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Winters, Texas 75¢

## Last chance to register for the 2013 toy drive

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
WINTERS ENTERPRISE

BALLINGER- Monday, December 23, 2013 starting at 9 a.m. the Runnels County Sheriff's Department will start with the traditional toy drive, an annual campaign that has been sharing the joy of Christmas with the most needed families in the area for more than 20 years.

Registration remains open for

families who are in need for a toy for their children during this Christmas season. Registration is for any family in Runnels County. Parents just have to come by to the Sheriff's Office, at Strong Avenue behind the Courthouse, or call at 365 2121 to drop their name and address as well as their children's age and gender.

The Sheriff's Department is also open for donations. Dona-

tions can be dropped during office hours, Monday through Friday and can also be picked up by calling at 365 2121.

Donations can be made in the form of new, unwrapped toys, or in cash.

Drive's goal is to benefit needy families in Runnels County, as a way to help all community to enjoy the happiness of the season.



Every year clubs, organizations and private parties donate hundreds of toys for the families in need in Runnels County.



PHOTOS: JOE GERHART

Left to right second runner up Marissa Gray, 2013-2014 Sno-Queen Angel Wright, and first runner up Stacie Ventress

# Christmas Parade and Sno-Royalty capture the Christmas spirit

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WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS- Hosted by the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce, the 2013 Christmas Parade and Sno-Royalty pageant was held last Saturday, December 14 in Downtown Winters and the Rock Hotel.

With nearly 50 floats participating, the parade registered one of the highest attendances in the last years.

Local businesses, churches, clubs and organizations participated, as well as the Sno-Flake, Sno-Princess and Sno-Queen contestants.

Claiming first place honors in the float contest was the float sponsored by Johnny and Deana Martinez, second place was for the Bluff Creek Cowboy Church wagon, and the children of the Winters Child Development Center got third place honors.

This year the parade featured five recently restored antique tractors by "Friends of the Gus Pruser Ag Museum." All of the tractors were in mint condition and some of them will be permanently displayed as part of the agricultural exhibit in Winters, Texas.

Friends of the Gus Pruser Ag Museum is a group of agricultural antique enthusiasts that worked in the restoration project and will be meeting on a monthly basis. Schedule of these meetings will be avail-

able at a later date.

The parade was followed by the crowning of the 2013 Sno-Royalty at the Rock Hotel. This year the Sno-Queen crown was for Angel Wright, sponsored by West Dale Grocery, Stacie Ventress was the first runner up while second runner up was for Marissa Gray, both of them were sponsored by Blooming Flowers.

Sponsored by Casa Cabana Miranda Rodriquez



First runner up Molly Weaver, 2013-2014 Sno-Princess Miranda Rodriguez and second runner up Evelyn King.



Second runner up Alexus Grenwelge, 2013-2014 Sno-Flake Shelby Jo Martinez, and first runner up Bailey Martinez.

was crowned Sno-Princess, first runner up was for Molly Weaver, sponsored by Imagine the Possibilities, and second runner up was for Evelyn King under the sponsorship of

Walking Cane Ranch.
Sponsored by Hair Way 83
Shelby Jo Martinez was crowned
2013-2014 Sno-Flake, Bailey
Martinez received first runner
up honors, also under the sponsorship of Hair Way 83, and

claiming second runner up was Alexus Grenwelge, sponsored by Knox Oilfield Supply.

This year the Sno-Queen was awarded a \$500 scholarship donated by Lone Star Video and Diner, first runner up got a \$250 scholarship donated by Lloyd Farris, and second runner was awarded a \$100 scholarship donated by the Lion's Club. Sno-Princess and Sno-Flake received gift certificates.

# Superintendent leaves WISD

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS- Winters ISD Superintendent Mr. Don Kuempel, Jr. presented his resignation to the school board and will be leaving his position effective this Friday. Kuempel will be leaving the job he took in May of 2011. The school board voted to hire interim Superintendent Skip Casey, of Coleman, Texas, starting Saturday, December 21, 2013.

"This was a very difficult decision, but one that I believe is best for Winters ISD and my family. I wish to express my humbled thanks and gratitude to the members of the school board and community for affording me the opportunity to serve this great district, and, more importantly, the children of WISD," stated Kuempel in his resignation letter.

"I would also like to express my sincere gratitude to the people of the Winters for embracing me and my family in your community and making us feel welcome. My family and I have created some close friendships that we will always remember and value," he added.

Kuempel came to Winters after serving as Director of Career and Technical Education at Hutto ISD, a Class 4A district some 25 miles northeast of Austin, Texas. Kuempel worked for Hutto ISD for nearly 20 years as Agriculture-Science teacher, Assistant Principal, and Campus Principal.

He presented his resignation to the board on the December 9 meeting, and last Monday, December 16, 2013, the board voted to hire Mr. Casey as interim Superintendent.

"The Board of Trustees of the Winters ISD voted on a mutually satisfactory and amicable resignation agreement with Mr. Kuempel, WISD Superintendent, Monday night December 9, 2013. Both parties are parting on positive terms and the board wishes Mr. Kuempel only the best in all his future endeavors," said Winters ISD board president Kevin Busher in a statement.

"Mr. Kuempel's last day as acting superintendent is December 20, 2013. Beyond that, the particulars of personnel matters are generally confidential in accordance with state and local policy. On Monday night December 16, 2013, the WISD Board of Trustees voted to hire Skip Casey, of Coleman, as the interim Superintendent effective December 21, 2013," Busher added



Look inside this edition of the Winters Enterprise for the 2013 Letters to Santa Special Section.

# Drawing held for positions on the ballot

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ

BALLINGER- Tuesday morning, December 17, 2013, a drawing was held at Room 105 Runnels County Courthouse for positions on the ballot for the Republican Party Primary Election, to be held in March of 2014.

Drawing was open to the public and conducted under the direction of County Republican Chairman Charles Hensley. Places drawn for the county elections will be on the ballot in the following order:

County Clerk - Place No. 1 Julia Miller, Place No. 2 Amanda Collom. County Commissioner Pct. No. 4

County Commissioner Pct. No. 4 – Place No. 1 Ronald Presley, Place No. 2 Dickie Clough.

County Commissioner Pct. No. 2 - Place No. 1 Romer Scott, Place No. 2 Ricky Strube.

Justice of the Peace Pct. No. 1 – Place No. 1 Glenda Wood, Place No. 2 Steven Gray.

Justice of the Peace Pct. No. 2 – Place No. 1 Louise Sumners, Place No. 2 Richard Hamilton.

Also running for re-election but unopposed are County Judge Barry Hilliard, District Clerk Tammy Burleson, and County Treasurer

Ann Strube.
All positions up election in the county are running for the Republican Party, the Democratic Party had no candidates filing for the March primaries in Runnels



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## Larry Lopez

Larry Lopez 53 of Winters passed away on December 013. Larry was born on August 31, 1960 to the

parents of Franciso and Hilaria Lopez. He was a welder and truck driver until he got sick. He was preceded in death by his Father. He is survived by one son Larry Garza, two daughters Esmeralda, and Marclia Lopez. Also survived by three brothers Jimmy, Rubin, Juse Lopez. Two sisters Virainia Delagarza, Rebecca Duty, one grandchild Colton Garza. Graveside



service will be held at Lakeview Cemetery in Winters, Texas on December 20, 2013 at 2 p.m. Arrangements are entrusted to Heritage Family Funeral Home of Ballinger, Texas.

Winters Enterprise, December 19, 2013

## Feral hog workshop slated for Jan. 18

WINTERS ENTERPRISE STAFF REPORT

HAMILTON- The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will conduct the Hamilton County Feral Hog Workshop beginning with registration at 8:30 a.m. Jan.

The formal program is set for 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at the Hamilton Commission Company, located 3 miles north of town on U.S. Highway 281.

Admission is free, but organizers ask those planning to attend to RSVP by contacting Dan Gaskins, AgriLife Extension assistant at Gatesville, at 254-248-0562 or email him at dan.gaskins@tamu.edu .

Three Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units, one laws and regulations and two general, will be available.

"Feral hogs continue to be a growing menace to agriculture throughout the state and many feel the Central Texas region has become the epicenter of the struggle," said Gaskins.

"This program is meant to bring producers up to date on the latest news from the 'battlefront' of feral hog control. Producers and landowners who have the pests, and who these days doesn't, should make plans now to attend this important meeting.

Topics to be addressed include the Basic Ecology and Biology of Feral Hogs, Feral Hogs and the Leon River Watershed, Regulations for Transporting Feral Hogs and Disease Concerns.

Also planned are talks on control techniques and presentations of feral hog traps, population dynamics, hunting regulations, resources and hog topics specific to Hamilton County.

#### **Public Record** Jessie Martinez and Virginia Cecilia Arteaga Josiah Harriss Manis and Kayla Lashea Vela **Runnels County Jail Record** December 17, 2013 Christine H. Quigley Concho Forgery financial instrument RCSO Otis B. Woods DWI 3rd or more Renee Payne Coleman Possession of controlled substances Benjamin R. Rosas DPS Possession BPD Jesus Campuzano Hold for Border Patrol **BPD** Rigoberto Sandoval Hold for Border Patrol BPD Evencio Luna Possession of Marijuana RCSO Jerry J. Carson **Public Intoxication** David Molina BPD Public intoxication BPD Antonio Cabrera Assault family violence DPS Joe Boalts Theft by check, DWI, fleeing police Kevin L. Aaron Theft of property





## From the Chief's Desk Drunk driving

BY RANDALL DAVIS

A lot of things have happened in the City of Winters and surrounding community during the past week with Christmas approaching and all the festivities and parades taking place. I am sure Santa Claus coming to town will be covered elsewhere in the news so I elected not to be repetitious in this column, but rather speak of law enforcement matters.

I recently received a complaint from a man traveling in the City of Winters. The man said he had been driving from out of town to visit relatives living here. He continued to tell his story of being stopped for no reason and then taken to jail for Driving While Intoxicated, for no reason and it just wasn't right. The man expressed his desire to complain on the officers for stopping him and then driving him to the Runnels County Jail where he was charged with the DWI offense. It just wasn't right.

Later, during the conversation this same man told me he had been drinking, but wasn't drunk and it just wasn't right. He said he shouldn't be telling me his story because I wasn't going to do anything about his misadventure nor the injustice exacted upon him because, I too was a cop and would protect the of-

fending officers and it just was not right.
I explained my beliefs and pledge to protect this community by upholding the laws of the state and that same pledge included policing the police as well as the public when appropriate. I also advised him I would look further into his concerns, but cautioned him the last I had heard, and I am pretty sure the law hasn't recently changed dramatically, his drinking and driving was still a violation of the law.

