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# Fire claims Guerrero home on Depot Street

# Investigation reveals faulty wiring

Firefighters arrived at the home of Lydia Guerrero at 701 Depot St. last Thursday morning only to find smoke billowing from the mobile home and flames leaping skyward from the windows. Guerrero's next-door neighbor, Intonio Esparza, spotted the fire and called 9-1-1 at 7:27 a.m. Several units of the Eldorado Volunteer Fire Department responded to call.

As soon as firefighters could train their hoses on the mobile home and begin knocking down the flames, others donned face shields and air packs and fought their way inside the home looking for anyone who may have been trapped inside. Fortunately, no one was in the structure at the time of the fire. Mrs. Guerrero told the Success that she had left home moments before the blaze to take her grandchildren to school.

Firefighters quickly extinguished the fire, but by that then Mrs. Guerrero's home was a total loss.

Fire Chief Jerry Jones returned to the

scene later in the day to investigate the cause of the fire and soon determined that the fire began in the ceiling above the living room. Closer inspection revealed that most of the wiring in that portion of the house was covered with melted plastic coating. However, a twofoot-long section in the area where the fire began showed no signs of the coating, leading Jones to surmise that an electrical short caused the fire. Jones told the Success that it was likely that an electrical short set fire to the paper backing on fiberglass insulation in the mobile home's roof.

The fire not only claimed Mrs. Guerrero's home, but almost all of her possessions. Her friends and family tell the Success that they are attempting to locate a place for her to live. They also say that a fund is being established to benefit Mrs. Guerrero at Agape Assembly of God. Persons wishing to contribute are encouraged to contact Rev. Walt Griggs at 325-853-3720.



In we go — Firefighter Michael Felver directs a stream of water through a window as Joey Jones and Gregory Fuentes attempt to enter a burning mobile home owned by Lydia Guerrero at 701 Depot Street. Fortunately, no one was home at the time of the fire. Mrs. Guerrero states that she left a few minutes earlier to take her grandchildren to school.

## Mary Roden of Eldorado takes over the local fundraising efforts this year for the West Texas Rehabilitation Center following the retirement of Mabel Freitag after several years on the job. Mrs. Roden notes that this year's telethon, Rehab 2004, will be bigger and better than ever and encourages everyone to get their advance donations in by mailing them to her at P.O. Box 381, Eldorado, TX 76936.

As in year's past, the local phone bank will be headquartered at offices of Southwest Texas Electric Cooperative. Donations during the January 17 telethon may be made by phoning 853-2544.

The five-hour television special will be aired from 7 p.m. to midnight on ten Texas stations, including KLST-TV in San Angelo

Country music singer Joe Nichols, who was recently named Country Music Association's Horizon Award winner will be the telethon's featured entertainer.

Charlie Chase and Red Steagall will emcee the show, which also will include entertainment by Bill and Susan Hayes, Brad Maule, Anacani and ten-year-old Morgan Jones of Abilene who'll make her debut with the Rehab 2004 orchestra.

Mary Roden heads up local Rehab 2004 effort

Significant underwriting for Rehab 2004 comes from American Electric Power (AEP) and Associated Publishing's Area-Wide Phone Books.

In addition to entertainment, the telethon showcases the services of the Center which provides care annually to more than 22,000 children and adults with disabilities and communication disorders at facilities in Abilene, San Angelo and

Also, the show includes an auction of more than 300 items donated by businesses and individuals ranging from agricultural products and autos to celebrity items and travel packages. Interested persons bid on-line www.WestTexasRehab.org beginning mid-December or by phone on January 17.

"The telethon is a critical fundraiser for Rehab because we count on it to launch the New Year in a good position to meet the needs of those we'll serve in the next 12 months," said WTRC President Woody Gilliland. "That's why we're so grateful to local volunteers staffing phone banks...why every advance gift and every pledge called in during the show are so deeply appreci-

# Higgins runs for Tax Assessor

I am Leann Higgins and I am seeking election for the County Tax Assessor/Collector position in the March 2, 2004 Republican Primary. I have an Associates degree in Business and have worked with accountants for several years. I own and operate a bookkeeping service and have assisted individuals and local businesses with their personal, business and tax accounts. With my business background and accounting and tax related knowledge, I feel that I am qualified for the position of Tax Assessor Collector. It would be an honor to serve as your next Tax Assessor/Collector.

# Santa to visit Gazebo on Saturday morning

Santa Claus will stop by the Gazebo on Main Street this Saturday morning between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon to visit with local children and to hear their Christmas wishes.

The jolly old elf's appearance here in Eldorado is part of a his 50-state "All I Want for Christmas Tour" that began three weeks ago in Vermont. He will be escorted into town by the Eldorado Volunteer Fire Department, whose members are already shining up their trucks in preparation for the visit.

While in town, Santa will also stop

by the local nursing home to visit with the residents and to find out what they want for Christmas. He also plans to check in with the local Sheriff's Dept. to see who in Eldorado has been naughty or nice.

Santa's trip to Eldorado is sponsored this year by The Eldorado Success. The newspaper each year hosts Santa's website at www.myeldorado.net and compiles and prints Santa letters from local children so that Santa Claus, who is the newspaper's oldest subscriber, may read them in time for Christmas.



Leeann Higgins



**Jail inspection** — Jail Administrator Lesa Martinez looks on as Jail Standards Inspector Russell Biehle sprays an aerosol mixture into a plumbing closet to test a smoke detector.

# County Jail passes inspection

Jail Administrator Lesa Martinez was beaming last week after an inspector for the State Commission on Jail Standards found no deficiencies in the county lockup for the third straight year. Martinez, who oversees five jailer/dispatchers, is responsible for the day-today operation of the jail. Her boss, Sheriff David Doran, was equally pleased with the inspection.

"Having been a jailer and a dispatch-I know first hand how hard they work," Doran stated. "I'm very proud of Lesa and her staff. It's quite an accomplishment to get a zero-deficiency inspection. But to get one three years in a row is superb.'

The five Jailer/Dispatchers include Farah Fennern, Stephen Whitten, Frank Estrada, Lupe Herrera and Anna

Russell Biehle inspected the facility. He began his inspection with a walk through of the jail. He then checked out the life safety equipment and conducted an emergency drill followed by interviews of the jail personnel.

Biehle also reviewed 25 inmate admission and release files, selected at random. He also reviewed the jail's policies and procedures documentation and checked the facility for compliance with the Americans with Disabilities

Other areas covered during the inspection included staff training, inmate health services, supervisor and staff qualifications, hygiene and sanitation, food service, disciplinary hearing records, grievance policies, exercise and education, inmate work assignments, inmate telephone and correspondence policies, commissary, visitation and religious practices.

Following his inspection, Biehle issued a report noting the jail had received no deficiencies and approving a certificate of compliance for the facility. Like all jails across the state, the Schleicher County Jail is subject to the regulation and oversight of the Commission on Jail Standards.



# Political Correctness run amok

## TO BE OR NOT TO BE A **CHRISTMAS TREE**

Oswego, NY - A Middle School in New York state has borrowed from the early 16th Century German custom of bringing a tree into a building and adorning it with decorations, according to an item in the Oswego Daily Herald. But it is not a Christmas tree, says teacher Debbie Smith. It is a a larger number of religious and tree was replaced with a neutral "diversity tree" and is decorated cultural traditions, according to a winter scene, inspired by Courier with ornaments celebrating the report in the Mobile Register. world's cultural, ethnic, and relia Christmas tree.

## **PARADE REST**

of Mobile, Alabama's annual end-Holiday Parade" in order to attract make the switch.

The Mobile city council isn't gious differences. Repeat: it is not too happy about the switch, and has decorated with folded fans made of voted 5-0 in favor of a resolution maps of the world, lights and ornaasking the company that runs the ments resembling world globes. parade to change the name back to The new display has two smaller MOBILE, AL — Organizers the "Mobile Christmas Parade."

City officials have threatened of-December parade have re- to withhold financial backing for named the event "Mobile's Jolly the event unless its organizers

SO AS NOT TO OFFEND

# A MEASURE OF SANITY FROM DOWN UNDER

trees, but they are unadorned

**MOLDING TOMORROW'S FINEST LEGAL MINDS** 

**IU-Purdue University Law School** 

removed a Christmas tree from the

school's lobby after some students

complained that it made them feel

excluded, that according to a re-

Following the complaints, the

The removed tree had been was

port in the Indiana Daily Student.

INDIANAPOLIS, IN — The

Australia's Multicultural Affairs Minister Gary Hardgrave has gone on record as saying that MINNEAPOLIS, MN — A schools and kindergartens should Minneapolis-based company set up nativity scenes, throw named ProGroup, which consults Christmas parties and actually talk with Fortune 500 companies on about the story behind the holiday.

Hardgrave said people should workplace diversity issues, counsels companies to cleanse their not have to concede traditions that workplace of all Christmas dis- have been important to them and plays this time of year because their family generations just to things like Santa Claus, evergreen appease a handful of people who trees and tiny stockings might might get offended.

make some people uncomfortable. "Our culture, our tradition are An article in the Salt Lake Tri- something that has attracted people bune quotes ProGroup president from all around the world to come Myrna Marofsky suggesting that and live here and be part of," he said. companies play "seasonal" instead

"We have an opportunity to of Christmas music at year-end par- learn from the cultures they ties, make sure decorations around brought to Australia," he said. the office are winter, not holiday- "But we were here first, our framerelated (no tiny stockings in cubi- work was in place because of all cle-land) and to keep that Christian of the efforts of previous generaicon Santa Claus (St. Nick, and all) tions. Our framework is what made it possible for all those peo-ProGroup will celebrate the end ple to come, and we should never of the year with an Italian dinner. be afraid of it."

24. Like Mary's lamb's

26. "Bet you can't!", e.g.

27. Facetious "I see"

28. Act the coquette

31. Chews the fat

34. "The Virginian

36. Stand in line

37. Red tag locale

39. Scattered about

40. Give an account of

33. Fake drake

writer Wister

42. Malarkey

43. Union flouter

44. Altar locales

45. Bjarnaise or

46. Monica of the

48. Nintendo rival

52. Kramden laugh

53. Bro. or sis.

49. Clobber with rocks

Hollandaise

courts

syllable

fleece

25. Cork site

29. Wash up

# El Paso Texas Tech health center to become medical school

AUSTIN — What parents haven't fantasized about their child becoming a doctor when they

The federal Council on Graduate Medical Education estimates by Mike Cox that the U.S. will need between 1.09 million and 1.17 million phy-makers approved a ninth school. sicians by 2020. Unfortunately for anyone who may need medical care then, current projections are that only 971,000 to 1.08 million doctors will write prescriptions that year. Texas certainly will be doing its part to overcome that anticipated shortage of M.Ds.

The state currently has eight

hundred dollars extra.

founding members. Went to a mall

club bought turkeys for veterans,

quando world championships.

the year. Members decided to

to spend twenty-five hundred dol-

trial district. Members are always

lars ten dollars at a time."

ileged kids.

families.

