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Friona Weather December 19-25

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WNW 5-10



SW 10-20

Precipitation December 0.00 Year

21.72

Burn Ban

No

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#### **Community Calendar**

Send Calendar information to: frionastar@wtrt.net or call (806) 250-5200

#### December 19

- Roast Beef Meal @ Senior Center
- Early release for students

#### December 20

• Early release for staff/students

#### **December 23**

• Christmas Ham Meal @ Senior Center

#### December 23 - January 7

• No school / Christmas Break

#### **December 25**

Christmas

#### **December 26**

• No Senior Meal

#### December 30

Senior Meal @ Senior Center

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#### **ON YOUR PAYROLL**



#### **U.S.** Government

President: Joseph R. Biden, The White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. 20500. 202-456-1111, fax 202-456-2461, email comments@ whitehouse.gov.



Senator: John Cornyn, 517 Hart Senate Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510 202-224-2934, fax 202-228-2856.



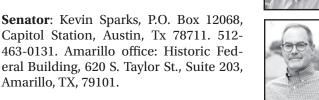
Senator: Ted Cruz B40B Dirksen Senate Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510 202-224-5922.



Representative: Jodey Arrington, 2019 Longworth, House Office Building, 202-225-4005. Lubbock District Office, 1312 Texsas Ave. #219, Lubbock, TX 79401. Abilene District Office, 500 Chestnut St. #819, Abilene, TX 79602

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Governor: Greg Abbott, Office of the Governor, P.O. Box 12428, Austin, Tx 78711-2428, 512-463-2000.



Representative: John T. Smithee, Room CAP1W.10, Capitol P.O. Box 2910, Austin, Tx 78768. 512-463-0702. fax 512-476-7016. Amarillo office; 320 So. Polk, 1st Floor, Lobby Box 28, Amarillo 79101. 806-372-3327, fax 806-342-0327.





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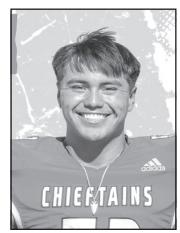
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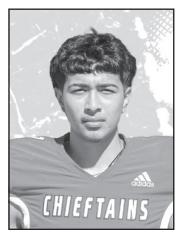




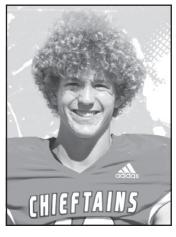
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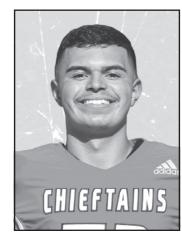
**Mario Garcia** First Team Offensive Line First Team **Defensive Tackle** 



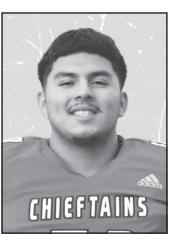
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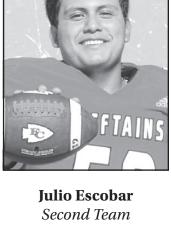
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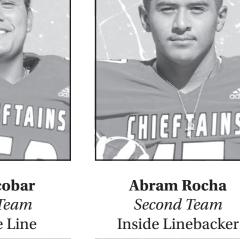
**Angel Saucedo** Second Team Center



**Ishmael Flores** Second Team Offensive Line

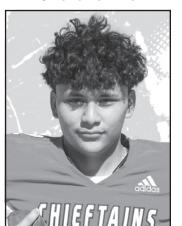


Offensive Line





Second Team Safety



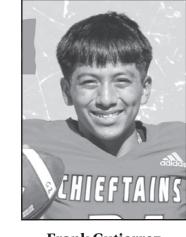
**Gael Lara** Second Team Cornerback



**Bryer Stanberry** Honorable Mention **Tightend** 



Honorable Mention Outside Linebacker



**Frank Gutierrez** Honorable Mention Safety

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**TEXAS** 

**CROSSWORD** 

by Charley & Guy Orbison

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#### **ACROSS**

- 1 many Texans go on these for exercise 5 Texas-based "Space
- X's" Elon Musk is a billion
- 6 "sounds like a 7 teenage bane
- 8 capture
- 9 TXism: " the
- mark" (comply) 12 Spindletop driller,
- Capt. A.F. 17 where you can find Australian birds in
- Texas (2 wds.) Texas astronaut Ed White died on the
- first mission 21 wrenches ankle ligaments
- 22 Texas-filmed 1971 film: "The Andromeda\_ 23 TX Mark Chesnutt's
- "Too Cold \_ 28 an alma mater of TX George W.
- 29 TXism: "gotta play \_\_\_ you're dealt" (inevitable) 30 Ciudad
- across from El Paso 31 "R" of NRA 35 Chalk is a
- native Texas tree 36 hit for TX Henley's Eagles: "Peaceful
- 42 TXism: "don't get knot" (calm down)

of Juan de

(abbr.) El Paso has statue

- 46 "jumper's knee" is
- sports injury 48 these were found in a large area following Galveston's Great Storm
- 49 TX George H.W.'s "Stormin" general (init.)
- 50 2024 election didn't have a large "Gender
- 51 largest continent 52 TX Jim Reeves hit: '\_\_ Losing You"
- 25 24 53 George H.W.
- 1988 phrase: \_ my lips 54 TX Howard of TV's "Dallas" 56 cut off tree branch

#### **DOWN** 1 WWII enemy fighter

TX Perot's co.

58 boot width

- plane (2 wds.)
- 2 living area provided by early drilling companies (2 wds.) 3 Hood County seat
- 4 "cent" in Samoa 9 TXism: "the
- wagging the dog" 10 TXism: colt" (cranky)
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- hit: "Rave 23 TX racer, Foyt (init.)
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26 parentless child

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- 27 Texas grows a lot of water\_
- 32 TXism: "\_\_ it ain't true, there ain't a cow in Texas"
- 33 Santa \_\_\_, TX 34 rodeo rider & singer
- Chris \_\_\_Doux 36 dir. to Buna from Livingston
- - 45 former Cowboy RB Emmitt (init.)

37 TXism: "

38 TXism: "

headed" (silly)

a bug in a rug"

39 South Asia country

Greek mythology

this old phone co.

"boob tube" abbr.

41 today, Verizon has

40 water nymph in

47 one installment of old TV's "Dallas"

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solution on page 3

- 48 TXism: "a real
- burner" (exciting" 55 church alcove

Scoreboard

*Tuesday 12/10:* 

**Denver City 75 Friona 15** 

Bryer Stanberry 6, Tony Diaz 3, Mason Ramos

2, Maddox Ashlock 2, Justen Trevino 2

Friday 12/13:

**Lubbock Titans 42 Friona 40** Tony Diaz 20, Justen Trevino 9, Nathan Padilla

6, Marcelo Leon 4, Damian Sanchez 1

**Junior High Boys Basketball** 

*Monday 12/16:* 

7th Grade A | Dimmitt 28 Friona 14

Jace Jarecki 6, Vicente Quintana 4,

Mateo Salinas 2, Zane Gonzales 2

8th Grade A | Dimmitt 48 Friona 14

Andrew Marquez 5, Jalond Rejino 4,

Darien Padilla 3, Aaden Delgaldillo 2

B Team | Dimmitt 9 Friona 18

Hector Mendez 7, Isa Salazar 4 Fernando Perez 3, Jayce Polk 2,

Emmanuel Guevara 2

Reported by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office: Eric Geske, Sheriff

December 2, 2024 through December 15, 2024

(12/3/24) Adrian Gomez, 45, of Friona was arrested

(12/3/24) Bo Bobby Gonzalez, 38, of Friona was

arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on a

(12/5/24) Sarah Lee Morales, 32, of Bovina was arrested by the Bovina Police Department on a charge

(12/10/24) Orlando Zamora-Lopey, 43, of Bovina

was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office

(12/12/24) Marco Alexander Palma, 24, of Clovis,

(12/13/24) Juan Tino Coj, 25, of Friona was arrested

(12/13/24) Andrew Wesley Collier, 36, of Borger was arrested by the Department of Public Safety on a

by the Friona Police Department on a charge of Pub-

New Mexico was arrested by the Department of Pub-

lic Safety on a charge of Driving While Intoxicated

by the Friona Police Department on a charge of Theft

Property  $\geq \$2,500 < \$30K$ 

charge of Criminal NonSupport

on a charge of Burglary of Building

of Driving While Intoxicated

lic Intoxication

Sheriff's Report

#### The Lost Boy

Christmas last year he wandered the toy store alone, Unsuccessfully trying to bring forth, *The wide-eyed hope of a boy lost years ago.* 

With money in his pocket to buy a boy's desire, Yet lacking a boy's desire, He wandered aimless down the aisles; Found an exit and left----a place that once took hours.

*Under a sheltered air conditioned tree he took his refuge,* On a varnished unweathered bench; Munching his popcorn----his excuse For being in a place so unfitting, He acted inconspicuous, At the same time purposeful; He watched and envied the unlost boys, And their fathers.

Someday... soon, he may have reason, Other than to dream, to enter this store of joy; And when he does, he will stay until he's found, *The lost boy.* 

> Bwlwww.countryboyjustme.com

#### I'll Make Do

Today I woke, You were gone, You passed away Yesterday; The sun rose Much less bright, And I begin My end of days.

Today I woke, Wandering why, Lost once more, Missing you; I need your hand, One more touch, *Just one more smile,* That would do.

Today I woke, And begin anew, *Not the end of us;* Because of you, As you told me so, I will smile for us.

To be loved, And to love, Knows no end; *I smile for you,* I will make do, 'Til meet again.

We have lived before, With hope of mem'ries, They all came true Because of you.

Today I woke, And you were gone.

Bwl

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## Courthouse Notes

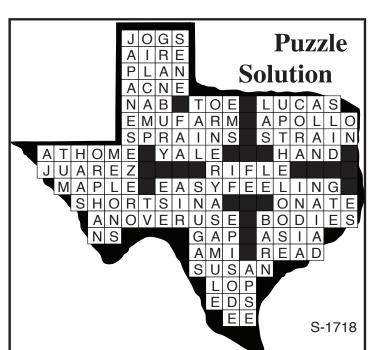
Susie Spring, County Clerk

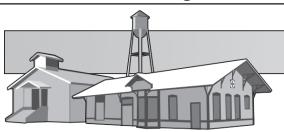
Warranty Deeds recorded at the Parmer County Clerk's Office from December 5, 2024 to December 12, 2024

(12/6/24) Bovina Economic Development Corporation — Phillip Martinez, Alejandra Martinez — All of Lot 12, of Block 63 of Original Town of Friona, Parmer County, Texas

(12/6/24) Ethan Hodges, Erik Hodges — Bill K. White, Jeri L. White — SE 1/4 and S 1/2 of the NE 1/4of Section No. 32 T3S, Capitol Syndicate Subdivision, Parmer County, Texas

(12/9/24) Rodolfo Centeno, Ignacia Centeno – Angelica Raymond, Jeremy Raymond — All of Lots 3 and 4, of Block 70, Original Town of Friona, Parmer County, Texas





Last Issue for 2024 — This is the final edition of the Friona Star for 2024. It contains letters to Santa, photos from various Christmas events, and special ads from our sponsors. The Friona Star will be celebrating its 100th anniversary in 2025. Stay tuned.

\*\*\* **Save The Date** — The 2025 Parmer County Junior Livestock Show is scheduled for January 14th through 17th with the sale being conducted on Saturday, January 18th.

Senior Meal **Price Change** — As of January 1, 2025, senior meal prices for non-members will increase to \$10 at the door or for take out. Please call 806-250-3645 by 10:30 a.m. to reserve a take out. Members will pay \$5 at the door or \$5.50 for take out. Effective June 2025, the membership fee will increase

#### TOWN TALK

**Phone:** 806-250-5200 Email: frionastar@wtrt.net

to \$50 per year. Meals are served each week on Monday and Thursday.