When inquiring about the incident I learned the

upset man had neglected to include many aspects of his arrest, nor his multiple previous arrests for DWI. Those discrepancies are not the focus of this article but stand as an example only. We, as a democratic state have set forth certain rules of society, or laws designed to protect our communities from the harm others having a lack of responsibilities inflict upon us. Some of those laws basically say you cannot operate a vehicle while drinking, or while you are intoxicated. If you decide to break this law the penalties are severe and costly and yes, you go to jail.

The law doesn't say you have to be a falling down slobbering drunk to be stopped and placed under arrest. The law states you must be intoxicated and the definition of legal intoxication is the "loss of mental or physical capabilities by the introduction of alcohol or other substance into your body." In layman terms, buzzed driving is drunk driving.

We have all heard the statistics regarding increased accident rates, increased injuries, increased deaths and decreased reaction times due to an intoxicated driver. All the billboards on the highways, the television commercials, the catchy slogans and the state sponsored step programs to decrease drunk driving are all there for a reason. Drinking during or before driving, kills, period. Of all the people killed by drunk drivers, all have common denominators, they were always someones child, mother, father, brother

At the end of the day the tragedy and scars of losing a child, parent or other family member to a drunk driver last the surviving family members a lifetime, with the pain and hurting never ending, and that my friends is what I consider, just not right.

### NEWS NOTES

SAAF scholarship application available Jan. 1

The San Angelo Area Foundation's 2014 scholarship application is now available through March 1, 2014, for students attending college in the fall of 2014. Interested students can apply at http://www.saafound.org, by clicking on the "Scholarships" tab. The San Angelo Area Foundation manages over 80 scholarship funds, created by generous donors for the benefit of students. The student need only complete one online application and each scholarship is awarded based on a variety of qualifications unique to each scholarship fund. Scholarship awards are announced in early May. If you have any questions during the application process, please contact our office either by email at scholarship@saafound.org or by calling (325) 947 7071.

**Fundraiser for Chad McDuffee** 

An account has been established at the First National Bank of Ballinger to accept donations or sponsorships for Chad McDuffee. McDuffee is a Ballinger native and veteran of the Iraq War. Chad lost most of the use of his right foot after sustaining an injury while on deployment in Iraq in 2006. Chad earned a bronze medal in the 2013 Valor Games Midwest in powerlifting and is currently trying to earn a spot on the U.S. Paralympic Team in time for the 2016 World Games in Brazil. Donations to the account will be used to help defray his travel expenses and purchase special equipment for training.

Winters Area Chamber of Commerce meetings Winters Area Chamber of Commerce meets at 7 p.m., first Thursday of the month at the Lone Star Video, 200 Tinkle Street.

TEEA 'Friendly Neighbors'

The Texas Extension Education Agency "Friendly Neighbors" invites everybody in the Winters and Ballinger area who is interested in learning about cooking, gardening and arts and crafts to join us on the fourth Tuesday of every month (except during summer) at 2 p.m. at the Runnels County Extension Office on the corner of South Seventh and Sealy Ave in Ballinger. If you are interested and like to find out more about us, call Nancy at 325 5042 or Linda 754 5385.

Winters Women's Club Members meet the second Tuesday of the month. Call

Sylvia Wilson 754 4992 for additional information.

**AA Meetings** 

AA meeting are held at 204 W. Truett behind church on Main St. Tuesday and Thursday at 7 p.m.

Ballinger Al-Anon meetings
Al-Anon meetings will be held every Monday and Wednesday at the First United Methodist Church of Ballinger, on Broad Ave. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Please enter through the south side of the church.

City Council Meetings
Winters City Council meets at 6 p.m. the last Monday of the month at 310 North Main.

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WIC open to many incomes and families Women, Infants and Children, located at 706 Strong Ave in Ballinger is open Monday thru Wednesday 7 a.m. till noon and 1 p.m. till 6 p.m. Closed every third and fourth Monday of each month. Phone (325) 365-5925. WIC is open to many incomes

and all kinds of families. Ballinger Masonic Lodge meeting

Masonic Lodge 643, 500 N Broadway, Ballinger, Texas.
Stated meetings are at 7 p.m. on the first Monday of ev-

ery month except for holidays if it falls on that Monday. For more information call (325) 365 3202.

Wingate Masonic Lodge meetings
Wingate Masonic Lodge 1042 A.F. & A.M., meetings on fourth Monday of the month, at 6:30 p.m. at Wilmeth, Texas Lodge. For further information contact Hank Bourdo, at 754 2048.

Paint Rock Masonic Lodge meetings
Paint Rock Masonic Lodge No. 613 A.F. & A.M. will
meet each month on the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. A meal will be held afterwards. The location is the Masonic Lodge building located at 360 South Roberts on Highway 83 South.

## Veteran's Corner

Retired service members who are eligible for both Concurrent Retirement and Disability Pay (CRDP) and Combat-Related Special Compensation (CRSC), can participate in the CRDP/CRSC open season to select which payment they prefer to receive. Federal law states that retirees can receive CRDP or CRSC, but not both. This year's annual open season is January 1, 2014, to January 31, 2014. Beginning in late December 2013, all eligible retirees will be mailed a CRDP/CRSC Open Season Election Form. Retirees need to return the form

only if making a change from CRDP to CRSC or vice versa. If a retiree prefers to keep things the way they are, no action is needed and the current payment will continue uninterrupted. The election form includes a comparison of the CRDP and CRSC entitlement amounts as well as information about the tax ramifications. If a retiree wants to change from CRDP to CRSC or vice versa, the form needs to be completed, mailed and postmarked no later than January 31, 2014. If the form or envelope is dated after January 31, 2014, it

will not be processed and the current payments will continue. Beneficiaries should return their form if they want a change before February 1, 2014. The estimated processing time is 30 days, allowing the change in pay to occur no later than the first business day of March. For March payments, there will be a retroactive adjustment for the payment that would have been paid

on the first business day in February. A beneficiary's selection will remain in effect unless changed in a subsequent annual open season. For more information, contact Sandra at the Veterans Service Office at 602 Strong Ave on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10am to 3 p.m., or call 365-3612.

Sandra G. Van Zant Veterans Co. Service Officer

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WINTERS- Winters High School junior Ethan Bredemeyer was named to the Texas Associated **Press Sports Editors Class** 1A All-State high school football team, released last Sunday, December 15, 2013. Bredemeyer received Honorable Mention Offense. Voting is based on regular-season perfor-

The Winters Blizzards finished this season with an overall record of 2-8, 1-3 in district games. Bredemeyer racked 21 solo tackles and a total of 31, averaging 3.4 tackles per game.

Recording 112 completions of 198 passes thrown, 29 of them for a touchdown Anson's senior quarterback Jalen Garza, claimed honors as Offensive Player of the Year. Defensive Player of the Year nomination was for Anson's lineman Lance Norman, who tallied 117 tackles, 17 of them for a loss, 22 sacks, three forced fumbles, and five blocked

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**RUNNING BACKS: Tanner** Demuth, Burton; Brandon Garcia, San Angelo TLC Academy; Chavis Gregory, Tenaha; Justin Johnson, Mount Enterprise; Tyrone



PHOTO: FILE/JOE GERHART

Ethan Bredemeyer makes a tackle at the Blizzards vs. Anson game.

Johnson, Hamlin; Caleb Masters, Albany; David Ortega, Brackettville; Kaleb Reese, Ralls; Charles Simpson, Chilton; Clay Vesely,

Ganado: Jacolby Whitaker. Alto; Nick Williams, Pineland West Sabine KICKER: Michael Phillips, Overton.

### ATHLETICREPORT

SEVENTH GRADE BOYS Coach Jason Burnett

Record for the season 4-0 Winters 33 Irion County 10 Leading scorers: Winters: Lindley 14, Young 8, Manley 6, Fields, 3, Diaz 2

**EIGHTH GRADE BOYS** Coach Kevin Bryant

Winters 34 Irion County 21 Hood 18, Mendoza 6, Diaz 4, Ochoa 3

Next game is January 9, 2014 at Eldorado



CROSSWORD PUZZLE

## Two more for the team

Daryl Hagle going up for a lay up during the Varsity Boys vs Bronte game. PHOTO: JOE GERHART

## **CAFETERIA MENU**

### Jan. 6-10 Winters ISD **Breakfast Menu**

Monday

Biscuit/Sausage/Gravy or Cereal/ Toast w/Jelly, Fruit Juice, Choice of Milk Tuesday

French Toast/Syrup or Cereal/Toast w/Jelly, Fruit Juice, Choice of Milk. Wednesday

Sausage on Stick/Syrup or Cereal/ Toast w/Jelly, Fruit Juice, Choice

Thursday

Breakfast Pizza or Cereal/Toast w/ Jelly, Fruit Juice, Choice of Milk. FRIDAY

Cinnamon Roll or Cereal/Toast w/ Jelly, Fruit Juice, Choice of Milk.

### Winters ISD **Lunch Menu**

Monday

Chef Salad or Steak Fingers/Gravy/ Bread Stick or Chicken Pot Pie/ Graham Cracker (Elem., J.H.) Bread Stick (H.S.) Cheesy Potatoes, Green Beans, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Broccoli/Cherry Tomato, Strawberry.

Tuesday

Chef Salad (H.S. only) or BBQ Rib/ Bun or Chicken Bites/Gravy/Bread Stick,

Broccoli w/Cheese, Black Eye Peas. Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks. Broccoli/Cherry Tomato, Blue Bell Fruit Bar.

Wednesday

Chef Salad or Taco Salad or Bean Chalupa, Corn, Spanish Rice, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks. Broccoli/Cherry Tomato, Coleslaw, Apple, Choice of Milk.

Thursday

Chef Salad or Chicken Fried Steak/ Gravy/Breadstick or Chicken Pattie/ Fish Bread (Elem., J.H.)

