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Plains ISD works on developing crisis management plan

School students, their parents, school officials and the general public normally consider public school districts as safe havens for children pursuing an education, and the majority of times they are. Far too often, however, events happen on school grounds which sadly prove there are exceptions to this thought of safety. Recent years have seen a number of tragic acts of violence against youngsters, by youngsters.

Public schools are sometimes targeted by violent weather; Tornados can rip through a campus, lightning can strike gatherings of students. Dangerous fires are not common but can occur. Truly sick people can make bomb threats against schools.

"All of these possible scenarios are not pleasant to think about, but the possibility exists any or all of them could happen to our school district," Superintendent Jim Haynes told CCN last week. Haynes and the other administrators and teachers are currently hard at work drafting a detailed and comprehensive Crisis Management Plan, which will be a blueprint for the entire district staff to follow should any of the above events happen at Plains ISD.

Robert Canon and several of his computer design students are developing a scale schematic of the entire campus, detailing all open areas, doors, and telephones. Copies of the finished map will be available for law enforcement, EMS, and other emergency response people should a crisis develop.

When complete, the Crisis Management Plan will be a very extensive document. Some of the items to be covered include crisis communication procedures, emergency phone numbers, alternate school locations in case evacuation is necessary, chemical leaks/spills, fires, explosions, weapons on campus, natural or weather related disasters, bomb threats, weapons on campus, hostage situations, first aid.

Haynes told CCN, "It may be impossible to prevent some of these events occurring, but when our plan is operational, our people and those responding to help will know how to handle the situation."

Elementary kids Santa Letters In This Issue



County, District Court Cases Heard

In District Court December 6, with Judge Kelly G. Moore presiding, Joshua Lynn Bullock, in a plea bargain, pled guilty to indecency with a child. He received a ten year community supervision sentence. A charge of deadly conduct was adjudicated. Among conditions of community supervision, he was fined \$2500, and will pay \$186 court costs.

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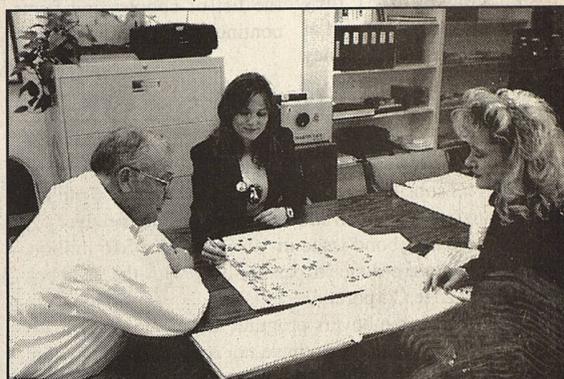
IRS approves Sandy Land water depletion tables

Tax deductions to help many ag producers in lean year

Agricultural producers in the county using irrigation wells on their lands may get a badly needed financial break this year when tax return time rolls around. Last week, Lorinda Busby, Engineer Revenue Agent with Internal Revenue Service, visited Sandy Land Underground Water Conservation's office here, and officially approved the district's statistics charting depletion of ground water in the county over the past twelve months, and the district's estimate of current land values.

The stamp of approval will ensure those producers who can show a loss in standing water levels are entitled to an income tax deduction similar to the same tax break oil and gas producers are entitled to as their reserves are depleted.

Gary Walker, Sandy Land Consultant, said, "The formula



Gary Walker, Lorinda Busby, Kathy Jones scan map of water wells

used in determining possible tax deductions is complicated. It is based on the relative value of agricultural land, either dryland or irrigated production land, when it was purchased and for how much, and how much, if any, the standing water level has fluctuated on the irrigated acres".

The tax benefits for producers

will greatly vary from year to year. Walker said dollar benefits from the possible tax deductions could range from several hundred dollars to many thousands of dollars. In this year of severely depressed commodity prices, insect infestations and weather related crop losses, any type of relief will be appreciated by producers.

Walker files for re-election to fourth term in House

Representative Gary L. Walkler has filed for election to a fourth term in the Texas House of Representatives, District 80.

"Representing West Texas has been a challenge at times, but a pleasure all of the time," said Walker. "I expect the next session to offer an interesting set of challenges as we set out to re-district the State of Texas. Texas will almost certainly lose some of its rural representatives during the next session, and it's important we exercise our seniority, and thus our clout, as much as possible."

Walker currently serves as chair of the Land and Resource Management Committee, and was the only third-term member to receive a chairmanship last session. Walker also serves on the House Natural Resources Committee. He was also given the privilege of presenting the nominating speech for the Speaker of the House, Pete Laney.

"I've reached every goal I have set for myself and the representation of my constituents thus far," said Walker. "I was pleased to work on a state-wide agriculture policy last session, as well as co-authoring the bill raising the multiplier for teachers." Walker also worked heavily on severance tax exemptions for the oil and gas industry, co-authored boll weevil funding legislation, and fought for extra help for school districts suffering financially from the drop in oil prices. Rural representatives were also successful in including money in the Appropriations bill for precipitation enhancement and rural health initiatives, and worked to protect rural interests during the debate on electric deregulation.

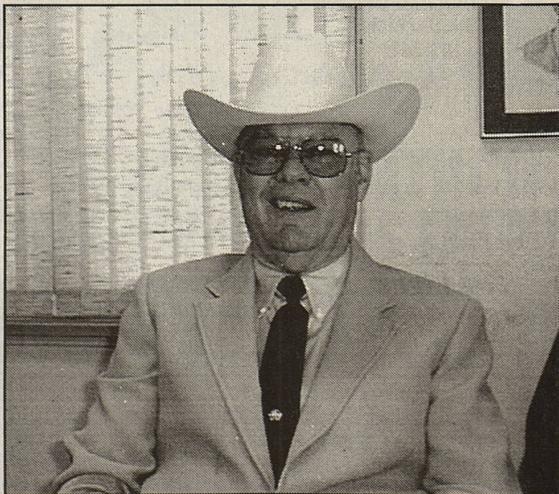
District 80 includes Andrews, Gaines, Dawson, Loving, Reeves, Hockley, Martin, Terry, Winkler and Yoakum Counties.

Rice's hat in ring for re-election as Sheriff

Interviewed last Thursday, Yoakum County Sheriff Jim Rice told CCN, "I have made the decision to ask the voters of our county to let me keep my job as Sheriff for one more term. I am seeking re-election subject to the March Democratic Primary."

Rice, 64, recently underwent surgery to remove blockage in his cardiovascular system. "My Doctors tell me I am fine, and definitely in better health than I've been in the last six years. I feel fine, and am getting stronger everyday".

The veteran peace officer has served as Sheriff of Yoakum County over 19 years, plus two years as a Deputy Sheriff here. Prior to moving to Texas, Rice worked for the Sheriff Department in neighboring Lea County, New Mexico. He served in the department there from 1969 to 1977, a total of thirty years law enforcement experience. He was Captain of the Lea County Department before moving to Denver City.



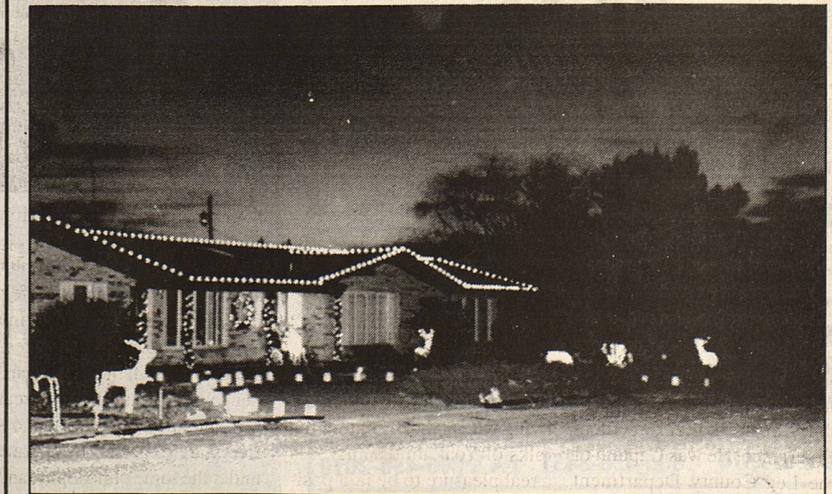
"I had planned all along to run again for office, but when I had my medical problems, I wanted to be sure I was ready to continue in the office. I am," Rice said.

He added, "I have thoroughly enjoyed my twenty one years living with and working for the folks of Yoakum County. It is a real pleasure to be in a position to serve these people, and

their support and cooperation has been outstanding".

Rice said he had a philosophy about his job; "I've always felt it was very important for me to treat people I deal professionally with in the same manner I would want them to treat me, and all our department officers are expected to operate under the same philosophy, and I feel they do".

The Lights of Plains -The home of the Bill Winn's - more photos inside



Local Gin persuades suppliers to help in fighting weevil war

Marc Traweek, manager of Tokio Co Op Gin, told CCN last week of an innovative idea in getting cotton industry related businesses to help in the area Boll Weevil Eradication Program.

Traweek said it occurred to him there were many other entities on the Southern High Plains with an interest in ridding the area of the expensive cotton pest besides producers and cotton gins.

"I started calling some of our own suppliers and explained to them what I had in mind. Their positive response was really gratifying." Traweek's proposal was this; When we received their monthly statement, before cutting them a check, we would, if they agreed, deduct five percent of the total amount. That money would be set aside until all bills were paid.

