear Santa,  
How are the elves doing? I would like for you to bring me a blue Barbie Slugbug car. Please bring a purple car for my sister, Kayla. I would also like some Barbie clothes for me and some play dough too. I will leave three cookies and lots of milk.

Love, Karen Strickland

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing Santa? Please bring me a pet cat that is little and black, just the kind that you get from the pet store. I'd like a little bit of change and I would like a little motorcycle toy that drives with remote control. I have been good sometimes but sometimes I got yellow bears but I bet you will come see me.

Love, Joseph Hernandez

Dear Santa,  
How are the reindeer? I would like you to bring me a Rainbow CareBear, a Rapunzel Barbie that has wings and flies and a baby pumpkins for my room. I will decorate my Christmas tree. I have been good so please come to my house.

Love, Valerie Arriaga

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas! I want you to come to my house. I want you to buy me toys. I want some Transformers.

Love, Aeryk Montez

Dear Santa,  
Thanks Santa for bringing me a remote control truck. I want new crayons. I want a new remote control truck. I want a real truck for my big brother.

Love, Nathaniel Moses Locke

Dear Santa,  
I want a water gun. Do you got a water gun? How is the reindeer doing?

Love, Joshua Moore

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for giving me presents at Christmas. Thank you for giving me the sleeping bag when we got back from our cousins. I hope I am not on the naughty list because you are so nice. Could I have some jumping beans?

Love, Maci Dimak

Dear Santa,  
I want a robot toy and a Spy game. I want a robot story and picture. I want a Scooby Doo movie too.

Love, Courtney Perez

Dear Santa,  
How far is the North Pole? Will you bring me a Hot Wheels Track? Me and my dad love Hot Wheels. Please bring Mom and Byron something too.

Love, Slade Brown

Dear Santa,  
I love you! I would like a dancing Bratz doll. I also want a baby doll that sleeps. I have been a good girl.

Love, Mishelle Earnest

**TAHOKA KINDERGARTEN**  
**Mrs. Tina Wuensch**

Dear Santa,  
Is it cold in the North Pole? How is Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer? It is getting cold down here in Tahoka. Could you please tell your elves to make me a Spy Kids suit, with Spy Kids gadgets. I am really excited for it to be Christmas. Love ya Santa.

Love, Alison Quisenberry

Dear Santa,  
How is Rudolph? How is Mrs. Santa? And how are you? How are the other reindeer? Could I please have a Barbie that has a little sister? I want some more socks and new shoes. What else do you do at the North Pole? Thank you for the candy you gave me. I used to be afraid of you but now I know you aren't scary. Is it snowing at the North Pole? I can't wait for my presents and Christmas to get here. I like Rudolph.

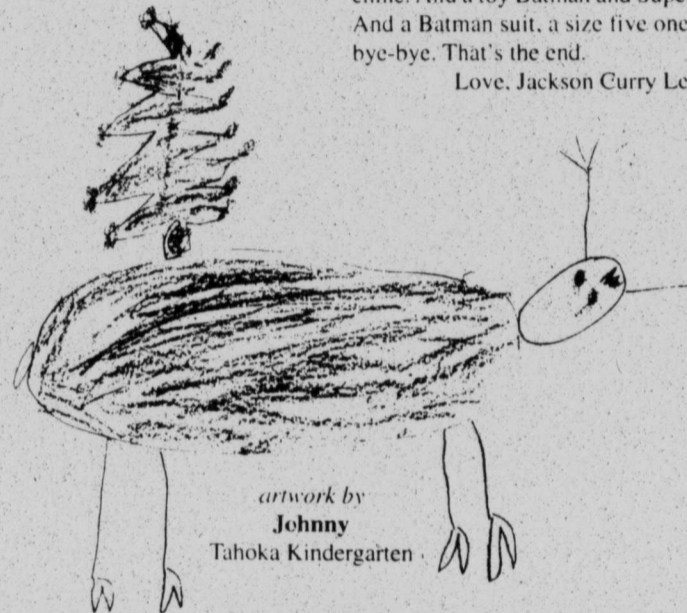
Love, Taylor Morin

Dear Santa,  
How is Mrs. Clause? I want a Transformer please. I want a new book please. How is the North Pole? Is the North Pole cold? And I want a new pencil. And I want some sneakers please.

Love, Traven Nathaniel Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
I love you. You are nice to me. You give me presents. I hug you. Please bring me a soldier for Christmas. I love you.

Love, Joseph Lara



artwork by  
**Johnny**  
Tahoka Kindergarten

*Happy Holidays*

The Holidays are a cheerful reminder of all that the past years have brought us. So now, more than ever, our thoughts turn to you who have supported us for the last 80 years.

Thank You and Best Wishes.

May the true meaning of Christmas live in your hearts.

May your memories of this season be filled with joy and gladness.

And as 2003 comes to an end, may the new year bring with it good health.

From our family to yours, Happy Holidays.

**TAHOKA DRUG**  
Tanya, Haney, and Patrick Wells  
Pam Elrod and Donna Brooks

*We hope your Christmas runs smoothly ... no matter who's guiding your sleigh!*

*Merry Christmas*

from **Lynnco Automotive**

*Merry Christmas*

from **Cowlick's Barber Salon**  
Kellie Paris and Patti Cloe  
561-6094  
1926 Lockwood in Tahoka

*"His light still lights the world ..."*

*Merry Christmas*

Gary and Lonnetta, Will and Amber, Michael and Arnetta, Alex and Rebecca, Chaz and Blake, Chrislyn and Slade

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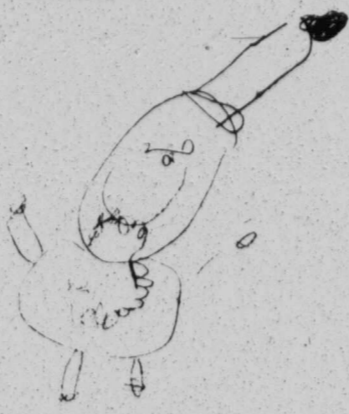
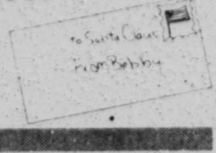
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artwork by  
**Grant Garvin**  
Tahoka Kindergarten

## TAHOKA KINDERGARTEN Mrs. Tina Wuensche

Dear Santa,  
Hello! Are you feeling good? How are you doing? I want say hi to the deer. Can you get me a scooter for Christmas? Can I have a Barbie for Christmas?

Love, Sierra Ruiz

Dear Santa,  
How is Rudolph? Is he feeling good? Are the other reindeer playing with him? For Christmas I want a Carebear castle.

Love, Caitly Webb

## TAHOKA FIRST GRADE Mrs. Angela Larpenter

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the coten candee mashin last Christmas. Marc Christmas Santa.

Love, Jaden

Dear Santa,  
I lick the present You gav my Last uier. But I dont reber what you gav my Last Uier. I would like a big brown bear.

Love, Angelica

Dear Santa,  
Thaks tuor the plashashin game, ples Santa, mak me a tuor weler. Sat a, huo doo yer randers fly?

Love, Blake

Dear Santa,  
How did Rudolph git a red nose? How do the elfs make toys? What is yor last name? I want a skatbod for Christmas. Thak u for the game boy you gave me last Christmas.

Love, Bryce

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the foot ball youm a form last yer. Pleys I whent Big game hunter 6. How did rowdofe get his red nose? How did yow be cone Santa?

Love, Colton

Dear Santa,  
than you for the Xbox. I whunt a motreskooer. Haw did you beekum ssanta? Hoo are roodofs perits? Hoo are the radees name?

Love, Dane

Dear Santa,  
I like Christmas beus santa is niss, him do everything that I lick. I wat big barbie nutcracker dat I want for Christmas. I lick santa. hape Christmas, deer semu I luv chismie cuss is fun deer setu love dehlila.

Love, Dehlila

Dear Santa,  
Thanke you for the baby toy. Haw did roodof get a red nosse? Santa what is yur wifis name? Did you now that have a baby boy. I want finding nemo

Love, Elvia

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the little doll that you brought me the other Christmas. I would like a big beautiful barbie. Thank you for everything that you are giving the children. How did Rudolph's nose get red? Dear satu thacyu for the prese.

Love, Estefany

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the desk. I wood like any kind of pet. How do you fit in the chineme?

Love, Jeremiah

Dear Santa,  
Thack you fou the pusb last yier. I want a mooder skooder. Haou dus, Roodofs nos gloo?

Love, Laura

Dear Santa,  
Thanks for the presents. Santa is njes.

Love, Marc

Dear Santa,  
Thacyou for the Brazite doll and the doll and the play van. I want for chrismis is a baby doll for kkk.s pals. How are you and your wife and your raneder? How did redoff the raneder flie.

Love, Megan Nicole Alvarado

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the gameboy I rilly in joy it. I whont a moder scoder. Why whuzz Rodof red nozd? Is it cold in the nothpoll? Are the randier nis? Dus sum randier be rode to Rodote?

Love, Shelbee

Dear Santa,  
I lick the presit you gav my last uier. I reber what you gav my you gav my a swagset. santa I whot a chraplen.

Love, Sonya

Dear Santa,  
Last time you gave me a Game Boy. Thank you. I would like a red bicycle this year for Christmas. How do you make your reindeer fly?

Love, Tyler

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the teteber. How do you make uoor rander flye? I whont easy bake.

Love, Yancy

Dear Santa,  
I what a Modr Scooter for chrestmes and one mor Thang thank you for the stilts cas me and my sisters liced it and one mor Thang how did Rodof get a red Nosse?

Love, Amanda

Dear Santa,  
Thank us for the magp. I want a magp a gin. I want a doll. I want a plash gam.

Love, Breanna

Dear Santa,  
I wut a reng. I wut new boots. I wut a small choek bord. I will lev you sum cukes. I wut isca seas. I wut a Chrismis sert and a Crismis log slev shrt. I wut a cumudr in my rom.

Love, Micaela Torrez

Dear Santa,  
I would like a yu gi oh cords. My Mom would like a braslit. My Dad would like a new shurt. Cori would like a \$100 dallars. I am good!

Love, Marcus Vega

Dear Santa,  
I want for Krisms I want a hot wei rass track and I want a trane.

Love, Larry Fuentes

Dear Santa,  
I won plastahon 1 and xbox. Dad wents a bol and bat. Eric wos a cor. Mom wos neclis. How R u? I hav ben gud.

Love, Marcos Saldana

Dear Santa,  
How can your randier fly? I want a 4 wiler. A gumdall mshin. A club hous. My mom wod like a braslet. My Dad wood like a now woch and Brailey wood like a doll and Brecklyn wood like a doll. I have bin a good boy.

Love, Brighton McMinn

Dear Santa,  
How are the randis? I wut u easy bakee and u cradibl babe doll and skates. I wil gif u cuces.

Love, Chloe Howard

Dear Santa,  
You are very cool. I won a x. bock. Mi mom wunts like a new ring. A now pair of boots. Santa how ur you?

Love, Jackson Reese Haribson

Dear Santa,  
I hoye that you hav a wonderful Christmas. I want one of Mame and Tubos puppys. I also wunt sum sds. like Radeodisne and kids bop 3 and thin I wunt uncreebobaby and a Lade Radre basgbol. I will lev you sum cooces and sum micc my sistre wunts a modriz scootr.

Love, Tori Ford

Dear Santa,  
Haw is Your Randirs and you? I want go go biy wockeeng pup and I want that dog thet has a leash. I bin a vere good.

Love, Ashlee Anderson

Dear Santa,  
I want Insting bake for Crismis. I think my Mom want's a car. For my Dad can you ples gif him a new neclis. For my baby sister I want you to gif her some new whini the poo toys. Can you gif my Bruther a computer? Can you gif my sister some close. Can you bring my sister Luz some new shoos. Can you bring my other sister Trish a new site uv Nellevill.

Love, Vanessa Mendez

Dear Santa,  
I want fo Krisms a doll. I want a truck.

Love, Amanda Flores

Dear Santa,  
I hope you had a wonderful week! And a good yer to. And I hop y or Rander are ok. And I hop you are ok. What I want for Christmas. Nou clows and nou shows and motr scudr to.

Love, Amanda Hill

Dear Santa,  
I hope you had a happy mary chrismis? I plys want gogo my wockyng pup? and can I have Brats with a mall? And I have a barbee hed? And can I have a barbee of swon lake hors? Not the one that tocks and I have the cast too? and I have the kinde of pants as my sistet? I have I bin a good gerlr?

Love, Jessica Fowler

Dear Santa,  
How or the randieers? Mi gramof wel like a braslit. I wil like a plastashin too and a x bocks. Mi dad will like a tof boxs whith tols in it. Gev mi brother a radol. Gev patrick a cor. Give coben a jeijo. Breg mi mom a ring. Brig mi ant a braslite. Brig mi ocol a plastashin 2. Brig mi gramol sum tools. Brig mi cussen a gam.

Love, Dominique Herrera

Dear Santa,  
I would like a yu gi oh cords. My Mom would like a braslit. My Dad would like a new shurt. Cori would like a \$100 dallars. I am good!

Love, Isarah Ray Arce

Dear Santa,  
I hope you had a good year. I would like a my size barbie of swan lake. My brother would like a game quooob game the lord of the ring. My mom would like a braslite. My dad would like a scrub. My grandpo would like a pair glasses. My grandmo would like a ring. Cris Loles would like a Harry potter goowy stuff. Ranchol would like a Dora toy. Nataliee would like a braslit. tamas would like sum chocholhit. Don would like a braslit. Miss waling would like a braslit. My Waling would like a sasin dallars.

Love, Aurora Hadzic

Dear Santa,  
How are the randiers. I would like a house. My Mom would like a braslit. My Dad would like a shurt. I been good all this year.

Love, Briana Hernandez

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Love, Brighton McMinn

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Love, Chloe Howard

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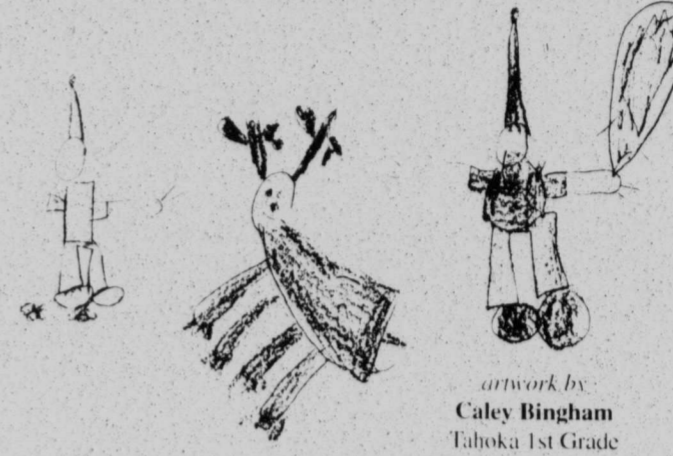
Love, Jackson Reese Haribson

Dear Santa,  
I hoye that you hav a wonderful Christmas. I want one of Mame and Tubos puppys. I also wunt sum sds. like Radeodisne and kids bop 3 and thin I wunt uncreebobaby and a Lade Radre basgbol. I will lev you sum cooces and sum micc my sistre wunts a modriz scootr.

Love, Tori Ford



SOLOMON'S SCENE - Three brightly-lit Christmas trees and reindeer can be seen at the home of Jim and Andra Solomon, at 2429 N. 1st. (LNN PHOTO)



artwork by  
**Caley Bingham**  
Tahoka 1st Grade

## TAHOKA FIRST GRADE Mrs. Carolyn Wilson

Dear Santa,  
How are you randier? My mom want aneklis. My dad want a moter skl. I want a 4 wiler a red 1. I bin good gerlr.

Love, Charlie Duran

Dear Santa,  
How are ran dieers? I have been a good boy? I want a Modler scooder, and shox.

Love, Ram Martinez

Dear Santa,  
How are you ramediers? I want a thruck and a spiderman toy and a hulk toy. My mom want a nekils. My sisters what a baby. My brother want a Hulk toy.

Love, Isarah Ray Arce

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Dear Santa,  
How is Rudolp? Santa I wot a pokemon cards. Santu how ar the elfs? I hav bin a good boy. I hop u bring yur magkl ee to git in mi hows. I wod lik u plastashun. Hav a nis trip!

Love, Zach Garcia

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May the spirit of an old-fashioned country Christmas filled with peace and good will be yours this holiday season.

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How like the serenity of a silent, snow-clad woodland, is the peace that comes to the heart that finds the true meaning of Christmas.

**Farmers Co-Op Association No. 1**  
TAHOKA, TEXAS

**BLESSINGS AT CHRISTMAS**

May the Spirit of this holy holiday bring you peace, harmony and joy. As you celebrate His Miraculous Birth we join you in giving thanks.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS FROM ...  
**Dr. Donald Freitag**  
Debbie and Stacy



## TAHOKA 1ST GRADE

Dear Santa,  
I have bene a good Rudolph doing? Ho reindeers? How is you are working vere har snowe and you come to gijoe bomb tainck and motrsikl and sum clo cokes and milk for you

Dear Santa,  
I hav bn u god grl. I mi rom. I wot u rado. I hilo cidc bacit. I wot suthiser fr crismis. I wot rabou th sei plez. breng cuper. I hop mi r up n th clozit. I hop it cumz to mi has. Breg I will pot choo sum coe hop u hav u Merc Cris

Dear Santa,  
How is rodot? Ho am a good boy. I hope I would like a 2 will bin and a CD player and a and clos. A nothr cre Spongboh tv. A DVD toys for my puppy. C stocking and family. Christmas at my hous

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Dear Santa,  
How is your elfs? How aer yur reindeers? iyem good. so I hop you can cum on your sled again. is it snoweng next Monday? May I hav a scooter? Can I hav a dog? Can my mom hav a microswave? Can you give my dad new tools? I hope I see Rodof.