Friday Chef Salad(H.S. only) or Hamburger

or Chicken Fritter/Gravy/Bread Stick, Curly Fries, Baked Beans, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Broccoli/Cherry Tomato, Lettuce/Pickles, Orange, Choice of Milk

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13. Survey choice, sometimes

14. Former stadium for

15. World's Fair word

16. Bread choice

18. Facades

19. School period

20. Blood-pumping organ 21. One of the Seven

Deadly Sins 22. Cry to the toreador

23. Ripken of baseball

24. Quaker food 26. Some family tree

members

31. Be a bad houseguest

34. Marge and Homer's middle childs and line to chocolate treat

36. Enjoys, as benefits

37. Wine container 38. One brick shy of a

40. Landers of advice 41. "Woe is me!"

43. Lose it

44. Breed that runs quickly over short distances

47. Stray dog, often

48. Ladies of the house 49. Gorilla's cousin

52. Three-card monte,

notably

54. \_\_-Kettering

57. Trebek of "Jeopardy!"

35. House vote 200 10 59. Quaver, in music

61. Actor Sharif

62. Razor brand 63. Old anesthetic

64. New England team,

65. Golf peg 66. It makes bread rise

1. Do-it-yourselfer's

bookstore section

2. Singer Merman

3. Coast

4. Captain's spot

5. Before

a tuna steak

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7. Cook very quickly, as

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6. Perlman of "Cheers"

37. Jolt

32. Bill of fare

8. Parlor acquisitions

11. Many N.Y.C. homes

17. Animal with blubber

23. "The Cup of Tea"

27. Get red in the face

28. Fix, as an outcome

9. Wellness

12. Washington

14. Pantry division

newspaper

painter Mary

25. Speechless

26. '50s dance

31. Iran neighbor

33. Tropics headgear

29. Monthly expense 30. Gives an opinion

39. Unified

10. Comment to a burper 43. President Ulysses S.

42. "Dig in!"

45. Whispered words

46. Nebraska's largest

49. Honolulu howdy

50. "For \_\_

influence

51. Exercise, as

52. Hit the mall

53. Deep sleep

55. Dietetic, in ad-speak

57. Prefix with chamber

or bellum

60. "Yo!"

Q: You often hear the term "black ice." What is it? A: It's not really black, but it is ice that is extremely dangerous, says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. Black ice is ice that appears to be very dark or even black because it is transparent - it is reflecting the color of the asphalt on the road. "Black ice is a thin layer of ice on the road and it often looks wet, not especially icy. So it can be hard to notice from a distance, and for this reason it is dangerous to drive or walk on," McRoberts explains.

Weather Whys

Q: Is it more dangerous than regular ice? A: It is almost always more dangerous, McRoberts reports. "Black ice often forms at night and early in the morning, when temperatures are low but traffic is high," he adds. "Sunlight can often melt it because it is such a thin layer of ice, but black ice can last longer on roads that are protected by shade."

## Wedding Announcement for Bryce Bedford and Patricia Neri

'Jake, I wish I had as much faith in yore

witchin' as them frogs do



Patricia Neri and Bryce Bedford were married on the evening of July 19, 2013, at Steiner Ranch in Austin, Texas. Jan Breland, Retired Judge Co. Court at ated. The couple celebrated their special day with Patricia's daughter, Denise Neri and family and friends from as far as Canada, Mexico & Wisconsin

The bride is the daughter of Hector Neri and Mary Hernandez of Guadalajara,

Jalisco, Mexico. The bridegroom is the son of Mike and Cheryl Bedford of Buffalo Gap, Texas and Barbara and Richard DeWitt, Nacogdoches, TX. Following the 6 p.m. ceremony, sixty guests joined the couple in a private room for dinner served by the Steiner Ranch Steakhouse. After dinner family and friends adjourned to enjoy music and dance at the Steiner Ranch

entertainment of the evening The bride is a graduate of University of Guadalajara in International Business and is employed by Hewlett Packard, in Austin, Texas. The groom received a MA from Baylor University, a Ed.M. from Columbia University in NYC as well as his J.D. from Houston Law School and is self-employed, Bryce W. Bedford, Atty. at Law.

honeymoon is planned in the Turks and Caicos. They plan to reside in both Buffalo Gap and Cedar Park, Texas.



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# Surveys, markers and boundaries

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WINTERS- The survey of the east boundary of Runnels County and the west boundary of Coleman County had been completed. The northwest corner of Coleman County was identified by a stone marked N.E. Cor. R.C. (Runnels County) at a mesquite tree 8 inches in diameter. The line then went south with stones every mile to be identified by trees in the line, i.e., a live oak 14 inches in diameter in the line, then continuing south. The stones were in line with trees, a Black Jack, 5 inches in diameter and continuing south with markers identified on a line by a Post Oak 12 inches in diameter.

The line continued south marked by trees and stones until it reached the southwest corner of Coleman County, 20 varas north of the waters' edge of the Colorado River and below the mouth of the Concho River at the point which a Pecan tree 18 inches in diameter stood. A stone was placed that was marked on top, 1885 and on the east side S.W. Cor. C.C. (Coleman County).

The Surveyor, H.E. Dickinson of Runnels County certified the survey was made according to the law, with marks natural and artificial and was done on the ground. The notes were recorded into the county records.

The May term of the Commissioners Court looked at other business; to rent the Grand Jury Room to the IOOF Lodge for \$20 per month; the court ordered the contract be rescinded for the recovery of the **Runnels County School Land** in Pecos County; the County Judge, C.H. Willingham was ordered to obtain a patent from the General Land Office of the State of Texas on the county's school land in question. The order included the placement of a tenant or tenants on the land with a lease agreement.

The next business of the court was to view a petition

presented by 50 qualified voters of Runnels County. The petition wanted an election to determine "whether or not the sale of intoxicating liquors and medicated bitters producing intoxication should be prohibited in Runnels County." The court ordered the election be held June 6 A.D. 1885 at the usual voting places in the county. The court ordered the clerk to post five copies of this order in different public places for at least 20 days before the election. The following presiding officers of the election were appointed: H.D. Pearce, Precinct 1; Alfred A. Hanscomb, Content; E.M. Teel, Chadbourne; Dr. L. Clark, Wylie Ranch; S. Adams, Maverick. Each officer was to receive a copy of the written order five days before the election date.

The court paid the bills for that term and then adjourned.

The Commissioners Court met June 17 A.D., 1885 in a called term for the purpose of counting and estimating the votes cast at the election held June 6, A.D. 1885 and also for equalizing the taxes.

The results of the election indicated the majority of 27 of the 50 votes were for prohibition of the sale of intoxicating liquors. It was ordered that as of the 19th day of June, 1885, the sale of such was absolutely prohibited from being sold within the limits of Runnels County until such time as the qualified voters may at a legal election by a majority vote, decide otherwise. After paying the officers of the court, they adjourned.

It was during this period of time, the church people everywhere were fighting against what they felt to be the immoral practices of making, buying, selling and consuming intoxicating liquors. The cause of the temperance movement became very strong. In the State of Illinois, some women involved in the town where Abraham Lincoln practiced law before being elected President, entered a shop selling the

"ardent spirits." They bashed in the heads of barrels and kegs and broke all of the bottles they could find. The mortified owner threatened to call the police and have them arrested for such violence. One of the women responded with a threat to the owner. Abraham Lincoln became the attorney in the suit filed against the ladies.

The Town of Runnels was in a very good condition. The "Capital of Runnels County" was enjoying a good start to the year. The crops were promising and about 800 souls were residents of the city. There was one bank with capital of near \$75,000, one county building - an \$18,000 calaboose built according to the most modern "jailhouse" recommendations, six stores with general merchandise all together worth about \$50,000, a drugstore valued at near \$800, two livery stables, the best for the time, a blacksmith shop, and an excellent graded school with 100 students that also supported four teachers and two assistant teachers, all made up the Town of Runnels. Two artistic church buildings, the Baptist and the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, were well established.

There were also hotels, land agencies, and an insurance company. The town supported five ministers, eight lawyers and three doctors. The town also had a mattress factory. The mail service had been erratic from Abilene, but had settled into a somewhat regualar schedule of twice a week. Wet weather deterred delivery because the dirt roads were too muddy to travel over without a lot of difficulty.

The Cumberland Presbyterian Church building in Runnels was the first such structure built there. It became a place of worship for all people to worship.

The Baptist, then the Methodist met at different times in the building until their own structures was finished, and while the school building was

being constructed, the children of the area attended school in the building. The Cumberland Presbyterian Church advocated evangelism and practiced what was preached. It was established early on as the town grew. At times, it was the social center when neighborhood programs were held. The Cumberland Presbyterian Church was part of the Brownwood Presbytery and claimed the title of "The First Church to operate in Runnels County" as well as the first Sunday School. It was estimated the number of charter members of the congregation was 23.

When the newspaper writer, J. W. Winters, Runnels Correspondent, Taylor County News, December 4, 1885, printed about the prosperity and permanency of the city, no one could know that the "adverse influences of a railroad" were about to demolish completely the "prairie village situated on the limpid waters of Elm and Coyote Creeks.

The talk in 1885 of the possibility of a railroad caused hopes to run high for it to run through the Town of Runnels. This would bring the civilization of the outside world to the frontier. Shipping would be changing and would be much quicker. Crops and cattle would be shipped to markets outside of the area. It would add a means of transportation for those seeking to visit relatives or do business in other areas of the nation. It would bring unlimited possibilities to the Town of Runnels, a city already well-established at the center of the county.

Resources:
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Runnels County Commissioners'
Court Minutes, County Clerk
Records, May, June, 1885.
A History of Runnels County,
Texas, 1683-1960, L. G. Smith.
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Other Articles: A Collection,
Ruth Sellers, Sept. 2006-March
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## Action steps to a healthy credit score

AgriLife Extension Service FCS Agent Sandy Taylor has some holiday tips for all residents of Runnels Co.

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### Credit score tips

■ Pay your bills on time. This is the most important factor in determining your credit score. A history of on-time payments will help you improve your score, and a history of delinquent (or non-existent) payments will hurt your score. Accounts that remain unpaid will be sent to collections and further negatively impact your score.

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Keep your balances low. Credit scores also measure how much credit you're using versus the amount available to you. For example, if you have two credit cards with a \$1,000 limit and you have balances of \$800 on each, you're using 80 percent of the credit available to you.

■ Limit your applications for new credit. A large number of credit inquiries (applying for a car loan or credit card) at once can negatively impact your score.

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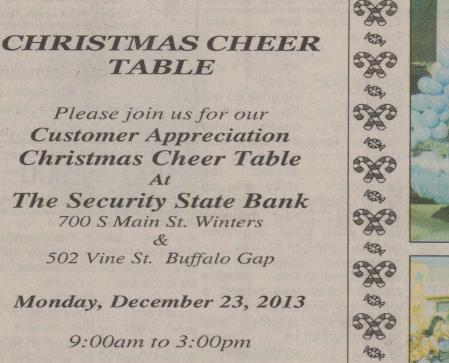
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tree. We will break the door into pieces. We will put it where my raccoon will

holds me and she loves on me and

daddy and help him. I make pancakes with mommy and put letters on my pancakes and they taste good! Thankful for my Iron Man because he can blast off in my room in my toy box and helps people and I got the new Iron Man movie!

