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Good news received on bond projects

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor
Superintendent Gene Sheets had good news for the members of the Muleshoe Independent School District's board of trustees during Monday's regular meeting, noting that recent meetings with

representatives of Lee Lewis Construction suggested that the expansion project for Muleshoe High School could run about \$15 million.

If so, the superintendent explained, all of the recommendations of the citizens task force that headed up the push for passage of the bond issue should be met.

"It's pretty exciting," Sheets said.

While these are just preliminary figures — Melanie Sechrist of MWM Architects said bidding on the high school project will probably take place around

April, and the guaranteed maximum price would be determined later — the superintendent indicated that if the price can be held near that figure, or lower, all of the school district's needs could be met.

During the facility update Monday, David Reyes, who is supervising the construction work at Dillman Elementary, said the exterior walls of the expansion at Dillman should be completed later this week, and the roof units will be installed.

He reported that a large amount of the water and gas lines are in place, and

that with the roofs in place also it won't be long before they will be able to work in a heated building.

According to Reyes, the work at Dillman is a little ahead of schedule.

"David's done a good job of coordinating the work at Dillman," Sheets said.

Concerning the work at Watson Junior High, Leroy Beaver apologized to the school board for an incident that occurred recent when he was offsite at a meeting, and some employees of a subcontractor were caught smoking on school property.

Although the work at the junior high is slightly behind schedule, Beaver said an effort is being made — including a reduction in the number of days the work will be postponed due to Christmas — to get back on schedule.

Beaver said they've had some down time on the work site, but things are getting lined out.

"I'm the kind of man who'll work 100 hours a week if we have to," he said. "Once we get the slab pored, you'll see some major progress."

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Sales tax collections show small increase

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor
Muleshoe's sales tax allocations for December, representing amounts collected by the state in November, showed a slight increase, according to information received from the office of Texas Comptroller Susan Combs. Muleshoe's allocation climbed from \$35,567.52 in 2006 to \$36,628 this year, an increase of 2.98 percent,

Collection increase percentages	
Muleshoe...	+2.98%
Earth...	-7.25%
Olton...	+24.22%
Littlefield...	+28.67%
Bovina...	+7.39%
Sudan...	-52.63%
Farwell...	-18.60%
Morton...	+30.54%
Dimmit...	+12.49%

\$13,410.71 higher than it received during the same period last year.

As for Morton, it's December 2007 allocation of \$9,165.02 was \$2,144.20 higher than in 2006.

In other area communities, according to comptroller's office records, Sudan showed the largest decrease, a drop of 52.63 percent from the amount collected by the state in November 2006.

Farwell showed the second from the largest drop, 18.60 percent, a decrease of \$1,636.

According to Combs, the state collected \$1.8 billion in sales tax in November, up 9.5 percent compared to November 2006. The comptroller's office sent local governments \$447.30

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but \$16,673.44 less than was received last month.

In this most recent race for the sales tax dollar, Littlefield came out on top in the amount of allocation dollars, \$60,175.09, but took second place in the percentage of increase, the award for which went to Morton, which showed an increase of 30.54 percent.

In actual dollars, Littlefield's allocation for December 2007 was

Only three have filed for 2008 county elections

Only three individuals have filed for positions in Bailey County as of Monday, Dec. 17, according to the county party chairs.

The county election slate for 2008 is rather long, including the positions of Precinct 1 Commissioner, Precinct 3 Commissioner, County Tax Assessor, Sheriff, County Attorney, District Attorney and Constable.

However, the only three

Republicans who have filed to date are Floyd "Butch" Vandiver, for Precinct 1 Commissioner; Melba Clark for County Tax Assessor; and Jeanine Backus for County Attorney, according to Republican Chair Carroll Precure.

No one has filed to date with Democratic Chair Linda McGonagill.

Individuals have until Jan. 2 to file for the county positions.



Caroling the carolers...

Carolers journeying through the Richland Hills addition this holiday season have the opportunity to be caroled to in return... that is if they brought along an FM radio. Pictured above, a residence in the 1800 block of W. Ave. H exhibits the latest "craze" in Christmas lighting, a musical light show.