Dear Santa,  
I hav bin u gud grl. I helt mi mom. I hav bin kind to mi brthrs. I help mi mom pant th liv rum. I wunt u bune rabbit. I am gon to mi grandmols hous. Rudof I hop you can cum. Ples cum for Christmas. I wud lie u to et sum of mi cooces bfor u lev. I luv you!

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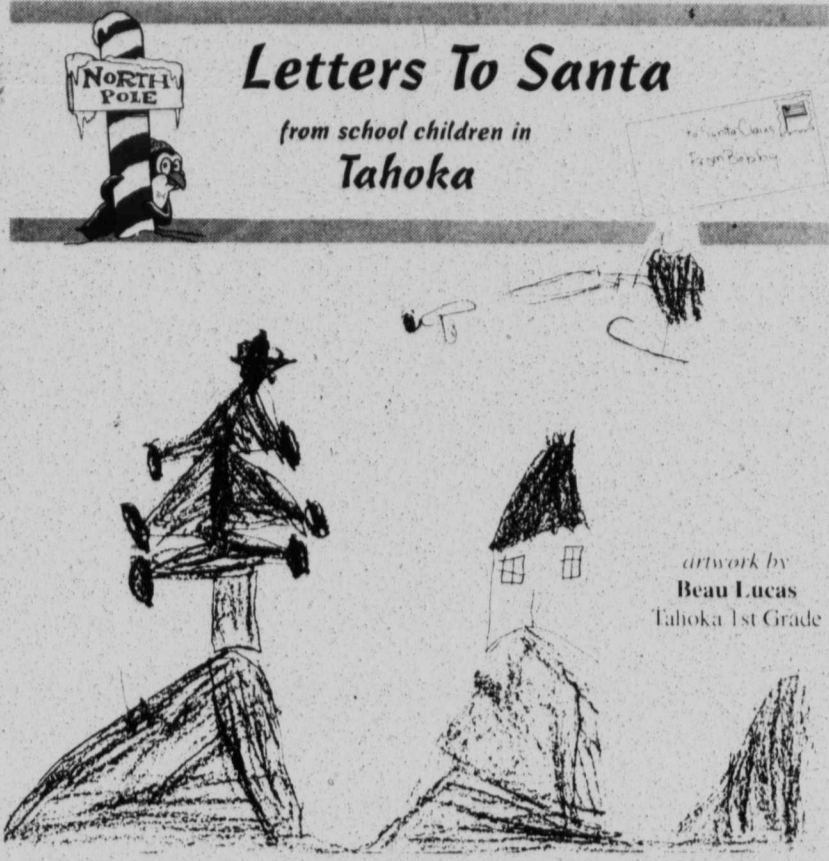
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TAHOKA 1ST GRADE - Mrs. Carolyn Wilson

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. How is Rudolph doing? How is your elf? I hope they are working very hard for us. When it snows and you come to see how I want a gigoo bomb tainek and a computer, a blue motrsikl and sum clesu. I will put out cokes and milk for you. Merr Crismis!  
Love, Jessie Calvillo

Dear Santa,  
I have bin a good girl. I help mi mom clen mi rom. I wot u rado. I wot u rabit. I wt u hilo cide bacit. I wot u pla has. I wat sutthiser fr crismus. I wot u hrs fr crismus. I wot rabou th sci plez. Satu elaz wood u breng cupetr. I hop mi mom hangs mi cloz up n th cloz. I hop it snoz. I hop roodaf cumz to mi has. Breg me a clip brd plez. I will pot chuo sum coocoz and mile ot. I hop u hav u Mere Crismuz!  
Love, Alexis Garcia

Dear Santa,  
How is rodof? How is the others? I am a good boy. I hope the wether is fine. I would like a 2 will bike, gamboy, xbox, and a CD player and a computer. Hot will and cles. A nothr cresmus tree. Slece Spongbob tv. A DvdD player and some toys for my puppy. Can you fell up my stocking and family. We are selebrating Christmas at my house. I luv santa.  
Luv, Daniel M. Hernandez

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas Santa! I have bine good. How is your Ruddph? Is snow comein today. How is your elfs? I hop you by me what I want. I wish you wod brin me a caputer and Alysa bring a caputer. Roman needs a pet dog. Coy and Kara needs a trampin. My famly needs some thigs. My mom needs a nexis. My dad needs raser. My brather needs a cles. My danny needs a bed room. I hop you have a Merry Christmas!  
Love, Kimmie Jones

Dear Santa,  
I have bin a good girl. I hope you have a good Christmas. I love Christmas do you Santa? How is Rudolph? I would like a game, scooter, clock, books, and my front tooth. I hope you have a good year. I hope your reindeers are doing good to day. I like reindeers. I like your Santa cloths. Are you doing good? You are a good friend to me. Is it snowing there? Christmas is fun to me. I hope you have a good Christmas list for me. How much Christmas lists do you have for Christmas? How are your reindeer? I hope you are doing good. Have a good Christmas. I would like toys the most for Christmas so I can play with them at home! Tow more thing I would like for Christmas craft stuff and a play dog. Have a good Christmas!  
Love, Kara Latpenter

Dear Santa,  
Do you hav a majickel key? I wood lick a xbox, sum yo-gi-oh cards, pegasis deck, an alecktrick scootr, and sum water burger cards. I hav bin a good boy becuz I help my bruther elin the house. I wood lick sum boocks and a pocemon deck. Mor close for my mom and dad. I wood lick compyotr. I will macke you a pickehr. I hop you hav a sat chrip.  
Love, Beau Lucas

Dear Santa,  
I hav bin a good girl. How is Rudolph doing? How is the others doing? Is it snowing there? I would like to have a gameboy. I hop you put a lot of stuf in my stocking. I am going to leev you some coocs and milk. How is Mrs. Santa? I would like to hav a scooter. I would like my two frunt teeth gone. I hop the wether is good. I hop you dot git a colde. You are a best frind. I hop you bring a lot of presa its. Merry Christmas!  
Love, Coy Mercer

Dear Santa,  
How is your Ruddph? I have bene a good grle Santa. I hop you can cum on your sled. How are your elfs? I hop you can cum thro my dour with your magical key. I hop you can fill my stocking with Love. I hop it will be snowen. Haw are your reindeers? Santa I Love you vere much. I would like a compytr, skootr, lots of cles, lots of julre and mabe a pet. Hav a Merry Christmas!  
Love, Alyssa Pesina

Dear Santa,  
I had bnd a good boy. I help papa. It has bnd a good day for me. Can you bring a drum. I like papa. I lik rodf. Santa you ar fun. I like you. I want sum new cloz. I will put out sum milc.  
Love, Xavier

Dear Santa,  
I have bene a good girl. I wud like a shrinky dink, a spy kit, Bratz, power ranger dolls, smrt shopr, Hare Potre books, Majik kit, a gittr, a violin, my sein dolls, a dans makr, a motr skotr, a cerocy mushen, and sum mor elos for Ken. Are the randirs doing good? I hop the elfs are working hrd. I hop it is good wethr for you. Merry Crismis!  
Love, Lauren Raindl

Dear Santa,  
I hop the wether will be ok win you come on Christmas Eve. I sher hop Rudoph is rede wen it is Christmas Eve. I love Rudoph. I know your rele name is Kriss Cringol. I wawcht the 25 days uv Christmas. I wud lik sum poke' mon cards. I wud a poke' mon pusol its at the Doler Jenerol and meby a new charjer for my barbe jeep. I hop Rudph and his friends are rede to fly on Christmas Eve. Have a Meery Christmas!  
Love, Mia Saldana

Dear Santa,  
I like Rudolph. My dad is gana give me a bik for Christmas. I hav bend good girl. I like Christmas. I wud like a doll. Christmas is so prte. I luv you Santa. I will give you kooes. Merry Christmas!  
Love, Jasmine Soto

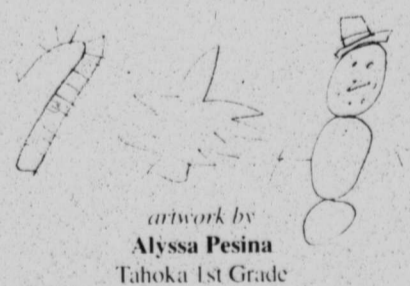
Dear Santa,  
Merry Chistmas! I hav be a good girl. I wald lik to hav bratz barie and horse. Kan I have a bike. Kan my sisters have journals? Can my dady have clas, pajoms and boots? My mathr needs work stuf. I hop my popa fill bettr. I hop my grendmo gets mune. I hop the wethr is good. Be karfl kaming down the chmne. I love you!  
Love, Kayla Strickland

Dear Santa,  
I hav bod a good boy. I see Santa n the ski. cat eplr hep drlv. Radr a Sal rudof catpeluft. I hop et snos for Christmas. I yut ta hat to I but dut I yut lyut a cue. I want a race car for Christmas.  
Love, Elijuahi Vega

Dear Santa,  
I been a good boy. I wood lick a serpit sicclo, a larex teraek, a mickecerro masheen, play stash in 2, sider-Mam cd, a new hamstser, cerash 3 and new cles. I hop your majic pawers work at my hous. I hop the wethr is good. Merry Christmas!  
Love, Tyler Webb

TAHOKA SECOND GRADE Mrs. Carolyn Boydston

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a doll a c.d. players and a dog. For my mom bring a diamond ring. My dad wants power tools. Bring my brothers an sister an art board.  
Love, Elizabeth Locke



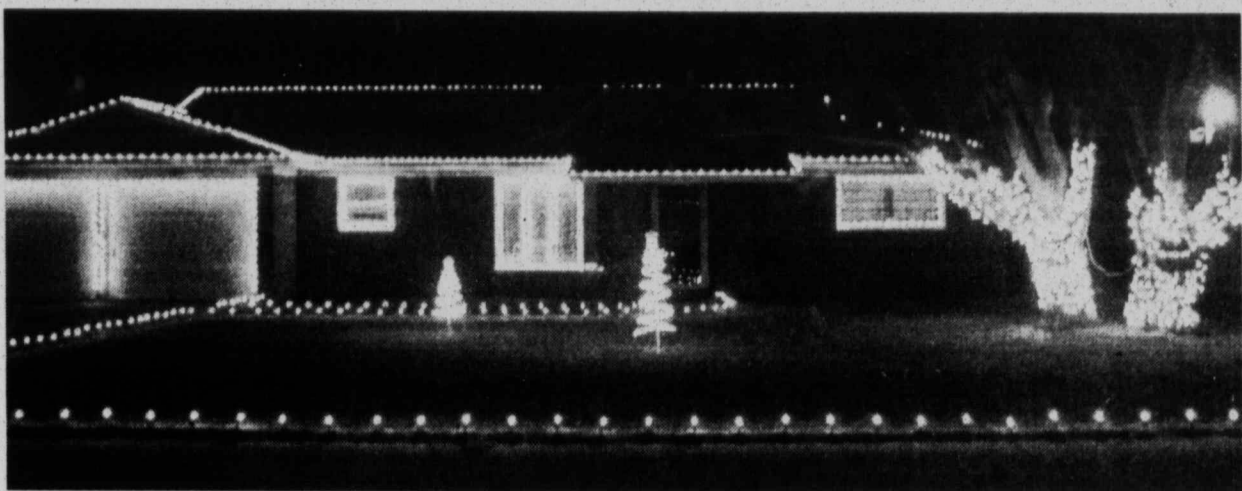
HO! HO! HO!

Have a MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR!

from Bobby and Peggy and staff at

**JOLLY TIME**

2220 Lookwood in Tahoka 561-4616



BEAUTIFUL SCENE - The Forsythe home at 2104 N. 8th in Tahoka is beautifully outlined in lights this Christmas, and sparkling trees add to the festive look. (Lynn County News Photo)

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a dog and a cat. I also want a bicycle and horse. For my grandmother please bring a diamond ring. For my granddad please bring a car. For my dad bring an apple pie.  
Love, Joseph Munoz

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a squishy mobile car, and a squishy water pet, a motor scooter, get my mom a diamond ring and rings and a necklas and purple lipstick pleas. get my dad deodrant pleas, get my sister horse rings.  
Love, McKenzie Dimak

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a horse and scooter. I would like a barbie swan lake. I would like a polly pocket barbie. I would like a lechnon barbie. I would like a barbie a moder with a little barbie and a big barbie and a wale named dee dee, for my mom bring her a ring braslec and neckles, for my dad bring him tools and a TV.  
Love, Virginia Lopez

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a motrskoter, a horse, Barby hous, Barby pony, t. c. and a dog or cat. My mom wants a snowman and my dad wants a car. My sister Jessica wants a skooter and Laura wants a bike.  
Love, Loreña Flores

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a pet Dalmation puppy and a riping raking rollercoaster and a game boy. Can you get my famly a remote contrle aprlain?  
Love, Aaron Webb

Dear Santa,  
For christmas I want a hoers, kitten, puppy and a c.d. player. For my dad bring some tools. My mom wants some plats and my srster sarah wants a computer and a peano. My big brother Isaac he wants a x box. My little brother Joseph wants a sojer with clothing. I want a trampalen and sweeng and polly boy and a barbie.  
Love, Selena Tello



Greeting

In the true Christmas spirit, we join everyone in prayers for lasting peace. Gratefully, we thank everyone for the trust and confidence that has been extended to us.

THE LYNN COUNTY OFFICIALS

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DECEMBER 24, 2003

The beauty of Christmas is that we live in the memory of our friends. We wish you a season filled with wonderful memories.

**Delia's Hair Styling**

Peace and Love

Imagine a world as peaceful as our Creator intended it to be, and as full of love as the heart of our Saviour. In that spirit we offer you our best wishes for a Christmas filled with joy.

DON & CHARLIE BLAIR

I have appreciated the support of Lynn County citizens during the past, and ask for your support in my bid for re-election as Lynn County Commissioner, Pct. 3.



**Letters To Santa**  
from school children in  
**Tahoka**

**TAHOKA 2ND GRADE**  
Mrs. Carolyn Boydston

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike, a radio and a gameboy. Please bring a ring for my mom. My dad would like some new pictures. Bring my brother some U-Gi-O cards and bring my sister a playhouse.  
Love, Anthony Silvass

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would want a c.d. palmer, a kitten and puppy. My mom wants a million bucks my dad wants a vatashin. My broth wants a x-men dvd.  
Love, Kaycee

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like two 50cents and a new bike. For my mom I would like a neckles. For my dad I want power tools. Bring my sister and brather some x games.  
Love, Gino

**TAHOKA SECOND GRADE**  
Mrs. Debbie Engle

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a My Scene doll named Madison. Another thing I would like is a beanbag. The last thing I would like is a walky-talky set. How is Mrs. Claus. I hope she is okay. My sister would like a My Scene doll named Chelsea. My brother would like a computer. My cousin would like a Bratz doll. My other cousin would like a play dinosaur. How are the reindeer. I hope they are okay to. How are the elves. I hope they are okay to. Are you okay. I hope you are also.  
Your friend, Erynn Harris

Dear Santa,  
I love you. I want a spongebob toy. I want a spongebob remote car. I want a spongebob jacket. I want a spongebob shoes.  
Love, Jamilex Hernandez

Dear Santa,  
I want a four wheeler. I want a motor scooter. I want a play station two. I want a bean bag. Santa houy are you dingd? ar your elfs ding good? I wish I was santa, then I was elfif he is he than he will begood but olel one santa then if it stoo santa that will be too meny santa it is good love santa.  
Love, Ke' Shawn

Dear Santa,  
Santa clause hpw are you Doing Are you fine? Are yeer reindeers doing oky? Can you by this stuff for me? I wnt a x box for my brother and something nice for my mom and something really nice for my dad and a motor scooder for me if you get this for me yere so nice all the time you arey were? by. santa this js my list.  
Love, Adriana Coronado

Dear Santa,  
My cousin wants bratz u Boy and gril and bratz liom. I want a big g I joe and a big car, and a playstation2, and a tonyhok proskatr undrgrand. Is Rudolph o.k.? Is Mrs. Clause o.k.? Rudolph ded is u good randear.  
Love, Dillon Dotson

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a remote control car, a game cube and a water beb. I hope you get all the preseht to all the kids. How is Mrs. Clause. Is your elve's working hard?  
Love, Sandie Hyer

Dear Santa,  
May I have a waterbed and a Bakeoven. and My mom want's a new stove. I want a cellphone. How is Mrs. clause How are you? are the elves working hard? and my dad want's a cover for Christmas. I want a trampalen for Christmas. How the rainders? I hope the rainders are ready for Christmas. I want a barbi for Christmas. My sister Destimty would like clothes for Christmas. My sister Ashley would like a Barbie for Christmas. Christopher would like a car for Christmas. Sabas would like a jeep for Christmas. Jacob would like a truck for Christmas. If you give us the presents we want you are the best.  
Love, your best friend  
Bethany Longoria

