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Christmas visits the Noah Project

Christmas has come to Noah Project-West in the form of a $65,000 challenge grant from the Abell-Hanger Foundation.

It marks the second grant received by Noah Project-West within a month's time. The non-profit organization also received a $65,000 grant from a private West Texas foundation just before Thanksgiving.

The funds will go toward the construction of a new 4,100 square-foot shelter and office complex here.

To receive the Abell-Hanger Foundation grant, Noah Project must raise $65,000 in private donations within the next year.

"I believe we can do it," said Dee Wilson, service area director for Noah Project.

Before receiving confirmation of the Abell-Hanger Foundation grant, Noah Project had received committments totaling $168,000 toward the goal of $250,000 for construction of the basic facility.

That $65,000, plus matching funds, would make construction of the facility possible.

Noah Project is continuing to seek grants and solicit community support, said Wilson.

Noah Project offers shelter and counseling for victims of abuse and serves Scurry, Nolan, Mitchell, Fisher and Ken counties.



A VISIT WITH SANTA — Christmas is the time for visits from Santa and visits to grandparents. Chloe Fowler and Jodi Guerrero took time to tell their Christmas wish list to Jolly ole' St. Nick before enjoying the holidays with friends and relatives. (SDN Staff Photo)

Postal workers try to answer all letters

SANTA CLARITA, Calif. (AP) — The letter from the 8-year-old begins like thousands of others: "Dear Santa, I want a computer for Christmas with a mouse."

But read on:

"I am partially blind and I want to learn all I can because my doctor said that I will lose my sight by the time I be come a teenager. My mom can't get us anything for Christmas. Because she dosn't have any money."

Another child prints neat block letters on white paper: "Please make my Daddy stop drinking." Another asks Santa to cure her mother's cancer.

Confides 8-year-old Audrey, in a labored cursive hand, "I need my mom to stop believing that my dad has another woman because when thay fight my heart starts breaking."

By the tens of thousands, they come addressed to "Santa in Heaven," "Santa up in the sky," "Santa Claus, North Pole."

The U.S. Postal Service, through its 85 consumer affairs offices around the country, tries to answer every one. Often, volunteers who contact local post offices try to fulfill some of the children's Christmas wishes.

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Reindeer on the loose, call 911 emergency

RANTOUL, Ill. (AP) — It was the kind of emergency call that some police officers might have rolled their eyes at — a report of a reindeer on the loose.

But this was no reindeer game.

Julie and Mark Hardy of Rantoul were taking Mistletoe, one of their two reindeer, to a Christmas party last week.

As they drove over some railroad tracks, the back door of Mistletoe's trailer jolted open and she hopped out. The Hardys, oblivious to the empty trailer, continued on merrily, listening to holiday music.

A fellow driver saw what happened, called 911 and tried to get the Hardys' attention, finally catching up with them after nearly five miles.

"They said, 'Lady, you lost your reindeer!'" Mrs. Hardy said.

"I was prepared for the worst," she said. "Reindeer are used to being out in the country and Mistletoe was on the loose near (a busy avenue) for nearly a half-hour!"

When the Hardys returned to the railroad crossing, a squad car was there. Mistletoe, was there too — safe and sound — hiding behind some bushes.

Area city sales tax rebates for December

City	December'96	December'95	+/-	Year'96	Year'95	+/-
Abilene	$1,595,184.01	$1,365,842.05	16.79%	$21,127,030.37	$20,092,721.94	5.14%
Big Spring	$281,665.54	$209,930.38	34.17%	$3,579,147.22	$3,511,355.60	1.93%
Colorado City	$28,281.11	$23,563.22	20.02%	$383,203.46	$367,447.50	4.28%
Lamesa	$71,493.22	$50,280.79	42.18%	$862,770.00	$838,869.63	2.84%
Lubbock	$1,898,608.76	$1,496,207.90	26.71%	$23,385,567.46	$20,173,376.16	15.92%
Post	$21,531.33	$11,765.79	82.99%	$235,865.44	$200,497.28	17.64%
Roby	$1,532.48	$661.09	131.81%	$17,816.97	$16,687.74	6.76%
Rotan	$11,357.51	$7,233.17	57.01%	$120,232.78	$127,518.87	-5.71%
Snyder	$125,215.01	$84,274.33	48.58%	$1,446,969.53	$1,347,472.45	7.38%
Sweetwater	$133,052.09	$120,698.96	10.23%	$1,754,637.81	$1,693,910.78	3.58%

Sales tax rebates up for both city, county

City sales tax rebates were up dramatically for the month and substantially for the year, according to a report issued by the State Comptroller's Office.

Rebates were also up for Scurry County.

According to the comptroller's report, the City of Snyder received $125,215.01 in sales tax rebates this month. That's 48.58 percent higher than in December of 1995. For the year, the city received $1,446,969.53, up 7.38 percent over 1995.

The payments do not reflect the holiday season. They include sales taxes collected by monthly filers in October and reported to the comptroller in November.

Scurry County received $59,404.04 for the month, up 33.37 percent over last December's rebate of $44,539.96. For the year, the county received $699,921.73, up 2.10 over 1995.

Cities throughout the area also reported increases in monthly sales tax rebates.

Abilene received $1,595,184, up almost 17 percent. Big Spring took in $281,665 — a 34 percent hike. Sweetwater received $133,052.09, up 10.23 percent.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

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

A person needs to be careful when wrapping presents — since it is possible that the gift goes to the wrong person.

We were reminded of a story left on our desk about a fellow up in Buffalo, Wy. The lapse in his memory was likely caused by the bitter cold weather.

The well-meaning guy got in a bit of hot water with a present for his girlfriend. He was unsure of what to buy her, so he got his girlfriend's best friend to help him shop. He ended up buying her a pair of gloves, and while they were in the store, the friend bought a pair of panties for herself.

The man asked to have the gloves gift wrapped, and somehow the clerk wrapped the wrong package. He didn't know that when he added a nice note and left the package for his sweetheart.

His note read: "This is to let you know I'm thinking of you on this holiday. I chose these because I noticed you don't wear any when you go out, and it gets pretty cold up here in Wyoming this time of year.

"I was going to get the ones that have those Velcro straps, but they are too hard to get off when you are in a hurry. The clerk that sold them says she has worn a pair like these non-stop since September, and she showed them to me and they didn't look any worse for the wear.

"They did tell me that it would be a good idea for you to blow in them after you take them off and put them away. This will keep some natural moisture in them and prevent them from shrinking.

"Best of all, dear, they say the material in these is stout enough that you can climb over a barbed wire fence without worrying about getting scratched.

"I'll look forward to seeing you in them when we go out New Year's Eve. It sounds like it will be cold enough that you'll glad you wore them, even when we're dancing."

No paper on Christmas Day

As is customary, Snyder Daily News will not publish an edition Christmas Day.

The SDN office will be closed Wednesday. The regular publication schedule will resume Thursday.



ASK US

Q—When is Santa Claus expected to deliver toys to good little girls and boys in Scurry County?

A—Santa's sleigh should arrive in Scurry County between 2 and 3 a.m. Christmas Day.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Area Forecast: Tuesday, partly cloudy. High, mid 50s. Variable wind 5-15 mph. Christmas forecast, dry. Low around 35. High 60-65.



J. Lopez

Sunset: 5:47 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:41 a.m.
Of 358 days in 1996, the sun has shone, 354 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

Luke 2:11

Festive Christmas display draws visitors

LINDALE (AP) — During the Christmas holidays, it's difficult for drivers on Interstate 20 not to notice the Palmer farm, about 85 miles east of Dallas.

How do you not see more than a million Christmas lights, strung up along a mile-long stretch?

For the second holiday season, Pat Palmer and Sue Williams and their families are donning Santa Claus hats and spending each night from November to January directing carloads of customers through a display they call Santaland.

They won't say how many vehicles have come this holiday season, paying $10 per car and $25 per commercial van. But they predicted this year's attendance will match last year's 100,000 visitors.

"People just love to look at Christmas lights," Mrs. Palmer told The Dallas Morning News. "I think people like top get in the car and go, mostly."

The glowing display is more than the lights and nativity scenes of a traditional roadside Christmas.

Under the tangles of tree-borne lights are also wooden scenes with a decidedly East Texas twist — elves cutting pulpwood, elves bass fishing, hard-hatted elves manning a gushing oil derrick, elves golfing.

There's also a 30-foot faucet gushing an icy, glittering waterfall [illegible] outside their homes at Christmas.

Country music carols twang from hidden speakers, and towering snowmen wave electrified red mittens toward I-20 travelers.

The two women themselves seem amazed they were able to put up the display. After all, they confess, they were never able to talk their husbands into stringing

"Too much trouble," Mrs. Williams said.

Even now, Mrs. Williams' husband, Max, says: "Um, it's got its good and bad. Christmas used to be our favorite time of year."

The couples say they got the idea for Santaland two years ago when they toured a drive-through light display near St. Louis.

They say they recalled their years trekking as far away as Dallas to see residential Christmas lights and reasoned that people might be just as willing to see theirs.

"We just kind of impulsively decided to do it," Mrs. Williams said.

So they worked nonstop for a year, erecting wire light forms, designing and building wooden scenes and snaking more than 12,000 strands of lights across the Palmers' farm.

This year, the couples began work in July, adding more lights and new scenes and replacing about 100,000 burned-out bulbs, Mrs. Williams said.

They said the lights, if stretched end to end, would reach more than 140 miles.

The display has drawn visitors from across East Texas, North Texas, southern Oklahoma and western Louisiana.

They say it's not uncommon for people to drive 100 miles and wait in line for an hour or more on weekends for the 20-minute tour. Last weekend, Mrs. Williams said, cars backed up nearly a mile from the [illegible] and some waited several hours to get in.

On one recent night, Matt Dourge and Andy Turlington of Henderson, Texas, loaded up their wives and Turlington's 2-year-old granddaughter, braving snow flurries and threatened icy roads for the hour drive to Lindale, 45 miles northwest of Henderson.

Yuletide dispute spoils Christmas for 3rd year

ANTWERP, N.Y. (AP) — To many of their neighbors, Stephen and Mary Diehl are worse than any Scrooge or the Grinch — at least those holiday-haters eventually succumbed to the Christmas spirit.

For two years, in state and federal courts, the Diehls have tried to stop a neighboring church from playing Christmas music from loudspeakers atop its steeple.

This year, things are even more strained as the feud continues for a third Christmas in this otherwise serene village of about 700 located 25 miles south of the U.S.-Canadian border.

The Diehls say they have been harassed and even attacked by angry residents, and now fear for their safety.

"It's gotten very nasty, and getting worse," said Diehl, holding an unsigned letter left in his mailbox two weeks ago that called the couple "crazy" and "evil." It said "people will torment you right out of town."

"This last week left us pretty shook up," he said. "We just don't know what to expect."

The First Congregational Church and its supporters say the Diehls are exaggerating, but state police said the couple has filed numerous complaints and requested more patrols.

The latest harassment has been honking cars, crank phone calls and obscene gestures and remarks from passersby. But Diehl has also been assaulted on his front lawn and his wife confronted in her garden by an angry church member.

The Diehls sued the church in December 1994, complaining that holiday music blared from the speakers for hours at a time. The two wildlife photographers said the constant carols from the church 500 feet away caused physical problems from stress.

A state judge ordered the music cut back to two hours a day, but now both sides are accusing each other of failing to live up to a non-binding agreement reached with the help of a federal judge a year ago.

"They say they don't want the music stopped, but I can't believe it with all they're doing," said the Rev. Kenneth Leamon, who began playing the music again an hour a day Dec. 15. "We thought it was settled. Twice, now. I think it's become a personal vendetta with them now.

"It doesn't bother the people who live on either side of them. Or behind them. They want us to believe the music just drops down on their house."

"They're being unreasonable," said Raechel Eggleston, the deputy village clerk who works across the street from the church. "Everybody's trying to get into the spirit. People are sick of them."

"This is my home. I like Christmas music but I shouldn't have to put up with it blasted into my living room," Diehl said. "We don't have anyplace else to go."

Bird count said evolved into world's largest wildlife survey

FREEPORT (AP) — It's the bird-watching world's annual Christmas party.

Within two weeks of Christmas, as many as 1,500 groups of bird watchers — or birders, as they call themselves — scatter out in 15-mile diameter circles, bull out binoculars and spend the day toting up the different species of the avian world they see.

About 125 people participated in the Freeport count, which marked its 40th year Sunday.

It carries on a tradition that began in Massachusetts in 1900, when people marked the holidays by going outdoors to count all the different types of birds.

The Audubon Christmas Bird Count, as it's come to be called, has evolved into the oldest and largest wildlife survey in the world. It continues today, from South America to Point Barrow, Alaska.

While participants can do as little or as much as they want, it's a highly organized undertaking that in some ways resembles a military campaign.

The 15-mile count area is divided into sectors, team leaders are appointed and the birders scatter from the seashore and marshes to the woodlands and coastal prairie to conduct their reconnaissance

"It's hard-core birding at this level," Jim Morgan, 60, a retired Ch[illegible]ron mathematician from Houston, told the Houston Chronicle.

"We work all day long. We start at first light and go clear to dark."

Among Morgan's duties for the day: visit the backyards of 15 homes to identify the various species of hummingbirds that hover over shrimp plants and hummingbird feeders.

An undercurrent of competition exists. The Freeport birders want to spot as many species as possible so that the area remains listed as one of the top birding spots in the country.

"Our biggest competition in years gone by is Santa Barbara, Calif., but we've stayed ahead of them in recent years," said Tom Collins, 55, a Dow Chemical Co. information systems manager from Lake Jackson.

It's important, therefore, to insure that common birds are counted, like the yellow-rumped warbler, along with uncommon birds that winter in the area, such as the scissor-tail flycatchers and bald eagles.

Hearing the birds counts just as much as seeing them. In the case of screech owls, small reclusive birds that hide in dense foliage, that means venturing into the woods before dawn, playing a tape-recording of a screech owl and then listening for one to answer back.

It helps to have a trained ear, as Collins demonstrated Sunday afternoon.

"There's a pipit," he said, reacting to a chirping bird that swooped so fast over his head it was only a blur.

"I hear more than I usually see," he explained matter-of-factly.

While the bird count is serious business, it's still a social occasion.

"This used to be a Christmas party, and it still is for a lot of us," said James Heller, 41, a Dow Chemical Co. analytical technician from Freeport, of the bird count's Massachusetts beginnings. "It's kind of like a fishing tournament for birders."

Birding is a quiet pursuit, but not necessarily a solemn one. If friends are around, there's time to talk, cajole and swap stories. If alone, the birder is still accompanied by the beauty of the natural world.

Either way, the thrill comes with the surprise of the unexpected, not unlike a fisherman who's daydreaming of a long lost love and suddenly catches a whopper of a fish.

In the Freeport bird count, the sighting of an unexpected species is always possible. In past years, as many as 226 different types of birds have been counted, enabling the Freeport count to be ranked number one by the National Audubon Society, which publishes the bird count's results.

At dusk, the Freeport bird counters retired to a cafeteria at Dow Chemical Co., where the company fed them chili, beans and cornbread, and a panel of experts pored over the bird count, occasionally asking a participant to clarify the sighting of an unusual species.

All told, they counted 195 species, not a record for Freeport but still a sizeable sampling of our feathered friends.

Lubbock cattle auction

The market at Lubbock had a run of 225 head of cattle for the Thursday, Dec. 19 sale. Cows were steady. Calves and Yearlings were steady. Trading and demand were good.

Slaughter cows High dressing, cutters, utility 28.25 to 33.50; Canner and low cutters 25 to 31.50; Slaughter bulls 37 to 43.75.

Feeder steers choice: 300 to 400, 60.25 to 70.50; 400 to 500, 58.50 to 65.25; 500 to 600, 55.25 to 62; 600 to 700, 55 to 62.25; 700 to 800, 55 to 61.

Feeder heifers choice: 300 to 400, 52.50 to 60.25; 400 to 500, 52.25 to 57.50; 500 to 600, 50.50 to 56.50 600 to 700, 50.25 to 57.50; 700 to 800, 48 to 55.

Feeder bulls good and choice: 500 to 600, 52.50 to 57.50; 700 to 800, 50 to 55.50.

Cow and calf pairs: good 425 to 650 grade 325 to 450.

Springers: 250 to 450; baby calves 40 to 95 doodlers 50 to 125.

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Lisa Nix graduates

Lisa Nix graduated Dec. 14 with a bachelor of arts degree in journalism, specializing in advertising, from the College of Liberal Arts at the University of Texas at Arlington.

She graduated from Snyder High School in 1993, and is the daughter of Jimmy and Patricia Nix of Snyder.



Town & Country Topics

By Kathryn Roberts
County Extension Agent

Holiday stains steps to effective removal

During the holiday season, entertaining is at its peak, putting everything from favorite outfits treasured table linens at a greater than usual risk for spots and stains.

Stains should be treated as soon as possible, preferably before they have dried. Gently sponge the stain. Avoid rubbing, it can spread the stain and/or damage the fabric. When in doubt about the stains' origin, rinse or soak in cold water before laundering or applying a stain and stain remover. Heavy stains may require a prewash or presoak.

Prewash soil and stain removers work particularly well on oil-based stains, such as cooking oils, cosmetics and animal fats, and on polyester fibers. Prewash products are available in pump spray, liquid, stick, gel or aerosol forms. The stick and gel versions are great for instant treatment, because they can be left on the garment for up to a week. Sprays or liquids should be used to pretreat stains just prior to washing.

Chocolate or protein stains, such as baby formula, dairy products, eggs and blood, should be treated using an enzyme presoak. These granular products are used to soak laundry prior to washing. Follow the label directions as to soaking time and temperature — generally, a 30-minute or longer period in warm or cool water. Spin or wring the solution out of the garment before beginning the wash cycle. If the stain still remains, rewash, using a bleach safe for the fabric.

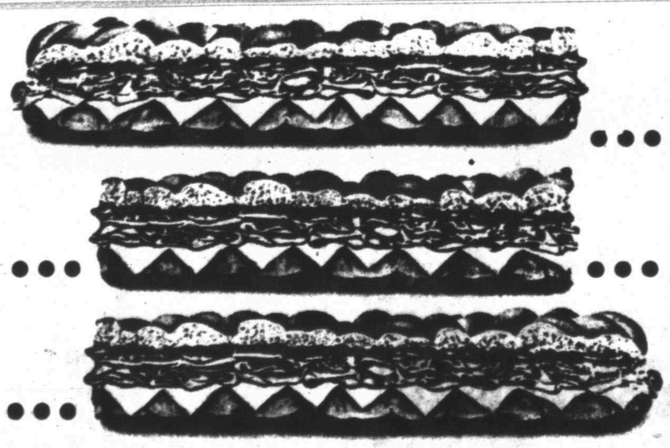
For beverage stains, including coffee, tea, soft drinks, wine and alcoholic beverages, sponge or soak the stain in cool water. Pretreat with a prewash stain remover, liquid laundry detergent, or a paste of granular laundry detergent and water. Launder using liquid household bleach (sodium hypochlorite), if safe for the fabric, or color-safe (oxygen) bleach.

Drying in a dryer can permanently set any stain that is not completely removed. To avoid this, check carefully after washing. If the stain is still visible, pretreat and launder again.

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Trees may be taken to the collection site at 30th and Avenue Q (south side of 30th) for chipping.

Please be sure all spikes, nails, etc. have been removed. NO flocked or artificial trees.

After January 5th, all trees must be carried to the landfill.

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BRIDAL SHOWER — A bridal shower was held on Dec. 7 in the home of Debi Olsen which honored Amanda Olsen, bride-elect of Daniel Espinosa. Standing from left are Diana Espinosa, the prospective groom's sister; his mother, Abelia Espinosa; the honoree; Nova Olsen, the bride-elect's mother; Karen Owens, her sister; and her sister-in-law, Debi Olsen. Espinosa and Miss Olsen plan to marry on Saturday, Dec. 28, in Willow Park Inn. (Contributed Photo)

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



North 12-24-96
♠ A 5
♥ 2
♦ 10 8 7 5 4
♣ Q 6 4 3 2

West
♠ ---
♥ K Q J 10 8 7 6 5
♦ 3 2
♣ 8 7 5

East
♠ 8 4 3 2
♥ 9
♦ Q J 9 6
♣ K J 10 9

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

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
2 ♣	4 ♥	Pass	Pass
5 ♠	Pass	6 ♠	All pass

Opening lead: ♥ K

North 12-25-96
♠ J
♥ Q 6 5 2
♦ A Q J 10 8 6
♣ 10 4

West
♠ 4
♥ A Q J 5 4
♦ A Q 10 9
♣ A 4 3

East
♠ A K J 7 6 2
♥ 7 2
♦ K J 8 7
♣ 2

South
♠ K 4
♥ A J 10 9 8 4 3
♦ 7
♣ 8 6 2

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: North

South	West	North	East
		Pass	1 ♦
3 ♥	Pass	4 ♥	Pass
Pass	4 ♠	5 ♥	5 ♠
Pass	Pass	6 ♦	Dbl.
6 ♥	Pass	Pass	Dbl.
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead: ♦ 2 (both times)

An early move

Marianne Moore wrote, "I wonder what Adam and Eve think of it by this time." What was "it"?

In bridge, many deals are settled by the time we have got past Adam and Eve: the first two tricks. That is why one should always form a plan of campaign *before* playing from the dummy at trick one.

What would be your approach in this six-spade contract? West leads the heart king.

The bidding is difficult. Six spades is an excellent contract, with 12 top tricks — if played correctly! But West's pre-emptive bid took up valuable bidding space. However, this pair had discussed these situations after the strong, artificial and forcing two clubs. North's pass showed some values. (He would double with nothing.) This persuaded South to jump to five spades. And North, with his top trump honor and singleton heart, was happy to raise.

Sadly, South's play didn't match the bidding. After winning the first trick with the heart ace, he ruffed a heart with dummy's spade five. Gleefully, East overruffed and returned a trump. Now South had to lose a heart trick at the end: one down.

As I'm sure you've all seen, if South just ruffs the heart at trick two with dummy's spade ace, the slam is safe. South's 12 tricks are seven spades, one heart, two diamonds, one club and one heart ruff in the dummy. South greedily tried for an overtrick, worth 30 points, and ended up losing his slam, worth 1430 (duplicate and Chicago scoring).

Marianne Moore's "it" was marriage.

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A reader competition

Relax — there isn't a misprint in the hand diagram. As an experiment, I have decided to run a Christmas Competition — something for you to consider between the wine with the roast turkey and the vintage port after the pumpkin pie.

The competition consists of two single-dummy problems. Considering only the North-South hands, you are South, in six hearts doubled after the given auction. West leads the diamond two. What is your line of play?

Now for the East-West hands. This time you are West, in six diamonds after an uncontested auction. North leads a trump, South following. How do you continue?

Who may enter? Anyone, but my intention is to run it for readers below superstar status. So, if you have a zillion masterpoints, please think twice about sending in an envelope.

What might you win? Nothing dramatic! This is more for fun than profit. I have several duplicate copies of bridge books. I will be sending these to the first readers "out of the hat" who get both parts right, and perhaps to someone whose style of answer appeals to me.

Please send entries by January 15 to me c/o United Media, 200 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016. Unfortunately, the answers won't appear until mid-March because of the long lead time for this column. But the books will be mailed in January.

Whether or not you enter, season's greetings to you and all your family.

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Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

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Hospital Cards Find Right Room If They Are Properly Addressed

DEAR ABBY: I am an 82-year-old volunteer at one of our finest hospitals. Over a period of 45 years, I have accumulated 16,300 hours of service. I am enclosing a letter I clipped from a column you wrote in 1979. Please run it again. It would be extremely helpful to all who volunteer their services in hospitals and nursing homes.

Thanking you in advance, I am ...
MRS. EDNA S. GREENBERG,
TYLER, TEXAS

DEAR MRS. GREENBERG: Congratulations for the number of hours you have served as a hospital volunteer. And thank you for the item you saved from my column. I agree, it's worth a rerun, and here it is:

DEAR ABBY: Do you want to do the hospital volunteers a big favor? Please tell your readers that mail addressed to "Buzz" Jackson, "Skip" Jones or "Tootsie" Brown will probably not be delivered to patients in a hospital.

Nicknames are not recorded on hospital records. The patients are registered under their legal names (first, middle and last). We have no idea who "Liz," "Corky," "Red" or "Junior" is.

Yesterday I looked for "Al Johnson" and found none. However, I did find a "Henry Alvin Johnson." I later learned that the patient called himself "Al" so he wouldn't be confused with his father, who was called "Henry."

So, please print this, Abby. I could cry every time I see a stack of mail that can't be delivered because it is improperly addressed.

And wouldn't you know, the sender never puts a return address on the envelope, either!

FRUSTRATED IN PHOENIX

DEAR FRUSTRATED: I'll pass the word. I hope it helps.

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DEAR ABBY: Several months ago you reprinted a letter from "Open for Suggestions" about a woman who was concerned about her daughter's classmate who came to school dirty. You advised that she contact the teacher, who would then contact the proper authorities.

I know your heart was in the right place, but really Abby, does our first recourse need to be contacting the authorities? I have been a foster parent and know how frightening the authorities can be to a child and a family.

"Open to Suggestions" wanted to talk to the boy's mother. I think she was on the right track. She should have gotten to know the woman as a friend and then made suggestions about the boy's appearance. His parents may have only needed some friendly educating. And of course, if on her first visit it was obvious that the child was neglected, after that she could have spoken to the teacher.

I grew up in a home that was filthy. I often wore the same clothes for days. We rarely washed the sheets, and I had no idea people ever washed floors or windows. But my parents fed and sheltered me. They helped me with schoolwork, marveled at my creations, held me when I cried, remembered my birthday, read me bedtime stories and so much more. The things I learned from them are more valuable than clean clothes. (Later, I learned housekeeping from my mother-in-law.)

These days people don't take the time to know others. If our neighbors are noisy, we call the police. If nearby residents don't mow their lawns, we call city authorities. If a co-worker crosses us, we complain to the boss.

I vote for talking out our differences and calling in help as a last resort. I learned this from my dear parents, who both held master's degrees in the sciences from leading universities — and from you, Dear Abby.

A FAITHFUL FAN

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CONFIDENTIAL TO THOSE WHO READ ME FAITHFULLY, OCCASIONALLY OR RARELY: Have a merry Christmas. If you're drinking, please don't drive. And if you're driving, please don't drink.

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'Angel' Delivers Christmas Miracle to Grateful Family

DEAR ABBY: I don't know whether this qualifies as an act of kindness or the work of an angel, but here it is:

One Christmas several years ago, my children and I were at my sister's in the country. After the festivities, the kids settled down to watch a movie while we cleaned up the kitchen.

Sometime during the movie, my 8-year-old son, Tim, became bored and slipped outside without anyone noticing. It was one of the coldest winters on record, and Tim wanted to see the ice on the pond some distance from the house.

He slipped, fell through the ice and into the pond, which was about 15 feet deep. He managed to cling to a chunk of ice and scream for help, but he was too far from the house for any of us to hear.

A man driving on the two-lane country road heard Tim's screams. He found my son and managed to pull him to safety with a piece of rope he had in his car.

The man drove Tim to my sister's house, where we immediately ripped off his frozen clothes and put him in the whirlpool bath they had just installed. By the time we returned from the bathroom, the man had disappeared.

That man saved my son's life. To this day, I secretly think he was an angel, but if he was a mortal, I am forced to believe in the universal goodness of humankind.

When I am feeling depressed, I remember that incident. There may be a great deal that's wrong with this country, but there's also a great deal that's right.

REBECCA WURM,
CLUTE, TEXAS

DEAR REBECCA: That was a Christmas miracle if ever I heard one, guardian angel and all.

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DEAR ABBY: I hope you will permit me to respond to a recent letter you printed from a reader who complained of problems with blushing and embarrassment, asking what could be done about it.

I was surprised that the advice offered was essentially that nothing could be done for the problem. It sounded to me as though the writer was suffering from symptoms of social phobia, the most common form of anxiety disorder, affecting 14 percent of the population.

Blushing, sweating, trembling or heart palpitations are quite frequent physical signs of this disorder, which is characterized by fear of scrutiny or fear of humiliation/embarrassment in front of others. It can be a disabling and extremely distressing state, about which the medical profession has been largely ignorant.

I should like to point out that there are now several highly effective treatments for social phobia, including anti-depressant and anti-anxiety drugs. Also, non-medication behavioral treatments are effective. Sufferers from social phobia frequently profit by attending a phobia support group, which exists in most communities.

JONATHAN R.T. DAVIDSON, M.D.,
DIRECTOR, ANXIETY AND
TRAUMATIC STRESS PROGRAM,
DUKE UNIVERSITY
MEDICAL CENTER

DEAR DR. DAVIDSON: I'm sure that many readers will join me in thanking you for this information. This was news to me, and I'm certain it will be to many others.

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Hollywood insider says Pitt, Paltrow to wed

NEW YORK (AP) — Are they or aren't they? Only Brad Pitt and Gwyneth Paltrow know for sure, but one insider says Hollywood's hottest couple are definitely tying the knot.

Ms. Paltrow had "told me she would tell me when this finally happened," People magazine columnist Mitchell Fink said Sunday.

Ms. Paltrow, 23, starred in "Emma" this year, while Pitt, 32, dubbed "The Sexiest Man Alive," by People last year, won a Golden Globe and was nominated for an Oscar for "Twelve Monkeys."

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SPORTS

Hanspard's backup plays final game in Alamo Bowl

LUBBOCK (AP) — He averaged eight yards every time he touched the ball this season from Texas Tech's tailback slot, and coach Spike Dykes said he's been an integral part of the Red Raiders' success.

Byron Hanspard? No, try Adrian Ervin, the senior understudy whose post-college dreams far surpass the small role he's had during his Tech career.

"Byron's a great guy — one of my closest friends," said Ervin, who came to Tech in 1994 via Houston's Cy Creek High School and San Bernadino Valley (Calif.) Junior College. "It's frustrating, but life's like that. You've got to take it with a grain of salt and just keep going."

Ervin's final game as a Red Raider comes Sunday against Iowa in the Alamo Bowl, though he knows he'll probably see little playing time. He's carried the ball just 35 times for 282 yards, compared to Hanspard's 339 attempts for 2,084 yards.

Hanspard's freshman year coincided with Ervin's arrival. While Hanspard quickly assumed the role of Tech's front-line starter, Ervin suffered through injuries and a kidney infection his first season in Lubbock.

In 1995, Ervin led the Red Raiders in yards per carry behind Hanspard, and he believes he can take his speed, balance and assortment of moves to the NFL or one of the lesser leagues.

"I want to work out in the spring and try my best to get noticed by teams and at least get a shot," he said.

Ervin has plenty of current examples for inspiration, including the NFL's leading rusher, Terrell Davis, who toiled in the shadows of Heisman Trophy contender Garrison Hearst at Georgia.

"For years and years (the NFL) took the No. 2 running backs at Georgia and a lot of places," Dykes said. "It's one of those deals that (Ervin) is having to play behind the guy that's the best in America."

Ervin also points to San Diego Chargers running back Terrell Fletcher, who yielded most of Wisconsin's carries to Brent Moss; and Tim Biakabatuka, a backup to Ty Wheatley until his final season at Michigan.

"If Ty Wheatley had stayed in school, Biakabatuka might not have gotten a shot," Ervin said of the Carolina Panthers star who since has overshadowed his former teammate, now a backup himself for the New York Giants.

"A lot of people rose from the adversity I plan on trying to overcome myself," Ervin said.

The 5-foot-11, 194-pound scatback wants to attend the NFL's spring scouting combines, then allow the professional winds to take him where they may.

"If Adrian started somewhere else and ran for 1,400 yards, (scouts) would be lined up from here to Dallas," Dykes said. "They don't let that talent go unnoticed."

College Bowl Lineup

By The Associated Press
All Times EST

Thursday, Dec. 19
Las Vegas Bowl
At Las Vegas
Nevada 18, Ball State 15

Wednesday, Dec. 25
Blue-Gray Classic
At Montgomery, Ala.
Blue vs. Gray, noon (ABC)

Aloha Bowl
At Honolulu
California (6-5) vs. Navy (8-3), 3:30 p.m. (ABC)

Friday, Dec. 27
Liberty Bowl
At Memphis, Tenn.
Houston (7-4) vs. Syracuse (8-3), 3 p.m. (ESPN)

Carquest Bowl
At Miami
Miami (8-3) vs. Virginia (7-4), 7:30 p.m. (TBS)

Copper Bowl
At Tucson, Ariz.
Utah (8-3) vs. Wisconsin (7-5), 9 p.m. (ESPN)

Saturday, Dec. 28
Peach Bowl
At Atlanta
Clemson (7-4) vs. LSU (9-2), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Sunday, Dec. 29
Alamo Bowl
At San Antonio
Iowa (8-3) vs. Texas Tech (7-4), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Monday, Dec. 30
Holiday Bowl
At San Diego
Washington (9-2) vs. Colorado (9-2), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Tuesday, Dec. 31
Heritage Bowl
At Atlanta
Howard (9-2) vs. Southern U. (7-4), noon (ESPN)

Sun Bowl
At El Paso, Texas
Stanford (6-5) vs. Michigan State (6-5), 2 p.m. (CBS)

Independence Bowl
At Shreveport, La.
Auburn (7-4) vs. Army (10-1), 3:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Orange Bowl
At Miami
Nebraska (10-2) vs. Virginia Tech (10-1), 7 p.m. (CBS)

Wednesday, Jan. 1
Outback Bowl
At Tampa, Fla.
Alabama (9-3) vs. Michigan (8-3), 11 a.m. (ESPN)

Gator Bowl
At Jacksonville, Fla.
North Carolina (9-2) vs. West Virginia (8-3), 12:30 p.m. (NBC)

Citrus Bowl
At Orlando, Fla.
Northwestern (9-2) vs. Tennessee (9-2), 1 p.m. (ABC)

Cotton Bowl
At Dallas
Brigham Young (13-1) vs. Kansas State (9-2), 1:30 p.m. (CBS)

Rose Bowl
At Pasadena, Calif.
Arizona State (11-0) vs. Ohio State (10-1), 4:30 p.m. (ABC)

Fiesta Bowl
At Tempe Ariz.
Penn State (10-2) vs. Texas (8-4), 8 p.m. (CBS)

Thursday, Jan. 2
Sugar Bowl
At New Orleans
Florida State (11-0) vs. Florida (11-1), 8 p.m. (ABC)

Saturday, Jan. 11
East-West Shrine Classic
At Stanford, Calif.
West vs. East, 4 p.m. (ESPN)

Saturday, Jan. 18
Senior Bowl
At Mobile, Ala.
North vs. South, 2:30 p.m. (TBS)

Sunday, Jan. 19
Hula Bowl
At Honolulu
East vs. West, 4 p.m. (ESPN)

Falcons fire Jones

SUWANEE, Ga. (AP) — June Jones, who coached his team to a 3-13 finish and clashed with quarterback Jeff George, was fired today by the Atlanta Falcons.