Photograph by Larry Thornton

Local Weather

Thursday
Sunny..... 60/31

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Sunday
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Santa's Christmas Gift

By Larry Thornton
Part 6

If Robbie hadn't been so shocked, he would have groaned. It was fast becoming the Christmas to end all Christmases. Not only did he have to help restore his little sister's belief in Christmas, but now he was having to "volunteer" to be an elf in the school's Christmas play.

"Couldn't I do some extra homework, or something?" Robbie asked. "Or stay in from recess?" Mr. Angleton smiled. "I appreciate your willingness to study harder," said the principal, "but it would really help us if you could be the elf."

"Tommy Benson was

signed up for the part, but he's been very sick, and can't continue," he explained. "You're about the same size, so they shouldn't have to alter the costume."

"Costume?" groaned Robbie. "With bells and stuff?"

Mr. Angleton smiled even bigger. "Of course, you'll love it."

The phone at the principal's left hand buzzed, and he answered it. "Sure. I'm just finishing here."

"Thanks again, Robbie," said Mr. Angleton as he hung up the phone "You'd better head on to class before you miss any more. I'll call your mother and tell her you'll be staying after school today for play practice."



Before he could think of anything else to say, Robbie was ushered out of the principal's and found himself headed by to class, his tardy slip in hand.

Sandy wandered through the city's business district alone. Considering Elwood's large size, the elf had sent

him to an area lake where he could swim out to the center and not stand out so much next to the much smaller Canadian geese that populated it.

As he passed people on the street, the majority merely smiled at his colorful garb before continuing on their way, while a few fixed their gaze straight ahead as if determined not to exchange a greeting with him.

By the time he had walked a few blocks, Sandy had figured out that this wasn't the place to be looking for children. So he approached an elderly gentleman with a cane standing at a street corner, waiting for the light to change, and asked, "Are there any schools near

here?" The elderly man looked down at Sandy and grinned. "My... you're a little fellow," the man said. "Are you getting things in line for Santa's visit?"

Sandy smiled back at him. "Do you believe in Santa?"

"Why, sure... what's not to believe?"

"A lot of people don't anymore," said Sandy with a slow shake of his head, "especially adults, and I've been told that fewer and fewer children believe."

"It's a sign of the times," said the elderly gentleman. "I remember when most people went to church on Sunday also. I think they're

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Contributions for this project may be made at Muleshoe State Bank. Ask your teller to deposit your gift to the "BCMA Christmas in Muleshoe" account.

The BCMA is also accepting applications for the program. The applications are available at South Plains Community Action or at Muleshoe City Hall.

Blood drive at senior center

Busy shoppers can take a load off while donating blood at the 27th annual KLLL Country Christmas, at the Wagon Senior Citizens Center, 319 S Main, in Muleshoe, on Thursday, Dec. 20th, from 1-8 p.m..

Volunteer blood donors must be at least 17, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good health.

Cowboy Fellowship service

Muleshoe Cowboy Fellowship Church will be holding a contemporary Christmas worship service on Saturday, Dec. 22, beginning at 7 p.m. Music for the event will be provided by 184 for Christ.

Adult Learning Center closed

Muleshoe's Adult Learning Center, in the WorkSource office, 203 S. Main, will be closed from Dec. 20 through Jan. 8.

FBC blood drive

The First Baptist Church of Muleshoe, 220 W. Ave. E, will be hosting a blood drive on Wednesday, Jan. 9, from 3-6:15 p.m.

Call Donna at 272-5125 to make an appointment to donate. You must be 17 years of old, in good health, and have a picture ID to donate.

Sales tax allocations...

Continued from page 1 million in December sales tax allocations, up 10.8 percent compared to last December.

"State sales tax collections through the first three months of fiscal 2008 are up 6.6 percent compared to the same period last year," Combs said. "Growth is substantially slower than the vigorous 12 percent and 10.9 percent seen in fiscal 2006 and 2007, respectively. As the pace of the U.S. and Texas economies continues to cool, we expect the growth in Texas sales tax collections will continue to moderate."

