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# **Country Christmas Ball huge success**

By Dustee Sollis

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Twenty thousand dollars was raised for the volunteer firefighters of Floydada and Lockney at the Fifth Annual Country Christmas Ball held on December 7th at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center.

Each department will receive a check for \$10,000.00 to be used for trucks, bunker gear, or supplies. The 12-piece band of Wendell Sollis and the Sidekicks All Stars hosted the event and entertained the crowd with country, western swing, big band, Cajun and Christmas

To kick off the festivities, a catered meal was served by River Smith's of Lubbock. Then Ed Marks and the Lockney American Legion posted the flags as the audience honored veterans

as part of Pearl Harbor

The crowd of over 500 enjoyed a complimentary coffee bar provided by Jones Cattle Company of Floydada. The crowd enjoyed a silent auction as well as numerous vendors. Tim Assiter was the auctioneer for the live auction and the highlight was a .22 rifle donated by the Lockney firefighters that was auctioned for \$1,600. Kenneth Wyatt's paintings, flags flown over the Texas and US capitals, and hand-painted fiddles were also auctioned.

There were two platinum sponsors this year: Bill Wells Chevrolet of Plainview, Brian Bruce, manager, and Western Equipment of Plainview, Jordan Loeffler, Country Quilt Shop of manager. They each con- Plainview, donated a handtributed greatly to the silent made firefighter's quilt that and live auctions, as well as was raffled. The raffle was



buying reserved tables for

their employees. Cindy Wolfe, of Cindy's

won by Donny McLaughlin, fire chief from Lockney. He has been a firefighter for 40 years.

Next year's Country Christmas Ball will be held on Saturday, December 5,

2020. Save the date for another remarkable event that helps some of the first responders in Floyd









## Oh, Charlie provides Lockney with fashion and hope

By Kendall McCullough The Hesperian-Beacon

Emma and Amos Poole, natives of Lockney, are co-owners of Oh, Charlie, a women's clothing store, located on Main Street.

Emma was a hairdresser for 10+ years. Upon learning she was expecting their child, she decided she wanted more financial stability for her family. Her and her husband had always talked about opening

a clothing and boutique store shows in Dallas. She hopes to work while also taking care of

Emma's husband, Amos, has previous experience with retail, working for Heart's Desire and Clark Pharmacy, both also located in Lockney. Amos takes care of the accounting part of the business as well as working full time as a pharmacy tech.

Emma orders the supplies online as well as going to trade

and March 2018 seemed like go to a trade show in LA in the right time. Emma could the future. She buys a variety of brands to appeal to a wide audience. She supplies Oh, Charlie with things like lamps, clothes, furniture, and accessories like candles.

Oh, Charlie fills a need for Lockney that cannot be found elsewhere in town. Sometimes people need to go to a formal occasion or funeral and can get clothing quick, which they See OH CHARLIE, Page 10





Shown are (Top, I-r) Amos, Emma, Zylie (Charlie); (Bottom, I-r) Zabrien and Brixton.

## **Upcoming**

Events are listed free of charge for nonprofit civic organizations, schools and community events. Please submit listings at least two weeks ahead of the date. Listings will run through the date of the event. Emailed submissions are preferred to fchb.editor@yahoo.com.

#### LOCKNEY CHAMBER BANQUET

The Lockney Chamber has moved their annual banquet to January 25, 2020. We are needing nominations for 2019 Citizen and Business of the Year. Nominations will be accepted til Dec. 31, 2019. To nominate, please send your letter to PO Box 477, Lockney, Texas 79241 or give it to a Chamber member. More exciting details about the banquet will be coming soon. You won't want to miss it!

#### NATIVITY COLLECTION FLOYD COUNTY MU-SEUM NEW HOURS

Carolyn Cunningham will be available Monday - Friday from 12 noon - 5 p.m. and on Saturday and Sunday from 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. to show her International Nativity Collection. Nativities are located in the Barrow Building at the Floyd County Historical Museum, located at 105 E. Missouri Street, Floydada. The nativities will be displayed through the end of January. Closed Thanksgiving and Christmas. For private tours call the museum at 806-983-2415.

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# **Happy State Bank makes donation**



Monty Teeter, President of Happy State Bank in Lockney, makes a donation last Friday, Dec. 20 to the Lockney Volunteer Fire Department. The donation will go towards the purchase of a new firetruck. Shown are (left to right) Monty Teeter, Fire Chief, Donnie Mac McLaughlin and fireman, Justin Wright.

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We hope everyone has a Happy New Year!



## From my desk The reason for the season

we enter the Christmas season its easy to get caught up in all the KENDALL busyness. There is lots of McCULLOGH work to wrap up for the holidays or extra work during the holidays in

some cases, presents to shop for friends and family, travel to visit loved ones, cold and flu to fight off, and much more activities. All this breeds stress and distracts us from the true purpose of Christmas.

A big part of Christmas is gifts. I know as a little kid I was mostly focused on the mystery of what was in those neatly wrapped packages under the tree. I also wondered about Santa Claus. How did he fit in the Chimney? How did he visit everyone in one night? How many elves did he have? The mystery surrounding Christmas captivated me. But what was lost while I was lost in mystery was the simple, yet profound truth of what Christmas was all about.

The reason for the season is Jesus. All of our worries, stress, and troubles are nothing compared to his gift of love. He came 2,000 years ago so that we comprehend divinity

and he comprehend humanity. He came so that we may have a personal relationship with him. He came to give his life for our sins and that we may receive grace instead of punishment. We celebrate Christmas to pay respects to his death and throw a big party for his coming into this world.

The true gift of Christmas is not the presents we give each other, but the present God gave us in his son and the gift of eternal life. These truths may not, on the surface, contain the mysteries of Santa to me as a child, but when we really think of it, are much more profound and mysterious. Why would a perfect God want to suffer as a man. Why should we receive grace? How could we relate and compare to a God so great? Why would a perfect divinity want a close relationship with us? The only answer that makes sense is a Love so great and mysterious that it surpasses our understanding. When we mediate on these truths we come back to the center of Christmas. The only appropriate response is a humbled adoration to Jesus. So as you go about this season stressed or anticipating presents or food remember Jesus. Let this be the time to recalibrate our priorities and put him first. Merry Christmas!

## Prime Rib – It's what's for Christmas Dinner!

**By Cristen Brooks** Texas A&M AgriLife Extension

Nothing quite says Merry Christmas in Texas like a prime rib served as the main dish of your Christmas meal! When it comes time to prepare your prime rib this holiday season, be sure to reference Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service's Path to the Plate's tips and tricks to ensure that the meat is cooked thoroughly and properly.

With beef production being the largest sector of the agriculture industry in Texas, it is both fitting and appropriate that prime rib act as the centerpiece of the Christmas meal. According to Dan Hale, Ph.D. and meat specialist with Texas A&M's Department of Animal Science, it is estimated that Texas produces approximately 60 million pounds of prime rib per year. Most commonly referred to as ribeye roast, beef rib roast or standing rib roast, prime rib is typically sold as both bone-in or boneless in stores. Despite its name, prime rib does not have to be from beef graded as USDA Prime — it is primarily from beef graded as USDA Select

or USDA Choice. It should 18 pounds. A prime rib this be noted that beef with higher USDA grades often produce a more desirable eating experience due to the higher amount of marbling present in the roast.

must be thawed and stored at a temperature below 40 °F to minimize the growth of bacteria. When cooking, it is traditionally prepared with a mixture of seasonings, then roasted under dry heat for 2-3 hours, depending on its size. When using a conventional oven to prepare your prime rib, follow these instructions:

Preheat oven to 300 °F Season the outside of the roast as desired

Cook, fat side up, to an internal temperature of 145 °F for medium doneness, which may take 20-25 minutes per pound. Use a thermometer to check the internal temperature

Let stand 15-20 minutes before carving

When determining how many mouths your prime rib will feed this Christmas, keep in mind that a full prime rib is seven ribs, meaning that it weighs anywhere from 15 to

size can feed a family of 16 or more people, depending on the size of their appetite's. Smaller prime rib options are available, including those that weigh five pounds which can After purchasing, prime rib serve up to six to eight peo-

> Because lean beef cuts such as prime rib are considered nutrient rich with low amounts of calories and fats, Hale says this particular cut of meat acts as an excellent source of essential nutrients such as protein, Zinc, B12, Iron, B6, Niacin, and Selenium. Nutrition facts for 3.5 ounces of broiled USDA Choice (lean only) prime rib are as follows:

205 Calories 28.9g Protein 9g Fat 3.4g Saturated Fat 3.6g Monounsaturated Fat

In search of other ways to spice up your holidays or family mealtime? Head over to dinnertonight.tamu.edu beefitswhatsfordinner.com to explore the wide variety of recipes offered for prime rib! https://www.beefitswhatsfordinner.com/cuts/cut/2444/ ribeye-roast

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# Wayland Lubbock Hosting **Annual Christmas Lights Show**

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LUBBOCK - Wayland Baptist University in Lubbock has added thousands of lights



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to its annual Christmas Festival Light Show. On display until Jan. 6, the synchronized light show lasts approximately 18 minutes and runs continuously on a loop from 6-10 p.m. each Sunday through Thursday and 6-11 p.m. Friday and Saturday. The show can be seen on campus at 801 N. Quaker (N. Loop 289 and Quaker Ave.)

Once on campus, visitors can tune to 88.7 FM and listen while watching the synchronized lights dance to eight Christmas carols. The show is an annual display of Christmas spirit and is funded by an estate gift from Mary Mathis. Dr. David Bishop, Executive Director of WBU-Lubbock, said the show would not be possible without the gift, and he hopes to continue offering the light show throughout the

"We are deeply indebted to the Mary Mathis estate, which provided the initial funding for this effort," Bishop said. "We would love to be able to extend this effort for years to come through the generosity of our donor partners."

Inspiration for the show came from a similar production Bishop saw in Tulsa, Okla. After being inspired to do something similar on campus, Bishop talked to Dr. Joseph Marnell who found a computer program that allowed him to program the music and lights.

"We felt we should have a tradition here at our campus," Bishop said. "Fortunately, we had someone on our team who could get it done."

Marnell picked the music and programmed the show. Bishop designed two of the signs in the display and the campus team built them from scratch. Craig Robertson, with Texas Gutters, was also instrumental in the original show design.

## Between the lines The Wise Men should be getting close about now



Tehadquite a few Christmas traditions when the children were young, many of which were continued to some degree with the grandchildren.

One of the traditions we continue, even on a grander scale, is the approach of the Wise Men to the Nativity. The scale is grander these days because my wife insists that we include figures that aren't exactly visible from BRUCE W. the space station, but they are large.

And, as always, our nativity scene gradually reflects the approach of the Wise Men from the East (Persia, not Oklahoma). This means

that the Wise Men begin their approach late on Christmas Eve somewhere in the yard and gradually make their way toward the Nativity, arriving on Epiphany (Jan. 6). This date, being the 12th day of Christmas, culminates with an Epiphany Party where we sing, give little gifts to the grandkids that convey, in more depth, the religious significance of the whole season. Recently the Epiphany Party ceased since the grandchildren are

getting older, but at one time it was a big deal, because it included the robing and crowning of a king or queen for the year. The royal sovereign was selected by finding a small baby Jesus in his or her piece of King's Cake. Forget the spiritual imagery behind all this the grandchildren were all about the sovereign rule part.

To tell the truth, it was all rigged. Gran Gran carefully placed the small baby Jesus in the cake where it would be found by a predetermined grandchild each year. This ensured the royal rule for a year was evenly passed around - and cut down on the whining.

Although some of our family Christmas traditions have gone the way of the buffalo, I wouldn't be surprised to see them reappear in the families of our grandchildren. Meaningful Christmas traditions are designed to call attention to the deeper truths behind the actions and events depicted.

Humans need traditions, images and actions to keep before us the important things in life. If we were machines, we would not need such things. But humans are created and wired in such a way that images, events and actions can lift our minds and hearts to higher things.

We don't adore such things; they are the material things that lift our thoughts and our adoration to the good, the true and the beautiful. For example, no reasonable person looks at a cross that adorns a yard or a church and thinks either, "That's an oddlooking stick," or "I worship that image." On the contrary, a Christian cross reminds believers and non-believers alike of the pivotal event in the history of the world.

Humans naturally associate images and events with the meaningful traditions and truths behind them. So, since I am pretty confident that all our grandchildren are human, I expect some of them to one day begin their own approach of the Wise Men toward the Nativity. Perhaps they will even practice the 12 days of Christmas and cap it all off with a King's Cake and Epiphany Party.

Here's to the message behind the Christmas Season and all its events, images and traditions. It's not about the gifts we receive. It's about the gifts brought by the Wise Men - the kind of gifts given to evoke in our mind images of royalty - gifts given to the King of Kings.

From The Red River Sun, The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon, The Post Dispatch and The Knox County News-Courier, to each of our readers: may your Christmas be joyful and may your Christmas traditions lift your hearts to the higher things. May God bless you and yours. bgreen@lknewsgroup.com

## The 501: Unexpected friendships



shy child stands a chance of becoming a social butterfly. I've seen it happen. I-refer to myself. I refer to myself a lot. Call me self-centered. Meanwhile, somewhere along the way, I lost the shyness and somehow developed a my years as a newspaper reporter.

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genuine interest in others -- probably during Reporting is a hard job for anyone who can't get people to talk. That said, one of my interviewing techniques was to talk some about myself - probably too much, but it

worked for me. Jobs shape us. Me, I can't quit interviewing people. I envision myself interviewing my caretakers at the

"So what's a nice girl like you doing in a dump like this?" I'll probably ask her the same question the next day.

For now, Christmas shopping has provided me interviewees, not counting Janet, whom I met via a broken windshield claim. "I'll bet you hear some stories," I remarked.

"Oh yes!" she replied, telling me one guy claimed a turkey flew into his windshield.

This sheltered claim-taker needs to get out more, I thought. I told her I had some pictures for her, remembering my throughthe-windshield camera shots of a whole flock of turkeys trotting ahead of me on a dirt road. One view shows all 27 lined up, ditch to ditch, making tracks. Another shot shows all but one in flight, like ducks but more impressive. Janet was intrigued and gave me her email address. I can see her printing and framing the turkey pictures to hang above her boring desk.

When so much of life involves meeting people by phone, it's nice to think you can help them embellish their drab workspaces. My opinion.

Also by phone I met my new best friend, Ellen in Austin, who buys pre-1960s clothes. Her workspace likely is not drab.

My other new best friend is Valeria, whom I met in line at Goodwill. If I decide to pick grapes in Italy instead of France, it'll be at her grandfather's vineyard.

Valeria is on sabbatical from her job as an Italian teacher in a town north of Rome. In six years, she and her American husband will relocate from Texas to Italy. Valeria and I plan to meet soon for coffee. Years from now we'll reminisce about how we first met. We'll be sipping real lattes, either in Rome or in a little town nearby.

Back to Ellen. We will rendezvous when she travels from Austin to Colorado. Some pictures of my vintage clothes were our starting point. Then I texted her a picture of a pillbox hat at the Salvation Army store. She almost wanted it. I'm learning her preferences. I'll be texting her next from estate sales. Can't wait.

Lastly there's Darian, children's thrift store salesclerk. She wears a disconcerting nose doodad. I bought a baby glider. She helped me load it. I discovered Darian is a serious violinist. I'm glad we talked. Thank you, Darian, for helping me see beyond nose doodads.

# SOCIETY

## **South Plains Food Bank**



Floydada Independent School District worked with Prosperity Bank in Floydada and donated \$1,031.75 plus around 400 lbs of food as well to the South Plains Food Bank.

## **Trinity Lutheran Church**

**Every year the Trinity Lutheran Church in Providence, Texas** opens their Church doors to feed the pheasant hunters a good hardy breakfast. This year 50 people took part in this annual event. This year, Minister, Sean McConathy of the **Trinity Lutheran** Church, wanted to reach out and help the **Lockney Community. Minister McConathy** gladly presented Lockney's Fire Chief, Donnie Mac McLaughlin (right) with a check from all the proceeds received from the breakfast



## Floydada Senior Citizens News

**By LuAnn Collins** 

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ice maker. We should be mak- cash. ing ice by the end of this week. Thank you again to those who teer delivery driver for one

go has been changed to 2nd for your time. The driver

date will be Jan. 9. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. and play FLOYDADA - The Cen- will begin at 6 p.m. Bingo ter will be closed Wednesday, special includes: 2 cards, meal, December 25 through Friday, drink, dessert for \$5.00. Ex-December 27. We will open tra cards: 3 for \$2.00 or \$1.00 on Monday, December 30. a card. Prizes include meal We will also be closed for New vouchers, cash, and house-Year's Day, Wednesday, Jan. 1. hold items. The Progressive We have ordered our new Bingo game is over \$100.00

We are in need of a volundonated toward our ice maker. day or more. You will receive Our Second Tuesday Bin- a delicious meal as payment

Thursday Bingo. Next bingo will report to the Center at 11:15. The deliveries take about 30 minutes.

> Remember, Tuesday meals are \$4.00 meals. Check the menu to see what is offered each Tuesday.

> Call us at 983-2032 for home delivery by 11:00 am. Our delivery drivers will begin delivering at 11:30.