Jones had two years remaining on his contract and was informed of his dismissal this morning by team president Taylor Smith.

"We all need to look at ourselves right now," Smith said. "In no way is June Jones the sole reason this team finished 3-13."

Jones guided the Falcons to a rare playoff berth in 1995, but the team did not come close this season. Jones had a record of 19-29 in three years with the Falcons.

Jones, 43, was always hesitant to criticize and his easy-going style made him popular with most players. But others felt he was too bland to inspire a franchise that has never had back-to-back winning seasons since it was founded in 1966.

Boys & Girls holiday events

Scurry County Boys & Girls Club will hold events during the school holidays, including a free throw contest, spot shot and layup contests. Students should sign-up for each contest. The club will be open daily from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Tournaments will be held in the gameroom in ping pong, pool, air hockey and bumper pool as well.

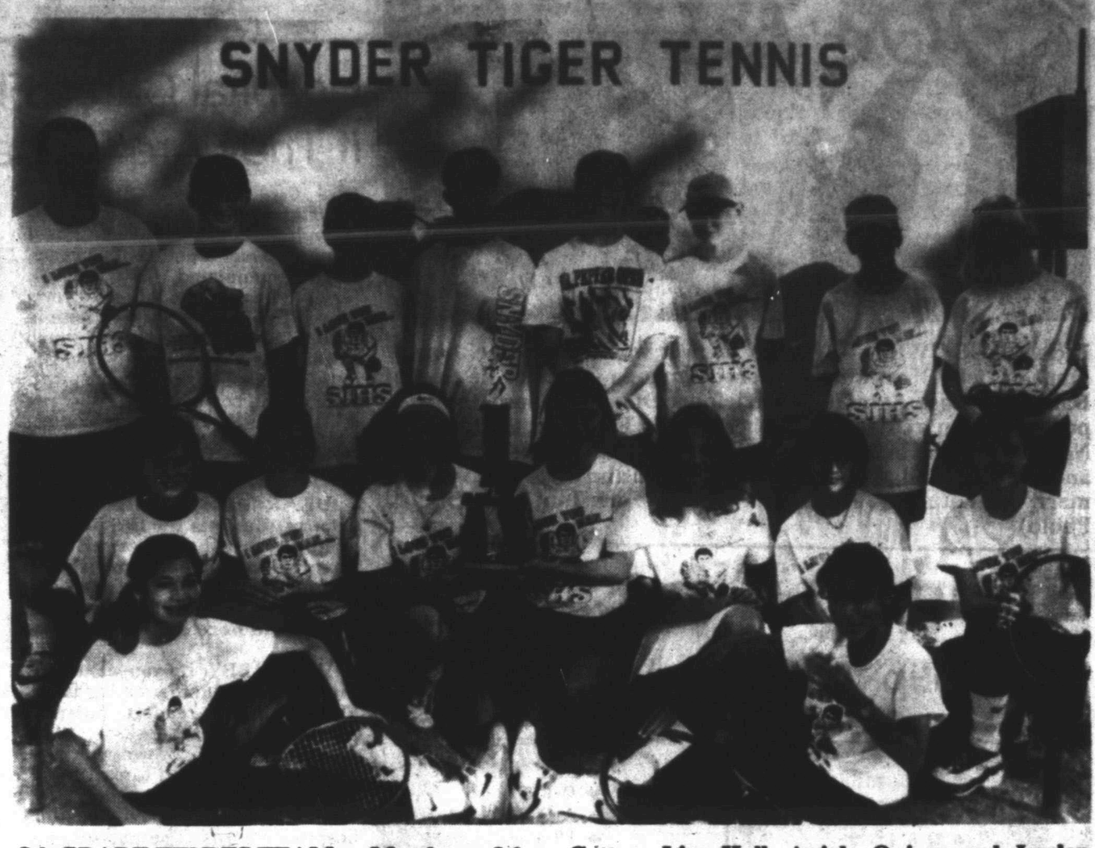
Girls' softball meeting

Snyder Girls' Softball Association will meet at 2 p.m. Jan. 5 to elect officers. The meeting will be held at the Reef Chemical office, and anyone interested in girls' softball is invited.

Top 25 basketball results

How the top 25 teams in The Associated Press' college basketball poll fared this week:

1. Kansas (10-0) beat North Carolina State 84-56.
2. Wake Forest (8-0) beat Campbell 90-53.
3. Kentucky (8-1) beat Georgia Tech 88-59.
4. Michigan (8-0) beat No. 6 Arizona 73-71, OT.
5. Iowa State (7-0) beat East Tennessee State 77-49; beat Texas-El Paso 59-48.
6. Arizona (5-2) lost to No. 4 Michigan 73-71, OT.
7. Cincinnati (4-2) beat Howard 90-46; beat Eastern Michigan 102-79.
8. Clemson (10-1) beat South Carolina 58-37; beat Wofford 89-49; beat Texas A&M 76-64.
9. Utah (6-1) beat No. 14 Texas 80-68.
10. Villanova (7-1) beat Mount St. Mary's, Md. 91-66.
11. Duke (8-2) beat Army 100-38.
12. North Carolina (9-1) beat LSU 67-48; beat Massachusetts 83-69; beat Princeton 69-60.
13. Indiana (10-1) beat Evansville 75-57.
14. Texas (6-2) beat Oregon State 86-83; lost to No. 9 Utah 80-68.
15. New Mexico (8-1) beat Sam Houston State 76-55.
16. Minnesota (8-1) beat Rhode Island 82-72; beat Nebraska 70-56.
17. Xavier, Ohio (8-0) beat Akron 113-111, 3OT.
18. Louisville (8-0) beat Wright State 65-57; beat No. 19 Arkansas 91-88, OT.
19. Arkansas (5-2) beat McNeese State 95-68; lost to No. 18 Louisville 91-88, OT.
20. Alabama (10-0) beat North Texas 72-55; beat Virginia Commonwealth 72-69.
21. Fresno State (6-3) lost to No. 23 Texas Tech 111-101.
22. Stanford (5-1) beat Alaska-Anchorage 103-70; beat Seton Hall 85-83.
23. Texas Tech (7-1) beat Texas-San Antonio 99-51; beat No. 21 Fresno State 111-101.
24. UCLA (3-3) beat Jackson State 93-67; lost to Illinois 79-63.
25. Maryland (8-0) beat American 81-74.



8th GRADE TENNIS TEAM — Members of the Snyder Junior High 8th grade team front row from left, are Whitney Graham and Lindsey Ornelas; second row from left, Tiffany Sutter, Natalie Alexander, Audra Reneau, Claire Cotton, Lisa Hall, Anjela Quiros and Jordan Hardin; back row from left are Coach Dan Pulattie, Nick Hand, Tim Green, Allan Smith, Ryan Gibson, Pace Millhollon, Austin Haire and Ashley Long. (SDN Staff Photo)

Junior High District Champions



7th GRADE TENNIS TEAM — Members of the Snyder Junior High 7th grade team, front row from left, are Bailey Stoker, Sarah Pilgrim; second row from left are Amy Juarez, Jaci Tovar, Morgan Miller, Bernice Ornelas and Marci Kruger; back row from left is Charlie Gorman, Trace Dennis, Nick Landes, Cole McLeod, Chad McCright, Alex Best, Tommy Gladden, Jason Hall and Coach Dan Pulattie. (SDN Staff Photo)

Detmer, Fry in Texas hall of fame

WACO (AP) — Philadelphia Eagles quarterback Ty Detmer and Iowa head coach Hayden Fry are among nine men to be inducted next year into the Texas High School Football Hall of Fame.

The field of selections also includes Greg Pruitt, Doug English, former Port Neches-Groves coach Doug Ethridge and longtime sporting goods salesman Bunny Andrews of Austin. Ray Coulter, Kenneth Whitlow and Charlie Davis will be honored posthumously.

Induction ceremonies will be held March 1 at the Waco Convention Center.

Detmer was an all-state quarterback for his father, Sonny Detmer, at San Antonio Southwest High, where he led the nation in passing as a senior with 3,357 yards. For his career (1983-86), he passed for 8,005 yards and 71 touchdowns.

At Brigham Young, Detmer won the 1990 Heisman Trophy, passing for 5,188 yards and 41 touchdowns. He was a two-time All-American, Western Athletic Conference player of the year and Davey O'Brien Award winner, finishing his career with 15,031 yards and 120 touchdowns.

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Brandon

Dear Santa Claus,
I am look forward to Christmas. What kind of milk do you like I hope you lik eggnog because I like it to.
all I want is a damation that wags it's tail and a gooey looey!!!
Love,
Ember

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope you can see me. My dog is very nice you can touch him he will not bite. I what a basketball and bvideo and doll and bath and body lotion and clothes.
Kelbi Pitner

Dear Santa Claus
I am looking forward for you to come to my house on Christmas Eve. I might put cookies and milk on the table. And for Christmas I want a TurboMan, C'hex, Karate fighter & Toy Story.
Love,
Jeremy

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a nidteo 64, and a go cort, and a new game to my super nittdo.
Love,
Tyler

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope you have a Merry Christmas. You know what I really want for christmas? I want a ping pong game that hanges to a basketball game and a hocky game and pool game. I want a Toy soulder with a weapon.
I want the nut cracker move because I never saw it. A Virgle-boy that is Mareo Brothers. and a tennis game.
Love,
Chris G.

Dear Santa Claus,
I ahve been a good girl this year and I'm in second grade. I'm seven years old and I want a bike. I want a Barbie Jeep. I want a phone. I want a Baby Kelly's Bath. I want a oven bake; the one that really cooks. I want Kitchen Little and a Kittein.
And I wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year Santa and Mrs. Santa Claus.
Love,
Sarah Covington

Dear Santa Claus,
Thank you for bringing me toys last year. I am looking forword to a happy new year. I wsant to have a LEGO set, Turboman, game gear cartridge, show and lots of it, pocket knife, comic books, puppy kitten, and a colt. I'm makeing cupcakes for you.
Love,
Clay Fritz

Dear Santa Claus,
Merry Christmas Santa. I've been good this year. Santa, I want toy Story the video, and a Turbo man and the three stooges video set and video chair.
And thank you for the white Tiger Zord.
Love,
Roman Roman

Dear Santa Claus,
All I want is a dad and a family for Christmas and a New Home. and a football and a cute puppy.
Santa I want cars, toys cars, and some clothes.
Love,
Nicholas Salazar

Dear Santa Claus,

I hope you will came to my house first and please bring me a go-cart and some rollerblades and a dirt bike and please bring my sister some roller blades.
Love,
Kyle

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Your Birthday

Wednesday, Dec. 25, 1996

Some important changes you've hoped for might begin to happen in the year ahead. Partners and associates can be a big help, so don't forget these people when it's time to enjoy the rewards.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Someone with whom you might share some time today might be under more stress than usual, and it won't take much to provoke an angry exchange. Try to be tolerant and forgiving. Capricorn, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Make sure to state your zodiac sign.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) It might be difficult to get along with co-workers today. If they are in a bad mood, don't make matters worse by adding fuel to the fire.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Peer pressure might be a bit strong today, but you should not feel uncomfortable. Do not feel obligated to yield to the will of others.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Today you might hear something that someone has said about you behind your back. Before you get all worked up, take a good look at the source of these comments.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A strong personality might try to override your ideas and dominate the conversation today. Do not let this person go too far, but don't start an argument either.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your thinking cap might not be on too tightly today when you deal with your financial affairs. Proceed cautiously in this area, or avoid it completely if possible.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you insist on having your way today, it won't please your associates. If you see warning signals, back off as quickly as possible.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Some unfinished business from the past might rear it's ugly head today and demand attention. Get it off your agenda before proceeding with other matters.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You should try to participate rather than hide in the corner today when you are in a social situation. Your warm personality could brighten everyone's spirits.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You might not achieve your goals today, because other people's objectives might take priority. Try to remain patient; your time will come.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) This will be one of those days when you might unintentionally say something that you shouldn't. Remain on guard, and make sure that you are in control of your conversations at all times.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Try to be gracious about what you receive today, even though you might think that what you gave to others is far greater than what you got back in return.

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Your Birthday

Thursday, Dec. 26, 1996

Trends that will contribute to your material growth look encouraging in the year ahead. You must be patient, however. New endeavors might start slowly, but they will accelerate.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) A matter that has concerned you appears to be moving toward a favorable resolution. It is at a tricky stage, and you must take care not to do anything impulsive. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) In order to expedite a difficult project today, you might agree to do something that does not serve your best interests.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) A business deal should work out well today, but things might not go as smoothly when it comes to your personal relationships.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Someone you can usually count on will still be a concerned ally today. However, if you take this person for granted, you may not have her support in the future.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If you receive confidential information today, make sure to keep it to yourself. Do not reveal the source to anyone if you don't have permission.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) It will be safe to discuss your problems with trusted friends today. However, it might not be wise to disclose personal matters to casual acquaintances.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You will have the ability to achieve important objectives today, provided you don't saddle yourself with unproductive people.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Today you'll back up your words with actions. When you say you'll do something, you will do it. Do not spend time wondering if you could have done it better.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You can achieve success today if you make the most of the resources you have at hand. Do not wait for conditions to be optimal before making a move.

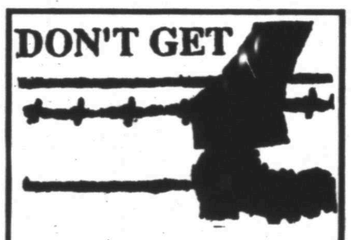
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Make an effort today to treat all of your friends equally. Any pal who feels as if he has been slighted might think about getting even in the future.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) More career opportunities than usual might surround you today. Luck will be on your side, but you will have to work hard.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) A new contact you've developed recently could play an important role in your affairs today, but your expectations should be realistic.

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Pfeiffer says she wasn't star material

NEW YORK (AP) — Michelle Pfeiffer as a girl was anything but movie star material. Just ask her.

"I was kicked out of things. I was considered the black sheep of the family," Ms. Pfeiffer says in the January-February Mirabella magazine. "Neighbors didn't want their kids playing with me."

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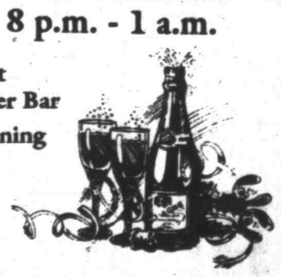
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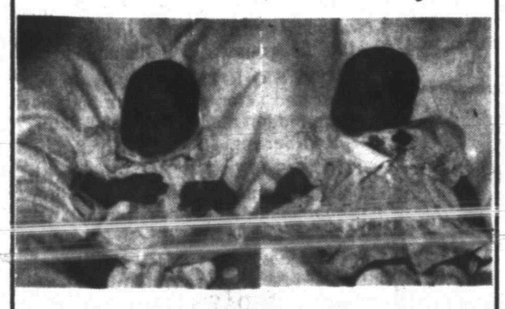
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Texan spent three grim Christmases as POW

VICTORIA — At Christmastime, many Americans take for granted the plentiful food and generous gift exchanges of the season, but not Simon McCloud.

McCloud learned the hard way to appreciate even the smallest amenities of life, and he lived through three Christmases of suffering that are beyond imagination.

McCloud was a young aviation engineer stationed in the Philippines when the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941.

His job at that time was helping to build an airfield on the island of Luzon for 50 of the big B-17 bombers that were supposedly coming.

But only hours after Hawaii was hit, the Japanese were also bombing the Philippines. "So the only new planes we saw had rising suns under their wings," McCloud says.

Within days, Japanese troops landed and began their conquest of the island nation. But McCloud and his buddies didn't make it easy for them.

"We fought for five months," he says. "Food was running out. We were down to one meal of rations per day, but we kept fighting. We were out of everything but courage."

McCloud's engineering job turned into a machine-gunner's job as the fighting intensified. One day, the Japanese launched a "Banzai" attack, in which a mass of soldiers attacked with submachine guns and tried to overrun the American position.

Of the 31 men with whom McCloud was fighting, 29 died before the enemy attack was repulsed. McCloud fired the last 200 rounds from his .30-caliber gun from a standing position. This wasn't Rambo, this was real life.

But the Japanese forces were too numerous and too well equipped for the small American force, and by May 6, 1942, the Philippines were surrendered.

Thus began a nightmare for Simon McCloud that would last three years and four months. It started with one of the darkest episodes in modern warfare, when the Japanese forced McCloud and the other American troops to endure what has become known as "The Bataan Death March."

There were days of forced marching without food or water. On the first day, "they gave us each one onion," McCloud says. Another day's meal consisted of a half-cup of rice soup which was "mostly water."

All along the route of the death march, men fell dead from dysentery, or malaria, or battle wounds that went untended.

But McCloud, who at six-feet, four inches tall would see his weight go from 195 to less than 100, survived to make it to a prison camp at Cabanatuan, on Luzon Island.

His comrades continued to succumb, and McCloud volunteered for the burial detail because "that way, you could say you weren't working for the Japanese."

In the first week of his six-month stay at Cabanatuan, McCloud saw first-hand how little freedom he was to have. Four prisoners walked a few feet outside the prison fence to try to get some fresh produce off a boy who was selling the food from a cart. They were executed.

That Christmas of 1942 was bleak indeed, but some small food packages arrived from the Red Cross and one was distributed for each three prisoners. McCloud was able to get extra food by trading the cigarettes in his packet for the food from others. He remembers the corned beef tasted awfully good.

In 1943, the prisoners were taken to Japan, to become slave laborers in a steel mill, since all the young Japanese men were away fighting the war.

The work was hard, especially for men who were already in such terrible condition. And the weather was terrible — sleet falling and ice on the ground, and the prisoners didn't even have coats.

Four hundred prisoners arrived there, but 45 days later 160 of them had died of "starvation, abuse and disease," McCloud says.

Once, he had to go five months in the same clothes and without a bath. Jungle rot took his toes, four of which he amputated himself without the benefit of a pain killer.

When he came down with pneumonia and collapsed on the job, he was kicked and stomped, but then taken to what one might call a hospital. Actually, the prisoners called it "The Dungeon."

McCloud was there 15 months, and he had the help of four allied doctors who were also prisoners. Their medical equipment consisted of a razor blade for surgery, some nail snippers for amputations, and a stethoscope.

And McCloud's second Christmas in captivity passed in this hospital. But this time, he got an entire Red Cross food package to himself. He talks fondly about the powdered milk, prunes, instant coffee and corned beef that he was treated to.

During this time, Japanese doctors performed some type of medical experiments on him, but McCloud has no idea exactly what they were doing. He does know he was cut open from chest to navel once, then sutured back up. Other times, they would tap spinal fluid from him, mix it with some unknown liquid, and re-inject it into him.

Still, he lived, and he saw a third Christmas as a prisoner in 1944 — with another Red Cross package for a treat.

In the summer of 1945, rumors began to spread about an allied invasion of the Japanese homeland. The prisoners were told that they would be digging their own graves and would be shot before the invasion began.

Then, the atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima. And a few days later, on Aug. 9, 1945, McCloud's birthday, "Harry Truman gave me a special birthday present by dropping a second A-bomb on Nagasaki."

The war was ending, and from his prison camp McCloud watched as a flight of B-29s came overhead. Their bomb bay doors opened, and McCloud grew fearful. "After all I've been through," he thought, "I'm going to get killed by my own Air Corps."

But these bombers were dropping crates of food and medical supplies, not explosives. And soon after that, the Japanese soldiers just went away and the prisoners were free. McCloud boarded a train in Osaka and rode until he found some U.S. forces.

McCloud ends his fantastic story by saying simply: "That Christmas, 1945, I was able to sit down to dinner with my mother."

And to this day, at age 82, he says, "I don't drink a glass of cold water without first thanking God for it.

"Going through that just made me appreciate the small things."

Michaelangelo also did little drawings

WASHINGTON (AP) — Michaelangelo not only painted immense frescoes and carved massive sculptures, he also liked to do little pen and ink sketches. His friends, amused by the contrast, were happy to get them as gifts.

A powerful duke in Florence is known to have compelled the 16th century master to give him one.

King George III of England two centuries later started collecting the drawings, some smaller than a sheet of typewriter paper.

Queen Elizabeth II has lent 22 of them for an exhibit at Washington's National Gallery of Art and other U.S. museums called "Michaelangelo and His Influence: Drawings from Windsor Castle."

"There was and remains an inherent surprise ... in the painter who could cover square meters of fresco in a day, producing drawings of watchmakerly precision," wrote Paul Joannides, who put the exhibit together.

The drawings had great influence on artists even in Michaelangelo's own day, including his great rival, Raphael. The two lived in Florence and Rome at the same times and must have known one another.

"What Raphael had of art, he got from me," the 67-year-old Michaelangelo growled in a letter — still bitter 20 years after the younger man's death.

Visitors can judge for themselves from two Raphael drawings that are also in the show.

The artist gave many drawings to Tommaso de' Cavalieri, a Roman nobleman who was only 12 or 13 when they first met.

"Michaelangelo was then in his late 50s, he would never have children and it is likely that his love for Tommaso was as much paternal as sexual," according to Joannides.

"Michaelangelo and His Influence" closes at the National Gallery of Art Jan. 5. It will be at the Kimbell Art Museum in Fort Worth, Texas, from Jan. 19 through March 30 and at the Art Institute of Chicago, April 12 through June 22.

Date Book

Dec. 24, 1996



Today is the 359th day of 1996 and the fourth day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1814, the War of 1812 officially ended, though it was some weeks before all U.S. and British forces could be informed.

On this day in 1865, the Ku Klux Klan was founded in Tennessee.

On this day in 1871, Verdi's opera "Aida" premiered in Cairo, Egypt.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Kit Carson (1809-1868), U.S. frontiersman-soldier; Howard Hughes (1905-1976), industrialist; I.F. Stone (1907-1989), journalist; Ava Gardner (1922-1990), actress; Robert Joffrey (1930-1988), choreographer.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1961, the Houston Oilers defeated the San Diego Chargers 10-3 in the American Football League championship game.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The negro's great stumbling block is not the White Citizen's Counciler or the Ku Klux Klanner, but the white moderate who is more devoted to 'order' than to justice." — Martin Luther King Jr.

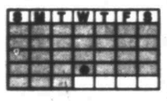
TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1955, record-breaking rains lashed northern and central California for the eighth straight day.

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TODAY'S MOON: Full moon.

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Dec. 25, 1996



Today is Christmas Day. It is the 360th day of 1996 and the fifth day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1066, William the Conqueror was crowned king of England.

On this day in 1776, the American Army under George Washington crossed the Delaware River before attacking the Hessian troops at Trenton, N.J.

On this day in 1818, the Christmas carol "Silent Night" was performed for the first time.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Clara Barton (1821-1912), humanitarian; Robert Ripley (1893-1949), cartoonist; Cab Calloway (1907-1994), singer; Rod Serling (1924-1975), writer; Jimmy Buffett (1946-), singer, is 50; Sissy Spacek (1950-), actress, is 46; Rickey Henderson (1958-), baseball player, is 38.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1888, the first indoor baseball game was played at the main building of the state fairgrounds in Philadelphia.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Every writer is a frustrated actor who recites his lines in the hidden auditorium of his skull." — Rod Serling

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1992, the temperature on the Mediterranean island of Cyprus dropped to 30 degrees.

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TODAY'S MOON: Day after full moon.

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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Is lupus the culprit?

DEAR DR. GOTT: I recently had an ANA blood test that was positive 1:80. I was told that I might have lupus. What does this mean?

DEAR READER: Sometimes the body's immune system misperceives normal tissue as abnormal and tries to destroy it. Such a reaction is the basis for many diseases, including lupus, rheumatoid arthritis and others. In the process of attacking normal tissue, the immune system forms proteins called antibodies.

The anti-nuclear antibody (ANA) blood test is a method by which doctors can identify the presence (and concentration) of antibodies against normal cell nuclei (the main controlling portion of normal cells). The presence of ANA is usually reported as the least detectable dilution. Normal is up to 1:40, positive is 1:80 or greater, anything in between is inconclusive.

The presence of a positive 1:80 ANA suggests that there is a weak, but significant anti-nuclear reaction in your body. The test doesn't identify the disease that is causing this abnormality. Further, more sophisticated blood tests — or even a biopsy — are needed.

In simple terms, you could have a mild form of lupus (or another autoimmune disease) that requires more meticulous definition. Your doctor can supervise the additional testing.

To give you more information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Lupus: The Great Imitator." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My 43-year-old son was recently diagnosed with sclerosing cholangitis. Although he has no ill effects at this time, what can we expect in the future?

DEAR READER: Primary sclerosing cholangitis is marked by chronic scarring of the bile ducts (which drain bile from the liver), leading to eventual cirrhosis (liver scarring) and liver failure. The cause is unknown, but some authorities believe that toxic agents, notably copper, or chronic virus infection (of the ducts) may play a role.

The disease, although rare, usually affects young men and is often associated with inflammatory bowel disorders, especially ulcerative colitis. The affliction is marked by progressive fatigue, itching and jaundice. The diagnosis is made by special X-ray tests and liver biopsy.

Because symptoms may not develop for up to 10 years, many liver specialists advise only close monitoring with blood tests once or twice a year. Symptoms and complications (such as bacterial infection) are treated as they appear. There is no cure, but patients with PSC are excellent candidates for liver transplants when their own livers begin seriously to malfunction.

At this point, your son is free of symptoms and needs no aggressive therapy. He should follow the recommendations of his gastroenterologist.

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DEAR DR. GOTT: My husband has pulmonary fibrosis, which requires occasional supplemental oxygen, frequent courses of antibiotics, an annual flu shot, and avoidance of cigarette smoke and other air pollution. What can he do further to maintain his health?

DEAR READER: Pulmonary fibrosis means that the lungs have been scarred due to frequent infections, exposure to physical agents (coal dust, silica, radioactivity, caustic chemical vapors, and so forth), and the use of certain anti-cancer drugs (methotrexate and others). In about 50 percent of cases, no obvious cause can be determined.

Regardless of cause, patients with pulmonary fibrosis experience progressive difficulty breathing, at rates that vary depending on the cause. Eventually, all such patients become breathless at rest, need supplemental oxygen and must take special pains to avoid aggravating the lung damage. This is the reason that your husband takes a flu shot (to prevent a postviral pneumonia), has to use antibiotics on occasion (to cure bronchitis), and must avoid air pollution.

Pulmonary fibrosis is diagnosed by X-rays and special breathing tests, which confirm that the lungs are stiff and inelastic and cannot function properly.

It sounds to me as though your husband is doing all he can to maintain his health, despite having a serious lung disorder. The only additional recommendation that I would make is to urge him to receive the pneumonia vaccine about every five years. This vaccine, which is composed of 23 types of bacteria, will protect individuals against certain forms of bacterial pneumonia.

Also, his breathing might be helped by a program of respiratory exercises under the supervision of a licensed inhalation therapist.

Finally, he (and other patients with this disease) should be under the care of a pulmonologist.

To give you more information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Living With Chronic Lung Disease." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My 13-year-old son is "heavily endowed." Although he grew up wearing jockey shorts, he will now wear only boxers. Are there any health risks in using boxer underwear?

DEAR READER: The choice of underwear is, for both men and women, a personal preference. There are no health risks from either briefs, jockey shorts or the boxer variety.

Let your son wear what he chooses; he is the best judge of what feels most comfortable.

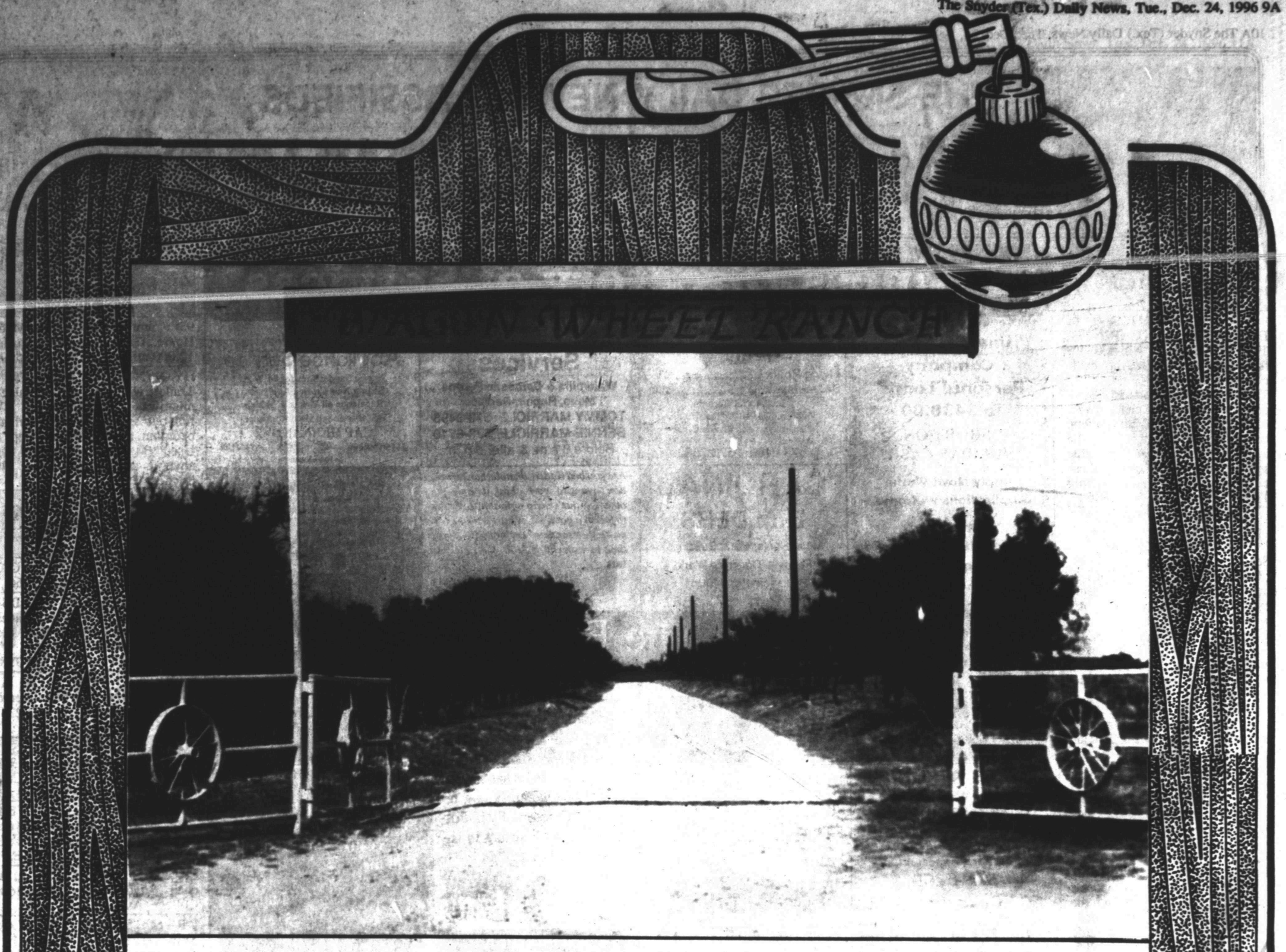
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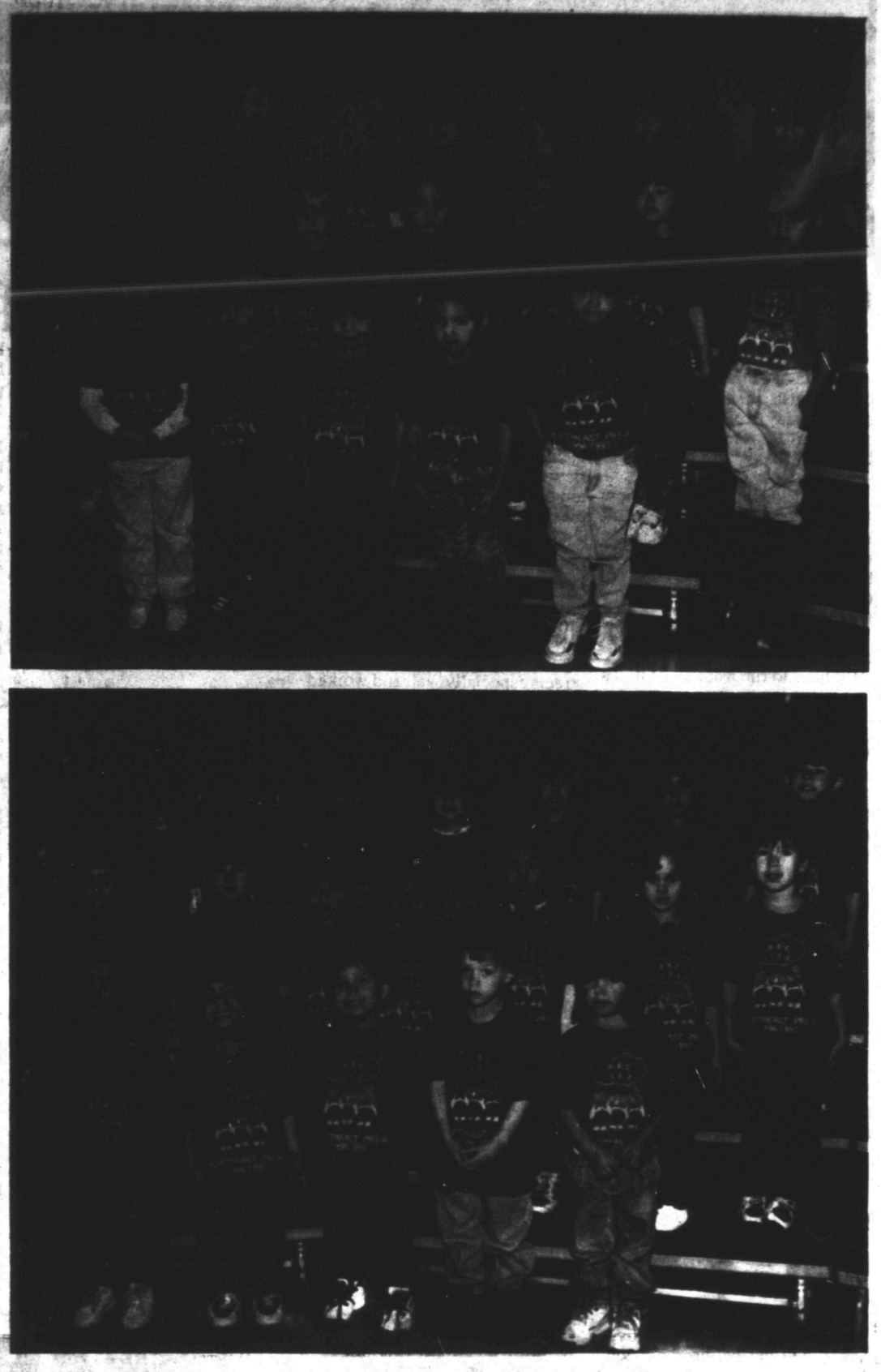
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Teen told to leave retirement community

YOUNGTOWN, Ariz. (AP) — It may take a village to raise a child, but the folks in this retirement community say they finished rearing their kids long ago, thank you.