Combs sent Texas cities December sales tax allocations of \$300 million, up 9.9 percent compared to December 2006. City sales tax allocations during calendar year 2007 totaled \$3.8 billion, up 6.9 percent compared to 2006.

Counties' December sales tax allocations were \$27.5 million, up 11.1 percent compared to December 2006. Counties received \$338.9 million in sales tax during calendar year 2007, up 8.4 percent compared to last year.



Firefighter honored

On Friday, Dec. 7, Muleshoe City Manager David Brunson presented Tom Ladd with the Fireman of the Year Award or his outstanding service and dedication to the Muleshoe Fire Department. Tom Ladd has been a member of the Fire Department for 30 years.



Scouting efforts honored

The awards banquet for the Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts of the George White District was held on Dec. 6 at South Plains College in Levelland. The following individuals, pictured above, from Pack 620 of Muleshoe were honored with an award: Noemi Mora received the District Order of Merit; Cristian Mora received the Cub Scout of the Year; and Todd Newberry received the Silver Spade Award.

Muleshoe residents among Wayland graduates in December ceremony

Students from Muleshoe were among more than 80 graduates at the winter commencement ceremony held Dec. 16 at Wayland Baptist University.

These local students were:

- Ryan Gene Hodge, who received a bachelor of science degree in physical education.
- Christy Lee Morgan, the daughter of Ron and Janet Morgan, who received a bachelor of science in interdisciplinary studies degree in elementary education. She graduated summa cum laude.

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Correction...
Members of the the First Baptist Church and First United Methodist Church, both of Muleshoe, the Student Community Action Club, and St. John's Lutheran Church of Lariat took part in the Food Pantry's work on Dec. 8, and not the Muleshoe Cowboy Fellowship Church, as was listed in the caption on the front page of the Dec. 13 issue of the *Journal*.

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connected."
 "Santa and church?" asked Sandy.
 The elderly man nodded his head. "Sure... they're both about God."
 "Yes, they are!" said Sandy, surprised that this man had a grasp on reality that so many humans didn't... that Santa Claus love children because he loved God, and that his yearly trips around the world were meant to honor God, and celebrate the birth of the Christ Child.

As Sandy stood there on the corner, talking with the man, he was thrilled by the sincerity in the man's words. In many ways he reminded the elf in many ways of Santa himself, although smaller in stature and without a beard.

When they eventually parted, Sandy couldn't help but think that his entire morning had become brighter.

As he reached the end of the next block, en route to the school he'd been given directions to, Sandy turned and looked back, hoping to give a final wave to his new friend, but the old gentleman must have crossed the street and disappeared into a nearby building for he was no longer in sight.

With a shrug, Sandy turned and continued on his way.

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Janus and the wolf disembarked from the Canadian Air Force plane at Winnipeg International Airport

Leaving the elf by himself for a little while, the wolf disappeared into a small section of woods located adjacent to the airport's west boundary, returning almost 30 minutes later.

"We must be on the right path," the wolf said as he dropped to the ground at Janus' side. "A flock of Starlings in the trees told of a large white goose that flew through carrying something."

"Was it Sandy?"
 The wolf tilted its head slightly to the side, in the manner that Janus recognized as a shrug, and said, "They didn't get close enough to see what it was, but they remember it because of the size of the bird and the fact that they'd never seen a goose carrying something before."

"They were still flying south," the wolf continued, referring to the pair of travelers which he assumed to be Elwood and Sandy.

"Then south it is," Janus said.

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Robbie wanted to scream, literally.

Taking a deep breath, he walked over to the large restroom mirror and stared at the image it showed. Green hat, white shirt, red vest and green pants... and the shoes. "Where did they find shoes like these," Robbie moaned, looking down at the long-toed slippers he had to try on.

For a moment Robbie considered crying instead of screaming. And now he had to walk out of the restroom, in front of other students... who incidently weren't having to wear costumes today because they already knew if their costumes fit, and show the costume to Ms. Kingsley, the third grade teacher in

charge of the play.
 After taking a deep breath, Robbie gritted his teeth and went through the door, into the hallway. Several of the kids, including Mike Brown, with his notoriously big mouth, were standing there.

"Hey, Robbie," said Mike, "cool threads."

