

# CHRISTMAS JOY TO ALL!

## The Castro County News

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*Merry Christmas!*

**SANTA ON A HARLEY DAVIDSON**—Stan McDaniel of Dimmitt (right) gave Santa Claus a lift to the "Breakfast with Santa" event sponsored Dec. 5 by the Castro County Hospital District's Hospice Cares and held at the Dimmitt High School

cafeteria. The fund raiser entertained 44 children and brought in almost \$600 to benefit Hospice patients. The cycle is an Anniversary Springer, the 95th Year Anniversary Model.

*Photo by Linda Maxwell*

### Chief of staff says

## Clinic would make 'fine bowling alley'

Don't try to pack any more doctors into the Medical Center of Dimmitt, Chief of Staff Gary R. Hardee advised the hospital board Tuesday night.

Instead, reschedule them so they won't all be in the clinic at the same time, he advised.

The board was looking over a proposal to revise the clinic's floor plan again, this time to accommodate a sixth physician expected to sign on in January. A board member asked Dr. Hardee what he thought of the plan.

Speaking in a conversational tone, Dr. Hardee didn't mince any words.

"I think this building is fine for a bowling alley but horrible for a clinic," he said. "I wouldn't want to be a patient with an ankle sprain trying to get to one of the examining rooms in the back."

Although the sixth physician will finally give the hospital district an adequate number of doctors, Dr.

Hardee said, "It's going to really be grim with the doctors and patients running into each other" at the clinic.

Instead of trying to fit in an office and examining rooms for another doctor, Dr. Hardee suggested that the doctor on emergency call at the hospital simply have no clinic duties that day.

This, he said, would solve the scheduling problems for clinic patients whose doctor is called to the hospital for an emergency, and also "would give the doctor on emergency room duty time to catch up on his paperwork, and would enable the district to order the doctor to bring up his charts and records."

Such full-day assignments at the hospital on their "emergency room days" would also be welcomed by the doctors, Dr. Hardee said.

"On their day off, doctors like to spend time with their families like everybody else, and the scheduling

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## Donations help group feed hundreds of needy residents

Hundreds of needy residents in Castro County have benefitted from the generosity of others this holiday season.

Donations of food and cash to the Castro County Ministerial Alliance's Food Pantry have enabled the organization to assist approximately 645 individuals and 584 elderly residents in the county.

More than \$1,880 was donated to the organization for its food pantry while collections of canned food were tremendous, according to a

spokesperson for the group.

The \$1,880 in monetary donations was used to purchase more food that was distributed to needy families.

"On behalf of the Ministerial Alliance, Panhandle Community Services and the less fortunate in our community, we humbly thank you for the support and faith that has been extended to us through your generous support of the Community Food Pantry," said a spokesperson for the project.

## Choice Program offers alternatives

The Alternative School Campus in Dimmitt held an open house Dec. 10, and that evening a graduation ceremony was held for four students from the Choice Program.

The Alternative School encompasses three programs for the Dimmitt Independent School District—the Choice Program, the Corrective Action Program (CAP), and the Day Care Center.

The CAP program is for students who have been a disciplinary problem in the regular school setting at the middle school or high school level. The Day Care Center provides care for the children of students, so that the students may continue to attend school. Darlene Collins is the principal of the Choice Program, coordinator of CAP, director of the Day Care, and a grant writer for

DISD. Bob Horton is the Choice teacher, and Terry Stovall is the teacher for CAP.

The Choice Program provides an optional setting for high school students who have dropped out of the traditional school or who are at risk of dropping out. The program's most important aspects are its individualized, self-paced courses and its flexible scheduling. It is dedicated to helping students who have difficulty succeeding in a traditional high school setting reach their educational and vocational goals.

One of the recent graduates, Jana Sweet, a teen parent, said about the Choice Program, "I think it is a pretty good program. You basically teach yourself and go at your own pace. I liked it. I was really proud of myself (for finishing). I got in there

and worked (hard). I said to myself 'no way I can do this,' but I did it and I was amazed."

Another graduate, Dora Ramirez Chavez, said she entered the Choice Program because she is a married student with two children, and she had dropped out for a while. She

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## Late greetings are issued

Those who wanted to send season's greetings to local friends and neighbors in the community greeting projects, but who were too late to be included in the lists printed in this week's issue of the *News* are listed below.

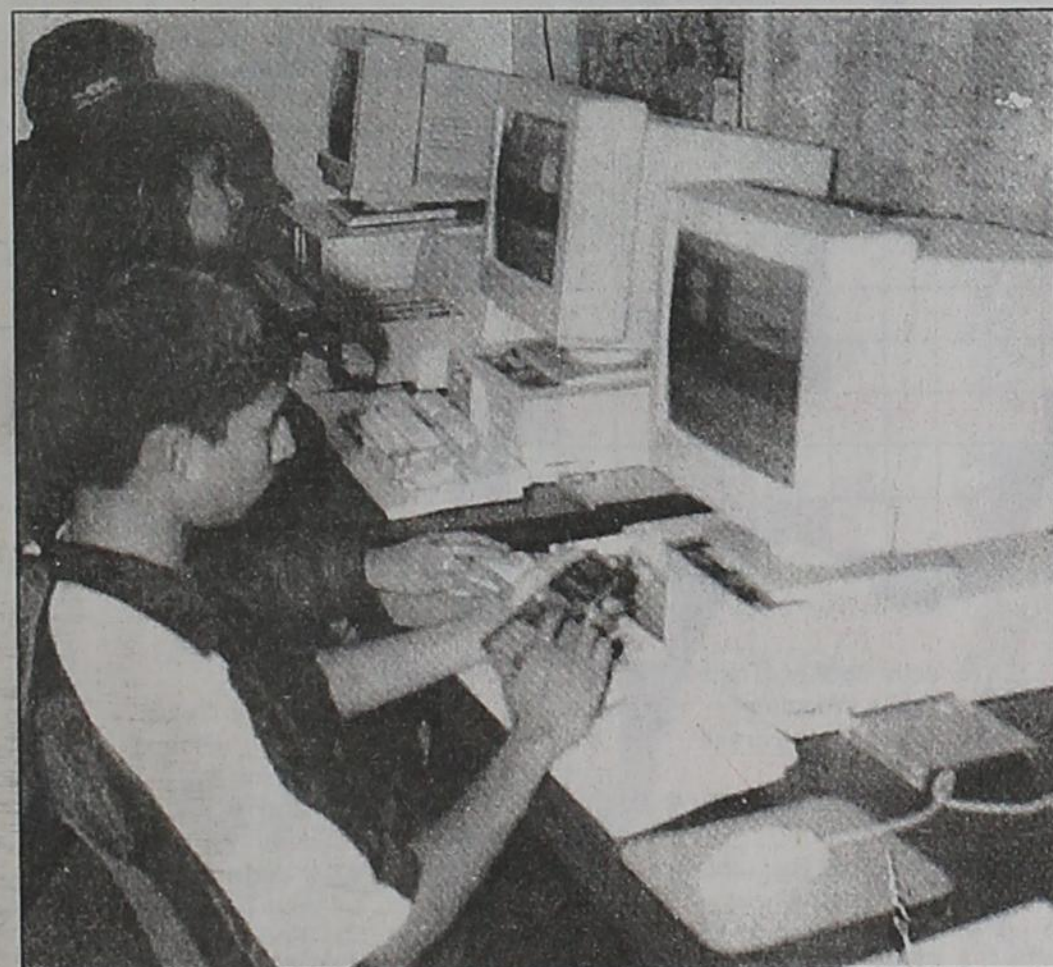
Funds from the greetings will benefit different projects in each community. Dimmitt's will be used by Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary to buy items for the hospital. Hart's goes to the Hart Cemetery Fund. Nazareth's will be added to the Parish Charity Fund.

**Dimmitt:**  
E.M. & Betty Jones  
**Hart:**  
Allen & Shane McLain

## White Christmas?

	High	Low	Pr.
Thursday	55	24	
Friday	58	28	
Saturday	60	31	
Sunday	33	28	Tr.
Monday	59	11	Tr.
Tuesday	12	1	Tr.
Wednesday	23	1	

December Moisture ..... 0.37  
1998 Moisture ..... 17.96  
*Temperatures and moisture are recorded each day at 7 a.m. at KDHN Radio, official National Weather Service reporting station.*



**THESE DIMMITT STUDENTS** are completing lessons under the credit recovery program through the Choice School in Dimmitt. Pictured are (from foreground) Frank Peralta, Sarah Cardena and Rogelio Salazar. Through credit recovery work, students can accelerate their instruction and then return to the regular high school campus, on level with their peers.

*Photo by Anne Acker*



**THIS NATIVITY SCENE** was given new life by artist Danny Gamble of Canyon and now rests at Holy Family Church in Nazareth. Mitzie Brockman of Nazareth, who commissioned the work on the

church's old nativity, had the work done as a memorial to her parents, the late Leonard and Alma Conrad, and her late aunt, Cecilia Herzog.

*Photo by Chris Albracht of The West Texas Catholic*

## Nativity scene given new life for Christmas

A little bit of paint, a loving hand and some artistic talent has resulted in the rebirth of a classic nativity scene which has become a memorial gift in honor of the late Leonard and Alma Conrad and Cecilia Herzog.

About ten years ago, the parish council at Holy Family Church in Nazareth voted to purchase a nativity scene to replace one which had been used at the church since the 1940s.

Mitzie Brockman was on the council at that time.

"When we bought that new set, I felt like we should have refurbished the old one," Brockman said.

But the council decided to purchase a new set.

The old set, which some believe was purchased by the late Monsignor Gregory A. Boeckman in the early 1940s, was retired to storage.

But Brockman didn't forget about the figures and 18 months ago she saw an opportunity to restore the figures to their former glory.

"I decided I wanted to do a memorial to my parents and aunt (the Conrads and Herzog), so I wrote to the parish council and asked for permission to try and get the nativity scene refurbished," Brockman said.

Today, the restored figures are prominently displayed in front of Holy Family Church, just in time for Christmas.

"This is a gift to the people of the community," Brockman said.

After she received permission from the council to have the nativity scene restored, Brockman's first stop was a visit to former Holy Family pastor, Monsignor Harold Waldow.

"I wanted to find out the name of the person who had refurbished the statues in the church years ago, but I found out they don't do that kind of work anymore," Brockman said.

Her search for an artist continued and took her to Oklahoma City.

"I found a lady in Oklahoma City who does great work, but the ex-

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# Choice Program offers alternatives . . .



INDIVIDUAL ATTENTION and help with high school work helps students at the Choice School in Dimmitt complete their work and qualify for a diploma. Gerardo Ramirez (center), a student at the school, is getting help from instructor Bob Horton (left) and coordinator and principal, Darlene Collins. Photo by Anne Acker

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attended some last spring and some during summer school, and finished her work in September.

"It (the Choice Program) is a good thing. I didn't think I would get to go back. It was easier than high school. I got to pick my own hours. It was easier for me. In regular school, I hardly paid attention. But with this, I set my mind to it and finished. It makes me feel better now that I graduated. I can tell my kids I graduated. Maybe I can go to college when my kids are bigger," Chavez said.

Eric Ruiz chose to finish high school through the Choice program, because he needed to go to work.

"I was ready to get out and become independent," Ruiz said. "They say it is hard on your own, but I wanted to find out by trying it."

Ruiz said he wasn't having any particular difficulties with "regular" school, but that he was "just in a hurry."

The needs of students in the program are met through flexible scheduling. A four-hour block schedule enables students to maintain employment. Working students may attend school in the morning or the afternoon. The student must attend a minimum of four hours per day. There are two four-hour sessions daily, from 8 a.m. to noon and noon to 4 p.m.

Ruiz said the regular high school program "takes up most of your time," but with the Choice program he was able to attend two days a week for eight hours each day, and the rest of his time was spent working full time at the Thriftway store in Dimmitt.

"I woke up each day for a reason—a paycheck and an education," Ruiz said of his year in the Choice program.

He said he hopes to save his money and go to college or technical school in the fall. He wants to study mechanics.

The success of the Choice program all depends on the person who is taking it, according to Ruiz.

"It takes away a lot of choices, such as electives," he said. He added that he sometimes regrets making the switch, because of not having as much time with his friends who continued in the regular high school program.

"The more concentrated study was better for me, but you do miss lots of stuff, too, although it worked out for me," Ruiz said.

When students receive the state minimum number of credits for graduation (22 credits), they receive diplomas from DISD.

Chavez, Sweet, Ruiz, and fellow-graduate Elizabeth Leal could have returned to the high school for one last semester and had the option of participating in the regular graduation ceremonies in May, but all four wanted to "get on with their lives." One plans to study nursing at Amarillo College, another plans to attend South Plains College at Levelland, a third is seeking employment, and the fourth is undecided.

Students must apply for admission and enrollment at the Choice Program, and attend by choice. Enrollment is limited, therefore students are encouraged to attend and earn enough credits to maintain their enrollment.

Attendance is a big problem with



CHILD CARE WORKERS Ann Heck (left) and Mary Larra entertain two young children, Osric Medrano and Larissa Castillo, in the daycare center which is part of the Alternative School Campus in Dimmitt. The children are cared for by workers in the daycare center while their mothers attend high school classes. The facility is licensed for up to 17 children. Not pictured is child care worker Rena Lumbreira. Photo by Anne Acker

the students at the Choice Program, according to Collins. She said that the habit of poor attendance is one of the things that got some of the students into educational credit problems to start with, and those behaviors don't stop just because they are in the Choice setting.

"We treat the Choice Program as a privilege, not a right. It is one more chance at an education. We are going the extra distance to help them. If it doesn't work out, they can be sent back to the high school, at whatever grade level their credits put them. We don't tolerate misbehavior. We want them to be serious about what they are doing and to finish," Collins said. "We don't always win."

The Choice program can help a student through "credit recovery" to accelerate their instruction and then return to the regular high school campus, on level with their peers. Students can also opt to continue at the Choice campus and complete their diploma requirements there. In addition, GED courses are offered.

Collins said that four or five of the remaining 11 students in the Choice Program will return to the regular high school campus in January, and two more are expected to enter the program.

Small classes and a small number of students enable Horton to work effectively to improve student achievement. Classes are not delineated by grade level.

When a student enrolls in a class they receive specific course outlines. Each course requires a minimum passing grade of 80 on all assignments. Students are not limited to a specific time frame or to earning a specific number of credits per semester. However, students must maintain adequate progress to remain enrolled. As students work at their own pace, they may finish a course in a short period of time. Because they work at their own pace, they have the option of going to another class as soon as they finish their individually assigned classwork. For those students with frequent absences or those who need more time to learn concepts, the process may take longer.

"This is the ultimate teaching

experience," Horton said. He teaches all subject areas for the program. "It is the most student-oriented program you'll see. These students really know what an education is worth. They are more motivated."

He said that the students' problem is not one of intelligence. Social problems are the biggest area of difficulty.

Subjects taught in the Choice Program include English and language arts, mathematics, social studies, science, and various electives. Students who have not mastered the TAAS exit level exam will be expected to prepare by taking a TAAS course each semester until mastery is met.

The curriculums offered in the Choice Program include PLATO, which uses computer-based instruction; SMART, centered around video instruction; and PACE and API, which are based on learning modules. Students may use only one type of instruction or they can mix them according to individual need.

In order for an application to be considered, a student must be under 22 years of age and meet one or more of the following:

- ◆ Must be at least age 17 within the first 18 weeks of enrollment.
- ◆ Must have been enrolled for high school credit.
- ◆ Be able to benefit from a self-paced curriculum.
- ◆ Be behind in credits and over-age for his/her graduating class.
- ◆ Be a teenage parent.
- ◆ Be a student who is self-supporting.
- ◆ Be a fifth year senior who lacks one or more courses to graduate.
- ◆ Be a legal resident of DISD.
- ◆ Complete an interview with the Dimmitt Alternative Center staff.

Students also must be recommended to the program by DHS Counselor Sue Summers. In addition, a student's parents must agree to their placement in the program if the student is under 18.

To separate eggs, easily break the eggs into a funnel over a small glass. The yolk remains in the funnel while the whites pass through.

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# Clinic would make . . .

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change would give them time to get caught up during normal working hours," he said.

Chief Executive Officer Joe Sloan said he thought Dr. Hardee's proposed scheduling changes "are an excellent idea, and do-able." Board members also seemed receptive to the suggestion.

The Medical Center of Dimmitt originally was a shopping center built in the 1950s, and was remodeled into a medical center several years ago by a hospital administration trying to avoid the cost of new construction.

Although Dr. Hardee initiated the idea of a rural health clinic here years ago, he was not in on the MCD's construction. He joined the Medical Center of Dimmitt in 1997 after selling his Hardee Family Medical Center here.

Since the clinic was built, its floor plan has been revised several times for different purposes.

During Tuesday night's discussion, Dr. Hardee commented, "You can throw a ton of money into that clinic and you'll still have a sorry clinic. I don't have anything against that building, but it wasn't intended to be a clinic originally."

"Any more money you throw at it to make space is just going to complicate the maze. You'd have a bigger mess than you've already got."

The board approved spending \$3,500 to upgrade the clinic's phone and intercom systems.

"The clinic's phone system is maxed out," Sloan reported. "It needs a new card to provide five or so more phone stations."

The intercom is needed to pipe

"elevator music" into all clinic rooms because no insulation or soundproofing was put in the walls, and sometimes the conversation between a doctor and patient can be heard in the next room.

The atmospheric music would be intended to mask such private conversations.

The board approved the \$4,500 purchase of a "culposcope," a specialized magnifier used in pelvic exams and other procedures.

The culposcope was requested by two staff doctors who are trained to use it. They said patients needing a culposcope exam currently have to be sent to Lubbock or Amarillo.

The board also voted to buy and try out a piece of "gee whiz" equipment that might revolutionize the way doctors do their patient reports.

It's called a "voice activated dictation system." It uses a voice recognition program that can "learn" a person's pronunciations and dialect and translate the spoken word into writing.

Sloan said Dr. Leon Joplin will test the system.

## Letter 'No free lunch'

Dear Editor:  
I read with interest that Dimmitt residents will be voting on whether to have an extended local calling area. I voted for a similar initiative when I resided in Hart, only to see that the nays had the day as it came to no avail.

I moved away from Hart on July 21 to Claude, where the townspeople had previously approved extended local calling. Since then, we have enjoyed the privilege of calling Canyon, Amarillo, Panhandle, Pampa and Clarendon (towns within a 45-mile radius) without "I plus area code" and without long distance charges. For my family, the monthly fee for that service translates into a substantial bottom-line savings.

However, we learned experientially that GTE will not give away their services and that they will recover whatever costs are incurred for that extended local calling. Initially, our monthly fee was \$3 a month. That was revised after GTE review to \$9.95 per month. And so the "free lunch" continues to be an elusive myth. Nevertheless, I still enjoy telephone savings with the adopted plan and am very pleased with the arrangement.

GERALD AALBERS  
Claude



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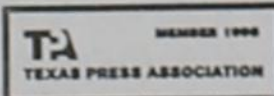
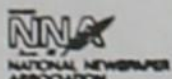
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- 8 this Jenkins was "The Sweet Swatter from Sweetwater"
- 9 Mary \_\_\_ Retton trained in Houston
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- 17 in Jones Co. on 180
- 19 TX Orbison's "That Lovin' You Again"
- 21 this Bob was a Cowboy linebacker
- 22 TXism: "dull \_\_\_ week's news"
- 23 TX "Spanky's" trademark cap
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- 29 TXism: "\_\_\_ as a lap dog"
- 30 Rockets Moses from 1981-82
- 31 Mexico-U.S. trade agreement
- 35 speed detector used by TX DPS
- 36 TXism: "first \_\_\_ the box"
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- 44 TXism: "lathered up" town in El Paso Co.
- 48 ballpark of Rangers Baltimore foe: \_\_\_ Yards

**DOWN**

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- 9 camera device
- 10 beautiful Zilker Park area (2 wds.)
- 11 this Ulysses fought in TX in Mexican-American War (init.)
- 12 "You can't take Texas out \_\_\_"
- 13 TX eatery
- 14 Sieur \_\_\_ Salle brought the French flag to TX
- 15 actor Jack of "The Texas Wheelers"
- 16 TXism: "if the creek don't \_\_\_"
- 18 TX Bonnie & Clyde were a daring \_\_\_
- 20 New Bible part (abbr.)
- 23 this Mandrell was Houston-born (init.)
- 24 TXism: "cute as a bug's \_\_\_"
- 25 TX moonwalker Bean enough \_\_\_ pucker a pig"
- 26 TXism for "won't do it"
- 27 TXism: "fits like sardines \_\_\_"
- 32 TX Rangers league
- 33 Santa \_\_\_ TX
- 34 TXism: "sour enough \_\_\_ pucker a pig"
- 36 TXism: "rug \_\_\_ (toddler)"
- 37 TXism for against
- 38 New Orleans school
- 39 TXism: "Texas \_\_\_" (Rolex)
- 40 TXism: "\_\_\_ sin"
- 41 TXism: "I \_\_\_ like death warmed over"
- 43 this Ulrich starred with TX JoBeth in "Endangered Species" (init.)
- 45 ex-Cowboy Danny (init.)
- 47 English playwright John
- 48 cola
- 55 TXism: "\_\_\_ in the wool" (genuine)

# On the Go with Martha Jo Hyman, 647-2255

Jo Hyman of Amarillo and Leigh and Aubrie Durbin of Dimmitt took Martha Jo to Seminole to visit Martha Jo's mom and their granddaughter, Anita Baccus, who is in the nursing home there.

They went on to Lubbock to spend the night. They had dinner at their favorite place, Shogun. They had doctor's appointments and then met Dickie Holcomb Ballard for lunch at Sugarbakers. They also fit in a meal at The Olive Garden (and we wonder why we have to battle our weight all the time when all we do is eat.)

We also went to Levelland and visited with Ellen Howell Wall, Frances Frazier's sister and a dear friend of Martha Jo's. Ellen is also a sister-in-law to Moss Howell. Ellen was married to A.H. Howell, Moss's brother who passed away several years ago. We planned to be home before dark, but we didn't make it.

## 4-H sets entry time for county livestock show

Castro County 4-H'ers will have an opportunity to enter their barrows, steers and lambs in the Castro County Junior Livestock Show during a special sign-up Jan. 11-15, 1999.

During that week, 4-H'ers with livestock projects are asked to stop by the Extension office in Dimmitt to sign up for the stock show. Entry fees are \$15 per animal.

Judges for this year's county stock show are Scott Doss for lambs, Greg Jones for steers and Rick Whitman for barrows.

For more information about the show or entries, call Benny Martinez or Rebel Royall at the Extension Office, 647-4115.

## Sales tax rebates up

Sales tax rebates issued to the cities of Dimmitt and Nazareth and to Castro County are up for the month of December.

Rebates paid to Castro County reflected a 14.77% increase over payments issued in 1997. The county received a total of \$12,440.87 for December, compared with \$10,839.26 a year ago.

For the year, Castro County is running behind 1997 totals, though. Payments so far this year have totaled \$125,928.57, down 4.62% from \$132,040.55.

The rebate issued to the city of Dimmitt is up 1.13%, from \$25,401.49 in December 1997 to \$25,690.99 this month. Dimmitt's year-to-date total is \$286,432.11, up .52% from \$284,944.54.

In Nazareth, the December 1998 rebate totaled \$1,080.28, up 1.24% from \$1,066.96. This year, the city of Nazareth is running 6.31% ahead of 1997 totals, earning \$13,457.10 this year, compared with \$12,658.23 a year ago.

Hart's December rebate was down 9.34%, from \$1,436.19 in 1997 to \$1,301.98 this month. The city's yearly total for rebates is \$16,555.35, down 20.31% from \$20,775.89.

December's payments included local sales taxes collected by monthly filers on October sales which were reported to the Comptroller in November.



**SANTA'S OPEN HOUSE** in Dimmitt Nov. 19 was sponsored by the Merchants' Committee of the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce to kick off the Christmas shopping season and to encourage shopping at home. Today (Thursday) is the last chance for buying those last minute gifts, and many local stores will be closing early today. Here, a youngster visits with Santa and tells him what her wish is. Photo by Linda Maxwell

The First Baptist Church had a devotional for the residents at Canterbury Villa Wednesday. Wayland Hazel led the music. Irene Carpenter, Bobbie Baldrige, Ysleta Ball, Gertie Waggoner and Martha Jo Hyman were present to help. Irene brought the devotional. They do this every Wednesday.

Cindy Lee of Hart met Luan Martin, a longtime friend and classmate, in Amarillo last Wednesday. Several Amarillo friends joined them and the main purpose of getting together was to celebrate Luan's 46<sup>th</sup> birthday. They met at On The Border Restaurant.

Dawn and Madison McDaniel of Hereford came over to Cindy Lee's home at Hart and they all went to Tulia and toured Kenneth Wyatt's studio. If you have not taken the time to do this, it is certainly worth the effort. Cindy is Dawn's mother-in-law and Madison's Gee Maw (grandmother).

On Monday, Carolyn Moke, Ann Stroud and Mae Hargrove went to

Donny and Wanda Murdock hosted a rehearsal dinner for Lyndi Mitchell and Jason Nelson Friday night at the Wild Plum in Olton.

Guests were served salad, their choice of steak or chicken or green beans, pistachio jelly, baked potato and a dinner roll. For dessert they had chocolate pie and key lime cake. Jason and Lyndi were married Saturday afternoon at the Church of Christ.

Debra Ball directed 37 children in the musical, "A Star is Born," at the First Baptist Church Sunday night.

## Ramirez finishes his basic training

Marine Pvt. Edward C. Ramirez, son of Mary L. Ponce and Edward C. Ramirez Sr., of Hart, has completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego, Calif.

Ramirez successfully completed 12 weeks of training designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

Ramirez and fellow recruits began their training at 5 a.m. by running three miles and performing calisthenics. In addition to the physical conditioning program, Ramirez spent numerous hours in classroom and field assignments which included learning first aid, combat and assorted weapons training. They performed close order drill and operated as a small infantry unit during field training.

Ramirez and other recruits also received instruction on the Marine Corps' core values—honor, courage and commitment, and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional conduct.

Ramirez and fellow recruits ended the training phase with The Crucible, a 54-hour team effort, problem solving evolution which culminated with an emotional ceremony in which the recruits were presented the Marine Corps Emblem, and were addressed as "Marines" for the first time since boot camp began.

Ramirez joins 41,000 men and women who will enter the Marine Corps this year from all over the country.

Ramirez is a 1998 graduate of Hart High School.

Amarillo to see the sights and have their Christmas together. They went to the area of 45<sup>th</sup> and Bell to see the Night of Lights display.

Byron and Christi (Stroud) Black and Brandon Black (better known as Ann's little grandson) came to visit until Monday or Tuesday. Santa is coming to see Brandon a little early.

Kay Kellar was the surprised birthday girl Friday. Several of her friends met at Syd Lynn's home at...yes, this is correct...5:45 a.m. to wish her a happy birthday. Syd had prepared a yummy breakfast casserole and a bread pudding with orange juice and a gourmet coffee.

Those surprising Kay were Pam Norman, Linda Koch, Mary Jo Brown, Cheryl Upshaw, Mary Emma Matthews, Lu Lynn, Martha Jo Hyman, Syd and Hank Lynn and Janice Stanton. Kay thinks I can't keep a secret, but I can! I didn't put her age in print.

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Dec. 6. Children from other churches participated in the performance, including the Catholic Church, Church of Christ and the Methodist Church. Debra did a great job with the kids.

The bridge group played Thursday at the Senior Citizens. Those playing were Helen Braafladt, Bernice and

Ben Hill, Dude McLaurin, Dwight Joiner, Loranell Hamilton, Edith Graef, Susie Reeves, Reta Cluck, Cleo Forson, Louise Mears and Virginia Crider, who was hostess.

Ben won high score and Dude finished second. Virginia served homemade soup, salad, cake and ice cream. These meals would make everyone want to take up bridge.

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# People



## Nominations sought for Rural Minister of Year

Nominations for the 1998 Rural Minister of the Year award will be accepted until Dec. 31 by the Minister Selection Committee of the Texas Conference of Churches.

Ministers may be nominated if they have served a church located in the country or in a community close to a larger town or city for at least two years. A nomination booklet must be filled out by a congregation member.

This year's theme is "The Pastor as Shepherd."

According to Dr. Carol M. Worthing, committee chair, specific examples of a minister's achievements must be included in the nomination book.

Working said nominators should inform the committee how the pastoral skills and other talents of the minister nominated have not only sustained but also enriched the lives of the people in his or her congregation.

All nominees accepted by the selection committee will receive a certificate of recognition. The Texas Rural Minister of the Year will receive a plaque from *Progressive Farmer Magazine* during the closing session of the Assembly of Representatives of the Texas Conference of Churches in Austin on Feb. 16.

This presentation will celebrate the 50th year of the Minister of the Year recognition that was originally part of the annual Town & Country Church Conference held at Texas A&M University.

The award is presented at the assembly as a way of recognizing the outstanding contributions being made by pastors in rural communities. TCC hosts judicatory leaders

and laity from approximately 38 denominational groups from throughout Texas for the annual meeting.

For more information on the Rural Minister of the year award or to obtain a nomination booklet, contact your local Texas Agricultural Extension Service agent.

## Who's New!

### PLAINS MEMORIAL

It's a boy for Maricela Barrientos of Hereford. Her son, Faustino Barrientos, was born at 4:36 p.m. on Dec. 12 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. He weighed in at 9 lbs., 1.2 ounces and was 21 inches long. Maternal grandmother is Carmen Gomez of Hereford. Great-grandparents are Gregoria Aldama, Dominga Barrientos and Julio Barrientos.

Priscilla Tavarez of Dimmitt is the mother of a baby girl, Aaliyah Kaylin Tavarez, who was born at 6:03 a.m. on Dec. 11 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. She weighed 7 lbs., 13.6 ozs., and was 21 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Delia Tavarez and Oscar Tavarez. Great-grandparents are Santos G. Perez, Raymond Tavarez and the late David Perez Sr.

Fernando Ontiveros and Crystal Rodriguez of Dimmitt are the parents of a baby girl, O'Ilvia Noemy Ontiveros, who was born at 8:30 p.m. on Dec. 15 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. She weighed 6 lbs., 14.6 ozs., and was 20 inches long at birth. Her paternal grandparents are Angel and Magdalena Ontiveros of Dimmitt. Maternal grandparents are Ramon and Stella Rodriguez of Dimmitt. Great-grandparents are Erlinda Padilla, Rosa Rodriguez, Maria de Jesus Castaneda and Estanislada Nunez.



MRS. JOHN DAVID RODGERS  
... nee Haylei D'Nae Wall

## Wall, Rodgers exchange wedding vows Sunday

Haylei D'Nae Wall and John David Rodgers exchanged wedding vows Sunday afternoon in a formal, double-ring ceremony at the First United Methodist Church in Dimmitt. The Rev. Rusty Dickerson officiated at the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of the late Dana Wall and the granddaughter of Georgie and Fred Wall of Dimmitt. Parents of the groom are Dennis and Linda Rodgers.

Pianist Debra Ball accompanied soloist Tami Griffith as she sang *In This Very Room* and *Whither Thou Goest*.

