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CHRISTMAS EVE

Snyder Daily News

Ask Us

Q—What time will Santa Claus be arriving to deliver presents in Scurry County?

A—Weather permitting, Santa and his eight tiny reindeer should fly into the Snyder area 3:20 a.m. Christmas Day, said North Pole flight coordinator J.J. Elf.

In Brief

POW issue

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — North Korea has confirmed that hundreds of U.S. servicemen taken prisoner during the Korean War were taken to China and never returned, says a member of the Senate panel on POW-MIA affairs.

Their ultimate fate is unknown.

"The answers lie with China. We've got to press them for information," Sen. Bob Smith, R-N.H., said this week.

The Los Angeles Times reported in July that dozens of U.S. prisoners from the Korean War may have been subjected to medical experiments in China and some executed.

Local

Service

Hermleigh United Methodist Church is having a special Christmas Eve communion service beginning at 7 this evening.

The public is invited.

Cheerleaders

Snyder High School varsity cheerleaders, bound for national competition in Dallas on Dec. 28-29, will make a public performance at 1 p.m. Saturday in the high school gym.

Rotary Club

Snyder Rotary Club will not meet today due to the Christmas holidays. The club will meet on New Year's Eve.

Weather

Snyder Area Forecast: Christmas weekend forecast: no precipitation expected. Lows in the 30s. Highs in the 50s.

Almanac: Sunset today, 5:40. Sunrise Friday, 7:41. Sunset Friday, 5:47. Sunrise Saturday, 7:41. Of 358 days in 1992, the sun has shone 334 days in Snyder.

LIGHTS GALORE — Lynn Smith has a special forest scene, complete with reindeer, as part of the Christmas decorations at his residence at the intersection of West 37th Street and Farm Road 1611. (SDN Staff Photo)

For city...

Tax rebates jump 69%

Sales tax rebates for the City of Snyder jumped almost 70 percent this month, compared to December a year ago.

The information was released this week by the State Comptroller's office.

The payments include taxes collected on October sales and reported to the Comptroller in November by businesses filing monthly tax returns.

Snyder received $93,330.75, up 69.15 percent from the $55,177.56 received in December of 1991. For the year, the city has received $978,448.18. That amount is up 12.44 percent from the $870,209.42 taken in over the same period a year ago.

The report indicates that Scurry County received $42,458.12 this month, up just 0.44 percent from $42,270.51 taken in during December of 1991.

For the year, the county has received $608,390.90, up 5.69 percent from $575,646.66 taken in during the same period in 1991.

Area communities received the following rebates, according to the report.

—Abilene received $1,168,392.68, up 17.99 percent from the $990,249.29 received in December of 1991. The year to date total of $17,322,751.39 is up 6.21 percent.

—Andrews received $41,136.49, down 2.20 percent from the $42,062.90 received in December of 1991. The year to date total of $732,715.23 is up 4.13 percent.

—Big Spring received $192,556.58, up 10.58 percent from the $174,137.81 received in December of 1991. The year to date total of $3,070,161.44 is up 2.65 percent.

—Colorado City received $22,218.20, down 5.38 percent from the $23,480.49 received in December of 1991. The year to date total of $369,307.38 is up 2.24 percent.

—Lamesa received $33,292.42, up 4.36 percent from the $31,901.45 received in December of 1991. The year to date total of $541,176.56 is up 2.53 percent.

—Lubbock received $1,180,033.51, up 4.55 percent from the $1,128,624.31 received in December of 1991. The year to date total of $16,437,727.90 is up 2.92 percent.

—Odessa received $495,044.04, up 6.72 percent from the $463,893.18 received in December of 1991. The year to date total of $7,576,284.82 is down 4.50 percent.

—Post received $13,064.65, up 20.41 percent from the $10,849.74 received in December of 1991. The year to date total of $183,698.88 is up 3.88 percent.

—Sweetwater received $101,479.67, up 21.04 percent from the $83,840.62 received in December of 1991. The year to date total of $1,442,967.02 is up 1.57 percent.

Recession now declared 'over'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Seven weeks after the election that toppled President Bush from power, an obscure panel of academic economists made a long-awaited announcement: The recession is over.

In fact, the recession ended in March 1991, eight months after it began in July 1990 and nearly 20 months before voters went to the polls to choose between Bush, President-elect Clinton and Texas billionaire Ross Perot.

Moreover, it ended long before Bush was being derided by Democrats as insensitive for saying it had ended.

So said the Business Cycle Dating Committee of the National Bureau of Economic Research, a panel of seven university economists regarded by the government and academia alike as the official arbiter of the beginnings and endings of recessions.

To a non-economist, it may seem strange that the committee waited until Tuesday to decide the downturn was over, especially since the government had been reporting growth in the nation's economic output since the second quarter of 1991.

But the committee, in a news release, had a simple explanation. The crucial factor was not simply that the economy turned upward in March 1991. It was that the economy continued growing long enough to surpass its pre-recession high point.

That development was confirmed by the Commerce Department on Tuesday with its final report on third quarter gross domestic product.

"The committee had waited to make the determination of the trough date until it was confident that any future downturn in the economy would be considered a new recession and not a continuation of the recession that began in July 1990," the panel said.

"Only by December did the overall pattern of economic activity appear to be strong enough to warrant the determination of the trough date," it said.

The committee had waited until April 25, 1991 to declare the recession had begun the previous July. And, as it turned out, that declaration came after the recession had ended.

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Merry Christmas...Ho! Ho! Ho!"

It's been that season...

In a big city bus depot, management posted this sign: "The holidays are here. Please watch your belongings."

Most of us in rural West Texas get sheltered from what some folks in metropolitan areas have to face daily, even during the season of good tidings and good will toward men.

In other words, Ebenezer Scrooge is alive and well. Take for example the Santa in sunglasses who held up a branch bank while softly singing, "We wish you a merry Christmas." Santa's musical performance was captured on surveillance camera as was the $1,000 he tucked in the pocket of his red suit.

And there was the macho Santa who assaulted a heckler in front of a crowd of children in Brazil. Another Santa threatened to pour hot coffee on a convenience store clerk if he didn't hand over the cash.

Santas have had their share of problems, too. A shopping mall fired a black Santa after complaints that Santa had to be white. Another Santa was fired because she was female. Another red-suited gentleman was dismissed over complaints of bad breath.

A kid in New Zealand sent a letter to Santa, but his plea was a little strong. It contained a bomb threat. "Either bring me a computer or the chimney goes kaboom."

And there was a guy who chopped down a family's live Christmas tree in front of a California home and sold it to an unsuspecting neighbor for $7. The fellow with the ax explained he needed to buy some bottled holiday cheer.

Few folks at this time of year, wherever we may be, are without some problem. But all can be appreciative for this time of year when most people can sincerely say, "Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays, anyway."

SNS signup final date draws near

Anyone wishing to apply for home repair through Snyder Neighbors Sharing, Inc. has one more week to do so.

Applications must be turned in by Jan. 1, 1993.

Snyder Neighbors Sharing is a non-profit organization which repairs homes for those with low income who are handicapped or age 60 or over, or both. Applicants must own or be buying their home and must be living in it.

SNS was organized in fall of 1988 and held its first workday in 1989, repairing seven homes. To date, between $40,000 and $50,000 have been spent locally on repairs to more than 70 homes.

The next SNS workday is scheduled for April 30, 1993. Routinely, 200 to 300 volunteers turn out to help with the repair of homes.

Applications for home repair are available through Sam Robertson Insurance Agency, 1926 26th St, or Snyder Daily News.

Anyone interested in joining the SNS board is encouraged to contact Robertson at his office or call 573-4053.

Hospitality House...

Shelter aids visitors to area

Hospitality House, an emergency overnight facility made possible in part by Federal Emergency Management Agency funds, is now operating.

The facility, located at 708 North Ave. U, is serving about 28 people a month, said Pastor J.D. Smith.

Administration of the house is through Christian Fellowship Church, but Smith stressed that the facility is available to anyone, regardless of demonination.

HOSPITALITY HOUSE

"The whole intent is to meet the needs of the community," said Smith.

The purpose of the facility is to provide overnight housing for visitors to relatives in the Price Daniel Unit, transients, or anyone else who is unable to pay for a hotel room.

The house is heated and air-conditioned, has six beds, a kitchen sink with running water, a washer and dryer, shower, commode and wash basin. There are no cooking facilities. Linen is provided.

Any agency can refer someone to Hospitality House. Those who seek shelter must sign a form asking for general information. Anyone recommended to the facility is checked through the police computer at Snyder Police Department.

Smith said that many of those who have used the facility are relatives of Price Daniel Unit inmates. He said records are being kept to determine the need of such a facility.

"We've just been operating about six months and haven't been through a winter yet. We're still gathering information," said Smith.

He said that currently, the facility is not in need of bedding or other items.

Sherri Smith serves in housekeeping and food preparations. J.D. Smith is the director and Leland Redline serves in administrative and logistic areas.

Anyone referring someone to Hospitality House should contact J.D. Smith at 573-0482 or 573-3319, or Redline at 573-9578.

Scurry Community Services, directed by Shirley Fritz, is providing the Federal Emergency Management Agency funds to Hospitality House.

Doormen & concierges have hands out this holiday season

NEW YORK (AP) — It was beginning to look a lot like Christmas at one New York high-rise: The doorman's vest pocket was bulging with white envelopes full of tax-free cash.

There are a lot of hard cases in the building, "but I've managed to break the ice with all of them," said Michael, who spoke only on condition his last name was not used.

'Tis the season when palms are extended all over Manhattan — and they don't necessarily belong to the poor.

Tipping at Christmas is common all over the country. But if you forget to tip in New York City — especially the concierges, doormen and supers at apartment buildings — you're likely to pay for it, pal.

Tenants say they have heard horror stories of UPS packages mysteriously "disappearing" or repairs not being made on time, among other incidents.

Manhattanites depend on service people more than almost anywhere else on the planet. They pay dearly at Christmas. Hairdressers, newspaper carriers, dry cleaners, the maid, the personal trainer.

You might get away without tipping one of them. But ignore the staff where you live at your peril.

"I tip everybody," said Ellen Wojcik, 37, a flight attendant who lives in a high-rise on the Upper East Side and has handed out $170 so far this year.

"When I first moved here (seven years ago), I thought it was some sort of joke that we were supposed to tip everyone in the building. Even the mailman," she said. "But people said, if you don't, ... watch out, maybe stuff won't get taken care of. So now I do."

Just approaching Manhattan's concierges about Christmas tipping is like talking to someone from the CIA. When the question is posed, eyes dart nervously about.

Mostly, they say they just started last week and don't know anything. If you're lucky, they'll pull you aside like Deep Throat and give what one doorman called "the real skinny."

Use their full names? When pigs fly. These guys pocket up to $5,000 every Christmas and they don't need the IRS on their tail.

Michael, like most doormen and concierges interviewed, keeps a list every year of what each tenant gives him.

"I'm not saying it should make a difference but it does," he said. "I keep track of what they gave me last year and if it goes down this year."

Michael considers $20 acceptable — but just barely. He rarely gets more than $50 but said he's insulted by anything less than $15. As of Tuesday, he'd made $3,100.

May the warm glow of Christmas light up your life.

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Fellowship & Refreshments, 10:00 p.m.

A CHRISTMAS CAROL by The Joe Kubert School

Did Bill Clinton pick Carter retreads for state, defense?

By Ruth Sinai
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — When Bill Clinton was considering candidates for his administration's top foreign affairs and defense jobs, he faced a dilemma: how to keep a campaign promise of change while entrusting the nation's security to experienced hands.

His solution, revealed Tuesday, was to name a diverse group of old hands from the Carter administration who have kept busy for the past dozen years in government, Congress, academe and law.

"I don't think that you can make change in an area this important unless you also know what needs to the maintained, and unless you have people of real seasoning and judgment," Clinton said in announcing his Cabinet choices for the Defense and State departments.

Speaking with reporters in Little Rock, Ark., he bristled at the suggestion that his team members were "sort of retreads."

Let's face it, he said, where else could you find Democrats with relatively recent government experience other than among the alumni of the Carter administration?

AP news analysis

Warren Christopher, the secretary of state-designate, served as No. 2 at the State Department under Cyrus Vance and Edmund Muskie. Anthony Lake, Clinton's choice for national security adviser, was director of policy planning at State. R. James Woolsey, the designated CIA director, was undersecretary of the Navy. Sandy Berger, Lake's incoming deputy, was also Lake's deputy under Jimmy Carter.

Rep. Les Aspin, whom Clinton tapped for defense secretary, is an exception to the rule. During the Carter administration he was a member of Congress and later rose to head the House Armed Services Committee.

But other than their common experience in the Carter administration, Clinton's picks are a diverse group of individuals.

Like his other Cabinet choices, Clinton's national security and defense group has its share of Washington insiders — Aspin and Woolsey — and outsiders like Lake and Madeleine Albright, the Georgetown University professor named as U.N. ambassador.

Lake sat out the 12 years of Republican administrations as a professor of international studies at Amherst and Mount Holyoke colleges. Berger joined a law firm and served as an international trade lawyer and lobbyist.

Woolsey, on the other hand, took on complex arms control negotiations for the Reagan and Bush administrations, in between stints in private law practice.

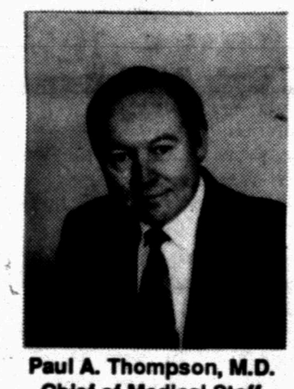
Aspin also tended to bipartisanship, building a defense record on Capitol Hill that sometimes angered fellow Democrats, such as when he supported aid to the Nicaraguan Contra rebels and voted for the MX and Midgetman nuclear missiles.

But Clinton's choices could be, by and large, interpreted as a vote of confidence in Carter's foreign policy — considered a failure when he was defeated for reelection in 1980 but which history is judging more favorably.

Clinton has embraced Carter's most enduring foreign policy legacy — pledging to make respect for human rights a major litmus test for U.S. relations with the rest of the world.

But like Carter, Clinton may have to modify his campaign promises to fit the changing world around him. And the team he has picked demonstrated flexibility under Carter, and could do so again.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Ruth Sinai has covered foreign policy in Washington for The Associated Press since 1987.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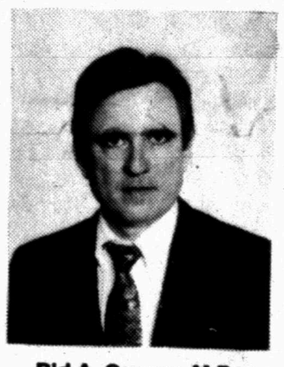
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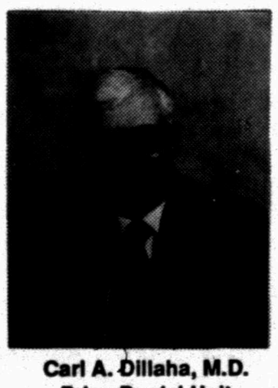
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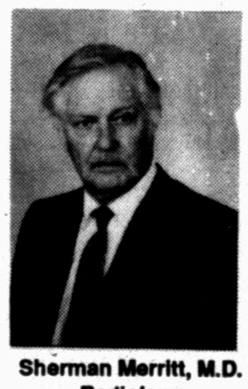
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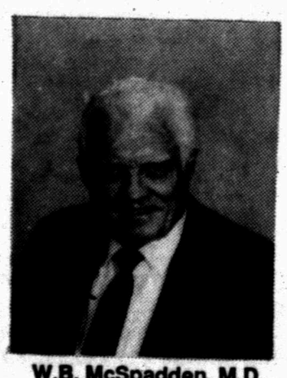
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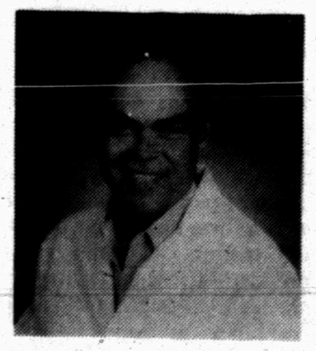
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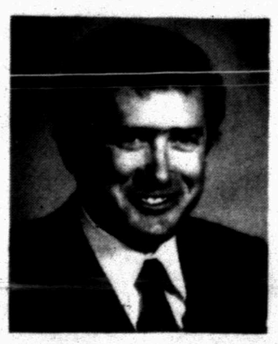
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General Surgeon

Behold, The Savior Is Born

Peace be with you.

Happy Holidays
County Judge
Bob Doolittle
Suzanne,
Julie, Braden

Health officials take control of animal shelter

AUSTIN (AP) — Problems at a privately-run animal shelter plagued by reports of mismanagement should be mostly solved within a month, according to local officials who have taken control of the shelter.

"I think we'll feel good about this place in about three weeks," said Dr. Thomas Beckett, city-county veterinarian. "We will have made significant progress by then. There is a great potential here in Austin because this is such a caring community."

Beckett and two other Austin-Travis County Health Department officials temporarily took over the shelter from the Humane Society on Monday. The move follows a city audit last month that showed pervasive mismanagement at the facility.

Last week, the society agreed to surrender its role in running the shelter to a new nonprofit corporation that will be governed by a board of directors and society appointees.

Until that corporation is functional, the shelter, which can hold 500 animals, will be run by the health department officials.

The audit revealed problems such as rundown kennels, inadequate feeding procedures and the use of a gas chamber for euthanasia.

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder

NORTH 12-24-92
♠ Q 10 8 6 5
♥ Q 7 4
♦ 2
♣ A K J 2

WEST
♠ - - -
♥ J 8 5 3 2
♦ J 8 6 5
♣ 8 7 6 5

EAST
♠ K J 3
♥ 10 9 6
♦ Q 10 9 7 4
♣ Q 4

SOUTH
♠ A 9 7 4 2
♥ A K
♦ A K 3
♣ 10 9 3

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	4 ♦	Pass
4 ♥	Pass	5 ♣	Pass
6 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♣ 8

Devious defense deceives

Mark Twain once wrote that "Honesty is the best policy — when there is money in it." But at the rubber-bridge table, often honesty is a disastrous policy, costing money.

If you are defending and can see little chance to defeat the contract, try to bamboozle the declarer into thinking the cards lie differently. The most common way to do this is to drop an honor when you still hold at least one lower card in the suit.

On today's deal, North's four-diamond response was a splinter bid, showing a high-card raise to four spades with at most one diamond. South cue-bid his heart ace; North cue-bid his club ace; and South jumped to the slam.

West led the club eight, declarer winning with dummy's king. Seeing that the only danger was a 3-0 trump split, South called for dummy's spade five. When East followed with the three, South played his two. This safety-play guaranteed only one loser in the suit. As you can see, it was necessary, as East did have all three trumps.

Now go back to trick one. Suppose under the club king, East drops the *queen*. What will declarer make of that? Even to the bartender, it will look like a singleton. And now the trump safety-play loses some of its appeal. If declarer ducks a trump, West may win with a singleton honor and give his partner a club ruff to defeat the slam. Therefore South will probably continue with a spade to the ace and lose two trump tricks to East.

If you can't defeat the contract by hook, try crook.

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KINDERMUSIK GROUP — Laura Boyd, Krista Stubblefield of Colorado City, Will Floyd, Austin Lyle, and Whitney Alford and Glyn Wright, both of Colorado City, are first semester pupils of Bethel Studio of Music Kindermusik Class. They were pictured, from left, as the finished playing "Glockenspiels" for their parents. This semester, ending Jan. 13, they have participated in listening, vocal development, movement, ensemble work, playing instruments, ear training and musical games. Lynn Bethel is the instructor. (Contributed Photo)

Bridge By Phillip Alder

NORTH 12-25-92
♠ A K Q 9 6 4 2
♥ K 6 4
♦ A 7 4
♣ - - -

WEST
♠ J 8 7 3
♥ A J 9 7
♦ Q 10 8 5
♣ 7

EAST
♠ 10
♥ 10 5 3
♦ J 2
♣ A K Q J 10 4 3

SOUTH
♠ 5
♥ Q 8 2
♦ K 9 6 3
♣ 9 8 6 5 2

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: East

South	West	North	East
			3 NT
Pass	Pass	Dbl.	Pass
Pass	4 ♠	4 ♦	All pass

Opening lead: ♣ 7

Here's a Christmas puzzle for my readers. In today's diagram, you will see that apparently North is the declarer and West has led out of turn. However, West has *not* led out of turn. There have been no irregularities. Is there any way this could happen?

In David Bird's articles about the bridge-playing monks of St. Titus, Brother Anthony is a member of a silent order. So he never takes part in an auction. Eventually the other monks felt sorry for him, as he was never the declarer. They passed a house — well, monastery — rule that if his partner bought the contract in a black suit, Brother Anthony would be the declarer. Hence the "legal" lead out of turn.

East's opening bid showed a solid minor suit with no side ace or king.

Brother Anthony ruffed the club lead in the dummy and cashed two top trumps, getting the news about the 4-1 break. Seeing that if he could ruff two more clubs in the dummy, he could engineer a trump coup against West, Brother Anthony continued with dummy's heart king, but West ducked his ace.

Declarer countered by cashing the A-K of diamonds, ruffing a club in the dummy and exiting with a diamond. West had to win and help declarer. If he cashed the heart ace, South's queen would score a trick, so West led a diamond. But that allowed the key third ruff in the dummy. Eight tricks were in, and after exiting with a heart, Brother Anthony had to take two more tricks with dummy's Q-9 of spades.

My only question is this: Why don't the monks use written bidding, or buy bidding boxes?

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Mrs. Denman gives Christmas program at club

The Art Guild Study Club members heard of "Satan's Plot To Steal Christmas," by Frances Denman, at their meeting Tuesday evening.

During the program, Mrs. Denman told about her special Christmases.

An exchange of gifts followed the program in the gaily decorated Martha Ann Woman's Club while Christmas music was heard in the background.

Sharing 1941

NEW YORK (AP) — Movie star Faye Dunaway, singer Helen Reddy and author Paul Theroux have this in common: they were born in 1941.

Others born that year include movie stars Ryan O'Neal, Juliet Mills, Ann-Margret, Tom Conti, Sarah Miles, Elke Sommer, Stacy Keach and Susannah York.

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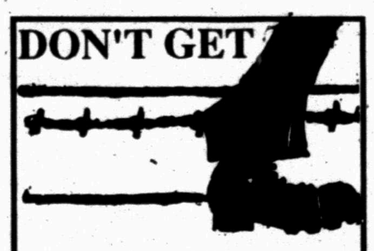

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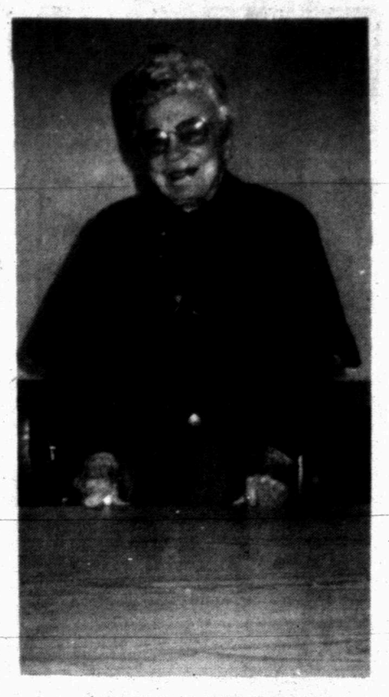
Ernst, von Roeder history told

The Scurry County Genealogical Society (SCGS) met at the TU Reddy Room recently for its scheduled monthly meeting. Agnes Sorrells presented a program on the Frederick Ernst family that came to America on April 3, 1831, landing in New York, and the von Roeder family that came to America in 1834.

She said the Ernst family settled at Industry, Tex., near Houston, and the von Roeders settled first at Cat Springs, near Industry.

Following the program, club members expressed their appreciation to Mrs. Sorrells for her presentation and a regular business session was held. The next meeting was set for Jan. 26, 1993, with the location to be announced.

Copies of "Scurry County Cemetery Records, Rural and City" are available for $35; "Marriage Book I" for $7.50; "Marriage Book II" for $15; and copies of Jeanne Pruett's "Feedin' Friends" cookbooks I, II and III, for $10 each.



AGNES SORRELLS

Something in common

DETROIT (AP) — Cars and trees once had something in common besides trunks — wood.