Ava K. Age: 3

Thankful for: A-V-A because that spells my name. I know how to write

and spell my name! Thankful for Carter because we play Candy Lane at grandma's house and me and Carter win!. We went to the Cat and the Hat house and it was BIG! thankful for my puppy named Jack. I play with my puppy

and my purses. I keep keys in my purse and they go to cars, They go to pink, purple and blue cars!

Preslee

Age: 3 Thankful for: My momma because she has stuff for Thanksgiving and she has pumpkins.

Carter

Age: 4
Thankful for: Toys because all my friends gave me toys after my birthday. My favorite toys are my doctor game, my monster truck and Ants in Your Pants!! Thankful for Ava A. and Ava K. because they are friends. I like to play with the school bus with them. Thankful for Charli because there's a Charlie Cook that help my grand paw Gary and I like him too. I play baby toys with my sister Charli. she's 1.

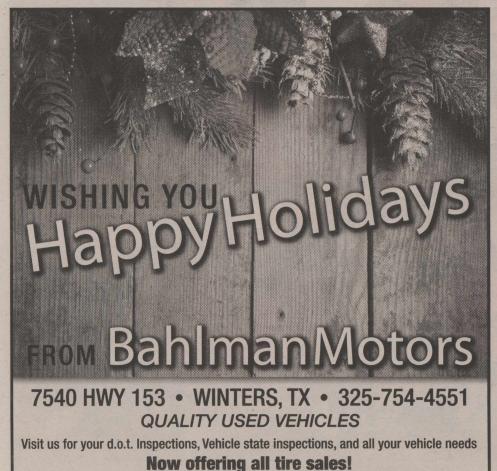
WINTERS HEAD START

Dear Santa.

Bring me a motorcycle, For Christmas and some shoes, a hat, and clothes, a bike. Please and thank you. P.S. I am going to leave milk and cookies if daddy don't eat them all.

Love, Juriyah

Dear Santa, Please bring me a teddy bear, Ipad, a Blue vaccum so I can vaccum my house and a big boat so me, Gorge and my dad can ride in. I have been a good boy,



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Ava A.
Age: 4
Thankful for: For my dolls because I can play with them in my castle. Thankful for my necklaces because I look like a fashion girl in them. Thankful for my cousin, Addie, because she plays nicely everyday. We play a turtle game and we play stickers.

Amick Age: 3

Thankful for: Christmas tree because it's my favorite with lights on it and cones on it. Thankful for my daddy and my mommy because I work with my

kinda. Love, Jaydon

Dear Santa, I want a Dora computer and a kitchen set, pony, Doce McStuffins Doll. Dora Doll, puppy, Nabie, a bike, tea set, play Love, Yazmine

Dear Santa, I want a little bike for Christmasand clothes. My sister also wanta a bike so we can ride together. My sister and I both want a puppy I'm going to leave you some chocolate chip cookies and a glass of milk by the Christmas tree. Love, Jackie

Dear Santa, I want a baseball helmet and a football helmet the whole suit. Also want Raiders suit and 49eks. I want ninja turtles all of them and there house, all ninja turtle toys, ninjas and shredder, and want I football texas tech. Scorres suit, Santa Clause suit, ninja suit a mask, would like santa clause toys, train, all there toy's, all woody toys, potato heads, Basket ball goal and a blasket ball a guitar real Elf's, Dr.'s stuff real drums toy makers Christmas orintments, Wii games and rush zone NFL. Love, Martin

Dear Santa, Please bring me a meaw meaw which is Hello Kitty, mu sister want a Minnie mouse. I also wanta big Minie mouse Love. Anahi

Dear Santa, I want a Strawberry shortcake toy. And 3 yoyo's. and 5 Ariel dresses. And 3 Cinderella Books, and a pair of Cinderella shoes and I wil leave you cookies and milk. Love, Divya

Dear Santa, I would like a car and a truck and also would like a Ninja Turtle and a basketball and also an Incredible Hulk toy too. I have been a good boy. Thank you. Love, Noah

Dear Santa, How are you? I hope your doing good. I have tried to be good this year. I would like hair paint, a doll that sings, cheetah shoes, and doctor things. I will leave you cookies and milk. Love, Laila

Dear Santa, I would like a cash register a purse, and a new baby and high heels, a new dress and candy canes, a new phone, a magice sign for you to stop at our

house I would also like a new jacket for when it gets cold. More new shirts. I want my own computer. Love. Zoev

Dear Santa I want a babydoll with a stroller and a playpin. I want clothes for my babydoll, a bottle, and diapers. For Serenity she wants a tablet. Boston wants more diapers so please get him some. Mommy and daddy want a vacation to Flordia. I also want puppy so I can name him Duke. I want some clothes, because I'm getting bigger. I have tried to be a good girl. Thank you. Love, Genevieve

Dear Santa, Thank you for all my presents last year. I have been a good boy this year. And would to ask for more Skylander for my game, a few more puzzles, and some new socks I like socks. Alsowould you bring presents to all new friends and Family Love, Quentin

Dear Santa, I wish for a new football, basketball and baseball for Christmas. Love, Brad

Dear Santa, Do you want to play in some snow?

Please bring me more snow. Will you come play snowballs with me? And ride bikes? Can you bring me bikes and everything. Can you bring me ginger bread mens, just like we made yes-terday Can you bring my mom candy, airplanes, bikes, stars, princess. Can you please bring brother Ironman ,my daddy Ironman, my mommy Ironman, baby sister Ironman and me Ironman Suit? And signs to play with. Good bye Santa. Love, Trevven

WINTERS ELEMENTARY

MRS. MONTOYA - PRE-K

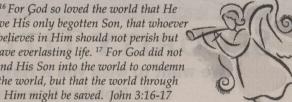
Dear Santa, How have you bee? It has been cold here in Winters, Texas. Please bring me a baby doll and a birthday cake. I will leave you some cookies and milk. Thank you Santa. Love, Cheree

Dear Santa. How have you been? I have been a good boy this year. Please bring me some legos and some toast. Please bring mommy a bracelet and my cat a necklace. I will leave you a drink. Love, Alex

Dear Santa,



<sup>16</sup> For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. 17 For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through



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I have been a good boy this year. I would like an elf for my house. Please bring me a football.
Love, Ashton

Dear Santa, Please bring me some presents. Please bring mommy some jewelry and bring daddy a hunting gun. I will leave you some Christmas cookies and milk. Love, Annemarie

Dear Santa, I would like some toys. I want a toy race car. I have been a good boy this year. I will leave you some milk and cookies. Love, Elijah

Dear Santa,
I live in mamma's house at Winters,
Texas. How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? I would like some toys spiderman
toys. I will leave you some cookies and
milk.
Love, Galihja

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me some toys. A
Santa doll and a live puppy. Please
bring mommy a butterfly. Please bring
daddy a new car with fire on it. I will
leave you some milk an cookies.
Love, Jazzy

Dear Santa,
I would like an x-box and some ear
rings. How are you doing? It is cold
here in Texas. I will leave some milk
and cookies for you.
Love, Kenna

Dear Santa, I would like a purple dress, purple shoes, gloves, crown, and a magic wand. I also want a new Barbie. I will leave you some milk and cookies. Love, Marley

Dear Santa,
I have my Christmas tree up. How is
Mrs. Claus doing? I would like for you
to bring me a bike and a black truck.
Please bring me some new clothes and
shoes. I will leave you some cookies
and milk.
Love, Madison

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a remote control race
car. Please bring me a toy train. Please
bring me mommy some flowers. I have
been a good boy this year. I will leave
you a giant glass of milk.
Love, Zayden

MRS. MILLS - PRE-K Dear Santa, How are you doing? It is cold here in Texas. I fell down on the Ice. Please bring me a robot. I will leave some milk and cookies. Love, Bobby

Dear Santa,
I would like to hug you. I would also like to pet your animals. I will leave you some strawberries. I would like a doll house and some dolls. Please bring mommy a teddy bear.
Love, Chloe

Dear Santa.
How are you doing? It is cold here in Texas. Please bring me a baby doll and a blanket for her. I will leave you some cookies and milk.
Love, Josefa

Dear Santa,
I love our Christmas tree. I love you,
too. I love your reindeer. I want you to
bring a big jack-in-the-box that pops
up. I want a CD player. I want some
CDs too. I saw a candy cane toy that I
like too. I want some big jig saw puzzles that stick together like at school.
Love, Jovanni

Dear Santa, How is Mrs. Claus? I like our tree. I like our class elf, Edsel, too. I want a Barbie with a pretty dress. I want a stuffed kitty toy, a toy kitchen and clothes. Have a safe trip! Love, Keylianna

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I have been a good
boy this year. I would like a transformer bubble bee toy. My baby brother
would like a big cake/ My mommy
would like some new make up. I will
leave you some cookies and milk.
Love, Luis

Dear Santa,
Is it cold at the North Pole? I will leave you some cookies if daddy doesn't eat them. I would like some play doh and something to roll it out with. I would also like some transformer toys and tub toys.

Love, Nehemiah

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I have been a good
boy this year. I would like a Mustang
play car, a jeep and a football helmet. I
will leave ou milk and cookies.
Love, Nolan

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I have been a
good girl this year. I would like a ike
for Christmas. Please bring me a toy
puppy. I will leave some cookies and
milk.
Love, Talina

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How are your reindeer doing? I like
them. Can you bring me a yoyo, please?
I would also like a Barbie with a castle.
Can you bring my dad a new hat? Ca
you bring my mom a new jacket that's
pink? Can you bring a new toy for my
brother? My sister wants a new tv
that's real pretty.
Love, Vivian

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? It is cold here in
Texas. I would like a bucket to put dirt
in. I also would like a spiderman toy.
Love, Xander

#### MRS. BRYAN - KINDERGARTEN

Dear Santa,
I have been nice. I would like a teddy
bear. I want a Barbie. I would like a play
table. I will leave cookies.
Happy Holidays,
Fernanda

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want a Christmas
bike with Santas on it. I want a turtle.
I want a bear that is fluffy. I will leave
you a toy.
Happy Holidays,
Bubba

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I want a present that is a teddy bear that is not real. I want a video game that is like a college football game. I will leave you some cookies that are like Christmas cookies.
Happy Holidays,
Mark

Dear Santa Claus, I love you. I have been good. I want a zebra that is real. I will leave cookies and milk for you. Happy Holidays, Genesis I want a fake zebra too.