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## THE FLOYD COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM MEMORIES 1979

#### THE SHIREY FAMILY

finding there was no land

**By Debbie Dobbins** 

In pulling the Shirey

Grandmother, Loula Ann later met Cornellia Fran-(Pritchett) Shirey, met ces Ragsdill. They were and married in Georgia, married in 1910 at Rosely, and during the several Texas. Gilbert and Cornelyears they lived there, lia Shirey lived in Rosely they had seven children. for two years when they

Loula packed all their be- Juanita in 1912. longings, rounded up all Oklahoma, it was too late to claim land. After

for them there, they headed for Texas and soon settled strings, I have been able in Lamar County, eastern to go back as far as four part of Texas, where my generations, not including Great-Grandad, Gilbert N. Shirey, the eighth child Great-Great (last) was born in 1890, Grandfather, William October 24. Gilbert grew John Shirey and my up in Lamar County and

In 1889, William and had their first child, a girl,

In 1916 they moved to of the children and head- Johntown, Texas, where ed for Oklahoma, (dur- Cornellia gave birth to ing the Oklahoma Land twins, a boy and a girl, Rush), so they could find Gilbert Harley Shirey and land to claim. They trav- Beulah Francis Shirey, my eled in a covered wagon grandmother. Soon after for several months and my grandmother and her ran into many hardships brother were born, Gilbert along the way. When and Cornellia moved to they finally reached Clarksville, Texas in Red River County during World War I. Gilbert N. Shirey, my Great Grandad, got a job there as a postman. He was a farmer before and this was quite a bit of a change but a successful one. Gilbert Shirey was called up for service but when asked if there was any reason why he could not go, he replied,

"twins" and he didn't have

In 1920, a girl, Mary Lanell was born and in 1922 another girl, Edith Elizabeth, the last child was born to them, which made five children.

In the year 1925, my great-grandfather decided to move to West Texas to the town of Floydada in Floyd County. He got a transfer for his mail route and began on Route 5. They came out here in a Model T. Sedan Ford.

Because of no rent houses at that time they had to move in with some friends from East Texas, the Carl and Beulah Dennisons, that had moved to Floydada a couple of years before.

When the family was established the first thing they did was find a church home in the First Baptist Church.

On July 18, 1936, my Grandmother Beulah Frances married Wayne Finley. ON August 15, 1944 a girl was born, Patsy Carole Finley, my mother, and in 1951, their last child Shirley Kaye Finley was born.

Now there are seven grandchildren, two boys and five girls. I am the second grandchild and the oldest of all the girls.

#### **By Renee Armstrong** is a 501 c3 nonprofit or-Center by 9:30 a.m. if you ganization, we receive no Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - The Center will be closed Tuesday, Dec. 24th thru Wednesday, Jan. 1. The Center will be Friday, Jan. 3.

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government funding, we rely on the generosity of number is 806-652-2745. our community. We appreciate any and all donations.

Breakfast is served here open Thursday, Jan. 2 and at the Center from 5:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Monday thru Friday only. Lunch is ship fees are due by Friday, served Monday thru Friday January 3rd. The costs is from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30

Be sure and call the joy games afterwards.

would like to eat lunch at the Center. Our phone

Remember to come exercise with us on Wednesday, and Friday, 8:45 - 9:30

Coffee time - Monday-Saturday - 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Our Thursday night potluck is from 5-9 p.m. Bring a dish and a friend and en-

## Drunk driving causes lifetime of heartache for Texas family over the holidays

AUSTIN - When Rebecca Grimes sets the table during the holiday season, there's always a missing piece. Nearly four decades ago in 1982, a drunk driver killed her brother, 18year-old José "Hector" Martinez, in a head-on crash just before. Thanksgiving. The holidays have never been the same since then.

"Even 30 years since Hector's crash, we still feel that one empty chair at the table during the "Drunk drivers affect so many 199. people beyond just those who are in the crash. They have a domino effect — crushing multiple families — and the impact lingers for

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon years, decades beyond the crash."

Grimes is sharing her story as part of TxDOT's "Plan While You Can" campaign which urges drivers to make a plan for a sober ride this holiday season.

"Just don't drink and drive, and don't risk putting your family or someone else's through heartache this holiday season," Grimes said.

In 2018, there were 2,370 DUI-alcohol related crashes in Texas during the holiday season. Those crashes killed 75 people holidays," Rebecca Grimes said. and seriously injured another

"The bad decision to drink and drive can turn the joy and revelry of the season into tragedy, causing unimaginable heartache for years

to come," TxDOT Executive Director James Bass said. "There's no excuse: plan ahead and be responsible.'

The "Plan While You Can" campaign will tour the state featuring the "Plan to Win" virtual reality game. The game poses questions related to drinking and driving demonstrating the consequences of getting behind the wheel through an immersive

Driving under the influence of alcohol not only risks death or serious injuries, but it can also be costly. Drivers can face up to \$17,000 in fines and fees, jail time and loss of their driver's license. Instead of getting behind the wheel, here are some alternative options:

· Designating a sober driver or calling someone for a ride

· Calling a cab or ride-share ser-

• Using mass transit

· Spending the night " Plan While You Can" is a key

component of #EndTheStreakTX, a broader social media and word-ofmouth effort that encourages drivers to make safer choices while behind the wheel, like wearing a seat belt, driving the speed limit and never driving after drinking or doing drugs. Nov. 7, 2000 was the last deathless day on Texas roadways. #EndTheStreakTX asks all Texans to commit to driving safely to help end the streak of daily deaths on Texas roadways.

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## Plan Ahead for Amaryllis Blooms All Winter Long

**By Melinda Myers** 

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Let amaryllis fill your home with flowers for the holidays and keep the blossoms coming all winter long. When you plant several different types of amaryllis bulbs, from both the southern and northern hemisphere, you can be sure to get a long-lasting, colorful show that will brighten your mood and surroundings throughout the winter months.

Kick off the holiday season with amaryllis bulbs that are imported from growers in Peru. As we enter autumn, it's springtime in South America, and these bulbs are eager to start blooming. Pot them up before early November for flowers in December.

Amaryllis varieties grown in the southern hemisphere include deep red Mandela, frosty white Denver, coralpink Bolero and two-tone Charisma. Combine these impressive blossoms with greens, poinsettias, candles and

other holiday décor, or give them as living gifts to friends, family and neighbors.

Most amaryllis bulbs that are grown in the U.S. are imported from Holland, and their natural bloom time is January through March. Exactly when the flowers will open is impossible to predict. The best strategy is to choose a number of different varieties and plant them 3 to 4 weeks apart during November, December and January. This way you will always have flowers coming into bloom.

Plan a winter filled with amaryllis blossoms by referring to Longfield Gardens' article, longfield-gardens. com/article/When-Will-Your-Amaryllis-Bloom, for insight on when different amaryllis varieties will bloom.

Start your indoor flower display with an early bloomer such as Evergreen, which is always quick to break out of dormancy. Its flowers have narrow, lime/chartreuse petals on 20-inch plants. Enjoy the impressive display as

each bulb produces 2 stems with 4 to 6 blooms.

Minerva's extra-large, cherry-red flowers have a white star in the middle and an apple green throat. They are eye-catching from afar and spectacular up close. Apple Blossom is a long-time favorite with snow-white petals brushed with pink and a lime green throat. Or grow a double amaryllis such as Double King with layers of burgundy-red petals and up to a dozen flowers.

Enjoy some of the more unusual amaryllis colors and flower styles by planting varieties such as Naranja, with its tropical red-orange blossoms or Sweet Nymph, a romantic double amaryllis with stunning, coral-pink petals. Add elegance to your indoor garden with Picotee. Its 8" flowers are white with a thin red line around each

As winter turns to early spring, celebrate with an explosion of indoor blooms from Red Pearl, Spartacus

and other proven performers. The velvety, burgundy-red flowers of Red Pearl have a deep maroon throat that sets off the glittering gold stamens. Spartacus turns heads with its crimson petals and bold white stripes.

Display your amaryllis on a mantle, kitchen counter or entryway table where you can watch the amazing show as the first sprout appears, followed by buds and the spectacular trumpet-shaped blooms. Amaryllis are also beautiful, long-lasting cut

For best selection, order your bulbs early and store them in a cool, dry, dark place until you are ready to plant. Once you pot up the bulbs and place them in a warm, bright location, flower buds should appear in about 6 to 10 weeks.

Protect yourself from the winter blahs by investing in amaryllis. You can count on their big flowers and bright colors to lift your spirits and ease your way to spring.

# DBITUARIES/CHURCH

## Devotional

## Decide to be humble

Matthew 2:11

Then they opened their treasures and presented Him with gifts of gold and of frankincense and of myrrh.

**Encouraging Word** 

A way to worship God this Christmas season is to decide to humble yourself. The wisemen from the east, show up in Bethlehem and they bow before a baby. Imagine

that moment in time! They recognized they were in the presence of someone greater so they couldn't help it. They bowed down. They knew something great was here. This season, we need to recognize that we're in the presence of someone greater. So much greater that it's hard to comprehend how much greater. If you humble yourself you will realize that we are constantly in the presence of the greatness of God. God is God and I'm not. That's the greatness of God. That means God is strong when I'm not. God understands when I don't. God never fails even though I do. That's the greatness of God. Decide to be humble...bow down and worship Jesus today.

## First Baptist Church Lockney to host Winter Concert Series

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

The First Baptist Church in Lockney will host the 2020 Winter Concert Series featuring Sherri Perry on

First Baptist Church invites the community to atoffering will be received. The church is located at 401 S. Main Street in Lockney, Texas and the concert will begin at 6 p.m.

Sherri Perry from Bella Vista, Arkansas, is a Nashville recording artist and

Southern Gospel Vocalist of the Year. She was born and raised in southern Missouri as a pastor's daughter. Sherri and her husband, Danny, moved to Bella Vista, Arkansas in 2001.

Sherri recorded her first tend this free concert. An CD in 2015, "Songs of Gladness", which I comprised of several original songs written by longtime friend and BMI songwriter, Gladness Jennings, as well as one song written by her brother, Jerry, when he was

the piano. For more information regarding their ministry, please visit www. sherriperry.com

First Baptist Church offers Sunday School from 9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. for all ages, Sunday morning worship from 10:45 a.m. -11:45 a.m. and Sunday evening worship at 6 p.m.

14 years old. She will be 806-652-3361.

### **James Morris**

James Morris, age 83 of Lockney, passed away Thursday, December 19,

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m., Monday, December 23, 2019 at First United Methodist Church in Lockney. Ricky Carstensen and Kyle Brock officiated. I

Interment followed at the Lockney Cemetery.

Visitation was held from Co-op Compress. 3-5 p.m., Sunday, December 22, 2019 at Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Lockney.

Arrangements were under the personal care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home A.J. and Minnie Morris. of Lockney.

the First United Methodist Church in Lockney and the Lockney American Legion.

He also served on the Board of Directors for Lockney Co-op from 1992 to 2007 and as President of the Lockney Co-op and even received the Lockney Co-op Fourteen Millionth Dividend Dollar in 2007. He also served on the Board of Directors to the Farmers

James was a member of wife of 60 years (as of De-nieces and nephews.



cember 15, 2019), Nelda James is preceded in Gene (Cunningham) Mordeath by his parents, A.D. ris; two sisters, Edna Evans and Mary Ellen Mor- and husband, Billy and Virris; and his grandparents, ginia McMahan; brother-Claude and Allie Doss, and in-law, Udell Cunningham; sister-in-law, Carolyn Cun-James is survived by his ningham, and numerous

Sunday, January 12, 2020.

the 20018 Crimson Award singing as well as playing

Pastor Joseph Tillery and his wife, Sharon, extend a personal welcome to all.

For more info, contact First Baptist Church at

## **Obituary** policy

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## Trusting in the Lord

Hannah said, "I prayed for this child, and the Lord has granted me what I asked of him." -1 Samuel 1:27 (NIV)

In April, basketball season was ending. I loved coaching and working with the girls but had always longed for a child of my own. When a friend suggested adoption, I began thinking and praying about it, and I felt God nudging me to adopt a child. So after 25 years of working as head varsity coach, I resigned and started the adoption process. Family and friends were concerned about my decision, wondering who would choose a 47-year-old, divorced, single woman to adopt her child, but I trusted in the Lord.

Two years had passed when, on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving, I received the long-awaited call. Tears of joy flooded my soul. When I met Luke's birth mother, she said the person to adopt her child. I knew that God had provided. On December 20 at the hospital, I was handed a beautiful boy.

that she was looking for someone her mother's age and single as

I can imagine how Mary felt on the day God's Son, Jesus, was born. I have dedicated my five-year-old Luke to the church and thank God daily for this miracle in my life. I have become convinced that God is still in the business of performing miracles - by healing the sick, giving sight to the blind, making the lame walk, and caring for God's children.

-Kathy Ruth Marlowe (North Carolina, USA)

TODAY'S PRAYER

Dear God, thank you for the world's greatest gift, Jesus Christ. We praise your holy name. Amen.

**Aiken Baptist Church** Dennis Butler, Pastor Morning Worship..11 a.m.

**Bible Baptist Church** 810 S. 3rd, Floydada Darwin Robinson, Pastor 983-2578

Sunday School....10 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:50 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m.

Calvary's Cornerstone Fellowship

Floydada Armando Morales, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship - 11 a.m. Bible Study - 6 p.m. Wednesday Evening - 7 p.m.

Carr's Chapel Service Every Sunday Morning Worship - 9 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

**Church of Christ** West College & Third Lockney

Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m. Afternoon Worship - 1:30 p.m. Wednesday Service - 7:30 p.m.

City Park Church of Christ Bob DuPont, Minister Floydada Sunday Bible Study - 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.

Evening Worship - 6 p.m.

Wed. Bible Study - 7 p.m.

**First Baptist Church** Floydada Mark Snowden, Pastor Nathan Adams, Minister of Students and Discipleship Ashley Adams, Minister of Music

Ludustia Prisk, Director of Children's Ministry Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wed Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.

> First Baptist Church Lockney Joseph Tillery, Pastor

Chad Cook, Youth Min. Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.

First United Methodist Church Floydada Gary Boles, Pastor

Morning Worship - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 10:50 a.m. Youth (Sunday) - 6:30 p.m.

First United Methodist Church

Lockney Rev. Ricky Carsensen, Pastor Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. Evening Service - 6 p.m. Wed. Jr. High - 5:30 p.m. Wed High School - 6:30 p.m.

**Grant Chapel Church of God In Christ** Joe Bennett, Pastor Sunday School - 10 a.m.

Morning Worship - 11 a.m. Evening Worship - 7:30 p.m. Tuesday - 8 p.m. Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

**Main Street Church of Christ** Lockney James Blair, Minister Bible Study - 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship - 6:00 p.m. Wednesday - 7:00 p.m.

Mt. Zion Baptist Church Floydada Rev. Timothy Askey 401 N 12th Sty. 983-5805 Sunday School - 10 a.m. Morning Worship 11 a.m.

**New Salem Primitive Baptist Church** Floydada

Evening Worship - 6 p.m.

Wednesday Study - 6 p.m.

Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges (806) 637-0430 Sunday Singing - 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship -11 a.m.

> **Out Reach Harvest Pentecostal Church** 310 Mississippi Floydada

Rev David Ramos, Pastor Ester Ramos, Praise Leader Sunday Bible - 10 a.m. Morning Praise - 11 a.m. Evening Praise 5 - p.m. Wed Worship - 7 p.m.

Power of Praise Full Gospel Church Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor 704 B Main, Lockney

Sunday Services - 10 a.m. Sunday Evening - 5 p.m. Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.

Primera Iglesia Bautista Lockney Jesus Caballero, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.

Worship Service - 11 a.m. Discipleship - 5 p.m. Wed. Service - 7 p.m. Primera Iglesia Bautista Floyada

Rev. Toby Gonzales Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:40 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wed Evening - 7 p.m.

San Jose Catholic Church Lockney Rev. Renato Cruz Parachial Vicar - Jacob Powell Sun - 9 a.m. Children Bible study 10 a.m. - Mass Wed. - 6 p.m.- Faith Formation -CYO to follow

Thurs. - 6:30 pm- Evening Mass South Plains Baptist Church Dan Beaty, Pastor Sunday School - 10 a.m. Morning Worship - 11 a.m.

Templo Getsemani Assembly of God

701 W. Missouri Joe M. Hernandez 983-5286 (Church) Sunday School English - 9:45 a.m. Spanish - 11 a.m. Worship\* Spanish - 9:30 a.m. English - 11 a.m. Evening Service 5 p.m. Wednesday 7 p.m.

St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

Floydada Rev. Renato Cruz Parachial Vicar - Jacob Powell 983-5878

Sunday Mass - 11:30 a.m. Mon. & Wed. Mass - 6:30 p.m. Confession Sat - 10-11 a.m.

**Templo Bautista Salem** Lockney Rev. Joe Hernandez Bun Prayer Service - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship Service - 11 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wed. Meeting - 7 p.m.

**Templo Bethel** Spanish Assembly of God Washington And 1st St. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship - 11 a.m. Evening Worship - 5 p.m. Wed Service - 7 p.m.

**Templo Nueva Vida** Rev. Herman Martinez Co-Pastor Gilbert Flores 308 W. Tennessee, Floydada Sunday School - 10:00 A.M. Evening Worship 5:00 P.M. Wednesday Service - 7:00 P.M.

**Trinity Assembly** 500 W. Houston Kari & Justin Brown, Pastors 983-5499 Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:40 a.m. Sunday Evening - 6 p.m.

**Trinity Luthern Church** Providence Community On Fm 2301 293-3009 Rev. Peter W. Harrington, Minister

Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 11 - a.m. **West Side Church of Christ** 

Floydada 983-2672 Or 470-0950 Sunday Worship - 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening - 2 p.m.

# Signup for Conservation Reserve Program is open

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Department of Agriculture is open for the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)

To enroll in CRP, contact your local FSA county office or visit fsa.usda.gov/crp.

The deadline for agricultural producers to sign up for general CRP is Feb. 28, 2020, while signup for continuous CRP is ongoing.

Farmers and ranchers who enroll in CRP receive a yearly rental payment for voluntarily establishing long-term, resource-conserving plant species, such as approved grasses or trees (known as "covers") to control soil erosion, improve water quality and develop wildlife habitat on marginally productive agricultural lands.

"The Conservation Reserve Program is one of our nation's largest conservation endeavors and a critical tool to help producers better manage their operations while conserving natural resources," Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue said. "The program marks its 35-year anniversary in 2020, and we're hoping to see one of our largest signups in many years."

CRP has 22 million acres enrolled, but the 2018 Farm Bill lifted the cap to .27 million acres. This means farmers and ranchers have a chance to enroll in CRP for the first time or continue their participation for another term.