Fort Worth.

State Capital Highlights

special session in October, law-

House Bill 28, which received little fanfare except in and around El Paso, authorizes Texas Tech University to sell \$45 million in tuition revenue bonds to fund construction of a four-year medical school for Tech's Health Sciences Center in El Paso.

Currently, the El Paso center medical schools, but during the trains only third- and fourth-year medical students.

ROLLING ALONG

**West Texas Cruisers** 

**Build Bicycles at Christmas** 

name of a classic car club in Mid-bikes were already assembled. The

land. When the club was formed others were not. Club members

in 1991, members felt some por- grabbed their tools and went to

tion of any profits the club made their building weekends in No-

should go to charity. At the end of vember to assemble the rest of the

their first year, the club had one bikes. Members put on the handle

and asked the manager for sugges- hour and we have guys who can

tions as to what could be done with do one an hour. We've done a thou-

it. The manager suggested dressing sand bicycles in the last five years.

a doll and giving it to a needy child. so some of us have put together a As the years progressed, the hundred bicycles or more.'

gave \$500 to a cancer victim, do- KWES, collects toys each Christ-

nated funds for a family whose mas time and displays them in

home had burned and paid expens- front of the news set. Cruisers take

es for a girl to compete in the ti- about half the bikes to the station

annual car show, sponsors and do- let the West Texas Cruisers pass.

nations. A few years ago the club Those bikes go to the Salvation

spend it all on toys for underpriv- Christmas Parade in Midland and

had \$2500 to donate at the end of Army in Odessa.

The club raises money by an enforcement officers stop traffic to

Jeff Brookings, one of the front forks.

West Texas Cruisers is the from Wal Mart. The Wal Mart

WITH TUMBLEWEED SMITH

bars, training wheels, pedals, and

"The good guys can do 5 in an

A Midland Television station,

in a convoy of classic cars. Law

"The other half we carry in our

Though Texas Tech must still

come up with funds to service the ing a crash, the likelihood of death year or early in 2005

When Perry signed HB 28 into it will amount to a needed eco-

# Public Safety official leaves...

James B. Francis Jr., a member of the Public Safety Commis- State sales tax up again sion, the policy body that oversees the Department of Public Safety, the third month in a row. has stepped down from the panel after eight years.

on the three-member commission.

also still has three members but since August 2001." legislators in the last session mission to five members.

The two new members have yet to be appointed, though there has been some buzz that at least one of the appointments is com-

# Remember, Santa wears one...

Everyone in law enforcement or other safety-related fields says it all the time, as if they were reading from a script: Wear your safe-

The DPS says that if someone is thrown from their vehicle dur-

bonds, with \$2.6 million in seed or injury increases 70 percent. The money for the next biennium, con- place to be when metal meets metstruction could begin late next al is snugly behind the wheel, and an air bag.

Though some Texans still relaw, El Paso leaders said it was the sist using seat belts, surveys conmost significant legislation affect- tinue to show more and more are ing that city in a half century. The wising up. A decade ago, seat belt new school will nearly double the usage was estimated at 69.1 pernumber of medical students, and cent. In 2002, the level was 81.1 with additional faculty and staff, percent and still inching upward.

More startling news: Extensive nomic shot in the arm for the big- research also shows you are far gest city on the left side of Texas. less likely to need a safety belt if you abide by the speed limit and don't drink and drive.

State sales tax revenue is up for

"The last time state sales tax revenue increased three months in No word yet on who the gov- a row was July-September 2001, ernor will appoint to replace him before 9-11," Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn said. The Transportation Commis- "November sales tax revenue is up sion, which oversees the Texas 4.3 percent compared to Novem-Department of Transportation, ber 2002. This is the largest growth

The state received \$1.36 billion passed a bill expanding that com- in sales tax revenue in November.

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# CROSSWORD PUZZLE 23. Sawyer's creator

"cut" or "copy"

11. Syllable from Curly

15. 1954-77 alliance 16. "That's a laugh!"

17. Potent mixture 19. Thick \_\_ brick 20. Wipe clean 21. Bigoted one

out of the mix entirely.

23. Sylvester's celmate 26. Think up

ACROSS

I. Less loony

14. Unescorted

27. For a time 28. Roadside alerts 30. Split \_\_ (quibble)

31. Piercing look 32. Altar words 35. Place to build

36. Forfeit 37. Hot pot or pepper pot

38. 1300 hours 39. Buffalo NHLer 40. 1933-41 veep John \_\_ Garner 41. Monet or Manet

43. Oater brawl site 44. Place into cubbyholes

46. Off one's rocker 47. Command after

48. Asparagus unit 6. Slogan writer 50. Baltimore paper 51. Gardener's conveyance 57. Tree hugger's

58. Duffer's miracle 59. \_\_-weeny 60. Baste, perhaps

61. Mild maledictions 62. Make jubilant DOWN

1. Got a load of 2. He "stung like a bee" 3. "Just kidding!"

4. Something in an env. 5. Does some cobbling 6. Analyze, as ore 7. Society newbies

8. Stable mother 9. Filled up on 10. Middle of (remote place)

11. Harried parent's question 12. Safari stops 13. Midway alternative 18. "Harper's Bazaar' artist

54. "Citizen X" actor Stephen 55. LondonÕs prov. 22. Forum greeting 56. Penultimate letter

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"No toy could cost more than distribution Center here in Midten dollars," says Jeff. "It's hard land." Last year the club put together 220 bikes in two weekends. It A few years ago the club start- has 250 this year, ranging in size ed buying bicycles and giving from sidewalk bikes for little kids them to the Salvation Army to dis- to 20 inch bikes for the bigger tribute to children in low income ones. The club bought wagons one

deliver them to the Salvation Army

The club has more than one year and will never do that again. hundred members now and has its It took an average of an hour and own building in Midland's indus- a half to put together a wagon.

"At the Salvation Army, kids shopping for bicycles. This year can chose 5 toys. The bikes are the they bought 100 from a firm in favorites. We could give away 1600 bikes a year if we could get They bought 150 more bikes them.

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# Raquel Robledo Martinez

ELDORADO — Raquel Robledo Martinez 75 passed away Sunday December 14, 2003 in a San Angelo Hospital. Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, December 17, 2003 at Agape Assembly of God Church with burial to follow in Eldorado Cem- Arnold, and a brother, Edward etery. Arrangements are by Kerbow Funeral Home.

mando Martinez, Harvey Martin- many friends also survive. ez, Albert Martinez, and Hector Martinez all of Eldorado; 2 broth- a 1971 graduate of St. Pius X High ers Rutilio Robledo of Eldorado, and Nicolas Robledo of Garden lor of Science in Nursing degree, City, Kansas, and a sister Pauline from Avila College in Kansas City. Hill of Grand Prarie.

# **Marie Bryson**

Marie Bryson, 88, a longtime resident of San Angelo went home to be with her Lord on Saturday, Dec. 13, 2003.

She was born on Jan. 11, 1915, in Paint Rock, Texas, to parents, Tom and Tinnie Ray. She married James Thomas Bryson Sr. on Dec. 19, 1945. Marie had a real love for life and enjoyed spending time with her family and friends. She was a member of Lakeview Baptist Church, a nurse and homemaker. She had a beautiful and giving spirit. She served as a volunteer for the Senior Center for many years where she received many awards. She was also active with the VFW and loved to play bingo.

She is reunited with her husband, her parents and several brothers and sisters who preceded her in death.

Marie is survived by her son, James Thomas Bryson and wife, Barbara; a daughter, Clarrice Rebsch; a brother, A. T. Ray, all of San Angelo; four grandchildren, Tony and wife, Valerie Welker, of Brownwood, Angela Dee Knave of Tony, Ala., Jason and wife, Yvonne Rebsch, of Houston, Wendy Daniels and husband, Troy, of Eldorado; 10 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren as well as a host of friends and family.

a.m., Tuesday, Dec. 16, in Lawn- Midland. haven Memorial Gardens with

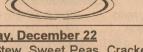
morial donations be made to Meals lowed in Eldorado Cemetery for the Elderly.

# Jane Frances Mullich

Jane Frances Mullich of Farmington passed away on December 12, 2003 at Barnes-Jewish Hospital, at the age of 50 years. She died peacefully surrounded by her children, mother and sister after an incredibly courageous 8 month battle with leukemia. She became a source of inspiration and awe to all who were involved in her care. She was born on March 1, 1953, in St. Louis, Missouri, the daughter of Clementine and the late Edward H. Mullich, Jr.

In addition to her mother, she is survived by her husband, Patrick E. Johnson, M.D., a son, Thomas Edward Johnson, two daughters, Christina Nicole Johnson and Katherine Alyce Johnson, all of

# Meals for Friends Menu



Monday, December 22 Beef Stew, Sweet Peas, Crackers, Canned Peaches, Choc. Pudding,

**Tuesday December 23** Chicken Fried Steak w/Cream Gravy, Mashed Potato, Mixed Vegetable, Dinner Roll, Fresh Orange, Milk

Wednesday, December 24 Meat Loaf w/Tomato Sauce, Mashed Potato, Corn, Wheat Roll, Fruit Cocktail, Sugar Cookie, Milk Thursday, December 25 **Closed for Christmas Merry Christmas Everyone!** 

Friday, December 26 Fried Catfish, Corn Tomato Casserole, Seasoned Spinach, Dinner Roll, Fruited Gelatin, Milk

the home, two sisters, Patricia Kan., Michael Lowe Stanford of husband Wayne; four sons, Jimmy (Mrs. Michael) Pleimann and Karin (Mrs. Ronald) Hahn, all of Mullich III and wife Diane of De Soto. Several nieces, nephews, a She is survived by 4 sons Ar- great-nephew, other relatives and

School. She received her Bache-She was wed to Patrick E. Johnson, MD on April 19, 1980.

She attended church services at First Presbyterian Church and Memorial United Methodist children placing their health and welfare above all else. She worked the academic standards at all Farmington schools. She launched school bond issue.

Jane's true love was photograforever in the thousands of photographs that she took of area soccer, volleyball and basketball players. Jane was also a true animal lover and she surrounded herself may be made to Eldorado First constantly with horses, dogs, cats, rabbits and even several ferrets. This kind and beautiful soul will be greatly missed by all who had the privilege of knowing her.

A memorial service was held at the Memorial United Methodist Church at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 16, 2003 with Dr. David Webster officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Cozean Memorial Chapel.