Dear Santa,  
I want a laptop and a cell phone OHOH and don't forget a new bike and one more thing Santa can I have a marker board. How is Mrs. Claus doing? Ill try to leave milk and cookies and Leave a not if you like the cookies leave it on one of my presents.  
Love, Hunter Lowdermilk

Dear Santa,  
Please may I have a laptop with tic-tac-toe and can I please have a pack of earings and can I please have two Barbie walkietalkies. Are you doing good? Are your elfs well? I hope they are well. Mrs. clause I hope you are well to.  
Love, Gabrielle Rivera

Dear Santa,  
How are you? Is Mrs. Claws are righ. My mom wants a new bed. I wish I had a thesandr paintballs and my sister wants a cookebak oven. Are you all righ Santa?  
Love, Alex Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
How is Rudolph santa? I want a bike and a dret bike and clothes.  
Love, Kordell

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas I want a Spongebob Dvd movie and a Dvd player.  
Love, Juan Charon



Dear Santa,  
Plase bring me a mysceen doll and a bratz limo and a bratz doll and a hit clip. How aer you doing? How is mrs elase?  
Love, yoer frand,  
Qrista Stanley

Dear Santa,  
May I please have lots of brats doll stuff. A Cellphone. A laptop. And the mysceen dance party thing that comes with Nolie. Haw are you doing? Haw is Mrs. Clouse doing? I love you and Mrs. Clouse.  
Love, Nicole Taylor

Dear Santa,  
All I want for christmas is a skip'in'spin and a spongbob movie for my sister and something nice for my mom and something nice for my dad and this is my list.  
Love, Samantha Valacz

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want an X box, game cube, and a Play Stacion 2 game. I want a beanbag. Thank you. Have a Merry Christmas.  
Love, Isiah

Dear Santa,  
How is Mrs Clause? For Christmas I want a My scene doll. And I want a phone My Mom wants pans and tshirt My dog wants a tug and a bed My Brother wants a Batman and Spiderman. Have a merry Christmas.  
Love, Taylor Roberts

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Love, Juan Charon

artwork by  
Nicole Taylor  
Tahoka 2nd Grade

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas! I have been a good girl. Can I please have a Barbie computer game and a dog that is named Daisy and please don't forget anyone else ok. I might leave milk and cookies ok!  
Love, Vanessa Chavarria

Dear Santa,  
I want a motor scooter and \$991 for my family. I want more sega games. Merry Christmas.  
Love, Damien Colon

Dear Santa,  
Do you like it up there? I want a motor scooter, Hillary Duff CD and most of all a TV.  
Love, Kristal DeVine

Dear Santa,  
How are your elfs? I am fin. how are you. ples bring me a barbey and a findng nemo movie and a barbey jeep and a tv. Merry Christmas.  
Love, Laura Flores

Dear Santa,  
Happy Holladays. I have been a bord boy this year so I do not any toys. I want clothes. And I want a lot of lump of coal. have a good flight.  
Love, Ryan Garza

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? I have bin a good boy. I am gown to leave you some cookies. I hop yo ulike the cookies. I want some sports. Give something to my brother.  
Love, Nicklas Lee

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas! I am a good girl. I want a spongebob tv and my ears pierced. Please bring Kirstin, Erynn, Nicole, Madison and Taylor presents. I will leave milk and cookies for you.  
Love, Kaitlyn Lehman

Dear Santa,  
Is it cold up there? I have been a good girl with my dad. Can you pleas bring me everthing of Spongebob squarepants and pleas bring something for my family.  
Love, Gabriella Pando

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas. I have been pretty good this year. I want rollerblades and a doll named Kirsten and a puppy named Daisy.  
Love, Kirstin Stice

Dear Santa,  
How are you santa? Can I have a new bick please. Can it be red? Can I have an electric keebord? I also want a Barbie with prette finger nells. Happy Holadays.  
Love, Raven Tillman

**TAHOKA THIRD GRADE**  
Mrs. Dana Taylor

Dear Santa,  
This is what I want for Christmas: motor scooter, laser, 20 gauge shotgun, pistol pellet gun, trip to Alaska, good time, snake and a go cart.  
Thanks Santa!  
Smith McLelland

Dear Santa,  
I wish for a kereoke, girls of grass cede, a new bike, a horse poster, a Mary-Kate and Ashly movie and a there stuff, a art set, a basketball.  
Love, Madylin Deleon

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike. I want a moderskooder. I want a keremokshen. I want a bed.  
Love, Larissa Garcia

Dear Santa,  
All I want for Christmas is four tickets on a plane trip to Hawaii. Also a motor scooter and a baby Baset bound. And a laptop computer. Also a go cart.  
Thanks Santa!  
Kayla Fox

Dear Santa,  
I was wondering if you could git me a skate bord, and a new bike. Some new hous shos. Some basketball shos. One more thang Befor I go how is misss clos.  
Love, Luke Hawthorne

Dear Santa,  
I want a football and a basketball game for my PS2 and a now bike. I want a skatbord and som football pads and a Texas Longhorn hemit.  
Your friend,  
Levi Hawthorne

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing. I have been good. I want for christmas is a motarisscooter. I have a bike from last christmas. This christmas I want some powerpuff girl stuff. And some real makeup. I want some skates and some rollerblades. I want some hollo kitty stuff to. I was wondering if you can get me some new skatesbord. I want to go to the musem with you. I wantsome mary-kate and ashley stuff t.  
Your Friend,  
Makia Lloyd

Dear Santa,  
Hi santa how are you doing. Iwant a new gameboyadvans, and a new dog, and a tv, and a new soeberball, and trinds.  
Your Friend  
Brandon Proctor

Dear Santa,  
I would like a deck of yu-gi-oh card deck. I also would like a cat. Could I have a duelist disk, new skates, motor scooter, kite, bord games.  
Love, Chad Darwactor

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artwork by  
Juan Charon  
Tahoka 2nd Grade

Dear Santa,  
How are you doeng santa how do you go down a chimney, do you have a rander namd roof with a big red noes. I've ben vere good I wod like a forewifer and a bicke.  
Your friend,  
Jonathon Alvarez

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing in the North Pole? How are your ramdeer doing? How do you stay warm in the North Pole. For Christmas I want some PS2 games and some Pokemon or Yungo-oh cards. And a basketball goal with a basket.  
Love, Marcus Gonzales

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? I want a transformer, skate bord, PS2, a pet trantula, pit bull, 30 dollars, Xbox, gameboy color, gamebovavance, computer, clothes, soccer ball, TV.  
Your Friend  
Damien Petr Montez

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? How are your raideer? I what a tumblingmate for Christmas and a basketballgole. I want a laptop. I want a new dog. The last thing I want a good christmas.  
Love, LisaMarie Alvarado

Dear Santa,  
I have tried to be good. I would like a pearler bead set, sleeping beaty doll, the dvd of sleeing beaty and a book. For my sister some clothes, the ocean wonders fishbowl and thats it. A care bear playset for Reed.  
Your friend,  
Audrec Williams

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**Letters To Santa**  
from school children in  
**Tahoka**

**TAHOKA 3RD GRADE**  
Mrs. Dana Taylor

Dear Santa,  
I was wondering how you are in the north pole? Do you have hot chocolate? How is ruf been a nice girl this year. I if you could bring me a telescoop, degatle blue.  
Love,  
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Dear Santa,  
I want a pair of cloth N° SYNC cd a diskman, s my baby sister cierra, a P brother, some sweet pants ter crystal and my mom's  
Love,  
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**TAHOKA THIRTH GRADE**  
Mrs. Chloe Ja...

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing computer. I want games for My brother and I want t and run. I want the lord return of the king. I want horn football. I want a Thank you for the good!  
Sincerely,  
Love,  
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Dear Santa,  
I want Lord of the Rin game. I also want playst want Anikins new Jedi st, you for giving presents.  
Love, N  
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Dear Santa,  
I want 2 dirt bikes for and a shotgun. And get m Will you give my mom a for the gifts. Have a mar  
Love, Sw  
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Dear Santa,  
Let me tell what I wa bicycle and a new electr new Texas Tech shirt. C mom a new car? Can yo computer? Thank you fo  
Love,  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I now that I don't be all I want you to send n and I want a basketba mas I will believe in yo Christmas.  
Love,  
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**Bright Smiles and Best Wishes**  
Your friendship & support are greatly appreciated. Have a wonderful Christmas.  
**RICHARD WHITE, D.D.S.**  
Monica and Angie

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**Tahoka**

**TAHOKA 3RD GRADE**  
Mrs. Dana Taylor

Dear Santa,

I was wondering how do you serve in the north pole? Do you drink alot of hot chocolate? How is rufph? I think I've been a nice girl this year. I was wondering if you could bring me a motorscooter, telescope, degatle blue, clothes, jelvre.  
Love, Taya Bishop

Dear Santa,

I want a pair of clothes and shoes a N\*SYNC ed a diskman, some clothes for my baby sister cierra, a PS2 game for my brother, some sweat pants for my big sister crystal and my mom some clothes.  
Love, Cynthia Flores

**TAHOKA THIRD GRADE**  
Mrs. Chloe Jan Wells

Dear Santa,

How are you doing Santa I want a computer. I want games for the computer. My brother and I want the Simpsons hit and run. I want the lord of the rings the return of the king. I want a Texas Longhorn football. I want a moter scooter. Thank you for the good Christmas.  
Sincerely, Brandon Lucas

Dear Santa,

I want Lord of the Rings Return Kings game. I also want playstation 2. I really want Anikins new Jedi starfighter. Thank you for giving presents.  
Love, Nicholas Hadzic

Dear Santa,

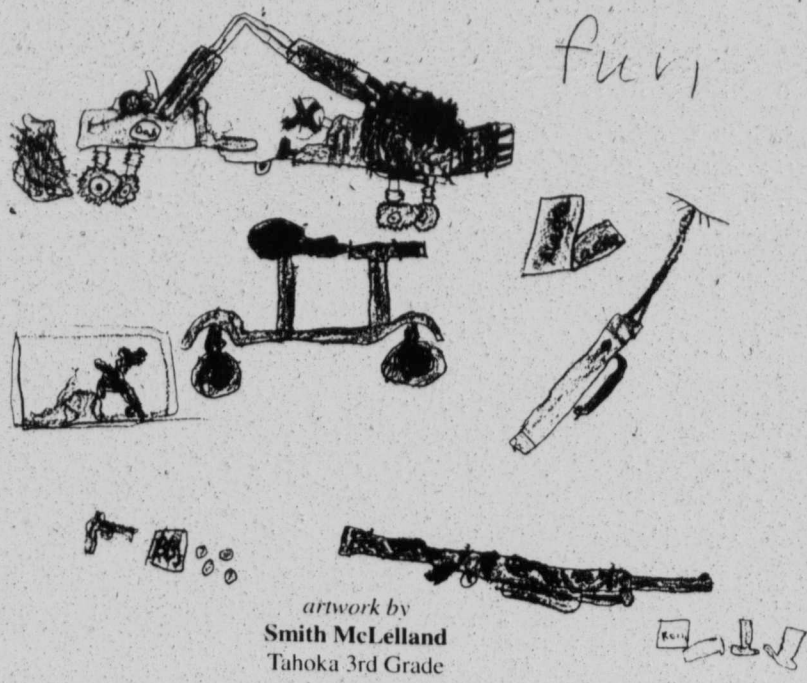
I want 2 dirt bikes for my dad and me and a shotgun. And get my sister a Barbie. Will you give my mom a ring? Thank you for the gifts. Have a marry Christmas.  
Love, Swade Hammonds

Dear Santa,

Let me tell what I want. I want a new bicycle and a new electric scooter and a new Texas Tech shirt. Can you get my mom a new car? Can you get me a new computer? Thank you for all your help.  
Your friend,  
Alex Hinds

Dear Santa,

I now that I don't believe in you but all I want you to send me is one present and I want a basketball. The next Christmas I will believe in you so I care about Christmas.  
Merry Christmas  
Cameron King



artwork by  
**Smith McLelland**  
Tahoka 3rd Grade

Dear Santa,

I would like one miniature snouser for Christmas please. For my sister Tickle Me Elmo toy. For my brother he would like Halk hands. For my moma domain ring. For my dad calon. Thank you for all your help have a grat Christmas!  
Love, Cheyenne Alvarado

Dear Santa,

I would like you to get m my family something for Christmas Cristina a red stuffed bear even Larry something get him new tools and Daniel a new pooh bear And for Valerie get her a new TV for her room and for Adriana get her a New bike and Larry a dirtbike, motorcycle and thank you for a good Santa clause and for me a new bike and for my dad a new car. Merry Christmas!  
Love, Janel Arriaga

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Clause? I hope you have a great Christmas! I would like a horse play set and a game boy advance. I also would like a Mary-Kate and Ashley doll spa. Garrett would like a leash for Carson and a play station game. Carson would like a poweranger action figer. My dad would like a new pickup. My mom would like a day off and a new laptop. Thanks for everything.  
Merry Christmas,  
Madeline Rae Barham

Dear Santa,

My brothers and I want a 4 wheeler be cause we want to ride with are friend. And My dad and I want Vice city 3, 2, and 1 and for me I want 007. And for my mom another go cart that she can ride on. I cant forget about my Dogs. They need a lot of dog food cause they eat a lot and a leash for each one. Thank you.  
Love, Bradley Castillon

Dear Santa,

My little sister wants some Polly Pocket things. I would like Mary-Kate and Ashley the challenge. My big sister wants a cell phone. My brother wants Lincoln Park 2. Please give my parents a month off of work. I believe in you. I want Bratz at the prom. Have a Merry Christmas. Thank you!  
Sincerely, Jori Chapa

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Clause? Are you keeping warm? I would like game boy advanced s.p. I would also like Mary-Kate and Ashley The Challenge. Can you get my mom Texas Tech ear warmers? My dad would like power tools. Mycah has been nice to me. Can you get her a Spirit horse? Please get Alaura a fake puppy.  
Merry Christmas,  
Sarah Freitag

Dear Santa,

How are you doing. I want a moter scooter. I want a football. And I want a computer. I want handcuffs. I want a pet and I want a game. Thank you Santa.  
Love, Michael Longoria

Dear Santa,

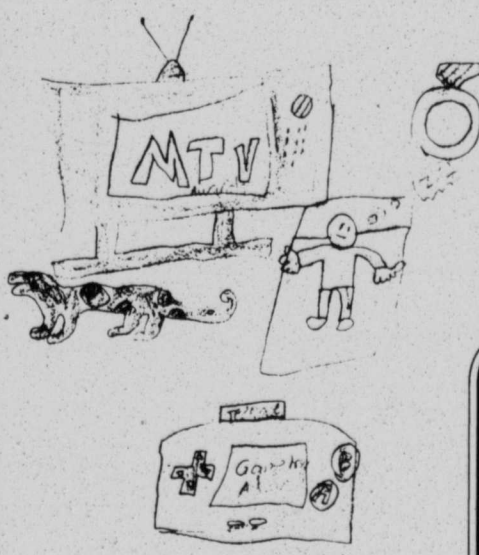
I want a weenie dog and a gameboy advance. I also want a little brother. My sister and me want a big screen color television. My step dad wants new tools. My mom wants a diamond ring. I trust in you Santa. Thank you for the gifts. Have a merry Christmas.  
Love, Efrain Ramirez

Dear Santa,

I want a fourwheeler and a shotgun and get my sister a necklace. Please get my brother a magic grill. My mom would like a ring. My dad would like a new cowboy hat. Thank you for the gifts.  
Love, Keaton Stice

Dear Santa,

Can I have a electric scooter. Can I have a computer? Can I have a dirt bike? Get my mom a car. Thank you for being good to me.  
Love, Justyn Williams



artwork by  
**Efrain Ramirez**  
Tahoka 3rd Grade

Wishing you an old-fashioned Christmas filled with wonderful memories!