That's why they enforced a rarely used ban on children and evicted a teen-ager who had moved in with his grandparents a year ago, allegedly to escape abuse at home.

Sixteen-year-old Chaz Cope has until Jan. 19 to get out.

"If you let one child in, then you have to let all of them in," said Gary Locke, owner of the 111th Avenue Barber Shop. "We are a retirement community. That's what we're here for."

Youngtown was founded in 1958 as a retirement community by one Ben Schleifer, whose reason for naming the place Youngtown has been lost to time. An ordinance in the Phoenix suburb of 2,500 requires each household to have at least one resident 55 or older, and people 18 or younger can stay no longer than three months.

Chaz said he moved in with his grandparents to escape physical and mental abuse from his stepfather in Mesa, 35 miles away. His grandparents, Jerry and LynnRae Naab, refused to divulge the stepfather's name.

The Naabs voluntarily told city officials about Chaz and asked for an exemption to let him stay until he turns 18. The couple were granted a series of 90-day permits, but each time officials urged them to find a home for the boy outside Youngtown.

On Thursday, the town council voted 6-0 to order the boy out.

"I think we should have gotten Brownie points for being honest about me being in Youngtown," Chaz said. "What is the council teaching me? That it's better to lie and cheat."

Many Youngtown residents sympathize with Chaz and believe he should be allowed to stay. But others say at this stage in their lives they simply don't want children around.

"Your neighbors must come first," neighbor Kenneth Cason, who has complained about Chaz' early-morning basketball practice, told Mrs. Naab at a packed council meeting. "They're trying to tell you, 'I need my rest.'"

Youngtown, which boasts the nation's first American Association of Retired Persons chapter, has paid a price for its position.

Callers to Phoenix radio shows have vilified Youngtown residents as grumpy old fogeys. An editorial cartoon in The Arizona Republic with the caption "O little minds of Youngtown" depicted a manger scene and three humpbacked senior citizens, one shaking a cane and shouting: "Get that bratty kid outta here!"

"I can imagine what people back East are saying: 'I don't want to live out there. They're too grumpy,'" said Clifford Velzy, who left Niagara Falls, N.Y., six years ago and now zips past the orange and grapefruit trees of Youngtown in a Harley-Davidson golf cart. "I think it's a wonderful town. People are nice."

Most everyone concedes Chaz has not been any trouble. He works part time at a Pizza Hut and rides his skateboard with friends outside of Youngtown. He's been so upset about the prospect of leaving his grandparents that he recently dropped out of school, his grandmother said.

"He's a likeable kid," said neighbor Billy Davis. "We've taken him along with our family on picnics. He's a real nice boy. I think this is a bum deal."

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Clinton visits Marine Corps base

CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C. (AP) — President Clinton made his first official visit to a Marine Corps base Monday to share a hefty meal and a Christmas message with the troops: "Thank you ... for your service to our country."

Moving down the lunch chow line with Marines, the president loaded his plate with roast barbecue chicken, diced green beans, carrots, corn, salad, a dinner roll, Navy bean soup and a slice of cherry pie.

"That's terrible. I shouldn't eat all this," he said before digging in. "I'll have to run a couple of miles tomorrow."

Before his Mess Hall meal, Clinton visited the base's Key Volunteer Center and wrote an e-mail message to Col. Emerson Gardner, commander of the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit, which was pulling into Trieste, Italy, Monday.

"Thank you and all your troops for your service to our country," Clinton gingerly tapped out. "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of you."

Gen. Chuck Krulak, commandant of the Marine Corps, who flew to North Carolina with Clinton on Air Force One, praised the president for the visit.

"It's important to us. It's always good to have the commander-in-chief see the cutting edge," he said.

In advance of Clinton's visit, the Marines strung up festive lights, cleaned the base and its streets especially well and worked double time in the kitchen to prepare for the presidential chow line.

After eating with Marines on general alert for missions abroad, Clinton addressed troops who recently returned from a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and he thanked them for their sacrifice. Camp Lejeune is home to the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit.

Many of the 2,000-plus Marines who returned Dec. 19 found their homes ruined by hurricanes Bertha and Fran that struck North Carolina while they were overseas, causing an estimated $49 million in damages. The 230-square-mile base is still scarred with rows of downed trees.

Staff Sgt. Joel Dover, 31, of Flint, Mich., said his home "lost a couple of trees," in the hurricanes, but his family was fine, including his daughter, Cameron, born to his wife, Miriam, two weeks before he returned.

"I'm happy to be back," said Dover, sitting among several hundred Marines invited to hear Clinton speak. "It's a long six months. This visit by the president is just one more thing to be happy about. It's nice to see he knows we're working hard out there."

Clinton is to return late this afternoon to the White House, where he and his family plan to spend Christmas.

Partnership claims lotto

AUSTIN (AP) — Three members of a recently formed partnership have claimed the Dec. 11 Lotto Texas jackpot of $7.6 million.

Nita Richards, Joe Kikuchi and Ronald Kikuchi of Houston requested minimal publicity. They used the lottery's "Quick-Pick" system to draw the winning numbers of 10, 12, 24, 28, 30 and 33.

The N.J.R. Partnership on Monday was awarded $385,640.40 as the first of 20 payments. It will get 19 more payments of $380,000 each of the next 19 years.

What's Up?

Mass schedule changed

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church will not have Christmas Day Mass beginning at midnight this year. Instead, Mass on Christmas Eve will begin at 10 p.m. Mass on Christmas Day will begin at 10:30 a.m.

St. John Catholic Church in Hermleigh will have Christmas Eve Mass at 7 p.m.

Reception planned Friday

A reception for commissioner C.D. Gray Jr. and deputy county clerks Beverly Glasscock and JennaVee Miller will be held from 3-5 p.m. Friday in the county courtroom. The public is invited.

Volleyball fund-raiser

Snyder's Lady Tigers volleyball team is holding its annual fund-raiser. The team is offering a Win Win Discount Card, good for savings at 15 local businesses. The cards are $5 each and good for one year. For information, call Patty Grimmett at 573-6301 or 573-9416.

SNS accepting applications

Snyder Neighbors Sharing is accepting applications for its 1997 workday. Applications may be picked up at Sam Robertson's Insurance Agency, the chamber of commerce or West Elementary and returned to Snyder Neighbors Sharing, P.O. Box 541, Snyder, Texas, 79550. Applications will also appear randomly in the Snyder Daily News.

Applications are due by Jan. 15. To be considered, applicants must own and be living in the house, be current on taxes and be age 65 or older or disabled.

Key to Kingdom series

The Key to the Kingdom series continues on TCA Cable TV Channel 2. The next tape, "The Origin of the Church," will air at 7 p.m. Monday.

Grief support group

The grief support group meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the First Presbyterian Church.

Christmas letters

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In Southern California, at a massive distribution center an hour's drive north of Los Angeles, Stacia Crane is surrounded by overflowing bins of mail addressed to Santa Claus.

She manages the consumer affairs office for the Van Nuys district, which stretches north more than 200 miles. Her regular job is handling complaints. At Christmas, she and colleagues across the country start reading Santa's letters.

This season alone will bring 15,000 letters, she estimates. Crane and her two-member staff place the most poignant in a box marked "needy."

The contents are heartbreaking. They are also full of hope. Not only children believe in Santa Claus.

In broken, misspelled English, a Hispanic mother of two in Massachusetts writes:

"Pleses help me. I need toys and closes for my grils. I do not have a home and I only get (social security) of $497 amont." She addresses her letter "Santa Claus c/o North Pole" and, for some reason, scribbles a California zip code on the envelope.

A soft-hearted woman with no family, Crane works 12-hour days, straight through Christmas Eve, answering letters, organizing volunteers and delivering gifts.

Ask her why she does this, and her eyes fill with tears. "These kids really believe. They deserve to have somebody get back to them."

In the "needy" box, writers ask for food, for shoes, for gifts for everyone in their family except themselves, for jobs for their parents and for an end to abuse.

"They're just children," she says, blinking hard. "They shouldn't have these burdens."

Postal employees and volunteers have been known to take boxes of food and gifts, place them on a letter writer's doorstep, ring the bell, then run.

"We watched from around the corner as they opened the door," Crane said. "We want them to think Santa brought it."

Facilities engineer Mike Scisson takes home letters that have phone numbers on them. Then he calls and pretends he's Santa Claus.

Does he get paid overtime? "Oh, heavens no," he says. "I wouldn't want to."

Since 1912, post offices have been authorized to open mail addressed to Santa Claus and to answer such letters and enlist volunteers to help the writers.

Eight years ago, the job of answering Santa's mail was given to the new consumer affairs department. Previously, individual post offices and letter carriers answered what they could. The rest ended up in the dead mail department.

"At first, we weren't very good at it," Crane admits.

Like the time she and a group of postal employees filled a car with presents and descended upon a Hispanic family whose son had written to Santa.

"All these government employees, in our government suits, in our government car with government plates," Crane recalls. "No one would open the door."

They found a Spanish speaker and went back.

"The uncle started to cry," Crane said. "He couldn't believe that someone in the United States would do this."

Monday morning activity is peaceful

Activity was light Monday morning for local law enforcement personnel, although officers did investigate a reported house burglary and a case of criminal mischief.

Tom Isbell requested to speak to an officer at 9:06 a.m. in reference to his home at 2000 Ave. R being burglarized. An offense report was submitted.

Andy Killian requested an officer at Andy's Paint and Body Shop at 10:35 a.m. in reference to criminal mischief at the business.

The fire department was called to a car fire at 10:45 a.m. one mile south of Rip Griffin's on U.S. Highway 84. A 1978 Mustang belonging to Cindy Terry of Hermleigh suffered minor damage to the engine compartment.

A one-vehicle accident was investigated Monday morning on Highway 180 a mile north of the Highway 84 and 180 intersection at 8 a.m. Involved was a 1994 Blazer driven by Edward Riley of Colorado City. He was transported by Snyder EMS to Cogdell Hospital where he was treated and released.

Agreement on new deal nears

JERUSALEM (AP) — With help from U.S. envoy Dennis Ross, Israel and the Palestinians neared a deal Monday that would pull Israeli troops from most of the West Bank city of Hebron.

The agreement also would include written guarantees from both sides that they will carry out the remaining elements of peace accords already signed.

"There are new American proposals, some of them acceptable to the Palestinians," said the spokesman for Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, Nabil Abourdeneh. If there was progress, he said, Arafat and Netanyahu would meet to try to wrap up a deal.

Arafat said "maybe" he would meet with Netanyahu Monday. "Everything is under discussion," was all he would say to questions about an agreement.

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A never ending love

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Everywhere at one time
He's King of Kings and Lord of Lords
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In the evening and at noon
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Jesus is coming very soon

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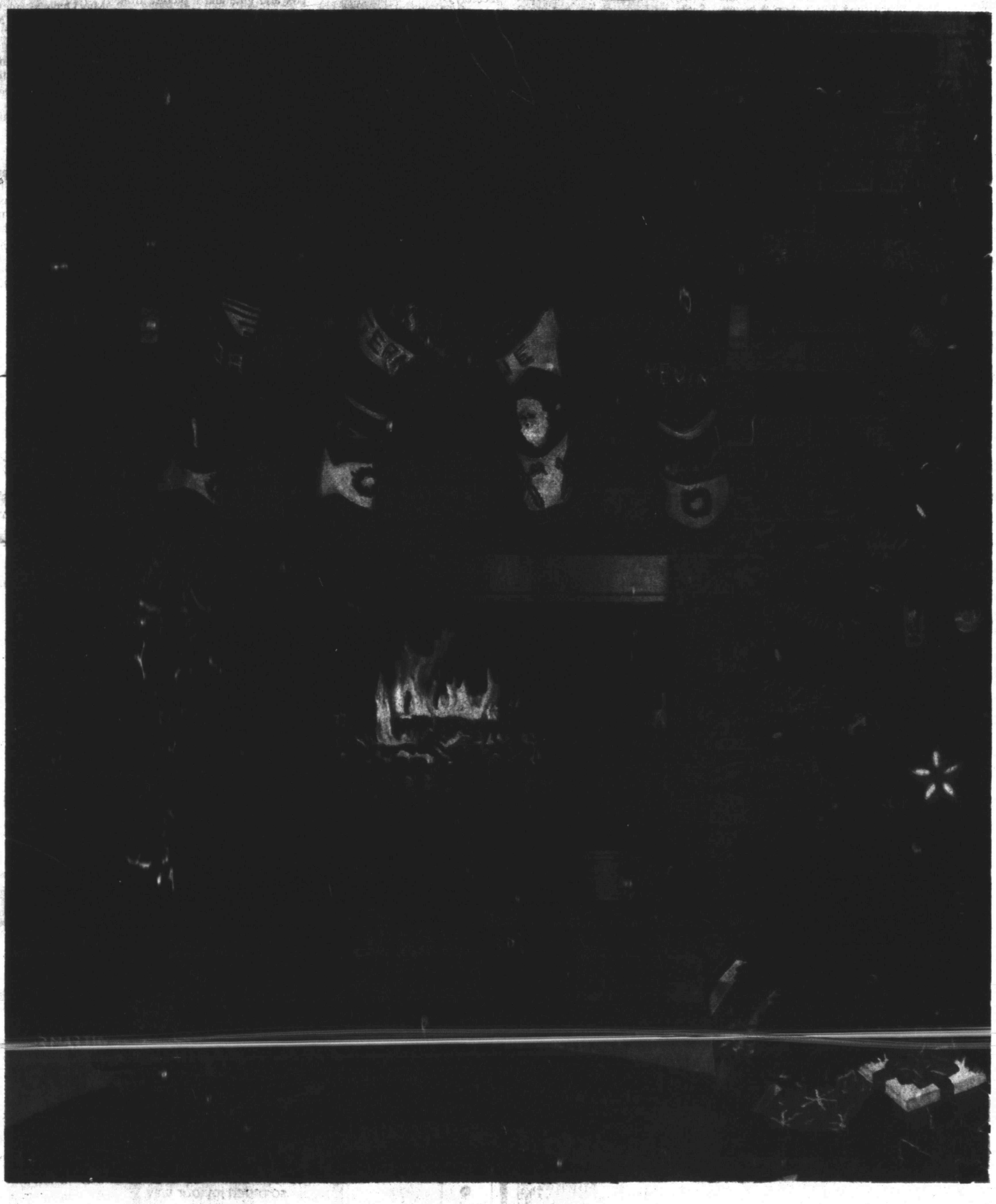
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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Clinton visits Marine Corps base

CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C. (AP) — President Clinton made his first official visit to a Marine Corps base Monday to share a hefty meal and a Christmas message with the troops: "Thank you ... for your service to our country."

Moving down the lunch chow line with Marines, the president loaded his plate with roast barbecue chicken, diced green beans, carrots, corn, salad, a dinner roll, Navy bean soup and a slice of cherry pie.

"That's terrible. I shouldn't eat all this," he said before digging in. "I'll have to run a couple of miles tomorrow."

Before his Mess Hall meal, Clinton visited the base's Key Volunteer Center and wrote an e-mail message to Col. Emerson Gardner, commander of the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit, which was pulling into Trieste, Italy, Monday.

"Thank you and all your troops for your service to our country," Clinton gingerly tapped out. "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of you."

Gen. Chuck Krulak, commandant of the Marine Corps, who flew to North Carolina with Clinton on Air Force One, praised the president for the visit.

"It's important to us. It's always good to have the commander-in-chief see the cutting edge," he said.

In advance of Clinton's visit, the Marines strung up festive lights, cleaned the base and its streets especially well and worked double time in the kitchen to prepare for the presidential chow line.

After eating with Marines on general alert for missions abroad, Clinton addressed troops who recently returned from a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and he thanked them for their sacrifice. Camp Lejeune is home to the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit.

Many of the 2,000-plus Marines who returned Dec. 19 found their homes ruined by hurricanes Bertha and Fran that struck North Carolina while they were overseas, causing an estimated $49 million in damages. The 230-square-mile base is still scarred with rows of downed trees.

Staff Sgt. Joel Dover, 31, of Flint, Mich., said his home "lost a couple of trees," in the hurricanes, but his family was fine, including his daughter, Cameron, born to his wife, Miriam, two weeks before he returned.

"I'm happy to be back," said Dover, sitting among several hundred Marines invited to hear Clinton speak. "It's a long six months. This visit by the president is just one more thing to be happy about. It's nice to see he knows we're working hard out there."

Clinton is to return late this afternoon to the White House, where he and his family plan to spend Christmas.

Partnership claims lotto

AUSTIN (AP) — Three members of a recently formed partnership have claimed the Dec. 11 Lotto Texas jackpot of $7.6 million.

Nita Richards, Joe Kikuchi and Ronald Kikuchi of Houston requested minimal publicity. They used the lottery's "Quick-Pick" system to draw the winning numbers of 10, 12, 24, 28, 30 and 33.

The N.J.R. Partnership on Monday was awarded $385,640.40 as the first of 20 payments. It will get 19 more payments of $380,000 each of the next 19 years.

Christmas letters

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In Southern California, at a massive distribution center an hour's drive north of Los Angeles, Stacia Crane is surrounded by overflowing bins of mail addressed to Santa Claus.

She manages the consumer affairs office for the Van Nuys district, which stretches north more than 200 miles. Her regular job is handling complaints. At Christmas, she and colleagues across the country start reading Santa's letters.

This season alone will bring 15,000 letters, she estimates. Crane and her two-member staff place the most poignant in a box marked "needy."

The contents are heartbreaking. They are also full of hope. Not only children believe in Santa Claus.

In broken, misspelled English, a Hispanic mother of two in Massachusetts writes:

"Pleses help me. I need toys and closes for my grils. I do not have a home and I only get (social security) of $497 amont." She addresses her letter "Santa Claus c/o North Pole" and, for some reason, scribbles a California zip code on the envelope.

A soft-hearted woman with no family, Crane works 12-hour days, straight through Christmas Eve, answering letters, organizing volunteers and delivering gifts.

Ask her why she does this, and her eyes fill with tears. "These kids really believe. They deserve to have somebody get back to them."

In the "needy" box, writers ask for food, for shoes, for gifts for everyone in their family except themselves, for jobs for their parents and for an end to abuse.

"They're just children," she says, blinking hard. "They shouldn't have these burdens."

Postal employees and volunteers have been known to take boxes of food and gifts, place them on a letter writer's doorstep, ring the bell, then run.

"We watched from around the corner as they opened the door," Crane said. "We want them to think Santa brought it."

Facilities engineer Mike Scisson takes home letters that have phone numbers on them. Then he calls and pretends he's Santa Claus.

Does he get paid overtime? "Oh, heavens no," he says. "I wouldn't want to."

Since 1912, post offices have been authorized to open mail addressed to Santa Claus and to answer such letters and enlist volunteers to help the writers.

Eight years ago, the job of answering Santa's mail was given to the new consumer affairs department. Previously, individual post offices and letter carriers answered what they could. The rest ended up in the dead mail department.

"At first, we weren't very good at it," Crane admits.

Like the time she and a group of postal employees filled a car with presents and descended upon a Hispanic family whose son had written to Santa.

"All these government employees, in our government suits, in our government car with government plates," Crane recalls. "No one would open the door."

They found a Spanish speaker and went back.

"The uncle started to cry," Crane said. "He couldn't believe that someone in the United States would do this."

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Monday morning activity is peaceful

Activity was light Monday morning for local law enforcement personnel, although officers did investigate a reported house burglary and a case of criminal mischief.

Tom Isbell requested to speak to an officer at 9:06 a.m. in reference to his home at 2000 Ave. R being burglarized. An offense report was submitted.

Andy Killian requested an officer at Andy's Paint and Body Shop at 10:35 a.m. in reference to criminal mischief at the business.

The fire department was called to a car fire at 10:45 a.m. one mile south of Rip Griffin's on U.S. Highway 84. A 1978 Mustang belonging to Cindy Terry of Hermleigh suffered minor damage to the engine compartment.

A one-vehicle accident was investigated Monday morning on Highway 180 a mile north of the Highway 84 and 180 intersection at 8 a.m. Involved was a 1994 Blazer driven by Edward Riley of Colorado City. He was transported by Snyder EMS to Cogdell Hospital where he was treated and released.

What's Up?

Mass schedule changed

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church will not have Christmas Day Mass beginning at midnight this year. Instead, Mass on Christmas Eve will begin at 10 p.m. Mass on Christmas Day will begin at 10:30 a.m.

St. John Catholic Church in Hermleigh will have Christmas Eve Mass at 7 p.m.

Reception planned Friday

A reception for commissioner C.D. Gray Jr. and deputy county clerks Beverly Glasscock and JennaVee Miller will be held from 3-5 p.m. Friday in the county courtroom. The public is invited.

Volleyball fund-raiser

Snyder's Lady Tigers volleyball team is holding its annual fund-raiser. The team is offering a Win Win Discount Card, good for savings at 15 local businesses. The cards are $5 each and good for one year. For information, call Patty Grimmett at 573-6301 or 573-9416.

SNS accepting applications

Snyder Neighbors Sharing is accepting applications for its 1997 workday. Applications may be picked up at Sam Robertson's Insurance Agency, the chamber of commerce or West Elementary and returned to Snyder Neighbors Sharing, P.O. Box 541, Snyder, Texas, 79550. Applications will also appear randomly in the Snyder Daily News.

Applications are due by Jan. 15. To be considered, applicants must own and be living in the house, be current on taxes and be age 65 or older or disabled.

Key to Kingdom series

The Key to the Kingdom series continues on TCA Cable TV Channel 2. The next tape, "The Origin of the Church," will air at 7 p.m. Monday.

Grief support group

The grief support group meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the First Presbyterian Church.

Agreement on new deal nears

JERUSALEM (AP) — With help from U.S. envoy Dennis Ross, Israel and the Palestinians neared a deal Monday that would pull Israeli troops from most of the West Bank city of Hebron.

The agreement also would include written guarantees from both sides that they will carry out the remaining elements of peace accords already signed.

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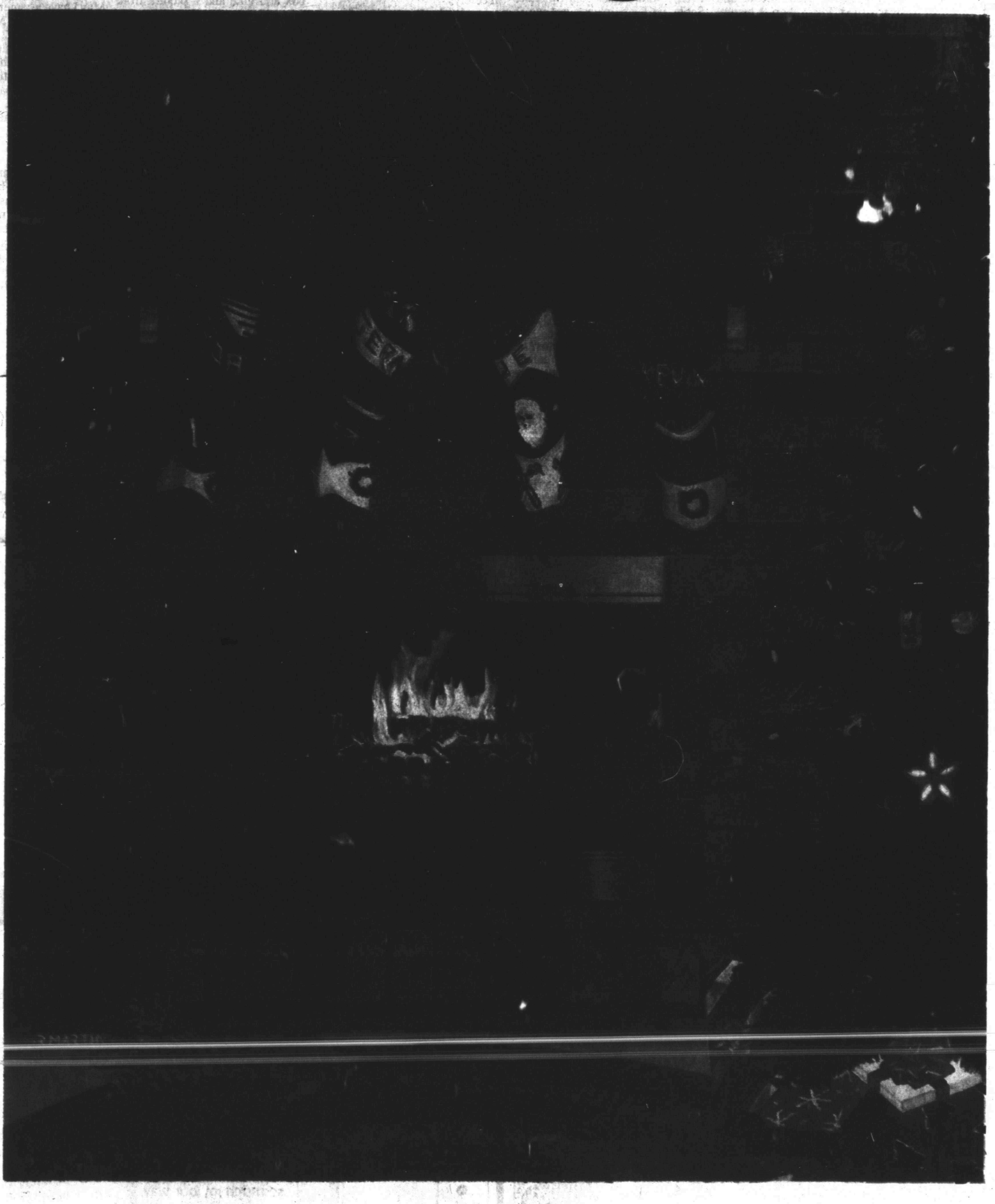
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Marcella Torres

Dear Santa,
I want a Baby Tumbs, Sprise, a Dodle Bear, a Baby so Real, a Gymistoot Stacey, a Baby Head Stand Sprise, a Dear Diarie, a Talk Girl, a Yak Back and My Size Barbie and 5 pairs of clothes
Santa, my brother wants wrestler gifure toy, a Toy Motorcycle, games for his Sega.
Sincerely yours,
Ted Cerda Jr. and
Yvette Cerda

Dear Santa,
I want for this crismes I want to pass it happy I want toys I am happy and I want you to be happy ne, your friend. Jesse Martines I am seven years old.
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Jesse Martinez.

Dear Santa,
I want Bead so pretty Pocahantas, Neptune Star Castale, goosebumps terror in the graveyard, Dream phon, monopoly, Fraidy cats, Melanies Mall, Music and Beach shop, Pizza shop & beauty parlor, Pet and jewerly shop, Squand Shopping fun Barbie & Kelly, Henry, sand art, sand castels, sand wet art jewelry, pottery shell, faballoon, sno domes, smithsonian crystal. thats all I want for Christmas.
Love,
Krista Chaidez

Dear Santa,
I want a toy robot, and a raceing car, toy gun, skates, ball, bat, glove, and plane, toy dinosaur, ninja, monst, and boxing gloves, toy bird.
I love you,
Juan Martinez

Dear Santa,
I want Baby go Bye Bye, I want Lucky Ducks, I want Megahn, I want take care of me twins, What I want is Talking Bubba, I want a diary like Krista, and I want Bo Peat, I want Space Jam Stickers, Santa will you please get me 2 diaries, I only want 2 diaries, Santa will you please bring me Come Here Fluffy My Come here Puppy and Please bring me a yellow & pink Ranger. What I want is a Barbie, her name is twirling Ballerina Barbie & Teresa. Santa I'll leave some milk & cookies on the little table for you. Please like em the milk & cookies. I know you have to do hard work wrapping the presents up! Will you please bring me a Kitty Cat? Will you please bring me Snacking Cabbage Patch? And Santa, thats all I want!
I love you," I like the reindeers.
& I hope you like the cookies & the milk! Santa thats all I want!
Brittni Danielle Chaidez
5 years old

Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs. Claus? In school I watched a movie called Miracle on 34th Street. I want to thank you for the toys I got last year. I bet the elves are busy. How are Rudolph and the other reindeer? I'm ready for Christmas to get here. I would like a newborn babydoll, collector's barbie, basketball, CD Player, CD's, cross earings, and birthstone ring. I will come see you sometime.
Love
Alana Culp

Dear Santa,
Hi, how are the reindeer? I hope they are doing ok. Well this is Cari's first Christmas and I hope she is not sick this Christmas. I watched Miracle on 3th Street and I loved it! I want a new Barbie convertible car that has a slide out back seat. So how is Mrs. Claus? And I would like a pretty dress. And a picture of you, and Mrs. Claus, and the reindeer. Well I have been learning a lot in school. Tell the reindeer hi for me Bye-Bye.
Sincerely,
Samantha Jo Berry

Dear Santa,
How are your reindeers and you doin? I want a bicycle, doll, puppy, and a toy kitchen set. I like Rudolph. And all your reindeers too.
Love,
George Smith

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I am doing good. Tell Mrs. Claus hi for me. When you come to my house give your reindeer some cookies. Bring some cookies to the elevs to. For Christmas I would like a dirt bike, bookshelf, beast wars cheetor, and a modle jet.
Love,
Dylyn Richards

Dear Santa,
I want a new 4-wheeler and a helmet and pads, Top Bun the disk, plus cd, and shot gun ammo.
Love,
Josh Baldwin

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a breeze ranner, gocart, axe, cd chelf, space jam jersey, beast wars cheetor, 3 in 1 baseketball set, super nintendo, Donkey Kong Land Ii, a model jet, 20 cards of basketball players, & chow puppy.
Love,
Robby Anderson

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I want a lot of gifts from you and I want a wand. I hope you bring a my size Barbie. I love you and I saw you in a called Miracle on 34th street. I want the movie 101 Dalmations the real movie and I want jewelry and a dress. I want a new crayola box and glue and a picture from you, and new rollerblades. I want a puppy. How are the elves? I want to know how is Mrs. Claus. Is she fine? I want more things.
Love,
Crystal Berrones

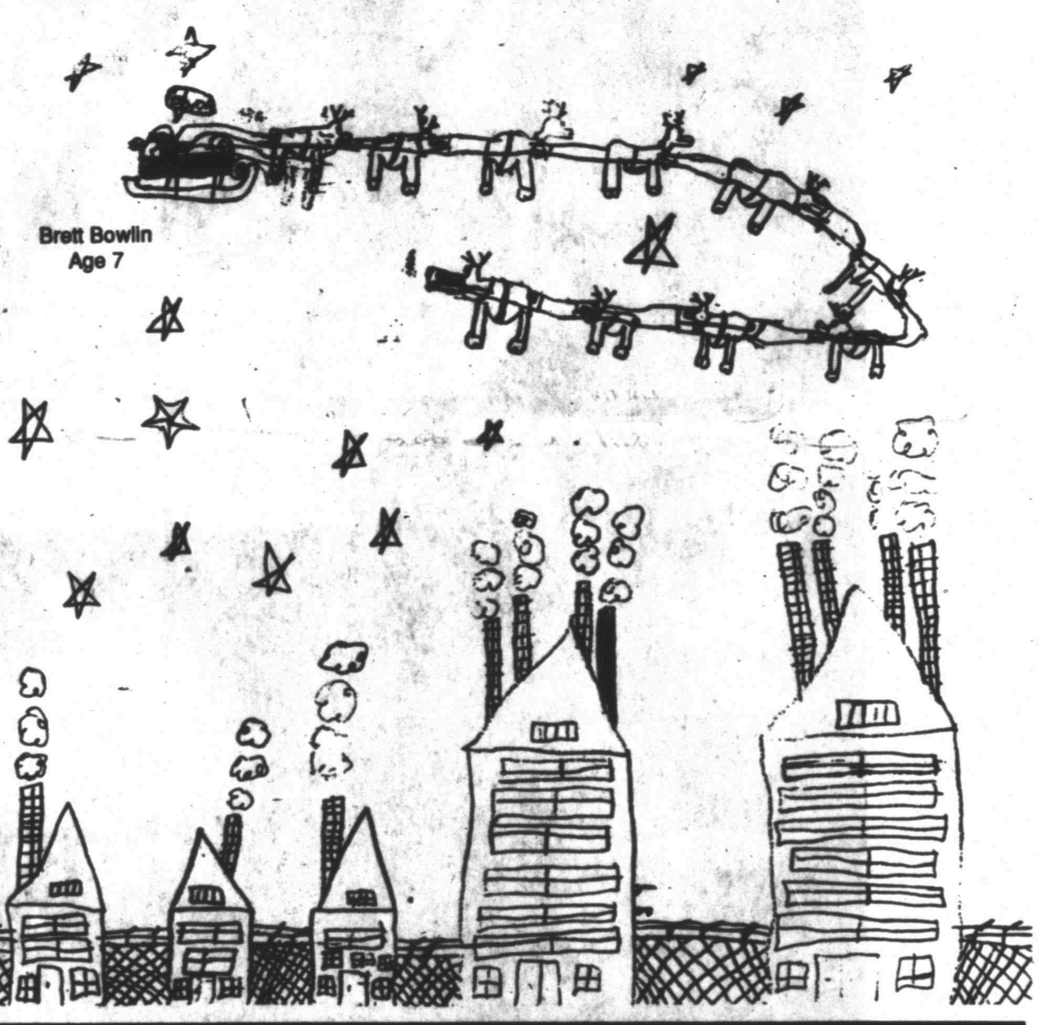
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How are you doing? I am doing fine as you know. I bet yall are working ahrd, by the way howa re Mrs. Clause and the reindeer doing? I would bet there doing fine. Well I am going to tell you a few things that I would like for Christmas. I would like a compound bow a computer, a trampoline, a Rockrunner, and a Car crusher #2. Well I guess I better let you go by.
Sincerely,
Johnathon McClure

Dear Santa,
I wonder if you cold bring me a nintendo. If you can'-t jsut bring me a set of cars or a play gun or a fotbball jersey and I wonder if you are fine. I wish I could see your reindeers. How is Mrs. Claus? I hope she is fine.
Love,
Adam Rivera

Dear Santa,
I would like a doctor pet Barbie, a new Christmas bow. A new doll, a stuffed snowman, A t.v. for my bedroom. And a VCR. Easy bake oven, doodle bear. And a picture of you Santa. And a new puppy!
I Love You Santa!
Love,
Katy Spradlin

Dear Santa Claus,
May I hbave the movie of Toy Store. May I have a magic sets, May I have a electric guitar. May I have Lego. May I have robe. May I have a Jeep. May I have a robot. May I have a camera. May I have a 3 in 1 tractor. May I have a Magnum 440-X2 Lamborghini championship electric racing. May I have a train. May I have a cuting edge of Action. May I have a Turbo riptide boat. May I have a B.A.S.H. hockey. May I have a MeGa rig construction site.
Brett Bowlin

Dear Santa,
This what I want for Christmas. And yes I have been good this year. I want Dallas Cowboy jacket, Nike shoes & newborn doll, a huge radio with speakers, at Walmart, a sega tape, Dallas Cowboy blanket, new clothes, a kitten,
Thank you Santa,
Denise McNiel



Brett Bowlin
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Thank you Santa Claus
Dawn Maniel

Dear Santa,
Won't you bring me a dolly? I have been a good girl this year. Why don't you bring me a Making Face Dolly. Would you bring me a troll thingy that has another troll in its hair that you pull out. I would also like a jack in the beanstalk toy. Will you bring me that please? Please bring me a doll house. I want a farm and a Ballerina Barbie. Thank you Santa.
Love Jessie
Thank you Aunt Brenda for writing this letter for me.