# J.H. "Skeet" Mace

ELDORADO — J. H. "Skeet" Mace, age 95, of Eldorado, Texas, Graveside service were at 10 died Wednesday, Dec. 10, 2003, in

Funeral service were at 11 a.m. Brother Roger Roenfeldt officiating. Saturday, Dec. 13, at Eldorado The family requests that me- First Baptist Church. Burial fol-

Skeet had two brothers, Paul and Atkins Mace, both deceased, and two sisters, Roxie Thornton, deceased, and Elsie Holloway of Fort Worth, now residing in Tul-

Born Joe Heron Mace in Matador, Texas, on April 18, 1908, to parents Elijah Benjamin Mace and Pernetta Ann Latta Mace, he married Faye Pauline Floyd in Clarendon, Texas, on March 5, 1932, who preceded him in death. They have two daughters, Iretta Faye Stanford of Midland, Texas, and Paula Jo Fisher of Lago Vista, Texas; and five grandchildren, Faye Marie Phillips of Haynesville, La., James Mace Stanford of Wichita,

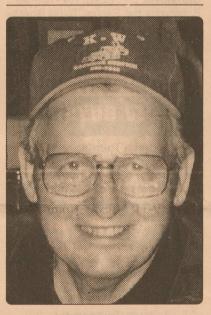
Midland, Texas, Paul Covington Stanford of Mesquite, Texas, and Cullen Michael Moeller of Wimberley, Texas; eight great-grandchildren and three great-greatgrandchildren.

Mr. Mace began work at the brother, W.G. Crippin Jr. Jane grew up in Arnold and was General Office of Foxworth-Galbraith Lumber Co. in Amarillo in 1930. He worked in eight of their Home, Northwest yards, moving with his family to Eldorado in 1940, where he retired in 1975 after 35 years as manager.

He played basketball and football at Clarendon College and was an avid outdoorsman and hunter. He served on the Eldorado School Church in Farmington. Jane was a Board, was a Master Mason of totally devoted mother to her three Eldorado Lodge No. 890 for more than 50 years, and was a charter member of the Suez Temple in San tirelessly as a volunteer in the Angelo. He also served as fire Farmington R-7 School District chief of the Eldorado Volunteer and constantly strove to improve Fire Department and president of the Eldorado Lions Club. He was a member of the Eldorado Polo a letter writing campaign that Club that won the World Western helped to pass the most recent Polo Championship in Florida in

Pallbearers were Jim Stanford, bhy and her memory will live on Mike Stanford, Paul Stanford, Cullen Moeller, Brian Phillips, Brady Stanford, Geoffrey Stanford and Brad Phillips.

> In lieu of flowers, memorials Baptist Church.



# James L. Crippin Sr.

PIEDMONT, SC — James L. 'Jim' Crippin Sr. 68, of 1010 old Williamston Road, went home to be with the Lord on Friday, Nov. 28, 2003.

He was born in Akron, Ohio, to the late W.G. Crippin Sr. and Ethel Gurney Crippin. He was raised in Memphis, Tenn. and was a resident of New Orleans, La. before moving to Greenville in

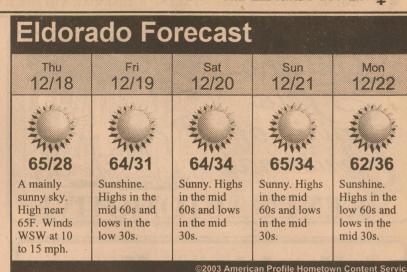
Jim served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. He was an employee of Bonitz Contracting Co. for 27 years. He was member of the Sam Poe Masonic Lodge No. 251, The Scottish Rites, and the Hejaz Shrine Temple. He was also a lifetime member of the V.F.W. Post No. 9273 and the

# Sportmans Club of Greenville.

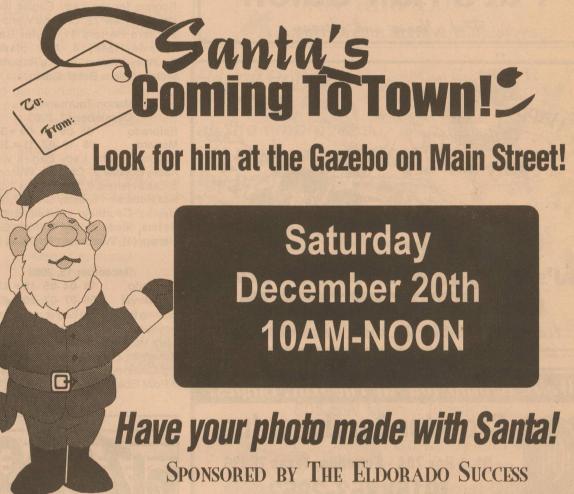
Jim is survived by his wife, Pat Robertson Crippin; three daughters, Leslie Crippin Roques and her husband, John, Kelly McMillion Haskett and her husband, Rick, Tina Crippin Guste and her Crippin, Jr. and his wife, Dawn, Billy Crippin and his wife, Bonnie, Kerry McMillion and his wife, Dawn and David Crippin and his wife, Tammy; 22 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren and a

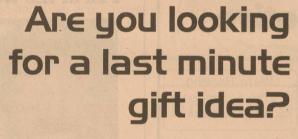
Visitation was Monday, Dec. 1, 2003, at Thomas McAfee Funeral

Funeral services were Tuesday, Dec. 2, 2003, at the funeral home, with burial in Greenville Memorial Gardens; following the graveside services, a memorial service was held at V.F.W. Post 9273, 112 Sterling Grove Road.









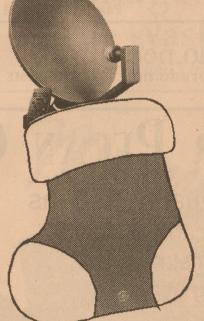


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# Schleicher County Family Clinic **400 WEST MURCHISON ELDORADO, TEXAS 76936**



Family Practice







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observance of Christmas Day. The Hospital's Emergency Room will be open as usual. 853-3137

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# **VARSITY GIRLS**

**Mason Tournament December 11, 2003** Eldorado 07 -17 -15 -07 = 46 Fabens 17 -12 -08 -19 = 56 Scoring for the Lady Eagles were: Kasey Boysaw 17, Courtney Whitten 3, Chandra Wanoreck 2, Clara Herrera 8, Jessica Robertson 5, Taylor Baker 4, Betsy Green 5. Also playing: Brittany Sellers, Maxie Holley. 3 Point Goal: Whitten (1), Herrera (1).

**Mason Tournament** December 12, 2003 13 -12 -08 -14 = 47 16 -18 -10 -14 = 58 Scoring for the Lady Eagles were: Kasey Boysaw 22, Chandra Wanoreck 2, Clara Herrera 11, Taylor Baker 8, Maxie Holley 4. Also playing: Courtney Whitten, Jessica Robertson, Brittany Sellers, Betsy Green.

**Mason Tournament December 13, 2003** Eldorado 08 -09 -04 -09 = 30 08 -10 -07 -11 = 36 Menard Scoring for the Lady Eagles were: Kasey Boysaw 2, Chandra Wanoreck 5. Clara Herrera 9, Taylor Baker 2, Jessica Robertson 5, Betsy Green 7. Also playing: Courtney Whitten, Brittany Sellers, Maxie Holley. 3 Point Goal: Herrera (1), Wanoreck (1), Green (1).

December 15, 2003 Eldorado 18 -04 -05 -16 = 43 Christoval 06 -07 -07 -20 = 40 Scoring for the Lady Eagles were: Kasey Boysaw 11, Chandra Wanoreck 9, Clara Herrera 9, Taylor Baker 9, Jessica Robertson 2, Betsy Green 3. Also playing: Courtney Whitten, Brittany Sellers. 3 Point Goal: Herrera (1), Green (1).



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13th Annual Hooptown Classic December 11, 2003 08 -15 -22 -03 = 48 16 -11 -16 -16 = 59

13th Annual Hooptown Classic **December 12, 2003** 14 -19 -13 -15 = 61 11 - 17 -13 -26 = 67 (8), Chavez (1).

13th Annual Hooptown Classic December 13, 2003

24 -16 -14 -18 = 72 09 -13 -14 -11 = 52 Border Co. Scoring for the Eagles: Terrell Boysaw 19, John Fay 22, Ryan Cathey 4, Trey Chavez 21, Frank Wipff 4, Josh Trejo 3. Also playing were: Micheal Ballew, Jared Grubbs, Kolby Dombroski, Danny Sanchez. 3 Point Goal: Boysaw (3), Fay (5), Chavez (1).

December 15, 2003 21 -13 -20 -20 = 74 Eldorado 13 -12 -14 -16 = 55 Christoval Scoring for the Eagles: Terrell Boysaw 22, Michael Ballew 6, John Fay 22, Ryan Cathey 4, Trey Chavez 12, Frank Wipff 4, Josh Trejo 4. 3 Point Goal: Boysaw (2), Fay (6), Chavez (2).

# **JV BOYS**

Iraan Tournament **December 12, 2003** 09 -07 -08 -10 = 34 Eldorado Reagan Co. 06 -07 -06 -17 = 36 Scoring for the Eagles: Eric Garcia 4, Epola Herrera 6, Russell Cathey 3, Jorge Bustos 5, David Hernandez 2, Jeremy Ussery 8, Drew Bosmans 6. Also playing for the Eagles were: Abel Montalvo, Sammy Estrada, Adam Dominguez, Armando Moreno.

**Iraan Tournament December 13, 2003** 04 -07 -05 -09 = 25 Eldorado 14 -06 -08 -08 = 36 **McCamey** Scoring for the Eagles: Eric Garcia 2, Russell Cathey 7, Jorge Bustos 4, David Heranadez 4, Sammy Estrada 2, Jeremy Ussery 8. Also playing for the Eagles were: Epolo Herrera, Abel Montalvo, Drew Bosmans, Adam Dominguez, Armando Moreno.

**December 15, 2003** Eldorado 16 -14 -16 -08 = 54 03 -04 -10 -24 = 41 Christoval Scoring for the Eagles: Eric Garcia 8. Russell Cathey 6, Jorge Bustos 10, David Heranadez 10, Abel Montalvo 2, Sammy Estrada 5, Jeremy Ussery 2, Armando Moreno 2. Also playing for the Eagles were: Epolo Herrera, Adam Dominguez.

# **7TH GRADE "B" BOYS**

**December 08, 2003** 03-00-00-00=03 Eldorado Wall 07-00-00-00=07

Scoring for the Eagles were: Chris Minor 1, Mark Rodriguez 2. Also playing for the Eagles were: Mark Garcia, Jonathan Belman, Paul Martinez, Josh Taylor, Rolando Gonzalez, Uriel Barrientos.

Scoring for the Eagles: Terrell Boysaw 20, John Fay 17, Trey Chavez 11. Also playing were: Micheal Ballew, Danny Sanchez, Josh Trejo, Ryan Cathey, Jared Grubbs, Kolby Dombroski, Frank Wipff. 3 Point Goal: Boysaw (3), Fay (5),

Eldorado Coahoma Scoring for the Eagles: Terrell Boysaw Looking inside — John Fay worked the ball inside against the 18, John Fay 24, Trey Chavez 11, Ryan Cathey 2, Frank Wipff 4, Josh Trejo 2. Christoval Cougars Monday night as the Eagles coasted to a 74-Also playing were: Micheal Ballew, 55 win. Fay counted for 22 points in the game, including 6 3-Jared Grubbs, Kolby Dombroski, Danny Sanchez. 3 Point Goal: Boysaw (2), Fay

# 8th GRADE BOYS

December 08, 2003 Eldorado 06-02-13-02=23 11-04-09-05=29 Scoring for the Eagles were: J.P. Joiner 7, Pedro Garcia 2, Lalo Sanchez 2, Manny Gonzales 3, Jorge Mata 4, Jordan Gesch 5. Also playing

# 7th GRADE GIRLS

for the Eagles were: Tyler Dombroski,

Clayton Sauer, Luis Huichapa,

Richmond Adame.