Dear Mr. Claus, I have been good. I want a horse that is not real. I want a bear toy. I want an Ipad. Love, Angel

Dear Santa,
I have been nice. I want some Army
things - the little toy solidiers from
Santa. I want a flying helicopter. I think
that's all. I am nice to my cat Jax.
Merry Christmas,
Trenton

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been nice. I want a Zoomer.
I want a C-peck for my seatbelt. My
little sister wants a baby that

Dear Santa,

Justin Bebier doll and some

cries, whines. and opens and shuts her eyes. I am going to give my baby sister some playdough Christmas. I am going to leave some cookies

and

milk.

I am

going to get some playdough too. I am going to keep it out of the carpet. Merry Christmas, Bryan

Dear Santa, I have been nice. My brothers, sisters, and cousins have been good. I want a play 4-wheeler. Please give me some gooks and an Iron Man Flyer. I will leave some cookies for you. Love, Luke

Dear Santa Claus, I want a motorcycle, a racecar, and a truck. I will leave you cookies and milk. Happy Holidays, Sebastian

Dear Santa Claus, I love him so much. Can you bring me a 4-wheeler, a tricycle, and a motorcycle? I will leave you cookies and milk. Merry Christmas, Keadon

Dear Santa,
I have been nice. I want a purple lunchbox. I want a little Ipad. I wish I had a big dollhouse. I will leave cookies with milk.
Merry Christmas, Priscilla

Santa Claus, I have been nice. 1 want a stuffed hear. I want some new pink shoes. I want a new red dress. I want some new red high heels to go with my new red dress. ry Christ-

Dear

Mermas, Jade

Dear Santa Claus, I have been nice. I want a Dora kitchen. I want snow to come so I can make snowballs and snowmen. I want a Dora pillow. I will give you cookies and milk. Happy Christmas, Chloe

Dear Mr. Santa Claus, I have been nice. I would like an electric scooter. I want socks that have monkeys on them with Santa hats. I want a water slide. I will leave chocolate chip cookies for you. Happy Holidays, Lianna

Dear Mr. Claus, I have been nice. I want a stuffed Garfield. I want a big choo-choo train set. I want a new Superman lunchbox. I will leave you cookies. Merry Christmas, Wyatt

Dear Santa Claus, I want a Barbie for Christmas. I want some numbers to work with. I would like some orange glasses. I have been nice. I will leave pretty things for you. Merry Christmas, Evalyn

Dear Santa Claus, I have been nice. I want a scooter. I want my own crayons at home. I would like a coloring book with it. I will get you some milk and cookies. Love, Shayla

Dear Santa Claus, I have been nice. I want a Jeep for Christmas. We will leave cookies for you. Merry Christmas, Mason

MRS. PARRAMORE - KINDERGARTEN

Dear Santa,
I want a toy racecar, a real cop car with real buttons, a skylander giant, a new batman toy, and a new shirt. You could bring my mom some new Christmas ornaments. My dad would like a new shirt that's green and has flaming fire on it. I will leave you some cookie with pink icing and polka dots, and green Christmas tree cookies, and some chocolate milk.
Love, Jonah

Dear Santa,
Can I have a real rifle for hunting,
a little elf, a toy reindeer, my own
calendar, an ipad, a tablet, Amazon for
my Kindle, a white board and markers, books, a counting chart, Christmas
stickers, a new lunchbox, and a Galaxy
X3 phone. Dillan, Cole, and Drake want
Galaxy X3 phones too. I am being good.
I will leave you some icing cookies.

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Dear Santa,
I want a Hello Kitty doll, a real dog,
and a real cat, and a bed for my dog
and cat. I want some books, dome
diamonds, a jewelry box, a train with
tracks, crayons and coloring book,
clothes, and a Hello Kitty poster. Mara
wants a fake gun for hunting and Marcus wants and Xbox PS. I will leave you
some Christmas cookies.
Love, Morgan

Dear Santa,
I want a rock launcher, scooter, a baby
doll and a baby crib for her, a baby
stroller, some books, and stickers.
Sugar wants a skateboard, Cleo wants
roller skates, and JJ wants a skateboard
too. I am being good. I want to give you
some cookies and milk.
Love, Ebony

Dear Santa,
I like you Santa. I will leave you a snack
of cookies and milk. I especially like
weinies and noodles. My brother likes
them too. I want a baby doll and crip,
and some books. My brother will like a
toy monster truck. Bring my mommy
something special.
Love, Delilah

Dear Santa,

I want an Orbi Spa, a little American dolly, a Barbie doll, some different colored tape to make cards, legos, a play kitchen, a seesaw, a computer, and a color splasher. My mom wants a jewelry holder and a bracelet and I want a peace sign necklace. My grandpa needs a gun to hunt deer, my cousin bliss wants a color splasher too, Patrick wants a whistle, Macy needs a jewelry box, Gibson wants a toy tractor, and my Nana wants a little box to decorate. I'm going to leave you a glass of milk and 2 chocolate chip cookies. Love, Carson

Dear Santa,
I would like zebra pants, a new book,
a Monster High shirt and headband,
2 Monster High dolls, a Monster High
bike and car, a hula hoop, and a jump
rope. My baby brother wants an elephant toy that pumps out balls. I have
been good and I listen to everybody
and I do my work. I will give you some
chocolate chip cookies and some milk.
Love, Aliyah

Dear Santa, Can you bring me a police car toy, a fire truck toy, crayons, a drum with sticks so I can play like the Blizzard band, and a play area? Santa I am about to put up a Christmas tree so you can put presents there. I have lights wrapped all around the outside of my house so you can find it. I love you Santa! Love, Caine

Dear Santa,
I want a little motorcycle and a blue scooter that drives fast, and Alexus wants a purple one. Damien wants a ladybug laptop and my baby sister wants a doll. I want some legos to build with, some little army guys, and a Ninja suit. I will have some pumpkin pie for you in my room.
Love, Jasiah

Dear Santa, I want a video game, a spaceship, an airplane that flies, a man with a parachute, and a dinosaur with teeth and horns that can walk around. Ciro wants a football. I will leave you some gingerbread cookies. Merry Christmas! Love, Cesar

Dear Santa, Please bring me some toys. I have been a good boy. Love, Rico

Dear Santa, I want a toy cotton stripper that lifts it's header and tips over it's basket, a bole buggy, an 807030 tractor for the bole buggy, a hay rake and a hay swather, a packer and a stripper that goes, and they are built into the stripper and the door needs to open, a cotton planter that folds up, a module truck that tips it's bed, a machine cotton gin with 2 switches, a Peterbilt truck with 2 hydraulic switches, a semitruck with a box trailer to haul square bales, an 8430 tractor for my plow, and that's all. I will leave chocolate chip cookies and milk for you.

Love, Corley

Dear Santa,
I will give you some chocolate chip cookies, strawberry cake, and some chocolate milk. I want an Ipad, a baby doll, a mermaid doll with rainbow hair, a toy school, a play church, some markers, and a coloring book, some stickers and a book. Hunter and Chase want toy cars and Savanah wants a big school, and I want a teddy bear for my grandma. I really want some snow for Christmas.
Love, Bethany

Dear Santa,
I love you Santa. I want a real phone
and an Ipad, and some clothes, and
some shoes, and socks, and a purple
bike. Jackie wants a Barbie. I want some
hot fries too. I will give you some heart
and star cookies and a coke.
Love, MacKenzie



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Dear Santa,

Can you bring me a little picnic table, a kids game, nail polish, and a big computer? My little brother wants a little computer toy. I will give you a piece of carrot cake. It's my favorite. I have been good. Love, AnnMarie

Dear Santa.

I want a fire truck, a monster truck, a baby doll, a pink bike, a real puppy, a real kitten, a real reindeer, a stuffed doggie, a toy car, and a toy Santa. I will have a Justin Beiber cake for your snack. Bring some jewelry for my mom and a doggie for my daddy. I have been nice. Love, Ashleigh

MRS. MEYERS - KINDERGARTEN

Dear Santa, Would you please bring me a Air Hog, please bring my sister an Aerial light up doll for the bath tub? Please bring me 3 remote control cars, and a little basket of candy canes and candy corn. Merry Christmas, Santa. Love, Montgomery

Dear Santa, Please bring me some Batman legos, a big Batman action figure, Iron Man Legos, a Robin action figure, and a big toy snake to scare my sister, and a Batman magnet. Love, Finn

Dear Santa, Please bring me some hot wheels cars, Ninja Turtles action figures, Dusty airplane controllers, Jake and the Neverland Pirates stuff, Lightning McQueen controller, and a Mater controller like Lightning McQueen. Love, AJ

Dear Santa, Please bring me a Barbie doll that lights up in the bathtub, 2 Hello Kitty's, Bullseye the Horse, a toy dog that does tricks, and Buzz Lightyear. Love, Hannah

Dear Santa, Please bring me a toy helicopter, a toy airplane that flies and people jump out of it with parachutes, Ninja Turtle action figures, and a Santa action figure with his elves. Love, Hunter

Dear Santa, Please bring me a new hairbrush, make up stuff, a baby doll, some new clothes, a new bike, some Barbie dolls, a coloring book and crayons. Love, Madyson

Dear Santa, Please bring me 5 baby dolls, 5 strollers, and a pillow pet, please bring a pillow pet for my brother too, a stuffed bear, some new clothes, and new shoes, and a doll house.

Love, Kymari

Dear Santa. Please bring me a baby doll, a pillow pet, a Minnie Mouse lunchbox, a Nintendo DS, a Minnie Mouse blanked, an Ipad, and an Aerial doll that glows in the bathtub. Love. Serenity

I wouldlike tohoulentoy Save a xbox 260 WITH the games, also have the berthots Suntay howagen for attingy chinary I don't have chinary inny hose I really went a talk . Senter conyor give my Dallacon la bigone & South I'm & YOU DIAN OF FOOKIES and a glass of milk status to bis When you come by my house you contate the plate With your Gayou can take the milt . BS. Santa yourse my Frien?

Dear

CYOM

Santa, Please bring me a PS3, a Toy Story game, a Batman game that is black and white, a hot wheels car, a truck, and a Lightning McQueen and Mater car. Love, Mason

Dear Santa, Please bring me a Wii U game system, games, lego watch, a boy, guy form Disney Infinity. I have been a very good boy. Love, Caden

Dear Santa. Please bring me a computer, a baby doll, a remote control airplane, some new clothes, a bottle for the baby, a backpack for the baby, and please bring me a book to read. Love. Aubree

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a computer, Barbie doll clothes, and a Barbie, new clothes for myself, a baby doll, a candy cane, and cookies. I have been pretty good this Love, Sonahia

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a toy car with a remote, an airplane with a remote, and a boy sized police car that I can drive. Love, Sandro

Dear Santa.