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a G.I. Joe, Toy Story, clothes, primal Rae toys, caterpillar, watchi, batteries for my toys, James and the Giant Peach, Casper, and the Fire engine, Nitendo game. A remote control car.
I am eight years old and my name is Jeremy Ruiz.
Jeremy Ruiz
P.S. Please bring something for my sister, mom and dad.

Dear Santa,
All we want for Christmas is a Donkey Kong 3 game.
Chase and Brad Ashworth

Dear Santa,
thank you for my BB gun last year. May I have a ricochet remote control car. I would realy like a seven in one game table and a criss cross crash and a robe,
Love your friend,
Barrett Bowlin,
P.S. Thank you Santa Claus,

Dear Santa,
I would like to have these things for Christmas. I want a 5 speed bike so I can ride fast. I want a Dallas Cowboy football suit so, it won'ty hurt so much when I play football. I want a weater gun so I can shoot my brother. I want a remote control car. I have been good this year, my teacher said so.
Love,
Nickolas Eaton

Dear Santa,
These are the things I would like to have for Christmas.
I would like a puppy for Christmas and I want a football to play with. I want a Primal Rage, the monkey one. And I would like a Ricochet the Racing Car that flips from side to side. And I want my own T.V. to watch cartoons on. And I want a trampoline so I can jump and do flips. I want a gameboy so I can play games. And a new bike so I can race my brother. Santa can you go through the door because we don't have a chimney?
Love,
Michael Barrera

Dear Santa,
this is what I would like to have for Christmas. I want a VCR so I can watch my movies. Please look up my new address because we moved.
Love,
Steve Hembree

Dear Santa,
These are the things I would like to have for Christmas.
I want some real animals to play with. I would like a real puppy, a real pig, a real kitten and a real horse. I want a bike so I can ride fast. I would like some pom-poms and a cheerleading suit. I want a radio so I can listen to it.
Love,
Kristi Jones

Dear Santa,
These are the things I would like to have for Christmas. I would like to have a my size dancing Ken and Barbie, to dance with. A CD Rom computer, to play Barbie Fashion Designer on. And a real orange and white kitten. A wedding barbie and a big trampoline.
I would like some pom-poms and a cheerleading suit. I will leave you some candy and milk.
Love,
K'Leigh Jackson

Dea Santa,
These are the things I would llike to have for Christmas. I would like a Christmas tree so I can play with it. And a my size dancing barbie, so I can play with it. And a bike. And some pom-poms. And a cheerleading suit.
Love,
Cesilie Torres

Dear Santa,
These are the things I would like to have for Christmas. I want a puppy. A Sega, and a Dallas Cowboy footbnall. I also want a bike.
Your friend,
Chris Gaddis

Dear Santa,
These are the things I would like to have for Christmas. I would like a my size dancing Barbie and Ken to dance with. And a CD-Rom computer with the CD of Fashion Designer, so I can play it.
I would also like to have a Gameboy with some games to play in it. And a real horse to ride in the field by my house. I would also like a big swimming pool to swim in next summer. I will leave you some cookies.
Love,
Brittany Kelley

Dear Santa,
These are the things I would like to have for Christmas. I would like my own small T.V., a big water Sea Doo, a real tool bench with tools, two play machine guns, and a big seat to go with my tool bench. I will leave you some cookies and some milk.
Love,
Kelvin Doggett

Dear Santa,
These are the things I would like to have or Christmas. I would like a baby doll so I can play house. I would like to have a Dallas Cowboys shirt to lay around in. I would like an 8 speed bike to ride away with my brother and sister. I woule like to have pom-poms o be a cheerleader. I hope you give me a lot of presents because I have been good.
Your buddy,
Alicia Culp

Dear Santa,
These are the things I would like to have for Christmas. I want a Sega CD so I can play the games. And a baseball set so I can play baseball.
Love you,
Brian Molina



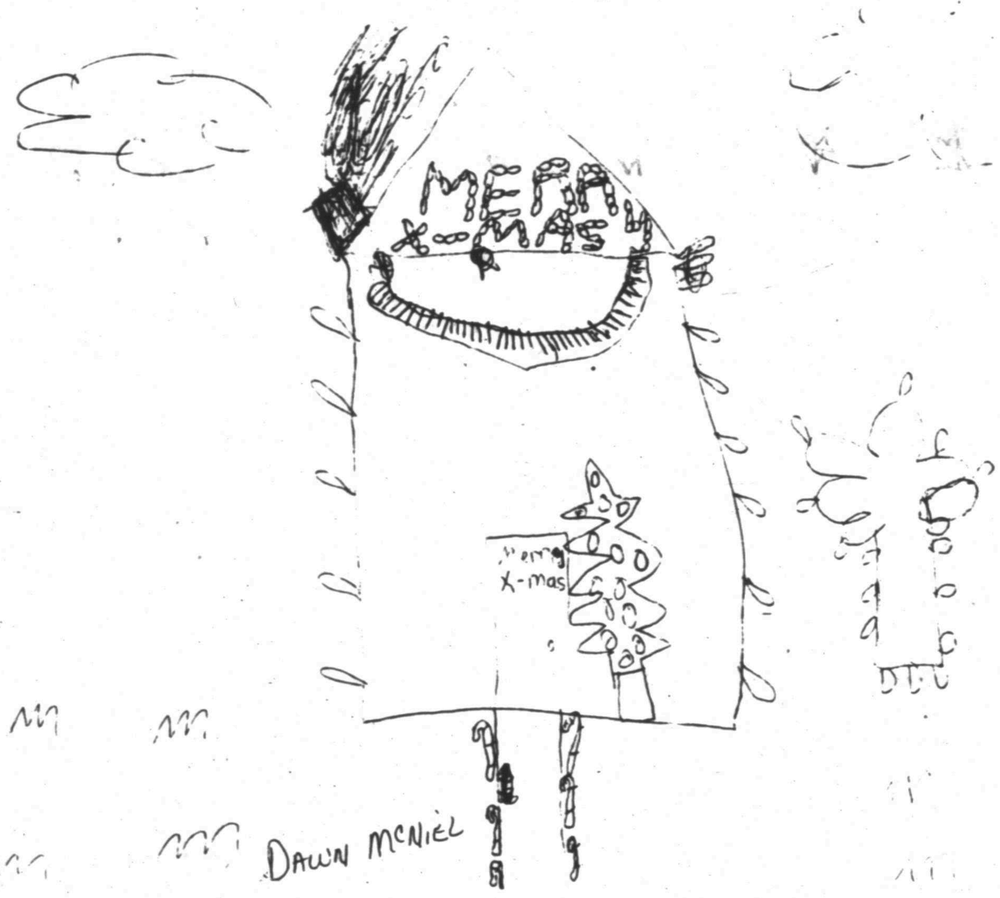
Jesse Martinez
Age 7

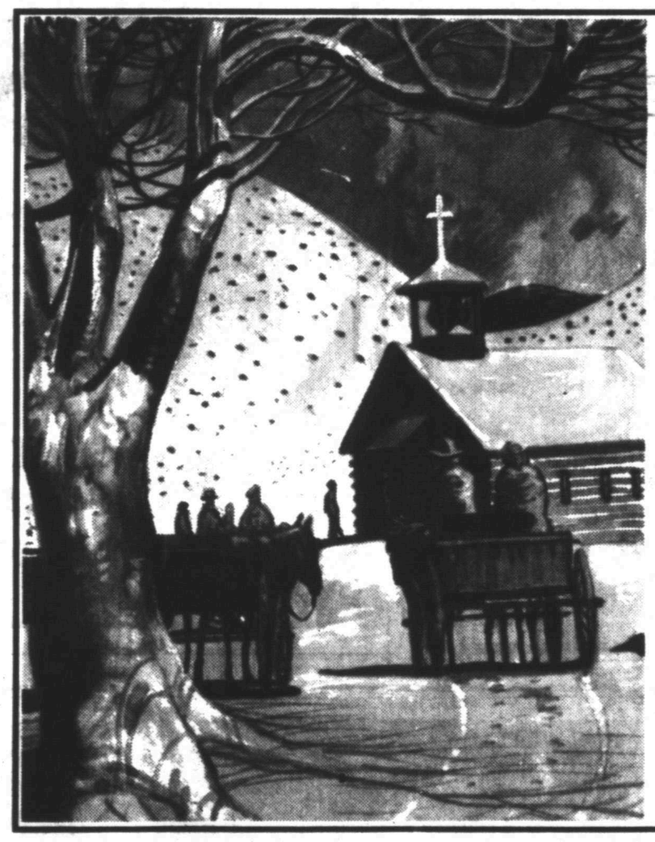


Catch The Spirit!

We'd like to join you and your family in giving thanks to the Lord for his many kind blessings during this holiest of seasons, as well as offer our thanks to you, our good friends and neighbors.

Trinity United Methodist Church
Rev. Bob Green, Staff & Members





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McDonald's of Snyder

Dear Santa...

Dear Santa,
I want a Nitendo for Christmas. I want a remote control car, and a VCR, with a TV for my room. I want a Tonka dump truck, a 10 speed bike, and a football suit. I also want a baseball suit, 2 police cars and a radio and a puppy.
thank you very much,
Ismael Berrones

Dear Santa,
These are the things I would like to have for Christmas. I would like to have a My size dancing barbie because it is pretty. I also want a big computer so I can play games on it. And a Gameboy Battery Light so I can see my Gameboy at night. I will leave you some cookies and milk.
Love,
Megan Kariainen

Dear Santa,
I want a new race car for Christmas. And I want a bike, and a horse, and a soccerball, basketball, football, equipment.
Love,
Frank Smith

Dear Santa,
These are things I would like to h ave for Christmas. I want a Dallas Cowboy football suit. I want a T.V. and a C.V.R. and a Black beauty horse and a computer. I want a remote control car, and a Sega Saturn. I want a trampoline a radio.
Love,
Robert Ritch

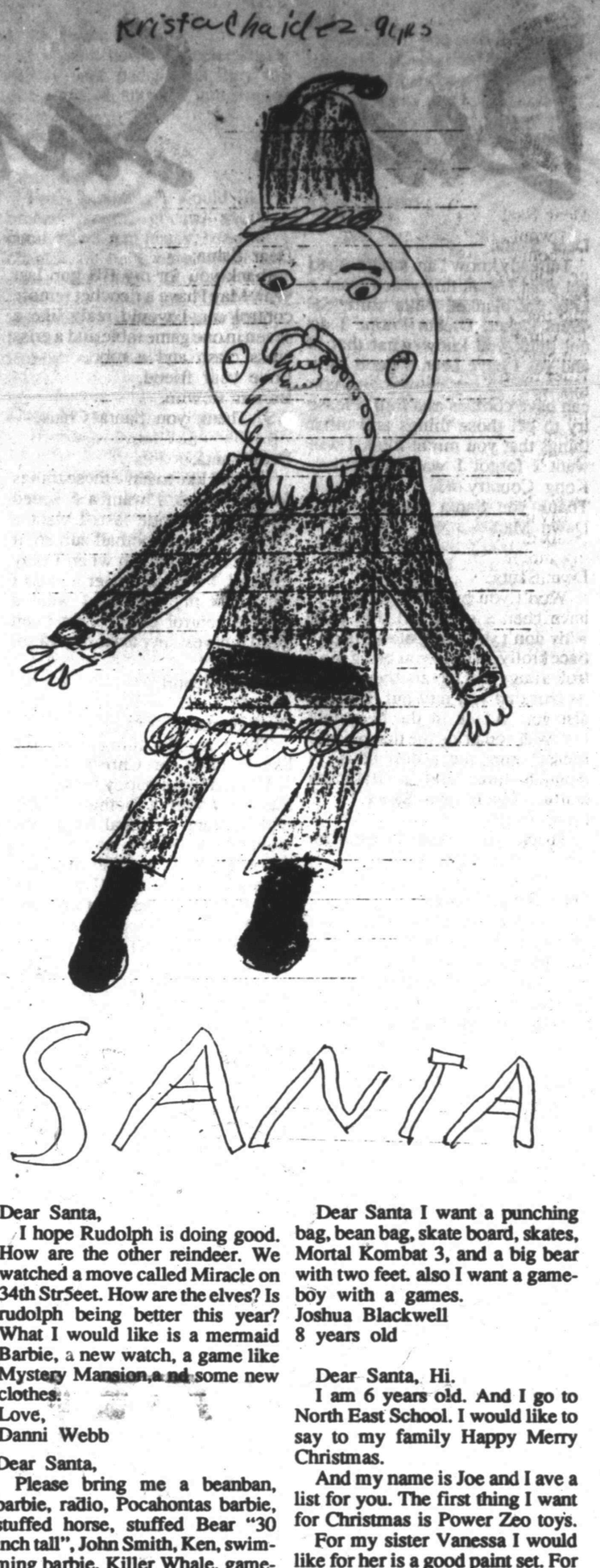
Dear Santa Claus,
I wonder if you're going to come to school. One thing can you get me is a remote control car and a toy monster truck. And another thing could you get me a toy jet and a new bike and can you get me a big stuffed animal puppy and can you get me a big toy robot and my dad some tools and a toolbox? So how are you doing? How is Rudolph? Is Cupid the same as always? And another thing could you get my dad a lot of art stuff and my mom one of those big tubs and could you get me a Buzzlight year.
Love,
Bobby Lane

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I can't wait until you come. Bye the way I saw a movie it is called Miracle on 34th Street. Bye the way I hope you can come to our play. This is what I want is my mom to come back and my big family back. And I want to live a good life. That is all that I want. How are your reindeer doing?
Love,
Scotty Arellano

Dear Santa,
I want tell to you that my sister is nice also I am nice to my brothers and 3 sisters. And can you get my sisters jewelry and brother would like Nike shoes and I would like some jewelry and a Barbie also a nice dress and a skirt also head bands also coloring nbooks and a sky dancer and can you get my mom jewelry and my dad shoes? I want some makeup and thank you.
Love,
Erica Torres

Dear Santa,
How are you? I bet your very busy this year so I won't ask for much. I want to thank you for all the gifts the past few years! We watched Miracle on 34th Street today. How's Rudolph and the gang? It would be cool if you could come to Hermleigh and bring your reindeer and family and stay here for a while! I would like a new sticker diary, a horse (black stallion real), and most of all to spend Christmas with my family and my pen pal Danika!
Love,
Crystal Bridges
P.S. Have a good Christmas!
CB

Dear Santa I want a punching bag, bean bag, play-doh, clothes, shoes, womeward bound 2 the novie, and a skate board.
Casey Newby
age 9



SANTA

Dear Santa,
I hope Rudolph is doing good. How are the other reindeer. We watched a move called Miracle on 34th Str5eet. How are the elves? Is rudolph being better this year? What I would like is a mermaid Barbie, a new watch, a game like Mystery Mansion,a nd some new clothes.
Love,
Danni Webb

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a beanban, barbie, radio, Pocahontas barbie, stuffed horse, stuffed Bear "30 inch tall", John Smith, Ken, swimming barbie, Killer Whale, gameboy with games that is all I want.
Sincerely
Bonita Blackwell
I am 11 years old

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a swimming doll, skates, stuffed dog, and a big doll.
I also want balerina barbee doll, a table set, pocahontas game set.
love,
Melissa Newby
age 8

Dear Santa I want a punching bag, bean bag, skate board, skates, Mortal Kombat 3, and a big bear with two feet. also I want a gameboy with a games.
Joshua Blackwell
8 years old

Dear Santa, Hi.
I am 6 years old. And I go to North East School. I would like to say to my family Happy Merry Christmas.
And my name is Joe and I ave a list for you. The first thing I want for Christmas is Power Zeo toys.
For my sister Vanessa I would like for her is a good paint set. For my sister Jennifer, she would like horse stuff. For Valerie a walkmen.
My mom lots of arts and crafts stuff. And for my dad, wood cutting tools. And finally my cats would like a toy mouse that rolls around and moves.
Sincerely,
Joe Lara
(PS: I always wanted a new criss cross crash set. Thank you.)

Dear Santa Claus
My name is Jonathan. I am 5 years old and I go to East Elementary. My momma says I have been a good boy this year. For Christmas I would like (1) race car (2) bike (3) cassette of "Snap" & power ranger stuff.
Love,
Jonathan Wallace

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Along with good cheer and much admiration!

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JOY TO THE WORLD

...And a world of good wishes to all of you who have brought us so much happiness this past year. Merry Christmas!

Lota' Burger
3900 College Ave.

Dear Santa...

Dear Santa
I would like for Christmas is a Turboman, Nintendo 64, Cd player, bicycle, Yappack, Cokacola bear, and some Nintendo Games and that's all of the things I want for Christmas this year. I'll trie to remember to write you another letter next year. I with Christmas was here everyday. Don't forget me Santa I'm counting on you Santa.
Kasey Melton

Dear Santa,
My name is Riley Arnold, I will be six months old at Christmas, so my mommy is writing my letter for me. I don't have anything definite that I want, but anything that is bright, noisy and fun to play with will be fine (kinda like my two brothers, Jamie and Casey, are). I have been pretty good so far — there hasn't been much that I can get into yet.
Thank you for whatever you think I need. Please be sure to remember my brothers — they are really good big brothers!
Love,
Riley Arnold

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good and I hope you will come to see me this year. I am seven years old and am in the second grade at Stanfield. This is what I would like for Christmas: a Toy Story tape, binoculars, Oilver and Co. tape, Mouse Trap, a typewriter, Easy-Bake mixes, a wireless remote control car, a big bike, a diary and a computer.
Thank you. Please remember my brothers, Jamie and Riley.
Love,
Casey Arnold.

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good boy this year. I am seven years old and go to Stanfield Elementary.
Please bring me these toys: binoculars, Batman cave with new Batman and Robin, Oliver & Co. video, Toy Story video, Aladdin & King of Thieves video, pistols, bow and arrow with a knife, an Indian headband, a big yellow bike, remote control motorcycle and a skateboard.
Please don't forget to bring my brothers, Casey and Riley, something, too.
Thank you.
Love,
Jamie Arnold

Dear Santa
Hi my name is Lupe Zuniga. I am 7 yrs. old Im second grade. I go to Stanfield Elem. I have a 3 yr. old sister named Erika Michelle. We have been very good girls this year.
We would like a game of twister, the toy kstory movie, Baby tumbles for my sister. And I would like some software for my computer.
thank you
Santa
p.s. we will leave cookies an milk.
Love
Lupe Zuniga
age 7

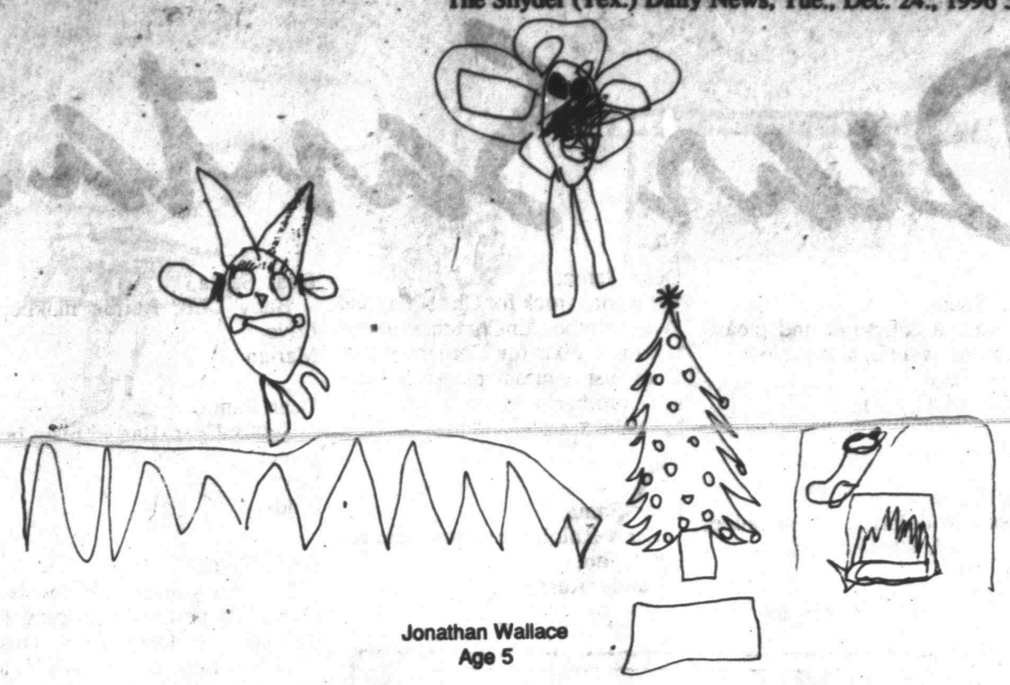
Dear Santa,
How are you? This year I have been good.
I would like a tocing baby.
Merry Christmas!
Your friend.
Cati Irwin

Dear Santa
Hi Santa Claus.
My name is Erika Michelle Flores. I'm 3 yrs. old. I have a 7 yr. old sister named Lupe. We have been good girls this year. I would like a gymnastic kBarbie, and my sister wants some softwere for her computer. Tanks for giving us what we wanted last year.
P.s. we will leave cookies & milk
Love Erica
Michelle Flores
Age 3

Dear Santa,
I want Lucky Ducks, Cabbage Patch eating doll and a jump rope. Do you like apples?
I moved to South Carolina, so make sure you have my right address.
I'll put out some Christmas cookies and some milk. You'll love the cookies.
I've been a good girl. I'm scared of you, so don't scare me.
Love,
Sarah Davis
Age 4

Dear Santa,
Doll hoy, Barbie dream hoyse, Baby heaoe.
Love,
Morgan

Dear Santa,
Does Rulolph red nose shine. Barbie dream house, baby heaoe, stanosures.
I love you
Kayla



Jonathan Wallace
Age 5

Dear Santa,
This is Krista and Brice Reed. We're writing you because we've been pretty good kids and we want to know if you can bring us a few presents. Krista wants a big thing that she can make necklaces with and some doll toys. Brice wants a cash register and a remote control car.
Love,
Krista
&
Brice

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a game boy game for the Super Initendo, a see & say fun computer, and a race car track. Merry Christmas! I'll leave cookies and milk for you and some meat for your reindeer!!
Love,
Robert M. Velasquez II
Age 4



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Stacy Clifton
Age 5

Dear Santa Claus,
This year I would like to have Kirsten The American Girl doll, some workbooks and stuff to play school with at home. Kirsten's birthday assessories, Samantha's gingerbread house, Surprise me with some of Kirstens and Smantha's assessories. Would you just bring me some surprise things if you want to?
I've tryed to be as good as I can!! I'll be sure I leave you some cookies and milk. I wish everybody would be as happy as I am.
Don't work to hard?
Merry Christmas!
Megan McCormick

Dear Santa,
How ahve you been? Santa will you tell Mrs. Claus I said hi and tell Rudolf I said hi to him. Santa I want a C.D. player and a baby puppy.
Love your friend,
Erissa Sanchez

SEASON'S GREETINGS



To our many fine customers and friends, we extend our very best wishes for a season filled with joy and all the white stuff.

Thanks for making our year a huge success!

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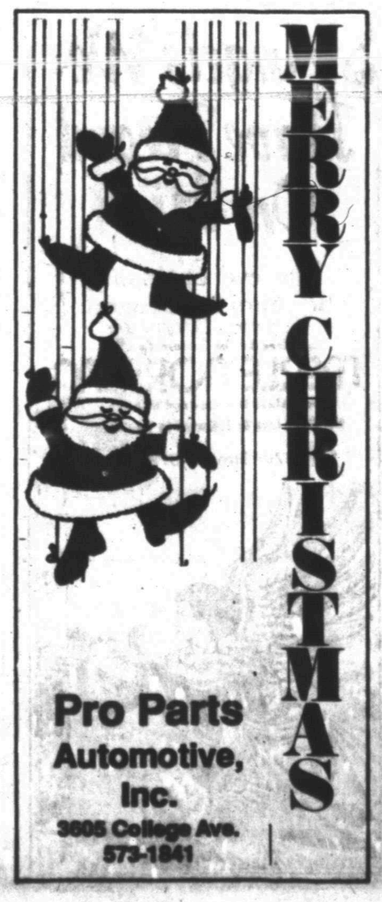
Wishing You Good Times Aplenty

Go ahead and enjoy everything the season has to offer -- an abundance of good friends, family, food and fun for everyone!

Thanks to one and all for bringing us so much joy!

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

The Spanish Inn
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We're hoping that your season brings
Lots of glad tidings and beautiful things;
The warmth of family,
The blessing of friends,
Plus peace and joy
That never ends.
May all your hopes and dreams come true,
That's our Christmas wish for you!

WTC WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE

Dear Santa...

Juan Martinez



Dear Santa,
I want a computer and please my mom want's a cat clock.
Your friend,
Joseph McGough

Dear Santa,
I want a truck for Christmas and I want clothes for Christmas to and I want a bike for Christmas too. Wait just a minut please tell my step brother's to be have.
Levi Jackson

Dear Santa,
Does Rudolph red nose shine, Baby head, stanosurpes.
Love you,
Rebedah

Dear Santa,
Does Rulolph red nose shinee.
Love you,
Amanda Kerr



You're Always Welcome, Here!

May your holiday season be filled with good times and fond memories for a long time to come.

Thank you for visiting us this past year.

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Merry Christmas



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Dear Santa,
Baby Doll, Barbie makeup.
Love,
Marian

Dear Santa,
Teddy Bear, Barbie ream huse, guater.
Love,
Lindsey

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? How is the elves. I hope they are doing fine like you are. Dear Santa, This is for Christmas. I want a T.V. and my own phone and shoes and socks and earrings, I love you and Mr. and Mrs. Claus.
P.S. How do you get down the chimneey?
Your friend,
Love,
Cheyene Roemisch

Dear Santa,
I hope you had a good summer. I did. I had fun with friends. I hope you got my brother a C.D. player because my mom and I got him a C.D. and a thing to hold C.D.'s P.S. I want a remote controle car and a walky talky, P.P.S. write back.
Ryne

Dear Santa,
How do you get down chimneys if you're so fat? I don't blame you for being fat because you have to eat everyone's snacks. How do the reindeer fly? Does Rowdolf really have a red nose?
Your friend,
Sydney Wright
P.S. How are you doing?
Sydney

Dear Santa,
What kind of animals do you ge up there? How can you know magic? If you lived in Snyder your could teach me.
Your friend,
Jared

Dear Santa,
I hope you had a nice summer. I did. I had fun with my mom and dad I clory ting the tree and it was fun to decorate the tree. I hope you have a nice X-mas.
Jeremy Micahel Mills

Dear Santa,
How are the reindeer? I hope they are alright. And what I would like for me for Christmas is war boots.
Your friend,
Artana Perez

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I want a baby doll, and a watch with a beeper and how is Mrs. Claus?
Your friend,
Cassie

Dear Santa,
I want a real dog that is called a Dalmation for Christmas and a computer, clothes and a Dallas Cowboy watch, and a Dallas Cowboy shoes, and all things of Dallas Cowboy. How are you doind and Mrs. Claus? How was your summer? I will have cookies for you and Merry Christmas to you.
Your friend,
Henry Michael Ramos.

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I hope the reindeer are not sick. And Santa I want a C.D. player and a C.D. called Boys too Men and a camera. And when you come I will give you a present.
Matthew Schoolcraft

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? Do you know what I would like to have under my Christmas tree, I would like to have some Wrallen Blacks wrapped undr my Christmas tree and a stereo.
Your friend,
Christina Espinosa

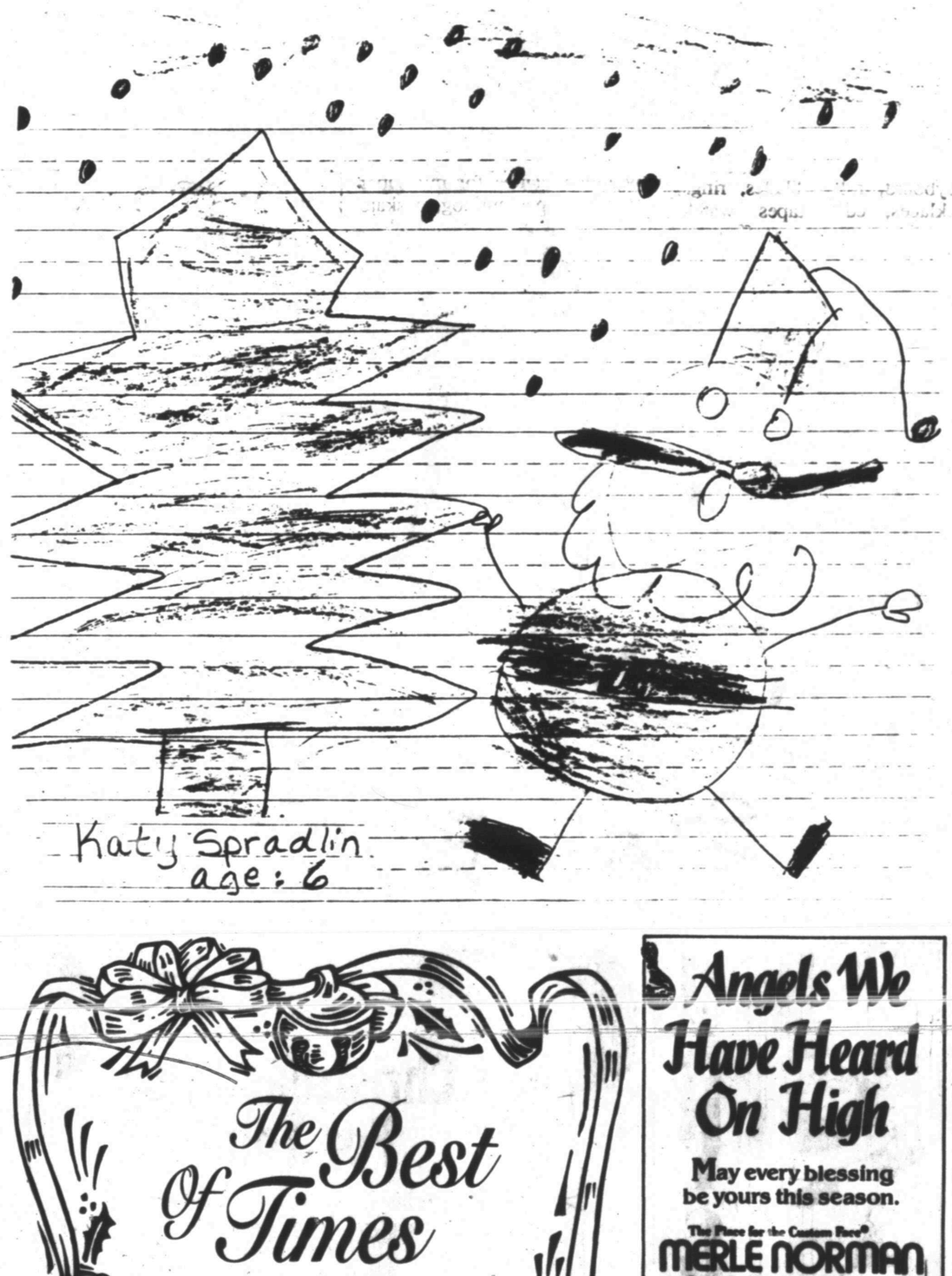
Dear Santa,
I want the Leann Rimes C.D. and the Kevin Sharp C.D. and the hollyiday Barbies and a new Barbie doll house. I will leave you milk and cookies. When youu get back tell Mrs. Claus I said hi
Have a safe tripe. Have a Mer Christmas.
Your friend
Leslie Eades

Dear Santa,
I want a boom box with the tapes Welcome to the Jungle, Boys to Men Heavy Metale and Bad Hair Day. And I want a nerf gun.
From Randy Morgan

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. And how are you and Mrs. Claus and the reiandeer? I would like a big bike, a dog, a big piano, and a C.D. Player, clothes, and abig cmputr for me Merry Christmas
From
Casey Briann Arnold

Dear Santa,
I want a remote control car and a football and a dog because they or fun to play with. I want it to be a brown dog and I want a box of toys.
Your friend,
Matt Vanderpool

Dear Santa,
I want a bike for Christmas. I would also like a doodle bear, make-up, clothes and a Ring Around Rosie doll. But most of all I want everyone to have a Merry Christmas and you to have a safe trip.
Love,
Krystal Marie Martinez





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FOR 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

God bless you and yours in this holy season and beyond.

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The Best Of Times

We hope it's been a good year,
With prosperity and peace,
With brotherhood and good cheer,
And smiles that haven't ceased!

