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HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

AUSTIN - Travis County District Attorney Ronnie Earle, the state's chief ethics cop, will serve out his term of office which expires at the end of 2008, but not a day more.

Earle, on Dec. 14, announced his decision not to seek reelection. The 65-year-old Democrat will have served 32 years when his term expires.

In a prepared statement, Earle said, "There are particular cases pending that

are enormously important to this state, this country, and democracy itself. If they are not resolved during the forthcoming last year of my term, I will offer my assistance on those matters on a pro bono basis to my successor."

Among those pending cases are indictments against former U.S. House Majority Leader Tom DeLay and Republican political fund-raisers John Colyandro and Jim Ellis.

Panel hears NFL-cable spat

The House Committee on Regulated Industries met Dec. 10 and heard testimony in a dispute between cable interests and the National Football League Network.

At issue were whether cable customers should be charged extra for access to NFL games and if the Texas

Legislature should have any say-so in how the dispute is handled.

NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell and Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones spoke for the NFL Network.

Jones said his side is against "big" cable companies that desire to put professional football games on a separate, higher-costing tier. Goodell added that fans might have to pay as much as \$8 per month to watch games only available on the higher tier if certain cable companies get their way.

Goodell also said he would like the NFL Network and the cable industry to enter a negotiated settlement. Representatives of the Texas Cable Association countered that cable packages are governed by the Federal Cable Act, and therefore the Federal Com-

munications Commission, not the state, has jurisdiction in the issue.

Ernest Young, a law professor with University of Texas, represented the NFL at the hearing. He said there is precedent for the Texas Legislature to intervene as an alternative to litigation.

At the end of the hearing, committee chair Phil King, R-Weatherford, said he was not convinced the state has jurisdiction.

Online, mail order tax is close Texas and a coalition of other states are closer to agreement on a set of sales tax laws to help state and local governments receive sales tax revenue from online and mail order sales.

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs said the "Streamlined Sales Tax" governing board on Dec. 13 unanimously ap-

proved a compromise allowing Texas and other sales tax-dependent states to continue taxing intrastate sales at the rate in effect at the seller's location, but to tax interstate sales at the rate in effect where the merchandise is delivered.

"In fiscal 2006, Texas lost an estimated \$541 million in state sales tax on Internet and mail order sales," Combs said. "We must monitor and fix this leak."

DPS labs receive accreditation

The Texas Department of Public Safety reported its 13 crime laboratories, after years of evaluation, have received international accreditation.

The DPS laboratories are located in Austin, Garland, Houston, El Paso, Waco, Corpus Christi, McAllen, Tyler, Lubbock, Midland, Abilene,

Amarillo and Laredo.

Only three other state police laboratories in the U.S. have received international accreditation: Oregon, Utah and Idaho.

State returns Crockett letter

The Texas Historical Commission announced Dec. 7 it would return a letter said to be the last one written by David Crockett.

Simpson Galleries in Houston offered the letter to the State of Texas for \$490,000 with 120 days to decide whether to purchase it.

The state decided not to, after putting the letter through forensic analysis by a private North Carolina firm.

The analysis failed to confirm the document's authenticity.

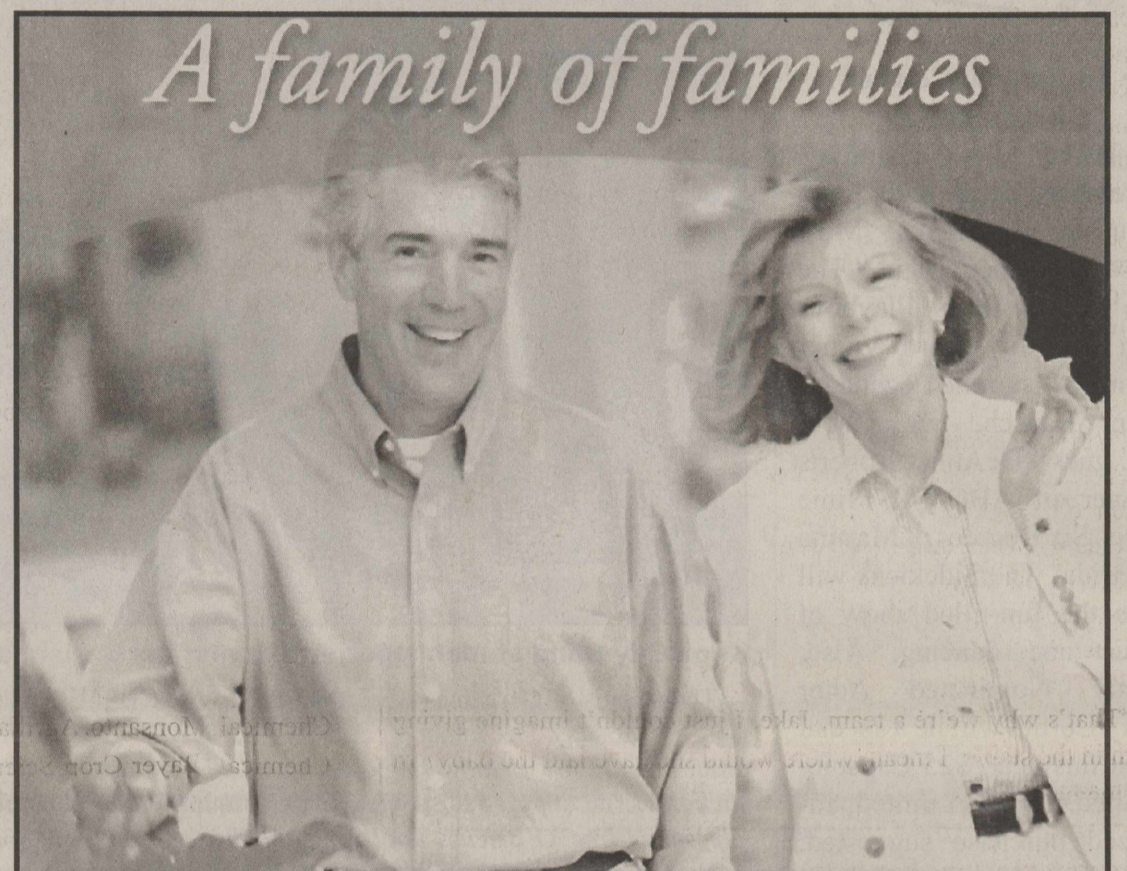
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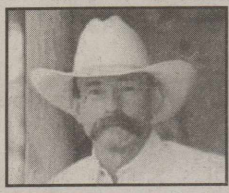
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Crossword puzzle grid with clues for ACROSS, DOWN, and The Original TEXAS CROSSWORD. Clues include: 1 Middle East oil org., 44 very small amount, 45 TXism: "let ___ rip!", 46 word describing TX Howard Hughes, 48 Charles Whitman ___ crowd from UT tower in '66, 49 in Lamar Co. on 82 50 born, 51 TX-sized communications co., 52 Gay Talese book: "Honor ___ Father", 17 TXism: "he's a few bricks ___ of a load", 18 TX Globetrotter Lemon, 21 Boerne historic landmark: ___ Kendall Inn, 22 modern telephone, 23 TX bullrider champ Gay, 24 El Paso religious mountain: Sierra de ___ Rey, 29 TX Farr of "Sons of the Pioneers", 30 ___ medic, 31 TX "Alley Oop" creator: ___ Hamlin, 32 TXism: "missed ___ ___ mile", 34 Ranger pickup, 35 dead language (abbr.), 36 this B. Don is former director of Miss TX pageant, 37 Eisenhower State ___ is near Denison, 38 TXism: "it's a hard ___ to swallow", 39 TXism for nonsense, 41 TXism: "___alarm chili (mild chili)", 42 TXism: "beats anything I ___ saw", 43 TX Bush said: "Read My ___!", 44 what Col. Travis used to draw a line in the dirt, 15 arm bone, 16 TX Steve Martin film: "The ___ With Two Brains", 19 the Eagles & Redskins to the Cowboys, 20 TXism: "that's like the pot calling the ___ black", 22 goal of TX dealerships (2 wds.), 24 truckers' radio, 25 former TX senator Yarborough (init.), 30 sweat outlet, 33 TXism: "it's ___ bout" (close), 34 TXism: "store bought molars", 35 pale purple, 37 TXism: "high as ___ the picture show", 38 barbecue area, 40 TX Lotto winner, 41 ___ Worth Festival", 44 TXism: "pay ___ never mind", 47 song by TX "???" and the Mysterians: "___-six Tears"



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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

Away In The Manger

By Baxter Black, DVM

"Well, that's the last room, Rachael. We're full up."
 "We always are at tax collection time, Jake," Rachael said.
 "I'm glad we moved here. I know you were worried about makin' a livin' in a little po dunk town, assome would say, but it's gonna work, we've just got to have faith."
 "Is that the door?" "I'll get it," said Jake.
 Jake opened the door of his little inn to a man standing in the entranceway. In the moonlight he could see a woman behind him leaning on a burro.
 "Would you have a place to stay?" the man asked, "We've been on the road since Wednesday from Nazareth, my wife is exhausted."
 Jake looked them over. They looked worn out, alright. The woman looked pregnant.
 "Gosh," said Jake, "We just let out our last room 10 minutes ago to a family from Samaria. I'm sorry."
 "Could you recommend some place?" asked the man.
 "The only other inn belongs to Mr. Saul," explained Jake, "But he usually is filled up with officials from the city, and other tax collectors."
 "I'm in a bit of a crunch here," said the man with a hint of desperation in his voice, "My wife is having contractions. Is there any place I could get her off the street? Maybe a tool shed or a pump house?"
 Jacob felt awful. "Well, there's a little barn behind us here. It's not big, but it's out of the wind. Do you have any bedding?"
 "That would be very generous of you, sir. I promise we won't disturb the animals. Is there, by any chance, a midwife nearby?"
 "Everything alright, Jake?" asked Rachael.
 "Yeah, these young folks are lookin' for a room for the night, but I told them we're full up. We could let them spend the night in the stable?"
 "With the animals!" she said, "Jacob, is the girl pregnant?"
 "Yes, ma'am," said the traveler, "She's havin' pains now."
 "Jacob," said Rachael, "They can have our room, we'll sleep on the couch!" Then to the stranger, "Come in...please, we'll fix you up. Jacob, put their burro on the stable. What's yer name, Darlin'? Mary. Okay, c'mon Mary, let's get you comfortable."
 Later that night as Jacob and Rachael snuggled on the couch he said, "That was the right thing to do. I just didn't think of it."
 "That's why we're a team, Jake. I just couldn't imagine giving birth in the stable. I mean, where would she have laid the baby? In the manger?"

Central Rolling Plains Ag. Conference

By Wes Utley, CEA-Ag
 Haskell County Extension Office

The Central Rolling Plains Ag. Conference will be held in Haskell, Texas on January 14th, 2008.

The conference will be held at the Haskell Civic Center with coffee and registration beginning at 8:00 a.m. and the meeting to start at 8:15 a.m.. 7 CEU's will be given.

The speakers will be: Todd Baughman, Extension Research Agronomist; Stan Bevers, Extension Economist; Dana Porter, Extension Water Management Specialist; John Robinson, Extension Cotton Marketing Specialist; Chris Sansone, Extension Entomologist; and Jerry Riney, representative of Sesaco Sesame.