Please bring me some new clothes, new shoes, a choo choo train, a toy car that is blue, and a new cap. Love, Junior

Dear Santa.

Please bring me a Barbie watch, a Barbie doll, a Christmas dress for my Barbie, a box of legos and a Christmas bunny. I have been a very good girl. Love, Trinity

MRS CAVAZOS - 1ST GRADE

Dear Santa. How are the reindeer? Good I have been good. Please bring me some boots and an ipad. I love you Santa Claus. Thank you! Love, Elaina

Dear Santa, Will Rudolph guide you sleigh this year? I have been good. Please bring me a Leap Pad and high heels. Thank you Love, Nicole

Dear Santa, Doo Rudolpeh gide your sleigh this year? I'm sorry I was a little bit bad. I will be good. Please bring me an xbox and some magic cards. Thank you! Love, Ronnie

Dear Santa, How are yll? Please bring me Black Ops DS game and jack frost. Thank You! Love, Bryce

Dear Santa. How are you? Y'all? I hve been good. Please bring me an ipod and some red and black high heels. Thank You! Love, Mikenzie

Dear Santa. How are the reindeer? I have been good. Please bring me a tablet and a computer. Thank you! Love, Desiree

Dear Santa, How are you doing santa claus? I have been good. Please bring me an Ipod. I would also like an America Girl, a pup-

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py sweater, a new pair of high heels, and a new saddle blanket. Thank you! Love, Jaclynn

Dear Santa, How are you and the reindeer. I have been good. Please bring me some sparkly high heels and a tablet. Thank you!

Love, Tarvn

Dear Santa, How are y'all? I have tride to be tood. Please bring me a Makeup kit and puppie dog. Thank you! Love, Sarah

Dear Santa, How are the reindeers? I have bee good. Please bring me a bow and arrows and x-box 1. Thank you! Love, Jaylen

Dear Santa, Will Rudolph guide your sleigh this year? I'm srry I was naughty. I want an I pod. I want a Barbie Thank you! Love, Miriam

Dear Santa, How are the reindeer? I have been good. Please bring me an airplane, a truck, and a soccer ball. Thank you. Love, Izaiah

Dear Santa, how are the reindeer? I an sore that I been bad I am tring to be good. Please can a hav anuthr ulexrit skoodr and hotwils. Thank you! Love. Cade

Dear Santa, How is Rudolph? I'm sorry I was node I will try to be better. Please bring me Hanna Mont and electric scooter. And kindle fire HD. Love, Kambri

Dear Santa, How is Rudolph? I have been good. Can you please bring me a Barbie house, a softball, and a new Barbie doll. Thank Love, Sierra

Dear Santa, How is Rudolph doing? I have been good all year please bring me a real horse and a Barbie. Thank you! Love, Lacy

Dear Santa, How is Rudolph? How are v'all? I have been good. Please bring me a Hello Kitty tent and an Ipod. Thank you! Love, Rachel

MRS. NEWTON - 1ST GRADE Dear Santa. Can I go to the North Pole with you? I have been good this year. I love you I

hope everyone has been good. Please bring me a Barbie boat and trailer. Thank you! Love, Sofia

Dear Santa, Can I go to the North Pole with you Santa? Merry Christmas, Santa! Please bring me a laptop and an Innotab and a Elf on the shelf. Thank you! Love, Elaine

Dear Santa, Can me and my Family go to the North Pole with you please? Please bring me an iphone 5 and a litte play school that my dad can build for me. Oh and a big popcorn bag. Thank you! Love, Olivia

Dear Santa,
Can I go to the North Pole. How is Mrs.
Claas? Hove a jolly Christmas! Please
bring me a Barbie doll and a Hello Kitty
doll. Thank you!
Love, Alyssa
Dear Santa,
How are the elves? Can I go to the
North Pole with you? Merry Christmas
to all of you! Please bring me a Duck
Dynasty tent, a donut maker, and Elf on
the Shelf. Thank you.
Love, Jessa

Dear Santa, How are the reindeer? Merry Christmas please bring me an air soft gun and a bow and 10 arrows. Thank you! Love, Brady

Dear Santa,
How are the elves? How are the reindeer? Can I go to the North Pole? I have been good this year! You are nice! Please bring me Iphone pupy kettin Rabbit Elve on the shelf! Thank you! Love, Mariah

Dear Santa, How are you? I have been good. Please bring me my own journal and my own phone. Thank you.
Love. Eracio

Dear Santa, How are the reindeer? Santa! Merry Christmas. Please bring me a toy bow and arrow and a toy gun. Thank you! Love, August

Dear Santa,
 How is Mrs. Clous? How are you? I love Mrs. Clous. Please bring me a Barbie house and a Barbie doll with a baby and baby bottle, Thank you!

 Love. Allie Mae

Dear Santa, How are the reined? How is Rudolph? How are you? Please bring me a bunnydoll, a Barbie Dream House and a Duck Dynasty Tent Love, Alexia

Dear Santa, Is Rudolph going to guide your sleigh? Merry Christmas. Please bring me a bow and 11 arrows and an air soft gun. Thank you. Love, CJ

Dear Santa, How do the elves make the toys. Merry Christmas, Santa! Please bring me a white ipod 4 and an xdox 3. Thank you! Love, Nishant

Dear Santa, How are the reindeer? Merry Christmas, Santa! Please bring me a tablet and an ipod. Thank you! Love, Jace

Dear Santa, How are reindeer? How are Mrs. Clous? I have been good this year please bring me an rubbersnake and a bike. Thank you Love, Jaylin

Dear Santa, How are you? Please bring me a PS4 I want a toy car and football stuff. Love, Jose

Dear Santa, How is the reindeer? I have been good. Can I please have a toy gun, a penguin, and an xbox. Thank you! Love, Evan

Dear Santa, How is Rudolph? I have been good this year. Please bring me some Ariel shoes and Hello Kitty shoes. Thank you! Love. Emilie

Dear Santa, How is Mrs Claus? I love you! Pleas bring me a Duck bynasty tent and a Annie doll from frozen. Thank you Love, Jayna

MRS. CARY - 1ST GRADE

Dear, Santa
I am Elementary school, hal are your ranbire been done? Are you cold
Santa??? I want a dabl bout Sat can maf by it's saf and I want mosttrs 500.
Love, Weston

Dear Santa, How were cismis. I want bothreesix. Idods. Love, Traegan

Dear Santa, Har are you Satu Clos hor are radndrer? I want a pupe and brabe Love, Kaelin

Dear Sant Har are you har are your rede? I wut a ipod and ifon I wut justic clos. I wut aerpstl. Love, Janie

Dear Santa, I won a new rasabo. I won a rodison. I won a dog. I won clos. And I wot samsued and I won sampns. Love, Braiden

Dear Santa, Santa is it kod in the northpol? Kan I have Xbox 360 a Wii U. Love, Luzion

Dear Santa, Are you cold up there? Can you bring me a new game called Madden NFL it is a gm call football. Love, Aven

Dear Santa, Hou r yr rander? I want a xbox 360, remote cr, bed, video gam, cat Love, Romeo

Dear Santa, How are you? Haw was your randear been? Oh I want a Holl Kitty staft ber makup Love, Marissa Dear Santa, Hi how are you how are your randir? How is mis Klos, how is lo fo your randir and you? What I want Modrsikl. Love, Dalton

Dear Santa, Are you wheeng? I wat a pupe and brbe. Love, Avery

Dear Santa,
How re you re you finer. Good im good.
I wood like a cidul fire hd, new game,
xbox 360 satints row, dead riscnos and
dog hose callof dudey. How re your
riandeer.
Love, Erin

Dear Santa,
Haoor are you doing I hope doing fine?
Your erlfs are doing are the oorh not I
wot like a dog by babestr cols the dog
pupe it is funee. I hav my Chrismis
Tree. I whob like a ex box 360 I am
in frst grabe. I whob gak and a fone.
Avrey Trogan Erin Janie Westine Jaerreb theis are my b-f-f's.
Love, Jayleigh

Dear Santa,
I wot a Wii and a xbox 360. I wot a kol
uv dty modl mlorfar 3 and speshilly I
wot a mr yo. Hal are theck thr vary wel.
I hope you giv my ulot uv presins!!!!
Love, Todd

Dear Santa, I wunt a wii u I wunt en gamz Ho Ho Ho Luv, Jarred

MRS. JOHNSON - 1ST GRADE

Dear Santa, I want a toy Mario vs sonic. Good boy Love, Atilla

Dear Santa, How is Rudolph doing? And I have been a good girl and I want at soft blanket. Love, Addison

Dear Santa, How is Rudolph doing? I have been a good gilr. I want toy zomo. I can not wat in til it is Christmas! Hape Christmas Santa. Love, Baylie

Dear Santa, I want a skilanders and sum dinosars toys and a latop and a gadr boys toys and a gadr boys fort to. Love, Raimey

Dear Santa, I want toy soldier and a moreo and son and a toy robot and a toy santa Love, Christopher

Dear Santa, I want toy soldiers and a toy robot.

## WITH BEST WISHES DURING THE HOLIDAYS THANK YOU FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF SERVING YOU ALL YEAR LONG!