Matron of honor was Tisha Gerber of Nazareth, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Kathy Parker of Levelland and Nadine Schulte of San Antonio, friends of the bride.

Best man was Brandon Grogan of Canyon, cousin of the groom. Groomsmen were Lenny Johnson of Campo, Colo., and James W. Dunnihoo of Spearman, friends of the groom.

Candlelighters were Nancy Rodgers of Canyon, sister of the

groom; and Brandi Rice of Wichita Falls, friend of the bride.

Logan Robb of Dimmitt, friend of the bride, was ring bearer. Flower girl was Maddison Hill of Stephenville, cousin of the groom.

Guests were seated by Jackie Thomas of Dimmitt, friend of the bride; and Matt Dunnihoo of Spearman, friend of the groom.

After a wedding trip to Oahu and Maui in the Hawaiian Islands, the couple will establish their home in Canyon on Dec. 29.

The bride is a senior at West Texas A&M University School of Nursing. She is employed at Panhandle Ag Service, Inc.

The groom earned an associate degree at Dodge City Community College in Kansas. He holds a bachelor of science degree in animal science from West Texas A&M University. He is currently engaged in farming in the Spearman area.

## Texans can now file sales tax on World Wide Web

Sales tax filing in Texas is now easier with the addition of a new World Wide Web site.

"With a few clicks and a little typing, many sales tax payers can now file their returns on the World Wide Web," State Comptroller John Sharp said. "WebFile allows certain businesses an easy, efficient and fast way to file their sales tax return and avoid paperwork. It's easier for the taxpayer and more efficient for us."

It also puts the Texas Comptroller's office in the lead nationally in using the World Wide Web for tax filing.

"As far as we can determine, we're the first state to do this," Sharp said.

The new WebFile Internet Service follows the success of the Comptroller's TeleFile Service, which allows taxpayers to file their returns over a touch-tone phone by calling 1-888-4FILING (1-888-434-5464). That service began Jan. 1, 1996.

During that last fiscal year, over 250,000 returns were filed that met WebFile criteria: short-form filers with no tax due and long-form filers who had no sales at any of their outlets.

Over 160,000 taxpayers now qualify to use WebFile, saving them postage, paperwork and valuable time, and making it easier for the Comptroller's Office to process their return.

"We're always looking for ways to make the task of filing tax returns faster and easier," Sharp said. "This is another step in that ongoing process."

Those with Internet access can go to the Comptroller's Window on the State Government Web Page and file their return any time, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

"Two years ago we did a taxpayer survey and found almost a fourth of our taxpayers had Internet access," said Sharp. "That figure is at least up

to 50% by now, so we've made it as easy as possible for them to send us their tax information."

The Comptroller's office is getting the word out to taxpayers to encourage them to use this new system.

"We'll be doing a stuffer in preprinted returns later this year, letting taxpayers know about this in time for our big filing peak time in January," Sharp said. "We expect more will participate as they become aware of how easy it is to file."

To get more information on WebFile, visit the web site at <http://www.window.state.tx.us>.

## Cox completes his Navy basics

Navy Airman Apprentice Thomas J. Cox, son of William H. Cox of Dimmitt, recently completed US Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command in Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week program, Cox completed a variety of training which included a classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, fire fighting, water safety and survival and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis was also placed on physical fitness.

Cox and other recruits also received instruction in the Navy's core values—honor, courage and commitment—and how to apply them in their military performance and personal conduct. Cox joins 55,000 men and women who will enter the Navy this year from all over the country.

Men and women train together from their first day in the Navy, just as they do aboard ships and at shore commands around the world. To reinforce the team concept, Cox and other recruits also were trained in preventing sexual harassment and ensuring equal opportunity.

Even as the naval service gets smaller over the next five years, highly motivated young people like Cox are still finding an opportunity to improve their knowledge and education as they become part of the most highly technical naval force in history. This year alone, the Navy will have more than 57,000 job openings and opportunities which include guaranteed training.

He is a 1998 graduate of Breckenridge High School of Breckenridge.

## Chamber banquet set Jan. 16

The 51st annual Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce banquet has been slated for Jan. 16 at the Expo Building.

The annual citizen awards will be presented, and the featured speaker will be Kenneth Chambers, "the Cellular Cowboy," according to Chamber Executive Director Bill Sava.

Tickets will be \$15 per person and may be purchased at the Chamber office at 115 W. Bedford. The meal will be a steak dinner prepared by Dimmitt's Methodist Men.

Cheryle Pybus will serve as emcee. The theme of the banquet is "Be a Sport—Support Dimmitt."

Sava said it is not too late to submit nominations for the honors of Citizen of the Year, Citizen Through the Years, and Teacher of the Year. Forms will be available at the Chamber office until Jan. 5.

"I expect a record turnout this year, since Mr. Chambers is well-known locally," Sava said, "and the Methodist Men's reputation as 'chefs extraordinaire' (translated 'real good cooks') is equally well-established."

## Dimmitt Dollars winners named

The final prize drawing will be held in Dimmitt today (Thursday) at noon in connection with the annual "Santa's Open House" promotion sponsored by the Merchant's Committee of the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce.

The first drawing was held Nov. 19, and additional drawings were held weekly, except for Thanksgiving week.

Winners from last week's drawing and where they registered were: June Norman, \$100, Hereford Texas Federal Credit Union; Angie Hernandez, \$10, Hereford Texas Federal Credit Union; and Betty Steffens, \$10, Borderline Restaurant.

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## Nominations due for citizen honors

The Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce is accepting nominations for its "Citizen of the Year," "Citizen Through the Years" and "Teacher of the Year" awards, which will be presented at the annual Chamber banquet in January.

Nomination forms may be picked up at the Chamber office in Dimmitt.

"Every year when our selection committees convene, the names of several people who weren't nominated are brought up and, invariably, someone says, 'Well, it's a shame...,'" said Bill Sava, executive director of the chamber of commerce. "This is a great way for organizations, groups of friends, churches, individuals, students, and even family members to recognize someone who has made worthwhile contributions to our community."

## Lindley joins Angus group

Jay Lindley of Dimmitt is a new member of the American Angus Association.

The American Angus Association, with over 31,000 active adult and junior members, is the largest beef cattle registry association in the world. Its computerized records include detailed information on over 12 million registered Angus.

The association records ancestral information and keeps records of production on individual animals for its members. These permanent records help members select and mate the best animals in their herds to produce high quality, efficient breeding cattle which are then recorded with the American Angus Association. Most of these registered angus are used by the US farmers and ranchers who raise high quality beef for US consumption.

# Mitchell and Nelson wed in double-ring ceremony

A formal, double-ring ceremony at the Fourth and Bedford Street Church of Christ in Dimmitt Saturday joined in marriage Lyndy Rae Mitchell of Hart and Jason Kyle Nelson of Dimmitt.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Mitchell of Hart. Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Donny Nelson of Dimmitt.

The couple exchanged their vows in an afternoon ceremony with James Mitchell of San Angelo, pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Church and brother of Ricky Mitchell, officiating.

Singers from Christ in Action of Lubbock provided music for the wedding.

Two topiary trees flanked each side of the auditorium. Arrangements of juniper, eucalyptus, babies' breath and a combination of burgundy, white and white with burgundy-tipped roses decorated the setting.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a white satin sleeveless floor-length gown that extended to a full-cathedral train. The fitted bodice was adorned with pearls, beads and sequins as was the bottom of the dress and the train. The appliques followed a Battenburg lace pattern.

She wore a matching crown with a fingertip veil.

Maid of honor was Jami Jackson of Rockwall, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Whitney Mitchell of Hart, sister of the bride; Jana Nelson of Dimmitt, sister of the groom; Tammy Nelson, sister-in-law of the groom; and Rachel Goldsmith of Dimmitt and Hayley Truelock of Lubbock, formerly of Hart, friends of the bride.

The bridal attendants wore gowns made from embossed velvet in emerald and hunter green fabric. The floor-length, a-line dresses were sleeveless. Each attendant wore a stole made of sheer emerald green fabric trimmed in the velvet material used for the bridesmaids' gowns.

Bridal attendants carried small bouquets of burgundy roses and jewel-toned flowers.

Best man was Michael Etheridge of Dumas, friend of the groom.

Groomsman included Mark Mitchell of Hart, brother of the bride; Joel Nelson of Grand Prairie and Justin Nelson of Dimmitt, brothers of the groom; and Mark Rogers and Matt Gfeller, both of Dimmitt, friends of the groom.

Flower girl was Jaci Mitchell of Joshua, cousin of the bride.

Ring bearer was Tyler Nelson of Dimmitt, nephew of the groom.

Candlelighters were Jason Jackson of Rockwall and Barry Clinton of Nazareth, friends of the bride.

Ushers were Jason Wylie of Flower Mound, cousin of the bride; and Jason Wooten and Curt Summers of Dimmitt and Monty



MRS. JASON KYLE NELSON  
... nee Lyndy Rae Mitchell

Moore of Kress, friends of the groom.

Mrs. Trey Rogers (Michelle Wylie), cousin of the bride, presided over the registry table.

After the wedding, a reception was held at the Church of Christ Fellowship Hall in Dimmitt. Servers were Allison Nelson of Grand Prairie, sister-in-law of the groom; and Teri Draeger of Lubbock, Amanda Riley of Lubbock, Brandi Key of Hart and Jill Gowens of Crosbyton, friends of the bride.

The bride's cake was made by Martha Lytal of Hereford and it featured various flavors in the shape of tiered packages.

The groom's cake was made by Debra Goldsmith of Dimmitt. The two-layer chocolate cake featured a western background.

Trays of finger foods were catered by Mary Cluck.

Table decorations included two arrangements of jewel-toned flowers centered on the bride's and groom's tables.

All of the serving pieces on the tables represented the couple's families, past and present.

After a wedding trip to San Antonio, the couple will make their home east of Dimmitt.

The bride graduated from Hart High School in 1996. She is a junior at Texas Tech University, where she is majoring in family and consumer science education. She plans to

graduate in May 2000.

The groom graduated from West Texas A&M University in 1996 with a general agriculture degree.

Mr. and Mrs. Donny Nelson hosted a rehearsal party at the Wild Plum in Olton. Pecan chicken or steak were served to guests along with a choice of key-lime tart or chocolate pie.

# Nazareth with Virgie Gerber. 945-2669

The Paramount Terrace Christian Church presented its annual Christmas pageant this past weekend with a theme of "Forgiveness." It was wonderful, as always.

My favorite scenes were "The Last Supper" and "The Crucifixion," because both were so real. The sound effects, lighting and acting were unforgettable.

Alan Pohlmeier again played the part of Joseph and sang *Sweet Little Baby Boy*, which was beautiful. His wife, Cathi, sings in the sanctuary choir and his daughter, Chelsi, was one of the children in the cast.

Sandee Hoelting, Jake and Monty Hoelting, Clifford Gerber and Virgie Gerber joined Tricia and Andi Rose at the Civic Center in Amarillo Sunday evening for the Christmas pageant. They later toured the John Stiff Memorial Park, which was decorated for Christmas. It's quite a tribute to the Amarillo businesses.

The Nazareth Swift Band's Christmas Concert was presented Thursday

evening to a filled auditorium. The fifth-grade band and the sixth grade band each performed several Christmas selections and they did very well.

In the sixth-grade band, Orin Schulte and Jamie Black were recognized as junior high all-region band alternates and Jamie Lynn Birkenfeld and Garrett Kleman were named to the junior high all-region band.

The high school band also performed Christmas selections which were great. Quentin Jones, Mark and Craig Birkenfeld and Mikki Huguley were featured during *A Holly Jolly Christmas*. Jason Birkenfeld was featured during *Christmas Cradle Song*. Susan Lange, Mikki Huguley and Brooke Embers were recognized as high school all-region concert band members; Mark Birkenfeld and Jason Birkenfeld as high school all-region symphonic band members; Kristi Ramaekers, Erica Gerber, Tanya Herring, Kim Brockman, Kory Huseman, Craig Birkenfeld and Becca Olvera as junior high all-region band members; and Nicole Acker, Lindsey Wood, Megan Schulte, Shelby Wilhelm and Brett Hoelting as junior high all-region band alternates.

The band consists of 66 members in the seventh through 12<sup>th</sup> grades. Fidelis Fettsch is the band's capable and caring director.

Sandee and Barry Hoelting, K'Lynn Gerber and Virgie Gerber enjoyed a Christmas program Tuesday evening at the Gene Howe Elementary School in Amarillo. Andi Rose portrayed a starkeeper in the program presented by a great number of first-grade students.

The Heiman Christmas was hosted this year by Jo Anne (Heiman)

Bowen in Plainview Saturday evening. Present were Fritz and Julene Gerber, Denny and Dolores Heiman of Nazareth and Phil and Iona Taylor of Lubbock. Also, 20 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren were there.

A delicious buffet meal was served and a fun Chinese gift exchange was enjoyed between ladies, men and great-grandchildren. Not able to attend was Isabell (Easy) Schulte, a resident at Canterbury Villa. She sent her love and blessings to all present.

## Aaron Wilcox Memorial Lamb Classic set Jan. 2

The second annual Aaron Wilcox Memorial Lamb Classic will be held Saturday, Jan. 2, at the Expo Building in Dimmitt.

This year there will be two lamb shows and both will be sanctioned by the Texas Club Lamb Association. The first show will start at 10 a.m. and will be judged by Ronny Dennis. The second show will start approximately one hour after the end of the first show and will be judged by Marvin Ensor.

Entry fee is \$20 per show or \$35 for both shows.

All weight cards will be due by 9 a.m.

A showmanship competition will be held for anyone interested, and the event will be judged by both judges. Entry fee for the showmanship is \$5 per person.

All Texas Club Lamb Association rules apply for both shows and the showmanship.

For more information contact the Extension Office in Dimmitt.

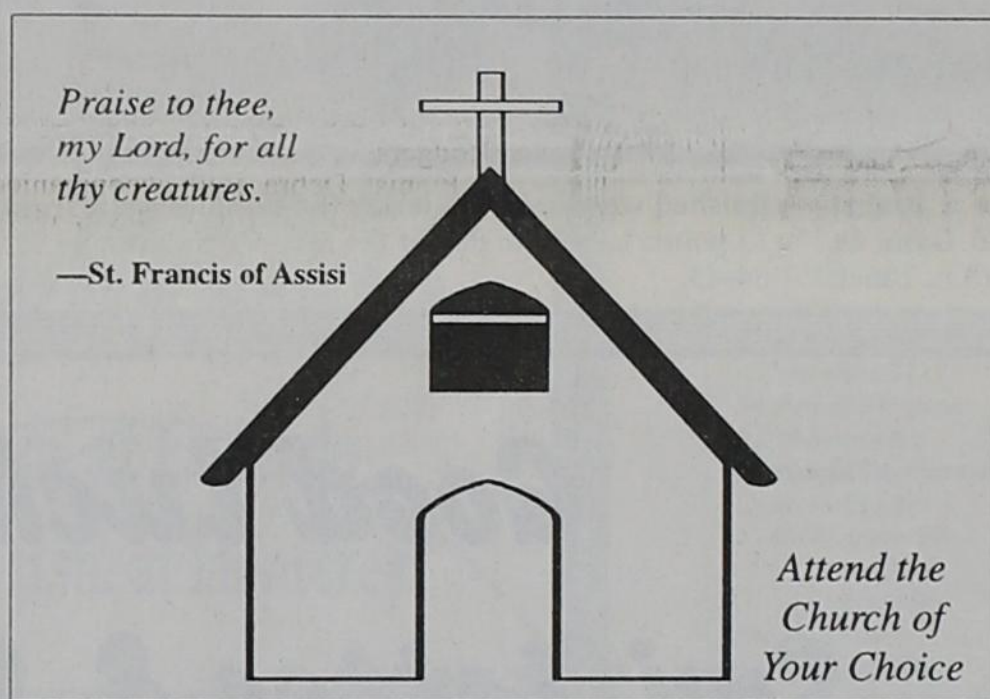
## Substitute inservice is scheduled

Anyone interested in serving as a substitute teacher in the Dimmitt schools may sign up for a substitute teacher inservice session that will be held Jan. 6, beginning at 10 a.m.

Doricell Davis, curriculum director for DISD, said that those who have already attended a session for this school year do not have to attend again.

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# Sports



## Bobbies top Squaws in big comeback

The Bobbies staged a dramatic 24-point turnaround in the final 10 minutes to subdue the favored Friona Squaws, 54-43, here Friday night.

Trailing by 13 points, 26-39, with two minutes left in the third quarter, the Bobbies outscored the Squaws 28-4 in the final 10 minutes for the impressive win.

It was only the third loss for the fast, quick-passing Squaws.

After a nip-and-tuck first half, Friona stretched a three-point lead to 13 in the third period before the Bobbies cranked their game up a couple

of notches and wrested away the momentum.

Dimmitt Coach Chris Edwards credited senior guard Stephanie Hinojosa with sparking the rally.

"Stephanie was one of our main keys on defense in the third and fourth quarters," Edwards said. "She stepped it up and just kept on battling, and I think the other girls took their cue from her."

The Bobbies ended the third with five unanswered points—a free throw by Hinojosa, a 15-foot baseline shot by Tonya Robertson and a

put-back by Heather Black—to cut Friona's lead to 39-31 going into the final period.

Meanwhile, Friona playmakers Crystal Dow and Crystal Morton picked up their fourth fouls late in the third.

Then the Bobbies went on a hard-charging, 23-point scoring tear in the fourth while restricting the Squaws to four points with their pressure defense.

"I think our kids just realized that they weren't moving real well, and they stepped up and met the chal-

lenge. We had to fight hard to take the momentum away from them. I thought it showed a lot of character, especially against a good club like Friona."

Robertson, Carol Summers and Shawna Kenworthy scored six apiece while Hinojosa netted four and Heather Wise one as the Bobbies surged past Friona's sticky man-to-man defense in their fourth-quarter attack. Senior post Sheri Fiel scored both of Friona's fourth-quarter baskets as the Squaws saw both their inside and outside shots start rimming out.

Robertson finished with 20, followed by Kenworthy with 10, Summers with 8, Hinojosa and Black with 7 apiece and Wise and Lori Schulte with 1 apiece. For Friona, Fiel scored 15 and Whitney Ellis had 10.

"We've been a team looking for an identity, and I think it was good for our kids to prove to themselves that they can battle back and beat a good team," Coach Edwards said.

"It was one of those games that tested the old character."

### Bobcats 56, Chieftains 37

Remember the last Dimmitt-Friona game, in which the Bobcats needed a last-second shot and an overtime to subdue a stubborn Chieftain team for playoff rights?

Friday night's varsity boys' game here was nothing like that.

The Bobcats led from the get-go and stretched their advantage to as many as 23 points before coasting to a 56-37 win.

The Bobcats blew it open in the second half after a cold first half that ended 23-14.

"We did a lot of good things defensively in the first half, but we weren't getting any points off of them," Bobcat Coach Alan Steidle said. "We had some good looks at the basket but the shots just didn't fall for us."

The Bobcats connected on only 9 of 27 shots in the first half.

"Also, we had 12 turnovers in the first half, and we talked about that at halftime," Coach Steidle said. "We had too many unforced errors to be

playing against a team that wasn't pressing.

"We took better care of the ball in the second half and had only seven turnovers," the coach said.

Wesley Wright got the Bobcats into the game by opening with a trey, popping another midway in the first, then feeding Taylor Matthews for a layup. Derek Buckley contributed a layup off a steal, then ended the first-quarter scoring with a trey.

Dimmitt's quick-handed defense, meanwhile, forced Friona into lots of turnovers and the Chieftains had to settle for two field goals and two free throws in the opening period.

Friona's Justin Daniel and Adolfo Avalos closed Dimmitt's lead to 13-10 early in the second quarter before Buckley answered with another trey, and later Jerry Thomas and Jacob Larra rang up seven unanswered points to help the Bobcats to a 23-14

halftime lead.

After Friona's Landon Martin opened the third with back-to-back layups, Wright popped another trey that launched a 16-0 Dimmitt run, courtesy of Buckley and Thomas, to help stake Dimmitt to a 41-22 lead going into the final frame.

Thomas, Buckley, Larra and Daniel Flores teamed for 15 points in the fourth as the Bobcats coasted to a 19-point victory.

"I was pleased with our defense," Coach Steidle said. "If we had shot better, we would have had more of a cushion early on. We had good, balanced scoring again, with six of the eight who played scoring."

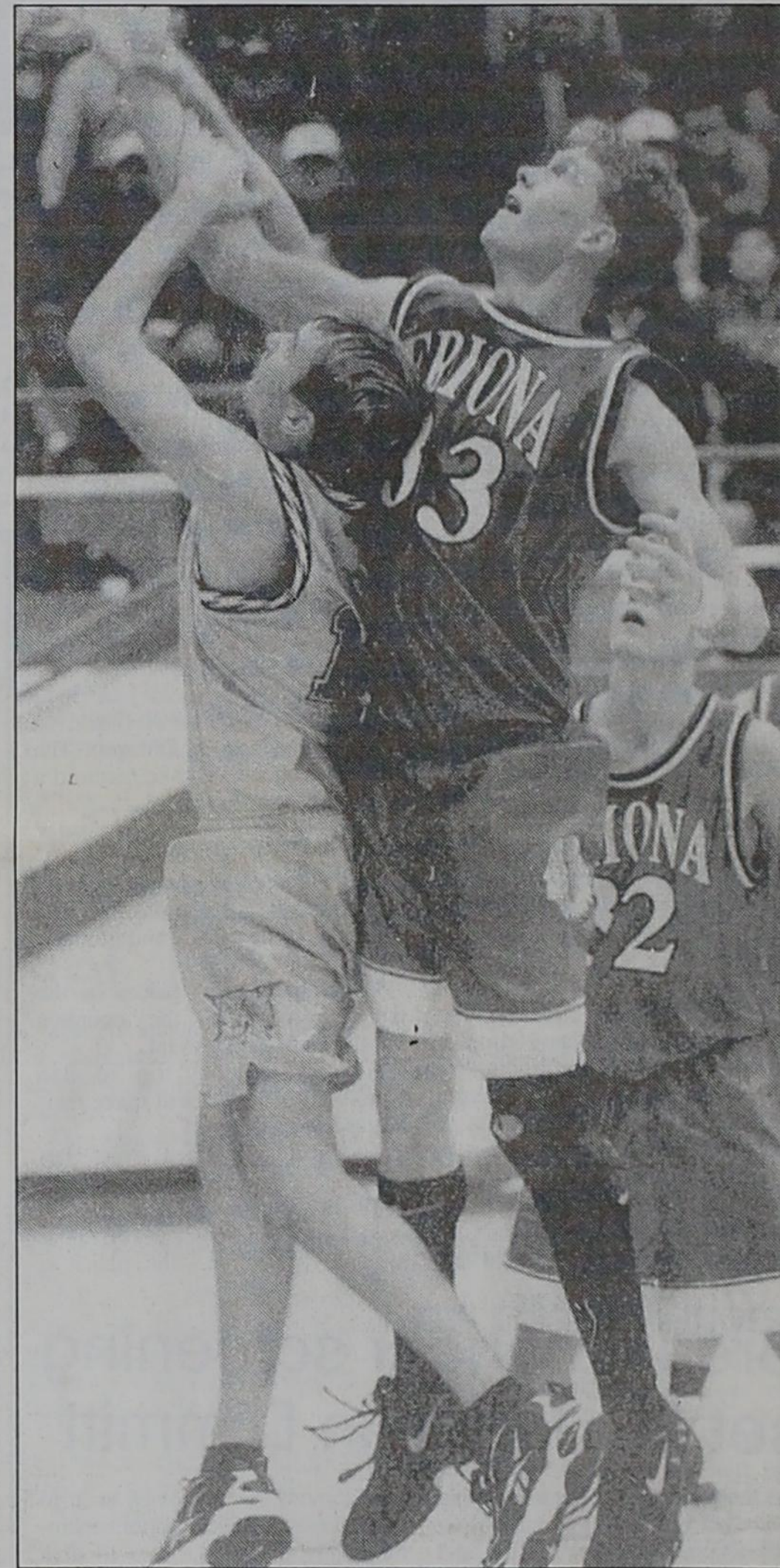
Buckley finished with 20 and Thomas with 16. Thomas led in rebounding with eight and graded tops in overall play while Larra, Wright and Buckley led in credits.



HEATHER BLACK drives the lane for a basket against Friona Friday night in Cleveland Gym. In background is teammate Heather Wise (33). Black

finished with seven points as the Bobbies came from 13 points behind to defeat the favored Squaws by 11, 54-43.

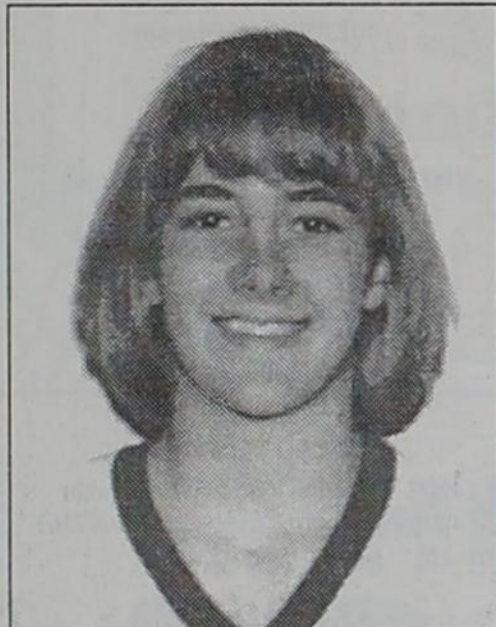
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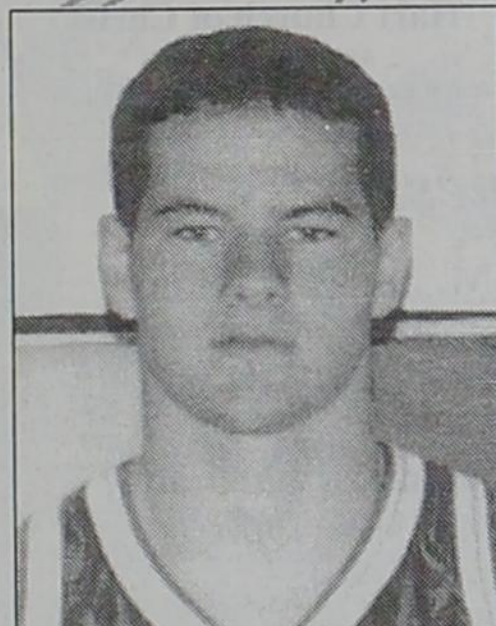
WHAM!—Dimmitt's Taylor Matthews is hammered by Friona's Justin Daniel (33) as he goes up for an offensive rebound Friday night. In background is Friona's Landon Martin (32). The Bobcats won handily over the Chieftains, 56-37.

Photo by Carter Townsend

## Good Luck, Swiftettes & Swifts in the Caprock Tournament!



Shawna Gerber  
Sophomore Guard



Matty McLain  
Sophomore Guard

**SWIFTETTES FIRST GAME:  
Nazareth vs. Estacado, Monday,  
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**SWIFTS FIRST GAME:  
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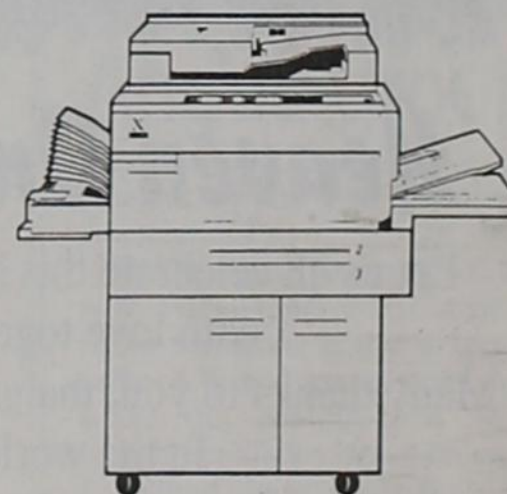
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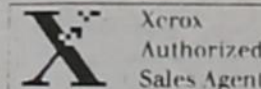
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# Dimmitt drops two to Coronado

After winning at home Friday night, the Bobbies and Bobcats took it on the chin Saturday at Lubbock Coronado.

The Lady Mustangs—the state's No. 2-ranked Class 5A girls' team—walloped the Bobbies, 90-52.

And the Mustangs turned back the

Bobcats, 54-44.

Both of the Lubbock teams used their superior height to good advantage.

In the girls' game, the Lady Mustangs opened a 21-12 lead in the first quarter and never looked back. It was 43-25 at halftime and 61-39

after three periods.

"They really pressured us," Bobbies Coach Chris Edwards said. "I think they're the best team we've played so far. They're really physical—they bump you all up and down the floor."

Friday night's hard-earned win over Friona took its toll in Saturday's game, Coach Edwards felt.

"In the third quarter there was only a four-point scoring difference, but in the fourth quarter I think the Friday night game caught up with us. Coronado hadn't played in eight days and were a lot fresher."

On the positive side, Coach Edwards said, "We forced them into 26 turnovers, which is extremely good against a team of that caliber."

Leading scorers for the Bobbies were Tonya Robertson with 14 and Shawna Kenworthy with 10, including 8-of-10 free throws.

Cold shooting and Coronado's dominance under the boards cost the Bobcats the game.

"We jumped out on them in the first quarter (13-10), but we weren't hitting our shots," Coach Alan Steinle said. "We usually got just one shot at the basket, and no second shots" over the Mustangs' three front men, who towered 6-10, 6-7 and 6-4.

The Mustangs came back to out-score the Bobcats 19-7 in the second quarter and 13-7 in the third, and the Bobcats couldn't make up the difference despite outgunning their hosts in the fourth, 17-11.

"Their size caused us some difficulties, but still, we just didn't execute on offense as well as we needed to," Coach Steinle said. "We should have attacked their defense more. We didn't fast-break enough, and we didn't get to the free-throw line too many times."