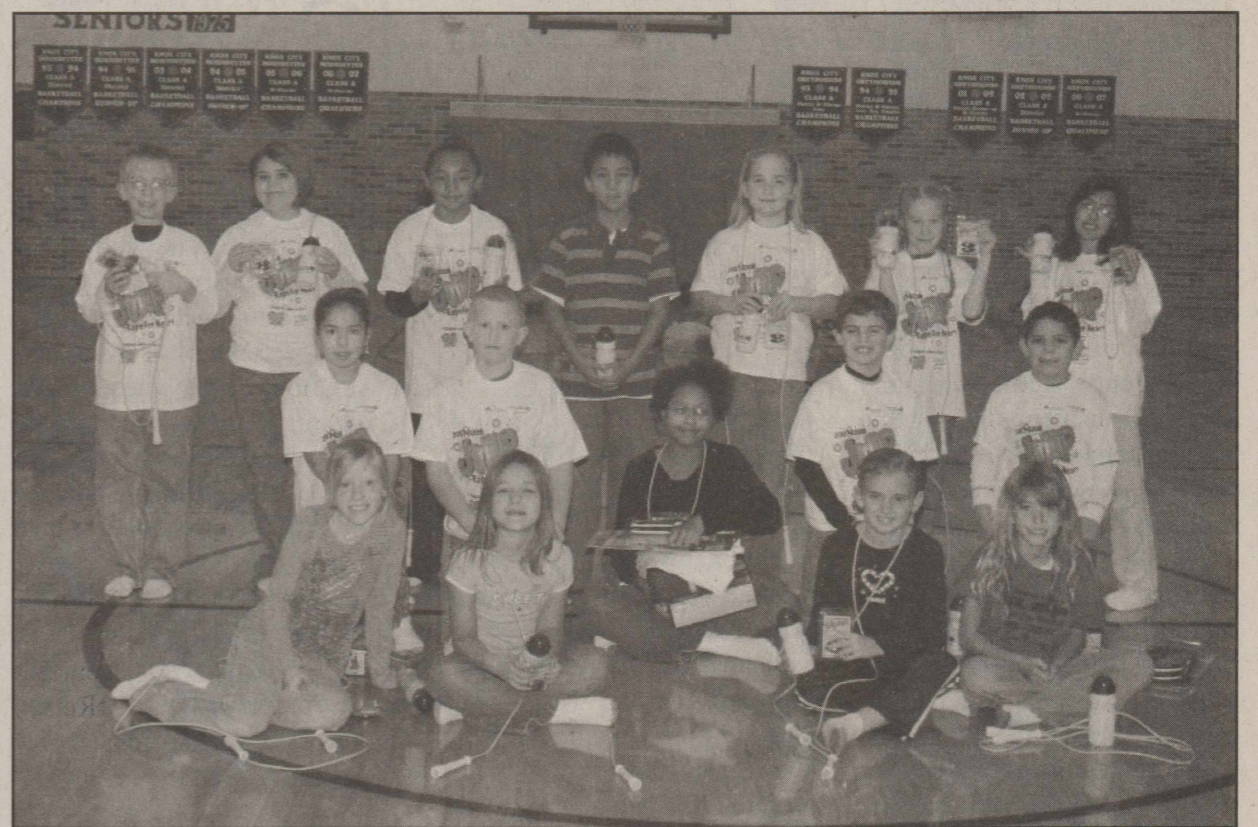
The topics of the day will cover Crop Production Update, Cattle and Wheat Economics, Irrigation Systems Management, Cotton Economics and Management, Sesame as an Alternative, and an IPM Update. Concluding the topics will be an update of Laws and Regulations given by Wes Utley - Haskell Co. Extension Agent-Ag, Justin Gilliam - Throckmorton Co. Extension Agent-Ag, and Brad Easterling, Baylor Co. Extension Agent-Ag.

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There will be a \$10 registration fee which includes a noon meal and CEU Completion Certificate for attending the conference. A total of 7 CEU's will be given: 1 in Laws and Regulations, 1 in Drift, 2 in IPM, and 3 in General.

For more information or to pre-register, please go by the Haskell County Extension Office, located at 101 South Ave. D, in Haskell by noon Friday, January 10, 2008, or call Wes Utley, Haskell CEA-Ag at (940) 864-2658.

Jump Rope for Heart Participants —



Knox City-O'Brien 3rd and 4th grade participated in the Jump Rope for Heart. Also participating in the Jump Rope for Heart was the 5th and 6th grade.

UIL Results — Continued

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- 6th Grade Team Social Studies - Benjamin, second
 - 4th Grade Team Spelling - Guthrie, first; Knox City/O'Brien, third
 - 5th Grade Team Spelling - Guthrie, first; Knox City/O'Brien, third
 - 6th Grade Team Spelling - Guthrie, third
 - 7th Grade Team Calculator - Knox City/O'Brien, first; Guthrie, second
 - 8th Grade Team Calculator - Knox City/O'Brien, first; Benjamin, third
 - 7th Grade Team Listening - Knox City/O'Brien, first; Guthrie, third
 - 8th Grade Team Listening - Knox City/O'Brien, first
 - 7th Grade Maps, Graphs, Charts - Guthrie, first; Benjamin, third
 - 8th Grade Maps, Graphs, Charts - Knox City/O'Brien, first; Guthrie, third
 - 7th Grade Team Number Sense - Guthrie, first; Knox City/O'Brien, third
 - 8th Grade Team Number Sense - Knox City/O'Brien, first; Guthrie, second
 - 7th Grade Team Science - Knox City/O'Brien, first
 - 8th Grade Team Science - Knox City/O'Brien, first; Guthrie, third
 - Grades 7-8 Team Art - Guthrie, first; Knox City/O'Brien, third
 - 7th Grade Dictionary Skills - Guthrie, first; Knox City/O'Brien, third
 - 8th Grade Dictionary Skills - Knox City/O'Brien, first
 - 7th Grade Team Mathematics - Guthrie, first; Benjamin, second
 - 8th Grade Team Mathematics - Knox City/O'Brien, first; Guthrie, second
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OBITUARIES

Mary Christine Touchtone Thomas

Mary Christine Touchtone Thomas went to meet her Lord and departed loved ones on Wednesday, November 28, 2007, in Fort Worth, Texas.

She was born November 7, 1914, in Fisher County, Texas, near the town of Longworth. Her parents were Ethel and Monroe Touchtone. A longtime former resident of Knox City, Mrs. Thomas had lived in Fort Worth for the last few years.

Mrs. Thomas is survived by her grandchildren, Mary Elizabeth Wells, her husband Dwight Wells, and Benjamin Perry Thomas; a daughter-in-law Margaret (Peggy) Thomas. Great-grandchildren are Eugenia Taylor Wells, Elizabeth Christine Wells, William Reginald Wells, Jeremy Benjamin Thomas, and Rachael Elizabeth Thomas. Numerous nieces and nephews. Preceding her in death were her husband, Walter, and her son, Monroe.

The Thomas' owned the Thomas Shoe Repair Shop in Knox City. Mr. Thomas also made custom boots and saddles, and Mrs. Thomas did the decorative stitching on the hand-



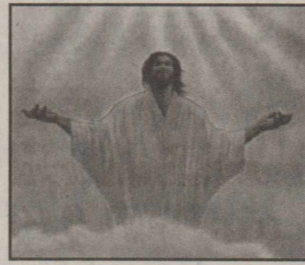
crafted items. Mrs. Thomas also worked at Jerry's Plumbing. After retirement, she served as a volunteer for the Knox County Hospital Auxiliary. Mr. Thomas served at one time on the Knox City School Board.

Their son, Monroe, was valedictorian of his 1954 graduating class. A civil engineer with the US Army Corps of Engineers, he was Section Chief of the Colorado River of Texas, planning for flood control and water supply for the residents of that river basin.

The contributions of the Thomas family to Knox City will be remembered as the last member of this nucleus family has passed on.

God's Promises

By Jim Reid, Pastor
O'Brien Baptist Church



It is so enjoyable to give to our children. They have great imaginations and the desire to have so much fun. As parents we take pleasure in seeing them happy when we give them gifts and agree to do the things that make them happy. Sometimes the things they ask are not for their good or their safety. We make tough love decisions to deny their requests because we love them. As they grow and mature they begin to realize that our decisions were right. They mature to respect our disciplines as their parents.

Our Father in heaven desires to give us joy as well. Un-speakable joy that is so great it is beyond words. He is careful to protect us and provide for us in every way. He desires that we would receive all that He has in store for us; much more than we could ever begin to imagine. Listen to His Word, "If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it shall be done for you (John 15: 7).

Does God really mean what He says? Of course He does! Do we really understand what He is saying?

The word "abide" literally means 'a dwelling place', to live within and to allow Him to live within us, simply saying to give Him total control. When we are children living with our parents we give them total control. We trust them because they love us. God's love is for us, our trust is to Him. When we give Him total control of our lives, He gives us everything we desire that is good for us and everything He desires that is good for us.

We give much in this time of giving and sharing. Christmas is the time to give and let others know that we love them. In the above verse God challenges our belief and our commitment to Him.

He gave us His greatest gift, His only Son, Jesus Christ. Let us give Him our greatest gift; ourselves.

I pray the Lord bless you and your family this Christmas.

Knox City-O'Brien Middle School Honor Roll Announced For Second Six-Weeks

"A" Honor Roll

Kinslee Cox (5th), Andrea Lynn (5th), Jessica Wilburn (5th), Zachary Carter (6th), Kelsey Vasquez (6th), Blayne Bradley (7th), Allison Lynn (7th), Destini Billington (8th), Cassidy Carter (8th), Kyle Harrington (8th), Jarek Wilde (8th)

"A/B" Honor Roll

Nicholas Short (5th), Adrian Silva (5th), Joanna Trevino

(5th), Lyndon Baty (6th), Tylynne Bernal (6th), Garrett Fox (6th), Scott Reed (6th), Tanna Moeller (6th), Travis Self (6th), Courtney Taylor (6th), Isaac Banks (7th), Selena Benavides (7th), Quinten Burt (7th), Haley Ledesma (7th), Ty Baker (8th), Reagan Clark (8th), Tiffany Esquivel (8th), Jo Martinez (8th), Christopher Wakefield (8th)

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- personal loss and grief
- feelings of loneliness
- family or personal illness'
- financial concerns
- separation from family members

• relationship problems
Helen Farabee Mental Health Centers in Haskell/Seymour suggests using 12 tips recommended by the Mayo Clinic to fight depression and stress during the season.

1. Acknowledge your feelings. If a loved one has recently died or you aren't able to be with your loved ones, realize that it's normal to feel sadness or grief. It's OK now and then to take time just to cry or express your feelings.

2. Seek support. If you feel isolated or down, seek out family members and friends, or community, religious or social services. They can offer support and companionship. You don't have to go it alone.

3. Be realistic. As families change and grow, traditions and rituals often change as well. Hold on to those you can and want to. But accept that you may have to let go of others.

4. Set differences aside. Try to accept family members and friends as they are, even if they don't live up to all your expectations. Practice forgiveness. Set aside grievances until a more appropriate time for discussion.

5. Stick to a budget. Before you go shopping, decide how much money you can afford to spend on gifts and other items. Then be sure to stick to your budget.

6. Plan ahead. Set aside specific days for shopping, baking, visiting friends and other activities. Plan your menus and then make one big food-shopping trip.

7. Learn to say no. Believe it or not, people will understand if you can't do certain projects or activities. If you say yes only to what you really want to do, you'll avoid feeling resentful, bitter and overwhelmed.

8. Don't abandon healthy habits. Don't let the holidays become a dietary free-for-all. Some indulgence is OK, but overindulgence only adds to your stress and guilt. Continue to get plenty of sleep and schedule time for physical activity.

9. Take a breather. Make some time for yourself. Spending just 15 minutes alone, without distractions, may refresh you enough to handle everything you need to do. Listen to soothing music.

Find something that reduces stress by clearing your mind, slowing your breathing and restoring inner calm.

10. Rethink resolutions. Resolutions can set you up for failure if they're unrealistic. Don't resolve to change your whole life to make up for past excess. Instead, try to return to basic, healthy lifestyle routines. Set smaller, more specific goals with a reasonable time frame. Choose only those resolutions that help you feel valuable and that provide more than only fleeting moments of happiness.

11. Forget about perfection. Holiday TV specials are filled with happy endings. But in real life, people don't usually resolve problems within an hour or two. All in the same day. Accept imperfections in yourself and in others.

12. Seek professional help if you need it. Despite your best efforts, you may find yourself feeling persistently sad or anxious, plagued by physical complaints, unable to sleep, irritable and hopeless, and unable to face routine chores. If these feelings last for several weeks, talk to your doctor or a mental health professional. You may have depression.

Take these active steps in managing stress and depression and maybe you will enjoy the Holidays more than you expected!