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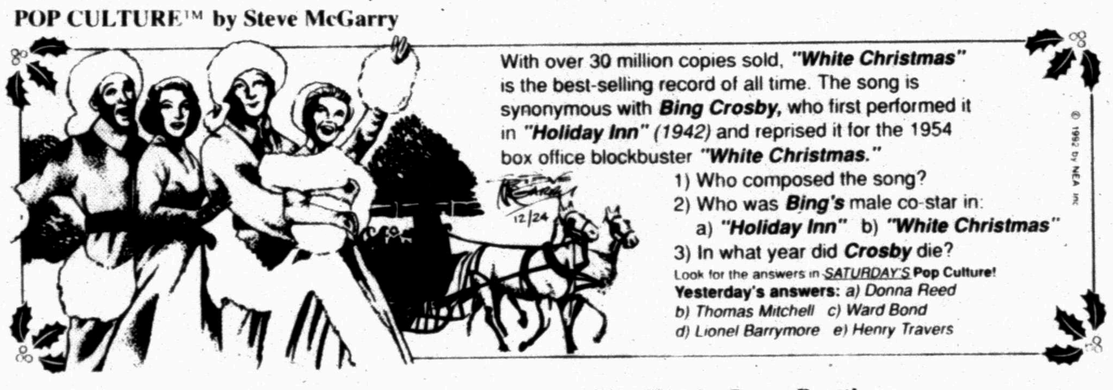

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ACROSS

1 Southern blackbird
4 Legendary robot
9 Insect
12 Year (Sp.)
13 Worn away
14 Runner Sebastian —
15 Canvas shade
17 Self-centered person
19 Concepts
21 Moreover
22 Look steadily
24 TV's — Peeples
26 Ireland
29 At right angles to ship
31 Tea
33 — Guevara
34 Per —
35 Recline
37 One (Scot.)
39 12 mos.
40 Sprite
42 Collection of facts
44 Ruth's companion
46 Withered
48 Australian bird
50 Christmas —
51 Danish land division
53 Enrage
55 Nearly
58 Fondle
61 Kin of St.
62 Solos
64 Corded cloth
65 Belonging to him
66 — Nader
67 Opposite of nay

DOWN

1 Drivers' org.
2 Compass pt.
3 Become electrically charged
4 Actor Wilder
5 Musical instrument
6 Behold!
7 Language suffix
8 Million (pref.)
9 Sharp-tasting
10 Us (Sp.)
11 Southeast
Asian holiday
16 Standard of perfection
18 Individual
20 Incite to attack
22 Vapors
23 White poplar
25 Exclamation
27 Nursery —
28 Uncanny
30 Actress Farrow
32 — Landers
36 Chemical ending
38 Diner
41 Basic structures
43 Wine cup
45 Model of solar system
47 Comedian — Philips
49 Remove top from
52 Former Russian ruler (var.)
54 Long deep cut
55 Companion of ooh
56 56, Roman
57 Singing syllable
59 Observe
60 Resort
63 Negative prefix

Answer to Previous Puzzle

A	I	D		O	G		E	R	O	D	E	
C	L	I	C	H	E		A	S	S	I	G	N
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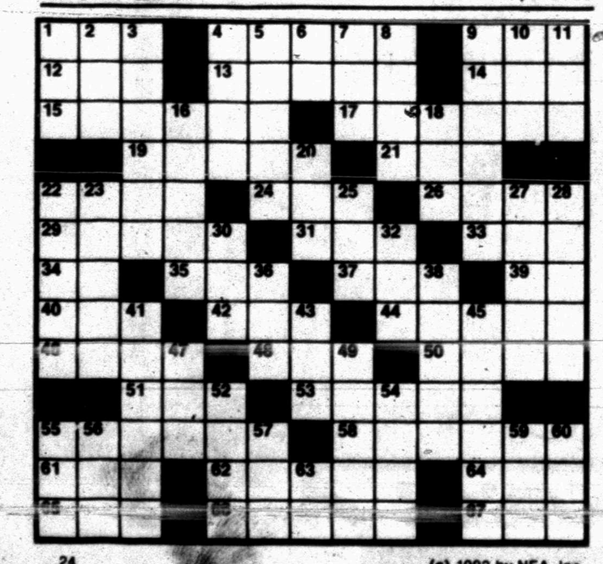

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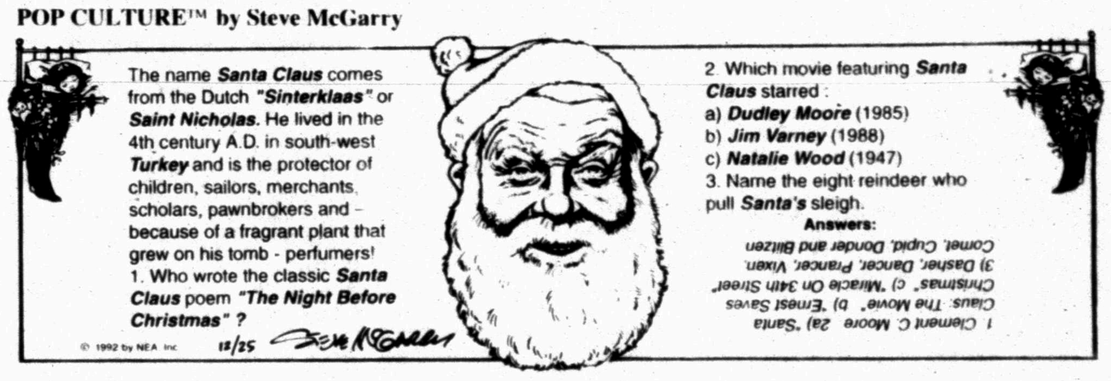

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ACROSS

1 Metric measure
4 Wading bird
8 Timetable abbr.
11 Chemist, e.g.
13 102, Roman
14 Exclamation
15 Period of time
16 Assisting
18 Roman bronze
20 Everyone
22 Primary color
23 Attention-getting sound
25 Evergreen shrub
27 Donate
30 Sea eagle
32 Own (Scot.)
34 Tea
35 Neighbor of GA
37 Spiny fin
40 Kin of Ave.
41 Contemporary sculptor
43 French yes
44 Medieval poem
46 Compass type
48 Antelope
50 Alphabets
53 Skill
55 UK time
57 Shade tree
58 Of stars
61 Life story
63 Belonging to me
64 Monkey
65 Hit a glancing blow
68 Ethiopian prince
69 Actor — Dullea
70 River in Germany

DOWN

1 Pains
2 Between MA and CT
3 Wide shoe size
4 Country of Europe
5 Tri minus one
6 A rose — — rose
7 Mix
8 Sharp-tasting
9 — Tin Tin
10 Arrange
11 Cleanser
12 Firearm owners' org.
17 B.A. or Ph.D.
19 Opp. of NNW
21 Tilting
24 Singing syllable
26 Joker
28 Videotape type
29 Dine
31 Sgt.
33 Hockey org.
35 Droop
36 Sob
38 Warm mo.
39 Drivers' org.
42 Talks idly
45 An African
47 Hockey great Bobby —
49 Brown pigment
51 Collections of tents
52 — terrier
54 Chore
56 — the season
58 Swiss river
59 Health club
60 Fib
62 Be in debt
66 Princess —
67 — in the Mood for Love

Answer to Previous Puzzle

A	N	I		G	O	L	E	M		A	N	T
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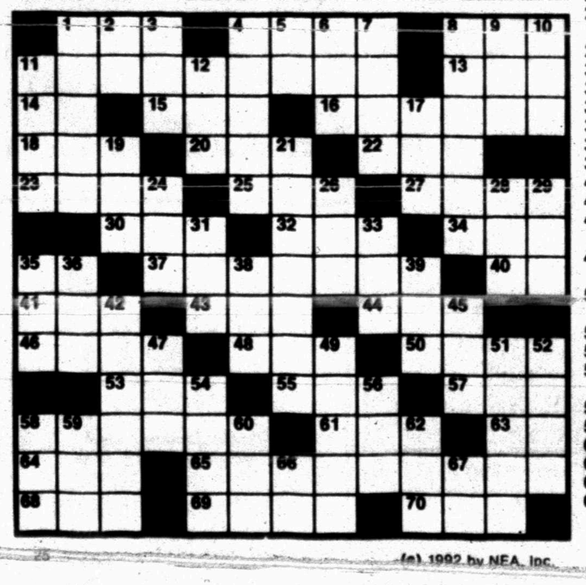

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Inderal is a beta-blocker used to treat heart trouble and high blood pressure. It does not cause an irregular pulse rate; rather, it calms the heart.

On the other hand, other anti-hypertensive drugs — such as diuretics — are notorious causes of heart-rhythm irregularities, some of which can be dangerous.

Check with your family physician, who should be able to sort out the puzzle by examining you and determining the cause of your irregular pulse.

DEAR DR. GOTT: A gentleman I know had bad vision and went to an ophthalmologist for very expensive glasses. He began using herbs and now has the driver's license he was unable to get prior and he doesn't need glasses. It seems like a miracle, and I wonder what herbs would be beneficial for better vision.

DEAR READER: I am skeptical of any relation between herbs and improved vision. Nevertheless, your anecdote is impressive. I suspect there's more to the situation, though.

For example, many medicines can adversely affect vision to one degree or another. Such drugs include digoxin and almost every compound used in treating heart ailments.

Is it possible that your friend was taking prescription drugs that he may have stopped when he began the herbs? This switch might have improved his vision if the medicine were to blame. (I don't advise patients with visual difficulties to discontinue their medicines without first getting approval from their doctors.)

I'm searching because I really don't know why your friend's eyesight improved. Find out from him the name of the herb he took and let me know so I can research this further.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Fads II — Herbs and Healing Fads." Other readers who would like a copy should send $1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

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DEAR DR. GOTT: For the past five years I've suffered from severe bronchial asthma and emphysema. I use Proventil in my breathing machine and also have an oxygen machine at home. Cephalexin and doxycycline upset my stomach, and I'd like your opinion on the best antibiotic to take.

DEAR READER: Asthma is often complicated (and may even be triggered by) low-grade bronchial infection. Thus, antibiotics frequently relieve the breathing difficulty caused by asthma. Of course, other drugs are used, too, such as Proventil and prednisone.

If you experience stomach distress from the antibiotics cephalexin and doxycycline, your doctor might want to try ampicillin, amoxicillin or plain penicillin.

Because allergies may also contribute to asthma, I am sending you a free copy of my newest Health Report "Allergies." Other readers who would like a copy should send $1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: To comment on the individual with annoying athlete's foot, the folk remedy of a green, unhulled black walnut really works. Simply cut the casing open, exposing the juice. Apply to the affected area generously. In no time, the dilemma will disappear.

DEAR READER: Great. Now please tell me where the average city dweller is going to find green, unhulled black walnuts. C'mon, give me a break. What good is a remedy if the ingredients are difficult to obtain?

I appreciate your taking the time to write but, I'm afraid, your suggestion isn't going to help the majority of my readers, especially those who don't have black walnut trees growing in their yards.

Although folk remedies are often useful in treating common ailments, I believe they must be easy to procure and inexpensive to purchase. Therefore, the more traditional treatment for athlete's foot (such as Tinactin lotion), would be more readily available than black walnuts.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've seen a product advertised on television called Acne Statin. Is it safer than Retin-A?

DEAR READER: I'm not familiar with the product you mention. However, any drug available over-the-counter is milder (and, by extension, safer) than a prescription medication. As a general rule, prescription compounds are more effective than their weaker, non-prescription cousins, but this advantage is the reason side effects and complications are more common.

Therefore, while Acne Statin may be safer than Retin-A (which can cause severe skin reactions in some patients), it is probably not as efficacious. Check with a dermatologist for the best treatment of your condition.

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Astro-graphs By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Dec. 24, 1992

You could have some wonderful opportunities to improve your financial or material position in the year ahead. However, you must pay attention to details in order to be certain you are neither wasteful nor too complacent.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Downplay your self-interest today and acquiesce to the will of the majority, even if you think your ways are better or more fun. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you to understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Strive to be methodical in all of your endeavors today, because there is a chance you might make an oversight. If this is so, rectify it immediately or a problem could result.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Instead of looking at everything through rose-colored glasses today, it might be wise to let lessons you've learned guide your behavior patterns.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) If an arrangement is not all you were told it would be, do not be reluctant to negotiate. You could put something together that is better for all concerned.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) This is one of those days where you might jump into things impulsively, without thinking through the consequences. Problems can be avoided if you are methodical

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You will only accomplish what is necessary today through hard work. Disappointment is possible if you depend too much on others to bail you out.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Do not turn a deaf ear today to advice or suggestions made by people who like you. Their concern about your welfare could be quite helpful.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You are not likely to be mentally comfortable today if you neglect certain duties that you are responsible for. Instead of collecting guilt for what you did not do, take care of things.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Your well-intentioned budget could end up as a mere scrape of paper today if you ignore it and cater to your more extravagant whims. But what the heck, it's Christmas.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Today you may bank a bit too heavily on what you think is your ace in the hole. If you get too careless what you are holding might be trumped.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Consider the source today and do not believe everything you hear. Someone with ulterior motives might try to manipulate you and your opinions.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Try to keep your impulsiveness within reasonable bounds today. Carefully investigate any proposals that require an investment on your behalf. Do not do anything silly.

Your Birthday

Dec. 25, 1992

Opportunities to enhance your education or gain new knowledge could present themselves in the year ahead. Take advantage of what is offered, because you will find new profitable ways to apply what you learn.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) In important one-to-one relationships today you might have to deal with a person who holds opposing views. Logic and tact will win this individual over, but arrogance won't. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences which are governing you in the year ahead. Send for Capricorn's Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing $1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You might be asked to do something for another today that could cause you to feel somewhat burdened. If you remember what this person did for you, you will recant.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You might experience some pressure from your friends today pertaining to an involvement that you don't agree with. Instead of overreacting, find your way out gracefully.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Today your ability to fulfill your plans is quite good, because both your productiveness and your industriousness will be apparent. However, don't be too aggressive.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) There is a possibility you could be a trifle hard to get along with early in the day. However, once you get into the swing of things, your disposition becomes charming and warm.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Something might develop today which initially could make you feel you are getting the short end of the stick. Fortunately you will discover this is not totally accurate.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Being your own person has its time and place. Today, however, things will be much more pleasant if you try to be a cooperative team player.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) A great deal can be accomplished today if you're not overwhelmed by outside pressures. Do what needs doing in your own quiet way, preferably unaided by others.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You won't be in the mood today to be told what to do and when to do it. Conversely, friends and family won't appreciate it if you appoint yourself social director.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) For the sake of harmony on the homefront today, don't introduce outside elements into family matters. Settle issues among kith and kin.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Today some of your ideas and suggestions might be challenged, but don't let this irritate you. Think of it as an opportunity to validate your views and your will.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Financial conditions could be a trifle strained today. In matters where you have control, things should be OK, but where others are involved, it could be another story.

Santa Letter

Dear Santa,

My name is Lance Turner. My mother is writing this letter for me because I'm only 5 years old. Would you please bring me a Super Nintendo and games and Game Boy games, 4x4 Jeep. I have been a good boy please bring Clint and Cody something too.

We will leave cookies and milk for you.

Love, Lance Turner

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LIVE NATIVITY — Members of Colonial Hill Baptist Church dressed in Biblical clothing and acted out the Christmas story last weekend as the church hosted its annual drive-through "live nativity." (SDN Staff Photo)

Stepfamilies find flexibility foremost during the holidays

WACO, Texas (AP) — Christmas Day is usually a peaceful, carefree time for children, but it may be one of the worst days of the year for those in stepfamilies.

The first Christmas after Van Jones' second marriage was an awkward holiday for his newly blended family. Even outfitting the family Christmas tree was stressful.

"We had one Christmas tree and enough ornaments for several because everybody wanted to make sure that their family's decorations were included," said Jones, director of treatment services at the Methodist Home Family Services and Counseling Center.

Over the last seven years the Jones-Gibson clan has reduced the number of Christmas ornaments to only the most important. The new assortment includes some purchased before and after Jones remarried.

The father said flexibility has helped his two biological children, ages 17 and 23, and three stepchildren, ages 15, 22 and 23, adjust to sharing Christmas with one another.

"When you are in a blended family, you have to be flexible because children are going back and forth between mom and dad," he said. "It is helpful to focus on your time with the kids and not on their time with other people."

Christmas planning is seldom peaceful for new stepfamilies. The holiday season often is stressful because it stirs up old feelings that have not been resolved.

Older children may not want to take part in family activities because they are resentful. Families may also have trouble deciding which family traditions will be recognized.

Dr. James Bray, a psychologist and associate professor of family medicine at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, said bringing two families together will result in a few disappointments. "So have reasonable expectations and be patient," he said.

Bray said parents should keep a few things in mind during the Christmas season. For example, be careful not to give preferential treatment to biological children.

"If the non-custodial, remarried parents give preferential treatment to their biological children and not their stepchildren, hard feelings may result," he said.

The professor also recommends creating new family traditions and retaining old ones. He said rituals can become shared experiences that will help solidify the family. However, he said stepparents should not overpower Christmas with drastic changes.

Joan Anderson, author of "The Single Mother's Book," said parents also should give special consideration to their teen-agers during the holidays.

"The holidays are a stressful time for teens," she said in a telephone interview from Nashville. "Parents should give them time alone if they need it."

Also, if a teen wants to spend time with relatives of an ex-spouse, let them, she said.

"Pay attention to their requests because what is good for children is good for the family," she said. "They may end up at someone else's house on Christmas Day so make arrangements to open gifts at a different time such as Christmas Eve."

Scott Finnell, who remarried seven years ago, agrees that flexibility is the key to peace at Christmas.

He often spends Christmas Eve on the road with his 11-year-old daughter Amanda en route to Dallas where he enjoys Christmas Day with his wife, Judy, and stepdaughters, McKenna and Bailey Sharbrough, ages 10 and 11.

"You've got to be flexible, he said, because the minute you start saying, 'I want, I need or I must have,' things are going to crumble."

Finnell said his family has followed several guidelines to make Christmas holidays a little more peaceful.

For starters, he has developed a businesslike relationship with his ex-wife who lives about a minute away from him in Hewitt. This makes it easier during the holiday season and the whole year, he said.

Finnell added parents should also make sure they are not trying to outdo each other at Christmas to make up for lost time.

"Children of divorce often receive an abundance of gifts from both sides of the family," he said. "Parents need to look at the message that this sends to children."

If parents can't make Christmas peaceful for themselves, they should do it for the sake of their children.

Finnell's daughter, Amanda, who was 4 when her parents divorced, said she has devised a special way to make the holidays peaceful.

"If I am having a hard time going to sleep, I close my eyes and think about all of the good things that have happened and I know that it will be OK," she said.

Holiday 'ham' spreads cheer at Christmas

AUSTIN (AP) — She's not your typical holiday ham.

But Blossom the pig is doing her bit to spread a little holiday cheer around town.

"She brings Christmas joy — externally," says the pig's partner, Kim Lehman.

Lehman, who is a storyteller and puppeteer, has been taking the pig with her on visits to schools, day-care centers and nursing homes.

That's not bad for an animal that was within hours of being dumped at the humane society just six weeks ago.

"I was at the Spaghetti Warehouse and I heard these people talking about having friends that were getting rid of their pig," Lehman says.

"One of them was sick. I asked if I could have her."

Lehman, who describes herself as an animal lover, also has a chicken, a parrot, several doves, a cat and a dog. But none of them seems to captivate people's attention the way her pig does.

"I guess it brings out a softness in people to see an unusual animal," says Lehman, a former schoolteacher. "And Blossom is very good with children. She's so calm she'll crawl into people's laps."

Anita Rizley, the youth services coordinator for the city library system, says she approves highly of her employee's new storytelling buddy.

"I met the pig yesterday and learned she has visited several schools," Rizley says. "She's very sweet."

Blossom's budding entertainment career won't end with the holidays, although she probably will lose her Santa hat and red ribbon. Lehman says people have been telling her a lot of pig stories, and she plans to tell them through the coming year as she takes the pig to different places. She also expects the pig to make frequent appearances at the Pleasant Hill branch library, where Lehman works.

And sometime in the future, she expects Blossom to be even more of a ham than she is now — although not of the cooked variety.

"Yeah, I'm teaching her tricks," Lehman says. "I'm teaching her to sit, get down and go backwards."

Government proposes plutonium storage at Pantex for 6-10 years

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) — An Energy Department draft environmental assessment released to state officials Tuesday proposes that plutonium be stored at the Pantex Plant for six to 10 years.

The assessment also finds that increased plutonium storage at the plant won't affect nearby communities or the Ogallala Aquifer, which provides water for Amarillo and much of the High Plains.

A spokesman for Gov. Ann Richards on Tuesday said no one was available to comment on the report because most employees had already left for Christmas.

Pantex, about 17 miles northeast of Amarillo, is the nation's primary assembly and disassembly plant for the nation's nuclear warheads.

Energy Secretary James Watkins told Pantex workers earlier this year that the plant would be storing plutonium weapons cores for an interim period until the department decided on a permanent storage plan.

Watkins said workers would dismantle up to 2,000 warheads per year for the foreseeable future under arms cuts ordered by the Bush administration.

At a recent public meeting, Gerald Johnson, a top department official in Amarillo, said officials had proposed a timetable of 12-to-20 years of plutonium storage at Pantex or until a decision is reached on permanent storage or use.

Tom Walton, an Energy Department spokesman at Pantex, said the earlier timetable under consideration apparently had been changed by officials at the department's headquarters in Washington.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

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Couple's Party Was Over Before It Could Even Begin

DEAR ABBY: The letter in your column about the woman who wanted to eliminate fur-coat wearers from her party because she was anti-fur struck a note with us. We're planning an open house, and it caused us to take a closer look at our guest list.

We plan to invite 70 people.

Since we're staunch Republicans, we decided to eliminate the Democrats. That left 36 people.

Since we believe in working hard at marriage, we eliminated the divorced couples. That left 17 people.

Since we're Catholic, we eliminated non-Catholics. That left 13 people.

Since we're against abortion, we eliminated two women.

Since we're against homosexuality, that left nine.

We eliminated couples living together; that left five.

And we certainly didn't want any foreigners, so that left two.

It's going to be a small party, but the two of us won't have to be worried about anyone offending us — unless my husband sips too much punch.

Abby, all kidding aside, of all the things in this world to worry about, if fur-coat wearers are her main concern, she has too much time on her hands!

IN THE SPIRIT IN ILLINOIS

P.S. Abby, this is true — we're going to have our open house anyway, so don't use my name or everybody will be looking at each other trying to figure out "who's who."

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DEAR ABBY: On Nov. 3, 1992, Hugh Friedman of Palm Springs, Calif., said that Milton Saylan, also of Palm Springs, donated 18 gallons of blood to top David Rubin, of Staten Island, N.Y., who had just received his One Gallon Club pin.

Ms. Carole Steiert, United Blood Services employee in Scottsdale, told me that Cliff Eaton of Prescott, Ariz., has donated 33 gallons of blood.

Abby, our former senator, Barry Goldwater, may have donated more than 33 gallons, but his name is no longer in the United Blood Services computer because he hasn't donated for a few years.

Please try to find out who holds the record for blood donations. It might help to recruit new donors. We need them.

JAY GASKINS
IN SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ.

DEAR JAY: Great idea! I just heard from Bruce Dutton of St. Petersburg, Fla., saying that Wallace D. Edington has donated 34 gallons and 2 pints of blood — and he's still donating. Can anyone top that?

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DEAR ABBY: In response to "Cheated in Memphis," whose birthday is on Dec. 25 and who felt it was unfair for people to give him a birthday gift and say, "... and this is also your Christmas present."

My suggestion: Whenever one of these people's birthday comes around, even if it's in July, when you give him or her the birthday gift, say, "... and this is also your Christmas present."

SUMMER BABY
IN MARIETTA, GA.

DEAR SUMMER BABY: Beautiful!

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CONFIDENTIAL TO LILLIAN IN PALM SPRINGS: "It is wrong to think of old age as a downward slope. On the contrary, one climbs higher and higher with the advancing years, and that, too, with surprising strides. Brain work comes as easily to the old as physical exertion to the child.

"One is moving, it is true, toward the end of life, but that end is now a goal, and not a reef in which the vessel may be dashed."

GEORGE SAND

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Help for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

DEAR ABBY: I am writing this letter in response to the letter from "Grateful Reader in Morristown, Tenn.," who wants to find the daughter she gave up for adoption 23 years ago. You advised her to contact the International Soundex Reunion Registry. Abby, thank you for giving "Grateful Reader" that advice, and thank you for that same advice over two years ago.

This is a belated, but heartfelt thank-you, because my son saw that column, and he made the decision to contact the registry to find his birth mother. At approximately the same time, I registered, embarking on the journey to find the son I had placed for adoption 22 years before. I had anticipated a very lengthy, perhaps futile wait when I sent off that registration form. It was actually only four months from the time my son registered until that wonderful day when I received a phone call from the registry, "Your wait is over; we've found your son."

My son and I were reunited on Aug. 5, 1990. My life was made whole on that day. Since that time we have developed a close, loving relationship. The added blessing is that he has two wonderful parents who have been totally supportive in our relationship. We are now an extended, blended family, and I believe our lives are all richer for it.

I am certain that it was God's plan that my son and I would be reunited, but Abby, I believe you were God's messenger in the process. Thank you from the bottom of my heart!

SUSAN K. SANDERS,
PHOENIX, ARIZ.

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DEAR ABBY: I have always believed that when a woman gets married for the first time, she is entitled to wear a white wedding gown. It's a symbol of her virginity, right?

Nowadays, a girl can live with her boyfriend for a year, or two, or three — there is no ceiling on it — and if she decides she wants a church wedding, she buys herself a white wedding gown with a veil — just like a virgin — and nobody says a word. Why?

I know a young woman who has had two children out of wedlock with two different men. She wanted a church wedding with a white wedding gown, and she even had her two little kids take part in the ceremony, and nobody stopped her. Why?

Maybe I am just a stupid, old-fashioned man, but when did all the rules change? In both of the above cases, those girls were no more virgins than I am. Abby, has the original meaning of a white wedding gown changed? Please put your answer in the paper because there are two people who need to see this.

You can use my first name, but not my last.

WILLIAM IN EASTON, PA.

DEAR WILLIAM: This is not the answer you were hoping for, but here it is: A bride may wear a white wedding gown if she wants to. It is not an exclusive right reserved for virgins only.

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DEAR ABBY: Re: the shortest poem you've ever read, try this one on for size. It's World War II vintage, and enough to make the teeth of Ogden "gnash":

Selective Service
Drafted
Shafted

For the benefit of our baby boomers, the above was said in jest — typical of the indomitable G.I. spirit and humor prevalent in WWII.

Yes, there were thousands upon thousands of us who did dodge the draft: We enlisted! Many of our lads went to Canada to fly with the Royal Canadian Air Force.

N. ARTHUR FRANK, 330th BOMB GROUP (VH), 20th AIR FORCE, GUAM (1945)

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DEAR READERS: Have a Merry Christmas — and a safe one, so if you're driving, don't drink; and if you're drinking, don't drive!

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For everything you need to know about wedding planning, order "How to Have a Lovely Wedding" by sending a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Wedding Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

Christmas-by-installment: layaways strong this year

By The Associated Press

Tammy Sumey picked out a video game, toys, sweaters and other Christmas presents four months ago. She picked them up last week after making her final layaway payments.

"I can't pay all at once, and I'd be up to my ears in debt if I had a credit card. So I pay a little bit at a time," said Sumey, a resident of Royal, Pa. "I couldn't have Christmas if it wasn't for layaway."

Layaway sales have been robust this holiday season, following the general rule of retail that layaways increase when the economy sags. In tough times, it's a way to stay free of credit card debt and still celebrate the holidays.

"It's offered as a selling tool. And it's generally used by people who don't have credit," said Joseph Siegel, vice president of merchandising for the National Retail Federation.

"It's a lot of work for the store because they have to make room for the item and every payment is like a new sale. But it's a way of holding on to customers, and the secret of a successful store is repeat customers."

And there's a practical advantage to leaving stuff in the store until just before the holiday.

"The main thing is they keep it so I don't have to hide Christmas gifts from my daughter," said Jo Ann Meese of Fredericktown, Pa.

Layaways are sort of a reverse installment plan without finance charges or interest fees. Customers don't take the item home until it's paid for in full, and payment plans can last 30 days to a year. Purchases cover everything from bicycles to jewelry to living room furniture.

The concept originated at the turn of the century, when door-to-door peddlers took a down payment on orders for pots and pans. They'd collect a certain amount every week, so the pots were paid for when they arrived in 10 weeks or so.