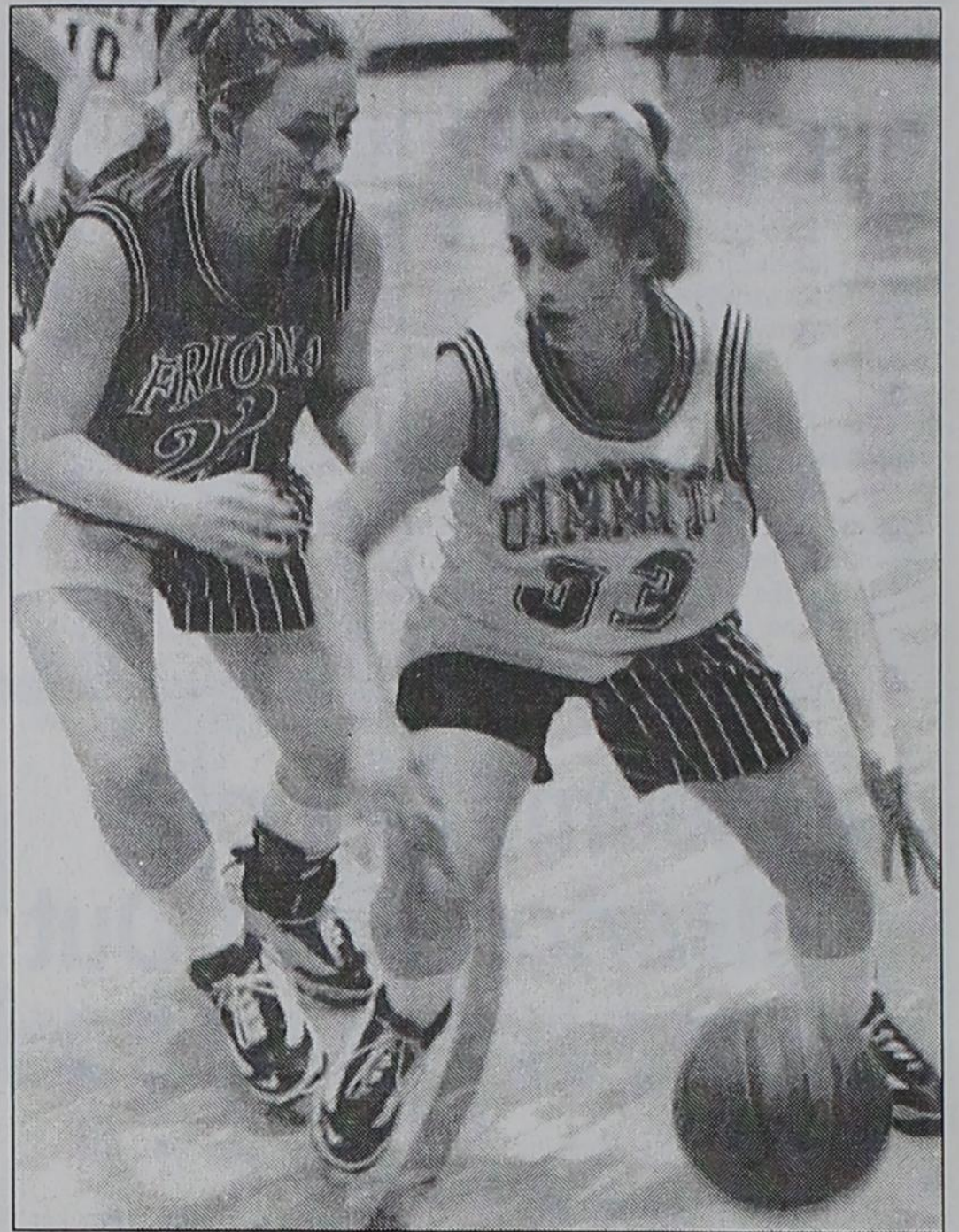
Gunning mainly from long range, the Bobcats shot only 27% from the field.

"We ended up attempting 35 threes during the game," Coach Steinle noted. "That's way too many if you're not hitting them."

Jacob Larra hit three treys, Daniel Flores two and Derek Buckley and Sammy Prieto one apiece for the Bobcats.

Leading Dimmitt scorers were Jerry Thomas with 12, Larra with 11 and Buckley with 10.

"Their 54 points was not too many to give up, but when you're not shooting well and you don't attack the opponent, you're not going to score much yourself," Steinle said.



**PROBING**—Dimmitt's Heather Wise (33) works the perimeter against Friona's Crystal Morton in Friday night's varsity girls' game here. After falling behind by 13 points, the Bobbies staged a dramatic turnaround, outscoring the favored Squaws 28-4 in the final 10 minutes to take a hard-earned 54-43 victory.

*Photo by Carter Townsend*

## Scoreboard

**FRIDAY**  
**Swifts 55, Smyer 41**  
 Nazareth 13 17 12 13 —55  
 Smyer 6 10 5 20 —41  
 Nazareth—Mitchell Brockman and Kade Wilcox 11, Smyer—Riley 12.  
*Record: Nazareth 6-7.*

**Swiftettes 72, Smyer 37**  
 Nazareth 13 21 12 26 —72  
 Smyer 6 8 6 17 —37  
 Nazareth—Shawna Gerber 20, Whitney Hoelting 16, Stephanie Thiel 13, Smyer—Pittman 17, F. Morrison 15. *Record: Nazareth 11-3.*

**Longhorns 43, Lazbuddie 52**  
 Hart 6 16 10 11 —43  
 Lazbuddie 14 15 7 16 —52  
 Hart—Jeremiah Velasquez 14, Jared Aven 11, Lazbuddie—C. Morris 16, Roneck 10. *Record: Hart 3-9.*

**Lady Horns 65, Lazbuddie 59 (OT)**  
 Hart 13 6 22 13 11 —65  
 Lazbuddie 11 14 10 19 5 —59  
 Hart—Veronica Gonzales 18, Geneva Finch 15, Ysa Rodriguez 11, Lazbuddie—L. Jovia 15. *Record: Hart 11-3.*

**Bobbies 54, Friona 43**  
 Dimmitt 14 7 10 23 —54  
 Friona 11 13 15 4 —43  
 Dimmitt—Tonya Robertson 20, Shawna Kenworthy 10, Friona—Fiel 17. *Record: Dimmitt 8-5.*

**Bobcats 56, Friona 37**  
 Dimmitt 13 10 18 15 —56  
 Friona 6 8 8 15 —37  
 Dimmitt—Derek Buckley 20, Jerry Thomas 16, Friona—Daniel 9. *Record: Dimmitt 9-5.*

**SATURDAY**  
**Bobbies 52, Coronado 90**  
 Dimmitt 12 13 14 13 —52  
 Coronado 21 22 18 29 —90  
 Dimmitt—Tonya Robertson 14, Shawna Kenworthy 10, Coronado—Valek 20, Williams 15, Callaway 12. *Record: Dimmitt 8-6.*

**Bobcats 44, Coronado 54**  
 Dimmitt 13 7 7 17 —44  
 Coronado 10 18 13 11 —54  
 Dimmitt—Jerry Thomas 12, Jacob Larra 11, Derek Buckley 10, Coronado—Hall 22, Ivory 10. *Record: Dimmitt 9-6.*

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# Good Luck,

# Bobbies and Bobcats

# in the Caprock Tournament!

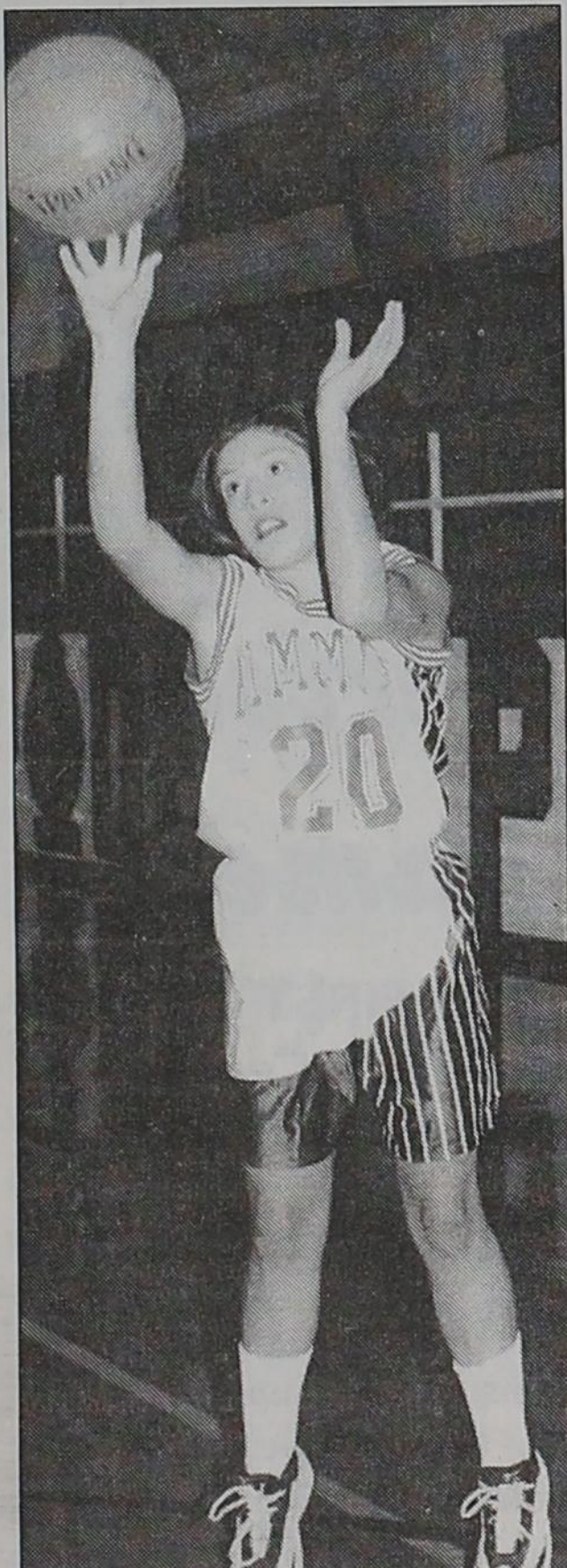
**BOBBIES FIRST GAME: Dimmitt vs. Whiteface, Monday, 9 a.m. at Estacado**

**BOBCATS FIRST GAME: Dimmitt vs. El Paso Bowie, Monday, 3 p.m. at Monterey**

### Schedule and Scores

Dec. 28-30—Caprock Tournament, Lubbock  
 Jan. 2—Littlefield, Here  
 Jan. 5—Slaton, There  
 Jan. 8—Muleshoe (Boys), Here  
 Jan. 8—Perryton (Girls), Here  
 Jan. 12—Tulia, There  
 Jan. 15—River Road, Here  
 Jan. 19—Sanford-Fritch, There  
 Jan. 22—Dalhart, Here  
 Jan. 26—Tulia, Here  
 Jan. 29—Perryton, There  
 Feb. 2—Sanford-Fritch, Here  
 Feb. 5—River Road, There  
 Feb. 9—Dalhart, There  
 Feb. 12—Perryton (Boys), Here

<p><b>Bobbies</b></p> <p>22, Randall 42              32, Levelland 52              56, Borger 49</p> <p><b>Queen's Classic</b></p> <p>58, Lockney 66              80, Ray 75              72, Vega 62</p> <p><i>Consolation Champions</i></p> <p>43, Hereford 32              54, Amarillo High 66              57, Muleshoe 42</p> <p><b>Seminole Tournament</b></p> <p>87, Hobbs 76              66, Andrews 38              63, Seminole 66</p> <p><i>Second Place</i></p> <p>54, Friona 43              52, Coronado 90</p> <p><b>Season Record: 8-6</b></p>	<p><b>Bobcats</b></p> <p>61, Randall 69              81, Levelland 72              61, Borger 43              67, Farwell 48              49, Hereford 54</p> <p><b>Pioneer Classic</b></p> <p>59, Lubbock High 61              67, Lubbock Estacado 44              75, Plainview 48              47, El Paso 52</p> <p>70, Muleshoe 62</p> <p><b>Seminole Tournament</b></p> <p>50, Denyer City 62              77, Andrews 53              71, Pampa 57</p> <p><i>Consolation Champions</i></p> <p>56, Friona 37              44, Coronado 54</p> <p><b>Season Record: 9-6</b></p>
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**Nativity scene gets new life . . .**

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penses were going to be too prohibitive and I felt like it would be hard to get the statues to and from Oklahoma City," Brockman said.

She wasn't discouraged, though. On the way home from Amarillo one day, Brockman decided to pay a visit to an old family friend, Danny Gamble, who owns Gamble's Art and Frame in Canyon.

Brockman had intended to ask Gamble for the name of someone who might be able to restore the nativity scene, but she was pleased when he agreed to do the work for her.

"He said he'd never done anything like this before, but he also said that he'd love to do it because of his friendship with my mother and our family," Brockman said.

The statues were in good shape, with only a few chipped places marring the craftsmanship, according to Gamble.

Gamble started work on the statues last June and had finished most of the scene in time for a Conrad family reunion in early July, according to Brockman.

"I think he worked day and night on it," Brockman said. "When I saw

the finished statues, I was just amazed. He didn't change the original colors, he just made them brighter and added detail.

"I told him just to use his talent and do what he felt was needed and he did a superb job. I told Danny that on a scale of 1 to 10 I'd give it between 50 and 100. He just did a gorgeous job on it."

The job didn't stop with restoration of the statues. Gamble also created a manger, completed with original paintings for the backdrop and side views.

"Danny did the stable and all. He had looked at the stable we use in church and that's how he got the idea for a stable for the new statues," Brockman said.

"I wanted it to be a little bit more of a natural setting, so I used some old stockyard fencing," Gamble said in an interview with Chris Albracht of *The West Texas Catholic*. "It makes the rooftop look like whatever the weathered wood would be if they used it then."

Then Gamble created the backdrop painting—the distant city of Bethlehem—and the other original paintings on each side which added an extra special touch to the refurbished nativity.

The refurbished nativity scene, which now rests on the grounds of Holy Family Church for all to see, was blessed and dedicated Sunday morning after mass by Msgr. Waldow, who had also been a good friend of the Conrad family.

**Hart teams will play in Silverton Hoot Out**

The Hart Longhorns and Lady Horns will be in Silverton Monday through Wednesday, trying to top the field in the Silverton Hoot Out.

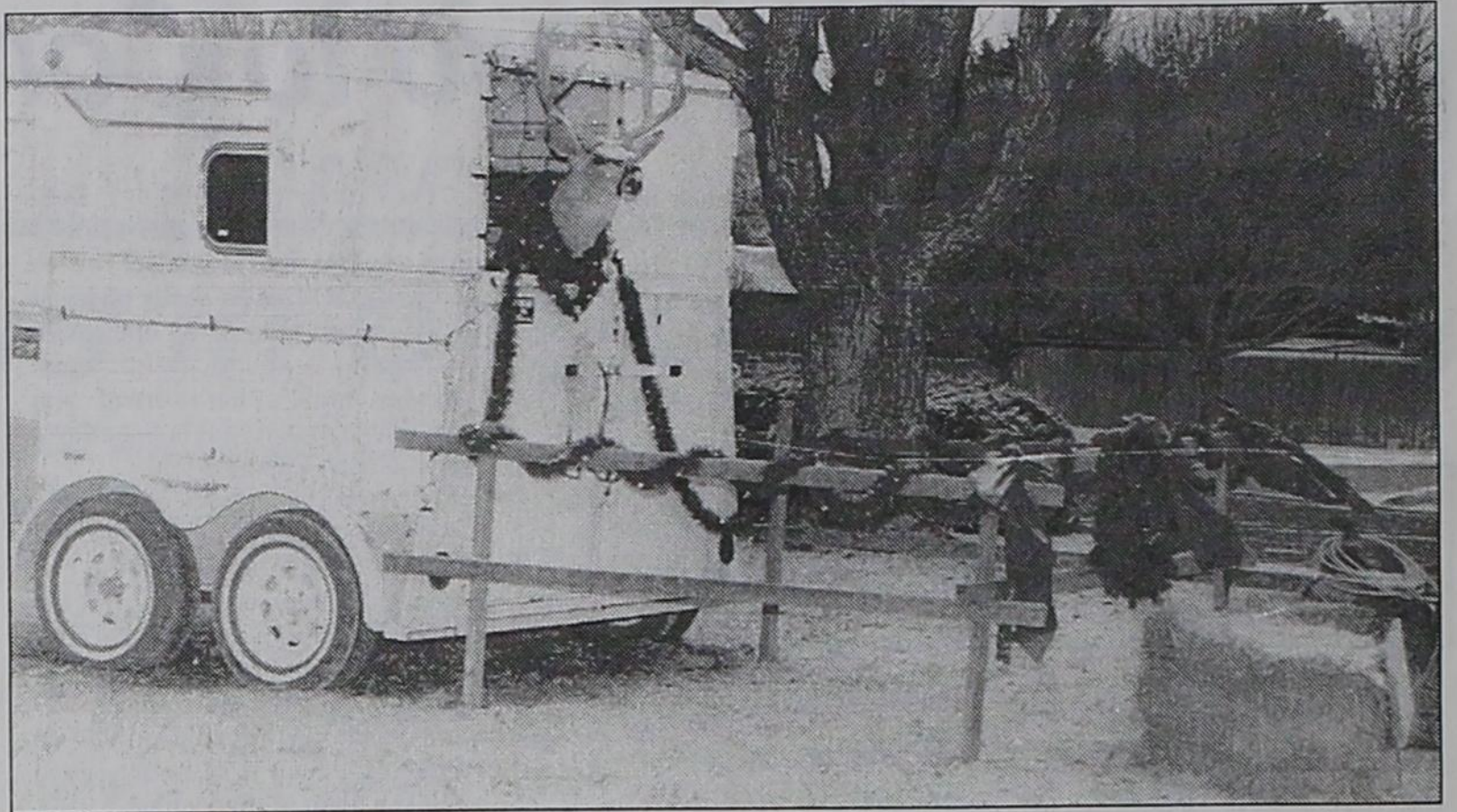
The Lady Horns open tournament play by facing Cotton Center at 12:40 p.m. Monday while the Longhorns will meet Miami at 4:40 p.m.

Should the Lady Horns beat the Lady Elks Monday, they will advance to the championship semifinals against the winner between Claude and Silverton junior varsity. That game will be played Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. The consolation semifinal between the Hart-Cotton Center and Claude-Silverton JV losers will be played at 10 a.m. Tuesday.

The Hart boys will face either Bible Heritage or Silverton Tuesday, with the winners of the two first-round matchups playing at 7:30 p.m. and the losers will meet at 2 p.m.

On Wednesday, the girls' bracket features the seventh-place game at 10 a.m., the consolation final at 1 p.m., the third-place game at 4 p.m. and the championship at 7 p.m.

The boys' final day's bracket starts with the seventh-place game at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday. The consolation final will start at 2:30 p.m., and the third-place game will begin at 5:30 p.m. The championship game will be played at 8:30 p.m.



SANTA'S STALLS—"Rudolph," complete with a nose so very shiny that you could even say it glows, is peeking out of the back of a stock trailer at the corner of Seventh and Cleveland in Dimmitt. The holiday display is at the home of Robert and Lori Wilhite. Photo by Linda Maxwell

**Dimmitt, Naz ready for tough challenges in Caprock Tourney**

Dimmitt and Nazareth basketball teams will face big tests next week as they compete in one of the toughest and biggest holiday tournaments in the state—the annual Caprock ABC Holiday Tournament.

Held in Lubbock each year at gyms across the city, the tournament draws some of the toughest teams from all classifications. There are 32 boys' teams and 32 girls' teams entered in this year's tournament, which will be Monday through Wednesday.

The Dimmitt Bobcats will open tournament play Monday at 3 p.m. against El Paso Bowie at Lubbock Monterey High School.

The Nazareth Swifts' first opponent in the meet will be Dalhart, Monday at 12 noon at Monterey.

In the girls' division, the Dimmitt Bobbies will meet Whiteface at 9 a.m. Monday at Lubbock Estacado while the Nazareth Swiftettes will face Lubbock Estacado at 9 a.m. at

Frenship High School.

If the Bobcats win their first game, they'll meet either Lubbock High or Del Rio Tuesday morning at 9 a.m. at Lubbock Monterey. If Dimmitt should lose, it would face either Frenship or Ozona Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. at Lubbock Coronado.

If the Nazareth Swifts win, they will play either Trinity Christian or Lorenzo Monday at 9 p.m. at Lubbock Monterey. If Nazareth loses to Dalhart, it will play Muleshoe or Lubbock Christian at noon Tuesday at Lubbock High.

If the Bobbies and Swiftettes both win their first-round games, they will meet in a second-round game Monday night at 7:30 at Lubbock High. If they both lose, they will meet in a consolation game at 1:30 Tuesday at Lubbock High.

Teams entered in the boys' tournament with the Bobcats and Swifts are Seminole, River Road, Lubbock Monterey, Slaton, Trinity, Lorenzo,

Dalhart, Muleshoe, Lubbock Christian, Frenship, Ozona, El Paso Bowie, Lubbock High, Del Rio, Coronado, Stephenville, Hereford, El Paso Jefferson, Perryton, San Angelo Central, Cooper, Levelland, Shallowater, Brownfield, Estacado, Whiteface, New Deal and Abilene.

Other teams in the girls' tournament are Frenship, Trinity Christian, Estacado, Whiteface, Lubbock High, Odessa, Friona, Spur, Canyon, Lubbock Christian, River Road, Lubbock Monterey, Happy, Brownfield, Electra, Hereford, Panhandle, Lubbock Coronado, Shallowater, Borger, Stephville, Dalhart, Ozona, Perryton, Goldthwaite, El Paso Bowie, El Paso Jefferson, Waco Connally, Pflugerville and Hallsville.

Ticket prices for this year's tournament are as follows:

**Session Pass (only good one session and one location):** \$4 for adults and \$3 for students and senior citizens over 65.

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**Tournament Pass (good for all times and locations):** \$18 for adults and \$15 for students and senior citizens over 65.

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**LADYHORNS FIRST GAME: Hart vs. Cotton Center, Monday, 1 p.m.**

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 RYAN, LUPE & TRISTEN THURMAN  
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# ABI Agriculture, Business & Industry



## Hereford to host West Texas Vegetable Conference Jan. 19

Vegetable growers, market gardeners and master gardeners can renew their production and marketing skills and gain new insight on a variety of topics Jan. 19, 1999, at the West Texas Vegetable Conference in Hereford.

"The conference will feature more than six hours of presentations and discussions with experienced growers, researchers, Extension special-

ists and agribusiness representatives," said Dr. Roland Roberts, horticulturist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Lubbock. "The speakers will deliver science-based information designed to help growers who are interested in sustainable vegetable production. It's not unusual to see and meet people from five states at this conference." The event is slated to start at 8:30

a.m. at the Hereford Community Center, located at 100 Avenue C and Park Avenue. Conference registration is \$25, which includes a lunch provided by 4-H Club Parents and admission to a trade show stocked with commercial and education displays in the exhibit hall.

"Participants can also earn five continuing education units (CEUs) toward their pesticide applicator licenses. Certified crop advisors can also earn professional development credits, and certified master gardeners can earn six hours credit toward their vegetable specialty certification," Roberts said.

Conference sponsors include the Texas Agricultural Extension Service (TAEX), High Plains Vegetable Growers and Shippers Council, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station (TAES), Deaf Smith County Extension Vegetable Development Committee, Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce, Texas Tech University and Texas Dept. of Agriculture.

Two speakers of special note are Dr. Asunta Thompson-Jones, a University of Colorado potato specialist and Dr. George Dickerson, University of New Mexico Extension horticulturist. Jones will address seed tuber handling and treatment techniques for maximum crop performance, while Dickerson will present key techniques for growing and marketing specialty crops with strong market potential.

"Also on the program is Dr. Ellen Pefley, Texas Tech horticulturist. She will share her extensive expertise in precision vegetable culture," Roberts said. "Dr. Creighton Miller, TAMUS potato geneticist, will discuss new varieties and their performance in Texas."

"Dr. Greta Schuster, Extension plant pathologist and director of West Texas A&M University's Integrated Pest Management (IPM) pro-

grams, will discuss the Extension potato IPM program, which is designed to help growers reduce chemical applications and thwart pest problems. She also will discuss the results of potato seed tuber research at West Texas A&M."

Roberts will tell growers how to prevent potato scab in sandy High Plains soils and discuss chile production. Dr. Frank Dainello will explain the Texas Watermelon Project and new opportunities for marketing melons and other vegetables to food service companies.

Dr. David Bender, TAES vegetable scientist, will discuss recent herbicide trials and application methods to prevent summer weeds in chili peppers, and highlight the latest High Plains watermelon variety performance trials. Bender and Dr. Wayne Keeling, TAES agronomist, also will consult with growers on vegetable weed control. Dr. Dana Porter, Extension irrigation specialist, will discuss drip irrigation management for intensive vegetable production.

"Many vegetable growers are concerned about what pest control options they'll have in the future. Ray Prewitt, vice president of the Texas Vegetable Growers Association, will discuss pesticide registrations and recent work to preserve pest management products for vegetable production," Roberts said. "Bill Weeks, president and CEO of the Texas Produce Association, will explain labor regulations and legislation that will affect Texas growers."

He added that Texas Dept. of Agriculture pesticide specialist Levon Harmon will discuss recent developments in Texas pesticide laws and regulations. Growers will also have a chance to visit with representative of vegetable seed companies, equipment manufacturers and pest control companies. This is a conference

growers shouldn't miss."

For more information on the conference, call Dr. Roland Roberts at

(806) 746-6101 or the Deaf Smith County Extension Office at (806) 364-3573.

### Minding Your Own Business

## Consistency: A business-building trait

By DON TAYLOR



Don Taylor

I like to frequent businesses whose products and services are dependable. I look for brand names because I know I'll get the same quality with every purchase. I avoid businesses where there are wild fluctuations in service and sudden jumps from one fickle fad to another.

I want what I want, the way I want it, every time. To some readers I may sound like an immature child. However, this attitude reflects the attitude of most consumers. We want consistent results with no surprises when we're spending our hard-earned money.

Therefore, one of the most frustrating problems in the world of business today is that of inconsistency. One day you patronize a business and receive fast, friendly and accurate service. The next time you return to the business it is as if you're in a different world.

Customers are creatures of habit. They take comfort in consistency. They want their newspaper delivered to the same location every day. They want their car to start every time they need to drive it. They expect the mail to come at about the same time, the store to open at the advertised hour the next salad to be as fresh and tasty as the last one.

### Six signs of consistency

- **Decisiveness.** Good business managers make good decisions. Automotive executive Lee Iacocca said, "If I had to sum up in one word what makes a good manager, I'd say decisiveness."

- **Consistent operations** require consistent leadership. Consistent leaders analyze options and make firm decisions. The decisions will take into consideration the mission, direction and objectives of the company. Their goal is to strengthen customer relations continually.

- **Deliberation.** Quality solutions to complex problems require careful analysis and deliberate action. Don't mistake careful consideration for indecisiveness. Remember the carpenter who encouraged his apprentice to, "Measure twice and cut once."

- **Consistent companies** don't jump the gun or overreact. They stress accuracy over speed. They know it takes less time to do a job correctly than to do it over.

- **Details.** Yes, consistent companies are interested in details. They do sweat the small stuff because they know that often the things that upset customers are small, seemingly insignificant details. However, those little consistencies do matter to the customers.

- **Henry Ford** said, "Paying attention to simple little things that most men neglect makes a few men rich." Details are still important in business today.

- **Determination.** This is the tool that common men and women use to achieve uncommon results. One cannot live a consistent life or run a consistent business without determination.

- **The best determination** is seasoned with wisdom. The saying that "many strokes fell strong oaks" is true. Determination will win out; however, wisdom would first sharpen the ax or investigate the use of a chain saw.

- **Diligence.** Benjamin Franklin said, "Diligence is the mother of good luck." In my mind, diligence is the twin of consistency.

- **It is only through careful, steady and directed effort** that one achieves unchanging quality. Consistent quality in products and services is a certain sign of diligent effort.

- **Discipline.** It is not the threat of punishment that brings consistency, but rather the promise of prosperity. Disciplined companies do not consider painful those actions that bring improvement.

- **One of the best definitions** I know for the world discipline is, "Training that develops self-control, character, orderliness and efficiency." Isn't that a great recipe for consistency?

- **Every business** has three choices: To be consistently good, to be consistently bad or to vacillate somewhere between. For successful ventures there is only one choice.

Don Taylor is the co-author of "Up Against the Wal-Marts." You may write to him in care of "Minding Your Own Business," P.O. Box 67, Amarillo, Texas 79105.

## NCE board declares dividend, names director

New Century Energies (NYSE:NCE), the holding company for Public Service Co. of Colorado and Southwestern Public Service Co., declared quarterly dividends on all outstanding common stock on Dec. 15.

The board of directors of NCE declared a 58¢-per-share dividend on common stock payable Feb. 15, 1999, to shareholders of record Jan. 22, 1999.

In other action, the board named Albert F. Moreno, senior vice president and general counsel of Levi Strauss & Co., to the NCE board of directors, effective Jan. 1, 1999. Moreno is a member of the board of directors for the Levi Strauss Foundation, the Rosenberg Foundation and the Hispanic Council on International Relations.

Moreno serves on the board of trustees for both the Tomas Rivera Policy Institute and the National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials Education Fund. He is a former president and current member of the National Hispanic

Corporate Council. Moreno received his bachelor's degree in economics from San Diego State University and his master's degree in Latin American economic studies from the Universidad de Madrid. He received his law degree from the University of California at Berkeley School of Law.

Effective Jan. 1, 1999, Brian Jackson, senior vice president of finance and administrative services at NCE, will assume the treasurer responsibilities. Current NCE treasurer James Steinhilper will become vice president of finance for Quixx Corporation, a subsidiary of NCE, headquartered in Amarillo.

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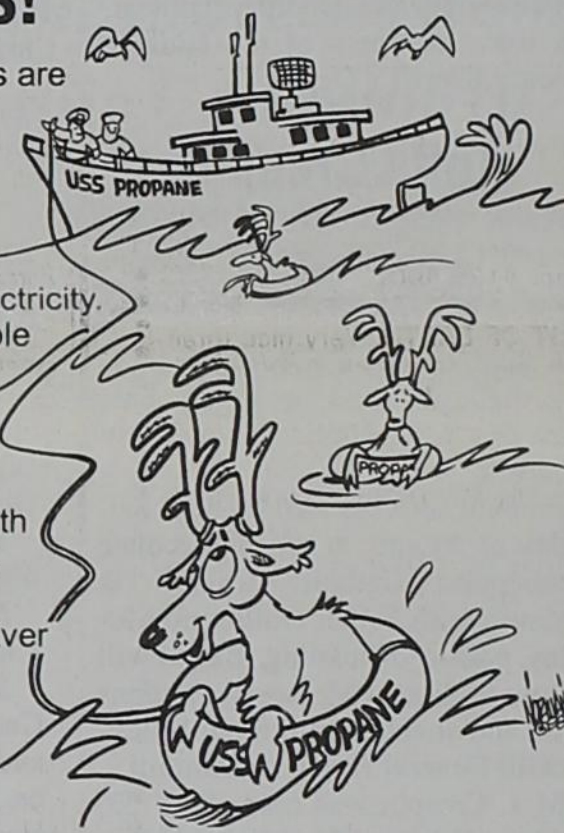
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Data Control Codes	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES		TOTALS (Memorandum Only)	
	100-199 General Fund	200-499 Special Revenue Funds	98 August 31, 1998	97 August 31, 1997
<b>REVENUES:</b>				
5700	\$ 354,074	\$ 50,501	\$ 404,575	\$ 394,705
5800	1,179,703	132,769	1,312,472	1,616,250
5900	-	72,073	72,073	79,838
5020	<u>1,533,777</u>	<u>255,343</u>	<u>1,789,120</u>	<u>2,090,793</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>				
<b>Current:</b>				
0010	966,426	175,776	1,142,202	1,023,021
0020	112,311	3,552	115,863	107,291
0030	172,092	84,912	257,004	264,753
0040	133,828	-	133,828	132,334
0050	176,798	-	176,798	164,127
0080	20,419	-	20,419	412,801
6030	<u>1,581,874</u>	<u>264,240</u>	<u>1,846,114</u>	<u>2,104,327</u>
1100	(48,097)	(8,897)	(56,994)	(13,534)
7020	1,560	8,897	10,457	108,325
8030	(8,897)	-	(8,897)	(105,984)
1200	<u>(55,434)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(55,434)</u>	<u>(11,193)</u>
0100	571,553	-	571,553	582,746
1300	-	-	-	-
3000	<u>\$ 516,119</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 516,119</u>	<u>\$ 571,553</u>

# TUNE IN!

**AGRICULTURAL NEWS** ..... 6 to 7 a.m.  
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**MORNING SHOW** ..... 7 to 8 a.m. daily  
Weather forecast, local news, birthdays, anniversaries, American Folk Song, school lunch menus, Great American Farmer, Good Neighbor

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starting at 9:40 a.m., M-F

# KDHN 1470

# Police Calls

Luke McGuire told deputies this week that someone broke into his residence in the south part of the county and took a shot gun and two rifle cases. The items, valued at about \$1,000, were taken within the last two weeks. It is unknown how the burglar or burglars gained entry to the home. Investigation is continuing.

