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Congressman
to visit here
Dec. 30th

Congressman Jodey Arrington, a member of the U.S. House of Representatives serving the Nineteenth Congressional District of Texas, and a member of the House Ways and Means Committee, will visit Tahoka on Monday, Dec. 30.

The Congressman will visit at the Lynn County Courthouse, from 11:15-12:15, to view the historical restoration of the courthouse and for a roundtable discussion with community leaders.



CLOSED FOR THE
HOLIDAYS

The Lynn County News office will be closed Dec. 24-27 for the Christmas Holidays.

The office will be open Dec. 30-31, closed New Year's Day, and open Jan. 2.

Early Deadline for the Jan. 2 issue is noon Monday, Dec. 30.

It's a wonderful life

by JUANELL JONES

If you watch the news and consider the big picture, you could say that America is in troubled times, with our government deeply mired in a political quagmire that almost feels like a child's playground full of bullies intent on getting their own way, instead of having thoughtful, adult conversations about our nation.

But if you bring the picture down to the local level, you'll generally find a happier, more hopeful lifestyle that is more likely to bring a smile to your face, instead of gloomy dismay at the national shenanigans.

Real life doesn't happen globally for most of us.

Real life happens on a day-to-day basis alongside your neighbors and citizens in your community, at your churches and businesses,

with a community populated by citizens whose character is defined by the choices they make day-to-day. Generally, there is more courtesy shown than incivility, and often the shining light of goodness is there, just underneath the surface of daily living, offering a brighter, more hopeful

can be kind.

Take, for instance, the man on N. 8th Street who, when taking his dog Sadie on her daily walk, takes the time to check on his neighbor, a widow woman who manages well on her own, but she sure does appreciate a friendly face and a few minutes of conversation just to catch up on the neighborhood. It's nothing that would make the world news, but finding out that a neighbor down the street is moving away, or that another

is with her family on a trip to Disney World, makes you feel like you belong to a special unit that's unique.

It's called 'community.' Or, for the social media generation, it's facebook on a face-to-face level, bypassing the digital devices.

Sixteen years ago we (See IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE, page 2A)

"Strange, isn't it?"
Each man's life touches so many other lives. When he isn't around, he leaves an awful hole, doesn't he?"
Clarence the Angel, in the movie "It's a Wonderful Life"

outlook on life. We have real problems, of course. But in small-town America, and close-knit communities, and even in the larger cities where citizens find their own place and groups in which to belong, there are numerous opportunities to show each other that humankind really

Did you know?
about
CHRISTMAS

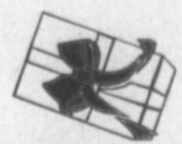
Jingle Bells

"Jingle Bells" was written for Thanksgiving, not Christmas. The song was written in 1857 by James Lord Pierpont and published under the title "One Horse Open Sleigh". It was supposed to be played in the composer's Sunday school class during Thanksgiving as a way to commemorate the famed Medford sleigh races. "Jingle Bells" was also the first song to be broadcast from space. Astronauts Tom Stafford and Wally Schirra sang it in space on December 16, 1965.

THIS WAY OUT



The US playing card company 'Bicycle' had manufactured a playing card in WW2 which would reveal an escape route for POWs when soaked. These cards were Christmas presents for all POWs in Germany. The Nazis were none the wiser!



If you gave all the gifts listed in the Twelve Days of Christmas, it would equal 364 gifts.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



In Germany, Heiligabend, or Christmas Eve, is said to be a magical time when the pure in heart can hear animals talking. They can also see that rivers turn into wine, Christmas tree blossoms bear fruit, mountains open, revealing gems hidden inside and bell ringing can be heard from the bottom of the sea.



Is it Ralphie? ... This cute little boy visited with Santa at the Tahoka Polar Express event on Dec. 14. The News staff was unable to identify him, but in lieu of a proper name, we're calling him Ralphie because he looks so much like the little boy on "A Christmas Story" who wanted a Red Ryder BB gun that his mom said would "put your eye out!". Our apologies to the boy and his family, but attempts to discover his real name were unsuccessful. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)



Did you know?

“ The reason we give presents during Christmas is to symbolize the gifts given to Jesus by the three wise men. ”

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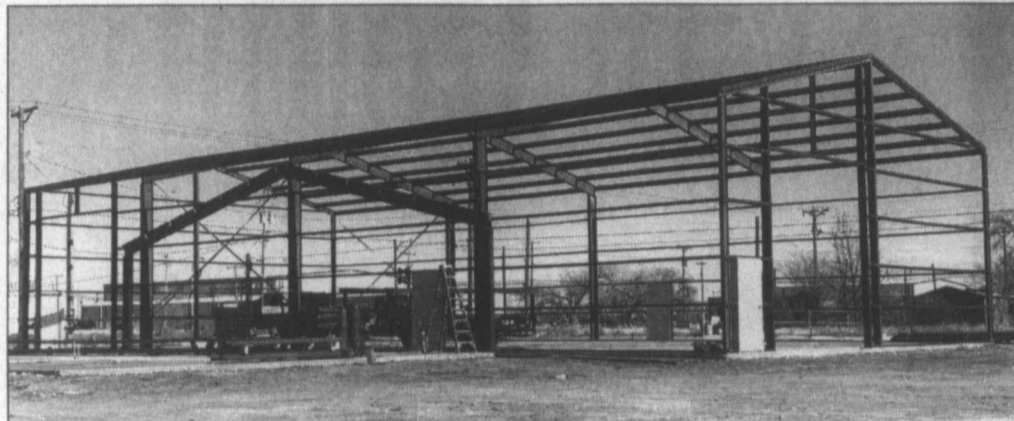
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We wish you a Merry Christmas! ... These ladies opened their front door to find Christmas carolers from the First Baptist Church of Tahoka, one evening, leaving a trail of smiling faces wherever they sang.



New construction ... This 7200 square foot facility is being built at 1408 Ave. J in Tahoka. It will be the Sunset Flooring Co., with an anticipated opening in March.
(LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

New flooring company to open here

by **JUANELL JONES**
A new commercial business will open in Tahoka soon, with construction currently underway for a 7200-sq. ft. building. The new venture will be called Sunset Flooring Co., and will offer sales and installation of all types of flooring for residential and commercial facilities.

The new store is being built on property just south of the downtown square in Tahoka, at 1408 Avenue J.

"We will have tile, carpet, hardwood, linoleum, and basically any type of flooring available," says Garrick Bond of Tahoka, who is co-owner of

the new business along with his partner, Kia Castor.

"We have been working for some time on commercial flooring projects from a home office, and it has grown to the

point that we decided to build a store in Tahoka," said Bond.

The project is expected to be completed in late February or early March, with an anticipated opening date in March.

A look back at ...
by Dalton Woodwork
(Reprinted from the past) Dalton Wood

I FOUND, in a rarely-viewed file on my computer, an e-mail from three or four years ago, in which someone sent me a list of little-known facts. I'm not sure they all are really true, but if so, some are interesting.

Following is part of the list, with my comments in parentheses:

It is impossible to lick your own elbow. (Well, I never really wanted to do that, anyway. I've also heard that you can't lick City Hall).

More than 50 per cent of the people in the world have never made or received a telephone call. (I understand; we used to have phone service like that at our house).

Rats and horses can't vomit. (Gross—I didn't need to know that).

In every episode of Seinfeld, Superman shows up somewhere. (I've never watched Seinfeld).

The cigarette lighter was invented before the match. (Want to know how to make a cigarette lighter? Just cut an inch off the end of it with scissors).

A duck's quack doesn't echo, and no one knows why. (I'm not sure this is true, but it would be interesting to find out. Someone needs to conduct some tests, and perhaps prepare a duckumentary).

In the course of an average lifetime you will, while sleeping, eat 70 assorted insects and 10 spiders. It happens the most while camping. (Yuk. I hope this one isn't true)

The most common last name in the world is Arbogast. (I just flat don't believe this one).

Like fingerprints, everyone's tongue print is different. (Maybe that's how some bigbrain can tell if you've been licking your own elbow, or if someone else did it for you).

THE WEARY WIFE at Wilson says the difference between men and government bonds is that the bonds mature.
-- April 7, 2010

It's a wonderful life ...

(Continued from page 1)

had a new puppy join our family. She was so little and so stinkin' cute that she just had to come to work with me here at the News Office. When you're the business owner in a small town, you can do that. We named her LC (for Lynn County).

All of a sudden, business picked up. People discovered another reason for visiting the News Office. It even got to the point that we figured out some of these people didn't have any actual business to take care of here, they just wanted a puppy fix. So they'd

neighbors out at Wildcat Mfg. spent two hours hauling about 275 children and adults on their WTS&O Polar Express train, just for the fun of it. Nobody made a dime. That's good character that'll get you on Santa's good list.

The guy that cleans our office windows is a good neighbor too. He's not from our community - he drives 30 miles to get here to clean our dirty windows. Occasionally, he comes by just to say hi. He blows the dirt off the front sidewalk even though we never asked him to do that. That's

*Locally is where we are our very best.
It's where we shine.*

come pet and play with LC, and we'd get to visit while they did that. Sometimes we might even find out some news. It's funny how life works out better that way.

LC is still with us, but a few years back she apparently watched too much national news and became grouchy, barking at people she didn't know, and eventually she had to stay home from work.

Real life is walking down the street to a neighbor's house in the next block, to join in birthday celebrations for their children that you've known for so long that they feel like a part of your family. When you get to wash the dishes

after the cookout, you know you belong. Real life is cornering another neighbor at a community event to ask them why they haven't put out their Christmas lights yet. This is the neighbor who goes all out, with lights on every surface flashing in sync with Christmas music. It's "the" house in the neighborhood that we all wait for - the one that lets us know that Christmas is here. Found out that they have been so busy with life that this year just snuck up on them. Gave them a hug anyway, and forgave them for foregoing their neighborhood responsibilities. Just this once, mind you.

Speaking of good neighbors, did you see the mayor last Saturday night? Looked suspiciously like Santa Claus. And the good

enough to make him an honorary member of the community in my book. He and his wife brought by donuts once too, and a platter full of Christmas goodies.

Sometimes being a good neighbor means sharing the sugar high.

Sometimes, it's doing for others what you wish someone would do for you. It's called the golden rule.

It's a wonderful life, people! Locally is where we are our very best. It's where we shine.

It's where we can use our influences and our gifts to make our communities strong and to make life better for everyone. Even ourselves.

Our communities are the place where we find our balance, and stand firm. We can reach out to

neighbors to connect with them, to help them, to engage them in the work of making things better. We can shop local. We can make a difference.

Be a good neighbor. Make a new friend. Find ways to be kind.

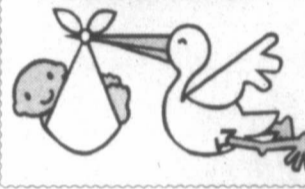
Who you are, matters. How you act towards others, matters.

As children's author extraordinaire Dr. Seuss says, "Today you are you! That is truer than true! There is no one alive who is you-er than you!"

Another Seuss'ism worth remembering: "To the world you may be one person; but to one person you may be the world."

Celebrate **your** community ... *it's a wonderful life.*

BIRTHS



Elisabeth Claire Dunlap
Joshua and Trish Dunlap of Tahoka announce the birth of their daughter, Elisabeth Claire Dunlap, born on November 25, 2019 at 6:06 a.m. She weighed 7 lbs. 10 oz and was 19 and 3/4 inches long.

Her siblings are Emily, John, Sarah, Cecil, Noah, Lauren, Katherine and Gideon.

Grandparents are Ross and Janet Hansen of Tahoka and Andy and Roxie Dunlap of Ardmore, OK. Great-grandparents are Pete and Renate Haney of Copperas Cove, TX and Peggy Leatherwood of Lubbock.

May the glorious light of **CHRISTMAS** bring you, and those you love, enduring hope and happiness.

***Paris n' Bloom**

Christmas Greetings

HALLELUJAH!
We're honored to join you in singing His praises as we extend our warmest wishes to you and your family.

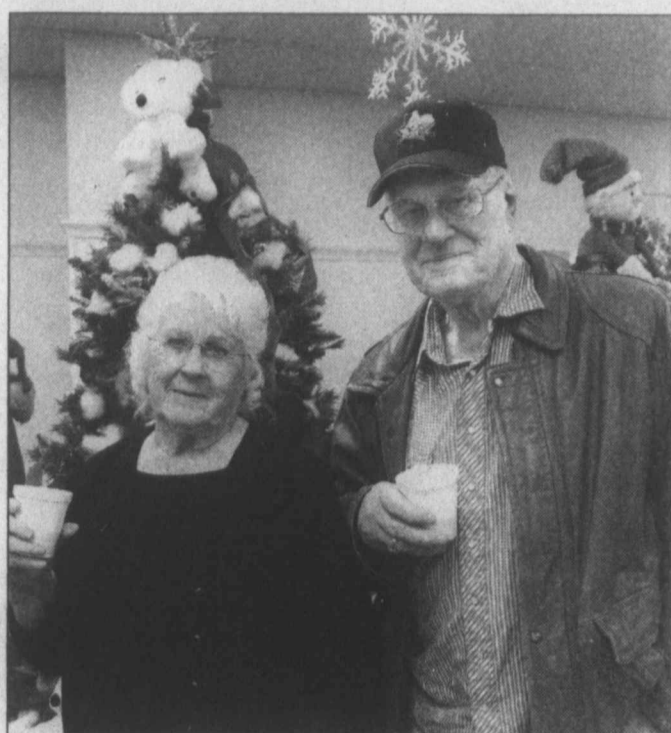
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By greeting you this way, we have also honored you, our friends by contributing our Christmas Card money to the Phebe K. Warner Club Scholarship Fund.

To old friends and new we wish all the joy, warmth and wonder that Christmas has to offer.

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Having fun! ... Joan and Leighton Knox pause for a quick cup of hot cocoa before departing on the WTS&O Polar Express train that they provided in Tahoka on Dec. 14.

(LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this year. I want a big tank, a batman toy and presents. Merry Christmas! Love, Brycyn

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I want a football, cars and toys. HO! HO! HO! Love, Jonathan

Dear Santa,
I am on the good list. I want an Ugly doll for my sister and a captain America suit for me and a new nerf gun. I am going to leave you milk and cookies. Merry Christmas! Kase

Dear Santa,
I have been mostly good. I want mountain Lego police, hot wheels and a football. I listen to my mom and dad. I can't wait to see you! Merry Christmas! Summitt

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I want to give you milk and cookies. For Christmas I want cars, a doll, more cars. I Love you! LC Mae

Dear Santa,
This year, I have been good. If I had \$100, I would get Dad a real monster truck, mom some clothes, and Avery and Aubrey would get hover boards. Can I get a toy monster truck. I am going to leave you milk and cookies. Love, Brayden

Dear Santa,
This year, I have been good. If I had \$100 dollars, I would buy dad some shirts, mom a bracelet, and baby more clothes. Can you buy me some clothes? I hope you and Mrs. Claus don't get stuck in a snow storm. Love, Reggie

Dear Santa,
This year, I have been good. If I had \$100, mom would get a ball, dad a race car, big sister a motorcycle, big brother a basketball, and baby sister a toy. Can I get a monster truck? Hope you are happy Santa. Love, Jayvius

Dear Santa,
This year, I have been good. If I had \$100, mom would get a new car, dad would get a belt, and baby sister a new bus. Can I get a toy truck? Love, Jaziyah

Dear Santa,
This year, I have been kinda good. If I had \$100, big sister would get make-up, mom would get candy and dad a new phone. Could I have an LOL toy? I hope you are safe at the North Pole. Love, Jazlynn

Dear Santa,
This year, I have been good. If I had \$100, mom would get new decorations for the house. Can I get a nerf gun? How do the reindeer fly? Love, Landon

Dear Santa,
This year, I have been good. If I had \$100, Mom would get a new phone case, Mason a new dinosaur, sister a new baby toy, Rylin a new Barbie, Hunter a new football, grandma some new plates, and grandpa a new screwdriver. May I have a new monster truck? Are you feeding the reindeer so they can get strong and fly? Love, Weston

Dear Santa,
This year, I have been good. If I had \$100, Mom would get a new car, baby sister a new toy, big sisters some make-up and sunglasses, and Dante a new phone. I don't know about what to get dad. Can I get some new clothes? Love, Yaretza

Dear Santa,
This year, I have been good. If I had \$100, Dad would get a new truck, mom some make-up, baby sister a baby doll, brother some Nike shoes, and big sister a watch. Can I get a cake and tacos for Christmas? Love, Masyan



A letter for Santa ... Kaelyn Love drops her letter to Santa into Santa's mailbox at the Tahoka Polar Express event on Dec. 14. Santa, with help from the elves at the Tahoka Post Office, promised to respond to all letters sent to him from that mailbox.

(LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

Dear Santa,
This year, I have been good. If I had \$100 dollars, dad would get new clothes, mom a new blanket, Cason a new fire alarm because the one in his room is broken and I would buy a laptop. I love you, Santa. Love, Kenna

Dear Santa,
This year, I have been good. If I had \$100 dollars, dad would get tools, mom a new necklace, sister would get gel and I would buy a robot. I hope the reindeer are ready. Love, Matthew

Dear Santa,
This year, I have been good. If I had \$100 dollars, dad would get a new boxing game, mom will get make-up and Erin and Deryk will get a real lion that says, "roar." Love, Deryk

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like the bright starts press and glow spinner and a musical sloth. Thank you! Love, Andrew Borrayo

Dear Santa,
Can I please have a Paw Patrol Mobile Pit Stop vehicle and a PJ Mask play set for Christmas? Thank you! Love, Austin Cantu

Hi Santa,
For Christmas I would like a Mario kart Race Track and a Magnetic Tile Building set. Thank you! Love, Mason Cantu

Hi Santa,
Can I please have a Police Car and a Motorcycle for Christmas? Thank you! Love, Ayden Saldana

Hi Santa,
For Christmas I would like a Car and a Truck. Thank you! Love, Jzaydence (Zay) Hartway

Hi Santa,
Can I please have an Action Figure and some Kinetic Sand for Christmas? Thank you! Love, Jzydence (Ziy) Hartway

Hi Santa,
For Christmas I would like a Spider Man and a PJ Mask play set. Thank you! Love, Erin Montez

Hi Santa,
Can I please have a Hot Wheels track and Hot Wheels for Christmas? Thank you! Love, Jahiro Abrego

Hi Santa,
For Christmas I would like a Pink hoverboard and a pet frog. Thank you! Love, Emberleigh Norwood

Letters to Santa from Tahoka



Tahoka Pre-K Mrs. Herrera

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I want a big car I can drive, a bike, and a piano. I can't wait to see you. From, Eli

Dear Santa,
I want a rollercoaster and some presents. I am going to leave carrots in my stocking for the reindeer. Love, Giovanni

Hello Santa,
I have been a good girl. How are you doing? I want a Christmas tree, a table and a bike for Christmas. Hope to see you soon! Love, Averee

Dear Santa,
I miss you! I have been a big good boy this year. For Christmas I want a blaster, a black panther costume and a flash toy. I am going to leave you some milk and cookies. Merry Christmas! Avion

Dear Santa,
I want a horsie for Christmas. I am going to give you cookies with milk. Love, Mia

Dear Santa,
I want a web shooter, a rocket ship and a big robot. I am going to give you a cookie. Love, Parks

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I want a monster truck, a yellow gator and a toy horsie. I am going to leave you some milk and carrots for the reindeer. Merry Christmas! Canton

Hello Santa,
I have been a good girl. I want a bike, a baby alive and a horsie. I love you! Merry Christmas! Paige

Hello Santa,
I miss you! I have been a good girl. For Christmas I want a reindeer, scissors and toys. I love you Santa! I am going to leave you milk and cookies. Merry Christmas! Aubree

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I have been a good boy. I want a plane that flies. Merry Christmas! Love, Thomas

Pre K Emilia Garcia "If I had \$100 I would ..."

Dear Santa,
This year, I have been really good. If I had \$100, I would buy my mom a beautiful dress, Heaveyn some slime and Gione a baby toy. Please bring me a baby doll. I hope you are having fun making all the toys. Love, Ava Leigh

Dear Santa,
This year, I have been good. If I had \$100, I would buy dad some gloves, mom some earrings, and sister some bows. Please bring me some clothes. I hope you are warm. Love, Conner

Dear Santa,
This year, I have been kinda good. If I had \$100, I would buy dad a motorcycle, mom gets a computer, Gage gets a baby toy with sounds and Hayes gets Legos. Could you bring me some roller skates? Love, Quade

Dear Santa,
This year, I have been good. If I had \$100, Dad would get new tools, mom would get pretty roses and for my brother some toys. Can you bring me some toys, too? Do you eat snow? Love, Jackson

Dear Santa,
This year, I have been really good. If I had \$100, Mom would get a new dog, dad would get a new house, brother would get a nerf gun, and sister will get some baby toys. May I please have a nerf gun? I hope you are safe and warm. Love, Daxyn

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Everyone is welcome to attend our

Christmas Eve Service

December 24 * 5:00 p.m.

Bring your entire family and come join us in celebrating the birth of our Lord Jesus.

First Baptist Church of Tahoka

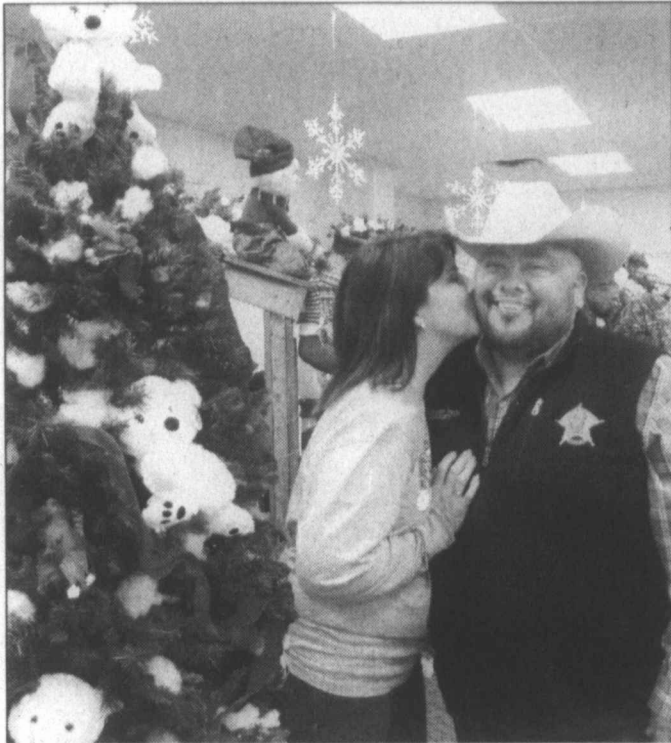
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Seasons Greetings

In the true Christmas spirit, we join everyone in prayers for lasting peace. Gratefully, we thank everyone for the trust and confidence that has been extended to us.

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Christmas kiss ... Rachel Vega gives a kiss by the Christmas tree to her husband, Lynn County Sheriff Abraham Vega, at the Tahoka Polar Express event held Dec. 14.

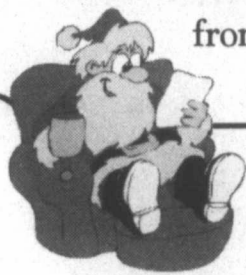
(LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)



Serious business ... Mason Descamps appears to be having a serious discussion with Santa at the Polar Express event held in Tahoka on Dec. 14.

(LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

Letters to Santa from Tahoka



Kindergarten
Alicia Graves

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? Here is my list for Christmas. 1. Big Truck 2. Dog 3. House Love, Ayden Coronado

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? Here is my list for Christmas. 1. Xbox 2. Car 3. r.c. car Love, Hunter Saucedo

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? Here is my list for Christmas. 1. Ipad 2. Clothes 3. Shoes Love, Heavelyn Sepeda

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? Here is my list for Christmas. 1. Panda 2. Cat 3. Playdough Love, Skyler Huchton

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? Here is my list for Christmas. 1. House 2. Dog 3. Cat Love, Carlos Lopez

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? Here is my list for Christmas. 1. Spiderman 2. Legos 3. Mario Love, Sonny Martinez

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? Here is my list for Christmas. 1. Clothes 2. Shoes 3. Pants Love, Eleah Saldana

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? Here is my list for Christmas. 1. Barbie 2. Barbie Car 3. TV. Love, Angelica Gonzales

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? Here is my list for Christmas. 1. LOL 2. TV. 3. Cat Love, Brylee Frausto

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? Here is my list for Christmas. 1. toy dog 2. Spiderman 3. Fortnite Love, Eric Deleon

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? Here is my list for Christmas. 1. Dr.'s kit 2. Vets kit 3. toy cat Love, Kennedy Filley

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? Here is my list for Christmas. 1. Monster Truck 2. Car 3. Jeep Love, Cesar Padilla, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? Here is my list for Christmas. 1. Umbrella 2. toy puppy 3. Legos Love, Saydi Hendersen

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? Here is my list for Christmas. 1. Sally doll 2. Harley Quinn 3. Nesting dolls Love, Bristol Odom-Richardson

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? Here is my list for Christmas. 1. Legos 2. Real Husky dog 3. Truck trailer Love, Truett Young

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? Here is my list for Christmas. 1. Slime 2. Puppy 3. Baby Alive Love, Loyalty Liendo

Kindergarten
Mrs. Dimak

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me a toy cat. Tell Rudolph hi. I will leave milk and cookies. Love, Kynlie Alonzo

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me a LOL dollhouse, LOL dolls and girl legos. Tell Rudolph hi. I will leave milk and cookies. Love, Charlie Anderson

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me legos. Tell Rudolph hi. I will leave milk and cookies. Love, Xavier Lopez

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me a kite and an RC car. Tell Rudolph hi. I will leave milk and cookies. Love, Greyson McClendon

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me a cat, LOL dolls, a Barbie, a dog and play dough. Tell Rudolph hi. I will leave milk and cookies. Love, Courtlyn Barrera

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me a dog, a dog bone and a dog house. Tell Rudolph hi. I will leave milk and cookies. Love, Madison Bowler

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me a LOL dollhouse, and some robots. Tell Rudolph hi. I will leave milk and cookies. Love, Kennedy Hawthorne

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me a dog, a light up scooter, a cat, and legos. Tell Rudolph hi. I will leave milk and cookies. Love, Melinda Rosales

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me a LOL dollhouse, a little kitten, legos, and a pritez dress/ I Rudolph hi. I will leave milk and cookies. Love, Rilyn Taylor

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me LOL surprise, a Hatchimal, a bike, and some play dough. Tell Rudolph hi. I will leave milk and cookies. Love, Kelby Stephens

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me a lego house, lego pirate ship, and a lego airplane. Tell Rudolph hi. I will leave milk and cookies. Love, Ryder Sosa

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me a lego monster truck and a finger board. Tell Rudolph hi. I will leave milk and cookies. Love, Jerymiah Hill

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me LOL dolls, a dog and play dough. Tell Rudolph hi. I will leave milk and cookies. Love, Sophia Valdez

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me a Mickey Mouse car and legos. Tell Rudolph hi. I will leave milk and cookies. Love, Tristen Casanova

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me legos, Flash, and a Batman costume like Greyson's. Tell Rudolph hi. I will leave milk and cookies. Love, Derek Rosas

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me legos, the whole red box, a remote control car, and a car that is wreck proof. Tell Rudolph hi. I will leave milk and cookies. Love, Hunter Sepeda

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me an electric scooter. Tell Rudolph hi. I will leave milk and cookies. Love, Amari Smith

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me a toy cat. Tell Rudolph hi. I will leave milk and cookies. Love, Kynlie Alonzo

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me a LOL dollhouse, LOL dolls and girl legos. Tell Rudolph hi. I will leave milk and cookies. Love, Charlie Anderson

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me legos. Tell Rudolph hi. I will leave milk and cookies. Love, Xavier Lopez

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me a kite and an RC car. Tell Rudolph hi. I will leave milk and cookies. Love, Greyson McClendon

Kindergarten
Brittany Hawthorne

Dear Santa,
How are the elfs? Can you breg me a drt bic, rin toy for you and a motrsic? I will bac cooces for you. Love, Arthur Castaneda

Dear Santa,
How is Rudof? Haw is Firbol? Can I plez have 3 lol boys, a cran and a umbrella? Love, Paityn Chrestman

Dear Santa,
How is Cupid? Can I ples have a ipad, gitar and a fgteev shrt? Love, Tyler Durham

Dear Santa,
How is the rander? Can I get a Barbie, a dremhos and a wolkeg dog? Love, Zoey Gonzales

Dear Santa,
How are the rander? Will yoo breg me a sin for my room, pla food and techr stuf? Mare Crismis. Love, Hayzen Hall

Dear Santa,
Can I have a swimming pool dinosaur and Godzilla toy? Love, Noel Hernandez

Dear Santa,
I want a guitar, a cool car and monster trucks. Love, Izek Hicks

Dear Santa,
How are your reindeer? Can I please have a candy cane, a Barbie, and a pillow? Love, Gemma Huchton

Dear Santa,
How r yur randir? Can I have a riun toy for u, te prte set? Love, Victoria Montano

Dear Santa,
How are you? Can I please have a Mario, a dinosaur and another dinosaur? Love, Mauricio Moreno

Dear Santa,
How r you? Wil you bring me a Mreo gam, suprman and batres. I love you. Love, James Pesina

Dear Santa,
How is Firbol? Can I have a bic, a shrt and a transformr? See you soon. Love, Jazariah Ramirez

Dear Santa,
How are yor elfs? Wut daw they et? Can I ples hav a sinse, Peppu Pig and a Yunicorn blacit? Love, Sloan Reglin

Dear Santa,
How r your randir? Wil yu brig me a sooprman, a car and Vamp-rina? Love, J'Zayda Salazar

Dear Santa,
Are you rede for Coces? Can I have a bic, erregs and brbes? I love you. Love, Alise Upshaw

Dear Santa,
How is the Nrth Pol? Ples can I have web glidrs, a go pro and a tab-let? Love, Serenity Hernandez



Did you know?
about
CHRISTMAS

The largest floating Christmas tree in the world — 278 feet tall — is in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.



The tallest living Christmas tree is believed to be the 122-foot, 91-year-old Douglas fir in the town of Woodinville, Washington.

Tinsel was invented in 1610 in Germany and was once made of real silver.

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May the blessings of Christmas surround you and yours during this holiday season and in the upcoming new year.

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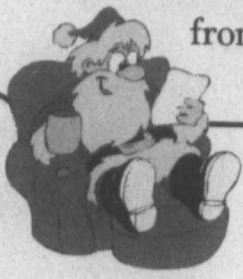
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Letters to Santa from Tahoka



"I can help make
Christmas special by ..."