Texas Facts — In 2017, Hurricane Harvey caused over \$40 billion in damage in Texas. Source: funworldfacts. com

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**National Days** December 19: Oatmeal Muffin Day December 20: Go Caroling Day December 21: Winter Solstice December 22:

Date Nut Bread Day December 23: Festivus

> December 24: Christmas Eve December 25: Christmas Day December 26: Candy Cane Day December 27: Fruitcake Day December 28: Pledge of Allegiance Day December 29: Tick Tock Day December 30: Bacon Day December 31:

New Year's Eve

#### **2024 Friona Football**

#### **Varsity Season Stats**

	Rushing Stats	Carı	ries	Yards	TDs	Avg
2	Justen Trevino	13	7	551	7	4
3	Damian Sanchez	25	j	101	4	4
16	Isaac Ortiz	10	0	529	3	5.3
7	Aaron Rosales	11	6	717	6	6.2
10	Jameson Daniels	5		7	0	1.4
17	Abram Rocha	14	ļ.	30	3	2.1
1	Iram Gonzalez	90	)	403	3	4.5
24	Rafael Rocha	7		12	0	1.7
40	Seth Hoyle	5		30	0	6
	Rushing Totals:	49	9	<b>2380</b>	<b>26</b>	4.7
	Receiving Stats	Recep	tions	Yards	TDs	Avg
3	Damian Sanchez	1		10	0	10
7	Aaron Rosales	11		148	1	13.5
8	Tony Diaz	10	)	102	0	10.2
10	Jameson Daniels	30	)	482	5	16.1
20	Bryer Stanberry	7		185	1	26.4
22	Iram Gonzalez	1		2	0	2
	Receiving Totals:	60	)	929	7	<i>15.5</i>
	Passing Stats	Comp	Att	Yards	TD:	s INTs
2	Justen Trevino	62	129	887	6	8
7	Aaron Rosales	3	8	72	2	0
40	Seth Hoyle	1	6	10	0	2

#### **Varsity Boys Basketball**

1 Iram Gonzalez		90		403		3		4.5
24 Rafael Rocha		7		12		0		1.7
40 Seth Hoyle		5		30		0		6
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7 Aaron Rosales		11		148	3	1	1	3.5
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2 Justen Trevino	6	2	129	8	87		6	8
7 Aaron Rosales	3	3	8	7	72		2	0
40 Seth Hoyle		l	6	]	0		0	2
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53 Mario Garcia	2	7	23		2	2		0
Defensive Stats	UN	AST.	TOT	TFL	FR	FC	INT	SACI
Gonzalez, Iram #1	7	2	7	1	-	-	-	-
Trevino, Justen #2	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Sanchez, Damian #3	16	21	37	3.5	-	-	-	-
Rosales, Aaron #7	9	11	20	-	1	1	-	-
Diaz, Tony #8	1	2	3	-	-	-	-	-
Daniels, Jameson #10	5	14	19	-	-	-	1	-
Alvarez, Michael #11	1	7	8	1	-	-	-	0.5
Lara, Gael #12	24	22	46	-	-	-	5	-
Gonzalez, Xavier #14	2	11	13	-	-	-	-	-
Ramos, Gabriel #15	24	52	76	1	-	1	3	-
Ortiz, Izaac #16	4	1	5	-	-	-	-	-
Rocha, Abram #17	31	72	103	2	-	-	-	0.5
Stanberry, Bryer #20	14	17	31	1.5	-	-	2	-
Gutierrez, Frank #21	30	45	75	-	1	1	-	-
Munoz, Edwin #22	23	28	51	3	2	-	-	1
Rocha, Rafael #24	9	38	47	5	-	2	-	1
Gonzalez, Jacob #28	14	42	56	1	-	-	-	-
Haseloff, Dylan #30	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Stanberry, Kaysen #33	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	1.5
Quezada, Diego #50	8	22	30	4	-	1	-	1.5
Martinez, Pablo #51	20	- 55	1	6	-	2	-	- 0 =
Garcia, Mario #53	29 g	55 10	84 19	1.5	-	2	-	2.5
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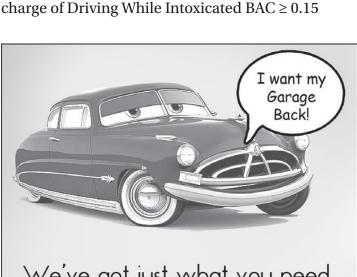
Yards allowed; Rushing 2403, Passing 1935, Total 4338

#### City will receive a Sales Tax Allocation of \$61.4K for December

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar announced last week that he will send cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose districts \$1.2 billion in local sales tax allocations for December, 6.8 percent more than in December 2023. These allocations are based on sales made in October by businesses that report tax monthly.

The City of Friona will receive \$61,432.90 in sales tax allocation for December. This amount represents a 18.20% percent increase over the December 2023 total of \$51,971.79. For year-to-date 2024, the total is \$666,349.77 which is a 0.29 percent decrease as compared to YTD for 2023 of \$668,341.74. The FEDC will receive \$15,358.23 of the December allocation for its operating budget.

Friona Sales Tax Allocation										
Dec. 2024	Dec. 2023	%change								
61,432.90	51,971.79	18.20								
%YTD 2024	<b>YTD 2023</b>	% change								
666,349.77	668,341.74	-0.29%								



We've got just what you need, Storage! Clean out that garage, store it with us & let your car have the garage back!!



Rental office at 🖲 State Farm Office Homer Allan & Patty Haile - Owners 1015 W. Hwy 60 - Friona, TX 806-250-2555 Cell 265-7923 Cell 265-7923

# Small Town Cookin' By Jeri Lynn White

#### **Christmas Cookies**

According to the webpage, "These thumbprint cookies are filled with raspberry jam and drizzled with a sweet glaze. They look so pretty on a cookie tray and taste delicious!" I made this version of thumbprint cookies and they were easy to form into balls and press with your thumb. I used icing to fill them after baking, but I think the raspberry jam would also be amazing.

#### **Raspberry Thumbprint Cookies**

www.allrecipes.com

#### **Ingredients**

1 cup butter, softened, unsalted Pinch salt

<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> cup white sugar

¼ teaspoon almond extract

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

2 ¾ cups all-purpose flour ½ cup seedless raspberry jam

½ cup confectioners' sugar

34 teaspoon almond extract 1 teaspoon milk

#### **Directions**

Gather all ingredients. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Beat butter and white sugar together in a medium bowl until creamy. Mix in 1/2 teaspoon almond extract. Add flour and mix until dough

comes together. Form dough into 1 1/2-inch balls and place on ungreased cookie sheets about 2 inches apart. Use your thumb to press down and make a dent in the center of each ball, then fill with jam. After forming cookies, place them in the freezer for 10 minutes to help them retain their shape when they bake. Bake in batches the preheated oven until edges lightly browned, about 14 to 18 minutes; allow to cool on cookie

sheet for a few minutes. Mix confectioners' sugar, milk, and remaining 3/4 teaspoon almond extract together in a medium bowl until smooth; drizzle lightly over warm cookies. Yield: 3 dozen cookies

#### **By the Numbers**

City of Friona November 2024 **Public Library** 

17 days open 235 e-visits 341 in-house visits 6 new patrons 268 items circulated 20 new items added \$304.75 copy fees collected \$100.50 fax fees collected

Book Shop open 4 days \$74.00 in sales

**Police Department** 

70 calls 5 arrests 52 citations 235 warnings 287 stops

3,577 miles driven

**Municipal Court** 362 traffic cases

136 non-traffic cases 2 juvenile cases

4 warrants issued 4 magistrations

\$3,488.73 collected (sent to state) \$8,538.77 collected (kept by city)

#### **EMS**

21 transports (911) 1 Prairie Acres (911) 16 transfers

5 non-transports (911) 1 no patient/disregard

7 standby

51 total service calls

#### 5 PMC call for transfers denied **Volunteer Fire Department**

Nov. 1 grass fire / 5 firefighters, 2 trucks Nov. 2 electrical fire / 5 firefighters, 1 truck Nov. 7 CO2 leak / 8 firefighters, 2 trucks Nov. 17 car wreck / 6 firefighters, 3 trucks Nov. 17 car vs. train / 11 firefighters, 4 trucks Nov. 27 fuel spill / 9 firefighters, 4 trucks Nov. 30 car wreck / 7 firefighters, 2 trucks

#### Holiday travelers will enjoy lower prices

By GasBuddy

Average gasoline prices in Texas fell 5.7 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$2.49 per gallon, according to GasBuddy's survey of 13,114 stations in Texas. According to Gas-Buddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas was priced at \$2.10 while the most expensive was \$3.91 per gallon.

The national average price of gasoline rose 0.8 cents last week, averaging \$2.98 per gallon. The national average price of diesel declined 1.8 cents last week and stands at \$3.472 per gallon.

"As we edge closer to the end of the year, we're seeing momentum for falling gas prices weaken, which is typical as the national average generally bottoms out between Thanksgiving and Christmas," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy.

"With oil prices rising back above \$70 last week, gas prices may have less potential to drop much further, though there may be a second window of lower prices in January or February in some areas, but even that won't last long. While several states saw gas prices cycle last week, marked by a big jump in prices after a large decline, those that did

see hefty jumps should see prices drift a bit lower, potentially making a second run at the season's lowest prices, De Haan noted.

GasBuddy data is compiled from more than 11 million weekly price reports covering over 150,000 gas stations across the country.

### Happy Birthday

**Dec. 19** Wes Drake Jason Rector Lonnie Busch Noah Houston Jazmin Bautista Jaxson Peace Elian Aguirre

**Dec. 20** Maria Davila **Rocky Nichols** Deloris McNeely Faith Cooper C.J. Tamez Abigail Rodriguez Michael Bautista Kyndal Moyer

Staci Hand Craig McCloy Harper Pack Dec. 21 Robert Sandoval

Lindsey Pitsch Chip Stevenson **Dec. 22** Chris Haile Garrett Surman

Sabrina Clark **Loriel Brewster** Dec. 23 Sue Wells

Nancy Davis Kasandra Gonzalez **Dec. 24** Mike Herbert Catherine Fairweather

**Emily Chico Dec. 25** Mickey Harrelson Michael McLellan

Dec. 26 Moises Piña Lindsey Jennings Irwin

**Allison Bass** Kerry Blackburn Dec. 27 Jessica Piña

Joanna Schueler Baaafour

Nora Mendez Dec. 28 Brandon Berend Ian Parker

Nathan Hoon **Amy Stephens** Nilsa Perez Dec. 29 Alan Monroe

Holly Schueler Melissa (Monreal) Vazquez Debby Stovall Heather Schueler **Brynlee Beyers Baylor Barnett** 

Dec. 30 Cherie Maddox **Ted Procter Dec. 31** 

Staci (Murphree) Brantley **Emily Marie Epperson** Tonya Rainey Oscar Torres Frankie Lindeman

Jan. 1 Cordella Jeter **Gary Stowers Corbin Potts** Carter Acker Bennett Acker Cinda (Johnson) Scheef

Michael Hernandez



To have your birthdays listed in the newspaper, email them to frionastar@wtrt.net or call: 806.250.5200

#### FRIONA FLASHBACKS

From the Friona Star Archives



FARWELL TOURNAMENT CHAMPS . . . The Squaws beat Texico Saturday night to win the championship in the Farwell Tournament. Showing their plaque and smiles are, back, l-r, Courtney Adams, Staci Murphree, Misty Adams, and Coach Richard North. Front, 1-r, Shayli Reed, Krista Graham, Katy Welch, Trisha Winebrinner, Andrea Geries, and Brenda Murphree. Not pictured is Lucretia Field who was on crutches in the stands recovering from knee surgery. Ron Carr photo.

(Friona Star, Thursday, December 16, 2004)

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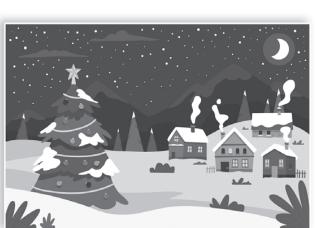
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#### **Panhandle Parables**

#### **One Light**

By Jeff Procter, Minister, 6th Street Church of Christ

I thought I had a good bit of Christmas spirit. I sing the carols and Christmas songs most of them anyway. I am good for one glass of eggnog. We have our tree up, but didn't put it up in October. I have a sweater that probably shouldn't be worn at Christmas, but hey, I am trying to be festive. Some years we even set out three little lighted candy canes in the front yard. So, I consider myself Christmassy. Then I saw a show about folks who add extra breaker boxes to their houses, put up their own wind turbines and pull enough electricity that New York City would be impressed. If that is the new Christmassy then I am a bit behind.

I will say I am very impressed, the lights dance with music, there is every possible critter, Santa Claus and nativity blasting out watts in every direction. I sure would hate to get the January electric bill for one of those set ups. This is all fun and reindeer games, but what is the point? Glad you asked. Some two millennia ago in a world that darkness seemed to be enveloping, a single light entered our world. He came as flesh, but was from a divine origin. A single light. John says it this way in his gospel. John 1:4-5, "[4] In him was life, and the life was the light of men. [5] The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." (ESV) In all the darkness of the world, it could not and has not overcome it. By contrast in our world today, where we have a million lights and fantastic displays, it is still the single light of Christ that dispels darkness. It will always be the light that will endure.

So be as Christmassy as you like, enjoy the carols and the light shows, but never forget that when Jesus came to earth the world would forever have a source of hope. When He died, some thought that light was extinguished, then He rose never to die again. May you have a blessed Christmas and Happy New Year. May God grant you peace and strength for 2025.

#### **The Perfect Gift**

By Teena Hughs

Have you ever noticed that you spend so much time trying to think of the perfect gifts for your loved ones; then, you spend even more time buying those gifts and wrapping them? And then, on Christmas Eve or Christmas morning, all the gifts are opened, and for some, the main part of Christmas is over, in about 30 minutes! For some of us, it is a little sad to see it come to an end so quickly because we have put so much thought and preparation into those

When it comes to gift giving, there are different scenarios that can play out. There is the situation where you are sure you have found the perfect gift for someone, and they don't seem to enjoy it as much as you thought they would. Or, they are excited about it at first, but the excitement quickly wears off. There is also the scenario where your perfect gift for someone is squeezed out by an even more perfect gift from someone else. Finally, there is that perfect gift that we love for life; it is a treasure to us; we don't ever want to lose it; we can't get enough of it.

Do you have a perfect

gift like that? Have you had a gift like that, but because it wasn't what you thought it would be, or it required some work, or because it took up some of your time that you didn't want to surrender, so you just let it go? Maybe you lost the thrill and excitement of it that you experienced when you first received it? Perhaps you slowly but surely let the things of this world just squeeze out the love, excitement, joy of your perfect gift. Then, there is that truly perfect gift you will always treasure; a gift you never ever want to give up. In fact, it is the gift you can't get enough of. That gift is Jesus Christ.

Yes, the most perfect gift you will ever receive is Jesus Christ. The most perfect gift you can offer someone is Jesus Christ.

It is up to each of us to decide what we are going to do with this perfect gift. I think most of

us can testify that even though we have been saved, there are times where we lose our excitement for Him; where we stray from Him because we let things in the world interfere with our relationship with Him. There are those of us who run hot and cold with Jesus; we love the mountaintops and praise Him, but we have a hard time finding Him in the valleys.