Knox County Sheriff's Report

November 8 - December 12

Denton, Joshua Drew - (11/16/07) - Indecency w/ child-sexual contact (F-2) (Wise County Warrant)

Hulbutta, Jeffrey Dale - (11/17/07) - Poss. of controlled substance in Correctional Facility (F-3) Possession of controlled substance (SJF) (Knox County)

Moore, James Russell - (11/19/07) - Deadly Conduct (M-A) (Baylor County)

Dixon, Gary Shawn - (11/28/07) - Possession of controlled substance (F-2) (Baylor County)

Zuniga, Cindy Lynn - (11/30/07) - Traffic (M-C) (Knox County)

Rieder, Robert Norman - (12/01/07) - Possession of marihuana (M-A) (Knox County)

Phelps, Elizabeth (12/03/07) - TBC (M-B) (Taylor County Warrant)

McBeth, Rico Fontance - (12/07/07) - Assault/Family Violence (M-A) (Knox County)

Marsh, Katrina Lynn - (12/09/07) - Burglary of Building (SJF) (Baylor County)

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Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 25647

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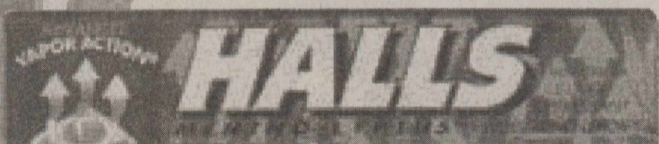
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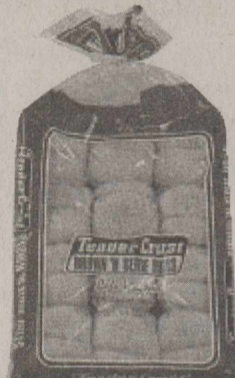


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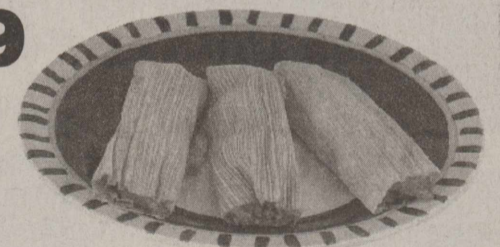
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Benjamin Sports

Mustangs and Lady 'Stangs Basketball Action

Benjamin high school basketballers had yet another good week in sports.

The Mustangs and Lady Stangs played the Harrold Hornets at home on the 11th and both Benjamin teams had victories.

The Lady Stangs warmed up the hard court first with a 65-23 win over the Lady Hornets. Leading the board for the Lady Stangs was Karla Benson with 23 points. Others scoring were Leah Vanderpol 6, Devon Jones 5, Judit Acevedo 2, Julia Acevedo 4, Jessica Vanderpol 8, Nafeesa Ebraheim 4 and Raquel Acevedo 13.

Leading in rebounds was Devon Jones with 8. Leader in steals was Leah Vanderpol with 4.

The Mustangs kept the Lady's energy up with a 63-14 win over the Hornets. Leading scorer was Dusty Stevens with 17. Also scoring were Damon Gideon 13, Gilbert Nevarez 10, Dylan Benson 1, Roberto Acevedo 1, Lucas Cartwright 6, Adam Holmes 4, Derrick Northrup 5, Dillon Loftiss 2 and Mitchell Welch 4.

Leading the team in rebounds was Dusty Stevens with 13. Leader in steals was Derrick Northrup with 10.

On December 14th the teams went head to head with Chilli-cothe. The Lady Stangs brought in another win, while the Eagles scraped by the Mustangs with a victory.

The Lady Stangs final score of 66-29.

Leading the team in points was Karla Benson with 18.

Also scoring were Leah Vanderpol 6, Devon Jones 8, Judit Acevedo 14, Julia Acevedo 6, Jessica Vanderpol 5, Raquel Acevedo 7 and Shelby Russell 2.

Rebound leader was Judit Acevedo with an impressive 23. Steal leader was Devon Jones with 5.

The Mustangs fell with a close, but disappointing 11 point loss to the Eagles. The final score was Benjamin 32, Chilli-cothe 43.

Leading the board for the Mustangs was Dylan Benson with 8 points. Others scoring were Damon Gideon 2, Gilbert Nevarez 7, Dusty Stevens 6, Lucas Cartwright 5, Derrick Northrup 2 and Dillon Loftiss 2.

Rebound leader was Lucas Cartwright with 8. Leading the team in steals was Gilbert Nevarez with 5.

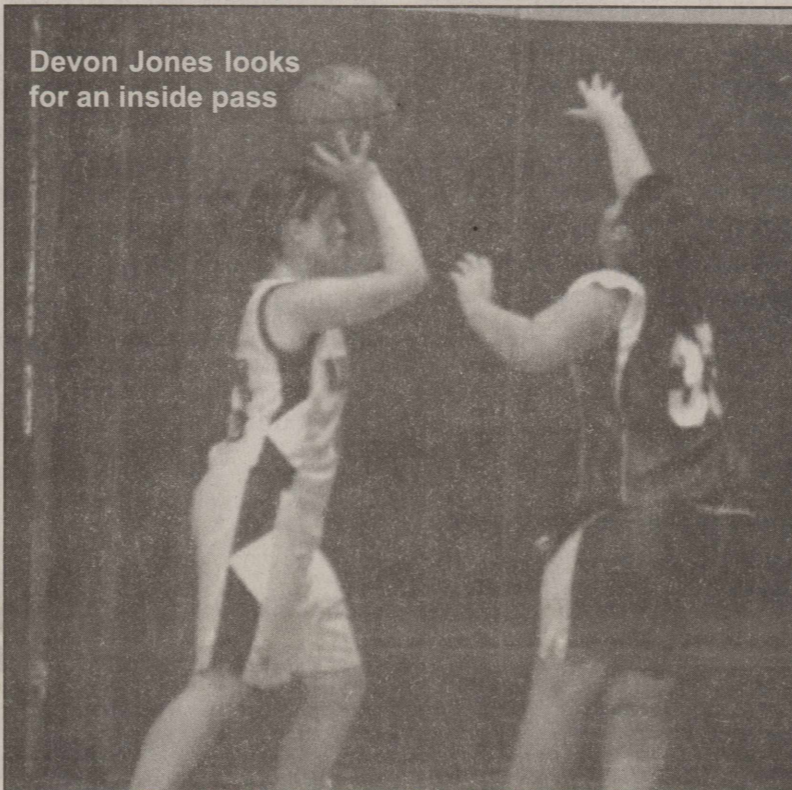
The Mustangs and Lady Stangs play Patton Springs before letting out for the Christmas holiday and go back into basketball action on December 28th when they play Lueders Avoca at home at 10 a.m.

The Mustangs and Lady Stangs will be open on January 4th, but will hit the court again on January 8th against Spur at home. The game had previously been scheduled away, but was changed.

The junior high Mustangs will hold an open date on January 7th, coming out of the Christmas holiday, but will come into play the next week against Spur at home on the 14th.



Lucas Cartwright plays man on man defense



Devon Jones looks for an inside pass

BENJAMIN NEWS

By Gladene Green

Only one week til Christmas. Are you ready? I'm getting that way and hopefully by the time it gets here, I'll be "good to go". The weather has gotten much more pleasant and if it stays this way, looks like a nice holiday ahead for visiting and enjoying family and friends, and let's hope for good weather Saturday for that state play-off game - Go Moguls!! We are for you all the way. You know, Once a Mogul - Always a Mogul.

Sympathy to Linda Griffith and her family today. Linda's mom passed away Sunday after several months of failing health. She was 94.

Herservice will be Wednesday in Gilmer, Texas.

Christmas Program

The annual Community Christmas program was Sunday night at the First Baptist Church here in Benjamin. Linda Griffith directed it. The youth of the community made up the choir and sang several Christmas carols. A Christmas skit was presented. The characters were Devon Jones, Jessica and Leah Vanderpol, Shelby Russell and Ariel Gideon.

The choir read the Christmas Story, Tib Burnett presented some of his poetry and played the harmonica and Tracy Cartwright did the reading 'One Solitary Life'. Pre-K through 4th grade spelled out Merry Christmas and read what each letter stands for.

The program ended with

the congregation singing "Joy To The World".

A reception followed in the Church of Christ annex.

Birthday Bash

December 18th, LaMoyné Patterson will turn 90 years of age, and on Saturday his family and friends honored him with a party in his home. Presents, cards, phone calls and well wishes from many made LaMoyné extra happy. Punch, cake and coffee were served to the guests. His children, Lynn, Ken and LaNay and their families hosted the get-together.

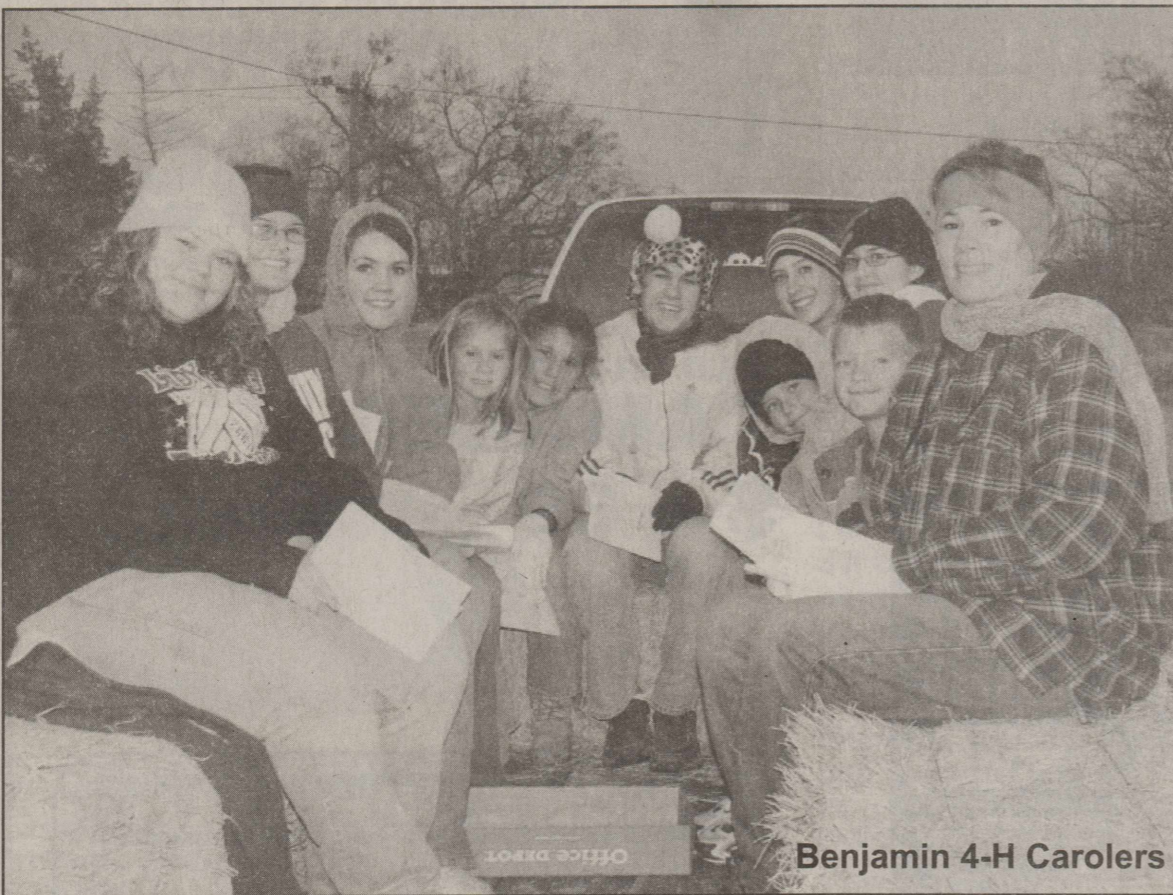
All American Honors

Tony Burson, a senior football center at Midwestern University has been named second team Daktronics All-American for the second straight year and also second team at center on the Associated Press Little All-American team.

Tony is married to the former Ashley Cartwright of Benjamin. We congratulate Tony on his accomplishments.

The news this week is once again scarce. Folks are busy preparing for the Christmas weekend. Next time should be full of local comings and goings.

I wish for each of you a very Merry Christmas and my prayer is that we don't fail to remember what the season is really about. I count my many friends and wonderful family as some of my greatest blessings and I'm thankful for each of you.