December 08, 2003 Eldorado 08-01-01-05=15 Wall 04-05-10-06=25 Scoring for the Lady Eagles were: Haley Higgins 2, Cassandra Burtron 2, Kristin Stubbs 9, Bridgette Mitchel 2. Also playing for the Eagles were:

Deyanira Cruz, Meg Griffin, Tracy

Brenner, Jessica Valero.

8th GRADE GIRLS

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December 08, 2003 Eldorado 00-02-06-00=08 14-08-21-00=43 Scoring for the Lady Eagles were. Deisy Rios 3, Kassi Tyker 2, Ashley Lozano 3. Also playing for the Eagles

were: Blake Chatman, Amika

Gonzales, Chelsey Hill

# **7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE BOYS**

December 08, 2003 Fldorado 10-04-06-06=26 00-04-14-02=16

Scoring for the Eagles were: Rance Cathey 6, Austin Grubbs 11, Milo Vallejo 2, Dustin Gauna 2, Dustin Ramirez 3, Troy Russell 2. Also playing for the Eagles were: Timothy



Moving on — Betsy Green drove down court during varsity girls action here Monday night as the Lady Eagles defeated the Christoval Lady Cougars by a 43-40 score.

# I.V. GIRLS

Iraan Tournament **December 11, 2003** Eldorado 09 -06 -03 -05 = 23 10 -07 -12 -03 = 32 Scoring for the JV Lady Eagles: Karina Sanchez 3, Katey Blair 9, Josie Diaz Mariana Guzman 3, Kimberly Samienego 2, Myra Robles 4. Also playing for the Lady Eagles were: Anna Fuentes, Alicia Corrales, Chelsey Sellers, Liz Lacy, Sandra Guzman, Tiffany Hernandez, Kristen Stubbs.

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J.V. GIRLS

Iraan Tournament December 05, 2003 10 -11 -14 -12 = 47 Eldorado 09 -12 -07 -11 = 37 Monahans Scoring for the JV Lady Eagles: Anna Fuentes 1, Karina Sanchez 4, Katey Blair 20, Josie Diaz 11, Marianna Guzman 1, Kristin Mittel 4, Myra Robles 6. Also playing for the Lady Eagles were: Alicia Corrales, Chelsey Sellers, Liz Lacy, Sandra Garza, Tiffany Hernandez, Marianna Guzman, Kimberly Samienego, Krista Troy.

Iraan Tournament December 06, 2003 10 -02 -09 -07 = 28 07 -07 -04 -13 = 31 Scoring for the JV Lady Eagles: Karina Sanchez 5, Katey Blair 10, Marianna Guzman 2, Kristin Mittel 2, Myra Robles 9. Also playing for the Lady Eagles were: Alicia Corrales, Liz Lacy, Tiffany Hernandez, Josie Diaz, Kimberly Samiengo, Krista Troy, Anna Fuentes, Chelsey Sellers, Sandra Garza.

**December 15, 2003** Eldorado 13 -06 -13 -06 = 38 Christoval 02 -06 -06 -08 = 23 Scoring for the Lady Eagles were: Liz Lacy 2, Karina Sanchez 2, Katey Blaire 18, Sandra Garza 4, Josie Diaz 6, Kristen Mittel 4, Myra Robles 2. Also Playing for the Eagles: Alicia Corrales, Anna Fuentes, Chelsea Sellers, Tiffany Hernandez, Kimberly Samaniego, Krista Troy, Alicia Corrales, Marianna Guzman

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by Barbara Jackson

Kappa Delta chapter of BSP ing of the month.

Plans for the holiday season the trees, shop for the items list- those already mentioned. ed on the card and return the gifts to the resource center in time for gift.

Christmas.

Dorothy Dacy presented a very met on a cold windy Tuesday, De- interesting program on "Christmas cember 9, 2003. Five members Around The World". She told us braved the forty five degree weath- of different celebration that are to attend the first business meet- different from our Celebration on December 25.

Flora Hubble opened her home were completed with Mary Nolen to us in the absence of Laura Mcvolunteering to shop for an angel Cutcheon who was out of town to from one of the angel tree in El- attend to her ill daughter. Laura's dorado. Trees are set up in sever- husband Bill brought delicious real businesses with cards listing freshments to the meeting which the needs of special children. Cit- were enjoyed by Barbara Jackson izens in Eldorado take a card from and Geneva Wade in addition to

Flora Hubble won the sunshine

I need a Barbie Hotel, a robot

I want a CD, Barbie Hotel, Bar-

Whitney Sullivan

I want a candy cane, pretzels,

purple toys, a chair and a bed. Give

mom and dad a big bed and a big

Mercadez Ochoa

chair. I have been good.

Dear Santa,

bies and a puppet. That is all. I am

and nothing else. I am a good girl.

Jordan Stanford



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Attorney at Law — Jesus Lopez is the newest attorney on staff at the law firm of Kosub and Griffin. He recently earned his law degree from Baylor Law School.

# Jesus Lopez joins law firm of Kosub and Griffin

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Mr. Lopez looks forward to

Eldorado, Texas. Jesus Lopez, a serving the legal needs of the combilingual native of Del Rio, Tex- munity for years to come. Kosub as, joins the firm as an associate. & Griffin is a regional law firm of Mr. Lopez is a 1997 graduate 4 attorneys with offices in Eldoraof Del Rio High School. He earned do and Big Lake, Texas. The firm's his B.B.A in economics and inter- attorneys offer a full range of lenational business in 2000 from gal and business services in di-Baylor University, and his law deverse practice areas. The firm webgree in 2003 from Baylor Law site is www.kosubandgriffin.com.



Employee of the Year — Hospital Administrator Sharon Dietz (L) presents a plaque to Anita Jones (R) recognizing her as Employee of the Year at Schleicher County Medical Center. The award was presented Friday evening during SCMC's annual employee

I want a puzzle, shoes and lots Christmas party. Anita Jones is the Director of Nursing in the facility's nursing home.

# Santa

Mrs. Droll's **Pre-Kindergarten Class** 

Dear Santa,

I would like a puzzle, a matching game, some clothes and a car. Dear Santa. I am a good boy.

Mathias Buitron

Dear Santa,

I want some glow in the dark pajamas, a computer, a violin, Dear Santa, some glow in the dark clothes, army pants, shirts, and shoes. Some play dough, a race car and a brand new bike. I have been a good boy. Isaiah Olivan

Dear Santa,

I need new guns for the little sediers, big guns for the big soldiers in a tank, a guy in a motorcycle, pop-up pirate, a bunch of cars and that is all. I will have some cookies and milk for you.

Ryan Farmer

Dear Santa.

I want some pretend food, Dear Santa, some baby doll stuff, some clothes for my sisters, stickers for my star hangers on my door, my daddy needs some new boots, please ging mommy some new shirts. I have been a good girl.

Paige Corrales

Dear Santa.

I want a piggy bank, a Santa Claus hat, some new clothes, a little make-up box, some clothes for my little brother, a candle for my Dear Santa, mom, some new jeans for my dad, Abby would like a bunny to sleep with. I will have some carrots and hay for Rudolph the Reindeer.

I love you, **Audry Nolen** 

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a penny bank, two robots that clean my room and fix breakfast for my mom and dad. If my dad forgets to dry me off after my bath, the robots will dry me off. The robots should do whatever I tell them to do. I have been a really, really good boy.

Love, Kade Creek

Dear Santa,

I would like a Barbie, Barbie house with a family and a big castle to play in. I am a good girl. See you soon. Makayla Trevino

Dear Santa,

I want a cash register and a pewriter. I also would like a rocking chair and a coloring book. I have been a very good girl. Please bring me a new jacket and some pillows.

Thank you, Zelenia Vasquez

Dear Santa,

I want a game like Preston, a new doll house, a new Barbie and a boy doll. A book for my mom and a new TV for my dad. My brothers Dear Santa, want a game like Preston too and ent. I will have potatoes with eggs and tortillas like my mom makes for dishes and a cartoon movie. you to eat. Tell Rudolph "Hi".

Chelsea Walker

I want a Hummer, motorcycle, a hot wheels thing and a stick. Also a box, a GTX, a hood, shoes, a calendar, a dolphin and a heart. I also want a 4-wheeler and some whales. I have been good.

**Preston Andrews** 

Dear Santa,

always a good girl.

of toys. I am a really good boy. Roman Gonzalez

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a little gun, a little car, a sword, some puzzles, play dough, trucks, a Dinosaur movie and a motorcycle.

I am a good boy. **Luis Miguel Martinez** 

I want Ugo cards, cars and a a new horse for Avery to sleep with, big truck. Bring a dollar, a big shark puzzle like Mrs. Droll has, new clothes and some candy. Please bring me some new crayons and a coloring book.

Bernard Cruz

Dear Santa,

I want a motorcycle, an X Box, a pumpkin pie, a Christmas tree and a Santa like Mrs. Droll has and a big white pencil sharpener. Please bring me some new clothes, new shoes and bring my dad a new car and bring me a new bed, bring mom a new shirt and a Santa dress. I really was a good boy this year.