From the look on his face, and the way he glanced around as if encouraging some of the other students to join in the ridicule, it was obvious that Mike didn't really think Robbie's new outfit was cool.

"Can it, Michael," said Ms. Kingsley, who had just stepped out of her classroom.

As was his nature when confronted with any kind of authority figure, Mike Brown seemed to wilt. He glanced around again, this time looking for the closest corner in which to hide. As with most bullies, Mike was a coward... a rather large, bigmouthed coward, but still a coward.

"Come into the room, Robbie," Ms. Kingsley said.

Robbie reluctantly followed her into the classroom.

"Let me take a look at you," said Mrs. Kingsley as she leaned back against her desk.

Robbie stood there for a moment, trying not to fidget as the teacher looked on. When she made a circular motion with an index finger, he turned around slowly.

"Looks great, Robbie," she said. "Why don't you change out of it, we'll get started on the play practice."

"I really appreciate your volunteering to take Tommy's place," Ms. Kingsley said. "Fortunately you won't have very many lines to memorize."

Holding out several sheets of paper, she added, "I've highlighted your part."

Taking the manuscript, Robbie turned and walked out of the room, heading back to the restroom to change.

The hallway was now empty except for one other student, who had just entered through the doors at the end of the hall, apparently another member of the play from the colorful garb he was wearing.

As he drew closer, Robbie seemed to sense something strange about the student. For one thing, although he seemed to be the height of an elementary student his face seemed older. For the second, Robbie was almost positive he'd never seen the kid at school before... still there was something familiar about him.

"Merry Christmas," said the new kid. "Are you an elf?"

Robbie gave a single nod. "I guess... at least for this week."

A puzzled expression crossed the new kid's face. "Where are all the other kids?" he asked.

"Most have gone home, but the ones in the play are

probably in the auditorium. Are you new here?" Robbie asked.

The new kid shook his head. "No, I'm from up north. My name's Sandy."

"I'm Robbie. What grade are you in?"

"I'm not in school... I'm an elf."

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The arrival of Janus and the wolf in the United States probably would have been uneventful a decade earlier, but with the recent world events and increased airport security, the discovery of the pair in the hold of the Canadian cargo plane drew more than a little attention.

Within seconds, airport police with guns drawn had them surrounded.

"Get down on the ground!" one of the officers ordered loudly.

Not knowing what else he could do, Janus followed the man's instructions, stretching out on the cold concrete while the wolf crouched growling at his side.

"Cuff him," the officer who seemed to be in charge, a sergeant by the stripes on his sleeves, said to the one at his side.

"What about the dog?"

The sergeant paused for a second, thinking, before yelling at Janus again. "Move away from the dog!"

"Stay where you are," Janus whispered to the animal at his side, as he climbed to his feet again, his arms raised high, and stepped away from the wolf several paces.

This time, before the elf could get back down, another of the officers moved forward quickly and bringing Janus' little arms down behind his back handcuffed them.

A new problem arose, however, when the cuffs proved too large for him and slipped off, falling to the concrete with a clatter.

"They're too big!" the officer behind Janus yelled at the sergeant.

The sergeant looked from Janus over to the wolf and back again before answering.

"Okay, kid. You're in a lot of trouble," he said. "We're going to put you in the back of patrol car without any cuffs on, so don't get any bright ideas."

Janus nodded his head slowly.

"Check him for weapons," the sergeant told the officer next to Janus.


"What about the dog?"



"Have the kid put him in the back of a unit with a cage," said the sergeant. "Can you do that, Kid?"
 Janus nodded again.
 It just took a few minutes before the travelers from the North Pole were secured in the back of separate patrol cars, and en route to the airport security office.

Conclusion in next week's issue

The Muleshoe Journal will be closed on Christmas Day to allow its staff time with their families. Merry Christmas!