The gin contacted Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation officials, explained the scheme, and told them the funds would be sent to the eradication program, provided there was an assurance the money would be used in the local zone's weevil program. They agreed wholeheartedly.

Tokio CoOp supply firms who have agreed to help in this manner to combat the weevil include Beltwide Industries, Lubbock, Tull Supply, Wolforth, Automated Control, Lamesa, W & R Sheetmetal, Brownfiled, Greer Industries, Lubbock, Forche Inc., Levelland, and Traweek says the list of cooperating firms continues to grow.

\$17.6 million bond issue OK'd

On December 1, the South Plains Housing Finance Corporation, a SPAG subsidiary, authorized issuance of \$17.6 million in bonds to make funds available to first time homebuyers. A similar successful bond issue in 1996 provided \$16 million. Both projects were done in partnership with the Lubbock Housing Finance Corporation.

The first time home buyers program makes mortgage loans available to individuals who have not owned a home within the past three years. The loans are at below market interest rates. An attractive feature of the program makes up to 4% of the amount of the mortgage amount available to homebuyers for closing costs and a portion if the down payment, greatly reducing buyers out of pocket costs.

Funds will be available to homebuyers anywhere in the SPAG region through traditional mortgage lenders on January or February. Contact Cecil Lucky in the Economic Development Dept. at SPAG for information, 806-762-8721.

All qualified first time home buyers in Yoakum County are eligible for the program

The annual county food assistance program drew a number of applicants this year. Coordinator Toni Jones says now volunteers are needed to help sort the food, and later, deliver food and toys to applicants before Christmas. For info, call Toni, 456-8794 or 456-2676

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Pvt. Rushing going to Ft. Hood



Pvt. Doug Rushing, US Army, recently graduated from 12 weeks of Infantry Training at Ft. Benning, Ga. He is the son of Debbie and Morris Rushing, and the grandson of Polly and Betty Rushing, and Gary and Holly Dyer, all of Plains. After a Christmas furlough, Rushing will report to Ft. Hood for further training in a mechanized infantry unit

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and must serve 240 hours community service. He must not communicate, or go near the victims residence, school or place of employment. He must establish a DNA record with the DPS, pay any counseling costs incurred by the victim, and register as a sex offender. He must pay for sex offenders therapy, and have no unsupervised contact with a minor. He was represented by Attorney Jimmy Hammons.

Lynn Collin Benthall pled true to the state's motion to revoke supervision from a prior Aggravated assault with deadly weapon cause. He shall remain in jail 180 days or until space is available at a substance abuse facility, where he will serve not more than one year

or less than 90 days. He was represented by Attorney Warren New.

In County Court December 8, with Judge Dallas Brewer presiding, Rigoberto Carreon Hernandez pled guilty to a subsequent DWI charge. He will spend 90 days in jail, with credit for 21 days served. He must pay a delinquent fine of \$750, and delinquent supervision fees of \$400.

Jose Vincent Torres pled guilty to carrying a prohibited weapon. He will be jailed for 30 days, with credit for 5 days served, was fined \$250, must pay court costs of \$210, and forfeit a set of brass knuckles. Criminal District Attorney Richard Clark represented the state in both courts.

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'Battle in Seattle' assault on Texans; 614,000 jobs tied to exports

AUSTIN — They called it *The Battle in Seattle*, but the vocal and disruptive protestors who created havoc at the World Trade Organization meeting in Seattle earlier this month would have been more honest to label their efforts for what they truly were: *An Assault on American Jobs*.

And since Texas is now the number two exporting state in the entire country, the protests in Seattle were a particular affront to the working men and women of the Lone Star State. We have more to lose in Texas than any state except California, if the naysayers have their way.

While organized labor and narrow special interest groups would have you believe that we'd be better off sealing our borders and calling a halt to international commerce, the old adage about never letting the facts get in the way of a good story richly applies here. In reality, America has prospered greatly from international trade and worlds of new opportunities await us should we adopt policies that lower trade barriers.

The bottom line is that trade is bringing jobs to Texas.

To be precise, a study released last week by Global Trade Information Services, Inc. reported that 614,000 Texas jobs were tied directly or indirectly to international trade. There were more than 117,000 Texas jobs that were tied



BILL HAMMOND

directly to country.

Nationally, the United States is the world's largest exporter, selling over 26 percent more products abroad than its nearest competitor. The jobs of millions of American workers, the incomes of farm families, and growth prospects for thousands of American businesses are tied to global trade and the accessibility and stability of worldwide markets. This is reason enough to encourage policy makers to shape the WTO agenda.

Consider the following, which naturally the protestors in Seattle failed to mention:

- 12 million U.S. jobs depend on exports; one in ten U.S. jobs is supported by trade
- One in four American manufacturing jobs is supported by trade
- Over a third of our agricultural products are exported, supporting nearly a million workers

Jobs supported by U.S. exports, directly or indirectly, pay wages that are 13 percent higher than average domestic wages. High technology industry jobs directly supported by exports have average hourly earnings 34 percent higher than the national average.

However, isolationists would have you believe that trade benefits only a few big multinational corporations. The facts shatter that myth as well — fully 13 percent of total U.S. exports are made directly by

small and medium-sized companies.

The increased accessibility to international markets has contributed significantly to the rapid economic growth we have enjoyed over the past five years, and the continuation of the longest peacetime expansion in America's history.

The U.S. economy expanded from about \$7.2 trillion in 1992 to \$8.1 trillion in 1997—exports accounted for one-third, \$320 billion, of that growth. During this period, one out of every six new jobs created was export-related. It is clear that trade is the ticket for a healthy U.S. economy — and that means we need a fair, open trading system.

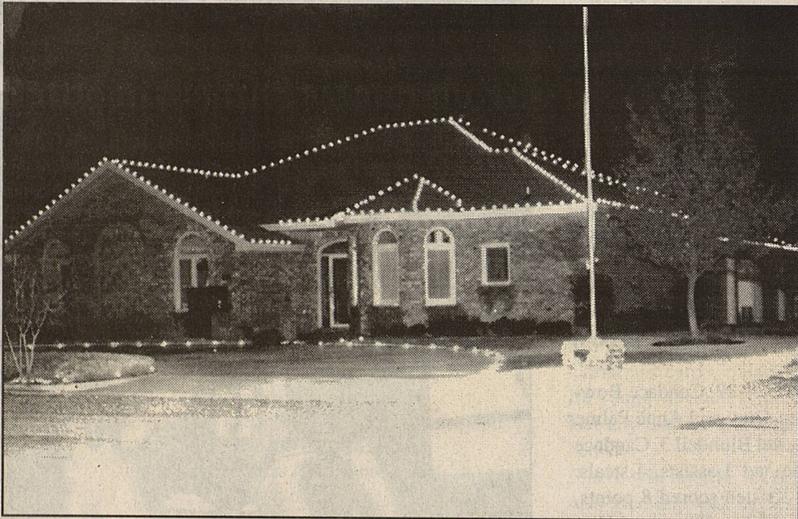
Texas is up to the challenges and opportunities presented by the new millennium. We need trade policies that lower barriers and open markets and that means participating in the only international organization dealing with the global rules of trade between nations. Support for the U.S. agenda at the WTO Ministerial translates into support for the more than 600,000 Texans whose livelihoods are tied directly to international trade.

Bill Hammond is President and CEO of the Texas Association of Business and Chambers of Commerce (TABCC), and a director of the Texas International Trade Alliance.

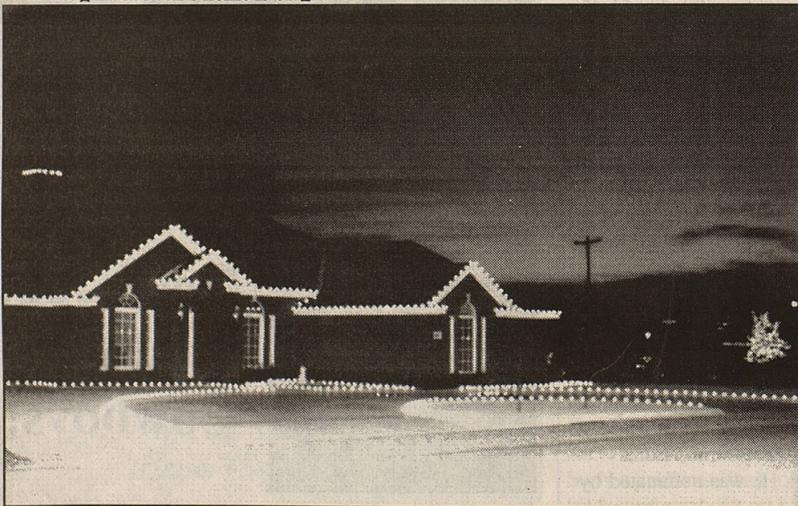
Among the fifty states, Texas Is.....

- #1
 - * Value of exports shipped to Mexico by truck in 1998. \$27.5 billion
 - * Value of imports shipped from Mexico by truck in 1998. \$16.3 billion
 - * Cotton produced in 1997, 5.1 million bales
 - * Farms in 1997, 225,000
 - * Number of public school teachers in 1998, 254,760 full time equivalents.
 - * Number of public school principals and assistant principals (11,591) number of guidance counselors (8,359) librarians (4,304), and total staff (477,896).
 - * Public road and street miles (296,651), interstate highway miles (3,233), rural roads and street miles (214,217) in 1997.
- #14
 - * Exports in 1998 (\$59 billion).
 - * State prisoner incarceration rate in 1998 (724 per 100,000 residents).
 - * Black-eyed peas harvested in 1997 (11,200 acres)
 - Births per population (17,3)
 - * Births to mothers aged 15-17 in 1977 (47.1 births per 1,000 females)
 - * Estimated number of undocumented immigrants in 1996 (700,000)
- #3
 - * Gross state product in 1997 (\$601.6 million)
 - * Amount of venture capital invested in 1998 (\$816.4 million)

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Don't Panic...Be Prepared!