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Love, Ian

Dear Santa, How is the elfs and Rudolph? For Christmas eve I want a 3dsxl and Mario brothers 2. Love, Kaelynn

Dear Santa, Can you give me a foolr wheeler. Love, Dakota

Dear Santa, Haw is Rudolph? I have been a good Boy. I want a skilander and two firemen. Love, Eli

Dear Santa, How is Rudolph? I want a Mario toy. Love, Isaac

Dear Santa,
How are you doing up in the moon.
I want a 3DS. I have been good and I want 5 rings for Christmas.
Love, Marisa

Dear Santa, How is Rudolph? I want a Mario game and a spiderman toy. Love, Guillermo

Dear Santa, I want a IFon for Christmas. Thank you. Good by. Love, Bayli

Dear Santa, How is Rudolph the red nose reindeer? I want some crapods and paper and crowns and a game. Love, Shaylee

MRS. PARRAMORE - 1ST GRADE

Dear Santa, My name is Bailey. Thank you for gifs. This year for Christmas I want a elf hat and a bike and some new rolerskates. Love, Bailey

Dear Santa, My name is Diego. Thack you for giving me presins last year. This year I want a noo pivo and a noo pante bol gun. Love, Diego

Dear Santa, My name is Hunter. Thank you for toys. This year I want a Disney infinite and a hand held wii. Love, Hunter

Dear Santa, My name is Daniella. Thank you for giving me presents. This year for Christmas I want a tedeber and a bice. Love, Daniella

Dear Santa, My name is Skyla. Thank you for bringing presents. This year I want a stuffed anumel.
Love, Skila

Dear Santa, My name is Xavier. Thank you for breging us toys. This year for Christmas I want an arplane and a spinning top. Love, Xavier

Dear Santa,
My name is Jaleeha. Thank you for
giving all the kis. This year Christmas
I want a keroc musheen that is pink. I
love you Santa your holdee is the best.
Love, Jaleeha

Dear Santa, My name is Abel. Thank you for bringing me gifts. This year for Christmas I want a dog and a xbox 360. Love, Abel

Dear Santa, My name is Gannon. Thank you for being nis. This year for Christmas I want a ds game and a angry brd toy. Love, Gannon

Dear Santa, My name is Zachary. Thank you for my toys. I want ten kine nights, a real bird, a toy dragon. I want a lizard, a baby one. Love, Zachary

Dear Santa, My name is Presley. Thank you for bringing us presents. This year for Christmas I want a pair of boots with hels and a dres. Love, Presley

Dear Santa,
My name is Jasmin. Thank you for are
prezends. This year for Christmas I
want a babe cite and a nilit oh and a
bike an a macup bag and a ipad and
hitils and bos. I LOVE YOU SANTA.
Love, Jasmin

Dear Santa, My name is Atalie. Thank you for givin us presents. This year for Christmas I wunt a dog and a ipad and a cat and a tidybir and a bike. Love, Atalie

Dear Santa, My name is Brandon. Thank you for the toys. This year for Christmas I want a tede ber and a stompes. Love, Brandon

Dear Santa, My name is Felicity. Thank you for the presents. This year for Christmas I want a cat and monkey, it has a banan and a blankit. Love, Felicity

MS. BERGMAN - 2ND GRADE

Dear Santa, How are you? I want a little elf, xbox 360, black ops, two and one. Please bring me two football helmets and a football. Pleas bring me four reemot kchroles for xbox. Love, Adam

Dear Santa,
Santa give me a football. Santa give
Adam a puzzle. Santa give Charisma a
candy cane. Santa give Simon a basketball. Santa give Mikenzie a base ball.
Santa give Jacob a shirt. Santa give Kacie a book. Santa give Gabriel a scrooerball. Santa give mom a towil. Santa give
dad tools. Santa give brother ermonem.
Santa give sistor makeup.
Love, Ciro

Dear Santa,
How are you today and you're deer?
Could I have a pair of earring and a
dress and a American girl doll and
daddy alive and a jump roumd and
close? Becuse I been good in scool.
Love, Aislynn

Dear Santa, How are the elfs. Please bing me a kite that is green. I would like a toy house. I would like a baby alive. I would also like a toy elf. I would also like a American girl doll. Love, Payton

Dear Santa,
How are you please. Bring me a football. And please bring me a book and I will leev you milk and cookies. Please bring me a new game. And please bring me a new baskball please bring me a play stashon 4 and please bring me stuff anmal for my mom and brother. I need a new shert.
Love, Jacob

Dear Santa,
How are you? I want Disny Infinude
and scilanders sware fogg. I want call
of Doty gost and a new xbox 360. I
want a new psp game and a new bike. I
want a new moive and I ned yo. I want
lego batman 2 for wee and for xbox360.
Love, Malachi

Dear Santa,
How are you? Will you plese give me a
xbox controller? Batman 2 game. Santa
will you please bring me a Pleale Stashin 3 and a xbox 306. Will you bring me
call of doode gost and mindcraft co
aseng bean and 2 fish.
Love, Ernest

Dear Santa, How are you? Please bwing this the end move. Please bwing me a cat, dog, pig, and a toy animal gat. Please bwing a real pet suger glider, toy fish, and a toy bear. Pleas bwing a toy bird and a toy snake. Please bwing me a real pet lizzer. And a xbox 360. Santa I want lefe for dead and I want skylander swopforce. McKenzie needs a doll. Love, Xavier

Dear Santa,
I want a hamster and a per of sock and a cote and a stuff monkey and mittins also a tummy stuffer. Also a glow in the dark pillow and blanket also nikey shoks and a pillow pet also toys and close also a football. And basketball and a sokerball also a culering books and boots with fur also one drecshin clock and a pitble for me and Shiyann and Aliciea and Elijaj and mom and dad and Shelby.
Love, Cera

Dear Santa,
How are you I what moster high dllos
and a rato and sedes rile quqqu and a
warder qune I what a pike gune with
glastik duojits . I what a and a lechrik
modsikol and highhils and nedlis and
earreings and a Ifon and a shadntam
and a datman.
Love, McKenzie

Dear Santa,
Can you bring me a dollhouse and new close for my doll. Can you get my mom a new purse my dad a new sweater a new baby for my sister and a ring for my grandma. A new hat for my grandpa a shirt for my aunt and a ball for Danyel also a bar for Chris. Can you get a chew toy for my dog and a new picture for ma-ma and a horn for my cousin a new toy for doc. Can you get a new trick for Jack (no name)

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a red zike and a chrane
chrack a lite stik a jack in the box a
bebe gun a plane toy a pusaland in
saur robeot with a chrole at-shet kane
is a dinosaur costum act up boom box
hutan 36 Ipad 10 dolers Ipod ear fons
heid fones
Love, Gabriel

Dear Santa,
How is clarecsecse? Please bring me a
harry pottrrs book and a harry pottrrs
clock. If you can bring me a elf a kape
with a dress please bring me monster
high doll and ipad please. I want boots
with fur. I want a jacit with fur too. Can
I have cawch and a desc? Please bring
me a stuft sebra.
Love, Abby

Dear Santa,
I want monster high dolls. I want a elf,
close, new shoos, and macup. I want
julers. My baby sister wants a litte
baby. For my brothers plees bring them
call of doty cost.
Love, Charisma

Dear Santa, How a you? I wont a bick. I also wont pants. I also wont shrts. I also wont

Jomus. I wont shows. I wont dishis. I als wont a xbox 360. I also wont a play stashn. I also wont a bb gun. I also wont a wee. Love, Simon

Dear Santa,

How are you doing Santa? Ples bing a football for Slater. Ples bing a toy pony for me. Ples bing a toy for my friend. She is a girl. I will leve you Cristmis cooke for you. Ples bing a rill alf for me. Ples bing some kittin clos and cat clos. Ples bing me a hamster and hamster close. Ples bing some books and a candy cand. Ples bing a fone case for my dad and some chaper books for Kilee. Ples a football for Dillion. Love, Kacie

MS. GIBSON - 2ND GRADE

Dear Santa.

I want some nail polish for Christmas, and a phone too. I hope that I'm on the good list. I want a doll and some clothes for it. I also want some makeup like, eyeshadow and lipstick. I want a toy cash regester for Christmas too. Love, XOXO Mikaela

Dear Santa,

I like a toy for Christmas. And a pillow for Christmas. And a pet and a cover for Christmas and new shoes and beets for Christmas and I want a hellow kitty shrit for Chrismas and a facke Santa for Christmas ant play toy and a toy. Love, Mercedes

Dear Santa,

I hope you are fine. I hope that clerins tode you that I was good if he did I will like a per fish and I wont a book. The toy is the thae monte nidu trtl. Love, A in

Dear Sa a, I want be adphones, and a iphone ow is the rein deer are they Christmas. And new Jordens and boo and is Mrs. Claus ready for Christm s and football cards. Love, Ky e

Dear Santa,

How are you im fine how are the reindeer I will leave carrots for them what I want is my mom to to have a husbend. Love, Malachi

Dear Santa,

How are you santa? I'm grate what I want for Christmas is a jump rope and a Barbie life in the dream house. And a juliry box. And glitsy globs. And juliry and a horse and a pritty dress. And my family. I want to see you and Mrs. Clous. Love, Jasmine

Dear Santa, I whant a xbox 360 I whant jordins I whant Wii U I whant some pans.

Dear Santa, I want for Crismis an dollhouse with to elevator and a phone is ril and a tent, a little dollhouse for my little dolls, a kitchen and some animals, I will leave you cookies and milk Love, Alexus

Dear Santa, How are you? I am good. What I want for Christmas is Peyton Manning football cards, a I pad or a ps 3, and a new bike, some new pj pants, a new stuffet animal, and a new collar for my dog. Love, Shelby

I'v been vere good to day how are you doing and I'll put some cookies on the table for you can I have a ipod for Christmas and a car that drives and it's face. I'll give you'r reindeer's some Love, Stephane

Dear Santa, I want a xbox and a cot and a new boost and new shoes and a bike and a Wii U and a football and a cowboy hat. Love, Martin

Dear Santa, For Chismis I wont a pet and a xbox 1 and some headphones and a specer and a big toy and some muny. Love, **Xavier** 

Dear Santa, I have been good this. How are your reindeers doing? I want a Thomas track master train. I also want more train sets. I will leave you some milk and cookies. Merry Christmas Love, Jesse

Dear Santa, What I like for Christmas is a Wii and a girly girl game. And a 3ds game, and clothes and shoes. And a ipad and hadphone. And lamp with butterfly on it. A 3ds game. Hello kitty. Bunny for a pet. A Big presnt just from you and elf. I will live you cookies and carrt for your reindeer. Merry Christmas. Love, Janel

Dear Santa, I want a Ipad and a phone a wagin and a teve and shoos and iceskates for the ice some new legens and pants a icecreame maker. Love, XOXO Sommir

Dear Santa, I want to say I love you, because you love us and you give us presents. How are you and my friend reindeer? I'm good. For Christmas, I want a big Ipad. I want some more bad guys for my batman cave. I also want the Batman car and I want some new shoes. Love, Peyton

Dear Santa, How are you and your reindeer? I am good. For Christmas I would like a new dog and lot of presents. And could you also bring a lot of food under my tree? I will leave you milk and cookies. Love, Damarius

MRS. MOSTAD - 2ND GRADE

Hi! How are you doing? All I want is for you to bring my mom some money please. And bring me some clothes please a furby boom? Please bring me an Ipad.