**1st Grade
Brooke Brown**

Dear Santa,
I will help someone have a great Christmas. I will help with presents. Arya

Dear Santa,
I will give my presents to my friends. Ariana

Dear Santa,
I will buy a tree and lightbulbs for somebody that doesn't have one. Merry Christmas Abraham

Dear Santa,
I will give my presents to my friends that don't have any. Sidney

Dear Santa,
I will get a present for my friends. Clara

Dear Santa,
I will give presents to friends that don't have much. Tristan

Dear Santa,
I will make someone's Christmas special because I will help them get presents. I want my family to have the best Christmas ever. Jaxx

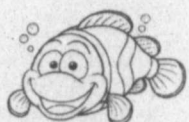
Dear Santa,
I want my mom to be happy for Christmas. I will get my mom a present. I want to get her a new house. Jose

Dear Santa,
I want you to make my mom feel better for Christmas. I will give her a gift and I will make her food. Jasper

Dear Santa,
I want a toy so I can give it to my sister. I want another toy to give to the new baby. I want a board game for my family to play. Sophie

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I want to help other people that don't get gifts. I will help by giving them my presents. Abry

Dear Santa,
I want to make this Christmas special for my family. I want to buy presents for my family even my fish and dog. Kyote



**Who would you invite over
for Christmas Dinner?**

**1st grade
Miranda Stice**

I would invite Carlos and Jasper and Michle over for Christmas dinner. Because we will eat lots of dinner and we will have lots of fun. Jovani Cantu

I would invite a ninja, Westin and Paxton over for Christmas dinner. We will play ninja games and football. And do fun stuff. We will play on my ipad. We will play mine craft. I will invite Jovani and Carlos and Jasper too. We are all friends. Michael Castilla



Having fun ... This trailer full of joyful young singers is from the First Baptist Church of Tahoka, who went Christmas caroling around town one evening. They sang Christmas tunes outside different homes throughout the community.

I would invite Ranbow dash and Scootuloow over for Christmas because she is cool. We would eat corn on the cob. We would play games and we would eat apl pie. Shade Castor

I would invite \$50,000 over for Christmas dinner. I will spend it. Paxton Chrestman

I would invite Abry over for Christmas dinner. After we ate we would play gams. Then we would woch mooves. Last Abry would go home. Gracie DeLeon

I would invite frians Jasper over for Christmas dinner. We will eat trce. We will play game. Carlos Flores

I would invite Carlos over for Christmas dinner. We eat tacos. Darey Granados

I would in vite Dani over for Christmas dinner. We will eat chicken. We will play hide and seek. Owen Hardt

I would invite Dani over to Christmas dinner. We will have lot of games. We will play with art. We will eat pizza. Hensley Hawthorne

I would invite Ella over for Christmas dinner. Because I just want to. We will do flips. Xylie Moreno

I would invite Sutton over for Christmas dinner. We will have lots of dinner. We will play games too. Izabella Segovia

I would invite Hensley over for Christmas dinner. We would eat mashpatatose. We would decorate the Christmastree. Dani Shirley

I would invite Chase because we woud play football. Also Paxton and Michael to Christmas dinner. We will have a lot of fun! Westin Woodley

If I had \$100, I would ...

**1st Grade
Kierstynn Hawthorne**

If I had \$100, I would buy my family food. I would also buy my family lots of Christmas movies. Zachary Camp

If I had \$100, I would buy my Mom a dog. I would buy my Dad a new truck. I would buy Sawyer a Llama and Kreece a pink unicorn. Sutton May

If I had \$100, I would buy my family a big stove. I would buy my sister a Barbie house and an iPhone X. Marcus Devaughn

If I had \$100, I would buy my sister Grace makeup. I would buy my Mom jewelry. I would buy my Dad a Texas Tech Flag. I would buy my brother Elijah some Legos. I would buy my littler sister Hope a unicorn. Anna Holdridge

If I had \$100, I would buy my family a teddy bear and a Lion King movie. Arabela Kieth

If I had \$100, I would buy my family clothes, a wall picture, a car, and stuff. April Mendez

If I had \$100, I would buy my a table to go outside. Branson Morin

If I had \$100, I would buy my family a new car. Zander Resendez

If I had \$100, I would buy my Dad a new knife. I would buy my Mom new glasses and my little brother Gavin a baby shark stuffed animal. Gage Reynolds

If I had \$100, I would buy my family clothes, food, and a car. Olivia Rodriguez

If I had \$100, I would buy my family a four wheeler, and another four wheeler, and a dirt bike and another dirt bike. Blayke Saldana

If I had \$100, I would buy my family some army men. Evan Rosas



**WHERE'S
SANTA?**



NORAD's "Santa Tracker" was born from a misprint in the newspaper.

A 1955 Sears ad was supposed to print the number of a store where children could call and tell Santa what they wanted for Christmas. The number, printed was to the hotline of the Director of Operations for the U.S. Continental Air Defense. Colonel Shoup ordered his staff to give the children updates on the flight coordinates of Santa. The tradition began and continues until this day. NORAD (North American Aerospace Defense Command) continues to provide flight updates on local news, the Internet, and even a special iPhone application every Christmas.

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Texas Star Coop Gin	72,801
New Home Coop, Lakeview	52,940
Wells Coop Gin	39,125
Farmers Coop #1, Tahoka ..	28,731
Farmers Coop, O'Donnell..	*26,986
Woolam Gin, O'Donnell	21,679
Garlyn Gin	12,120
TOTAL BALES	254,382
*FINAL COUNT	

Here's your tree!



The people of Oslo, Norway donate the Trafalgar Square Christmas tree every year in gratitude to the people of London for their assistance during WWII.

Letters to Santa from Tahoka



"If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner ..."

2nd Grade Mrs. Gill

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my grandmom. She is not going to be with us at Christmas. Love, Julian Perez

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my grandpa gran. He died all-most on Christmas. He wood get me the best presints. Love, Tripp Hall

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my nanny. I wish she could see my brother. I havn't seen her in a long time. Love, Lainnye Edwards

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my dad. I don't get to see him very much. He lives in Michigan and travels alot. Love, Mason Descamps

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my dad. I don't get to see on Christmas. I miss him very much. Love, Brandon Luera

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my friend Grayson. He is funny. He is fun to be around. Love, Andy Alvarez

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my great great grandma. I wish she saw my brother. I miss her so much! Love, Avery Hadderton

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my mom. I miss her very much. Love, Xzavien Rosales

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Zadelyn. I wish I could see her. We are good friends and cousins. Love, Jada Pesina

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Ethan. I haven't seen him in a long time. He is my cousin. Love, Kynzee Ellena

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my cousins. I haven't seen them in a long time. I miss them. Love, Jasmine Sepeda

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my moms dad. He passed away a long time ago. My mom misses him. Love, Chloe Barrera

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my grampa Chip. I miss him a lot. Love, Caden Anderson

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my Papa Fish. He made me laugh. Its more fun with him. Love, Elijah Holdridge

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my brother. He lives in Lamesa. I want him to eat with me. Love, Joe Angel Ortiz

2nd Grade Mrs. Swaim

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite familey. I invited my familey because their nice. Michael Garza

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite my family. My family is nice to me becuse they love me. They are apart of me. Legend Liendo

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite my Kamryn and Leia. I invited them becuse they are my bffs. Also I would invite them becose I love them. Lillian Stice

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite Mason because is my friend. He is nice. Lryiikal Liendo

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite Lryiikal. I like her. She is my best friend. Mason Luckie

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite Paislee. I would invite Paislee because I want her to get used to my family. Because she is my best friend. Lola Marmolejo

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite Cooper O and pap and gbug. I like to sit by them. I love them. Brym Swartz

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite Rebamackintire. Because she is my favorite contry singer. Also because I want her to be my friend. Paislee Allison

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite mom dad nana because I love them. And because them are my best friend. Logan Engle

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite Lilly and Leia. They are my Bff's. And they are always there for me. Kamryn Ramos

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite Kamryn and Lilly. Because they are my friend. And they are always there. Leia Moreno

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite Nickadimous and Anaya because they are my cuzins and they love me. Braelyn Martinez

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite Jet Dufe. I invite Jet and Cooper and Brym. Jet is my favorite quarterback. J'Ziah Garcia

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite Brym. I love frans. I would sit by Brym. Cooper Overstreet

2nd Grade Mrs. Greenhill

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner it would be CJ. He would play with me. Love, Kyler DeLeon

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Kinley. SHE was my frist friend. She is the nicest friend. Love, Maycen Huffaker

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Maycen. She is my first friend. We can have fun. Love, Kinley Filley

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Andy. He is funny. He is fun to paly with. Love, Grayson Watt

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Fella. She can come play with me. She could also come color with me. Love, Teghan Gonzales

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Avery H. She is nice and crasy. She is thankful. Love, Fella Garcia

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Bub. He is in the air force. I never get to see him. Love, Zak Rosas

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my uncle. He can have fun with me and open presents with me. Love, Xavier Arriaga



Winter wonderland at the library ... Library Director Cissy Webster (right) is pictured with library employees Rhonda Thomas and Lynn Lankford at the winter wonderland provided by the City/County Library in Tahoka for the Tahoka Polar Express event held on Saturday, Dec. 14.

(LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my uncle. I don't get to see him ever. I miss him. Love, Hayes Hawthorne

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Lilly. She can come and play with me. She can go to Santa Land with me. Love, Rubi Segovia

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be CC and PPop. They are nice to me. They bring crafts. Love, Avery Gill

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Kambyn. I want her to play with me. I want her to sled with me. Love, Frank Reyna

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner it wood be my friend. He is the best. Love, JB Kieth

2nd Grade Mrs. Sullivan

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Miguel. I don't see him vere often. I don't no where he lives. Love, Logan Stone

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Gilda. I love Gilda. I see her every day. Love, Brock Stephens

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Mrs. Gill. She is my favorit teacher. I want to spend time with her. Love, Emily Garcia

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner it would be my cousins. I want to invite them so we can have fun and play. We could play outside. Love, Jesse Trevino

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my uncle. I don't see him very often. He lives on the other side of the country. Love, Casyn Rodriguez



If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my cousin M. I don't see my cousin M because he lives in Dallas. I got to see him on Thaisgiving. Love, Bailey Case

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Logan Stone. He is my friend. I want him to meet my family. Love, Miguel Castaneda

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my Aunt Loo. She hasn't come to our dinner in a long time. She lives in the counchry. Love, Zadelyn Aleman

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my mom. I don't ever get to see her. I have never met her before. Love, Karleigh Taylor

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my aunt. I don't see her often. I want to see her. Love, Aubre Garcia

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my cousins I don't get to see them alot. They live far away from me. Love, Kinley Clark

If I could invite anyone to my Christmas dinner, it would be Mrs. Gill. She is nice and exsiding. She is the best techer ever! Love, Lauren Dunlap

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my grandma. I want to see her at Christmas. I never get to see her. Love, Zakiel Hernandez

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All cotton fields will be mapped, and treatment will begin during the cotton-growing season. For notification prior to any chemical treatment, call 1-800-687-1212 with the exact location of your field and appropriate telephone numbers. Field entry and treatment is expected to last until all cotton is harvested in the zone.

To mitigate risk, beekeepers should notify the Foundation of beehive locations near cotton fields. The Foundation will monitor treatments in these locations where bees are present to ensure the security of hives.

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*The Addis Brush Company made pine-like "branches" using the machines created to make toilet brushes. Used for artificial trees, they could hold heavy decorations and were not flammable.

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HELP WANTED

The Lynn County Sheriff's Office has an opening available for the position of Jail Administrator. Contact Chief Deputy Jason Flores at 806-201-4175 or Jason.flores@co.lynn.tx.us for more information. Lynn County is an EOE.

SUMMARY OF POSITION

1. Reports to: Sheriff/Chief Deputy
2. Directs: Lynn County Jail employees
3. Other: Has daily contact with departmental employees, other law enforcement agencies, inmates, vendors, judges, attorneys, other county offices, federal, state and local agencies, and the general public.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES: EXAMPLES OF WORK

- Ensure custody and control of inmate population
- Formulate and implement policies and procedures applicable to jail operations;
- Develop job descriptions that include clear parameters of responsibility and accountability;
- Manage, review, and address any matters involving employee performance including both disciplinary action and commendations;
- Advise, consult, and discuss with the Sheriff and Chief Deputy any matters relative to the Lynn County Jail;
- Participate as needed to develop agency-wide policies, programs, and procedures;
- Interact with other agencies, commissions, and offices as the representative for the Lynn County Jail;
- Prepare the budget for the Lynn County Jail, monitor expenditures related to the budget, and compile data and prepare reports as directed or needed;
- Maintain satisfactory compliance with the Texas Commission on Jail Standards in all areas of operations;
- Ensure compliance with all statutes, rules, regulations, and court orders relevant to the inmate population;
- Communicate, address, and respond to Federal, State, and Local agencies and commissions and to the public relative to Lynn County Jail operations, rules, regulations, and procedures;
- Address and resolve complaints that arise relevant to the Lynn County Jail;
- Prepares list and supervises inmate transfers to Texas Department of Criminal Justice - Corrections Division;
- Regular attendance required;
- Perform other duties as may be assigned by Sheriff or Chief Deputy;

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

- Knowledge of the Texas Commission on Jail Standards & Regulations;
 - Communications skills, both oral and written with proper use of English and grammar;
 - General office skills and computer skills;
 - Ability to supervise and manage all subordinate personnel assigned to the Lynn County Jail in accordance with agency policies, rules, regulations, and applicable statutes;
 - Ability to address and resolve complaints that arise relevant to the Lynn County Jail.
- Certificates, Licenses, Experience and Training**
- High school graduation or GED equivalent;
 - Valid Texas Driver's License.
 - Jail Certification as issued by TCOLE is required.
 - Prefer three years of experience in a Jail or Correctional Facility.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS AND WORK ENVIRONMENT

- Ability to see, hear, smell, and feel at a level commensurate with the jail environment;
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Texas Star Coop Gin	72,801
New Home Coop, Lakeview	52,940
Wells Coop Gin	39,125
Farmers Coop #1, Tahoka ..	28,731
Farmers Coop, O'Donnell..	*26,986
Woolam Gin, O'Donnell	21,679
Garlyn Gin	12,120
TOTAL BALES	254,382
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Letters to Santa
from **Tahoka**



"If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner ..."