As Commissioner of the Texas Department of Banking, I want to express to the citizens of Texas the Department's confidence in the Texas banking system's preparedness for the Year 2000. Our state banks have reviewed all of their systems, and have tested and re-tested them after making necessary upgrades. Our banks have developed detailed contingency plans to deal with possible power and communication disruptions. Furthermore, they have looked at potential cash demands and made plans to have sufficient currency on hand to satisfy their customers' needs.

Every bank in the state, as well as the nation, has been examined at least three times over the last two years to verify their readiness for the Year 2000 changeover. Examinations show that commu-

nity banks are just as prepared as large banks. While examination findings are confidential by law, each bank can, and should, tell you what it has done to prepare for Y2K.

Banks are still the safest place to keep your money during the Y2K date change. Your money in the bank is FDIC insured and will remain accessible through withdrawals, ATMs, checks and debit cards. For your safety and financial well being, I recommend that people withdraw only the amount of cash they normally would need for the holiday weekend during which the New Year falls.

The Department also urges citizens to adopt or maintain good financial practices, such as reconciling account statements monthly, and keeping receipts and records of all financial transactions. These

safeguards are always advisable, and ensure that you can identify discrepancies, whether or not they are related to Y2K.

And though we have the utmost confidence in the Texas banking system, you should know that we will be standing ready in full force over the date change to ensure that everything runs smoothly. We will have representatives at all federal bank regulatory agencies in the state, and at the State Office of Emergency Management to exchange information and to quickly resolve any banking related issues that may present themselves. The Department will also be staffing a phone bank throughout the date change to address any banking related questions you may have. That toll free number is 877-276-5554.

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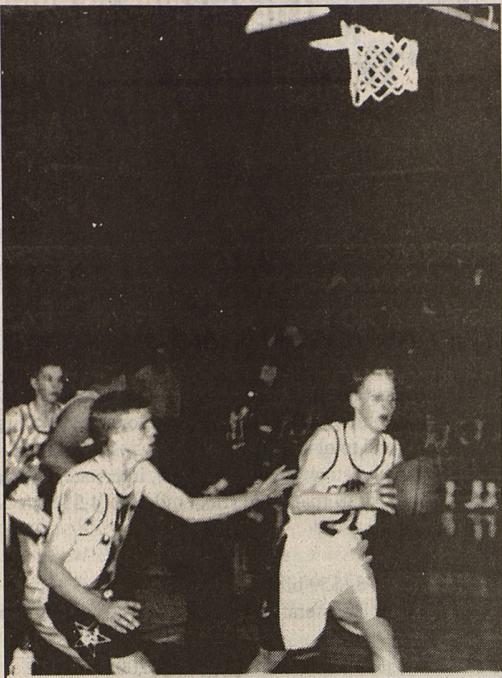
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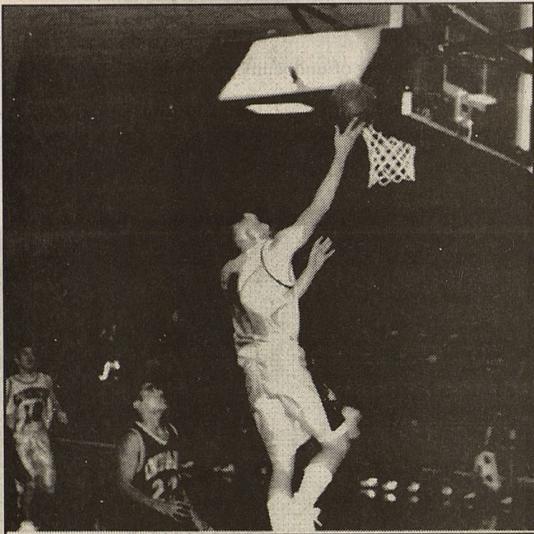


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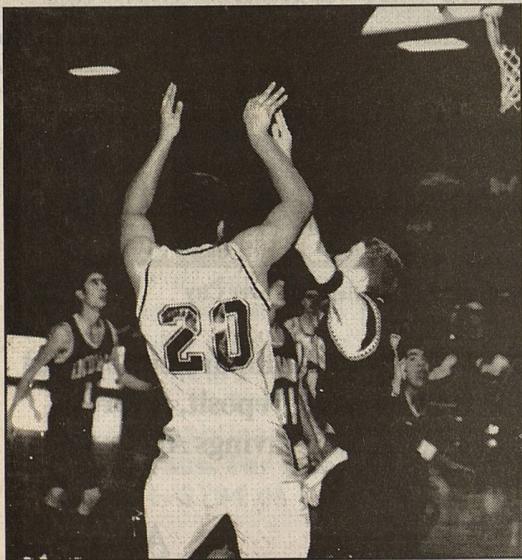
JV Tourney Winner Scenes



Jarod Newland ready to make layup shot



Jeremy Morphis lays two points in net



Joseph Rodriguez shoots over Morton defender

PISD Basketball Recap

Jr. High:

7th Girls - The younger Lady Wranglers had problems with Post last week, and were downed 44-26. The first period saw the girls fail to score, but they came back strong, allowing Post to outscore them only by one point in three periods, Sandra Gandara had the hot hand, scoring 17 points, Mayra Flores had 6, Lela Coronado 2, Marlie Diaz 1.

8th Girls - The 8th girls were outmanned by Post and fell 35-5. Staring with only 5 players, they lost one to fouls, and another to injuries, and a three girl team has a distinct disadvantage. Kim Trent had 4 points, Carmen Ponce 1.

7th Boys: The 7th Wranglers also had problems with Post, going down 28-19. Daniel Parker collected 9 points, Scott Bruton had 3, Cody Flores, Kelby Johnson, Kerry Sisson had 2 each, Cole Krebsbach 1.

Freshmen Cowboys - The younger Cowboys won their first game of the year by defeating Post 39-27. Coach Brink said their hustle and effort was outstanding in the win. Bradley Palmer had 19 points, Ryann Swann 8, Angel Ruiz 5, Kelly Bowers 4, Chase Howell, Noel Castillo and Jonathan DeLa Rosa 1 each. Miguel Coronado and Benny Loewen also saw action in the contest.

JV Cowgirls - Prior to their JV Tourney here, the young Cowgirls fell to Smyer 37-19. Mackenzie Winn led scoring with 6 points, Chelsea Blount had 5, Jessica Rodriguez 4, Chelsi Wagnon 3, Liz Wilmeth 1. In their first tournament game here, the girls downed Morton 48-15. Chelsea Blount and Jessica Rodriguez had 11 points each, Chelsi Wagnon 8. Mandi Rogers, Arasley Luna, Kayla Willis and Mackenzie were recognized for their hustle and rebounding. They next suffered a tough loss to Whiteface, 39-34. Chelsi had 14 points, Chelsea 10, Mackenzie 6. They only managed 9 points the first half, but came back strong the second half with 25 in a great effort. They finished 4th in the tourney following their final loss to Sudan, 48-26. Arasley had 7, Chelsi 5, Chelsea 4, Kayla 4, Mackenzie and Jessica 3 each.

JV Cowboys -

The JV Boys downed Smyer 56-40. Leading scorers included Jarod Newland, 17, Moises Gonzales 8. In the Plains JV Tournament, they emerged with Championship honors. They first defeated Morton 52-45. Jarod had 15 points, Moises 12, and Jeremy Morphis 12. They next downed Denver City 55-46. Jarod had 19 points, Aaron Cain 15.

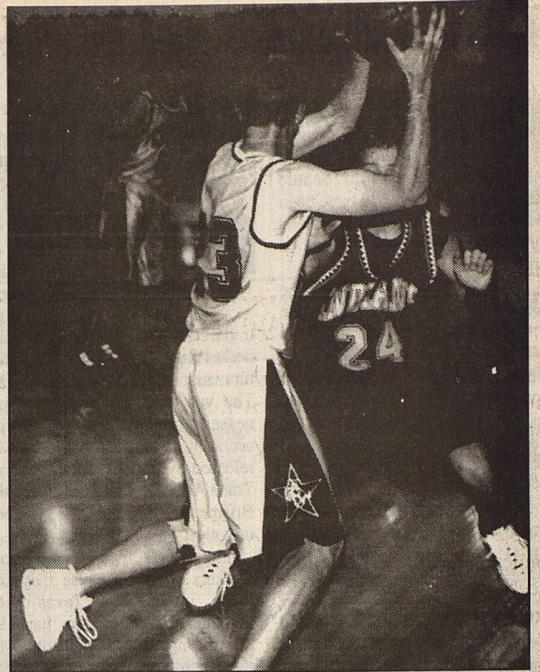
In the Championship game, they faced a good Seminole team and prevailed, 52-49. Jarod poured in 23 points, Aaron had 10, Moises 10.

Varsity Cowgirls - The Cowgirls were downed by Smyer on December 7, 62-26. Jessica had 10 points, Candace 8, Anne 4, Kristen and Lexi Warren 2 each.