If you have been so busy this holiday season and haven't had the relationship with Jesus that you long to have at Christmas, it isn't too late to open His Word and get reacquainted with Him. It isn't too late to just sit in silence and listen for His voice. It isn't too late to just sit and pour your heart out to Him. He is just waiting to be able to pour His love, His forgiveness, His mercy and grace into you! Jesus is the perfect gift for you; but, you are also the perfect gift to Him!

Take care, and I hope you have the most blessed and wonderful Christmas ever!!!

#### **Merry Christmas from the City of Friona**



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#### December Bible Verse

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Luke 2:10-11 KJV

Pero el ángel les dijo: No temáis; porque he aquí os doy nuevas de gran gozo, que será para todo el pueblo: 11 que os ha nacido hoy, en la ciudad de David, un Salvador, que es CRISTO el Señor.
Lucas 2:10-11 R-V 196



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#### NOTICE OF ORDER OF BUILDING STANDARDS COMMISSION CITY OF FRIONA CITY COUNCIL

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A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD BEFORE THE CITY OF FRIONA BUILDING STANDARDS COMMISSION ON DECEMBER 9, 2024, AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS LOCATED AT FRIONA CITY HALL, 623 MAIN STREET, FRIONA, TEXAS 70025

NAME AND ADDRESS OF RECORD OWNER: David Gonzalez, 1604 W 9th St, Friona, Texas 79035

REAL PROPERTY: Property located at Jones, Block 2, Lot 7-9, MH Serial 510408, NUWAY 81 (Parmer County Appraisal District Property ID: 2014), commonly known as 1403 Washington, Friona, Texas (the "Property").

BRIEF STATEMENT INDICATING THE RESULTS OF THE ORDER: The Building Standards Commission ordered, among other items, that the owner of the Property, and/or any lienholder or mortgagee, shall demolish the structure located at 1403 Washington, Friona, Texas, and eliminate all unhealthy and unsafe conditions within sixty (60) days of this Order, including cleaning and grading the property. Failure to take the ordered actions within the specified time may result in the City taking requisite actions to demolish the structure, clean and grade the lot, and establish a lien on the property without further notice or hearing, in accordance with applicable law.

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NAME AND ADDRESS OF RECORD OWNER: Jaime/Juan Castillo, 2803 Cetti St., Houston, Texas 77009

REAL PROPERTY: Property located at Carson, Block 1, Lot S. 51.75 of 1 TR\$75 (Parmer County Appraisal District Property ID: 1864), commonly known as 1409 Euclid, Friona, Texas (the "Property").

BRIEF STATEMENT INDICATING THE RESULTS OF THE ORDER: The Building Standards Commission ordered, among other items, that the owner of the Property shall complete certain tasks within 60 days of the Order, including, but not limited to, securing and assessing the Property, developing a corrective action plan, and beginning substantial repair or demolition work to address the deficiencies. Owner was further ordered to appear at the Building Standards Commission meeting on February 10, 2025, to report on the Owner's compliance with this Order and to get further direction from the Commission. Failure to take the ordered actions within the specified time may result in the Building Standards Commission acting at its meeting on February 10, 2025, to order the owner of the property, and/or any lienholder or mortgagee, to demolish the structures located at the Property and eliminate all unhealthy and unsafe conditions, including cleaning and grading the property, within a specified number of days from that meeting. Should the owner of the property, and/or any lienholder or mortgagee fail to do so within the time frame ordered, the City may do the ordered work or cause it to be done and place a lien on the property without further notice or hearing in accordance with applicable law.

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NAME AND ADDRESS OF RECORD OWNER: Santana Gonzalez/Adi Gonzalez, 712 W 9<sup>th</sup> St., Friona, Texas 79035

REAL PROPERTY: Property (specifically the stucco house) located at Original Town Friona, Block 15, Lot 7, Friona, Texas (Parmer County Appraisal District Property ID: 2307), commonly known as 712 W 9<sup>th</sup>, Friona, Texas (the "Property").

BRIEF STATEMENT INDICATING THE RESULTS OF THE ORDER: The Building Standards Commission ordered, among other items, that the owner of the Property shall complete certain tasks within 90 days of the Order, including, but not limited to, securing and assessing the Property, developing a corrective action plan, and completing all repair or demolition work to bring the Property into full compliance. Owner was further ordered to appear at the Building Standards Commission meeting on February 10, 2025, to report on the Owner's compliance with this Order and to get further direction from the Commission. Failure to take the ordered actions within the specified time may result in the Building Standards Commission acting at its meeting on February 10, 2025, to order the owner of the property, and/or any lienholder or mortgagee, to demolish the structures located at the Property and eliminate all unhealthy and unsafe conditions, including cleaning and grading the property, within a specified number of days from that meeting. Should the owner of the property, and/or any lienholder or mortgagee fail to do so within the time frame ordered, the City may do the ordered work or cause it to be done and place a lien on the property without further notice or hearing in accordance with applicable law.

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NAME AND ADDRESS OF RECORD OWNER: Jaime/Juan Castillo, 2803 Cetti St., Houston, Texas 77009

REAL PROPERTY: Property located at Original Town Friona, Block 46, Lot 10 TR\$75 (Parmer County Appraisal District Property ID: 2507), commonly known as 708 Prospect, Friona, Texas (the "Property").

BRIEF STATEMENT INDICATING THE RESULTS OF THE ORDER: The Building Standards Commission ordered, among other items, that the owner of the Property, and/or any lienholder or mortgagee, shall demolish the structure located at 708 Prospect, Friona, Texas, and eliminate all unhealthy and unsafe conditions within sixty (60) days of this Order, including cleaning and grading the property. Failure to take the ordered actions within the specified time may result in the City taking requisite actions to demolish the structure, clean and grade the lot, and establish a lien on the property without further notice or hearing, in accordance with applicable law.

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NAME AND ADDRESS OF RECORD OWNER: Junior Hernandez, PO Box 294, Friona, Texas 79035

REAL PROPERTY: Property located at McMillian Ferguson, Block 13, Lot 1-3, Friona, Texas (Parmer County Appraisal District Property ID: 2200), commonly known as 1107 Washington, Friona, Texas (the "Property").

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#### **State Capital Highlights**

By Gary Borders



#### Agency seeks \$300 million to **bolster Medicaid**

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission is seeking a \$300 million transfusion of funds to bolster the state's Medicaid application process, The Texas Tribune reported.

The public health insurance program provides coverage for people or families with limited income, as well as pregnant women and people with disabilities. Wait time for applicants in Texas has been as long as 71 days, with nearly 132,000 pending applications last month.

The proposed funding would allow hiring more than 1,000 additional workers and upgrading a decades-old computer system to speed up the Medicaid application process in Texas.

The agency's request notes the COVID-19 pandemic put considerable stress on the eligibility system.

If lawmakers approve the \$300 million request, the state could receive an additional \$100 million in funding, largely from the federal government.

#### At least 17 National Guard troops have died patrolling border

The mobilization of National

Guard troops along the southern border with Mexico over the past three years has taken its toll, with at least 17 dying from various causes, the Texas Standard reported.

The deaths include at least seven suicides, two accidental shootings and two traffic fatalities, as well as an accidental drowning while attempting to save migrants crossing the Rio Grande.

The death toll was disclosed during a hearing of the Texas House Committee on Defense and Veterans Affairs.

"The loss of life for any National Guard member is one too many, and our hearts are with the families and loved ones of these heroes," Gov. Greg Abbott said in a statement. His office said last month that Operation Lone Star has resulted in more than 526,000 immigrant apprehensions and nearly 50,000 criminal arrests.

U.S. Rep. Joaquin Castro, D-San Antonio, has opposed Operation Lone Star since its incep-

"There's just a lot of concerns about how these troops have been treated in Operation Lone Star, in addition to serious questions about the effectiveness of the whole operation," Castro

#### Paxton files suit against two chemical giants

Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton last week filed a lawsuit against chemical behemoths 3M and DuPont, accusing them of misrepresenting the safety of so-called "forever chemicals," called PFAS, The Tribune report-

PFAS are a family of chemicals that resist oil, stains, heat, grease, and water. They are called "forever chemicals" because they don't break down and remain in water and soil indefinitely.

The products are sold under brand names such as Teflon, Stainmaster, and Scotchgard. There is mounting evidence they contain chemicals considered harmful to human health.

"These companies knew for decades that PFAS chemicals could cause serious harm to human health yet continued to advertise them as safe for household use around families and children," Paxton said in a news release. "Texas is taking action to penalize these companies and hold them accountable for deceiving Texans into buying

consumer products without vital information."

A spokesperson for DuPont called the lawsuit "without merit... We look forward to vigorously defending our record of safety, health, and environmental stewardship."

#### PUC pushing voluntary use of smart thermostats

The Public Utility Commission is providing residential consumers of electricity a way to save on their electricity bills by installing smart thermostats that allow retail electric providers to reduce energy use when demand is high, though only in areas with retail competition.

"Ensuring grid reliability as Texas continues to grow requires both expanding our state's power supply and finding ways to reduce demand and use electricity more efficiently," PUCT Commissioner Kathleen Jackson said. "By offering residential consumers opportunities to help them reduce their energy use, we help them save money, reduce demand on the ERCOT system, and improve grid reliability."

Participation is voluntary. The PUC hopes the new rule will strengthen grid reliability by reducing the total power consumption of participating customers by 20%.

#### November was warmer, wetter than usual

After a hot and dry October, the state for the most part received much-needed rain in November, though temperatures remained above average for this time of year, according to Mark Wentzel, hydrologist with the Texas Water Development Board.

As a result, the percentage of the state in drought dropped 24 percentage points by the end of November. However, half of Texas is still in drought, mainly in Far West Texas and a piece of Central Texas around San Anto-

"November was a welcome relief from October's statewide record-setting heat and nearrecord-setting dryness," Wentzel wrote. Drought conditions are expected to remain relatively stable through the winter months, he added.

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#### PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RATE CHANGE NATURAL GAS UTILITY RATES AVISO PÚBLICO DEL CAMBIO DE TARIFA PROPUESTO TARIFAS DE SERVICIOS DE GAS NATURAL

On October 25, 2024, Atmos Energy Corporation's ("Atmos Energy" or "the Company") West Texas Division ("WTX Division") filed a proposed systemwide cost of service and accompanying Statement of Intent with the Railroad Commission of Texas ("Commission") and each municipality served by the WTX Division. The Statement of Intent seeks to change the gas utility rates charged by the Company to customers within all incorporated and unincorporated areas served by the WTX Division. The incorporated areas of the WTX Division are comprised of Amarillo, Lubbock, Dalhart, and Channing (collectively, the "ALDC Cities") and the cities of Abernathy, Amherst, Anton, Big Spring, Bovina, Brownfield, Buffalo Springs Lake, Canyon, Coahoma, Crosbyton, Dimmitt, Earth, Edmonson, Floydada, Forsan, Friona, Fritch, Hale Center, Happy, Hart, Hereford, Idalou, Kress, Lake Tanglewood, Lamesa, Levelland, Littlefield, Lockney, Lorenzo, Los Ybanez, Meadow, Midland, Muleshoe, Nazareth, New Deal, New Home, Odessa, O'Donnell, Olton, Opdyke West, Palisades, Pampa, Panhandle, Petersburg, Plainview, Post, Quitaque, Ralls, Ransom Canyon, Ropesville, Sanford, Seagraves, Seminole, Shallowater, Silverton, Slaton, Smyer, Springlake, Stanton, Sudan, Tahoka, Timbercreek Canyon, Tulia, Turkey, Vega, Wellman, Wilson, Wolfforth (collectively, the "WTX Cities").

The proposed change in rates will affect residential, commercial, industrial, transportation, and public authority customers within all incorporated and unincorporated areas served by the WTX Division, which includes the incorporated ALDC Cities, WTX Cities, the Triangle system, and all unincorporated areas served by the WTX Division. The proposed effective date of the requested rate change is November 29, 2024.

If approved, the proposed rates will increase the annual revenues received from the unincorporated and incorporated areas served by the WTX Division by approximately \$66.1 million, which is a change of 19.95% including gas costs and 31.54% excluding gas costs. Because the proposed changes will increase the Company's total aggregate revenue within the WTX Division by more than 2.5%, the proposed changes, if approved, constitute a "major change" in rates as that term is defined by Tex. Util. Code § 104.101. The proposed rates do not, however, exceed 115% of the average of all rates for similar services within all municipalities served by the Company within the same counties, pursuant to Tex. Util. Code § 104.006.