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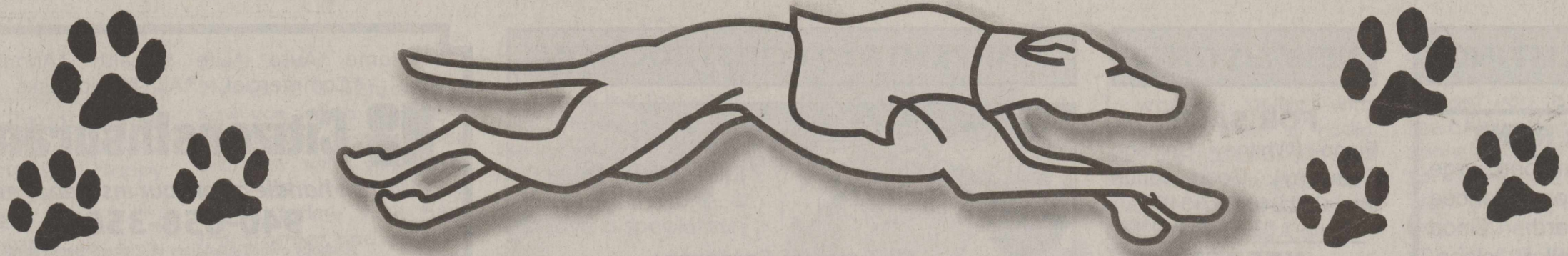
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By Lyndon Baty

Jordan Carter led the Greyhounds with 16 points as they rolled by the Aspermont Hornets 57-44. At the start of the game, the Hornets went on a 13-2 run, but the Hounds stepped up taking a 26-24 lead at halftime. Kenyin Thompson had 14 points while Derrick Coleman added 11 points in the game. In the third quarter the Greyhounds outscored the Hornets 18-9. Coach Moore said after the game, "We put it together really good in the third and fourth quarter and did a great job controlling the ball in the fourth quarter to preserve the win. We still have a long way to go but I see improvement in them every week." The Greyhounds overall record is 4 and 7. They play their next game Jan. 1, 2008 with the time to be arranged.

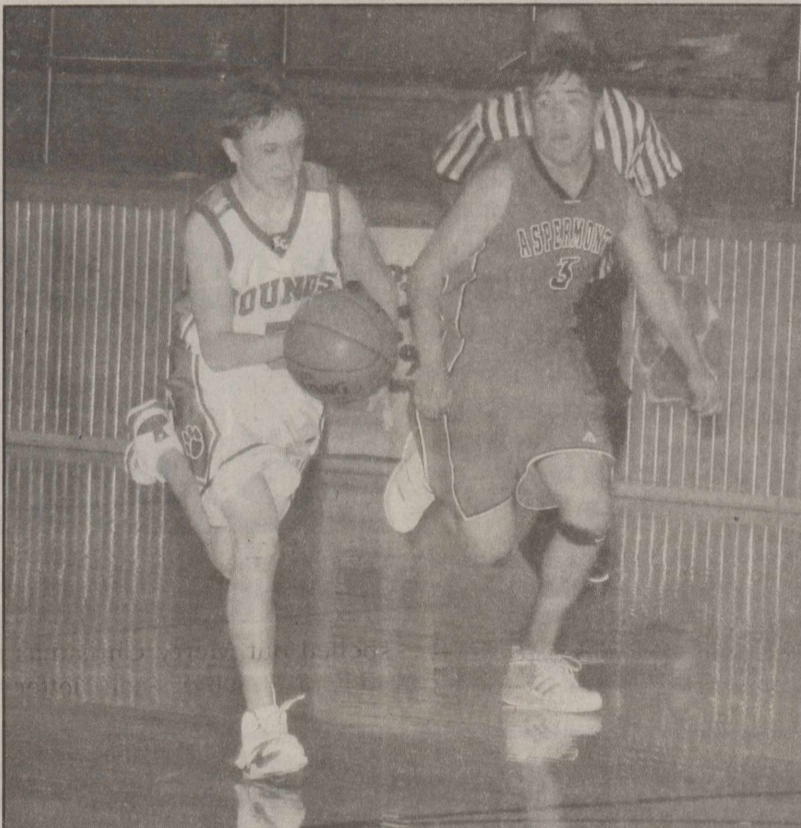
The Houndettes met the Aspermont Lady Hornets in basketball action Tuesday, Dec. 11, at the Knox City Gym. The Houndettes took a 32-48 loss from the Lady Hornets. Knox City was down by 12 in the first quarter but the Houndettes came back and played three very good and aggressive quarters. According to the Coach Peters, "I was very pleased at how the girls executed the defense to isolate Aspermont's leading scorer. We are doing some things very well; and other areas such as blocking out and holding off offensive boards are giving us some trouble but we are continuing to work those things out before district play." The Houndettes begin district action Jan. 4, against the Spur Lady Bulldogs at home with the JV scheduled to tip-off at 4:00 pm. They have one more non-district game which will be at Chillicothe on Jan. 1, 2008 with tip-off time yet to be scheduled.

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Orrin Myers #5 gets the fast break and heads for the Greyhounds' basket



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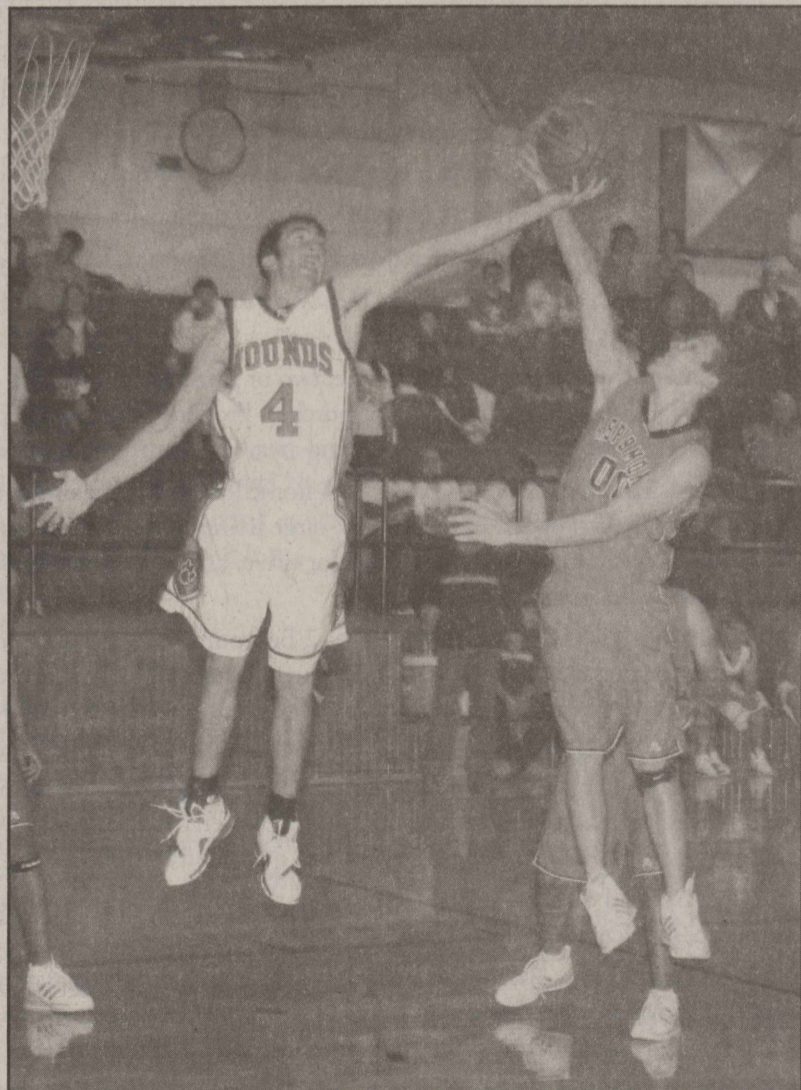
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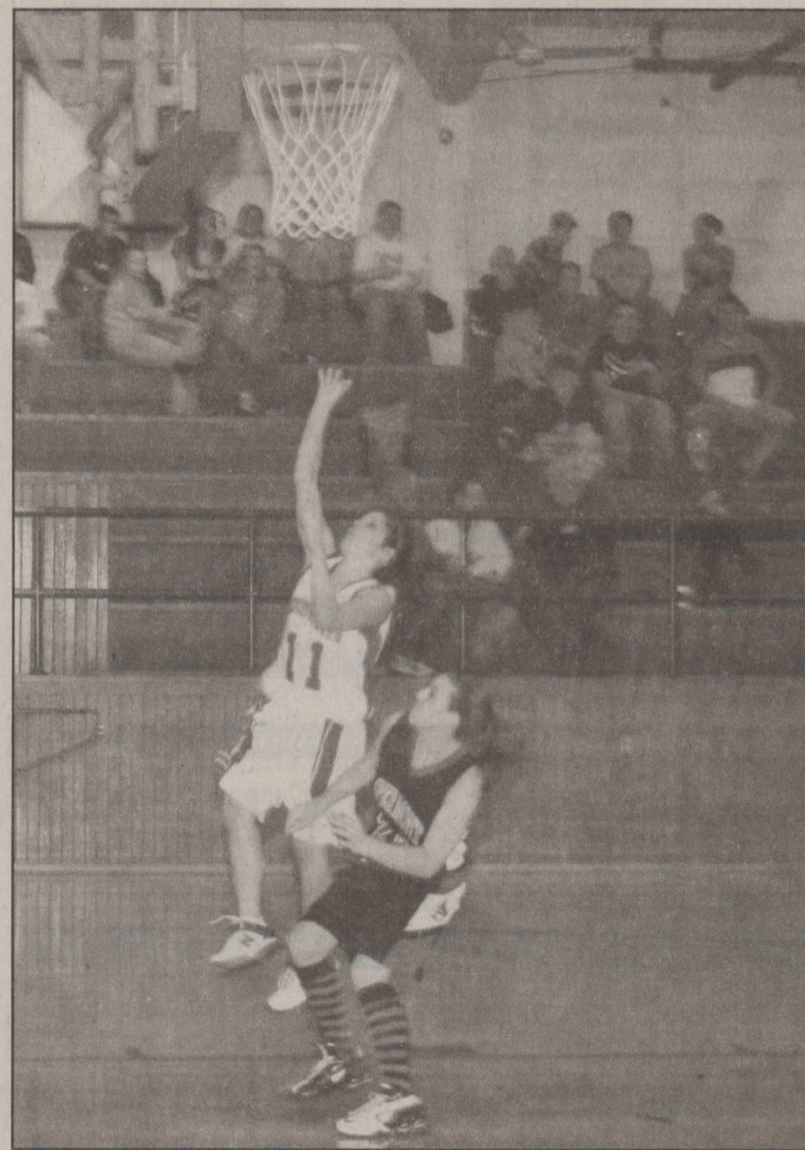
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Jordan Carter #4 plays one-on-one defense



Shelby Guterrez goes up for the lay up and draws the foul from the Aspermont Lady Hornet

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Dear Santa,
I hope you have a good Christmas. I want a game-boy and a playstation 2. I also want an ipod. Happy Christmas Santa.
Christopher

Dear Santa,
I want a pink sparkley cap and Bratz brush that changes hair color and a Barbie that brush and a star on her dress.
Love,
Madison

Dear Santa,
My name is Tyler DeLosRios. I have been a good boy this year. I would like to have a new bike without training wheels. I would also like to have a new TV chair to watch my cartoons, and a blue boat with trailer. My little brother Jayden would like a toy train to ride on and a TV chair, too, so we can watch TV together. My brother and I will leave cookies and milk for you and oats for your reindeer. Thank you so much. I hope you have a safe trip.
Love,
Tyler DeLosRios

Dear Santa,
My name is Devon Lane Martinez, but you can call me "Baby Girl" like my Teeta does. I am 2 years old and have tried to be good this year, but 2 is a really rough age. Please bring me some baby dolls, some Dora toys and lots of Dorastuff for my room. Please bring Klarisa Bratz toys and Anthony some transformer toys. We will leave some cookies and milk for you.
Your friend,
"Baby Girl"
Devon Lane Martinez

Dear Santa,
My name is Anthony Martinez and I am 4 years old. I have been a very good boy this year. For Christmas, I would like a 4-wheeler, a motorcycle and a Transformers room. Please bring Klarisa a Bratz movie and a Dora room for Devon. I will leave a glass of milk and some cookies.
Your friend,
Anthony Martinez

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like some guns, muscle machines and a Spongebob watch.
Cason Lewis
P.S. I live in the country and I don't have a chimney anymore. Come in the back door.