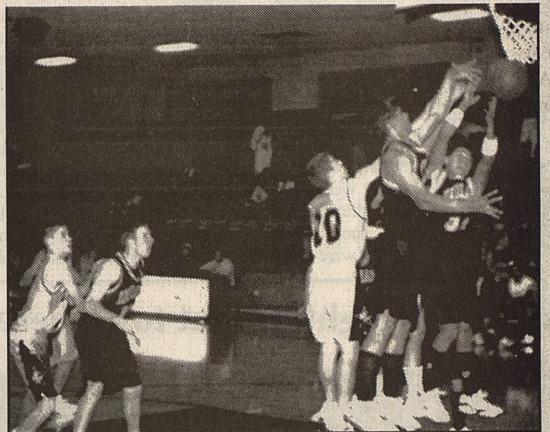
The Cowgirls next defeated Silverton, 34-27. Candace Bowers led scoring with 10 points, Kristen Gray and Anne Palmer had 6 each, Annaliesa O'Quinn 3, Krystle Blundell 3. Candace pulled down 7 rebounds, and Krystle had 3 assists, 4 steals. They lost next to New Deal, 46-24. Kristen scored 8 points, Krystle 6, Anne and Candace 3 each, Jessica Flores and Kim Willis 2 each. They next had a big win over Tahoka, 51-45. Krystle had a hot hand and scored 15 points, Kristen had 14, Candace 10, Jessica 9, Anne, Tanya Vasquez Annaliesa 1 each. Candace nabbed 12 rebounds, Annaliesa 9.

Varsity Cowboys - The Cowboys downed Smyer 65-57. Justin Bennett poured in 18 points, Fermin Luna had 13, Brett Squyres 10, Alex Tarango 8, Patrick McGinty 7, Jared Bell 6, Josh Bell 2, Kelsey Blundell 1. Josh had 9 rebounds, Justin 8, Brett managed 5 steals.

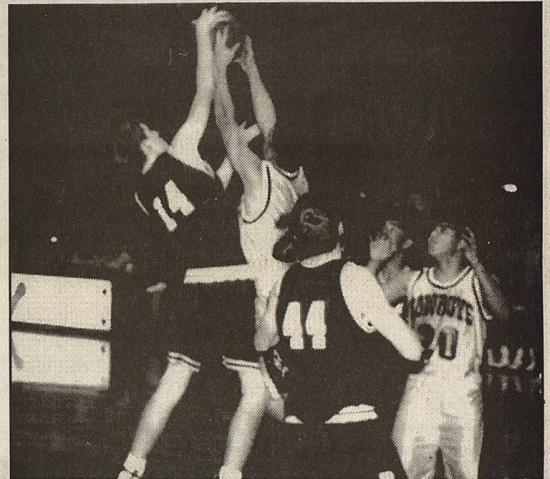
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Aaron Cain works to get ball inside Indian defense

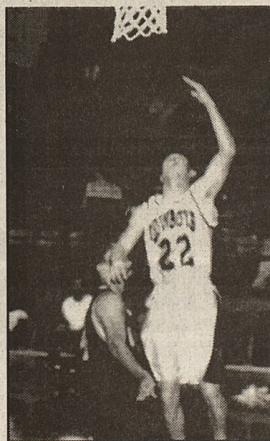


A Battle Royale for ball under the net



JUMP BALL!

Moises Gonzales makes layup shot



**Good Job,
JV
Cowboys!**

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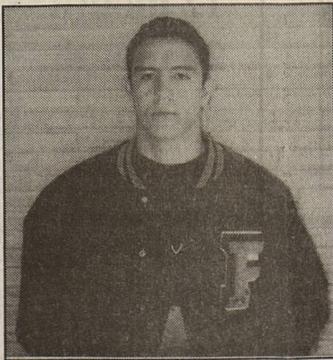
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Student of the Week



Student of the Week is Fermin Luna, a Senior, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fermin Luna.

He was nominated by Mr. Brink, who said, "It is my honor to nominate this Student of the Week. His main strength is his consistency - consistency in the classroom, on the playing fields, and in his attitude."

To every PISD student, Board Member, Administrator, Teacher, and Staff Member, we wish you and yours the very Happiest Of Holidays !! Holly & Gary Dyer

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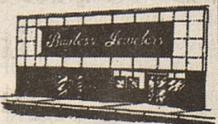
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Senior Citizens Corner

Those who celebrated Birthdays this month were Marene Beatie, Sudie Mae Thompson, Fay Bruton, Paula Dallas and Bertie Smith. Four of these ladies lives represent 350 years of life. Don't tell us we are getting Old!

Visiting this week were Paula and Winifred Dallas, Helen and R.H. Weaver, and Frank Strum. It's good to see new faces. A couple we had not seen in some time were Evelyn and Nolan Smiley. Also the Hannamans have returned following several weeks of absence.

Trudy Coats has had a stay in the local hospital. Services were this week for Mildred Rawls and Velma Cargill. Our deepest sympathy to the families of these ladies.

Christmas is close by. Anne Taylor gave a talk on "what not to eat" too much of during the holidays. I wonder how many can resist all the goodies.

A bit of snow this morning (Thursday), and cold. Keep warm and well everybody and I'll see you next week.

Smitty

For Our Aggies

These's a tradition here in Aggeland that stands fifty-five feet tall
People come from all around
to watch it burn in Awe!

The Aggies work long and hard
on something they love, that's a fact
and it's a huge honor to be one of the people
who stands high on the stack.

But on this Thursday morning
something went horribly wrong
Center pole snapped, and those underneath
knew Heaven is where they belong

A world of Aggie 'family'
came together again
singing Amazing Grace in unison
in remembrance of their fallen friends

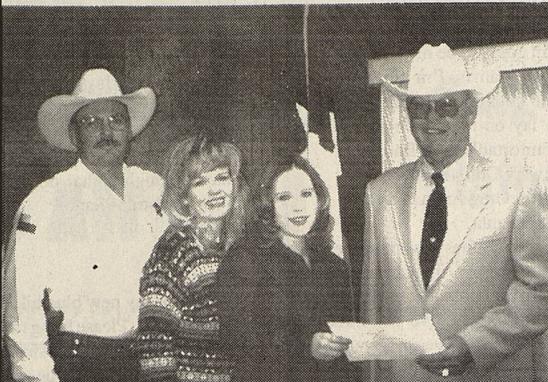
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and shall never forget this day
Our 12 Aggie Angels are in Heaven
looking down on us they say..

We love you guys, one and all keep up your Aggie desire
But most of all keep the tradition
of The Fightin Texas Aggie Bonfire!

Amanda H.

*This poem was E-mailed to us by one of our nieces in A&M

Scholarship Winner



Sandi Warren, daughter of Jerry & Teresa Howard, was recently awarded a Fall 1999 scholarship from the Sheriffs' Association of Texas. Sandi received the \$500 Robert R. Gladney Scholarship which is sponsored by Robert & Joann Gladney of Freeport, Texas. The Scholarship is awarded to a son or daughter of a current Sheriff or fulltime Deputy pursuing a degree. Sandi is currently a sophomore student at Texas Tech University.

Operation Christmas Card

The Plains Garden Club is seeking donations for their annual Operation Christmas Card program. Funds raised will be used for beautification and improvements of the Plains Cemetery.

If you would like to donate to the program rather than buying and mailing local Christmas cards, please call Ita Young, 456-8811, or contact any Garden Club member.

There will later be a Christmas greeting with names of all donors in an issue of CCN.

Cards of Thanks

Thank You !

The family of Tena Bruton wants to thank the churches and many friends in Plains and Denver City for their prayers and support.

Tina is slowly improving.
Kevin, Scott and Tiffeny,
The Bruton's
The Robertson's
The Kelly's

Thank You !

The Trout families wish to express our appreciation for your attendance at the Memorial Services for Lowell Trout. Thank all of you again!

New Books At The Library

Fiction--Lavender Lies--Suan Albert, Blessing In Disguise--Laurain Snelling, Abgel Fire East--Terry Brooks, Joshua: The Homecoming--Joseph Girzone, Echoes In Time--Andre Norton, Lying With The Enemy--Tim Binding, Thunder City--Loren Estleman, Irresistible Forces--Danielle Steel, Broken Wings--John Douglas, Shirley, Goodness and Mercy--Debbie Macomber, Hunting Badger--Tony Hillerman, In A Class By Itself--Sandra Brown, In The Garden--V.C. Andrews, The Trigger--Arthur Clarke
Non-Fiction--The Long Program:Skating Toward Life's Victories--Peggy Fleming, Landing It: My Life On And Off The Ice--Scott Hamilton, Michael Jordan Speaks:Lessons From The World's Champion--Janet Lowe, Mary Emmerling's Smart Decorating, Chicken Soup For The Unsinkable Soul--Jack Canfield, Chicken Soup For The Single's Soul--Jack Canfield, First Son:George W. Bush And The Bush Family Dynasty--Bill Minutaglio.

Library Filmtime

At Filmtime Wednesday, December 8th, we watched the movies; Pluto's Surprise Christmas and Christmas Comes But Once A Year; and read the book titled, Twelve Leaping Lizards. We sang Christmas carols and each child made a felt mouse to hang on their Christmas tree. The children attending Filmtime were; Matthew and Aaron Ramos, Zachary and Megan Tobar, Marisol, Maricruz and Sienna Sosa, Lucas Hernandez, Colby Bearden, Macy Banfield, Clayton Gass, Whitney and Johnathan Davis.

Everyone is reminded about the Filmtime Christmas Party to be held next week. Santa Claus will be here to visit with the kids, so everybody come and have a great time!