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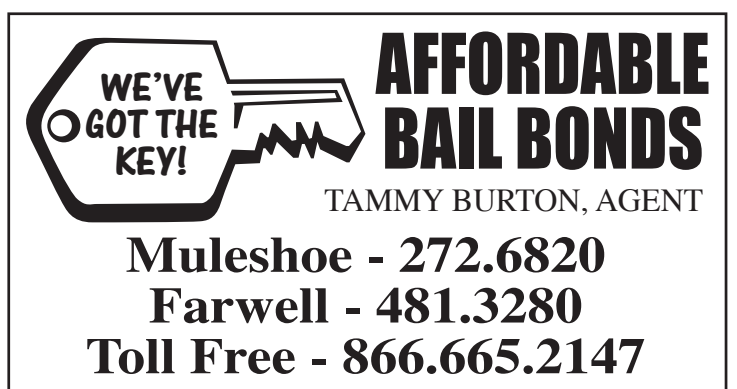
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Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

A very Merry Christmas to all from the Oneita Wagnon Senior Citizens.

Our wish is for all to have a happy, healthy holiday.

On Thursday, Dec. 20, the United Blood Service from Lubbock will be at the Center from 1 p.m. until 8 p.m.

Please come by and give if you can. They need your help.

Our Tuesday night dances will not be held until after the holidays.

The next dance will be

Jan. 8. Make plans to come, bring a guest, a favorite dish for pot luck supper and join in the fun.

We want to say many thanks to all who have brought programs, sponsored games and helped our senior citizens to have better information for a better life.

We could not have a good center without your help.

The center will be closed on Christmas Eve, Monday, Dec. 24, and on Christmas Day, Tuesday, Dec. 25.

The center will also be

closed on New Years Eve, Monday, Dec. 31, and on New Year's Day, Tuesday, Jan. 1.

The center will be open on Wednesday, Dec. 26 at our regular time, from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m.

And, on Thursday, Dec. 27, the center will be honoring some of its seniors at the December birthday party.

You should receive a phone call inviting you to come and be honored with birthday cake and fellowship.

Menu for Dec. 24- 28:

Monday, Dec. 24 — Closed for Christmas Eve.

Tuesday, Dec. 25 — Merry Christmas — Closed.

Wednesday, Dec. 26 — Grilled steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, wheat rolls and apple cobbler.

Thursday, Dec. 27 — Stew, cornbread and birthday cake.

Friday, Dec. 28 — Fish or chicken strips, gravy, coleslaw, cornbread, beans, fruit salad.

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The gifts of hope, time, and worship. Three gifts the wise still give.

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Muleshoe school board meets...

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Sechrist also reported meeting with the facility committees from both the high school and DeShazo Elementary, and that the design phases of both projects are under way.

In other business, Assistant Superintendent Don Wood talked about the state accountability reports.

"Accountability is good," he said. "You tend to not go anywhere if you're not held accountable."

He explained that some students slack off in their studies in their sophomore years because they know the benchmark tests they take won't affect their passing, but with passage of tests

in the junior year being a requirement for graduation these same students tend to work harder at that time in their education.

The assistant superintendent said there may come a time when the school district may need to try to address such problems, possibly by reducing student privileges for poor performance on the benchmark tests

"We can set tougher standards as a local policy that are higher than the state's," he said.

Wood said all three "student achievement" accountability systems — the Academic Excellence Indicator System, the Adequate Yearly Progress,

and Performance Based Monitoring Analysis System — use TAKS in their academic evaluations.

"When you talk about accountability, you're talking about TAKS... that's the big daddy," Wood said.

The school board also:

- Recognized the achievements of the varsity Mules football team.

"I feel as if I'm standing among greatness," said high school principal Elizabeth Ward, who commended the team for its efforts and integrity.

- Received a financial report from MISD Business Manager Trae McNeill.

- Approved the minutes from the Nov. 26 meeting, with corrections.



WJH Students of the Week

Watson Junior High's Students of the Week for the week of Dec. 13, pictured above, are Donann Rempe, Britton Beall, Caleb Wood, Sheridan White, Bert Torres and Yagaira Rodriguez.