Signed into law in 1985, CRP is one of the largest private-lands conservation programs in the U.S. The program was originally primarily intended to control soil erosion and potentially stabilize commodity prices by taking marginal lands out of production. This Farm Bill program has evolved over the years, providing a variety of conservation and economic benefits from coast to coast.

Prevented more than 9 billion tons of soil from eroding, enough soil to fill 600 million dump trucks

Reduced nitrogen and phosphorous runoff relative to annually tilled cropland by 95% and 85% respectively

Sequestered an annual average of 49 million tons of greenhouse gases, equal to taking 9 million cars off the road

Created more than 3 million acres of restored wetlands while protecting more than 175,000 stream miles with riparian forest and grass buffers, enough to go around the world 7 times

Benefited bees and other pollinators and increased populations of ducks, pheasants, turkey, bobwhite quail, prairie chickens, grasshopper sparrows and many other birds

By enrolling in CRP, producers are improving water quality, reducing soil erosion and restoring habitat for wildlife. This in turn spurs centives Program (TIP) hunting, fishing, recreation, tourism and other economic \* interested in transitioning development across rural America.

#### **CRP Enrollment Options** General Signup

CRP general signup will be held annually. The competitive general signup will now include increased opportunities for enrollment of wildlife habitat through the State Acres For Wildlife Enhancement (SAFE) ini-

Continuous Signup

While some practices under SAFE will remain available through continuous signup, CRP continuous signup will focus primarily on water quality within the Clean Lakes, Estuaries, and Rivers (CLEAR) Initiative. The 2018 Farm Bill prioritizes water quality practices such as contour grass strips, filter strips, riparian buffers, wetlands and a new prairie

#### Grasslands Signups

CRP Grasslands signup helps landowners and operators protect grassland, including rangeland, and pastureland and certain other lands while maintaining the areas as grazing lands. A separate CRP Grasslands signup will be offered each year following general signup. The sign-up period for CRP Grasslands in 2020 runs from March 16, 2020 to May 15, 2020.

#### Pilot Programs

Later in 2020, USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) will roll out pilot programs within CRP: CLEAR 30, which allows contracts expiring with CLEAR practices to be reenrolled in 30year contracts and in the Soil Health and Income Protection Program (SHIPP) in the prairie pothole region. More information on these programs will be announced in the new year.

#### **Land Transition**

The CRP Transition Inis an option for producers land to a beginning farmer or rancher or a member of a socially disadvantaged group to return land to production for sustainable grazing or crop production. CRP contract holders no longer need to be a retired or retiring owner or operator to transition their land. TIP participants may have a lease less than five years with an option to purchase, and they have two years before the end of the CRP contract to make conservation and land improvements.

**Previously Expired Land** Land enrolled in CRP under a 15-year contract that expired in September 2017, 2018 or 2019, may be eligible for enrollment if there was no opportunity for reenrollment and the practice under the expired contract has been maintained.

## Southwest Beef Symposium set in Amarillo

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

AMARILLO - The annual Southwest Beef Symposium, jointly hosted by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and New Mexico State University Cooperative Extension Service, will be Jan. 22-23 at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 550 S. Buchanan St., Amarillo.

Cattle graze in the Texas Panhandle. (Texas A&M AgriLife photo by Kay Ledbetter)

Exploring Beef Marketing Opportunities is the theme of this year's conference. Registration is \$75 by Jan. 19 and \$85 thereafter and onsite. The registration fee includes a steak dinner on Jan. 22, lunch on Jan. 23 and refreshments.

Online registration is now open at https://agriliferegister.tamu.edu/

"Cattle prices have adjusted downward after some very favorable years for cow-calf and stocker

producers," said Bruce Carpenter, AgriLife Extension livestock specialist, Ft. Stockton. "Various segments of the industry are looking for opportunities to add value and income with improved marketing and/or production."

Opening session topics and speakers include:

- The Future of Food: What's in Store?, Stan Bevers, King Ranch Institute-Kingsville.
- Making Third Party Verification Systems Work for You, Lee Ann Saunders, IMI Global, Castle Rock, Colorado.
- Selling Calves Through Branded . tus Feeders-Amarillo.
- From Ranch to Restaurant: Marketing Beef Through the Service Industry, Jason McDonald, Fess Parker Ranch Beef, Hatchita, New Mexico and Los Olivos, California.
- Thinking About Estate Plan-

ning, Tiffany Dowell Lashmet, AgriLife Extension, Amarillo.

A round-table Question and Answer session will wrap up the afternoon, before a dinner sponsored by the Southwest Beef CAP Grant.

Day two topics and speakers in-

- · Breed Type Comparisons of Foraging Behaviors, Andres Cibils, Ph.D., New Mexico State University.
- · Fitting Cattle Genetics to the Environment, Jason Smith, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension, Amarillo.
- Genetics, Justin Kleghorn, Cac- Meeting the Sustainability Expectations of Consumers, Sarah Place, National Cattlemen's Beef
  - Association, Denver, Colorado. · National Beef Quality Audit, Chase DeCoit, NCBA.

For more information, contact Carpenter at 432-336-8585 or bruce.carpenter@ag.tamu.edu.

## Area Fishing Report

Alan Henry

FAIR. Water clear 56 degrees; 2.09' low. Black bass have increased to good on rigged worms, spinnerbaits, and crankbaits working the steep shorelines. Crappie are good on minnows, and jigs around the pier and flooded timber. Catfish are fair on live bait and stinkbait.

#### **Hubbard Creek**

FAIR. Water stained; 58 degrees; 2.57' low. Largemouth bass are fair on Texas rigged worms, crankbaits among and along the edges of the vegetation. Crappie are fair on live minnows. White bass are good in deep creek beds and mid-lake. Catfish are fair on live and cut shad. O.H. Ivie

FAIR. Water stained; 59 degrees; 9.87'low. Largemouth bass are good on Carolina rigged worms, spinners, minnows and jigs on points, mid-lake humps, and any structure. Crappie are fair on live minnows, and jigs drop fishing. Catfish are good on stinkbait, live, and cut bait.

Oak Creek

FAIR. Water stained; 58 degrees; 2.04' low. Largemouth bass are fair on spinners, topwater, and Carolina rigged worms within vegetation and steep shoreline drops. Crappie are good on live minnows looking for submerged structure. White bass are good mid-lake on Alabama Rigs. Catfish are fair on nightcrawlers and live and dough balls.

Possum Kingdom FAIR. Water clear; 58 degrees; good on crankbaits, plastic worms and spinnerbaits among underwater structure. Crappie are good on jigs, and minnows among brush piles and boat docks. White bass are slow on jigs, slabs, and spoons. Striped bass are fair on live shad and jigs looking for mid-lake humps. Catfish are good on cut bait, live sunfish, and stinkbait.

Stamford

FAIR. Water stained; 59 degrees; 1.26' low. Largemouth bass are fair on topwater, Carolina rigged plastic worms, crankbaits, spinners, and jigs. Look for points showing vegetation. Crappie are good on live minnows and jigs vertically fished as close to structure as possible. White bass are fair on live shad and slabs. Catfish are fair on live bait, and stinkbait prepped pellets.

White River

SLOW. Water murky; 60 degrees; 21.86' low. Drought conditions are still in place. Please check

1.00' low. Largemouth bass are boat ramp access. Largemouth bass are fair on spinners, crankbaits and Carolina rigged plastic worms seeking flooded brush and points. Crappie are slow on live minnows and jigs. Walleye are slow. Catfish are fair on live bait, cut bait, and stinkbait close to the White River Marina.



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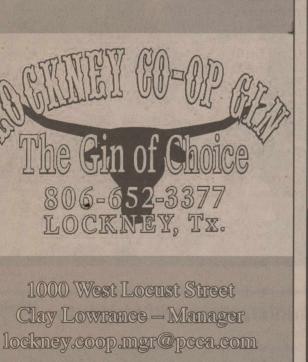


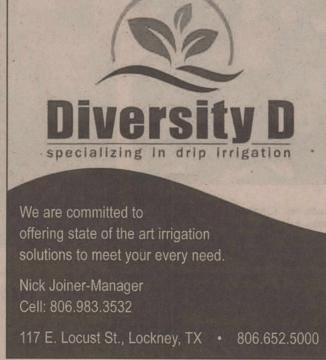
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# Floydada Whirlwinds



## **FISD** at BeeHive







The Floydada ISD Administrators and Central Office Staff put together Christmas Care Packages for the residents of the Shepherd's Meadow/BeeHive in Floydada. It was great seeing the smiling faces as we delivered them and wished them a Merry Christmas!

# Chico the Elf



Chico made Ms. Claxton's class at Duncan Elementary go on a candy cane scavenger hunt! They had so much fun and loved eating the candy canes! Thanks Chico!!!

## **FHS Band** members compete All-Region Honor Band Auditions

pecial to The Hesperian-Beacon

On Saturday, December 14, 2019 three Floydada High School students travelled to Levelland to compete in the High School All-Region Honor Band Auditions.

All three deserve congratulations: Noah Vega was the only Freshman trombonist to audition out of the entire region; Devin Reyes was only four spots away from making the band and was one of only three freshmen percussionists in the entire region to audition; and Jacob Johnston

placed 2nd on Contra Alto Clarinet, making the Honor Band and advancing to All-Area Auditions on January 11,

Jacob will get to perform in one of the finest region ensembles in the state on January 24-25 under the direction of one of the most successful conductors in the country. This is truly a high honor.

If you see any of these fine young gentlemen, please congratulate their hard work and great sacrifice - both were necessary to have done so well!

## Floydada 6th Graders



Chico the Elf has been assigned to Duncan Elementary by Santa to monitor students' behavior and report back to the North Pole daily. He'll be making his rounds to each grade and many of the classrooms between now and Christmas. His first stop was in Mrs Snowden's class. Chico was so kind and brought a project for the students to try. 6th graders are also learning about tectonic plates and how the convection current in the asthenosphere effect plate movement.

## **FFA District Officer**



Congratulations Kaitlyn Vega on becoming a Plainview FFA District Officer! We are so proud of you!



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# Lockney Longhorns

## **Salvation Army**



The Lockney Salvation Army would like to thank the Lockney Elementary staff and students for their donation of 705 canned goods. Shown (left to right) Christopher Ascencio, Adrian Rosales and Michael Michaelson, Lockney Elementary Principal.

## **Lockney Santa**



SANTA surprised the Lockney Elementary students. Shown are (left to right) Principal Michael Michaleson, Letesha Gaither, Officer Ruben DeLeon, Santa, Sherriff Paul Raissez, James Blair, Officer Soto, Bill Hunter, Anna SanMartin. Merry Christmas and thank you to our local VFW, American Legion Posts, Floyd County Sheriff's Department, and our Little Longhorn Parent Club for making it all happen!

# Floyd County 4-H'ers Caroling at BeeHive

**Photos by Teresa Bigham** 

The Floyd County 4-H held their annual Christmas meeting at the Unity center on the 17th of December. The 4-H families feasted on a pot-luck meal and enjoyed visiting with each other. After the meal the 4-H'ers and families meet up at the BeeHive Assisted Living Center in Floydada,











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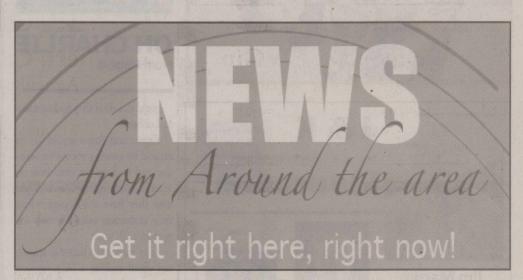
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Santa Claus and his Elves visited Floydada and Lockney Elementary Schools on Tuesday, Dec. 17. Santa was escorted by the Floyd County Sheriff and Deputies, as well as numerous veterans from the American Legion Post #141 in Lockney. Santa asked us to say, "Special blessings on these children, their parents and their teachers. Also many thanks to my helpers-veterans from Lockney, little Paul (You know him as the Sherrif!), his deputies-Officer Gutierrez, Officer McClendon, Chief Ramon, Officer Kastning, Officer DeLeon, Officer Soto Gonzales, Dennis Carter, Floyd County Veterans-James Blair, Bill Hunter, and Letesha Gaither and Lockney's Little Longhorn Parent Club, the FHS NHS and the Hale County Veterans." A special thanks goes to Letesha Gaither, the Lockney Little Longhorn Parent Club, Floyd County's Veterans' Officer for the countless hours that she and her family dedicated to this special activity.































The Floydada Post Office wishes everyone a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR!! Shown are (Back Row, I-r) Pamela Hernandez, Albert Tovar, Leonel Longoria, Rusty Wallace, Benita Longoria, Willis Bunch, Jill Graham, Ofelia McCown; (Front row, I-r) Pam Holmes and Altie Nelson. Not pictured were Alexa Adams, Eddie Braidfoot, Leasa Mescal and Esmeralda Garcia.



Lupe Delafuente Phyllis Smith

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could not do if they had to travel to Lubbock.

**OH CHARLIE** 

From Page 1

Emma and Amos would like to expand by creating their own website and perhaps another store in another town in the future. Right, now they have a FB page where their customers can view new inventory each week.

They each stress that this store is not about making a large amount of money but contributing to the community. Amos stated, "I think our store has given the town a little hope. We have customers from Lockney, but also from all around the surrounding areas."

Emma says that, "I learn something new every day. You listen to your customers and take their opinions into consideration. You learn and grow from it. I love the feedback. I like to make people smile and brighten their day."

## **Prosperity Bank Christmas Open House**





## DUNCAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WRITES TO SANTA

### PRE-K

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll that sings
like Barbie and she has a guitar
with a microphone. Abram
wants a nerf gun. Andrew likes
P.J. mask toys. Erryn will like a
phone for Christmas. Thank you
Santa! I will leave you chocolate
milk and cookies.
Love,
Aubrielle

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Paw Patrol
Pup. I also want a big dinosaur.
I want Optimus Prime robot,
too. P.J. wants a soldier gun.
Angel wants games for his
X-box. Andrea wants Make-up.
Thank you Santa! I will leave
you milk and cookies.
Love,
Alex

Dear Santa,
Please bring me an electric toy
train with the tracks. Also a
robot that works with batteries.
I want big dinosaurs too. Adela
wants markers and coloring
books. Thank you Santa! I will
you cookies and milk.
Love,
Vicente

Dear Santa,
Please bring me Spiderman
chapstick and a Forkie toy from
Toy Story. I also want an Elf on
the Shelf. Emma wants an Elf
on the Shelf too and Minecraft
game. Thank you Santa! I will
leave you milk and cookies.
Love,
Austin

Dear Santa,
 Please bring me a Barbie doll and Barbie horse that dances
 and moves. Also some clothes for my Barbie. My brother wants games for his X-box. My

Mom would like a necklace with a heart. Thank you Santa! I will leave you some cookies and milk.
Love,
Arrocellie

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Barbie Doll
House. Also some Barbie dolls
with clothes and shoes. Can
you bring Kayliegh a Barbie
car too. My brother Ian Elliot
wants toy cars. Thank you
Santa! I will leave you some
cookies and milk.
Love,

KylaH

Dear Santa,
Please bring me an Elsa doll
and some clothes for my doll.
Please bring the Elsa doll that
can sing. I think my sister
Amaya wants a baby shark toy.
She loves baby shark. Thank
you Santa. I will leave you
some cookies and milk.
Love,
Alexi

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll that cries
and talks. Also, please bring me
clothes for my doll. My mom
would like some make-up.
Thank you Santa. I will leave
you cookies and milk.
Love,
Jeslynn

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a black car
with a remote control. I want
the lights to come on and the
horn to honk. Casimiro wants
X-Box games. Marrisa wants
clothes. Isaiah wants games
too. Thank you and I will
leave you hot chocolate with
marshmellows.
Love,
Jacob

Please bring me a toy car I can ride in. I want it to be galaxy colors, purple, pink and blue. My little brother A.J. would like anything that's the Avengers. My sisters would want make-up. Thank you Santa and I will leave you cookies and milk.

Love,

Jedd

Love,

Serlina

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some baby
dolls. I want a doll that has a
binky and bottle. Also, please
bring me a little cradle for
my baby doll. My baby sister
would like a teddy bear. My
Mom would like make-up and
a necklace. My Dad would like
tools. Thank you Santa! I will
leave you some cookies and
milk.

Dear Santa,.
I've been a good girl this year.
Please bring me a big Barbie
house, big Barbie doll, a new
princess bed, princess shoes,
princess shirt, a Princess Belle
costume and crown. Bring my
sisters some pajamas. Bring

make-up for Mom and clothes

for Daddy. I will leave you

chocolate chip cookies and warm milk. Love, Sophia

Dear Santa,
I've been good this year. Please bring me Mighty Pups, Paw
Patrol shoes, Flash costume and a Lightening McQueen bike.
My sister wants a squishy and a bike. My Mommy and Daddy want snacks for their stockings. I will leave you Santa cookies to eat and warm milk to drink.

Thank you Santa! Love, Landon

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a toy BeyBlade
that spins. I also want the
Valkyrie spinning one. The blue
one. I want a puffy make-up
kit. Tyler definitely wants the
BeyBlade launcher. Thank you
Santa! I will leave you some
chocolate chip cookies and
milk.
Love,

Catherine Dear Santa, Please bring me an Elsa Ice Palace, Barbie Play House, Musical Elephant, Barbie Mermaid Doll and Disney Princess Case. Bring my little brothers some tractors and cars and dinosaurs. For mommy bring her pajamas, socks and a blanket to keep her warm. My Daddy wants a new mustang. Thank you Santa! I will leave you some milk and cookies. Love, Penelope

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a lot of books.
I want Pete the Cat books or
any book. I also want an LOL
doll. My family would like
clothes too. Thank you Santa,
I will leave you cookies and
milk.
Love,
Senaya

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Paw Patrol
Mighty Jet, Marshall Transporter
Robot and Walkie Talkies. Bring
my brother a small bike. My
Mommy and Daddy don't want
anything. Thank you Santa, I
will leave you some cookies and
orange juice.