An incident of disorderly conduct was reported at Dimmitt High

School Friday afternoon, when some students were fighting.

A Dimmitt man, 21, was jailed early last Thursday for no driver's license, Class C.

Jailed in alcohol-related incidents during the past week were:

—On Saturday, a 31-year-old Dimmitt man on Saturday for DWI, first offense; and a Hereford man, 21, for DWI, first offense.

—Sunday, a Wolfforth man, 30,

for public intoxication.

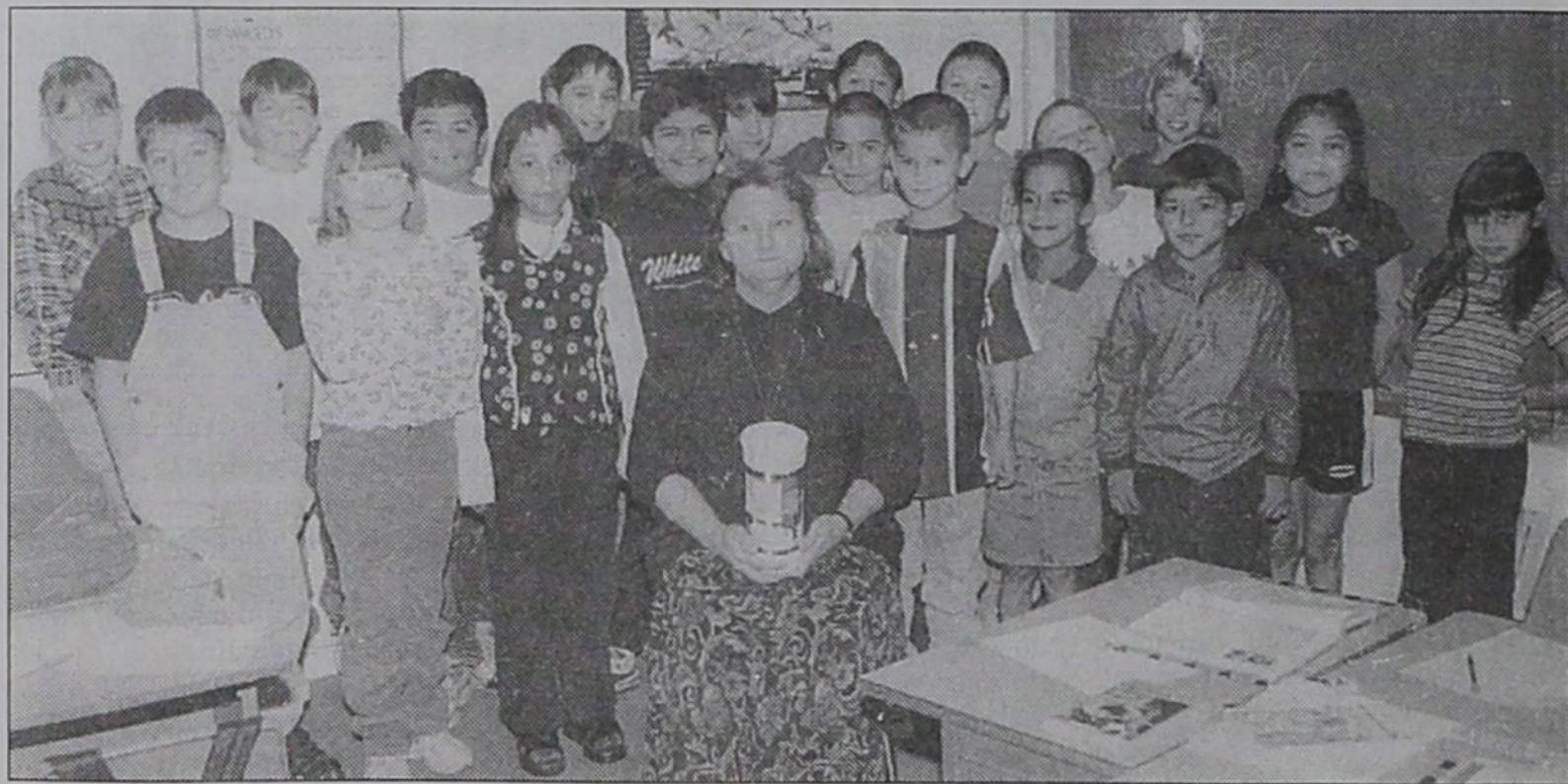
—Early Monday, a 38-year-old Friona man, for DWI (breath test refused) and third offense/driving with license suspended.

A 24-year-old Dimmitt man was jailed Friday on a warrant stemming from theft by check, on a motion to revoke.

## Football contest report is delayed

There's no report in this issue of the week's winner in the Texas POWER POINTS Football Contest.

The Week 16 entries that were mailed that were mailed Friday were delayed somewhere between Dimmitt and Denver, and weren't tallied. Entries from three other Texas towns also were delayed.



**A SPIRIT OF GIVING**—The third grade students of Linda Koch at Richardson Elementary School in Dimmitt voted to give up their Christmas party. Instead of spending the money on themselves, they donated it to

the Child Protective Services area office. Accepting the donation of \$48.23 is CPS case worker Debby Ferriter (seated), who covers six counties, including Castro County.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

# Obituaries

## Joe Caballero

Funeral Mass for Joe B. Caballero, 46, of Monte Alto and formerly of Dimmitt, was said Saturday afternoon at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church in Weslaco.

Burial followed at Highland Memorial Park in Weslaco under direction of Hawkins Funeral Home of Weslaco. Rosary was recited Friday evening at the funeral home.

Mr. Caballero died Dec. 17 at Knapp Medical Center in Weslaco.

He was born June 26, 1952, in Edinburg. He was raised in Dimmitt and lived there most of his life until moving to Monte Alto two years ago. While in Dimmitt, he was a City Policeman for 13 years. In Monte Alto, he had been working with the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Dept. as deputy constable for two years.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Maria Olga Caballero; and a sister, Eva Caballero.

He is survived by his wife, Delia A. Caballero of the home; a son, Johnny Joe Caballero of Monte Alto; his father, Federico Caballero of Monte Alto; and a brother, Valentin "Stella" Caballero of Dimmitt.

Pallbearers and honorary pallbearers were members of the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Dept.

## Lewis Dale

Funeral services for Lewis Dale, 66, of Needmore, the brother of a Hart woman, were held Monday afternoon in the 16th and Avenue D Church of Christ in Muleshoe with Curtis Shelburne, minister, officiating.

Burial followed in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery under direction of Ellis Funeral Home of Muleshoe.

Mr. Dale died Dec. 19 at his residence.

He was born Sept. 17, 1932, in Kelton. He married Sharon Alexander on Feb. 14, 1953, in Tucumcari, N.M. He moved to the Muleshoe area from Erick, Okla., in 1955. He was a director of the Bailey County Farm Bureau and Bailey County Natural Resource Conservation Service. He was a farmer and a veteran of the Korean Conflict.

He is survived by his wife; two daughters, Diane Skipworth of Muleshoe and Donita Hudgens of Haskell; two sisters, Janice Bass of Hart and Virginia Barrett of Needmore; and five grandsons.

The family suggests memorials to 16th and Avenue D Church of Christ.

## Anita Crespín

Anita Crespín, 84, of Dimmitt, died at 12:40 a.m. Tuesday at Baptist/St. Anthony's Hospice in Amarillo.

A vigil service was held Wednesday night at 7 at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Dimmitt.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Dimmitt with Father Guillermo Morales, pastor, officiating. Burial will follow in Castro Memorial Gardens under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mrs. Crespín was born April 23, 1914, in Gilmer. She married Flabio Crespín on May 30, 1933, in Las Vegas, N.M. He died Oct. 15, 1986. She was a Catholic and a homemaker. She moved to Dimmitt in 1942 from Hereford.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Mary Crespín, and a son, Frank Crespín, both in 1987.

Survivors include five daughters, Rose McLain of Hart, Nora Spears of Texico, N.M., Vitalia Sandoval and Donna King, both of Dimmitt, and Helen Crespín of San Angelo; five sons, Louis Crespín of Denver, Colo., Alfonso Crespín of Lamar, Colo., Joe Crespín of Long Beach, Calif., Robert Crespín of Dimmitt and Johnny Crespín of Amarillo; a step sister, Mary Jaramillo of Amarillo; 30 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren.

The body will be available for viewing at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church until the time of services.

## Emma Mata

Funeral Mass for Emma Lopez Mata, 59, of Hart, was said Friday afternoon in St. John's Catholic Church of Hart with Fr. Guillermo Morales, pastor, officiating.

Burial followed in Hart Cemetery at Hart under direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Rosary was said last Thursday night at the church.

Mrs. Mata died Dec. 15 at 7:59 p.m. in Hart.

She was born April 19, 1939, in Cerritos, San Luis Potosi, Mexico, and she married Luciano Mata there on Jan. 28, 1958. She moved to Hart from Mexico 28 years ago. She was a member of St. John's Catholic Church in Hart, and she was a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband; two daughters, Francisca Mata Broyles of Amarillo and Ysidra Valenzuela of Allen; two sons, Erasmo Mata and Rene Mata both of Hart; her mother, Gertudez Sanchez of San Juan; a sister, Virginia Arellano of San Juan; two brothers, Saturnino Lopez of Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, Mexico, and Juan Lopez of Reynosa, Tamaulipas, Mexico; and four grandchildren.

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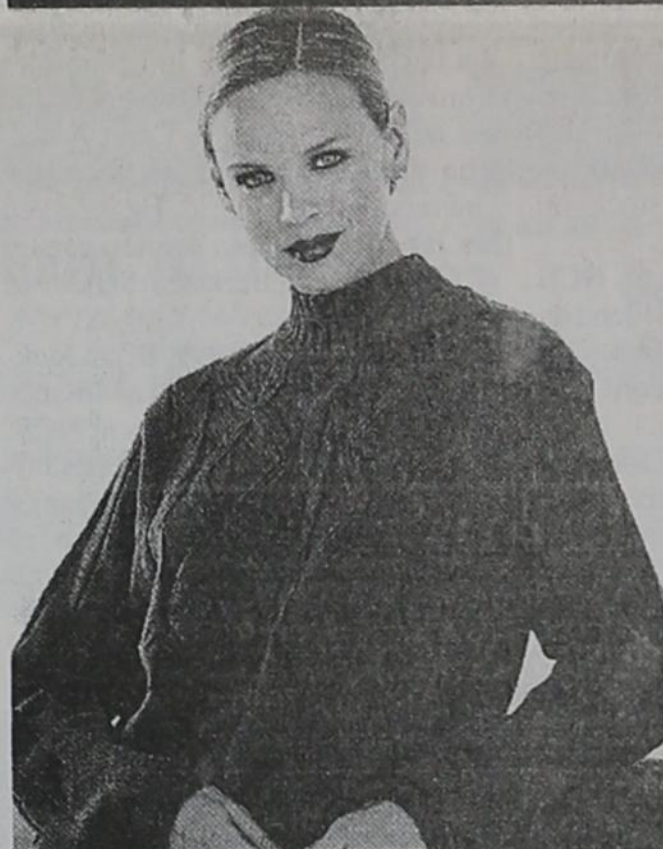
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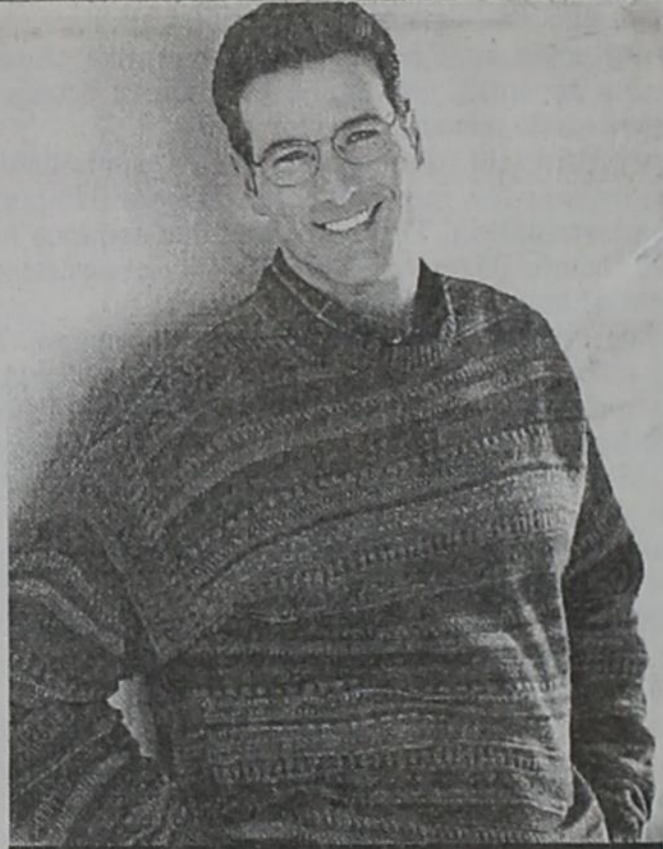


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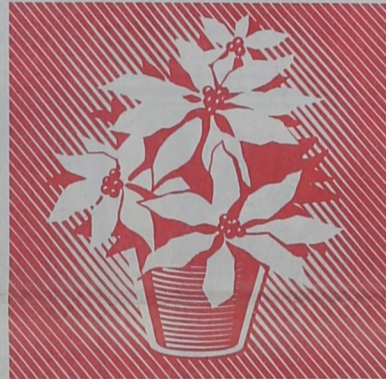
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# DEAR SANTA, I HAVE BEEN GOOD THIS YEAR.

Dear Santa,  
I want to have a Play station and some games for my sega Genesis. And some games for my gamboy and a tv. And a cat and a bird. And lesrd and a undertaker. No more  
Love,  
Gregg Amalla

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. The two things that I want is NFL Blitz game and WWF war zone game canyou bring me it Please  
Love,  
Isaac Sifuentez

Dear Santa,  
I am trying to be a good boy with my mom, dad and my little sister. I been trying very hard at School also and I hope that Santa will bring a lot of toys for me and sister Beverly. Santa, I am only asking for one toy and that is a nintendo. And I hope I can receive it this Christmas.  
Happy Holidays  
Ricardo Velasquez

Dear Santa,  
My name is Yvonne Lopez. I have been a good girl this year. I want a telephone and a computer with a printout And Barbie make-up.  
Love,  
Yvonne Lopez  
Age 8

Dear Santa,  
This year I've been a good girl. I would like a dancing Barbie, telephone, a baby doll with yellow hair, and also a fingemail set. I love you Santa and also your elves, and reindeer, too.  
Love you,  
Kimberly Duve

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Disc-Man and the Titanic CD. My cat would like a ball to play with. I hope you think about the poor people. Bring the starving people some food. Thank you for all the things you gave me last year.  
Your friend, Lana  
P.S. I hope you have a happy Christmas like me!!!!!!!

Dear Santa,  
Yo Viviana Porras quiero que todos los niños que se porten bien con sus papás que santa Klos les regale muchos gugetes y que no se enfeymen ni yo ni mi familia y a toda la gente que esten bien y yo quiero que a mi me regorte santa una muñeca que llora y a mis 2 hermanitas que les regale unas Barbies. Y a mi mami que ya no se enferme.  
Viviana Porras

Dear Santa,  
I want a remote control car and a remote control motorcycle. I want the movie Mary Poppins. I would like an air hockey game too. We will leave you chips and hot sauce and ice tea too.  
Love,  
Dustin Venhaus

Dear Santa,  
Santa clous yo quiero que me traigas una metralleta un carrito de control y un treen de control y tambien un rompecabeza  
Jose Angel Hernandez

Dear Santa,  
I want a bulldozer and a bick with braks on the hanbldrs.  
Love,  
Tommy Howell

Dear Santa Clause,  
I would like a Barbie Jeep for Christmas, new clothes, new play kitchen, play telephone, Winne Pooh stuff animal. This is all I ask for Chirstmas this year.  
Thanks  
Abby Oltivero

Dear Santa,  
Please, can I have a remote Control Psycho race car and a Toy Story Game. Have I been good? Hope so. Can you bring the starving kids some food?  
Your friend,  
Adam Reinart

Dear Santa,  
This Chsmas I would you to bring me a barbie doll. And pair of shoes  
Maribel Alanis

Dear Santa,  
I want a Whoopie cuShion And I want a racetrack. Do you want cookies?  
Love,  
Sam

Dear Santa,  
I've been very good this year. I want an electronic baseball game, an XRC sky diver, a laser challenge clash pack, a BB gun and a pair of Carhart coveralls like my Dad's. See you soon.  
Love,  
Chance Ray Schilling

Dear Santa,  
I am a good boy. I will like a big truck and pigs and cows and hens and horses and a barn. I will have some cookies and milk.  
Love,  
Juan Martinez

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. I would like these for Christmas:  
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Thank you,  
Eric Fuentes

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Santa, can you bring me a play station please.  
Edgar Meza

Dear Santa,  
Cat.  
Tracy

Dear Santa,  
I want a truck, car, talking tommy, singing tommy A Big Bear a cat that is real and a real dog a facice horse and bulles. And have a happy Chirstmas.  
Love,  
Angel

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I am happy because Christmas is her. For Christmas I want a tv and a V.C.R. I also want an Angelica doll from the Rugrats. Please bring my little brother Kelly a pair of skates. I hope you had a great year!!! I will leave some cookies and a glass of milk for you.  
Love,  
Elizabeth Marie Jackson

Dear Santa,  
I want a toy gun. I want a toy poweranger. I want a playstation. I want a wrestling game. I want a stereo.  
Dale Chavers

Dear Santa,  
My name is Micheal. I am 5 years old. For Christmas I would like green power ranger, a blue and yellow one, too. A cowboy hat, Jeans a belt and boots and a truck. I have a brother who is 4 and a sister who is 9.  
Love,  
Michael Kirven

Dear Santa,  
How do your reindeer fly? I want a Godzi toy and buz lite year and a woody.  
Love,  
Christopher Rodriguez

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a Blue's Clue's Pappy and movie. I want a play dough ice cream maker. Please bring me presents and a guitar and a microphone. Thanks. I love you a whole bunch and I saw you on the fire truck!  
Love,  
Coby Venhaus

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I'm fine. For Christmas I want a nintendo 64, a power ranger game for it, a play station with a gun game, and a power ranger sword.  
Thank you,  
Rudy Martinez

Dear Santa,  
I want a big bike and a monster jeep. I want T.V. and a bone crusier wresteler.  
Thank you,  
Johnny Rosalez Jr.

Dear Santa,  
How do your reindeer fly? Can you get me a playstashin? I would like a swimming pool and clos.  
Love,  
Abel Villegas

Hi Santa!  
I have been a very good girl this year. I love you Santa. For Christmas I really want an Interactive Pooh for our computer. I would also like a Rock Tumbler or a Barney Magic Banjo. I can't wait to see you at Christmas.  
Love,  
Kelsey Kay Schilling

Dear Santa,  
How do your elves make toys? Can I have a cirde makeup, a cat and a puppy. I want a Citin, and a box of Stickers, a big star a big box of rings, and some perfume. I want a telefown, a pet rabbit, a little lion, a car, a diary with a key, and a stuff bear.  
Love,  
Leslie Cedillo

Dear Santa,  
How do your reindeer fly? I want a puppe, a girl Doll and a Cat. I want a Spice girl. I want a Rug Rat, and a guitar.  
Love,  
Ebon Montemayor

Dear Santa,  
How do your reindeer fly? I want a puppe, a girl Doll and a Cat. I want a Spice girl. I want a Rug Rat, and a guitar.  
Love,  
Ebon Montemayor

**The Greatest Gift Of All**  
In the hustle and bustle of the holidays, let us remember the true meaning of Christmas, and the gift of His love. May you and yours be blessed with the peace and goodwill of the season.  
Thank you for the gift of your patronage.  
**Roy's Plumbing**  
Roy and Robin Gonzales

**THINKING OF YOU AT CHRISTMAS**  
May the cherished moments of this special time provide treasured memories for years to come.  
**Lockhart Pharmacy**  
107 E. Bedford, Dimmitt 647-3392

Dear Santa  
How do your reindeer fly. I want a stuff horse and a little horse. I wod like a dictionary. I love you Santa.  
Love,  
Hagley Clevenger

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Ten Speed Bike Barbie phone Micorphone to sing and some clothes and shoes.  
Love,  
Mona Sifuentez

**WISHING YOU A STORYBOOK CHRISTMAS**  
Enjoy a holiday filled with many memorable stories.  
Thanks for fulfilling our wish list with your loyal patronage.  
**E.M. Jones Ditching and Allstate Insurance Co.**  
Betty Jones

*While You Were Out Celebrating...*  
We just want to supply our best wishes to the festivities, for a season filled with success and happiness.  
**Merry Christmas from our office to yours!**  
**Dimmitt Printing & Office Supply**

**Peace, Love and Joy**  
To you and your family during this precious time. We wish you lasting memories and a promising new year. Thanks for helping us to spread our wings.  
**El Sombrero Restaurant**  
Floyd Lopez & Family  
(We are closed Dec. 24 through Jan. 4. We will re-open Tuesday, Jan. 5.)



# I WANT BIG TREE + LOT2 OF PRESENT2



Dear Santa,  
I'm a good boy this year. I would like a new cloths and shoes and I like to have a computer and a nintindo and a beast  
love,  
Matthew Almanza

Dear Santa,  
I want a crash game for my computer for Christmas. I want a silver and red Power Ranger in space. I want a nintendo 64. I want a puppy. I want a four sheeler. I want a motorey ele. I want a dirt bike.  
Love,  
Matthew Ortiz

Dear Santa,  
I want a go-cart for Christmas. I want a bike for Christmas. I want a computer for Christmas. I want a back pack for Christmas. I want a rotweiller. I want a 49'er jacket.  
From  
Jordan Cervantez

Dear Santa  
I want the In Sync cassette and a Barbie car and a I want a computer and a doll.  
Love,  
Valeria Quiroz

Dear Santa,  
How are you. I hope you are not sick. And I hope you can come to my house and give me presents. I would like a dert bike, nintendo 64, black car, T.V and a remote control with a VCR, another dog and I hope you can make it to other peoples houses to. And I jut wanted to say that I love Christmas a lot.  
Love,  
Joshua Gamez

Dear Santa  
for Christmas I would like to have a remote control submarine, a boombox, a tool set, a whole lot of farm sets, some tractors too, a deal that holds marke, cayolas, pencils, and a eraser too, a little phone that is real, and county CD's tapes  
Love,  
Dennis

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I hope you can give me presents. I would like a bike. And a nintendo 64, red remotes, and a T.V. I would like a computer. A chokebord with some choke. And a glowin the dark clock. I like Christmas very very much.  
Love,  
Sammy Sanchez

Dear Santa,  
I want a low rider car for christsmas. I want a puppy for Christmas. I want a Titanic c.d. and the Titanic book. I want a titanic poster and the Titanic cup for Christmas. I want the Selena shirt. I want a Spice firts tape and a Spice girls Barbie.  
Love,  
Kimberly Ruiz

Dear Santa,  
I want a trampoline for Christmas. And a doll for Christmas. And a bike for Christmas.  
Love,  
Monique Marmolejo

Dear Santa,  
I want a new bike, Nintindo 64, Sony PlayStation, Box of soda, Wrestling games to play on them with my friend's and to see my Grandma, Ne shoes, Clothes for CHRISTMAS.  
Love,  
Jamarius

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl this year. I would like a cd player. Please bring my cat, sister and dad something too. I would really like one of your elves. Please please bring me a two seat, go-cart with seat belts. Or a trampoline. My cat has also been a very good boy just like my dad. Thank you for every thing you have given me through the past years. Please bring my sister something if you want to.  
Your Friend,  
Cassidy Watts

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. I would like a computer and a typewriter for Christmas. And also a Nintendo 64 and a telescope for Christmas. And new clothes.  
Love,  
Adriana Hernandez

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a ten speed bike. And some clothes. And some shoes size 3. A typewriter, and printer. Some socks. And a Go-cart whith 4 doors and seat belts and 4 seats or a trampoline. The tape Cleopatra. The CD of Brandy. Mrs. Axtell has been very good this year so she deserves something to. Thanks for Everythig last year.  
Love,  
Ashley Fleeks

Dear Santa,  
I want a big and a smart dog. I want a motorcycle. I want a four wheeler. I want a gocart. I want a dirt bike. I want a parrot. I want a game for my Nintendo 64 Off-road.  
Beau Bradley

Dear Santa,  
I want toys for Christmas. I want a truck. A white truck. A red shirt.  
Thank You.  
Terence

Dear Santa,  
I like you a lot becaues you make Christmas fun and this year am getting a playstation. If there were not Christmas it would not be fun in Dec. 25, 1998. But I just wanted to let you know.  
Love,  
Zack

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I have been a good girl this year. I would like a cd player. Please bring my cat, sister and dad something too. I would really like one of your elves. Please please bring me a two seat, go-cart with seat belts. Or a trampoline. My cat has also been a very good boy just like my dad. Thank you for every thing you have given me through the past years. Please bring my sister something if you want to.  
Your Friend,  
Cassidy Watts

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. I will like a computer, bike and some clothes. And some shoes. And a phone. And a telescope so I can watch the stars at night. And some new games for my playstion.  
Your friend,  
Ashley Patlan

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a dome tent with race cars on it, also a go cart that looks like a race car, also a remote-control bulldozer, also a front-end loader, also a super nintindo game called Donky Kong Country 3, also a B.B. gun.  
Love,  
Curtis

Dear Santa  
I want a godzilla toy and a rudolph reindeer toy and a gocart and a new indian soot and a new Eraser and a bike for Christmas  
love,  
Ricardo Barrios

Dear Santa  
I want a Titanic Book and a Titanic poster and a Titanic shirt and a Titanic cup and a Barbie jeep and a puppy for my brother and a chidk and a brother and a kitten and a Titanic dress and a Titanic CD and horse and a doll and overalls.  
P.S. I say Hi to Rudolph.  
Love,  
Amy Saenz

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Your friend,  
Ashley Patlan

Dear Santa,  
I would like aten speed bike. Mrs. Welch has been very good this year so she deserves a present to. And a computer with a key board and a mouse. And a Go-Cart. With seat belts. And 4 seats two in the front and two in the back and a teddy bear. And some Nike shoes size one. Thank you for all the things you gave me last year. I think that is all I want this year.  
Love,  
Vanessa Reyes

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. Can you get me a my on computer so I can learn how to type real good. And I would like to have new pretty shoes. What I like most of all I would like a Play Station. I hope you have a happy New Year.  
Love,  
Valerie Villarreal

Dear Santa,  
I want a motorcycle for Christmas. And I want a Barbie jeep. And a dirt motor cycle to. And want a doll that crawls and stands to. And a doll that eats the food she likes for Christmas. And I want a barbie car. And a TV  
Ruby Corrales

**Merry Christmas!**

Deck the halls  
Bring on the cheer  
Christmastime will soon be here!  
We knqw we're celebrating  
A very bright season  
And your warm friendship  
Is the reason!

With thanks and best wishes to all of you.

**Westway Trading Corp.**  
Fred Bruegel, Sales Manager Joe Temple, Terminal Manager  
North Highway 385

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year. I want Nintendo 64 game. I would really like one of your elves. I want a cd-rom game. Please bring a purple and white Nintendo 64 controler. I want a tv sent in my room.  
Your Friend,  
Kalan Steinkle

Dear Santa,  
I want a drum set, race car, a ree fill of gum. I want a remote control submeren, a boom box, three rabbits. I wont a tool set, a computer, a go cart, my own phone that is real, my own hors a ral hors, CD's.  
Love,  
Brad Lane

Dear Santa,  
I've been a good girl this year. I wood like 9 packs of white rock to decorate the outside of our house for my dad and do not forget Rudolf because wen I was 6 or 7 you sed that in 10 years you wood give me rudolf.  
Love,  
Jeri Orr

Dear Santa,  
I want a happy meal doll for Christmas. I want a Selena for Christmas. I want a Spisp girl Barby for Christmas. I want a nail machiné for Christmas.  
Love,  
Brigette Flores

**On The Way To Christmas**

We'd like to express our appreciation for your support and wish everyone a very happy season!

**Smothermon Ditching**  
We lay irrigation, gas line and repair plastic and concrete pipe lines.  
806-276-5563

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike for Christmas. I want a 64 for Christmas. I want a garage for Christmas. I want guns for Christmas. I want rifels for Christmas. I want a go-cart for Christmas. I want a C.D. for Christmas. I want a color T.V. for Christmas. I want Amegeddon for Christmas.  
Love,  
Jeffrey Bishop

Dear Santa,  
I want a telescope for Christmas. And a surprise. And I want a calender. And I want a toy grill that has toy food.  
Love,  
Dustin Gilbreath

Dear Santa,  
I want a play station for Christmas and a game of wrestlin. And a bike.  
Love,  
Jonathan Mireles

**A Picture of Happiness**

Hope this season sets the scene for a spectacular Christmas for you and your family.

**Canterbury Villa Nursing Home**

**Spread The News—**

**It's Christmas!**

It's Christmas in the city, and in the country too. As the spirit of the season lights up the world and wraps us in its glow, we want to express our appreciation to you, loyal friends and neighbors. We wish you the brightest holiday season ever, and thanks for making our year extra special.

**The Castro County News**





# I WANT A FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL AND BASEBALL

Dear Santa,  
I want some ten puppes, and some, more, and a spotted horse. God bless you.

From,  
Joshua Williams

Dear Santa,  
I want a Power Ranger in space, Toy Zord. Please because I played with Edgar and David.

Love,  
Miguel Zepeda

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want 4 things. 1. Playstation 2. Bass 3. Football 4 bat, ball. Thank you.

Kolby Perez

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing As for me I am fine. For Christmas I want a stack of books. For Christmas I want a trampoline. For Christmas I want a swimmingpool. For Christmas I want a necklaces and a ring for me and my sister. For Christmas I want a barbie house. For Christmas I want a barbie. For Christmas I want some Clothes.

Love you always,  
Adriana Marquez

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a good boy all year! The three presents I want the most are mission impossible, play staion, and crash game. Last year, you brought me star wars set and a Green Bay t-shirt. Thank you. My stocking will be by the fireplace. The special treat I will leave you will be milk and chocolate chip cookies. Say hello to Mrs. Claus for me.

Love,  
Reagan Hunter

Dear Santa,  
Hi, my name is Nicole. I've been waiting for you and I also been a very good girl. I want a barbie car, barbie camera, and a real barbie telephone. How is Rudolph? Bye-Bye.  
P.S. bring film for the camera.