Lynn County Pioneers  
(Senior Citizens)

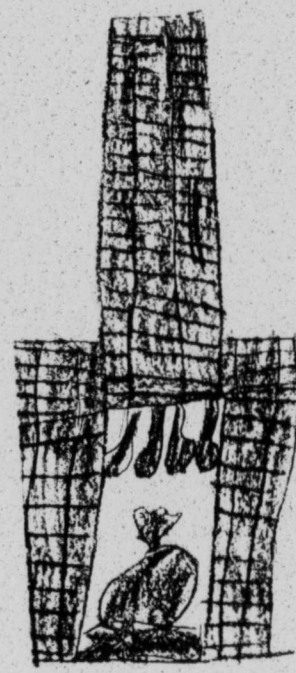


**TRIMMED IN LIGHTS** - This beautiful home at 2509 N. 1st in Tahoka is outlined in lights for the holiday season.  
(LCN PHOTO)

**Santa's Mailbox**

Dear Santa,

Please be careful on your deer. I love you, Santa. I would like for you to bring me a Dora watch. Thank you for my Dora jammies. Thank you for everything for everybody in our family. Thank you, Santa for everything for me and Bryce. Thank you for our presents Santa. They are so pretty and cool. Thank you, Santa, you are so cool.  
I love you, Santa,  
Lexi Hughes



artwork by  
**Levi Hawthorne**  
Tahoka 3rd Grade

**Have the greatest Christmas ever!**  
Billy Davis Insurance



**Holiday Menu**  
Seasonal Specials:

Soup du Joy	n/c
Creme de Cheer	n/c
Extra Fine Wishes	n/c
Fresh Goodwill	n/c
Warm Regards w/Angel Hair	n/c

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Tahoka Land Bank Association

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## Letters To Santa

from school children in  
O'Donnell

**O'DONNELL  
PRE-KINDERGARTEN**

Dear Santa,  
I would like a truck toy, and a doll too.  
Love, Gabriela Pina

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Barbie as Rapunzel and an easy bake oven.  
Love, Ariana Ramos

Dear Santa,  
I would like you to bring me a snowman, and toy people with a boat and some gum too.  
Love, Patrick Grant

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Barbie of Swan Lake and some cars.  
Love, Alexis DeLos Santos

Dear Santa,  
I would like a leoprog with a pen and a guitar.  
Love, Lexi Villarreal

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me an apple and colors and snowman paper.  
Love, Margarita Fehr

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Bingo game and a toy for my little brother.  
Love, Anna Maria Garcia

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Halloween kitty, and a little car and a Cinderella house.  
Love, Kody Gonzales

Dear Santa,  
I would like a remote control racing car and a trampoline.  
Love, DeShae Giffen

Dear Santa,  
I would like a chow-chow train.  
Love, Charlie Morado

Dear Santa,  
I would like a motorcycle toy, and a robot.  
Love, Christopher Nelson



**LOTS OF REINDEER** - There are lots of reindeer pulling the sleigh at the Williams home at 1812 South 2nd in Tahoka. (LCN PHOTO)

**O'DONNELL  
KINDERGARTEN-B**

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a dirt bike, a race car, a bike, and that is all.  
Love, Nick Chavira

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have dirt bike, and a wrestling guy, a boat, and a dinosaur, and Hulk hands.  
Love, Marcus Castillo

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a dirt bike and a toy.  
Love, Bryan Garcia

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a dirt bike and a big car that I can drive when I grow up. I would also like to have a present.  
Love, Joab Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a Christmas tree and a baby doll.  
Love, Tina Janzen

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a race car and an alligator.  
Love, Abraham Nickel

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a purple box, a snowman, and a bicycle.  
Love, Katharina Nickel

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a new skateboard, roller skates, kneepads, and a helmet. I would like to have a truck that goes by itself, up the hill and back down. And that is it!  
Love, Nicholas Gilead

Dear Santa,  
I would like 2- Longhorns and a calf bull, and a toy buzz light year, and a stickhorse and a hot wheel.  
Love, Bry Todd

Dear Santa,  
I would like a power ranger and a hot wheel track and a hot wheel.  
Love, Jacob Van

Dear Santa,  
I would like the goblin and power ranger suits and some cars.  
Love, Jaden Benavidez

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Bus game and a Frosty the Snowman movie.  
Love, Logan Allison

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Barbie Talking Townhouse and a Barbie Swan lake.  
Love, Hannah Childress

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a train and a big truck with a trailer.  
Love, Zane Ortiz

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Barbie and a Barbie car, and two little baby dolls.  
Love, Jamie Pesina

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a toy car.  
Love, Alexander Resendez

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Batman lunchbox, Batman toy and a Batman watch.  
Love, Nathaniel Santos

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a 4-wheeler.  
Love, Corbin Summers

Dear Santa,  
I would like barbies, bike, a scooter, and new movies "Scooby Doo".  
Love, Brenley Perez

Dear Santa,  
I would like a barbie swan lake, a necklace, bracelet and ponytail holders.  
Love, Selena Castro

Dear Santa,  
I would like lots of toys!  
Love, Carlos Barron

**O'DONNELL  
KINDERGARTEN-A**

Dear Santa,  
I want a big, giant, blue Care Bear. I want a Micropet that is blue as a tiger, a Yu-Gi-Yo pillow that is square, and that's it.  
Love, Derek DeLaFuente

Dear Santa,  
I want a big, giant Care Bear, some lights for me and PaPa to put up on our house, a big Panda Bear, a little brick house the same size a me so I can fit in it, and a Big Giant stuffed Santa, and a stuffed snowman, a wreath for the door, and a pink power ranger.  
Love, Aricel Garza

Dear Santa,  
I want a Hulk Hands, play-doh, a watch, a little toy monster truck, swings, a stuffed reindeer, and a Stitch toy.  
Love, Benjamin Torres

Dear Santa,  
I want RayBlay Battle Blay, Hulk Hands, game boy, my own games, play-doh, a Hulk movie, and a motorcycle.  
Love, Brandon Vasquez

Dear Santa,  
I want Negazor Power Ranger, a teddy bear, a candle, a marching thing, a deer, a baby tiger (I'll tell him to be nice), a letter from Santa, some hot candy, sweet candy, gum, hot chocolate, some goodie bags, and eyeball glasses where the eyeballs pop out, a mask, an art set, some new crayons, markers, and scissors.  
Love, Blaine White



artwork by  
Kara Larpenter  
Tahoka 1st Grade

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Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a ninja turtle, an X-box, and a movie.  
Love, Donovan Vasquez

Dear Santa,  
I would like a monster truck, a four wheeler, and a dirt bike. Even a motorcycle with fire on it. And even a real live snowman!  
Love, Adrian Rivas

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a motorcycle, a skateboard, and a race car. I also want a power ranger and a Santa Claus toy.  
Love, Ethaniel Morales

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a new bed, a horse, and some new clothes.  
Love, Daniella Santos

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a baby doll, a rocking horse because my other one cracked. I would also like a dirt bike, stroller, and some make-up.  
Love, Jessi Isbell

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a movie, some clothes, and something for my sister. I want a box of toys.  
Love, Sergio Vasquez

**O'DONNELL  
FIRST GRADE**

Dear Santa,  
Are you doing good at the northpole? Is it snowing there? Are the elfs working good? Thank you for Baby choochoo and the bike last year. I would like a ed plaer with a bride. My brother wons a stuffed car and a lit basket ball gole. Hav a saf trip. Do you want cookies? The End.  
Love Brooklyn Balague  
Love Trevor Balague

Dear Santa,  
Hi santa haw is miss clos doing. Dear Santa I want for Christmas a Bike, adeco and boots. And a eagle a Ril horse, puppy, kityn. A play Christmas tree. A play-house, a ril fish. I want a stoking. I want a baby swing. I want a play santa. A pretind star.  
Love you, Alyssa Barton

Dear Santa,  
Ar your evs wring hard? Ibet you tha ar. When you cum I hop you hav wut I want. I want a lap top and cell fon, noo mac up, art kit. I want candc cans. Ples fil ny stocing. Merry Christmas santa Have a good trip daon here. Be certful fling throo the aer.  
Love, Tegen

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

wishing you a Christmas bright with promise and glad with hope!

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May the blessings of Christmas surround you and yours during this holiday season and in the upcoming new year.

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We wish you and your family the happiest holidays ever ... and thank you for your business.

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O'DONNELL

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**HOLIDAY GREETINGS**

It may be cold outside, but our warmest wishes are with you on this joyous occasion. Merry Christmas to all.

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Aaron Hendricks, General Manager

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**O'DONNELL 15**

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing want Boots for Christmas a letter Frm sar you.

Dear Santa,  
I hope you are your r mrs. Clos making co making toes? I want a wachord. My sistr w mom wants my dad to dad wants a new job. cooceas. Have a safe

Dear Santa,  
I hop you had a good! the nec bord that you doo tricks and me tien. This air I wot a wake bike and a ril hors.

Dear Santa,  
How is Rodof. How are the evos downen. H Thes yer I wot a D good in 1rst Grad. modrskl last yer. Ples neckles Ples bring my I bring Aj and Ad Am a

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# Letters To Santa

from school children in O'Donnell

## O'DONNELL 1ST GRADE

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing. I want a present. I want Boots for Christmas. My sister wants a letter from Santa that says I love you.

Your friend Mariah

Dear Santa,  
I hope you are your randear are OK. Is Mrs. Cios making cooceas? Is the elfs making toees? I want a gocart. John wants a wachord. My sistr wants rofksates. My mom wants my dad to come home. My dad wants a new job. I want Christmas cooceas. Have a safe trip.

James Gruben

Dear Santa,  
I hop you had a good yir. Me fiemy luvd the nee bord that you gav us lastir I can doo tricks and me fiemyu can doo tricks. This yir I wot a wame bord and I wot a drt bike and a ril hors.

Uor fin john gruben

Dear Santa,  
Are you o-k? And is your rindr o-k? I injod my doll that you gav me last Christmas. I wil like a bisigl and a tede bear. My sistr Tina will like a bick. My sistr Eva will like a lil bick. My sistr Anna will like a smol truck. My brudr Jacob will like a big mtrsol. My prudr peter will like a trair. I'm glad that you are coming to tan. I hope you mad lots of tols. I love you santa cios.

Your frim Lisa Janzen

Dear Santa,  
How is Rodof. How is miss cios. How are the exos downen. How are you, Santa? Thes yer I wont a Dribike. I am doing good in frst Grad. Thank you for my modrsikl last yer. Ples bring my Mom and nekles Ples bring my Dad a modrsikl. Ples bring Aj and Ad Am a toy and a new tran.

Love Michael

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? How is miss Cios how are th randear doing? How are the elfs doing? Do the randere stil like cerits? I do. I am in tirst grad. Ie, thank you for the toees lastime. I love them. I wont three toees pleas. A hors joree box and a hors purs and a keechane that is a hors. Have a safe trip.

Love Kristyn Edwards

Dear Santa,  
How ar uw? I howp u ar hape. This yir I wont a babe dol and a dol haws and a borbedol. Hav a safe trip.

Your friend Valarie Nelson

Dear Santa,  
My Christmas list to santuclos from Marissa Brianna Orr. How is the north pole? Is it nice ther? Is misis cios o.k? if not lke good care of her for me. How are the elfs? Are raindears o.k? this year for chrimeis I want the barby of swon lake movie. I want the barby I want a barbe cichin a barbe livroon the barbe hotele a rteeo a barbe cumpsooter and the barne chleeter with two outfits. A holeke toy for ny bruther richerd and a rill baby puppy. I wont a macup box with the macup in it. I want rill macup. For my sister I want to giv her a toy. It will be a stult anmol that was a dowmashin.

I wish you a safe trip Marissa

Dear Santa,  
Hao! are or you dowing. I wot a now pool and a pla stashen And a ball. My new bruthr wons to more thegs. He wons a chrk And ball. I wont new shos and new painis. I wont a pet Candice Ortiz December 12-1-03 the Hove mt bruthr. My bbruthr is cot he luks lick Me.

Dear Santa,  
Haw or you? Haw ur your randr? Is rodof's nos stw shine? I wont a elichreck skodor and I wont a gam boy.evans I wont a ras cor gam and a chrants form I wont a basball bat and a the bego trdall mene van and a chrans form van valt channig in a bewing I wont a cede pliar. Griv safe.

Yor fra Adrienne Perales

Dear Santa,  
I wot a fut boll and bick dis yer. My sistr wos a doos and a grl bike. I wot a pla stashein. I wot a tigrs. I wot a horses. I wot a book. And a cat. I wot sanklos. And a big fat elfet. I luv my dad

Luv Donovan

Dear Santa,  
Haw is roodoff and all the uthr raindeaders and haw or you and misis cios? I hop yol or doing gud. I miss you santa. I injod my cash rejistr that you gav me. I wot a uletric skodr and a blak ril babe dog and a hors. I love you all vere much. Hav a safe trip.

Your friend Raime Ramos



**PEACEFUL SCENE** - Mary, Joseph and the baby Jesus are depicted at this home at 2109 N. 8th in Tahoka, as well as deer beside the spiral tree. Icicle lights on the home complete the look - although the evening this photo was taken was on one of the extremely windy days the area experienced in mid-December, and some of the lights had blown atop the roof.

Dear Santa,  
How are you. Haw are your Raindeaders? Haw is Rodof? Haw is your elfs? Haw is mis cios. Lav Christmas I got a stacup. I had fun with it. This yir I wot a batman and a ship and a tran. Santa I miss you. Have a saf thrup

Your fran Izia Rios

Dear Santa,  
Can u giv me a pla stashin And ckoot u giv me a tigr bloom? And can u giv me a prde Ring and a Santa eklos ber? Haw or your randears and elfs? Have a nis chrip. And can u giv a hors too me?

Love Chance Rosales

Dear Santa,  
Hi santa, hal is miss cios. Hal or your randirs Doing? Thank you santa cios. I wot a bike. I wot a bran noo dog. I wot a bran boo hors. I wot a radeo. I wot a babe doll. I wot now skats. Hav a saf trip.

Kaci Santos

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? How is mis. Cios and the randere. How is the elfs. We are doing good in frst grad. Thank you for the peresit last yer. Ples can I hav a habeadol and a two wil scooder. Hav a safe trip.

love M'Kayla

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? how is mis cios doing? How is roodoff doing? I am doing grate. Can you give me three Toys? I wood like a moter sickl and a car And dert bike. Thank you For my toys. Have a nise trip. I love you santa.

Love, Peter Fehr

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? How is ms cios and roodoff And the elfs? Can you bring me 3 toys? Sum games a bote and a go cart.

Love Austin Hendricks

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? How is ms clas I am doing good happy birthday jesus how are the raindear doing? Thank you for the toys last year I want a bike and a dall Have a cetrol trip

Love Macie Allison

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing santa and miss cios? I hope santa is not a sleep and has his coffee in his hand. Why does santa do that miss cios? I don't know whitney. He is a good santa bec cus he gives you ots of presents. The elves made thim. Santa made the toys for the elfs. I wood like a teddy ber I wook like a real cat. I wood like too dog colers and a leesh.

I love you Whitney Barnes

Dear Santa,  
I hop you had a good time on Halwen. I rel rel want to thank you for my elekretik skodr. I em doing good in school. I wood like a babe dol.

Takasha Landry

Dear Santa,  
How are mrs cios And the elfs doing? Thanks for The peresins last year. How is the north pole? How is the laktry domg? I wos d like two hot wil traks and a swing set. Hav a safe trip! I love you.

Love Jack Ben Franklin

Dear Santa,  
How is the northpole? Is it fun over ther? Dus it snow? How is Mess cios? Is she ok? If she is ok tell me dus the northpol Have pinwans? Can the pinwans fce? If they can tell me and bring a pingwans. Can they swim in deepWater? How far? I wont a swimming pool and a toy pinwans.

Michael Garza the end

Dear Santa,  
You are nice. Rudolph is nice. Thank you for the hors you gave me last year. This year I would like a puppy, a stroller, a fish, and a bird. Please bring Grandma a chair. My other Grandma wants a fish, too. I love my Grandma. He wants a turtle. My other Grandma wants a house.

I love you, Devon Luna

Dear Santa,  
How is miss cios? Haw r yooow downen? Haw r the elfs? I am good. Thank yooow for mi presents. I want a barbe radeo. Haw is rodof.

From Tessa Sanchez

Dear Santa,  
How is mis cios? How is roodoph? And how is the elfs? I em doing gud in school. How are you doing? I wot a brbe and a brbe car and a dog and a dimnd ring.

Love from karina Osorio

Dear Santa,  
Hao is mis cios? Hao is the randirs and rodof? Is his nos stil shing? Are the elfs making mi Toys? I want a bik and I want a game boy and I want finding Nemo. Happy Christmas

Jasen cruz

Dear Santa,  
Haw r the elfs? R tha makig toys? R tha having fun? I wot a skooter. I wot a bike. I wot a skatrr id. My sister wots a doll. My big sister wots a big bike.

Love, Matthew Pina

Dear Santa,  
Thanks for the toys. I wont a plastas and a datt bike.

Love, Ryan Sepeda

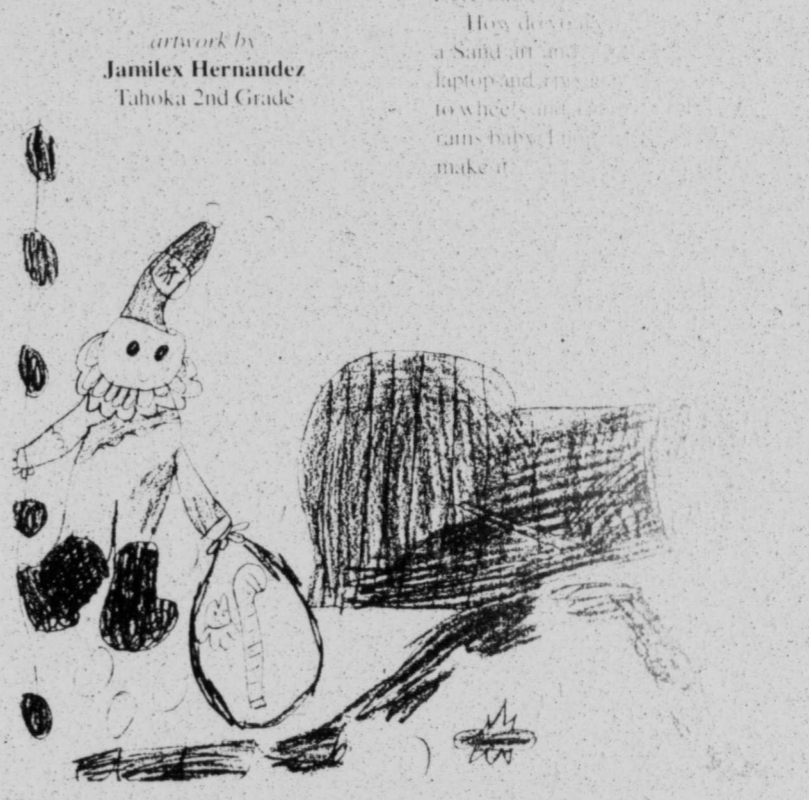
## O'DONNELL SECOND GRADE

Dear Santa Claus,  
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Love, Gary Pina

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you? Pese can I have a baby brother and kids to wite Pcing on me and all the peple in the hospl to com at saff and a TV in my room was I note if I was aem sores vare and a bundk ded. I love you, Santa.