Students learning Christmas lessons in understanding

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — Maggie Moody plays a delicate balancing act, teaching children about the holidays without overdosing on religion.

Moody transformed her classroom at Guerrero Elementary in El Paso into a holiday learning lab.

Her 40-plus kindergarten children just spent three weeks on a make-believe airline tour learning how other boys and girls across the globe celebrate the holidays.

Moody converted what ordinarily can be a difficult, sensitive seasonal assignment for public school teachers into a valuable lesson. "Our children gained some understanding of other cultures and customs," Moody said. "It helps them understand each other a little better, that we're all different and that's OK."

Moody's pint-sized travelers built a mammoth paper plane that made learning pit stops in Mexico, Italy, Africa, Israel, Sweden and Germany.

Tiny 5-year-olds shaped miniature pinatas into Christmas tree ornaments and decorated their classroom with paper stars of David and colorful menorahs associated with Hanukkah.

The class adopted a needy family for the holidays and learned that charity is a perfect definition of the holiday season.

Student Claire Guzman learned interesting tidbits and much more: holiday poinsettias originated in Mexico and Germans popularized the idea of dressing up Christmas trees.

"Christmas is just a very special time," little Claire said.

Moody's innovative approach is typical in El Paso as teachers — ever mindful of the legal walls between church and state — wrestle with how to infuse holiday tradition, customs and the meaning of seasonal celebrations with what children learn in school.

The general rule in El Paso: most public school officials tolerate holiday traditions as long as teachers and principals don't go overboard and promote specific religious beliefs. Public school children still decorate hallways and classrooms with fat snowflakes, jolly Santas and pine trees. Nativity scenes have mostly disappeared from public school campuses, although some music teachers still include them in their Christmas programs.

Choir directors have the freedom to select religious classics like "Silent Night" and "Joy to the World." Some school officials, recognizing that many schoolchildren are poor, have made exchanging gifts optional, a choice left up to individual teachers.

Gloria Hoyos, a teaching veteran at Ysleta's Ascarate Elementary, said most teachers don't live in fear about being challenged for what they teach about the holidays.

"Teachers pretty much try ... as best they can to instill in children that sense of tradition surrounding holidays," Hoyos said. "But it's a fine line because anybody can misinterpret something."

Hoyos often advises other teachers to be as neutral as possible in their comments about religion and familiarize themselves with what is acceptable. "It can be a very difficult thing to balance," Hoyos said. "You're expected to teach about values and ethics and not bring in religion."

Jacqueline Hernandez, the music teacher at El Paso's Bonham School, said it's important to minimize stereotypes in traditional holiday programs. This year, Hernandez produced a Christmas program in which girls played the lead role. The story line is that Mrs. Claus decides to become a working woman and Santa discovers what it's like to do all the domestic chores and in the end appreciates Mrs. Claus a lot more.

Hernandez has injected nativity scenes into her holiday productions in past years, always without raising objections from the school community. "Nativity scenes are a tradition at Bonham," Hernandez said. "The reason we celebrate is because of the birth of Jesus." Hernandez tells children that Christmas carols — even those with religious themes — are merely songs that people traditionally sing at Christmastime. And it's not unusual for Bonham kids to be introduced to music associated with Hanukkah.

"It's not that much of a big deal in this community," Hernandez said. "Most of the kids have heard the songs from the Charlie Brown special."

Donna Descamps, principal at Socorro's H.D. Hilley School, finds Christmastime a perfect opportunity to teach children about tolerance and diversity. "We teach about Christmas around the world," Descamps said.

THE WORLD ALMANAC DATE BOOK

Dec. 24, 1992

Today is CHRISTMAS EVE. It is the 359th day of 1992 and the fourth day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1814, the United States and Great Britain signed the Treaty of Ghent ending the War of 1812.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Kit Carson (1809-1868), U.S. frontiersman-soldier; Matthew Arnold (1822-1888), poet-critic; Howard Hughes (1905-1976), industrialist; Ava Gardner (1922-1990), actress; Anthony Fauci (1940-), health administrator-physician, is 52.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1962, Gen. Douglas MacArthur was selected to arbitrate a dispute between the NCAA and AAU.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Criticism is a disinterested endeavor to learn and propagate the best that is known and thought in the world." — Matthew Arnold

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1982, heavy, wind-blown snow paralyzed much of Colorado. Denver's Stapleton Airport received 23.6 inches to set its 24-hour record.

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TODAY'S MOON: Day after new moon (Dec. 23).

TODAY'S BARB
BY PHIL PASTORET
A pessimist is a person who expects Santa to fill his stocking, only to have the gifts fall out through a hole in the toe.

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Today is CHRISTMAS DAY. It is the 360th day of 1992 and the fifth day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1961, Pope John XXIII issued a papal bull convening the Roman Catholic Church's 21st ecumenical council, to be held the following year.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Clara Barton (1821-1912), humanitarian; Evangeline Cory Booth (1865-1950), social reformer; Robert Ripley (1893-1949), cartoonist; Humphrey Bogart (1899-1957), actor; Barbara Mandrell (1948-), singer, is 44; Sissy Spacek (1950-), actress, is 42; Rickey Henderson (1958-), baseball player, is 34.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1888, 77 years before the opening of the Houston Astrodome, the first indoor baseball game was played in Philadelphia.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The whole world is about three drinks behind." — Humphrey Bogart

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1974, severe tropical cyclone Tracy made landfall near Darwin, Australia. Peak winds were more than 174 mph; some areas were completely devastated.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (Dec. 23) and first quarter (Dec. 31).

TODAY'S BARB
BY PHIL PASTORET
We're having chili for Christmas dinner. There'll be too many turkeys on TV during the evening.

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Rose being aided by lack of worthy baseball standouts

By JIM LITKE
AP Sports Writer

Pete Rose shouldn't need any more help to get into Cooperstown, but he's getting it anyway. The latest assist came from the mailman, who dropped off a letter last week labeled "1993 Hall of Fame Ballot."

Here are some of the names of the first-year eligibles on it: Rick Burleson, Bill Campbell, Cecil Cooper, Doug DeCinces, Davey Lopes, Garry Matthews, Darrell Porter, Andre Thornton.

And here are some of the names of the holdovers: Vida Blue, Curt Flood, Minnie Munoso, Thurman Munson, Luis Tiant.

Combined, that's a strong Rotisserie League entry, definitely. An impressive roster for a card show, probably. Decent guys all, maybe. And the Hall?

Not.

There are enough other things happening in sports at the moment to nudge justice for Pete Rose toward the bottom of the list marked "Things to Do Today."

But the game he played with such dogged determination needs some good news very badly right now. Who knows, doing something because it is the right thing, while still a novel idea among baseball's current owners and players, might just become habit-forming. And besides, Rose's omission from the ballot can only become more, not less, glaring with each passing year.

This year there were a few worthy distractions — first-timers Reggie Jackson and Phil Niekro; holdovers Orlando Cepeda and Tony Perez. And each of the next two years offers names that could be bronzed without apology: Steve Carlton and Don Sutton in 1994; Mike Schmidt, Jim Rice and Tommy John in 1995. But 1996 will feature almost-bookends Bill Buckner and Keith Hernandez, and it figures to do downhill from there.

Bill Deane, the senior researcher for the National Baseball Library at Cooperstown, has looked at the balloting down through the years and he concluded, "There have been some peaks, but overall, the quality has gone down from the beginning.

"When the Hall began in 1936, there was 70 years of baseball to take into account and every year, there might have been 50 to 75 future Hall of Famers parked there. It took a long time before all the generals were cleared off the shelf and we began reaching the next level ...

"Now, you no longer have a situation where guys who are clearly deserving — Juan Marichal, say, or Eddie Matthews — has to wait 10 or 15 years for his turn."

Because of the ever-improving caliber of competition, there are going to be fewer and fewer players dominating their respective eras. Without recounting Rose's statistics, it is enough to say that he is baseball's all-time leading hitter and he collected them all in what we will look back on as one of baseball's golden ages.

Rose hosts a two-hour radio show nightly from West Palm Beach, Fla., but he hasn't climbed on a soapbox yet, nor made much news recently concerning his eagerness to enter the Hall. He has not applied for reinstatement to baseball, and even if he were so inclined, there is not a full-time commissioner to consider it.

He also refused to return several phone calls Tuesday to talk about the topic. Yet, when you think about it, he really shouldn't have to.

Everyone has to decide for themselves whether morality is relative, but almost no one would dispute that the tide of events in baseball these past few years have made Rose's virtues seem fairer and his vices less foul.

The owners are perverse in their desire to control the game from top to bottom, the players rush from town to town to fill their pockets, and there is a nagging sense that the franchises themselves are rootless. Yankees boss George Steinbrenner comes back next season — from a lifetime ban, no less — and Yankees reliever Steve Howe comes back every season — or so it seems — from another episode of substance abuse.

1993 Hall of Fame Ballot

- ☐ Dick Allen
- ☐ Vida Blue
- ☐ Bobby Bonds
- ☐ Ken Boyer
- ☐ Rick Burleson
- ☐ Bill Campbell
- ☐ Orlando Cepeda
- ☐ Ron Cey
- ☐ Cecil Cooper
- ☐ Doug De Cinces
- ☐ Curt Flood
- ☐ George Foster
- ☐ Steve Garvey
- ☐ Reggie Jackson
- ☐ Jim Kaat
- ☐ Mickey Lolich
- ☐ Davey Lopes
- ☐ Hal McRae
- ☐ Bill Madlock
- ☐ Gary Matthews
- ☐ Minnie Minoso
- ☐ Thurman Munson
- ☐ Phil Niekro
- ☐ Tony Oliva
- ☐ Tony Perez
- ☐ Vada Pinson
- ☐ Darrell Porter
- ☐ Ron Santo
- ☐ Rusty Staub
- ☐ Andre Thornton
- ☐ Luis Tiant
- ☐ Joe Torre

Underline indicates first year of eligibility

Reggie Jackson, Steve Garvey, Phil Niekro and 11 other former major-league baseball players are listed for the first time on the new Hall of Fame ballot. A total of 32 ex-players are eligible for election in 1993. The voting is underway among veteran members of the Baseball Writers' Association of America. Voters can pick up to 10 Hall of Famers each year. The results will be announced on Tuesday, Jan. 5.

NFL playoffs...

Plan could punish winners

by The Associated Press

The NFL's playoff tiebreaker system is great for trivia buffs who can pore over the endless possibilities and call their favorite talk-show to disperse their findings to the general public.

Except for one built-in flaw — the system has built-in disincentives.

That is, even in a year like this one, with only two of 12 playoff berths at stake the final week, there are teams that have reason to lose, like Houston and Philadelphia.

And teams that have reason to be confused, like Washington, which can lose and make the playoffs and win and miss them

"I'm not sure what's happening," coach Joe Gibbs says of his Redskins. "I just know someone has to help us."

Start with the Oilers, who already have clinched their wild-card berth and can't help themselves if they beat Buffalo on Sunday night in the Astrodome. But they do have disincentive — if they win, they most likely will have to go TO Buffalo the following week, not a particularly pleasant place to be on Jan. 3, particularly for a run-and-shoot team.

So what better test for Warren Moon, who may get a little work to get sharp after recovering from his broken arm? So what if he's not sharp. You only need him sharp for next week.

Now the Eagles.

If things stay the way they are, Philadelphia will go to New Orleans to try to finally win a playoff game. If they lose, the Eagles would probably go to Minnesota.

The Eagles beat the Vikings and Saints in the regular season, both at home. But they had a lot more trouble with New Orleans and they were playing a lot better then — it was the opening game of the season. So ... if they lie down against the Giants, would anyone blame them?

Which brings us to the Redskins.

Washington, which has been battling Philadelphia all year for a playoff berth, will have to root for the Eagles this week against the Giants, who have long since been eliminated.

Why?

So the Eagles can stay ahead of them. Because if the Skins finish in a three-way tie with the Eagles and Packers, they miss the playoffs.

It works this way.

If the Redskins and Packers (both 9-6) lose, the Redskins are in.

If the Redskins and Packers win, the Packers get in if the Giants beat the Eagles; the Redskins get in if the Eagles beat the Giants.

The Packers are playing the Vikings, who have clinched the NFC Central and know that they'll have to play the first week at home, then go on the road if they win ... thus no incentive. In fact, they might have disincentive, too — if they lose, they get the Packers; if they win, they get Washington, which won 15-13 at the Humphreydome at a time it was without most of its offensive line.

This kind of craziness happens most seasons, and it sometimes has its bizarre aspects.

In 1984, for example, four of the five NFC East teams (yes, even the Cards) went into the final week with a chance to make the playoffs. One of the four was the Giants, who played then-dismal New Orleans at home the final week knowing their playoff fate didn't depend on whether they won or lost.

So they lost ... and made the playoffs anyway when the Redskins beat the Cards and the Dolphins beat the Cowboys.

Which brings up the Giants-Eagles game this week.

The Giants, who revived last week to beat the Chiefs, 35-21, may have the ultimate disincentive.

If they beat the Eagles, that's a pretty good finish.

It may also save Ray Handley's job.

Which is not what most of the Giants want.

NBA glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlantic Division				
New York	16	7	.696	—
Orlando	12	9	.571	3
New Jersey	13	12	.520	4
Boston	11	13	.458	5½
Philadelphia	7	15	.318	8½
Washington	7	17	.292	9½
Miami	6	16	.273	9½
Central Division				
Chicago	16	7	.696	—
Cleveland	14	11	.560	3
Detroit	12	10	.545	3½
Charlotte	13	11	.542	3½
Indiana	13	11	.542	3½
Atlanta	11	13	.458	5½
Milwaukee	10	14	.417	6½
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Utah	14	8	.636	—
Houston	13	8	.619	½
San Antonio	11	11	.500	3
Denver	7	15	.318	7
Minnesota	5	15	.250	8
Dallas	2	18	.100	11
Pacific Division				
Phoenix	17	4	.810	—
Seattle	16	7	.696	2
Portland	15	8	.652	3
LA Lakers	14	8	.636	3½
LA Clippers	14	10	.583	4½
Golden State	11	13	.458	7½
Sacramento	7	16	.304	11

Tuesday's Games
Boston 106, New Jersey 104
Orlando 101, Utah 98
Charlotte 130, Atlanta 114
Detroit 98, Houston 84
Phoenix 106, Golden State 104
San Antonio 113, Denver 108
Sacramento 102, Milwaukee 99, OT
LA Clippers 108, Dallas 94
Seattle 107, Portland 96

Wednesday's Games
Houston at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Utah at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Indiana at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Washington at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Denver, 9 p.m.
Seattle at LA Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
Dallas at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games
No games scheduled

Friday's Games
San Antonio at LA Clippers, 3:30 p.m.
New York at Chicago, 9 p.m.

Bills seek consistency against Oilers Sunday

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. (AP) — Looking for a clue on how the Buffalo Bills will play on any given week? Don't ask coach Marv Levy.

"It's hard to tell when a team is up or not up," Levy said.

A better idea would be to see who's on the schedule. As was the case in Sunday's 20-16 victory over the New Orleans Saints, the Bills have shown a predisposition toward playing their best against good teams — and their worst against not-so-good teams.

The Bills can't explain why they can beat NFC powers like the Saints and the San Francisco 49ers and lose to average teams like the New York Jets and the Indianapolis Colts, which Buffalo did in back-to-back games in the last month.

"During the season, there's going to be a lot of stumbling along the way," cornerback Nate Odomes said Monday. "We just happened to do it two weeks in a row. A lot of teams in the league had a stretch like that. It's something you weather, and we've done that."

Buffalo (11-4) has righted a ship that was listing badly after the demoralizing loss to the Jets three weeks ago.

Wins over Denver and the Saints have put the Bills in position to claim their fifth straight AFC East title and home-field advantage for as long as they win in the AFC playoffs. All they have to do is beat Houston in the Astrodome Sunday night.

If the Bills habit of playing up — or down — to the level of their competition continues, the Oilers (9-6) should be ready for a battle.

Coach Marv Levy said he understands why people think the Bills' effort in any given game is dictated by the relative strength of their opponent.

"The results of our games would indicate that, but I hope our players realize the competition is always good," he said.

Odomes also understands the logic.

"If you looked at who we lost to, that's a good assumption," he said. "Those two clubs (the Colts and Jets) came out and made their seasons versus us."

Jim Kelly said the Bills aren't the only team that seems to stumble in games they're supposed to win.

"During the course of the year, everybody is going to lose a game against a team they're supposed to beat," Kelly said. "We'd like to come out with those wins, but sometimes you don't. I wish I had the answer."

Both the Jets and the Colts were badly banged-up when the Bills played them, and Kelly said players notice that. The Saints, he said, probably felt the task of beating the Bills would be easier since defensive end Bruce Smith didn't play and linebacker Cornelius Bennett missed all of the second half.

The victory over the Saints makes the Bills 4-0 against NFC competition this season, but neither Levy nor the players felt that would mean much if Buffalo was to advance to its third straight Super Bowl.

"You see a team with a lot of injuries and you think that team will take a step backward, but we showed yesterday that teams can't do that," he said. "Bruce didn't play, Biscuit (Bennett) and (Steve) Tasker got hurt and we all rose to the occasion."

Ex Cowboy charged with forgery

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Former Dallas Cowboys wide receiver Golden Richards has been charged with seven felony counts of forgery for allegedly forging checks to buy prescription narcotics, authorities said.

Richards, best remembered for catching the touchdown pass that clinched the Cowboys' 1977 Super Bowl title, played for Brigham Young before turning pro.

Bud Ellett, chief of the Justice Division of the Salt Lake County Attorney's office, said Richards, 42, was charged Tuesday with the third-degree felonies after being arrested Monday.

He was released from the Salt Lake County Jail later that day after posting $2,500 bail.

West Jordan police detective Robert Shober said Richards was arrested after allegedly forging his signature to checks he stole from his parents.

According to court records, Richards admitted that he forged 26 checks that were drawn on his parents' account last October. Family members have said Richards has no money, no job and a drug habit that has forced him to sell his football memorabilia.

Some checks were written to the Family Medical Center for office visits with Dr. Robert Davis, who is accused of 130 instances of unprofessional conduct in unrelated matters and faces a licensing hearing and federal criminal trial next year.

Checks were also written to a pharmacy to pay for prescriptions given by Davis. The checks totaled nearly $900.

"He was asking for anything that had codeine in it," Shober said.

An arraignment was scheduled for Dec. 31 in 3rd Circuit Court.

NFL glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EST

AMERICAN CONFERENCE	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
East						
y-Buffalo	11	4	0	.733	372	256
y-Miami	10	5	0	.667	324	268
Indianapolis	8	7	0	.533	195	285
N.Y. Jets	4	11	0	.267	220	295
New England	2	13	0	.133	192	347
Central						
x-Pittsburgh	10	5	0	.667	276	212
y-Houston	9	6	0	.600	325	255
Cleveland	7	8	0	.467	259	252
Cincinnati	5	10	0	.333	257	343
West						
y-San Diego	10	5	0	.667	304	227
Kansas City	9	6	0	.600	306	262
Denver	8	7	0	.533	242	287
LA Raiders	6	9	0	.400	228	261
Seattle	2	13	0	.133	126	281
NATIONAL CONFERENCE						
East						
x-Dallas	12	3	0	.800	382	229
y-Philadelphia	10	5	0	.667	334	235
Washington	9	6	0	.600	280	234
N.Y. Giants	6	9	0	.400	296	347
Phoenix	4	11	0	.267	240	325
Central						
x-Minnesota	10	5	0	.667	347	242
Green Bay	9	6	0	.600	269	269
Chicago	5	10	0	.333	281	334
Detroit	5	10	0	.333	267	308
Tampa Bay	4	11	0	.267	260	362
West						
x-San Francisco	13	2	0	.867	407	230
y-New Orleans	11	4	0	.733	310	202
Atlanta	6	9	0	.400	300	376
LA Rams	5	10	0	.333	275	356

x-clinched division title
y-clinched playoff berth

Saturday's Games
New York Giants 35, Kansas City 21
San Francisco 21, Tampa Bay 14

Sunday's Games
Buffalo 20, New Orleans 16
Houston 17, Cleveland 14
Green Bay 28, Los Angeles Rams 13
Minnesota 6, Pittsburgh 3
Cincinnati 20, New England 10
Indianapolis 16, Phoenix 13
Philadelphia 17, Washington 13
Detroit 16, Chicago 3
San Diego 36, Los Angeles Raiders 14
Denver 10, Seattle 6
Miami 19, New York Jets 17

Monday's Game
Dallas 41, Atlanta 17

Saturday, Dec. 26
New Orleans at New York Jets, 12:30 p.m.
Los Angeles Raiders at Washington, 4 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 27
Cleveland at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
Denver at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
Green Bay at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Indianapolis at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
Miami at New England, 1 p.m.
New York Giants at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Atlanta at Los Angeles Rams, 4 p.m.
Chicago at Dallas, 4 p.m.
San Diego at Seattle, 4 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Phoenix, 4 p.m.
Buffalo at Houston, 8 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 28
Detroit at San Francisco, 9 p.m.
End Regular Season

Schoolboy grid star has tough choices ahead

NEW CHAPEL HILL, Texas (AP) — Look up in the sky. It's ... it's ... it's ... Tremain Mack's reputation and confusion soaring to spectacular heights.

Some observers feel Mack, Chapel Hill's superbly talented running back, is high school football's version of Superman.

He doesn't run like a speeding bullet, but does run a consistent 4.4 40-yard dash.

He isn't powerful as a locomotive, but does bench press more than 300 pounds.

He can't leap tall buildings, but has high jumped 6-5 despite never practicing the event.

He's even mild-mannered.

Jacksonville coach Danny Long, whose Indians held Mack to just 43 yards, calls him, "The greatest back in North America."

Palestine fans would agree. After the Jacksonville struggle, he rebounded with 171 yards rushing, 87 yards receiving, five touchdowns and two two-point conversions in a 50-42 win.

He had 98 yards against Athens, but didn't play the second half. He had 80 against Kilgore, East Texas' top defensive team. In every other game he rushed for at least 100 yards.

If Mack is indeed a super man, then saying "no" or making decisions is his Kryptonite. Both leave him feeble and helpless.

He must choose from a list of suitors including Miami, Texas, Texas A&M, TCU, Georgia and UCLA.

He must decide on a position — running back, wide receiver or safety — and whether or not he can also play baseball.

He must decide if he should be influenced by former teammates, his mother's cousin, a former NFL wide receiver, or even his mother.

Tremain Mack is soooooo confused.

"Right now I'm confused," he admits. "I don't know where I want to go. Coaches ask me if I'm interested and I say 'yeah, I'm interested.'"

Mack is made up of equal parts good kid and great athlete. He's the president of Chapel Hill's Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and says the college he attends must have an FCA program.

"The most important thing to me, what I consider most important for anywhere I go, is if they have an FCA program," Mack says. "Then it's academics, then athletics."

Some schools may start one just to get his athleticism. In baseball he plays a mean centerfield, throws a fastball about 85 miles an hour and has hit home runs estimated at 450 feet.

He's even more impressive in football, having rushed for 1,186 yards and 19 touchdowns last season, his first as a running back.

As a sophomore he played tight end and last season he was at linebacker. This year he played running back, tight end, wide receiver, linebacker, strong safety, free safety, returned punts and kickoffs and even was the Bulldogs' deep snapper.

That Mack also has passed his college entrance exam makes him even more attractive for college scouts.

Bowl glance

Friday, Dec. 25
Blue-Gray Classic
At Montgomery, Ala.
Noon (ABC)

Aloha Bowl
At Honolulu
Kansas (7-4) vs. Brigham Young (8-4), 3:30 p.m. (ABC)

Tuesday, Dec. 29
Copper Bowl
At Tucson, Ariz.
Washington State (8-3) vs. Utah (6-5), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Freedom Bowl
At Anaheim, Calif.
Southern Cal (6-4-1) vs. Fresno State (8-4), 9 p.m. (Raycom)

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Love,
April Beth Boyd

Dear Santa,
I think I have been a good girl. For Christmas I want a EZ2 do Ice creame maker, Jam Box, Huffy Double Take, Starla, T Master, Roller Blade Barbie, Racke'n Rocke'n Barbie and say hi! to Rudolph. Bye now!
Love,
Crystal Garcia

Dear Santa,
I don-t if I have been too good, but if you think I've been good that will be fine with me. How is Ms. Claus and the elves? Will you please go by and tell my grandmother "hi?" Her name is Wanda. How do you like candy? What I want for Christmas is Magic Copyer, clothes, C.D. play, TV, phone and the most important thing I wast for Christmas is a dog because Bruiser died a few weeks ago. Please send me a letter back. I L.Y.L.A.B.
Your pal,
P.S. L.Y.L.A.B. manes Love you like a brother T'Leah LaVonne Eicke

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a real puppy. I would also like a bike. I would like a skateboard. I would like a TV and VCR I would like a phone. I would like a monster face.
Your friend,
Katie Kerley

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you and the Mrs? Me, I am fine. Santa, I have been good this year. I am asking for many things for Christmas this year. I am sending my wish list to you, but the first eight things I really want. Please, Santa! Also, something else that is important to me is let my aunts and uncles come down & if they can't, God Bless them all. (especially Aunt Karen & UNcle Anthony and their puppies.) Well, I am loving Christmas this yer the homemade goodies are just great! This year, I'll be leaving you alot of goodies and a Dr. Pepper.
Sincerely,
Emilee Richelle Blocker
1. western jeans (size 14)
2. western shirts (size 14)
3. black lace-ups (size 5)
4. black belt
5. buckle with horse head
6. Pure Country cassette
7. Sawyer Brown (Cafe on the corner) cassette
8. Garth Brooks (the Chase) cassette
9. camera and film
10. Exclamation perfume
11. Criss Cross cassette
12. Baby feel so Real
13. My bundle Baby
14. Chipmunks in Low Places cassette

dear Santa Claus,
How are you and Mrs. Claus? Me, I am doing fine. I have tried to be a pretty good boy this year. For Christmas this year, I want clothes, a Billy Ray Cyrus cassette, Chipmunks in Low Places cassette, new coveralls, Monster truck, a watch, a cassette player, black roper boots, and a Nerf bow and arrow set. See ya next year!
Matthew Blocker
P.S. I'll leave you some goodies on the kitchen table.