Victor Castro

Dear Santa,

I would like a little Christmas tree, a Barbie doll car, a baby doll, a live baby reindeer and his name will be Mr. Christmas Tree, a little rocker, dress-up clothes and that

**Riley Umphress** 

Dear Santa,

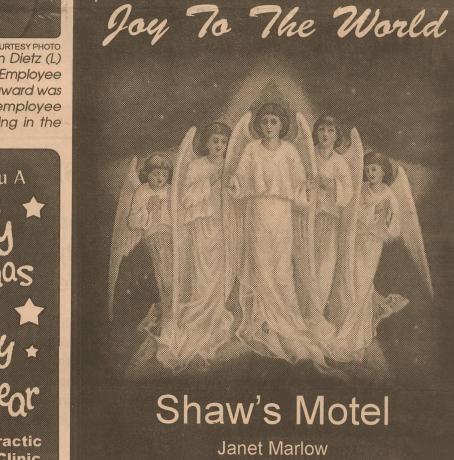
I have been a good boy all year. Please bring me a wagon, a stroller, a robot and a Santa Claus toy. I also want a star for my tree, a motorcycle and a drum. Eric Luna

Please bring me some make-up, a Barbie, babies, cars, new clothes, Miriam Garcia

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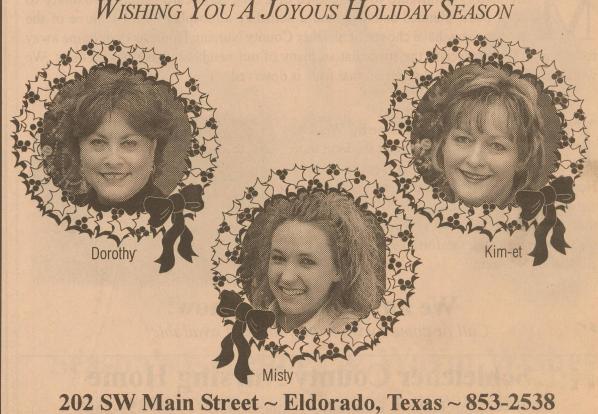


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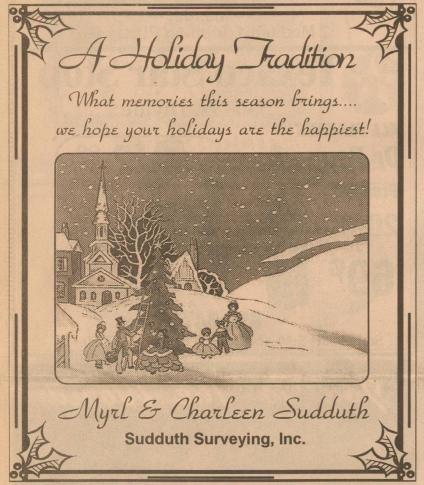
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Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie, a Barbie house and a Barbie car. I would like a cake with flowers on it. And a poinsettia flower that lights up like Mrs. Droll has in our classroom. Please bring me a Christmas tree with a Santa and Christmas lights. I would like a play kitchen too and a new blanket. I have been a very good girl.

Jennifer Miller

## Dear Santa,

Please bring me the Barbie suitcase with the kitchen in it and a Barbie that talks. A new little trampoline, a little rocking chair so I can fit in it, Barbie house with a Barbie and a truck and I want a play house like Mrs. Droll's home center with a baby doll. And I want my own little Christmas tree. And that is all I want.

**Branda Minor** 

## Dear Santa,

I want a real snake, a happy face, a baby, a castle, a house, Barbies, a basket, a grocery cart, new clothes and a Christmas tree for my daddy. Bring my mommy a pretty necklace and bring my Bubba some puppets.

Valarie Geuea

#### Dear Santa,

I want a BRATT doll, a toy puppy, a play cat, a reindeer puppet and a play grocery cart. I also want a picture of you, Santa. A new kitchen set would be good too. I will try to be a good girl.

Katya Gonzalez

#### Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie, a Barbie car and two more Barbies. I want the Spy Kids movie and the Winnie the Pooh movie. I want to be a good

Monica Sanchez

# Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Life-Size Barbie, a pink computer, a TV, make-up a mirror, a baby doll, a rocking chair and some dress-up clothes. I also want a real phone and baby doll bottle. I have been a good girl.

Love. Elizabeth Griffin



Dear Santa,

I want a My-Size Barbie that talks - the Barbie should be tall, make-up, a Barbie bicycle and I want a baby doll like Mrs.. Droll has that has purple clothes, purple hat and a purple pacifier and a purple bottle. I want a play dog that walks and a leash. And I want the doggie to follow me. I also want a play Rudolph toy and bring me a small Barbie, rings, snap-on earrings and a bracelet

> I love you, Santa, Chase Mertz

#### Dear Santa.

I want a little car for me, a Barbie for me and the little Barbie girls. A little house you can put in the water, a trampoline and some shape cards to study. A phone for the little house and drinks for the little house. Also, I need chairs and table for the little house. A door for the little house and some books. And a swimming pool. That is all. Kiki Guerra

Dear Santa,

Please bring Mrs. Rojas extra special gifts for Christmas. She deserves the best because she is our aide and works so hard and is loved by all of us in Pre-K. My boys and girls have been working hard

They are a blessing and really brighten my day. I hope you are able to bring what they want for Christmas. The Pre-K parents are so supportive and wonderful, so bring them some treats too. I also need you to add something special in the stockings of Mr. Wanoreck and all the teachers, aides, secretary, nurse, housekeeping and lunchroom ladies. They are the best to work and help me so much when I am not feeling well. And please bring them lots of chocolate.....they love that stuff! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year,

Claudia Droll

# Dear Santa,

Please help Marcos Ramon and his big brother West feel better really soon. They both had their tonsils taken out. You know what they want and they are both really great boys. They work hard and are nice to everyone. Bring them lots of presents and lots of healthy days in the future. Thank you Santa.

Mrs. Droll

#### Susie Ramirez's **Headstart Class**

Dear Santa,

I want Barbie presents, a phone Barbie present and Barbie doll. I on learning letters, numbers, writ- have a new baby sister Caitlin Rac-

ing their names and so much more. quel she crys a lot Santa Claus. want shoes like Courtneys. I need a crib for my babies. I want a bottle like Christophers for my baby. Some pens that will be mine and that VeVo can not take away from me. Some sandals. My mom wants some milk because Christopher drank all the milk. I want a Blues Clues game. My daddy wants a watch and a pinata. Dear Santa,

Santa I Love You. I want dress up clothes. A new car for my sister. I want some bratz dolls. A huge car. Some floaties so I can stay up in the deep. A brand new slide. Grandma Lizzy needs a new purse, some new flower because hers died. My dad wants a new motorcycles that goes really fast. My dad wants a black cat and want a white and orange one. A brand new cross for my mother so Feliz Navidad — EHS student Javier Sanchez (R) seranaded a she can pray at night. room full of students and Senior Citizens in the school's cafteria

My mom feeds her. My daddy

loves me bring him a present. Give

Sasha a Barbie present. I like to

open my presents. Bailey is at

school get him a spiderman present. Johnathon is at school too

get him a spiderman present to.

Thats all see you later. Remem-

Ms. Courtney Espinosa

I want some Ice cream and a

Corn dog with no mustard and can-

dies. Santa I'm going to put my bed

in another house. Doing good San-

ta. Santa please bring me a Bat-

man toy a big toy. My daddy

doesn't need toys he needs a

brown belt. My mommy broke her

leg and my daddy took her to the

doctor. Junior needs a toy. Gilbert

Bye Santa Micheal Parks

I want toys. A choo choo train.

Santa bring me presents. Hi

Bring a fire truck for my mommy.

Efrian Mariquez

Santa! Arianna is behaving so she

needs presents. She wants barbie

toys. My brother Marcus and me

want truck presents. My mama

does not want presents. My mama

wants barbie toys. My real real

daddy wants presents. He wants

truck presents. Grandma Lisa

Bye Jucel Martinez

I want toys for my baby. Some-

thing for me too. I want a necklace.

I want a key chain that hangs

around my neck to hold my keys. I

want a toy box for my toys. I want

a Blues Clues toy. Bola and Angel-

ita need a new car. A toy for VeVo.

A Blues Clues doll. I want toys. I

Marisol DeLuna

wants truck toys.

Dear Santa,

ber to bring lots of presents.

Dear Santa Claus,

needs a toy too.

Dear Santa,

Alexandra Alvarez

# Dear Santa,

(L) held the sheet music for his friend as he strummed his guitar. Bring me a bracelet and a watch, football, football shirt. I want batman shoes. I want socks. Hulk socks, a red shirt, and a hulk blanket. A pen and some paper. A batman back pack. Gabriel wants a batman back pack. Just giv Micheal water because he is not a good listener. Mom and dad need food. My Christmas tree needs water. Dad needs a blanket. Mom needs a blanket too. My mom needs a new tooth. Thats It!

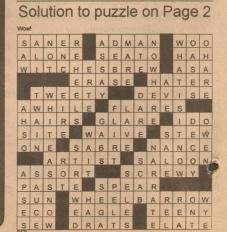
William Parks

Bring me presents. My daddy scared me with the Santa Monster. Bring my mom a present. My mom says she wants a make up present. Bring my dad a monster present. Bring my sister a present. Monique wants a spiderman toy like C.J.'s Bring my brother a present. Bring Aubrey and Sammy a present because they are my friends. They want the Scooby Doo Van that makes noise. Bring my other broth-

present, he wears spiderman shoes like mine. That is it. Bye, Amalio Vallanueva

er that goes to Moniques school a

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Matt, Christy, Courtney, Lauren and Wes Brown





**Retirement Party** — Faye Gibson and Ronnie Sauer posed for the camera last Thursday during a retirement party at Southwest Texas Electric Cooperative. Gibson is retiring after 22 years of service with the Coop. Sauer worked for SWTEC for 40 years.

PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN

I want Leonardo the Ninja Tur-

tle and I also want the rat and I also

want the red rubber band Ninja Turtle. I want all the bad guys, too

and I want the Ninja Turtles with

the hats and the sun glasses. I

want a snowboard Nintendo. I'm

gonna give you some cookies that are really good with milk. I'll see

I love you and your reindeer too.

Jess Gonzales

I have been good. I want a kite,

a Zoid, and a Game Boy for Christ-

Love,

Cade Ledbetter

AND

THE LAST SAMURAL (R)....

THE LAST SAMURA! (R)... STUCK ON YOU (PG-13).

THE MISSING (R).....

TIMELINE (PG-13).

BAD SANTA (R).

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BAD SANTA (R).

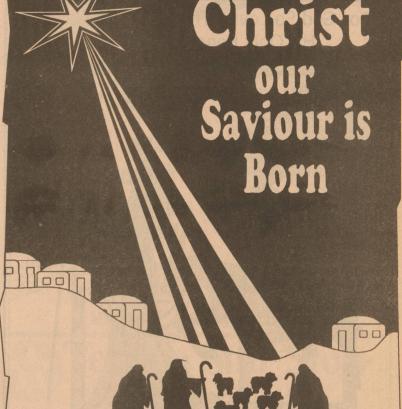
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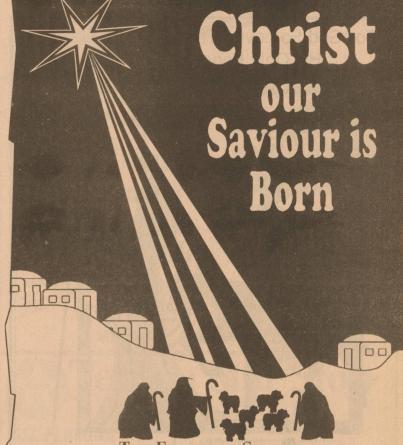
you at church.

Dear Santa.



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peace and

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 6 Susie Ramirez's **Headstart Class** 

Dear Santa,

I want a choo choo and a Scooby and a Barbie. A dark blue baby. Kandace Aguilar

I want Santa at my house. I have a Christmas tree in my house. I am going to leave you milk and juice, and ketchup. I want red toys. I want a jacket. I want milk Dear Santa, and ketchup. Sammy wants toys. Timmy wants toys. Mommy will get barbie at my house.