Love,  
Nicole Sanchez

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a good girl all year! The three presents I want the most are a baby doll, rug rat alarm clock, and CD player. Last year, you brought me skates and Triplet dolls. Thank you. My stocking will be at Grandmas. The special treat I will leave you will be cookies and milk. Say hello to Mrs. Claus for me.

Love,  
Jill Miller

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a good girl all year! The three presents I want the most are A name bracelet, a game boy, and two rings. Last year, you brought me A robe and school desk. Thank you. My stocking will be by the fireplace. The special treat I will leave you will be milk and cookies. Say hello to Mrs. Claus for me.

Love,  
Jonathan Rosalez

P.S. How is Rudolph?

Love,  
Callee Gilbreath

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a good girl all year! The three presents I want the most are a go cart, a big barbie house, and a cd player. Last year, you brought me some make up and a doll. Thank you. My stocking will be by the door. The special treat I will leave you will be cookies and milk. Say hello to Mrs. Claus for me.

Love,  
Amy Torres

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a good girl all year! The three presents I want the most are stone cold, Kane, and Shawn Micheals. Last year, you brought me clothes and toys. Thank you. My stocking will be waiting for you. The special treat I will leave you will be cookies and milk. Say hello to Mrs. Claus for me.

Love,  
Clarissa Acevedo

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a good boy all year! The three presents I want the most are game boy, bike, and nintendo 64. Last year, you brought me tent and camping gear. Thank you. My stocking will be full of toys. The special treat I will leave you will be cookies and milk. Say hello to Mrs. Claus for me.

Love,  
Gabriel Calderon

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a good boy all year! The three presents I want the most are stone cold, Kane, and Shawn Micheals. Last year, you brought me clothes and toys. Thank you. My stocking will be waiting for you. The special treat I will leave you will be cookies and milk. Say hello to Mrs. Claus for me.

Love,  
Markous

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a good girl all year! The three presents I want the most are bicycle, a doll, and clothes. Last year, you brought me dresses and toys. Thank you. My stocking will be in my room. The special treat I will leave you will be milk and cookies. Say hello to Mrs. Claus for me.

Love,  
Marissa Martinez

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a good girl all year! The three presents I want the most are books, T.V. for my room, and computer. Last year, you brought me toys and chocolates. Thank you. My stocking will be on the Christmas tree. The special treat I will leave you will be a new watch so you won't be late next year. Say hello to Mrs. Claus for me.

Love,  
Klarisse Espiritu Santo

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a good boy all year! The three presents I want the most are nintendo 64, Playstation, and a puppy. Last year, you brought me computer and shoes. Thank you. My stocking will be hanging. The special treat I will leave you will be milk and cookies. Say hello to Mrs. Claus for me.

Love,  
Tito Rodriguez

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a good boy all year! The three presents I want the most are play station, nwo cap, and nintendo 64. Last year, you brought me a power Ranger and a race car. Thank you. My stocking will be Christmas. The special treat I will leave you will be chocolate chips. Say hello to Mrs. Claus for me.

Love,  
Jonathan Rosalez

Dear Santa,  
I hope you have had a good year. I have been a very good boy. I Love you Santa very much. What I would like for Christmas is a barn with a lot of tractors and 2 helicopters.

I Love you  
David Underwood

Dear Santa,  
I am being good in School and am not getting crayons pulled. For Christmas I want a play piano, a McDonald Land Happy Meal Girl, an Interactive Barney, A baby Expressions, a stained glass pictur fram kit, and a Barbie Roller blade bag. In my stocking I want a real Barbie watch and the new Lion King II movie. Tell Rudolph I said Hi and I will be watching for him on Christmas Eve. I can't wait until Chrismas. Please bring my sister, Kelsey, an interactive Pooh. Please bring my brother a BB Gun and some work overalls like my Dad's. I like you santa. See you Christmas Eve.

Your friend,  
Keila Lenea Schilling

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you doing? I bet you and the elves are busy getting ready for Christmas. For Christmas I would like a music box. I have been very good this year, I promise!

Love,  
Janet Carranza  
Age 4

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you doing? I bet you and the elves are busy getting ready for Christmas. For Christmas I would like legos and Kermit. I have been very good this year, I promis!

Love,  
Emilio Rangel  
Age 3

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you doing? I bet you and the elves are busy getting ready for Christmas. For Christmas I would like a cop care and tools. I have been very good this year, I promise!

J'Shondriq Coleman  
Age 3

Dear Santa,  
I wish I had all speed bike and I wish I had games for me and my mothers Play Station. And a remotor car.

Thank you,  
Martin Puga Jr.

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me 1. Rugrat shoes, 2. Talking Bedtime Bubby, 3. Yellow Talking Telly Tubby. 4. Because I have been a good Boy.

Quincy Duran  
7 years old

Dear Santa Claus,  
Hi! Are the elves getting ready for Christmas? I would like a baby doll, a baby bed and candy. I've been good!

Love,  
Janet Carranza  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
I would like a big bike, a baby stroller and a Barbie. I have been very good this year, I promise!

Love,  
Jessica Ross  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
I would like two puppies and ten horses, a barn and three pigs.

God bless you.  
Caleb Williams

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you doing? I bet you and the elves are busy getting ready for Christmas. For Christmas I would like a car and a game. I have been very good this year, I promise!

Love,  
Isidro Ortega  
Age 3

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you doing? I bet you and the elves are busy getting ready for Christmas. For Christmas I would like a car and a train. I have been very good this year, I promise!

Love,  
Genaro Taramilo  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
Hello! How are the reindeer? I'm being good this year. I would like a car, a football and a jersey. Do you ever see snowmen?

Love,  
JayMazier Coleman  
Age 4

**Good Tidings**  
May you and yours enjoy smooth sailing all through the holidays.  
Thanks for staying the course with us!

**Cowser Abstract & Title Co.**  
Clara and Johnny Vick

**Have a Ball this Season**

From snowmen to Santa,  
To tinsel on the tree,  
We wish you a Merry Christmas,  
And a year filled with glee!

Thanks for your devoted support.  
You've helped to build our overwhelming success.

**Bar G Feedyard**

**Wishing You A White Christmas**

Hope the season delivers bundles of good, clean fun!  
Many thanks for brightening our year.

**Alvin's Drive-In Cleaners**

**Ring in the Season on a High Note.**

Wishing you a harmonious holiday filled with peace, love and joy.

We appreciate your patronage and will stay in tune with your needs for years to come.

**Dimmitt Equipment Co.**

Wishing you a very merry holiday season.  
Thank you for choosing us.

**Dimmitt Consumers**

**May Christmas Fill Your Home With Joy**

And may the spirit of Christmas warm your heart and hearth this season.

We appreciate the gift of your patronage and look forward to seeing you in the new year.

**Bryant's Sales & Service**

**Happy Holidays**

Glad tidings to all our friends, both near and far.  
Many thanks for including us in your travels.

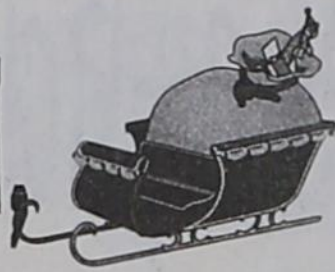
**George's Service Station**

**Picture-Perfect Holiday Wishes**

from your friends at...

**Don's Wrecker Service & Body Shop**  
Don, Trish and Tim Elliott

# IF YOU HAVE ROOM ON THE SLEIGH, COULD YOU BRING A PUPPY?



Dear Santa,  
I want a gocart, computer, toolbox, a model titanic you have to build and a colored game boy too. I can't wait until christmas!

Thank you,  
Eric Odom

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I want a Barbie and a soccer ball, a soccer uniform, and the Antz Movie. Please bring me these toys.

From,  
Gillian Gozales

Dear Santa,  
Can I please have a new skateboard. Can I have a glove and a flate map to study. I also like a new bike too. Can I have a race car track and a go-cart? Thank you Santa. I have been good boy!

Love,  
Robby

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I'm fine. Have I been good! May I have a basketball goal? I would like a colored gameboy. That is all I would like this year. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Ross Layne Myatt

Dear Santa,  
I want a remote control car. My brother wants a weight set so his muscles can get big. We have been good. See you at Christmas.

Love,  
Sid Sheffy

Dear Santa,  
I've been good this year and I hope you will give me everything I ask for. I would like to have the Rugrats game, an N-64 with the two games of NWO and leather dress up boots. I want an oven for my mom, and boots for my dad. My brothers would like clothes. Thank you for coming to my house.

Sincerely,  
Chris Pompa

Dear Santa,  
I would like a go cart for Christmas and a Play Station game like revenge or football. Maybe you could give old and poor people food and a home. My little sister would like a few Barbies and house. I would like for peace in earth.

Your best boy,  
Tyler Cornett

P.S. I will leave milk and cookies on the table.

Dear Santa,  
How are you? How is Mrs. Clase? For Christmas I would like a stereo, some Cds, some clothes, and peace and joy on earth. Thank you, Santa.

Kimberly J. Buffham

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas!  
I want a Mermaid Doll and a Teletubby. Also I would like a My-size Angel Doll. I also want my own desk to do my homework. I want Mrs. Venhaus to have new chalk. I would like for you to have a new rope to go over the reindeer.

Love you Santa,  
Callie Ferguson

Dear Santa,  
Jessica wants a new boy friend for Christmas. I want a computer. My baby sisstr wants a stuffed dog. I want a camera p.s. my mom wants peace and quit.

Love,  
Casey Enriquez

Dear Santa,  
I love you Santa. I want a kid jeep. I want you to bring my brother Curtis a new bike. I want you to bring marshalla some books. I want you to bring my mom a new car. I will save you some cookies and milk.

Love,  
Sara Renea Acevedo

Dear Santa,  
Please give me snow to play in. Give the poor some warm clothes. I would like to have a Playstation, a gocart, and a game for my Nintendo 64. I need a new stoking and I would like a reindeer from the North Pole. I will give you some cookies and milk. Say hi to the cool reindeer of yours.

Your friend,  
Houston Sutton

P.S. Don't forget the reindeer.

Dear Santa,  
I want a Nintendo 64, a motorcycle. My sisters want a Barbie and a Bike. My pal needs a laptop computer. I want a wrestling game for the Nintendo 64. I would like some clothes too. I would like some food for people out in the streets.

Your friend,  
Adam Dozal

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl all year long. So all I want for christmas is a playstation and a barbie doll. Thank you, Santa.

Juanita Jesse Rosalez

Dear Santa,  
I would like some shoes and some clothes. Would you please bring me some computer games and some hunting movies. I would like a fishing hand game and a baseball glove and bat. I would like some coloring books and some hot wheels. My dog would like a bone.

Your friend,  
Dustin Thomas

Dear Santa,  
This is what I want for Christmas. A puppy and a new bike with no training wheels do not make it to big I am only 7 years old. And a good christmas to and two gerdils one for me and one for my brother. And a goldfish for my sister and a shandler for my mom.

Yours truly,  
Jonathon Lafuente

P.S. I have been good this year.

Dear Santa,  
Can I please have a Amy doll that says a 100 words. Then I want want a happ meal doll. I want a magic stroll baby. Then I want 3 giga pets. They are mermaid gigapet, a babybite gigapet. It is pink all over and it is a necklace. I want a Barbie gig-pet. It is pink all over and it talk to you.

Love,  
Ashley Cotter

Dear Santa,  
I want a bat man for Christmas. And a ball for Christmas. And a motorcycle for Christmas. And a bike for Christmas.

Love,  
Eric Herrera

Dear Santa,  
I would like a new bike and peace in the world. Also I would like all the people in the world that don't have a home to have a home. Could I have a bell from Rudolph? Can I have 5 gigapets in my stocking? Could I also have open and shut play computer? I would like one pink and one yellow blanket. Thank you, Santa.

Love,  
Kamryn Steffens

P.S. Say hello to all the reindeer.

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please can you give me an nintendo 64 for Christmas. My two brothers Jacob and Jimmy whants a playstation. My sister whants a doll. My pal whants a green computer. My little sister Enily whants a little car. My mom whants some clothes. Thank you Santa claus and have a Merry Christmas.

Love,  
Eric Mireles

Dear Santa,  
I want a barbea that is a cheerleader and I also would like some new shoes and I also would like a 10-speed bike and I would like a computer and I also would like a table to do my homework at home and also would want a book for christmas and I also want a bean bage. Thank you Santa

Eva Aguero

Dear Santa,  
I want tow pairs of skates and one more pair of skates and tow bikes, and one more bike and tow dalls and tow more dogs and one bi g barbie house and ten barbies and ten more barbie cars for my barbies and a bunch of clothes for my barbies and every thing that a barbie house needs.

Yareli Olmos

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike for Christmas. I want a clock for Christmas. I want a tv for Christmas. I am Cody Essary.

Cody Essary

Dear Santa,  
We are in Kindergarten at Richardson Elementary. Mrs. Turner says we have been good. Thank you for being so good to us last year.

Jessica wants a pink bike and a toy puppy.

Estefani wants a Barbie car and a blue bike.

Larissa wants a pink bike and a toy bear.

Cesar wants a blue toy car and a toy truck.

Jose wants a toy tiger and building blocks.

Gary wants a green toy car and a toy dinosaur.

Gracie wants a doll, a toy car.

Armando wants a toy train and a toy car.

We love you. Thank you for bringing these things to us.

Love,  
Alexis Sager

P.S. My mom said to tell you I have 3 dogs and 2 cats.

Dear Santa,  
I want a play stashin And wed plater even a remote control car. And some wakey takey even crose fire. Bee Bee gun. I love you Santa.

Fabian Reyna

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a truck and a boat, horse and a tracter, Lagos, teny shose, and a suit of a gost and a basketball, and a football, and a movie anakanda.

Love,  
Caleb Penney

Dear Santa,  
Hello! I want a puppy and a Saga and a motorcycle, a Play rifle and a Nintendo 64 and a Play Station. Give something to my brother and sisters and my Mom and Dad.

Love your friend,  
Martin Lopez

Dear Santa,  
Are you doing fine. For chirsmas I would want a barbie, and a magic stroller baby and a beanie baby. That is all I want Santa Claus since you are gunea get me some presents. I am gunea give you some milk and cookies.

Amanda Castaneda

P.S. Thak You.

Dear Santa,  
Don't worry about me this year Santa. The only thing I desire is this: Help the poor. They need you more than me.

Your friend,  
Shaira Gonzalez

Dear Santa,  
I want a computer and the Simba's pride video. I would also like a new pair of boots and to be able to buy my mom and grandparents a preznt. I want to also say Merry Christmas to all my family.

Love,  
David Oliviero

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? Can I have some games for my PlayStation? Can you give my brother some clothes? Can you give my siller some game for her computer? Can you give my mom a TV? Can you give my dad some computer games? Thank you, Santa.

Your friend,  
Jerry Martinez

Dear Santa,  
1. I want a computer.  
2. And I want a night light.  
3. And I want a sled.  
Have a Happy Christmas, Santa.

From,  
Jessica Behrends

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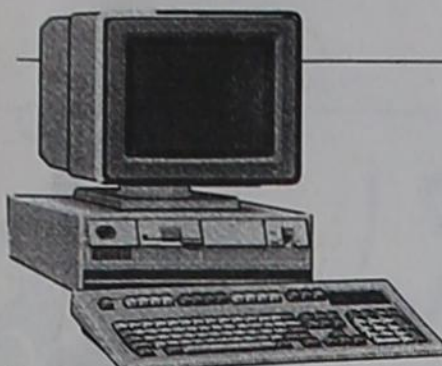
May this holy time shine with peace, and bring forth happiness to you and your flock.

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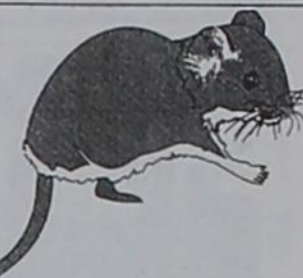
**A GREAT CHRISTMAS IS IN THE BAG!**

Here's hoping Santa delivers whatever your heart desires. Thanks for being such a loyal customer. You've made our season a very merry one.

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# I ALSO WANT A COMPUTER WITH MOUSE.



Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a colored game boy with some games. If you could, bring me a camera and some earrings either blue or purple.

Love,  
Chauncey Gilbreath

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing in the North Pole? I wish I could have a Nintendo 64 and a Play Station. I also wish for a remote control car, a puppy, and a Barbie car. How are your reindeers? Don't forget the other boys and girls.

Your friend,  
Alyssa Saenz

Dear Santa,  
How are things at the North Pole? I want a toy motor cycle, Game Clue, and the game Jumanji. I would also like the game chess, a football tee, and a play Batman, I'm in the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade this year. I like to read books ((Goosebumps)), Do elves have red caps or green caps?

Love,  
Ethan Wales

Dear Santa Claus,  
I hope you are ready for Christmas. How is your wife? Will you give me some rollerblades and a Nintendo 64? I would also like the game Jumanji. Will you give my family some thing? Goodbye.

Love,  
Ray Velez

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing Santa?  
I want a remote control car, a toy motor cycle, a Jumanji, and a puppy. Have a happy holiday. I will leave some cookies. How are your reindeers doing?

Love,  
Noe Puentes

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for all the presents you gave me last year. Could you bring me 2 remote control cars that comes with Ken and Barbie? Please bring me a puppy and a pair of rollerblades and a bike with 25 speeds. I am in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. I will leave you some cookies and milk. How are your reindeer?

Love,  
Lindsey Gates

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the presents you gave me. I want a 22 rifle, and a Nintendo 64 four. Ples bring me a new bicycle helmet. Don't forget the other kids.

Love,  
Jake Ebeling

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you Santa? I like your presents. How is the North Pole? I want a baby boy puppy and the game Jumanji. How is Rudolph? Happy holidays.

Love,  
Cornelio Salinas

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for last years presents. This year I want a Nintendo 64, a remote control car and 4 tapes for Christmas too. They are BackStreet Boys and Nseek and also just the two of us and Usher. How are all of you raindeers? I won't name all your reindeers because it might be confusing. I am going to name one—Comet. I am in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade so can you give me the Fonix game too pleas. Don't forget the other children too. I will leave you some cookies too. For a very special Santa.

Love,  
Tabatha Esquivel

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing?  
For Christmas I would like a computer, a remote controlled airplane and a Winnie the Pooh. I hope you and Mrs. Claus and your elves have a Merry Christmas. I have been a good boy this year.

Joe Aguero

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a dirt bike, a basketball, race car, pig, dog, and a hat just like my brother Buddy's.

Jeremy Davis

Dear Santa,  
Pleace bring me a motorcircle and a truck and a barbie for my mom. Thank you.

Cesar Terrazas

Dear Santa,  
I hope you have a great Christmas. I wish I had a new bike, nintendo games and the Power Ranger's Space Set. Have a good night and fly carefully. I love you, Santa.

John Hazel

Dear Santa,  
I wish for a bike and oh! I forgot to tell you. That I have been a good girl, and can you bring me some skates! Thank you very very much, I love you!

Love,  
Casandra Rosalez

Dear Santa,  
I want a pack of cars and a pack of police cars.

Love,  
Jonathan

Dear Santa,  
I would like these thing pleases mealttime magic Babby and Amazing Amy that's all thank you.

Love,  
Kimberly Martinez

Dear Santa,  
I have Been good iw ould like a big truck, some clothes, walkie talkie, power rangers in space, a mach box a whatever else you want to bring

Love,  
Joe P

Dear Santa,  
My name is Andrew I have been a good boy I want bunch of toys and I need \$20 for my baby brother and bring my two big brothers a present too good by.

Love,  
Andrew

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Mealttime Magic Baby and Easy Bake Oven. My brother would like a guitar. Have a safe trip.

Love,  
Elizabeth Hill

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Barbie Jeep, and a computer, and some clothes, shoes, dresses, for church, and a giga Pet, and a taling nano. Bless the poor with some clothes, and food,

Love,  
Klarissa Dee Martinez

Dear Santa,  
I want a crash Back. For Christmas and a go-cart too. I want a computer. A Bulls cover and a pillow will be fine.

Love,  
Frankie Castro

Dear Santa,  
I wood like a tide bear and a doll and a boll and a book and a toy house and a pooh phone and a pooh doll. Hug and kisses to you form me

Love,  
Pam

Dear Santa,  
Please give me a Play-station. I would like a paint ball gun with the suit and the helmet with it. WCV revenge and some Play station games.

Love,  
Casey Eby

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas, I want, a doll house. Barbie Phone. Barbies. TV. VCR

Love,  
Alyssa

Dear Santa,  
Senor Santa Clos Quiero Que Esta Navidad Nos Llenes De Amor y mucha Felicidad Quiero Que me Traigas un Elicoptero de Control y unos Carritos con Sus Carreteras De Control

Pepito Flores

Dear Santa,  
This is what I want for Chrismas. I want a bike. I want a barbi. I want clothes of one hundred and one dalmatians. I also want the movie of Mulan.

Anna Diaz

Dear Santa,  
I want you to come to my House. And bring me a Barbie, a Barbie House, a Singing Doll, and a candy Santa clause. Take Care!!

Claudia Gallardo

Dear Santa,  
Santa claus is a good boy because he brem toys for us.

Jorge Grado

Dear Santa,  
Hil I want for Christmas a pink Truck, a computer, cards, a radio and many other things. Bye! P.S. Stop by my House.

Elizabeth Gallardo

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year and I want you to bring me a pair of boots size 1 and bride barbie doll and I also want you to bring my little brother a play horse so he can have fun but my biggest wish is for you to give cloth shoes food and what ever the poor children need to be happy

Nuria Yannin Marquez

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a Barbie I also. Want a big teddy bear. If I can I also want a watch of Tweety. Please take care of my family and friends.

Thank you,  
Melissa Escamilla

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike and pear of shoes and a Barboe. And some books.

Diana Arredondo

**SANTA'S WORKSHOP**

## Get Ready For Christmas!

Clean the chimney,  
Paint the walls,  
Hang the stockings,  
Deck the halls!  
Trim the tree...  
With lights and candy;  
A little good cheer  
Always comes in handy!

With warm regards from all of us.

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# MY ZI2TER WANT2 A BARBIE AND BARBIE CAR..!



Dear Santa,  
How do your reindeer fly? Can you get me a toy Godzilla, and a toy dumsday. Can you get me a violin, and a kitten, and clothes, and boots?  
Love,  
Skylar Reyna

Dear Santa,  
How do your reindeers fly? I want a stufed mother dog and a babby puppy. I Love you Santa.  
Love  
Kelbi Carson

Dear Santa,  
How do you get all the presnts into one small bag?  
May I have doll?  
Love,  
Jasmine Chavez

Dear Santa  
How does Rudolfs nose glow? I want a Nintendo 64, a nife and a monter truck.  
Love,  
Shane Hanes

Dear Santa,  
How does your sleigh fly? Santa, you are very nice. Santa, I want a radio.  
Love,  
Jesus Diaz

Dear Szanta  
Where do you live? How do your elves make toys? May I have a Barbie jeep,  
Love,  
Abelina Avila

Dear Santa,  
How does Rudolfs, nose glow? How does you Sleigh fly? I want a reindeer, and a train, and I want you!  
Love  
Adam Hart

Dear Santa,  
How does Rudolfs nose glow. I wish for a toy.  
Love,  
Christopher Davis

Dear Santa,  
How do your reindeer fly? How does your sleigh fly? I wish for a baby Brother named Tommy.  
Love,  
Joey Cortez

Dear santa,  
How does your sleigh fly? How does Rudolfs nose flow? Can you get me a comput er, a ball, a doll, and a cat?  
Love you Santa  
Analysa Marquez

Dear Santa,  
How does Rudolfs nose glow? How do your elves make toys? Can you bring me a pocket knife and a nintendo 64  
Love  
Neno Ramirez

Dear Santa,  
How do you get down my chimney? How do your elves make toys? Where do you live? How do your reindeer fly? Can you bring me a computer  
Love,  
Veronica Gamez

Dear Santa,  
I have been very good this year. Here's a list of things I want. I would like a WCW/NWO Bash 'N' Braler. I also want a Play Station, Nintendo 64, Game Boy Color, Game Gear and a Super Nintendo withlots of games. I want a TV so I could play Nintendo. If I get a nintendo 64 please bring me WCW/NWO Revenge. I would like some wrestlers with a caged ring. I want some wrestling shirts and an autograph from my favorite wrestler. I would like a CD player and some CDs. I want a big screne TV for my room. I also want a Go Cart to drive around in. Please bring me some of these things!  
Your customer,  
Adrian Rosas

Dear Santa,  
I want a tittle puppy and a Barbie doll and a big car for me. A Baby with a bottle, clothes for my baby doll, shoes for my Baby doll, and a swimming pool and tweety bird.  
Love  
Kayla Ramirez

Dear Santa,  
How do your reindeer fly? I want a mitrodozer and a dinarsur and a drum and a Robot that can destroy.  
Love,  
Braden Nelson

Dear Santa,  
How does Rudolfs nose glow? May I have a radeo?  
Love,  
DeLesa Perez

Dear Santa,  
How does Rudolfs nose flow? May I hav a new bike?  
Love,  
Korina Portillo

Dear Santa,  
How does Rudolfs nose flow? I want two new pins and a christmas coloring book?  
Love  
Ashley Ramirez

Dear Santa,  
How does Rudolfs nose glow? May you bring me a horse, a mordersico, and a baby sister named Marissa?  
Love  
Brian Pantoja

Dear Santa,  
How does Rudolfs nose glow? May I have some toys and a new toy truck?  
Love  
Matin Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
How does Rudolfs nose glow? May I have a Remote control train, a go cart a Nintindo 64, remote control boat, a CD player and a nife and new shooz?  
Love  
Stephen Bryant

Dear Santa  
HoW douS Rudolfs nose glow? May I have a Nintendo.  
Love  
Valeria Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
How have you been? This year I want a Fingernail Fun, Hair Wrapper, roller blades, and for my family to have a Merry Christmas and last thing more beanie babies.  
Your Pal,  
Julie R.

Dear Santa  
This is what I want for Christmas. A computer, a ligh for my bike, some legos, and a new bike, and some playstayian and that's all  
Love,  
Allan Montemayor

Dear Santa,  
I have been very good this year. I want beanie babies because they are so cuddly. I want a sterio with a CD player. Then That is all I want for Christmas.  
Love,  
Alyssa Ritter

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a Nintendo and a bicycle, also a bag of candy. Because it is you day. I would like for you to bring all of the children some candy and some toys.  
Love  
Jonatan Garcia

Dear Santa,  
My name is Sondra. I am in the fourth grade. I work like a bussiness person in school. I would like for Christmas a real computer, a Pooh backpack, a Barbie car, and a telephone. I need a real computer to write sentences. My Barbie doll needs a Barbie car to play with. Also my backpack is broken. So I need a Pooh backpack to put my school supplies and books. The telephone is so I can talk to my friends.  
Santa I will see you on Christmas Day!  
Love,  
Sondra Rodriguez

Dear Santa Claus,  
My name is Charles. I live in Hart, Texas. You are nice.  
I would like some cars, trucks, and vans for Christmas. I would also like to have a Barney and some dinosaurs.  
Tell the reindeers hello!  
Love,  
Charles Bann

Dear Santa,  
How have you been?  
I've been good most of the year. I'm doing just fine. I would like motorcycle, Playstation, dirt bike and a Deon Sanders jersey.  
Love,  
Demetrio

Dear Santa,  
How have you been. I would like a game called Crash Bandicoot, a computer with the internet on, I would also like a pet Cheewawah for Cristas. I would also like a Big Screen T.V.  
That is all I want for Cristas  
Sincerely,  
Adam Velasquez

Dear Santa,  
How do your elves make toys? I want a pup and I want a gold fish in a bowl. Can you bring me it?  
Love,  
Ty Cody Rhine

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want you to bring me a computer. I also want the movie of Rugrats. I also want a 10-speed bike. I would also like a baseket gole.  
Love,  
Nancy Montemayor

Dear Santa,  
How have you been?  
I have been good so, I could get presents and toys and clothes to wear to school and to the mall. And to church.  
Love,  
Fernando

Dear Santa,  
How have you been? This is stuff I want for Christmas. the baby Dill and tommy and The Spice Girls dolls, Telitubles, tickets to see Spice Girls, N'Syc, Back Street boys, Cluless head phones, rugrats movie, money. For my teachers, money for my family, to see my tio and talk to him, to spend the night with all my teachers, and my own store that is all so you would not spend a lot of time making and getting it.  
Love,  
Roxanne R. Gonzales

Dear Santa,  
How have you been? I've been great. I just kind of wanted to tell what I want for Christmas. I know your busy on Christmas but I hope you stop at my house. Okay, now I'm going to tell you what I want. I want a computer, a playstation game called Madden 99 and I want a other game called the Rugrats. This is also one thing I relly want and it is one of those relly little T.V's you can take with you when your going some where.  
That's all Santa.  
Your employ,  
Benjamin Montemayor

Dear Santa,  
These are some things I want for Chirstmas.  
I would like a flute, a fuby if no one gets me it, a Kristen doll, a mulan movie, an ice cream maker, jazz shoes, a twirler ordment. a few bones for my dog and a humongous Pooh.  
Love,  
Lindsay

Dear Santa  
How has it been at the North Pole?  
I want a T.V. fore Christmas I don't want it too big because than it won't fit in my room. Can you bring me a Super Nintendo game called Sunset Rides?  
Your friend,  
Mikey

Dear Santa,  
How do your reindeer fly? Will you bring me a drum, and a guitar?  
Love,  
Kendall George

Dear Santa,  
How do you get on top of my house? I want a gum machine.  
Love,  
Joel Beanes

*Blessings of the Season*

May the true spirit of Christmas envelop you and your loved ones, as together we rejoice in the birth of our Saviour.

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# MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Dear Santa,  
I would like a swimming pool, hottub, bb gun, a football field, a basketball goal. I have been good

Love,  
Heath Wilhelm

Dear Santa,  
please bring me a person that does jobs for me. I want a new desk to do my homework on. I have been good.

Love,  
Rex Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
I want a small soldier and a small soldier movie. I want a gigapet and a pippen book. I have been a good boy.

Love,  
Kevin Lilley

Dear Santa,  
I want a real lab top. I want a real little jeep. And a real phone. I want a jumping set with balls. I want a real pipe slide. I love you.

Love,  
Kenley Kleman

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a bb gun and a bike. I want a race track and a computer cd rom speaker.

Love,  
Chad Acker

Dear Santa,  
How are your reindeer doing? Thank you for the doll house that you brought me last year. This year I would like some more pieces for my doll house and a playhouse for the back yard. I will be at my Aunt De's for Christmas so please bring my toys there.

Haley Birkenfeld  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the trike that you gave me last year, This year I would like a pedal tractor and some farm toys to play in the dirt with. Please bring my toys to Aunt De's house because that is where I will be on Christmas. I will leave you some milk and cookies.

Lane Birkenfeld  
Age 2

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I have been a good boy. All I want this year for Christmas is a bunch of toys to play with. I would like for you to bring my mommy and daddy a new car. Tell Mrs. Claus and all the reindeer hi.