Dear Santa,
I would like to have three dresses. I would also like a Mermaid, Barbie and a watch.
My brother, Jim, would like arrows for his bow. I think he would also like a G.K. Joe.
How is Mrs. Claus? I hope you have a nice trip!
Tracy Huddleston

Dear Santa,
It's me Laryn. I do love all the presents you gave me. How are Mrs. Claus and the elves? I've been thinking about what I want for Christmas. Here's some presents I've been thinking about Please bring me a dog and some roller blades. I also want a Pretty Crimp and Curl baby.
Loryn Brown

Dear Santa,
How are the elves? I hoep they're fine. How is Rudolph? I hope his nose still glows. I want for Christmas a Polly Pocket, a new bike, a new jewelry box.
Jessie Green

Dear Santa,
How is your wife? Oh ya how are the elves? How are the reindeer? I want a Super Nintendo, Sega Genisis and a Batman.
Josh Wilson

Dear Santa,
Thanks for all the presnts. How are Mrs. Claus and the little elvs and the eight tiny reindeer? I want a Super Nintendo, Final Fight, and baseball cards.
Case Hardy

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the presents you hae given me. How is Rudolph and Mrs. Claus? How are the elves too? Oh, I can't forget the reindeer. How are they? Santa If I've been good, can I have two Polly Pockets and E-Z 2 Do?
Aubrey Mathis

Dear Santa,
Thank you for all the presents in the past. Oh year how are your little, skinny elves? and how is Mrs. Claus? Oh yeah what I want for Christmas is a Sega Genisis, a Game Genie, Sonic 2 and rollerblades and a gocart. Bye Santa
Nathan Smith

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the dog you gave me five years ago. How are your wife, you and your elves and reindeer? I want a Super Nintindo, sega gineses, sega gineses II Pro bike, Pro skateboard, dirt bike the number is 706, snow board.
Jon Beaird

Dear Santa,
How re you doing? Is Mrs. Claus doing good? I hope every little elveses doing good. Thank you for all the toys you hve given me. This year I really want some roller blades but mom said their really high. I want a bike but their really high too. I especially some sisters about 100,000,000,000,000,000 of them, and no brothers and a new desk not a dress a desk.
Lisa Joy Long

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the toys you gave me. How are Mrs. Claus and the elves? It's that time gain and I would like for you to bring me a cat, Beauty Barbie, Beast Barbie, Beauty Watch, Polly Pocket. Other presents would be nice.
Dani N. White

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the presents you gave me last year. How are you and your wife. This is what I want for Christmas. Peace on earth.
Amy Cauley

Dear Santa,
How is your wife? Have a good trip. I hope your elves are ok and your reindeer. I hope Rudolph's nose glows. If I been good I would like a dog Sonic 2 and a Super Nintendo.
Todd Wall

Baby's First Christmas 1992

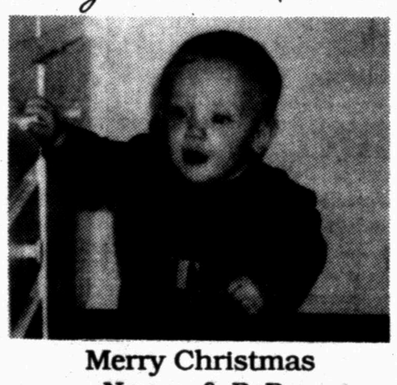
Baby's First Christmas

Meagan Downing says
Merry Christmas and
Happy Holidays to all.

Baby's First Christmas

Merry Christmas to
Grandma & Grandpa.
Kelsi Fletcher

Baby's First Christmas



Merry Christmas
Nanny & PaPa
from John Major Welch

Baby's First Christmas

Happy Birthday Jesus
And Merry Christmas to all!
Daniel Wooldridge

Baby's First Christmas

Welcome to our Family
Whitney Michelle Stephens.
Love, Granny, PawPaw Fulks

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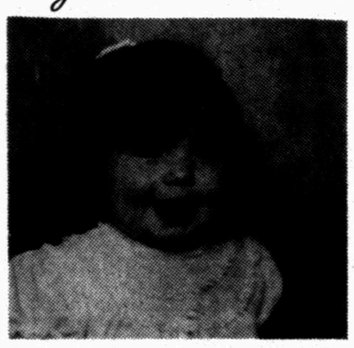
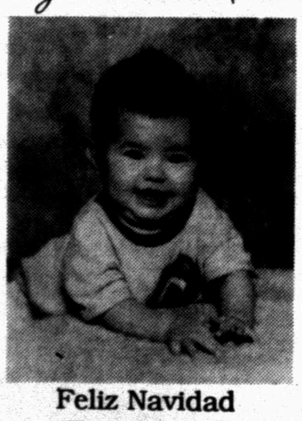


Merry Christmas
Jasmin Moore. We love you.
Granny and Grampy

Baby's First Christmas

Hope Everyone's Christmas
is Joyful and Merry
A Special Seasons Greeting
from Loryn N'cole Terry

Baby's First Christmas



Feliz Navidad
Raven Luna

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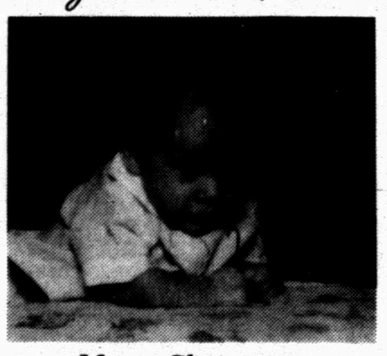


Merry Christmas
to all my Grandparents
Taylor Carroll

Baby's First Christmas

Merry Christmas
to my Mom & Dad
Austin Taylor Mackey

Baby's First Christmas

Kelsi Fulford wishes you
Merry Christmas

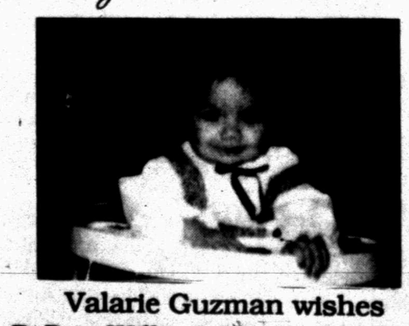
Baby's First Christmas

Merry Christmas
& Happy New Year to my
Parents, Grandparents,
Great-Grandparents and
My Many Loved Ones.
Love, Avery Yvonne Ware

Baby's First Christmas

"Better watch out, 'cause Santa
Claus is coming to town."
Love, Jessie Hibbitt

Baby's First Christmas



Valarie Guzman wishes
PaPaw Willie & MaMaw Shirley,
PaPaw & MaMaw Duran and
Greatgrandmaw Mathes (in Tyler)
Merry Christmas

Baby's First Christmas

Merry Christmas
Granny Flo, Mamaw Hatter
& Great Uncle John
Brady Van Boone

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In the midst of all the holiday activity...

WE PAUSE TO WISH YOU THE BEST!

From The Directors, Officers & Staff

West Texas State Bank

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Season's Greetings

Dear Santa,
I am doing good. I am writing a few lines to you. I hope you are doing good. I like your beard and moustache because it is long and white. I like your big suit. It is pretty. I can't want intel you come to Snyder becouse you can bring me presents. Do you know what I want for Christmas?
Can you get me a TV for Christmas? Will you get me a VCR? That's what I want for Christmas.
Merry Christmas.
Love,
Larry Martinez

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I am fine. Please bring me a TV, a black telephone, a bike that looks like a dirt bike, six hundred dollars and a computer.
Love,
Timmy Wallace

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to see you Santa. I want to realy want to see your elves and your raindeers. Please bring me Crunp and Curl. I want to pay the bills off if you will help us. I hope you will have a good Christmas. I hope you can make it to peopl's house. Hope you have a good Christmas. Please give me what you want to give me. Don't give me what you don't want to give me. I love you, Santa Claus.
Your friend,
Amber Dawn Garcia

Dear Santa
I hope you have a good Christmas. Last year I in joyed what you got me for Christmas. This Christmas I will leave some nice cookies out just for you. I hope the kids that do not get toys will get some from you. For Christmas if you can get the black rollor blads for my brother he would love that very much. My dad would like some black or bule jeans. My mom would like a neck less. I would like a little doll or some skates. If you could, bring a nice big pictor because my perents have been try in to buy a pictor to hang on the wall in the living room. If you could get my brother one more thing can it be a tape called classick queen.
Your friend
Monica Mojica

Dear Santa will you please gwt me an airplane, I also want a Sega Geaneses, a new bike, a nintando, little cars. I also want something for my mom to. She wants a coat, coth, that all. I wish you Merry Christmas.
Love,
Artemio Aguilar

Dear Santa,
I want a lunchbox for Christmas form you. I hop bring me presents form you. I hope you will bring me a lot of presents. I also want bran-new clothes for Christmas. I want a jewlry box and a rings form you. I also want a bick for Christmas. I love you have a good trip on the way up here.
Your freind
Kally Berkley

Dear Santa,
This is what I want from you. I want Kirby's Deamland and Super Mario land 2 for my Game Boy, a Super Nintendo, a TV that works with Nintendo and Super Nintendo (If you get me one) and has 33 chanels on it, a VCR and a color blaster.
Your friend
Trent Boyd

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I am 6 years old. I am in the first grade at East Elementary. For Christmas I would like:
1. tennis shoes
2. turtle
3. football

Love,
Joshua Muniz

Dear Santa
I have been a good girl. I am 7 years old. I am in first grade at East Elementary. For Christmas I would like a Santa doll.
Love,
Megan Fletcher

Dear Santa
I have been a good girl. I am 6 years old. I am in first grade at East Elementary. For Christmas I would like- 1. doll 2. Barbie car 3. New Barbie.
Love,
Laura Hall

Dear Santa
I have been a good boy. I am 6 years old. I am in first grade at East Fieementary. For Christmas I woulld like: 1. bike 2. game 3. Thumbs Up Seven Up.
Love,
Jeffrey Martinez

Dear Santa
I have been a good girl. I am 6 years old. I am in first grade at East Elementary. For Christmas I would like: 1. Barbie Doll 2. walking doll 3. bike.
Love,
Tiffany Barry

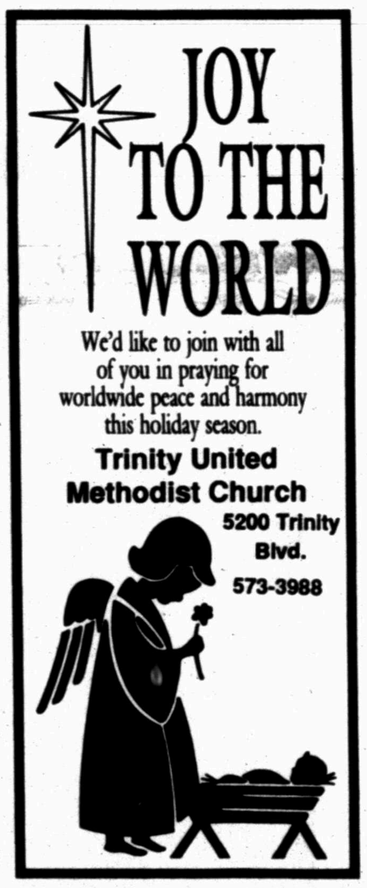
Dear Santa Claus,
It is getting close to Christmas so I decided to write you a letter.
How are you doing. I'm doing fine. My dad is getting a new job soon. My family is doing fine to. My Moms birthday is on Christmas. I forgot to mention how old I am and what my name is. Well anyways I'm eight years old and my name is Stormy Orsak. I have brownish colered hair. Now I know what I want for Christmas. I want a troll doll, and a game called Sorry. I forgot to mention something else. I got to Central Elementary. Well that is all of the things I can think of right now. So goodby.
Stormy Orsak

Dear Santa,
Howa are you? My name is Jeremy. I am eight years old. I want some shos. And for my sister some shos too. For my mom get her some makup. And I want a Keybord. For my sister a woch and a keybord too. For my mom get some shirts and some pence. For my grandma some shirts and some pence. For my grandpa some hemer and a back scracher. I hope you can get it all.
Love,
Jeremy

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? I am fine. I want a 90210 doll set — Dylan, Brandon, Kelly, Brendn and Donna. I also would like to have a computer. I will leave you milk and cookies.
Love
April Free

Dear Santa,
My came is Colton and I'm three years old. My Mom and Dad is helping me write this letter.
Thank you for my toys last year.
I would like for you to bring me a:
1. blue bicycle
2. bow and arrow
3. lots of guns

I have been a real good boy all year long — well pretty good.
I will leave you some milk and cookies for you under the Christmas tree. I will also leave carrots and apples for your reindeer.
Remember Santa, wear your seat belt and drive safely.
Merry Christmas!
Love,
Colton West



Joyous Tidings

Dear Santa,
I want a dog, a paint set, books a birbie doll Roller blades dolls Roller blade doll a rings and game.
Love
Lindsey Wilson

Dear Santa,
I want a fasttrack and a gun and some books to read and a baseball to play catch with and a football to play with and a basketball to and a truck and puzzles to p together games to play and toy Mammoth and toy panther and watch and dictonary and soccer ball.
Love Mark

Dear Santa,
I have a lot of toys I want. I hope the sleigh is not too small for all my presents. here is what I want. I want a ball, a ring, a hat, a horse, a Roller blade Barbie, books and a lot of crayons, jewelery, a suit.
Candace

Dear Santa,
I want Joe and Mack, Roller Blades, Super Nientendo game, genie VCR and a Tv, Rambo First Blood 1 and 2 Stereo with Garth Brooks and Billy Ray Cirrus, Apatchie Attack Helicopter, Super Mario Kart, Road Runners Death Valey Raley, Street fighter 2, Earnest goes to jail, Robo cop 3, 20 gallon fish tank with 2 black Mollies, Fish tetris, ant ray, corel racks that have holes, 2 inch truseure chest, five inch fish plants, ghost shrimp, red fidler crab.
John Gainer

Dear Santa,
I would like the toys on my list I know show is not on my list but I want it love, Tyler.
Tyler Frey

Dear Santa,
I wish for a doll, snow, a paint set, a game, a Barbie, jewelery, clothes, shoes, a purse, and a radio.
Candy Rose

Dear Santa,
Wnt I want for Christmas is a shirt with Santa, a truck a shark book some snow, a paint set, race cars a football Dinosaurs a soccer ball a game, a Batman set and that's all I want for Christmas.
Love,
Timothy Huddleston

Dear Santa,
I Want a Nintendo, a new bicycle, a sleeping bag, and I want a Barbie House and a California Roller blade baby doll.
Amy Strong

Dear Santa,
I love all of the things you have given me. Like the paint set you gave me. A game called Sorry is good too. Monopoly is good too. I like the soccer ball best. Thanks Santa. You and your elves can visit any time.
Love,
Michelle Nettles

Dear Santa,
This is what I want for Christmas. I want a California Rollerblade babydoll, a new bike tire and a Barbie dream house. This is my last thing I want it is called Mickey's Challenge. It is to play on the computer.
Celeigh Sterling

Dear Santa,
Do you remember last year's Christmas? I got lots of toys! This time it's going to be different. All I want is a sega genesis and a Super Nintendo Game Genie.
Colter Brown

Dear Santa,
I would like a Beauty and the Beast Game, Tape, skates, California Rollerblade Baby, Paint Set and Go-cart.
love, Tera

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year. I hope you will get me the things I want. Here are the things I want. I want all the figures of the Land of the Lost, and the tree house, the Terminator doll that talks, the tape of Home Alone 2, all the mutations of the turtles, a go cart, a mini bike, but what I want most of all is my dad's back to get better.
Michael Allen

Dear Santa,
I want Roller Blade Baby and EZ 2 Do.
I want home Alone 2, Game Boy, a Troll Doll Earrings and Crash dummy and Suprise Puppy pink & white.
Kali

Dear Santa,
I hope you bring me the best pirates hat and a new bike.
Joel Watson

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good boy. I want the Tempest boat with a starter and gas. I also want a remote control airplane too. I also want a fast track.
Love, Zachary

Have the greatest Christmas ever!
Thanks for making ours a real treat!
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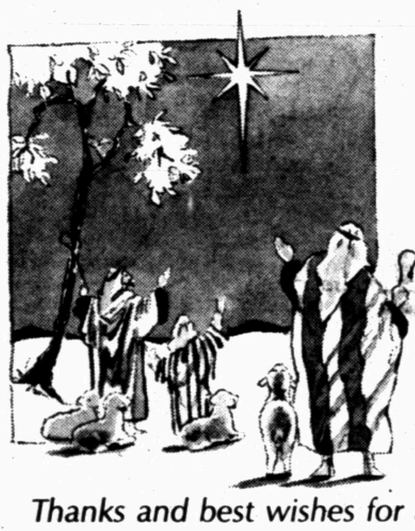

O' HOLY NIGHT
May the wonder of His love guide you now and forever.
Thanks and best wishes for a joyous holiday.
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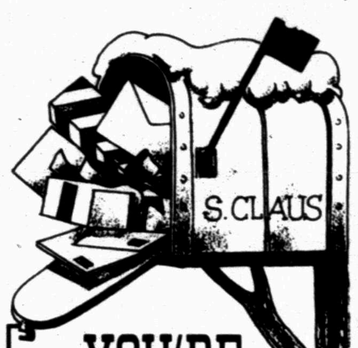

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...And ours, too! We're sending our best holiday wishes for a season filled with happiness and cheer, along with our thoughts of thanks for your very valued business. Your friendship means a lot.
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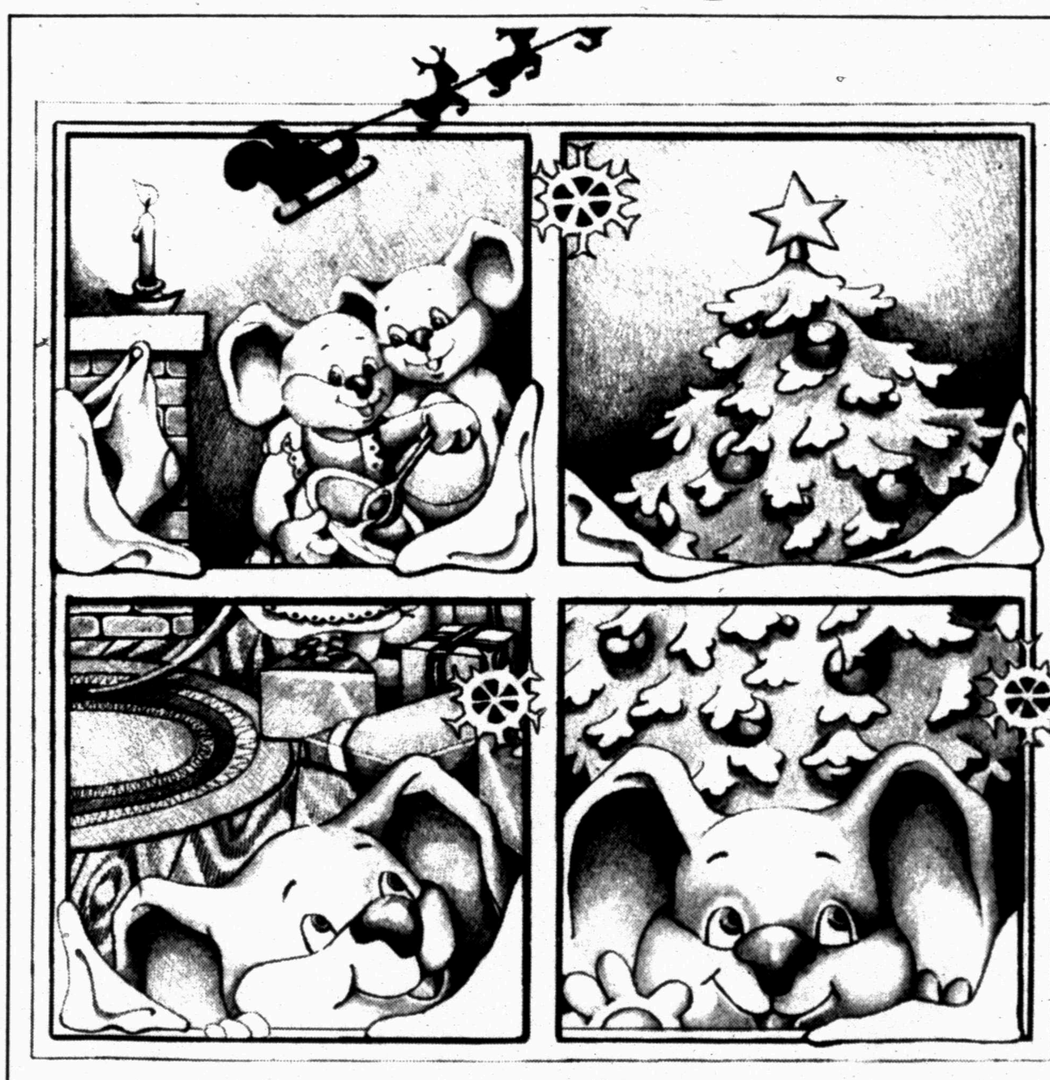

HAPPY HOLIDAY
Bundles of presents, sweet aromas of festive treats, the sight of the glowing tree, the sparkle in their eyes on Christmas morning... it's Christmas time.
May all the world be at peace.
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Season's Greetings

Dear Santa,
I want farming toys and GI Joes, a few of them crayons weights, a vcr with a tv and movies, a stereo with côol tapes and a new four wheeler, a race car track with two cars, a new controll tracter, a new dirt bike and a new sling shot that thows rocks.
Rowdy Cumbie

Dear Santa,
I want a model air place, a paint set, a go-cart, and a remote control air plane.
Ryan Higgins

Dear Santa,
I hope Rudolph and you have a happy Christmas. Bring me some presents. My dad will leave some tools. Watch for my dogs. Watch for the fire in the fireplace. I want a compass. That way I can watch where I am going.
Geoff Pinkerton

Dear Santa,
I am in Mrs. Moss 3rd grade class. How are you and Mrs. Santa doing? I am fine. How is the weather up there? I want a makeup kit and Shark attack game for Chistmas! And alot of other things but you will know. Tell all the reindeer hello for me especially Prancer and Dancer! Tell Frosty not to melt.
Your girl,
Sandie Nussey

Dear Santa,
How is it in the North Pole? It is fine here in Snyder. There are a few things I want for Christmas. I want a gerbil, a punching bag, a CD player and that's about all.
Love,
Tate Thompson
P.S. Tell Mrs. Claus and the elfs I said hi!!!!

Dear Santa,
I want for Christmas a super Nintendow and a game boy and a bebegun and a army truke and a remokentrole trakter and a remokentrole fire enjen and a merry christmas to you from Eric James Courtney.
Ill be seing you
Love,
Eric Courtney

Dear Santa,
In this letter I hope you find the list on the back.
(over)
Diveing Batman
Arctic Batman
Dress Up Batman
Two Face Picewon
Brandon McMillan

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope I get some new clothes for Christmas so I can wear them to school to show my friends what I got for Christmas and some toys I got for Christmas. I don't know what I'm getting for a present from you to me so I will sleep good and so I can open my present so I can know what I got from you and everyone eles too.
Your friend,
Rebecca Melton.