From Chambyr



artwork by Jamilex Hernandez Tahoka 2nd Grade

*May Your Table Be Blessed*

We join you in celebrating the birth of our Savior, and thank you for your loyal support.

**Tejeda Cafe**  
Rudy & Mercy,  
Mary, Tom,  
Rudy Jr.,  
Sylvia,  
Maria

In the spirit of that Holy Night, we wish you joy and peace.

**DIXIE DOG DRIVE-IN**

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

Luke 2:11

We wish all of you a holiday filled with His peace and love.

**John Benson, Physicians Assistant**  
Sylvia De Los Santos and Lana Stice

*Have a holly-jolly Christmas!*

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

Happy holidays and thanks!

**Tahoka Auto Supply**  
JUAN • TOME  
1-Stop Burritos  
TOME • MAGGIE • YOLLIE  
Maggie's Beauty Parlor

BEST WISHES OF THE HOLIDAY SEASON TO YOU!

**Walker & Solomqn Agency, Inc.**  
Jim • Andra • Teresia • Barbara • Danny • Mary

Warm wishes this holiday season!

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Heating & Air Conditioning

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**Letters To Santa**  
from school children in  
**New Home**

**NEW HOME 1ST GRADE**

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a Toy Morio and a Toy Bowsr and a game boy with a game whith it cold 007.  
Sincerely, Jaime Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a Computer and a Gameboy and a remote control car and a play staion 2. that's it. I love you Santa.  
Sincerely, Jerrod Jaquess

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a hamster and a remote control car with fire and Gameboy and go-cart and little toy pi-ano and motorcycle and Holk toy.  
Sincerely, Michael Silva

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a puppy and a Beach Barbie and a little dog to play whith and a Barbie house and a cheleter leter sut to play whith and a baby gote.  
Sincerely, Joarit Mireles

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like Rubiversion game.  
Sincerely, Patrick Overman

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like computer and a book.  
Sincerely, Jennifer Valencia

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a care bear and a puppy and a dolls and a book.  
Sincerely, Anabel Gomez

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a motorcycle and a puppy and a bunny Game boy and a Rubi Version Game and a snowman.  
Sincerely, Jo Adam Vasquez

Dear Santa,  
My name is Jesus Cruz I want a pool table for Christmas I also want a dirt bike I also want a piano for Christmas I also want a present for Christmas I also want a car I also want a motorcycle.  
Sincerely, Jesus Cruz

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a C.D. player and some songs like WbW Shuani Twan Stoor little, Macrana, Labubu. Also a play Sta Shon 2 bash.  
Love, Kaylan Lehman

Dear Santa,  
I want a pin ball game. I want a Play Station. I'll leave you cookies. I love Santa, My name is Brady. Thank you.  
Brady

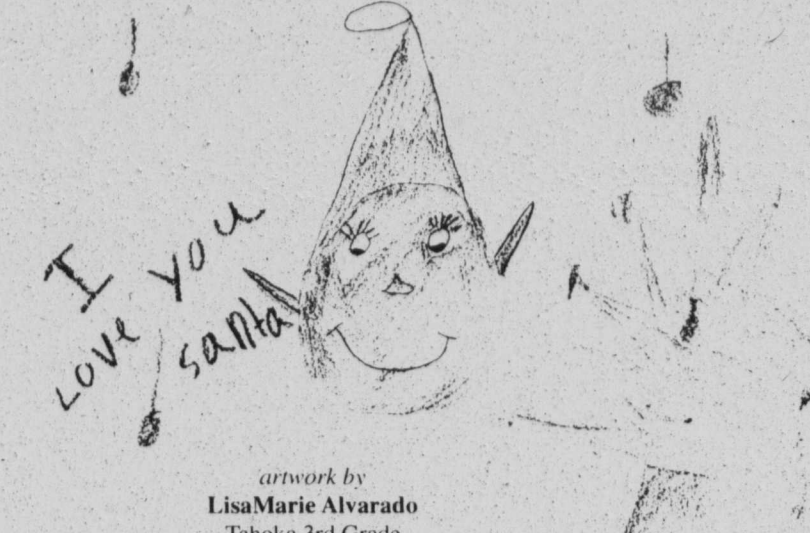
**NEW HOME SECOND GRADE**

Dear Santa,  
I want a lot of toys for my brother. I want a mountain bike. I want three very, very nice hot wheels. I want a remote control four wheeler. I want a remote control air plane.  
Your friend, Ramiro Gomez

Dear Santa,  
I want a camera for Christmas. I want a real car for Christmas, and a real cell phone. Why cause I can call my mom.  
Your friend, Daniela Cruz

Dear Santa,  
I would like a mountain bike, gameboy for my television, and a dirt bike, or a four wheeler. I want a remote control four wheeler or a game cube. Also, one more thing I want is a remote control air plane and that's all. Thank you, Santa!  
Love, Evan Kientle

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Barbie jeep, a tea party set, a big doll, a toy dog that does what you tell it to do, and a lot of other toys. There are two things I would really like, a bell from your reindeer's collar and a picture of your elfs.  
Your friend, Christina Giesbrecht



artwork by  
**LisaMarie Alvarado**  
Tahoka 3rd Grade

Dear Santa,  
I want lots of gifts for my sister and my family. I want a blue pocketknife, a cell phone a red watch, a gocart, a dirtbike, a Jurassi Park gameboy game, and a great Christmas.  
Your friend, Lindsey Burenheide

Dear Santa,  
I want a golf cart for Christmas and dl want a real cell phone, but what I really want is a golf cart. The reason I want a golf cart is so I can ride it around my house.  
Your friend, Kathleen Kientle

Dear Santa,  
I want houseshoes, a princess jeep and kittens. I want houseshoes to keep my feet warm and I want a princess jeep because I want something to ride and I want a kitten so I can play with it.  
Your friend, Alessis Torres

Dear Santa,  
I want a polly pocket mall. I want a pollypocket mall cause their fun. I also want a golf cart too.  
Your friend, Metritt

**NEW HOME THIRD GRADE**

Dear Santa,  
Hello Santa! How are you? I am doing fine. I have been good this year. My gifts were grate last year. I would a N-gage and gams for my GB Sp. Have a safe trip on Christmas. Tell Mrs. Claus "Hi" for me.  
Love, Tyler Wilson

Dear Santa,  
Hello Santa! How are you doing? I am doing fine. I will leave cookies and milk for you and Mrs. Claus. I want for Christmas is a Licorice cat. I love cats because my grandme has cats. My second toy is a bvd player.  
Love, Alexis Vasquez

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? I am doing good. I been good all year long. I want a x box. I will leave milk and cookies on the table.  
Love, Xavier

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? I am doing fine. There will be cookies and milk for you. My gifts last year were great. I would like a Play Station 2 because I love to play games. I especially want a good Christmas.  
Your friend, Haley Lehman

Dear Santa,  
Hello Santa! I have been very good this year. I want a shotgun. Last year I had the best present ever. I got a lot of presents from you. I want some EM and EM cd's.  
Love, Taylor Shellman

Dear Santa,  
Hello Santa! How are the elves, Mrs. Claus, and you? So how is the sleigh? How are you feeling? I want a game boy Advance SP and my dad to feel better and get well. Have a great Christmas. Thank you.  
Your buddy, Jonathan Nieman

Dear Santa,  
Hello Santa! How are you? I doing good. I have really tried to be really good. My gifts last year were nice but this year I would like a X box and a Bad Boy II cd. On Chritmas there will be cookies and milk. I really hope you and your reindeers have a safe trip and hope Mrs. Claus is ok.  
Love, Zachary Paul

Dear Santa,  
Hello Santa! These are the things I would like this year. A play station 2 and a video now.  
Love, Austin Partron

Dear Santa,  
I have really tried to be nice. So I hope you can get me these things. I really want the Coyote ugly C.D. I want a C.D. player. I wish you and your reindeer have a safe and smooth trip!!  
Love, Madison Gass

Dear Santa,  
Hello Santa! How are you doing this year? I hope I get the best presents ever this year! I have been very good this year I hope. This year for Christmas I would like Tiara with the party she has. I love you Santa Claus and I hope you have a good flight. "Oh" and there will be cookies, milk and carrots for the reindeers. Thank you for the presents last year too.  
Love, Audra

Dear Santa,  
Hi Santa! This year for Christmas I want a Gokart. I would also like a deck of cards and a Xbox. I hope you have a safe trip.  
Love, Orlando

Dear Santa,  
Hello Santa! How are you? I am doing good. I have tried to be good this year. The gifts last year were really great. The gift this year I would like the most is a Bey Blade and a Play Station 2. Santa can my mom and dad have a Happy Christmas?  
Love, Joshua Paul

Dear Santa,  
This year I would like a gameboy, a new bike, a picture of Roadrunner, Star Wars episode 2, a toy shuttle, the red and white Rakshi U.S. aircraft carrier and a new color of paint for my room.  
Sincerely, Charles Kieth



artwork by  
**Mia Saldana**  
Tahoka 1st Grade

This little pig went  
**"Ho-Ho-Ho"**  
all the way home!  
**MERRY CHRISTMAS**  
Purple Circle Magazine  
Gary, Melita & Matthew  
Cramblet

**Christmas Joy**  
May the light of Christmas bring you and those you love enduring hope and happiness.  
**Nathan Morris Crop Insurance**

Wishing you the peace of the season ...

... and our appreciation for your friendship and goodwill during the past year.

Our entire staff wishes you a most Happy Holiday Season.

**New Home Coop Gin**  
924-7556

We wish you a fun and happy Christmas as you share the precious gifts of the holiday!

**B&B Fertilizer**  
NEW HOME

**MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

We wish you joy, peace and love during this holiday season and offer our heartfelt thanks for your loyalty and friendship!

**JOHN EDWARDS SHOP**  
NEW HOME, TEXAS

**Blessings**

May His Word inspire you at Christmas and in the days that come. Joy to all!

**MOORE CROP INSURANCE**  
Gid R. Moore, Janet Dean and Debé Piatak

**Merry Christmas**

May you experience the love, laughter, good times and joy that make Christmas special.

**Larry & Karon Durham and family**

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# REJOICE ♦♦♦ for our Saviour is born!

May you and your family bask in the glow of His light and His love this holiday season.

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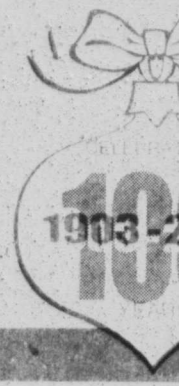


## FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF TAHOKA

MEMBER F.D.I.C.

The bank will close at noon on Wednesday, Dec. 24th and will be closed Thursday, Dec. 25 for the holiday.

We will re-open on Friday, Dec. 26



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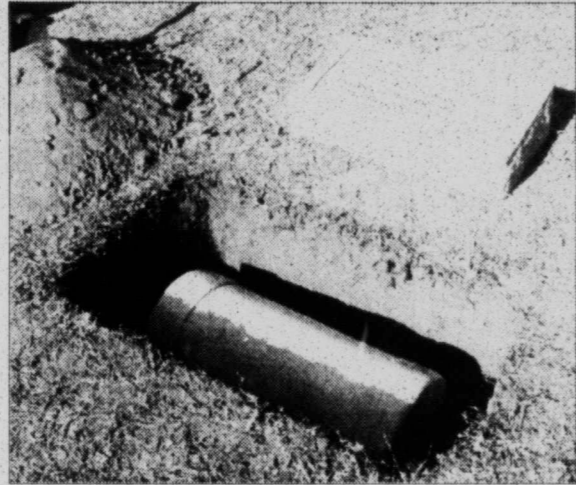
## Two Traffic Accidents Reported

Two parked and unattended vehicles were struck by other vehicles in traffic accidents reported in Tahoka during the last week. Tahoka Police also investigated reports of vandalism to another vehicle and a forgery of a woman's child support check.

On Monday, Dec. 15, a parked 1994 Mercury Villager van owned by Sammy Wade Crowson of Tahoka was struck by an unknown vehicle which left the scene of the parking lot at Lynn County Hospital.

On Thursday, a parked 1996 Jeep Cherokee owned by Mary Hillhouse Carpenter of Lamesa was struck by a 1988 Chevrolet Suburban driven by Marisa Ann Webster, 26, of Tahoka. There were no injuries in the accident in the 1700-block of Ave. Q.

Police talked Sunday with a Tahoka woman who said her child support check was cashed by someone else. Investigation showed the check was cashed in Slaton in November by a person she didn't know. The check was in the amount of \$316. Investigation is continuing.



**TIME CAPSULE** - The Lynn County Centennial Time Capsule (held here by Loretta Tekell and Larry Hagood) was buried Dec. 17 at the Memorial Triangle just west of the Courthouse, with a marker designating the site (shown left). A good crowd attended the ceremony, including many Lynn County officials and others. The capsule contains items donated by various organizations and individuals, and the marker instructs that the capsule be opened in 100 years. (LCN PHOTO)

## Commissioners Approve Holidays

Lynn County Commissioners Monday approved a list of holidays for county employees for 2004, and conducted other routine business.

Holidays include New Year's, Jan. 1-2; President's Day, Feb. 16; Good Friday, April 9; Memorial Day, May 31; Independence Day, July 2; Labor Day, Sept. 6; Columbus Day, Oct. 11; Veteran's Day, Nov. 11; Thanksgiving, Nov. 25-26; and Christmas Eve, Dec. 24.

District Judge Carter Schildknecht met with the court to inform them of the case load of the 106th Judicial District and to show a comparison between this district and a sampling of other districts in Texas. The Judge also requested the court to pay for meal tickets submitted for her bailiff at the Dec. 8 meeting. Commissioners agreed to pay for the meals.

David Hazelwood, representing the Lubbock County Dispute Resolution Center, met with the court to explain how the center worked. Contract consideration was tabled for a later meeting.

Some property west of Tahoka Cemetery was quitclaimed to Lynn County and the deed has been filed in the County Clerk's Office, com-

missioners were informed. The property was deeded over by the South Plains Lamesa Railroad, Ltd. after the railroad line was taken out of Lynn County.

Commissioners sent a letter to the Texas Department of Transportation requesting material allowed to Lynn County by legislation in SB370, Rider 31, seeking distribution in the amount of \$54,233 for Lynn County. The material is used for maintaining county roads.

A resolution with South Plains Task Force was approved, and Sheriff Bob Wilson gave a report on his department. Monthly bills were approved as presented.

All four commissioners and County Judge H.G. Franklin were present for the meeting.



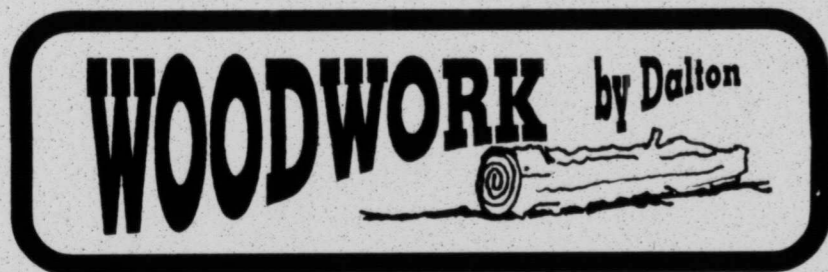
Attend these special

24th: Christmas Eve Services, 6:00 pm  
First United Methodist Church  
1801 Ave. J, Tahoka

24th: Christmas Eve Celebration, 6:00 pm  
First Baptist Church  
1701 Avenue K, Tahoka

24th: Christmas Eve Service, 6:00 pm  
Led by the Children  
St. John Lutheran Church  
13th & Dickson Wilson

25th: Christmas Day Worship, 10:00 am  
St. John Lutheran Church  
13th & Dickson Wilson



A FEW THOUGHTS about Christmas, which is upon us:

Christmas comes but once a year, except for children 10 and under, when it seems to come every two years, and for folks over 50, for whom it seems to come along every six months or so.