Letters To Santa From A Few Children At Filmtime

Dear Santa,
I would like the Pilot Bernie and Sleeping Beauty Barby & Yo Yo Skipper. I really, really, really, really want a baby puppy. I have been a good girl.
Love,
Autumn Friesen
Dear Santa,
I would like a bicycle for my babies, clothes, shoes, Santa Claus' socks, a jacket, a little Mickey Mouse Beanie Babie, and More Happy Life.
Love,
Denise Tarango
Dear Santa,
I want a big horse. Just horseys.
Big Santa Claus bring it.
Love,
Clayton Gass

To the Town of Plains

I wish to thank the entire town of Plains for the best Christmas present I have ever received.

I am stranded in town for a few weeks, and the people at the Sheriff's Department, the courthouse, Plains Motel, the Salvation Army, local churches, and others scattered about have gone out of their way to help me.

To all of you I give my sincere thanks, and may God Bless You All!

Merry Christmas,
Vicki

First United Methodist Church
invites you to worship the Lord through
music as they present "A Canticle of Joy"
Sunday December 12th at 10:45 AM.
and then join us at 6:30 PM.
as the children present
"The Candles of Christmas"
followed by a Birthday Party for JESUS.

The public is invited to a reception honoring State Representative Gary Walker in the school Resource Center/ Library, Wednesday, December 15 at 7 P.M. The reception is sponsored by the Plains ISD Board of Trustees and Administrators in sincere appreciation for his invaluable work for and support of West Texas school districts in the Texas Legislature

South Plains Health Dept.

EAT 5 A DAY DURING THE HOLIDAYS

Holidays can be a stressful time. Good food at parties and family gatherings can make it hard to eat right. This holiday season try this one way to maintain your health - eat 5 or more servings of fruits and vegetables each day.

Create your own healthy gift:

A bright basket of fruits and/or vegetables is a thoughtful gift that's fun and easy to make or purchase. Tell your family or friends that you care about their health!

Take 5 to the party:

Take a fruit salad or vegetable tray with low-fat dip to the next party. You're sure to be a hit!

Build a tradition around eating 5 a day:

Serve a tradition around eating 5 a day:

Serve a traditional fruit (cranberries) or vegetable (green beans, black-eyed peas) at each holiday meal. Better yet serve two!



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Elementary Kids Letters To Santa Claus

Pre Kindergarten

Dear Santa
I want a play doll Mom, a Barbie, dress up clothes, and a play station
I Love You,
Haley Welch

Mrs. McGinty's Kindergarten Class
Dear Santa,
I want a present. I like cars. I like your reindeer and I like you. I like my class.
Love,
Dennis Luna
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a power ranger. Bring mee a robot. Bring me a toy snowman.
Love,
Jamie Gonzales
Dear Santa,
Can you give me a jeep and a barbie and a trampoline and a bike. I love reindeer. I want a little horse and a lot of toys. I want a computer too and a little monkey and a house and a little t.v. and a telephone.
Love,
Mercedes Torres
Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie with a rope. And I want a little swimming pool for the barbie. I like rainbows. I want a beanie baby Mickey Mouse too. I want socks with Santa Claus on them and I want a Princess Barbie.
Love,
Denise Tarango
Dear Santa,
Please get me a toy and please get me a Rudolph toy. I want a monkey and a bear and a real puppy. Buy me a real horse. I like Rudolph. Buy me a spaceship toy and a real house.
Love,
Aron Cox
Dear Santa,
I want a barbie angel. I want a barbie computer and a tinkie-winkie (the ones that talk) I want a poe and a dipsey. I like your reindeer.
Love,
Jasmine Whitel
Appreciable Santa Clause,
Queiro saber se me puedes trayer una bicicleta y una monita que habla con una cunita juntamente con una casita y todos los trastes. Con mucho
Amor,
Aljandra Licon
Dear Santa,
I would like a pokemon and a power ranger and a wolf.
Love,
Cristian Botello
Appreciable Santa Clause,
Yo quiero una barbie y un ardol de navidad y una albarca.
Con Mucho Amor,
Fabiola Rubalcaba
Dear Santa,
I want a barbie trampoline. I want a barbie jump rope. I've been good. Rudolph has a red nose.
Love,
Zachary Lamar
Dear Santa,
I want a barbie with a van and would you give my sister a present too. Sha is not mean to me. I want an angel and I want a teletubby. My sister has mine and I want another one. I like polly pocket.
Love,
Vanessa Andazola
Dear Santa,
I want a barbie to play with my sister and I want candy canes. I want a cat and a coke. I want numbers to count and a bird. I want a teddy bear and that's all.
Love,
Celia Luna

Mrs. Banfield's Kindergarten Class

Dear Santa;
You are nice. Bring me something. Please bring me a tea set and a bike and a computer. I want a kid's tent.
Love Sierra Willet
Dear Santa,
I want a computer. I want a Bisworm. It ia an animal that you can throw guns. I want a Nintendo. Dear Santa I want a dog toy. Dear Santa I want a kitchen.
Love Adolfo Urias
Dear Santa:
I want a pink Furby. I want a set for my Barbie about the bathroom. I want a tea party set. I want a playhouse. I want the play bird.
Love Cynthia Rodriguez
Dear Santa;
I like the presents that you bring. I want a telescope. I want a computer. I want a toy of a Power Ranger. I like Santa Clause.
Love Cedrick Flournoy
Dear Santa;
Scooby Doo watch. And for Mrs. Banfield a computer. And myself. And Cynthia. I love Santa Clause. From Blaine Altman
Dear Santa,
I want one present. I like Santa Clause. I like my Mom. I like my brother. I want a sticker. I will write a letter at my house. I have a Barbie at my house.
Love
Erica Martinez
Dear Santa;
I want a computer. I want a bike. A baby Fitty. A Barbie.
Love Shelby Covarrubias
Dear Santa;
Please bring me a tent. And I want you to bring me a kitten too.
Love Carolina Hernandez
Dear Santa,
I want a toy. I want a tractor. I want a computer.
Love Andrew Lara
Dear Santa;
I want a computer. I want Nintendo. I want a chair. I want a marker. I want a pumpkin. I want Pokemon. I want a book. I want an octopus. I want colors. I want a dollar.
Thank you,
Missael Villascas
Dear Santa,
I want for Christmas a jeep and a bike. And some twin doll clothes. I want some nail stuff and a play chihuahua. Santa I want a CD player.
Love Dakota Earnest
Dear Santa,
I want a Bisword. I want you to come to my house. I don't have a chimney. Come through the door.
Love Christopher Rodriguez
Dear Santa,
I want new clothes. I want a new T-shirt. I want new shoes. And I want a bike. And I want a doll. And I want a new cat. And a new bed. That's it. And I love Santa
Love Sarah Garza
Dear Santa,
I want a baby doll. Some roller-skates. A kitty. I want balloons.
Love from Bianca Corrales.
Mrs. Hawthorne's Kindergarten Class
Dear Santa,
I want a motor car with a control and a basketball goal with the balls rolling down and a Nintendo 64. I will leave you cookies and milk.
Love, Brent Hansen
Dear Santa,
I want a phone to call other kids and a doll. I want some candy and some toys.
Love, Sara Loewen
Dear Santa,
I want some toys and a little truck and some chocolate.
Love, Nick Wieler
Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle and toys.
Love, Johnny Hiebert
Dear Santa,

I like you and God! I want alot of toys. I want a Barbie that has a car and all the things I like Ice cream and all my favorite toys.
Love, Adriana Corrales
Dear Santa,
I'm going to be nice. I want some video games. I'm going to leave you cookies and milk. I'm going to lay on the couch so I can be comfortable. The End!
Mwrry Christmas!
Love, Greg Andazola
Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want some Dal-las Cowboys things and a diary and a big computer. Every year we will probably give you milk and cookies.
Love, Sam Melendez
Dear Santa,
Would you bring me something! Um a Barbie and a circle where something is in it like you and some dolls.
Love, Eva Nuedorf
Dear Santa,
Your face is so cute. I would like an Airplane Barbie. A real toy car.
Love, Yvonne Valverde
Dear Santa,
A Co-ed Barbie, a toy car and a star. I'm going to leave you some cookies. I would like a computer and that's all!
Love Mariela Martinez
Dear Santa,
I want a Play Station. I wish you a happy Christmas!
Love, Myles Diaz
Dear Santa,
I want an Nintendo and a PlayStation and a computer. I want a football game for my Nintendo.
Love, Troy Alldredge
Mrs. Morris' 1st Grade Class
Dear Santa
I wut a dog fedafud but I haf one I wut a nuzr dog
From Abel
Dear Santa,
I want a dog. I am going to feed it food. I also want a blue bike with a purple helmet.
Merry Christmas and I love you,
by Abel Casillas
Dear Santa,
Thank you for a Barbie. I like to play Barbies with my friends. Please bring me a Ferbie and a computer. I want to play reading games and Ferbie can sit on top to laugh with me! Please bring me a bike if it's ok
I Love you a lot
Your friend
Patricia Avila
Dear Santa,
Thank you for giving me two Barbie dolls! I played a lot with them. Please bring me a bile make it red this year. I Love You A Lot.
Your friend,
Hannah Crump
Dear Santa,
Thank you for giving me the electric game and the great Megasord
Please bring me an Explorer's suit and belt. I saw one in San Antonio this year I Love you Santa,
Your friend,
Forrest Booth
Dear Santa Clause,
Thank you for My beautiful pink bike last year! I like to ride me bike fast. please bring ma a trampoline this year. I Love you Santa.
Your friend,
Maria Loewen
Dear Santa,
Thank you for the great red bike last year! Please bring me a Johnny Deera tractor with a planter. I can plant water melon seede! Please bring ma a play trailer so I can haul my tractor I Love Santa Clos
Your friend
Johny Harms
Dear Santa,
Thank you for my Amazing amy doll. I like it when she says I want juce. Please bring me a comuter