Dear Santa,
How are you and your reindeeres? I have been a good girl latly. Will you please get me Roller Blades for Christmas? I want to see your elfs. Are they cute? I got a song about you. It is Santa Claus is coming to town I listen to it a lot. My list is not long. I will tell you it.
1. Roller Blades
2. Baby doll
Love,
Candace Gonzalez

Dear Santa,
I want $1 for Chrishmers. I want a lot of toys like Majeec Calufua roller baby. I want some markers. I want some candy. I might gown for Chrishmas. I want a new watch. I will leave some cookes and milk
Love,
Alicia Bowlin

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the fore wheel truck. I'l leave cookies and milk bue the christmas tree. This christmas I want a modercick for this Christmas. I want it to start snowing three days before Christmas. I want it to snow hard. Will you bring toys for the children how haven't had any toys. Please bring toys for tots.
Merry Christmas
Randy Rainwater

Deer Santa
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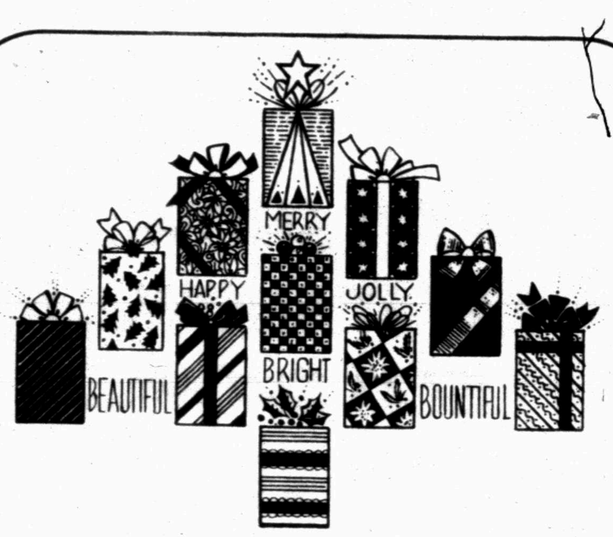
Dear Santa



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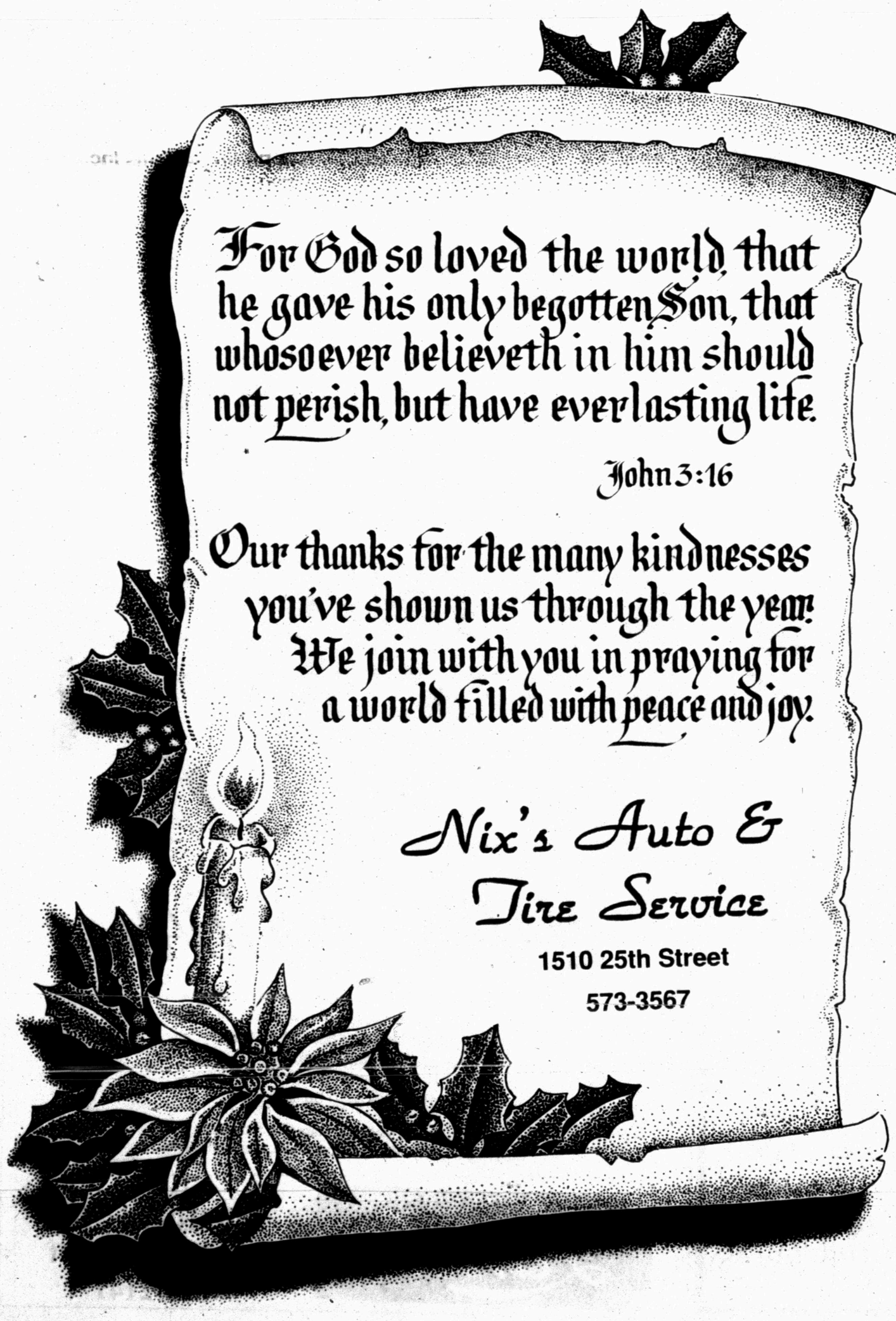

Jubilant greetings at Christmastide.
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Joyous Tidings

Deer Santa I love you and I wont to give you some think for Christmas because you got me some thing and I want to thank you. I wont you to tell the evles hi. I will like you to give toy to the poor plesase and give them food for me. Can you please give my mom some thing spelsls fore me. it bend so long sense I seen you. May I have some toy to. A long time ago I saw you at my school and I was so shock that I was saying you name — cant stop!
Thank You!
From Diana Cody

Dear Santa,

Please give all the poor pelop presents first. Wold you make a lot of toys for tots. My brother wants glof club head covers. I don't know what else he wants. I like what you brot me last year. This year I would like a Happy Holidays. Barbie, Ten Talk & A Barbie fold up house.
Your friend,
Sarah Pilgrim

Dear Santa
will you please bring me a supper nintindo? Will you please bring me some clothes to? Will you bring my brother a game boy? Will you please bring my mom a teapot? Will you please bring a baby doll? Will you give my dad some sheos?
Love Adam Jones

Dear Santa,
How are you? Thanks for all my toys I got last year and the years before. Can you tell your elves to make some toys for the tots? Since my brother Zeb is to big to sit in your lap I will tell you what he wants. He wants a Jay Novicey jersey, walkmen and a gameboy. I want a pear of roller skates, Starla and the Barbie sisters. How is Rudolph and all the other reindeers?
Your friend,
Amber Denice Alexander

Dear Santa,
I want a pink baby stroller this year. Starla wants a Baby All gone.
Love, Lacee

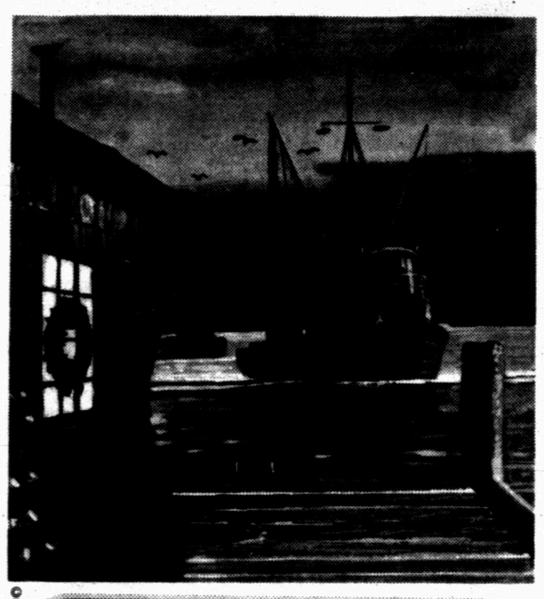
Dear Santa,
If you come to my house I would like a jam box. I would like some barbies. I want Taboo and Starla. If you would give me the Grape Escape game. I would like a slip and slide. Santa I want a Crimp and Curl Pony. Santa I want a bike and its name is duble take. Santa from me to you Merry Christmas.
Love,
Crystal Garcia

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is a Super Nintendo with the games Mario Paint, Nolan ryan Baseball, Super Mario, Funny Cart and R-Type. My little brother Luke wants the monster truck called the Hammer. Oh I almsot forgot I want a bike called Motocyke.
Your friend
Philip

Dear Santa
I would like a game boy with some games like paper boy, batman, spider man, turtles, and game gienie and one million dollars. Santa please make a chum 'n get 'em.
Justin Stokes

Dear Santa,
My name is Anna and I hope every singal little person gets at least one present from you. I am 8½ years.old and I have a sister that is almost 12. I go to Central Elem. in Snyder, TX. I would like a singing Ariel and first sound baby. Thank you very much.
Love,
Anna Williams

O'tidings of comfort and joy



SUBWAY
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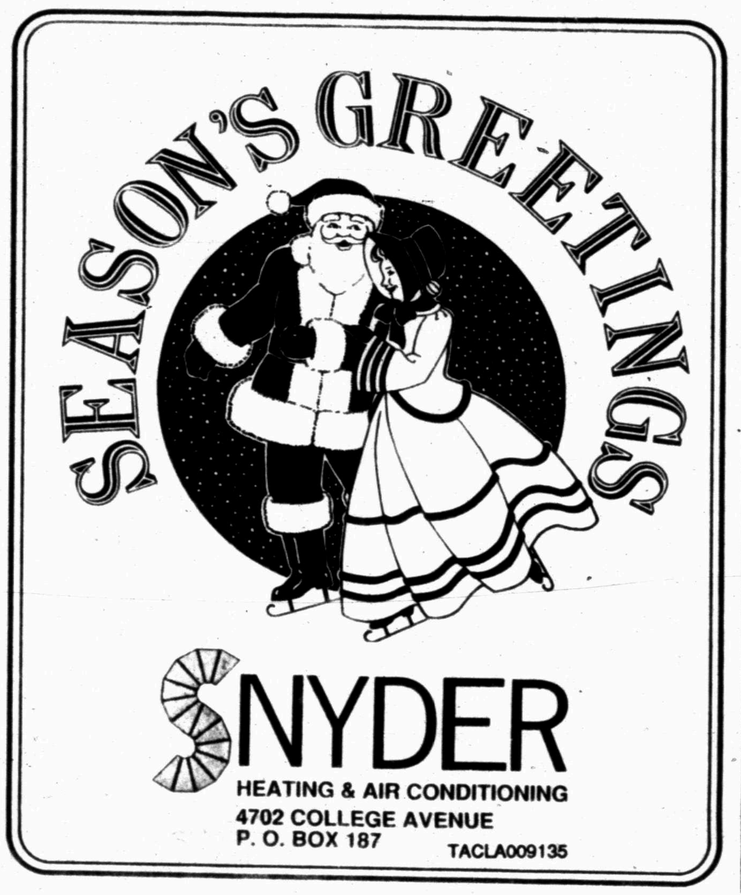

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Season's Greetings

Dear Santa,
I am Jeffery and I am nine years old. I want to have wold peace. I want an super nintendo with steet fiter. I want a fast traks. I want an crossbow. That is all I want to have.
Youer friend
Jeffery

Dear Santa Claus,
Most of the stuff I want is for other people. I would like a fast-track and for the world I would like to stop polucin and world peac and no hunger or homeless. You don't have to give me the fasttrack but I realy want the other things.
Your friend,
Bax Cornelson

Dear Santa,
I want a Super Nintendo, teliscope, and super nintendo and some game to go with it. I want a space shuttle lego set. I also want a lego train. I want a technic train. I want a mutan spinter.
Well good bye
Dustin Whitson

Dear Santa,
I am a nine year old boy. My name is Tito Alaniz. My birthday is on Sept. 12 and I was born in 1983.
I want a super nintendo, a sega genicis, a remote controled car and one good thing like a fast track. Have a Happy Christmas.
Your little friend
Tito Alaniz

Dear Santa Claus
Chrismas is my favor year.
My name is Michael Van Johnson. I am eight years old.
I want a Batman box, tap player four pants two shoes.
Love,
Michael

Dear Santa,
My name is Dewey.
I am nine years old.
I want a nurf bow and arrow. I have six people at my house.
I have been very good this winter.
I will put you some milk and cookies on the table.
Love,
Dewey

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Raymond Martinez. And I whold like a bere that talk wite a tape and the booke to go wite it. If you can't get the tape or book just give the bere. If yoy cant just give me a gocart and lot of candy and a bere. Or raddy like bere. If you can't I won't cring.
Love
Raymomd Martinez

Dear Santaclos
Christmas is the best time of the year. Age 9. Name Kyle Blum. Acting — Good.
I be leave in Santaclos and you give senteren people pezents beacus they been Good and you havs a key to every house in town and I want a mokentrollcar and a gocart and a nowe bike and a lot of baseball cards.
Love,
Kyle Blum

Dear Santa Claus,
I love Christmas because we get a lot of presents ant toys from our parents and from Santa Claus and from our uncles and our aunts too and I have been a good girl. And I am 8 years old. My name is Cecilia Lara. And I been acting good. And I beening good.
Love,
Cecilia Lara

Dear Santa,
My lavet year is Christmas is the best year of all and I like Christmas carols ho have I menshened that I was a nine year old boy and hope I will get a gameboy. Well Santa I hope you get this.
Your friend,
Marcos

Dear Santa Claus,
Christmas is my faveit year of the day and my name is Felipe Gutierrez and I'm 9-year old and I'm acting very, very, very, very good.
He has a sorten key to ever house in town and I want a bike for Christmas.
Love,
Felipe Gutierrez

"For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:11

Let's exalt in the occasion of His birth, and in the spirit of peace, joy and brotherhood that embraces all mankind at this special time of year.

On this wondrous holiday, we join with you in celebration and prayer and extend our thanks for your valued patronage.

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Road

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Merry Christmas

The simplest things in life are still the most wonderful, and we'd simply like to say, thanks!

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Joyous Tidings

Dear Santa,
I'm 8 year-old and my name is James Brandon Lester and I want a game geny. Mr Buckit, a bell from prenser, cowboy boots, belt, dog, candy, gun and anmile thank you.
Love,
Brandon Lester

Dear Santa Claus
My name is Maritza Aguirre and I am 8 years old. And I am go to wear a prity dress that has white on it. And I am go to school and my school name is central. And I like school and it is fun. And I wish you a merry Christmas. And I was a good girl. And I want a doll and I want a dress for Christmas. And I hop you will bring a prisnt to my brothers and to my cousins and I wish everybody.
Love,
Martiza Aguirre

Dear Santa,
My name is Cheyenne Walker. I am 8 years old. I go to Central my teacher name is Mrs. Kattes. For Christmas I want a trempolean. For Christmas I am going to wear a prity pink dress with blue harts on it.
Love,
Cheyenne

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? I want a new motocycle. I also want a computer and a lot of toys. Have a safe trip.
Love,
Roger

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I've been trying to be good. Please bring me a motorbike and a nintendo. I would also like a telephone.
I will leave milk and cookies.
Love,
Michael Matthews

Dear Santa Claus,
I got my bike stoken so I would like a bike. A Beauty and the Beats electronic game and a bird.
Your Friend,
La Trisha Rollins

Dear Santa -
I did things that mom told me to. I've been sweet to my brothers. Sometimes I vacuum.
Please bring me a Baby All Gone and Rappin Rockin Barbie. Also a kitchen set and some dishes.
I love you,
Heather Fields
Age 4

Dear Santa Claus -
I've been gooder than everybody in my class. I really want a Raiders football suit and Rappin Rockin Ken. If you can find a Micro Machines Super Van City, I want that, too. I hope you have a Merry Christmas.
Brad Fields
Age 6

Dear Santa,
My name is Brenna and I have been a good girl this year. Please bring me a baby that cries. My sister Megan has been good too, so please bring her a Starla doll. We will leave you milk and cookies.
Love,
Brenna Fletcher
Age 2

Dear Santa,
My name is Jennifer Monique Ruiz. I'm 8 years old. And I have been a pretty good girl this year.
So here are some things I would like for Christmas. I would like clothes for Ken, a teen talk barbie, a new purse, Junior Monopoly, perfume, a "1991" calender, a heart bulletin board and the seven piece desk set that goes with that. Also new clothes and sweaters.
Thank you,
Jennifer Ruiz

Dear Santa,
My name is Jeremy Michael Ruiz. I'm 4 years old. I have been a good little boy.
So, here are some things I would like for Christmas. A G.I. Joe Commander, rattling wrestler, Shark Attack Bowling, The Hammer head game, Grape escape game, Play-Doe, Painting Monsters, and trucks. And that's all.
Hope you have a safe trip.
Jeremy Ruiz

Dear Santa,
Night after night, my daddy takes me riding around to look at the lights. I was having trouble deciding which was the nicest until this very special house. It has lots of lights on the house and porch and right before my eyes there you stood. In the far corner watching me. They told me you could see my every move. They were right!
I've only a few requests this year. First of all I hope my Grandma & Grandpa way up in Michigan have a wonderful Christmas and know how much I miss them.
Next I'd like to wish nana and papa a very special Christmas. Thanks for the extra reminder, enough is enough. I really need to tell you. Please bring me "The Little Mermaid Doll."
Love,
Marcy
P.S. I'll place cookies and sweet tea on the fireplace for you!

Dear Santa,
How are you? Fine I hope.
Say hello to Mrs. Santa.
Will you please bring me a present and lights.
Please bring me some truck and some toys. I would like some clothes, shirts. Bring me Boots.
Thank you.
Yours truly,
Anthony Vasquez

Dear Santa,
How are you? Fine I hope. Say hello to Mrs. Santa.
Will you please bring me a bran new six speed bike. And a bran new car for my mom. And a bran new ten speed bike for my cousein. And I want a bran new motor bike. And I realy want our stuff from our old house. And a phone just for me. And a phone just for my mom. And a phone for my cousein. bran new bear, a pitcher of cow just for my mom.
Yours truly,
Amos

Dear Santa,
How are you? Fine I hope. Say hello to Mrs. Santa.
Will you bring me A three on one tourament table, a new bike, a town, a mowpad and pupit.
Thank you.
yours truly.
Paul Jones.

Dear Santa,
How are you? Fine I hope. Say hello to Mrs. Santa.
Will you please bring me a bee bee gun, big truck, bike pool table, bring my teacher a present.
Thank you
Yours truly, Josh Alaniz

We join you, our friends and customers, in joyful celebration of His glorious birth. May the spirit of Christmas be with you now and forever. Special thanks for your kind support.

We hope to have the priviledge of serving you in the New Year.
Richard & Donna Dupree,
Mildred Dupree, & Betty Zajicek
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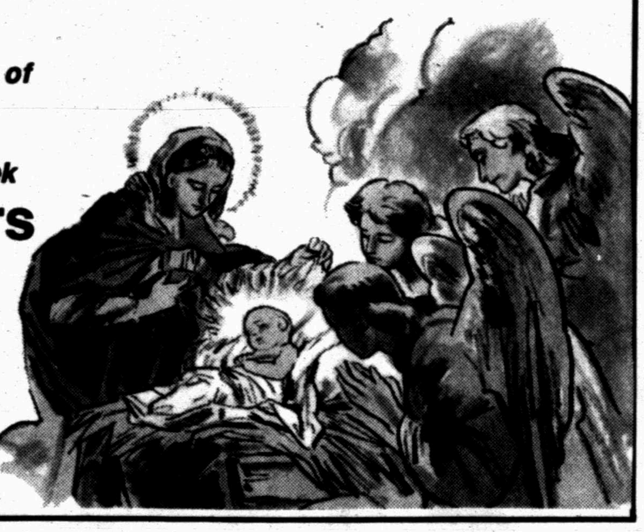

From all of us, go our deepest thanks to you for being such good customers and friends!
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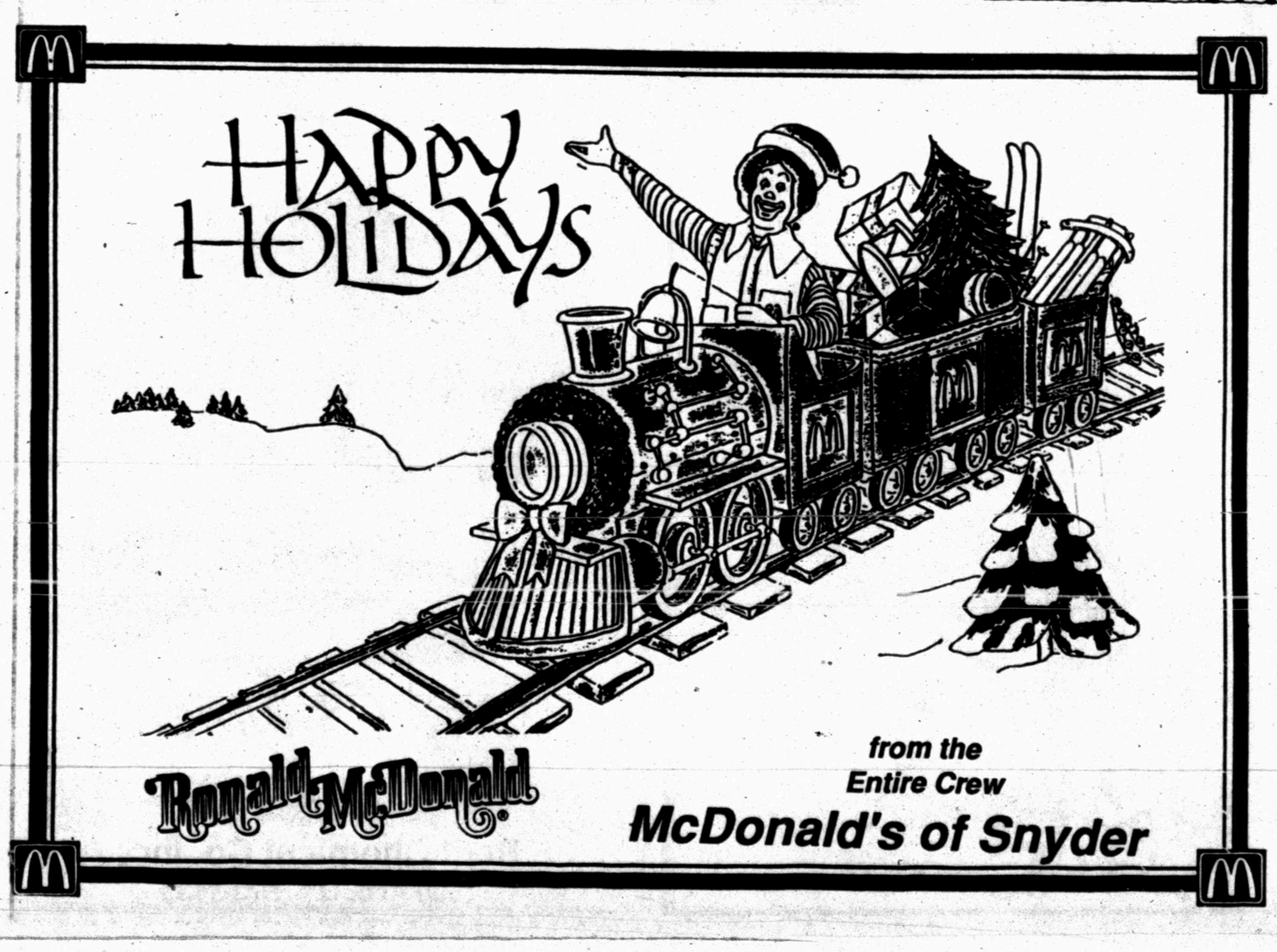
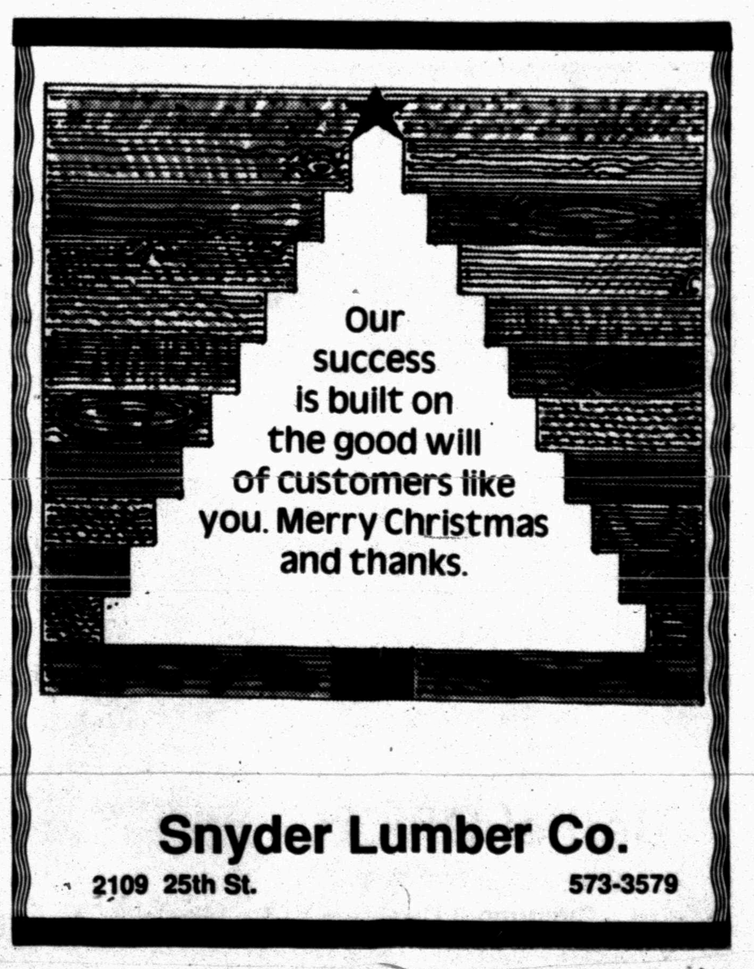


from the Entire Crew
McDonald's of Snyder



Snyder Lumber Co.
2109 25th St. 573-3579

Season's Greetings

Dear Santa,
How are you? Fine I hope. Say hello to Mrs. Santa.
Will you please bring me a Now bike, barbe, a baby alive, a bakpak and a barbe car.
Thank you
yours truly,
Betsy

Dear Santa,
How are you? Fine I hope. Say hello to Mrs. Santa.
Will you please bring me.
A Barbie and a Doll with Clothes, Barbie car, And a coloring Book.
Thank you.
Yours truly,
Holly Lee

Dear Santa,
Tool set, steel safe, home run derby, pool table, 5 speed, N.H.L. Street hockey, Bigfoot deluxe wreck, Gameboy game, 49ers Jacket, Robe, 49ers Pajama.
Can you write?
Your nice.
Brandon Cox

Dear Santa and mrs. Claus what is your name mrs. clause.
pPlease write me back right when you get it.
I think I have been good so please bring me a Tina Talk Barbie, Cabage patch preschool doll with light brown Hair, bite stuff, little Tv with color cable hookup Ok, Oh and take care of my family. Til nextime, by!
Sencerly,
Kymberly Nelson

Dear Santa,
I would like swords and guns for Christmas. I am 3½ years old and a cowboy and I need swords and guns. I'll be at my Gran and Grandaddy's house so you can leave them there. I have been a good boy.
Love,
Kylan Chase Reynolds

Dear Santa,
How are you!
Fine I hope.
Say hello to Mrs. Santa.
Will you please bring me a foder and a new ring and a barbe and a dog and a rabbit.
Thank you.
yours truly,
Romana

Dear Santa,
How are you? Fine I hope. Say hello to Mrs. Santa.
Will you please bring me a camera Telephone heart nechlace, ballet and Don't wake daddy, guess how, Magic Tea party, Louse gern's premier nursrey monitor Lovus Disney water resistant minnie, coler blaster and nockout, Mattel dream and guess Who.
Thank you.
You truly,
Alicia Hall

Dear Santa,
I have been very good. I would like for you to come to my house. I want a bow & arrow, a microphone and a magic copier. I will leave you some cookies. I love you.
Brad Richardson
Age 5

Dear Santa,
I want Mega Man 2 and 3, Batman Frisbee gun and Batman jet.
Love,
Joshua Bouher

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I want wild shirt, animals, 3 flashlights. I love you.
Tyler T.
3805 Noble

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is a bee bee gun and a video game and a bike a walkmen and a key bord a coputer.
Love Kendall

Away In A Manger
Born the King of Angels, we celebrate His holy birth, God's most precious blessing to us all. Rejoice.
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4203 College Ave. 573-2913

"God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life." John 3:16
As we celebrate the miracle of His birth, please accept our sincere wishes that you may forever bask in the warmth of His love.
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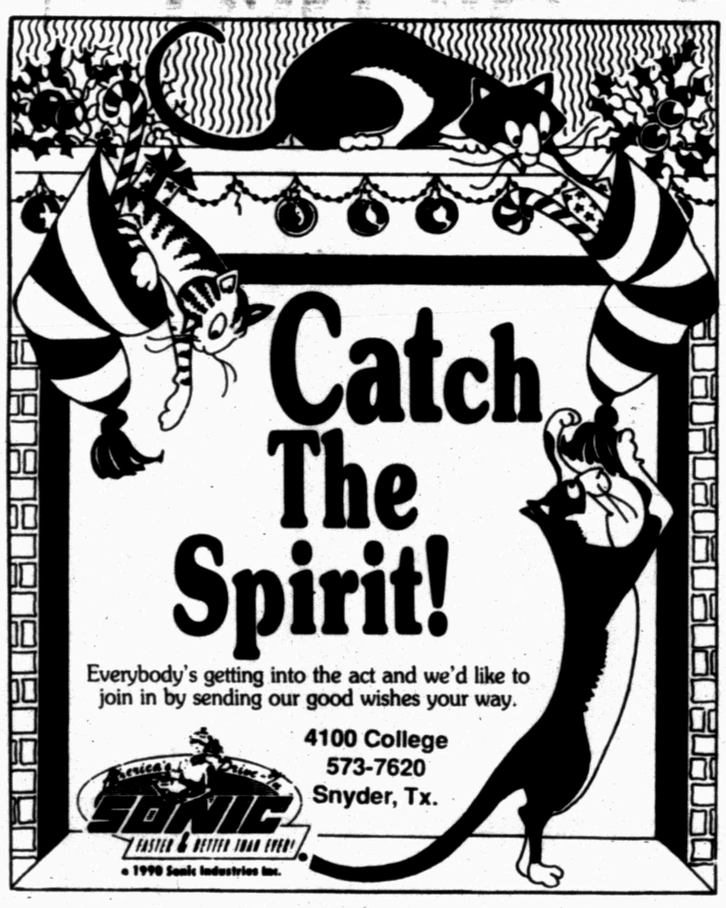
Catch The Spirit!
Everybody's getting into the act and we'd like to join in by sending our good wishes your way.
4100 College
573-7620
Snyder, Tx.
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All Things Beautiful And Bright
To all our "deer" customers, we offer our sincere good wishes this holiday season.
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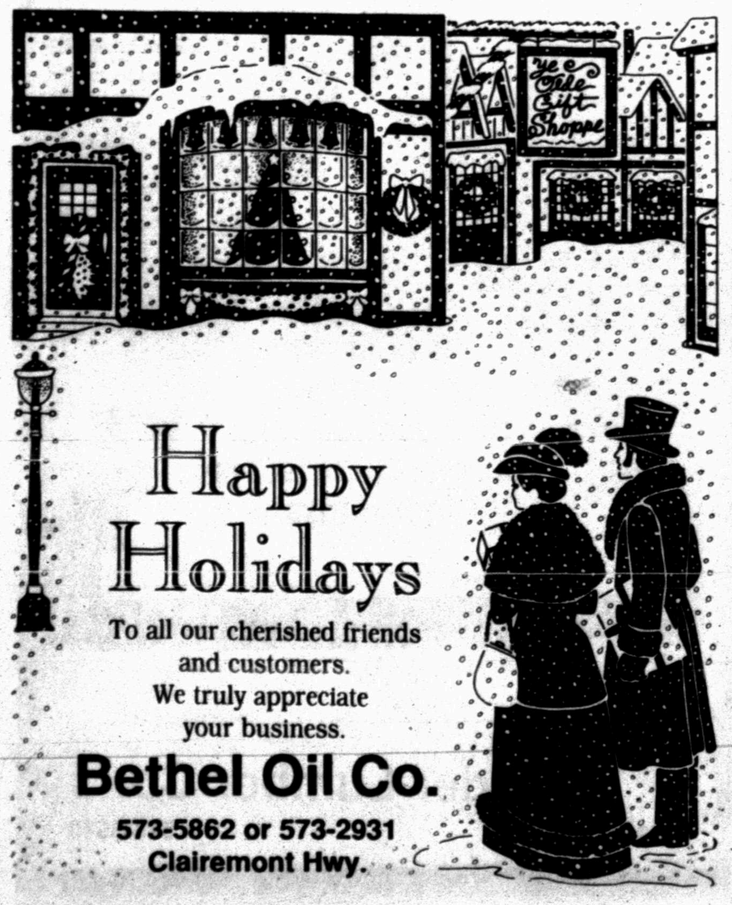
Anita Rios, Anita Hernandez, Lulu Bryand



Happy Holidays
To all our cherished friends and customers.
We truly appreciate your business.
Bethel Oil Co.
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Clairemont Hwy.