Jacquelynn Lozano

a door for my room. I want a win- brush dow on my door. I want a truck. I want a dumpster truck. I want a litle chair for my sister Caitlin. I want Hi Santa! flash light for little Caitlin. That all broken. Thats all I want.

Jay Ruiz

Dear Santa,

I love you Santa Claus. I want you to bring me a Barbie nouse please. My sister Nancy is nice to me. Bring her a dress and a teddy bear. Have a good time. Bring new plates for my mom and my dad a teddy bear.

Love you Gisselle Hernandez

I want to tell you thank you for giving me presents. I want to see you Santa. I want you to call me. Send me presents. Promise to give me presents. Promise to give me a sponge bob watch. Promise to give me another Christmas tree so I can have two, a little one and a big one. Promise to give me a birthday. Take care of my daddy. Take care of my puppy don't let him die. Send me some drums. Take care of my mama and my granny. Give me a new house. Tell Jesus to take care of me and everyone. Santa I hope you read this. Santa give us water. I want a new tree with leaves. I want a flag too. Bring me toys. Is it snowing and cold in the north pole. My Wuelie will be calling you. I am going to get bigger when my birthday starts and send me some new shoes. Promise to give me a jumping rope. You won't believe me but I saw a real reindeer with Santa. I saw them at my house and the reindeer did his magic and he flew up to the sky. Send me a barbie computer. Send me a little horsey for my little baby sister, her name is Niomi. I want you to buy you a reindeer movie. Come see me. Say bye to your reindeers.

Alyssa Reza

I want a spiderman danger light, it glows in the dark. A spiderman game. I want a Hulk game. A green goblin game. A hulk shirt. The vacuum that I saw at Duckwall's. A big spiderman, I lost mine Jackie likes barbie. Sydney likes barbie too. I want a buzz lightyear game. David needs games for his play station. My dad likes spiderman, he is Joaquin. My mom wants new earrings. Granny wants more earrings too.

Caitlin Covarrubiaz



I want a new TV because our other one burned up. Santa our toys. Daddy gets toys. Timmy house burned down. My grandma wants milk and ketchup. I have a wasn't in the house she o.k. We house burned down. My grandma Dear Santa, are at grandma Lisa's house. I was mas. at school. We made snowmen and reindeers and a tree. The electric-I want a terminator toy and a ity wnet off. Santa can you bring terminator movie. I want a spider- me a computer, like the one at my man toy and a spiderman costume. school. I want some new paper I want a spiderman helmet. I want and colors and paint and paint Bear just like Emme's, but it's pur-

Bye, Nicolas Flores

I want. Brandon wants a camera. can put make up on. I want a bar-My mom wants some tape so she bie head too. Jackie want an little can fix her door because it is all elmo. C.J. wants spiderman hands. Santa, David likes his classes now.

Bye Santa Sydney Covarrubiaz

Dear Santa,

I want barbies, scooby doo, chucky and a dress. I want play doh, and a snowman, Dora the explorer. I want a blue chair. I want I want a pair of slippers like Cinswings big ones. I want lipstick. Bring Lucas x-men toys. Mom like Cinderella. Why is Rudolph's wants x-men toys too. I want a grey barbie house. I want water and juice. Santa I know my ABC's. Bring me a pink trash can. Bring me a lot of stuff.

Erica Santellano

Dear Santa,

I want a swing set and a barbie. I want a baby doll and a TV. I want sponge bob clothes and a water baby Jaylynn does not need one because she already has one. Jaylynn can get a little chair. Jaylynn needs barbies because we do not have any at our grandma's house. She also needs an animal book because she likes the animals on grama's calendar. Grandma Vanda can get a jewelry box also because I don't think she has one. Tia Vikki need pajamas and house shoes. Kayla needs a water baby. Grandpa Mark can have pajamas. Tim needs work clothes and pajamas. My mom needs a jew- Santa. I want to fix my little car. How elry box and night clothes. I will you been? I want a little race car. leave you some cookies Santa.

Mrs. Griffin's Kindergarten Class

I want a water Barbie for Christ-

Thank you, Mariah Aguilar

Dear Santa,

All I want for Christmas is a Care ple and has a heart on it and it has the little thing that twirls around on its back. And I want a Dora that says "Vomonos" and I want a skate board I want a diva starz head that you that is little just for me. Merry Christmas Santa Claus and the reindeer. Love,

Branda Gail Arispe

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like a hunting game for Christmas. I have been good. Thank you, Jaime Chancellor

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a Barbie doll house and derella and a white diamond dress wants barbie stuff too. Daddy nose so bright? Why does he guide your sleigh tonight? Ho, Ho, Ho, Merry Christmas,

Kelly Jo Davis

Dear Santa,

I want a new Intendo. Thank you, Artie Escobar

Dear Santa Claus, I want a kite for Christmas and

a Ninja Turtle. Thank you,

Lonnie Estrada

Dear Santa.

Give me a football and my little brother wants a football and my mommy wants a pretty necklace cross. I want a Ninja Turtle, too. Give me a little horse thing for my

Merry Christmas, Rachelle Garcia

Merry Christmas,

I want a choo choo train, dear Thank you,



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Dear Santa,

I have been good today. How are you doing with your reindeer? Are ya feeling well today? I always wanted a giant tent with three bed-

Merry Christmas to you, Santa. Jimmy Miller

Dear Santa,

I want a Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle and two Transformers, Unicron and Optimus Prime, and another Transformer to go with it, Jet Fire. I want one more Transformer, Star Scream.

> Thank you, **Dalton Morris**

Dear Santa,

I want a bicycle with training wheels on it and a scooter and I want a little teddy bear. I want my little sister some clothes. My brother wants a motor cycle. I don't know what else he wants, but I think that's all he might want.

Merry Christmas, Abigail Narvaez

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a bicycle and a computer My brother, he want a big bicycle.

Merry Christmas, Crystal Nava

Dear Santa,

I want a Transformer and a Ninja Turtle. A teddy bear for my baby brother and a Ninja Power Ranger, too. Elizabeth needs a Barbie. Tony wants a Transformer. I don't know what else he likes.

Thank you, Jose Luis Olivares

I want a Ninja Turtle and a I er. For my sister, I want to give for my mom. her a shaker that you shake and then it makes noises. For my mom, I want to give her a necklace that has a heart. And I want Dear Santa, a Power Ranger helmet. Probabecause he lost his lost his last one that he had for his baseball game. I want a Power Ranger gun that turns into a sword, a Light Speed one.

Merry Christmas Santa, Michael Rios

Dear Santa,

I want a new bicycle and a Swan Lake Barbie house. That's all. My momma wants a new necklace. My brother wants a new Transformer.

> Merry Christmas. Megan Powell

want some batteries for my Game Boy and one big game to play on my Game Boy. And a choo choo train. That's all.

> Love, Tito Rios

Dear Santa Claus,

Santa

I want a robot and some shoes. want a motorcycle. I want a scoot- some shirts. My brother wants a er, too. And I want a Transform- cd player. I would like a necklace

Thank you, **Leroy Torres** 

I want a cd player and a robot bly my dad wants a new glove Transformer. Tres wants a Transformer. Peyton wants a Barbie.

Ho, Ho, Ho! Justin Whitten

Mrs. Homer's Kindergarten Class

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a pony castle, Barbie Swan Lake, a baby doll with a castle, a baby with a diaper bag you can carry around, a coloring book, a heart diaper bag, a shiny apple, a bracelet, and a deer

> Hope you have a good day. Love, Marinda

Dear Santa Claus,

Thank you for bringing me presents. I want a wagon, flag, and a

Merry Christmas, Keanu

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a football and a ball for my brother. I want a baby for my

> I love you. Love, Joey

Dear Santa Claus,

I miss you. I want you to buy me a present like a Barbie house, an ABC Book, a Barbie car, Barbie Repunzel, a kite, an umbrella, pens, colors, a game, a play station, a Barbie book, Barbie stickers, and boots. I miss you Santa and I love you.

Have a good Christmas Day, Alyia

Dear Santa Claus,

I love you. I like you to give me presents. I want a monster truck, helicopter, soldiers, a car that turns to a monster truck, a ball, and a motorcycle.

Merry Christmas, Justin

Dear Santa Claus, I want a basketball

Dear Santa Claus,

I want new dinosaurs and a new Spiderman. I want a new bat-

Hove You, Kaitlyn

Thank You, Hudson

Dear Santa Claus,

I want to decorate on the tree. I want toys, clouds, and a fun Woody. I went to a party.

Thank you for Christmas, Canyon

Dear Santa Claus,

I want two little soft puppies and a motorcycle.

Thank you, Strait

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a big doll like the big Barbie I saw. I also want a big shape heart. You are my friend. I love you, Rebecca

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a Barbie, a bike, a Barbie bike, a big Barbie doll, another Barbie, a flower, and a puzzle. I want a coloring book and crayons. I love you a lot, I want you to take care.

Merry Christmas and Thank You, Crystal

Dear Santa Claus,

Will you bring my Mom a present. She likes girl stuff. I want a motorcycle. I want my brother to get a rock for Christmas and my Dad. I want you to get my cat and dog a bone and a mice toy. I want my the white coy to get a cage for Christmas because he was mean to my dad. I want you to get Mac and Valentine frogs for them to chase. I want my roosters to get baby chicks so they can all be moms.

Thank you for everything for Christmas, Uber

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a motorcycle. I want a backpack with a race car like Skyler's. I want new tennis shoes, a camera, a car, markers, a robot, a book, play dough, a plane, a ball, a desk, a hole punch, a flashlight, rope, andmusic instrument for me.

Merry Christmas, Jesus

Dear Santa Claus,

I want some leather gloves, a little umbrella, a yo-yo, a xylophone, a violin, a train, a little zebra, a little toy gun, markers, some books, a cowboy rope, and a plug in TV. I am happy you can give me

Merry Christmas, Byron

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a race car for me. And my little sister I want her to get a doll. I want my mom to get new clothes. I want my dad to get a

Have a good Christmas, Jose

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a doll, clothes, and a ring for my mom. I want a house for my doll and clothes for my doll. I want a blanket. Bring tools for my dad. Thank you for giving people presents. Let this day be good again.

Merry Christmas, Julie

Dear Santa Claus,

I want an airplane that can fly faster that no other airplanes can catch up to it. Trisha wanted a nice painting. I don't know what my mom wants but bring her something.

Thank You, Christian

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Holiday Smiles — SCISD cafeteria workers were decked out in their holiday finery for the annual Sr. Citizens Christmas Luncheon on Tuesday, Dec. 9, 2003. They include (Front L-R) Maria Aguilar, Maria Fuentes, Food Service Director Ima Bruce, Santa Hernandez, Marie Romo, (Back L-R) Lydia Baraias, Connie Martinez, Marie Hernandez and Ca-tina Whiddon.