with math and reading games. If its ok. Please bring me a basketball
Your friend
Jessica Lazos
Dear Santa Claus,
Thank you for Giving me some of the great dinosaurs last year. And I like to play with them with my brother. Please bring me a Super Nintendo! And I need a Ferbie if you have enough. What do you whan for Christmas Santa!
Your friend,
Hunter Welch
Dear Santa,
Thank you for my new blue bike. I rode it everyday. Please bring me 3 dinosaurs this year. I'll share them with my brothers. I hope you and Mrs. Claus have a good Christmas!
Your friend,
Federko Villegas
Dear Santa,
Thank you for the Ferbie, new shoes, the dress and my lovely pink umbrella last year please bring me a Little Christmas tree for my room this year. I Love you Santa and I Love you very much.
Your friend Sara Martins
Dear Santa, Thank you for the wonderful electric train last year. Please bring me some Lagos for Christmas. you can ask Forrest about his because he wants to sell his Lagos.
Your friend,
Edgar Vasquez
Dear Santa,
Thank you for the Ferbie, new shoes, the dress and my lovely pink umbrella last year please bring me a little Christmas tree for my room this year. I Love you Santa and I Love you very much.
Your friend,
Sara Martins
Dear Santa Claus,
Thank you for the little kitchen. I cook for my dad and my Mom to Las year please bring me a computer this year I want to play spelling and reading gams onit! please bring me a Ferbie too. I Love you Santa Claus too.
Thank you for The Toys That you gave me Love Gladys
Your friend,
Gladys Gallegos
Dear Santa Claus,
Thank you for the nice brown ball last year! Please bring me a doll that talks and prays in Spanish. Please bring me some rollerskates.
Your friend
Mayra Cuetio
Mrs. Davis' 1st Grade Class
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good. I want a gam boys culr pokemon ball bike nails Love
Asley Cablero
Dear Santa Claus
how is the raindeer I hop roudolph is well. I want 3 kittens and 3 pupez, The land before time video I wunt a BeBe Pokemon ball, fake fingernails and decorations for my room.
Love Magen
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good. I would like a bike, beeswars starwars, puppy. peekachoo dog richoo pokeman try rndber pokemon toys story 2 Sega
Zachery
Dear-Santa-Claus-I Wish-I had-a-tractor-puppy-and-hot-Wheels-Scooby-doo,Movie-a-cow-Boy-Toy-Toy-story-2-pokemon toy-little-Bear-toy-Khit
Lov-Santa-Claus
Peter Neudorf
Dear Santa Claus,
I want Toy Story 2 I want poke'mon ball I want remote control I want Light saver I want Nintendo 64
Cody Friesen

Dear Santa Claus i want a DuBoD and a crrimas tree and a trampoline nail a Toy story a skateboard
Jennn Witchs Ghost pony Trampoline a Scooby Doo and theStuart Little a dog Love Emly
Dear Santa claus
his happy pokemanball bog bim
Light saver remote control
Alan
Dea Santa Claus,
I'm being great good. I wish for trampoline hot wheels skateboard
I'm being great good. I wish for trampoline hot wheels skateboard
Jenna
Diana Sigolo
Dear Santa Claus, how is your Deers, i'm beying good. how are you Santa i ll give you cookes if your good and I wut a dog and goldfish
Love Samantha and brother David wats a teddy Bear and that all
Dear Santa Claus
mi beying great-good Love
trampoline pong hot wheels skateboard
Glenda Becerra
Dear Santa Claus,
I want skatbord I wish I had a dog
I want pokemon jigglely puff
Stuart Little Nintendo 64
Brittanie
Dear Satna Claus I wout Scooby Doo and the witchs and pokemon ball and Toy story 2
Love Kevin Gass
Dear Santa claus,
I want a woch and a bike Pokemon ball pokemon Movie remote control Toy story 2
Mychal
Dear Santa Claus
2 puppy cumpyoooter hot wheels
Toy story 2 movie pokemon movie Light saver star wars green sega The Land Before 3
Jose Corrales
Dear Santa claus
I won a trampoline birea scooby Doo and the witchs Ghost Sega Toy Story 2 Pokemon ball hot wheels
Love Miguel Carrillo
Mrs. Ramos' 1st Grade Class
Dear Santa,
How are your reindeer? I want a megal and a trammnding. How is the North pole going? I want a Toy Store 2. I Love you Ho Ho Ho Merry Christmas
Roberto Reyna
Dear Santa,
I hope you have a safe trip. I will leve you milk and cookies. I hope your reindeer fill good. I hope you have a Merry Christmas. I want a baby puppy for Christmas and a twin doll. Oh! I forgot I want a worm bleankit for my pupy and a feder for my pupy.
Stephanie Addison
Dear Santa,
How is your Reindeer? are ypu filling well? I want four wheeler I want a remote I want trampoline
Jeffery Barrientes
Dear Santa,
I hope you are filling Christmas. I want a remote control a four wheeler and a cee dee player
Jaaron Bell
Dear Santa,
I hope you have a Merry Christmas. I will leve you sum cake and candy canes. Will you leve me a trampoline. I hope your reindeer are well.
Jaxon Bean
Dear Santa,
How are your reindeer? Santa, I'm going to giv your reindeer suputhing. I want a ezez bake oven and a stufft anunini and I want a jraStick Barbe.
Chloe Carpenter
Dear Santa,
I hope your reindeer are Doing fine. I hope you hav a good Crismus. I wot lots of mouves. I wot lots of trampolens.
Lee Dearing
Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas Santa I hope you are filling well soonI Love you aremy friend I wut a bike and a Nitendo 64 and a computr and a trampoline I Love You Santa
Lupe Lara
Dear Santa, Ho, Ho, Ho, Merry Christmas. I wot a trampolen. I wot a BarB. I Love you.
Marina Martinez

Dear Santa,
Hao is your reindeer I wut a bicke for Christmas Merry Christmas
How are you Santa I wut a teamptden I hope you hav a good Crismus
Pino Martinez
Dear Santa,
Who is your reindeer I Love you Rochelle Merry Chrastmas
Ho?Ho?Ho? Cheprling sleeping Beuu tys patts Toy Stroore @Dugtdioo 64 I what a cheprling Rochelle Moya
Dear Santa North Pole! I want Ver. Merry Christmas Ho!Ho!Ho!
Adam Nixon
Dear Santa
Merry Christmas Santa I want a snoboard Thats all.
Jonathan Penner
Dear Santa
how is your Christmas days going HoHoHo Have a good Christmas day this year I Left you same cookies I wot the new Pokemon the Movi This year I hope you have a good nite.
Joseph Williams
Mrs. Hise's 2nd Grade Class
Dear Santa,
I want a Babby doll and some babby doll cloths. And some barbeis dolls. And some cloths. And some toys for Spot. And some dolls for Reagan. And a Amercen Girl. And a pokemon-puchcu toy.
Love,
Katelynn Young
Dear Santa Claus
Santa Claus I wunt a nel game
Santa Claus I wunt a cat and dog
Santa Claus I wunt Skate bord
Shena Santa Claus I wunt atome cup Santa Claus I wunt a stor toy
Santa Claus I wunt a gold fish
Santa Claus I wunt a sleigh
Love
Shylo
Dear Santa,
I want a game and a 100 dolers to and a dog and a cat to a play stashon
Matthew
Dear Santa Claus
I wet a Snowbord and anxies to and a new bilse and some Scats and a Skatbord and some now toys to and Same pols and I Won't a now Kag to and that is all
Morgan Willis
Dear Santa,
I want a bike and skates and my baby sister wants and my big sister wants cd's and my Mom wants sunflower cups and my DaD wants tools
Love, Jasmine
Dear Santa
I want a pair of skates and clothes and I also want a pair of new socks I aliso want a Poster of Sallina. And don't forget a barbies, and dolls, I aliso want a Play Satshion with games That's all
happy holiday
from: Daenna Ramirez
Dear Santa Claus,
Thank you for my Johe Elway poster and my bike! This year I want a Intendo 64. Hope you have a safe trip.
Happy Holidays
Marry Christmas
by: Jacob E Brink
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a growing stone. I want a candy dot maker. I want a pin pipe. I want a fan.
From: Taylor
Dear Santa Claus
I want a raedeo and backstreet Boys songs and Tennatn Loyes song and tictanic song and toy story 2 and ficky martin song to a Bike that is just rite tha dosin have the seet rily in the Back I want in front Like a cares seet from Kimberlee Garcia
Dear Santa Claus
Dear Santa I want a remote cutro monster truck and a cd player and a Bike
Love,
Hector Luna
Dear Santa,
I want a intendo 64 and a water gun and Lagos and play stghen and Skats and More Lagos.
Love,
Ignacio



Holiday Joys To All!