2nd Grade Mrs. Gill

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my grandmama. She is not going to be with us at Christmas. Love, Julian Perez

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my grandpa gran. He died all-most on Christmas. He wood get me the best presints. Love, Tripp Hall

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my nanny. I wish she could see my brother. I havn't seen her in a long time. Love, Lainnye Edwards

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my dad. I don't get to see him very much. He lives in Michigan and travels alot. Love, Mason Descamps

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my dad. I don't get to see on Christmas. I miss him very much. Love, Brandon Luera

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my friend Grayson. He is funny. He is fun to be around. Love, Andy Alvarez

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my great great grandma. I wish she saw my brother. I miss her so much! Love, Avery Hadderton

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my mom. I miss her very much. Love, Xzavien Rosales

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Zadaly. I wish I could see her. We are good friends and cousins. Love, Jada Pesina

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Ethan. I haven't seen him in a long time. He is my cousin. Love, Kynzlee Ellena

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my cousins. I haven't seen them in a long time. I miss them. Love, Jasmine Sepeda

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my moms dad. He passed away a long time ago. My mom misses him. Love, Chloe Barrera

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my grampa Chip. I miss him a lot. Love, Caden Anderson

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my Papa Fish. He made me laugh. Its more fun with him. Love, Elijah Holdridge

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my brother. He lives in Lamesa. I want him to eat with me. Love, Joe Angel Ortiz

2nd Grade Mrs. Swaim

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite famliely. I invited my famliely because their nice. Michael Garza

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite my family. My family is nice to me becuse they love me. They are apart of me. Legend Liendo

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite my Kamryn and Leia. I invited them becose they are my bffs. Also I would invite them becose I love them. Lillian Stice

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite Mason because is my friend. He is nice. Lryikal Liendo

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite Lryikal. I like her. She is my best friend. Mason Luckie

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite Paislee. I would invite Paislee because I want her to get used to my family. Because she is my best friend. Lola Marmolejo

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite Cooper O and pap and gbug. I like to sit by them. I love them. Brym Swartz

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite Rebamackintire. Because she is my favorite contry singer. Also because I want her to be my friend. Paislee Allison

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite mom dad nana because I love them. And because them are my best friend. Logan Engle

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite Lilly and Leia. They are my Bff's. And they are always there for me. Kamryn Ramos

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite Kamryn and Lilly. Because they are my friend. And they are always there. Leia Moreno

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite Nickadimous and Anaya because they are my cuzins and they love me. Braelyn Martinez

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite Jet Dufe. I invite Jet and Cooper and Brym. Jet is my favorite quarterback. J'Ziah Garcia

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, I would invite Brym. I love frans. I would sit by Brym. Cooper Overstreet

2nd Grade Mrs. Greenhill

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner it would be CJ. He would play with me. Love, Kyler DeLeon

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Kinley. SHe was my frist friend. She is the nicest friend. Love, Maycn Huffaker

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Maycn. She is my first friend. We can have fun. Love, Kinley Filley

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Andy. He is funny. He is fun to paly with. Love, Grayson Watt

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Fella. She can come play with me. She could also come color with me. Love, Teghan Gonzales

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Avery H. She is nice and crasy. She is thankful. Love, Fella Garcia

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Bub. He is in the air force. I never get to see him. Love, Zak Rosas

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my uncle. He can have fun with me and open presents with me. Love, Xavier Arriaga



Winter wonderland at the library ... Library Director Cissy Webster (right) is pictured with library employees Rhonda Thomas and Lynn Lankford at the winter wonderland provided by the City/County Library in Tahoka for the Tahoka Polar Express event held on Saturday, Dec. 14. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my uncle. I don't get to see him ever. I miss him. Love, Hayes Hawthorne

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Lilly. She can come and play with me. She can go to Santa Land with me. Love, Rubi Segovia

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be CC and PPop. They are nice to me. They bring crafts. Love, Avery Gill

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Kambryn. I want her to play with me. I want her to sled with me. Love, Frank Reyna

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner it wood be my friend. He is the best. Love, JB Kieth

2nd Grade Mrs. Sullivan

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Miguel. I don't see him vere often. I don't no where he lives. Love, Logan Stone

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Gilda. I love Gilda. I see her every day. Love, Brock Stephens

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Mrs. Gill. She is my favorit teacher. I want to spend time with her. Love, Emily Garcia

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner it would be my cousins. I want to invite them so we can have fun and play. We could play outside. Love, Jesse Trevino

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my uncle. I don't see him very often. He lives on the other side of the country. Love, Casyn Rodriguez



If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my cousin M. I don't see my cousin M because he lives in Dallas. I got to see him on Thaisgiving. Love, Bailey Case

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be Logan Stone. He is my friend. I want him to meet my family. Love, Miguel Castaneda

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my Aunt Loo. She hasn't come to our dinner in a long time. She lives in the counchry. Love, Zadalyn Aleman

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my mom. I don't ever get to see her. I have never met her before. Love, Karleigh Taylor

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my aunt. I don't see her often. I want to see her. Love, Aubre Garcia

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my cousins I don't get to see them alot. They live far away from me. Love, Kinley Clark

If I could invite anyone to my Christmas dinner, it would be Mrs. Gill. She is nice and exsiding. She is the best techer ever! Love, Lauren Dunlap

If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner, it would be my grandma. I want to see her at Christmas. I never get to see her. Love, Zakiel Hernandez

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All cotton fields will be mapped, and treatment will begin during the cotton-growing season. For notification prior to any chemical treatment, call 1-800-687-1212 with the exact location of your field and appropriate telephone numbers. Field entry and treatment is expected to last until all cotton is harvested in the zone.

To mitigate risk, beekeepers should notify the Foundation of beehive locations near cotton fields. The Foundation will monitor treatments in these locations where bees are present to ensure the security of hives.

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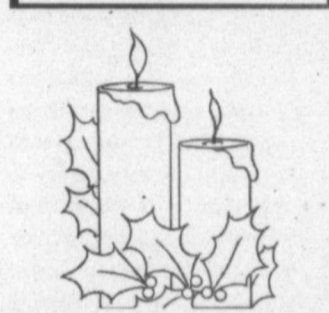
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- Reports to: Sheriff/Chief Deputy
- Directs: Lynn County Jail employees
- Other: Has daily contact with departmental employees, other law enforcement agencies, inmates, vendors, Judges, attorneys, other county offices, federal, state and local agencies, and the general public.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES: EXAMPLES OF WORK

- Ensure custody and control of inmate population
- Formulate and implement policies and procedures applicable to jail operations;
- Develop job descriptions that include clear parameters of responsibility and accountability;
- Manage, review, and address any matters involving employee performance including both disciplinary action and commendations;
- Advise, consult, and discuss with the Sheriff and Chief Deputy any matters relative to the Lynn County Jail;
- Participate as needed to develop agency-wide policies, programs, and procedures;
- Interact with other agencies, commissions, and offices as the representative for the Lynn County Jail;
- Prepare the budget for the Lynn County Jail, monitor expenditures related to the budget, and compile data and prepare reports as directed or needed;
- Maintain satisfactory compliance with the Texas Commission on Jail Standards in all areas of operations;
- Ensure compliance with all statutes, rules, regulations, and court orders relevant to the inmate population;
- Communicate, address, and respond to Federal, State, and Local agencies and commissions and to the public relative to Lynn County Jail operations, rules, regulations, and procedures;
- Address and resolve complaints that arise relevant to the Lynn County Jail;
- Prepares list and supervises inmate transfers to Texas Department of Criminal Justice - Corrections Division;
- Regular attendance required;
- Perform other duties as may be assigned by Sheriff or Chief Deputy;

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

- Knowledge of the Texas Commission on Jail Standards & Regulations;
- Communications skills, both oral and written with proper use of English and grammar;
- General office skills and computer skills;
- Ability to supervise and manage all subordinate personnel assigned to the Lynn County Jail in accordance with agency policies, rules, regulations, and applicable statutes;
- Ability to address and resolve complaints that arise relevant to the Lynn County Jail.

Certificates, Licenses, Experience and Training

- High school graduation or GED equivalent;
- Valid Texas Driver's License;
- Jailer Certification as issued by TCOLE is required.
- Prefer three years of experience in a Jail or Correctional Facility.

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VS OF
 MICHAEL SCHOPPA, KATIE SCHOPPA ROBERTS, JOSHUA SCHOPPA, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF LINDA E. SCHOPPA, DECEASED AND THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF HARVEY G. SCHOPPA, DECEASED Defendants

In re: Rt. 4, Box 287 FM 179 Tahoka, Texas 79373

TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF LINDA E. SCHOPPA, DECEASED, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF HARVEY G. SCHOPPA, DECEASED Defendants

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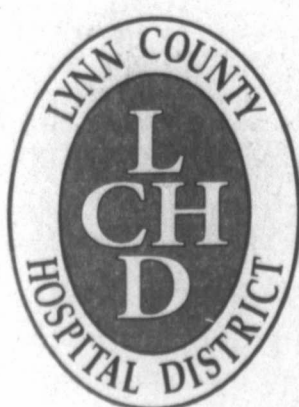
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Rotary delivers gift bags to local elderly ...

Tahoka Rotary Club has been out this week delivering gift bags to needy elderly citizens. Shown here packing the bags are (left to right) Retha Pittman, City Secretary, Edward Smith, PhD, President of Rotary, and Amy Preston, retired Marketing Director for Poka Lambro Communications. They will deliver 48 bags by the end of the week. In 2008 Preston and Pittman saw a need in the community to gift needed items to those who were elderly and in the most dire of circumstances. Tahoka Rotary Club donated funds and members personally donate as well. The items in the bags are basic necessity items and food items, along with a few unexpected treats. Tahoka Rotary Club strives to reach out to the community by providing three scholarships for deserving students, coats and shoes for underprivileged children as well as scholarship funds to send three local band students to band camp each year.



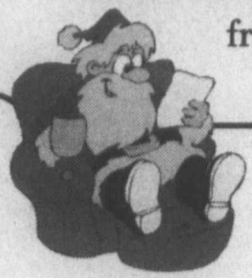
We wish you a healthy, blessed Christmas
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Letters to Santa from O'Donnell



O'Donnell Pre-K

Dear Santa,
Hi! I want a brand-new Frozen bike and an Elsa helmet for Christmas and makeup so that I can look like Elsa. My sister needs more lip gloss and a new phone. We were very good this year and I even cleaned up my toys at home. I will leave you cookies and milk, Santa. Love, Aria Fielder

Dear Santa,
How are you? I want a piano just like Aria's to play songs from Frozen. I also would like an LOL Surprise blanket for naptime at school. Will you please bring earrings for my mom? I want my brothers to have presents but they weren't very good this year. Thank you, Santa! Love, Kynzlee Elrod

Dear Santa,
Hi Santa! Are the reindeer ready to fly? I want a John Deere stripper, a module builder, and a boll buggy. I can't wait to strip my own cotton! I made a gingerbread house but my big dog ate it so I can't show you. Love, Payne Hawkins

Dear Santa,
I can't wait to see you, Santa! I want a barbie house for my 2 barbies, new pink boots. Mommy, Mia, and me are going to make you cookies. Can I also have a push up pop candy in my stocking? Ian wants a remote-control car and Mia wants some makeup. Thank you, Santa! Love, Sky Morado

Dear Santa,
I want a barbie house for Christmas, a toy unicorn, a toy car and a new teddy bear. I have been really good this year and Elijah has too. Will you bring him some presents, please? I will leave you lots of cookies! Thank you! Love, Ava Aguilar

Dear Santa,
This year for Christmas, I want my very own horse that runs fast. I also want a Mickey Mouse that I can sleep with at night and need more lip gloss. Please bring Abi lots of presents. She would like some new makeup so she can look fancy. Thank you, Santa. I will leave some carrots outside for the reindeer in case they get hungry. Love, Angel Bosman

Dear Santa,
Chloe and I have been super good this year. I promise. I want 2 Pikmi Pops please and a hatchimal and some mini brands. Please bring me a picture of my mom to put in my room. I will leave you gingerbread cookies, Oreos, and milk on Christmas Eve. Thank you! Love, Adrianna Barrera

Dear Santa,
I love the world that God made. I want you to know that. I want a big mermaid doll please that Johanna and I can play with together and a new big girl bible and a kitty please. Please bring Lydia baby toys because she is very little. Thank you, Santa! Merry Christmas! Love, Tabitha Wood

Dear Santa,
Santa, I have a good question for you. How do the reindeer fly? That doesn't make any sense! I would like a blue kitty purse. Elsa's Ice Palace and Elsa wig also. Mayson was good this year but she is kinda picky so I don't know what she would want for a present. My mom and me are going to make cupcakes for you. I will leave some carrots outside for the reindeer to eat. Thank you, Santa! Merry Christmas! Love, Olivia Enriquez

Dear Santa,
Can I have the LOL Surprise doll house and the moving truck? I think I have been good this year. Will you bring Sissy a present? Thank you, Santa! Love, Azelle Trevino



Send Santa a letter ... Tahoka Post Office set up a station at the Tahoka Polar Express event on Dec. 14, offering paper and pen to children wanting to write a letter to Santa. Santa's mailbox was right next to the post office at the winter wonderland "train depot" set up by the Tahoka City/County Library. The helpful elves pictured here are actual Tahoka Post Office employees Monica Watson (left) and Cindy McAllister (right), and seated in the middle is Cindy's granddaughter, Hadleigh Scott, handing Santa stationery to Mason Descamps for his letter. Postal employees told children that they would make sure Santa would respond personally to all letters put in the mailbox that night. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

Dear Santa,
I'm going to leave a note right next to the milk and cookies on Christmas Eve. I was really good this year and I'm going to keep being good. I want a kitchen to play in, a computer to do my work, and a real phone. Selah was good too. Please bring her a package of pencils. Thank you, Santa! Love, Addison Mendieta

Dear Santa,
I can't wait for you to come to my house! I would like a Barbie doll. I want her to have brown hair like me. I also want a Barbie house. I really, really want Paw Patrol toys. My brother wants a truck. Thank you, Santa! Love, Olivia McKee



Dear Santa,
I want a Frozen bike and Elsa dress for Christmas! Frozen stuff is my favorite. I also want a Barbie house and a new barbie with the same color hair as mine. My baby brother needs a present too. Thank you, Santa! Love, Haley Snider

Dear Santa,
How are you doing this year? Please come see us this year at school! We have been good boys and girls this year and have been learning so much in Kindergarten. We can already read books. Here is our list for this year. Please keep the reindeer warm and we will leave you some cookies on the table. Ian- marshmallow merch and marshmallow nerf gun Hailey- an American doll (the



horse one) and the alive baby doll Bryannah- a jump rope and the baby that cries by itself Shaira- a cry baby doll and a sled for the snow Hallie Sue- alive baby doll and a Juno interactive elephant baby Oliviah- a real kitty please and a baby doll that eats Alex- Woody and Buzz Lightyear Noriah- Elf on the shelf and a necklace for my sister
**We love you,
Mrs. Bolton's class**

Did you know? about CHRISTMAS



In Poland spiders are considered to be symbols of prosperity and goodness at Christmas. In fact, spiders and spider webs are often used as Christmas tree decorations. According to legend, a spider wove baby Jesus a blanket to keep him warm.



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Letters to Santa

from O'Donnell



Kindergarten

My brothers and I love you Santa! Mom and dad too! Please brings us presents. I would like a baby stroller and a real-life baby that you can feed, some make-up and a dress and some shoes. Thank you, Paizlee Arthur

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a bike and a computer with a mouse. Thank you for being my friend. Moses Trevino

Dear Santa,

Please be nice to my friends and bring them all the toys. I want a Barbie tent. I want a bicycle with a car to drive to the house. I am going to make a turkey for Santa Clause and the Elves. Thank you, Santa Clause, for all the kind stuff. Amalia Vera

Dear Santa,

I would like a yellow tractor with a human that comes with it. The girl will wash the tractor and the boy will get it going. I would like a little Christmas tree with seven plastic ornaments and a Barbie doll please. Thank you very much, Madelyn Pedroza

Dear Santa,

You're the Best! Can you please bring me a unicorn and a toy horse? Thank you for our wonderful school. It is so nice. Thank you for the decorations and the tree. Thank you for our toys. Skylyn Calderon

Santa, hi.