Love,  
Dyllyn Nelson

Dear Santa,  
I haveent seen you in a year. This is what I want for Christmas. Headphones, computer, makeup, barbie with clothes and little couch. Thank you Santa. I love you very very very much. I hope the elves are making toys. I love you so so so so so so so so so much.

Amy Thiel

Dear Santa,  
Have your elves been working hard? What I would like is a BB gun with BBS and a game boy game. Can you send them to Aunt de's houes. Thank you for last years toys.

Kyle Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,  
I'm ready for Christmas! Are you? Please bring me a basketball Barbie, a Minnie Mouse watch, roller skates, and a Barbie house. I have been a good girl!

Love,  
Jeanette Acker

Dear Santa,  
Have you been working hard? Please bring me a SEGA, and some new clothes, and a blue and gold watch.

Good-bye,  
Adam Pena

Dear Santa,  
How is Rudolph? Please bring me a Batman toy, and Buzz from Toy Story. Merry Christmas toy you and Mrs. Claus.

Love,  
Devin Kern

Dear Santa,  
I've been a very good girl this year. Please bring me a Basketball Barbie, and new roller skates. How do you like the north pole?

Love,  
Kendra Huseman

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I am ready to see you! I want some new golf clubs and a watch. I have been nice. Tell Mrs. Claus and the elves Howdy from Texas!

Merry Christmas!  
Mrs. Mays

Dear Santa,  
I love you. Please bring me a Magic Stroller Baby, a little toy horse, a new brush, I have been a good girl.

Merry Christmas!  
Perry Mixson

Dear Santa,  
How are you? How are the reindeer? Please bring me a little boxed dairy farm and something for my family. I would like a John Deere Plow. I hope you enjoy Christmas.

Love,  
Eric Acker

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I am fine. Please bring me a tractor, a Lucky Duck game, a tv for my room, a desk with markers, and a remote control 4-wheeler. My sister needs a new baby doll and stroller and walker. I have been very good!

Merry Christmas!  
Brett Braddock

Dear Santa,  
Have you been working hard? I want a swimming Barbie doll for Christmas and a Tic Tac Toe game. I have been very good!

Good-Bye!  
Elizabeth Hill

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I'm fine. Thanks for every thing you gave me. I have fun playing with them. Please will you give me a collar for Emily my cat? I would like a big, stuffed Tweety Bird. How is Mrs. Clause and the reindeer? My class is putting on a play this year!! By!!!

Your friend,  
Allyson Hochstein

Dear Santa,  
How is Mrs. Claus and the reindeer? This is what I would like for Christmas is a Tonks loader, and a Game Boy. We have a play December 13, 1998 and I am Santa Claus! Tell the elfs hi for me please.

Thanks,  
Joshua Braddock

Dear Santa,  
How are you and Mrs. Clause? I can only think of a few things this year. Are the reindeer fine? May I have baby doll, beanie baby game. One more thing will you bring my family something. Merry Christmas.

Love,  
Brandi Kern

Dear Santa,  
How are the elves? How are the reindeers? Will you please get me some jewelry, computer games and some cute little babies. I love you!

Sincerely,  
Tessie Huseman

And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary, for thou hast found favor with God. And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS.

—St. Luke 1:30-31

Then Joseph, being raised from sleep, did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife.

—St. Matthew 1:24

She brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger.

—St. Luke 2:7

## Merry Christmas from Nazareth

*Christmas greetings from the community that's named for Christ's hometown. Instead of sending individual cards to our local friends, we have donated our card money to benefit the Holy Family Charity Fund. We hope Christmas 1998 will be blessed and memorable for you.*

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- Don & Betty Acker
- Dwayne & Anne Acker & Family
- The Jerry Acker Family
- Max Acker
- Sam & Margie Albracht
- Alvin, Matilda & Steve Anderle
- Evelyn Backus
- Helen Backus
- Hubert, Joan & Ron Backus
- Urban Ball
- Clyde, Jeanie, Mark, Craig, Candace & Steven Birkenfeld
- Father Darryl Birkenfeld
- The Herman Birkenfeld Family
- Julia Birkenfeld
- The Julius Birkenfeld Family
- Keith & Kim Birkenfeld & Family
- Margaret Birkenfeld
- Rose Birkenfeld
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- Ernie & Florine Brockman
- Jerome & Margaret Brockman
- Ralph, Sharon, Kristin, Mitchell, Lesley & Kimberly Brockman
- Brigitta & Richard Dobmeier
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- The Leonard Gerber Family
- Mick, Jane, Laura & Alan Gerber
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- Virgie, Keith & Harold Gerber
- Dorothy Guggemos
- Denny & Dolores Heiman
- Charley & Beverly Hill
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- May Hochstein & Family
- William & Catherine Hochstein & Family
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- Keith, Karleen, Mandy, Brett & Kyle Hoelting
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- Bertha Huseman
- Katherine A. Huseman
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- Georgie Kleman
- Lucy Leinen
- Al & Leona Maurer
- J.C., Jocelyn, Jill, Colby, Amy & Daryl Pohlmeier
- LeRoy & Dorothy Pohlmeier
- Philip & Dora Pohlmeier
- Ed & Leola Ramaekers
- Henry & Linda Jo Ramaekers & Family
- Rex & Vera Ramaekers & Family
- Larry, Cyrilla, Trinity & Trey Robb
- Kim, Kathy, Charlie & Kami Rundell
- John & Norma Schacher
- Danny Schilling
- Kenneth Schilling
- Walter & Anita Schilling
- Jim, Bobbie, Michael, Robby, Jayme & Tiffany Schmucker
- The Dan Schmucker Family
- Lawrence Schmucker
- Ray & Mary Lou Schmucker & Melinda
- The Bob Schulte Family
- Clarence & Odelia Schulte
- Doyle & LaDawn Schulte & Family
- The Elmer Schulte Family
- Floyd & Dorothy Schulte
- Gilbert & Dolly Schulte
- Isabell "Easy" Schulte
- Martha Schulte
- Marvin & Darlene Schulte
- Mary Ann Schulte
- Troy & Kathy Smallwood
- Father Jerry Stein
- Paul & Joe Venhaus
- Robert, Mary & David Verkamp
- Winifred Wagner
- Francis & Betty Wilhelm
- James & Chunky Wilhelm
- Leonard & Rose Mary Wilhelm
- Joe & Rita Woetovech
- John & Margaret Womack
- Lester, Eileen & Alisha Womack

## Season's Greetings from Hart

*Instead of sending individual cards to our local friends, we have donated our card money to the Hart Cemetery Fund. It is a tradition which we feel honors the memory of those who helped make so many Christmases happy for all of us.*

- Mrs. Irene Brooks
- Bea Cole
- Kenneth & Marilyn Covington
- Jimmy Ray & Greta Davis
- Mrs. Harvey C. (Delphia) Davis
- Richard & Patsy Entrekin
- Billy Jo & Connie Farris
- Lloyd and Augusta Farris
- Joe Percy & Sarah Hart
- Doug & Marilyn Higgins
- Sandra Hill
- Chad Hill
- Paul & Inez Johnson
- Jerry & Edna Kittrell
- Midge McLain
- Laurence & Marguerite McLain
- Mrs. Orval Sharp
- Lucile Smith
- Don & Neoma Williams & Rachel Wall



# Santa, I HOPE YOU'LL FIND MY STOCKING



Dear Santa,  
I was a good boy. Cop vest, and a fireboot and smoke mask and police car and sword and police motorcycle and take care of Tricia.

George Acker

Dear Santa,  
I liked the presents last year. I would like bath and body works. I would also like some money. I will leave some milk and cookies out on the table.

Kami Rundell

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? This is what I would like to have. I would like to have a yo-yo speed moder sicle and a minny bike. I wish you a very mary christmas.

Justin Wood

Dear Santa,  
How are you and Mrs. Claus and your reindeer? I would like a watch, babydoll and some clothes. Please bring my sisters and brother something too. I have been a good girl.

Love,  
Alyssa Braddock

Dear Santa,  
I want a dress and a bear and a bracelet. I even want a doll to. I want my mom and dad to get back together. And celebrate too.

Stephanie Mendoza

Dear Santa,  
I hope your elves are doing fine. I want a sony play station. I want a fire truck that has a control on the truck. I want a John Deere set. I want a construction site. I want K'net master builder set. I want a trampoline. I hope you have a good christmas Santa Clause.

Thomas Schacher

Dear Santa,  
I want a doll and a stroller. Also I want my mom. Also I want clothes. Also I want a doll. Also I want a pool. I want dishes. I want a comb.

My friend,  
By Raquel

Dear Santa,  
I want a play stashun for christmas and rasing car for christmas. Houe are your randire. I want a pare of skas.

Your Frennd  
Fernando

Dear Santa,  
How are you and your raindeer? Santa will you please give me pierced ear rings, mail madnes, horse, computer, precious moments, bike, and furby. Thank you for all the toys you get me.

Yours sincerely,  
Darcy Schulte

Dear Santa Claus,  
Santa Claus I've been a good boy this year. Would you please bring me the cd Disney's Christmas Collection one? Also would you please bring me The Land Before Time Six the video? Would you also bring me a Godzilla watch and a chess and checker set?

Sincerely,  
Ryan Tyler Mixson

Dear Santa,  
How are Mrs. Clause and the elves? Santa this year I would like a All Saint CD, a little CD player, a jewelry set and a surprize.

Love,  
Brittany Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,  
How are your reindeer doing? I have been a good boy. I want a drum set, a truck, a college basketball Sega game and a Madden 99 Sega game. Please bring me a CD and a football.

Love,  
Taylor Schulte

Dear Santa,  
How are your randeer and Mrs. Clause and the elfs doing? Would you please bring me a computer with the internet and a kerioiky machine and a furby.

Kyle  
Hoeltling

Dear Santa,  
Will you please bring me some hockey gloves and a sled? I also want a mighty ducks hockey jersey to go with my hockey gloves. I would like some iceskates. I have been really good.

Love,  
Ryan Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,  
Please give me a Goose bumps game. I want a pelligan bb gun. I will be looking for you.

Love,  
Gus Gesling

Dear Santa,  
I want a truck and a new bicycle. I also want a puppet monster. I would like a remote control loader. I have been good.

Love,  
Randy Hill

Dear Santa,  
Please give me a nintendo game. It is James Bond. Please give me football goal post. I would like some mony, a laptop, a sled, talking battleship, cards, and books. I tried to be good.

Love,  
Joseph Huseman

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a laptop, a duck pond, a Pooh, a glass Doll, and talking Tommy, drawing desk. I would like a pool game and a swimming pool. I have been good.

Love,  
Emily Leavitt

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? Please bring me a real go cart, a Barby camra, new skate, lots of books, a Barby tricycle girl, a real teenager jeep, and the moovy malan and Lion King 2 and Pochontas too.

Love,  
Adrian Ellison.

Dear Santa,  
I hope your elves have been getting ready for Christmas. Are they working hard on the toys? I want a real horse and a shiver baby and a exercise Barbie. I hope you bring a knife sharpener for my daddy. I want to thank you for what you bring. I wish you a happy Christmas.

Love,  
Steffani Steffens

Dear Santa,  
I hope you are doing good and your elves and Mrs. Claus. I bet the north pole is very cold. I want a bike, talkin Bubba and Dixie Chicks CD. I hope everyone gets the stuff they wanted. I hope the poor gets some presents too. I hope you and everyone else has a good Christmas and a happy New Year.

Caitlin Huseman

Dear Santa,  
Are you doing good? I hope you are. I am doing good. I want a pures. I want baby clothes size two. I want the Christmas Barbie. I like elfs.

Jenny Jo Merritt

Dear Santa,  
How are your elfs. I want a real jeep. I want a computer, I want a big toy house, I want a doll with pamper, I want a purse with makeup, I want a tap of god, I want a little jeep of god, I want a swimming pool.

April Pena

Dear Santa,  
Please I would like a trike, go baby, purse, fake makeup and Barbie cd player. That would be all. Thank you.

Love,  
Amber Huseman

Dear Santa,  
I would like a play bow and arrow. I also want a play radio and a play gun with a little orange thing that goes in the gun. I have been good and I help my mom and dad at home.

Love,  
Clint Huseman

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I want a sled and a wooden puppet like Allysons. I want my puppet to be a cowboy like the other ones. I need a frind for caw, my stuffed animal. I would like that. I have been good.

Love,  
Anthony Hochstein

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a laptop and a jeep. I want a Barbie that I can brush her hair. I would like to have roller blades, a jumping set, stuffed duck, bubbles and candy. I have really been a good girl.

Love,  
Jade Schulte

Dear Santa,  
I would like some dress shoes. Please would you bring me a Doodle Bear and a CD player? I would like some pants for Christmas. How is Rhodoph and the other reindeers? How are you and Mrs. Closs? I love you.

Love,  
Alex Gerber

Dear Santa,  
How are you and your reindeer. Please bring me a Sega game and my brother wants a nintendo sonic game. Thank you for the toys and I hope you have a good Christmas.

Love,  
Jeremiah Fetsch

Dear Santa,  
How are your reindeer? Please bring me a house car, a horse that I can name Rayna, a purple Bug's Life car, and a bicycle. Please bring Uncle Nick and Rey a watch. Merry Christmas!!

Marcus Bermea

Dear Santa,  
Are you ready for Christmas? I want a new Gymnastic Barbie and new clothes. How is Rudolph? I hope he is ready for the trip.

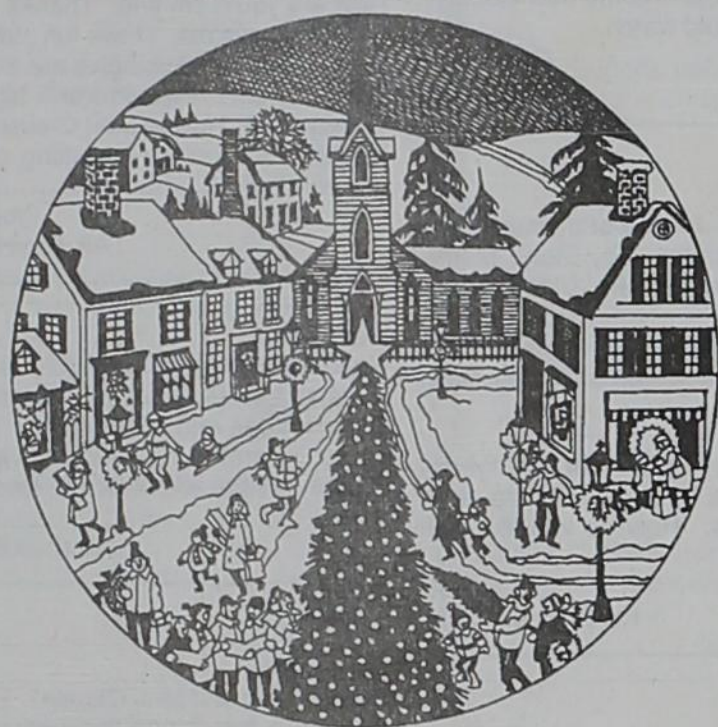
Love,  
Chelsea Schulte

Dear Santa,  
I love you! Please bring me a Barbie Bed, a kite, Barbie watch, Barbie chair for my desk, some new markers so I don't use my teachers. Bring Jill a play puppy dog.

Thank you!  
Kaile Huseman

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? I'm just fine!! I need some Barbie Roller Blades, Pooh Watch, and a Frog game from Toys R Us. I can't wait to see you at Mitzie's. My dad needs a new watch.

Merry Christmas!  
Nicole Hampton



## Yuletide Greetings

Sending our best to our many friends!

**Company Store**  
and  
**The Hart Beat**  
Hart

*Rejoice!*  
May you and yours revel in the splendor of the season.

**Kern Plumbing & Electric**

*Yuletide Greetings*  
Just in the "nick" of time, we'd like to deliver our best wishes for a merry holiday season. We appreciate your dropping in on us this year.

**Paxton Tire & Service**

**A Holiday That Takes Center Stage**

Wishing you a Christmas that speaks for itself with an abundance of love, peace and prosperity.

We applaud your kind support. Thanks to you, we're ready to give another top performance in the year to come.

**Wilbur-Ellis Company**  
938-2191  
Richard Franks, Carlos Martinez, Gregg Gerber, Tony Leibel

**May You Be At Ease This Holiday.**

Holiday trimmings and presents galore.  
Buying the tree and rushing to the store.  
It's pretty hectic when you're at the holiday pace,  
But remember to relax and feel its embrace.

Wishing you the peace and harmony of the season.

**B&W Aerial Spray**

*Ring Holiday!*  
In The

It's the season of sparkling lights and joyful tunes. We hope your holidays will resound with the spirit of Christmas!  
Thank you for making our year a ringing success!

**The 19th Hole**  
Nazareth

**HAVE A STORYBOOK CHRISTMAS!**

We hope your holiday is filled with many joyful episodes and a fairytale ending.  
Thanks for making our season a "best-seller."

**Nazareth Oil & Gas**

*Naz Stop*

**Merry Christmas To All!**

Christmas Eve is almost here. Santa's on the way, Bringing happiness and cheer, And presents in his sleigh, And wishing every one of us A Happy Holiday!

**Hart of the Plains Pump, Inc.**

# WE'RE GOING TO WATCH FOR YOU TO COME DOWN THE CHIMNEY.



Dear Santa,  
I want Moolan and the Rugrats movies. I want a new Roodaugh and the Land Before Time 6.

Love,  
Patrick Pottorff

Dear Santa,  
I want a sled, a train, a sailboat, a rill puppy, a remote control robot that will do all my chores.

Love,  
Marcus Wilhelm

Dear Santa,  
Is Rudolph doing o.K.? I hope so!! Please bring me a football throw, a basketball throw, and a pool table.

Good-bye Santa,  
Landon Schulte

Dear Santa,  
I hope you have a nice Christmas. Please bring me a new front tooth, and a new team roping bag. Tell the elves and reindeer hello.

Love,  
Shay Johnson

Dear Santa,  
How are you and Mrs. Claus? I am fine. This year I would like a Megan from the Magic Attic Club and her gymnastic set, some jewelry, a sports locker, some black sweats, and some clothes. I like Christmas a lot. P.S. Please bring the poor something.

Your friend  
Brittany Hampton

Dear Santa,  
How are your reindeer? Thanks for all the presents last year. Is Mrs. Claus going to help? This year I want a playstation game, big insect lego set, and the game don't wake daddy. The play station game is called Crash Bandicoot 3. Some people in my class want some good stuff and I hope you give them what they want.

Steven Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? I am fine. Please bring me a pink sleigh, a Barbie with a horse, a Spice Girls bicycle, a hand for jewelry, and an Ariel C.D. I also would like a Splish Splashin' baby. Please bring my sisters some things too. I helped GenGan do her Christmas cards. I have been a big helper.

I love you and  
I love Christmas!  
Cassidy Nutt

Dear Santa Claus,  
I Love you.  
I have tried to be really good this year. This year has gone by really fast. If you could please bring me some earrings either blue, green or purple. If you could bring me a new game boy and some games. Thank you for all the things last year.

Love,  
Chauncey

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Doll, Coloring Book, Blues Clues Dog, TENT

Thank you,  
Carly Gilbreath

Dear Santa Claus,  
Bracelet with my Name. I want a game boy with game Heart ring and dolphin ring. I have been very good Santa Claus,

love  
Cailee

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? Is Mrs. Claus keeping you warm on these cold nights? For Christmas I would like a portable CD player, and the Dixie Chicks CD, be sure its the new one. I also want a bag of the Disney Beanie babies like Winnie the Pooh and Donald and Mickey and Goofy and Minnie.

Love,  
Karis

Dear Santa,  
How are you? How are the reindeer? Please bring me a doll. Please bring me a helmet. Please bring me a easy bake oven. Please bring me a watch. Please bring me some Pooh slippers. Please bring me a Jewelry. Please bring me a Beannie baby pooh. Please bring me a my dolly and me dress up set. Please bring me a ACTIVITY desk. Please bring me a controlled vehicles. Please bring me a pooh sleeping bag. Please bring me a Barbie answering machine. Hope you have a good christmas. Are your elfs working hard today. Please bring me a creative art studio. Please bring me a doll high chair. Please bring me a shopping cart. Please bring me a doll stroller.

Amanda Acker

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I am fine. How are the reindeer. I would like a computer, and some Beast wars for Christmas please. Have the elves working hard this year. We had great toys last year.

Alec Braddock

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? How are the elfs and reindeer? How is Mrs. Clause? Well any way this is what I want a furby, ring, and a neckless, new glasses, 100's on my papers, and a new baby sister. Not a brother I have a brother.

Your friend,  
Valerie Rodriguez

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me presents. I want a computer and a teddy bear. I also want some fingernail polish and lipstick. I would like a Barbie. What do the reindeer eat?

Love,  
Kelsie Grantham  
Age 4

Dear Santa Claus,  
Hi! I loved seeing you at the mall. I got a new brother in April. I've really been trying to share all my toys with him, but sometimes he just grabs things from me without asking. He has a lot to learn! Please bring me the new Lion King Movie for me and Bubs to watch on the way to Nana Bev and Grandpa Charley's house. I would also like a new baby doll, one that doesn't cry when I try to pick it up or stick a bottle in its mouth. I hope you have a safe trip and tell Mrs. Claus that I missed seeing her at the mall with you,

I love you,  
Anni Scholl  
Age 2

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you? I really have been a good boy these eight months that I've been here. My sister, Anni, makes it hard on me sometimes, but thank goodness I have Linds and Lolo to help keep her occupied! Please bring me a toy farm to play with and something to chew on so my gums will feel better.

I love you,  
Ethan Scholl

P.S. I'm sorry I pulled your beard when I saw you at the mall last week.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Barbie doll and rollerblades. I also want some new clothes. Merry Christmas!

Love,  
Amber Sanchez  
Age 4

Dear Santu  
I will like to have a go cart a cat and a lots of monster turkus that are real I want a play stashun and a nintendo sixty four and a swemenpul and a dady brother and also a lots of hotwheel and a lots of restlers and a lots of mony and a bran now house and a bran now love bug and for me I want a re real nunther dird and a real love bug.

By  
John Paul Mendez

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a race track for cars and a choo-choo train track with a choo-choo train. I also want a remote control Godzilla. I want a coloring book and colors. How do the reindeer fly? I love you Santa Claus, and have a good flying time to my house.

Love,  
Blake Sullivan-Ramos  
Age 4

Dear Santa Claus,  
It's me! I want you to get my mom a ring and get me an Angel Barbie with a dress and wings. I also want a Barbie housse with a Barbie. Please bring me daddy a shirt for church. I want a Doodle girl that you draw on. I want a car that I can ride in with my brother. I want it to have seatbelts and a back seat. How do you put the reindeer on the string to go around the world to my friend's house and everyone else's house

Love,  
Candace Munoz  
Age 5

Dear Santa,  
Christmas is my favoret time of year!  
I want a furby if you can get it because it's the major toy this year. I also want a new CD player because my dad aidently broke my old one. And speakers that I can huck up to my CD player. And a nail desiner kit. And a portible microphone with speakers. And last but not least a real country getar.  
I sure do hope you can get every thing especially a furby!

Love,  
Brittany Nelson

P.S. I forgot to tell you sothing I wanted the baby Dill doll!

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a football helmet, football pads for my shoulders, a football, and football cleats. I also want a little pickup that has back seats. How do the reindeer fly? Merry Christmas!

Love,  
Oscar Navarro Jr.  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
I want a Power Ranger and a Space Power Ranger. I also want some clothes and a truck. My sister wants a duck and a doll because she likes to play with ducks and dolls. Merry Christmas!

Love,  
Noe Jackson Jr.  
Age 4



Another Christmas season is heading down the track. We hope it brings you everything you're waiting for!

We're happy you stopped at our door this year. We look forward to seeing you again.

## Pay & Save Foods

Hart

## "Luke—The Beloved Physician"

"He was speaking to his friends of love and strength. I know He spoke of love because there was melody in His voice; and I know He spoke of strength because there were armies in His gestures ... His speech was simple and joyous, and the sound of His voice was like cool water in a land of drought. The rhythm of His step was different from other men's, and the movement of His body was like naught I had seen before. Men do not pace the earth in that manner. And even now I do not know whether He walked fast or slow. And I gazed at Him and my soul quivered within me—for He was beautiful. He looked at me even as the seasons might look upon the field, and He smiles. And then He walked away. But no other man ever walked as He walked." (From Kahlil Gibran's description of Jesus).

I always resent the fact that so few people, and that includes even the best Bible students, know the origin of the Christmas story. Here is a holiday and a holy day combined that the whole world—except perhaps Russia and other pagan lands—stops to celebrate in colorful and magnificent fashion every year, with song, and sermon, and ceremony, and sentiment, and emotion, and feasting and rejoicing. Yet you can ask almost anyone you meet the question—"who gave us Christmas?"—and few can tell. Most folks never stopped to consider the matter before. Which brings me to the conclusion that my friend Doctor Luke has never gotten a fair deal from either layman or clergy.

"From the Bible," is generally the answer you get if you ask the above question. Sure. But the Bible is filled with the writings of an army of men. And only one of those writers gave us Christmas. So, I have appointed myself Doctor Luke's press agent, insofar as my circle is concerned, and decided that every year at Christmas time I would remind my friends who it was that gave us the Christmas story, with all the Christmas glory. For, had it not been for Luke, Christmas would never have been heard of. It is true that Matthew, the Apostle, wrote about the birth of Jesus in a house in Bethlehem, and about the wise men from the East who came seeking Him. But that was all. And no other biblical writer mentioned it.

In the Book of Luke, and only there, do we find the story of Christmas. There alone do we read the thrilling picture of the shepherds on the hillside, the angel chorus, the virgin

mother tending her Babe whose cradle was a manger. There only do we find the inspiration for all the ringing joys, the sublime emotions that have caused the world for near two thousand years to celebrate Christmas. Yes, it was Luke alone who gave us Christmas.

... Luke, you may recall, was a practicing Physician in the Greek city of Antioch a number of years after the crucifixion, when Paul dropped in there to preach and teach Christianity. And, just as the Twelve dropped all that they had and followed the Carpenter, and as Paul had done later, so did doctor Luke—no doubt a man of culture and education—drop all that he had and followed Paul. He followed the great Salesman throughout the world, caring for him, ministering to him, never forsaking him through prison and out and right to Rome where Paul was put to death. He was the greatest friend history has any record of, steadfast as Truth itself, and He stayed with his friend until death did them part. Paul called him "the beloved physician."

... And after Paul's death, Luke, who never saw Jesus, being one who came after, set out to gather the materials for the two mighty books he was to write. The Book of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles. It is thought likely by biblical students that Luke went back over the land where Jesus had spent his short life. We can imagine him visiting many parts of the Palestinian countryside, seeking traces of Him, asking the old folks if they had seen Him, and what they remembered. And so he wrote into his books many stories that have beautified the world and brightened the hearts and souls of man ever since; stories that the biblical writers who were contemporaries of Jesus apparently never knew.

... He heard the story of the Prodigal Son, the story of the Good Samaritan, the sublime tale of the repentant thief on the cross, and others that make the Book of Luke the most beautiful composition in all literature. And just think! It was simply a long, long letter, written by a Greek Doctor to a Roman Scholar named Theophilus, about a Jewish carpenter named Jesus. What a drama!

Soar Into the Season

May you and those you love take flight this Christmas with happiness, health and prosperity.

Your loyal commitment has helped us to spread our wings and reach new heights.

### Triple A Pump Co., Inc.

Hart

## HOPE IT'S MERRY

We hope all good things come your way. Thanks for dropping in to see us!

## Red X Travel Center

## A Blessed Time

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end.

—Isaiah 9:6-7

May you and yours be blessed with peace and joy all through Christmas and beyond.

Thank you for visiting us.

### Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Thursday, Dec. 24

6:30—Music by Marie Winders, organ; Connie Dickerson, piano; Beth Buckley, electronic keyboard.

7:00—Candlelight service. Scriptures, carols, candlelighting. Dress: casual.

## First United Methodist Church

Dimmitt

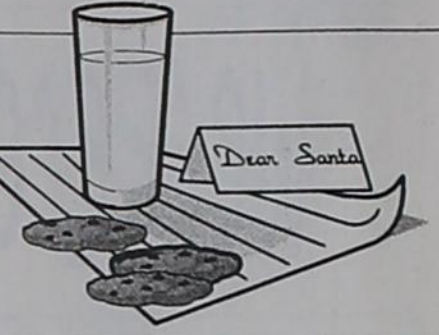
We Wish You A Blessed Christmas

## Ed Harris Lumber Company

Hart



# I'LL LEAVE YOU SOME MILK AND COOKIES



Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a cowboy hat and boots. I also want new spurs and new clothes. I want a computer and new shoes. How are your reindeer doing? I also would like some markers and some papers. Tell the elves I said Hi!

Love,  
Juan David Flores Jr.  
Age 5

Dear Santa,  
How have you been? I been good this year, except when Jesus got in a fight with me. I hope I see you in Christmas. I do not want presents, except for a Nintendo 64. I hope I get my present. I do not have no chimney, but anyways I hope I get the present I ask you.

Love,  
Esteban

Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is the barbie that is in the willchair.

Love,  
Nadia Avila

Dear Santa,  
My name is Samantha I live in a mooroon, black and write house you now want I wish for fashoin nail set tubtubies all of them beany babies a lot. A caputor and that camral that comes with a cd a cd plays and some CDs a lot of barbies and the one in the wheelchair.

Love,  
Samantha Menchaca

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? How is Mrs. Santa doing? I would like a CD player with 2 CD's, big stuffed Pooh, Piglet and Eyore, a pingemail fun salon. How are the raindeer doing? I hope you will have a safe trip around the world. I hope nothing will happen to you or the raindeer or Mrs. Santa. On December the 17th we are going to do a Christmas play and 4th grade is going to be acting. I hope you have a great Christmas. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Your friend,  
Kimberley McReynolds

Dear Santa,  
How you doing? I am doing real good in school and on all my grades too. I am eight years old. How old are you? I have six people in my family. How many people do you have in your family? I have three brothers and one step sister. My mom's name is Petra and my dads name is Armando. My brothers names are Marcus, Anthony and Jonathan. Do you have any brothers or sisters? How many inches and centimeters is your beard? Are you married to a beautiful woman? I want to go to school all year. I want a laser toy gun too.

Love,  
Nathan Green

Dear Santa,  
I want a magic storler baby, slurp and burp baby doll, I want a baby love lashes, barbie collection dolls, baby on a tricycle and go and a computer.

Love,  
Mayra

Dear Santa,  
Heres what I want for Christmas this year. A Barbie School, a new sticker collection, a pair of new shoes, some clothes, new pencils to add to my Pencil Collection thats all I can think of right now. I'm going to have good Christmas this year and I hope you have a very Merry Christmas.

Love,  
Margie

Dear Santa,  
How have you been? I am fine. I have been a good girl this year. For Christmas I would like a barbie that is in a wheel chair, a purple burse that has nails, glitter and nailpolish, fashion magice, some plado that you can make icream out of itk some blue pants, a blue jaket, big high hill cloagers, baby crawl and walk, Pooh jumpers, purple boots, some beeny babies, a big stuff tomy, some diffent nail polish, a baby that rides her bike.