Love, Liam

Dear Santa,
I've been good every day.
Please bring me a drone and
money. I would also like a
teddy bear that talks. My sister
would also like money. My
brother wants a drone too.
Thank you Santa! P.S. Please
bring my Mom make-up. I will
leave you cookies and milk.
Love,
Brayden

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Spirit horse
that eats carrots in real life.
I also want an LOL doll and
Santa please bring new flowers
for my Mom. Noli would like
a real baby brother. My Dad
wants a new hunting gun.
Thank you Santa! I will leave
cookies and hot chocolate.
Love,
Lolah

Pre-K 2

Dear Santa,
I would love it if you could
bring me some slime and a
firetruck. Thank you so much!
I will leave you some cookies
and milk to have!
Love,
Adikas Edwards

Dear Santa,
I would love it if you would bring me a mermaid and a sword and a big pool with a big slide. Thank you so much!
I will leave you some cookies and milk to have!
Love,
Isabel Huizar

Dear Santa,
I would love it if you would bring me some slime and playdough. I would also like a

mega monster and a megazord.
Thank you so much! I will
leave you some cookies and
milk to have!
Love,
Blaine Yeary

Dear Santa,
I would love it if you would bring me some slime and playdough. I would also love a big orange dog. Thank you so much! I will leave you some cookies and milk to have!
Love,
Caydence Yeary

Dear Santa,
I would love it if you would bring me a remote control puppy and a dollhouse. Thank you so much! I will leave you some cookies and milk to have! Love,
Roxann Lamas

Dear Santa,
I would love it if you would
bring me a watergun! Thank
you so much! I will leave you
some cookies and milk to have!
Love,
Zerrian Minner

Dear Santa,
I would love it if you would
bring me slime, a firetruck,
and a Clifford puppet. I would
also love a dog. Thank you so
much! I will leave you some
cookies and milk to have!
Love,
Elliot Jimenez

Dear Santa,
I would love it if you would bring me a Godzilla movie and a Powerranger Megazord.
Thank you so much! I will leave you some cookies and milk to have!
Love,
Sebastian Hendrix

Dear Santa,
I would love it if you would bring me a very cute puppy and some slime! Thank you so much! I will leave you some cookies and milk to have!
Love,
Kyndal Gerhardt

Dear Santa,
I would love it if you would bring me horse and a pool.
Thank you so much! I will leave you some cookies and milk to have!
Love,

James Rosa

Dear Santa,
I would love it if you would
bring me some racecars and
some slime. Thank you so
much! I will leave you some
cookies and milk to have!
Love,
Zayden Garza

Dear Santa,
I would love it if you would
bring me a new toy firetruck.
Thank you so much Santa! I
will leave you some cookies
and milk to have!
Love,
Lino Luna

Dear Santa,
I would love it if you would
bring me some playdough and a
new firetruck. I would also love
to have some scissors. Thank
you so much! I will leave you
some cookies and milk to have!
Love,
Roy Garcia

Dear Santa,
I would love it if you would
bring me a Power Ranger toy
and a Paw Patrol toy. Thank
you so much! I will leave you
some cookies and milk to have!
Love,
Benito Perez

Dear Santa,
I would love it if you would
bring me more Power Rangers
and a Power Ranger Megazord.
I will leave you some cookies
and milk to have all night!
Love,
Kayden Ramirez

Dear Santa,
I would love it if you would
bring me a microwave from
Family Dollar! Thank you so
much Santa! I will leave you
some cookies and milk to have!
Love,
Ticen Driver

Dear Santa,
I would love it if you would bring me a new baby doll.
Thank you so much! I will leave you some cookies and milk to have! See you soon!
Love,
Aleeya Knight

Dear Santa,
I would love it if you would
bring me a baby doll and baby
stroller! I would also love a fun
trampline! Thank you so much
Santa! I will leave you some
cookies and milk to have!
Love,
Athena Aguilar

### Pre-K 3

Dear Santa,
I want a Hulk toy for
Christmas.
Abel Zamora

Dear Santa, I want a doll for Christmas. Camille Wickware

Dear Santa, I want a Batman toy for Christmas. Michael Segura

Dear Santa, I want a toy tractor for Christmas. Axl Riddle

Dear Santa, I want a Spiderman for Christmas. Adrian Pinon

Dear Santa,
I want a Ipad and a phone for Christmas.

Isabel Olvera

Dear Santa,
I want a White Doll for

I want a White Doll for Christmas. Lillian McHam

Dear Santa,
I want a lot of toys for
Christmas.
Aaliyah Henderson

Dear Santa, I want a dinosaur for Christmas. Dylan Gonzalez

Dear Santa, I want a trampoline for Christmas. Leah Garza Dear Santa,
I want a Spiderman for
Christmas.
Levelt François

Dear Santa, I want a trampoline for Christmas. Kailynn Fernandez

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

Christmas.

Mireya Barrera

Christmas.
Matthew Diaz
Dear Santa,

I want building legos for

I want a big Christmas Tree. Eulalio Delgado

Christmas.
Armani Contreras

Dear Santa,
I want a Spiderman Car for

I want a Moana doll for

Dear Santa,
I want a dolling a tablet for

Kindergarten K1

Dear Santa,
My name is Maverick and I am
6 years old. This year I have
been very nice. For Christmas
please bring me a blue shirt. I
will see you at Santa Land.
Love,
Maverick

Dear Santa,
My name is Ryanne and I am 6
years old. This year I have been
very nice. For Christmas please
bring me a Christmas tree.
Have a good Christmas Eve.
Love,
Ryanne

Dear Santa, My name is Stephanie and I am 5 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas please bring me a pink shirt. I love you Santa! Love, Stephanie

Dear Santa,
My name is Andrea and I am
5 years old. This year I have
been very nice. For Christmas
please bring me real makeup.
Thank you.
Love,
Andrea

Dear Santa, My name is Olivia and I am 5 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas please bring me some skates that wre my sise. I love you Santa! Love. Olivia

Dear Santa,
My name is Joshua and I am 6
years old. This year I have been
very nice. For Christmas please
bring me a happy Christmas
with it and friends. I am
thanked.
Love,
Joshua

Dear Santa,
My name is Miguel and I am 5
years old. This year I have been
very nice. For Christmas please
bring me PS4.
Love,
Miguel

Dear Santa,
My name is Ayden and I am 5
years old. This year I have been
very nice. For Christmas please
bring me robot. Thank you.
Love,
Ayden

Dear Santa,
My name is Deja and I am 5
years old. This year I have been
very nice. For Christmas please
bring me a book with pages.
Love,
Deja

Dear Santa,
My name is Magaly and I am 6
years old. This year I have been
very nice. For Christmas please
bring me a real candy cane.
Have a good day Santa.
Love,
Magaly

Kindergarten K2

Dear Santa, My name is Logan and I am 5 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas please bring me Skylander crystal. Love, Logan Tamayo

Dear Santa,
My name is Joshua and I am 6
years old. This year I have been
very nice. For Christmas please
bring me Ink Bendy Action
Figure and Ink Bend Plush.
Love,
Joshua Delgado

Dear Santa,
My name is Nataleah Ramirez
and I am 5 years old. This
year I have been very nice.
For Christmas please bring me
Barbies and a Bardie House.
Love,
Nataleah

Dear Santa,
My name is Scarlett 5 and I am
5 years old. This year I have
been very nice. For Christmas
please bring me LOLboll
RyanEgg and.
Love,
Scarlett Foster

Dear Santa,
My name is Adela and I am 6
years old. This year I have been
very nice. For Christmas please
bring me Barbies and Ryan egg.
Love,
Adela Cuba

Dear Santa,
My name is Cutter and I am 5
years old. This year I have been
very nice. For Christmas please
bring me some Ryan toys.
Love,
Cutter Gourdon

Dear Santa,
My name is Lugene and I am 5
years old. This year I have been
very nice. For Christmas please
bring me a mystery figure pack
and and a Indominus Rex toy
from Jurassic World.
Love,
Lugene Ellis

Dear Santa,
My name is Krew and I am 6
years old. This year I have been
very nice. For Christmas please
bring me Pow Patrol Toys and a
Bendy action figure.
Love,
Krew Fipps

Dear Santa,
My name is Jackson and I am 6
years old. This year I have been
very nice. For Christmas please
bring me Skylad rcrystal yellow
and Aarmy action figure.
Love,
Jackson Cooper

Dear Santa,
My name is Tyrome and I am 5
years old. This year I have been
very nice. For Christmas please
bring me ninga turtle, dinosaur,
and a toy car.
Love,
Tyrome Henderson

Kindergarten K3

Dear Santa,
My name is Abran and I am
5 years old. This year I have
been very naughty and nice.
For Christmas, please bring me
a raecar.
Love,
Abran Perez

Dear Santa,
My name is Adamaris and I am 5
years old. This year I have been
very nice. For Christmas, please
bring me a doll and race car.
Love,
Adamaris Gomez

Dear Santa, My name is Nazir and I am 5 years old. This year I have been very nice. For Christmas, please bring me a racecar. Love, Nazir Garcia

Dear Santa,
My name is Frank and I am
5 years old. This year I have
been very nice. For Christmas,
please bring me a firetruck.
Love,
Frank Hernandez

Dear Santa, My name is Aliyah and I am 5 years old. This year I have been very 5. For Christmas, please bring me a doll, bracet maker, and bllingers. Love, Aliyah Perez

Dear Santa,
My name is Aiden and I am
5 years old. This year I have
been very nice. For Christmas,
please bring me a Nerfgun,
firetruck and racecar.
Love,
Aiden Lucio

Dear Santa,
My name is Lincoln and I am
5 years old. This year I have
been very nice. For Christmas,
please bring me blingers,
bracelet maker, and doll.
Love,
Lincoln Rainwater

Dear Santa,
My name is Joseph and I am
6 years old. This year I have
been very nice. For Christmas,
please bring me a firetruck,
Nerf gun, and race car.
Love,
Joseph Castaneda

Dear Santa,
My name is Anthony and I am
5 years old. This year I have
been very nice. For Christmas,
please bring me a firetruck,
Nerf gun, and race car.
Love,
Anthony Aguilar

Dear Santa,
My name is Charli and I
am 5 years old. This year
I have been very nice. For
Christmas, please bring me
a bracelet maker, doll, and
blingers.
Love,
Charli Moore

First Grade 1A

Dear Santa,
I would like a Big Big Barbie
Dream houces, polly pocket,
and Barbie plane.
Love,
Parker Kellison

Dear Santa,
I would like a smart skecher,
Mario powerwheel, and Mario
Hot whees in the track whith it.
Love,
Rhett Rainwater

Dear Santa,
I would like a Barbie, Nintendo
Swituh, Coloring bools and
coloring box.
Love,
Jazaiyh Rocha

Dear Santa,
I would like an RC car, Hot
Wheels track, and helicopterer.
Love,
Christopher Hatcher

Dear Santa,
I would like an x-box 110, Ps4,
and Phone.
Love,
Maverick Galvan

Dear Santa,
I would like a drone, x-box, and new bike.
Love,
Rockie Lamas

Dear Santa,
I would like a ball, treasure
box, and phone casse for a gril.
Love,
Lexi DelosSantos

Dear Santa, I would like a smart skecher, Nintendo switch, and poster. Love, Fabian Rosa

Dear Santa, I would like 270 nike shoes, pants, and a tablet. Love, JayLee Garcia

Dear Santa,
I would like a T-Rex, a
RuDoLpH, and a nintendDo
Switch.
Love,
EzeKieL Machado

Dear Santa,
I would like a ball, Phone, and
Phone casse.
Love,
Jacob hernandiz

Dear Santa,
I would like SketeBoard,
Eleetrer Scooter, and Nrrfgun.
Love,
Eli Munoz

Dear Santa,
I would like a woody, woody
book, Batman Shoes, and
Hotwheel Racer.
Love,
Liam Tamayo

Dear Santa, I would like a pokmon Boll.-2c, pokmon cards-100, and pokmon giants Tedd bear Toys. Love, Jax James

First Grade 1B

Dear Santa,
I would like a Necklace 23,
Lebron toy 23, and Sweater 23.
Love,
Jayden Aleman

Dear Santa,
I would like American Grll
Doll, Barbie Dream Haws, and
dog3.
Love,
Alejandra Arredondo

Dear Santa,
I would like a Notpad and a
pin, Lego box, and X box.
Love,
Nevaeh Contreras

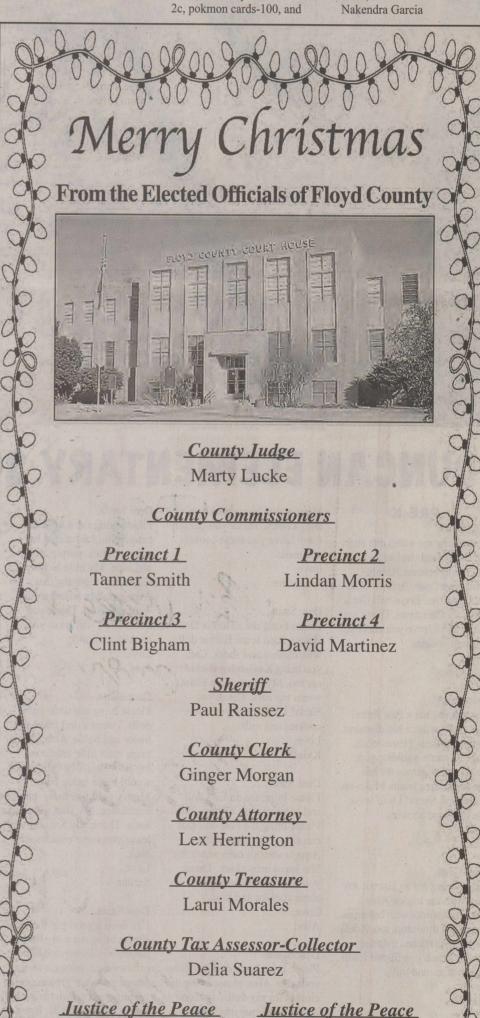
Dear Santa, I would like a Necklace, nerfgun, and Legos. Love, Joseph Delgado

Dear Santa,
I would like a Moturcycle, RC car, and skates
Love,
Isai Escobedo

Dear Santa,
I would like Legos, baby alive,
and colt toy.
Love,
Katelin Fipps

Dear Santa,
I would like a Laptop, Lego
box, and Elf on the Shelf.
Love,
Araceli Garcia

Dear Santa,
I would like a Dog, Barbie
House, and Skates.
Love,
Nakendra Garcia



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Dear Santa, I would like a PS4, legos, and a robot. Love. Dylan Guerrero

Dear Santa. I would like a Barbie House, a Dog half Maltese half Shitzu, and a Pet fish, Love, Abbigail Hartline

Dear Santa, I would like a NintendoSwitch, Barie doll swimming pool, and toy monster Trych.

Love, Emma Holmse

Dear Santa. I would like a Gucci Jacket, a necklace that has a 23, and a lakers Lebron Jersey. Love, Rowdy Mendolla

Dear Santa. I would like Frosen 2 toys, Kinetic sand, and polly pocket tovs. Love, Amanda Suarez

Dear Santa. I would like a fake gun, yellow slime and fake fire. Love, Ethan Trevino

I would like a Xbox, a call of duty toy, and a nerf gun. Love, Edward Vega

Dear Santa. I would like legos and PS4, cars, and roblox legos. Love, Xavier Williams

Dear Santa, I would like an X box, Go to the zoo, and a nerf gun. Love, Sergio Juarez

First Grade 1C

Dear Santa. I would like to see you, ipad, Gucci and Lamborghini. Love, Mateo

Dort Sorte, I would like lesh keildebck, htened-ance isisitlancy ant ance

Love, Eulled

Dear Santa, I would like a pethalster, I wuld like a drumset, I wuld lik a ifon.

Dear Santa, I would like LOL, BOee, and fosh. Love, Takirra

Dear Santa. I would like a cat bimeucat, BurmeurmeBuee, Me dog Miee Adrian

Dear Santa, I would like a cat of cis mi Dear Santa, a dog of cis mi Dear Santa, a lat of cis mi Dear Santa. Love, Chloe Santa.

Dear Santa, I would like Teloscope, x-box 4, and Laptop. Love. Roberta

Dear Santa. I would like citapowoch, fon, and nice shos. Love, Christian

Dear Santa, I would like a car, school, and TV. Love, Kelly

Dear Santa, I would like a goldin controller, million 10000 Dollars, and iPhone11 Pro. Love, Josiah

Dear Santa, I wot a upddol, I wot elosprispol, I wot prs. Love, Jariani

Dear Santa, I would like a car, school, and love you mom. Love, Samantha

Dear Santa, I would like to have 10000000 fun, to have \$1, and I would like to see Santa. Love, Nudson

Dear Santa, I would like 1. LOLS 2. Hachml 3. Frosh II Legos. I love you, Trinety Rodriguez

**Second Grade 2A** 

Dear Santa, My name is Mason. I have been very good this year because I was Lissen to my teacher and MOM. Here is my Christmas list: golden remot, yeesies, Rolex, and gift card. Thank you, Santa. With love, Mason

Dear Santa, My name is Ian. I have been very good this year because I have helped My mom with chores and keped my room clean. Here is my Christmas list: I want a chevorlet truck from Walmart, I want a lot of money, I want a shoos they are Nike, and I want a big poster of mickle jordan. Thank you, Santa. With love, Ian

Dear Santa, My name is Leeland. I have been very good this year because I help mom bin. Here is my Christmas list: I we a god PS and an a gob tve an. Thank you, Santa. With love, Leeland

Dear Santa. My name is Leslie. I have been very good this year because I am doing good at my home work. Here is my Christmas list: Stuffed unicorn, Barbe, 10 LOL's, and girl play house. Thank you, Santa. With love, Leslie

Dear Santa, My name is Vincent. I have been very good this year because I have gotten all As. Here is my Christmas list: My Mom to have a break, My Dad to have a break, My Grandada to have a break, and My Grandmom to have a break. Thank you, Santa. With love, Vincent Merry Christmus!