I checked out my encyclopedia under the word "Christmas" and here is part of what it said:

Christmas is the feast of the birth of Jesus Christ, celebrated on Dec. 25. (Big deal, everybody knows that). Despite the beliefs about Christ that the birth stories expressed (in Matthew and Luke), the church did not observe a festival for the celebration of the event until the 4<sup>th</sup> Century. The date was chosen to counter the pagan festivities connected with the winter solstice. . . Rome long had celebrated the feast of the "Invincible Sun" on Dec. 25. In the Eastern Church, Jan. 6, a day also associated with the winter solstice, was initially preferred. Later, the West added the Eastern date as the feast of the Epiphany and the East added the Western date of Christmas.

Thus the West divided the Christmas celebration between Dec. 25 (birth of Christ and homage of the shepherds) and Jan. 6 (homage of the magi). . . The Puritans in England and in New England tried to abolish Christmas, but that move was unpopular. (Wal-Mart and Toys 'R Us objected strongly).

Anyway, Christmas continued, and it's a universally popular holiday. And all that stuff about how the date was established and whether Jesus actually was born on that specific date doesn't bother me.

I just hope that everybody I know has a great Christmas.

HERE are a couple of examples supposedly offered in high school essays where the students were supposed to use metaphors, similes or analogies:

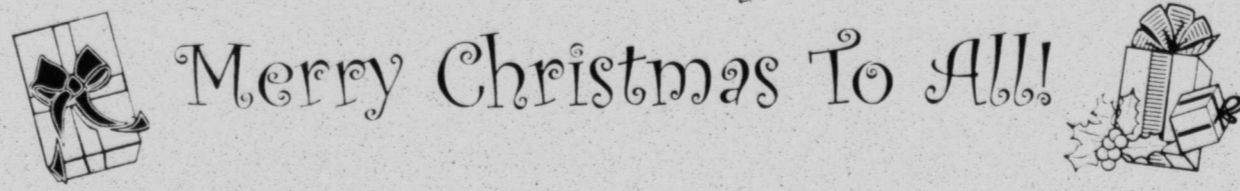
McBride fell 12 stories, hitting the pavement like a Hefty bag filled with vegetable soup.

The young fighter had a hungry look, the kind you get from not eating for awhile.

The plan was simple, like my brother-in-law, Phil. But unlike Phil, this plan just might work.



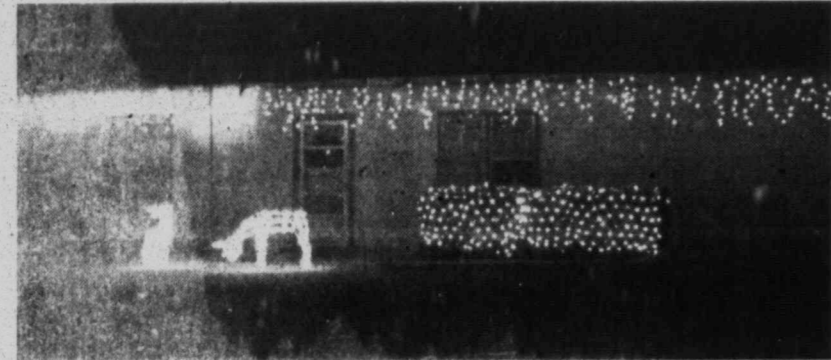
**THE SOUNDS OF CHRISTMAS** - Live music was a popular draw for those attending First National Bank of Tahoka's Open House last Friday. Dalton Wood (saxophone) and Rev. Marvin Gregory (trumpet) of Tahoka were joined by, from left, Alton Kenney of Slaton (trombone), Billie Miles of Big Spring (guitar) and Glenda "Doc" Blalock of Stanton (drums). (LCN PHOTO)



**TOYS FOR CHILDREN** - Members of Phebe K. Warner Club of Tahoka donated toys for the Lynn County Christmas For Kids program. Shown here at the home of Loretta Tekell are, seated from left, Janel Franklin, Lucille Smith, Grace Huffaker, Betty Green (club president), JoAnn Dickson, Bennie Carter, Madeline Hegi, Heather Tekell; and standing from left, Margaret Carter, Danna Curry, Edna White, Dora Alderson, Suzanne Baker, Pat Park, Gayle Binder, Virginia Griffing, Betty Owens, Virginia House, Gerald-Deane Wood, Lahrue Tippit, Mary Belew and Barbara White.

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**READY FOR CHRISTMAS** - This home in the 1700 block of S. 6th in Tahoka is ready for Christmas with twinkling lights and reindeer. (LCN PHOTO)



artwork by  
Laura Flores  
Tahoka 2nd Grade



artwork by  
Jori Chapa  
Tahoka 3rd Grade

## Texas Legislators Cite Major Achievements

Texas legislators headed to the capitol in January faced with a \$10 billion revenue shortfall, a turbulent homeowners insurance market, skyrocketing medical malpractice insurance rates driving doctors out of business, and grim economic predictions of a continuing recession.

By year's end, the Texas legislature had accomplished what no other major state could: a balanced budget that did not raise taxes, and a spending plan that for the first time since World War II spends less general revenue dollars than the previous year. "We viewed tough economic times as a unique opportunity to build government anew, to reshape priorities and to refocus its mission," Perry said in September in a speech to the Heritage Foundation.

Governor Perry cited as major achievements of 2003 the new economic development tools such as the Texas Enterprise Fund that are already paying dividends to Texans in the form of new jobs and new opportunities and education advancements like the Texas High School Project that have laid the groundwork for true education reform next year.

Additionally, nationally opinion leaders sat up and took notice of the legislative efforts led by Governor Perry with the Wall Street Journal opining on Texas lawsuit reforms. "Texas not only provides an example for other states but also for Republicans in Congress," the newspaper continued. "The lesson is how the right leadership on an issue can change the political climate. Republican in Washington, and especially in the filibustering Senate, need to display the same will as their state counterparts."

In October, the Wall Street Journal said Arnold Schwarzenegger could look to Perry and the Texas experience for models in successful governance. The editorial cited Perry's cost-saving efforts to pare a billion dollars of the state's health care agency by consolidating its bureaucracy and similar "surgery on the

state's sprawling education bureaucracy."

Steve Forbes, economist and publisher of Forbes magazine, saluted Perry's leadership on tort reform and budget matters in a September column, calling Perry a "no-nonsense, get-it-done governor." "Thankfully for Texans and the U.S. economy, this governor means business," Forbes wrote.

2003 also closed with economic news that Texas is experiencing economic growth, and the outlook for 2004 looks promising. Governor Perry has attended job-announcements all across Texas that will lead to more than 11,000 new jobs because of employer expansions and relocations.

"More economic growth means more jobs and more money for education and health care priorities in the years to come. As 2003 comes to a close Texas is in much better shape than it was when the year began," added Perry. "We set priorities and goals and we worked hard to achieve them. We did what we set out to do."

## O'Donnell Company Awarded Grant

Twenty-seven projects designed to increase the sales of Texas agricultural products have been awarded matching fund grants through the Texas Department of Agriculture's GO TEXAN Partner Program. TDA has announced, including an O'Donnell company.

Cotton Plus Inc., doing business as Organics for Massage, of O'Donnell, was awarded \$2,147 to print informational hang tags and an advertisement in "Massage Today." Cotton Plus uses organic cotton to produce table coverings, pads, cradle covers and other accessories used by massage therapists.

"GOTEPP has been a success not just for participating companies but to the state as a whole," said Delane Caesar, assistant commissioner for Marketing and Promotions. "Last biennium's participants reported more than \$8 million in sales increases, and we are excited to see new companies taking advantage of the program's numerous opportunities."

The combined cost of the first 27 approved projects is approximately \$778,000, including the amount contributed by each grantee and the matching funds provided by GOTEPP. Promoted products include everything from farm-raised Texas shrimp, plants and win to gourmet Texas foods and organic cotton.

GOTEPP is matching funds program open to producers, commodity groups, cooperatives and small businesses that are members of GO TEXAN, TDA's unified campaign marketing Texas agricultural products. The program is designed to help leverage the dollars available to promote agricultural products grown and processed in Texas. Costs for approved projects are split evenly between the applicant and GOTEPP.

The next GOTEPP Advisory Board meeting is scheduled for March 2004. The deadline for proposals will be Jan. 20, 2004. For information on applying for GOTEPP funding or to receive a GOTEPP information packet, call the Texas Department of Agriculture at 1-877-99GOTEX or 1-877-994-6839. Send inquiries to Debbie Wall, funding coordinator for Marketing and Promotion, Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, TX 78711. Information is also available at the GO TEXAN Web site at [www.gotexan.org](http://www.gotexan.org).



**FIREMEN HELP CHILDREN** - The Tahoka Volunteer Fire Department for the past several years has adopted children to provide gifts for during the Christmas holidays, and this year is no exception. Through donations made by the firemen, the Lynn County Child Welfare Board was able to purchase and provide gifts for several of our local children. Pictured here are Bill Schoemann (left) and Bryan Reynolds, representing the Tahoka VFD.



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Janel Arriaga  
Tahoka 3rd Grade

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**  
Here's hoping you enjoy a really spectacular season!  
We really appreciate your patronage.

**POKA LAMBRO AND DIGITAL CELLULAR**



Come to our  
**Family Christmas Eve Service**  
With Carols, Candlelight and the Telling of the Christmas Story

Dress Informally and Bring Your Family to This Celebration of the Birth of Christ!

6:00 p.m.  
Christmas Eve  
Wednesday, Dec. 24th

at the  
**First United Methodist Church**  
1801 Ave. J in Tahoka

**Seasons Greetings**  
We wish you a joyous holiday season ...

**Tahoka Body Shop**  
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DEER GRAZING - These Christmas reindeer can be seen grazing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.F. Brandon, 2519 N. 2nd in Tahoka. (LCN PHOTO)

**Obituaries**

**Myrtle Miller**

Services for Myrtle Miller, 95, of Tahoka, were held Saturday, Dec. 20, at Sweet Street Baptist Church with Rev. Lynn Long officiating. Interment followed in Tahoka Cemetery under direction of White Funeral Home of Tahoka.

She died Thursday, Dec. 18, 2003 in Tahoka. She was born August 18, 1908 in Deport, Texas. She married John Lester Miller on January 1, 1926 in Paris, Texas. He preceded her in death on Dec. 11, 1976. Mrs. Miller was a homemaker and a member of Sweet Street Baptist Church. She moved from Childress to Lynn County in 1949.

Survivors include a son, B.L. Miller of Tahoka; two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

**Ruby Harvick**

Graveside services for Ruby Harvick, 86, of Tahoka, were held Sunday, Dec. 21 in Tahoka Cemetery with Rev. Richard Harbison officiating, under direction of White Funeral Home of Tahoka.

Mrs. Harvick died Friday, Dec. 19, 2003 in Brownfield.

She was born in Tahoka on Feb. 28, 1917. She married William Lawrence Harvick 65 years ago; he preceded her in death on June 20, 2000. She was a lifelong resident of Lynn County; was a member of the First Baptist Church in Tahoka and worked as a nurse.

Survivors include a brother-in-law, Joe Harvick of Lake Kiowa, Texas and several nieces, nephews, cousins and other family members.

**Caprock Girl Scouts Offer January Events**

The girl Scouts of Caprock Council offer several events for the month of January.

Brownie Girl Scouts can participate in Shape Science on Saturday, Jan. 17 at the Science Spectrum in Lubbock. This event will be held from 10 a.m. to noon and again from 2-4 p.m. Girls will be able to make an animal out of paper, explore shapes in nature and create their own paper magic as they fulfill the requirements for the Number and Shapes Try-It. Cost is \$10 per girl (includes badge) or \$14 for workshop and museum time. Registration deadline for this event is Jan. 6.

Yarn & Fabrics will be held for Junior Girl Scouts on Saturday, Jan. 17 at the Lubbock Lake Landmark. From 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m., Juniors will learn the basics of weaving as they create their own miniature masterpiece. This event fulfills a requirement toward their Yarn and Fabrics badge. Cost is \$6 per girl and the deadline to register is Jan. 6.

Junior Girl Scouts can also participate in Science-Discovery at the Science Spectrum on Jan. 31. Girls will explore the exciting world of science as they experiment with chemicals, light and much more. The event will be held from 10 a.m. to noon and again from 2-4 p.m. Cost is \$10 per girl (includes badge) or \$14 with museum time. Girls need to be registered by Jan. 15 in order to attend.

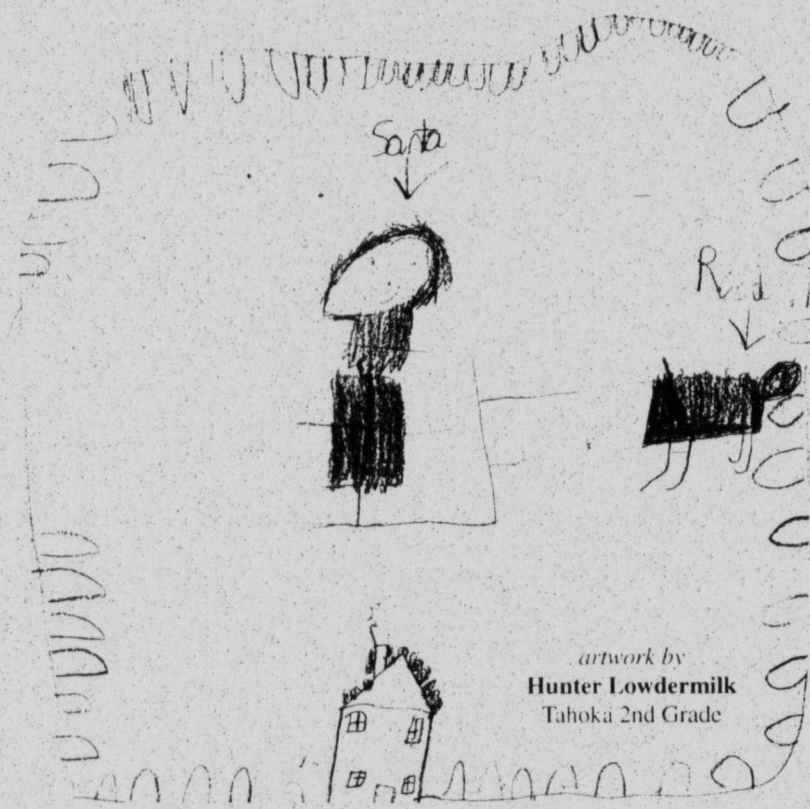
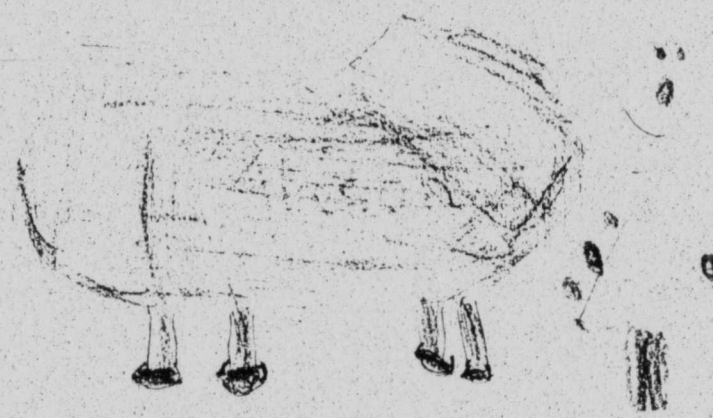
Cadette/Senior Girl Scouts will be able to earn their Program Aide Pin by competing the Program Aide Training Core Course on Jan. 24. Held at the Science spectrum from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., participants will learn about the fundamentals of Girl Scouting and how to work in a leadership capacity with other Girl Scout age levels. The course includes safety concerns, characteristics of the three younger age levels, Girl Scout basics, as well as how to plan a meeting. Girls must be in the seventh grade or older to participate in this course. Cost is \$10 per girl and registrations must be received by Jan. 15.

Non-Girl Scouts are also eligible to register for any of these activities. There is a one-time registration fee of \$10 in addition to the cost of the workshop. Financial assistance is available upon request. For more information, please call the Caprock Council office at (806) 745-2855.