Dear Santa,
I want a trampoline with a net around it where you can't fall off. I want a Cheerleader Bratz Girl that has a cat and a dog with it. I want a t-shirt and pants that are sparkly and pretty.
Love,
Kyli

Dear Santa,
My name is Benjamin. I saw you when you were downtown and took pictures with you also. I asked you to bring me a turkey in a box, transformer and a chair. I just want to remind you that I have tried to be extra good this year and I will try to remember to leave you cookies and milk, ok.
Love,
Benjamin Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
I want this for Christmas. I want a Spiderman toy for Christmas. I would love for you to bring me a cool bike. I hope you have a great time!
Love,
Angel Perez

Dear Santa,
My name is Maxamillion Powdrill and I live behind Bud's Cafe in a blue house. My mom says I have way too many toys; but I don't agree with her. This year, I would love to have a skateboard, a Sponge Bob operation game and a Spy Gear set with binoculars. I have been a very good boy for five years. I ALWAYS listen to my mama. Please bring her lots of lip gloss and high heels. I will leave you a snack of Oreos and chocolate milk. Watch out because I'm sneaky!! I might be hiding behind the furniture so I can see you! Thank you, Santa.
Love,
Maxamillion Powdrill

Dear Santa,
My name is Zoe. I saw you when you were downtown and I took a picture with you, too. This year I want dolls, barbie car and lots of girl stuff. I have been good this year, so please don't forget to stop at my house, ok?
Love,
Zoe Reid

Dear Santa,
I want a red motorcycle. I also want a Ford that is yellow and I want a four-wheeler that is blue.
Bye,
Corban Cox

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year, so please bring me a Dora digital camera, a horse and lots of movies for my portable DVD player. I'll have some chocolate milk and cookies for you.
Angelica G.

Dear Santa,
I want a lot of toys. Please can I please have a turtle. I want a dollhouse. I want a doll. Okay? I want a red bird that talks. It talks all by it's self.
Thank you,
Patience

Dear Santa,
I really liked the things you gave me last year. This Christmas I would like a wii with games, mp3 player, laptop and a razor cell phone. I will leave a special surprise.
Love,
Trey



Dear Santa,
I want a guitar with strings. I want a radio and a calculator. Me and my friends play everyday outside on the big slide and we play tag. I am 6.
Your friend,
Anna

Dear Santa Claus,
I want you to go down the chimney and give me some toys and then go to someone else's house. I want you to give me that boy kitchen and I want you to eat the cookies and milk. I also want a talking snowman, a camping tent and a pool table.
I was nice to my mom and everyone. I am 5 and I'm in school.
I love you,
Bradyn

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a teddy bear and a Spiderman dog, a red one, and I would love to have a real Superman. I live in Knox City, TX and I will leave you some milk and cookies by the tree!
Thank you Santa,
Michael Rutledge

For Christmas I would like a Barbie doll and a kite. I also need some be good medicine. Please bring my brothers some cars. I will leave some milk and cookies under the tree.
Love you Santa,
Kiyannah

Dear Santa,
My name is Taylor. I have been a very good girl this year. For Christmas, I would like to have a Beauty and the Beast Tea Party set. Also, I want an Easy Bake Oven to make cookies for my family. And please bring something nice for my brother and sister. They have been good also. We will leave milk and cookies for you, and carrots for your reindeers. I live in the brown brick house by the green fence in Rochester.
Taylor

Dear Santa,
My name is Trevor Austin Tears. I live with my Papa and Nana. I would like for Christmas a big red outdoors wagon. I want a toy Transformer, clothes and a very happy Christmas day, a new belt, I want my big brothers to get what they want from you. Make sure that Papa, Nana gets a Happy Christmas, too. Bless you and Mrs. Claus a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Nana said I could leave you a glass of milk, cookie.
Love,
Trevor Tears

Dear Santa Claus,
Please give me a present. Could I please have a pink car? I am 5 and I live in Knox City behind the care home.
Love,
Tori

Dear Santa Claus,
Thank you for giving us a present. I like the song "Let the Dogs Out". We fed some reindeer circle balls. Please bring me a Barbie and a ball. I live in a trailer house. I am five.
I love you,
Elysia

Dear Santa,
How are you doing this Christmas eve. I been very good this year. What I want for Christmas is a phone, im, me, labtop, ring, guitar, Nintendo ds, and a Pembroke welsh corgi (a dog).
Love your friend,
Skylin
ps. I am going to leave cookies and milk, for the reindeer are deer food and water.

Dear Santa,
My name is Meghan Finley and I am 4 years old. For Christmas I want a Barbie bus, a bunch of Elmos and a dollhouse. I will leave you cookies and fudge on Christmas Eve.
I love you,
Meghan Finley

Dear Santa,
My name is Austin Hacker. I would like to have a remote control car. I would also like to have a transformer car. Oh yeah, Santa I would really like to have a 4-wheeler for me and my brother and sister to ride on our farm. I been pretty good this year, so could you please come to the green house on the corner of the Hacker Farm? Don't worry about my dog, Jack; he won't bite you. We will leave you milk and cookies by the tree. Thank you Santa Claus.
Love Always,
Austin Hacker

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I wish you could bring me some transformers, a little woody cowboy and a remote control truck with no wires. I wish you can make it down my fireplace for my presents and your milk and cookies. If the fireplace is on you can come in through the front door. I will tell Isabel and my dad to answer the door for you.
P.S. Can you take a picture of yourself and leave me a copy?
Mason Magana

Dear Santa,
I would like a sled, a train and a kitten for Christmas. I have been a good girl and I love you Santa. We will leave you some milk and cookies so you don't get hungry.
I told my Dad no fires in the fireplace until after Christmas so you can come in and it is safe.
Thank you Santa.
Love,
Eylen

Dear Santa,
I want a SpongeBob and an apple. I will leave you cheese and crackers and milk.
Love,
Martin Hernandez

Dear Santa,
My name is Bryson Dylan Byrd. I am 4 year old and live in O'Brien, TX. I want a big transformer, a big monster truck would be nice, too. And some new clothes and shoes. Oh yeah, and Santa I'm gonna leave you some cookies and milk.
Bryson Byrd
P.S. I think I've been really good this year!

Dear Santa,
I want evre thing that is cool for boys.
Love,
Jermie

Dear Santa,
I love your Rudolph and I will give you cookies and milk. We love you and misse claus.
Love,
Cheyenne

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I would like a clock, a laptop, books, polar books and a lamp.
Love,
Kaetlin Ledesma

Dear Santa,
How are your reindeer? I want a laptop.
Love,
T.C.

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I would like a reindeer and some DVDS.
Love,
Naomi

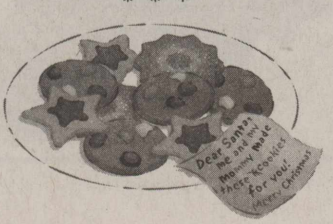
Dear Santa,
How are your reindeer doing? Santa how doo you get in my home? Santa this Christmas I would like a toy car.
Love,
Shawn

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I would like a laptop and I will lev you sun cookies and milk.
Love,
Erica Trevino

Dear Santa,
I am going to leave some cookies and some milk. Merry Christmas. How is Rudolph?
Love,
Chris

Dear Santa,
I wun't is a xbox 360 four Christmas this year ans some book's. I love you.
Love,
Jesse

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I would like a computer. I love to give Santa some milk and some cookies. I would like you to bring me some books.
Love,
Yesenia



Dear Santa,
I want a Little Tikes Talking Train with tracks. I am trying very hard to be a good little girl, but it is hard for a one year old. My sisters are so good to me, please bring them something good.
Taley Espinosa

Dear Santa,
I want Playstation 2 and Ben 10 watch and a gift card. Sometimes I get mad and sad but try to be nice and good. For my baby brother, I think he wants a toy and play, laugh and grow.
Love,
Sean and Seth

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. Please bring me a rocker and swing for my baby. Thanks for all the toys last year.
Love,
Riley Paige Carver - 3yrs.

Hi Santa,
I've tried my hardest to be a good boy, I just forget sometimes! I love to sing Christmas songs with my big brother, and we watch lots of Christmas movies. This year I want Mickey Mouse, some new cars, and if you think of something else that's okay, too! Say hi to Rudolph, he's my favorite. We'll leave you some snacks and don't forget my brother Nate-Nate he's been a good boy too!
Love,
Kristopher Ram Alvarez
21mths

Dear Santa,
I've been a pretty good boy this year. Mommy says I'm the best big brother so that should count for something, right? I'm so excited about Christmas. I've been watching movies and singing all the songs since last year. I really liked getting to see you after the parade! This year I like Mickey Mouse, Cars the movie, playing video games and watching movies. So you can pick what you want to bring. Oh and don't forget my little bubba, he likes Mickey Mouse too!
Love,
Nathaniel Roy Alvarez
Age 3

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a pink watch. I would also like a toy kitty cat and a pink spider. I will not fight with my brothers next year. I've been good. I will leave you pickles and grapes for a snack.
Thank you,
Tanner Strickland

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a dress up shop and a slippers shop so I can play princess.

Dear Santa,
I love you. Bring us some presents. I want Bratz lipstick, Bratz clothes, Princess make-up set.
Love,
Lezleigh

Dear Santa,
My name is Matthew and I am 3 years old. I have tried to be good this year. For Christmas I would like some presents from you. Please bring some presents for my sister Alexia too. Have a safe trip, and I will leave you a snack.
Love,
Matthew Jimenez
P.S. I really like your new Santa Claus 3 movie.

Dear Santa,
I want a rope and a go-cart.
Love,
Carson

Dear Santa,
I am 5 years old and would like many things this x-mas. I would like lots of DragonBall Z toys for starters. I would also like some Yugio toys, a new t.v. with a dvd player, and some movies. I want some new clothes too. Size 7/8 shirts and 6 or 7 pants. Bring my brother something special too. I will leave you something special! Merry x-mas and God Bless Everyone...
Thanks,
Jabahri Walton

Dear Santa,
I am four years old and I go to school in Knox City. Will you please bring some presents to put under my tree? I would like a four wheeler with a key and a flashlight.
Thank you for coming last year.
Love,
M.J. Pedroza

Dear Santa,
My name is Gilbert Trevino. I live in Knox City, Texas. I have been a little bit bad this year but I am trying really hard to be good. I would like a guitar, magnetix and leap frog computer for Christmas. I will leave you and your reindeer cookies and milk by my Christmas tree. I have a little brother named Nicholas. Please bring him a present too.
Thank you,
Gilbert Trevino
Love,
Grace Estrada

Dear Santa,
My name is Chelsey. I have been a good girl this year. So can you please bring me Butterscotch the horse? I would also like to have My Little Pony and Fur Real Kitty cat. Please don't forget to bring my sister a teddy bear and a duck. See you soon Santa.
Chelsey

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the presents last year. This year I want a football and a football game and a paitsitball paitsitball game.
From
Darius

Dear Santa,
How are you and your wife? For Christmas I want a real lab top, I-am-me, clothes, and a Ipod. P.s. I will be leaving you milk and cookies. I love Christmas.
Love,
Hayden Rechelle king

Dear Santa,
Thanks for the gifts last year. For Christmas this year I want an bluetooth, a Ipod, or mp3 player and a labtop. I, ll have lots of cookies.
Love
Elssa

Dear Santa,
Thanks for my presents last year and don't forget to bring us more. Me to I want some basketball shoes, A new football, xbox360, and a playstation 3. I'm going to leave you some cookies and milk.
Christian Abila

Dear Santa,
My name is Bell! I am 4 years old and I have been a good girl this year I really have. I am writing you this letter to let you know what I want. First, I would like a muffin maker and then I also want a scarecrow, last I would like for you to bring me a Barbie Jeep. I will leave you some milk and cookies for you to enjoy.
Thank you.
Love,
Bell Ledesma

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I want a Belle dress and a Barbie house. I will leave you and the reindeer some cheetos.
Love,
Gracie Howeth
4 years

Dear Santa,
I have been good all year. For Christmas, I want a cowboy set and a BB gun. I will leave you milk and cookies.
See ya soon,
Carson Carver

Dear Santa,
This year I want Yugio cards, video games and a guitar. Also I want my brother Stran to have a DS game. Thank you for coming to my house. I will leave you some Christmas cookies and chocolate milk, I know that's your favorite!
I love you,
Samuel Barnard