Love, Marisol

Dear Santa. Are you ok Merry Christmas! Is Mrs. Claus good? May you please get me some legos and please bring me a scateboard and anything that has pumu on it and please please have a Merry Chrismas. Love, Payton

Dear Santa. How are you doing? Can you make it snow? Can you give Mrs. Mostad class a Rango dvd and can you give my dad a gun and a new bed for my mom and a boll for my sister and give me a skateboard. Love, Nicholas

Can you bring my dad a flash light? Can you let it snow? Is it cold Santa? Is Mrs. Claus is doing fine? Merry Christmas Santa. Can you please bring me a remote control truck. Alejandro

Dear Santa, Is it cold over there? I an excited for Christmas? All I want for you to come to Winters so the children to see you that is my wish. Please bring me a teddy bear. Love, Jozlynn

Dear Santa. How are you and Mrs. Claus? Are the reindeer ready? I want Santa to get me a pair of shoes because I want to were them for Christmas. I want Santa to get me a pair of pant because I want to were them to school. I want Santa to get me some new shirts because I want to were them to school to. I want Santa to get me a new pair of shorts because I want to were them to school. Love, Alexus

Dear Santa, How are you and Mrs Claus. And how are the reindeers. Can you please make it snow? I'm so excited about Christmas because my family gets to have pres-



IT'S THE HOLIDAY SEASON & WE HO... HO... HOPE IT'S MERRY! WE APPRECIATE YOUR PATRONAGE YOU MAKE OUR JOB FUN... THANKS FOLKS! PASKE TIRE & LUBE 616 HUTCHINS AVE, BALLINGER 325-365-2730

ents. I want for my mom some shoes and for my dad I want you to bring a jacket for my dad please. And please bring me an Ipad. Love, Makayla

Dear Santa, Is it cold up there? Can you get me a remote control monster truck please Santa? And can you get me a control helicopter and some batteries? Love, Chris

Dear Santa. How is Mrs. Claus and your elves? How are your reindeer? Santa, for Christmas can I please have a monster high doll? Can you please send some new shoes and new clothes and barbies. Olivia

Dear Santa, Hi how are you how are the raeindeer are they right Santa please give me new shoes for Chrismas please give me an ds for Chrismas please give me a remote kutero for Chrismas please give me a yo yo for Chrismas please give me xbox 360 for Chrismas. Love, Nicolas

Dear Santa, How are you doing? Is it cold there at the north pole? I love snow Santa Clause I can't wait for my presents to come. I would like this Christmas is a puppy. I would like angry birds toys. Love, Fabio

Dear Santa, How is it at the Northpole. Is it cold at the North pole I want remote control helicopter and get my borther black ops 2 and get my baby new clothes. Love, Adrian

Dear Santa, Hi Santa! I hope you have a Merry Christmas! I wish that we have a Happy Christmas and I get stuffed animal! I would also like a sled and to play in the snow! I will have a merry Christmas and you to. Love, Amaya

Dear Santa, Are you ok Santa? How is Mrs. Claus doing? Santa can you please bring me a hotwheel car and legos? Can you bring me a toy train? Can you please bring me a bike? Can you please bring me a stuff anmal? Can you bring me a remote contro car? Love, Ishmael

Dear Santa, How are you elvs? I want un tov Rone bottay I want unos and foolball cards and baseball cards and basketball cards and hoky cards Love, Xavier

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa Merry Christmas! How is the North Pole? Santa is your house so snowy? How are you Santa? How are the elvs? I am excited that Christmas is coming Can you pleas get me a sd3 in pleas can you get me a new game. Love, Jose

How are you doing and the Reindeer Santa I hope you have a good Christmas and can you bring my mom some new shoose and me some new boots can you bring my sister some new Love, Morgan

MS. HATTER - 3RD GRADE

Dear Santa, I have been a good girl this year. I hpe you can bring me an Ipad air. I hope you can bring my whole family something good this year! I'll make you some cookies not just one or two but maybe five. My whole family has been good this year! I believe in you Santa! Love, Abanea

I want new shoes and clothes and you to tell me how are you in the north pole and all I want is to spend time with my family and I will leave cookies and milk and I want a new jacket, and lots of presents, and my family to be with me. Love, Jessie

I would like eather a ipod or a ipad or a iphone. Please give my ant a good time for Christmas. Please give me a easy bake oven. Please give me a cat. Please give me a dog. Please give me and everyone a lot of snow that way I can mak a snow man. Please give us enternet. Please give me a cumuter. Please if not give me a laptop. Please give me a really cool poster of Astin mohone. Thank you! Love, Keleigh

Dear Santa, I have been a good boy I want a playstation 4 and a xbox 1 and some vido games. And a rg III jersey for Chirstmas. And how is Rudolph doing I will leave you a bananea. Love, Wyatt

I would like roler scats with one will in the frunt and one in the back. And I would like for some rilly rilly prity cloths. Oh! And I whont some prity shows. And ill do something for you I'll leave you cookis and milk if I can. And I also whont a Big! Big! Big! Tety bar. and a duch dinisty poster. And leave me some candy! Roses are red vilits are blue bars are harry and so are you! Love, Brianna

I would like a 4 weeler for Christmas

and a puppy for Christmas. And a shot gun a camo one. Please and can you please leave one of your bells. Please leave me some candy. Please can you leave me a note at what time and I will leave a note on my front door. Thank

Love, Charlie

Dear Santa, I have been a good boy this year. I hope you can get me a surprize gift and a new football and a baseball bat if you can that is all I want this year thank you have a good Chismas. Marry Chismas!!! Love, Nico

Dear Santa, I have been a good boy and I want a Wii U, xbox one, ps4, a Case Mcoy jersey if you live one present I will give you cookies and mile. I love what you get me every year but I want a great gift which is my family to have a great Christmas. Thank you. Love, Zander

Dear Santa, I have been a good boy. I want a ps4, iphone 5c, nice clothes, call of duty black ops ghost, bb gun, candy cane, 4

wheelers, dirt bike, bike, remote control l helicopter, remote control air plain, new football, madde 9, gta 5, a trip to atlantis ocean, a sleigh, gta 3, gta 2, gta 1, markers, pencils, a tablet, new flat screen, tv, movies your phone number. Hope to the world. Love, Isaac

Dear Santa, I been a good girl, what I want for Christmas is a puppy and a set of nail polish and jewelwy maker and time to spend with my family for Christmas. I will allways count on you. I Love you SANTA. Love, Serenity

Dear Santa, I want a football and I want a play station. And I want a Wii U and sport games and I want sport stuff and a

Love, James

I have been a good boy this year. I want a German shepherd puppy. An air soft machine gun that A-R a camo shot gun with a strap. Some paintball grenades with a grenade strap. Love, Kolton

MRS. KIRBY - 3RD GRADE

## **MERRY CHRISTMAS**

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**AMANDA COLLOM WISHES YOU** AND YOUR FAMILY A VERY MERRY **CHRISTMAS AND SAFE TRAVELS** THIS HOLIDAY SEASON



VOTE **Amanda Collom** for **Runnels County Clerk** March 4, 2014

Paid Pol. Adv. by Amanda Collom, 1001 N. 7th, Ballinger TX 76821

Dear Santa,

I want for Christmas is a nailmaker, ipad, cupcakemaker, guitar, computer, a mermaid Barbie toy, a phone, and lots of Barbies with shoes and crowns, makeup, a dress with shoes and orbees for your feet. And Merry Christmas to you and all. Love, Luz

Dear Santa, I have been good thes year. I hope your doing good. For Christmas I want some clothes. And a good Christmas for my friend and family. For you to and Mrs. Claus. Love, Raven

Dear Santa,
I would like a ipad and some ice skates
and one more thing a pante ball gun.
So How is Rudolph doing and how are
you and Mrs. Claus and the other randers doing? I hope ya'll are fine! Merry
Christmas.
Love, Moiseis

Dear Santa, I have been a very good boy. I've been very nice to my friends. I really want swappable skylanders and a Infity game for my Wii. I would also like some power ranger toys. I will leave you some chocolate chip cookies and warm mile next to my Christmas tree. Merry Christmas. Love, David

Dear Santa,
How is the reindeer Santa? I am in third grade. What I want is a ipad so I can read and a new bike that has a baskit and I live in Winters Texas. Merry Christmas Santa. And I love Mrs.Kirby. and how is Mrs. Claus? Merry Christmas.
Love, Hailey

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl, I always do my homework and help my mom I don't want toys this Christmas I just want a llama, a horse, and a fox. Real animals like rabbits, goats and a pig. I will leave chocolate chip brownies and milk by the fire place. HOHOHO.
Love, Hunter

Dear Santa,
I need a new hat. This is wat I want
on it. I want it custimisd from any
mal. On the front I want Johnny
J.r. how are you and misis clos and
make sher rudlph nose is extra red.
I hope that you finde my house. I
need a fone so can talk to my brather I only see him on the weekends. I
need an ipad for math and reading

also wen I go on long trips I can play gaems. Love, Johnny Jr

Dear Santa,
I was a good girl for you and I was a good girl for a year. How are you and Mrs. Claus? Y'all are the best one ever! What is your favorite cookes? What kind is your favorite reindeer? I want for Christmas is a ipad, computer, close, I wont you to come to Winters Texas so everone can see you and Merry Christmas!
Love, McKayla

Dear Santa,
This is Krisol I am in third grade my school is Elementary School. Thank you for giving me presents. Please give a good Christmas and please give my cousins and my family a good Christmas. And give my teacher a good Christmas and give me a new Ipad and a new phone I live in Winters, Tx Merry Christmas!

Love, Krisol

Dear Santa, I wont a American Hogger shirt please Santa. I wont a new per of now camuflog pants. How is your reindeer? I wont a xbox for Chrismas. I love you Santa Claus. I wont a new of camuflog boots. I want new chaps. My faverit raeindeer is Rudolph. I wish your elf dont work hard. Love, Adrian

Dear Santa,
What I want is a new bike with a
basckit. I live in winters texas. Wat kine
of cookes do you like so I no wat to
get? Merry Christmas Santa. How is Mis
clos do wing?
Love, Crystal

Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs Claus. For
Christmas I want a pair of square
toed boots. I also want a xl long
sleeve neongreen shirt and a blue
one to. Santa my favorite raindeer is
Rudolph and Dasher. I live in Winters
Texas and I am in third grade and I
love Mrs. Kirby.
Love, Nick

Dear Santa,
I am a 3rd grader and my name is Matthew and all I want for Christmas is a
new bike and new shoes and my favrit
reindeer is Doner. What is your favrit
reindeer? I also want a lot of toys and
I want a big bear and a ipad and a new
fone. And I live in Winters, Tx.
Love, Matthew