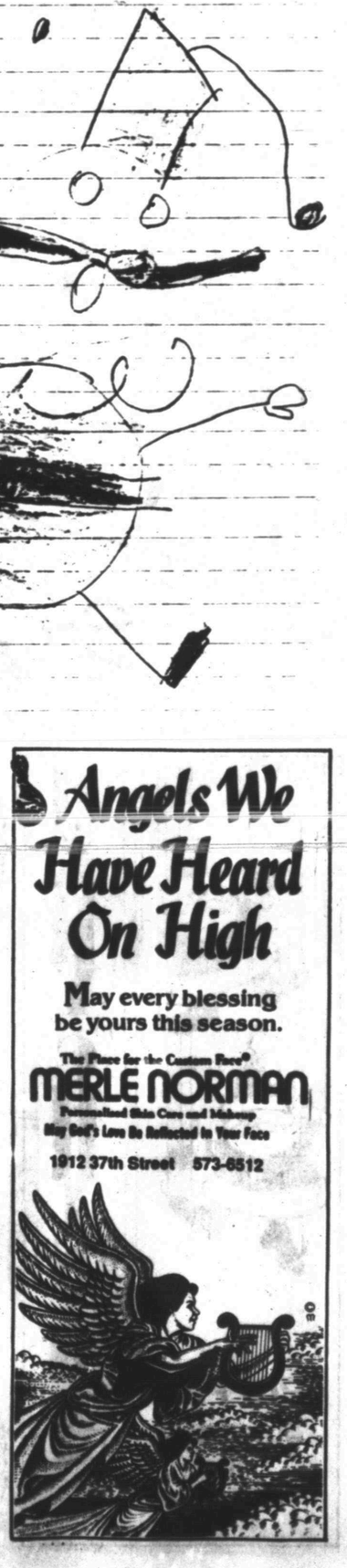
Merry Christmas
to all our neighbors!

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Dear Santa...

My Dearest Santa & Mrs. Santa
Hi, one thing I went is my sister Rosalinda back. Santa please bring her safe. And a AIR, Devel for me and some clothes and a lots of toy. And please bring some clothes for Mary Ann she is my sister and for her two kid please bring them some toy please bring Margarita a doll dishes and for Pablo Jr. bring him a trucks & cars and lots of toys. Pablo Jr is two years old and Margraita is four years old, Santa please being something for my mom and for my dad and for my brother in law. Oh Santa please bring me a pair of shoe for me Nike Airs size 4½. I love you Santa and Mrs. Santa please take caare on your way back to North Pole. Margarita, Pablo and me will have cookies on the table for you and your helpers and help your on coffee or milk.
Your friend,
Paul David Romero

Dear Santa,
My name is Katie. I's 2 years old. All I want for Christmas is Little tykes Kitchen set with dishes and dolls. I also want my Grandma, Moma and Papa to et something special for Chris.mas.
Love,
Katie Allison Perales
P.S. My big sister helped me write this letter and I want her to get something special for Christmas too.

Hello, Santa,
My name is Tony.I've been a good boy this year. My Christmas list is Nike socks, Toy Story video, Dallas Cowboy Shirt, and another shark for my fish tank. I would also like to have a guitar and I wonder if your elves can made me one.
Love,
Tony Perales III (6 years)
P.S. I will have cookes and milk for you.

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year.
Well down to business. I want akeyboard, roller blades, rings, necklaces, cd's, tapes, watch, pants, Looney Tone stuff and a new tape player which is called a head phone system for X-mas
Love,
Wendy Loper

Dear Santa,
My name is Brenna Fletcher and I want a T.V. doll, and a book I live in Snyder, TX. Is it really cold in the north pole this year? By the way my sissy want a set of Nancy Drew Books.
Love,
Brenna Fletcher
-- P.S. I'll leave you some cookies and coke!!

Dear S.C.
This is what I want for Christmas,
Nintendeo 64, trboleman, Sega, Sage game gera, Zelda for Super Nintendeo, Zelda for Ragler nintendo, Super Mario 64, Master blaster for sage; Sonec 3 for Sega, Sonic 3 for Sega Game gare, Ragler Nintendo; Sonec & Nuckles, TV. That is what I want for me.
Lance Turner,
Age 9
I will leave cookies and milk out again.

Dear Santa,
this is what I would like for Christmas, A Barbnie Bubble gum gift shop, Shaving Fun Ken Doll, Pet Doctor Barbie Doll, Pet Doctor Barbie Check-up and Play center, Wettin' Wizzer, Easy Bake Oven and Snack center, Horses with carrying case, reptile and Amphibian kit, Chemical Reactions, Payday, Twister, Gooey Louie, Barbi So Much To Do Laundry Center, #S-pc Casual Male Fashnions, 4S-pc Smoth Moves Fashions with mountain bike, Dream phone, Legos, stufed animal,
Your friend,
Shae
P.S. thank you very much for my presents last year.

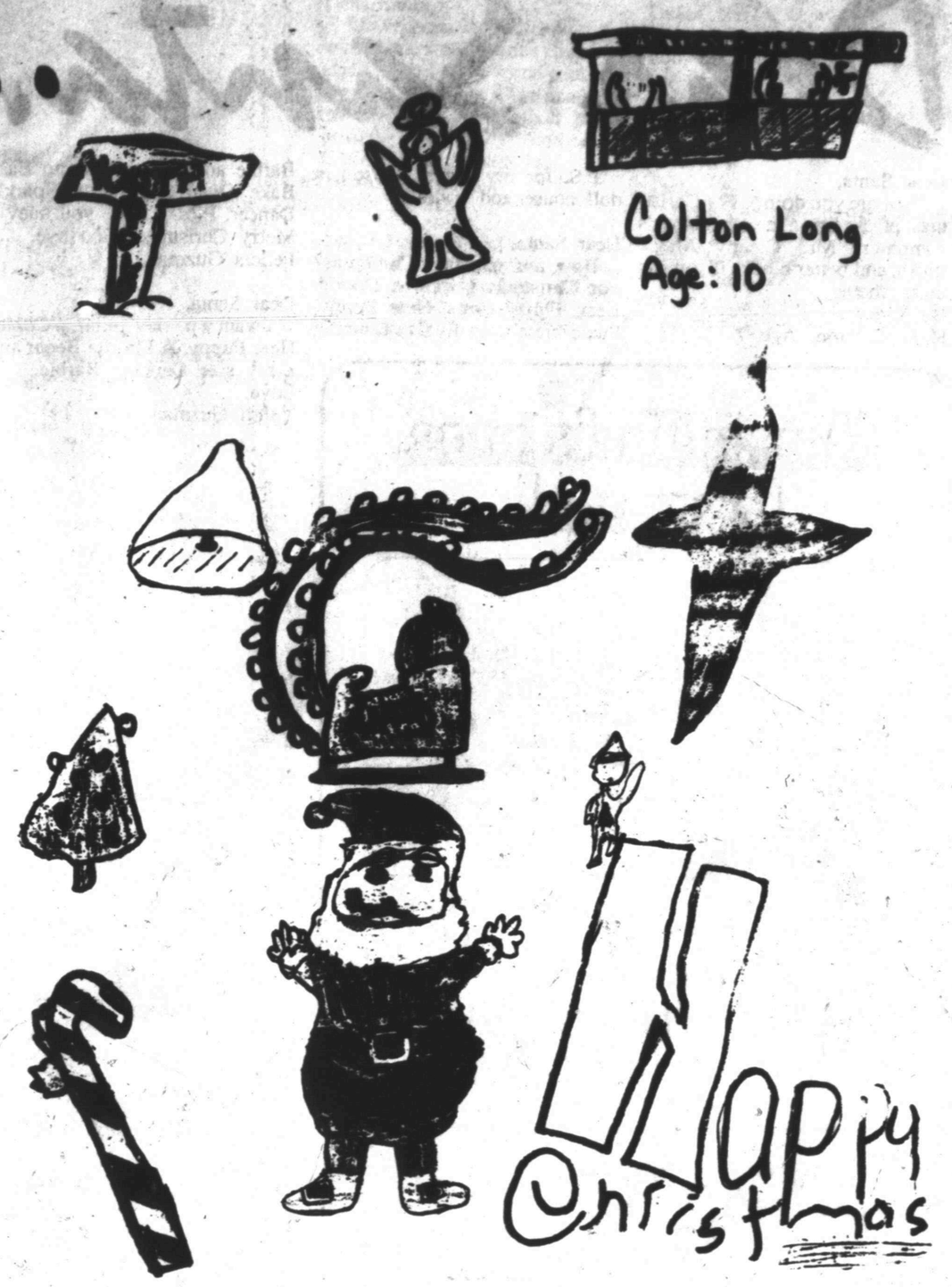
Dear Santa,
I have been a good little boy all year. I want a ping pong paddle, new video games for my super nintendo, a pet bulldog,a skate board, and a telescope to look at the stars and the moon. Well that is waht I want for X-mas!
Sincereley
Andy Garvin

Dear Santa,
My name is cassie and I am 4 and half years old. I would like a Barbie jeep for Christmas. A Little Shopping BArbie and a Cabbage Patch Doll and a Dancing B Arbie. My Brother Cory, is 11 years old. He would like a guitar and a pocket knife. We have both been very good his year and we will leave some cookies and milk out for you. I hope you and the reindeers and elves have a nice Christmas and be very careful on Christmas Eve. Oh, Santa, I would also like a kite to fly.
Yours truly,
Cassie Cochran
P.S. We will leave our Christmas Lights on so you can find our house.

Dear SAnta,
I have been a very good boy this year. Please bring me power rangers, barney doll and a Dallas Cowboy Troy Aikman suit.
I will leave cookies and milk for you and carrots for your reindeer.
Love,
Cameron Pettit
P.S. Please bring a sweater for my puppy.

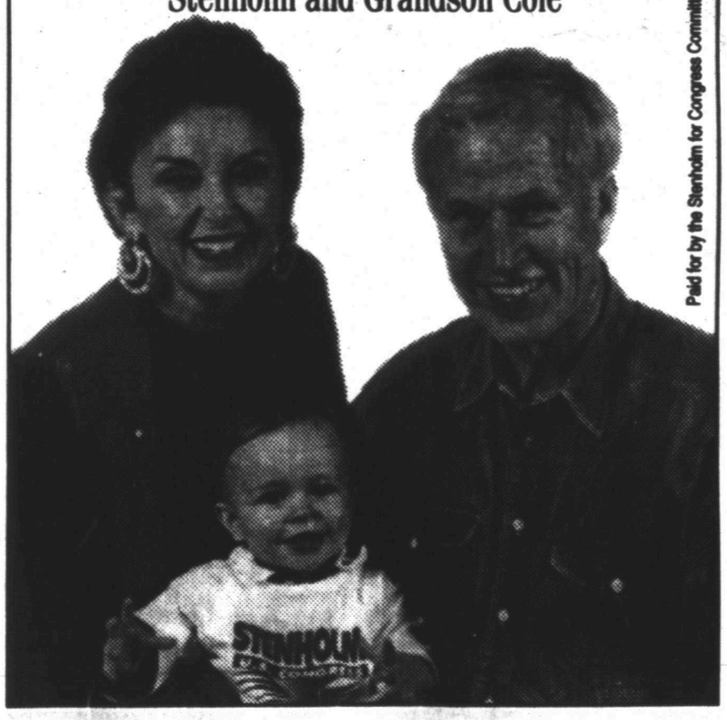
Dear Santa,
My name is Amanda and I am 5 years old. I would like to have a Magic Cradle Megan, Barbie Furniture, Barbie Walkie Talkies, and cool tools. I will leave milk and cookies for you. I love you Santa.
Love,
Amanda Nicole Browning

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy for this year. and if you don't believe me you can ask my mom and dad. I want the movie Toy Story for Christmas.
Love,
Brandon Garvin
5 years old



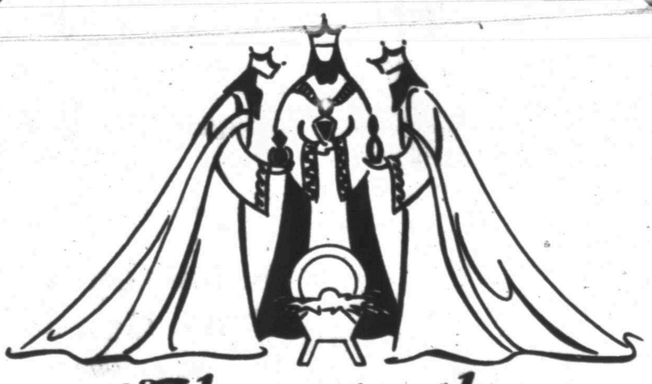

HAVE A *Beautiful* SEASON!
Now that the holidays are near, we'd like to give a hand to all our customers who have trusted theirs to us. Hope your holiday is a perfect "10" in every way! Merry Christmas and sincere thanks.
THE HAIR STATION
573-0885
2005 26th Street

FINA
MERRY MOTORING
At Christmastime and anytime, we're always proud to be of service and offer the following tip for a trouble-free holiday season:
Fill up on good cheer,
Shift into holiday gear,
But remember to think...
Don't drive and drink!
Merry Christmas and many thanks for your valued business.
NATIONAL FUEL AND LUBRICANTS
2208 Ave. R 573-4160

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY HOLIDAYS
Congressman Charlie and Cindy Stenholm and Grandson Cole

Paid for by the Stenholm for Congress Committee


Stocked With Joy
May all of our "deer" friends enjoy a season overflowing with the milk of human kindness and a new year as sweet as honey.
College & 25th Street Snyder, Texas
Come Shop Your Favorites
Everybody's THRIFTWAY


May Yuletide Joy Brighten Your Heart & Home
Our thoughts, prayers, and appreciation are yours this holiday, and every day.
BRIDGESTONE/FIRESTONE AFFILIATED DEALER OF AMERICA
NIX'S AUTO
1510 25th Street 573-3567
Nix Auto @AOL.COM


Glory to the Newborn King
May the Miracle of Christmas be yours to cherish, filled with the gifts of happiness, family and friends. We feel gifted to count you among ours.
A joyous Noel to one and all.
Carlos Imports
603 E. Hwy. 573-8892

Dear Santa...

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? For Christmas, please bring me a beginner's computer, Mr. Creepy Magic tricks, and better blocks if you can make them.
Be Safe,
Ryan Claxton, Age 7

P.S. for my sister, Allison, a doll house and a doll.

Dear Santa,
How are you this Christmas? For Christmas I want a Doodle Bear, Fluffy Come-Here Puppy, Suzie stretch and my size Dancing Barbie and a pony and an Easy Bake Oven and Pretty Sparkle Dancer, Pics. I hope you haev a Merry Christmas. Goodbye.
Felicia Guzman,

Dear Santa,
I want a p lay guitar, a Come-Here Puppy, A Doodle Beear and a my size Dancing Barbie.
Love,
Valeri Guzman

Dear Santa,
I love you very, very much. I've been not so bad this year. So I think I desirve a little something for Christmas. If not any trouble could you please, please, please bring me a dart board, rase cars, mud trucks, lite saver, and I think thats enough.
Love,
Colton Newman

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a Super Nintendo with a game boy game, a see and say computer and a race car track. Merry Christmas! I will have some cookies and milk for you and some meat for your reindeer.
Love,
Robert M. Velasquez II
Age 4
P.S. I would also like a bike.

Dear Santa,
I've been good this year. I want a skateboard, and a telescope and a ping pong pattle. And a Holy Bible. And a stuff Santa Clause. And some shoes.
Merry Christmas
Love,
Andy

Little Bulldog, ten speed bike, and for my Mama car, computer, C.D. Rum, Donkey Kong, Saga, T.V., Phone,
Alfred Hernandez
Age 10

My Size Barbie computer, Dalimashon doll, bike, Toy Story doll, Pocahanas doll,
Natasha Hernandez
Age 6

Toy Story doll, A little dog. T.V. Computer, a Toy dog, Game boy, phone, Pocahanas game, C.D. Rum, Magic finger nails,
Naqueta Hernandez
Age 8



Barrett Bowlin
Age 9

Merry Christmas, Everyone!



Wishing you every blessing as we celebrate the Miracle of Christmas.
William & Shari Cotton
Cotton's Minute Market and Laundry
520 Coliseum Dr. 573-9206

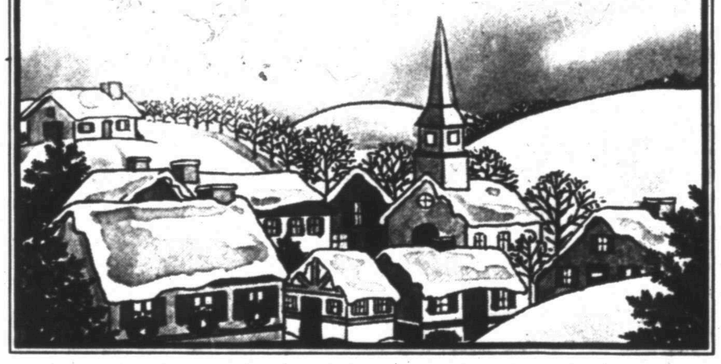


A Blessed Event

May the Heavens grace you with the gift of answered prayers in this season of Miracles.

A Special Thank You To All The Citizens Of Snyder And Scurry County For Your Business This Past Year. We Wish You A Happy And Prosperous New Year.

TU ELECTRIC
A COMMITMENT TO SERVICE



Booting Up All the Best

Here's hoping that all wonderful things are always on the menu for our loyal customers. Merry Christmas to all!



Bullard's Computer Solutions, Inc.
3405 College Ave. 573-4801

JINGLE BELLS JINGLE BELLS

As the sounds of Christmas fill the air, we want to chime in and add our very best wishes for a merry and bright holiday season. Hope yours turns out to be a real bell-ringer!

House of Antieks
4008 College Ave. 573-4422

'TIS THE SEASON TO BE JOLLY

We're wishing our friends from far and wide all the best of the season.

Ezell-Key Grain Co.
Sweetwater Hwy.
573-9373





Here's To Health And Happiness

Hope your holiday contains a large dose of fun and an extra measure of good cheer. It's been a real pleasure serving you this past year.

McWilliams Pharmacy
3706 College 573-7582

HALLELUJAH!



May the spirit of the season fill your heart with bundles of peace and contentment.

We appreciate the gift of ur kind patronage.



"Jesus is the Reason"
Snyder Lanes & The Grill
1910 35th Street 573-2811
OPEN DURING THE HOLIDAY

Dear Santa...

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a pterodactyl that flies upside down and a T-Rex that walks. I would also like a race track, a beanbag chair and some weights. Please bring by baby brother, Aaron, a Tickle Me Elmo, A Tumbling Ernie, and some baby toys. Mommy will make you some cookies and Daddy and I will fix milk for you. Don't forget taht we moved into a new house. I will leave the reindeer some carrots for a snack while they wait for you.
I Love You,
Jordan Williamson
4 years old

Dear Santa,
I would like a truck with a trailer, a piano, and a Super Sega. Thank you!
Your friend,
Jonathan Hernandez
6 years old

Dear Santa,
I would like a giant box, a Barbie House and Barbies, a Barbie Limo, a My Size Barbie, a computer, a Barbie Horse and a Sega Saturn. Thank you!
Your friend,
Aimee Rabon
7 years old

Dear Santa,
I want a Twister game I want a clothes I want a pear of sox I want some shos I wanbt a back pack of leg safranr, I want some sockwer
Thank you Santa,
Lupe Zuniga

Dear Santa,
I would like a remote control car, a motorcycle that goes by itself, a box of little cars, a Nintendo and Power Rangers. Thank you!
Your friend,
Andy Rivera
7 years old

Dear Santa,
I would like a giant box a Super Nintendo, Sega games, a skateboard, a bicycle, a remote control car, a drum set, a guitar, a Goosebumps game, a Sega Saturn, and Power Rangers. Thank you!
Your friend,
Corey Bayer
6 years old

Dear Santa,
I would like a Super Saturn, a big remote control truck with a trailer, and airplane, a Batmobile and Batman, a race car, a Gameboy, and a Jam Box. Thank you!
Your friend,
J.D. Mireles
6 years old

Dear Santa,
Will you bring me a puppy dog and a doodle bear and a computer and a stero and Cd's and tape and take care of me twins and super ninetendo a barbie case..
Thank you Santa,
Shannon Mangis

Dear Santa,
I wath a dod bear and a computer and a dolls and a roller skates and a sox and a tape player and a tape the maceaan a doll hose o and a c.d. and a pat like Amber
Thank you Santa,
Amy Sauceda

Dear Santa,
I want a chess set. A Spider man. and a Xman. A super nintindo.
Thank you Santa,
Nolan Grady

Dear Santa,
I want a Cd player I wante a maceaatape I want tea Braber doill I wante a Boll, I want t.v.
Thank you Santa,
LaCreell Tippens

Dear Santa,
I want a TV and a telphone, a computer, a little Christmas tree and have a good Christmas.
Thank you Santa,
Amber Loyola

Dear Santa,
I have been a good little girl. I want some roller blades and a racs car. I wish I have some tools too for the club I want some pante and an old shirt. An football player poster. I wish my mother for Christmas and Sega too.
Thank you Santa,
Rayna Alaniz

I wut a fir. I wut kikamshin. A chef flu. Now scat shipir. Some legos, a bike. I wut a truck it maves.
Thank you Santa,
Zane Block

Dear Santa I went a pupe for Chirstmas. I went a Dachsynd.
Thank you Santa,
Keith Manlief

Deaer Santa I want a sapper nintendo, a Babie house, a baby doll, teddy bear, a Barbie kichen for Christmas.
Thank you Santa,
Lov, Candice Lee

Dear Santa,
Please sent me more game for my Sega and games for my gameboy. Also a bord game. Oh, and that sand maker bottel and roller blades. and jewlery just to things. A computpr and some cds for it too.
thank you Santa,
yours truly,
Amanda Rivera





ALL THE BEST!
Wishing you a magical holiday season.
Bill & Linda Armstrong
JCPenney
CATALOG MERCHANT
2524 Ave. R 573-1515



Peace at Christmastime
Hope the season brings beautiful moments, shared with beloved family members, the best of friends, and good neighbors like you!
We appreciate your patronage, and look forward to seeing you again and again.

American State Bank
"Right Size To Be Friendly"
3610 College Ave. Snyder, Texas 573-4041 FDIC

Dear Santa...

Dear Santa,
I want a bike of Chrismas. And a cupced and I went a rockese a house toy and Toy Story macarena.
Thank you Santa,
Beth Whitte

Dear Sant,
I hop I've been good thise year. I've been wanting a stereo whihte a S.D player. and also I wante a cumputer. and I want a Baibie kichen and a Baribie mine van. thank you Santa,
Chelsey Gaspar

Dear Santa,
I went a set of cars and a TV and a Dog and a Toy Story movie. thank you Santa,
Salvador Perez

Dear Santa,
I want a riccochet and Axrc
Thank you Santa,
Omar Madera

Dear Santa,
I want a Liea Frank Bapak. I also want a wach and a bracelet an some rings to. and I want a Sega game. I also wanta doll hous.
Thank you Santa,
Kazual Moore

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I'm fine. For Christmas I would like to Christmas a telescope, clothes, shoes, angel things, Well Merry Christmas!
In Christ,
Kelby Drum

Dear Santa,
I hope you agree that I've been good. I want a Mountain bike, Meatal Maker set. Choas kage toy. Dr. dreadful set, I'd 4 Independence Day movie. and for my mom to have a great marriage at the Ozarks.
Thank you Santa,
Allen Smith

Dear Santa,
I want a big truck and lots of toys. Merry Christmas!!!
Devin Hodges

Dear Santa,
I would like to ahve a dog, gameboy and a basketball for Christmas. I would realy like a private room where I can do my homework and a bag of pencils.
Thank you Santa,
Thomas Atwell

Dear Santa,
I want a remote control car, and I want a turbo man. I want a big primal rae action figure and a barrel of army men. I wish Racheal would get are electronic talking diaryfor Christmas. i wish Randy would get a remote control car like mine.
Thank you Santa,
Ramsey Herrera

Dear Santa,
I havge been a good boy all year. All I want for Christmas is to go to Washington. I would also like to see snow on Christmas day. This is all I want.
Thank you Santa,
Kunal Bhakta

Dear Santa,
I would like a big doll house so I could play with it. Santa I wish I could go in your sleigh.
Thank you Santa,
Marcella Torres

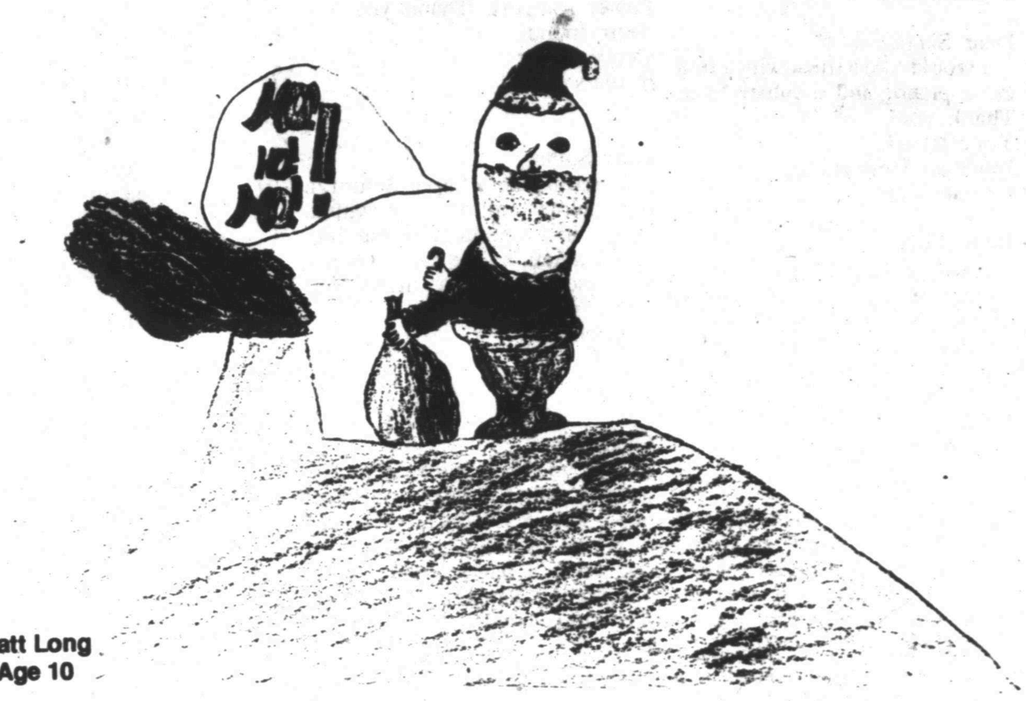
Dear Santa,
I wish I could have a min stars with trees and wreaths cookie jar. I hope you can get me some windbreakers one for me and one for my older brother and my younger brother.
Thank you Santa,
Jodi Ascol

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. Do you have enough toysa for the world? I want a guitar, radio, video game, and a cook book.
Thank you Santa,
Malcolm Deavers

Dear Santa,
Hi Santa! I want a my size barbie, barbie car, barbied house and barbies I also want a computer and the barbie clothes disc.
Thank you Santa,
Monica Benavides

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want Flefun, baby go buy bye, Talking Whiz kid Amazement.
Thank you Santa,
Jordan Stansell





Matt Long
Age 10

JOY AT CHRISTMAS

You've been a joy to know and a pleasure to serve.
Best wishes for a happy holiday season.

McDonald Welding Supply
1110 College 573-5329

A Special Christmas Wish



Here's hoping you enjoy generous portions of love and laughter with family and friends for the main course of your Christmas season!

SONIC America's Drive-In
4100 College
573-7620

With Our Gratitude

Christmastime is the perfect time to let you know how much we value your business and enjoy having you as customers. Merry Christmas and best wishes.

A's Screen Printing
3419 Snyder Shopping Center
573-8441

Deck The Halls!

May the beauty of the season surround you, and may your holiday contain all the trimmings of love, health, wealth and success. Merry Christmas and many thanks for making our year sparkle.

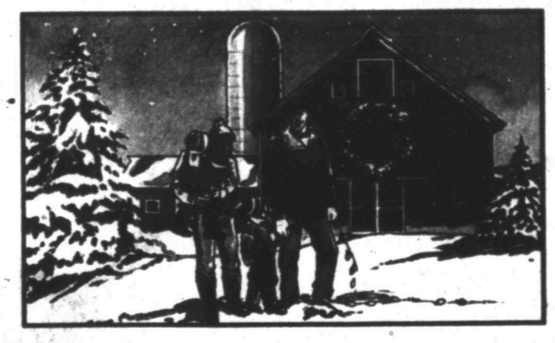
G&G Grocery
710 N. College Ave. 573-6833



Hark! It's Christmastime!

As we herald another glorious season, we'd like to get on the horn and thank all of you who have given us so much to celebrate. Hope your holiday is a resounding success!

Anita's Family Hair Center & BEAUTY SUPPLY
100 E. Hwy.
573-2281
Tues. - Sat.
Closed Monday



We'd like to extend our warm wishes and gratitude to all our kind neighbors this holiday season. It's been a privilege and a pleasure serving you.

Tom's Marine Sales & Service
315 Coliseum Drive 573-6562

SEASON'S GREETINGS



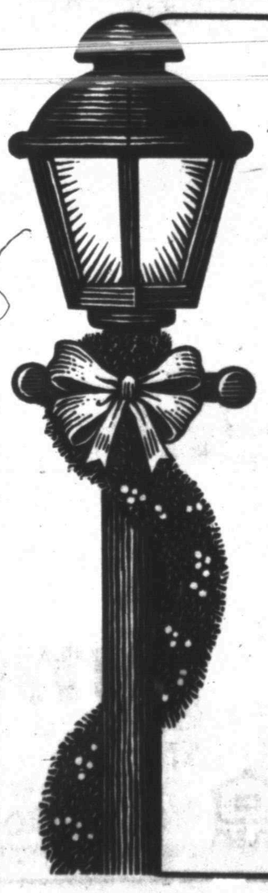
Christmas is here, a time for joy, love and togetherness — and the perfect chance for us to say "we're proud to serve you."

Hugh Boren & Son Insurance
Don West & Cliff Smith
2501 College Ave. 573-3555

TO OUR VALUED CUSTOMERS

WE'RE PLEASED AND PROUD TO SERVE FINE FOLK LIKE YOU, AND ARE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR FRIENDSHIP AND SUPPORT. WISHING YOU ALL THE JOYS OF CHRISTMAS AND EVERY HAPPINESS IN THE YEAR AHEAD. NOEL!

Amco
MEDICAL SERVICE & SUPPLY
5305 Trinity Blvd. 572-5116



ALL THINGS MERRY AND BRIGHT

The season is here,
For friends and good cheer,
Hearts light all around,
And laughter abounds!

Wishing you a truly brilliant Christmas!

NOLAN ELECTRIC
1010 25th Street
573-5117

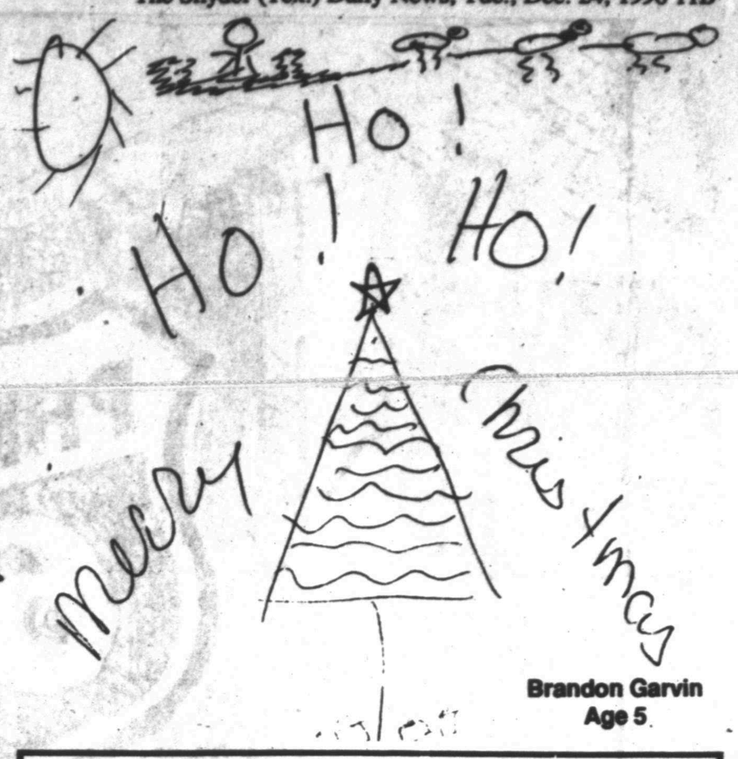
Dear Santa...