Dear Santa,
My name is Abraham Perez. I live on Aspen Street in Knox City. I am 5 years old. I want a transformer, a play gun, a walkie-talkie, and a wrestling toy. I want you to give my sister Lindsey a kitchen with food, an OU cheerleading suit and a little pink camouflage 4-wheeler. I will leave you cookies, cake, and coffee on the table.
Love,
Abraham Perez

Dear Santa,
My name is Melanie. I live in Rochester. I have been very good this year. I would like to have a Dora mermaid doll, 2007 Holiday Barbie and easy bake oven.
Thank you,
Melanie

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the presents last year. All I want are 6 things this year and 2 things for my friends. What I want for Christmas is the Godzilla Unleash video game, Thrillville Off The Rails, a laptop, King Kong with the ventasaurus toy and the Zoo Tycoon 3-D game.
Love,
Devin Harris

Dear Santa Claus,
I go to school at Knox City. I am 5. Sometime I be good at school. I do good work at school. I want a Chloe Bratz doll where she is holding her puppy. I want a Princess snow globe that you push a button and snow goes around it. I want a Rose Cottage and make-up. I took a picture with you at the mall. I saw you house by the ring store. I live at Knox City. I will leave you cookies and hot chocolate and the reindeer popcorn and water.
Your friend,
Reylee

Dear Santa,
My name is Ainsley. I live in Knox City. I am in kindergarten. Thank you for the Dr. Pepper and popcorn you brought me last year. I would like you to bring me some Fat Baby Boots, some boot jeans, and a shirt. I would also like a walkie-talkie phone set and a My Cleaning Trolley. I will leave you chocolate chip cookies and milk by the tree.
Love,
Ainsley Manning

Dear Santa Claus,
How's your sleigh? How's your reindeer? Have you been feeding them? How's your wife? I want Marine stuff like Cody, a laptop computer, a cowboy suit with spurs, and a work shirt so you can get dirty in the fields. I love my family. I am 5 and I am in Kindergarten. We do a lot of stuff and I like it.
I love you,
Mayson

Dear Santa Claus,
Thank you for eating your snack I left you at Grandma's house last year. I want a John Deere bike, B.B. gun, a tractor with remote control and a Wii. For my sister, Emily, bring a Barbie doll. My brother, Ryan, wants a pretend B.B. gun. I live in Knox City, Texas and I am in Kindergarten. I'm fixing to be 6 in January.
Your Friend,
John

Dear Santa,
My name is Gabriel Ruiz. I live in Knox City. For Christmas I want a PSP, a monster truck power wheel and a real Longhorn football uniform so I can play football. I have been a real good boy this year. I will leave you cookies and milk and some grapes for your reindeer.
Thank you,
Gabriel Ruiz

Dear Santa,
I am happy because you are coming here. Please bring me lots of art supplies because I like to color. I also want a remote control car. Two of them. I'll leave you milk and cookies.
From,
Zachery Overmyer

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a basketball and Barbie. I have been good and so has my sister. Me and my sister would like some bikes.
Love,
Adriana

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie doll, a Purple Furbury, and a new basketball. I am five years old. My favorite thing at school is playing in the blocks. I love the blocks. I love to play outside on the swings. I like to play basketball. I am in TNT.
I love you so much,
Faith

Dear Santa Claus,
I love you so much. I want you to bring me some presents, please! I want a Barbie purple electric car, a new bike, shoes and a Barbie. I am five and I play Barbies, mermaids, and Dora. I play with Ainsley and Reylee at school. We are in Kindergarten. I love my friends. Mrs. McGaughey lives by me.
I love you,
Breanna

Dear Santa,
I love you! I am going to give you cookies and milk. My mom can make them. I want your reindeer to come eat my hay. I want you to come to my house and bring me presents. I love you so much. I want a choo choo train, a tow truck, a coloring book, a ball and a new cap.
Thank you!
Love,
Chance Baty

Dear Santa,
I am Aaron Espinosa. I am 5. I live in Knox City. I want you to bring me a motorcycle, a racecar, a 4-wheeler and a real backhoe like my dad so I can help him. I will leave cookies and milk by my dad's chair.
Love,
Aaron Espinosa

Dear Santa,
My name is Jacelyn. I am 6. I live in a blue house in Knox City. I want a princess dollhouse with a princess, a Barbie bus, Barbies and a new bike. I will leave you milk and cookies.
Love,
Jacelyn Gentry

Dear Santa,
My name is Raquel Martinez. I am 5 years old. I would like Barbie dolls and a dog. I will leave you chicken, macaroni and a coke. Thank you for the presents.
Love,
Raquel Martinez

Dear Santa,
I am 5 years old. My name is Karen. I live in Knox City. I would like a Princess doll and some toy farm animals. I will leave you some juice and soup.
Love,
Karen Sanchez

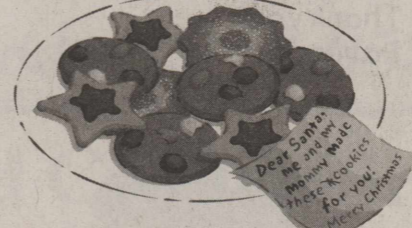
Dear Santa,
My name is Ryan. I live in the country down by the bus stop. I would like a 4-wheeler with camouflage on it. I want a dirt bike for my brother. I want a boy kitchen for me and a toy truck. I will leave you cookies and milk on the living room table. I will leave you a pie too.
Love,
Ryan Barker.

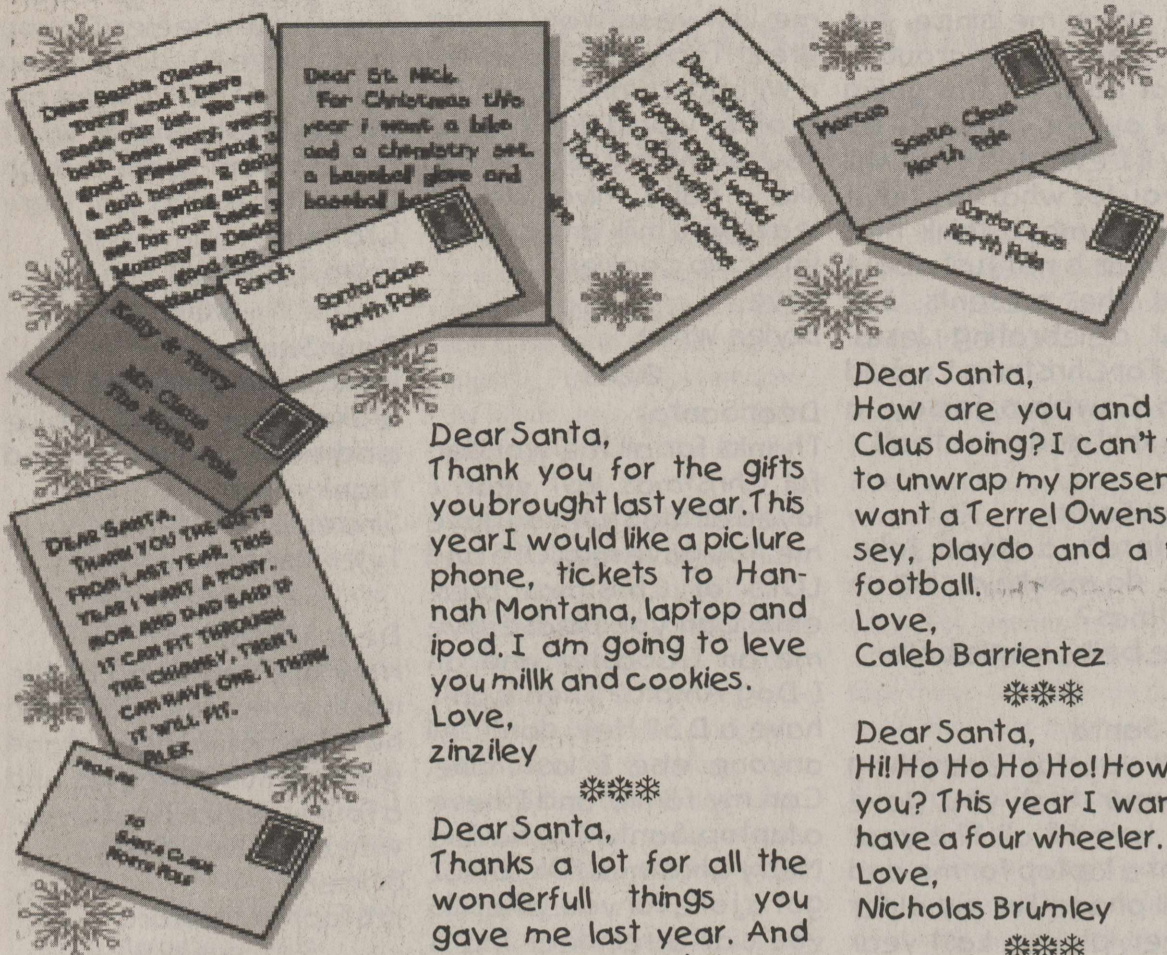
Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Haley Jo Tibbets. I am 5 years old. I live in Knox City with my dad. I would like a Dora house, Barbie toys, and a Santa that dances. I want a Dora that sings and will make me fall asleep and gloves so my hands won't be cold when it's cold outside and snowing. I want roller skates to skate on ice, a blue flower for my room, a Barbie computer, and some jewelry. Please bring my sister Leah a new guitar lamp. Please bring my bubba, Lane, a new game. Also please bring my dad a new shaver, Papa a new watch, and Mooma earrings. I will leave brownies and chocolate milk on the table.
I love you Santa,
Haley Jo Tibbets

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like to have a Bratz MP3 player and a new Baby Alive. I would also like the new Disney talking cash register, and could you bring my little brother a little race car to play with. Thank you for another great Christmas.
Nicely yours,
Caitlyn Wilson

Dear Santa,
I want a toy monster truck.
Love,
Jalen

Dear Santa,
I want a blue and red truck with 2 horse trailers.
Love,
Dylan





Dear Santa Claus, I like your reindeer. Santa, sometime you come to my house and eat cookies and milk, and sometimes you don't. I'll try to buy yummy, yummy cookies and milk for you. I'll have to buy milk. I want a game cube, nickelodeon, Alvin and the chipmunks movie, and Whac-A-Mole tower. I live in Knox City. Your friend, Dawson

Dear Santa, I want a white psp and two packed of yugioh cards, and a bike with pegs. Will you bring me two pairs of heeles and a mustang and corvet cars. And TonyHawks shoes and his skate board and creepy crawlers. Love, Joey

Dear Santa, For Christmas I want a pink im-me, a teddy Baer, a purse, and a computer. How re your reindeers? Are you Santa? Do you like to eat so many cookies? Do you like to deliver presents? Love, Genesis Martinez

Dear Santa Claus, Please bring me the things that I want from you. I want a cellphone and a new puppy. I'd love you to bring me a bicycle and a teddy bear. I hope your reindeers are good. I would love for you to bring me a Nintendo D.S. Santa Claus I would like for you to bring me a lot of clothes. What I would like the most is a computer and a cellphone. Sincerely, Jessica P.S. I hope you'll bring me the present I want for Christmas

Dear Santa, Thank you for the gifts you brought last year. This year I would like a picture phone, tickets to Hannah Montana, laptop and ipod. I am going to leve you milk and cookies. Love, zinziley

Dear Santa, Thanks a lot for all the wonderful things you gave me last year. And this year I would like a I pod, a im,me a lap top, and a Nintindo ds. Sinslerly, Cara

Dear Santa, How are you doing this year? Now you know what I want for Christmas is a Jeatback pack, a game boy and a playstation. Two pokemon Gameboy. A New tv set, Spider man web shield and a web shooter. I Hope you a Merry Chirstmas too. Sinslerly Jaylon roberson

Dear Santa, I want a superman and batman and trucks with trailers. Love, Wesson

Dear Santa Clause, How are you? How's Mrs. Clause? How are the elves? Can you bring me Talken Scwalken? Oh, and a 4-wheeler that runs on real gas? That's all. Love, Mckenzie Gray

Dear Mrs. Claus and Mr. Claus, I hope I am not on the naughty list because I have several things I want for Christmas. There is Butter Scotch, Scwalkin Talkin oh and most of all, and this one is important, my two front teeth. I hope the last one comes true. I hope you hae a good year. Love, Laurie Beck