MAY YOUR DAYS BE MERRY AND BRIGHT

Our glowing good wishes to your and your family this Christmas season.
It's a privilege and a pleasure to serve you.
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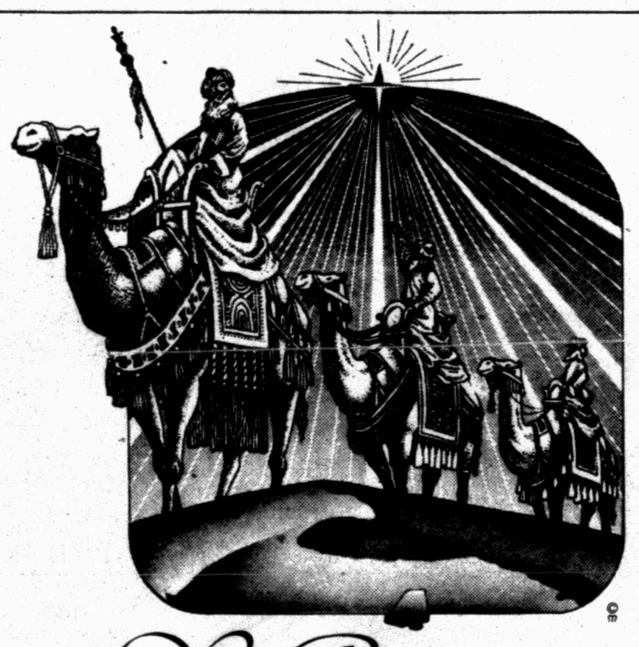

We Rejoice
To seek for a King was their intent
and to follow the star wherever they went.
A joyous Christmas to all.
Reef Chemical Co. Inc.
1600 Ave. Q 573-1133

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph? I want a super Nintndo. I want a Nerf Misle.
Your buddy,
Donny Elder

Dear Santa,
For Christmas all I want is shoes and a coat and knife, some 4:10 shells. An a nerf bow & arrow. All my brother Josh want's is a pare of shoes and a coat wich he aready has one. I show this show that is called "the elf that saved Christmas" Well thier is just one more thing I want that is bruno the bad dog.
Like
Chris Hendricks
P.S. Please have a good Christmas with your elfs.
By

Dear Santa Claus
How are you and Rudolph doing? I hope you have a safe trip to Snyder. For Christmas I would like 100 cats and dogs. And a Robin Suit and Racing Car. Also Mario Nintendo and a fire gun and lots of games. Please bring my siser Amber some games too. We have been good all year. Thank you and be careful.
I Love You.
Austin Lyle

Dear Santa,
I've been a good girl this year. Please bring me a Billy Ray Cyrus tape, a Garth Brooks Christmas Album a California rollered blade baby. I would also like Starta doll.
Love,
Ashley Rachele Bouher
P.S. If you bring these you'll get cookies and milk.

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph? Is he sick or is he fine? Can Rudolph fly? I want a new barbie doll.
Your Friend,
Bianca Sookraj

Dear Santa,
How are you? Fine I hope. Say hollo to Mrs. Santa. Will you please bring me two Magic copier and two California Roller Babys, two sining Ariels, two Puppy Surprise, two Cat Surprise, two Baby all gones, a now bike.
Thank you.
Yours truly,
Cassandra Johns

Dear Santa,
How are you? Fine I hope. Say hello to Mrs. Santa. Will you please bring me a new bike, kitty suprise, puppy suprise, pet mouse that is white, doll and Guess Who game, talking baby a live, baby all gone, new roller skates, a ken doll, baskit for my bike, a troll doll, a new back pack, and a play telephone. that is all I want.
Kristina Mayer

Dear Santa,
How are you? Fine I hope. Say hello to Mrs. Santa, will you please bring me 1. a ribbit, 2. Wrangler, 3 a kitten, 4. A new stereo, 5 Video game, 6. movies, 7. books, 8. Scissers, 9. Clothes, 10. Perfuim, 11. Four Willer, 12. Picture of a raindeer, 13. A Jacket, 14. Computer, 15. Earrings, 16. Jeans, 17. Teddy-bear, 18. Checkers game, 19 Fake cat, 20. An new clock.
Thanks you
Yours truly
Jamie

Dear Santa Claus,
How is Rudolph? I want my own Barbie skirt and shirt for me. And a Barbie jacket for me to wear.
Your pal,
Stephanie Chambliss

Dear Santa,
I want a doctor bag, a green bike, a ball, blocks & toys. I have been very good. I love you!
Wes Richardson
Age 3

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good girl this year. Please bring me a doll with a stroller & cradle. I will leave you some milk & cookies.
Love,
Bailey Richardson
Age 1

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! My name is Jamie Arnold and I am 3½ years old. First, please remember all my friends & family. Second, I have tried to be a good boy. Now what I'd like to have for Christmas: paint for my easel, a Talk N Play, a Little People Garage, a Learn about Ernie and a workshop.
We will leave cookies for you. Tell Mrs. Claus hello.
Love,
Jamie Arnold

Dear Santa,
Happy holidays! My name is Casey Arnold & I am 3½ years old. I have tried really hard to be a good boy. Please remember all the other little boys and girls in the world & my family. This is my list for Christmas: Big Bird's Talking Wonderland, A Sesame Street Phone, a Learn about Ernie, a Talk N Play, and tapes and books.
You'll find cookies waiting for you. Thank you & tell Rudolph "hi"!

Love,
Casey Arnold

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Joe. I have been kind of good this year. Here is my Christmas list. I want socks, markers, wrestlers, Nike shoes, black bean bag, super Lobo, black watch, race track, machine gun with sounds, Super Nintendo, coloring book with crayons, alarm clock with A/M F/M cassette player, miniature big foot, Super Hero figures. Have a very merry Christmas.
Love
Joe Zamarripa

Dear Santa,
How are you? My name is Whitley Fullford and I am 4 years old. I've been good and I clean my room up all the time. For Christmas I would like a bike, shampoodle, Barbie doll clothes and suitcase. Oh Santa, can you bring my baby sister, Kelsi, some toys, too? She is a pretty good little sister. I'll leave you some cookies and milk in the house.
Bye Santa

All I want for christmas.
a bike
a pooltabel
stereo
my own telephone
a football
a tent
a blue gun
a dartboard
and a hut from you
and a elf
Randy Valadez
I have been a good boy.

Dear Santa,
I would like a baby troll kids, a sining mermaid, a crip and curl pony, a baby-wanna-walk, a Polar Express, a set up Beauty and the Beast game, a Barbie case with Pet Pal Skipper, a Roller Blade Barbie, a new make-up case with make-up Pleass, Pleass, Pleass, a big baby troll Kid and a Bath time magic Barbie Pleass remember my sister Jeana.
Love Molly

Dear Santa,
I Love You! I want a bow and arrow. Mama & Daddy said that it would be fine for me to have one...the Nerf kind, that is! Don't forget my cousin, Dondi. I will leave you cookies & milk!
Merry Christmas!
Curtis Mason

Dear Santa,
I want a 5 speed bike. How is Rudolph and all the other reindeers?
Your friend,
Shawn Roemsich

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph? I am asking becase I like him. I want a pair of shoes and a petty crimping curl doll.
Your friend
Jessica Hernandez

Dear Santa,
I'm writing this letter to see if the reindeer are doing okay. I was wondering if it was very cold there. I hope that Rudolph not sick and not naughty, because I what him to fly you to my home.
Your buddy,
Reecie Sauceda

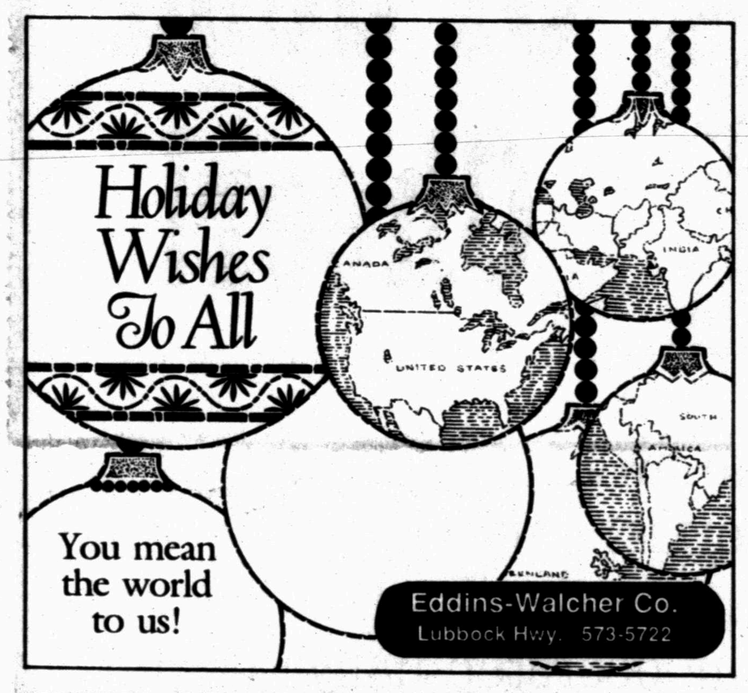
Dear Santa,
I want a Pretty Crimping Curl doll and a dinosaur baby. I also want a long coat. How is Rudolph?
Your pal,
Amelia Hermosillo

Dear Santa,
I want a new bike, a mouse, a soccer ball, a basketball, Beethoven the movie, a rabbit, a crimp n curl pony, a horse, a spash n tan kid.
Love,
Allison Canon

Dear Santa,
I want a Nerf Missile. How bright is Rudolph's nose. I want game boy. Go to my house first. I want a polar bear and a shaker maker.
Your Friend,
Kyle Bartels

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph/ Is he sick or is he fine? Can Rudolph fly? Can you fly Santa Claus? I want a bike.
Your Friend,
Jimmy Luna

Dear Santa Claus,
I think I want a Nitindo. I hope your reindeers are happy. I hope rudolph gets to play in some fun games.
Your friend,
Roy Torres



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May the joyous sounds of Christmas ring in your hearts throughout the year.
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JOY
PEACE
NOEL
However you say it, may we extend to you our holiday best and deep appreciation for your patronage.
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It's A Wonderful Life
...When You Live In This Town!
From all of us, to all of you we send our very best wishes this holiday season.
City of Snyder
1925 24th St. 573-4957

Wishing You a Happy and Healthy Holiday
Deck the halls and trim the trees,
Get on with the festivities!
At this time of season's cheer,
We wish you all a joyous year.
Having customers like you makes it all worthwhile for us. Thanks.
Walter & Lou
at Cox's Minute Market & Laundry want to wish all our friends & neighbors a Very Merry Christmas & Happy New Year
Cox's Minute Market
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Winter Wonderland
The sparkle, glow and brilliance of Christmas is all around.
At this most beautiful time, we'd like to say thanks for your friendship and support.
Snyder Insurance Agency
1820 26th 573-3163

Wishing You A Bountiful Season
May all your hopes and dreams come to fruition at this joyous time of year.
Merry Christmas and many thanks to all our loyal customers.
Furr's

Ho...Ho...Hoping Your Holiday Delivers Loads Of Good Cheer!

From all of us who write the stories, edit the pages, run the presses and carry it to your doorstep daily...to you, who make it all worthwhile...our sincere best wishes and heartfelt thanks. May all your news be good news this holiday season.

Snyder Daily News

Merry Christmas
Joyce Smith
Nancy McFatridge
Jacalyn Lawrance
Dana Dupree
Willie Dixon
Trinity Sims
Best Wishes
Bill & Dixie McClellan
Beverly Throat
Shirley A. Gorman
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Margie Sharp
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Clay Fields
Wayne Burrus

A HAPPY HOLIDAY

from the officers, directors and staff of

Member FDIC

Snyder National Bank

We take Snyder to Heart!

Season's Greetings

Santa,
I want a Mario 3 or a Super Mario with power. My brother, Bradley, wants a train.
Chase

Dear Santa,
I want a Doll Buggy a new baby and a Ariel.
Please bring me a new movie and some bottles for my baby.
Love,
Erica Lee

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Homer Samuel Holloway, I am 2 years old. My Mommy is writing this letter for me. All I want for Christmas is a truck, 4x4 jeep, a rocking horse, a airplane and a car. I have been a good boy this year, except when I fight with my cousin, Brittany. Stay warm while you deliver all of the presents. I love all of the Chrissy Lights.
God Bless you.
Love,
Homer Samuel Holloway

Dear Santa,
I've ben a very good girl this whole year, except for the few times I hit my cousins Jodi and Sam. But all I want for you to bring me is
1. magic hush little baby
2. a water babies doll
3. magic nursery tiny wonders
4. a bike (tricycle)
So I'll leave out cookies and milk for you.
Love,
Britany Nicole Leatherwood

Dear Santa,
My name is Marcus Joe and I am seven years old. I am in 1st grade. My teacher is Mrs. Brewster.
Please bring me some surprises and a fast track. I want you to bring Grampa some clothes, Cramma some earrings with Santa on them. My brother Martin a new Sorry game so we can play. Hope you make it to my house.
Love
Marcus Joe Villarreal

Dear Santa
I have been a good boy. I am 6 years old. I am in first grade at East Elementary. For Christmas I would like:
1. I want A radio.
2. I want A bike.
3. I want some clothes.
Love,
Demetrius

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I am six years old. I would like race cars.
Love,
Anthony Luera

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I am seven years old. I would like a doll.
Love,
Mandy Burns

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I am seven years old. For Christmas I would like race cars.
Love,
Blake Grimmett.

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I am 6 years old. For Christmas I would like
1. micromanmachine van
2.tv
3 bike
Love,
Justin Guynes

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I am 6 years old. For Christmas I woule like*
1 growling truck
2 remote-controlled car
3 claw truck
Love,
Michael Baldwin

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I am 6 years old. For Christmas I would like
1 Barbi car
2 skates
3 Barbi clothes
Love,
Miranda Martinez

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I am six years old. For Christman I would like.
1 boots
2 Teddy bear
3 cabbage patch kid.
Love,
Elizabeth Jordan

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I am 7 years old. For Christmas I would like
1 pony
2 Barbi car
3 bike
Love,
Brandi Russel

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I am 7 years old. For Chtistmas I would like:
1 puppy
2 doll
3 little Mermaid car
Love,
Kristel Fitts

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I am 7 years old. For Christmas I would like:
1. ring
2. puzzle
3. skates.
Love,
Micki Coffee

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I am seven years old. For Christmas I would like:
1. pony
2. puppy
3. kitten
Love,
Misha Wofford

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I am 7 years old. For Christmas I would like:
1 game boy
2 skates
3 bike
Love,
Jonathan Guy

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I am 6 years old. For Christmas I would like
1 nintendo
2 NFL football
3 wrestling Buddy
Love,
Roberto Saucedo

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I am seven years old. For Christmas I would like
1 monster face
2 puzzle
3 monster trucks
Love,
Candice Gordon

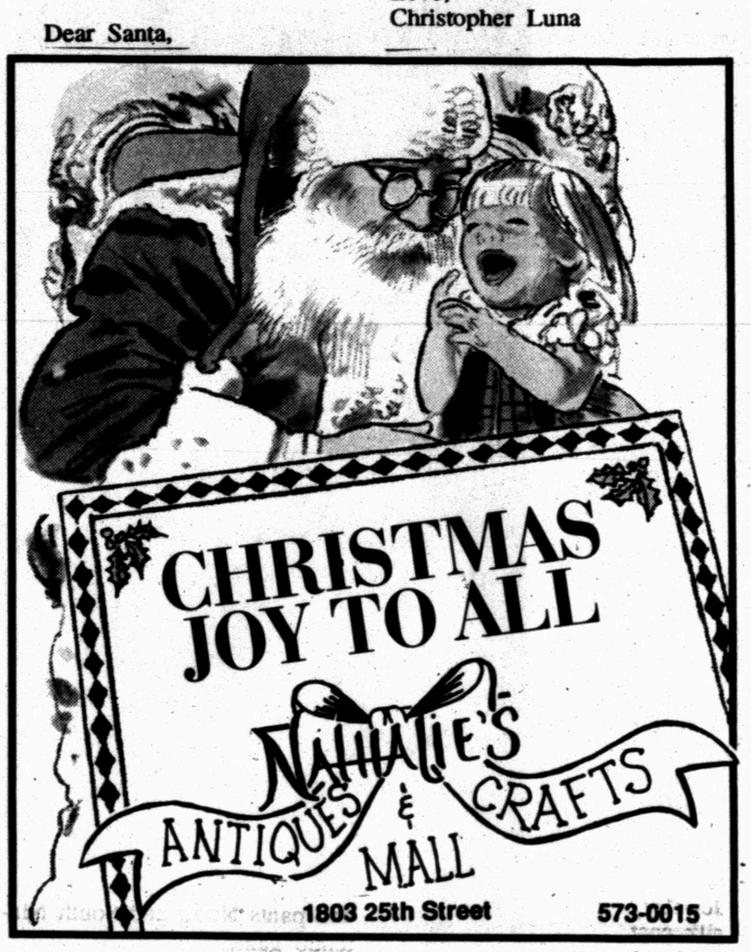
Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I am 7 years old. For Christmas I would like
1 Barbi car
2 Barbi jeep
3 Shoes
Love,
Sara Bradberry

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I am 6 years old. For Christmas I would like
1 Barbi
2 Cabbage Patch doll
3 puzzle
Amanda Ballard

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I am 6 years old. I would like.
1 Barbi house
2 Shoes
3 Barbi jeep
Love,
Eliza Hernandez

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I am 7 years old. For Christmas I would like:
1. Wrestling Buddy
2. bike
3. game boy
Love,
Trey Woolsey

Dear Santa,
I have a good. I am 6 years old. For Christmas I would like.
1. monster trucks
2. remote-controlled car
3. tank or trucl
Love,
Christopher Luna



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Joyous Tidings

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I am 6 years old. I want
1. claw truck
2. bunny
3. puppy
Love,
Russell Lee

Dear Santa,
My name is Cartawiou Grooge. I am four years old. I having my Moma Sune to write this letter for me. I have a brother name Kadrian and a sister Kennoa. Kadrian is 2 and Kennoa is 1. I have been a good boy this year. I want a batman toy and some clothes and a color writer for Xmas. My brother wants a turtle toy and clothes for Xmas. He has been a good boy too. My sister is only one so bring her a doll and some clothes. We will leave you some cookie and milk on the coffee table. Bring all other boys and girls some toys and dolls and clothes. Merry Xmas to everyone.
We love you,
Cartawiou Grooge
Kadrian Grooge
Kennoa Grooge

Dear Santa,
Hi my name is Marsha Baker. I am in 5th grade. I want you to please bring me all you can. This is what I want for CHRISTMAS!
Day Bed
Bike
Teddy Bear
Socks
Shoes
Walkman
Billy Ray Cyrus Tape
hairbows
head bands
purse
sweaters
bubble bath
watch
paints
Jewelry
silk coat
hairbrush
and stocking full of candy.
Merry Xmas
and a happy
New Year to you.

Dear Santa,
My name is Mikey Lindsey I want a remote-controlled car and a mountain bike, and I have a little brother named Eric he wants a motorcycle or a jeep
Thank you,
Merry Christmas
Love,
Mikey and Eric

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I hope fine. Me, I'm ok. Santa this is what I want for Christmas. I want some Barbie's "any kind" and I really want some Barbie Clothes, Starla and a Barbie car. I hope Rudolph is OK and don't let Frosty melt.
Your friend,
Stacy Garcia

Dear Santa,
Can I have some rollerblades and some pencils cards? And give the homeless food and money and give a home. Make the people stop polluting the air.
Love,
Colter Bedell

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? This is what I want for Christmas. I want a teen talk babrie. a barbie corvette magic, baby potty with the doll A model horse. A tv with a remote control.
I am in the 3rd grade in Mrs. Mars ckass.
Love Chasity Perales.
602 Avenue J

Dear Santa,
I would like a new bike. And a big big present/ I would like another bike for my brother R.J. I would like a new football.
Mrs. Moss 3rd grade
Love,
Diego Hernandez

Dear Santa,
I am in Mrs. Moss 3rd grade. How are you doing? I am doing fine. Will you please brind me a makeup set? It will be nice if you bring me a watch and a horse. Will you bring me a Barbie doll.
Amber Lea Yruegas
4400 Ave u 4C4

Dear Santa,
I am in 3rd grade. I want a bunch of model horses. How do you keep warm? Is Mis Santa doing good? I hope so. If I do not see you, you will know what I want.
HCR 69 Rx 64A Farm Road
Love,
Barbara

Dear Santa,
How is the weather up there? It's not very bad up here. I want a bike.
RR3 Box A168
Love,
Adam Owen

Dear Santa,
I want a remote control car a lego pirate, Blacktron lego set. I want a play mobile Pirate island and a Washington Redskin jersey and pants North and South Nintendo game.
Love,
Jay Scott

Dear Santa,
I want a door set, pool table, hotshot, supernintendo game boy, air hockey table shoes, soccer ball another bike.
Love,
Bradley Spells
mrs. moss Rm 7 3rd
1501 ave R

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? How is it up in North Pole? How is Mrs. Santa? How are the elves? Have Mrs. Santa or the elfves got sick yet? If they are not sick, that is good for them. If you want to know what grade I am in, I am in 3rd grade in Mrs. Moss class.
Have a happy Christmas.
Daisy Medrano
4400 Ave U 3C5

Dear Santa,
I'm in 3rd grade. I want a game boy game. And home run derby. Also a new bike. And a new AJM cap.
Brandon Cox
2214 40st
Snyder, Tx.

P.S. You are nice

Dear Santa,
This year I have a very long list for Christmas. I'd like:
snow, one tan of candy canes and something like this: a Christmas tree, parakeet and love for my family and me. I'd like a good friend, good president, and good toys too. And more care for my parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, brothers and for you!
Merry Christmas,
Cody Beaver

Dear Santa,
Hi! How are you doing? I've been wanting a Game Gear for Christmas and I wish for the children that don't have Christmas to have a happy birthday in all America.
Love Richard Martinez

Dear Santa Claus,
Will you please bring me some legos? I would like it if you brought me a VCR. I will leave you milk and cookies. I hope you bring me a lot of lottery tickets. I hope I win a milon dolors. I hope you like to eat a lot of cookies/ I also hope you like to drink a lot of milk.
Your friend,
Joshua Key

Dear Santa,
I hope you liked the milk and cookies last year. If you don't fly how else do you get to me house? I wish you would get this. A hot blaked queen size for my mom and dad. This is what I want please. Mony mony mony!!! Just joking.
From Casey Uptergrove.
I hope I see you.