The Company proposes to implement the rates included in Tables below:

TABLE 1 – Proposed Rate Changes for WTX Cities Customers

Customen Class	Number of Customers	Current Customer	Proposed Customer	Current Consumption	Proposed Consumption
Customer Class	Affected	Charge	Charge	Charge (per Ccf)	Charge (per Ccf)
Residential	133,135	\$ 19.69	\$ 25.00	\$ 0.43304	\$ 0.66215
Commercial	10,333	\$ 67.39	\$ 75.00	\$ 0.21728	<b>\$ 0.27727</b>
Industrial &					
Transportation	38	\$ 772.87	\$ 900.00	\$ 0.12145	\$ 0.07749
Public Authority*	1,314	\$ 186.36	\$ 75.00	\$ 0.19014	<b>\$ 0.27727</b>

TABLE 2 – Proposed Rate Changes for Amarillo, Dalhart, and Channing Customers

	Number of Customers	Current Customer	Proposed Customer	Current Consumption	Proposed Consumption
Customer Class	Affected	Charge	Charge	Charge (per Ccf)	Charge (per Ccf)
Residential	67,066	\$ 24.36	\$ 25.00	\$ 0.32946	\$ 0.66215
Commercial	5,901	\$ 79.61	\$ 75.00	\$ 0.19071	\$ 0.27727
Industrial &					
Transportation	22	\$ 1,038.10	\$ 900.00	\$ 0.14422	\$ 0.07749
Public Authority*	300	\$ 103.83	\$ 75.00	\$ 0.26346	<b>\$ 0.27727</b>

TABLE 3 – Proposed Rate Changes for Lubbock Customers

Customer Class	Number of Customers Affected	Current Customer Charge	Proposed Customer Charge	Current Consumption Charge (per Ccf)	Proposed Consumption Charge (per Ccf)
Residential	73,553	\$ 24.36	\$ 25.00	\$ 0.40078	\$ 0.66215
Commercial	6,099	\$ 79.61	\$ 75.00	\$ 0.19856	\$ <b>0.27727</b>
Industrial &					
Transportation	36	\$ 1,038.10	\$ 900.00	\$ 0.11225	\$ 0.07749
Public Authority*	254	\$ 103.83	\$ 75.00	\$ 0.24975	\$ 0.27727

TABLE 4 – Proposed Rate Changes for Triangle System Customers Moving to the WTX
Division Transportation Tariff\*\*

WTX TRIANGLE CITY			
Charge	Current	Tariff to be withdrawn & customers moved to proposed transportation rate shown below	Difference*
Customer Charge	\$0.00	\$900.00	\$900.00
Consumption Charge per Ccf	\$0.62307 MMBtu	\$0.07749 Ccf	\$0.01428

\*The current consumption charge is \$0.62307 MMBtu. This rate has been converted to the equivalent Ccf rate of \$0.06321 using a conversion Ccf rate \$ 0.1015 to determine the consumption charge difference.

TABLE 5 – Proposed Rate Changes for Unincorporated Areas Customers

Customer Class	Number of Customers Affected	Current Customer Charge	Proposed Customer Charge	Current Consumption Charge (per Ccf)	Proposed Consumption Charge (per Ccf)
Residential	19,768	\$ 35.11	\$ 25.00	\$ 0.21224	\$ 0.66215
Commercial	2,297	\$ 96.65	\$ 75.00	\$ 0.11722	\$ 0.27727
Industrial &					
Transportation	91	\$ 1,237.64	\$ 900.00	\$ 0.06895	\$ 0.07749
Public Authority*	187	\$ 286.27	\$ 75.00	\$ 0.09518	<b>\$ 0.27727</b>

The average bill impacts identified in **Tables 6-10** below have been calculated based on a \$0.41067 per Ccf cost of gas with the exception of Transportation and Triangle System customers, which do not receive a cost of gas.

TABLE 6 – Impact on Average Bill for WTX Cities Customers

Customer Class (Average Monthly Usage Ccf) Residential (45.6)	Current Average Monthly Bill with Gas Cost \$ 61.51	Proposed Average Monthly Bill with Gas Cost \$ 78.17	Proposed Monthly Change \$ 16.66	Percentage Change with Gas Cost 27.09%	Percentage Change without Gas Cost 39.96%
Commercial (233.1)	\$ 226.06	\$ 248.89	\$ 22.84	10.10%	18.29%
Industrial (2,898.6)	\$ 2,448.40	\$ 2,448.09	\$ (0.31)	(0.01)%	(0.03)%
Transportation (18,762.2)	\$ 3,227.02	\$ 2,489.22	\$ (737.80)	N/A	(22.86)%
Public Authority* (618.4)	\$ 589.98	\$ 529.20	\$ (60.78)	(10.30)%	(18.91)%

TABLE 7 – Impact on Average Bill for Amarillo, Dalhart, and Channing Customers

	Current	Proposed			
	Average	Average	Proposed	Percentage	Percentage
Customer Class (Average	Monthly Bill	Monthly Bill	Monthly	Change with	Change without
Monthly Usage Ccf)	with Gas Cost	with Gas Cost	Change	Gas Cost	Gas Cost
Residential (59.4)	\$ 72.25	\$ 93.83	\$ 21.57	29.86%	46.44%
Commercial (339.4)	\$ 300.03	\$ 326.23	\$ 26.19	8.73%	17.16%
Industrial (13,903.7)	\$ 9,256.42	\$ 8,129.22	\$ (1,127.20)	(12.18)%	(35.02)%
Transportation (49,395.9)	\$ 8,631.33	\$ 4,999.50	\$ (3,631.83)	N/A	(42.08)%
Public Authority* (1,243.7)	\$ 996.42	\$ 984.10	\$ (12.32)	(1.24)%	(2.70)%

TABLE 8 – Impact on Average Bill for Lubbock Customers

	Current	Proposed			
	Average	Average	Proposed	Percentage	Percentage
Customer Class (Average	Monthly Bill	Monthly Bill	Monthly	Change with	Change without
Monthly Usage Ccf)	with Gas Cost	with Gas Cost	Change	Gas Cost	Gas Cost
Residential (49.9_)	\$ 68.58	\$ 83.05	\$ 14.47	21.10%	30.84%
Commercial (284.2)	\$ 267.29	\$ 286.07	\$ 18.78	7.03%	13.06%
Industrial (7,140.6)	\$ 5,046.46	\$ 4,637.92	\$ (408.53)	(8.10)%	(21.00)%
Transportation (37,671.1)	\$ 5,569.54	\$ 4,038.71	\$ (1,530.83)	N/A	(27.49)%
Public Authority* (1,031.7)	\$ 830.33	\$ 829.87	\$ (0.46)	(0.06)%	(0.12)%

TABLE 9 – Impact on Average Bill for Triangle System Customers Moving to the WTX Division Transportation Tariff

City Gate/	\$ 11,227.95	\$ 14,777.08	\$ 3,499.12	N/A	31.03%
Monthly Usage Ccf)	with Gas Cost	with Gas Cost	Change	Gas Cost	Gas Cost
Customer Class (Average	Monthly Bill	Monthly Bill	Monthly	Change with	Change without
	Average	Average	Proposed	Percentage	Percentage
	Current	Proposed			

TABLE 10 - Impact on Average Bill for Unincorporated Areas Customers

	Current	Proposed			
	Average	Average	Proposed	Percentage	Percentage
Customer Class (Average	Monthly Bill	Monthly Bill	Monthly	Change with	Change without
Monthly Usage Ccf)	with Gas Cost	with Gas Cost	Change	Gas Cost	Gas Cost
Residential (65.2)	\$ 80.08	\$ 100.41	\$ 20.33	25.39%	39.27%
Commercial (438.9)	\$ 347.22	\$ 398.61	\$ 51.39	14.80%	32.81%
Industrial (3,426.4)	\$ 3,046.67	\$ 2,720.55	\$ (326.12)	(10.70)%	(20.92)%
Transportation (20,908.0)	\$ 2,833.32	\$ 2,665.06	\$ (168.26)	N/A	(5.94)%
Public Authority* (1,811.2)	\$ 1,271.61	\$ 1,396.96	\$ 125.35	9.86%	25.84%

\*Note to Tables 1 through 3 and 5 through 10: The Company is proposing to withdraw its Public Authority tariff and transition customers taking service under this tariff to the Commercial Gas Service tariff at the rates shown above.

\*\* Note to Table 4: The Company proposes to withdraw the Triangle system tariff(s) in effect within the unincorporated areas and the Cities of Lubbock and Hereford. Customers taking service under the Triangle system tariff(s) will move to the Transportation Gas Service tariff or the proposed Rate Schedule-WAT, as applicable. Only three Triangle system customers that have a unique character of service off of the Triangle system are eligible for the proposed, new Rate Schedule – WAT.

In addition to the proposed change in rates and withdrawal of the Public Authority and Triangle system tariff(s), the Company seeks to:

- Obtain a prudence determination on the capital investment made in the existing WTX system between January 1, 2018 and September 30, 2024, as well as the investment made in the Triangle system between April 1, 2019 and September 30, 2024;
- Obtain a Commission determination that the WTX Division has correctly reflected changes to utility rates to account for all the impacts of the lowered federal corporate income tax rate consistent with the Accounting Order issued in Gas Utilities Docket ("GUD") No. 10695;
- Establish new depreciation rates for the WTX Division's plant assets, as well as the plant assets held by Atmos Energy's Shared Services Unit;
- Obtain approval to record Cloud Computing costs as a capital investment recoverable through its annual interim rate adjustment filings made pursuant to Tex. Util. Code § 104.301;
- Increase the meals and lodging limitations to levels that have been approved as reasonable by the Commission in recent rate proceedings;
- Adopt a new System Safety & Integrity Rider ("Rider SSI") that will, based on a benchmark established as part of this request, allow the Company to recover or refund to customers, third-party expenses incurred for: (1) inspection activities to confirm that there is no existing cross-bore damage on facilities installed prior to 2016; (2) specific damage prevention activities necessary to install technology to make unlocatable facilities electronically locatable; (3) incremental leak surveying and detection activities conducted by third-party contractors; (4) supervisory activities related to third-party excavation near Atmos Energy facilities; and (5) pipeline integrity testing and records review required by the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration. The pipeline integrity testing and records review costs will capture both activities currently being performed within the legacy WTX system and the Triangle system activities currently being recorded to the SSI regulatory asset as authorized by the Commission in GUD No. 10900;
- Adopt a new Rate Schedule WAT for the WTX Division's unincorporated areas, which will grandfather the service currently being provided to three existing customers with a unique character of service currently receiving transportation service on the Triangle system;
- Adopt a new Rider SUR Surcharges ("Rider SUR"), which will provide for: (1) the recovery of the outstanding interest expense balance related to Winter Storm Uri (2) the recovery of authorized rate case expenses; (3) the refund of uncertain tax provisions, which have historically been referred to as FIN 48; (4) the recovery of the existing SSI regulatory asset balance; (5) the refund of the residual Excess Deferred Income Tax ("EDIT") amortization balance to customers. The Company further proposes to recover Rider SSI amounts under the Rider SUR, if the tariff is approved. The Company further notes that it is proposing areaspecific Rider SUR Surcharges due to timing differences to assist with cost recovery of interest expenses related to Winter Storm Uri and the refund of residual EDIT amortization balance to all unincorporated customers;
- Withdraw the Rate Review Mechanism (RRM) tariff currently in effect in the WTX Cities so that new base rates resulting from the Statement of Intent filing can take effect;
- Adopt updated tariffs reflective of the WTX Division's actual cost of providing service, align operating division nomenclature, update its line extension policy, and clarify the responsibilities of the utility and its customers;
- Identify the specific annual amount of Pension and Other Postemployment Benefits as provided for in Tex. Util. Code § 104.059; and
- Recover all of its reasonable rate case expenses.

In addition to the adoption of the proposed Rider SSI and Rider SUR discussed above, the Company proposes additional tariff changes. In the Company's Gas Sales Service Tariff, the Company proposes to revise its WTX Division Residential, Commercial, Industrial & Transportation rate schedules to reflect the proposed rates and to provide additional clarity regarding the applicability of state and local taxes. The Company also proposes to revise its Industrial & Transportation tariffs to revise and/or emphasize certain terms of service.

The Company also proposes rename its Other Service Charges tariff to Miscellaneous Service Charges to align operating division nomenclature and achieve consistency with the references to Miscellaneous Charges in the gas sales service tariffs. The Company proposes to adopt a definitional section in its tariffs and update the Quality of Service tariff. The proposed Quality of Service tariff revisions include a new construction section and clarify Atmos Energy's line extension policy, as well as the Company's right to access customer premises for operational purposes, including the installation of necessary equipment, as well as what customers' responsibilities are if Company facilities are damaged. The Company has also included language to further clarify billing adjustments. Lastly, the changes describe in more detail the responsibilities of customers for their facilities and equipment and the limitations of responsibility of the Company for loss or damages. Finally, the Company proposes to revise the Rider TAX - Tax Adjustment tariff to clarify the applicability of the Rider and address: (1) the treatment of residual EDIT; (2) the proposed refund of amounts related to the Company's FASB 740-10 FIN 48 Uncertain Tax Positions; and (3) timing issues created by tax rate changes that may be made at the local, state, and federal levels, as well as the implementation of the Corporate Alternative Minimum Tax, which was signed into law in August 2022.

Persons with specific questions or desiring additional information about this filing may contact Atmos Energy Corporation at 1-888-286-6700. Complete copies of the filed Statement of Intent, including all proposed rates, schedules and tariffs are available for inspection at Atmos Energy's offices located at 6606 66th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79424 and on our website at https://www.atmosenergy.com/utility-operationsrates/tariffs-west-texas/west-texas/

In addition, any affected person within the unincorporated areas served by the WTX Division may file written comments or a protest concerning the proposed rate change with the Docket Services Section of the Office of the Hearings Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711-2967, at any time within 30 days following the date on which the change would or has become effective, or December 29, 2024. Please reference Docket No. OS-24-00018879. Any affected person within an incorporated area may contact his or her city council.

Este aviso tiene como fin informarles a los clientes de Atmos Energy Corporation de West Texas Division (la "Compañía") que la Compañía ha presentado una solicitud para aumentar las tarifas del servicio público de gas. Esta solicitud afecta a todos los clientes en las áreas servidas por Atmos Energy Corporation. Las personas que deseen hacer preguntas específicas o recibir más información sobre esta solicitud pueden comunicarse con la Compañía llamando al 1-888-286-6700. Cualquier persona afectada puede presentar por escrito comentarios o una protesta sobre el cambio de tarifas propuesto a Docket Services Section, Office of the Hearings Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711-2967, en cualquier momento dentro de los 30 días siguientes a la fecha en que este cambio entraría en vigencia. Por favor haga referencia a Docket No. OS-24-00018879. Cualquier persona afectada dentro de un área incorporada puede contactar a su Consejo Municipal.