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? Here are some things I want! A remote control car, batman tuff, a train set and a sling shot. I'll try to leave you some milk and cookies.
Thank you Santa,
William Greenwood

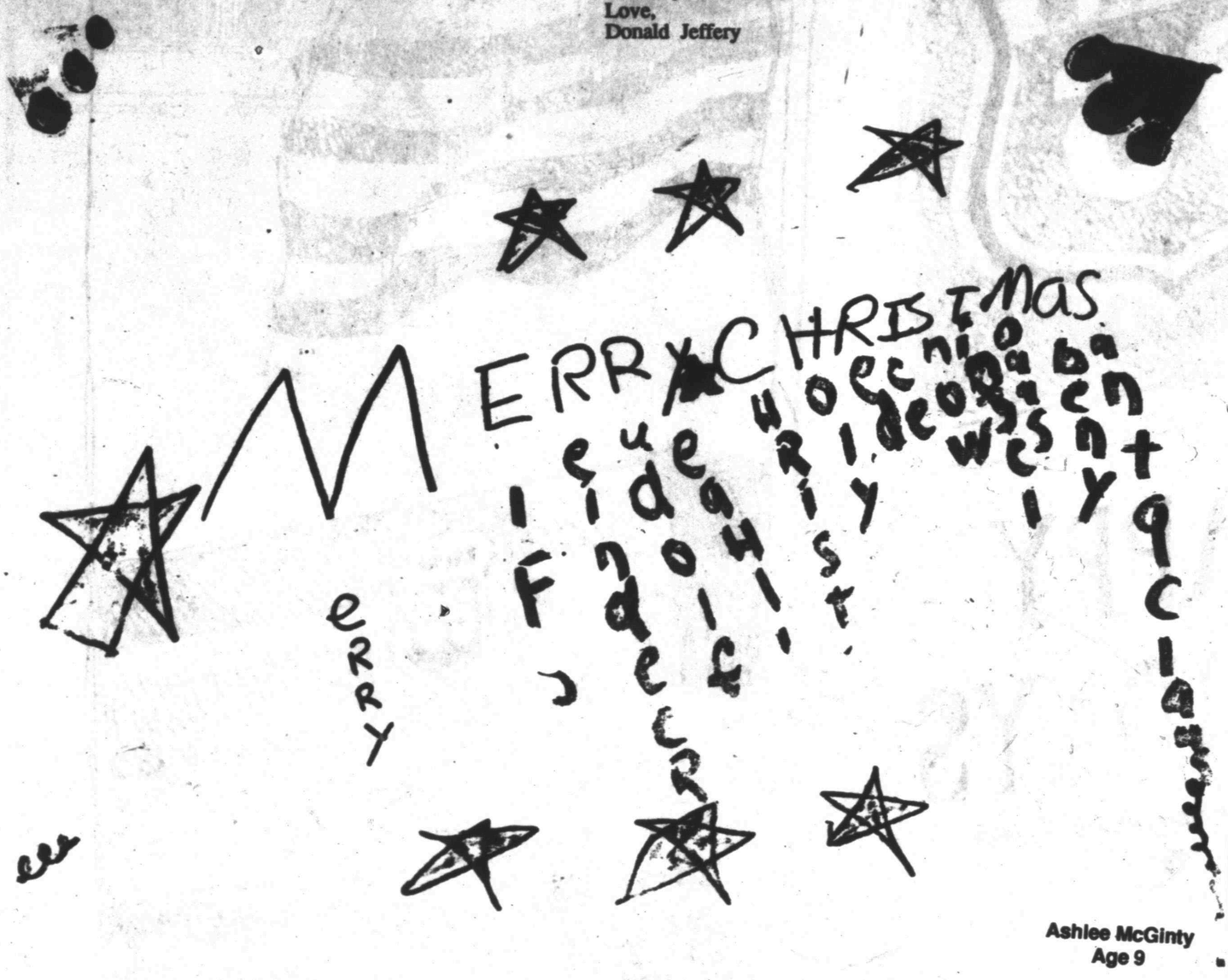
To Santa,
I hope Mrs. Santa is feeling good. I hope it will snow on Christmas I hope the elves are goind good.
Thank you Santa
Wesley Price

Dear Santa,
I've been a good boy this year. I even helped my mom decorate the Christmas tree. We used lots of ornaments and we pet a pretty angel on top. Mom and dan have put a lot of presents under the tree. For Christmas I want a skateboard and some roller blades.
Thank you Santa,
Love,
Donald Jeffery

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I would like lots of presents. I would like a movie video, a Super Nintendo game and some clothes you can put them under my tree with all the decorations and ornaments. And please let it snow next year.
Thank you Santa,
Erica Munoz



Brandon Garvin
Age 5



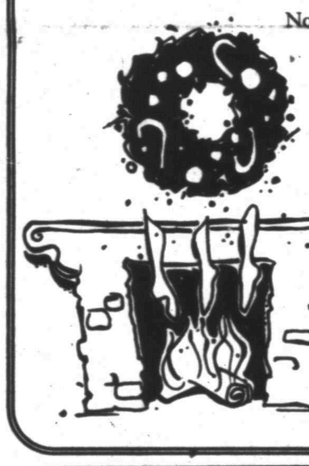
Ashlee McGinty
Age 9


THANK YOU
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THANK YOU

While we can't say it enough, there's just no duplicating customers like you! Merry Christmas and best wishes for a joyous new year from all of us.

Bennett OFFICE SUPPLY
1819 25th 573-7202

WITH WARM REGARDS AT
Christmastime


No matter how cold the weather gets outside
We are filled with warmth and pride
And folks like you are the reason
We're enjoying a glowing season!
Happy Holiday!

TRANE
AirClear SNYDER
HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING
4702 College Avenue
Snyder, Tx 79549
(915) 573-1753
1-800-552-1753

BEARY BEST WISHES
Hope everything goes your way this holiday season.
Health Food Store
1910 37th Street 573-0251




Oh What Fun It Is...
To Wish You Merry Christmas!
We just want to tell you what fun we had serving you this year!
Snyder Savings and Loan Association
FDIC 2629 College Ave.
915-573-9305

WE'RE DELIVERING OUR BEST WISHES
Ho...ho...hope your season is loaded with cheer.


Lowrance Western Auto
2510 Ave. R 573-4911

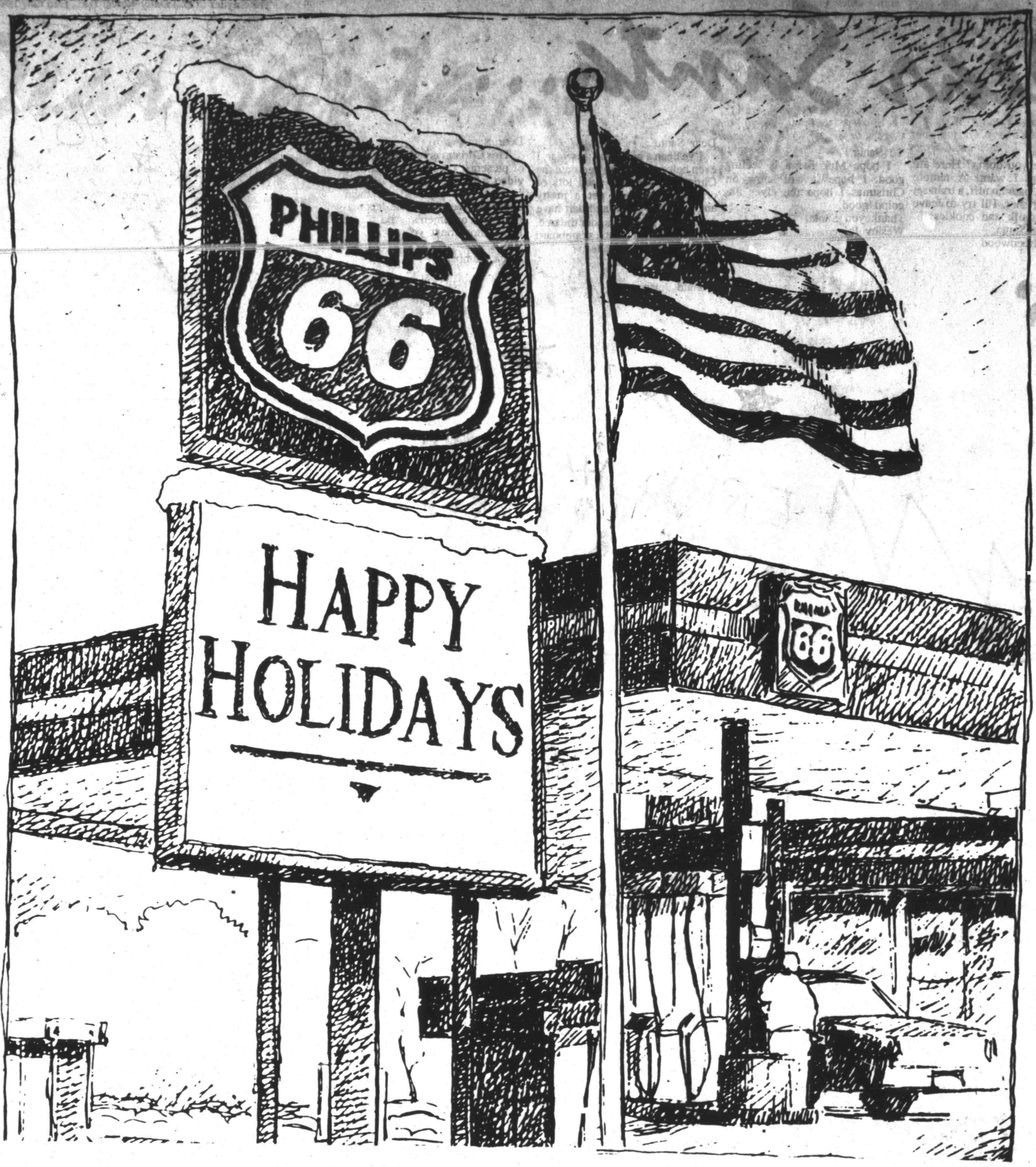
IT'S CHRISTMAS DOWN ON THE FARM!
To all our farm families, we offer our best wishes for a joyous season and a prosperous new year. Thank you for your hard work and dedication and for helping us grow along with you.

Ezell-Key Feed & Seed
1615 26th Street
573-6691

Color It Merry!
Paint the town red (and green) and have a fun-filled holiday season with best regards from all of us.
Thank you for making things look bright for us.
Mark's Paint Shop
2103 25th Street 573-4290

Merry Christmas!
& Many Thanks!
Take a Bow... You Deserve It!
We're really grateful for your trust in us.
STEAKLEY INSURANCE
Protective
JENE STEAKLEY GAYLA ERWIN
1111 Lubbock Hwy. Snyder, Texas 573-3635

Share the Faith!
May faith and hope guide you throughout this holy season and may His love follow wherever you go.
The HEAD QUARTERS
573-2131
Gary Brewer Road



McCormick Marketing, Inc.

When we say,
"Come back,"

PHILLIPS 66

we mean it!

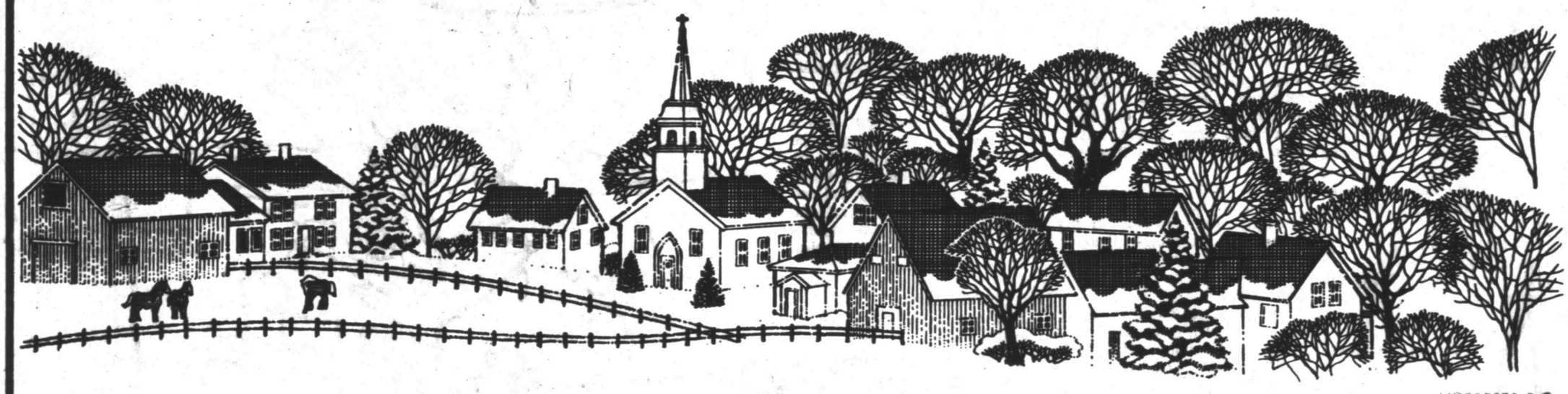
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573-6365



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IT'S CHRISTMASTIME,



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HERE, THERE AND EVERYWHERE!



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Wherever you're celebrating, in the country or in the city,
over the river and through the woods,
may you and yours share a season of magic and memories.

From The Directors,
Officers & Staff

WEST TEXAS STATE BANK

Member FDIC

Dear Santa...

Dear Santa,
I have been pretty good all year, so could you please stop at my house. I would like a dump truck, crane tractor, bull dozer and some cowboy clothes. Oh, and don't forget to leave something for my mom, dad, and all my grandparents.
Love always,
B.J. Botts

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Claus,
For Christmas I would like a remote control car. then I would like a bike and a boom box
Austin Lyle

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I would like a water toy, a remote control motorcycle, bounceing ball, pop a wheeley big truck, and a computer. I would also like a lot of papers to write on and a lot of presents. I hope you have a Merry Christmas. I want to see you agian next year.
Love,
Justin Bell, age 4
P.S. I would also like a Dalmation movie.

Dear Santa,
I want a monster truck so I can drive. I want a fire truck I also want bicycle and a play car. I want a backpack and a motorcycle, and Christmas tree for my mommy, and some shampoo, also a shaving crea, and a shavor for me and my mommy. I want a table, and a hammer, and a nails. I also want a saw. I want momy, and Terry, and my sissy and me. I also want Nike shoes with a Nike check. and a dirt bike.
You're best friend,
Zachary Ball.
P.S. I want a Power Rang suit and a halmet.

Dear Santa,
I want my size dancing barbie who's clothes you can take off and put on. I want a cradle with a dolly who comes out her name's Megan. I want a ring taht has a heart on top that's pink. I want a book that has my family picture in it. I also want a mothor goose book. Now I want a new cloths with pink shoes, shorts, dress, and a dalmation poster. And some ornaments for my mom because hers are falling apart.
You'r best friend,
Alica Chaidez
P.S. I want lipstick, and makeup.

Dear Santa,
I want a Sega Genisis and a bike. I also want a remote control car and a race car. Dear Santa I also want a computer for my mom and dad.
Your admirer
R.J. Garcia

Dear Santa,
I are a very good and pretty little girl. For Christmas I want Jewl hair mermaid barbie with blonde hair and a light-up pony with purple hair and a red body. I want a kitchen place with facke silverware.
Thanks,
Raven Luna

Dear Santa,
My name is Micheal Perez and I am a Pre-K student at N.E. Elem. Would you please send me a Megazord Zeo Ranger Sword, salmation stuffed animal puppy, and a Zeo Ranger costumer. May I have these items please. I have been a good little boy this year.
Love,
Micheal Perez
P.S. Tell Rudolph and the other reindeers, Hello! Come to my house first. I leaving something extra out for you.

Dear Santa,
Jep and a cratr to ride on a roseg car a car rbet a mockcrow and a damosen stuf puppy to little D.R. papr cock and a stogeing foll litte cadey I wot santed to cum to my home,
Love,
Jonathon

Dear Santa Clause,
I'm a P.K at Northeast. My name is Angie Hernandez I am 4 years old. I would like a car neckles, The Little Mermaid movie, a picture of two little girls, and a little sister.
Sincerly yours,
Angie Hernandez

Dear Mr. Claus,
Santa Clause how are you doing satat would you American pop gun set and I want's so cloths logeo and so toys octopus costume. some starts that glo.
Chance Kelly

Dear Santa,
I have been a good little girl. I want a barbie car, bike, barbies, barnie jeep, nail polish. I will leave you cookies and milk.
Love,
Megan Hulin

Dear Santa Clause,
I hope you can get me a dog. I also want a dress, some shoes, Barbie, Barbie car, ddl. A tickle me Elmo, bow for my hair, and a computer. I also want a horse bird, ring.
Sincerely,
Monique
P.S. Visit my house first because I have cookies and milk.

Dear Santa Claus,
I've been a good girl. I'm 4 years old. Are you going to be good to me this year? I want a toy and a present. Please bring somethings for my mom, my dad and for my brother Christopher, and my other brothers. My mom's going to buy you some cookies.
LaSwann Medina

Dear Santa Claus,
I've been a good girl this is what I would like:
Barbie doll
Pony
Money
daletion
Love,
Shelbi Velasquez

Dear Santa,
I want a piar of rollerblads and a new bike. I want some new close for Christmas. I want a remot control car. I want some more pets. I also want a keyboard. That is all I want thank you and have a merry Christmas.
Sincerly
Joluis Champ
P.S. I am 5 years old. I have been a good boy.

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope you have a Merry Christmas. Could I please have a puppy, a cat, a Christmas tree, shoes and clothes, a little motorcycle!
Sincerely,
Joe Anthony Alvarez

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a football and a truck, please come by, and see Joe he will leave cookies and milk I have been a good boy bring osmething for my mom, dad, sister they all have been good.
Love,
Joe Morin

Dear Santa,
I want toys and clothese. I want a 101 dalmation clothes.
Kayelyn Benitez

Dear Santa,
I want a barbie doll, bicycle, clothes, roller blades, computer, piano, two candy bars, a big dog, a pencil, a little car, camera, and a guitar. I have been good all this year.
Love,
Andrea Faro

Dear Santa,
I want a house a doll and some roller blades a bike to an a computer candy bar, a puppy, kitten, a car, a stereo, a camera, that is all I want for Christmas. I ahve ben real good this year.
Love,
Deanna Mills

Dear Santa Clas
I've been a good girl thes yare. I want a dlamations dog and a doll.
Love,
Autumn

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year. I weant two dalmation pupies for Christmas, I also want baby tabby cats.
Love,
Amber

Dear Santa Claus,
I want BAtman costumer and a Batman gun.
Love,
Colby Barrera

Dear Santa,
My name is Tanya Renee Louise Adams I just want I you to know all Ill be at my daddy's in Ft. Worth, come see me on Dec. 26 at my house in Snyder.



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Dear Santa...

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a long blue, I been a good boy. I want a racecar that is red. Santa Claus I want you to come to my hosue first. I will leave you some milk and cookies. I want you to bring some present for my mom, my brother, and all my relatives. I want some new clothes, and a brand-ne train. iwant deodorant tablets for my bathroom. I want some new shoes.
Love,
Brent Cole

Dear Santa, I want a train, fire truck, Motorcycle, Race car, truck, A man to go with the motorcycle nintedo with a bike bell, A big Christmas tree (for next year) a swimming pool, a tractor.
That's all I want
Love Alex Acala
4 years old Pre-k
Northeast

Dear Santa Claus,
How's Mrs. Claus and Rudolph? I have been good this year. I want a T.V. and a vidyou set. I want a new bike and a mew dog for Christmas.
Benji Rodgers,
3rd grade Central

Dear Santa,
Dear Santa I would like a remote control truck and nerf gun and for my uncle to get a life and a game and a chess set and a mask and sege and a nimtundo set and a dummy and a sword and a slinky
Curtis Hosler
3rd grade

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? I have been realy good this year. I would like a new soccer ball. I could also use a mew pair of cleets. And could you throw in a bike?
Wish you
were here
Ashly Pavlovsky
3rd grade
Central

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I really don't want to bragg but for Christmas I want Fairy Sky Dancer, and a magic ring, and a teady bear. I would really like that. I love you.
Love,
Gena Dooley

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you and Mrs. Claus doing I hope you think I have been a good boy this year and I hope youve had a good year to and Santa I hope you can get me some of these things and these are what they are, a trampolene, Gt bike Odyssee, yeagyag neckless, Dallas cCowboy shark cap, size 4 inahalf Deyon Sanders shoes, basketball goal, two pairs of Taz boxers, sayga satern, a basketball, a sports pool stick.
Love Eric Martinez

Dear Santa,
Hi! I feel sad because there is no one to p lay with ever since I move here its been boring could you get me my own real puppy cd plaer for christmas
Merissa Pierson
3rd grade
Central

Dear Santa Claus,
Hi! How's Mrs. Claus and Rudolph. I have been a good boy this year I want a bike, a Dallas cowboys jersy. roller blads, that's what I want for Christmas please my address is 320640 ndst ps my name is Rudy Ibarraa.

Dear Santa Claus,
Hi! Hows Mrs. Santa Claus and Roldolph? Can you get me these things a staf bear, some earings, some necklaceses. I hope you have a mery Chistmas.
Kim
3rd grade-Central

Dear Santa Claus,
I have ben very good this year. So I want a Mickey Mouse telefhonse, and a bunk bed kit from in the catalog. I alsowe want the a set of panys and brows and brain bash to play.
Love Jessica Calvert
I an 8 years old

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like.....Roller blades and a roller blade case, I would also like a tuttle,/.turtle, A rabbit .1. rabbit, my fish tank broke so, yes, I would like a new fish tank with .5. or .10. fish in it, Then I would like fake finger nails not to short and not to long, and a few China dolls with stands the right size.
From Jana Lewis
Age 8

Dear Santa,
I want barbies and rollblades baby bor, some movie, sock bop
Sincerely,
Brittney Caldwell

Dear Mrs. Santa can you give me a Nintendo 64 I an sorry that I have been bad and I will love Santa. look in the back (Mortal kombat part 3, Mario)
Orlando Vanquez 8 years old

Dear Santa,
I have been good
I love Santa
And/ she/ brought/ forth/
age 6 I am six
Arthur Martinez

Dear Santa Clause,
I just want one thing this year. For my dad to pay child support. Just for me and my step dad to stop fighting.
Sincerely,
Shaela Vineyard Age 9

Dear Santa,
I hav bin good
I loves until
Love
and
Brandon 6 I am six

Dear Santa,
I want a Space Godzilla and a moved called Godzilla 1995.
love landry Mathies
age 9

Dear Santa,
I want Some barbies,
and Some movies,
Toy Story the movie.
sincerely,
Elizabeth Dominguez
Santa Claus
age 8

Dear Santa,
I am 3 years old and I have been good girl, sort of. For Christmas I would like a desk and a bike.
Thanks
Sarah Cearley

Dear Santa,
I am 3 years old. I am a little boy so I've been as good as I could. For Christmas I would like a Pool Table.

Dear Santa,
My name is Adrian In in kindergarten I would like you to bring me a fire engine and a football for Christmas.
Thank you,
Adrian Alvarez

Dear Santa,
I an 9 years old and I want a walking for Christmas batteries too please.
Love,
Marrisa N. Alvarez

Dear Santa,
My name is John Danny Lujan, and I would like a toddler bike, 101 dalmations jogging suit, and a new sports car for my dad.
Love ya,
J.D.

Dear Santa,
I am 8 years old. I want a Sega. I would also like a new T.V. and a move called the Nutty Professor. I would also like a phone I want 101 Dalmations. I want a cat for Christmas.
Keenon Garcia
Age 9

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this year. Will you please bring me a Truck power rangers & Ninja turtle toys. Beetlebug toys too. I will leave you some cookies and milk by the tree.
Thank you,
Love
Anthony Thurmond
4 yrs old
P.S. Will you also bring my baby brother Matthew some toys too. He had been a good baby.
Anthony

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Sega and roller blades for Christmas. I want to play the Sega and ride the roller blades.
Luve,
Matthew Garcia

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a T.V. and a cat and save some for the world. Save air for the world.
Love, Teresa Egan

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a robot and a cat. I wish a Merry Christmas to all the people in Snyder.
Love,
Sebastian Zamora

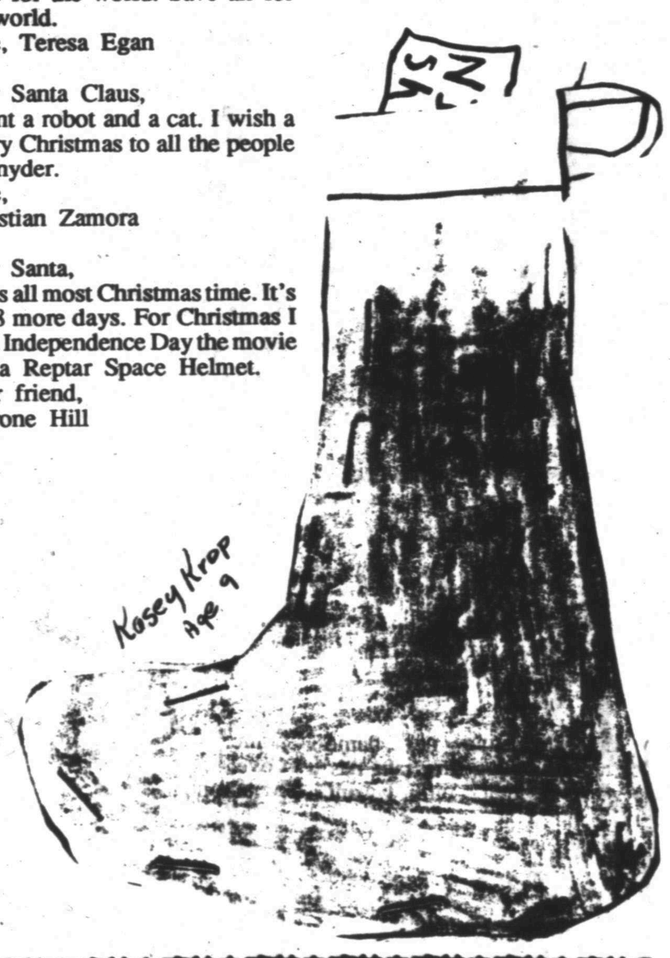
Dear Santa,
It's all most Christmas time. It's just 8 more days. For Christmas I want Independence Day the movie and a Reptar Space Helmet.
Your friend,
Charone Hill

Dear Santa,
I want a 101 Dalmation stuffed animals, black sandels with heel, a dress, fingernail fun, ocean frind barbe and Kayco, and two doodle Bears, and a home for everyone.
Love,
Bailey

Dear Santa,
I hope all the people who don't have a home should get one before this year. I hope you will give me some of the things I want: sega saturn, super nintendo, and cool tools.
Love,
Leslie

Dear Santa,
I hope you will give me a stereo, teddy bear, puppy dog, dolls, computer and jewelry. Also please bring love to all people.
Love,
Whitley Fulford

Dear Santa Claus,
I want three things: som close and a shirt that glows in the dark. I also would like a snapping turtle beast warrior and some Nike shoes. I have been a good boy.
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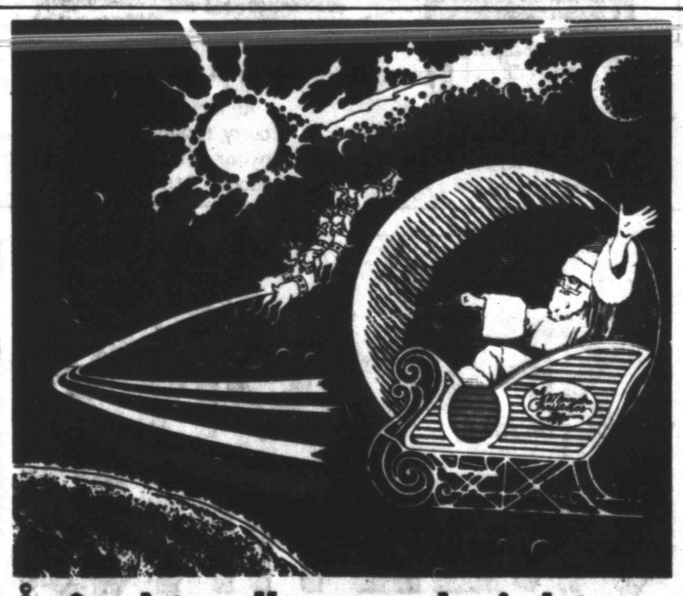
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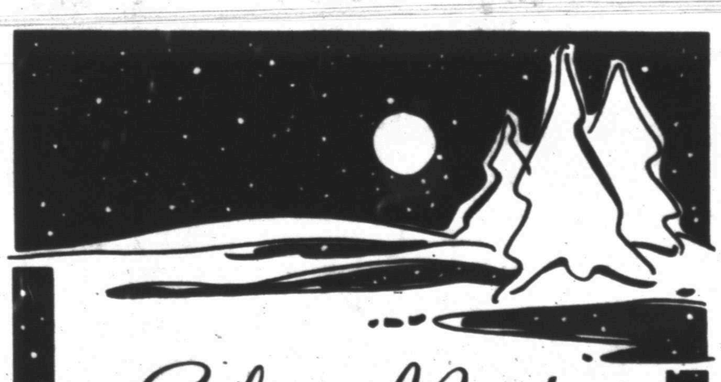
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Dear Santa,
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Merry Christmas,
Brett Bowlin

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a computer, portable C.D. player, a T.V. and Nintendo 64. But the thing I want most is peace on Earth.
Love,
Jaedi Baze

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope you can give me a Nintendo 64, puppy and peace on Earth. I hope you have a Merry Christmas.
Your friend,
Justin

Dear Santa Claus, I want a bike and games for my Nintendo and a Skateboard and other thing for boys. Please bring money for the poor people.
Love, Anthony White

Dear Santa,
I hope you will bring me all the things I told you about when I talked to you on Sunday. Please bring everyone their wishes. Merry Christmas to you and Mrs. Santa.
Love,
Lucas Munoz

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want some snow so we can play in it. Please bring me a horse. Please give the world some fresh air.
Your friend,
Stetson Kincheloe

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Sega and a bike. I hope you give everyone a nice home.
Love,
Joe Garza

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a Punching Bag and a bulldog. I hope you give the poor people money.
Your friend,
Tylor Courtney

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a T.V. and a Remote control to go with it. When you come I will have milk and cookies for you to eat. I hope you and all the people of the world have a Merry Christmas.
Love,
Tasha Ball

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a stuffed beutterfly like the one I lost, fingernail fun, piano with lots of different music on it like my Uncle Jeff's. Can you bring me one of them. Please bring me a book called Thunderfoot. Please make everyone healthy.
Love,
Starla Early

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I am in the first grade at East Elementary. For Christmas I would like a Barbie, a bike and Teddy BEar.
Love,
Rebecca Juarez

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I am 6 years old. I am in the first grade at East Elementary. For Christmas I would like Barbie Doll
Teddy Bear
Baby doll
Love,
Brittany Fisk

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 cowboys, fort, Indians
Teddy Bear and
a drum
Love,
Joe Richard Garza

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I am 6 years old. I am in the first grade at East Elementary. For Christmas I would like a
1. baby doll
2. bike
3. Teddy BEar
Love,
BranDee Harbin

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 a
Barbie house, a
Barbiecar, and a
Barbie boy

Love, Vanessa Gomez

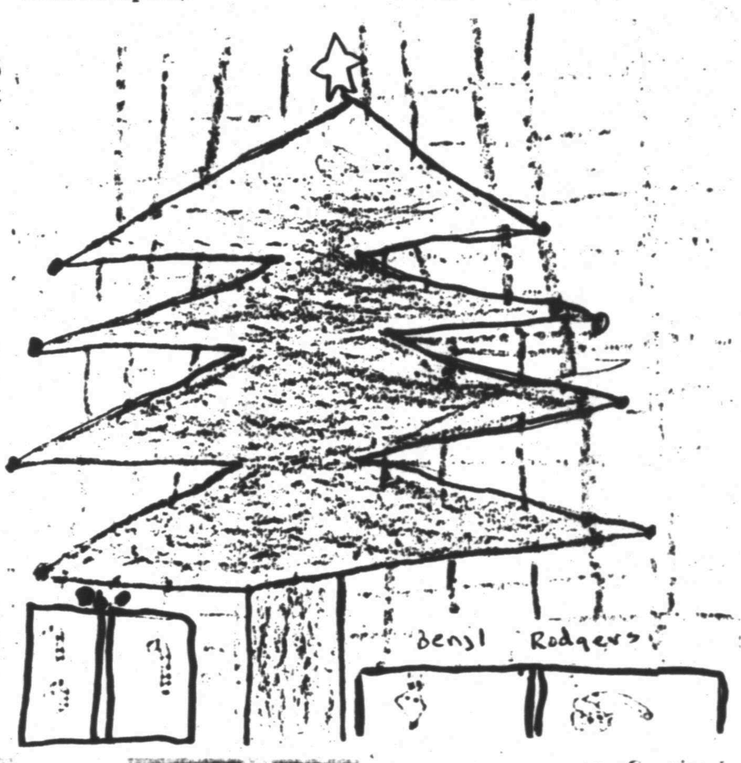
Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I am in the first grade at East Elementary.
For Christmas I would like
1. Barbie
2. Barbie car and a
3. dollhouse
Love,
Alexis Castillo

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. cowboys fort and Indians
2. Teddy Bear
3. bike

Love,
Luke Robertson

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 cowboys, a drum and a Teddy Bear.
Love,
Cord Welch

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 train airdevil and a drum.
Love,
Joch Lumpkins



Dear Santa,
I have been a good
I am 6 years old I am in first grade at East Elementary.
For Christmas I woulw like:
1. Teddy Bear
2. baby doll
3. Barbie
Love,
Aaren Walker

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
1. Teddy bear
2. bike
3. drum
Love, Joseph Hefner

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 cowboy, and a fort and Indians, Indian shoes and a drum.
Love,
Ryan Claxton

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 a choo-choo train a 2 soldier and
3 toy club of my own
Love,
Will Clay

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. bike
2. drum
3 Tedd Bear

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I am 6 years old. I am ikn first grade at East Elementary. For Christmas i would like a Teddy Bear, a Barbie house and a bike.
Love,
Angela Almanza

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. Easy Bake
2. Barbie house
3. Teddy Bear
Love,
Vanessa Rayna
I love your Santa.

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. a bike
2. Barbie house
3. a baby doll
Love,
Erica Lee

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 new tea set
and a Desney watch and a my size dansing Barbie and a Barbie Beach
Patrol car
Love,
Jessica Kindrick

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
2.Baby doll
3.Barbie House
Love,
Stacey Elam

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie Dream House, a race car with a Barbie, aBarbie that swims, I want a Baby Kelley, a horse with a rider that can pick up food and stuff. I want a Barbie marker that writes and does decorations, and Barbie book taht has buttons that talks.
Love,
Casey Williamson,
Age 5

Dear Santa,
I want a Big Foot and a Superman toy, markers, remote control car, Nintendo, a cup, some Coke, a school game, a star gfor my tree, and an angel.
Thank you!
Miguel Berrones,
Age 5

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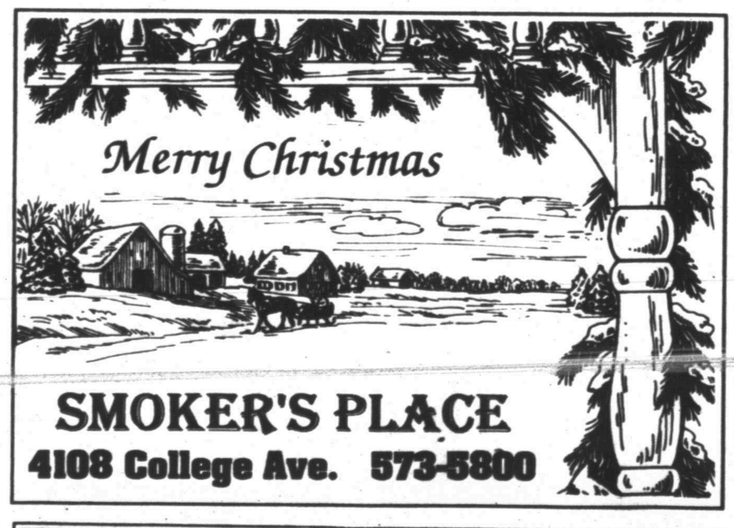




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Dear Santa...