Dear Santa, My name is Jeremiah. I have

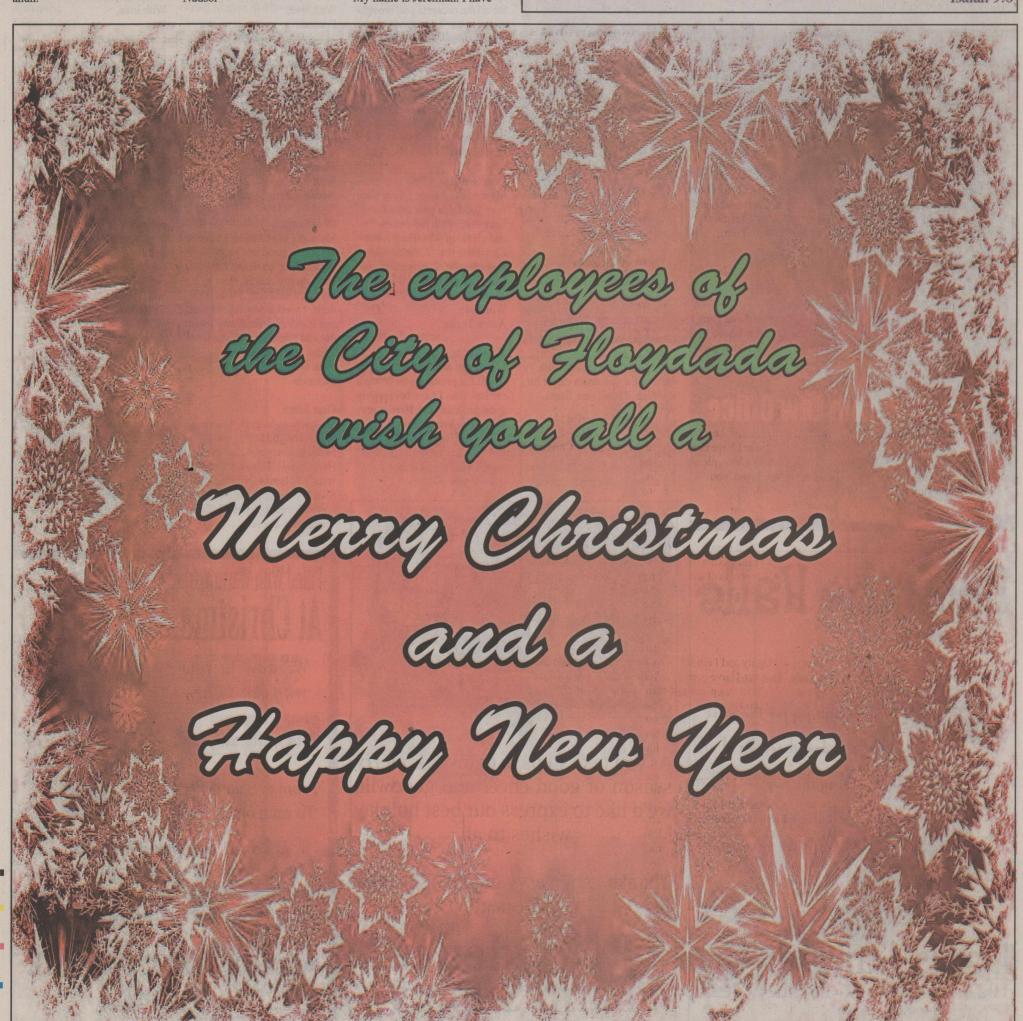




We would like to thank our patients and their families and wish them a safe and Merry Christmas.

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9:6



been very good this year because my mom, dad, and sister. Here is my Christmas list: I pleas wont to get in xboxone in my Room and a Fortnit toy Ravaen, and a present for my mom and dad and for my sister to have the Best Christmas ever. Thank you, Santa. With love, Jeremiah Saenz

Dear Santa, My name is Yadirah. I have been very good this year because I Hav bin helping people. Here is my Christmas list: bike, laptop, ipad, and crayons. Thank you, Santa. With love, Yadirah

Dear Santa, My name is Joe Daniel. I have been very good this year because I have bin boing my chors. Here is my Christmas list: I also want a P-S-4, I also want slim, I also want a Galfkart. I also want a farm and I also want ummilindoless. Thank you, Santa. With love, Joe Daniel

Dear Santa, My name is Juanita. I have been very good this year because I biy doing my chars. Here is my Christmas list: I wunt a frozen dall house, I wunt a dollar, I wunt a bik, and I wunt a color boock. Thank you, Santa. With love, Juanita

Dear Santa, My name is Able. I have been very good this year because I ben helping people stay safe. Here is my Christmas list: Laptop, Mario, Money, and flowers. Thank you, Santa. With love, Able

Dear Santa. My name is Jadyson. I have been very good this year because I I have been so nise to my freind he is so nise to my freinds. Here is my Christmas list: Nerf Guns and lots of of toys, awsom toys, and X Box 360. Thank you, Santa. With love,

Jadyson

Dear Santa, My name is Luke. I have been very good this year because my graids. Here is my Christmas list: a new PS4 and satted hegehog. Thank you, Santa. With love, Luke

Dear Santa, My name is Jesus. I have been very good this year because I have helped with my chores. Here is my Christmas list: 25\$ Gift card, gold colored PS4 Remote, stuffed unicorn, and Lebron James Lakers jersey purple one. Thank you, Santa. With love, Jesus

Dear Santa, My name is Shellsy Corado. I have been very good this year because I kind and i helping kids. Here is my Christmas list: hatchimals, slime, a pet bunny, and LOL. Thank you, Santa. With love, Shellsy Corado

Dear Santa, My name is Madisyn. I have been very good this year because I helped my mom. Here is my Christmas list: squishy, a plushy, slime, and a stuf animal. Thank you, Santa. With love, Madisyn

Dear Santa, My name is Kutler. I have been very good this year because I help my mom. Here is my Christmas list: Fortnit a Toy Story Thank you, Santa.

**Second Grade 2B** 

With love,

Dear Santa, I hope you are well. Thank you for all the presents you brought me last year. I have been a very good girl this year. Here is my Christmas list: Phone, Air pods, toy and a friend. I will leave some cookies and milk by the tree for you and a carrot for Rudolph. Thank you, Santa. With love, Zaybree Back

Dear Santa, I hope you are well. Thank you for all the presents you brought me last year. I have been a very Baby cat, and an iPhone 11. I

good girl this year. Here is my Christmas list: Boxing gloves, will leave some cookies and milk by the tree for you and a carrot for Rudolph. Thank you, Santa.

With love. Noli Rivera

Dear Santa, I hope you are well. Thank you for all the presents you brought me last year. I have been a very good boy this year. Here is my Christmas list: iphone 11, Nintendo Switch with Game, PS4 with Game, and apple air pods. I will leave some cookies and milk by the tree for you and a carrot for Rudolph. Thank you, Santa. With love, srael Cervera

Dear Santa, I hope you are well. Thank you for all the presents you brought me last year. I have been a very good boy this year. Here is my Christmas list: cat, three nentendo lights, iPhone 10, and iPhone 11 Pro. I will leave some cookies and milk by the tree for you and a carrot for Rudolph. Thank you, Santa. With love, Noah Lewis

Dear Santa, I hope you are well. Thank you for all the presents you brought me last year. I have been a very good boy this year. Here is my Christmas list: Xbox 360, can; get a Laptop, Dirt Bike, and Sotu costoom. I will leave some cookies and milk by the tree for you and a carrot for Rudolph. Thank you, Santa. With love, Jaiden Cuellar

Dear Santa, I hope you are well. Thank you for all the presents you brought me last year. I have been a very good boy this year. Here is my Christmas list: toy train, cat, epic Mickey, and Nintendo Swich. I will leave some cookies and milk by the tree for you and a carrot for Rudolph. Thank you, Santa. With love, Jaxon Foster

Dear Santa, I hope you are well. Thank you for all the presents you brought me last year. I have been a very good boy this year. Here is my Christmas list: can i get a Rudolf Plush, PS4 Spiderman game, can i have elf on the shelf, and can i get a iPhone 11. I will leave some cookies and milk by the tree for you and a carrot for Rudolph. Thank you, Santa. With love, Eduardo Lopez

Dear Santa, I hope you are well. Thank you for all the presents you brought me last year. I have been a very good girl this year. Here is my Christmas list: 55" tv, tablet, I Phone 11, and pet fishes. I will leave some cookies and milk by the tree for you and a carrot for Rudolph. Thank you, Santa. With love, Paulina Ramirez

Dear Santa, I hope you are well. Thank you for all the presents you brought me last year. I have been a very good boy this year. Here is my Christmas list: lago, lago Medcraf, tak toys, and legos tak. I will leave some cookies and milk by the tree for you and a carrot for Rudolph. Thank you, Santa. With love, Draven Gutierrez

Dear Santa, I hope you are well. Thank you for all the presents you brought me last year. I have been a very good girl this year. Here is my Christmas list: I wan makeup, I wan LEgo, I wan paint, I wan craft. I will leave some cookies and milk by the tree for you and a carrot for Rudolph. Thank you, Santa. With love, Karah Jo Martinez

Dear Santa, I hope you are well. Thank you for all the presents you brought me last year. I have been a very good boy this year. Here is my Christmas list: Legos, Nintendo Swich, I Phone 11 Max, and PS4 games. I will leave some cookies and milk by the tree for you and a carrot for Rudolph. Thank you, Santa. With love, Iann Perez

I hope you are well. Thank you for all the presents you brought me last year. I have been a very good boy this year. Here is my Christmas list: Lego Set, Mario amibo for Nintendo, army toys, and pigs. I will leave some cookies and milk by the tree for you and a carrot for Rudolph. Thank you, Santa. With love, Leehenry Mao

Dear Santa, I hope you are well. Thank you for all the presents you brought me last year. I have been a very good girl this year. Here is my Christmas list: Boxing gloves, Bike, Laptop, and SkateBoard. I will leave some cookies and milk by the tree for you and a carrot for Rudolph. Thank you, Santa. With love, Neaven Lucio

I hope you are well. Thank you for all the presents you brought me last year. I have been a very good boy this year. HereoH is my Christmas list: Bike, RKller Blades, Jump Rope, and Basketball. I will leave some cookies and milk by the tree for you and a carrot for Rudolph. Thank you, Santa. With love, Corey Rosa

My name is Aaron. I have been very good this year because I can help wash the dishes and clean up toys. Here is my Christmas list: Fortnite, Show down Bandit, Bendy game, and Cuphead game. Thank you, Santa. With love, Aaron Taylor

Dear Santa, I hope you are well. Thank you for all the presents you brought me last year. I have been a very good girl this year. Here is my Christmas list: Barbie, Toys for my cat, Toys for my puppy, and Toy Story toys. I will leave some cookies and milk by the tree for you and a carrot for

Rudolph. Thank you, Santa. With love, Destany Edwards

Dear Santa, I hope you are well. Thank you for all the presents you brought me last year. I have been a very good boy this year. Here is my Christmas list: bat man toy, the elf on the shalf a green, I want a nutcracer, and I want a bat man play set. I will leave some cookies and milk by the tree for you and a carrot for Rudolph. Thank you, Santa. With love, Isaiah

Dear Santa, I hope you are well. Thank you for all the presents you brought me last year. I have been a very good girl this year. Here is my Christmas list: a puppy, a new back pack, a new cher sout, and a new hed fons. I will leave some cookies and milk by the tree for you and a carrot for Rudolph. Thank you, Santa. With love, Alayna Rendon

Dear Santa, I hope you are well. Thank you for all the presents you brought me last year. I have been a very good boy this year. Here is my Christmas list: Toys, a robot, a uppet, and a upd bear. I will leave some cookies and milk by the tree for you and a carrot for Rudolph. Thank you, Santa. Rayden Shuping

#### **Second Grade 2C**

Dear Santa, My name is Tristan. I have been very good this year because I was kind nice and respect. I was helping my Mom cocking. Here is my Christmas list: Xbox 1, babby sister, Baddy Turtles, suffed Animals, and Toy. Thank you, Santa. With love, Tristan Ash Taylor

Dear Santa, My name is Eduardo. I have been very good this year because i have ben good to my mom and Dad. Here is my Christmas list: Playstashon, cars, Madin 20, and Shoes. Thank you, Santa. With love, Eduardo

Dear Santa, My name is Addison. I have been very good this year because I clean my chores, my room, my home. Here is my Christmas list: PS4, 990000000, Nintendo Which, and Fourwheeler. Thank you, Santa With love, Addison from Santa

Dear Santa, My name is Meranda. I have been very good this year because I listen to my family and I do my chores. Here is my Christmas list: I want LOL dolls, I want a new bike, I want one hundred dollars, and I want my dad home for Christmas. Thank you, Santa. With love, Meranda

Dear Santa, My name is Miguel. I have been very good this year because I help my dad fix car. Here is my Christmas list: I want a X Box 4, Nintendo Swich, iPhone11 Pro Max, 164,996 one thousand dollars. Thank you, Santa.

With love, Miguel

Dear Santa, My name is Kyan. I have been very good this year because I have been helping my family. Here is my Christmas list: Legos, Dog, houver board, and fourwheeler. Thank you, Santa. With love, ore start and

Dear Santa, My name is Jeremiah. I have been very good this year because I help my mom and my dad. Here is my Christmas list: PS4, Nintendo Switch, iphone 11 pro Max, and 9,000,000 dollers. Thank you, Santa. With love, Jeremiah

Dear Santa, My name is Isaiah. I have been very good this year because I listen to my family. Here is my Christmas list: I want a new four wheeler, I want ninety nine dollar, I want a new bike with fire on it, and I want a new ph. Thank you, Santa. With love, Isaiah

Dear Santa, My name is Daryl. I have been very good this year because I see family, house, cat. Here is my Christmas list: video games, fourheeler, doglooo, and hover board. Thank you, Santa. With love, Daryl

Dear Santa. My name is Gabrila. I have been very good this year because I clean my room, my hose, and my back yard. Here is my Christmas list: LOL Doll, LOL Doll hose, Phones, and haed phones. Thank you, Santa. With love, Gabrila

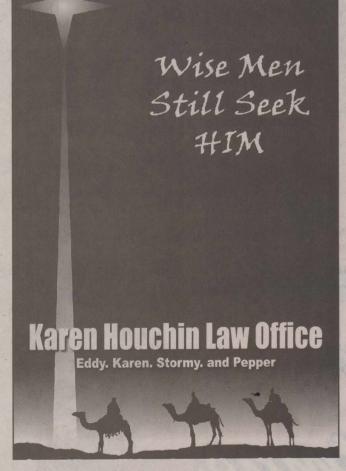
Dear Santa, My name is Dax. I have been very good this year because I help my Friands and druthns. Here is my Christmas list: Pokit knife, toy vilins, a puppie, and toy sooprheros. Thank you, Santa. With love,

Dear Santa, My name is Maliah. I have been very good this year because I lisin to my family and I bere lisin. Here is my Christmas list: maceup, Jewelry, necklaces, and lisic. Thank you, Santa. With love, Maliah

Dear Santa. My name is Aybree. I have been very good this year because I have been very kind this year. Here is my Christmas list: Trampoline, ipod, pool, and rabbit. Thank you, Santa. With love, Aybree Taylor

### **Third Grade 3A**

Dear Santa, How are you doing and Mrs. Claus and the elfs because I'm doing good. I want plese Minecraft Leogs four Christmas and that all and I been good. Sincerely, Abraam Avila



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Dear Santa,
Could I have a toy please. And
my little sister is Dying for a
bear. And I was hope you could
see my Christmas tree.
Sincerely,
Desiray Bazan

Dear Santa,
Are the reindeer good? Do the reindeer eat majic cookies to fly? Are the elfs good? How are you and Mrs. Claus? Can you get me a elf in the shelf and make sure it comes back.
I what a IPhone 11, I what a now Basket Ball, I what...
Sincerely,
Casamiro Bolton

Dear Santa,
How have you been? I have been great. My brother found Budy the elf. I have been good this year. I really want LOL Doll house with a LOL Doll. I think I will leave you cookies. I want some candy in my stocking and hachamles. I really want to find Budy the elf first tomorrow.
Sincerely,
A'Niah Coats

Dear Santa,
How are the elf's and Mrs.
Claus? For Christmas I want a
Tablet and bakugans slime and
a camera.
Sincerely,
Enzo Coursey

Dear Santa,
I hope Christmas this year is
fun for you and elves. I would
like iphone11 Pro, aipods Blue
case, 100,000, apple watch,
PS4, PC, ipod Blue case, bike,
cucci shoe back pack, laptop,
madden 20.
Sincerely,
Brandyn Diaz

Dear Santa,
Hi Santa how are you doing
Good or bad? I have been Good
I want a new born puppy. And a
desk please and slime toy and a
new book.
Sincerely,
Natalie Lerma

Dear Santa,
How are you and the elf and
the reindeer and Mrs Claus?
For Christmas I want a Big
IPad and a Dog for Bear to play
with. I want my mom to have a
good Christmas.
Sincerely,
Liliana Lewis

Dear Santa,
How's your year been? I hope
it's been a good one! This year
I would like an iPhone 11,
Xbox, computer, slime re glow
in the dark, apple watch and a
smart t.v.
Sincerely,
Daylen Lucio

Dear Santa Claus, I want a Xbox and in iphone 11 pro and in LG Phone and I want a bockiyon and a puupy cop. Sincerely, Anthony Machado

Dear Santa,
I hop you still feeling better.
You are the Best! I'm going
to buy My MOM a ihpone-11

I Love you Mrs. Tayler and Santa. Sincerely, Kady Ann Plasencio

Dear Santa,
How are your elves and your reindeers and Mrs. Claus and you Santa Claus? I want Bakugons and twist and squishes and a migquckite and I want for me and my sister to spend Christmas in Lubbock. Sincerely,
Daniella Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
Are the rein good do the reindreer eat magic cookies to fly? Are the elves good? How are you and Mrs. Claus? Can you get me a elf on the shelf and make sure it come back. Can you get me some slime and can you get me some squishy and can you get I please get me a puuy.