#### **Obituaries**



#### Rosa Tienda

Rosa Tienda, 89 of Bovina passed away December 10, 2024 in Bovina. Viewing was held Monday December 16, 2024 10:00 AM to 9:00 PM with Rosary Services at 6:00 PM at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina with Mass of Christian Burial Services set for 11:00AM December 17 2024 at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina with Father Rudolf Crasta as Celebrant. Burial following in the Bovina Cemetery by HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friona.

Rosa was born August 30, 1935 in La Ascencion Nuevo Leon, Mexico to Modesto and Celerina Briones Romo. She married Roberto Tienda Sr. May 14, 1955. She was known as a very happy person with a smile on



her face and a joke to tell. She loved knitting, crocheting, and cooking, especially her famous homemade tamales. She was a very active member of St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina where she helped the Guadalupanas and the annual St. Ann's Jamaica.

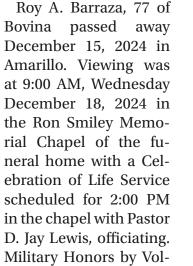
Rosa is preceded in death by her parents-Modesto and Celerina Romo, husband-Roberto Tienda Sr., brothers-Jesus Romo, Eleuterio Romo, Teresito Romo, and Modesto Romo Jr., sisters-Maria Romo, Celia Romo, and an aunt that was seen as a sister-Hermelinda Bazaldua.

Those to cherish her memories include 1 daughter-Celia Tienda of Bovina, 1 son- Roberto Tienda Jr. and wife Josefina of Lubbock, 2 sisters-Juanita Romo, and Maria DeLaLuz Romo, both of Monterrey, Mexico, 1 grandson-Antonio Tienda of Odessa, 2 great-granddaughters-Erissa Carrera and Emma Rose Tienda.

You may send blessings to the family and sign the online guest book on Rosa's memorial page exclusively at: hansardfamily.com



#### Roy A. Barraza





ley for Veterans Honor

Guard from Amarillo.

Burial following in the

Bovina Cemetery

Bovina Cemetery in Bovina, Texas by HAN-SARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friona.

Roy was born November 15, 1947 in Ackerly, Texas to Antonio and Maria Acosta Barraza. He was a Veteran of the U.S. Army serving in Vietnam. He loved to work and was an ex-

tremely hard worker.

Roy is preceded in death by his parents-Antonio and Maria Barraza, 2 brothers-Moises and Fidel Barraza.

He is survived by his sister that he thought of as being very special-Antonia Barraza of Amarillo, and 1 nephew-Richard M. Barraza of Big Spring, Texas.

You may send blessings to the family and sign the online guest book on Roy's memorial page exclusively at: hansardfamily.com





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#### Drivers urged to move over or slow down for emergency vehicles

AUSTIN – If you see tow trucks and other emergency vehicles stopped on the side of the road with their emergency lights activated, do you know what to do?

Texas law requires drivers to slow down at least 20 miles per hour under the posted speed limit or, if able, to change lanes when they're passing a first responder stopped on the roadside.

Large numbers of travelers are expected on Texas roads during the Christmas and New Year's holidays and chances are, they may break down, get involved in crashes or be stopped by law enforcement. Pay attention to what's happening around you and be prepared to react quickly.

The Texas Dept. of Licensing & Regulation (TDLR) regulates tow truck companies and tow truck drivers, driver education and driving safety courses, and motorcycle safety courses, and as always, the agency asks all drivers to please slow down or

move over when you see emergency vehicles stopped on the side of the road.

Tow truck drivers work hard every day to help people who are stranded on the side of the road. And, like everyone else, they are anxious to return home safely each night. Holiday memories are made when family gathers. Please do your part to make that happen for all.

Safety tips for driving this holiday season:

Slow down and pay attention

to what you're doing. If you get tired, pull over in a safe spot and walk around to re-energize.

Don't drink and drive, even a little bit.

Designate a (sober) driver.

Stay off the mobile phone – this includes texting. Designate a "co-pilot" to oversee the phone while you're driving so you can concentrate on the task at hand.

Buckle up – all occupants of the vehicle, every trip – no matter how short. Most traffic crashes happen close to home. Traveling by motorcycle? Wear a helmet.

Stay weather-aware. If it's snowy or icy, you'll need to slow down significantly so you don't slide on unexpected icy spots. If it's raining heavily, turn around and don't drown if water is running across the road. Only two feet of rushing water can sweep away a vehicle.

Leave plenty of time to get to your destination. Roadways are likely to be crowded. Drive friendly - the Texas way!

# Friona School Calendar for January 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			-No School	-No School	-No School	4
5	*Holiday -JH Basketball vs. Littlefield G(H) B(T)	*Student Holiday/Teacher Work Day -HS Basketball vs. Muleshoe	*FISD Choir Performance @ Texas Tech Basketball Game	JH G Basketball Tourney @ Roosevelt -HS Basketball @ Lubbock Roosevelt	10	-JH G Basketball Tourney @ Roosevelt -Powerlifting @ Panhandle
12	-JH Basketball vs. Muleshoe G(T) B(H) -Parmer County Stock Show	-HS Basketball @ Dimmitt -Parmer County Stock Show	-Parmer County Stock Show	-JH Friona Basketball Tourney -Parmer County Stock Show	-All -Region Clinic -HS Basketball vs. Littlefield -Parmer County Stock Show	-All-Region Concert  @ Canyon HS -Powerlifting @ Plainview -JH Friona Basketball Tourney -Parmer County Stock Show
19	-JH Basketball vs. Slaton G(H) B(T) *FISD Board Meeting	-HS Basketball @ Idalou	22	-JH B Basketball Tourney @ Roosevelt *HS FASFS Night	-HS Basketball @ Slaton	-JH B Basketball Tourney @ Roosevelt -Powerlifting @ Dalhart
26	-JH Basketball vs. Roosevelt G(T) B(H)	-HS Basketball vs. Shallowater	29	30	-HS Basketball @ Muleshoe	

# FOR UNTO YOU IS BORN THIS DAY....

# CHRISTIMAS



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#### **Birth of Jesus**

1 And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be taxed. 2 (This was the first census that took place while[a] Quirinius was governor of Syria.) 3 And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. 4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:) 5 To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. 6 And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. 7 And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

8 And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. 9 And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. 10 And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. 11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. 12 And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. 13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, 14 Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

Luke 2: 1-14 KJV

#### Nacimiento de Jesús

1 Aconteció en aquellos días, que se promulgó un edicto de parte de Augusto César, que todo el mundo fuese empadronado. 2 Este primer censo se hizo siendo Cirenio gobernador de Siria. **3** E iban todos para ser empadronados, cada uno a su ciudad. 4 Y José subió de Galilea, de la ciudad de Nazaret, a Judea, a la ciudad de David, que se llama Belén, por cuanto era de la casa y familia de David; **5** para ser empadronado con María su mujer, desposada con él, la cual estaba encinta. 6 Y aconteció que estando ellos allí, se cumplieron los días de su alumbramiento. 7 Y dio a luz a su hijo primogénito, y lo envolvió en pañales, y lo acostó en un pesebre, porque no había lugar para ellos en el mesón. 8 Había pastores en la misma

región, que velaban y guardaban las vigilias de la noche sobre su rebaño. 9 Y he aquí, se les presentó un ángel del Señor, y la gloria del Señor los rodeó de resplandor; y tuvieron gran temor. 10 Pero el ángel les dijo: No temáis; porque he aquí os doy nuevas de gran gozo, que será para todo el pueblo: 11 que os ha nacido hoy, en la ciudad de David, un Salvador, que es CRISTO el Señor. 12 Esto os servirá de señal: Hallaréis al niño envuelto en pañales, acostado en un pesebre. 13 Y repentinamente apareció con el ángel una multitud de las huestes celestiales, que alababan a Dios, y decían: 14 ¡Gloria a Dios en las alturas, Y en la tierra paz, buena voluntad para con los hombres!

Lucas 2: 1-14 Reina-Valera 1960





Merry Christmas from the staff of Friona Banking **Center,** (l-r) Mayra, Curt, Sabrina, Alma, Cynthia, Maria, Ab



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Consumer Loans

# **SPECIAL HOLIDAY HOURS:**

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**Christmas Day: Closed** 

New Year's Eve: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**New Year's Day: Closed** 

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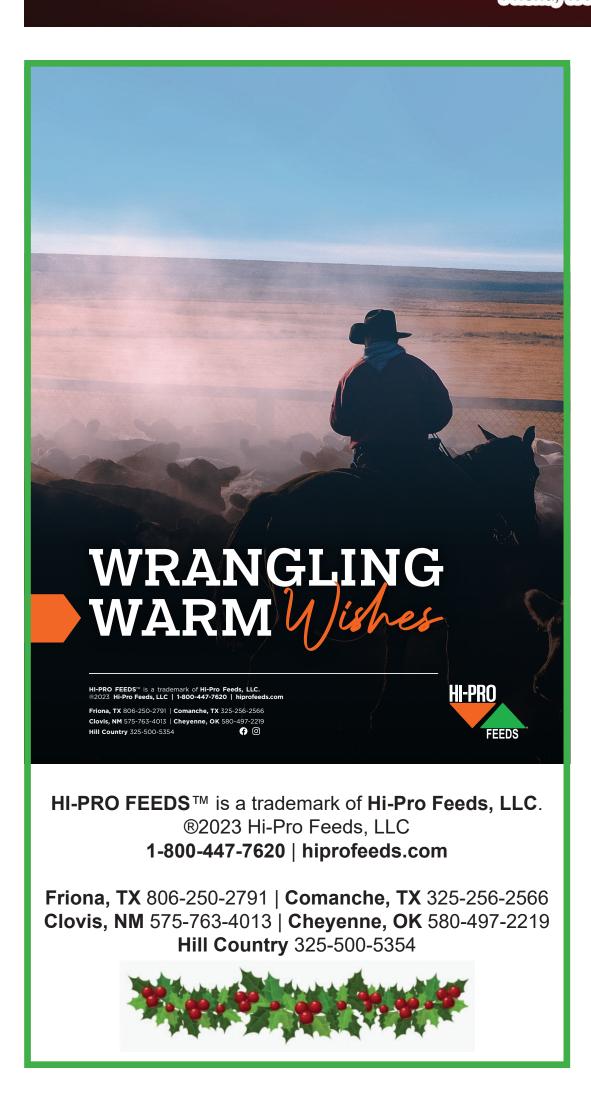
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#### Letters to Santa



The Friona Star took the Santa Letters we received from Friona Primary and Elementary students to the post office a couple of weeks ago. In the photo, post office employee John Torres is weighing the box to get the correct postage for the North Pole. Excerpts from the letters can be found on the following pages.

Dear Santa,
I am 4 years old. This year I have been nice.
I am really grateful for my nana. I would really like you to bring me a robot and teddy bear because I want to hug

my teddy bear. Love, Damian

Dear Santa,

I am 5 years old. This year I have been naughty and nice. I am really grateful for my family. I would really like you to bring me barbie house because I like it.

Love, Khloe

Dear Santa, For Christmas, Slime, Shoes. Love, unknown Dear Santa,

I am 4 years old. This year I have been nice. I am really grateful for my house. I would really like you to bring me a car that I drive with pedals because it is fun to drive. Love, Everleigh

Dear Santa, I am 6 years old. This year I have been nice. I am really grateful for my family. I would really like you to bring me a keyboard. Love, Allison

Dear Santa,
I am 5 years old. This year I have been nice.
I am really grateful for Santa. I would really like you to bring me Minecraft toys.

Love, Adam

Dear Santa,

I am 4 years old. This year I have been nice. I am really grateful for my dog. I would really like you to bring me a robot and motorcycle because I like motorcycles.

Dear Santa

Love, Elian

Dear Santa,
I am 7 years old. This year I have been naughty and nice. I am really grateful for friends. I would really like you to bring me toys.
Love, Israel

Dear Santa,
I would like a wax potfake head with hair,
hoverboard go kart, and
dart bike.
Love, Destry

Dear Santa,
Hi! Merry Christmas! I
have been good. I colores,
unas tarjetas de letras.
Love, Uriel

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I have been good this year. I would like to have Street Kids, tickets for their concert, and purple tights. Be safe as you travel and I will leave you a treat. Love, Izabella Chavez

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I am good. I have been trying to be good. This year I would like to have a soccer 25 game for my play 5, something for my dog, and a web shooter of spider-man that really shoots. Please travel safely and I will leave you a treat.

Love, Jayden Ayala

Dear Santa,

Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I santa, un avion de juguete. Love, Amelia

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I juego de letras para aprender. Love, Juan

Dear Santa, I would really like you to bring me some toys. Love, Colton

Dear Santa, For Christmas, Slime, Elf. Love, Carol

Dear Santa I want mini brand toys. Love, Evelyn Dear Santa, what i want for christmas is a tablet and a ps5 Ander

Dear Santa,

Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I y para mi un dinosaurio que presta.

Love, Rodrygo

Dear Santa, I would really like you to bring me a bike. Love, Jaylin

Dear Santa, I am 5 years old. This year I have been nice. I am really grateful for my mom. I would really like you to bring me a barbie house. Love, Kian

Dear Santa For Christmas, Mario game. Love, Eduardo

Dear Santa, For Christmas, Box Truck. Love, unknown

Dear Santa I want dinosaurs. Love, Elijah

Dear Santa, For Christmas, Lollipop, Cookie. Love, Lillie

Dear Santa,
For Christmas, Tree,
Slime.
Love, Tomasa

Dear Santa,
Here are some things I
would like for Christmas:
Barbie doll, Santa doll,
Make up.
Love, unknown

Dear Santa,
Here are some things I
would like for Christmas:
Toys, Shoes, Clothes.