Dear Santa, How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? I can't wait to unwrap my presents! I want a Terrel Owens jersey, playdo and a new football. Love, Caleb Barrientez

Dear Santa, Hi! Ho Ho Ho! How are you? This year I want to have a four wheeler. Love, Nicholas Brumley

Dear Santa, Hi! I hope I'm not on the naughty list. This year I want a Ipod so I can listen to music when I'm bored. The second thing I want is a T.V. because I never can watch T.V. in the living room. That's what I want for Christmas. I will leave you chocolate chip cookies and milk. Love, Brooke Jones

Dear Sant Claus, Please give me an Omega shep shark set, and a Ben ten video game, and som these, and a toy for my dog Bear. would like that. How are Rudolf and Dasher? Terry Tatum Jr. Love, Terry

Dear Sant Claus, Thank you for the presents you brought last year I have been a good girl I want a horse and a collar and a leash for my dog. Love, Priscilla

Dear Santa Claus, How is Rudolf? How are you? What I want is a Play Station 2 and a Play Statin 2 game. Merry Christmas! and a baby toy for my brother I have been good. Sean Logsdon

I like How is Rodolf? Santa I like you. I like Christmas! I want backpack. I want bone for my odg. I want Big Bike for my Brouthr. I want Big Bike for my Aunt Mitzi. Love, Melissa

Dear Santa Claus, May I please have a cell phone and M I please have a big toy truck and please May I have a big toy modersicle. From Nathan Williams to Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus, This yer I would like some Wii games and a race car track and some Play Station two games. Merry Christmas. Love, Preston

Please bring me omega shark ship and a Bumble bee. Ryan Elam

Dear Santa Claus, Please can I have a toy for my dog pepper he would like that. I would like a car clecshin. Love, Dustin Ledesma Merry Christmas

Dear Santa Claus, I want a motorcycle play station and bike. Merry Christmas. ISSac Gadrll Sanchez

Plaes bring me a doll and pleaes bring my sister a ring. And pleaes bring my Dad a shirt. And pleaes bring Brody a toy car. And pleaes bring my mom a ring. And please bring my ant a collar for her dog. And please bring Peayton a shirt. Brogan White

Dear Santa, How are your raindeer? The presents from last Christmas were great! But since it is almost Christmas I actually want more please. What I want is a : Bratz laptop so I can learn spanish, a Selena cd so I can sing like her, a pair of blue slippers so they can match my blue robe, a Hannah Montana cd so I can rock the stage, and a pair of heeleese so I can role on the mall day. For my mom I want to give her pretty earrings. For my dad I want to give him a cow boy hat. For my sister a Barbie. And for my teacher a neckless. I just wanted to say Merry Christmas! Rebecca Rodriguez

New back pack. I Love Santalanda I would good gro! present. I would like a good and and foril a snocnearce. Tyresha

Dear Santa Claus, I want a Bgon and a hohs and a xbox. and som pens for my dig horse. Merry Christmas Love, Mason

Dear Santa, How athe the elves? I hope they are doing good. for Christmas I want healees and a kalender, cloothes, books and too butefull earrings. Why? because there fun! Well my Mommy wants a butefull joolry-box and my Daddy wants a shotgun and Mrs. Moore wants a cool kandle. how are the ranedeer well I haft to go Love, Avery Ball

Dear Santa, How are the elves? How is Mrs. claus? How is roodoff? From my dad he said how is the rain deer? What I want for Christmas is a Nintindo DS. What I want for Christmas is a whach. What I want for Christmas is a toy car. What my brother wants for Christmas is a toy transformer. What Mrs. Moor want's for Christmas is a ring. Love, Andrew Magana

Dear Santa, How is your raindeers? I would like Goosebumps Books and DVDS, VHS. I wil Naruto Volume 15. Love, Aaron Gentry

Dear Santa, I wants xBox 360. I want bike. I want boll, for Mom anewhou. For Mrs Moore a car, suv black. have a safe chip today. Sasha Thompson

Dear Santa, How are your raindeer? For Christmas can you just leave me a silver bell from yours lay please? Oh! Can you leave a new gun for my big batman with some dart's for it please. I all most forgot! Can you please leave a fake rubber king cobra. Can you leave Levi a new car for his mach box please. Can you leave a hat from China for Mrs. Moore please? Thank you. Love, Logan Waggoner

Dear Santa, How are you Santa wher are your rande Santa? I want a forwhiler My stocking is up. Get me sum ponte is. I want a bell. I want sum shoes. Get my mom sum herspra. Get Mrs. Moore a whoch. I cant what for your bels to reg. Brittney Gibson

Dear Santa, barbifor Christmas. Shoes pink. Stuffed animel. Trre cat white. Mom for are you. Hannah are Apple. ring bicycle house. Jack-et jewelry. Carmen Garcia

Dear Santa, How are the elves? I would like a tooth tunes toot brush to make my brother jellus. I would realy like a texmeasure to tex my friends. I would like a MP3 player to lsin to music when I'm bord. For my mom would you please get her a purse she has a realy little purse. For my teacher Mrs. Moore a stufed bear to put in her big green chear. I hope you have time to come to everybody in the world. I hope your slay doesn't brakedown or nowbody will get presents. Peyton Shipp

Dear Santa, How are all the reindeer doing? Please bring me a Gater Number 8, a green Power Ranger Forest, and a real Dallas Cowboy football helmet #8. Love, Chance

Dear Santa, How are the rainbeere going to eat much afaf? can I have the cools toys for Christmas baucas if you do I will be thankcan full for it can my grand mother have a mashaser for Christmas. and for Mrs. Moor a spa. and for oldman a new fishing plol for Christmas and for my dad some good tols for Christmas. Love, Drew McNulty

Dear Santa, Thank you for the board games you brought me last year. They were a lot of fun to play. This year I would like a Playstation and the game "Hungry, Hungry Hippos". I would also like the DVD "High School Musical 2". I will leave you milk and cookies this Christmas. Love, Alyssa Casillas

Dear Santa, My name is Gilbert Trevino. I live in Knox City, Texas. I have been a little bit bad this year but I am trying really hard to be good. I would like a guitar, magnetix and a leap frog computer for Christmas. I will leave you and your reindeer cookies and milk by my Christmas tree. I have a little brother named Nicholas. Please bring him a present too. Thank you, Gilbert Trevino

Dear Santa, I wun't is a xbox 360 four christmas this year and some book's I love you. Love, Jesse

Dear Santa, Thank you for last years presents. I will leave on the table cookies and milk. This Christmas I want an I-am-me, lab top, cell phone and a mp3 player. Love, Cameron

Dear Santa, Hows Mrs. Claus doing? I. would like a paint ball gun and some paint balls so I can shoot every-thing. I'd also like Dragonballz Season 3 So I can watch my faivorit show. I'd also like Dragon ball z boidakai tenkaichi 3 So I can play my faivorit video game. I'd also like a giga balls so my dad can throw my brother and me around and roll us around. I would like my mom to have a pair of new shoes. I'd like my dad to have a glass Santa on a motor-cycle. For my brother I'd like him to have a big toy race car. Don't go thro the chimney I don't have one anymore. Tell Rudolf I said hi. Love, Carson

Dear Santa, I have been good this year. I like those presents last year. I would like an ipod so much. I would want a laptop/husky/puppy/Hannah Motana wig. Love, Cheyanna ps. I will leve milk and cookies



Dear Santa,
Thank you for bringing me presents last year. My name is Raevn. I live in Knox City. I am 5 years old. I want a 4-wheeler, a bike and a Baby Alive. I will leave you chocolate chip cookies and milk on the table by the couch.

Love,
Raevn Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
My name is Rachel Rae Rodriguez. I want you to bring me some toys. I want a Bratz computer, Yasmin Bratz, a guitar, pajamas, robe and slippers. Thank you for bringing presents. I will leave you a Christmas candle, cookies and milk on the table.

Love,
Rachel Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
My name is Klarisa. I am 5 years old. I will be 6 on December 14. I want a Bratz camera, play furniture so me and Devon can play with it, a princess castle, and a Barbie car with a car wash. I will leave cookies and milk by the Christmas tree.

Love,
Klarisa Martinez

Dear Santa,
I love you. You bring presents to everybody. I am Rodney Wendall Joe. I am 5 years old. I want a train table, a Scooby Doo Haunted House game, and the Scooby Doo Mystery Van. I will leave you cake, cookies, milk and punch.

Love,
Joe Elam

Dear Santa,
My name is Jacob. I am 5 years old. Could you bring me a present? I would like a tractor that gets cotton and dumps like Pee Paw's, a big truck, and a toy car. I will leave you coffee and rice.

Love,
Jacob Ruiz

Dear Santa,
My name is Alexia. I want a swingset at my grandparins house and two bones for my dogs. And give Mrs. Farmers dogs a gone for them and give her some new boots and give her dog a squeaky toy to chase. Give Rebecca her favorit whale like free willy.

Love,
Alexia

Dear Santa,
My name is Mackenzie Williams. I have been good! I wood like a jornl for Christmas. I want a pers for Christmas. I wood like a wach for my teacher. And her a neckalass for my teacher. And her a puppy bow a shirt. And my teacher some earrings. And a pers. I love you Santa!

Dear Santa,
My name is Jackson. I wish I can have a realsled with a randeer for Christmas and a football hemelts and a big playground. I been a good boy!



Dear Santa,
My name is Kailyn. I want a wii for my brother Casey. I want a new mic wafe for my mom. I want earing for Mrs. Farmer and a nakeup set. I want a 100\$ gift card at holster for my sister Kayla. I want a tie for my dad. I want a Hannah Montana sound track. I have been good this year!

Dear Santa,
My name is Hannah. I won't a know pear of shoos and I won't to get my mom all the thangs she all was wanted. And I won't to get my techer a new fone. And I won't a new fone to and pleas get my mom a know Christmas tree and get my dad a know plastashen. And get my frends a good bag of pencils and pleas get a new book for christmas. And that would be all I would won't untell next christmas.

Love,
Hannah

Der Santa,
My name is Steven Thomes Lyles. I want a muffin maker and a reth and a bug mushen and a new Christmas tree for my mom and dad. I have bin good.

Dear Santa,
I bin good. I want a new t.v. I want a new bike. I want a new dall. I want a new skapboord. I want a new for weler. I want a new marker booeer.

Love,
Laura Maberry

Dear Sata,
I've been good. My name is Dustin. I whant a puppy for Mrs. Farmer. I want a Christmas tree. Plece bring me a dump truck too.

Dear Santa,
I would like a vidyo camra and some helles and amuny maker and a makup set. My techer wants a new purse and a new phone and give her a walit with the purse. She is the best teacher. I have been a good girl.

Love,
Abby

Dear Santa,
My name is Jordan Ruiz, 2nd grad. I bine good. I whont a gocart and a pdp and a cat bed for my cat and a boll and a nelcklis and a tool box and a big home for my sistr.

Dear Santa,
I will give you cand. You bring me a toy at crhstmas? bring food for my d because he is hungry please book me bring my sister a pink shirt.

Love,
Josue Hernandez

Dear Santa,
Thank you for making Christmas a wonderful holiday. Oh, there are probably three things I want for Chistmas, some of them include my baby sister who has not been born yet. Okay, I will list my three things now. I want some new clothes, shoes and a motor scooter. Now, for my sister, please bring her a toy rattle and a walker. Any way bye.

Love,
Calista Rocha
P.S. Merry Chistmas and a Happy Holiday

Dear Santa,
Thank you for delivering presents every Christmas. How are your reindeer? I would like a game called Raw vs. Smackdown 2008, John Cena My Life, or Santa Clause 3 the Escape Claus. Hers a joke I heard: What does a cat on the beach have in common with Christmas? Sandy Claws.

Your friend,
Aaron Arrieta

Dear Santa,
Thank you from last Christmas, I loved the farm and the computer. This year I want a toy aremy gun. Please get my brother a goy fire truck. My sister wants a doll. Also I want a toy police set. I will leave you pizza and soda.

Thank you,
Cody Strickland

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the stuff you brought me last year. Can I have some earrings for my Mom? My older brother could use a football. Can I have a high school musical T.V for my cousin? Can I have some perfume for my Grandma? Can I have an I-pod for me? Don't forget my step Dad he needs a new watch. Can I have some perfume for my sister? Can I have Baby Blues soldier boy shoes? I wear size 10. Don't forget my baby brother Diamond, please bring him a wrestling toy. I want two more things. Can I have a new radio and a CD player? I have a joke for you. What do you get if you cross a snowman and a shark? Frostbite.