Club News

SCAC members attend annual Christmas Party

Among the members of the Student Community Action Club in attendance at this year's annual Christmas Party, held at the Muleshoe Heritage Center and pictured on the right, were Kelsey Tipps, Colt Ellis, Janae Pyle, Tanner Bales, Jackson Myers, Morgan Smith, Dusty Clayton, Victor Vasquez, Lane Wood, Luli Ramirez, Lisa Soto, Elias Alvarado, Caitlin Wills, Patrick Precure, Colby Carpenter, Kathryn Owens, Jacy Lawrence, Cassie Steinbock, Hillary Shurbet, Garrett Riley, Bryan Poyner.

The SCAC members also decorated the Janes Ranch House for Christmas.



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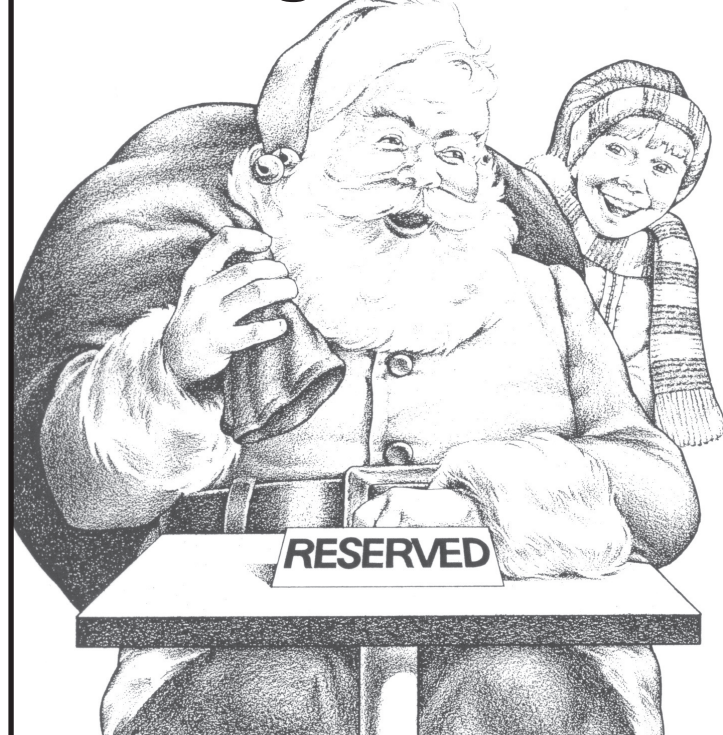
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Sports



Photograph by Stacy Conner

A Lady Mule jumps against a Lady Blue in a recent game.

Lady Mules have a tough district opening

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

Playing on the road is always tough but sometimes it is harder than others. The Lady Mules found out just how tough when they open their District 2-2A season in Amarillo River Road.

The Lady Mules play a fairly aggressive form of defense. But the Lady Wildcats of River Road reaching to the foul line 44 times during the game seemed a little over zealous on the officials' part.

They only made 19 of their 44 attempts but that was only one less than the Lady Mules had an opportunity to shoot. One player for River Road went to the line 23 times with 16 attempts coming in the second period.

The Lady Wildcats out scored the Lady Mules 16-12 in the final frame to down the Lady Mules 47-43.

The Lady Mules bounced back at home when they defended their home floor against the Amarillo Highland Park Lady Hornets. Highland Park only reached the free throw line 15 times in the game.

Ashley Grumbles scored 10 of the Lady Mules 15 points in the final quarter to keep the Lady Mules from losing any of their six point advantage they had built in the first three periods.

The Lady Mules evened their district record at 1-1 by defeating the Lady Hornets 45-39.

River Road set the tone early as they bull dozed the Lady Mules out of the way but went to the foul line six times in the opening frame. They only made one from the line but jumped in front of the Lady Mules with a 3-pointer to claim an 8-6 lead.

Morgan Smith opened the second period with one of two from the line and tied the game at 11-11 with 5:33 left in the period. Sarah Johnson scored her first points on an in bound play with a short jumper.

The Lady Wildcats extended their lead by a point to 21-18 at the intermission after shooting 17 free throws in the period.

Chi Hernandez popped out to open the third quarter and got a high bounce off the rim to fall in for a 3-pointer. Smith and Gizell Vasquez each finished fast breaks

for points. Vasquez gave the Lady Mules a brief lead as she made both tries from the charity line.

Ashley Cisneros made her second bucket of the game as the quarter ended in a 31-31 tie.