Sincerely,
Isabella Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
How your year Been? Has
Mrs. Claus feeding you
Hot Chocolate & with
marshmellows and stuff? How
was thanksgiving, I hope it was
awesome.
Sincerely,
Serenity Sanchez

Dear Santa,
How is your year? You are
the best Christmas! I love
Christmas! I will have Bakaga
10,000 make up 10,000 kiss's
10,000!
Sincerely,
Ella Snowden

Dear Santa,
How are you? Im awsom! For
Christmis I want some slime
can I please get a I Phon-11
Pro. And a Pink laptop can it
be a Macbook OK. Oh and a
LOL doll and a OMG doll. Can
I have a Princess dress sorry if
its too mutch but can I have 100
dollars.
Sincerely,
Lyric Taylor

Dear Santa,
Can I have a Air mac and a
jacket please and a bear elf
please can I have a pet pupy
and a cute book and can I
please have a cute bear.
Are you OK Santa?
From Mariah Wickware to
Santa.

Dear Santa,
How did you been here I
want the things for Christmas
nerf gun Ipad nitendo swich
bakugan call of duty water gun
spider-man game computer I
want those for Christmas.
Sincerely,
CJ

Dear Santa,
I wold for fr Krissmis and I wat sden arther anirpe wab I wot mi mom to git more reg twrk.
Sincerely,
Demanie Wiley

Third Grade 3B

Dear Santa, How is everybody at the Noth Pole! I would love to have 32 thing. A Puppy Pluttle. A iPhone 11 and 12. A a mony like 10. My mom to be happy forever. We can have saft traveles. A iPad. A Xbox 360. A new car that is big. A new shoe size 12. A make up. Hair doers. Head Phons. Ers muffs. A bracslet. My braces. Art stuff. A neckless a cute aflet. Games. Elf on a shelf. A big teddy bear a squishes. A fluffy Pillow that cute a book. A cute hat. Sincerely, Aphrodite Aguilar

Dear Santa,
How are you? And elfs I can't
wait for snow and you to come
to my house I will put cookies
and milk and carrats for the
Raindeers. I hope you to come
to my house.
Love,

Jovanni, Cervera

Dear Santa,
Hi Santa how's ruddof? And
how's your year going? Mines
wundalful. For Christmas I
want vr goggles or a lizard. It's
your choice Because I can't
decide. I want my Dad to be
safe in Olkahma. And to have
a jolly Chrismas. And have a
good Chrismas. And have a
good Chrismas. Sincerely,
Rocco Falcon

Dear Santa,
How have you been? Is evrey boudy doing good? What I want for Christmas is squshys, a new Phone, a Plored camera, art splies, my family to be happy, a Jewelry box, PJs size-13 and a big teddy bear for my room, decorations for my room, a tablet and slime.
Sincerely,
Keiana Garza

Dear Santa, How are you I Can't What to you Come I've been good. Love Natalie Garza

1. IPhon11
2. AiR Pods 2

2. AiR Pods 23. LOL Doll Manchin

4. BiG AnnA Doll

5. Gucci Shos sise 136. Gucci Purse

7. BiarB CaPes Van that I Can rid 8. I Pad

9. BiarB Deam house Sincerely, Natalie Garza

Dear Santa,
Hey how are you doing.
How are your raindeer. I
want a iPhone 11. I want
PlayStayshion 4. I want a X
box 1. I want to have a iPade.
I want have some Guccie
Sanles size 2. I want to have
a Lamberghini. I want to have
a gtr. I want to have Porsha. I
want to have New Shoes size 2.
Sincerely,
Raymond Garza

Dear Santa,
How's Rudulf? I've wonderd
about the north pole. How
was your year? Mine was
Fantabulus!:) Are you cold?
How is Mrs. Claus? Are you
sick? I hope not! Good luck on
Christmas Night!:)
Sincerely,
Delylah Gonzales

Dear Santa,
How's is your year? My year is
geat. How is Mrs. Claus? How
is the reindeer? Is it cold and is
it snowing? It has not snowed
a lot here. It is cold too some
times. Most of the time it's hot.
I want to have a geat Christmas
and you too!
Sincerely,

Derrik Henderson

Dear Santa. How is roudofe and Mis. Claus? I hope you are awsome. I would like a polorod camera, Squshys, Dog, My mom to be happy, Scrunchys, Scatebord, Books, art kit, Jewely, barbie dolls, big house, air pods, pjs size 7-8 Clothes size 7-8 girl elf, tv, I phonel 1 Max, Slime, boots Size 3 1/2, big room, sweters, I whant to see my bffs Faith and TaSmine and have a good year in 2020. Sincerely, Kaylee Hernandez

Dear Santa,
Are you ok Santa because I am
ok. So I want a PS4 and a new
crtolers for PS3.
Sincerely,
Leo Lopez

Dear Santa, Please bring me a iPhon 11 and a Mac Book Air and also Please gev me a Appl whoch and a Boy elf on the shelf and small shtraner and straner Brosh and a per of Goche flifops and a Jams chrois palets and hes Broshes and a Poroid camra and a Par of Bache shos and a specer and tuch scren cupyoter and Santa Cluse thank you Santa Claus and if you give me all thes thing thk you. Sincerely, Amberlyn Martinez

Dear Santa,
Do you have kids a Boy or a
girl! How are the cookie! Can
I pleas have air pods pro the
color red and a cuby the bear a
jelly dream and squishes, slime

a Bike and Books and a robot dog the color wite and slippers color red size 4 and a littile Back pack and twiste pets and a laptop and candy a stuff animal American girl doll and a car and a camra and a LOL doll a Big Stuff Bear a puppy toy a rainbow pillow a lamp vans size 4 rain bow and a new perse Bady alive.

Sincerely,

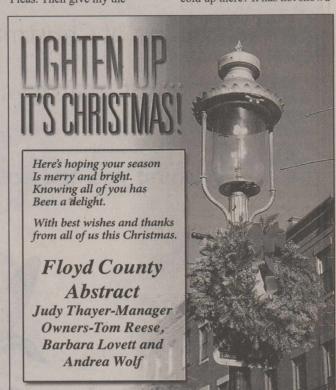
Dear Santa,
How was this year? Thank you
for sending Snowflake! Are the
elf's making toys? How are the
reindew? I would love to tell
you what I want but I want to
keep it a secret! Im gonna send
you my letter, I have 2. Make
sure to come to my house.
Thank you
Sincerely,
Sergio Martinez

Dear Santa,
I wish for you to find my tooth
then give it to the toothFairy
Pleas. Then give my the

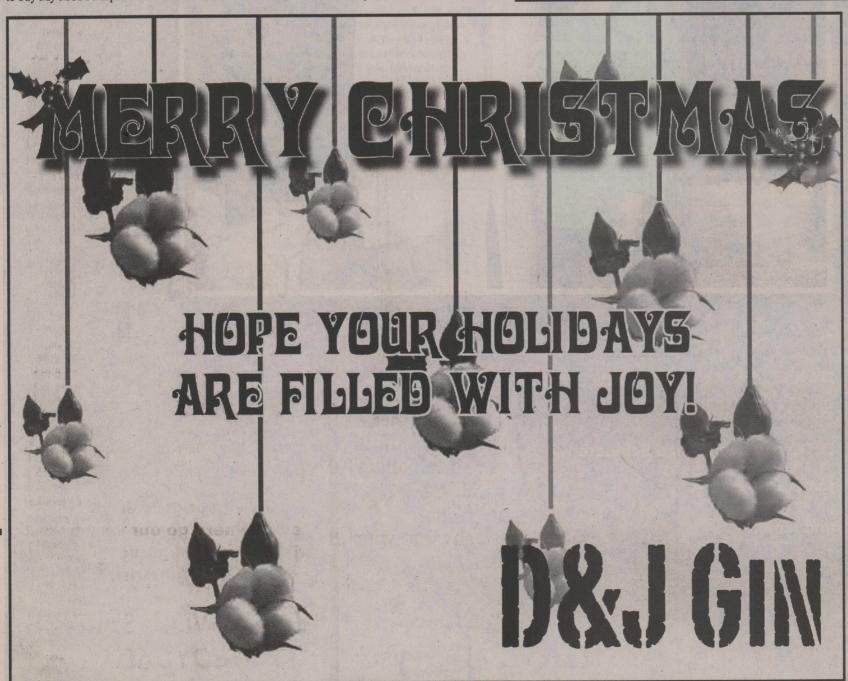
Money! I wish for you to FIX MY BIKE! I wish to see you. I wish For a Puppy! I wish to Be a actor and a Rock Star! How is the North Pole? Do you have Kids? What are you Doing? Sincerely, Delilah Mendoza

Dear Santa,
Did you like the cookies I left
for you? I want to know. Is it
cold up there? Can I work for
you? How do the reindeer fly?
How far is the North Pole? Are
you sleeping? Did you like the
milk I left you? Does Miss.
Claus cook good? How does
the Ealf make stuff? I have
been great this year! I want to
write down all I want, but it's to
much! Have a great year!
Sincerely,
Brooklyn Pyle

Dear Santa, How are you Santa? You are so nice. What I want so much is Air pods and a Makbook and a cat. How is it up there? Is it cold up there? It has not snowd









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down here. It is always freezing here.
Sincerely,

Sincerely,
Aubrey Trevino

#### Third Grade 3C

Dear Santa, How is Mrs. Claus? I've been really good this year. I am kinda asking for a lot. I would like a iphone 11 Pro Max and some Gucci shoes size 2 and Gucci croptop size 7/8 and a bts phone

case and a pair of Airpods and a

Black airpod case and a Nintendo Switch and a Gucci Purse and a snow cone maker and a Bts Jacket size xxsmall and a Bts backpack and a Pack of Makeup and a Gucci sportsbra and a Gucci choker and a easy bake oven and a cotton cany maker and that's all. Sincerely, Jada ascencio

Dear Santa, How is Mrs. Claus is she good or geat How is rudoph this is he good How are The elfs doing I bet there working hard and I been good This year I want This stuff cotton candy Maker 6 pack of Slime airpods iphone 11 pro Max head phones laptop necklist high hills size 2 a Big kit kat a baby puppy phone case 14,000 Dollars Snow cone Maker 6 pack of orbezs.

Sincerely,
Erynn Avila

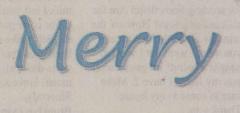
Dear Santa, How are you? Are the elves busy? This is my favorite holiday! Can you please give me thes please a camera that the pics come out I've been wanting this for a long time. Can you please also give me a Slime Kit. I hope you take a Safe Drive to the houses. Sincerely, Jocelynn Baltazar

Dear Santa, Hi my name is Noah, and hows my Elf Thomus? And how are you and this is my list. I want a PS4 or a xbox and a cookie Pillow and a Pug and a I Phone 11 and a Xbox or PS4 controler Gucci shirt size 12. Sincerely, Noah Cisneros

Dear Santa, How are you Santa are you good and you are the best one even god to and is the elfs are doing good and the raideers are they doing good and even the elfs hesperianbeacononline.com

and the raindeers are the best and hope you have a good day. Sincerely, Alyssa Delafuente

Dear Santa,
How is Mrs. Clause and how
are The elfs? I hope you are
doing good and I hope you and
Mrs. Claus are doing good and
The raindeer are too. I want a
new Toys and a new clothing
size 6x and a squashy Bye



# Christmas

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# "Wishing you and your family a Merry Christmas"



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Jenna Everett PA.

and families.

Sincerely, Bethany Hernandez

Dear Santa, How's Mrs's. Claus I hope she is great. I been good this year. I realy want a dog and a baby lion and a iphone 11 pro and a blue lap top and a baby sister named Lilly, Olivia,

Eguia and some yellow sliper size 13. I hope you have a great chirstmas.

Love, Yaritza 8 years old Yaritza Miranda

Dear Santa, How's are you This Year I been good This Year I relly want a Dog and a iPhone 11 Pro How's Mrs. Clows This year I hope She is dowing good how's The raindeers are Thay reddy to fly to dring Presints do well This Year Sincerely **Emery Perez** 

Dear Santa, How is Your Year and how are your reindeers are they heathy. I want a hover board, a Phone, tablet, air Pods, a PS4, contoleror, a toco fome toco bell, 5,000 dolers, and a wallet. Sincerely, Giancario Poot

Dear Santa, I've been very good How is RudolPh Doing? IWLabLike HoverDoadd and Stuf unicon and Bady Live JoJo Siawa Close and Adida air pods and gacci BackPck Gacci croptop size 10-12 and gacci shoes size 4 and gacci shot size 10-12 JoJo Siawe tickets and gacci Pant size 10-12 and gacci choker

iPhone 11 pro we and JoJoe Siawe Bowse and ad das shoes size 4 gacci Bra Size 10-12 and gacci choker unicorn Buga and skevBaga unicorn Bed Sincerely, Jalia RamiRez

Dear Santa, How are you and Mrs. Claus and Rudolph? I want a hover board and a phne and a teddy bear for my baby brother i Love you Santa Claus hope you have a fun day and then thing are my list Jewlry, phone, hover brd, tablet, books, teddy bear, air pods, dolls, doll hous, toy dog, dolls Sincerely, Janae Rosa

Dear Santa,

and the raindears and Mrs. Claus i was great. here is my list. PS5 Game for my Brother. And two slime kit's Blue. 2 I pads. Julrey for my mom. 2 Knitic Sands. A Saints Jursey for my Dad. 2 headphones. Air pods. 4 hover bard's thank you Santa Bye. Sincerely, Siann Diaz

Dear Santa

How was rainder was doing rainder yoog now is your elfs and how is Mrs. Claus How was your Elf is bin? All your rainders North Pole. And you and your slafonce you is get us gefty to all to the pepply. Sincerely, Guillermo Vega

Dear Santa, I wish I Baby sister and Bird the I Wish of a cunputr I wish of a camora hombo. Sincerely, Delicia Mendoza

Dear Santa, How is the eff's? This is what I won't. PS4 Pro computer and dirt bike and Emiem t'sher and a Art set and i fhone 8t. Mincraft. Sincerely,

Carter James McHam

Dear Santa, My name is Stormy. I work downtown at Mom's office. I would like some nice doggy treats. It is hard work barking at people coming into the office. My office mate, Pepper the cat, would like some treats that do not make her throw up.

Our current guest, Skitty Kitty, would like a forever home. She needs a home as the only cat with someone to love her. She is shy, but soft and sweet, and loves neck rubs. Please bring treats for all the

dogs on the block, Rascal and family at Nutthouse Designs; Frank and Callie at Assiters; and Kit Kat at Cathy's Floral. Don't forget the fur babies at Script Printing and at the Credit Union. We all love you and look forward to your annual visit with the reindeers. Give Mrs. Claus a sweet lick from all of us.

Love, Stormy, Pepper and Skitty Kitty P. S. Ranger at home would like some treats too and all those wild cats at home. Oh, and Sadie is coming for Christmas so bring her something too!





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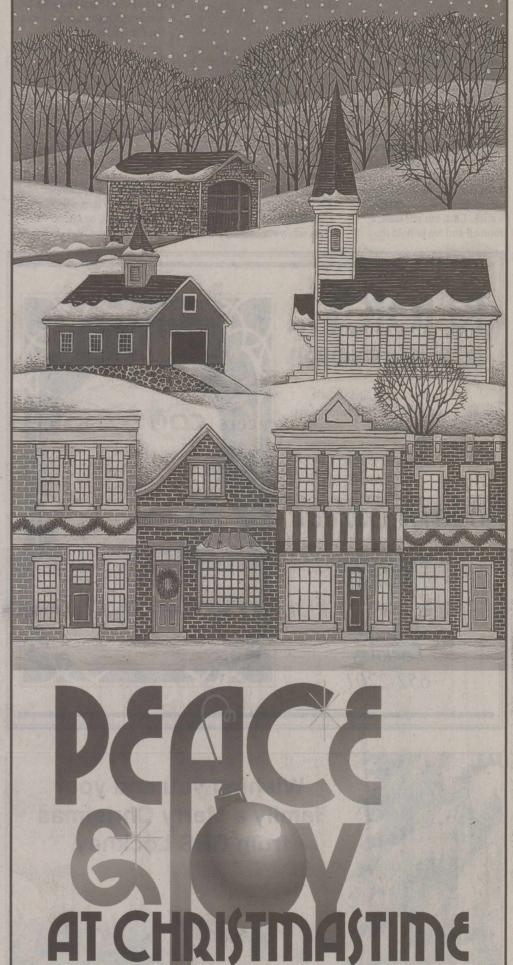
Warm Wishes at Christmastime

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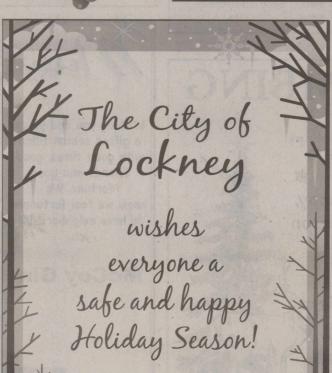




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## LOCKNEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WRITES TO SANTA

All I want is a winning lottery ticket. Mrs. Barnett

Dear Santa, How are you? I'm wondering what you are doing now. I hope I'm on the nice list this year. Even though I'm bad I really want to be on the nice list. Enough talking about me. How are your reindeer? I bet they are excited for December 25! I wonder what kind of toys they are making now. How is Mrs. Clause? I wonder what she does when you are gone? I'm not going to be greedy this year. I would adore to have an I-phone it does not matter which one. I'd enjoy a hoverboard to ride. Good luck on the sleigh! Sincerely,

Dear Santa,

Natalie G.

Before I tell you what I would enjoy for Christmas, I need to ask some questions. First how was Thanks giving? Second how is Mrs. Claus? Third, how are the reindeer? Now the three things I would adore for Christmas. First, thing I want is a Playstion plus because it allows me to play with my freinds. Seconed, I want a poket knife. I would like it because on my freetime I would skin a stick. Last, but not least, a football and tea to hold the

FOR HE IS BORN!