Dear Santa,

Love. Erik

Here are some things I would like for Christmas: Paw Patrol toy, Bluey car, Robot Santa Claus. Love, Oliver

Dear Santa, Here are some things I would like for Christmas: Police car, Firefighter car, Optimus prime toys. Love, Mateo

Dear Santa, For Christmas, Bop Barbie.

Love, Yoselin

Dear Santa, For Christmas, Oki B, Oki B house. Love, Juana

Dear Santa

I want an Optimus-Prime. He transforms into a red car. Love, Abasai

Dear Santa,
Here are some things
I would like for Christmas: Toy car, Santa toys,
Clothes.
Love, Lidia

Dear Santa I want LOL dolls. Love, Amaya









#### Winter Wonderland at Friona Primary and Elementary School













# Christmas at Prairie Acres





























Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: OMS plushy, A little bear. Love, Maria

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A bicycle, A train of the grinch.

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A motorcycle, Some stickers. Love, Julian

Dear Santa,

Love, Davian

Here are some things I would like for Christmas: Car, Barbie, Mickey Mouse toy. Love, unknown

Dear Santa, I am so excited for Christmas. I have been mostly good all year. For Christmas I need a jersey. Love, Ethan Dear Santa,
For Christmas, I would
like: Barbie, Barbie
House.
Love, Eileen

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A cat, Squishmellow. Love, Julian

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: Ninja turtle. Love, Javi

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: Make-up, Tree fort. Love, Milol

Dear Santa,
For Christmas, I would like: Candy canes Squishmellow.
Love, Yasiel

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A dress, A car. Love, Ximena

Dear Santa, For Christmas, Candy, Truck. Love, Jesus

Dear Santa, For Christmas, Motorcycle Helmet. Love, Elias

Dear Santa, I am 4 years old. This year I would like: Barbies and Bluey toys. Love, Sara

Dear Santa,
Hi! Merry Christmas! I
have been good. I would
like a train toy.
Love, Jonathan

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A bike, A skateboard.
Love, Johnny

Dear Santa, For Christmas, A doll, A mermaid. Love, Alondra

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: Cars, Catnap. Love, Christian

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: Some games, A bicycle. Love, Lucio

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: Clothes, A doll. Love, Rosalina

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: Some makeup, A doll. Love, Maria

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A Barbie, A bike. Love, Maria Zulamita

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: An airplane, A dinosaur. Love, Kevin

Dear Santa,
For Christmas, I would like: A cell phone, A motorcycle.
Love, unknown

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like a Hot Wheels Ultimate garage. Love, Jameson Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A jacket, Skates. Love, Jaeleen

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A dinosaur, St Nick. Love, Luis

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A jacket, A bike.
Love, Mario

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A jacket, A bike. Love, Aylin

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A bike A barbie. Love, Yatziri

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A PS 5, A jacket. Love, Magdalena

Dear Santa,
For Christmas, I would
like: Dog n cat.
Love, Alexa

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: Skates, Puppy. Love, Leilani

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A Flute, A Jacket. Love, Emily

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: PS 5, Bike. Love, Josefina

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: Toys, Books. Love, Publo Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A bike doll, A Barbie.

Love, Katy

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A robot, Toys. Love, Victor

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: PS 5, PS 4. Love, Pero

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A Dollhouse. Love, Mailyn

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A scooter, Toys. Love, unknown

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: Barbie house, Dolls. Love, Bailey

Dear Santa, For Christmas, Mario game Bop It game. Love, Jace

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A Christmas tree, A toy. Love, Juan David

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A PS 5, Nintendo Switch.

Love, John

Dear Santa,
I am so excited for Christmas. I have been mostly good all year. For Christmas I want a slime kit. I need a computer.
Love, Karyme

Dear Santa,

I am so excited for Christmas. I have been mostly good all year. For Christmas I want a magic 8-ball. Love, Saucedo

Dear Santa,

I am so excited for Christmas. I have been mostly good all year. For Christmas I want a jeep and a barbie for my sister.

Love, Speedy

Dear Santa, I am so excited for Christmas. I have been mostly good all year. For Christmas I want a phone. Love, Brandon

Dear Santa,

I am so excited for Christmas. I have been mostly good all year. For Christmas I want a Ronaldo jersey. I need a new water bottle. Love, Andre

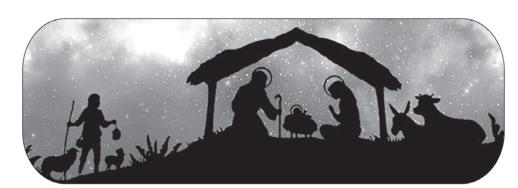
Dear Santa, I am so excited for Christ-

mas. I have been mostly good all year. For and pokemon cards. I need a new water bottle. Love, Kayliana

Dear Santa,
I am so excited for Christmas. I have been mostly good all year. For Christmas I would like a mirror.
I need some clothes.
Love, Jessa

Dear Santa, I would like a go kart hoverboard, electric front loader, electric dump truck, dart bike. Love, David

# Merry Christmas & Happy New Year



From all the staff at



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# Merry Christmas

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# Fire Department Christmas Party

















# Dear Santa....

Dear Santa My name is Nyah and what I would like for Christmas is a 1.a a pet fish 2.a snow cone machine 3. A popcorn machine 4. Some new posters for my room 5.a 100 on my star test 6. To spend time with my family 7. Some new shoes 8.some of my favorite books 9.a slushy machine 10. And what i want the most is a electric piano this is what i want for christmas this is my christmas list Nyah Cano

#### Dear Santa

For Christmas I want a coloring book and some new colors and a scooter.I want a bag to put my colors in.I will like some slime and a slime making kit. I want a new pencil bag because my zipper broke from:Kamiah.

Dear Santa, My name is kimberly hernandez what i want for chistmas is a pink Ipad and clolers and a cute pens and a cute notebook and cute doll a box to do bralets. Kimberly Hernandez

Dear Santa, I want an Iron man lego minifigure,a Goku ssj3 action figure,A headset,a VR lego batmobile,a MLB baseball, and 2 vbucks cards. From David

Dear Santa, I want a punching bag and controller and game Fabian Grado

Dear Santa, I want a pink iphone 14 and a dark pink stanley and some uggs and I want fluffy slime and some coloring books and some markers and I want clothes and a American doll and a teddy bear and some perfumes and a sweater and some barbie dolls and some

squishmallows and i want a bracelet kit and a cute bow. **Eunise Lopez** 

Dear Santa, How are you doing? I am good. I would like to have a BR, PS5, and a TV, Be safe as you travel and I will leave you a treat. Sincerely, **Ezekiel Ordonez** 

Dear Santa, How are you doing? I have been good so far this year. This year, I do not have a list for anything I want. I have so much that I don't need anything. Be safe on

Love, Jaden Bolanos

your travels.

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a nerf gun, football, motorcycle, a 10 year old size, rc car, watch ad Dallas Cowboy game. Jesus Guevara

Dear Santa,

I want 100\$ Robux ,a new jacket for christmas. I want a new phone, and Vobux for christmas. I want Madden 25.an Apple watch for christmas. From

Darron Thomnpson

Dear Santa, I would like to have a hoverboard a netendo a iphone 15 pro max.

Dominick Rocha

Dear Santa,

I want a chromebook and a phone and a hoverboard and a lot of the presents you want to give

me and elf on the shelf makeup and an apple watch and a fake BaBy that comes with food and

a stuffed animal and a cool Blanket. **BY Dulce** 

Dear Santa i will like a PS5 for christmas and a motorcycle. Dylan Mendez

Dear Santa, I want a phon a picture of my family and snowglobe and hoverboard and aberand now tene shos uggs

Aubreee Guerra

Dear Santa, I am 4 years old. This year I would like: An

Love, Kailani

Elsa doll.

Dear Santa,I want an phone/4 wheeler/hoverboard and many other things to that I will not list and a picture of my mom and dad

Abram Guerra

Dear Santa

I want an air hockey table . And a laptop. Alose airpod pro's. And a bike. From Ace

Dear Santa, what i want for Christmas is a huge teddy bear, and fluffy but the color doesn't matter Amaya Aguliera

Dear Santa,

I hope you're okay and your reindeer too. I Have been a nice girl and for Christmas I want a chromebook for christmas, a STANLEY,apple watch, an ipad, and an iphone 15. Love, Alexa

Dear Santa,

I hope all is well at the North Pole as you are getting ready for Christmas.I have tired mt best to be a good girl and be nice to everyone. This Christmas i would like to receive a Ipad, a

kitchenette toy, and a Christmas tree. Hope you have a great Christmas and a New Year! Love, Alicia Ha

Dear Santa, what I want for christmas is a ranger and a laptop Asher

Dear Santa I want a flying batmobile. Love, Mylo

Dear Santa.what I want for Christmas is hotwheels and a new phone. And xbox and playstation and nintendo switch and pizza.

Josiah West

Dear Santa, what I want for christmas is a package of Lilo and Stitch toys. Sophia Lias

Dear Santa,

I want makeup. I want a case for my nintendo switch and I want the new pinch game. Karlee.M

ful for new clothes, robuxs, hair clips, and new

Dear Santa, I'll be thank-

vollevball. From: Kate Garcia.

Dear Santa,

What I want for Chirstmas is to spent time with my family and to go eat with them. This is my list for Chirstmas I want a PS5 and a bike. For my familys list is a bike for my mom and dad for my brothers is a PS5 and some shoes. Dear Kevin

Dear Santa, i want a iphone 16 in want ps5 in tablet in xbox soccer klex Kevin B

Dear Santa, I want a barbie and a baby doll and books and a tablet with a pen. I want a new pink jordans and new boots. Laryah Miller

Dear Santa, For Christmas, A tablet, Toys. Love Lovii

Dear Santa, A want a doll and a Tablet Pencil and a cat and dog baby and a 5 barbis and a dress pink and purple a slime purple for christmas tree Leidy

Dear Santa, i want tablet i and playstation 5 i shirt Ronaldo tree christmas iphone 13 crocs 1 size clock Llevson

Dear Santa,

How are you? I am good. This year I would like to have a Broncos mini helmet,a mini speaker and a NFL lego set. Please travel safely and I will leave you a

Love, Abel Moreno

Dear Santa,

I want a car, a water gun and a watch and a Nintendo switch, a Barbie doll house and an ipad. From, Audree

Querido Santa, yo quiero una muñeca, también un peluche. Feliz Navidad, Catarina Pu

Dear Santa,

I've been wanting a painting set, so can i get a painting set or a cat or dog or jewelry or an elf on

shelf or a computer or a bunny or a rudolf teddy or a new phone or a tablet or a christmas tree, so can I. get these things or stuff please. From, Cleidi



#### Christmas at Created with Purpose







Dear Santa, I hope you are having fun at the north pole. I want a fortnite chest.

Fabian Reyes

Dear Santa,

How are you? I have been good this year. I would like for you to bring me some Legos, VR Hurse, and a television. I will leave you some treats for your trip. Love, Fabian Cux

Dear Santa, This year i want a little bit more than last year but for christmas i want beat headphones led lights for my room and i want shoes and clothes and i want a stanley and a new elf on the shelf and i want earrings and i want clothes for my elf and i want everyone to have fun on christmas day and merry christmas santa clause.

From; Fernanda Gomez

Querido santa, hola santa podrías regalarme un búnker y una bicicleta y una casita de acampar Franco feliz

Dear Santa, what i want for christmas is nintendo switch an clothes and shoes for me and my sister and a phone and an ipad. Gaspar

Hola santa quiero un juguete de target y un go kart unos palos los que ledas pa enfrente pa tras izquierda y derecha jaydelin rodriguez

### Dear Santa,

How are you doing this year? I have been good this year. I would like for you to bring me some clothes, like shirts, a soft warm blanket, and Nike shoes. I will leave you a treat!

Sincerely, Genesis Expinoza

Dear Santa,

I would like a spa day kit. I would like a body care kit. I would like a make-up kit. I would like a basketball hoop. I would like a friend for my ELF. I would like to meet Luka Donchick in real life. I would like Karlee's family to be related to me Love, Hailey.C

Dear Santa, I want ugg boots, markers, some books so I can read, and some coloring books. Haylee Aragon

Dear Santa, What I want for christmas is crocs, christmas socks, christmas pajamas, and a drone.

Hunter Thompson

Dear Santa, I want super smash bros and a iphone 16 pro and some cloths. And a hover bord and I want some nikes and call of duty black ops 6. Israel Togbeola

Dear Santa, what i want for christmas is a squishmellow Jazlyn Lopez Dear Santa, I want a phone because i use to have one but now it's broken and it dose not work, And a max pro design plush, And a omega nugget plush too.
Javier Sanchez

Dear Santa,

My name is JAYDA OR-DAZ and Im glad its christmas now, I have waiting for along time so this day could come and I really hope that I have been good this year at home public and in school, but that is not only that I ghetto s spend time with my family to and here are some things that I want

- 1. Uggs
- 2. Perfume3. Squish mellows
- 4. VR headset
- 5. Arat jacket
- 6. Hello kitty stuff
- 7. Clothes
- 8. Sweats
- 9. Legging10. Sweaters
- 11. Jeans
- 12. A Dog poodle Fluffy
- 13. PS5
- 14. A New Room15. A vanity for my room
- 16. A Gaming Set
- 17. A punk bed with NO bed under only the high bed
- 18. A GO cart 19. Sheets silky 20. Pillow silky

Dear Santa,
I would really like you
to bring me toys.
Love, Santiago

Dear Santa, what I want for christmas is a new ps5 controller and a Toy train and a new Laptop. Jorge

Dear Santa,

The things i want for christmas are phone it doesn't matter what you get and if you don't get is that is also okay. I also want a toy it is this thing i have been wanting it is like a popit but you have to push the back when your done and the light glows on the little popit thing, and if that is to complicated to find/ make if you could this was my dream present for years and now i'm going to try again i don't ask last year because i gave up all of my hope so the thing i want really really really bad is the new barbie dream house it looks so cool and pretty pink and if you don't want to make or get any thing that i put up there then you can get me whatever you want.