Love,  
Annette Reyna

Dear Santa,  
I have been very good today, I live in Hart, Texas and the color of my house is white and red. What I want for Christmas is a troploeling and a computer and a bike and my teacher are very nice. And the most inportit thing I'm having trouble on is my school work. And so my mom shes very pretty and my and writing.

Love,  
Nathan

Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is a trampoline, swimpool, playhous, and a tent. And for all of us I want a radio with a microphone, Barbie, cyclane, hot wheel for my brother.

Your friend,  
Kelcy

Dear Santa,  
How are you?  
I what a play Station for chrismas. I what a criss cross crash for chrismas. I what a remote car for chrismas. I what a big computure for chrismas. I what a big bike for chrismas. I what you to let it snow Santa cautas. I what a go cart for chrismas.

Love  
Jose

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. I have been working hard at school.

I want a dog for Christmas. Because I have never had a dog.

I want a doll for Christmas. To play with it.

I would also like a Barbie car. Tell the elves Merry Christmas!

Love,  
Lindsay Sifuentez

Dear Santa,  
Are you having a good time at the North Pole?  
Has everything ben okay with the elves?  
What kind of toy's do your elves make at the North Pole?  
I want a harpest Angel barbiek easy bake, a puppy that says from Santa; but one thing the puppy has to be a puppy that I could keep in side and one that does not grow to big.

Love  
Delia Chia

Dear Santa,  
How have you been? Like you are Santa I would like for you to bring me a little doll that have colors and you can put some on her cheek you can draw her a flower. How have your wife been good? I Wish you a Marry Christmas!

Love  
Maria Madgalena Diaz

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Power Ranger and a truck with a screwdriver to fix it. I also want a remote control car. I saw the movie about Rudolph.

Love,  
Juan Falcon  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
I want some tools and some hot wheels. I also want a coloring book and colors. I would also like a computer.

Love,  
Alex Ibarra  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
I want a baby doll and a blanket for my doll. I also want a bottle for the doll. I want a coloring book and colors. I would also like a tape player like the one we have in my room at school. How do you make the toys? I want those pretty colored lights on my house.

Love,  
Katrina Barrios  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
I want a screwdriver to fix my truck and some books. I also want clothes and a bunch of hot wheels cars.

Love,  
Edward Tijerina  
Age 5

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a doll and a Barbie. I also want a Barbie house. Do the reindeer fly?

Love,  
Angelica Pena  
Age 4

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a sandbox to play in outside. I also want a Barbie and a puzzle.

Love,  
Samantha Rodriguez  
Age 4

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a jeep and a motorcycle. I also want a swimming pool. I need little cars and trucks for my Super Van City. How are you doing? How are your reindeer? Merry Christmas!

Love,  
Matthew Aguilar  
Age 5

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me something special because I've been a goo girl. I want a snocone machine and a play dough machine. I would also like a real vacuum cleaner.

Love,  
Meranda Garcia  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
I want a coloring book and a Barbie. I also want a house for my Barbie and a tv for my mom. I would also like a doll.

Love,  
Nancy Rosalez  
Age4

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Barbie house and some make-up. I also want a baby puppy and a house for the baby puppy. I have a Santa Claus doll. I think your clothes look pretty. Merry Christmas!

Love,  
Alexandra Herrera  
Age4

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a wagon and a bike. I also want a shirt and more clothes. I want a tape player like the one we have at school. Does it snow where you live? Will you give me some candy? I also want some colors and a coloring book.

Love,  
Andres Rodriguez  
Age 4

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a bicycle, colors, and a coloring book. I would also like a guitar to play. How do you make all the toys? I also want a play kitchen. How do the reindeer fly?

Love,  
Marissa Jackson  
Age 5

Dear Santa,  
I want a magic storler baby, baby baby try-can-go, harly Davson barby, my size barby or my size barby angle, po on the telatubey's, how old are you? how many elvs do you hav in the north pole up there? how is Mrs. Coles is she doing all right?

Love  
Samantha Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
How have your fandley been? For chrismtas. I want a backtball and a tv. A tractor. And a computer.

Love,  
Ruben Sifuentez

**Bright Wishes From All Of Us**

The holidays bring many reasons to smile, both large and small, but our great patients are the best reason of all!

*Have a sparkling season!*

**Dr. & Mrs. Rob Lindsey and Staff**

**Happy Holidays!**

We hope this Christmas is a model of happiness, fun and love for you and your family. Thank you for helping us to build our business with your loyal support.

**Terra International**

**All the Best**

We're serving up a generous helping of warm wishes and holiday cheer, to thank you all for dining here.

**The Pancake House**

**HAVE A DREAMY CHRISTMAS!**

Best wishes for a warm and cozy Christmas. We thank you for helping to make our dreams come true this year, and look forward to serving you again in the new year.

**Production Credit Association**

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**A Season That Sparkles**

May all things peaceful and all things bright shine on you this Christmas, so wonderful new miracles take flight.

**Schaeffer, Sutton, Schaeffer & Myatt, C.P.A.**

**A CHRISTMAS WISH**

Here's hoping our many friends enjoy a season filled with bundles of magic and love.

Thank you for being so nice to us!

**Tidwell Spraying Service**



# IT WILL BE BY MY CHRISTMAS TREE



Dear Santa,  
How are you? I am fine. On Christmas I would like to have is lots of toys.  
I would like to have a Gameboy. Because my cousin has one. I also want a Fashin Magiac. I would want all of the Rugrats stuff and Mickmouses stuff. A trampoline some swighgs. A real motorcycle.

Love,  
Amber Lee Guzman

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? I want a computer, a Nintendo 64, a go-cart, a war zone, and lots of surprises!

Love,  
Fabian Lopez

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I wish you will bring me these things. Please bring a new bike. Please bring me the NFL Blitz on Nintendo 64. Please bring me the NFL monopoly game. Thank you for the things you gave me last year.

Love,  
Cameron Cluck

Dear Santa,  
I want a play station and a go car and a little wolf and a pecher of mom and Dad and a new T.V. for my playstation and a new bike and a radeo and a pair of shoe and a big foot and a little pet mouse.

Isidro Rodrigueaz

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. What I want for Christmas is two WCW figures named Hollywood Hauld Hogen and Mocho Mann and two WWF figures named Stone cold and the Undertaker. And for my little sister Brissa bring her a doll and clothes.

Thank you Santa,  
from Phillip

Dear Santa,  
I want a play station. And a game boy. And a little kid four wheeler. And Mortal Kombat four sega cartridges. And a canputer. And a big trampoline. The most three things I want is Mortal kombat. And game boy. And play station.

Love,  
Damian Guana

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? How is Mrs. Claus? I have been a good girl. Thank you for the toys you brought me last year. I hope you bring a few new ones this year. I would like a playstation with a Rugrats game. A new puppy, jewelry, and a Barbie game. I will see you at Christmas!

Love,  
Hanna Wise

Dear Santa,  
I want a gocart or a four wheeler and I want real talking tuba and some dimond clip on earrings and, a dimond ring, and, Princess Diana banie baby for Christmas. How are the reindeer and elves? How are you and Mrs Clause? I hope your fine. Guess what Christmas is my favorite time of the year. Well I need to go bye bye!!

Your friend,  
Keshia Smith

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a good boy all year! The three presents I want the most are Nintendo 64, a fake boe and aro, and a new bike. Last year, you brought me some cars and a truck. Thank you! My stocking will be by the tree. The special treat I will leave you will be cookie and milk. Say hello to Mrs. Claus for me.

Love,  
Erin Weaver

Dear Santa,  
Can you please give me a barn and corral set, a lego set, the Mystic Knights set, a tank, a helicopter, an airplane, a new little puppy, a NFL BLITS N64 game, a WCW NWO Revenge N64 game, a Brett Farve Jerzey, and a Terell Davis Jerzey.

Your Friend,  
Klay Clearman

Dear Santa,  
I want a drumset, a Play Station, Nintendo 64, a sled, and a skateboard. I want some Dr. Seuss books. A chalkboard with a chalk and a pair of new shoes and a bike.

Love,  
Anthony Lopez

Dear Santa,  
I would like a pool table to play with. And a football. And a basketball and lots of toys. And a computer and a playstation and a nintendo 64 WWF music volume 2. And WWF games and WCW games and revange.

Love,  
Rocky Navarro

Dear Santa,  
I have a list of things that I want for Christmas. And that I think you could get for me. All I want for Christmas is some clothes for school and a computer and a cool Pink Barbie.

Love,  
Rubie Sanchez

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for all you for all of my toys. I have a great mom and dad. For christmas, I would like a key board, twin baby's, karaoke, and a desk. Your nice!

Love,  
Stormy Nutt

P.S. I forgot to ask for a Giga Pet and some spice girl stuff.

Love,  
Naoli Corral

Dear Santa,  
I haven't been good but I will try my best. I want to be nice would you help me plees. And I wish for a rascar.

Love,  
R.J. Sanchez  
and Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,  
I want a new bike. I want some new skates. I want the lion king two. I want the movie a bugs life. I want a battle bord. I want a power ranger. I want a skate board.

Love,  
Nick Tijerina

Dear Santa,  
I would like a 10 speed bike and a Nintendo 64 with golden eye64 game and pocket knife, that is all I want from you Santa.

Love,  
Austin Dan Heard

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I hope you come to my house. I want to say thank you for the letter you wrote me. Say hi to the reindeer for me. I would like a Cd player and the tape player together. And a real computer and a spice Girl watch. And a Spice girl camera and spice girls Barbies. Please.

Love,  
Courtney Garza

P.S. Merry Christmas

*Enjoy The Gifts Of The Season*

...and rejoice in all its glory.  
From our family to yours - have a beautiful Christmas.

## Goodpasture, Inc.

Dear Santa,  
How have you been? I been good this year, except for the fight with Esteban. I think that what I want is going to come; and I wish it's a sega or a 64 or a super or maybe a gift from my mom and dad. For my parents I gave my mom a toy robot and to my dad I gave him a couple of things. Today I brought my brother a dinasor for Christmas because he likes them.

Love,  
Jesus Longoria

Dear Santa,  
I want a computer, bed, pooh, dress and a baby. How has your wife been? I have been a good girl except when I slapt my cousin. That's all I wanted to tell you.

Love,  
Diana

Dear Santa,  
How have you been doing? I want for Christmas is a Baby Caw and Walk and a Magic Stroller Baby and a Doll House. What is you wifes name? I want a baby track and go can you please give me that doll for Christmas. How is you wife doing. I am in third grad and I want and big Winne the pooh bear and a computer and long finge nails.

Love,  
Courtney

Dear Santa,  
How have you been?  
I want a Furby. A baby Spice Girl. Fatton nail Girl. I want a Titanic movie. A baby born doll. I want a train that movs. Song os Spice Girls.

Love,  
Corina

dear Santa  
I won't a go car for Christmas and a play stachon for Christmas and a bike and a remot crotrol car and a pool tabal and a swimming pool and folbiag and a Nenterdo 64.

Love  
Roy

Dear Santa,  
I want a computer and I want a power ranger and I want some marble.

Your friend  
Anthony

**A HERD OF Good Wishes**

Happy holidays to all our hardworking farm friends,  
all over the area.  
Many thanks for your patronage.

## Nazareth Feed & Supply

*In the rush of events, we tend to overlook the important friendships that are the true basis of business relationships. One of the great pleasures of the Holiday Season is the opportunity to exchange greetings with those whose friendship and goodwill are valued so highly.*

*In this spirit it is a pleasure to say "Thank You" and extend sincere appreciation for the very pleasant association enjoyed with you.*

*May a bright and prosperous New Year bring happiness to you and to yours.*

**TOWN & COUNTRY INSURANCE AGENCY**  
Jack & Jackie Walker  
Jana Vogler  
Pecos Gast and Cecilia Rodriguez

# Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

**From the employees and directors of  
Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative.**



# I'LL BET YOUR ELFS ARE SO BUSY.



Dear Santa,  
My name is Stephanie Nicole Reyes, I'm doing my best in school. But I know I can do better. So I will. And I have been a good girl. This is what I want for Christmas. A Barbie Jam Box, and a Bike, and cloths and shoes. And for my dad and mom and my sister to stay healthy.  
Love you Santa  
From Stephanie  
Christmas Eve.  
P.S. be sure to come to my house Christmas Eve.

Dear Santa,  
I have been yeary good this year. I have a few things on my list if you can. I would like a playstaion with the game gameday nindynine and Maslure nindynine, gamboycolor, valvoline rawcar model # 6 new style, and a valvoline racecar with pitcrew, nascar monopoly, NFL Monopoly, a barn set, a star wars x-wing filer also.  
Those are the list of thing I want for christmas.  
Your friend,  
Brennen Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
I would like a telascope, Nintendo 64, goat car, Play Station games, telaphon, pelet gun, water jun, Play Station, banking acoant, cat, soler system, presents for my teachers, Super Socker 3,000, nut craker, Tantrum, tools to help my dad, and a happy Christmas. I hope the reindeer are fine. Is that movie real when you fall off the roof and Tim Allen turns in to Santa? I though i'd ask you because you know every thing. Well I hope you bring joy and peace to everyone.  
Love,  
Jeremy

Dear Santa,  
How have you been?  
This year I want a new book, own room, new shoes, pool, and definitely my family.  
Love,  
Laura

Dear Santa,  
I want a toy like a godzilla monster toy and a Spawn game for my playston.  
Love,  
Isaac Trevino  
Age 8

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. So have my brothers. Could you please bring me a bean bag with my name on it, a new bike and a new backpack for school. I would also like a Chicago Bulls jacket. Tell Rudolph "hi" for me and Cameron and Austin. Thank you for the presents you gave me last year.  
Love,  
Brennan Cluck  
P.S. please bring our dog, Rowdy, a new leash and a dog toy.

Dear Santa,  
How have you been? For Christmas I would like all five spice girl dolls. I would like CD's and other Spice girl CD's. The Rug-rat movie, a small CD player that you can take on vacation. I want a Internet computer. I would like a fasion magic with those strands of hair you can decorate and attach it to your hair. I would like all stuff about Tweety my favorite cartoon character. And presents for all my teachers, friends, and most of all my family.  
Love,  
Mirella G. Mendoza

Dear Santa,  
I love you Santa. I want a computer for Christmas. Also a Easy-Bake Oven. A Rugrat Movie. And Rugrat coloring Book.  
Megan Wilkerson

Dear Santa,  
How have you been? First, I have been a good boy! some times I am very, very good. I wish I can be nicer than that, more nicer. Next, I wish That I had a snake, like a rattall snake  
Then, I want a new bike. A no rider bike. With golden remes.last, a necklace. And gold. And fourteen cary gold.  
Love  
David

Dear Santa,  
How have you been? When You come in my house there will be a Coca cola, cookie and milk. And if you come I want a big present that has a big basketball goal under my Christmas tree. I want to see Dash, Dancer, Prancer, Vixom, Comet, Cupid, domer and Blitzen. Have a happy, happy, happy new year.  
Love,  
Joel

Dear Santa,  
This is my Christmas list. I want a Dallas Cowboy Hat, a wolf pac t-shirt, High heel shoes, a bike, a teddy bear, a story book of Jesus, and a sing along Tommy from the Rugrats Movie. And a Tommy Lee vice.  
Love, Your Friend  
Aidee Covarrubias

Dear Santa,  
I want a radio, a necklace, ring, and a Barbie and also I want tape of Santa singing.  
Yolhaa

Dear Santa,  
I want a Crash Back and a Puppy for Christmas.  
Love,  
Nati Sias

Dear Santa,  
How is Mrs Claus? I want Rad and a computer. Do you have a TV for me? I want a bed, and a CD a remote control car, and a gocart. I hope you have four wheeler and a bike. Do you have a cap? Can I have a football? I relly relly want a lot of dollers!  
Love  
Sage Black

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl all year. Will you please bring me a Barbie, rainboots, and a raincoat, and a computer. I also want an oopsie Daisy doll. Hope you can bring me all that I want.  
Thank you,  
Amanda Lopez

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I hope you have a marry Christmas. Here's what I want for christmas. I want a telascope, micriscope, a puppy, N'Sync CD, a lot of Pooh Bear toys. If you bring at least one of those things I will be so happy.  
Love,  
Andrea Pantoja

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I made you munuelas for you last year. My sister wants the Barry getar. Pleas get it for her. Get my brother a Dalless Cowboy gersy. My mom wants a Four runer. My dad wants a truck. My sister is two. My brother is five mouths. My mom is twenty-nine. My dad is thirty. I almost fergot how is your raindeer? I Do not want anything special. Just for my uncl to come and see me.  
Love,  
Jayme Flores

## Thanks for Dropping in!

We'd like to thank you for visiting us this year and wish you all a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year!

# West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative

Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is a hot wheel car, a skateboard, a fire truck and a new fishing pole. Thats all I want for Christmas.  
Arthur Gloria JR.

Dear Santa,  
How have you been I have been kind of good and bad. I hope you are fine all of my Family and friends are all are fine I which you a Mery Christmas and all my friend do to. I hope you will make all stops. And give evrybody all they want please even if they were little bad. I have a lot of cousins that act bad. So do I but I am trying to be better at that. Are all your elves there to help you pack all the presents? I am very happy with the stuff you had brought to me. All I really like for Christmas is love and joy for evrybody.  
Love,  
Gaby Portillo

Dear Santa,  
How have you been? I am fine. I have several things I want for Christmas.  
First, What I want is a computer so I can tipe my sentenes for Mrs. Olera. Also when pepole come to my house I can let them tipe in it. And can also look in the internet. Like your animals research. And also you can look at StoneCold.com and all kind of things I want to see. And also look at Santa Clause.  
Next, What I want for Christmas is a Play station. I want a playstation so I can play and invite my frinds over to play so they won't ge me introle. And me and my family can play with me my dad plays with me every day. He plays with me if you can do me a favor buy me a playstation so me and my dad can play with me. I have a brother but please don't buy him the playstation because he will act bad so please don't buy it for him.  
Then I want a big screm tv. So I can see it better and play my playstation and a big tv is better then a small one a big tv can show all the thing that you can't see in a small and a big TV.  
Last, I want is a Gocar. I want a gocar so I can go to my frinds and my teachers for a ride. Also I can take my family to so they can be proud of me if I know how to drive and they might buy me a real car.  
Santa I want these things for Christmas  
Love,  
Danny

Dear Santa,  
How are you, Mrs. Claus, Rudolph, and the Elves doing. I am doing fine. Tell everybody up in the North Pole that I said Hi. I have been a good girl this year. So for Christmas I want some clothes, the Rugrats Movie, a Big Tommy Pickles and Baby Dilan Doll, a nail Designer, a Baby and Ginger Spice Barbie, and some food for my easy bake. That is all. See you on Christmas Eve. Have a safe trip.  
Love, always,  
Nikki Larra

Dear Santa,  
I would like a pair of roller blades, a skateboard, a Playstation with WCW vs the world and WCW nitro a N64.  
Love,  
Luis Luna

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Barbie Jeep, Barbie Doll House. I was very good this year. Also send me some make-up and fingernails and their glue.  
Thank you Santa,  
Renee Buskirk

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for all the presents you gave me through out the years. This year I would like some Insinc Backstreet Boys, Jenifer y Los Jets. Selena cd's. I would like the Rugrats movie and a computer.  
Love,  
Makenzie Sims

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Barbie Jeep, Barbie Doll House. I was very good this year. Also send me some make-up and fingernails and their glue.  
Thank you Santa,  
Renee Buskirk

Dear Santa Claus,  
How have you been?  
I've been really good this year. I would like some cd's because I only have two. I also want a new bike, my old bike is flat and I can't go to the store. I also want all five Spice Girls dollies. I also want a cd player that you can carry around. I have a big one but I can't carry it around. I also want a Internet computer. I want fun games to play. I also want jewelry. I would like Beanie Babies—plus I already have twelve original Beanie Babies. I want original Beanie Babies. I also want anything people give me. I would like for you to get all this stuff Even if it's too much.  
Your friend,  
Julie Centeno

## One Solitary Life

*He was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman. He grew up in still another village, where He worked in a carpenter shop until He was thirty. Then for three years He was an itinerant preacher. He never had a family or owned a home. He never set foot inside a big city. He never traveled two hundred miles from the place He was born. He never wrote a book, or held an office. He never went to college. He did none of the things one usually associates with greatness.*

*He was only thirty-three when the tide of public opinion turned against him. His friends deserted him. He was turned over to his enemies, and went through the mockery of a trial. He was nailed to a cross between two thieves. While He was dying, his executioners gambled for the only piece of property he had - his coat. When He was dead, He was taken down and laid in a borrowed grave through the pity of a friend.*

*Nineteen centuries have come and gone, and today He is the central figure for much of the human race. All the armies that ever marched, and all the navies that ever sailed, and all the parliaments that ever sat, and all the kings that ever reigned, put together, have not affected the life of man upon this earth as powerfully as this "One Solitary Life."*

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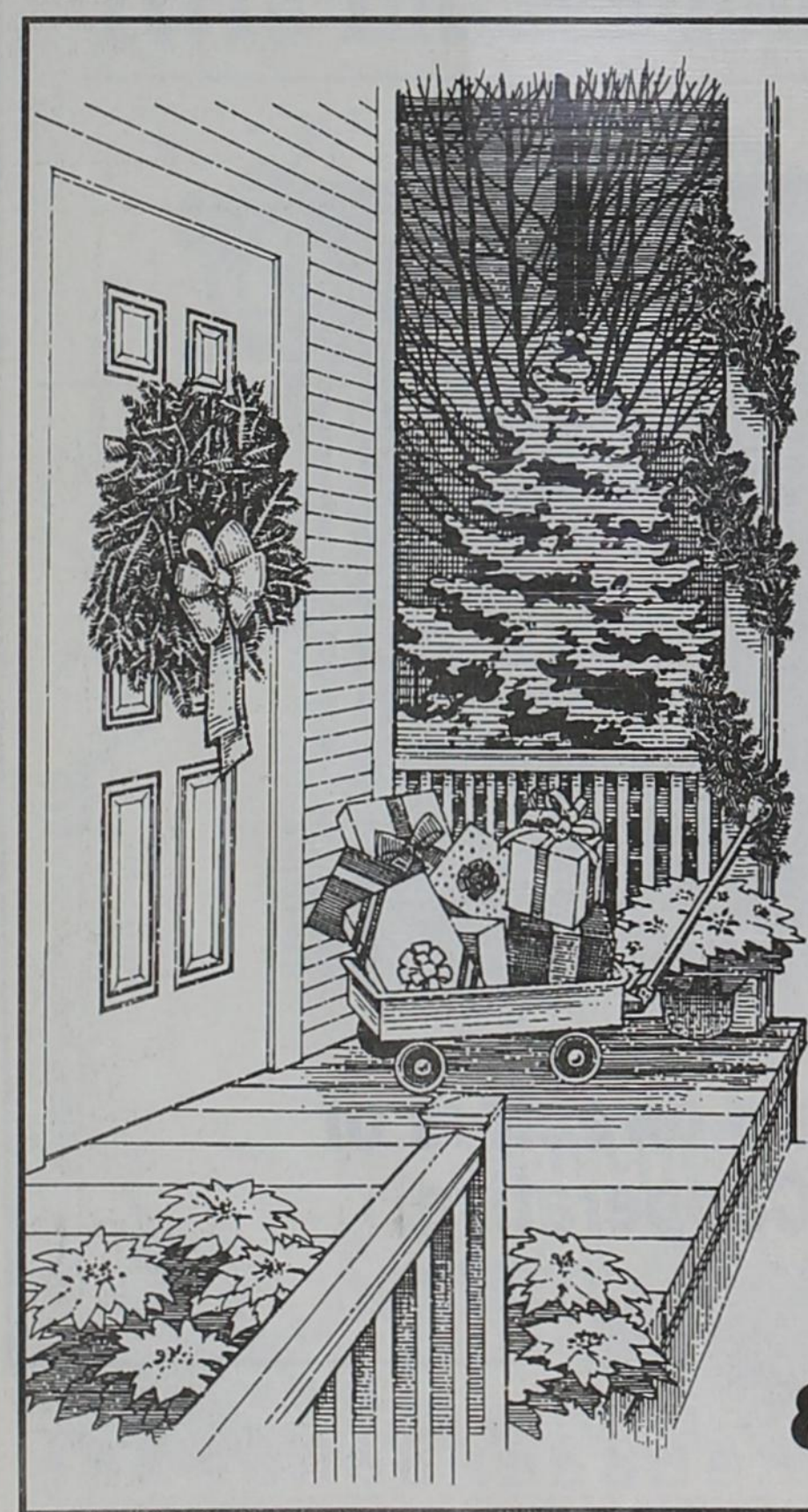
Merry  
**Christmas**  
from  
**SWISHER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE**

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a good boy all year! The three presents I want the most are beanie babies, a new bike, and a Bugs Life Creator. Last year you brought me a computer and Land Before Time V. Thank you! My stocking will be on the fireplace. The special treat I will leave you will be Rice Krispie Treats and Chocolate milk. Say hello to Mrs. Claus for me.  
Love,  
Austin Cluck

Dear Santa,  
My first wish would be for people to have Jesus in their hearts. Then I want a pet baby turtle and a little house. And clothes for Christmas.  
Love,  
David Velez

Dear Santa,  
I want a Barbie, a computer, and a Baby Tommy Doll. Also would you send me a car. And a red bear. Please send my brother a motorcycle.  
Amber Sanchez

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Your friend,  
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## Welcome Christmas Home

Hope your holiday brings loads of good things and an abundance of happiness and holiday spirit. Thanks for delivering happiness at our doorstep this year. We look forward to welcoming you in the year to come.

# Gary's Engine & Machine

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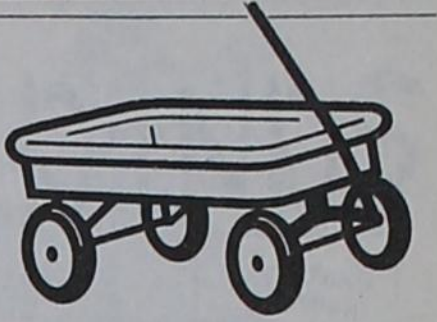
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# BUT MAYBE THEY CAN MAKE ME A WAGON.



Dear Santa,  
Santa do you eat lot of cookies? What are you going to bring me? Oh I no a Nintendo 64 and a mostr truck.  
Love,  
Lino Quillimaco

Dear Santa  
How do you get through the chimneys? How ever you get through bring some games for my nintendo 64, a CD player with head phones and some sunglass they half to be Oakley. I want a remote control trator, lots and lots of baskball and football cards, a remote control viper car it has to go reley reley fast. I want some little trators and some little plows and a little swig set, and a santa Claus beanie baby.  
Love,  
Nicky Rowland

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you doing. I want a bike. I want an intendo 64 and games. Santa, I want a computer and a T.V. I want a grain truck and a four weler. I want a nintendo 64 and a play station and a tool set. I want a bronco football and a bronco helmet. I want a monster truck and real football pads. I want a train set and a Joun Deer comban. I want a Dallas Cowboys football unform and a basketball bold. I want a joun Deer striper and a calupiler trackter. I want a dooly pickup and a dooly trackter and a case internashonal trackter and a case striper. I want a miloe kutter and a baby puppy. I want a trampoline and a cat that is trained and can stay in the house.  
Love,  
Nathan Ivey

Dear Santa,  
Do you have losts of bisnis. I want a graintruck. and a fly weler. I want a tv and a miami Dolfens cap. I want a Bronco football also a Bronco football player unfofome. I want a blue grain begy. and a JoHN Deere cotten stripper I want a rmot cantrole monster truck. I want a doley tracker and a case cotten stripper I want a babie pupie. and a cat that can stay in the house.  
love  
Whit Whitaker

Dear Santa,  
Can you bring me a gameboy, a playstashin, a girl frend and a sister? Can you bring me a Big juicy and a baby puppy and a baby cat and a cowboy foot ball.  
Love  
Sebastian Gonzalez

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. Can you please bring me a rebound games for playstation, dooms day duel and sing along singing Tommy.  
Love,  
Michael Cline

Dear Santa,  
How do you do? Santa do you no have some prise for me and my brother Jorge. Do you no what I want for Christmas? I want a comepter with a CD player. I want a traping when it is Christmas time.  
LOVE  
Mirella Rey

Dear Santa,  
How do you go in peoples houses? Can you bring me a go cart and a game boy? Can you bring me a four weler a nintendo 64 and a cd player? Can you bring me a computer a Dallas cowboys trash can a new book shelf and a Dallas cowboys football. Can you bring a Dallas cowboys bed sped and a Dallas cowboys jersey. Can you bring me a girl freind and a Dallas cowboys callender and a lazy boy?  
Love,  
Fabian Morales

Dear Santa Claus  
Have you ever brock your leg? I want a computer and a T.V. I want a grain truck and a four weler. I want a nintendo 64 and a play station and a tool set. I want a bronco football and a bronco helmet. I want a monster truck and real football pads. I want a train set and a Joun Deer comban. I want a Dallas Cowboys football unform and a basketball bold. I want a joun Deer striper and a calupiler trackter. I want a dooly pickup and a dooly trackter and a case internashonal trackter and a case striper. I want a miloe kutter and a baby puppy. I want a trampoline and a cat that is trained and can stay in the house. I want a united states flag.  
Love,  
Chance Hance

Dear Sant Claus  
Are you going to bring toys? I want a newbic I want a book and a coulering book. I want a big Red and some games. I want a new barbie for Christmas and a new punch Drink and a backet ball. I want a doll. I want a cat and dog and a puppy and a kitty. I want a new dress.  
Love,  
Annie Neudorf

Dear Santa  
How do you make your toys? Santa, do you no what I want for Christmas? I want a compewter. Santa, are you loing to let us ride your slay? Santa, can we touch your raindear. Santa, I want a game that is called checkers and a gegpet.  
Love  
Crystal Chavez

Dear Santa,  
I have been a pretty good boy this year. I hope you have a great year. I would like the Revenge and play station and mach car 99.  
Love, Cody

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you doing over there? Im fine over here. Im going to leve cookies on the table. Win Christmas comes I wonder if you bring nintindo64, a play station or a Sega and a CD and thats all. I don't want to many toys. My dad wont let me get to many toys because I make a mess.  
Love  
Aaron Rodriguez

Love,  
Fabian Morales

Dear Santa,  
Do you have a buch of prasis to deliver? Can you bring me a bunk bed and jewelry, a diary, a Miney Mouse pen and a geg pet. I want a trampling and a Will Smeth C.D. or tape. A Selena C.D. or tape. And a splis girls C.D or tape. I want anintendo, sum games, a T.V. and a VCR and vidos.  
Love  
Brittany Sifuntze

Dear Santa,  
I like you. Are you nice. You no want I reley want for Chrismus. I want a bike a puppie, and some new shoes. I want rollblades, a gig Pet a tigger, and a mdle. Is it cold in the noth pole? I want some games, pubbles, and a nintndo. I want a fish pole to go fishing on a boat and some rings, and new cloths, and a bird.  
Love  
Corie Rincon

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. I hope youare ok. I am fine. I hope you have enough toys for the good girls and boys, because this is what I want. I would like a computer and a little convertible car for barbies and a doll house that already has furniture inside. I hope you and Mrs. Santa Clause. I am going to leave cookies out for you, and pease come through the door because I don't have a Chimney, and Merry Christmas!  
Love,  
Nayeli Monsualis

Dear Santa  
My name is Paul. I am seven years old. I am a second grader.  
Santa for Christmas I want a (Taz Watch) a (Game Boy), and a (hand-held mini-TV?), because I have been good. I will be glad to ee you because you are nice.  
Bye,  
Paul Amaya

Dear Santa,  
I would like a pinto pony and grand champion and plush a pillow pal and the new Beanie babies.  
Love,  
Erin Black

Dear Santa,  
I will leave you some cookies and milk. I want 4-10 shotgun, 4-14 rifle, the other two controllors. Raven shirt, and Wrestler, WCW/NWO Revenge.  
Love, Toby  
P.S. I have been a very good boy.