At the birth of our Saviour we'd

like to extend our heartfelt thanks along

with our best wishes for a Christmas

that will resonate in your heart for

a long time to come.

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football. I would lik this becaus I can practice kicking. Sincerely,

Dear Santa, How has your day been? What have you been doing? I want a Nintendo Switch or Some Shoes for Christmas. How is Mrs. Claus Oh Yeah, I also want an Xbox, one controller, and a football and basketball. Thank you,

Dear Santa, How are you? If you want to know how I'm doing, I'm doing good. There is only one thing for Christmas. It is a house for my mom. Because she does a lot for are family. She also makes sure we are safe. Sincerely,

Dear Santa.

Tori

Jairus Urrutia

I was wondering how are your elves doing? Has Rodolph been fed, is he happy? Hows Mrs. Claus doing? Was yalls' thanksgiving great? For Christmas I want Nintendo games, VR, board game, and if you cant do that it's ok because I really want a skate board. Your friend, Darrin Jimenez

Dear Santa, How was your holiday? Have the elves got tech yet? What I want is a PS4, PS4 games, and internet. I hope you can make it to my house this year. Your friend, Zeke

Dear Santa,

Hey Santa how are you? I hope you are doing good! I don't want a lot for Christmas. The first thing I want is airpods, so I can listen to music. The second thing is a poloroid camera so I can take pictures of my beautiful friends an family. The last thing is for my family to be blessed. Sincerly, Tylee

Dear Santa, I've been wondering how you and reindeer have doing, so how have ya'll been doing? I would like to tell you what I want for Christmas: All I want for Christmas is my uncle to come back before mine and my brother's birthdays. Caitlynn

Dear Santa,

How are you doing, how are the elves and Mrs. Claus? Oh and say 'hi' to Rudolf for me. I want some prank supplies, some softball equipment. And snow boats. That will be all I really want, so I hope you and Mrs. Claus, the elves, and

all the raindeer have a good Christmas. Love,

Hannah Salazar

Dear Santa, How have you been? I haven't sent you a letter since last Chrismas. I have been thinking about what I want. I have really, really been wanting a new dog, so it can play with my other dogs. Lastly, I want to go back to school in Plainview. Don't get me wrong, I love my school and my teachers, I just really miss all my friends in Plainview. Your friend, Yari

Dear Santa,

How are you doing Santa, and how is your wife? I wont an Xbox controller and modern warfare game. The last thing I wont for Christmas is a new dirt bike. Your friend, Angel

Dear Santa,

This year can you give me any of these things: a twin size purple matress, oculus quest or Rift and maybe a steam gift card. Why do I want these things? Well, my homework keeps me up at night, and my current matress is just plain horrible. The Oculus is for virtul reality, and the gift card is for games. Sincerely, Billy Hogan

Dear Santa,

How are you doing I'm doing great. How is Mrs. Claus doing and the reindeers and my elves. I hope you had a wonderful year. I'm so ready for Christmas! I want clothes, shoes, hydroflask, scrunches, Led lights, hair stuff, that's all I want for Christmas Thank you, Love.

I hope you're ok? There is one thing I want for Christmas is a happy family, and I want to see all my aunt, uncle, Grandma, GrandPa, and cousins because I hardly get to see them. But what I really want is some new shoes because I need some. Sincerely, Nathaniel

Dear Santa,

How are you? I hope you are doing good. I bet you are very busy. But all I want for Christmas is for my grandma to get better. She is working really hard right now. She is the only person who is taking care of us. But this is all I want for Christmas. Love, MiKayla

Dear Santa, Dear Mrs. Claus, How are you and Mrs. Clause? I hope you are doing good! I can't wait for you to come. I want clothes, and anything you would love to give me. I hope you're doing well and your elves, Reindeer, and Mrs. Clause have a Merry Christmas! Love,

Dear Santa, How are you? I hope you're doing well this year. I only want 3 things for Christmas. I don't want my mom to struggle no more, I want a plane ticket to California to go visit my internet best friend, who has cancer, I want her to get better. Sincerly, Kaylee

Dear Santa,

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one life...

...one world changed

Aubrey

How are you and the reindeers? I can not wait until Christmas. I would really want a journal for Christmas. One other thing that I would want is a phone, as well. Also, I really adore

colored pens, for drawling and coloring. I is ok if you don't give me everything. I at least want one of these things. If you do, thank you very much for all these years giving me and other kids presents! Sincerely, Alondia

Dear Santa, How are you doing? How are the elves? Can I please get a dirt bike? Please! Call of duty Modern Warfare and a Xbox

remote would be nice. Thank you, Isaac Ramirez

Dear Santa,

I hope you have had a special summer, and that the Mrs. is OK. I have only one request. My one request is that if you can get my brother and sister what they want it really does not matter if I get anythunge, I just I want my brother and sister to be happy. I just really want my friends and family to be happy and content on Christmas. Sincerely, Lyla Garcia

Dear Santa, Dear Mrs. Claus, Hey Santa how are you today? Good? Great! If you are wondering about what I what for Christmas is a art supplies, one Big headphone-set, a Big or little sister, But the biggest thing I wish for is my brother "Fermin" to behave for 5 days in a week!

From, Isabel

Dear Santa, How are you and Mrs. Claus? If you don't mind, I just want everybody to get what they want this year. I hope you have the best Christmas ever! MERRY CHRISTMAS SANTA! Sincerely,

Dear Santa,

Juliette

How are you? Are you and Mrs. Claus doing well? All I want is three things. I would love a book called "Drama" by: Raina Telgemeier. Also, I want a camera, so I can take pictures of everyone. And third, I want all my family to be blessed, grateful, happy and with me. One more thing, I want a Art

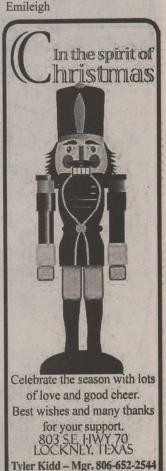
Sincerely, Natalie Jimenez

Stormie P.S. I'm sorry for being bad

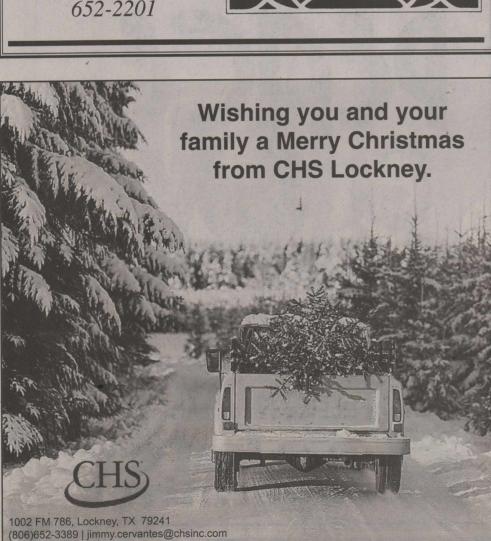
Dear Santa, How are you and Mrs. Clause? How are the elves? I was wondering if I could get a Phone, a computer, a new backpack, and a camera, Please! I hope you have a wonderful holiday. Enjoy your cookies.

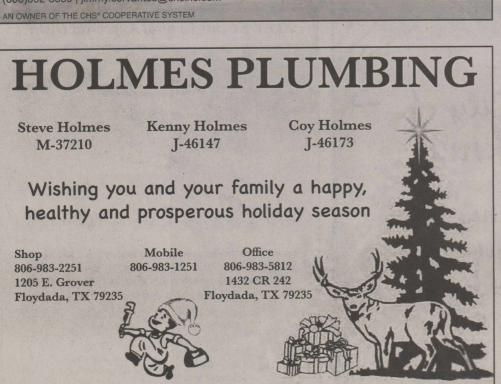
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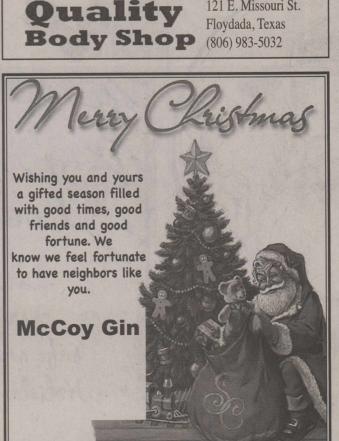
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Dear Santa, I have been good. For Christmas I want truck. Leo

Dear Santa, I have been good. For Christmas I want Drums. Thank you,

Dear Santa, I have been good. For Christmas I want a gun for zombie practice. Tink you, Adam

Dear Santa, I have been good. For Christmas I want shopkins. Thank you, Lillianna

Dear Santa, I have been good. For Christmas I want listip. Thank you Vickie

Can I pleae have a skater, xbox, fitbit, frends. Benjamin

Dear Santa, For Cristmas I want sume air Pods and a PS4 and an iPone 11 and entandoSwitch and sum Legos and sum shoes and clothes and sum money and Helo and sum candy and sum toys and.

Zabrien

Dear Santa. What I want for chrismas is a puppey and a tablit some slime. And I wunt playdo mylife doll stuff some coloring Book's LOL Doll's some Book's and I want some JoJo Siwa cloths and some Brd game's artSet I want a lot's of Scwiches Barbei Doll's Basickit ball shoes a BasckitBall Sckruches and I wut a iphone adidas clochs and shoe's That's all I what hav a good Chrismas Eve. Zabree Barelarea

Dear Santa. For Christmas I want a teal Bicke with a tanish brownish bascet and one dasy on the right side of the bascet....and a gient hershy kiss.

Dear Santa, How is the riendeer? Can I please have a ninindo swich, playstation 4, phone, laptop, a camoe remote control for the playstation 4, bb gun, 1,000 blank page drawing book, xbox, skateboard, shoes with weels on the bottom, eletric scooter, wooden bat, eletric pencil sharpener, privicy Gernal. Carter Duniven

Dear Santa, I want a iPad with a red dragon case and a Nintendo Switch with a racing game to it and the angry birds 2 DVD and Jurasic World fallen kingdom DVD and a game chair and a carl Edwards race Toy and Kurt busch and Landon Cassil and AJ Almendinger and Kacey Khane and Chase Elliot Nascar roys and Nascar heat 2 and Nascar heat 1 for my Play Station 4.

Dear Santa, I need vans black and white cheked and a IPhone 6 and a ipad, basketball, bike, candy, im scrunches, Hydo flask, apple computer, a new Jaket,

apple whach, basketball shoes purse. How is everone and the rainders? May I Please have all this stuff? Please. I'll act good ill be nice, ill lisen, Please?

Dear Santa, I hope you Had a Good year. This year I have been a good boy. I would like video games, clothes, and Legos. I will give vou cookies and milk. From your friend,

Dear Santa, How are Santa how are your randear's. I wold like axx max iPone Plese and a reborn box open gababay doll. I would like a desk that has maker's expos and letter's and top. And a big TV, a cute rain jaket, a hoverboard chrger, a competer, a big white board. To wach TV and with the Pin. Shoe's for Scholl, chole's for scholl book's, pin, a suff anmail elf toy. A door for my room. A cleander, pant's, make up, a JoJo Swai bow and water botte. A lot of borad games. A Phone case JoJo Swai. Ton's of books for my book self. J'Lynn

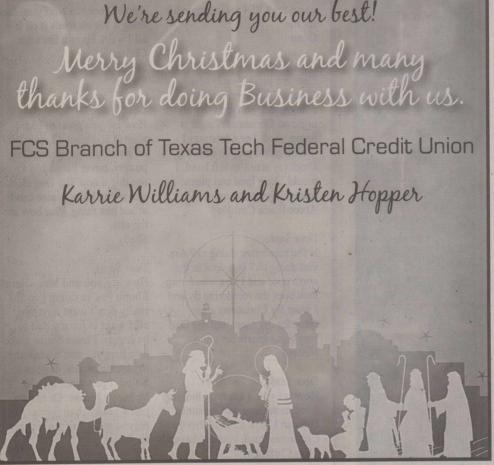
Dear Santa, I want for Chismas is a tabelit and a hotwels and a Fortnight nerf gun and a glod in the darak Basekitball and I want a new socer ball. Mario

Dear Santa, This year im gratful for what my mom and dad have done for us this year. We all love each other the same way i have a elf on the shelf last nihte he was siting down then I came in the restroom and he look like he was getting off so I went to sleep tell him not to do that again okey wen im asleep thaing you. Brayden

I won't a rodot and a RC rascar and ntino swich and I won't to see you and win wil are Elf Anonymous

Dear Santa, How is Mrs. Santa how is rouldoh. Thank you for leting Sparkle come. This is what I want for chrismas, Ipad, Scrunchys, Nails from color street, Scushys, Owl diaris all the books, Art pad, Art stuff, marble art paint, bottle, Boots,







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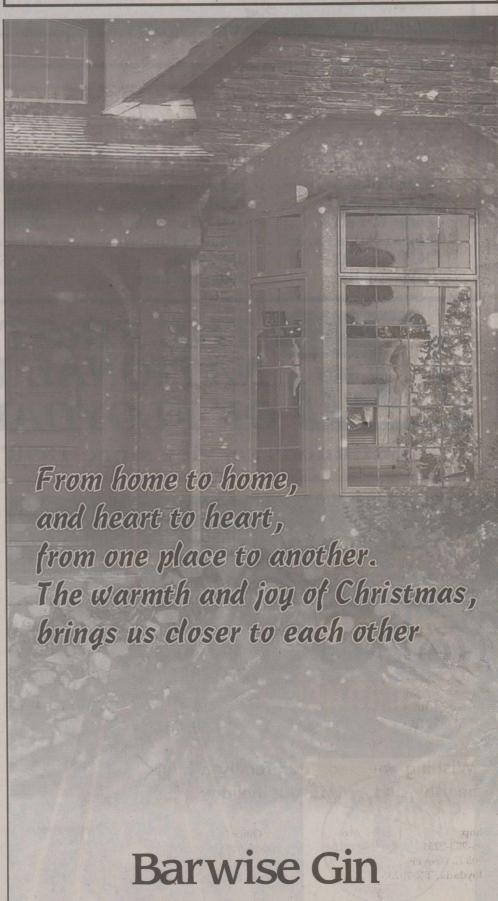


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trudel. In conclushin bye.

How have you ben and Mrs.

year I want the news iPad.

Claus my name is Carson. This

Have I ever told you this you

are the best and for chrimas

this year can you make me a

xbox one Please. Do you sleep

before going to give presints. Well Santa its nice talking to

From: Carson Pritchard

How are you doing. I hope

you are fine for Christmas I

would like a hover bord May

I have a PS4. A drone Please

and thank you. How about an

thing a VR ok that's it all It's

all I want. Have a fantastic

How are you great or bad. I

wanted and need a Legos, elf

on a self, adidas, champions,

posters, huver board and for my

How are you. My Nme is Kylie

this is what I want for Chistmas dog Sampo for China a dog rush and for me I wont a skiny fitbit and a Huverboard and the new Iphone 11 pro and less sadness and more Happyness

How are the reindeers? I have

laundry-upstairs. Can I please

have an I-phone 11, I-phone X,

been good this year. I have been helping my mom take the

Christopher Sotogonzalez

and more Joyness.

and an X-boxes?

Your friend,

Kylie

Dear Santa,

Apple iPhone, a Nerf gun. Lsat

Too: Santa Claus

Dear Santa,

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Dear Santa,

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I was small

Dear Santa,

Niki

Dear Santa,

you bye.

clothes, seech books, New desk, Bed set, marker board, Box for art supplies, blanket, Mug, prefum, A desk for me to draw at, a chalk board, A lap top, Braclets, neckless, 3 ball chairs, chart, Bell, Lamp. Santa thank you. I hope you and Mrs. Santa have a great Chrismas. Thank you. I love

Jayla Zavala

Dear Santa, I realy don't mind if you bring me gifts or not. I'am fine with my puppy and Merry Chrismas if you do bring presents. I want a Voltron blue lion and Voltron black lion. My family is best thing I could have. I hope you and Mrs. Claus have a very

Merry Chrismas oh and the reighndear and the elves. Also I hope people are good this year. Exspecely everybody nead to be

good this year. Also Chrismas is my faviort time of the year. Josh Blair

Dear Santa,

I want a hover bored and Zelda game for Switch and please send a elf on d shelf. I also want a iphone 11 max Pro. Also how many Santas are ther? Whelp that's all I know so have a holly jolly Christmas. X'Zavien

Dear Santa,

I know you know a buch about me Just wanted to ask you how are your reindeer how are they. Just wanted to ask you if you can my elf has not moved in three days please make him move and if it wuld be possible that I can get a hoover boad and sewing machine. Thank you so

From Jill Wilson

Dear Santa,

Hi how are you Well im good about last year. Im so sorry this this year I'll be good every year for Chrismas. I'll like a hoverbored, Iphone11 pro max, camra, school supplies, puppie, food for the puppie, toys for the puppie, book marks, new tv, doll clothes, backpack, covers, shoes, bows, plz and thank you:) Cindy

Dear Santa, How are you? I have to ask you something would you make a slight change? Well if you decide to do so would you donate money to people who need it and if you have time may I have a truly me doll rumber 57. That's all I want for Christmas. Thank you for all your effort. Love, your friend, Quinn

Dear Santa, My ame is Omar how are you is it cool or fresh how ell is Mrs. Santa and are the rain dear are thay okay and red nose the rain dear I hope hese great and now for the fun part of Christmas the present Pokemon cards is what I want and VR glases and a Pitt bull and slime rancher the game for a PS4 and a happe life

for me.

Omar

Dear Santa, How are you? How is Mrs. Clause? I hope yall are both doing good. You are busy all night on Christmas. Jingle is doing good. For Christmas I want a guitar maybe little big, about my size I'm left hand. I would like a Ipad and please something for my mom.