CHATTING WITH SANTA - This little girl in a car parked in downtown Tahoka was surprised to see Santa Claus walking by, and she clambered into the driver's seat to get a closer look and chat with the jolly fellow. (LCN PHOTO)

artwork by Billie Quisenberry Tahoka Kindergarten



artwork by Hunter Lowdermilk Tahoka 2nd Grade

*Merry Christmas*

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**Christmas Eve Celebration**  
 6:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday,  
 December 24th  
**BRING YOUR FAMILY**  
 Everyone Welcome!  
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**DRAW YOU DAYCARE CENTER**

TAHOKA

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl this year. I would like a care bear for Christmas.  
Love,  
Madison Rose, 2 months

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl this year. I would like a baby doll for Christmas.  
Love,  
Faith Arce, 1 1/2 years old

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year. I would like a ball and a truck for Christmas.  
Love,  
William Yackeschi, 2 months

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl this year. I would like a baby doll for Christmas.  
Love,  
AnnaMarie Arce, 2 1/2 years old

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl this year. I would like a baby doll for Christmas.  
Love,  
Dayzee Castro, 6 months

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl this year. I would like a Dora the Explorer doll for Christmas.  
Love,  
Kaylynn Armagost, 2 1/2 years old

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl this year. I would like a teddy bear for Christmas.  
Love,  
Kalaya Jackson, 7 months

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year. I would like a yee-haw (horse) for Christmas.  
Love,  
John Stone, 2 years old

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year. I would like a truck for Christmas.  
Love,  
Dylan Quintero, 1 year old

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year. I would like movies and a Tonka Truck for Christmas.  
Love,  
Mason Walker, 2 years old

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year. I would like a basketball for Christmas.  
Love,  
Coreon Harris, 1 year old

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year. I would like a truck for Christmas.  
Love,  
Mark Yackeschi, 2 years old

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl this year. I would like hotwheels and a baby doll.  
Love,  
Ragan Engle, 1 year old

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year. I would like lots of toys and presents for Christmas.  
Love,  
Kaeden Norwood, 2 years old

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year. I would like a car for Christmas.  
Love,  
Zay Wilson, 1 1/2 years old

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year. I would like a car for Christmas.  
Love,  
Antawn "P" Wilson, 3 years old

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year. I would like an Elmo movie for Christmas.  
Love,  
Noe Olveda, 2 years old



**MR. AND MRS. CLAUS - Santa and Mrs. Claus visited PJ's Restaurant in Tahoka in December, pausing for a photo after visiting with children there.**  
(Photo by Heather Tekell)

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl this year. I would like a Barbie Swan Lake for Christmas.  
Love,  
Veronica Ramirez, 3 years old

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl this year. I would like a pink kitchen and a choo choo doll for Christmas.  
Love,  
Katie Quinn

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl this year. I would like a white puppy named Spot for Christmas.  
Love,  
Shalee Williams, 3 years old

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year. I would like a Hulk blanket and a Hulk wall.  
Love,  
Peyton Lowdermilk, 3 years old

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year. I would like a Batman suit, a motorcycle like the Terminator and a big helmet.  
Love,  
Zach Cuevas, 3 years old

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year. I would like another train and a big red truck like Paw Paw's truck.  
Love,  
Bryan Williams, 3 1/2 years old

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl this year. I would like money, lots of dollars for Christmas.  
Love,  
Fey DeLeon, 4 years old

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year. I would like a red power Ranger for Christmas.  
Love,  
Nicholas Arce, 3 1/2 years old

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year. I would like three hotwheels for Christmas.  
Love,  
Joseph Hernandez, 5 years old

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year. I would like a fan gumball holder for Christmas.  
Love,  
Emil Quintero, 4 1/2 years old

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl this year. I would like a Barbie Swan lake for Christmas.  
Love,  
Leticia Olvera, 5 years old

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year. I would like roller skates and a tube for my bicycle.  
Love,  
Isaiah Arce, 6 years old

**Letters To Santa**  
**TREEHOUSE**  
**PRE-SCHOOL**  
**Mrs. Dawn Howard**

Dear Santa,  
I have been good as can be for Christmas will you please bring me a beauty salon, and car. Thank you!  
Your friend,  
Abigail Rodriguez, age 3

Dear Santa,  
I have been good as can be for Christmas will you please bring me a Barbie train and Barbie house and Barbie doll. Thank you!  
Your friend,  
Morgan Zapata, age 3

Dear Santa,  
I have been good as can be for Christmas will you please bring me a batman gloves and batman clothes. Thank you.  
Your friend,  
Jett Ballard, age 3

Dear Santa,  
I have been good as can be for Christmas will you please bring me a Barbie car and computer. Thank you!  
Your friend,  
Alyssa Rodriguez, age 3

Dear Santa,  
I have been good as can be for Christmas will you please bring me a Mommy house and hulk movie and Dora movie. Thank you!  
Your friend,  
Natalie Stice, age 3

Dear Santa,  
I have been good as can be for Christmas will you please bring me a Barbie pick-up. Thank you!  
Your friend,  
Abby Franklin, age 3

Dear Santa,  
I have been good as can be for Christmas will you please bring me a train set and spear toy. Thank you!  
Your friend,  
William Furlow, age 3

Dear Santa,  
I have been good as can be for Christmas will you please bring me a batman gloves and scooter. Thank you!  
Your friend,  
Bryson Resendez, age 3

Dear Santa,  
I have been good as can be for Christmas will you please bring me a Hulk truck, basketball shoes and socks. Thank you!  
Your friend,  
Brock Howard, age 3

Dear Santa,  
I have been good as can be for Christmas will you please bring me a batman gloves and video game. Thank you!  
Your friend,  
Bentley Harbison, age 3

**Ho-Ho-Ho!**  
Merry Christmas -- we hope you have your best Christmas yet!  
**Chancy and Son**  
BILL and FRANCES

**Thank You!**  
The members of Phebe K. Warner Club wish to express their deepest appreciation to the contributors to the annual Community Christmas Greeting. We are very grateful for the assistance of the personnel at The First National Bank of Tahoka.

**Merry CHRISTMAS**

**Christmas Greetings**

*Hallelujah! We're honored to join you in singing His praises as we extend our warmest wishes to you and your family.*

Frank, Yolanda, Andrea & Adrian Aleman  
Minnie Lou Ash  
John, Suzanne, Warren, Robert & Daniel Baker  
Catherine Barham  
Mrs. Boyd Barnes  
Denny & Mary Belew  
Bill & Gayle Binder  
Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy R. Bragg  
J.F. & Mary Brandon  
Duane & Bennie Carter  
Ike & Margaret Carter  
Julia, Diedre & Vicki Charo  
Della Clark  
O.B. & Joyce Corley  
Novis Curry

Dr. Zane D. & Danna J. Curry  
Milt & Dorothy Draper  
Susan Draper  
Amy, Arvak & Caden Marshall  
Milton & Mary Ann Edwards  
Robert & Wilma Edwards  
Kent & Vondell Elliott  
Randy & Judy Erickson  
Jerry & Veta Ford  
H.G. & Janel Franklin  
Rudy & Helen Fuentes  
Clifton & Joan Gardner  
Harold & Bettye Green  
Virginia Griffing  
Brad & Kym Hammonds,  
Kalese, Jeni & Jaci

Madeline Hegi  
Troy, Elsie, Andy & Alex Hinds  
Jay Dee & Virginia House  
Duane & Nan Howell  
Gerald & Linda Huffaker  
Maurice & Grace Huffaker  
Wayne & Freda Jeffcoat  
Gary, Juanell, Casey & Lana Jones  
Kent & Mistie Kahl  
Jay & Karen Kelln  
Leighton & Helen Knox  
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John & Cheryl Krey  
Bobby, Sherri & Jay Martin  
Mark, Vivian, Leigh & Amy McAfee  
H.B. & Jeanne McCord

Gary, Sherri, Marissa, Zachary, Brandon & Wesley  
Joe, Kim & Coy Mercer  
Steve, Carol, Chelsey & Cade Miller  
Mr. & Mrs. Elmer H. Owens  
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Jimmy & Pam Parker  
J.A. & Joyce Pebsworth  
Janet Porterfield  
Sam & Betsy Pridmore  
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Lucille Smith  
Robert & Sharron Smith  
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Lahru Tippet  
Chuck & Susan Tipton

Billy & Jolene Tomlinson  
Gordon, Bam Bam, Cody & Brandon Tomlinson  
Helen Whitaker  
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Craig, Denise, Seth and Jayson Goodwyn  
Brad, Gigi, Parker & Truett White  
Leland, Barbara & Debbie White  
Mike, Carol, Stefanie & Trevor White  
Roger, Pat & J'Lyn Williams  
Cory, Jodi, Jeremy, Brody & Kelby Barnes  
John, Carolyne, Jeanine & Jessica Wilson  
Jim & Margaret Wiseman  
Hilton & Gerald-Deane Wood  
Dalton & Lenda Wood

By greeting you this way, we have also honored you, our friends by contributing our Christmas Card money to the "Lady Stewart" and "Maurice Bray" Scholarship Funds.

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Dec. 24: Children's Christmas Program, 6:00 p.m.  
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**Letters To Santa**  
from school children in  
**Wilson**

**WILSON PRE-K  
Mrs. Squiers**

Dear Santa,  
I have been good I would like a Hot Wheeler, a big one, and my dad a motorcycle.

Thanks, Trizton Robinson

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year I would like a night time Kelly, ballet shoes, and a ballet dress.

Thanks, Rhian Cunningham

Dear Santa,  
I have been good I want a dragon and a Spiderman web shooter.

Thanks, David Garcia

Dear Santa,  
I have been good I would like a Barbie and a ballerina dress.

Thanks, Jamie Lynn Moore

Dear Santa,  
I have been good I would like ballet shoes and an Anabell.

Thanks, Graciela Lerma

Dear Santa,  
I have been good I would like a motorcycle.

Thanks, Tray Graves

Dear Santa,  
I have been good I would like a Hot Wheeler.

Thanks, Kelsey Taylor

Dear Santa,  
I have been good I would like toys for Christmas.

Thanks, Edward Navarro

Dear Santa,  
I have been good I would like a scooter for Christmas.

Thanks, Kalie Hernandez

Dear Santa,  
I have been good I would like a Barbie for Christmas.

Thanks, Monica Squiers

Dear Santa,  
I have been good I would like a little Leap Pad.

Thanks, Nicole Rios

Dear Santa,  
I have been good I would like a cow truck.

Thanks, Dustin Elliott

Dear Santa,  
I have been good I would like a motorcycle.

Thanks, Bailey Steen

Dear Santa,  
I have been good, I would like a Barbie, a play horse, and a play car and play purse.

Thanks, Nicole Ramirez

**WILSON KINDERGARTEN  
Mrs. Hallum**

Dear Santa,  
I want a Batmobile, Hot Wheels Monster Jam set, and a Junior Dragster. How do the reindeer fly? How do the elves make toys?

Love, Jonathan

Dear Santa,  
I have been pretty good this year. One of the things that I want for Christmas is a big yellow truck with a horn and remote control. How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? Are you and the elves busy? I also want a brown metal detector with head phones. I won't forget to leave you some cookies and milk. They're your favorite kind. The last thing I want is a little purple truck with remote control.

Love, Jr.

Dear Santa,  
I want a punching bag, books, a toy named Rudolph, and I want a real puppy. I also want colors and coloring books. I want Piglets big move. Plus I want a teddy bear. I want a tiger-foot rug. I want a stuffed alligator. I will also leave milk and cookies for you.

Love, Courtney

Dear Santa,  
I don't know what I want for Christmas but since I'm a really, really good boy I want a baby puppy with long floppy ears. I'm also asking for a bike without train wheels, and last of all I want a tiny-tiny kitty so I can take care of him all alone with my baby puppy. Oh, Santa I left you milk and cookies in the living room on my side of the table, there peanutbutter. Mmmmm!

Love, Skyler

Dear Santa,  
I want a Nintendo. How are the reindeers? I also want a football and flying rocket.

Love, Albert

Dear Santa,  
I want a horse, a computer, and a pink book. Santa what are the reindeers doing? I had a baby reindeer when I was a baby. How come spiders bite? Why do the cows lay down?

Love, Dominique

Dear Santa,  
I want a ninja turtle phone, motorcycle and a PowerRanger sword. And I've been a good boy.

Love, Angel

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl for most of the year. I would also like a horse, a baby doll and a little dog for Christmas. I will also be good next year so I can get something nice for next Christmas.

Love, Tatyana

Dear Santa,  
I want power rangers ninja storm, Power Ranger Ninja Storm Meazoid (all the different colored Power Rangers) and a color changing flashlight. I wanted to tell you Hi. I'm going to leave chocolate chip cookies and milk.

Love, Zack

Dear Santa,  
I want Lilo and Stitch experiment, Go-go my walking pup, and Daisy pup. I love when you bring me presents and I have been playing with my brother Will.

Love, Katie

Dear Santa,  
A toy kitchen was what I was wanting this year. I've been really good cause I'm a good girl! I also want a reindeer named Tiffani. My last present I want is a Big Clifford toy.

Love, Mariah

Dear Santa,  
I want a dirt bike, and a punching bag, and a remote control car. I have been a good boy this year.

Love, Billy Castro

**WILSON FIRST GRADE  
Mrs. Thompson**

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. I am happy to see you. Are you ok Santa? Santa can you bring me a kitten. I love you Santa.

I love you, Megan

Dear Santa,  
I want a go and a dog how is roodof doeing I will give you cookies. Do you like cookies. How have you deen doing.

I love you, Dominique

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. I want a for Christmas I want a X Boxes. Santa claus haw are your reinders riking for you. I want a hors for Christmas. I want a fire true for Christmas.

Julian

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Can you breeg me a foorwheeler. You are nis to me and my brother. Haw are you. I lik Sants. I wont a horse for Christmas. Sants can you wakv-e when you come.

from Jasmine to Sants

Dear Santa,  
I been good. I want a horse and a dog and a cat. Santa how have you been. I want a horse fines. I love Santa I love the reindeers. How hav your reindeers-been?

My name is Taylor

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. I want a dint bike. I want a fuluheel. How have your reindeers. How have you been Santa. I love you Santa.

Marian

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. I want X box. I want a fulwheeler. I want a dirtbike. Have a cookies glass of mies. How are your reindeers.

I love you, Raul

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. I want a casle with knight. Santa thanks. I want soldier kit. I will lev sum milk and cookie.

I love you, Roman

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. I wot a noo dog. I wot a cat. I wot autho frst kist. Santa ho is woodf. I am gun hav cookies. Yoo are nis.

My nam is Leslie



Dear Santa,  
Mae I have a tedebear. Mae I have a spory beres. Mae I have a cer bear. Mae I have a cer bear blucit and peloe and a peloe case and a cer bear short and pants and shorts and a nigound.

Krista Lehmann

Dear Santa,  
I bin-der-duss I lick o I or I cordpac.

Adriany

Dear Santa,  
I wont a Daguonboll Z achenfiger for Cherimis and a Gundum one too. And a car pack of Yo-Gi-Oh to. Ples thank you.

Your friend, Ray Parmer

**WILSON THIRD GRADE  
Mrs. Racca**

Dear Santa,  
What I would like for Christmas is a CD player and CD's and Tommy Hillfiger perlume with glitter and body gel and an easy bake oven.

Love, Meagan

Dear Santa,  
Santa I want a play station 2 for Christmas and I want a big screen tv and remote control car that goes fast and does tricks. I want a big dog and a lot of toys.

Love, Austin

Dear Santa,  
I hope you have a good Christmas. We will feed your randeres food. I hope my Nana has outmeal. We will give you some milk and cookies. I hope we get a lot of presents I hope I get a tv, lots of clothes cheerleading outfit, some beads.

Love, Trista

Dear Santa,  
How are you today? Santa for Christmas I want a game cube. Well I want a good Christmas for everyone in my class and my family. I am glad Christmas is coming. This is going to be the best Christmas ever!

Love your friend, Coby

Dear Santa,  
I want a computer, TV and VCR, and a dog. I love you Santa. You are the best. I hope you bring it.

Love your friend, Ricka

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. I want a fulwheeler. I want a dirtbike. I want a play stashin. I want some boots. Santa you are nis to me. I want a horse.

Love, Dillon

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. How is rudoof. I want for Christmas is a per of balla shos, a hors, to and per of black boots. I will lev sume cookes and a glass of milk.

I love you, Mercedes

Dear Santa,  
I want a cupertie. I wat a sprele ole graze. I wat a trampoline. I wat a Zebra. I wat a crayola. I wat a pare uv sues.

Your friend, Michael Aborrayo

**WILSON SECOND GRADE  
Mrs. Shelly Livingston**

Dear Santa,  
I want a cupertie. I wat a sprele ole graze. I wat a trampoline. I wat a Zebra. I wat a crayola. I wat a pare uv sues.

Your friend, Michael Aborrayo

Dear Santa,  
Can I have a spider-man toy. Can I have a piar of skates. Can I have a football. Can I have a trampoline. Can I have a camper. Can I have a ten dallers.

Your friend, Christopher Thomas

Dear Santa,  
Please give me a trampoline. Please give me a riding scooter. Can I please have a preents.

Your friend, Alex Rodriguez

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I love you, Raul

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. I want a casle with knight. Santa thanks. I want soldier kit. I will lev sum milk and cookie.

I love you, Roman

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. I wot a noo dog. I wot a cat. I wot autho frst kist. Santa ho is woodf. I am gun hav cookies. Yoo are nis.

My nam is Leslie

**Season's Greetings**  
Here's to a magical night and a glorious holiday! Enjoy.

**Carol Yowell**  
Wilson News Correspondent

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## Letters To Santa

from school children in  
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Dear Santa,

Santa for Christmas I want some nascar toys, fighting toys, yer and \$100,000. Cool things like that. How have you been doing these past few days?

Love, David

Dear Santa,

Hello Santa. How are you? I'm fine. I like the school so much. I will like to have a cool Christmas with my family. I will like a bicycle and a computer on Christmas. Thank you Santa Claus.

Love your friend, Mayra

Dear Santa,

I want a motor scooter for Christmas. I want a dirt bike and there is a lot of stuff I want. Can I put this all on one list? The first thing I want is a grass snake and a minybike.

Love, Joel

Dear Santa,

I want a xbox and a playstation for Christmas and a train set.

Love, Isaac

Dear Santa,

I want a bed, I want 3 dolls, I also want a puppy. I want a microwave.