Dear Santa,
How's the reindeer? I want a Caj Barbie, a Baby Bye Bye, something to eat and drink, and I want Caj baby, some pret_ clothes and a bow for my hair, a water gun and that's not all. I want toys for Aaron — a tractor. I want a Barney tape for Bubba. He wants a tractor,too.
thank you!
From Shaye Williams
Age 5

Dear Santa,
How are you? I would like a Dallas Cowboy helmet and a bike and my mom will get me the rest of the stuff.
Thank you!
Jeremy Eaton,
Age 5

Dear Santa,
For Chnristmas I want a candy man with candy, and pretty clothes and a bow for my hair and a Christmas movie, pencils (not sharpened). A notebook with paper, music tapes, tape player, and a baby doll.
Love,
Rosemary Rivera Age 5

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a toy mouse that has a key inthe back and a Barbie car that I can get in and drive. I want 7 Barbie dresses and a Barbie to go with it. I want my mom and dad to stay together, because you're magic. I wish I could stay on grren at school.
Thank you
Santa Claus
From: April Wine Dennis
Age 5

Dear Santa,
How is the North Pole and the reindeer? How is the weate up there? I hope you come to my house. Please bring me a model car. I am in 3rd grade and in Mr. Northcott's class. I live in Ira, TX. How are Mrs. Claus and you doing? I hope you bring me lots of presents.
Your Buddy
Travis Frey

Dear Santa,
Hi! How are you? I am fine. I was wondering how tall are your elves? Can I borrow some recipes from Mrs. Claus?
I am nine. I just turned nine on the 13th I live in a brick house on CR 395. I have been good this year.
May I please have a Bubba talking bear, a whole bunch of Winnie the Pooh stuff, some games, and some dolls.
I will leave ten cookies and one big glass of milk out.
Your little elf,
Sra Mae Caldwell
P.S. Please git my mommy some jewelry

Dear Santa,
How dow you know how to make different toys? How can you live at the North Pole? How is Rudolph and the other reindeer?
Your pal,
David Kirk
P.S. Please stop at my house.

Rachel S. Caldwell.

Dear Santa,
I have been nice, but I have also been naughty. How have you been? I am fine. I have one brother and six sisters plus my twin sister. I go to Ira, Texas school. It is fun. I Rudolph's nose still bright red? I want some stuff, not a lot just the stuff I need. You don't have to get me evreything I say I want I want a Bubba talking bear, and some Winnie the Pooh stuff, and some sports tuff, too. Your little elf.

Dear Santa,
How is Mrs. Clause? How are you? Are the reindeer doing okay! How is the weather? Are icicles hanging from your roof? I've been a good girl this year. If you can would you please bring me a Tyco rebound remote control car, 13 Dead end dribe board game, Fraidy cats board game, snow, and a dinosaur clay kit. There will be a plate of cookies and a glass of milk on the table.
Terryn Autry.

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph and the other reindeer with you at the North Pole? Isn't the 25th Christmas? If it is please give me a pair of new shoes and a new television.
Merry Christmas
Kerry Jamison

Dear Santa,
Howa re you and the elves doing in the North Pole? My teacher Ms. Northcott. Give her a lot of presents because she has been nice. We put up our Christmas tree. I bet you're busy right now making present and getting ready for Christmas. I am going to sit out some milk and cookies for you and your reindeer and some extra for you to take back to Mrs. Claus and the elves. Please get some Tazz and Tweety Stuff and some board games. Tell evry body I said "Hi," and Merry Christmas.
Your friend,
Jessica Payne

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I am doing fine. I hope you have a good Christmas. I live in Snyder, Texas. I am writing to ask hou is Rudolph? I hope you have a good time delivering the presnts to all the kids.
Merry Christmas!
Brittany Dickerhoff

Dear Santa,
How is Santa Claus, Mrs. Claus and the reindeer? I am doing fine. I want a new ornament, a play baby doll, Baby Check up, a new T shirt and new pants that goes with it. I want a new book and my sister wants a stuffed animal and that's all.
Love,
Jade Hughey,
Age 5

Dear Santa,
I want a Race Car Mounain and a Clown Around and a Talking ubba. How are the reindeer doing. I also want aGoosebumps game and a "Are You Afraid of the Dark" game, and that's all.
Sincerely,
Rustin Webb, Age 5

Dear Santa,
I have been good. All I want is a BB gun minibike rollerblades and Nike socks and Nike shoróts and Nike shoes and Nike shirts and for my littel brother I want you to give some more clothes.
Thank you Santa,
Paul Villanueva

Dear Santa,
How are your reindeer doing? And how are you and the elves. I hope you're doing O.K. I want Baby check up, and the baby that eats food and it disappears into the backpack. I want a little chalkboard that's realy with chalk, Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer tape, and music, and books. I also want a candy man with candy corn in it.
I Love Santa!
Dessie Gaddis
Age 6

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a baby doll, a coloring nook, crayons to color with, books for my mom to read to me, a Rudolph tape, and toys.
With love,
Ashley Luna, age 5

Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs. Claus. I would like a Dr. Barbie Doll, a baby doll, some socks, some shoes, clothes and coloring books with colors. Would you please bring Savannah, my baby sister, some gowns, shoes, clothes and a Barbie doll. For my mommy some clothes. For my daddy a belt.
Thank you,
Kassidy
P.S. My daddy will make some chocolate chip cookies to go with the milk.

Dear Santa
I have been a good boy for Christmas I would like:
1. Buzz Lightyear
2. Batman costume
3. Slinky dog
Love,
Jacob McFatridge

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy am 7 years old I am in first grade at East Elementary. For Christmas I would like.
1. dirt bike
2. Buss Lightyear
3. Woody
Love,
Guy Baldwin

Dear Santa
I have been a good girl and 6 years old. I am in first grade at East Elementary. For Christmas I would like.
1. Barbi Roller blades
2. Color TV
3. Talking bubba
Love,
Virginia Rivera

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.
1. talking Bubba
2. puppy
3. colr T.V
Love,
Tiffany Pierce

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy I am 7 years old amd in first grade at East Elementary. For Christmas I would like.
1. Remote Control truck
2. Design master
Love,
Trenton Bloom

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:
1. Sega Genisis
2. Buzz Lightyear
3. Woody•
Love,
Willie Berkley

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. puppy
2. color TV
3. Barbi
Love,
Ashley Casas

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy I am 6 years old I am the girst grade at East Elementary. For Christmas I would like.
1. Snowman
2. Sega Genisis
3. Motorcycle
Love,
Nicholas Gonzalez


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Miracles Do Happen!
In the hustle and bustle of giving and receiving, we pause to count our blessings and contemplate the miracle that is Christmas.
Donna Fowler, Sandra Barboza, Mary Westmoreland, Manny Rios, Gary Martin, Daniel Espinosa and the Chamber Board want to thank everyone in the community for their prayers, help and support during 1996.
We wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous & Blessed New Year.
The Staff of
Scurry County Coliseum &
Snyder Chamber of Commerce

Dear Santa...

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl am 6 yeras old I am in first grad at East Elementary For Christmas I would like:
1. puppy
2.bike
3. cat
Love,
Megan Velasquez

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 computor game
2. magic cradal Megan
3. puppy
Love,
Megan Rose Fouts

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. motorcycle
2. Batman costume
Love,
James Simmons

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.
1. puppy
2. Barbi car
3. color TV
Love,
Alicia Coker

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I am 7 years old. I want:
1. Sega Genesis
2. robot
Love,
Lyle Brace

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I am 6 years old at East Elementary. For Christmas I would like:
1. crayons
2. computer
3. color TV
Love,
Christina Villa

Dear Santa
I have been a good boy. I am 6 yeras old I go to East Elementary. For Christmas I would like:
1. Buzz Light Year Costume
2. Sega Genesis
3. color TV
Love,
Andrew Davis

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:
1. X/intendo
2. VCR
3. Sega
Love,
Ricardo Perez

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. Roller blades
2. doh robot
3. RC racer
Love,
Tommy Toland

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:
1. trampoline
2. cat
3. Barbi Roller blades
Love,
Rachel Scott

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good boy this year and I really wanted a compound bow like Dr. Early's. I wish there would peace in the world. The reason I want the compound bow because when my older brothers go to our friends ranch and shot targots, they will not let me shot any so I want to go and shot my own targots with my new compound bow. I want a black releaser.
Love,
Matthew Kerr

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing in your work shop? I'm doing very well in school. All I want for Christmas is a trampo9line so I can practice my routine for gymnastics so I can compete and some day be in the olympic games. My grandmother Wendy wants me to have a printer. So give me it. Not!!! Just joking. Love ya!!!
Yours truly,
Heather M. Polk
P.S. I want a Mickey duffle bag. PLEASE!

Dear Santa,
How are things up at the North Pole? Be sure to come by my house this Cristmas, because we will put out the milk and cookies, and the carrots for the reindeer. If I could wish for anything, it would be to gtet homeless and poor off of the streets, or to have all wars stop. People are fighting to much these days, and I really wish it would stop. You sure are doing good on TV. You're a star! Good luck this Cristmas!
Your customer,
Logan West
P.S. Forget what I said about coming to my house. Come by my grandparents house in Rockport. Don't worry though, I'll still put out the loot.

Dear Santa,
I've seen you ont he Coca Cola T.V. commercial. You know what? We're doing a play about you. I wish to invite you to it, I think it's really cute. Ummmmm....Sorry How's it up there in the North Pole? I bet it's really cold ... huh. I want to thank you for my education, my family and their love. For all my friends, for my food, shelter, clothes. But, enough with the mushy stuff. I can't wait till I open my presents. Well, I better get going, I know now busy you are.
Sincerely,
Karen J. Taylor
(Prancer)
P.S. Don't forget my C.D. player!!
P.P.S. Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, Batman doesn't stink, Robin is a man so he couldn't have laid an egg!! So how do you like it?

Dear Santa,
I'm writing you this letter because I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. Now, yhou might expect me to have this list that is five miles long, but really it's not that bad. Theya re really just simple things. Here it is! Drum roll please!!
1. A cd.
2. a pair of rollerblades
3. a gooftball or any sports ball.
And last but not least ... For our play Happy & Holly Day VS Santa University to go well. I think that's about it.
Sincerely yours,
Your cookie - milk giver,
Traci Jordan

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. puppy
2. cat
3. trampline
Love,
Mandi Todd

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:
1. color TV
2. computer
3. telephone
Love,
Jordan Derryberry

Dear Santa,
I would like a pig, my mom & dad, a dog, a blue (real) fire bird convertible, a phone (real), a computer, a trampoline, a bunny, a horse, a cat, and would you please please please please bring me one million dollars and last but not least Wal-Mart
Sincerely,
Nicole Dabney

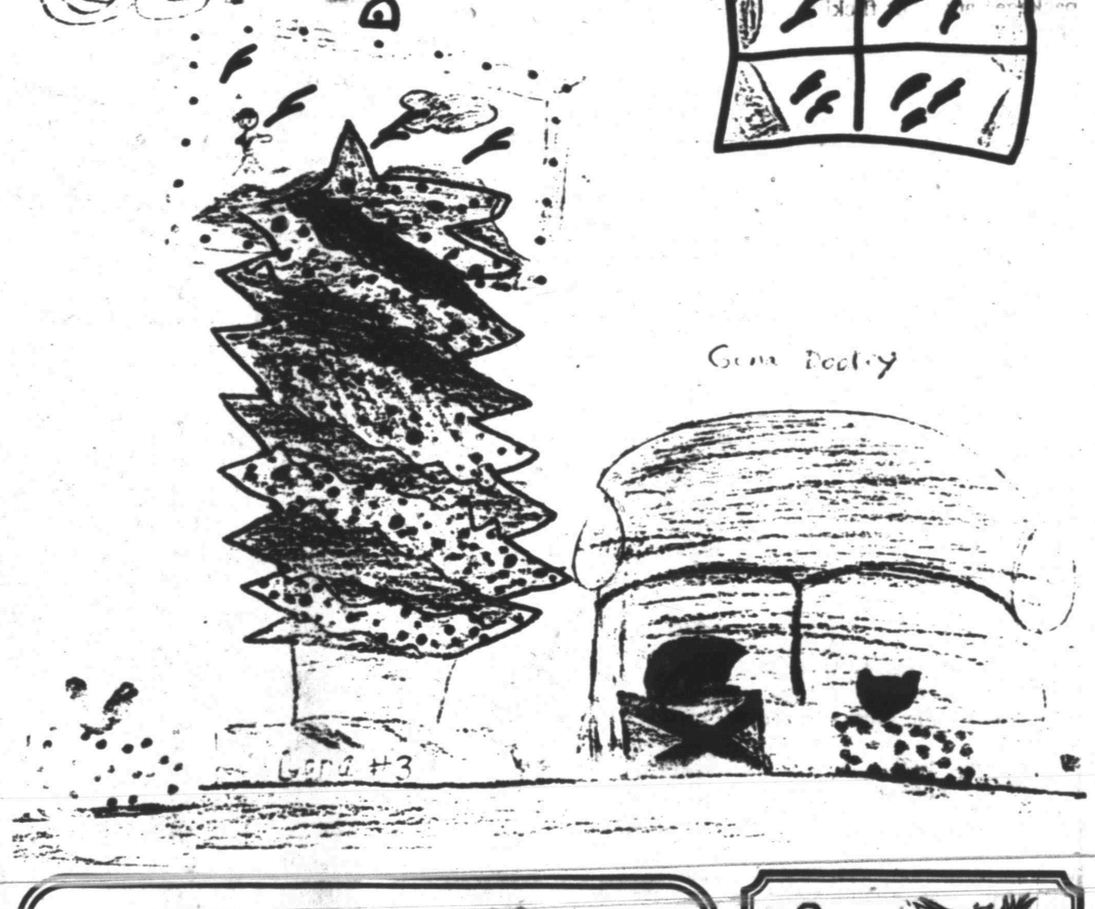
Dear Santa,
For Christmas all I sould like is for my Aunt Teresa and my cousin Tabitha to come down for my birthday or for my family to go visit them. For summer fun I would like a swimming pool and a cute little puppy. I would like a phone for my room. The last thing I would like is for people to give up on drinking and doing drugs. I would like for my beautiful teacher Mrs. Early to be happy.
Yours truely,
Kayla Guerrero
P.S. Tell Mrs. Claus, the elves, and all of the reindeer hi.

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a trampoline, a phone with its own line, a new tv, a Nebraska pullover jacket, a pare of Nike shoes. but out of all those things I would really like a Nebraska pull over jacket or a trampoline. Good Luck!
Your friend,
Whitney Warner

Dear Santa,
this Tuesday December 17 is our Christmas play. I am a judge. This year I want the game called Wild Wooly for Christmas and other games. I hope it snows on Christmas eve this year. Merry Christmas!
Your friend,
Chelsea Wood

Dear Santa,
Here's a list of things I want. Swing set because my dad put mine in the dump ground. Jewlery because I love jewlelry. I also want a jewlelry box that has a thing that turns arouind holding your necklesses.
Merry Christmas
Meggan Minor
P.S. I want a mickeyh daffle bag and a pooh sholder wallet.

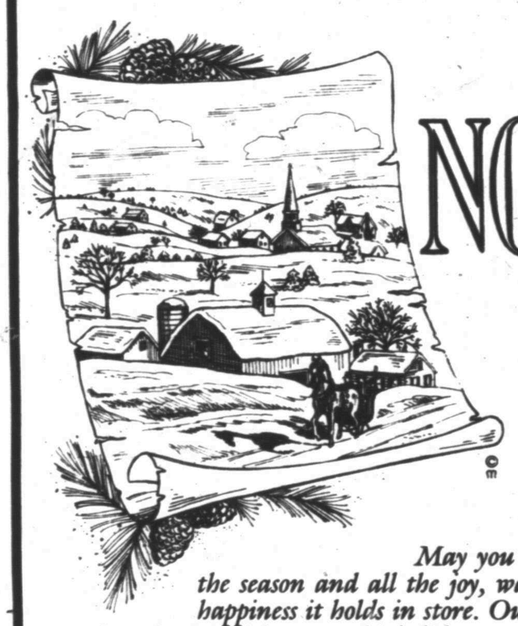


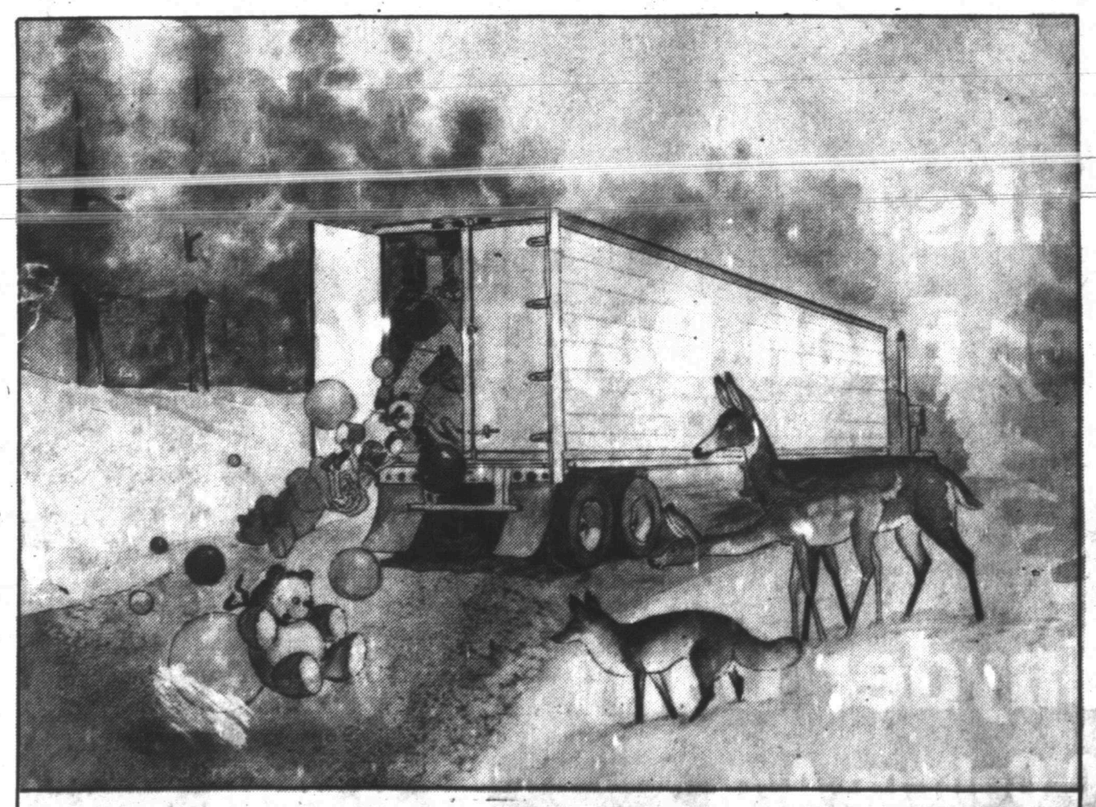



Season's Greetings
MOVIES N VIDEO
SUPERSTORE
3024 College Ave. 573-4090

GREETINGS, FRIENDS!
Our very best wishes to you and yours this holiday season.
City of Snyder
1925 24th




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GEARING UP FOR CHRISTMAS
The Christmas season is here, and we hope yours runs smoothly from the front end to the back.
We'd like to wish everyone a great Christmas with miles of smiles!
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Snyder Traffic Circle 573-6886


Blessings to All
May you and your flock be blessed with a multitude of dreams-come-true this Christmastime.
Circle In Grocery
Lamesa Hwy.
573-3122

Dear Santa...

Dear Santa,
Jingle bells, jingle bells jingle all the way, I can't wait for the next hoolly daay! Christmas is my most favorite time of the year. I want to ask you for 1 thing.... Snow. Lots and lots of snow! At least you get snow. Anyway we're doing a play for Christmas. You've got to come see it. It's about these two girls (Me & Tracy Jorday) Who want to become Deput Santas and Santa & Dean Uyle won't let us because we're girls! Huh! For the rest you'll have to go and see!
One of the many children of the world,
Stephanie Parmer

P.S. I've been reall good!

Dear Santa,
If I could have one wish I would wish for the world to be in peace and for all violence forever.
Sincerely,
Matthew Morris

Dear Santa,
You have s round of a belly
You're beard is so white as snow
And you're belly is full of jelly
But I like when you say ho ho ho

You're heart is full of love
I like you're suited and white
And you're really high above
And I wish I could see you tonight
Merry Christmas
Lico Castillo
P.S. The cookies are waiting at the table

Dear Santa,
I can't wait till Christmas where everyone gathers at Pepa's (grandad) to celebrate and when we open up the gate I'll wanta huge crate with dozens of board games in it, we'll sing Christmas carols on Christmas morning even when the dogs are snoring, after the carols we'll go ripping the paper off packages and start flicking packages open, and i'd be hoping that we'll get a snowing day. and I got that crate full of games that I wanted, and after that we'll sing more carols, the beautiful notes going through theMerrells' home.
Yours truly,
Clint Cooper
P.S. Don't foirget those games!

Dear Santa,
I've been sponsoring you bey drinking coke cola. When you come to my house don't bother to give me any presents. All I would really want is a white Christmas.
Sincerely,
Paul Jackson

Dear Santa,
I hoping that you'll be able to read this. Most of the time I would ask for something, but I'm probably not.I writing this letter so I can say hello and a few other things. My teacher said, "you're not supposed to write can I have this and can I have that, but too tell him what you might say to him."
We're working on a play about this girl that wants to be a Santa and they won't let her because she's a girl. That was also sort of the question I was going to ask you. Would you let a girl be a Santa. I've never really thought of that until this play. It might be odd but if I was Santa I would. If you can write me back I'd love to see what you wrote.
Sincerely,
Patrick Jones
P.S. My mom is Julie Strunk.

Dear Santa,

I'e seen you on Coke cans. Are Comet and Dasher.ok? Are the elfs doing ok. Could you send me a leather jacket. When you get to my house drop the leather jacket in my den. Send my reguards to Mrs. Claus or hello
Sincerely,
Adrian Brooks
P.S. The cookies will be by my stocking

Dear Santa,
I want a cupter, AFrivan Violet cultivator, lizard, baby horse.
Love,
Candice Todd
2nd Grade

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I want my size Barbie and Casper movie and Toy Story movie. Ginnie Gymnast doll, too. Teacher Barbie too a new pet. but not a cat or a dog. I want some fish are a hamster or any animal. Pleas bring my sister some new CDs too. and for my cat named Hannah some winter clothes. and a toy too. I love you Santa.
Love,
Allie Brewster, Age 7

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is a trampoline, a go-cart, and a pair of roller blades.
Love,
Atasha Arrendale

Dear Santa,
How are you? Hopefully you don't catch a cold. How is Rudolph? I will lkeave you cookies and milk. I am being good. Please bring me a walkman and tapes to go with it.
Your friend,
Mandy Green

Dear Santa,
Could you get me a bike and a play gun, note book, nintindo 64, a soccer ball, pet dog so he will be nice to my cats. Please get my sister a German dog.
Love,
Ricardo Silva

Dear Santa,
I want a basket ball and a bike for Chirstmaas. Thank youSanta and the elves.
Love,
Melissa Newby

Dear Santa,
I wish you a merry Christmas. I want for Christmas a 64nintendo and reading Books a trampoline, a bike and a golf ring.
Love,
Kendra Burns

Dear Santa, Haggy Christmas!
I want a gocart, and rollerblades, and Turl..., a nutcracker, game boy.
Love,
Michael Thurman

Dear Santa,
I wate a new house, and a new puppy, and sparkley rocks.
Merry Christmas!
Love,
Amber Hildreth

Dear. Santa,
I wish I had a big trampoline and a computer and a game too. Santa could I have this for Christmas since I've been good. And I hope you a Marry Christmas.
Love,
Sesalie Martinez

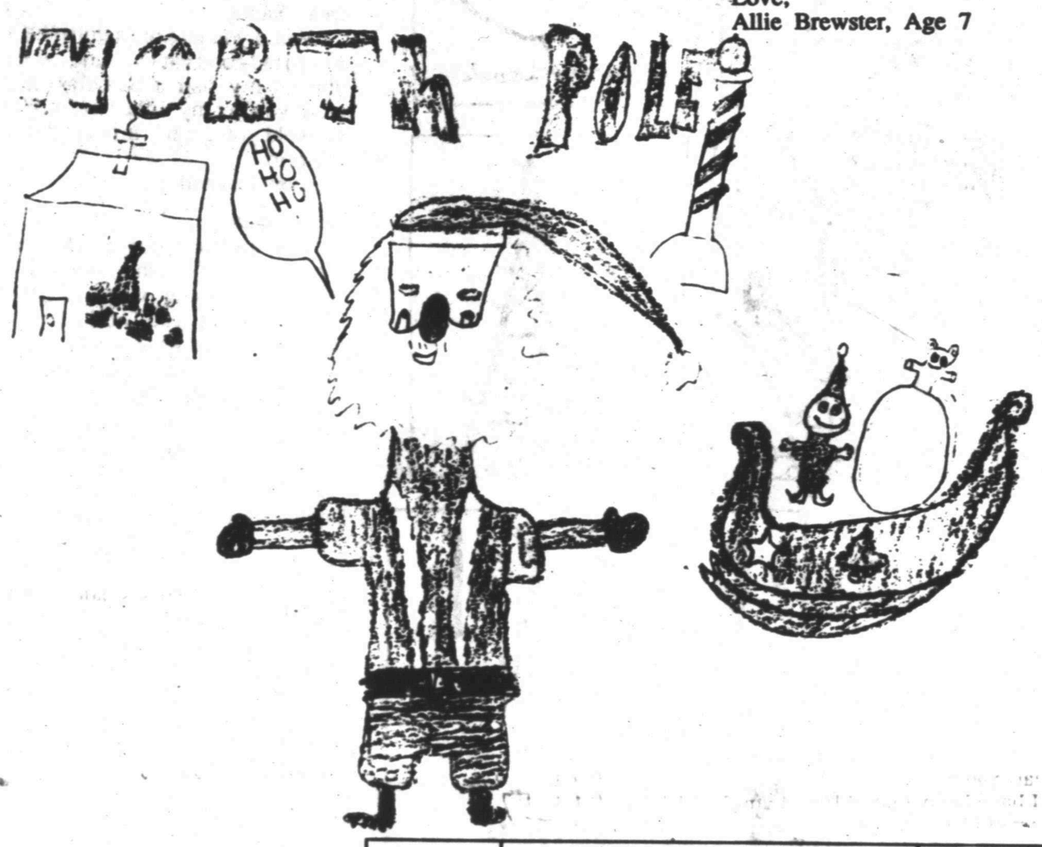
Dear Santa,
I want a new bike and a B.B. gun and a gift for my teacher.
Love,
Brent. Burleson

Dear Santa
I wish you a Merry Christmas. I want a streek shark and a. Yak back and remote contol car and a bike.
Love,
Sean Velasquez

Dear Santa Claus,
What I want is Dream Barbi castle, Beach Barbi Storey the mvoie Jingle all the way. A kids jeep, a horse that is real, and all of the cats that have run away to come back, and easy bake oven but what is a white Christmas
P.S. I also want a female Alaskan Samoyed and a few more things that you want to give me.
Love,
Kate Danyell Morrell

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a gocart, stunt cycle, a mooter bike, a foot ball, basket ball some new clowes and a great dane and for all kids to be happy thats all.
love Dexter

Dear Santa,
I would like for Christmas an Olypic Barbic, Skating Barbie, sewing kit, Coloring Book, take care of me twins, ear rings, my own phone. But this is what I realy want is a white Christmas.
Love,
Michelle Cave



ERIC MARTINEZ

A Healthy & Happy Holiday To All



Hope the season shapes up just the way you want!

Tiger Health & Fitness Center
1817 25th Street
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The Kimmels
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WRAP UP A GREAT SEASON!
May the gifts of this glorious season be yours to cherish now and forever.
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Christmas is a time of joy, peace and harmony.
May your holiday be truly blessed.
Y-Z Industries Inc.
Lubbock Hwy. 573-8578



Season's Greetings
We're so glad you stopped by this past year.
We wish you much happiness and peace,
all through this special season and beyond!
Willow Park Inn Restaurant
Open Christmas Day
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Hwy. 180 & 84
573-1961



The Pattersons & Staff Wish You...
Good Health And Good Fortune In The Year To Come. Happy Holidays And Many Thanks For Putting Your Trust In Us.
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Across From Scurry County Library



Dear Santa...

Dear Santa
I wantnew rollerblades. My mom would like a new house. My dad would likanew car. My brother would like a yack back. My sister would like a new stero.
I want a new computer
Love
Vanessa Martinez

Dear Santa,
I wish I could have a balereena Barbie, a Stacie Barbie, and a traplean, have a good Chrismas night.
Love,
Lindsey Small

Dear Santa,
I want a Pretty sparkle dancer and a Tuggles and. My Mom wants a Santa Clause and some clothes and My dad wants some clothes too and hope you have a Merry Charistmas.
Love,
Tenille

Dear, Santa
I want a Turboman Donky Kong land Three and for my family a new house.
Love,
Kade Kruger

Dear Santa,
I don't have a very long list. But if I could have a few things like a game boy, and maybe some games for it. Like Kurby's dream land and things like that, Maybe some clothes. But most of all a new pair of rollerblades. See you at Christmas time.
Love,
Terann Ragland

Dear Santa
For Christmas I would like a pony, cat, dog, a big home, a good presents a ball and a doll. Happy Birthday Jesus.
Love,
Felicia Guzman

Dear Santa,
What I realy want this year is to have realy good presents, I hope none of the reindeer get sich. Check your slead before you take off because it might break down.
Love,
Ross Taylor

Dear Santa,
I would like a game boy and something for my parents also
i would want a poster of the cowboys.
Love,
Josh Lara

Dear Santa,
Would you gite me a durtbike. I would tac good car uvit. and i wold you git my sistr a barbulas. and wold you get my brther adurt bike to. wold you get my mom and dad a sterio.
Ralston Loveall

Dear Santa,
How are you doing, How is Mrs. Claus, Are the reindeer i hope there doing well. Is Mrs. Claus feeding you well. I was thinking about what i wan't for Christmas. I wan't roller skates and games, teddy bear, bike and books, dolls, soccer, clothes, shoes, nike shoes jersy. And that is all Santa.
Love,
Cristal Bernal

Dear Santa
Hey Santa How are you doing this year are your raindeer and are elves are elves are working hard
And this is what I want a bike and I also want clothes to wear to school and some toys a stuff bear and new shoes and socks, books a puppet and a cat.
your truly
Hector Campos

Dear Santa,
Have you had a good year? I have been wondering if your elves have ben working on things for Christmas I am loking fouerd for you going to my Aunt Silvia in Los Cruses, New Mexeco that we're going to go for Christmas.
I wish you could bring me a computer so I could play fun games an show my little sister how to use the computer and she be like my mother a good computer user at a office and make a lot of people ask her to teach them how to use the computer.
Love,
Santino HJermosillo

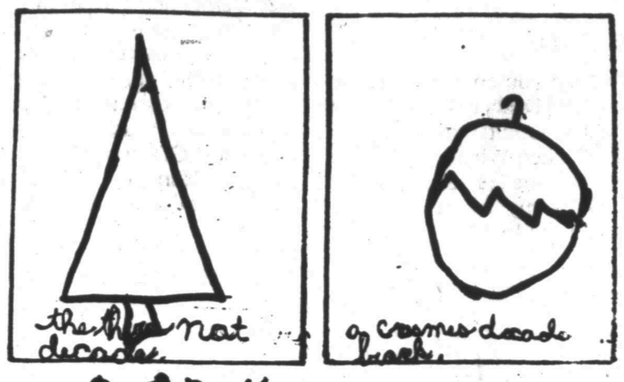
Dear Santa,
I hope your elfes are making present to give the world. Are your reindeer ready to fly? Are you ready to fly on Christmas Eve.
Santa I want a trampolen, B.M.X. Gt, sega, Nintendo 64, Sony, Air Devil, Cris Cross Crash, Karte fighters, Gogartes, dirt bike, Cumpter, C-D player, toy hulyoptur, hot shot, swimming pool, glowing watch, teddy bear.
Love,
Adam Hopper

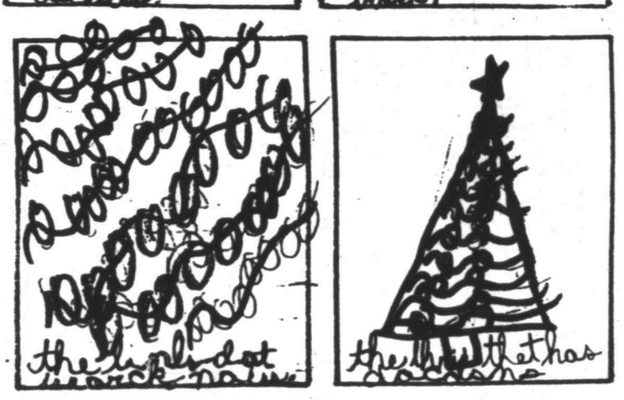
Dear Santa,
Santa, how ar you doing is Mrs. Claus, taking care of you Santa, how is the reindeer. Santa, is ti cold up ther i bet you ben bise.
Santa, can i have a happynes and love and one more thang a hoke mask.
Sincerely, Santa,
Jordan Lollar

Dear Santa,
How have you been? Have your reindeers been nice? Is your wife fixing you good food? Have your elfs be working hard for this Christmas? Is ruldoup nose helping your deliver your presents.
Santa if you can gite me a new bike for Christmas. If you can't git me one then cn you give me a tea pot because someone broke my first one.
Love, Sata
Valerie Lopez

Dear Santa
Santa are you geting Chrismas cards? I hop you feed the raindeer can you wate antal Chrismus?
For Chrismas I was thanking abat a bunkbed and a bick a tv and a tellafon whith my own line. a hug room whith a bathroom and a hottub and a shower. a swimming pool
Love Jamie Putnam

Laura Varnous Dec. 3. 1996
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Bless all the dear children
in Thy tender care,
And fit us for Heaven to live
with Thee there.
—from "Away In A Manger"

To all the loving families we're so proud to call friends, our thanks and best wishes for a wonderful Christmas season.

Calvary Baptist Church
2405 35th Street 573-2191





We Wish You A Merry Christmas!

May the love of home and family be a special gift to treasure throughout the season.

Paymaster Gin
Lamesa Hwy. 573-2171



PEACE
ON EARTH
In the spirit of Christmas, we'd like to join you in praying for world peace.
BOWLIN AUTOMOTIVE
Barrie & Debbie Bowlin
601 N. Old Lubbock Hwy.
573-8704



Seasons Greetings
"The Rose" Barber Shop
1712 25th
573-1379



TIDINGS OF GOOD CHEER

The gifts are wrapped and everything's set for the festivities to begin. And we want to add our good wishes to your holiday revelry.