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*We have seen his star in the East,
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Vaughn, Carolyn and Nicole Culwell

Dear Santa
Could you bring me a donut for my bats that is black. And a helmet that is white. And a lap top. I would also like a shark tooth neceles. And some bagy pants.
Love, Brock
Dear Santa
I wunt a ropin nife. I wunt a play stashin. I wunt the nu move wi wi west. I wunt a remot cintrol helicop-ter or airplane. I wunt a shark toth neceles. I wunt a go cart. I wunt a swining pool. I wunt a Be Be gun.
Sincerely Troy.
Dear Santa,
I wont you to bring me a bag of paper doll's and a bike and a Barbe. And that is what I want. I rile wont the bike.
Sincerely Claudia
Dear Santa
I want a tweety necklace and a tweety ring and cande and color book and crayons and a furby trampoline.
Love Susana Harms
Dear Santa
I want a Nintendo sixty Four and a trampoline and a remote control truck
Love, Ernesto Calderon
Mrs Cobb 2nd Grade
Dear Santa
I want a BarBy hous a Baby Kitin. and a BarBy to go with the hous. a BaBy Dog a BaBy Shark a tank. a Preshes momets, a tent skate Bord Shanen
Your Friend Natalie Haynes

Dear Santa
I want a doll name skat bord shanen and My sister want a airplyn Barbie and I really want Is a bear that snor because I lost it I want a bear to Thank You Santa Your friend Victoria Valverde
Dear Santa Now I am going to write a letter what I want for Christmas I want a watch and colors and a coloring book and a yo-yo and a chirt and a microphone and a Santa your friend Jacob Loewen
Dear Santa
I want a playstation roller blasd, basketball, race car track. your friend Brandon Craft
Dear Santa
I want a playstation I want a sled. I want to go with the playstation. I want a skateboard. And rollerblades that feat Your frend Kenyon Powell
Dear Santa
I want a gocart I want a computer and a ten & 60 faur and a vav cresms I wanta bat plaksaln gas your friend Blake Longoria
Dear Santa
I want a twamplen and a fon and a skatdodshau and a bike and a computer and a nov desk and anow skats Your frend Veronica Perez
Love santa clos vere much
Dear Santa
I sent you this letter because what I want for Christmas is a computer and a baby shark tank preshes moments. and a barby hous and also a

little biny baby hous and also a barby that walks and that comes with everything and a car for girls that goes around the hous that comes with a remot control. and also spice girls. and a little c.d. player with ear pohon. and a c.d. of music and it is N.cyn of Christmas songs like Jason. Your friend Carman Gomez
Dear Santa
I want a real puppy a Bostone tearyit will be a boy I want a playstation the game I want is note dogs I want a little c.d. player with head phones edopshone kid cabig pach a girl skatebood shanna petty sprise Hwiee Barbie rollerblads
The new back street boys a briny sprizy c.d. a barbie your friend Natalie Butler a see touth phone
Dear Santa
I want a computer and a baby doll and a bike Your Friend Marie Martinez
Dear Santa
I want a play stashon and a cumputr and a taken 4 game and The RugRat game and a Ronen Yonyr and a Dragon Bollz toy. Your Friend Justin Gonzales
Dear Santa
Saga dreme castgoame boy cumpudr mave rudof gocy bludyruoh2 onen yoty t a wit one aBlue clus walking dog for Jaden cumthing for Mom and Dad Pyt mi name Your friend Jonathan Lira
Mrs Cheatham 2nd Grade

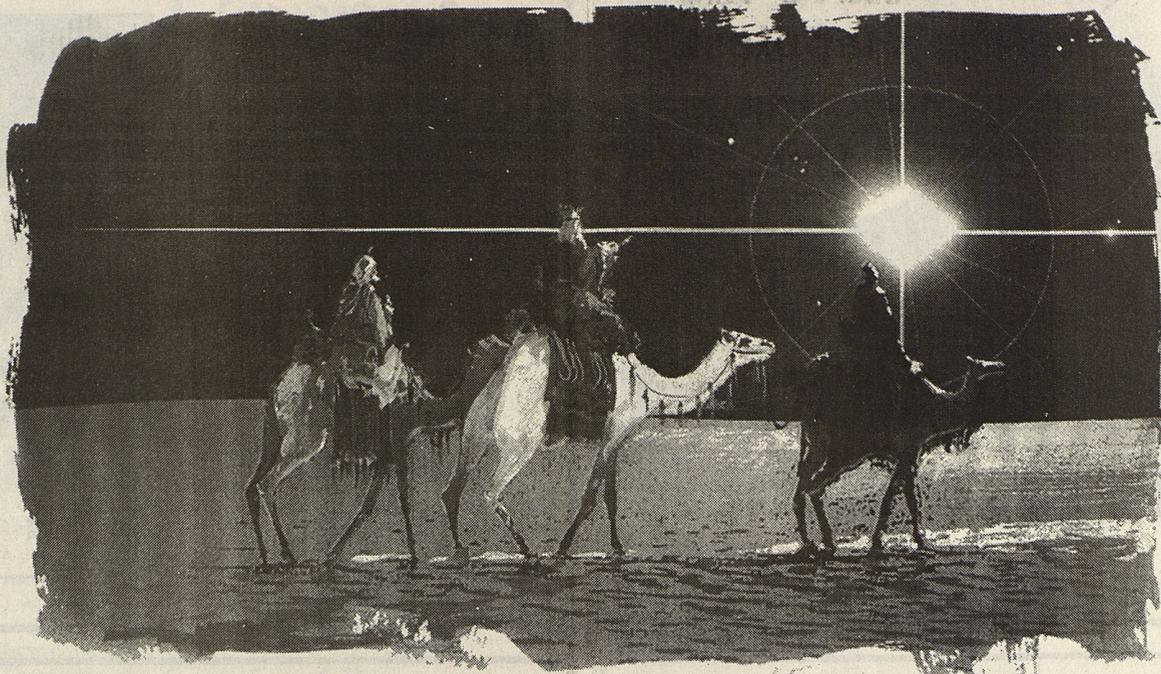
Dear Santa
How are you today I want a Nintend 64 Maro game and a Lot'n safe and I want a trampoline.
Love Abby Hernandez
Dear Santa
I have been very good I think I have I want a remotocold monster truck and a skate bord shanga and barbies and generation barbies swimming pool Love Shyann Vantine
Dear Santa
I have been good. Could you bring me a two fierbys and a trampoline. Your friend Savana Mindieta
Dear Santa
This Christmas I want a Furby and a teddy bear and the new Beanie baby named Millenium and one more thing I want the skate Board Shannen Your Friend Emilia Gallegos
Dear Santa
I want nucleur strike for pay station, and I want a Pay Station 2, and I wnt some Trampoline springs, and some suprises. Nathan Mc Cravey
Dear Santa
What I want is a nintindo with Mario car 64 and I, been very good sens May is my birthday and worked and worked Love Name Miguel
Dear Santa
I want A tractor. I want a trampoline. I want a phone. I want a camera.
Love Jacob Neudorf

Dear Santa
I want a trampoline for christmas

and 2 remote contol truck
Adam
Dear Santa
I want a doll for Christmas and a book and some candy I am some- times good and sometime angry
Love Sarah Neudorf
Dear Santa
I want a Dodge Remote control monster truck Love Edger Luna
Mrs. House 3rd Grade Class
Dear Santa,
I want a bull and a book Im also wunt a Leto House and a Leto Santa. I wunt a panst and a rasre.
Vanessa Martinez
Dear Santa,
I want to tell you I love you and I would loke for you to bring me re- mote control truck
I Love You,
Manuel Almanza
Dear Santa,
I would like a bicycle, a Barbie and a computer and also a big doll.
I Love You,
Flor Sigala
I would like a bicycle, a Barbie and a computer and also a big doll.
I Love You,
Flor Sigala
Dear Santa,
I want a cpyutrs. and a rum bi my self so me and mI sistrs can plue and my Fens to.
I luvu you Santa,
Isamar Luna
Dear Santa,

I wunt two plat stasin game and I post and a gocote and a intidoe 64.
Love Dylan Hunter
Dear Santa,
this year I want a CD player, clothes, a shirt, rollerblades, a trampoline, iceskates, the puzzle Titanic, and the puzzle Big Ben.
Love,
Brianna Conway
Dear Santa
Santa for Christmas I want Base ball card. I want a cupeter. The move big Dady. The Deses Wold recat Book 200.
Love A J Martinez
Dear Santa,
This Christmas I want a Next speed bike. And a computer and some com- puter games. And play stasian games. And a skate bord. And new roller blades. And a puppy. And a big swim- ming pool.
Love Skyler Sainz
P.S.Help the pore Kid's first
Dear Santa
for Christmas I would like a Twisted Metal 4 for playstation. And a toy viper. And a new bike a six speed. And a pair of Michael Jordan shoes. And a yomega yoyo
Love, Derek Garza

**More Christmas Letter's
on Page 10**



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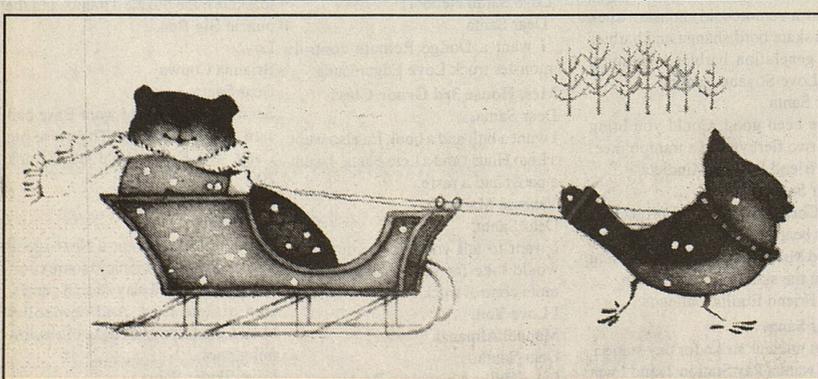
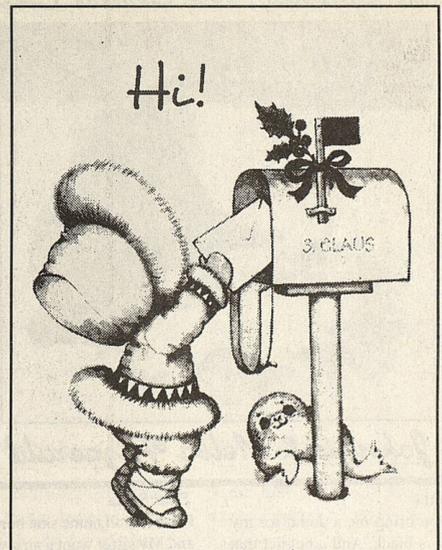