Dear Santa,
this is a 8 year old wrighting the letter. I want a Barbie many van. My sister's want baby roller blad, and a doll house. My mom want's my brother to learn to talk. My dad want's the same thing. My name is Vanessa Lara. My school is Central Elementary.
Love,
Vanessa Lara

Dear Santa,
It is getting close to Christmas and I thought I would tell you what I wanted. My name is Kendra Nachlinger and I am eight years old. I go to a positive action school called Central. This is what I want for Christmas. A pair of clothes, hot pink bean bag, dolls, doll clothes, Barbie, Barbie clothes, and I would like a casio and a tape to listen to. I hope my whole family has a great Christmas!!!
Love,
Kendra Nachlinger

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Tina Sancez. Christmas is coming soon. I am so happy Christmas is coming. I am eight years old. And am acting good. It is getting close to Christmas and I desided to be very, very good. Can you bring some toys for my little sister. I go to school at Central Elementary.
Your friend,
Tina Sanchez

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope all my family has a nice Christmas present to make my family happy. I even hope my kinfolks a merry Christmas. My grandpa is having a birthday. So I hope him to have a good birthday. His birthday is December 2, 1992. My grandpa is now 67. My gradma is 65. I hope my family to have a good Christmas to. I hope you can get it. I want a fourweeler for Christmas. I wish for everybody to have a good Christmas. I wish my friend Michael to have a good Christmas to.
T.J. Cagle

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll for my ante Lalla in the nursing home. She wants a big doll. I want to get a game you move with you fingers. I want a doll house for my dolls. I want to get my techer a lamp for Chrismas. I want a sleping bag with dalmasons on it. I want a tent with dalmasons on it too. I want some shots and some new clothes too. I want to get my mom a shirt that has earings to go with it. I want to get my dad a bodal of colone to put on him and for him to smell very good. I want to have a dalmashan dog for the howel family. I want a pictur of all of them to. I loved writing to you, Santa Claus.
Robin Overby

Dear Santa Claus,
It is almost Christmas and I am going to get presents. So is my family so I decided to ask you a present to. I'm also going to gell you my name and age and how I'v been acting. My name is Daisy Rose Martinez and I'm 8 years old and I'v been acting good. Now to tell you wnat I want for a Christmas prensent is a game name. Splat in Bugs. My sister's name is Wanda she wants Beaty and the Beast movie. My brothers have a regular nintindo but they want a super nintindo for Christmas they want two have two nintindos.
Daisy Martinez

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I am 6 years old. I am in first grade at East Elementary. For Christmas I would like a ball.
Love,
Valentin Hernandez

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I am 6 years old, I am in first grade at East Elementary.

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy.
I am 6 years old. I am in first grade at East Elementary. For Christmas I would like 3 race cars.
Love,
Richard Gradney

For Christmas I would like: 1. Football cards, 2. and a Football Suit.
Love
Cody Wall

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I am 6 years old. I am in first grade at East Elementary. For Christmas I would like: 1. Barbie car, 2. Baby Doll, 3. New clothes.
Love,
Brittainy Milota

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I am 7 years old. I am in first grade at East Elementary. For Christmas I would like a bicycle.
Love,
Tucker Early

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I am 7 years aold I am in first grade at East Elementary. For Christmas I would like: 1. Cookie maker. 2. Barbie Doll
Love,
Amanda Johnson

Dear Santa,
I am a nine year old girl. My name is Danica Snyder. I am a strate A student. I give my best effot in all my work at school My school is Central Elemtary in Snyder. My family members names are Diana, Gerld, Jessie, Samantha, and myself. Samantha my baby sister wants a lullaby singing Cabbage Patch doll. My brother wants a giant Nunja Turtle. My mother wants some sweatshirt buddys or a set of pot holders. My dad would like the tape of "It's a Wonderful life" I would like the Outtua control game or a Magic Moohin, or a Huffy Tripple take bikd.
Love,
Danaica Snyder

Dear Mr. Santa Claus,
I have a four person family. I would like a remote contrl car. A game boy with two or three games. Then a game giney. A new bike. Also a globe. A clock. Flash cards "times." Two games tornado rex, monster face. A push cart. New luch box. A box of 243 shells, and new scope.
Riki Dorsett

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May the warmth and wonder of this joyous season embrace you and yours, now and throughout the year. To our loyal friends and customers, thank you for your valued patronage.
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CHRISTMAS CHEER
Wishing all our friends a simple splendiferous holiday. Thank you for your confidence in us.
Midwest Elec. Cooperative
Roby
Snyder

WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS
...And thank you for your business. We're especially pleased and proud to be able to serve you throughout the year. Have a wonderful holiday.
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JOY
Celebrate!
Rejoice!
Live It Up!
Kick Up Your Heels!
Let Your Hair Down!
Paint The Town Red!
Wishing you it all and more this holiday season.
Hanks Jewelry
573-1508
College Heights Shopping Center

DECK THE HALLS

Hang up the holly...
String up those lights...
Wrap up the presents...
That are sure to delight...
Share the warm fire...
With someone you love,
And give thanks for these blessings
To the good Lord above!
Merry Christmas from all of us.
Spanish Inn
2212 College
573-2355

Season's Greetings

Dear Santa,
What would you like for Christmas I would like to get you a present. Well for starters I am an eight year old boy who likes Nintendo, my brother is eleven and he is a big pain but he is real fun like the time my brother wil jumped on me and my best friend jason lee williams. the only toys that I want for Christmas are a gameboy with kid chamillion and Sonic two and Sonic one I would like to hae the game where mario puts an eveil spell on mario land.
Plus I would like a Hubby Mud Slinger, and that is all I would like for Christmas toys.
Your friend,
Wes Allen Hardin

Dear Santa,
I am a nine year old boy. My name is Jarrod Tanner I have five people in my family. I want a Super Nintindo for Christmas pleas. A for wheler to. Three Super Nintindo gams. I hope evry body gets wate they want. I want to go see my aunt for Christmas.
Sincerely,
Jarrod Tanner

Dear Santa,
I am eight years old, My name is Jacob. I have five people in my family. I would like to have a Seag Genses, and a gameboy. I wish my grandma get a new house. I would like to get new cloths and a Dallas Cowboy's cap. I would like for my sister to get new cloths and shoes. I wish my brother could get a gameboy and a bike. I would like to my dad to get new fishing stuff and a new shotgun. I would like for my mom to get new dish.
Love,
Jacob

Dear Santa,
I would like some friends for Christmas and also a bike. I want a dog and a brother to play with. Will I all ready have a brother and six dogs also I would like some more baseball cards. I would like a skate bord, a super Nintendo and a boom box.
Thank you, Merry Christmas!
Love Matt Marquez

Dear Santa,
Can you bring me a Polly Pokcet family? I want a Cabbage Patch Kid and a recycling program. Please help poor people find shelter. Help Mr. Bricky and help my mom on her job. Bring me some quiet games so I won't wake my dad. Please bring me Double Trouble, roller blades, books, Walkman, Criss Cross tape.
Love,
Cassie Plock

Dear Santa,
How are you?
How are the elves and the reindeer? When you come you might want to watch the floor because I have a black cat that attacks. I want a Lego train and a Bruno and a Leto train station and a red microscope lab, and a super Nintendo Maro 3, Sega Genesus, Reglaur Maro, and all key boards and a Duck Hunt gun. Please get Mrs. Smith Something. Please get Mrs. Barkowsky something.
Sincerely,
Michael Burchfield

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bike for Christmas. My sister does too. My teacher wishes she had a quiet class. What do you want for Christmas? I'll try to get it for you! I am running out of room.
Love,
Ruquayya Burks

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want this doll. You probably already saw it but I want it. For Christmas I want you and me to keep this in mind to our elves. Please help everybody to stop drinking. Drinking is not good for your body
Merry Christmas,
Lori Chesser

Dear Santa,
Hi! My name is Haley! I've been good! For Christmas I want an art kit. I love drawing. I want Super Mario 2 for my N.E.S.!! For my cat I want a treat. For my dog I want a bone! For mom I want something nice. For my dad I want a big heart of candy!!
Merry Christmas!!
Your friend,
Haley Elkins

Dear Santa,
My name is Chance James. I am eight years old. I've been partly good this year. What I want for Christmas is: Lazer tag, walkie-talkie ear phones and a gameboy.
I will leave milk and cookies for you on the diningroom table.
Your friend,
Chance James

Dear Santa,
How are you? My name is Andra. This is what I want for Christmas a metronome, Barbie air pro hockey, Tister and Trolls. What ever you give me I'll love it. Do you know what would be the best present for Amber and I? It would be plase no endangerd animals or no pollution. My brother Cale wants a football suit or helment. I have to go.
Ho! Ho!
Merry Christmas!
Love Audra Lancaster

Dear Santa,
I want a supper nentindo! I want a Texas A&M football! Did I mention a BB gun? Can I have a big four'wheller? And anything else you wat to bring me. Get my mom jewelry. Get my dad a shot gun.
Love,
Wes Martin

Dear Santa,
I would like a new air pro hockey set. I also would like a new super NINTINDO and a new 20 gadge gun to go quail hunting with my dad. Plus new pump shoes.
Merry Christmas.
Chris McLeod

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a doll called Starla. My sister would like a new stereo.
Love,
Stephanie Molina

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want my mom to win the Texas Lotto, and then we would be rich. And also help the needy. And I would liked to have a new basketball. Please give the poor people a good day.
Love
Brooks Nunley

Dear Santa,
I want a walkman and a chris cross tape. I want a football and a Dallas cap and a shirt. I'd like some pogo sticks and super Nintendo.
Merry Christmas
Cruz Renteria

Dear Santa,
I want a super nintendo and a blue mouth piece and a longhorn's football and super mario brothers 2 for game boy and a Troy Aikmen poster and lots and lots of candy.
Merry Christmas, Santa.
Britt Sharrock

I was just wondering if I have been a good girl the passed year. If I have been a good girl, I would like a ring this year and I want my daddy to get out of the hospital.
Bye Santa.
Love,
Jamie Vaca

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a gameboy, super nintendo, dog. I wish I can help people. I want a new bike, I will get somthing for my mom and dad.
Merry Christmas, Santa
Johnny Vasquez

Dear Santa,
It is getting close to Christmas. I am eight year old. My name is Taylor. My school is Central. I am acting very well. I have five people in my family. I want to help people on the streets and the people who do not have food. I want to give them Christmas present. I want the people who do not have Christmas presents for all of them.
Love,
Taylor

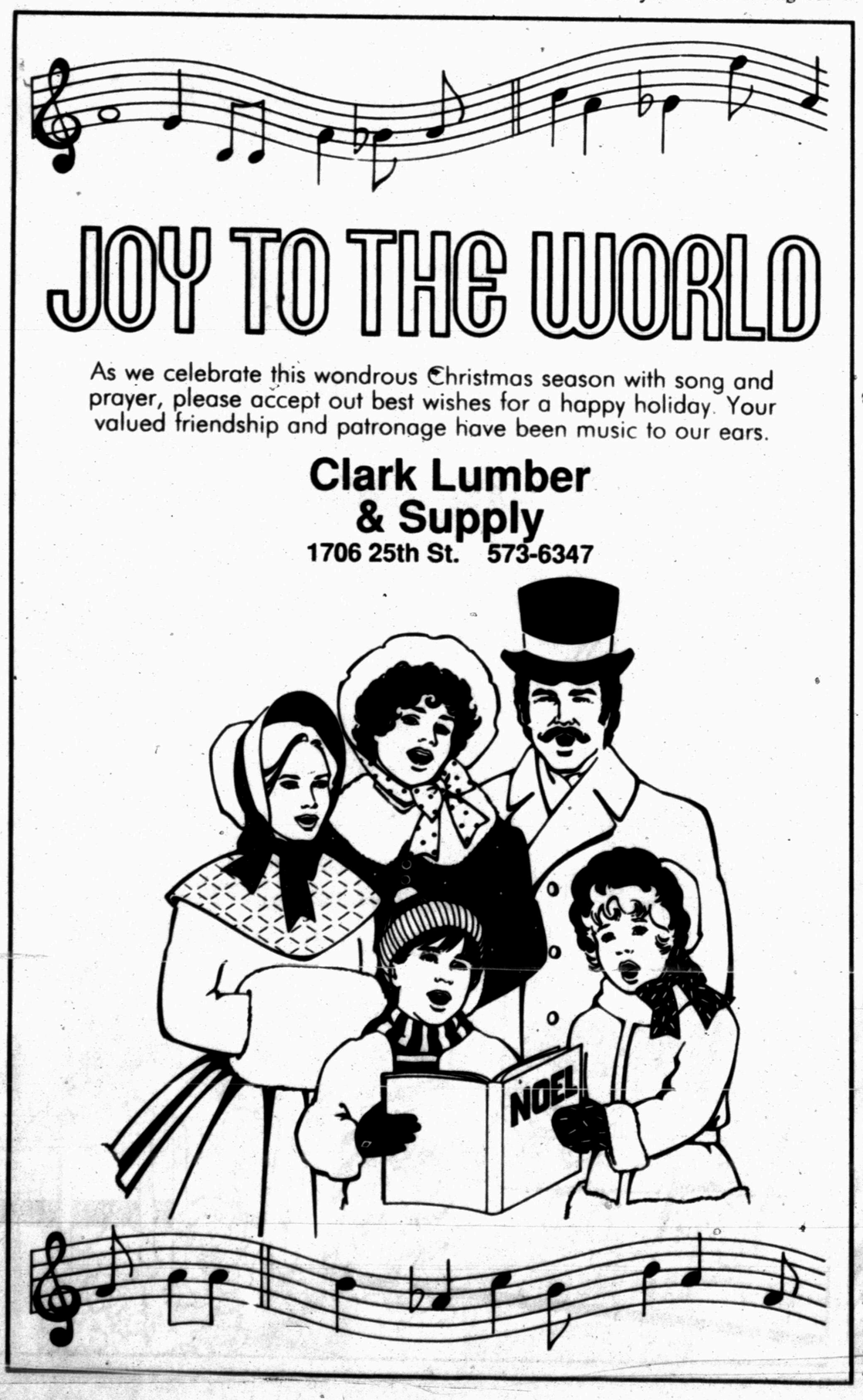
Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Crystal Garibaldi, and I am 8 yers old now. My brother is 3 and his name is Alex, and I just whanted to reminde you that to give the people homes that live on the streets. Please give all the people a gift.
Thank you!
Your friend,
Crystal

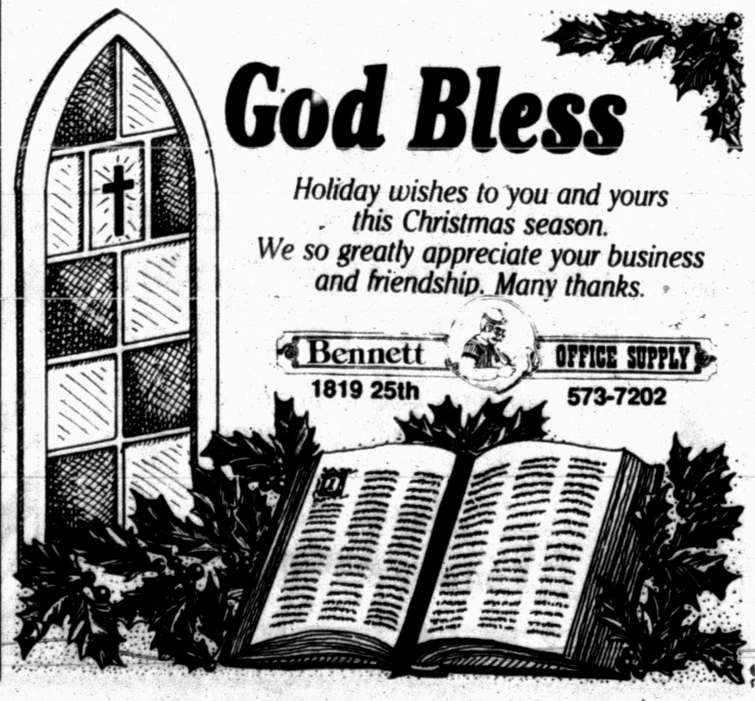
Dear Santa,
My name is Erica. My mother is fixing to have a baby girl. Her name is Erin. My mom's name is Heidi. I am eight year's old. I just want to remind you to wach over the pepple who do not have a home and live on the street's. Pleas give everone a gifed for Christmas.
Thank you!
Erica

Dear Santa Claus, I am good I want a Ginger Horse and a Crimp N Cirl Pony. I also want a teddy bear for Audry. For Jamie a new Barbie. For Danny a new car. For Tee Cee a Kitty Siprise. I want a Puppy Siprue, a cute Stuffed Puppy and that is all.
Your friend,
Laila

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Stacy Lee Martinez. I am eight years old And I act realy good and I also have a good positive action. I have six people in my family. My school is Central Elementray. I want for Chrismas is a barbie set and a streo with a salt and pepper tape.
Your friend,
Stacy

Dear Santa Claus,
Christmas is comeing and I am eight years old. My name is Rosie Villasana I would like you to bring my aunt a gift. Like some Clothes and shoes. Can you bring sister a dollhouse and some shoes. Even can you bring my mother, brothers, some pants and a game boy and lots of games for my brother Chony. Can you get my brother Isidro some new shoes and a game boy and lots of games. And can you bring my mother Lila a pretty necklies. And me can you bring me a dollhouse and some shoes and a game boy two and my sister give her a game boy two and lots of games.
Love
Rosie





Joyous Tidings

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Samantha Everett. I am a good girl. I am eight years old. I act good. I have great Positive Action. I have four people in my family. My school is Central Elementary. This is what I want: a trampoline please, a stereo, a Brian Adams tape, for my dad a ZZ Top tape. One game mouse trap, a tape rewinder for my mom, a choo-choo train for my brother Tyler.
Your friend,
Samantha

Dear Santa Claus,
I am Rudy. And I have four people in my family. I am 8 years old and I am in the third grad. I play sports, I want to be a cop when I grow up. I want two things for Christmas. I want a basket ball goal and a football too. My brothers name is Michel and he wants a little trackter and work truck. My moms name is Connie and she want a car. My dads name is Rudy too and he wants a new truck. Have a happy Chritmas Santa Claus.
Your best friend,
Rudy Martinez

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope all my family has a nice Christmas even the ones out of town. I hope my two sisters get what they want. And now Santa Claus I want a dirt bike and a three willer and a gameboy.
Santa it is all right if you can't get all of that stuff. You can just get me some G.I.Gos. That will be fine. I hope that you can get them. When you come I hope you come in fast and put the presents down right then are you will get bit by my dogs.
I hope you can get all of that stuff. And one more thing, please watch over the poor people.
Love,
Michael Fennell

Dear Santa,
I want a lot of things for Christmas, but I'm not going to name them all. I want hot pink rollrblades and my sister and I want a tipereriter and I want one of those computers Mary has. I want Super Mario Brothers Three gameboy. I want little pretty clipon earings bout 8 or 9 pair, and I want a real pretty dress for Sunday School. I want a real sparkely Mermaid barbie doll, and I want those earfone things Mary has. I am an 8 year old girl and I'm in 3rd grade.
Love,
Stefani Beck

Dear Santa Claus,
I want some roller blades. I want a super nintindo. I want a sharp pockit knife. I want a game boy, some pump up shoes, some toy cars. sega genesis.
Tommy Gladden

Dear Santa,
First Im going to tell you how old I am I am eight year old girl. I do good in school. I got three people in my family. Now, I'll tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a new pink bike. The I want purple rollersakes. I hop everybody gets something for Christmas.
Love
Ashley Owen

Dear Santa,
I am a 10 year old boy my name is Jeremy I want a farm For Christmas.
My bother wood like a bike for Christmas.
Merry Christmas Santa I hope you get a prent for Christmas Santa.
Your friend,
Jeremy

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm writing to tell you what I want for Christmas. I am a 9 yr old 3 grade boy. This year I want a blue and silver Dallas Cowboy uniform, I also would like a gutar. That is all.
Sinccerly,
Scott Gilliland

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a nine year old girl. My name is Britney. I'm a positive acting girl. I want a desk for chirtmas. It has some red handals. The desk is white. Under the desk is a matching white chair. I want a white lamp to go with it. These are some things I want besides a desk Electronic games, Cloths, Barbies, and some cards. Once I got super kid. Have a good chritmas Santa.
Love,
Britney

Dear Santa
I am an eight year old boy named Jared Fletcher of corse you know. I am going to tell you what I want for my gift. First I want a fast track and a game boy with a game called super morio land one and two.
I want a cuple of gi joes and Batman car and mobil. I hope the por people get somthing to like food a job and money and toys for there kids.
Have a merry Christmas,
Love,
Jared Fletcher

Dear Santa,
I'ld like Moon Shoes, Road runers Death Valley Ralley, Super Game Genie for Super Nets. I'ld like some surprises, like a Pinball Game. Have a good trip.
Love,
Nicholas Landes

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. Please bring me a baby doll with some clothes. Santa I will leave you some cookies.
Love
Kim Dupuy

Dear Santa,
I ave bee a good girl this year. Please bring me a Barbie doll, doll house, and kitchen set with dishes.
Love
Lesa Rivera

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll, and a puppy. I have been good.
Love
Amber

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. Please bring me a Barbie doll, a baby doll, a little yellow duck, and a desk. I will leave you some cookies and milk.
Love
Alice Estrada

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a fishing pole, and an apple. I have been a good girl this year. I will leave you a banana for a snack.
Love
Roseanna Silva

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a banana, scissors, an apple, a red ball and a football. I have been a good boy this year. I will leave you some milk.
Love
Augustin Ornelas

Dear Santa,
I want a Ninja Turtle movie, Ninja Turtle Game, race car, I've been a "good" boy.
Thank you!
Love
Zackary

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I want a fire truck, spider man, and a super water gun. I want a Batman too and a train.
Thank You
Love
Gabriel Sanchez

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. I want a Barbie Doll, Baby Doll, cancy, clothes, I want you to bring some toys for my sister. I will leave you some cookies, candy & milk.
Thank You.
Love
Lety

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. I want a Barbie house, candy cane and my shoes. I want a clock for my hand and some bubble gum and candy. I want a baby doll and toy wagon and bells.
Love
Vicki

Dear Santa,
I have been a "good" boy this year. I want mote control yellow truck mote control red car. A tree, Santa talk toy, a glue toy, candy cane, boy toy, talking toy dog, talking kitty cat. Talking teacher hand, bring toys for my little sister Kim, also my brother Bryan. I would also like some sticker, a bag of toys.
Thank you.
Love
Jerhiad

Dear Santa,
I want a police station and a gas station, and a tape recorder just put it beside my toys. I would like a book about Big Bird at the bookstore. I would also like some some games, some gloves, and a baseball hat! I would like to be on a baseball team! I want a football too! I like roller skates too! I also want a Bart Simpson Skateboard.
Thank You!
Love
Michael

Dear Santa,
I want a batman costume, a batman and a batman car. I like batman. Santa I have been a nice boy. All I want is batman toys! I want Robin & Penquin, and a Batman cave.
Thank You
P.S. I want Batman toys (remember)!!!
Love
Wade

Dear Santa,
I have been a "good" boy. HO HO HO! Please come to my house and bring me a present! I want a gun, a football helmet, a big truck to ride in! A train, a race car, a truck with a trailer that I can make go real fast!!
Santa Claus you are nice!
Love
Noel

Dear Santa,
I am a "good" girl. I would like a baby for Christmas, some paints, a little piano, a guitar, some dishes, and a baby doll that skates. I would also love a real dog for my house.
Love
Beth

Dear Santa,
I'm good, I want a truck with remote control, and a race car, a nintendo, a drum, the game Crocodile dentist, a baseball glove. I want boys toys "Ninja Turtles." I would like a big fast racecar too! I want a gib fast racecar for my brother too!
Hugs
Love
Joshua

Dear Santa,
I want skates, a gun, and a pool table for Christmas. I would also like a motorcycle bike, a racing car, a game gun, and some boots and a cowboy hat, and a real horse to ride at the rodeo.
Bye!
Thank you!
P.S. I really want a pool table!!
Love
B.J.

Dear Santa,
I have been a "good" boy this year. I would like a candy cane, a green truck, some sticker, sissors, chairs, toys, barrels, dump truck, pencils,
Thank You!!
Love
Pedro

Dear Santa,
I would like Aladdin toys like Genie, tiger, magic carpet, Aladdin, monkey, princess and cave.
I would also like the junior computers that talk.
Melvin would be nice and a knockout game. I also liek Tornado Rex and Plar Dare.
I want a troll with a jewel.
Merry Christmas Santa!

I love You
Seth

Dear Santa,
How are you? I have been a good boy this year.
I would like a Big Foot truck that I could drive, or a Caterpeg tractor.
I would also like a train, or a race track or grabbin grasshoppers.
The Action Workshop would be fun too, or some rollerblades.
Have a nice trip when you go see other people.
Love
Derek

Dear Santa,
I want a lego collection, G.I. Joe collection, and a bat man collection. I want a ninja turtle collection. I hope I get to see Rudolph.
Love,
Seth Coffey

Dear Santa,
I love you. You look pretty. I have been a good boy. I want a bee bee gun. I want a game boy and new pencils. Mr. Santa Claus how is Mrs. Santa doing. I wish you a merry Christmas.
Love,
Ryan Coffey

Dear Santa.
I'm a boy and I'm nine years old and my name is Paul I tink my mom needs a new rocking chair and a quilt to cover it. My brother wants a Super Nintindo with any kind of Foot Ball game. My dad needs a bunch of new cloths with a new wallet. But you no what I want realy realy bad a Sega Genises with a small TV and Sonic the Hedge Hog 2. But you no what my mom needs more than a new roking chair to get well from being sick.
Santa please bring what I asked For. Plus some Worters Candy for my grandmaw.
Love,
Paul, Have a good Christmas.