The Lady Mules made seven of eight attempts from the line in the final frame. Johnson knocked down her only trey of the game and Smith added a fast break bucket for the Lady Mules only two baskets of the quarter.

River Road made their second 3-pointer of the game in the final quarter as well as shooting 12 free throws. The Lady Mules only trailed by two with just under a minute left on the clock but could not over come the deficit.

Smith paced the Lady Mules with 13 points. Johnson followed with eight points, Vasquez was a perfect four-for-four from the line for six and Grumbles and Cisneros each dropped in four. Hernandez and Kelsey Tipps added three points apiece and Janae Pyle chipped in two.

Highland Parks' Gabbi Hernandez scored all nine of the Lady Hornets first period points to keep pace with the Lady Mules. Smith beat her defender off the dribble and drove to hoop for the Lady Mules first bucket.

Johnson finished a break and then nailed a 3-pointer from the top of the key. Hernandez made her patented left handed shot in the lane to finish the Lady Mule scoring at nine.

The Lady Mules took over the game in the second quarter. Hernandez called "Glass!" and banked home a 3-pointer from the top of the key to open the quarter for the Lady Mules.

Johnson and Smith each added a bucket and Grumbles poured in two baskets. Cisneros capped the Lady Mule scoring. The Lady Mules had combined to out score Highland Park 13-5 to lead 22-14 at the intermission.

The Lady Mules gave back two points of their lead in the third period as the Lady Hornets scored 10 points to the Lady Mules eight.

The Lady Mules made seven of nine from the line as Highland Park tried to cut

deeper into their lead. Their near perfect shooting from the line kept pace with the Lady Hornets as both teams pumped in 15.

Grumbles scored 10 of her 14 points in the final quarter to lead the Lady Mules. Johnson and Hernandez were both in double figures with 12 and 11 points respectively. Smith pumped in four points despite suffering foul trouble

and Tipps and Cisneros chipped in two each.

The Lady Mules traveled to Tulia Tuesday night to meet the second set of Lady Hornets in as many games. The Lady Mules will wrap up the 2007 portion of their season at home when they host the Dimmitt Bobbies.

Thanks for reading
the Journal!

JV ladies fall to Lady Wildcats

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The JV Lady Mules only got to play one game this past week. They traveled to Amarillo River Road to battle the Lady Wildcats. They trailed River Road by eight points starting the final quarter.

The Lady Mules scored 16 in the final period but could not over take River Road. The Lady Wildcats hung on for a 47-43 win.

Mother Nature shut down the Lady Mules' scheduled game with the Amarillo Highland Park Lady Hornets that was to be held in Muleshoe on Friday night. The threat of snow and freezing rain kept the Lady Hornets home.

Yvonne Gardea led the final period charge for the Lady Mules against River Road. She made 12 of her game high 18 points in the final quarter. She opened the fourth quarter with a drive down the lane for a lay up and was fouled.

She could not get the extra point to fall but crashed the boards for the rebound and was fouled on the put back. She made one of two from the line to cut the River Road

lead to 35-30.

River Road scored a bucket but Gardea was fouled in the back court and made both ends of the one-and-one to keep the difference at five. The Lady Wildcats went on a six-point run before Tessa Burris nailed a 3-pointer from the wing.

The Lady Mules missed a shot after a River Road turn over and Gardea was fouled on the put back attempt. She collected both points from the charity line. Tori Alvarado made it a five-point game again by making one from the line.

River Road converted a one from the line before Gardea made her only 3-pointer of the game. The long range bucket cut the River Road lead to 44-41 with 37 seconds left in the game.

The Lady Mules forced a turn over and Gardea drove to the bucket for an easy two.

The Lady Mules were forced to foul twice in the final 14 seconds and River Road converted three of four from the line. The Lady Mules could not score in the final 14 seconds.

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Sports

Mules wrap up 'non-district' games

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Mules took Tuesday off from competition and wrapped up the shortened non-district portion of their season Friday against the Portales Rams.

The Mules seemed to have a difficult time finding the basket against the Rams.

They did not score in double digits in the first three periods and only trailed the Rams by five going into the final quarter.