I want to get a remote control bumblebee. Can you help the world get toys? Because the world needs presents everywhere. Santa, can you delivery all the presents? Thank you, Santa. Jayden Castillo

Dear Santa,

I hope I am on the good list. I have been good and trying to be more patient. Please bring me a white soccer ball. Santa my mom is having a baby. I am excited. Please bring the baby a baby toy. I will leave you some cookies and milk on the coffee table. Ira Weatherman

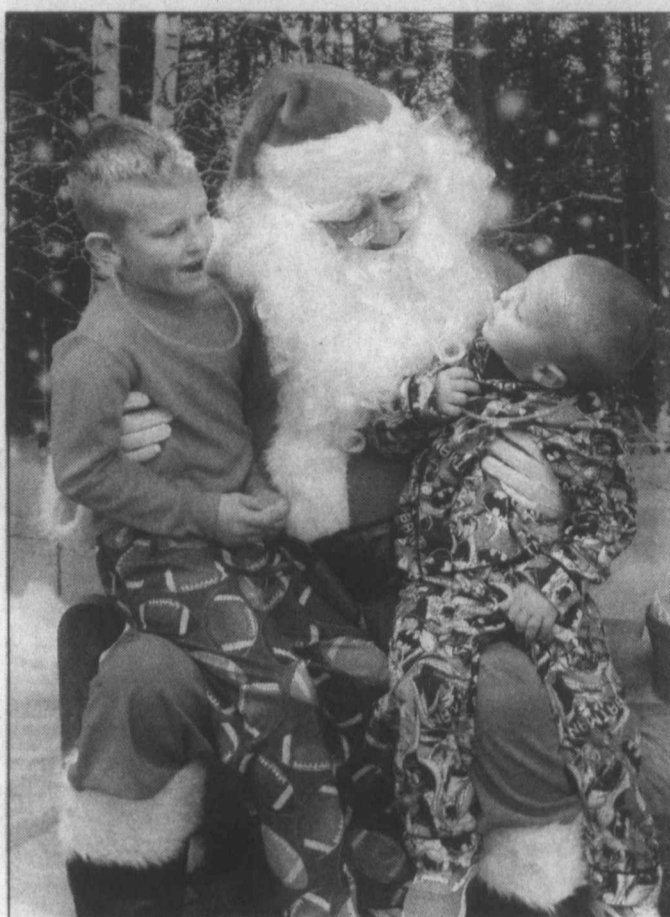


Silent Night, Holy Night

May the wondrous spirit of Christmas

fill your heart today and always.

From our family to yours, Happy Holidays.
John Witt Butane Gas Co., LLC



You talking to me? ... Santa divides his attention between the two boys seated on his lap at the Polar Express event held in Tahoka on Dec. 14. The boys are brothers, Brym (left) and Brayler, children of Jaymie and Na'lyn Swartz.

(LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

Dear Santa,

Santa I love you. Please bring me a go cart. I like your beard. I love you so much. Your friend, Lamar Reyna

Der Santa

I wud lik a modrbik and a lidr and a ifon uleven. Hav a saf trip. Sebastian Gonzales

Dear santa,

ples breing me a jrone and I lik a jet too. Frum Cash Whipple

Dear Sana Claus,

Make sure you were a jakit. It mabe cold. You are osum because you deliver toys. I want a Nntdo shich. Have a very mry chresms. Joseph calderon

Dear santa,

Have you fed your reindeers? For Christmas i wont a paw patrol toy ples. Do you eat coockys and drenk milk? I wil leev some for you. Jayden Hamm

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a Barbie, lol and a surprise. Love from Nayeli Castaneda

Dear santa claus,

I would like a ryan toy for crims. Alien ryan spaship and a hotwel for crims. I love you santa , Logan Acosta

Santa Ciaus.

Plees Santa, can you breen me a rascakar and a white ber Can you rile mak that much toys in one day? Noah Perez

Dear santa claus

How are the reindeer doing? Can I have a bunch of jojo siwa stuff What do you like to eat Santa? You are the nicest person ever. I want 10 lols. Jingle bells is sooo Intertaning! Thank you for letting me have Him. How is Misus Claus doing? How is evrybody doing? Love , Lawtyn Mires

Dear Santa Claus,

pleas bring me tv and a rask and pleas bring the krask. bring me a sarts and best friend kus santa and the fiv you are lin like you help me. Frum Paxton Barry

Dear santa claus

plees me a lol, a big Bag to caroy my lols and a teddy. Mis claus can make you sum cookies! Will you bring us an elf to liv with us oll dae Love from Braylyn Renteria

Der santa

I wud lik a modrbik ad a lidr and a ifonuleven From Sebastian Gonzales

Dear Santa Ciaus,

can i ptease bring me a lol and barbys and i hope you had a good trip.love from, victoria tamez

O'Donnell 2nd Grade

Dear Santa,

I ben good this weekend, How are you and the elfs and miss clause and the raindeers? I bin good will you give me a chansformors and phoneand ipad.Love, Donaven Florez -Love you Santa

Dear Santa,

How are you? This year for Christmas I would like dog and a coring book and a phone and a skate board. your friend, Victoria Baeza

Dear Santa,

I have been trying to be good, I help my mom with her chores. How are the Elves and Mrs. Claus? For Christmas I would like a big makeup pack 220 things in it, and a girls smartwatch, 1 American doll, that's all I want for Christmas. Sincerely, Susana Fehr

Dear Santa,

How are you doing this year for Christmas? I want a prilnut lizrd and a ant farm and the tuf pocemon. Iuv your frind. Kirk Baumgartner

Dear Santa,

How is Comit and the elves? May I have a Astrailin Shepard dog, A Rock em Shock em toy, Natindo switch. Plefase bring Madden his very own blowup ball pit. That's all for now. Let me think of more and I will send it to you. Merry Chistmas, Blaze Tomlinson

Dear Santa,

how are you?This year for christmas I miss behaved but I am trying not to.And what I want for Christmas is for you to tell Jesus to heal the kids whith canser and my sister. LOVE Arianna Reyes

Dear Santa

How are you? Can I please get 28 sharpie 100 sharpie 2 creative notebook Love London Graham

Dear Santa,

How are you? This Christmas I been good for this year. My wish list is a computer, camara, scrunchies, high heels.I wish you are here I love you and I would also like some air pods and a iphone pro. Be safe. Your friend, Soraya miranda

The tradition of hanging stockings

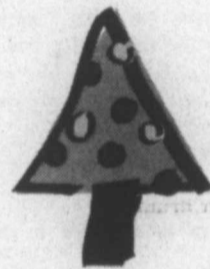
comes from a Dutch legend. A poor man had three daughters for whom he could not afford to provide a dowry. St. Nicholas dropped a bag of gold down his chimney and gold coins fell out and into the stockings drying by the fireplace. The daughters now had dowries and could be married, and the tradition of stockings for Christmas began.



ALL I NEED TO KNOW I LEARNED FROM

SANTA

1. Encourage people to believe in you.
2. Always remember who's naughty and who's nice.
3. Don't pout.
4. It's as much fun to give as it is to receive.
5. Some days it's ok to feel a little chubby.
6. Make your presents known.
7. Always ask for a little bit more than what you really want.
8. Bright red can make anyone look good.
9. Wear a wide belt and no-one will notice how many pounds you've gained.
10. If you only show up once a year, everyone will think you're very important.
11. Whenever you're at a loss for words, say "HO, HO, HO!"



Dear Santa,

I love my friend. I want an American doll for Christmas. How are you doing Santa and Mrs. Claus? I would like a pink barbie jeep. I will like what you give me for Christmas. Love, Kohen Cagle

Deer santu

How are your randeer blistin, cuped, danser? I hope you have a good weekin. I want a remocktro tow truck and a semi and I want a mocktro hlkoptr Please. Marry chistmas Brian Peters

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I would like to have a race car please Jordin Castillo

DEAR Sanat

I hope you been good. I been good a little. I hope you had a merry chritmas. For Christmas I would like to have Pom Poms, Cheerleader suit, and skates. I wish you wer hen. I hope you be save. I can wate to be chritmas. Merry Christmas, Alison tamez

Dear Santa

How are you this year for Christmas Pokemon and nrfgun nentedoswech Love, Rhyder Arthur

Did you know? about CHRISTMAS

Santa stretches time like a rubber band, in order to deliver all the gifts in one night. According to the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), there are 2,106 million children under age 18 in the world. If we assume that each household has in average 2.5 children, Santa would have to make 842 million stops on Christmas Eve, traveling 221 million miles. Given the different time zones, Santa has 36 hours to deliver gifts, therefore his average speed would be approximately 650 miles per second. It is less than the speed of light (therefore, it's, theoretically, doable but still quite hard for a chubby old man). Larry Silverberg, a professor of mechanical and aerospace engineering at North Carolina State University, suggests that Santa uses relativity clouds to get the work done. Relativity clouds, based on relative physics, allow Santa to stretch time like a rubber band which gives him months to deliver gifts, while only a few minutes pass for the rest of us.



The first artificial Christmas Tree wasn't a tree at all. It was created out of goose feathers that were dyed green. The first artificial Christmas trees were developed in Germany in the 19th century, due to a major continuous deforestation. The feather trees became increasingly popular during the early 20th century and finally made their way to the US.



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Letters to Santa from New Home



**Pre-K
Stacey Kaldenberg**

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I would like some red leggings that go under my shorts for when I play basketball. I also need a new basketball. I want a new shirt.
Love, Boston Brown

Dear Santa,
I would like a water gun for Christmas. I want the shirt with Mickey Mouse's face on it. I also want a toy farm set with a table and tractors in it. I have been a good kid this year.
Love, Bubba Decarsky

Dear Santa,
I want a remote control dinosaur. That's it! I am a good boy. I like my brother. He is a good boy too.
Love, Colton Derington

Dear Santa,
I would like an Iron Man toy and a Captain America toy and a Hulk toy. I have been a good boy this year. My brother is sometimes a good kid. He wants a Jurassic World robot dinosaur. I forgot I need a new slinky because mine broke. My sister wants a castle.
Love, Rhett Edwards

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy all year. I really want an RC Gyrosphere. I want to keep it, I don't want to sell it. I really want a pterano drone. I also need a giant T-Rex that eats stuff and then you can take the stuff out of his bottom. Thank you!
Love, Kolt Hatley

Dear Santa,
For Christmas, I want to get an airplane. That way I can play with it. I want some blue and orange presents. My house has blue string lights on it. I want to give you cookies when you come.
Love, Nolan Jackson

Dear Santa,
I was a good boy this year. I love you, Santa! I want a toy excavator. I want a new jacket. I want it to be fuzzy and black. Avery and Alexa have been good girls. I love you, Alexa and Avery!
Love, Anderson MacKenzie

Dear Santa,
I want to get a Monster Truck for real to drive. Big enough so I can fit into it. I want a toy boat to get in the bathtub with, so I can play with it. I have been a good boy. I love to play outside with my dog, Benji!
Love, Spade Messick

Dear Santa,
I want a robot puppy that you can feed with food. He likes to do flips. I have been really good this year. I love to play all day.
Love, Jayla Perez

Dear Santa,
I want money. I want \$25. I will buy toys with my money. I want a PJ Mask tower that has their faces on it and comes with figures. I want a Lightning McQueen that I can drive in. I have been a good boy this year. Kleat has been a good boy too. He wants a baby shark toy. He also needs some pants, because all of his has holes.
Love, Asher Webb

Dear Santa,
I want an Elsa castle and a unicorn. I want to toy horse that I can play with. I want a real fluffy white dog. I have been good all the time. I like to play with my Grandpa outside at her house. Kail likes the Star Wars games and Kinleigh likes a playhouse. I would like a cat. I would name her Gracie. I also want a new dress to wear in my room.
Love, Karli Womack

Dear Santa,
I have been way good this year. I want a skateboard. I want a Nerf gun. I like your sleigh. I see it on the ground at my house on the front porch. I like the elf we have in our classroom.
Love, Ryder Brumley

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie house. I want a doll from Santa. I have been good at school. I want a Barbie doll. I would like to get a princess castle because princesses love castles. Thank you, Santa!
Love, Sapphire Covarrubio

Dear Santa,
I want a baby doll and a Barbie Dream House. I want some markers for my house. I have been a good girl. I am going to make you cookies and hot chocolate.
Love, Breelyn Ferguson

Dear Santa,
I want a baby doll. I want a princess. I want some blocks. I have been a good girl this year.
Love, Yanet Porras

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie, a blanket, and a toy pen. I want a new bow. I have been a good girl at school. I drew you a picture.
Love, Sawyer Lincecum

Dear Santa,
I want a stuffed animal shark. I want a toy racecar. I want a rainbow toy fish. I want a rainbow giant boat. I have been a good boy in the classroom. Thank you, Santa!
Love, Nikko Reyes



**Pre-K
Jill Bundy**

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year. I play with my sister always and I do what my mom and dad say always. Since I've been good, will you bring me some little books like the ones my sister has. They are in a package and I want them to be about unicorns and about Christmas. I would also like a book that is about a little girl and the big bad wolf and also the old lady that swallowed a pie. I don't know what the name of it is. I would like a whole set of baby dolls- like a family with a mom, dad, and a sweetie that is big. The last thing I want is an American Girl Doll. I will be leaving you chocolate chip cookies and milk as a snack for you. Oh yeah, one more thing...I also want a snuggly toy. Any snuggly toy you get me will be just fine.
Thank you!
Love, Kennedy Morris

Dear Santa,
I want you to know I'm going to stay good all year long. I made you some cookies for a snack. I made them after our Christmas pep rally. I will set them out for you with some milk. I would like a dress-up box with high heels in it. But I don't want them to be too high, just a little high. I also want a Barbie dream house real bad. Will you bring some LOL dolls and a house for them too?
Thank you.
Love, Kaytlen Stiggins

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I want

some race cars, and some monster trucks. I will leave you a snack on Christmas Eve. I will leave you some Lemon Oreos and water. Thank you Santa.
Love, Adriel Moreno

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I even shared my toys with Keaston and I shared my stuffed animals. I want an LOL camper that is blue and pink and a Barbie Dream House and a Piggy Bank. I will leave you some chocolate chip cookies and milk for a snack for you. I will leave some reindeer food out for your reindeer to eat. Oh yeah, I want a bowling set I can share with Keaston. Thank you Santa!
Love, CJ Kelcy

Dear Santa,
I have been good to mommy and daddy this year. Since I have been good, please bring me a phone. I want a phone that kids can play on that has game on it. I don't want to call people with it, only play games. I also would like the Dragon Snacks Game, a Mario video game, big giant Power Ranger that is red is also something I want. I also want a big giant Robot. I read a book about filling people's bucket. I will fill your bucket by feeding your reindeer and leaving you some cookies. I will leave you some chocolate chip cookies with really good sprinkles on them and water. I will leave your reindeer some food. Thank you.
Love, Gage Munton

Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a nerf gun? I already have one, but I want a blue and red one this time. I would also like to have a toy dinosaur, some gears, and some toy cars -like the ones I play with at school. I am going to leave you some cookies to eat when up come to my house. I will leave you all different kinds- like I always do. I will leave some carrots out for the reindeer too. Thank you Santa.
Love, Graham Smith



Christmas Song Trivia

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. Since I've been so good will you bring me presents? I would like an Ariel Doll and a pretend kitchen with pretend food, and a scooter with a picture of Santa on it, play-dough, I like every color and some new crayons. Can I also have some new earrings that don't pinch my ears? I will leave you some chocolate chip cookies and milk for a snack for you. I will leave your reindeer some Oreos and milk to eat. Thank you Santa.
Love, Mila Hinson

Dear Santa,
I would like for you to bring me an I-pad and a Lego set for Christmas. I would also like to have a remote control car, a dinosaur, a puzzle, and a kitchen. I will leave you some chocolate chip cookies and milk for a snack. I will leave your reindeer some marshmallows to eat. I have been real good. By the way, I love my elf-Popcorn. Thank you Santa.
Love, Crew Stephens

How many times does Santa check his list?
Twice!
The Grinch is as cuddly as a _____?
Cactus!
It would of been a laugh to see Mommy doing what last night?
Kissing Santa Claus!
One foggy Christmas Eve, Santa came to say what?
Rudolf With Your Nose So Bright, Won't You Guide My Sleigh Tonight?
Good tidings to you, and all of your what?
Kin!
Who was seated next to me a day or two ago, in the song Jingle Bells?
Miss Fanny Bright!
Why do I want my two front teeth for Christmas?
So I could wish you Merry Christmas!