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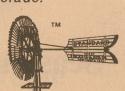
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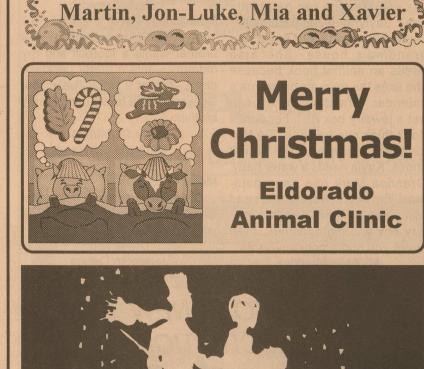


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Dear Santa Claus,

Me and my mom want two horses. My cousin Elizabeth wants a camcorder. Bring my brother an X-box. My grandmother wants one of those Santa hats, like the cold hat you wear for outside. I want a new movie called 'Brother Bear.' Reagan really wants an orange Care Bear. My cousin Victoria she wants a purple care bear. I want an American flag and a Texas flag. I also want a karaoke machine. I love you, Aaron

Dear Santa Claus,

I need a basketball and kitten. I will leave you milk and cookies. Merry Christmas, Skyler

Dear Santa Claus,

I love you. I want a Barbie, a teddy bear to sleep with, a zebra, a xylophone, and a yo-yo. Merry Christmas, Marina

#### Mrs. Gray's **First Grade Class**

Dear Santa,

Are your elves working hard? I have been a good girl. Can you bring my cat a toy and my dog a bone? Can you bring me a stuffed teddy bear and a Brakable Angle and digi draw.

Merry Cristmas and have a happy new year.

Love Claire Widman

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I am doing ok. I would like a motorcycle for my a new skatebord. I want a new bed. brother. I would like a Gameboy. I May I see Rudolph? I want a new some food for you. I will leve one would like a house. Please bring me cd player. a bear. Merry Christmas Santa. Love Melissa Hernandez

Dear Santa,

ben good. My Sister wents a bracelets. May I Please have a four wheller because I want to ride it and I want a backpack with horses on it. I Love you Santa Abby Nolen

ear Santa.

How are your reindeer? My name is Miss Miller! Would you bring my brother some twenty-two shells. Wheless and Shawn need a beast collar. DeDe needs a rind please! Love Miss Miller

Dear Santa Claus,

How are the elves doing? I am doing good. Can mi mom have a tall Barbie? Can mi borther have long pillow? Can mi dad have purs? Can i have a rewinder? Merry Christmas love Alex

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you doing? My Name is Jessice Gundar I ben a good Girl. Please can I have a Bratz? Can I Please have a Bracelet? can Dear Santa, I Please have a Barbie?

Merry Christmas Love Jessica Gandar

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I'm 7 years old. Please bring my music Teacher some instruments. Please bring Dear Santa, me a Electronic Stretch Screamer and a spiderman arm and a Hulk ter. I want a Book. I want to know toy. Tell miss Claus hello for me. love Jonah Griggs

Dear Santa,

How are your elves? How are Dear Santa, your reindeer? I want a dirt bike. I want a litl car for Christmas. Merry Christmas Jerry Pina

Dear Santa Claus,

Would you tell Miss Claus Hi from me? I have ben good. My mom would like rings. I wount a teddy beer and I wunt spurs. I wunt Chaps too rid my horses. I moved too ahoo haus out in the country.

Merry Christmas! Love McKenzie McAngus

Dear Santa,

How is Miss Claus? How arw your reindeer? I want a basketball for Christmas. I want a baby brother for Christmas.

Merry Christmas. Love Okshance Hernandez

Dear Santa Claus,

How is Mrs. Claus? Hi my name is Kiarra. I am seven 1/2. I am a girl. My Graet Grandma. Nedds glasses and shoes. Mat I

Love Kiarra Mary Crismas



Dear Santa

Dear Santa,

hart to paint.

Dear Sato,

milk

I want a new doll. How is Ru-

Love, Estephanie Estrada

**Bre Crofoot** 

cle and a tv and a x box for Christ-

Love, Dalton Buchholz

gel. Can my sisters have some

Cds. We will leave cookies and

Love, Hannah Trickett

Mrs. Halbert's

**First Grade Class** 

coocke for Roodoff. I wish for

Merry Christmas! Ho!Ho!Ho!

Love Baylee Griffin

I love you Santa. Plesu dot'n fol

Plesu give Shav a big motrsickl. I

love Mika Key Ho!Ho!

yo ar doing fin. I wud lick far yu to

bi the peple in Mexilck fod and klos

ples. Far me I wud lick Klos and

tos. I will hav water far the rein-

I love you! Fabian Gomez

How is the Northpole going? I

hope that your elfs don't get sick. I

ben good this year. I want a race

Give Jesus a good birthday!

Love Josh Seymore

I hope you do not git colde win

you ar flieing on Christmas nit. I

will giv you cuces and milc and

corn for your rander. May I ples

have a pupe and a elf soot. Mi litl

Merry Christmas Santa.

I love you! Arden Mertz

cookees. I wood like a Barbe and

a doll house. I hope you have a

Love Evelyn Martinez

**They're Here!** 

I am going to leev some

bluzr a motrsikle ples.

deers and kuks far yu.

What hav yo bin doing? I hop

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

car and toy gun.

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I will leve

mas. I hope you are ok.

How are your elves? As you no I have been very good these years! dolph. How are the other reinscreen organizer and a rewinder sleigh for Christmas?

Merry Christmas love **Garet Swinford** 

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus? Would you git me a trampoline. Would you git me a swimming pool for Christams. Merry Christmas Would you git me fish?

Luv Jacob Sanchez

Dear Santa

How is Mrs. Claus? Hi Santa My name is Amber Bristou. I'm Seven. Can my sis git a noo born Dear Santa, Kitly cat. My Mom and Dad wat a noo car and mi brother wats a play a barbee. I want a cheerleading station. I wat a chiuachu and cere- suit. I want my mom to get an anoce mushing.

> Mere crismis Love Amber

Mrs. Curtis' **First Grade Class** 

Dear santa,

I want a play station one. I want Dear Santa,

Love, Gabriel Villarreal

Dear Santa,

games And some videos that go May I have a instant bake and How are your reindeer? I have some cd's for my sister? May I ride in your sleigh? I Love you. May I sit on your lap?

Love, Abbi Spradley

Dear Santa,

I love you. May I please have off your Slay, I culrd a pichr for you. the LiLo and Stitch cusin container form expirmit I to expirmint 627. Will you wake my up please? May py and a rabit. I made chuckes for i have a play station 2 and mesut you. I hop you git the hol wrld sum please and a bunset. I Would like presis. to see Rudolph.

Love, Kyle Spinks

Dear Santa,

I want to be a rock star and I want to sing at the North Pole. I Wnat a Plat Station.

Love, Lucas Santellano

Dear Santa Claus,

I love you. Can you give me a play station 2?

Love, Tony Rey Martinez

May I please have Car Bear castle and Car Bear stuf pleae. For Chrstimas can you please give me a cd player. May I see Rudolph? May I see Reindeer?

Love Whitney Perez

I want a Barbee. I want a plaswhat you want. May I see Rudolph too? May I meet Mrs. Claus? Love, Nicole Lacy

I want a brand new skate bord and I wanta brat for my sister. I want a bike for taking hikes and I want a tramplolinge, a swimming Merry Christmas. My kusin wants Roodof. And pleas make gift's and pool, and a scooter. How are the a parch lander. reindeer?

Love, Martin lalesias Junior

Dear Santa,

May I please have a bear? May I please have a doll? May I please tuche Rudolph? May I please fly on one of the reindeer?

love your best friend Tori Guerrero

Dear Santa,

Can I please rid in your sleigh? Can I have a care Bear castle? I want a dvdd player. Can I have a play station?

Love, Deonn Fuentes

Dear Santa,

I wish for a mouse trap. I am thankful. I am nice to my sisters. I have a motorcycle for Christmas! don't want a toy today. I want to be

Love, Angel Estrada

Dear Santa,

I would like for you to have a safe trip around the world! I would like it if you would please bring me a new x box and a new red shocks. I hope all uv the peple in the world get a present. I will lev sum food for your raideer!

Love, Tres Whitten **Merry Christmas** 

Dear Santa,

I hope your raindeer keep flying on Christmas Eve. Pleez remeber to giv some toy's to the orfanig. I have ben good all yer. May I Pleez May I have a key chain Touch deer? I want to ride in your have a noo barby and computer. Merry Christmas to you and Mrs. Claus. I made Cookees for you! Love, Caitlyn Self

Dear Santa, May see Rudoph? May I have I hope you give a present to your Bin bag? May I some Art? May I wife. I have a candy cane for you. I have a Cross? may I have a glass have bin good this year. May I have sumth like a x box and a Play stashin 2. Merry Christmas! Ho!Ho! I Love You, Dominique Ochoa

I want a megzoid and a bioni-Dear Santa,

How are you doowen? I like for you to ples help pepl a rad the wrld! woo dun have mune to bi Christmas prsut. For my flamle I would like clos. I would like a bairbe wosh and bairbe dolls. I will giv you Can I see the Reindeer? I want cookes. Merry Ho!Ho!

Love Jessica Gonzalez

Dear Santa.

I wish for lots uf snow. I hope you have a good trip. I have Hot choclit, ice cruem, and cookes for you. I wish my uncl Fome in the arme cud be home for Christmas! May I plies have a nu Xbox geam. Merry Christmas!

love, West Ramon

Dear Santa,

I hope you don't fall off of your lots of snow. Pless bring a toy sled. I would like it if you would breng me a x box and two gams. for Addiejo. I bin good all yir. Tell Mrs. Santa hello. I hope you Maye I pless have some video have a Merry Christmas. Love, Julian

Dear Santa,

I love you Ples bring mi cusin a GI Jo. I wold lice a truc and a bizie ball. Mi mom will backe cockooues for you. Merry Christmas! Ho!Ho! love, Jacob Mettlen

have bin good. Maye I have a pup- Dear Santa,

I wish you a good trip. Tell Rudolf hiy for me. Ples giv eur one a home to liv in for Christmas. May I have a baby pupe and a big dog. Can we have sume snow? I wish you and Mrs. Claus a Merry Christmas! I Luv you, Jaqueline Castro

Mrs. Gray's **Second Grade Class** 

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I wont a mocantroler humer and I wont sume brats rolor scats and sume red and white shoes, and I wont sume cloise. I wont sume now teny shoes and brats cds. I wont the Lisy Magier, Cds, and I wont too be the smartest girl in class.

To Santa Love BreeAnna Cortez

Dear Santa,

Pleas bring me a D.V.D, a TV a trampleing, all the brat sets, and some D.V.D movies, and games, a computur, some ponny tales and hair clips, an intindo, a barbby, a barbbyairiplane, a rainbow, art set, a shade drawing thing, By the way how are and MRS. Clos doeing? The elves to how are they doeing? Love Abriana,"oh and sorry for the messy hand writing. Love Abriana, how are the reindeer doeing? I forgot to put this with yours. LOve Abriana. LOVE YOU. My faveret Raindeer of all is put my name on them.