Love, Beatrizza

Dear Santa,

Hello Santa! I would like you to please give me these things a bigger bike, make-up, a real puppy, a real horse, stuffed animals, dolls, a bigger and longer bed with princesses on it, a claret and a princess tent. Thank you Santa.

Love, Chelsea Bingham

Dear Santa,

I want a bike. I want a butter fly goey. I want to have fun presents. I hope I get a lot of stuff. I want make up.

Love, Ali

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa! I want you to know what I want for Christmas. I want a Xbox, game boy advance game, Power Ranger sword, Kirby's nightmare in dream land, a game boy advance.

Love, Enrique

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a TV and a DVD player. With Finding Nemo. My sister wants a puppy.

Love, Tiffany

Dear Santa,

This is what I want for Christmas. I want a new cheerleading outfit that has W.H.S. on it and pompoms like the cheerleaders and a megaphon like the cheerleaders. And all the Bratz stuff. You are really great guy. Thank You so much for all the hard work you do.

Love, Alaura

Dear Santa,

How are you? What I want for Christmas is I want my dad to come home so I can see him. I miss him so much and I want some dolls and a stuff animals like a angel, a dog, cats and three more things a xbox and clothes and friend ship for ever.

Love, Erica

Dear Santa,

I hope and wish my dog Laity comes back. I want a bunk bed for Christmas and I want us to have a good Christmas.

Love, Catlyn Noles



WOODARD'S HOME TWINKLES - The home of Jimmy and Judy Woodard, at 1924 N. 7th in Tahoka, shines with many lights and features Santa and a reindeer on the lawn. (LCN PHOTO)

## WEATHER WHYS

### TOPIC: WINDY CITIES

Q: You sometimes hear Chicago called the "windy city." Is it really the windiest city in the United States?

A: It's not even close, says Andrew Odins of Texas A&M University. "Both the National Weather Service and the National Climatic Data Center publish a list of the top ten windiest cities in the U.S., and Chicago is not among the leaders in either list," Odins says. "Chicago's label as the 'windy city' might refer to several stories. One is that most of the city's streets run east and west, causing the winds that come from Lake Michigan to blow briskly through the streets and these winds appear to be stronger than in surrounding areas. Other stories say that windy city label refers to Chicagoans who apt to boast or brag about their hometown or even the numerous rumors that blow through the city."

Q: So what are the windiest U.S. cities?

A: "The top three are in Alaska, according to the National Weather Service," Odins adds. "Those are St. Paul Island, averaging 17.4 miles per hour per day; Cold Bay (16.9) and Barter Island (13.2). The National Climatic Data Center lists Dodge City, Kan., tops at 14 miles per hour, followed by Amarillo, Texas (13.5) and Rochester, Minn. (13.1). Chicago is considered average in terms of wind speed at 10.4. It is topped by Boston (12.5), and New York's Kennedy Airport is 12.2. Even Milwaukee (11.5), Dallas-Fort Worth (10.7) and San Francisco (10.6) have average wind speeds higher than Chicago. As far as an actual place in the U.S., the windiest spot is Mount Washington Observatory in New Hampshire, which has a daily wind speed of 35.1 miles per hour."

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### TOPIC: SMOG

Q: What exactly is smog?

A: The word was originally coined to mean a combination of smoke and fog and refers to unhealthy air that becomes trapped over a certain location. Today, smog is synonymous with air pollution, says Andrew Odins of Texas A&M University. "Probably the biggest contributor to smog today is the exhaust from car engines," Odins explains. "Smog conditions tend to worsen in the summer when the combination of light and heat form a chemical reaction in the air. In certain areas, such as Los Angeles, this smog can last for days and it looks like a brown cloud over the city. The polluted air is trapped by a warm layer of air, called an inversion, and it can make life miserable for people with breathing problems and even result in death."

Q: What are some of the worst places for smog?

A: In the United States, Los Angeles and recently Houston have recorded continued smog events, but other cities have even worse smog incidents, Odins adds. "Mexico City is considered the most polluted city in the world and has terrible smog problems, and Buenos Aires, Beijing and Cairo have similar problems. Probably the most documented smog event in history occurred in 1952 in London. In November of that year, smog enveloped the city for more than a week and was so thick that airline travel was halted and river traffic on the Thames came to a standstill. In some places, visibility was less than 25 feet. The bad air resulted in the deaths of at least 4,000 people, while some accounts say more than 12,000 persons died. English citizens were so outraged at the chain of events that several laws were passed, among them the City of London Act of 1954 and the Clean Air Act of 1956 that curtailed emissions all over the city. "The Great Smog of 1952" is often pointed to as the best example of how air pollution can produce harmful effects to the human body."

### TOPIC: SANTA ANA WINDS

Q: We often hear about the "Santa Ana Winds." What are they?

A: These are warm, dry winds that blow from the east or northeast into areas of California, says Andrew Odins of Texas A&M University. "These winds most often occur in southern California near an area called the Santa Ana Canyon, hence their name. The area has some usual topography and natural features that are ideal for the formation of these winds, which range in speed from 25 to 75 miles per hour. The clockwise circulation around high pressure areas forces air quickly down the slopes of the mountains in the region and the dry, desert air becomes even warmer as it moves through the valleys."

Q: How do the Santa Ana Winds affect fires in the area?

A: The strong winds almost always worsen any fire situation they get near, adds Odins. "The brisk winds tend to fan the flames and can make a minor forest fire into a major fire event," Odins says. "Because Santa Ana Winds are very dry, the low humidity in them dries out vegetation quickly, further worsening fire conditions. The recent fires in California that burned for days received major help from Santa Ana Winds. Probably the worst case occurred in 1961 in Bel Air, Calif., when Santa Ana Winds helped fan flames on a fire that burned for three days and burned over 500 homes, many of them belonging to movie stars in the area. In 1993, another fire fueled by

## Additional Funding Sought For Primary Elections

Gov. Rick Perry this week announced that he, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and House Speaker Tom Craddick will seek Legislative Budget Board (LBB) approval to provide additional funding for primary elections across the state.

"I appreciate the work of Lt. Gov. Dewhurst and Speaker Craddick, who recognize the need to ensure that primary elections are carried out efficiently, and that all Texans have access to polls," Perry said.

"We encourage the Secretary of State and party officials to continue to look for efficiencies and savings, but this money should ensure that polling places remain open," Dewhurst said.

Perry and legislative leaders intend to ask the LBB to approve up to \$1 million. The money would come from savings identified in administrative savings and money set aside for future constitutional elections.

If approved, the \$2.5 million would restore full funding at 2002 levels for the primaries plus fund increased pay the legislature authorized for election judges who attend Secretary of State training sessions.

During the regular legislative session, lawmakers reduced funding available for party primaries as a result of budget constraints.

car windshields, trees and just about anything it touches. For years, salt was used - and sometimes still is - to keep roads clear from sleet and ice because it melts the ice and keeps it from refreezing. But salt makes cars rust and over time, can destroy bridges and streets and also can cause damage to trees and water supplies. Sand is now used in many areas to clear away sleet and ice, but in heavy snow, salt is still the best, despite its many drawbacks."

## Lynn County Area Cotton Bale Count

Bale Count as reported by the following area gins on Monday this week:

New Home Coop-Lakeview	42,225
Farmers Coop Assn. #1-Tahoka	21,958
Farmers Coop Gin-O'Donnell	19,471
Wilson Coop Gin-Wilson	18,098
Woolam Gin-O'Donnell	17,333
Wells Coop Gin	14,008
Grassland Coop Gin	3,443
Dempsey Gin	2,652
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Ralls, Texas 79357-0904  
Telephone Number (806) 253-2645

Please attach the following documents to your application:

- Copies of Birth Certificates on all family members.
- Copies of Social Security Cards on all family members.
- Description of any property owned are disposed of within the past two years.
- Address and Telephone Numbers where Income on all family members can be verified.
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MANAGER TRAINEE: 766-7175.



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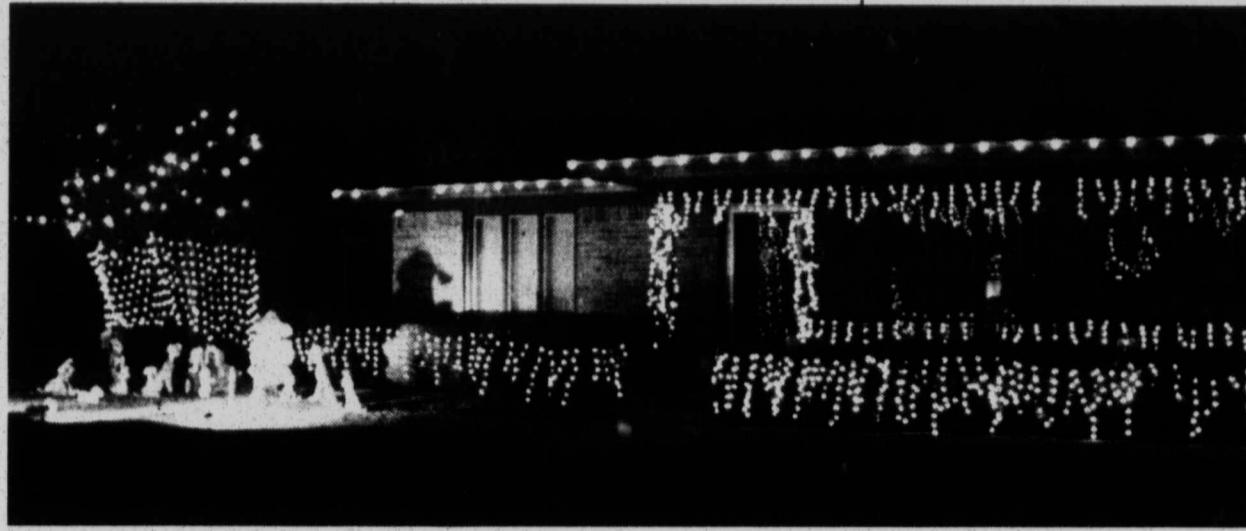
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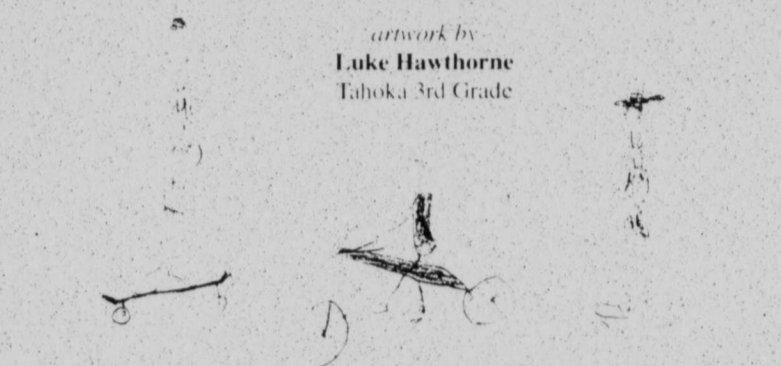


DOG DAYS OF CHRISTMAS - Playful puppies gather round the lights and packages of Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Gardner, at 2525 N. 3rd in Tahoka. (LCN PHOTO)

**The NEW HOME News**  
by Karon Durham  
924-7448

Winners of the Red Ribbon Stocking raffle were Madison Gass and Mrs. Overman. The prize-filled stockings contained various prizes, valued at \$60. Thank you to those who purchased tickets and those who helped sell the raffle tickets.

Students were serenaded by Allison Burenheide and Rikki Earnest during the daily announcements on Dec. 17th. The girls had transposed the words of the Christmas carol "Santa Claus is Coming to Town" to contain a red ribbon message.



artwork by Luke Hawthorne Tahoka 3rd Grade



**Pet Talk**

Your landscaped lawn and quiet neighborhood might be home sweet home, but they can actually be a sort of danger zone for your adventurous pet, and the results could be deadly. Pets may find danger lurking in the garage, on the lawn or in the flowerbed.

"Pet owners need to realize that toxic substances can be as detrimental to pets as they are to pests," notes Dr. Melanie Landis, a veterinarian at The College of Veterinary Medicine at Texas A&M University.

Antifreeze, pesticides and rodenticides are products that should be used and stored safely and each can kill your pet.

Winterizing your car with antifreeze is an annual necessity, but Landis encourages pet owners to be aware of possible dangers to family pets and neighborhood cats and dogs.

The substance has a sweet taste animals seem to like. After it is ingested, ethylene glycol (contained in the antifreeze) is metabolized and carried to the kidneys where it forms calcium oxalate crystals.

"Once this reaction reaches a certain point, there is no way to stop it," Landis explains. "These crystals are insoluble and there is no way to remove them. Permanent kidney damage can occur and result in kidney

failure and death. An animal that has ingested ethylene glycol must receive immediate attention. Time is of the essence when dealing with antifreeze poisoning."

Safe use of antifreeze includes wiping up spills, sealing containers and storing out of reach as well as proper disposal of empty containers, Landis says.

Other substances in your garage or home can be fatal to your pet, notes Landis.

Powdered pesticides spilled from the container may be stepped in and licked off of paws. Snail baits contain metaldehyde, which causes seizures.

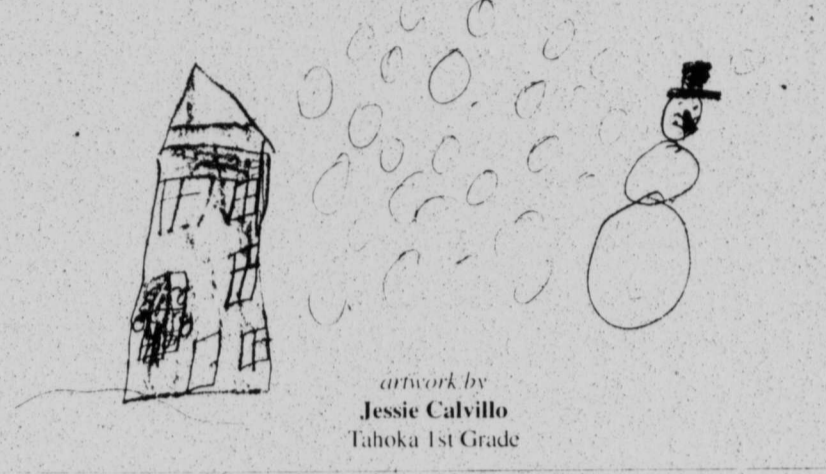
Rat poisons contain blood thinners that can cause hemorrhaging. Other rat poisons cause toxins to accumulate in the brain/spinal cord and some raise calcium levels to toxic concentrations.

"Poisoning is serious and hard to diagnose. When symptoms are seen it may be too late to reverse the poison's affects," states Landis. She says time is of the essence when poisons are ingested.

If you suspect your pet has been poisoned, Landis suggests you keep the animal quiet and warm. Determine what the poison was, when ingested and amount swallowed, if possible. Immediately call your veterinarian and bring container or label when you take the animal in.

Landis suggests the best way to prevent poisoning is to know what your pet is doing at all times. "Try not to allow your pet to roam," she says.

"Open baits, spilled antifreeze and lawn chemicals could be in your neighborhood for your pet to find, and too often, the results can be tragic."



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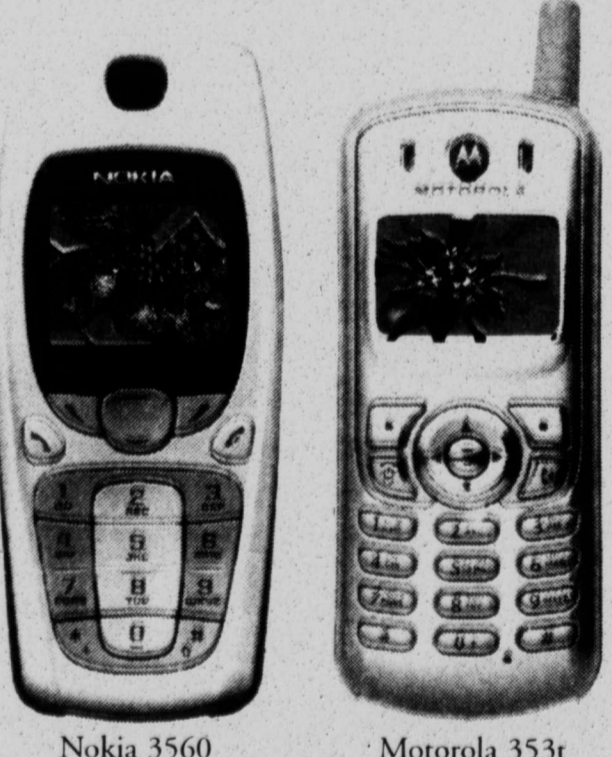
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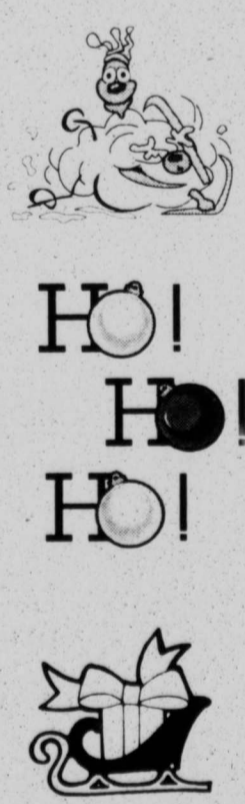
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