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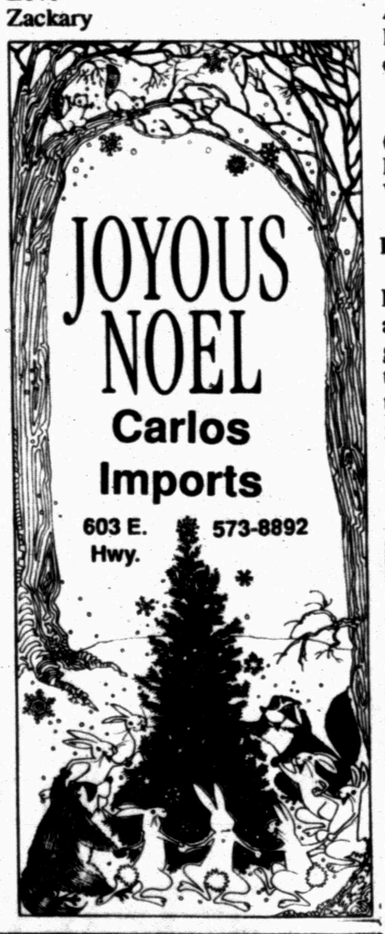
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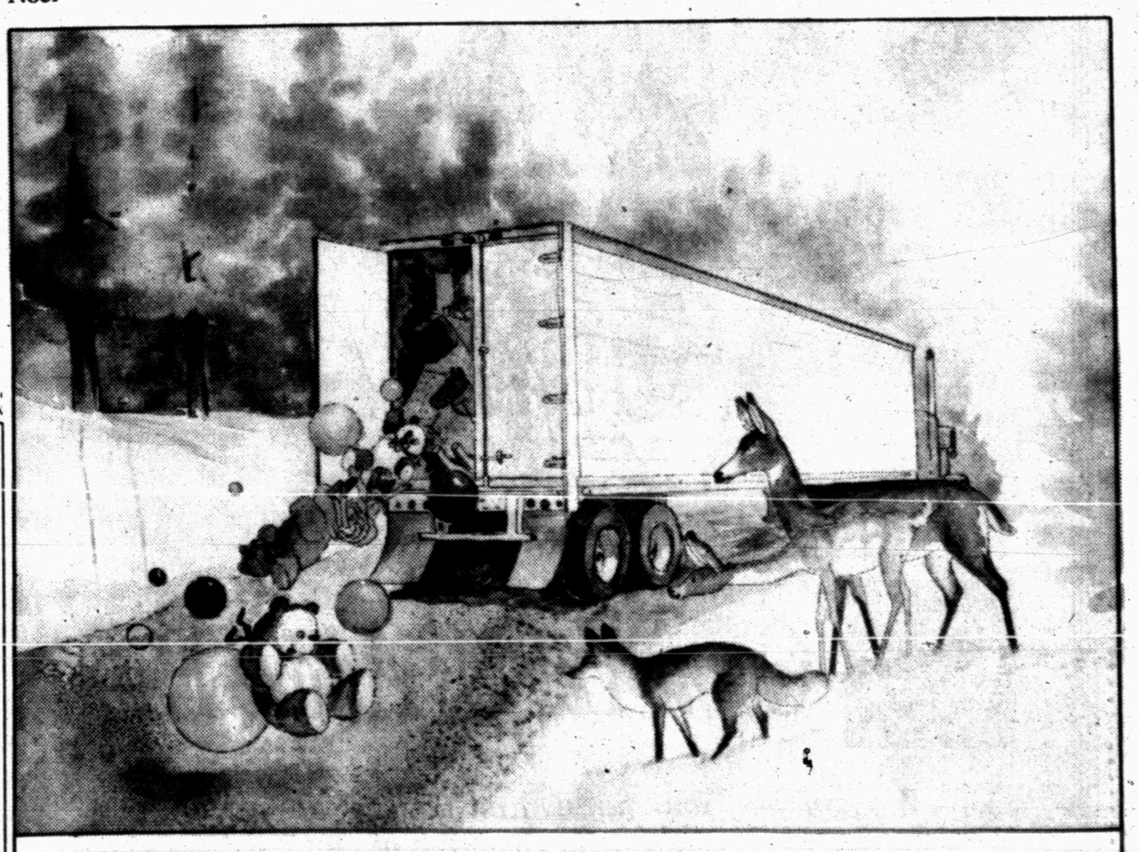
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Season's Greetings

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. Please bring me an airplane.
I would like a Turtle party wagon and an electronic gun. I also like the Turtel Technodrome.
Thank you
Love
David

Dear Santa,
I want a baby doll. I like babies!! A toy telephone, a ball, some books. I am a cute girl with pretty eyes and a happy smile. I love to rock in the rocking chair at school!! I also like to play with blocks!
Love
Mary Elizabeth

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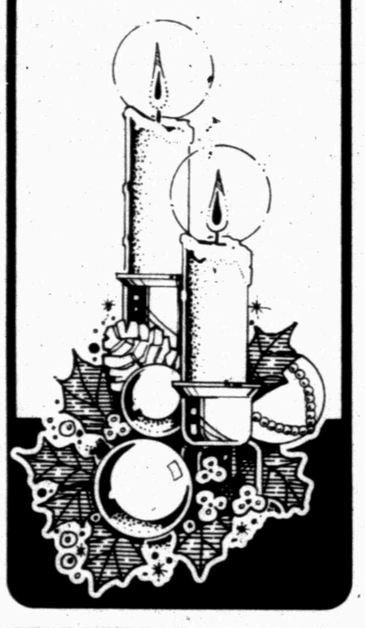

Dear Santa,
I am a good girl. I want a baby and baby bottle for baby. A bracelet, a toy farm animals, a toy telephone, some books!
I really do like to rock in the rocking chair! And I like blocks!
Thank you,
Mikaela

Dear Santa,
My name is Tosha Walker. I live in Snyder, Texas. By the way, how is Mrs. Claus? I hope she is okay. I want a whole lot of things for Christmas this year. I want a California Roller Baby, a Rollerblade Ken, a Cabbage Patch Check-Up Center, a Rappin' Rockin' Barbie, western shirts, Rocky Mountain jeans, a new belt with belt buckle, lace-ups, a new bike, jewelry, new shoes, crimp n curl pony, totally hair Barbie, Sparkle Eyes Barbie, and a Snap n Play Barbie. Pretty please give me some Rocky Mountain jeans.
Sincerely yours,
Tosha Walker

Dear Santa,
I can't wait to see what you got for me. Well I guess you need to know what I want first. The thing I want most is Starla. Next, I want this new game called Out of Control. I would really enjoy this robot called 2XL. I also want an EZ To Do jewelry maker. A new nintendo game would be nice (no special one). Thats about all I can think of. Merry Christmas.
Sincerely,
Morgan Clements

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Let us all unite in prayer for peace and harmony, now and forever.
Have a joyous holiday.
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Dear Santa,
Howa are you doing? I'm doing fine. I'm in the 4th grade. I got to Ira. I.S.D. at Ira, Texas.
Here is a list of things in the order that I want.
What I want most Super Nintendo, Game Boy, Super Mario Land 2 for Game Boy, square trampoline, Tetris for Nintendo, leather lacers, Chip and Dale, the Nintendo Game, new basketball shoes.
That's all I want for Christmas.
Yours truly,
Kristen Harless

Dear Santa,
I have been an extra good girl this year. I want a lot of things this year. I want a Barbie microwave, Little Mermaid Nintendo tape, Laundry baskets, a sister, for my brothers to be nicer, two more dogs (one boy and one girl) and a big make-up set.
Yours truly,
Davi Barnes

Dear Santa,
I want a pair of black lace-up boots and a fitted gators hat. I also want four packages of B.B.'s.
Yours truly,
Jerry Jamison

Dear Santa,
My name is Kacie Daves and I'm in the fourth grade. I think I have been a good girl this year. For Christmas I would like a watch, bike and some stilts. It would make my Christmas merry if I could have these things, but I really don't need anything.
Love,
Kacie Daves
P.S. How is Rudolph doing?

Dear Santa,
My name is Kacy Slover. I have been very good this year. For Christmas this year I want a coler tv, a vcr, a Bart Simpson telephone and a three in one Tournament Table.
Signed,
Kacy Slover

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good girl this year. I can not wait any longer to see what I got for Christmas. I bet your elfs are tired because you must have alot of letters sent in like mine. Let's see what I want for Christmas. I want alot of things for Christmas so I will just ask for a little. I want a microphone, clock, game boy and a cd player.
Your girl,
Jessica Brooks

Dear Santa,
My name is Blake. I have been real good this year. I want a TV and a telephone. I also want a VCR. The most funniest present I want is a three in one tournament table. I also want a mountain bike for Christmas.
Blake Scott White

Dear Santa,
I've been an extra good boy this year. I have been doing my chores and school work. My mom and dad think I've been good this year.
Santa this is what I want for Christmas. I want stocking stuffers but what I really want is a trampoline.
Love,
Shade Everton

Dear Santa,
This year I have been a perfect boy. I love it when Christmas comes but it only comes once a year. Santa this year I would like to have the batcave command center, batmissile batmobile, super Tecmo bowl nintendo game, New York Giants football uniform and football and Batman Returns movie.
Love,
Seth Sterling

Dear Santa,
How is Mrs. Claus. There are several things I want for Christmas. One thing is a California Roller Baby. I also want three Barbies. They are Totally Hair Barbie, Rappin' Rockin' Barbie, and Happy Holiday Barbie. I want a T.V. VCR and a phone of my own. I want lace-up boots and barbie roller skates. I want a new bike.
Your friend,
Tara Allen

Dear Santa,
I have been good. Please bring me all the presents on my list. I want a play stable and a gray horse, a tool set, a play machine gun and vest, Yahoo Buckaroo, a Game Boy and some games, a race car hauler, and a Hammer pickup and a monster truck race set, turtle pool game, and some pump roller blades. I could really use some new trucks and tractors to play with on my ranch. I also would love to have a BB gun.
Thank you. Have a safe trip. We will leave you a snack.
Love,
Austin Rinehart

Dear Santa Claus,
I really don't want alot this Christmas. If you can get these things I would like them. This is what I want, some baby sitters club books, country music tapes and the two twins dolls I saw at K-Mart. I would also like two games they're called dream phone and perfect match. the last two things I want is a bike and a fun to shop.
I hope you have a safe trip.
Love,
Courtney
P.S. You don't have to bring all these things.

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a bucking barrel for Christmas and if you have time please get me some tools. I know a bucking barrel is big. Maybe it will fit in your sleigh. I will have the reindeer feed in the barn for your reindeer.
Please remember my sister too.
Love,
Turner Chance Tatum
P.S. Santa please remember all the other kids that might not get to have Christmas this year.

Dear Santa,
I do not no what, so bring me what you want to.
Merry Christmas
Riley Tatum

Dear Santa Claus,
What I want for Christmas is Bundel Baby. I am a girl. I have four people in my family. My name is Shiloh Fritz. I am nine years old. I want Roller blads for christmas. And littel Mrs. Jsuls. And Baby feel so real. My parnts, sister's name is Kerry, Sharon Brittany and me.
Love
Shiloh Fritz.

Dear Santa,
My parents siad I was a good girl this year. All the things I would like for Christmas are, the Beauty and the Beast movie, 101 Dalmatians suffed Perdy and Penny, Cabbage Patch Crimp n Curl Pony, a stuffed wolf, Magic Motion, and some lotto tickets.
Love,
Carcie A. Posey
P.S. Please give my mom a new brcelet like the old one that got destroyed and my dad a new pipe cutter.

Dear Santa,
I want a truck that dumps mud, new boots and a pencil.
Brett

Dear Santa
For Christmas I would like to have a Batman Car that you can ride in. I would also like to have Barney, tractor, train, Crockidle Dentist, Cowboy hat, spurs for my boots, skates, clothes and Bert and Ernie. My brother Chris wants a new bicycle, game genie and roller blades. I will have cookies and milk for you, they will be beside the Christmas tree.
Love,
Levi Stahl

Dear Santa,
My name is Trevor. I am 3½ years old. My pana is writing this letter for me. I want a choo choo train, grocery store set, and a game. Please bring my little cousins Jacob and Kolby a baby toy. There will be cookies and milk for you.
Love
Trevor

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Barbie house and a play stove, and a play house, a toy rabbit, stickers, a table, Barbie clothes, paper, play phone, a pin to wear on my clothes with a rose on it. I will leave you some milk and cookies. I want play pillows. I want some new hair bows. I love you Santa Claus. And I want a coke machine that makes noises. I want a power wheels.
Bye
Racheal

I want a monkey. Love a troll baby, too. A Chrissie doll with long hair.

Dear Santa,
My name is Randy. I like Nintendo. I am 8 years old. I am in the second grade and I have fun at school. What I want for Christmas is a Gameboy. I also want a Genesis or a Sego. I would like a car model that you glue and paint.
This year I have been sometimes good and sometimes bad. I hope I get lots of things for Christmas. Call me between now and Christmas If you have time.
Love
Randy

Dear Santa,
My name is Tanner Reed. I have been a good boy this year. I am 6 yrs. old and this is what I want for Christmas. 1. Video game for my Super Nintendo; 2. Roller skates; 3. Tape recorder with microphone; 4. Game Boy.
Love,
Tanner

Dear Santa
My name is Jeremy Reed. I have been a good boy this year. I am 4 years old and this is what I would like for Christmas: 1. Video game; 2. Pom poms; 3. Stuffed animals; 4. Tape recorder with microphone; 5. Roller skates.
Love,
Jeremy

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle that you push buttons and it goes everywhere. This is Ransey. I am nearly 4 years old. I want a monkey loves, and a car to puch. and a power wheels. a little Tyke sport cycle. Monster truck named Mad Dog if you pull the chain it growls. I'll leave you some milk and oreo cookies to eat when you come to my house, I also want some crash dumbies, ninja turtles. Thats all for now. I have to go watch the grinch show. I love you and I go to Sunday school.
Ransey

Dear Santa,
I know I was a little bad this year. But I wish you would bring me roller blades, size 7½ -8 in girls or womens. I also want a basketball set, cards, ball, court, And a big kiss from you.
I will give you milk and cookies. I also want new clothes. Santa most people don't believe in you. But I do.
Love
Melissa Alvarado
Have a Happy Christmas. Tell Mrs. Claus Merry Christmas and Hi.

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Tommy Hull. I am a boy. I am 9 years old. And I act good. Positive Action. I have five people in my family. My School is Central Elimentary. I want a bike please. I want a boom box. And my mom wants a bran new plats and dad wants bran new seat of tools.
Your friend
Tommy

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Dear Santa,
I am writing you a letter I know that your going to have a good Christmas day. And that your goig to have to be on your sled and taking all of those toys, and I hope you got all of those presents to all of the good children. Well you know that I will get a lot of toys and I'll be proud to have a great Christmas.
Jamie Snider

Dear Santa,
My family and me are very hapy that Christmas is omost here. And there are six people in my family. I hope you bring my dad a new tool box and a new fishingrod and my mom a gold necklis and a ring. For my brother a super nes and a stero. For my sister a new stero and new shoes and new clothes and my littel sister new shoes and new clothes and me I want a gameboy and a big truck. For my cusen bring hem a gameboy and a super nes.
Your friend,
Henry Rocha

Dear Mr. Santa Clause,
I'm writing this note so you will not forget what I want for Christmas. I want a Mario Paint, and a talking battleship game. Are your reindeer ok, are you ok and your wife, and elves ok?
Your friend,
GJ Burns

Dear Santa
I'm seven years old and I'm in the first grade at Northeast Elementary. I have tried to be a good boy. I want a train, truck and a new pencil, a puzzle, and a poster of you with a Christmas tree on it.
Chevy Block

Dear Santa Claus,
I woudl like for you to bring me some playdough, a big bike and a teddy bear. I will have some milk and cookies out for you.
Love,
Brandon Morris
P.S. My brother and sister has been good also.

Dear Santa.
What I want for Christma is pink fake fingernails, a dress, clothes, shoes, the tape Madona this use to be my playground and make-up and chapstick, a minuture CD player and a boom box.
Love,
Tara Price
4th grade

Dear Santa:
For Christmas I want a stereo and a new 20 speed bike. I also want lots of trolls. And a troll doll. I also want lots of clip-on earrings.
Well, I have to go.
Bye. Have a Merry Christmas.
Katie Ann Voss

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is a remote control truck and bow and arrow, real reindeer and a water gun.
Love,
Wesley Price
4 years old

Dear Santa,
Hi again! Yes, it's Elizabeth.
How's Mrs. Claus and the reindeer? Fine, I hope. So, are you ready for Christmas. I know I am.
My Christmas list will start off with western boots (lace-ups), western shirts, Rocky Mountain blue jeans (all colors), cowboy hat, belt, 2 wind suits, panada ring, tennis racket, turtle neck shirts, Sunday shoes, Chicago Bulls Jacket, Chicago Bulls #23 Michale Jordan jersey, a set of headphones, clothes mostly. Maybe another pair of Reeboks, a neon bright Conair phone, a UT T-shirt, CD storage, and that's about all.
I know it's asking a lot. Maybe one or two things out of all of them.
I forgot, you might need my size — clothes 12-14, shoes — 7½ to 8, shirts, med. I wish it would hurry up and snow. It snowed once. I know you don't want it to snow because you might get snowed out. Only one thing, if it does snow try not to get stuck anywhere. Is Oreo cookis fine? Maybe a brownie. Also some nice hot chocolate to keep you warm. Tell Mrs. Claus and all the reindeer including Rudolph I said hi. I think y'all are the nicest people in the whole wide world. Well, I better let you go so you can do your Christmas thing and get lots of rest. One more thing, don't get sick or catch a cold because I already did. Bye.
Love ya both
Elizabeth Holloway
P.S. I love you. Merry Christmas! May God be with you always.oxoxoxoxoxoxox.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a trampoline, computer and a jewel doll for Christmas. I also want toys for my new baby sister and my brothers. I will leave some cookies by the tree for you.
I love you
Stacey Vaughn

Dear Santa
I have been a good boy this year.
For Christmas I would like to get a Batcave, some Batman figures and some clothes.
I will leave you come cookies and milk.
Thanks
Jarron Fletcher
Age 5

Dear Santa,
I have been very good and for Christmas I want a bike, barbie car, a cat doll and faces. I'm going to make you something.
My mom wants some new towels. My dad wants a flashlight and tools.
Love,
Wendy Loper
10 years old
P.S. Please bring my cat a play mouse.

Dear Santa,
I love you! I want Sparkle eyes, Cinderella and Alladin and Jeanie and Arosha and Aboo, Prince Phillip, Cinderella's Prince, cause I don't know what his name is. I want Scuttle for Ariel. Do you have a small little Christmas tree with no decorations. I'll decorate it all by myself. Love Santa. I want an Ariel aquarium if you got it. But if you don't that's OK. You don't have to bring it. I want swans. Plastic swans for my room. I want an Ariel that is big and gots pink on it and all colors. I don't know what all the colors are on her but difference. I want some Magic Jewel doll, if you don't got one that's OK. You don't got to bring it if you don't got much money for it, but if you got much money you can bring it. Just try to bring it. Love Santa. I want a plant growing in my room. If you don't got it same thing. You don't have to bring it. I want a picture frame to to put a picture of Amy or me in it. I Love Santa and you love me. I would love to have a mirror in my room with roses on it. Big Mirror. And sparkle decorationsfor my little Christmas tree. I wish for Santa to bring everything that I want, but if he don't got much money fo all of it, then you don't got to bring it. You can bring a few that are not too much. And bring my little siste Brittni a little Choo Choo train that lights up. And bring her a little plant and Love Santa to Brittni Cause she don't understand cause she's only 1 yr old. And bring playdough that is plastic that she can play with but not real kind cause it will choke my little sister anmed Brittni Danielle.
That's it.

Dear Santa don't write any more toys cause thats all we need. And thank you for all the toys we like.
Love Krista Chaidez — 5
Brittni Chaidez — 1

Dear Santa,
My name is Marissa Chaidez. I am 6 years old and I'm in Mrs. Baker's first grade class at Northeast. I have read 10 books iand I have read 3 more books. I love at 108 Birch Street, Snyder, Texas, with my mommy and daddy and my baby sister, Alicia. She is 7 and a half months old. And Kelly my cat, and Festus, my dog. I will try to be good and nice, so you will leave me a Barbie Hotwheels car for Christmas. And I want a Cinderella Barbie, and the Little Mermaid. And the Beauty and the Beast tape, and a Rosebud Horse, and a Puppy Surprise, and makeup with me sometimes, but only put blush on her cheeks. And a magic jewel doll. And could you bring some toys and bottles for Alicia on Christmas day. And bring mommy some nice things that she wants and my daddy wants some tools to put up our fence with and work on his truck with. Thank you Santa, I love you and Alicia loves you, too.
Merry Christmas
from: Marissa

Dear Santa
I would like a pretty Jewel doll, and a talking Barbie. And a Rapping Rocking Barbie. I also want a Nintendo with some tapes.
Then I want some silly putty and some slime and some gak.
Ashley J.

Dear Santa,
Thank you for bringing me toys.
I love you. I want a robot, a baseball game, a Mickey Mouse and Goofy Coloring Book.
Barrett

Dear Santa
I have been a good girl. I am 6 years old. I am in first grade at East Elementary. For Christmas I would like: 1. Barbie doll 2. Barbie house 3. Ice skates.
Love,
Laura Arellano

Dear Santa
I have been a good girl. I am 6 years old. I am in first grade at East Elementary. For Christmas I would like: 1. baby doll 2. Edge - a - satch.
Love,
Jamie Stidham

Dear Santa
I have been a good boy. I am 7 years old. I am in first grade at East Fleementary. For Christmas I would like: 1. radio 2. shoes 3. Ninja turtle.
Love,
Kenneth Johnson

Dear Santa
I have been a good boy. I am 7 years old. I am in first grade at East Fleementary. For Christmas I would like: 1. a football 2. hat 3. boots.
Love,
Marco Aguirre

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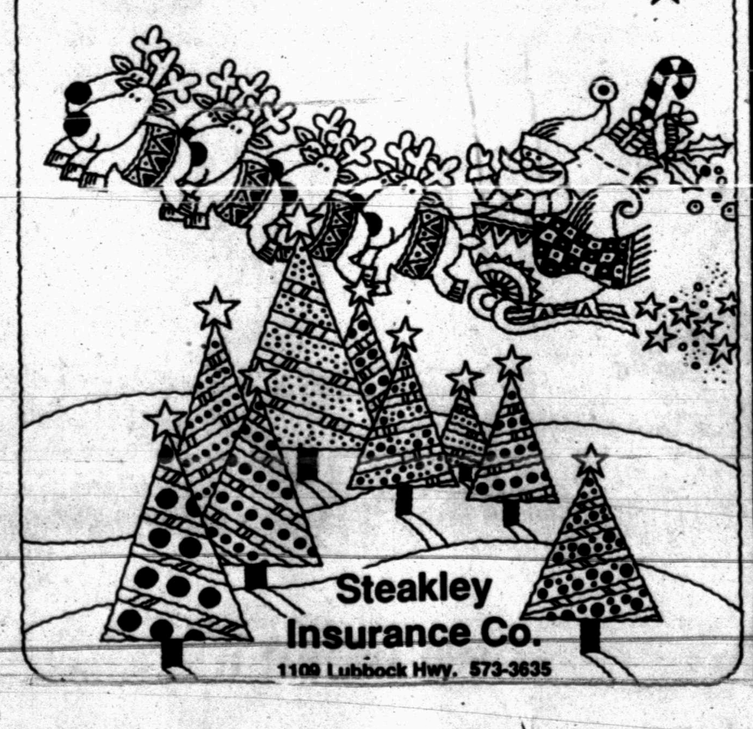
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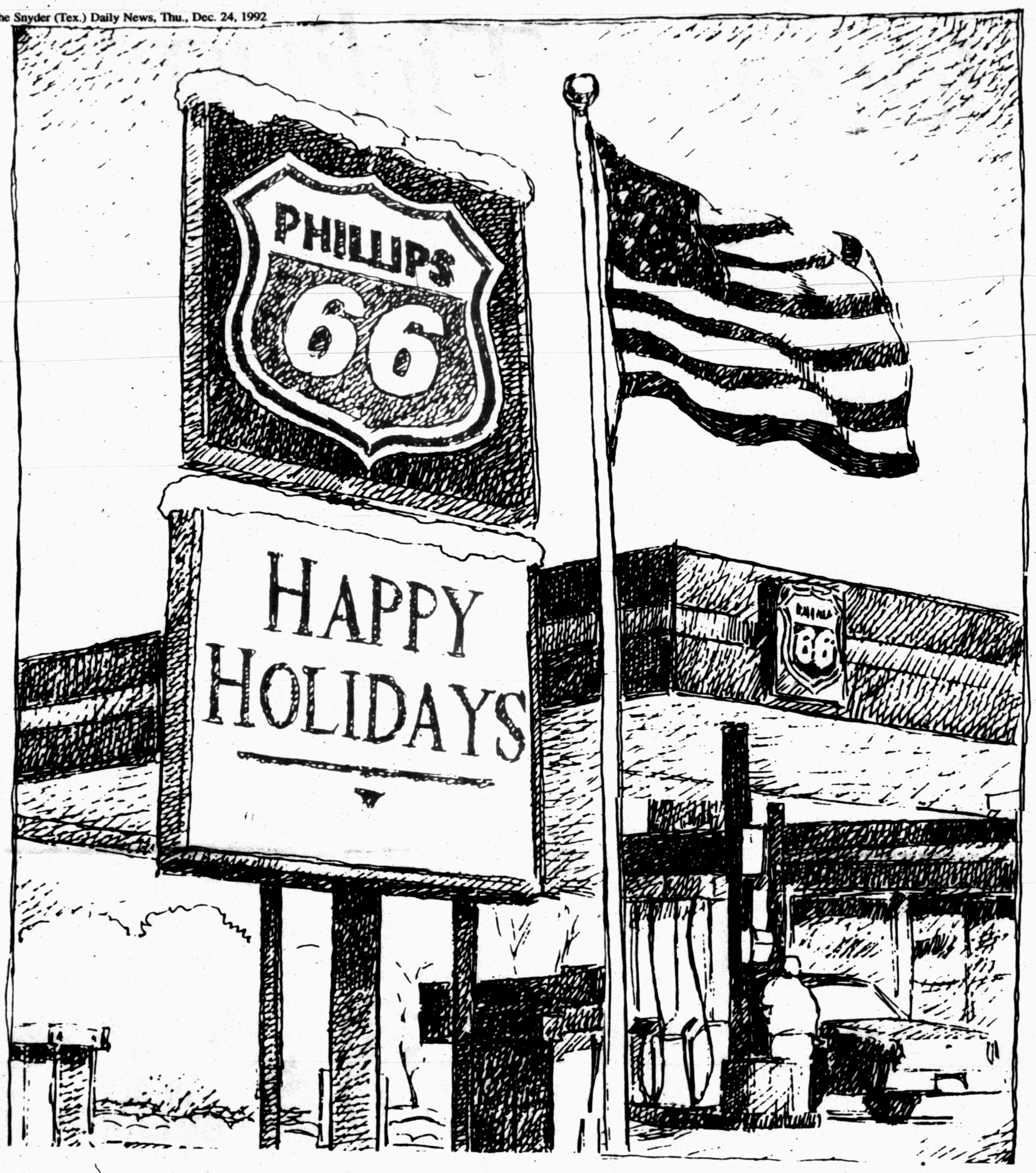

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