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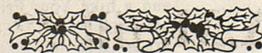
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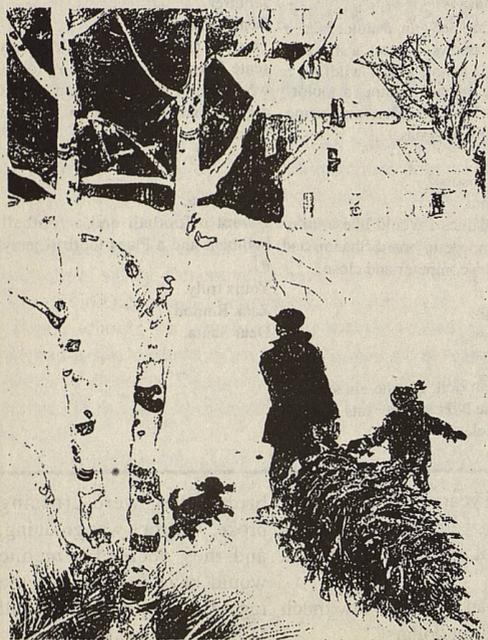
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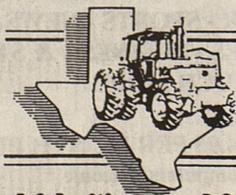
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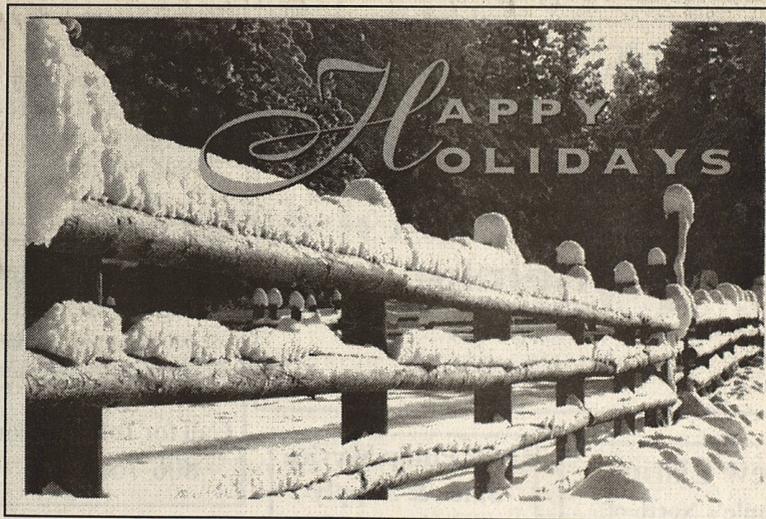


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From The Hack

It's very fortunate I am broad minded, even liberal in my views on thievery. Now, admittedly, I do not appreciate anyone stealing from me. On the other hand, I think it perfectly OK to steal from another source to fill this column when I am semi-brain dead, a condition occurring with frequent regularity. The following material was lifted from the column of Roy McQueen, Publisher of the Snyder Daily News. Actually, I didn't do the stealing; One J.P. Senter of Boll Weevil program fame lifted it and gave it to me. Further clarification - McQueen stole it from one Danny Andrews of the

Plainview Daily Herald. This strongly suggests most newspaper folks are of very low character.

"A man will pay \$2 for a \$1 item he wants. A woman will pay \$1 for a \$2 item she doesn't want.

"A man has six items in his bathroom, toothpaste, toothbrush, shaving cream, razor, bar of soap and a towel from a Holiday Inn. The average number of items in the typical woman's bathroom is 367. The typical man would not be able to identify 349 of these items.

"A woman has the last word in any argument. Anything a man says after that is the beginning of a new argument.

"A woman worries about the future until she gets a husband. A man never worries about the future until he gets a wife.

"A successful man is one who makes more money than his wife can spend. A successful woman is one who can find such a man.

"A woman marries a man expecting he will change, but he

doesn't. A man marries a woman expecting she won't change, but she does.

"A woman dresses up to go shopping, water the plants, empty the garbage, answer the phone, read a book, and get the mail. A man will dress up for weddings and funerals.

"Men wake up as good looking as they went to bed. Women somehow deteriorate during the night.

"A woman knows all about her children- dental appointments, romances, best friends, favorite food, secret fears, hopes and dreams. A man is vaguely aware of some short people living in the house.

The column ended with this sage advice; Any married man should forget his mistakes. There is no use in two people remembering the same thing

Seeing all the kids letters to Santa Claus in this issue of CCN, I briefly considered writing the jolly guy myself, expressing a few sincere wishes. I decided against it when I considered everything on my wish list would be prohibited from the airborne trip in his sled, like a case of Crown, a pair of undetectable crooked dice, maybe a Playboy subscription, just for inspirational purposes, don't you know?

And speaking loosely of Santa

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Dear Santa, For christmas I want a computer a go cart and a krex robot and a ferret cage and a play station and legos Love, Landon Earnest

Dear Santa I want to have a yo yo. And a wocky-tolky. And I would like to have a toy truck. thank you Santa Peter Loewen

Dear Santa I want a Skateboard Shannen. and a walking Barbie. I also want a Barbie car. Love, Yesenia Loya

Dear Santa, I want a Gymnast Barbie and Skateboard Shannen, Roller Skates and a Fashion Polly Pocket. Love, Reyna Gallegos

Dear Santa, I want a dog and a betrey. And a TV and a Toys-abooks a cat to payts. Love Sau Delgado

Mrs. Engle 3rd Grade Class
Dear Santa, I would like a few things for Christmas like a slinky and a cordles stereo and a skate board sanan doll. I would like a soccer ball and a volleyball. I would like a new mountain bike that is blue and pink and it comes with a water bodle. I would like a basketball gale. If you could get one of these things I would be happy. Love, Kimber Williams

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Dear Santa, I want Lots of presents. I Like Christmas. Heres my list Pokemon Yello game pack, bike, puppy, remote controlled car, Sauand, Swimming pool. Love, Zachary Guerra

Dear Santa, for Christmas I want some football cards and some baseball cards in my stocking and I want a forweeler to and I want it outside that way I can drive it in the snow if you Leev it inside it will be hard to take it out and thats all I want Santa. Love, Chris Gonzales

Dear Santa, I want a computer. I want a music I want a piano I want a Santa Claus I want some candy and some toys I want a Christmas tree. I want a glass of flowers and I want a dress and shoes. Love, Tina Harms

Dear Santa, I want a big present for Christmas and I want a big bike for Christmas I want a big computer and a desk for Christmas and toy car that is a car car that is a toy. I want a big big desk for Christmas I want a big dog. Love, Jennifer

Dear Santa, I wanted to ask you If I could have a scate bored Shanen doll, a Holly-wood Nails Barbie, a flap top. a digital clock, Brinins room. I will be a good girl. Yours truly, Lydia

Dear Santa, I want a football and a football hellment and a Plans football jerzy #1. Yours truly, Zack Ramon

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Claus, have you heard there is a movement underway by the American Medical Association to bar the guy from further activities at this time of year? They claim he is grossly overweight, smokes entirely too much, and sits around on his butt eleven months of the year.

From our E-Mail: A man was walking the beach, looking up at the clouds, when he decided to talk to God. "God," he said, "how long is a

million years?" God answered, "To me, in my frame of reference it's about a minute."

The man asked, "How much is a million dollars?"

God answered, "to me, it's about a penny."

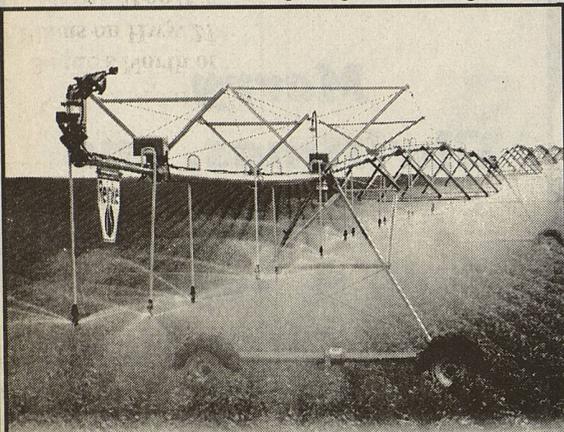
The man then asked, "God, can I have a pennny?"

God answered, "Yes, in a minute."

Eleven tourists were left hanging to a rope after the rope

bridge they were crossing broke. The rope was groaning, and they decided someone would have to drop into the raging river below or they'd all fall. A brunette lady gave a stirring speech saying she would be glad to save the lives of the other ten. All ten blondes started to clap!

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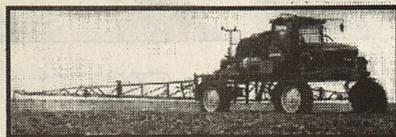
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