Antique Alley
Pink Flamingo, The Attic,
Salt Box Antiques and
Deep Creek Trading Company
2608 College Ave. 573-1688





... BEHOLD THERE CAME WISE MEN FROM THE EAST.
MATTHEW 2:1



MAY YOU BE BLESSED WITH HOLIDAY JOY.

BJ Service Co.
311 Old Lubbock Hwy. 573-4913

"O star of wonder, star of night,
Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect light."

In the spirit of Christmas giving, we offer our sincere thanks for the kindness you show us every day.



Snyder's Used Cars
Snyder's Cars Plus
Tire Time Rentals
3403 College Ave.
573-4229





Season's Greetings
With warm wishes and heartfelt thanks from all of us.

Lang Tire Company
1701 25th
573-4031

Have a Very, Very Merry Christmas!
If Santa is as good to you as you've been to us, you're in for a wonderful holiday season!
Thank you, friends.

B's Country Kitchen
Kathy Bloom & Susan Blackard
1715 26th Street 573-9149



Dear Santa...

dear Santa,
How have you ben doing this year? I hope your reindeer are in good shape. Im exiting about Christmas Eve.
Oh about Christm,as I would like a cross bow. Here are some more things 4X-men, a remolt controll car, travle game, a street shark, the movie Jumanji, and Junjle Book the movie, two cap guns, a dart gun, some gi-goes, a sword a knif, a bow an arrow, a Nebraska hjat, a cowboy hat, a space jan set, some power Ranger stuff, a nerf gun the one with balls.
Love, Santa
Curtis Mason

Dear Santa,
How ar you doing? I hope you and your reianbeer are fine. Is Mrs. Claus doing fine?
I was hopeing you can bring me a piare of roalar. I was hopeing if you have time to give a boll.
Love,
Lindsay Moore

Dear Sant,
How are you? I hope your elves have been woring had. Have your reindeer been exerising good so they can fly? Do you know what I want for Cristmas. Her is my list, I want a computer for my American Girl Doll, Whitney. I also want a Sarunch n Wears. Oh and one more thing. pajamas for my doll to.
Love,
Whitney Parks

Dear Santa,
Santa are you ready for Christmas Eve i am ready for Christmas I hope you fell good. Santa i wonder if you can get 50 toys for me i hope you can get all thats stofe.
Love
Sergio Sarabia

Dear Santa,
How are you and your reindeer. I hope you are good how is Mrs. Claus I am doing fine. I hope your elf are ok.
Do you think I can have my Ant and Unle and babby cause to come to see me and my family. and that is it.
Love,
LaCresha Schulze

Dear Santa,
How have you been doing this year? I hope you and your feindeer are healthy and ready to fly. I will have the milk & cookies waiting for you. I'll go to bed so I don't see you.
I want 95 Fifa Soccer, (sega) Also I want a 15 speed bycicle.
Yours truly,
Cade Simpson

Dear Santa,
Hey Santa how are you doing? I hope your seindeer this year. Have you met any nice children? I hope your elves hve been busiy all year. I know that comet is in good shape. Am I right? Has Mrs. Santa fed you right and kept you warm? Has every boy and girl been good this year? I hope! Hs your stomck gotting fatter and your beerd gotting whiter? I hope the reindeer are all shaped up and ready to fly for you. Do you have a sack full of toys? Is your sleigh all shiny and ready to go to the girls and boys houses? Are you in shape and ready to fly? Is Mrs. Santa doing well and helping you get good and fat? Is Mrs. Santa mking your close and your shoes? Have a good year.
Love
Chris Smith

Dear Santa,
How ar you doing this year? Has Messes Claus and the reindeer and the elfs doing? Are the elfs making good toys?
I was thinking about my list I am going to give you. Here is my list.
I want a cess cross crash and a sega, bike a rock willer dog anda air divel and a apple have boy and a gocart and a comperder and a to hilecopter and a hot shot and a baseball and a bat a big house and a five dollowes.
From your
friend Stephen Tippens

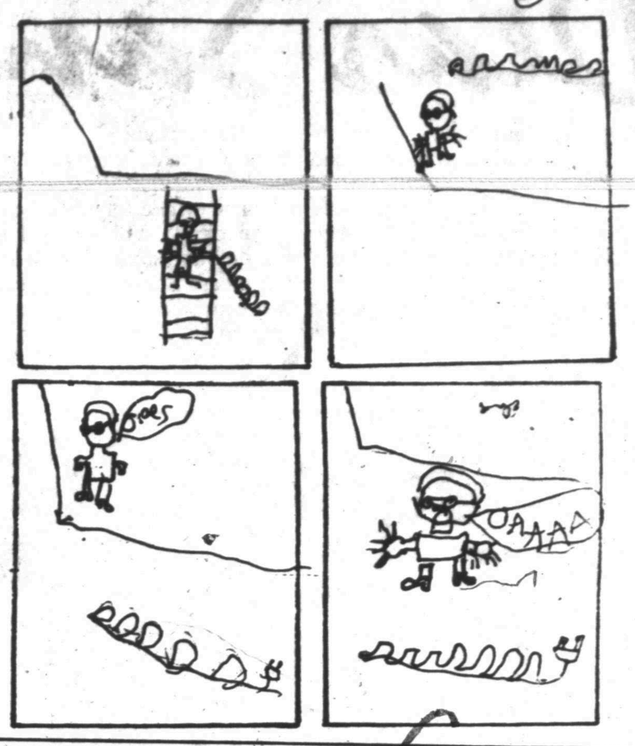
Dear Santa Claus
How are you and your reendeer doing? How is Mrs. Claus doing? I hope they are doing very good. Can I have a bike and some doll cars.
Love,
Toni Townsend

Dear Santa,
How are you? I hope you and your reindeer are helthy, I hope Mrs. Claus is well. How is your elvs? How is the Northpole? I hope you are well.
Oh yes this is my list, barbies, baby dipers, baby.
Love,
Caliber Vigneau

Dear Santa,
How are you. I hope youer reindear have bene goode to you. I hope roldolfe has made frands.
Santa I wolde like to tell you my Christmas list I want a bike. a saga mentendo and games for it. and super mentendo with #10 gamse for it.
Yours truly
Steven Wright
SRW

Dear Santa
Santa how ar you doing and I need to tal you that I wot for Christmas is a Christmas mive and the toy story mive to
Ofelia Zamora

put Light On The House
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May your holiday be filled with the love of family and friends.
Many thanks and merry Christmas to all!
Jack's Roadboring
3518 South Highway 208
Snyder

greetings at
christmastime
We'd like to deliver our best wishes for a great season!
Dever's Pest Control
Box 982
573-7230

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We appreciate your friendship and support.
Merry Christmas to one and all.
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2503 College Ave. 573-6606

HERE IT COMES!
Another fun-filled season...
And all of you are the reason;
We've slid in to say,
"Have a great day"'
Merry Christmas.
Thank you for choosing us.
VFW
1701 Ave. T
573-9216
DRIVE CAREFULLY OVER THE HOLIDAYS

May Your Home Be Blessed This Holiday Season
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2101 Ave. T
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915-573-5085

At CHRISTMAS...
May Your Field Of Dreams Be Ever Green...
To all our cherished friends, a very merry Christmas!
E.L. Farmer and Co.
P.O. Box 1090
573-5464

We Gather Together
As we join with all our friends in worship, we're pleased to extend our sincere wishes fora happy holiday season.
First United Methodist Church
2700 College Ave. 573-5416

We rounded up the herd to wish you a very Merry Christmas!
Have A Safe And Merry Christmas
From Your Friends At
Rip Griffins
BURGER KING
Hwy. 84 & 180

Dear Santa...

Dear Old Sant Nick,
I want everyone to have a good chritmas. I want wat I need not wat I want. I want you to have a safe trip without falling of the slay. Mack the riandeer use the bathroom before leeving. Bit wat I want the most for you to do is git me 3,000 dollars.
Love,
Zech Arizmendi

dear Sent Claus,
I would like a kitens and puppy and i would like a mom and dad for them where thay will not die.
and please will you get me a new doll and some jens for christmas please Santa Claus becuses I rote you befor and your rote me and you got a computer don't you becuse you put snowman on the papper.
love,
Holly

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a pair of roller blades.
I want a doodle bear.
I want a bear.
I want wett'nwizard.
I want verybody to be well and safe.
I want a big Dallas Cowboys jacket
Love,
Anya Terrazas

Dear Santa
I want a presents form you Santa lot of love to you
Love form Jerhiad and Kim and Bryan and DaD and mom.
lot of
love form Jerhiad to Santa

Dear Santa
Hi. Hope you are fine. For Christmas I would like a game boy, a nintendo 64 or super nintendo. I would also like the power ranger game for the nintendo and anything else you would like to leave me. I will leave some milk and cookies for you and a carrot for your reindeer. I hop all the other kids have a n ice Christmas. I am 4 years old.
Love you
Matthew Velsquez

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a bike and some books and some barbies. And my grandma to get well and my grandpa. And I would like Dalmation toy puppies and a girl talk toy. And a baby doll and a Dear Diary And have a Merry Christmas.
Love,
Mallory Martinez

dear Santa Claus,
I would like for it to snow 3 feet deep and a extra large tackle box and with it alot of lures. And a very very strong fishing pole with 60 pound test line. And I will have to think some more but that is all I want right now.
Love
Blake

Dear Santa
I would like a 10 speed girls bike, My Size Dancing Barbie, Miracle On 34th Street. I would like a barbie Dream House, Sip and Slurp baby, Dear Diery, Girl Talk. Making Face baby, Teddy bear, 101 dalmations dolls, Barbie Kakakō and big Kako. Pioner barbie, Jewel Hair Mermaid barbie. I would like any kind of ken, sewing kit.
Love,
Jill Dawn Rodgers

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a gocar and a gameboy. And I would also like a collection of football cords. also a football helmet.
Love
Jason Wennnger

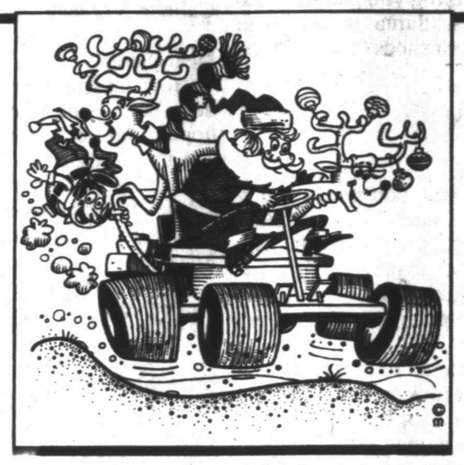
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Love,
Kimberly



HAPPY HOLIDAYS

With thoughts of thanks and appreciation for your loyal support.

PERMIAN COMMUNICATIONS
RadioShack.
You've got questions. We've got answers.



SANTA'S COMING!
Here's wishing you a joy-filled Christmas.
We're so very glad to say thanks.

McClurg Auto Parts
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Liz & Mary

Wishing You A Merry Christmas & A Happy New Year

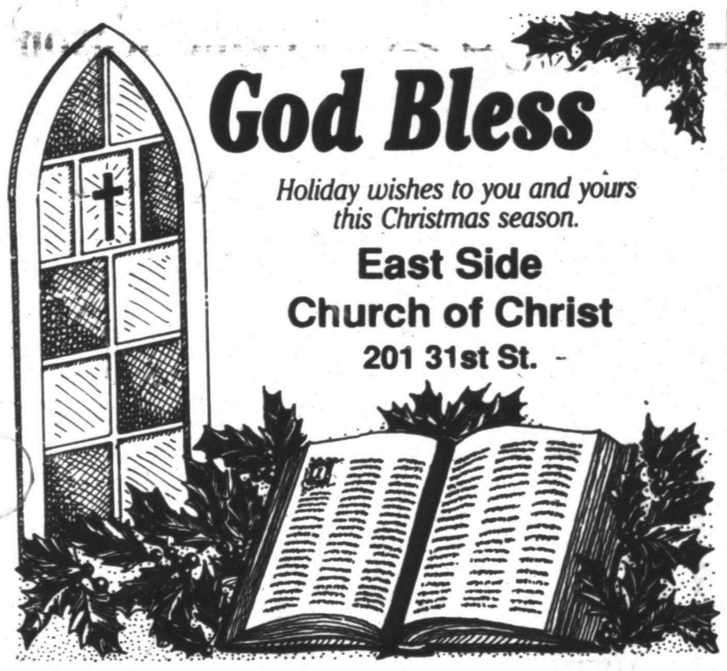
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Sending Holiday Wishes Your Way

May the season deliver an abundance of cheer!



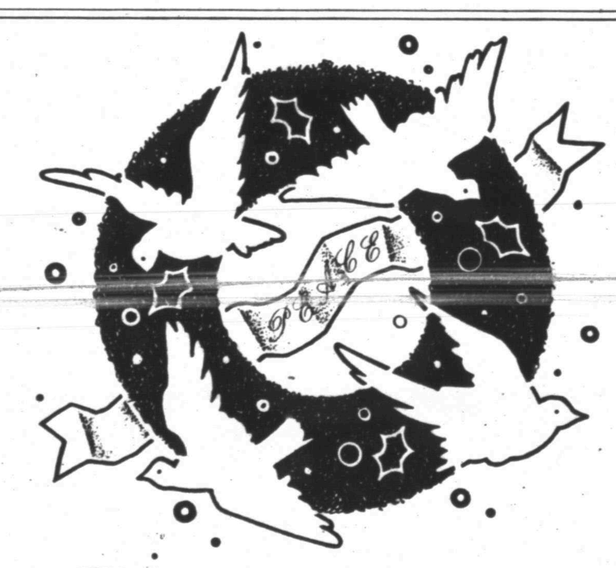
Stephens Office Supply
1808 26th
573-3403



God Bless
Holiday wishes to you and yours this Christmas season.
East Side Church of Christ
201 31st St.

MERRY CHRISTMAS
Hope your holiday brings you carloads of happiness.
Denson's Used Cars
301 Coliseum Drive
573-3912





Joy TO THE World!
Our Very Best Wishes For A
Merry Christmas
And A Gracious Thank You To Everyone Who Helps With Our Program.
God Bless You.
Snyder Food Cupboard



Have a SUPER HOLIDAY
Wishing you aisles of smiles and a cartful of fun this Christmas. Thank you so much for putting us on your shopping list all year long!
WAL-MART
4515 College, Snyder, Texas 79549

Dear Santa...

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a Space Jam on Super Nientendo, Turbo Man, Xrc, Stunt Cycle, Star Wars action figures, and a Game Boy Game.
Kivem
William Wascom

Dear Santa,
I would like a Sego, and a stunt cycle, and a Gameboy, and a whoopee ushion, and a tv, and amotor bike.
Love,
Domingo

Dear Santa,
For Chrismas I want a Gameboy, Whoopie Cushion, a watch, and some Batman action figures and a Stunt Cycle.
Love,
Tyler Zalman

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a Dallas Cowboy football shirt that is Troy Aikman's number. I would like for my mom to have a necklace. I wish my dad could have a Dallas Cowboy hat. I wish my sister could have a ring. I wish that I could have a micro machine army base. I wish that I could have a soccer ball.
P.S. I have been good.
Love,
Trou Matthew Reigh

Dear Santa Claus,
For Chistmas I would like a, Sip and Slurp, Phone, My size Barbie, Chalk board, Bye'Bye Baby, Dear diary. For children to be happy and wlell. I hope you have a safe trip on December 24.
Love,
Ashley Barrera

Dear Santa,
I would like for you to bring a horse saddle and some chaps, And a Whoopie Cushion and a new halter and a lead rope and that's all I want.
P.S. I've been good.
Love
Chance Grantham

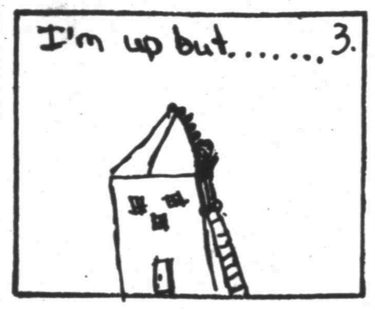
How to decorate your house for Christmas!
How to decorate your house for Christmas!





Courtney Cox





We Know You've Been Good... *Especially to us.*



It's been our joy having you as customers and knowing you as friends. That's why we'd like to take this special opportunity to say "Merry Christmas and many thanks!"

SUBWAY
3903 College Ave.
573-9782



Season's Best
Hope your Christmas is picture perfect!

Plaza Restaurant
Hwy. 84 & Huffman
573-1231

Plaza Restaurant Will Be Closed From 2 p.m. December 24 til 2 p.m. December 25



Greetings of the Season
Here's hoping you enjoy the jolliest of times all through the holidays. Thanks for stopping by!

Snyder Concrete Co.
2300 Ave. Q
573-2522

Yuletide Greetings
It's only fitting for us to wish all of our valued friends the very best for the holidays.

THOMPSON'S ON THE SQUARE
"A Fine Shoe And Accessory Emporium"



May you enjoy all the "fruits" of the season, and all the naturally sweet moments that make Christmas the most loved and looked-forward-to holiday of the year. We're so very glad to have you as our customers and friends. Thanks for showing us such loyal support.

SOUTHERN ELECTRIC, INC.
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Before you wrap up all your Christmas preparations, please accept our sincere appreciation for your loyal support.

All the best to our friends all over town!

Whit Parks Auto Sales
East Hwy. 180 & Traffic Circle
573-7888

Merry Christmas!

EXXON TIGER MART
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May All Your Christmases Be Bright

We would like to thank all of our customers and friends for a wonderful year.

May each of you have a Merry Christmas and a Properous New Year!

Lyn, Sally, Vicky & Gay

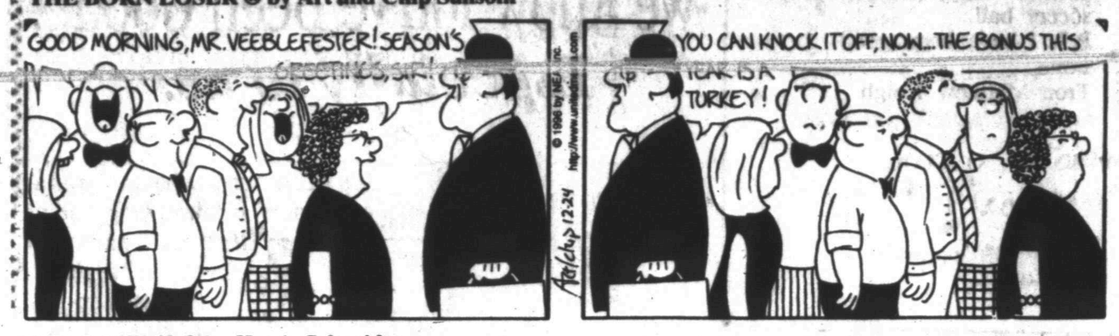
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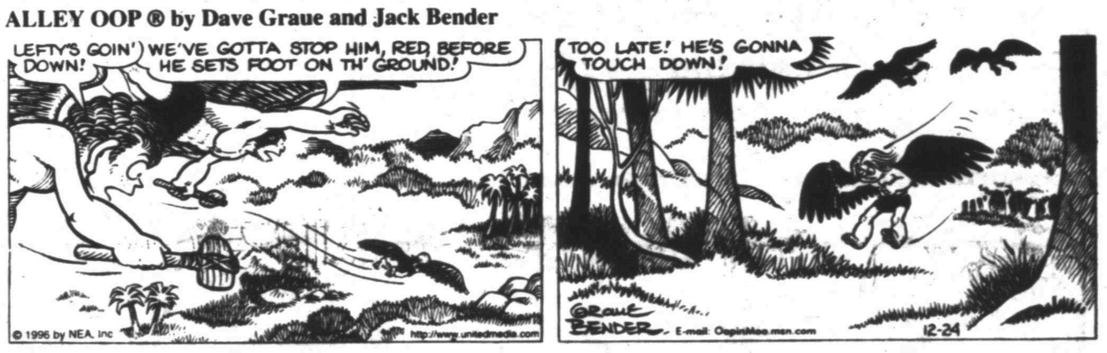
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NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 Pennypincher
6 Provoke
12 I found it!
13 Free-for-all
14 Tilted
15 Grieve
16 Campers' homes
17 Actor Danny —
18 Existence
19 Illuminated
20 Baba au —
24 Shade of blue
26 A Polynesian
27 Roman dozen
30 Search
32 Explosive (abbr.)
33 Apple pie maker?
34 J. — Hoover
35 Language suffix
36 Once upon — —
38 Regulation
40 Sensible
41 Ungentlemanly one
42 Ali —
46 Confidence game
48 Steak order
49 Chalk remover
52 Noonday nap
53 Diminish
54 City thoroughfare
55 Planted
56 Ancient Roman garments

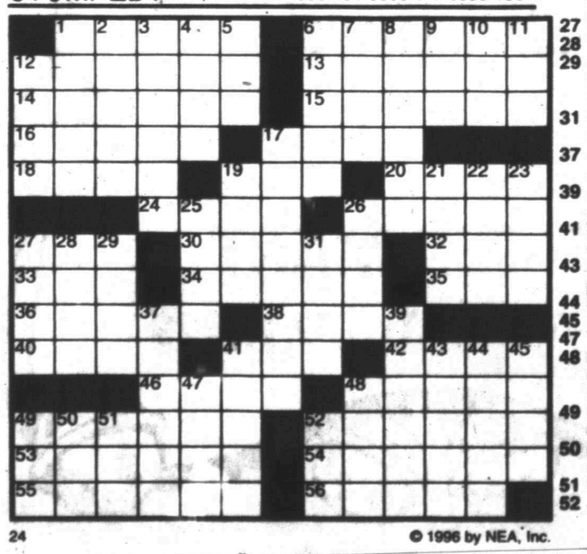
DOWN

1 Pack animals
2 Golf clubs
3 Snow White's friends, e.g.
4 — out (makes do with)
5 Cool (sl.)
6 Musical key
7 Aid in diagnosing
8 Richard Avedon's tool
9 Chill
10 Hosiery shade
11 Superlative suffix
12 Ancient Italian family
17 About 2.2 pounds
19 Fat of swine
21 Table d'—
22 Vases
23 Tiny parasite
25 Fencing sword
26 European blackbird
27 Dec. holiday
28 Tiny amount
29 — — the Mood for Love
31 Signal-speed unit
37 — up (goofed)
39 Actress Anita —
41 Was concerned
43 Biblical prophet
44 Poker stakes
45 Like a pin?
47 Yield
48 Former Communist leader
49 Hesitation sounds
50 Female sandpiper
51 Fighter pilot
52 JFK sight

Answer to Previous Puzzle

W	H	I	P	S				W	A	I	S	T
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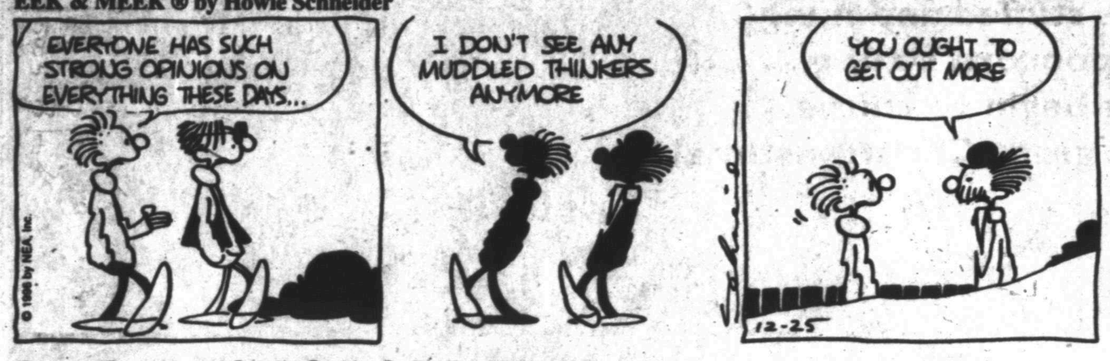
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ACROSS

1 — one's hat (salute)
5 1996 candidate
9 Run
12 Regulation
13 Performs
14 Author Levin
15 Genus of maples
16 Small quarrel
17 Short sleep
18 In what place?
20 Sacred fire.
21 Compass pt.
22 Use a keyboard
24 Small branches
26 — alai
28 Blacker
31 Actress Baxter
33 Author Anais —
34 Close relative
38 Implores
39 Last mo.
40 Ruse
41 Organic compounds
44 Mao — -tung
45 Not clear
48 Advise
50 Bullfight cheer
51 Soap ingredient
54 Goods for sale
57 — the knot (wed)
58 Ripped
60 Talk imperfectly
61 14th letters
62 Selves
63 First-rate (2 wds.)
64 Actress Sandra —
65 Computer user's need
66 Irritated

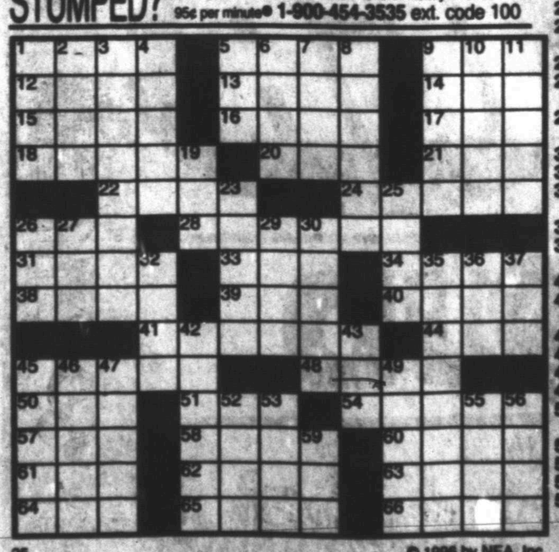
DOWN

1 Act like an artist
2 That hurts!
3 Like some glances
4 River boat
5 Dentist's deg.
6 Fumbler's exclamation
7 TV producer
8 Property
9 Spirit in Moslem lore
10 Borneo ape
11 Yawns
19 Prefix for cure or gram
23 Boredom
25 Enclose in paper
26 Poke
27 Chemical suffix
29 Heating apparatus
30 Bury
32 Jacob's twin
35 Like some motives
36 Negatives
37 Nautical rope
42 Unfroze
43 What tailors do
45 Cast a ballot
46 Type of skirt
47 Silly ones
49 — Lama
52 Baseball's Berra
53 God of love
55 Feudal slave
56 Went quickly
59 Alaskan native (abbr.)

Answer to Previous Puzzle

	M	I	S	E	R		E	X	C	I	T	E
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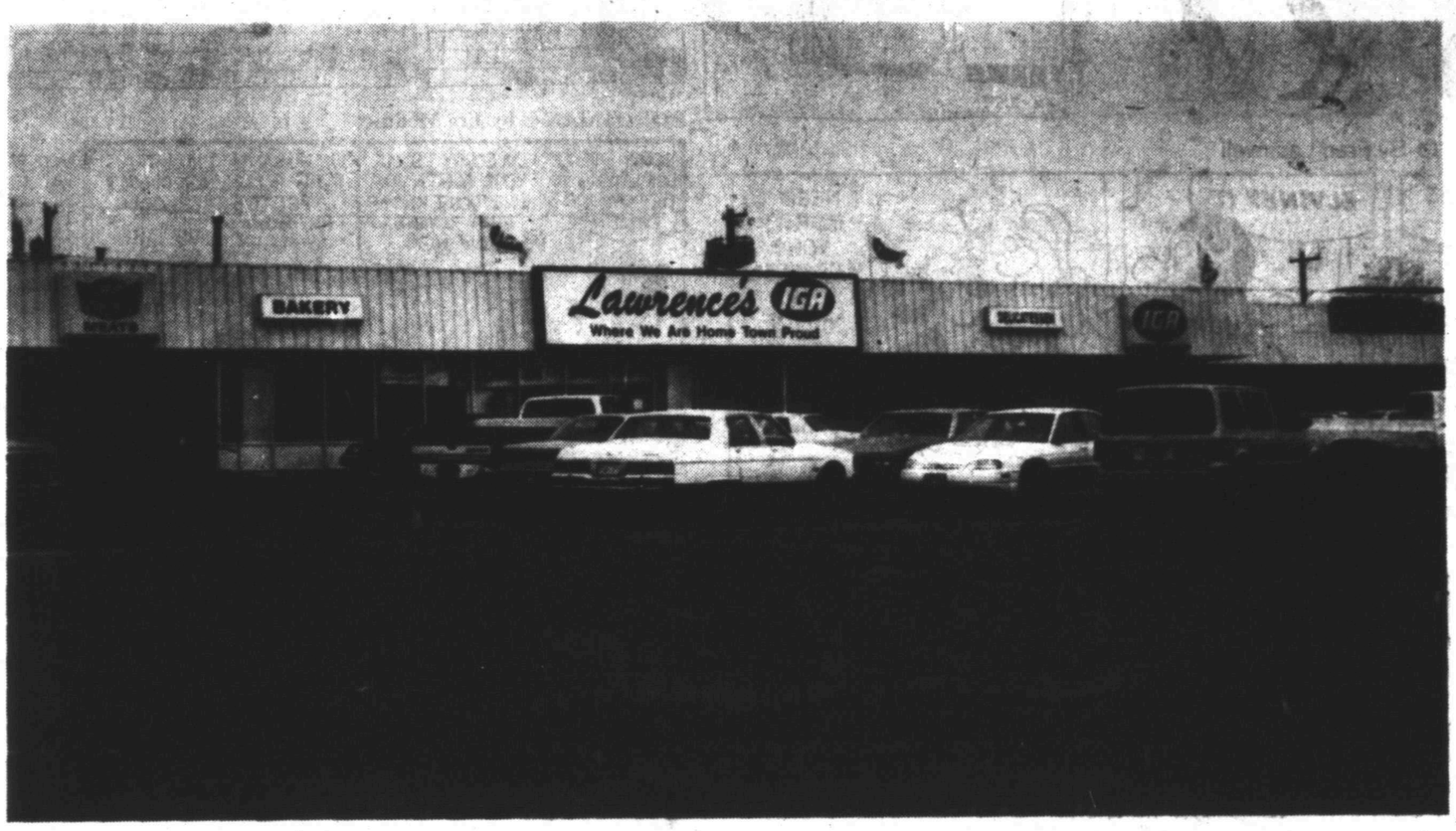


"I said we already have a bell ringer!"

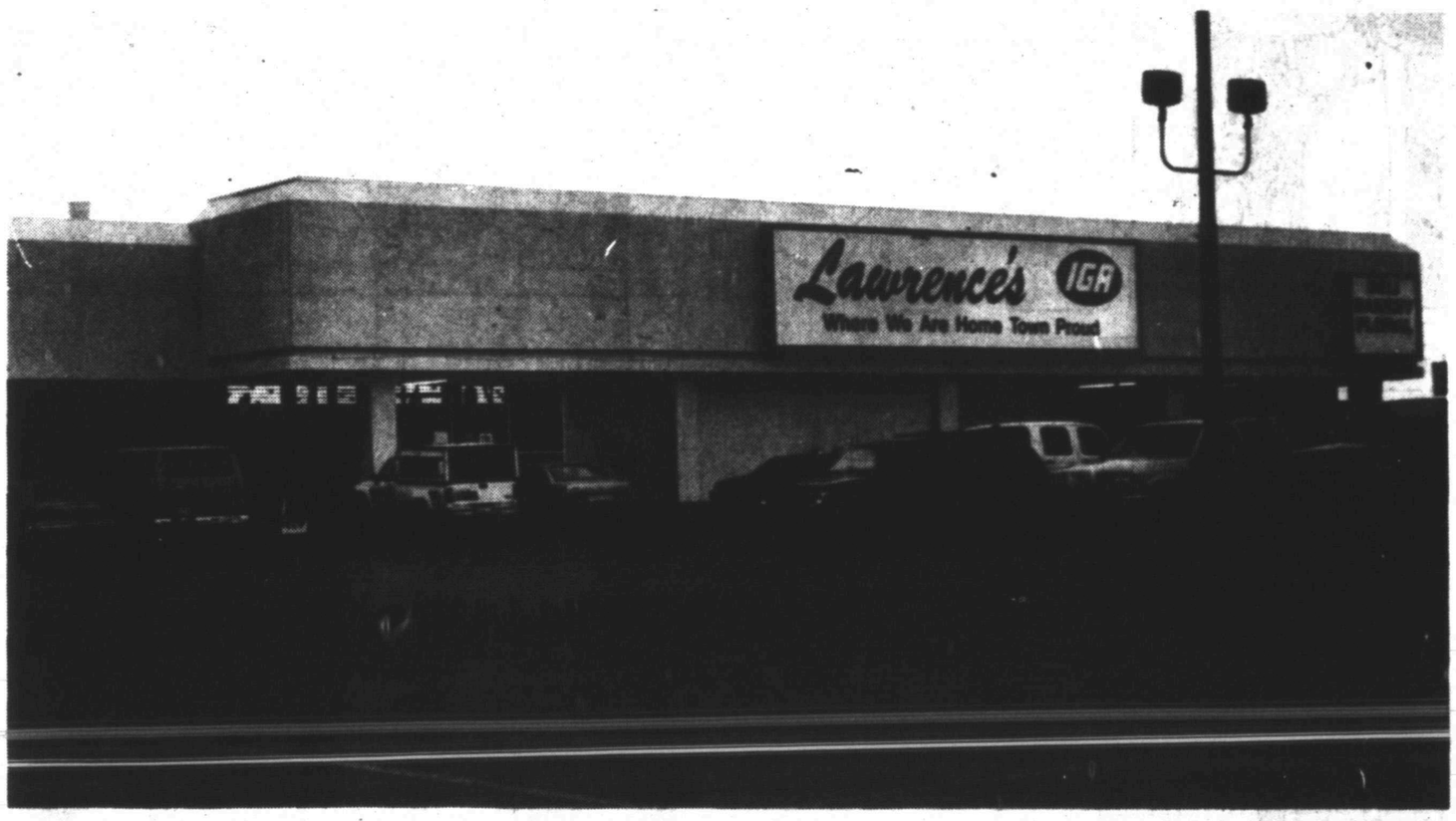


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The halls have been artistically decked,
The gift list has been twice again checked,
All the stockings are stuffed and hung,
The tree is up with popcorn strung,
And before the bells begin to chime,
We're wishing you a great Christmastime!



Store #100 4111 College Ave.



Store #400 2912 College

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