Querido santa .quiero un Iphone 15 promax y un camión de soldados y un a tablet y que la pases una feliz navidad. Jose Cu

Jocelynn polk

Dear Santa, I would really like you to bring me a puppy. Love, Eva QUERIDO SANTA SANTA COMO? ESTAS Y COMO ESTAN TUS RE-NOS

SANTA YO QUIERO
QUE ME TRALLES
UNOS REGALOS
COMO 3 REGALOS
YO QUIERO UN SLIME
Y TAMBIEN UNA TAB-

Y TAMBIEN UNA TAB-LET Y COSAS DE CURA-MI Y NO MUCHAS CO-SAS

EN LA MESA TE VOY A DE JAR GALLETAS Y LECHE JUANA ELISABET AM-

**BROCIO** 

Dear Santa, For Christmas I want a new football, a soccer ball, and a basketball. I would also like a weighted blanket because I'm so cold at night, and a heated blanket is fine too. I would also like a hot chocolate maker for cold weather and for movies. And if you can I also want an xbox. This is all I want for

From: Kaizen Vazquez

Christmas, thank you so

much.Merry christmas

Dear Santa,

Santa.

For christmas I want a camera and the best year also I want some clothes of my elf Also want a new stanley not just one i want four more and for me and my family to be So happy and for my elfs to not go and can you let my mom to cuout my hari.

From: Kendra monreal

Dear Santa, how are you reindeer am a great boy a want a computer and a car of control a gan to leave you som cookies and milk and som cerrots

Kevin Zetino

Dear Santa, How are you? I am good This year I would like a coloring set, a Dollhouse.

Please travel safely.I will leave you a treat. Love, Kiana Rose Chico

Dear Santa, How are you I am I been Trying to be good this year I would like to have a

plushy, Uggs and make up And please travel safely And I will leave you a treat

Love, kourtney centeno

Dear Santa, I want for christmas is vr and a bow for hunting and a new controller on xbox and a new nike shoes and a computer and a little band safe that puts password and a go kart and a nerf gun and a hot wheels.

Landon Jase Shields

Dear Santa, I want a football helmet because I need it to tackle. I also want a mouth guard and chiefs shades to block out the bright sun in my face. Oh I also need shoulder pads. Need to whole uniform. I need alot of stuff for tackle football.

Luke Aguliar







**Santa at CWP** — Santa visited Created With Purpose of West Texas last week. Everyone enjoyed hot chocolate, decorated sugar cookies, and listening to a story being read. All visitors left with goody bags and prizes from a drawing.









# Thank you for shopping at Lowe's throughout the year



# **Merry Christmas** and Happy New Year

from your Lowe's employees

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(l-r) Elaine, Holly, Justin, Staci, Linda, Cherlyn, Patricia, Amanda, Jessica, Cristy, Lydia

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Dear Santa, My name is I am years old. This year I have been I am really grateful for I would really like you to bring me because Love,

Dear Santa,

I am 4 years old. This year I have been nice. I am really grateful for my family. I would really like you to bring me baby toy bottles and toy diaper bags because my dolls don't have much stuff. Love, Analee

Dear Santa, I am 5 years old. This year I have been nice. I am really grateful for my car. I would really like you to bring me a remote car and ball because I want

to play with my friends.

Love, Erick

Love, Ezra

Dear Santa, I am 5 years old. This year I have been nice. I am really grateful for my mom. I would really like you to bring me a dinosaur train and more dinosaurs because there are some that I don't have.

Dear Santa, I am 5 years old. This year I have been nice. I am really grateful for my mom and my dad. I would really like you to bring me a baby doll and puzzles because I like puzzles. Love, Estefania

Dear Santa,

I am 5 years old. This year I have been nice. I am really grateful for my mom. I would really like you to bring me a big car because I want to drive it. Love, Federico

Dear Santa,

I am 4 years old. This year I have been nice. I am really grateful for my dad. I would really like you to bring me Sonic the hedgehog because I like Sonic. Love, Isaac

Dear Santa, I am 4 years old. This year I have been nice.

I am really grateful for my mom and dad. I would really like you to bring me big hot wheels thing because I really want one. Love, Mariano

Dear Santa,

I am 5 years old. This year I have been nice. I am really grateful for my dad. I would really like you to bring me a motorcycle because it is fun to go outside to play with it and drive

Love, Xzavier

Dear Santa, Here are some things I would like for Christmas: Toys, Dinosaurs, Hot Wheel cars. Love, Jose

Dear Santa,

I am 5 years old. This year I have been naughty and nice. I am really grateful for Christmas. I would really like you to bring me a barbie house. Love, Victoria

Dear Santa,

I am 7 years old. This year I have been naughty and nice. I am really grateful for my family. I would really like you to bring me a barbie house. Love, Kaymbree

Dear Santa,

I am 6 years old. This year I have been naughty and nice. I am really grateful for mom. I would really like you to bring me whatever you would like. Love, Oliver

Dear Santa, I am 6 years old. This year I have been nice. I am really grateful for presents. I would really like you to bring me sonic toys. Love, Kevin G

Dear Santa,

I am 6 years old. This year I have been naughty and nice. I am really grateful for dad. I would really like you to bring me a stuffed toy. Love, Yulissa

Dear Santa I want a Barbie. Love, Eastyn

Dear Santa,

I am 6 years old. This year I have been nice. I am really grateful for presents. I would really like you to bring me sonic toys. Love, Remy

Dear Santa,

I am 7 years old. This year I have been naughty and nice. I am really grateful for mom. I would really like you to bring me barbie.

Love, Ashly

Dear Santa I want a Barbie and a baby doll. Love, Lana

Dear Santa I want a cat and a baby. Love, Kynzley

Dear Santa I want cars and Paw Patrol figures. Love, Noah

Dear Santa I want an action figure called Stardust and Brock Lesnar. Love, Greyson

Dear Santa I want a toy robot unicorn. Love, Arielle

Dear Santa I want a football and socks. Love, Alan

Dear Santa I want a vanity. Love, Adalyn

Dear Santa, Here are some things I would like for Christmas: Gatorades and

Stitch Clothes Love, Yaileen

Dear Santa, Here are some things I would like for Christmas: Toys, Shoes,

Love, Jonah

Hats.

Dear Santa, Here are some things I would like for Christmas: Doll, Toy cars, Crayons. Love, Angel

Dear Santa, Here are some things I would like for Christmas: Baby with a crib, Baby elf, Jewelry. Love, Antonia

Dear Santa, Here are some things I would like for Christmas: Clothes, Shoes, Puppy. Love, Aaron

Dear Santa, Here are some things I would like for Christmas: Blanket, Paw Patrol toys, Crayons. Love, Braton

Dear Santa, Here are some things I would like for Christmas: Drone, Gumball machine, M & M machine. Love, Jaylin

Dear Santa,

Here are some things I would like for Christmas: Barbie shoes, Barbie toys, Santa toys. Love, unknown

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A PS 5, A tree. Love, Bryce

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A dog, A tablet. Love, Rachel

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: Mooni vip, Ferrara. Love, Eduardo

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A tree, A PS 5. Love, Pedro

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: Brats dolls. Toothbox. Love, Liz'Marie

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: Bobblehead, The Spot. Love, Jonathan

Dear Santa, Christmas, squeezy toy, Boo bee. Love, Javier

Dear Santa, For Christmas, Robot, Slime. Love, Diego

#### **Mayor's Minutes**

By Greg Lewellen

Lee & Salvador

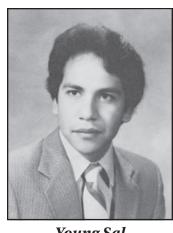


What does December mean to you? Is it a month of joyous reunions with far off family for Christmas, or a sorrowful month of reflection on lost loved ones, or is it a fast-paced sprint to the end of a very eventful year, so much so that you have little time to reflect on its passage? To me it's a time of nostalgia, of remembering long-held traditions that involve family and friends, and a time of reflection. I often think this time of year about how much has changed, remembering back to my childhood and then looking at our own girls and seeing that time has moved more rapidly than I feel it should. I often read, or re-read, books from my youth. This year I reread The Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald. It's interesting to go back and read a book, or watch a movie, at a later point in your life, to see what you missed the first time around. In fact, this time around, it meant a completely different theme than when I read it in college. Maybe it's time

It's the close of a chapter for the City of Friona this December. Salvador

different.

that makes words feel



Young Sal

Garcia, our long-time Public Works Director, is retiring on the 31st. Sal started with the City in May 1985 while still a senior in high school, working in the parks department. In 1989, he moved over to public

works and became the assistant code enforcement officer in 2003. In 2011, he was promoted to Building Officer, and finally in 2012 was promoted to the head of the department as Public Works Director. He holds every imaginable certification in Public Works and is a former certified firefighter and Basic EMT. For almost 40 years, Sal has been a part of Friona, making sure water is flowing and sewers are not backed up. He has gone out at all hours of the night to assist citizens in every possible scenario. He leaves the City with a legacy, and like the time of reflection I mentioned earlier, we will all miss his valuable wisdom and common sense approach to the job. He is going on to work for the County, and starting January 1st, Jose Samarron will be our new Public Works Director. Jose started with the City in 2005 and brings many years of working side by side with Salvador with him into a new era for the City.

I hope you have enjoyed reading about our council members



each and every worker,

firefighter, paramedic

community. Everyone in this town continues the pioneering spirit that founded this City almost a century ago, and we work tirelessly everyday to provide for one another in whatever way we can. It reminds me of the ending of The Great Gatsby, "Gatsby believed in the green light, the orgastic future that year by year recedes before us. It eluded us then, but that's no matter - tomorrow we will run faster, stretch out our arms farther...and one fine morning----. So we beat on, boats against the current, borne back ceaselessly into the past."

and police officer in our



Best Wishes to Salvador from the City of Friona





Municipal Court

# City of Friona Christmas Party



Public Library



Salvador Retirement



EMS



City Council



Administration



City Works Department



Police Department

# Santa Letters

Dear Santa, I am 4 years old. This year I would like: A doll. Love, Daniela

Dear Santa,

I am so excited for Christmas. I have been mostly good all year. For Christmas I want vbucks and lego sets. Love, Jude

Dear Santa,

I am so excited for Christmas. I have been mostly good all year. For Christmas I want a slime kit and phone. I need a new water bottle. Love, Harper

Dear Santa,

I am so excited for Christmas. I have been mostly good all year. For Christmas I want a slime kit. I need a new water bottle. Love, Aleyda

Dear Santa,

I am so excited for Christmas. I have been mostly good all year. For Christmas I want a slime kit and phone. I need a new water bottle. Love, Eliza

Dear Santa, I am so excited for Christmas. I have been mostly good all year. For Christmas I would like a helmet. I need a jersey. Love, Josue

Dear Santa, For Christmas, Barbie house Dishes. Love, Adelaida

Dear Santa, For Christmas, A tablet, Toys. Love, Caroline

Dear Santa, For Christmas, A bike, Fish. Love, Gimena

Dear Santa, For Christmas, An xbox, A tablet. Love, Chris

Dear Santa, For Christmas, A bike, A tablet. Love, Luz

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A scooter, A tablet. Love, Cieio

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: Spiderman, Pup-Love, unknown

Dear Santa. For Christmas, I would like: Spiderman, Puppy. Love, Juan

Dear Santa, I am so excited for Christmas. I have been mostly good all year. For Christmas I would like a necklace. I need fuzzy socks.

Love, Jessica

Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like Hello Kitty. Love, Arla

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like a pen. Love, Aubree

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like XBox and PS 5. Love, Elijah

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like a Barbie dream house. Love, Elyanna

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like a car. Love, Ismael

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: Skates, Ladybug. Love Zavlie

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: Cars, A bike. Love, Jose

Dear Santa, For Christmas, \$10000 Pokemon cards. Love, DJ

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A doll, A barbie. Love, Lorena

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like: A tablet, A scooter. Love, Horilby

Dear Santa. I am 4 years old. This year I would like: Toys trucks. Love, Andres

Dear Santa, I am 4 years old. This year I would like: A bi-

cycle. Love, Juana

Dear Santa, I am 4 years old. This year I would like: A kitchen. Love. Maritsa

Dear Santa, I am 4 years old. This year I would like: Monster trucks, Shark. Love, Dillon

Dear Santa, I am 4 years old. This year I would like: Toy elephant. Love, Tomas

Dear Santa, I am so excited for Christmas. I have been mostly good all year. For Christmas I would like pokemon, PS 5 and PS5 necklace. Love, Juan

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like quiero una muneca y princesa de muneca que camina. Love, Zeyner

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like yo quiero un muneco de nieve, un rompecabezas, una cocina de juguete.