LOVE,
Tyronesha Johnson

Dear Santa,
These are the things I would like for you to bring me for Christmas. First I would like a Nintendo DS. Second I would like a pair of moon shoes. Third and last I would like a new Game Cube Controller.

Your Friend,
Allen Self
P.S. Here is a joke about a reindeer. How do you get into Donner's house? You ring the deer-bell!

Dear Santa,
How are you doing Santa? I know I'm doing fine. How is it up at the North Pole? I bet it is really cold up there. Now I am going to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a bike, volleyball, drumset, Electric guitar, and a Im-me. I can't think of any thing else so I will talk to you later. I hope you stay warm. Remember I will have cookies at my house. I thought of just one more thing, a creepy clawers oven and a goo maker.

Love,
Mckenzie King

Dear Santa,
I am glad that it is December because I want wresling ring from toys r us. also a Wii and the game Raw vs Smackdown 2008 because you can make your own tricks.

From Angel

Deaar Santa,
I want a Playstation 3, a controller, and a Hank the Cowdog movie. Merry Christmas Santa Claus.

Jeremiah

Dear Santa,
Thank you for what you have gave me since you have been here aroud. I do not no what I'm going to put out for you, but I do know if I ever see you I will hug you for what you have done for me. I think that Christmas is not just about all of the presents. It's about celebrating Jesus' birth. For Christmas I would like a Cowboys jersey, a Tech shirt and a football.

Love,
Jordyn Eaton

P.S. Here's a good joke. What do monkeys sing on Christmas?

Jungle bells, Jungle bells.

Dear Santa,
Thank you for everything last year that you gave me. I loved it all. This year I want a laptop for me and a cell phone for my older brother, please. Last year I had the most wonderful time on Christmas Eve. I got a lot of things. I'm glad I did.

Love,
Katelyn Carrizales

Dear Santa,
Santa I would like a new bike for Christmas. Could you get my brother a new I-Pod? Could you get my other brother a set of goose decoys? If you could, it would be great and thank you. Here is a joke, "Where do snowmen go to dance?" Snowballs.

Sincerely,
Payne Stanfield

Dear Santa,
Thank you for all the toys that you give us. I liked everything that you brought me last year. Here is my list. I would like a black Under Armor jacket, a basketball goal and a new bike. I will leave you milk and cookies. Have a nice trip.

Sincerely,
Shailee Manning

Dear Santa,
Thank you for what you brought me last year. I liked everything. Here are some things I want. I want a remote controlled car, some baseball figures, and some basketball cards. Please get a toy train for my little brother and get some basketball cards for my big brother.

Sincerely,
Sheldon Baty
P.S. Here is a joke. What do you call an Eskimo cow? An Eskimoo

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the good toys you brought last year. Here is my Christmas list. I want kittens and Yu-gi-oh cards. Please bring my family gifts they've been good too.

From,
Isaac Flores

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? I hope you didn't eat anything this year. Because you are going to be stuffed when you go around the world. Here's my list. It is not much. I would like a build-a-bear workshop stuff and clothes in girls. Some clothes for me. A girl crush streak and style. I really want it. A mp3 player (any color). Lastly an Im-me. There girl texters. So my friends and me can talk. Well have a Merry Christmas.

Love,
Amy LeeAnn Harrington

Dear Santa,
Thank you for what you got me last year. Wow, it was great. This year I would like a Wii and a make-up set. My brother would like a Spino-saurus and my sister would like a Baby Alive. We will leave you milk and chocolate chip cookies.

Love,
Brylee White

Dear Santa,
Thanks for all the wonderful Christmas last year. I loved all the stuff you gave me. You gave me LOTS and LOTS of Christmas presents. Can you please give me an I-Coaster and an I-Dog Amp'd? Then can I have a D.S? Hey, don't tell anyone else I lost mine.

Can my family and I have a laptop. Santa you have a Merry Christmas! Oh, look, I got a joke for you. What do you call a reindeer that's wearing ear muffs? Anything you want because it can't hear you. Love you.

Your friend,
Caitlyn Baxter

Dear Santa,
Thanks for the gifts last year. I really liked them a whole lot. What I would like for this Christmas is to see and pet one of your reindeer. I would also like some Christmas songs sang by Carrie Underwood. Can I have a Carrie Underwood Barbie doll and an I-Dog Amp'd? Then can I have a D.S. Oh, I almost forgot, can I have an laptop for my family and me? I will put out chocolate chip cookies and milk for you. Here is a joke for you. Knock, knock. Who's there? Merry! Merry who? Merry Christmas!

Your friend,
Cassidy Correll

Dear Santa,
May I have a bracelet that has big letters that says C.N. on it? Maybe one more thing, if I can have a mp3 player I want the color to be blue? Oh I forgot to tell you I'm goanna give you some cookies. Thank you for the presents last year. What do snowmen eat? ice burgers

Love,
Caitlyn Nicholson

Dear Santa,
Thank you for all you gave me last year. Yes, I'll leave milk and cookies for you. I was naughty this year. But will you still give me stuff, please? I want a nintendo D.S. battery, Heely shoes and stuff in my stocking, please.

Love,
Mati Ledesma

Dear Santa,
Thank you for all the stuff you got me last year. I liked the makeup set and everything else you got me. Can you try to get me a D.S. play game, a Baby alive and makeup?

Love,
Sierra Boyd

P.S. Can you bring something for my sister? I will leave you milk and cookies.

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I want a new four wheeler. Do you like coffee? I do. Do you say HO HO HO? I want my phone back. That is what I realy want. Even though It isn't. Crismas yet. Mery Crismas.

From Zach Burt

Dear Santa,
How are you Santa? I want a skateboard and a blue ipod nano. Please sir and thank you sir.

Sincerely,
Tyler Harvey

Dear Santa,
How are you doing at the north pole? Is it cold and hot! I want a deer stand gun and sum wheelies and a four wheeler. How is your wife and elves doing?

Sincery
Kristopher Stafford

Dear Santa,
I would like a nintndo ds. If you could please bring me a High School 2 C.D., a creepy crawlers oven, a goo maker. I would also like a drum set, an electric guitar, a High School Musical 2 movie. A Zac Efron poster, a WII STATION, skates, an Im-me, psp, x box 360, rubiks evolution cube and a Digital Camera.

Love,
Hailee Morgan Cox

Dear Santa,
I hope you stay warm on Christmas. If I was good enough to get presents, please bring A Nintendo DS and some games to go with it. And please, bring A I AM ME. Well I told you everything I really want and I will make sure I put out cookes and milk. My sister Ella loves babies so if she was good enough to get presents, please bring her a baby. And tell the elves I said hey.

Sincely,
Kayla hunter

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. What I want is a laptop and a phone and a texer, and a mp3 plaer. Have a safe trip.

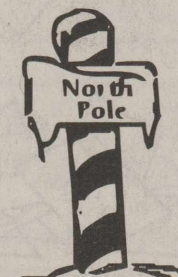
Love,
Kirstin

Dear Santa,
How are you and the elves especially Mrs. Clous? How are the reindeer? I want a PSP for Christmas. Don't eat too many cookies. Say hi to the elves, reindeer and Mrs. Clous.

Love,
Anthony Estrada
p.s. Merry Christmas Santa Clous. Ho Ho Ho

Dear Santa,
Thank you for all the toys from last year. It was wonderful and this year is going to be wonderful, too. I would like a real Dirt bike, X-box, and X-box 360. I would like a Playstation 3 for my whole family. Here is a funny joke I read: Why do reindeer wear fur coats? Because they look funny in snowsuits.

Love,
Tokeba Hughey



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We appreciate your kind support and friendship throughout the year.

Merry Christmas to one and all!

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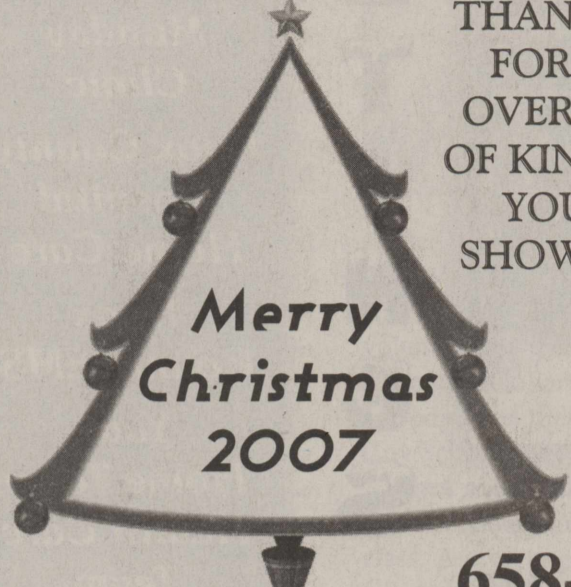
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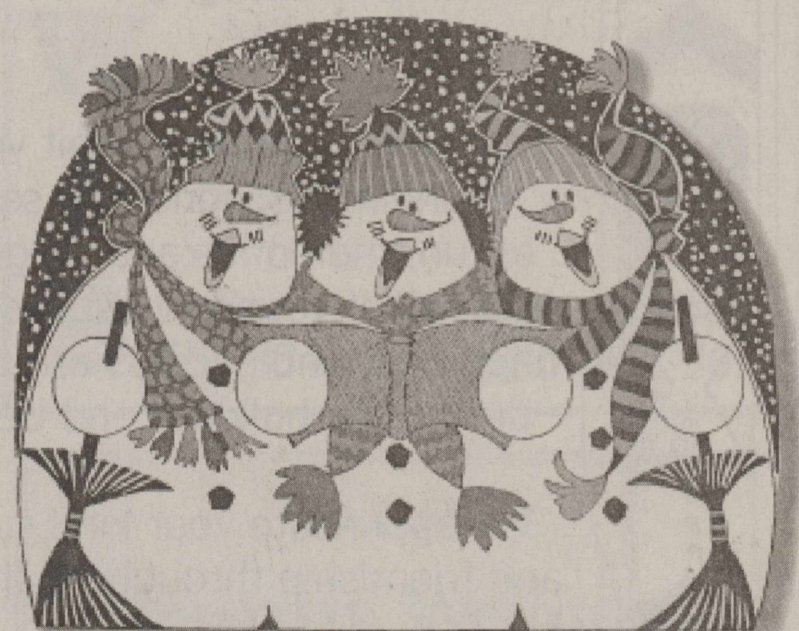
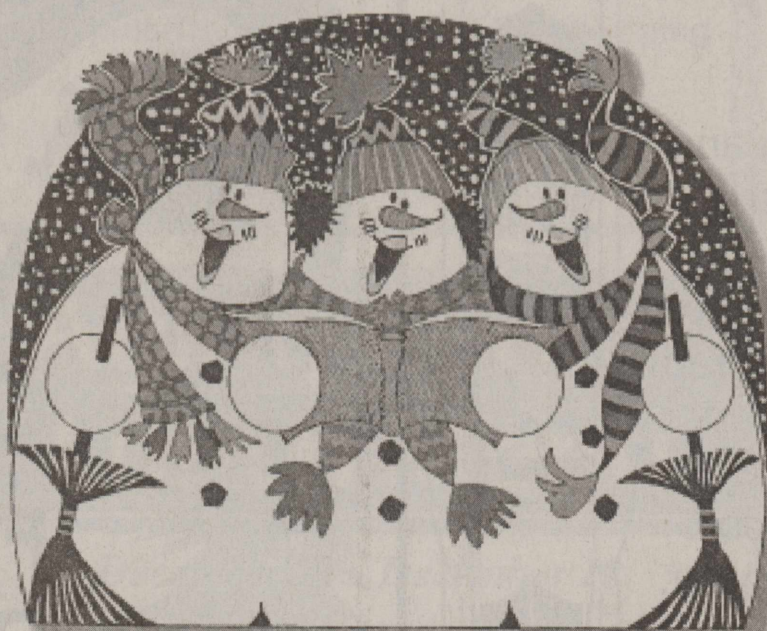
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John 3:16 "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."



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Merry Christmas!

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

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From the Staff of the Knox County News Jeff, Paula, Kathy Sheri and Marilyn

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