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Wishing you the peace of the season ...

... and our appreciation for your friendship and goodwill during the past year.

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New Home Coop Gin
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Merry Christmas

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Letters to Santa from New Home



New Home Pre-K (continued)

Pre-K Jill Bundy

Dear Santa,
I would like a remote control Bee and a remote control reindeer that runs super fast. I would also like a remote control police car. I have been good lately. I cleaned up when my mom said "Clean the table". I am going to leave you some chocolate chip cookies and water. I will leave your reindeer some carrots. Thank you Santa.
Love, Wyatt Adams

Dear Santa,
I have been real good this year. I would like a big Barbie set with an elevator in it and a helicopter Barbie with 2 seats. I would also like some new Barbies and a new teddy bear that is pink and fluffy with a rainbow on his tummy. Also can I get new nail polish? I will leave you some M&M cookies and milk as a snack while you are at my house. Thank you.
Love, Kynnedi Ferguson

Dear Santa,
I love you Santa. Please bring me some Barbie Dolls and a toy dinosaur. I would also like a spaghetti game where you put spaghetti in it then I'm not sure what happens. I want another toy kitchen and some new cray-

ons to color with. I love to color. I will leave you a snack of some milk and cookies. I'll ask my mom to buy 2 carrots for your reindeer because we don't have any. I have been good this year. Thank you. Love, Jessa Perez

Dear Santa,
Please bring me one hundred thousand Pokemon cards. I only have 7 right now. I have been real good. I am nice to people and I help my dad fly his plane. I will leave you milk and Christmas cookies to eat. I will leave your reindeer some Christmas cookies too. I also want a monster truck that is red and black. Thank you.
Love, Kacen Reed

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a dirt bike. I would also like a remote control police car and some hot wheels. I would also like a real phone-just so I can play games and call Kynnedi on. Can I have my own coffee cup to put coffee in? I have been real good. I also smile at a lot of people to be nice to them. I will leave you some Christmas cookies and milk. I will leave your reindeer food for all your reindeer. Thank you.
Love, Brody Petro

Dear Santa,
I love my mom and dad and my stuffies. Can you bring me some Slime? I also want some toys, like a unicorn, dinosaur and doggie toys for my dogs. I want crayons to draw with and some paint too. Can I have some magnets to build with and stick together? I will leave you some

Christmas cookies and milk to snack on. Your reindeer can eat Cheez-its and animal crackers and water. I have been good. Thank you Santa.
Love, Murphy Jane Kruczek

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some hot wheels, Cheez-its; and I need one more stuffed animal. I want a bag with cars like we have at school and also a hot wheel garage if I get a lot of hot wheels. I'll leave you some milk and chocolate chip cookies. I will leave your reindeer carrots but we don't have them so we will have to have mommy go buy them. I am good. I share some of my stuff. Thank you Santa.
Love, Jace Perez

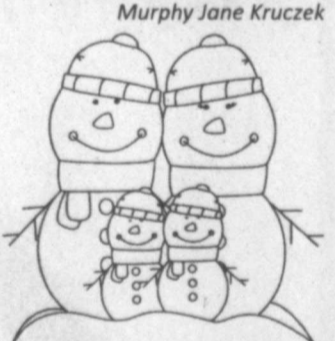
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a princess book and a toy kitchen that is pink and a Barbie Dream House that is purple since I already have a pink one. I want a car a big one to ride in with my 2 brothers with 3 seats. I will leave milk and 2 cookies for you to eat. I will leave your reindeer a snack too. I am good. I shared with my little brother. Thank you.
Love, Lucy Hoelscher

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Barbie make-up set and a butterfly purse and a car that is big that I can get into it. I also want a Barbie Dream House. We are going to make you cookies and give you some milk. We will leave water out for your reindeer. I have been good. I help my friends if they are crying or hurt. Thank you.
Love, Saegan Keys

Dear Santa,
Can I have a Barbie Camper I can ride in for real? I would also like an LOL Doll and a car I can ride in that has doors that open. I will leave you some milk though if you are thirsty. I have been good this year. I helped take care of my little sister. I love you Santa.
Love, Harper Redvelski

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a remote control car, a Paw Patrol pillow and some dinosaurs to play with too. Can you bring a remote control car for my brother? He has been good and so have I. Thank you. Love, Yoel Porras

"I love my mom and dad and my stuffies."
Murphy Jane Kruczek



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Kindergarten Kim Calaway

Dear Santa,
This year I want more jump ropes and a calendar. I want a unicorn table with 5 chairs on each side. I want a princess crown to play with my friends. Thank you for all of my toys. Madison Walker

Dear Santa,
I want a blue and black skateboard for Christmas. I want to ride on it and I can take it to Kimmy and Pops, and ride on it with Pop. I can work on my tally marks, too. I am going to leave you Santa cookies with icing that say "Cupid and Comet" on them.
Keaston Kelcy

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I give things to people that do not have anything. Am I on the good list? I hope I am. I want a race car that comes with a race car track. I want to put it on my ceiling in my room, they make those! I want a remote control monster truck. I have probably like 40 more things on my list, but I can't remember all the things I have. Thank you for my presents! Trenton Sibert

Dear Santa,
My mom will make chocolate cookies for you. I want a Nintendo Switch, too. I will ask my brother for some games to play on it. My favorite color is blue if you want to know. I like my teacher, too. I like BOTH of the teachers! I hope you have a great Christmas! River Mounce

Dear Santa,
At school I have been learning about getting good colors, and about not pushing anybody. I want Nerf swords, to play Nerf. I want Roblox stuff, too. I want to get 3 kinds of Nerf guns. I play these with my parents and my friends. I want a Lego, 2 kinds, a robot and a Star Wars one. Be safe building toys. Hayden Slade

Dear Santa,
I have been good because I clean up my bedroom. I want some Twisty Pets for Christmas. I want to play with them. I want an Iphone, purple or pink one. and my mom said I could have one. I want a unicorn that has glitter on it. I want to leave you some chocolate chip cookies. I will not buy them, I will make them.
Finley Brewer

Dear Santa,
I always act good, my sister does a little bit. I want some super-heroes for Christmas to play with. I want Jurassic World dinosaurs so me and my sister can play with them. I want Dominos like Mrs. Calaway has, and popsicle sticks like hers, too. I will leave you some chocolate chip cookies on the ta-

ble. I will leave the reindeer some of the cookies, too. Kyse Deberry

Dear Santa,
I want an "11" necklace because that is my football number. I want a dirt bike so I can ride around to my friend's house, he is only 2 blocks away from me. His name is Parker. I want LSU costumes, too. When we watch Alabama play LSU, I was the only one that wanted LSU to win! I will be asleep when you come to my house. Thank you for my "11" necklace! Easton Petro

Dear Santa,
I am smart because I do my letters. I also take care of my mom. I get her drinks in the morning. I want a Hover Board to ride to CJ and Keaston's house. I want a pet bunny. I will name him Dotty. That is all I want. My mom will leave you some stickers.
Scout Newsom

Dear Santa,
I have been helping my mom. I help her do laundry and load the laundry machine. I want a unicorn bike for Christmas. I want a stuffed animal unicorn with a zipper. I want to put my slime in it. I want toys with unicorns on them. I am going to leave you chocolate cookies with rainbow icing.
Brylenn Mortensen

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want the Lego Titanic. I want the Lego Super Star Destroyer. I don't know what else I want, just that. I will be sleeping when you come that night but I will leave you cookies and milk.
Bronson Meeks

Dear Santa,
I have been at school. I read and play at recess. I like to do centers. The green baskets are my favorite. I want a new Ninja costume for Christmas to wear it when the next Halloween comes up. I don't know what else I want, maybe a new phone when I grow up. I think I want some toys, like a truck. I want a snow globe with the snow in it, too.
Oakley Arellano

Dear Santa,
I like to play with Sam, my dog. I like to go inside and play with my dad, too. I am being nice to my mom. I want a Fortnite game for Christmas. I want a toy car to drive it around in my house. I will leave you some chocolate cookies.
Lane Holloway

Dear Santa,
I want a game for Christmas.

"I have been good this year. I give things to people that do not have anything. Am I on the good list? I hope I am."
Trenton Sibert

I want the Mario one. My dad will play it with me. I don't want anything else. I will leave chocolate chip cookies for you. Trey Halfmann

Dear Santa,
I like to race Derby cars. I like to race my brother, Tate. I am almost faster than him. I want an Ipad, Roblox, and a Hover Board for Christmas. I want a phone, too. I don't want anything else. Thank you for presents. Bye!
Beau Anderson

Dear Santa,
I want Hatchimals and LOL dolls for Christmas. I want a Barbie house that I can put my LOL dolls in. I want Barbie dolls too. I am going to leave you some hot chocolate and cookie cake. That is about all.
Adelynn McDonald

Dear Santa,
I like to help someone at school too. I like to play Star Wars at my house. I want a Dino Charger, and a TV for my room. I also want a new toy box for my stuff. How are you doing, Santa?
Tristan Cates

Dear Santa,
I like to have fun and I am good. I like to go to Disneyland, too. I want to see Santa so I can tell him I want a drum, a sword, and a motorcycle, a real one. I will see you inside the mall.
Grayson Bruton

Dear Santa,
I like to play with my brother. I say my manners and respecting my mom and dad. I want a race track and a race car. I want a new train track for my room, please. I am going to leave you cookies and carrots for the reindeer. Brody McDonnell

Dear Santa,
I like to play with my Barbies. I want to make you some cookies. I want a slime set, new shoes and shoes for my Barbies. I want a room for my Barbies. That is all I want. Thank you for giving me all the stuff.
Serenity Nino

Dear Santa,
I like to play and make art. I like to put toys on a Christmas list, I did that last night. I want a Power Ranger Megazord. That is all I want. I will be at my house on Christmas night. Everett Sarten
Dear Santa,

I like to play with my baby brother, Benjamin. I like to play with my Ipad. I like to spend time with my great-great grandma, too. I want one of those little Barbie cake little things that you make. I actually want a pet hamster, too. I want a big Barbie dream house. I will leave you some cookies and milk. Madison Duenes

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May His Word inspire you at Christmas and in the days that come.
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Letters to Santa from New Home



New Home Kindergarten (continued)

Kindergarten Danielle Burrow

Dear Santa,
I love you. I cannot wait to wake up and see the presents on Christmas. Can I have a dirt bike and nerf gun and a basketball goal with a basketball, please? I love your elves Love, Mason

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I really want a phone because I lost my other phone. I want a purple mat and gymnastics bar to hang on. At Christmas your elves come and I want to see them. What kind of cookies do you like? Thank you. Love, Emma

Dear Santa,
Can I please have football stuff for Christmas? I want shoulder pads, gloves, and helmet. Please can I have it all in blue and white? I like that you make toys and you make people be happy! Love, Deivner

Dear Santa,
I like to go outside in the peace and quiet. Can I have please have a binder? I would like more butterflies to put in my butterfly net and can I have another robot snake? The first one was from my dad on my birthday. Thank you. Love, Reagan

Dear Santa,
I love you. I will give you cookies when we go to bed. Please can I have a remote control dirt bike and monster truck? I like to play with my mom, she always gives me a night story. Thank you. Love, Eli

Dear Santa,
I love my friends because I like to play ring around the rosies with them. Please, can I have a remote control car and a Train a Dragon 3? I like all the books you have. I can read now. Thank you. Love, Austin

Dear Santa,
I like to play with my tablet. My mom likes to help you get

presents for me. I want a Mario toy and I want to get a muffin baby toy. Your elves work hard and they make the presents so you can take them to people. Thank you. Love, Santiago

Dear Santa,
I want to be on the nice list. How are things at the North Pole? Please, can I have a car that I can drive in and a squish ball please? And a motorcycle that is blue? I will make cookie elves for you. Thank you. Love, Joe

Dear Santa,
How do your elves fly? I want to make cookies for you. What kind do you like? For Christmas, I want a fake motorcyclist and trampoline. You are cool. Thank you. Love, Corbin

Dear Santa,
Do your elves wear their hats on Christmas? How have you been? I am on the good list because I have been good. Can I please have a bo-peep doll? She is from Toy Story. Can I please have Minnie Mouse headphones? Thank you. Love, Reese

Dear Santa,
In my stocking, can I have cute headbands? This Christmas I want a giant candy cane, a Christmas sweater and a big cup that colors go down the cup. Can you put pink, purple, and blue glittery play dough in my stocking and a dream dress maker under my Christmas tree? Thank you, Love, Crosby

Dear Santa,
I live in the country now with my mom and my brothers. Thank you for bringing me presents last year. Can I please have baby dolls for Christmas? Can I have a Barbie and trampoline so I can play with my brothers on it? Can I please have a real kitty cat? I miss my old elf. Can he come back and visit me today? See you soon! Love, Kencie

Dear Santa,
The tooth fairy came for my tooth. My brother is sick so I have to go to school by myself. Can you please give me a baby

doll and a Barbie? I want a toy dog, too. I like your reindeers! Love, Diana

Dear Santa,
How is the North Pole going? I'm your best friend. Please, can I have a spider man remote control car and spider man zip line? I would like a toy Grinch and a Santa Claus hat, because I don't have one. See you soon. Love, Jett

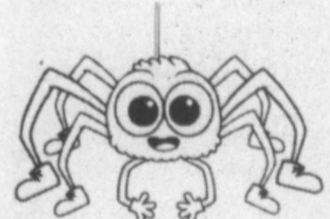


Dear Santa,
Am I on the naughty list? Thank you for giving people toys and making them happy! Can I please have tights so when it's cold I can wear them? I want mommy to be happy at Christmas. Can I have Optimus Prime transformer and Pokémon cards? Thank you! Love, Denver

Dear Santa,
For Christmas, I have been thinking about a makeup station for a long long time. My mom and I have been discussing it, it's gonna have a door on it and I can do makeup on my mom's friends. I want a toy ballerina and lots of candy in my stocking. Can't wait until Christmas! Love, Paycen

Dear Santa,
How are your elves going at the North Pole? Can you please get me Mila the magical Unicorn and a glow up purple 2 wheeled scooter, and a Luvabella and an American Doll that looks like me? I haven't got in trouble in a long time. See you soon! Love, Hattie

Dear Santa,
I probably am on the good list. Please, can I have a Max a super-fast RC car? Can I have a pet tarantula? I will take care of him. Please can I have a Summit? How did you get in the chimney? Thank you! Love, Campbell



Dear Santa,
Please tell my mom I can't stop growing. I want an XBOX when I grow up and its Christmas. I like playing Mouse Trap with my sister. Will you please give me a bunch of nerf guns and some dinosaurs in my stocking? Santa, could you make my mom not do as much stuff? I want my sister to stop drawing with sharpie on the kitchen chairs. See you soon! Love, Jaden

Dear Santa,
We will make you some cookies and milk. Can you bring me some Pokémon cards please and the big hot wheel track. I have been a good boy. Please get me lots of EX's and GX's. Love, Oliver Cimino

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year, For Christmas, I want Mia the Magic Unicorn and a Luvabella, and a bouncer for my Luvabella doll, please? My elf is named Bert. HO! HO! HO! See you soon! Love, Hollis

Letters to Santa from Wilson

Wilson Pre-K Charla Horton

Dear Santa,
I love you. For Christmas I would like a Paw Patrol tower and some Paw Patrol toys. Thank you. Your Friend, Cree Braddock

Dear Santa,
I like you. I like Paw Patrol. May I have a Paw Patrol tower and Paw Patrol figures? Thank you very much. Your Friend, Brandon Riojas

Dear Santa,
Do you want to give me presents? I want a race car and a police car and two bad guys. I want a slow car that goes slow and has a red light and stops. Thank you a lot. Love, Leroy Luna

Dear Santa,
I want a kitchen and I want cards. I also want a diary so I can make lists. Thank you very much. Your Friend, Quetzaly Gonzalez

Dear Santa,
I like Christmas trees. I like you, Santa. Your Friend, Brendon Riojas

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie van and a big poopsie and also a new blanket with Elsa and Anna on it. Thank you, Santa. My mom wants makeup for Christmas. Love, Maylea Keen

Dear Santa,
I love you. I have been good this year. I would like a Vampirina toy, American Doll, Peppa Pig toy, a stuffed animal, and a troll toy. Thank you. Love, Julia Vasquez

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good girl this year and learning lots of new things! I'm so happy to have my Mommy and Daddy and my teacher Ms. Horton. I would like anything My Little Pony! Love, Violet Delgado



Christmas For Kids ... The Wilson First Baptist Church Vacation Bible School students collected money in the summer for the Lynn County Christmas for Kids Program. Tami Bolyard presented the check to Sheri Stone in early December, to help with purchasing gifts for the children in the program.