Love, David

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like PS 5 and XBox. Love, Jaziel

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like a Barbie doll. Love, Zaylee

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like a cup. Love, Malachi

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like Stitch. Love, Lucy

Dear Santa, I am 4 years old. This year I would like: A spiderman car. Love, Angel

Dear Santa, I am 4 years old. This year I would like: A kitchen. Love, Domingo

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like an XBox. Love, Miguel

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like a computer. Love, Bryan

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like some shoes. Love, Junior

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like babe boy and new crayons. Love, Kenneth

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like chips, cake and spiderman. Love, Daniel

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like un batman grande de juguete and carritos. Love, Pablo

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like a very fast train. Love, Fredrick

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like quiero dulces y chocolate juguete. Love, Madison

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like quiero una muneca, una casa de juguete, unos monos para el cabello. Love, Maria

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like quiero un patin. Love, Danna

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I would like a big bouncy ball and monster toy. Love, Sarah



**Jr. High Christmas Concert | Beginner Band** 



**Jr. High Christmas Concert | White Band** 



Jr. High Christmas Concert | Red Band





# Christmas in the Park

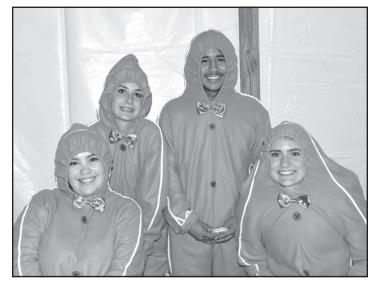




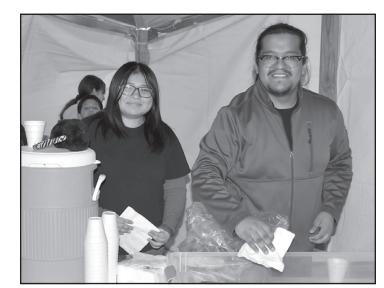






















# Dear Santa....

Dear Santa, what I want for Christmas is a ps5, a motorcycle, and a computer. Freddy

Dear Santa, this is for christmas I want shoes 2 sizes nike and to messi shirt M8 size nintendo switch control car medium soccer cr7 1 Thank Dear santa. Domingo J

Dear Santa, for christmas i want a tablet an a iphone 16 pro max an a playstation 5 and a xbox and a nintendo and a ferrari and a mac clarens buggati and a jet and thats all thank you. Jesus

Dear Santa,

Hello! Santa Clause how are you and your reindeer and Mrs.Clause? I was a good kid this year. I wanted to know if you could bring a little puppy and a plushie that's an Elf. And if you could bring me a slime and an iphone 14 plus. I leave you some cookies and a cup of milk. And I will leave food for you're reindeers. Thank you so much and Merry **CHRISTMAS** 

Abe Ha Hernandez Sam

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. I Yo me porto muy bien. Love, Kimberly. Dear santa

DIO

I want a new bunkbed and thats all i want from you. from:ADELYN ZAMU-

Dear Santa, I want a new blanket.i want a bike.a robux card.a ve-

bike.a robux card.a ve bux card. a new jacket. From Ahyanna Querido santa,

Querido santa,
Hola santa hoy te pido
mi regalo y además me
he portado más o menos bien y quiero un
regalo que se a un robux pero que se a 1 y
una cosa mas y quiero
un slime otra cosita
más y
además te voy a dejar

unas galletas y unas zanahorias para tus renos y mi otro regalo es un elfo real feliz Navidad

feliz Navidad Aida hernandez

Dear Santa, for christmas i wont a lot of sanero stuff and a lot of stitch stuff to. Alariah Pena

Dear Santa, I want a baby kitty. I want an aphmau kumie plush. 36 dollars. I want to be the nicest person in the world. I want to be an artist.

Alexa Cecena

Dear Santa, can I please have 100,000 pickls. Abundio Romo Querido Santa,

Hola Santa como estan tus renos esta navidad quiero una almohada de dona de color rosa y un elfo de peluche y una camisa de Lara campos y otra cosa un peluche de

Lara campos. Feliz navidad espero que estes bien pero te voy a dejar 2 galletas y 5 zanahorias okay.

Ana Sofia Malvaez Olivera.

Dear Santa, how are you doing. I want a ps6 and gta6 and a vr with dude theft wars and a rc car with John cena on top of the car and a drink prime called glow bery. Andrew

Dear Santa, I would like a VR for Christmas. Thank you Angel Rodriguez. Angel Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
How have you been doing? I have been good
fo far this year. I want a
barbie dream house with
barbies and a bartz doll
. Be safe and I will leave
you a treat.

Love, Arabella Castillo

Dear Santa, Im juan garcia and i want a Bicycle and shoes in a new watch in and toys for my little brother and sister and that is all i want for Christmas Dear Santa, i want a vr headset and a bike or a scooter vbucks card for fortnite, and a light up controller, and a headset, and a keyboard that lights up, and a hp computer, and a gaming chair, and a new ipad, and a max pro design plush, and a omega nugget plush too, and a ps5. Ayden Rocha

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I have been trying to be really good this year. I would like for you to bring me some lip gloss, perfume, and UGGS. I hope you have safe travels and I will leave you a treat!

Love, Braylynn Shields

Dear Santa, what I want for Christmas is a package of squishmellows and a package of hello kitty stuff. Breanna

Dear Santa,can i have vbuchs 2,400 and football gloves. Bryan Rey

Dear Santa,

For christmas I want touch land and ugg size 1 and an apple whatch bracelets.

From camila Anndrade

Dear Santa, I wish for a baby kitten. I wish for a baby dog. Catalina Castro

Dear Santa, Hi! Merry Christmas! I have been good. Love, Estrella Dear Santa, I want for christmas is five pack of markers and I want some nikes and I want a push pop it. Crystal Ticum

Querido santa Hola santa yo te pido un crisy card yo me comprometo a limpiar mi cuarto

Y quiero una cocinita que tenga refi como esta y la señora claus y

Renos y tus duendes y feliz NAVIDAD y que te la pases bien gracias te voy

A dejar galletas y un vaso de leche y quiero un duende no Necesitas escribir tanto

Necesitas escribir tanto porque tú sentirás la magia de la NAVIDAD. DALARY LOPEZ

Dear Santa,I want you to get a lot of books and new shoes from the Nike store and a ps5 with games on it and I want a lot of books and a pc.

From Daniel

Dear Santa, I want a dirt bike and a 1000\$ Danny Hernandez

Dear Santa, For Christmas I wish for a pair of Nike Jordans. So I can run faster to play soccer, Football and Basketball.

Diego Valenzuela

Querido Santa, Yo quiero un carro de control y una troca y un libro.

Domingo Mendoza

Dear Santa, I want a gold controller. A rare Pokemon.skateboard.necklace. A Gold ring . A new Apple watch, a new tv gem bag, 1,000,000 v bucks. From, Easton river Smith

Querido santa; Hola santa hoy te pido mis regalos para navidad yo quiero un bicicleta y zapato de luz y la talla es 2 i un phone 16 pro max

Eliseo Ruiz

feliz navidad santa

Dear Santa, I want a dirtbike for christmas. And a Iphone 16 pro max. Nintendo switch. Four wheeler. Emiliano Walker

Emely Chocoj For christmas i like one bottle water and ipad with her pencil and a trampolin.

Dear Santa, How are you doing? I have been trying to be

good.
This year I would like to have a Nerf gun, safe one's and a Lego Boat (if it can float), one more pair of socks.

Ethan Bejar

Love,

Dear Santa, what I want for christmas is a nintendo switch, if not, can i get a Gameboy, maybe a DS please. Maybe some lego please, maybe a little pet robot please.

Karter Barnett



Jr. High Choir



# Santa Letters

Dear Santa, how have your randeer been so I want A mannequin head and a phone 11 or 12 and an ipad for christmas please and thank you. See you at the winter wonderland at school. Love, Madison

Dear Santa, Hoy me porte muy bien y una tableta con un lapis y un slime y una cocinita y un vaso de kuromi

Dear santa. A want a tablet and a dog baby and christmas tree and 2 doll.
Manuela

Querido Santa,

Hola Santa como estas? Yo me he portado masomenos y quiero una tele y un carro

para niños pero es para mi y mis hermanos y también quiero una tableta.

Te dejaré unas galletas con leche.

Muchas gracias, Maria F. Larios

Dear Santa, I'm nice girl i want 2 1,000 roblox and 2 iphone 15 and puppy and kinetic sand and 4 squishmallow and tablet.

Love Maria B.

Dear Santa, i want iphone 16 pro and a tenis soccer and a ps5 and a Miguel A Dear Santa,I am matthew marquez I want a phone and a ps5 and my favorite is a sweater and pants and shirts and i bine wanting it but my mom wont let me a pc and this year i want shoes i have bine good this year and i really want some stuff this year and i will show you what i want this year.

what i want this year. 1.PS52.sweaters 3.shirts 4.pants 5.wash mrs.estrada dishes 6.a board game 7.VR head set 8.a new 9.a new binder 10.some football card IM Matthew marquez number 11

Dear Santa,

I really like this year, and i love Christmas and i want a lot of toys and a Elf but i have one now his name is chippy, and im having a

chippy,and im having a good month in December and spending time with my family and having a good time

and i vote for The grinch.Love Matthew Sanchez

Dear Santa,

I want some pokemon, and a rc car and a phone case and a pc a elf on the shelf and a watch and a bice and a monster truck and a new 16 pro max phone and 8 gold nekles and 8 braslets and a water cup From, miguel

Dear Santa,

I hope you're okay and your reindeer too. I am a nice girl this year. For this Christmas I would like a Galaxy Z Flip phone, Stanley Cup,a Chromebook, Ipad, Apple Watch, and an Iphone 15

pro max. Love Maria Ha

To Santa, From Miguel Godov

Dear Santa all i want for Christmas is a dirt bike helmet, 2 vbucks cards, and a puppy, and a vr, and a chromebook, madden 24, and a nfl jersey thats all i want for christmas.

Dear Santa,

I would like an elf. I have one wish but I can't my parent doesn't let me santa there nice one I need a toy for my sister next I need a flower.

] santa only need it ok next i need a flower Sincerely, Miguel Reyes

Dear Santa, How are you doing?

Dear Santa, I want yeezy slides from the shoe store I hope it is good up there in the north pole with the elves I hope you deliver the presents to everyone have fun!!
FROM:Nehemiah.M

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I have been good so far this year. I would like some NIKE shoes and a book, A little tree for my room and a hat but is a cat hat. And a mug (a purple mug). Be safe and I will leave you a treat.

Love, Nemesis Espinoza

Dear Santa,

I want a mini fridge that works and a bike. I want an apple watch and a grinch toy. I want a Squishmallow and a big Pikachu smashmallow.I want a A stitch necklace. for,Nova G

Dear Santa, for christmas i want a tablet i a phone16 Pablo

Dear Santa, How are you doing? I have tried to be good this year. I would like for you to bring me VR Hurse, some legos, and

an iPad. I will leave you something to eat on your trip.

Sincerely,, Pascual Ha

Dear Santa,

I want for Christmas is a babydoll and I want a go cart and a makeup and a jewelry I want for christmas is stitch toys and shoes and barbie and pants.

Perla

Please Santa if I get a ps5 can you get me college football 25 and a Jaylen Ramsy jersey. And can you tell Red to hide in

From, Roman Garcia.

Dear Santa,

harder places please and can I have Robux.

Dear Santa, hoy me porte muy bien y quiero una tablet y un vaso de kuromi y quiero una tarjeta de roblox de 500,000 por favor santa y stickers de kuromi de 100 y una mochila de kuromi Rosaalina

Dear Santa, what I want for christmas is a squishmellow and a reindeer. Sofia

Dear Santa, what i want for christmas is a ps5 and a ps5 controller and a bike and a toy and a puppet. Xander

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want a notebook that is not so big and not so small and some colored pens, a soccer ball for my dad and a new sweater that I can wear to school and a bible for my aunt. Her birthday is on Dec, 4. Yandery Ruiz

Dear Santa,i what a light pinkipad and i what some uggs and a bike and some clothes and some shoes and i what and i what a xbox and a pink cope and i what some perfumes and a sweater and some nails and makeup and squishmallows and pink hoverboard Yaretzi Rodriguez Dear Santa, I want brand new shoes and I want an iphone and I also want a ps5.

Pedro Reyes

Dear Santa I want a dog toy and a panda toy too. And mini kitchen to. Lusma Castro Zetino

Dear Santa,

How are You doing? I am good this year.Ii would like to have a jacket and a phone and shoes. Please travel safely and i will leave you a treat.

Love, Yarleth Rueda

QUERIDO SANTA, hola quiero un lanky box medio grande un robot y tambien un Foxy de peluche mucha gracias y FELIZ NAVIDAD ZADOUIEL ARENAS.

Dear Santa,
I am 4 years old. This year I
have been nice. I am really
grateful for my mom and
dad. I would really like
you to bring me a puzzle
and make-up because I
want to mix it together.
Love, Anavictoria

Dear Santa,
I am 4 years old. This year
I have been nice. I am really grateful for my baby brother, my mom, my dad, Tina, Amaya I would really like you to bring me another police car because it has police stuff.

Dear Santa I want a Barbie and a Barbie house. Love, Ellie

Love, Arian



#### **Christmas with PCAL Post 206**

On Saturday, December 14th, Parmer County American Legion Post 206 members visited veterans around Parmer County during their Annual Christmas Tour. These veterans are in the Prairie Acres Nursing Home in Friona and the Farwell Care and Rehabilitation Center in Farwell. PCAL Post 206 members gave each veteran a Christmas gift and thanked them for their military service. Some veterans shared a few stories about their military service. It was a great visit!

PCAL Post 206 members are Richard Villarreal, Duane Oliver, Stan Miller, and Gaylon Rhodes. PCAL Auxiliary members are Sharon White and Elida Villarreal. Pictures were taken by Elida Villarreal, Richard Villarreal, Stan Miller, and nurses from Farwell





