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Dear Santa,

and a low rider. I want Mario party that se's Merry Christmas Santa. 5 and a Plat Station 2 and a Tyco that dirt bike one and jewelry for my mom and Lego's and toy cars Dear Santa, and a moderiz scooder?

Love Carlos

Dear Santa,

I need a gameboy, a, newcap. my dog chewed it. I need a cd player, and bwon arrow to go hunting. I need a Hummer to drive. Bailey Espinosa

Dear Santa,

I want a new, barby house, and kereg and a horse, and a airplan too, and a barby car, and a papy, and barby boat too, and a rill horse. Love Caitlyn Grubbs

Dear Santa,

I want a bike for Christmas and a CD player a game for my x box. Love Tyler

Dear Santa,

I want a Xbox, and a trampoline, roler skate, play stashn 2, close, and shoe's, an bike, foot ball, and baskit balle, telufone, pent mol ball gume, game boy.

By Juan Carlos

Dear Santa,

I want a game called, Burn out two, and a man with a dirt bike. And how is Mis. Closs douing? Is she ok? And I'm going to leve a bowl full of cookes and glass of milk out I want movies and a dirt bike on my momm's table and a letter Love, Justin

I wan't xbox, a Laptop, a pincle shaerpner, a jumprop, a new bike, a play stasnion 2, a diare, a candy macer, a dvd plaer some new close, some new shoes, cd play-And I need a new football bacuse er. How are Mrs. Claus and Ru-

Love, Kimberly

Dear Santa,

I want a X-box. I want a rado. I wnat can game. I wnat a DVD player. I want a Humer h1. I want butter fengers.

Love Colton

I want a game boy, roler skates, trampoline, CD player, and a jump rope. What kind of cookies do you like? What does Mrs. Closs do? Love, Odette

Dear Santa,

I want Realmeal. I want perfuim. I watnt BabyChouChou. I want Mraio party five. I want a Carreyokey masheen. Amonderizescooter. A car.



Dear Santa,

I want skates, make up, a notepaper, a diary, book marks, How tams Eve. are Mrs. Claus and Rudolph? I'll leave you some cookies and milk. Love,

Elizabeth Olivares Esparza

Mrs. McGregor's **Second Grade Class** 

Dear Santa,

I have been good. I want a viteocamer or a globe and some fun things too. We have been shopping for presents and it was fun. I no what Autin wants for Christmas. He wants a batmanmowbil

Madison Albin

Dear St. Nick,

I have been good and bad. How have you been and how has Miss Claus been doing? Merry Christmas Santa and Merry Christmas to Miss Claus too. For Christmas I want monople and football tha tcan open up and you can write plas on it. Michael Bibrey

Dear Santa,

How are you doing because I am doing great. How has it been going for you at the North Pole? I have been a good girl this year. I would like a Cd, neckles, and a braclet. Merry Christmas Santa.

**Brittany Galan** 

Dear St. Nick.

I want a XBOX and some gams for it and a football gam for my my big brothers.

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book computer, playstation, pen- I hope to get a lot of presents. The cils, earaserrs, crayons, books to things I want are wakkie takkis, color, shoes, cloths, flags, pens, finding Nemo, and roller skates Dear Santa. candy, markers, a DVD player, a that turn into shoes. How are you globe, backpacks, a train, sun and Mrs. Claus doing? I will leave xbox. How old are you Santa? My glasses, CD player, book covers, cookies and milk for you on Chris-

How are you doing and how Dear Santa, has Ms. Claus been? I've been pritty good this year. I've been wanted to see you all my life. For foot ball. And a new beby gun. And wnating elbow and knee pads for Christmas I want a bratsdoll and a trapiling. And a socker ball. And Christmas.

Dear Santa Claus,

I wanta car and a book and a alien and gamboy.

Dear Santa Claus,

been a good boy. I want a football cap and a game for Xbox.

Dear Santa,

I have been good and bad. My cousin wants woody and I just want clothes.

Dear Santa Claus,

you there? I want a Christmas book and gloves and shoes and close.

Dear Santa Claus,

I hope you and Mrs. Claus are fine. I want a new bike. I want a trampleling. I want a realy big slide because I like it. I want a little toy toukan on the edge of the Kay, female age 51, offense Theft by beak is red and at the back of his beak is green. His eye is black Bonds. and blue and head is black. His feet are orange and his tail is

Adriana Rios

Mrs. Jones' **Second Grade Class** 

Dear Santa,

I have been VERY good. I want science tools. I want brat dolls and all the toys you want to bring. Pleas DO NOT bring Whitney Sullivan any noise babys.

Ashley Sullivan

Dere Santa,

I wont a xbox and a goert and my mom to feel better, and a spas sheap and a car that turns in to robot. And and to be rich and to git in yor slae and to be in a tv s how and ras cors.

Leov, Gabriel Sanchez

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas.

Love, Sasha

Dear Santa. I have been very good this year.

Addye Chatham

Dear Santa Claus,

Macy

Beto

How are you doing? I have

Jackson

Yssenia

How are you? What do you do

Love, Maria

I have been very good and I wanted to see you all my life. For Christmas I want a new jumprope and a labtop, bratdoll, and a babby kittin. And I hope you have a

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Dear Santa,

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Dear Santa,

watch cieps.

you have a Merry Christmas.

Love, Karenn Luna

very good. I am 8 years old. I wnat

CD plair. I want my sister to be

Love, Obdulia Huerta

Love, Junior Garcia

Love, marysa Espinoza'

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Failure To Appear for Theft of Service,

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glary of a Vehicle.

partment responded

cident at grocery store.

sponded.

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December 10 · Criswell, Sherry

December 14 · Avila, Jose

Miguel, male age 41, offense Speed-

siah, male age 28, Local Warrants.

INCIDENTS

neighbor's house on fire. Officers,

EMS and Eldorado Volunteer Fire De-

plainant reported a minor vehicle ac-

Office relayed information on a possible intoxicated driver. Officers re-

December 11 · 4:53 p.m. Com-

· 8:15 p.m. Sutton County Sheriff

· 10:15 p.m. Complainant report-

December 12 · 4:15 a.m. Com-

· 4:55 a.m. Hospital requested an

ed an intoxicated driver. Officers re-

plainant stated she had fallen and

needed help getting up. EMS re-

sponded and was unable to locate.

December 10 • Gonzales, Aubrey

until proven guilty in a court of law.

I want a Barbie oll. I am 7 yers How are you? I have been sick, but now I am Feeling Better. For old. then I e'm going to be 8 in Christmas I would like to have a December in the 18 I want a lot of stroller for my doll. I would also like toys and I hop we git thro wiht are to have a crib for my baby. I hope house I want aq braslet and some glase and some nells and my dad

> to fell beter. Love, Elizabeth Estrada

I want a bratz doll. I have ben Dear Santa, I want a deer rifool and I BEEN VERY GOOD GOOD THIS good. I want a braslet and a color- YEAR, BUT if you can git me a 410 ing book. I want the move Finding shote gun and a 223 deer rifool. Love, GARRET CROWNVOER

Dear Santa,

I wont a X boxes. Santa, why I wont a texas tech cap and an can't we see you? I wont a Texs Tech cap. And all of my femle to name is junior. I am very very come four Christmas. I wont a Texgood. I wont a remote Moster as Tech foot boll. and Santa.

Love, Aaron Conn

Dear Santa,

I won,t a got car. And a snow I have been very good and I bord, and a X boxes. And a Taxas a with it,s net. and a fishing ploe.

ACLS transfer. EMS responded.

Love, Jose

• 11:24 a.m. Clinic requested an ambulance for a basic transfer to Clinic. EMS 1 responded.

· 12:15 p.m. Complainant on ranch reported someone had knocked over their deer blind and damaged it. Officer responded. • 5:58 p.m. Complainant request-

ed an ambulance for an unresponsive male. Officer and EMS responded. • 9:53 p.m. Complainant reported a suspicious vehicle on County Road

412 Officer responded and was un-

December 13 • 11:33 a.m. Complainant reported a vehicle on fire on E. Warner Ave. Officer and Fire Department were paged out. 11:37 a.m. Officer advised Sheriff Office fire was out. 11:38 a.m. Fire Department was

• 2:34 p.m. Hospital requested an ambulance for an ACLS transfer.

EMS1 responded. Jeanne, female age 21, offense Theft . 5:20 p.m. Complainant requestof Service. Released on \$500.00 PR ed to speak with an officer about someone harassing them. Officer re-December 10 · Nuncio, Paul G., male age 20, offense Theft of Service.

• 7:24 p.m. Complainant on Lee Ave. reported suspicious vehicles. Officer responded.

· 8:13 p.m. Complainant reported

a horse on Hwy. 190 East. Officer re-Check (2). Released on (2) \$500 PR sponded. December 14 · Complainant re-December 12 · Dominguez, Anquested an escort to Tom Green Coundres III, male age 20, serving for Irion

> an accident. Officer responded. • 6:54 p.m. Complainant reported that someone had taken CD's from complainant's pickup truck. Time be-

ty Line because daughter had been in

December 16 · Stone, Jason Joetween 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. December 15 • 1:07 p.m. Com-December 16 · Lowe, James plainant called to report loud music Michael, male age 19, offense Bur-

on Pecos Street. Officer responded. • 6:49 p.m. Subject requested an officer and animal control officer be-December 9 • 3:21 p.m. Complainant reported that someone had cause they were having trouble with a dog. Officer and animal control ofcut the Christmas lights in front of a business on Main Street. Officer re-

• 9:28 p.m. Complainant request-December 11 • 7:30 a.m. Com- ed an officer to check out orange cones in the middle of north bound plainant on Depot Street reported their Hwy. 277 lane next to fuel lock. Officer responded.

December 16 • 11:35 a.m. Complainant reported a possible grass fire in county. Officers and Fire Department were dispatched. Grass fire was in Tom Green County.





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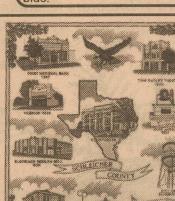
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> Thanks again! Nursing Home Residents

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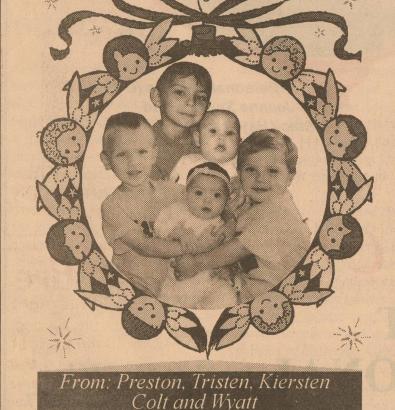
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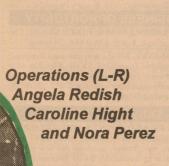
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