Did you know? about CHRISTMAS

The "X" in "Xmas" doesn't take "Christ" out of "Christmas." Xmas is a common abbreviation of the word Christmas, however, some

people think that this spelling is not right, because it takes the "Christ" out of Christmas. Don't worry, no one is taking the "Christ" anywhere. In the Greek alphabet, the letter X ("chi") is the first letter of the Greek word for Christ or Christos.

Merry Christmas!

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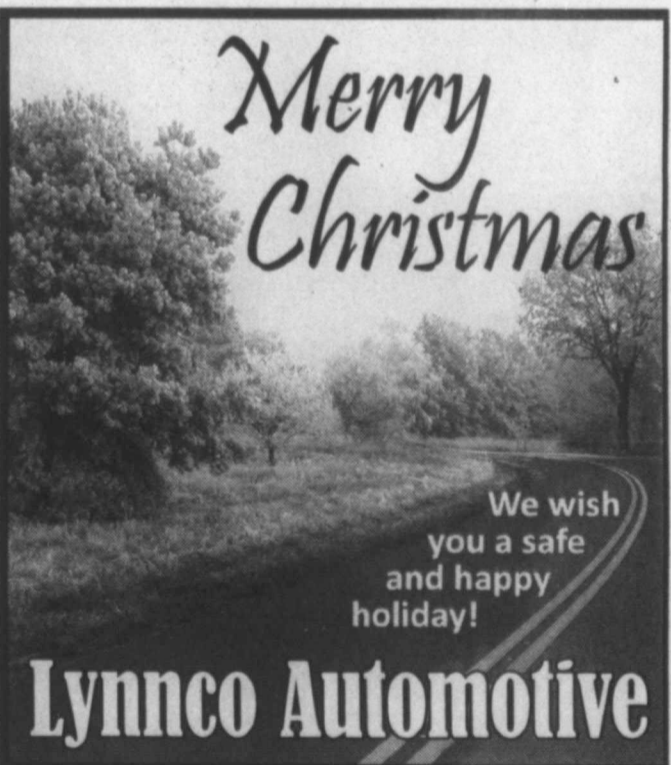
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A CHRISTMAS STORY MOVIE TRIVIA

1. Which department store has the item in its window that Ralphie wants?
2. Which Christmas gift does Ralphie want so badly?
3. What TV station runs A Christmas Story for 48 hours straight from Christmas Eve to Christmas day?
4. In what state does A Christmas Story take place?

(Answers on page 6B)



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His Miraculous Birth we
join you in giving thanks.**



HOLIDAY GREETINGS FROM ...

Dr. Donald Freitag
Melissa & Denise

Letters to Santa from New Home



1st Grade Vicki Smithson

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolf? Christmas rocks. I would like to give joy to someone. Please bring Twix shoes. I have been very good. Love, Logan

Dear Santa,
Is there blizzards at the North Pole? Santa, Rocks. I would like to give food to someone that needs it. Please bring me a Nintendo Switch. I have been very good. Love, Graydon

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? Christmas rocks! I would like to give a car to someone that needs it. Please bring me a Nintendo switch. I have been a very good boy. Love, Gustavo

Dear Santa,
Are the elves working hard? I love everything about Christmas. I would like to give money to sumwan that needs it. Please bring me legos. I haf bin good. Love, Carter

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? Santa roks. I like to give food to people that need it. I want a Nintendo. I am good. Love, Fernan-do

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolf? Is the sleigh working? Thank you for bringing me toys. I would like to give you my money. Please bring me a potion game. I have been good. Love, Liam

Dear Santa,
How is Mrs. Claus? Your're the best Santa ever. I would like to give love to someone that needs it. Please bring me a Smart Sketcher. I have been a good girl. Love, Savannah

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolf? Thank you for bringing me toys! I would like to give joy to someone who needs it. Please bring me a grilvisla! I have got one blue. Love, Cale

Dear Santa,
Is there a blizzard at the North Pole? I like Jesus birthday. I would like to give a car. I would like to give joy to someone. Please bring me a Nintendo Switch. I have been very good. Love, Sutton

Dear Santa,
How is the North Pole? I like Christmas. I would like to give you a new hat. Please bring me an American Girl doll. I have been very good. Love, Finny

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I love Jesus and Santa. I would like to give joy to someone that needs it. Please bring me a blue Nintendo. I have tried to be good. Love, Hayden

Dear Santa,
Where do the elves hide. Presents rock. I would like to give a car to a por prsin. Please bring me a dirt bike. I have bine very good. Love, Harrison

Dear Santa,
How is Mrs. Claus? My favorite thing about Christmas is all about joy. I would like to give love to someone that needs it. Please bring me books. I have been very good. Love, Harper

Dear Santa,
Where to the elves hide? You're the best Santa. I would like to give love to someone that needs it. Please bring me a telescope. I have been very good. Love, Olivia

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolf? Santa I love you. I would like to give joy to someone that needs it. Plz bring me a x-box 97, I have been very good. Love, Tucker

Dear Santa,
Is there a blizzard at the North Pole? I like Jesus. Santa I would like to give a car to someone that needs it. Please bring me a gas gocart that gos 40 mirs pri . I have been very good. Love, Anson

Dear Santa,
Is the sleigh working? I love Christmas because Jususs birthday. I would like to give kindness to someone who needs it. Please bring me a X box 4. I have been good. Love, Easton

Dear Santa,
Is there a storm in the North Pole? Thank you for the prezints. I would like to give toys to someone that needs it. Please bring me a cats. I have bin good. Love, Kinzi

Dear Santa,
How is Mrs. Claus? I wish I could meet you. I would like to give money to someone that needs it. Please bring me Wrestling figures. I have been good. Love, Orion



My favorite thing about Christmas is all about joy.

Love, Harper

1st grade Mrs. Lorton

Dear Santa,
How do the elves make toys? I would like to give money to people who need it. I have been rele good. Please bring me a plastasin five. Love, Kason

Dear Santa,
How do you get to all those houses so fast? Christmas rocks! I would like to give food to someone who needs it. I want Jesus to have a happy birthday! I've been good. Love, Maddox

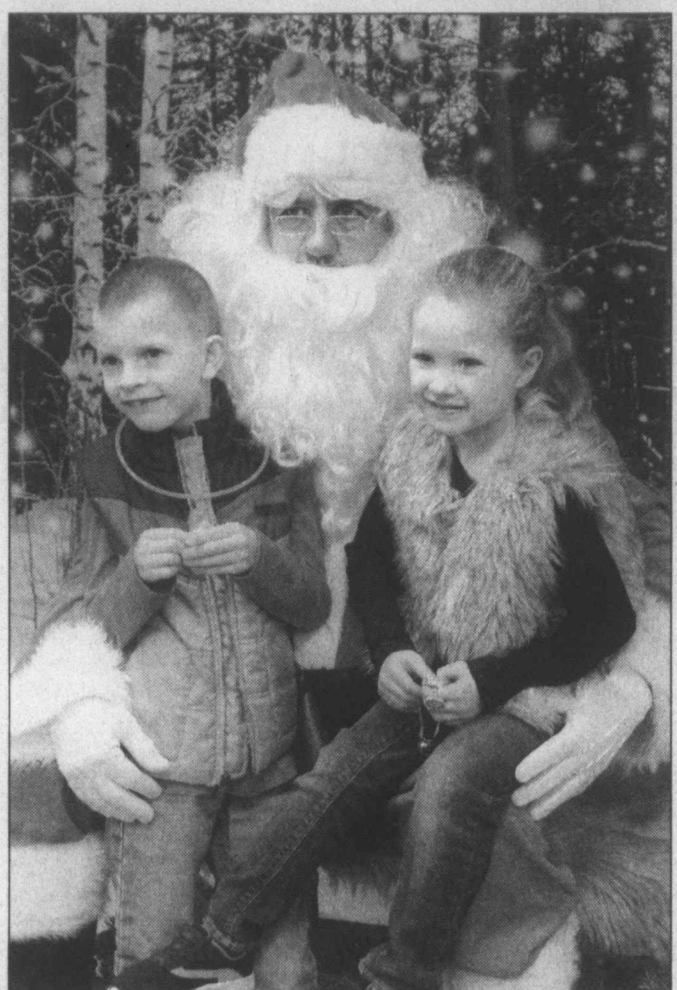
Dear Santa,
What is your favorite cookie? I would like to give them money. Please bring me a real puppy that is a yourkey. I have been good. Love, Taylor

Dear Santa,
How are your elf's. Santa I love you. I would like to give joy money and toys to someone. Pleas bring me modale and cotton truck and modale bilder. I have been good. Love, Edgar

Dear Santa,
What is your favorite toy to make. Santa you're the best. I would like to give money to someone who needs it. Please bring me a Nintendo switch. I have been good. Love, J.D.

Christmas Trivia ...

Charles Dickens' initial choice for Scrooge's statement "Bah Humbug" was "Bah Christmas."



We like Santa! ... Owen Hardt and Jordan Flud visit with Santa at the Polar Express event held in Tahoka on Dec. 14. Santa saw children at the "train depot," a winter wonderland provided by the City/County Library.

(LCN PHOTO by Juanel Jones)

Dear Santa,
What is your favorite cookie? My elf is good. I would like to give joy to someone who needs it. Plese bring me a bunny My elf is watching. Love, Brantley

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? My elf is my friend. I want to give joy. Please bring me a horse I have been goode. Love, Adalynn

Dear Santa,
Santa I love you. I would like to give joy to someone who needs it. Pelase bring me Ane and El-sae dose. I have been good. Love, Hadleigh

Dear Santa,
What is your fawrid cookie? Christmas rocks. I would like to give joy to someone who needs it. Please bring me a X box. I had been good. Love, Paul

Dear Santa,
How is Ruddph. Santa I love you. I would like to give joy to someone who needs it. Please bring me a phone. I have been good. Love, Mateo

Dear Santa,
What cinde of milk do you like? Santa is the best in the hole wide world. I would like to give Barbise to someone who needs it. Please bring me a picture of me. I have been good. Love, Lottie

Dear Santa,
Will anybody get coal this year? My elf is my best friend. I would like to give food clothes and money to someone who needs it. Pleas bring me a marvel end game lego set. I've been good. Love, Brock

Dear Santa,
What is your fawrite cookie? Santa I love you. I would like to give joy to someone who needs it. Please bring me a pup-py. I have been good. Love, Adrienne

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph? Santa I love you. I would like to give ffood



to someone who needs it. Please bring me pokemon achin figyrs. I have been good. Love, Lincoln

Dear Santa,
What is your fawrite cookie? I would like to give a bed to someone who needs it. Please bring me Nintendo switch. I have been good. Love, Clay

Dear Santa,
How is ruddph? Christmas rocks! I would like to give food to someone who needs it. Please bring me a panda stuff animal. Love, Kase

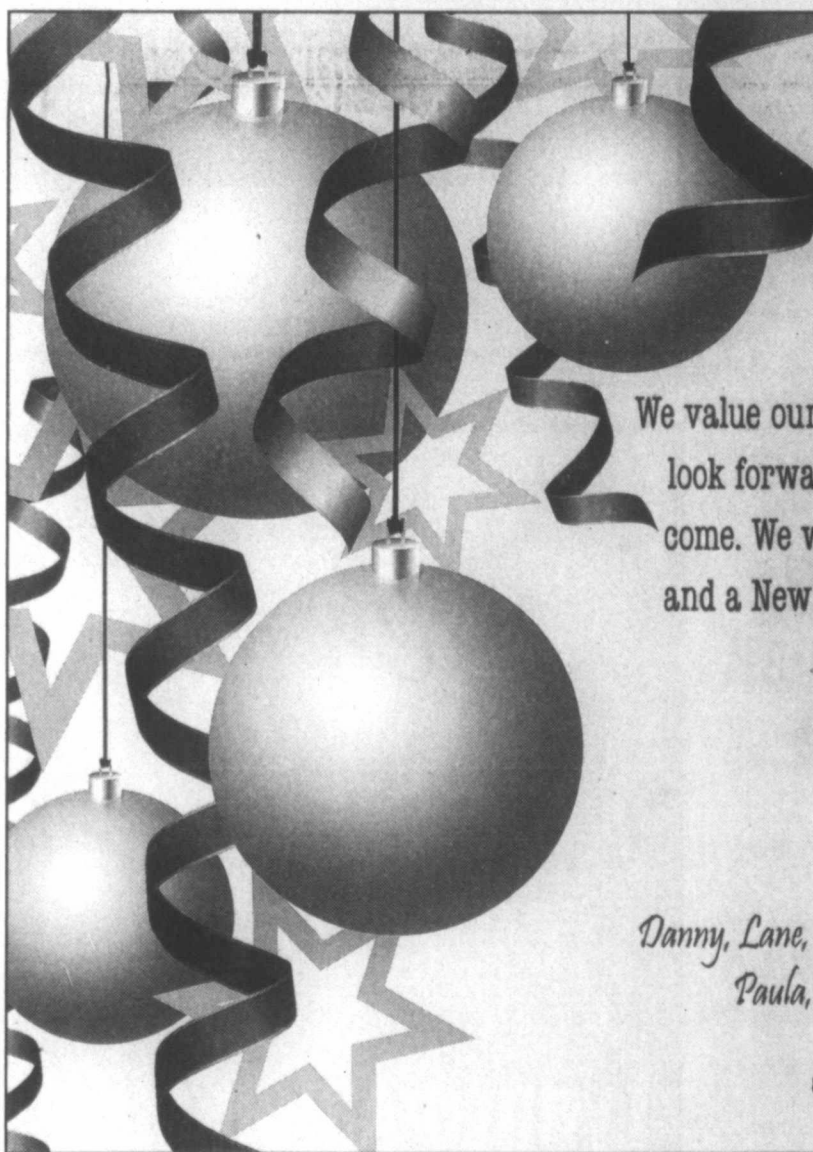
Dear Santa,
What is your fawrite cookie? Snata you can swagger. I would lik to give money for people who need it. Please bring me a goldin doudl whit blak and wite. Love, Harper

Dear Santa,
How are the elves. I love sania and presents. I would like to give a play house to someone that needs it. Please bring me a bicke. Love, Lucille

Christmas Story Trivia

1. The gift Ralphie wants is in Higbee's.
2. Ralphie wants a Daisy "Red Ryder," a carbine-action, 200-shot, range-model air rifle.
3. TNT.
4. Indiana.