Dear Santa, Is the reinderree doing ok? Are you doing ok? Is ti cool in the north pool and I was wondering how boes the reinderree fly and I wunt for Christmas a som thing for my mom and my Dad som thing spesle for thum. Nerissa

Dear Santa, How are you, I am relly looking fored to see you on Christmas Eva can I have a I Paid Pro for Christmas thank you and have a Mrry Christmas. Manny

Dear Santa. How are you doing this year I

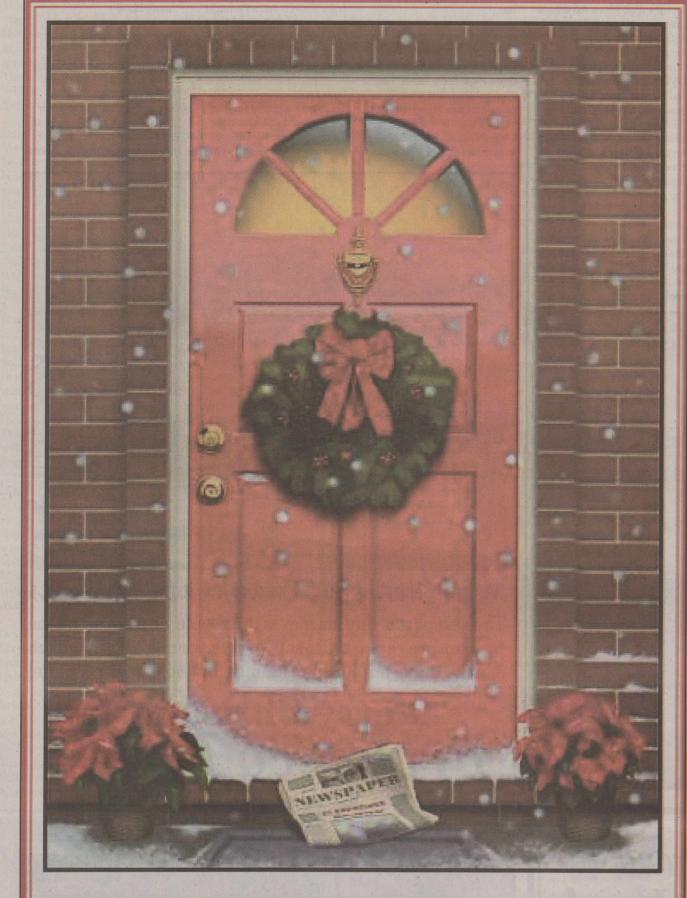
tias dog a new Toy Dog clothes, a new dog blow, please can I Abree Iliana Castillo at lest one thing. Plus how are the elfs Shelly Dear Santa, How are you and Mrs. Claus? I hope you're doing good! I really don't want anything all I want is for my dad to be happy. Please Santa make him happy. I don't want any toys, electronics, clothes or a sled. I just want him to be happy please. Or maybe just a book...bye Santa. And maybe make my mom happy to please. Your'e friend Emily Dear Santa,

Warm wishes areddande. and endless nonceteletor

Dear Santa, Can you please pretty please if you can please prety please give me some present? I want an Ninendo Switch, an I want a trapoling, an I wanta dirt bike, an I want a I phone 11, an I want a I Phone 1150, an I want a huge monster truck, an I want a machine gun that runs on 100 bullets, an I want

Love. Sabastion Macias

a zombie gun.



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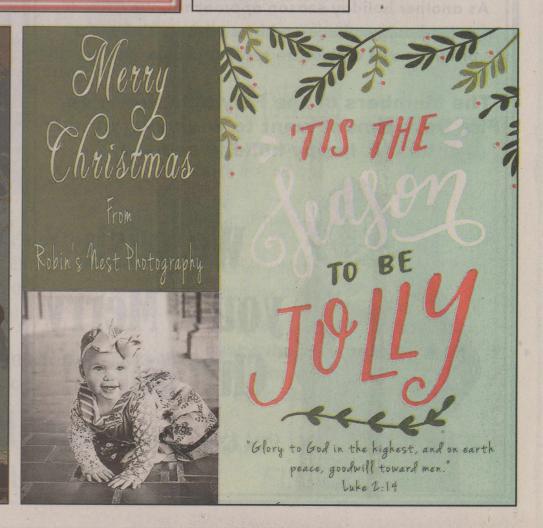
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Santa, can I have a xbox 1, wifi,

gave me last Christmas. I like

it! How are you, Mrs. Claus,

the elves, and the reindeer?

game to play on my xbox.

Love,

Andrew

Dear Santa,

Iphone 11 pro.

Dear Santa, Can I have a litle kitten for Cristmas and a litle dog? I've been helping my grandma. Love.

Annaleah Ross

Natalia Ramirez

Dear Santa, How are the reindeers? Is the sleigh ready to deliver presents? How is your sweet wife Mrs. Claus? I've been good this year I helped my brother on his homework this year. Could I ask for a Nintendo Swich, and a I-phone 11? Please. Your friend, Urijah Arjono

Dear Santa, How are your reindeer? I cleaned my room. I feed my dogs and my cats. For Christmas I want an I phone 11, an Nintendo Switch, a puppy, a kitten, Legos and American girl doll and a I pod for Christmas. Love, AaliYah Solis

Dear Santa, How are your reindeer I've dowing good I've been folding clothes and Iv been feeding my dog so can I have a BBgun? Love, **Dontay Dovon Sterling** 

Dear Santa, Can I please have an Nintendo Switch? I've been good this year. I helped my sister fold clothes. Love, Micah Garcia

Dear Santa, Can I plese have a kitten and an Nintendo Switch? I help my mom when she is sick and when my brother is sick. Love, Zailyn San Martin

Dear Santa, How is Mrs. Claus? How is your wife. Can you please give me an iphone and a ipad and earpods. Thank you santa.

Dalysia Torres Dear Santa, To a special man, How are the reindeers and how are elves? Can you please give me a bike? Can you please give me a I-phone 11? Can you please give me a I-Pod Your friend,

Dear Santa. How is your sweet wife Mrs Claus? I have been good this year can I have an LOL Dolls? Love, Portia Luna

Caydence Diaz

Dear Santa, How are you today? Are you ready to deliver presents? How is your sweet wife Mrs. Claus? I've been good this year. I helped my mom clean the dishes. This year can I have a kitten, puppy, I pad, I-Phone X and LOL dolls? Love, Zoie Santana

Dear Santa, How are the reindeers? Is the sleigh ready to deliver presents? How is your sweet wife Mr. Claus? I've been good this year. I helped my dad feed the animals. This what I want an xbox, and nerf gun. Love, \*Jayden Espinosa

Dear Santa. How ar the reindeer? I've been good this year. I helped my brother turn the TV on. This year I ask for a nerf gun. Love. Braden Walker

Dear Santa, How is Mrs. Claus and your reindeers? I've een good this year. I have been helping DaD with the animals. I want a I phone 11, Legos, a hover board, and PS. Your friend, Malachi

Dear Santa, How are the reindeer? Is the sleigh ready to deliver presents? This year I've been helping my mom clean up the house, and I was good this year. So I was wondering if I may get a I-Pad, puppy, kitten, hover doad?

Dear Santa, How are the reindeer? Is the sleigh ray to deliver presents? I've been good this year I have helped my dad feed the dogs. Love, Tyreeck Perkins

Dear Santa, How are the raindeer? Is the sleigh ready to deliver presents? How is your sweet wife Mrs. Claus? I've been good this year I helped my sister wash dishes. This year could ask for a LOL dolls, Nintendo, pone, a board game, and stuff animal. Love, Aaliyah Schofield

Dear Santa, How are the raindeer? How are the elves? How is yoru sweet wife I've been good this year I helped my sister feed pigs. Could I ask for a play palace It has stairs an elvator an bedroom an kitchen an living room in it, a couch and a hoverboard, that plays music. Your friend, **Brighton Reese** 

Dear Santa, How are your reindeer and Mrs. Claus? For Christmas I want a game called Halo 5 a Nerf gun I-phone 11, I-phone 7 and a dirt bike. Your friend,

Kaedenna Espinosa Dear Santa, How are your elves? Is your sleigh ready to deliver presents? I have been good this year because I have been to my sisters. This year I would like a tablet. Your friend.

Dear Santa, How are the reindeer? Is the Sleigh ready to deliver presents? How is your sweet wife Mr. Claus? I've been good this year. I helled my dad feed the animals this year Could I ask for a iPhone 11. Your friend, Zack Luna

Scout Rogers

Dear Santa, How are your reindeer? Can I please get a hoverboard and an I-Phone 11? I helped my mom clean the house. Your friend, Elijah Jimenez

Dear Santa. How are the reindeer? Deliv presnts? How is your sweet wife? I've been good this year I have learned a lot this year. I would like get a puppy, a horse, a cotton candy machine, and a new bed. Love, Kylee Moreno

the elves? I have been good this year. So can I please have an American doll, American doll clothes, kitten, I-phone 11, Tr airyou, Trampoline. Maky Lambert

Dear Santa, How is your Sweet wife? How are your reindeer? I helped My dad feed the animals. This year could I ask for an I-pad, American doll stuff, an American doll, an I need a fin for my mermaid tail, Nitendo Swich. Love, Alejandra

Dear Santa. How are the reindeer? I've been good in school. I've been doing my work I would like to have a I-phoneX, a BB gun, an I-pod, three more things, a Dirt Bike, and a tablet, and a Nintendo Switch, and an I pad. Your friend, Josiah Rios

Dear Santa. My name is Christopher Jones. How are your reindeer? How is your sweet wife Mrs. Claus? How are you? I'ev been good this year by helping my uncle Rusty rake the yard. Can I please have an Nintendo Switch, dirt bike, race track and cat? Your Love, Christopher Jones

Dear Santa, How is Mrs. Claus? How are the reindeer and the elves? I've been good this year. I've been helping my sister with her hamster. This year can I have a kitten? Your friend, Claudia Garza

Dear Santa, How are the reineer? Can I please get a hoverboard and a I-Phone11 because I help my mom clean the house? Your friend,

Elijah Jimenez Dear Santa. Thank you for my shirts last year. They are very soft, I use them for church. I hope you had a great Thankgiving! I bet you don't know what I want for Christmas. I want a drone, pants, and boots. Have a great Christmas and don't work your. elves too hard.

Love,

How are the Reindee? How are you? Thank you? Thank for my gift last year. I would like an xbox one and boxing gear. I can play with my friend and Box with my cousins. Love,

Dear Santa. Thank you for the painting kit

you gave me, Jayla and Aliyah. We had a lot of fun panting canvases. Mine turned out really cool! How are you and Mrs. Claus? I had good year so far. How are the reindeer? Is Rudolph's nose still glowing? What I want this year is an Ipad with a drawing pen, some scrunchies, and some clothes. Let me tell you why I want them. Why I want the Ipad with the drawing pen is so when I get bored I can draw. I want the scruchies with the clothes. I see that Sparkle came. We will have a lot of fun with her. Have a great Christmas, and I can't wait for the next 365 more days till next Christmas! Janae Zavala

Dear Santa, Thank you for the Play Station four, Spiderman game, Jurrasic Park, World video game, and also the candy last year. This year I would really like some transformers and a camera so I can make home movies. P.S. How are Mrs. Claus and you? Love,

Mason Dear Santa, Thank you for my Christmas gift last year. I enjoyed playing with it. I Played lots of games on it. How are you, Mrs. Claus, and the reindeer? It must be pretty cold at the North Pole. I want 3 thigs for Christmas. I Want an Xbox1, IPhone11 Pro, and Airpod Pro. Love.

Dear Santa, Thank you for the bike you gave me last Christmas. How are you, the elves and Mrs. Claus? I want Airpod pro and 2 Iphone11 pros, please. I want this because my brother has a computer and does not share with me. Love,

Jaidon

Dear Santa, Thank you for all the presents you have given me and for traveling all the way over here for us. How are the Reindeer doing? Are they getting good sleep because I am. Is Mrs. Claus working hard? I really hop you are doing well! I would like an Apple Ipad and a sunflower case for a cover. I also want family to be healthy throughout the holidays. Why I want an Apple Ipad is because when we go on road trips I will not be bored. I want a sunflower cover because my Papa loved sunflowers. Love, Brylee

Dear Santa, Thank you for the games, control, and nerf gun. How are you doing and Mrs. Claus, reindeer, and the elves? I want

Ryan Dear Santa, Thank you for the gymnastics mat. I Love to do my trickes on it! How are the elves? For Christmas this year I would lik an Ipad because the othor one broke. I also want a Virtual reality headset so I can have fun!

Love, Jasmine P.

Dear Santa, Thank you for my 3ds you gave me last year. I have played on it a lot, and I got a lot more games for it. How are the Elves and the reindeer doing? This Christmas I want a virtual reality headset because I have seen Youtubers use it, and I think it looks cool and fun.

Aaron Rexrode

Dear Santa, How are you and Mrs. Claus? Thank you for the white board. I've been writing on it a whole lot. Your elves came back and brought us Christmas pillow cases! I let my family sign their name on it. I would like a new Apple Ipad if you don't mind because My old Ipad does not work like it use to. I would also like some scrunchies. I like to collect them. I hope you have a Merry Christmas! Love, Teagan

Dear Santa, Thank you for my xbox 1 you got me last year. I've had so much fun with it! How are the reindeer, Mrs. Claus, and the elves? This year what I want for Christmas is a Polaroid. also a Fortnite tactical shotgun toy, and a big pack of baseball Love, Caycen

Dear Santa, want an Ipod so I can play on it. Thank you for the gift card! I I want Airpods because I could a Fiji Poloraid camera to take picture of my and friend. How are the elves. Merry Chrismas

bought lots of toys. I would like Love, Zylee Dear Santa,

Thank you for the Xbox One for Christmas last year. I play it all day. How are you and Miss. Claus? I hope you are doing well. I want for Christmas is your help for my dad and mom because my dad is having a bad year and my mom is having trouble with me. Why I want you to help my family with your magic. Love, Criss

Dear Santa, Thank you for my Hoverboad and my Poloroid last Christmas! I want Vanz, AirPods Pro, IPhone 11 Pro. How are you doing? Love, Joscelin

Dear Santa. Thank you for all the gifts you gave me. I had so much fun with all the gift. How is Mrs. Claus and your reindeer, and how are you? I wish for a new phone. I want a new phone so a can call my friends. Love, Siya

Dear Santa, How are the reindeers? Thank you for the clothes and toys. This year I would like a smart tv, clothes and a camera. Love, Jazmin

Dear Santa, Thank you so much for the presents you got me last year. So how are you doing today? I'm doing great! What I want for Christmas is red slime becuse sometims I get mad so slime helps me relax. I want somthing for my mom. I want a ring for my mom. I want my family to be happy forever. That's all I want for Christmas. Santa Claus you will be loved forever, oh and how is Ms. Claus Doing? How are the riandeers doing? You and Ms, Claus are the best. Love, Abbygal

## **Bushels of Thanks!**



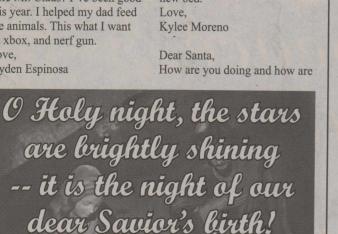
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Merry Christmas

Happy New Year!



# The Meaning of Unristmas

Far away in Bethlehem, a Baby Boy was born; Born with neither riches nor with fame, Yet Wise Men came from all around to bring to Him their gifts, They knew His life upon this earth would not be filled with And peace was felt by all who heard His name. Angels watched Him as He slept, and gently rocked His bed; Their voices singing softly in His ear;

His Mother and His Father both gave thanks to God above For the greatest gift of all, their Son, so dear.

They also knew He would encounter strife; But most of all, they knew that He would be a loving Child, But our gift of love to others in every way...

And teach the love of God throughout His life. At Christmas, as we celebrate this Birth of Jesus Christ,

Let's keep in mind the truth of Christmas Day; For it's not the Christmas wrappings, nor the gifts that lie



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Helena Agri-Enterprises, LLC 741 Highway 70, Lockney, Texas • (806) 652-3326 I just wanted to thank you for all the stuff you have given me, like the PS4, electric scotteh and stuff

like that. Also how is Rudolph and all the other reindeers? Also how are the elves. Just all I'm saying is thank you. No where I's what I want please. The Nintendo Switch and a few games.

Slade

Manuel

Dear Santa.

Dear Santa, Thank for the gift last year in first grade. How are you Santa This year I would like I want an Xbox ONE. And a Mike and I want A Smart tv. I want to Play Love,

Dear Santa, Thank you, Santa, for a Bike It was cool! How are you Santa? This year I want a Black four wheeler Black gocart, and Black dirt bike. I want to ride in the mud. Love, Ezekiel Moreno

Dear Santa, Thank you for evry thing you did in the past. Can i have a camera, good Clothes and nice Shoes? I want to share shoes and clothes with the needy. Love, Harley

Dear Santa, Thank you for all the Presents you have given me. I Love them all! How are you, the Reindeer, the Elves and Mrs Claus? I realy want a toy tractor and a toy horse. I want it because when I grow up I want to be a farmer. Love. Tana

Dear Santa, I have been very good. For Christmas I Want a Huvrbrd. And a Barbie truck. Love. Remi

I have been very good. For Christmas I want a Elsa Castle hover board. Love, Lillian

Dear Santa, I hae bn year good For Christmas I want a DroNe and a helicopter. Love. Easton

Dear Santa, I have been very good. For Christmas is art set and ginger read house. Love. Leland

Dear Santa, I have ben vury ayo. For Christmas I wut a Barbie camper. Barbie house. Alayzia

Dear Santa, I have been very good. For Christmas I wat a Mackups kits

Dear Santa, I have been very good. For Christmas I want a Elsa and a Love. Alice

Dear Santa, I have been very good. For Christmas I want a amaruckin grll doll and a tipwridr. Reagan

Dear Santa, I have been very good. For Christmas I want a Lockney Loghrs and rm br iFor mGnSey and OFodada Helmit. Davis

Dear Santa, I have ben very good for Christmas I want a BobcaprBaby ShiroLL. Love Sophia

Dear Santa, I have been very good. For Christmas I want a DollHouse and a Christmas Doll. Love. Sara

Dear Santa, I Have been very gool. For CHCi I Wont iC HOOC HO ICAIN He llo it H. Joe Ryan