Dear Santa  
Do you have a Deer? I want a appletree a nintendo and a bike. I want roller skates a dog and a computer. I want some games, a tractor and a TV and cross.  
Love,  
Leo Guiterrez

Dear Santa,  
I want a Wheel Blaster, a Cross Fire, and a Sliver Ranger. Also some Walkie Talkie, and a bike. I have been good. Also a racer car track.  
Erika Reyna

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. Can you please get me a wolf pack hat and a race car track with five cars. I would like a new game for my sega and a bike and two games for my game boy. Can you get my brother a go cart?  
Love,  
Jesus Ortiz  
P.S. I will get cookies and milk.

Dear Santa  
How do you go through chimnies? Santa can you bring me a play-stashin and a go cart. A comuter and some games for the comuter and for the playstashin.  
Love,  
Omar Dominguez

Dear Santa,  
I want a Gray Ranger, a Green Ranger, and a Dragon. Also send me a bike. I want a Dancing Bug Bunny. Also a bus that goes by itself.  
Christopher

Dear Santa,  
I would like a disc-man and the Titanic CD. I hope you think about the poor people too. Can you bring the poor people some food?  
Your friend,  
Lana  
P.S. My cat would like a ball. Have a Merry Christmas!!!!

Dear Santa  
Do you have a raindeer? Can you bring me a C.D. player and a puppy? I want some clos. I want my own room.  
Love  
Jonathan Velez

Dear Santa,  
I want a NFL Blitz N64 game. And a lego set. And a Sim City 2000 computer game.  
Love,  
Michael Rasor

Dear Santa,  
Could you bring me a game boy. Santa please bring me a pen. Santa I've been a good boy. Santa could you bring me a game fighter  
Gorge Robles

Dear Santa,  
Do you have a christmas tree? I do. I can eat food. What are you doing here? I like christmas trees too? I want skates, a cowboy hat, and a new jacit. Do you want a traping? I want a puppy and a diary.  
Love  
Michelle Sanchez

Dear Santa,  
I want to have a Sim City 2000 computer game.  
Love,  
Michael Rasor

Dear Santa,  
I have been a preaty good girl this year. I want some dress shoes and some clothe and a pooh bear and a tiger that says honey is sweet and a cd player and bed sheets and don't forget my teacher Miss Koch.  
Love,  
Brittany Allen



## Raise YOUR SPIRITS!

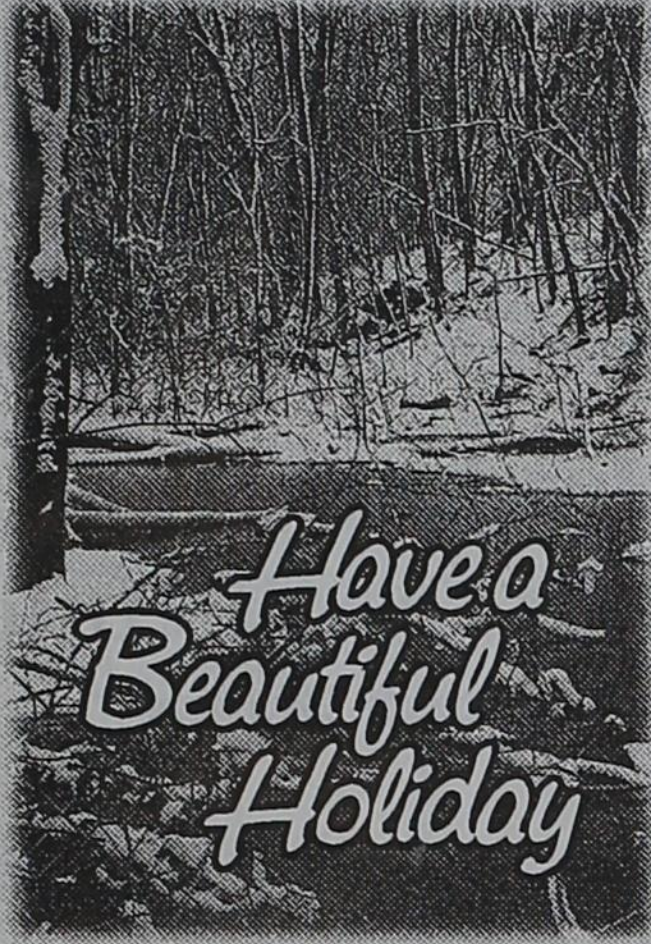
Our spirits are lifted by thoughts of our customers. We thank you for the privilege of serving you.

# Roger's Repair

Nazareth

Dear Santa,  
I hope Mrs. Santa is feeling happy for you. Santa, may I have a wolf pack shirt. Santa I want new shoes. Santa may I have a new bike. Santa may I have a nintendo 64. Santa can I have a little brother and sister.  
Love,  
Nick

Dear Santa,  
I've been a very good boy and I want a little stuff for Chrismus. I want a Stone Cold Steve Austin wrestler and a tyco rc car remote control car and a leather jacket and skates and a nentindo 64 and a game called WCW War zone and a game called WCW revenge, and a game boy with color and 4 games. I left some cookies and milk and a carrots for the raindeers to eat  
Love,  
Max



Have a Beautiful Holiday

May the beauty of this very special season flow into your heart. Thank you for making our year a very special one.

DBG DeBruce Grain INC



WITH HIGHEST REGARDS

Our spirits are soaring during this fun season, and your kind patronage is the reason! Thank you!

Doug Proffitt  
C.P.A.



Go to Town This Season

Make the most of your holiday with family, friends and festivities.  
Thank you for allowing us to make the most of our business with your loyal support.

DIMMITT Market  
THRIFTWAY

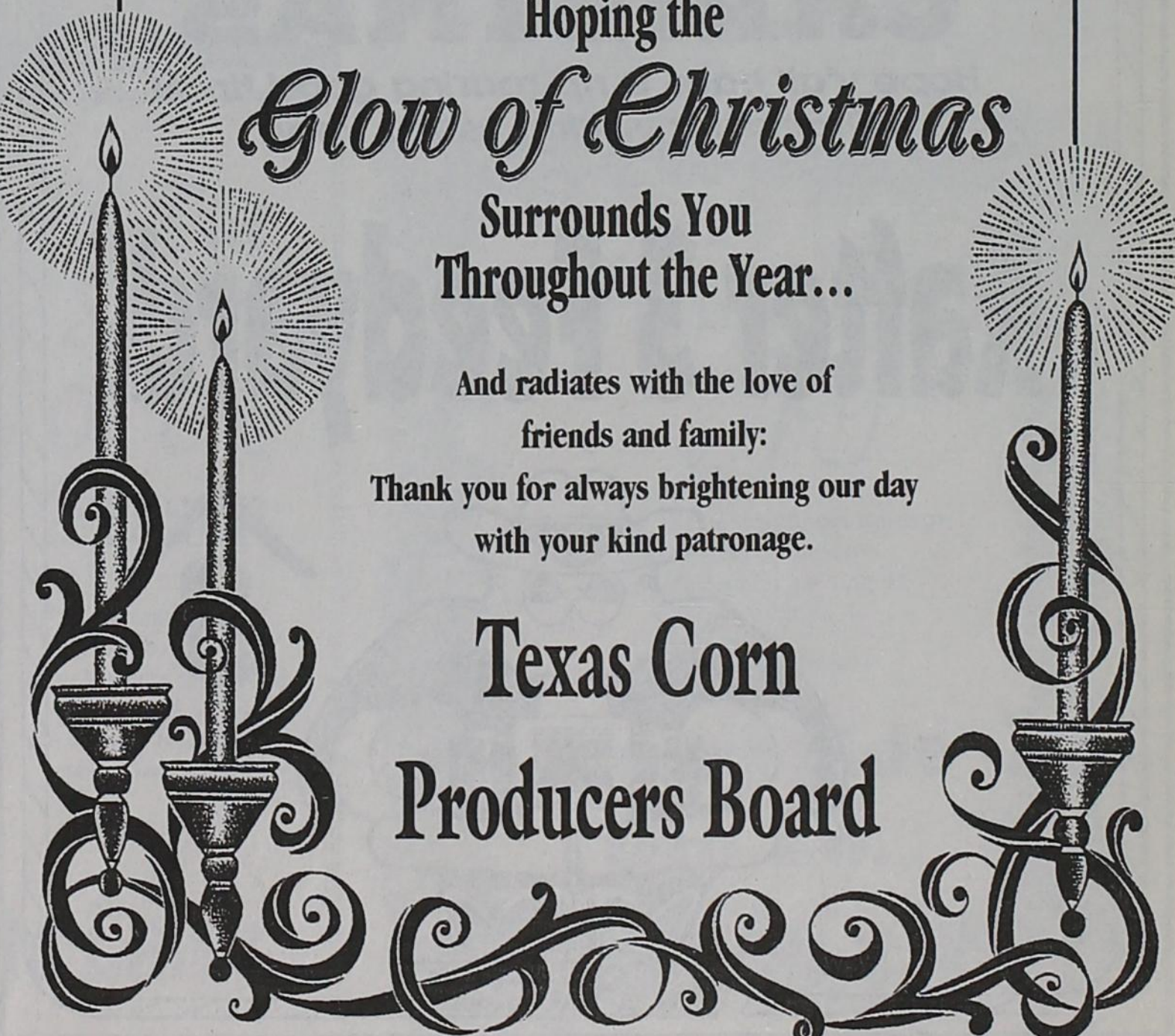
Hoping the

## Glow of Christmas

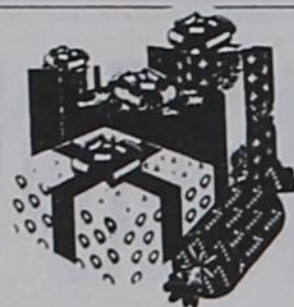
Surrounds You Throughout the Year...

And radiates with the love of friends and family:  
Thank you for always brightening our day with your kind patronage.

# Texas Corn Producers Board



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# I REALLY WANT A GI-GA-PET PUPPY

SANTA CLAUS NORTH POLE

SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa,  
I have been a pretty good girl. And I want a bike and a c-d player. I want a fake santa. I want a fake car, and new shoes. I'll leave cookieise and milk. I want a lot of toys.

Love,  
Brenda Hernandez

Dear Santa  
How is Rudolph? Would you mind bringing me some school stuff, some candy, a new "Come to me Baby Crale and Walke, a new bike and a picture of Rudolph please? Have a nice Christmas!!!!

Love  
Kelby Myrick

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. I hope Mrs Santa Clause is o.k. And I would like a VCR and a dresser for my room, a Titanic Movie, and a Spice Girl movie, a c.d. player, and a jambox and a new pair of shoes, a pair of boots. Two pair of socks, and outfit, earrings, and a Christmas outfit. I will leave cookies and milk.

Love,  
Natacia Sullivan

Dear Santa,  
I hope Mrs. Santa is well right now. Santa, I want a wolf pack t-shirt. Santa I want a bike for Christmas. Santa I hope you give my dad a Dallas cowboys t-shirt.

Love, George

Dear Santa,  
How are the elves? How is Mrs. Claus? How much do you weigh? Do you like the North Pole? I want a green tractor with a red buggy. I want Volcano blow out and Star Sets and I want a blue truck and a blue trailer, and a CD.

Love,  
Dario

Dear Santa,  
Is Mrs. Claus Okay? Do you like the North pole? I would like you to bring me a baby Dil watch And a Rug Rat's movie to, And a little baby puppy. Please bring me pant's for Christmas. Thank you.

Love  
Raquel Puga

Dear Santa  
How are you? I want a blue buggy and a gain truk. I want a Nike ring, and a horse. I also want a T.V. and a cat.

Love,  
Will Whitaker

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I want a grain truck. My Christmas tree is by the windo. Can you bring me a boll bugy and a Modulebler and cobine and the hederder? You have a happy Christmas too.

Love  
Leonardo Gamez

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a play station, a puppy dog, and a pooltable. And my brother kaden would like lots and lots of tractors. Have a very merry Christmas!

From  
Chase

Dear Santa,  
I want a puppy a the movie antz and a Bugs Life and to meet you in real live. Thank you oh and how are you doing and how is the ether up there. Can you please write me back.  
P.S. Thanks  
P.P.S. Happy new year

you friend  
Laura Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
I would like some make-up. I would also like a teddy bear for my room. I would also like a pong. Thats all I would like to have for chimis.

Your friend  
Kellie

Dear Santa,  
I want a nintendo. I want a house Hot weels. I want a pino. I want a play staont undargran. I want a clock for me. I want a pen. I want \$8.

Love,  
Domingo Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
I want a book and I want a cat and I want a glue and I want a puppy and I want a monkey and I want a Babie home.

Love,  
Thania Vazquez

Dear Santa,  
I want a Babie home. I want a bike. I want a read book. I want a colored book. I want a colored pencils. I want a babie school. I want a monkey.

Love,  
Thalia Vazquez

Dear Santa,  
I want a Nintendo and a clock and the Hotwheels and a I want ten dollars. I want a good car of control. And I want a bike.

Love,  
Luis Vargas

Dear Santa,  
I want a playstaont undorgrand. I want a bike. I want a hot wheel. I want a 49rs football. I want a car of cuntr. I want 80\$.

Love,  
Rogelio Hernandez

Dear Santa,  
I want a computer and a hotweels and a intendo and lots of Books and a Big car and los of close and a doll wcv and a power ranger doll.

Love,  
Jose Silva

Dear Santa,  
I want a futbol, en a paur rangrs dol, en a car en a entendol, en \$10, en a moto sickol, en a dol of wcv, en a radiol, en a bascetdoll.

Love,  
Jason Martinez

Dear Santa,  
I want a doll and a bike a barbie house a barbie boy and a cat and a twiny dollars and fifty dollers and a coloring book and a book a toy of santa. MERRY Chritmas.

Love,  
Angela Vasquez

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike and a BarBie house and a BarBie boy and I want present for my mom and dad and a present for my Brothers and sister and me and I want twinty dollers.

Love,  
Fabiola Gomez

Dear Santa,  
I want a barbi. And a bike. And a chritmas tree. And twiny dollers. And fifty dollers. And a preset for my mom and dad and a preset for my sisters and my brother.

Love,  
Juana Arredondo

Dear Santa,  
I want a Babie House and a bike and 150 dollers and a black jacket and a 20 babies with a car and some shoes and some clothes and some books and a desk with a light and a watch and some Cds.

Love,  
Erika Aguilar

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a computer, and I hope my aunt Mary gets here safe, and hope everyone has a great time.

Love,  
Sally Arce

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike and a Lego set, a Remote Car, computer and Nintendo sixty four.

Love,  
Jerry Pedrosa

Dear Santa,  
Is it cold at the North Pole? How is Mrs. Claus? I would like a cd of In'sinck and the cd of soundtrack from Rugrats and the Rugrats new move and a little computer.

Love  
Amy Martinez

Dear Santa,  
Is it cold at the Northpole? I want a four wheeler. Will you bring me a Nike ring. I want a watch.

Love,  
Drew Higgins

**It's Christmas Time!**

Hope you enjoy every fun-filled moment, just as we enjoyed every minute of serving you. Thanks!

**Dale's Auto & Salvage**  
Nazareth

**A Blessed Event**

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

**Hereford Texas  
Federal Credit Union**  
Dimmitt Branch

212 W. Bedford 647-5169

**Peace on Earth**

May the beauty of Christmas be an inspiration to you and those you love. Thanks for your faith in us.

**Kern Supply  
Nazareth**

**In the True Spirit of Christmas**

At this holy time of year, we celebrate all life's blessings and special joys with family and friends.

May you find inner peace and spiritual contentment all through the season and beyond.

Please accept our sincere gratitude for your kindness and devotion.

Merry Christmas to all.

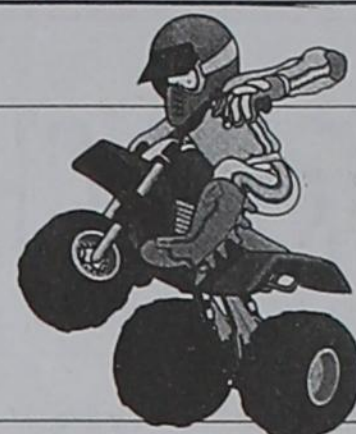
**The North Gin  
of Dimmitt, Inc.**

**A WILD WEST CHRISTMAS**

Hope y'all have a rip-roaring good time!  
Thanks for visiting us this year!

**Rafter 3 Feedyard**

# AND A FOUR-WHEELER WOULD BE NICE, TOO.



Dear Santa,  
How are you? Are you doing fine? May you please bring me a toy race car, and a Nintendo 64 pleas? I hope you bring them. You are a good man and if my mom and dad do not, please bring me a wolf pace shirt. Can you bring me one. One more thing how do your elves look? I want a CD of In? sick? I want a basball and a basball glove.  
Love  
Harvey Minjarez

Dear Santa,  
I've been a good girl. I will put some cookies and milk for you. I want Tiger who jumps. And I want Pooh, really big, and a bike and a cd player and new clothes. I want a baby brother and my own room. I want books and a back bag of Barbie and a new born baby doll. And a house of pets and a bobcats jacket and watches, rings, and earrings and a bobcats shirts bobcats clothes. Have a Merry Christmast. And a puppy.  
Love,  
Anna Reyes

Dear Santa,  
Do you like the North Pole? I want a nintendo 64, and a giga pet. I want a computer and a watch. Will you bring me a robot, and a Hanson tape?  
Love  
Damian Morales

Dear Santa,  
I want a babie house and a bike and 50 dollars and a blak jacket and I littel dresser and a babie car and books of the 14 forest mice and some shoes and clothes and a computer and some cd's and some casets.  
Love,  
Cynthia Prieto

Dear Santa,  
I have been a very good boy. Can I please have a Nintendo 64 with a WcW NWO Reveng. Can I please have a remote control car. And can I have an little wrestling guy Goleburg. I will give you cookies and milk.  
From Chris

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for all the presents you brought me in the past. I really enjoyed them. I will like some CD's and \$50 please. If you think I've been good. I will see on Christmas.  
Love,  
Carlee Noland

Dear Santa,  
How much do you weigh? Is Rudolph okay? Do you like the Noth Pole? How is Mrs. Claus? How are the elves? I want a doll and I would like a bike.  
Love,  
Melissa Padilla

Dear Santa,  
I want a screwdriver to fix my truck. I also want more tools. I want a car and a truck. Do your reindeer fly around?  
Love,  
Skyler Davis  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
How old are you? Is it cold at the Northpole? How much do you weigh? I want a football. Can I have a bike and can you ive me a moster truk. I want a Cd.  
Love,  
Ruben Robledo

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a good boy all year. The three presents I want the most are tractors, dinosaurs, and big trucks. Last year you brought me tractor and racing cars. Thank you! My stocking will be on the wall. The special treat I will leave you will be milk and cookies. Say hello to Mrs. Claus for me.  
Love,  
Rubin Buskirk

Dear Santa,  
I would like presents for Christmas. I would like a go-cart for Christmas, NSYNC, a boom box, Back Street Boys CD and books to read. Please help my grandpa to get better.  
Love,  
Marcus Herrera

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I would like you to send me games for my Nintendo 64, some WWF shirts and jeans. Also a Green Bay and Chicago Bulls wind suit.  
Love,  
Jeremy Barrera

Dear Santa,  
How is Mrs. Claus? I want a baby born doll, a Barbie doll, a bear, a pack of baseball carb's, a truck, a watch, a Rudolph toy, and a CD. I want a Volcano Blow-out a fake gun, or toy car, and skats  
Love,  
Vanessa Gonzales

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like the video game WCWvsNWO REVENGE, and a Game Boy camera. I would also like four tickets to see wrestling in Lubbock and a package of NWO WOLF-Pac trading cards.  
Sincerely,  
Gabriel Martinez

Dear Santa,  
I would like a horse, a sadle, a T.V. and v.c.r., the Rugrats Movie, titanic bed covers, a webot and lots of candy.  
Your friend  
Molly Bradford

Dear Santa,  
I've ben a pritty good boy, I like school. I like it to and I wish you a Merry Christmas too. I want a Nintendo 64 and a remote control car toy and go car too and a bike too skateboard too and fire engine too thats all I want for Christmas.  
Love Caleb

Dear Santa,  
I want a Barbie and a Barbie house. I also want some make-up and a swing set for my dolls. I would like a new doll and clothes for my baby dolls. What do your reindeer eat? What do the elves do? Ples bring a toy for my daddy because he wants a toy. My mommy wants lipstick.  
Love,  
Teanna Lively  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
I have been very good this year and I would like a computer to play with.  
Thanks Santa  
Love,  
Mayra Aguilar

Dear Santa,  
I want a Barbea that is a cheerleader and I also would like some new shoes and I also would like a 10 speed bike and I would like a computer and I also would like a table to do my homework at home and I also would want a book for christmas and I also want a new traper-keper and I also want a clock and I want a been bage and that is all I want santa. Thank you.  
Love,  
Eva Agüero

Dear Santa,  
I have been a pretty good girl this year. How are your reindeer? How is Mrs. Santa Clause? What I want for Christmas is, a Nintendo 64 games, jewelry necklaces, rings, and earrings, a book, ice skates, and some roller skates. I will leave cookies and milk. Will you say hi to Rudolf for me?  
Love,  
Mackenzi Pigg

Dear Santa,  
Hi! How are you doing? Are you and your elves working hard? For Christmas I want a Godzilla movie, shirt of Dallas Cowboys, Super Nintendo video game, and a toy of bugs life.  
Your Friend,  
David Gil

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. Are your reindeer doing good? Can I have a go cart and a Ninetendo 64 with a game called WcW NWO Revenge and Nash car 99. Then can I have some tractors. Merry Christmas Santa. I will leave cookies and milk.  
Love,  
Landon

Dear Santa,  
My name is Jonathan Gamez. For Christmas I want a little guy riding a little bicycle and a color ranger and a red ranger. I want you to be a happy Santa.  
Love,  
Jonathan

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a Super Singing Tommy and a play kitchen. I would also like a baby kitty cat and a play mouse. How cold does it get there? How are the reindeer?  
Love  
Danae Lafuente  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
I've tried to be a good boy. I hope you are doing good. I would like a playstition, a CD player, a skateboard, a color gameboy, a trampoline, and some toy tractors. Merry Christmas! I will leave you cookies and milk.  
Love Kaden Griffitt

Dear Santa,  
I don't want much so here it is. I want a new doll houses. And a barbie. And a bouny bouny baby doll.  
Love,  
Brittany Flores

Dear Santa,  
I don't want much so here it is. I want a new doll houses. And a barbie. And a bouny bouny baby doll.  
Love,  
Brittany Flores

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a swimming pool and a Barbie house. I also want a coloring book and a kitchen set. Does Rudolph really have a shiny nose? Merry Christmas!  
Love,  
Haley Bonilla  
Age 4

**YOU'RE ON THE List...**

Of people we'd like to thank this holiday season.  
Merry Christmas!

**K-Bob's Steak House**

**All Things Bright & Beautiful**

May you enjoy a lovely season with all the trimmings.  
Thanks for making us look good, all year long!

**The Headhunter**

**IT'S CHRISTMAS!**

We can't bear to wait another minute to wish you a merry Christmas and to express our thanks.

**Oasis Package Store**  
Nazareth

**TIME OUT TO SAY "THANKS!"**

We don't want to let another minute go by without expressing our gratitude and best wishes to our valued customers and friends.

**Hi-Plains Oil Co.**  
206 SE 2nd, Dimmitt

Day: 647-4549  
Night: 647-5382

**May Happiness Follow**

We hope this holiday you'll get carried away with the festivities of the season.  
Because of you, we can ride into the new year full speed ahead!

**James Cobb, Home Repair**  
James & Bonnie

**MAKE CHRISTMAS ROCK!**

Celebrate with us, the joy of giving and the warmth of sharing. We value your friendship and trust.

**Panhandle Ag Services, Inc.**

**It's Time For A Spectacular Season**

As the holidays head our way, and we await their festive glow—Relax and enjoy the promise of good times with those you know.  
Thanks for having made our year spectacular.

**Hart Producers Co-op Gin**

**In The Spirit Of The Season**

At Christmastime, we'd like to renew our commitment to serving the community, and we thank you all for your faith in us.  
Have a joyous Noell!

**Benny's Auto Sales**

**Trimmed with Joy**

Wishing all our neighbors a warm and wonderful season. Many thanks for visiting us this past year.  
Happy Holidays!

**Sunnyside Gin Co.**

# MERRY CHRISTMAS 2011! HAVE A SAFE TRIP!



Dear Santa,  
My name is Tramaine. I am 4 years old. For Christmas I would like a bicycle, a Power Ranger, a Gigapet, a truck, shoes, and socks. I have a brother who is 5 and a sister who is 9.

Love,  
Tramaine Kirven  
Age 4

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a baby doll and a bottle for the baby doll. I also want a kitchen set and a teddy bear on a string so it can hang on my wall. Do your reindeer fly?

Love,  
Carsyn Steffens  
Age 4

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a jeep that I can ride in with my baby sister. I also want a little doll that has a carseat, a stroller, and a walker. I like Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer. How are all your other reindeer? I love you, Santa Claus.

Love,  
Tiffany Oliviero  
Age 5

Santa,  
Summer Paige needs a bigger bike and a horse. Here's your candy canel

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want the dalmation puppy that has a bone in his mouth and wags his tail when you pull the bone. I also want a leash for my dog. The leash has a light on it so you can see it at night. I need batteries for my flashlight and my binoculars and my monster truck. My monster truck batteries are dead. I need a Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer tape. I've never heard it. Why do you not want me to see you when you bring my toys. I just need one more thing. I need that round hot wheel case to put my hot wheels in.

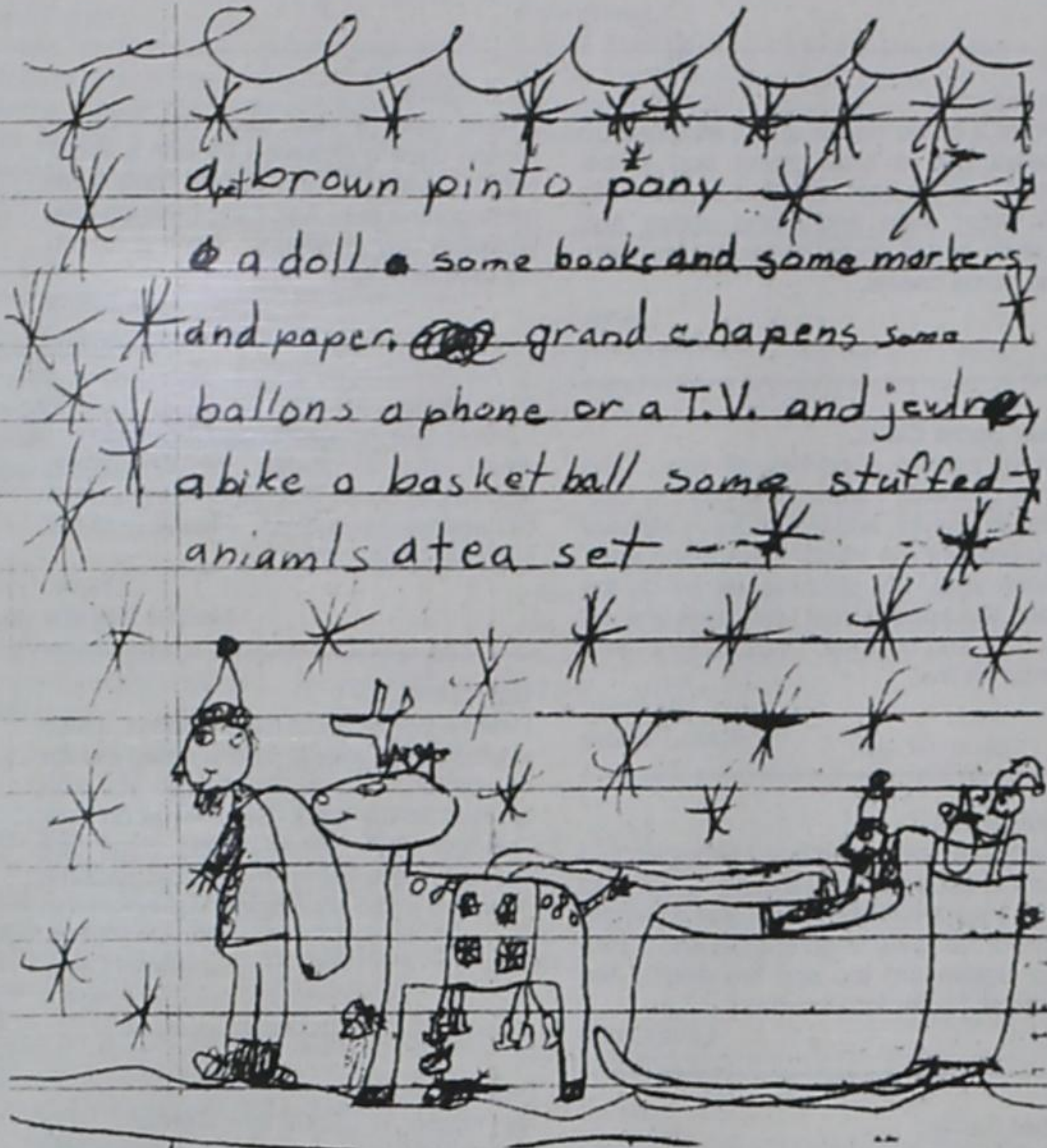
Love,  
Michael Oliviero

Dear Santa,  
I want a stuffed dog and a dollhouse. I also want a computer. How is Rudolph doing? Have a nice Christmas.

Love,  
Monique Aleman  
Age 5

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a big car and a little car. I also want a bike.

Love,  
Michael Freeman  
Age 4



**DEAR SANTA**  
... An unsigned letter with artwork included!



**A VISIT DURING SANTA'S OPEN HOUSE IN DIMMITT**  
... Santa and his "helper" Sue Stephens (right) listened to children's wishes and gave out candy canes.  
*Photo by Linda Maxwell*



Artwork by  
Chauncey Gilbreath



**Season's Greetings**

'Tis the season to share in an abundance of joy.  
From our family to yours - have the merriest Christmas ever.

**FIRST UNITED BANK**  
Member, FDIC

**Peace On Earth**

Warm wishes for a bright holiday season.

**Bobby Jack & Tempie Angeley**

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS**

On this joyous occasion, we'd like to extend our warm wishes to all. Thanks, friends.

**Henderson TV & Appliance**

**Rejoice!**

Wishing you much love and happiness for you and yours, at Christmastime and beyond.

Please accept our sincere gratitude for your support.

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