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Letters to Santa from New Home



"If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner ..."

2nd Grade Mrs. LeClair

Dear Santa,
I would invite my friend, Cohen, because he is nice and is my best friend. For Christmas, I would like to receive boxing gloves and a punching bag.
Love, Kameron Edwards

Dear Santa,
I would invite my whole family, because I don't see them that much. For Christmas, I'd like to receive a razor.
Love, Zoe Garcia

Dear Santa,
I would invite the Grinch. So he can get revenge for people that have presents. For Christmas, I would like to receive a dirt bike.
Love, Cooper Holder

Dear Santa,
I would invite the Grinch so Santa could talk to the Grinch. For Christmas, I would like to receive an iPhone 10. Love, Price Garrett

Dear Santa,
I would invite Santa, because when he walks in the door he will say, "Ho! Ho! Ho! Merry Christmas!" For Christmas, I would like to receive an electric scooter, please.
Love, Summit Newson

Dear Santa,
I would invite my favorite friend, Price, he is fun! For Christmas, I would like to receive fully automatic air soft pistol and a football. Love, Parker McLaurin

Dear Santa,
I would invite my mom and dad, Summit, Preslee, Kambry, and Brynn. For Christmas, I would like to receive a great big marker board. Love, Gracie Jones

"I can help make Christmas special by ..."

Dear Santa,
I would raise money for the homeless shelter and give homeless people food, blankets, and pillows. For Christmas, I would like to receive a skateboard, please. Love, Kambry Streety

"If I had \$100 I would ..."

Dear Santa,
I would give my cousin a toy. For Christmas, I want to receive Legos. Love, Waylon Epley

Dear Santa,
I would give my dad a new pair of slippers, my mom a new ring, and my brother a new race track. For Christmas, I would like to receive a new game. Love, Braylee Cuellar

Dear Santa,
I would get my mom a new t.v. For Christmas, I would like to receive a new toy. Love, Kyson Brookshire

Dear Santa,
I could get them a puppy, because I would like to get them one. For Christmas, I would like to receive a phone. Love, Harper Jo Johnson

Dear Santa,
I would get them a tree, a lot of ornaments, and a star for the Christmas tree. For Christmas, I would like to receive a Nintendo switch. Love, Wyatt Stiggins

Dear Santa,
I would get them a new car. For Christmas, I would like some metal straws that are rainbow. Love, Brynn Thompson

Dear Santa,
I would spend it on lunchables, macaroni, and pillows. For Christmas, I would like to receive a hoverboard. Love, Preslee Brown

Dear Santa,
I would get my family a plane ticket to go on a family

trip. For Christmas, I would like to receive new headphones.
Love, Marlee Walker

Dear Santa,
I would get them a pickup. For Christmas, I would like to receive a hoverboard.
Love, Kinleigh Womack

Dear Santa,
I would buy my sisters a lot of toys so that they could play with the toys. I would get my mom and dad a puppy, and I would name it Pinkie. I think my family would love their gifts. For Christmas, I would like to receive a kitty. Love, Stella Capps

Dear Santa,
I would buy a trip together! For Christmas, I would like to receive a Nintendo Switch and a phone. Love, Cohen Thero

Dear Santa,
I would get my family a puppy for Christmas. I would get the puppy a collar and a little bed to sleep on. For Christmas, I would like to receive a Lego set. Love, William Blake Reed

"I can help make Christmas special by ..."

2nd Grade Mrs. Brookshire

Dear Santa,
I would give the homeless people food and a present. I can give them blankets and pillows so they can stay warm, and also give them my money. I would like to receive a microphone stand.
Love, Syler Keyes

Dear Santa,
I could give presents to people that never get presents. For Christmas, I would like to receive an iPhone II.
Love, Kaizlyn Ferguson

Dear Santa,
I would give them more presents. For Christmas, I would like to receive horse riding stuff.
Love, Payton Halfmann

Dear Santa,
I would give them a present and be very nice to them. I would like to receive an Owleez and a bunny. Love, Stella Bearden

Dear Santa,
On Christmas Day, I can do the prayer to help make it special for my family. For Christmas, I would like to receive a big remote control truck. Love, Linken Schilling

"If I had \$100 I would ..."

Dear Santa,
I would get my parents new ornaments, chocolate, new

lights, a lamp, a Bible, new tires, new clothes, some turkey, Christmas dinner, and a new bed. For Christmas, I would like to receive a Lego Star Wars AT-ST.
Love, Brogan Meeks

Dear Santa,
I would buy a new care for my parents. They would love it! I bet they would ride in it every day. We would ride in it to school. For Christmas, I would like to receive LOL dolls.
Love, Lillian Flores

Dear Santa,
I would buy presents for my family. I would get them all Christmas trees for Christmas. For Christmas, I would like to receive a desk, a laptop, and a chair to sit in at my desk. Love, Cooper Derington

Dear Santa,
I would give my family lights, decorations, trees, stockings, and a present for Christmas. For Christmas, I would like to receive Hot Wheels. Love, Boston Beckham

Dear Santa,
I would get give my mom and dad money and buy my brother a new toy, because it is nice. For Christmas, I would like to receive a Barbie Dream House. Love, Keely McDonnell

Dear Santa,
I would buy my dad a watch. My brother, George, will get a phone. I will get my mom a necklace. Cody and Chris are getting to visit home. For Christmas, I would like to receive a phone.
Love, Frank Dozier

"If I could invite anyone to Christmas dinner ..."

Dear Santa,
I'd invite Grayson and my cousin, Michael for Christmas dinner because we could play as much as we want. For Christmas, I would like to receive a telescope. Love, Luke Quillin

Dear Santa,
For Christmas, I want my friends and family to come and have Christmas dinner at my house. My friend's name is Graham and he has a little sister. His little sister and my little brother are in love so that's why I want his family to eat Christmas dinner with us. For Christmas, I would like to receive remote control airplane. Love, Grayson Jackson

Dear Santa,
I would invite my family. I would invite my sister, Finley, my cousins, Nixon, Maddox, Kaden, Cooper, and friends. We will play board games, watch t.v., and track Santa. We would eat turkey, then have a hay ride where we will drink hot chocolate. At last we will open presents. For Christmas, I would like to receive an iPhone X.
Love, Jett Brewer

Dear Santa,
My family that I would invite are my cousin, my Tio, Lee, my Tia, Amanda, sissy, Papo, Grandma, Emma, mom, and

Did you know? CHRISTMAS

PASS THE FRIED CHICKEN, PLEASE!

Japanese people traditionally eat at KFC for Christmas dinner. Although the percentage of christian people in Japan is close to zero, every Christmas, kids and grown-ups head to the closest KFC to enjoy some fried chicken – the closest food to turkey that you can get in Japan. It's all thanks to a successful "Kentucky for Christmas!" marketing campaign in 1947. First aimed at foreigners, KFC offered a "Christmas dinner" that contained chicken and wine – a meal that remotely resembled the food expats and tourists had at home. After a huge success, Kentucky Fried Chicken started promoting this offer every year, until the fast food chain became strongly associated with the holiday season. KFC is so popular that customers must place their Christmas orders 2 months in advance!

dad because they are nice and funny. For Christmas, I would like to receive a metal detector, please. Thank you.
Love, Elias Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
I would invite Santa, because he is always there for me. He is my Bestie! I am writing a book for you, Santa. The title is: To: Santa the Zombie!! I hope you like it! For Christmas, I would like the Dogman Series.
Love, Madison Brown

Dear Santa,
I would invite my mom, dad, aunt, G-Paw, Nina, Papa, and Big-L. I want them to come over to eat Christmas Dinner. For Christmas, I would like to receive a stuffed Fox animal. Love, Graham Linceum

Dear Santa,
I would invite my best friend Elias. I picked Elias because we

get along good. We would eat a big feast of our favorite things, turkey, beans, green beans, corn, chips, and cake for dessert. After dinner, we would play tag outside. For Christmas, I would like to receive a toy gun.
Love, Jace Lane

Dear Santa,
I would invite Finny because she is nice and thoughtful! She is my closest friend. For Christmas, I would like to receive an American Girl Doll car.
Love, Halle Simpson



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about
CHRISTMAS



The three traditional colors of most Christmas decorations are red, green and gold. Red symbolizes the blood of Christ, green symbolizes life and rebirth, and gold represents light, royalty and wealth.



Did you know that Christmas trees are grown in all 50 states including Hawaii and Alaska? Approximately 35 million Christmas trees are produced during the Christmas season to keep pace with the demand.

Alabama became the first US state to declare Christmas as a legal holiday in 1836 and the last was Oklahoma, in 1907.

Let's go to Christmas Island!

In the world, there are two islands that are named 'Christmas' - one is in the Pacific Ocean and the other in the Indian Ocean.

Jingle Bells outta this world!

'Jingle Bells' was the first song sung in space, by astronauts Tom Stafford and Wally Schirra, on December 16, 1965.

**Buying a new vehicle?
Remember to request Lynn County
to receive sales tax from dealer**

by JUANELL JONES

Lynn County residents who purchase a new vehicle should request that the dealer send the sales tax to Lynn County, so that those fees benefit this county.



Lynn County has no new car dealers, so residents must shop out of the county when purchasing their new vehicles. According to Donna Willis, Lynn County Tax Assessor/Collector, whose office handles vehicle registration and sales tax collections, Lynn County is missing out on funds when county residents purchase new vehicles but fail to request the sales tax be sent to Lynn County. And in some cases, even after the buyer has requested the sales tax be sent to Lynn County, the dealer fails to comply and instead sends the sales tax to the county in which the dealer is located.

"Since Lynn County has no car dealers here, it is very important for residents to tell the dealer to file their title transaction in Lynn County, and when signing paperwork to fill out the blank space with 'Lynn County' in the County of Title Issuance form," said Willis.

On this form, buyers have the option to choose where their transaction is filed by selecting one of three options: (1) Your county of residence; (2) County where the motor vehicle is purchased; or (3) County where the motor vehicle is encumbered by the lienholder. The county entered in the form will receive sales tax, title fees, and other applicable state and local fees collected at the time of title application. The tax assessor-collector is authorized to retain a portion of the revenue for the county.

Willis suggests that residents who may be considering purchasing a new vehicle to come by her office at 1521 Ave. J in Tahoka to pick up the County of Title Issuance form, with the name of Lynn County already filled in on

the form. They can submit this form to the car dealer when they purchase a new vehicle.

"It is so very important that buyers remember to have the sales tax sent to Lynn County, as those funds rightly benefit our county," said Willis.

She noted that if a buyer discovers that their car dealer

did not send the sales tax to Lynn County even after the buyer requested it, to come by her office and pick up a complaint form that the buyer can complete and send to an enforcement division in Austin.

For more information, contact Donna Willis at the Lynn County Tax Assessor's office, 806-561-4112, at 1521 Ave. J in Tahoka.

Did you know? about **CHRISTMAS**

Christmas Song Trivia

- Why do I want my two front teeth for Christmas?
- So I could wish you Merry Christmas!
- What did Frosty The Snowman do when they placed the magic hat on his head?
- He began to dance around!
- What does Alvin want for Christmas in The Chipmunk Song?
- A Hula Hoop!
- On the eleventh day of Christmas, what did my true love send to me?
- Eleven Pipers Piping!
- I'm dreaming of a White Christmas with what?
- Every Christmas card I write!
- What do Janice and Jen want for Christmas in the song It's Beginning To Look A Lot Like Christmas?
- Dolls that will talk and will go for a walk!

Christmas TV and Movie Trivia

- In The Polar Express movie, what is "The First Gift of Christmas?"
- A bell from Santa's sleigh!
- In The Polar Express movie, what word does the conductor punch

into the ticket of "the young man with all the questions"?

- BELIEVE
- In The Polar Express movie, what sort of "liquid refreshment" is dispensed to the children during their trip?
- Hot Chocolate!
- What is the name of the rabbit in the magic hat in Frosty the Snowman?
- Hocus Pocus!
- What was the little girl in Frosty the Snowman's name?
- Karen!
- In Frosty the Snowman, what was the name of the magician with the "Magic Hat"?
- Professor Hinkle!
- How much did Lucy charge for a psychiatric session in the classic Christmas TV special A Charlie Brown Christmas?
- Five cents please!
- What was "the most likely" reason that The Grinch hated Christmas?
- His heart was two sizes too small!
- Who narrated the original 1966 TV show How The Grinch Stole Christmas?
- Boris Karloff!
- What was Dr. Seuss' real name?
- Theodor Geissel!
- In the Christmas Classic, It's A Wonderful Life, what happened every time a bell rang?
- An Angel Got His Wings!

Name That Christmas Movie!

- "Bless this highly nutritious microwavable macaroni and cheese dinner and the people who sold it on sale. Amen."
- Home Alone
- "We're your worst nightmare... Elves with attitude."
- The Santa Clause
- "Fog as thick as peanut butter"
- Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer
- "Lovely, glorious, beautiful Christmas, upon which the entire kid year revolved."
- A Christmas Story
- "The thing about trains... it doesn't matter where they're going. What matters is deciding to get on."
- The Polar Express



You're funny, Santa! ... Little Emily Bateman laughs at Santa as she tells him what she wants for Christmas, at the Polar Express event held in Tahoka on Dec. 14.

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A Dog's Rules For Christmas

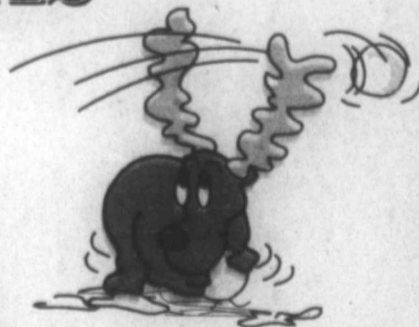
1. Be especially patient with your humans during this time. They may appear to be more stressed-out than usual and they will appreciate long comforting dog leans.
2. They may come home with large bags of things they call gifts. Do not assume that all the gifts are yours.
3. Be tolerant if your humans put decorations on you. They seem to get some special kind of pleasure out of seeing how you look with fake antlers.
4. They may bring a large tree into the house and set it up in a prominent place and cover it with lights and decorations. Bizarre as this may seem to you, it is an important ritual for your humans, so there are some things you need to know: - Don't pee on the tree - Don't drink water in the container that holds the tree - Mind your tail when you are near the tree - If there are packages under the tree, even ones that smell interesting or that have your name on them, don't rip them open - Don't chew on the cord that
5. Your humans may occasionally invite lots of strangers to come visit during this season. These parties can be lots of fun, but they also call for some discretion on your part: - Not all strangers appreciate kisses and leans - Don't eat off the buffet table - Beg for goodies subtly - Be pleasant, even if unknowing strangers sit on your sofa - Don't drink out of glasses that are left within your reach
6. Likewise, your humans may take you visiting. Here your manners will also be important: - Observe all the rules in #4 for trees that may be in other people's houses. (4a is particularly important) - Respect the territory of other animals that may live in the house - Tolerate children - Turn on your charm big time
7. A big man with a white beard and a very loud laugh may emerge from your fireplace in the middle of the night. DON'T BITE HIM!!

Have a "Ho Ho Ho" **HOLIDAY**



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