The Mules hit four 3-pointers in the final eight minutes and scored 16 points. The Rams scored 21 to down the Mules 51-41.

The first half was more of a free for all than a basketball game as the Mules were called for 12 fouls and the Rams were whistled for 14. Both teams were shooting two shots early in the second period.

A Portales player dunked during warm-ups after the officials had come on the court. He was whistled for a technical foul and the Patrick Precure shot two free throws before the game started.

He made one of the two and the Mules were given the ball. The game began



A Muletakes a tumble during a recent game.

with out a tip. Precure nailed a 3-pointer to give the Mules a brief 4-0 lead. Austin Wright got the ball inside to Lane Wood for a bucket late in the frame.

The Rams ended the period with a 10-8 lead over the Mules. The converted four of eight from the charity line to gain the lead. The Rams made a three and converted five of nine free throws for eight points in the second period.

Colby Carpenter opened the second period for the

Mules with a free throw and cleaned up a backside offensive rebound for three points in the period. Precure made his second 3-pointer of the night. Wes Wood made one from the line and Dillon Gallman dropped in two as the Mules trimmed the Ram lead to 18-17.

Brian Poynor beat the buzzer with a 3-pointer to keep the Mules close. The Rams had opened an eight point margin before Poynor drained his shot.

Precure made his third and fourth 3-pointers of the game in the final quarter.

Carpenter and Poynor made a trey each as the Mules made a run at the Rams.

Precure led the Mules in scoring with 13 points. Carpenter dropped in eight points and L. Wood and Poynor added six each. W. Wood made three points, Garrett Riley had two and Elias Alvarado chipped in one.

The Mules opened District 2-2A competition on the road against the Tulia Hornets. Friday night the Mules will host the Dimmitt Bobcats before breaking for the Christmas holidays.

JV Mules fall to Dimmitt, defeat Lubbock Cooper

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The JV Mules may have played their worst game and best game of the season all in one 24 hour period in the Olton Mustang Invitational. The Mules got blasted by Dimmitt 56-32 in the opening round.

The came back the second day to defeat the Lubbock Cooper Pirates 41-38. The Pirates were thought by many to be the best team in the tourney.

The Mules only trailed the Dimmitt Bobcats by a single point at the intermission but then the wheels came off for the Mules. Dimmitt poured in 36 points in the second half to only 13 for the Mules.

DJ Atwood led the Mules in scoring with 10 points. Kyler Steinbock dropped in five points and Brett Poynor, Justin Griswold and Tyson Turnbow made three each.

JV Ladies...

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Gardea set the scoring pace for the Lady Mules with 18 points. Val Olivas dropped in six points, Tessa Burris and Brenda Rodriguez made five each and Melissa Mendoza added four. Ali Eagle and Kathryn Owens scored two apiece and Tori Alvarado chipped in one.

The Lady Mules traveled to Tulia Tuesday night and hosted the Dimmitt Bobbies Friday before taking the Christmas break.

The Lady Mules will resume action in Brownfield against the Lady Cubs Jan. 4. District 2-2A competition will start again in Bushland Jan. 8.

Nathaniel Chavez, Devin Bullock, Caleb Conner and Cooper Washington chipped in two points apiece.

The Mules matched the Pirates eight point first period out put and then turned up the defensive heat to hold Cooper to a single bucket in the second period.

Poynor and Griswold each dropped in a 3-pointer and Atwood and Turnbow each added a deuce as the Mules opened an 18-10 lead at the intermission.

The Pirates came out firing in the third period and trimmed three off the Mule lead.

The Mules stepped up in the final frame and held off the Pirates for the win. Turnbow scored a bucket and three free throws to help hold the Pirates in check.

Turnbow set the scoring pace for the Mules with nine points. Washington dropped in six in the second half and eight in the game, Atwood scored four of his six points in the final period.

Poynor pumped in five points and Griswold made three. Stevie Cisneros, Jared Skipworth, Chavez, Bullock and Conner chipped in two points each.

The Mules traveled to Tulia Tuesday night to open District 2-2A competition against the Hornets.

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of trying to take care of his soon-to-be-three family and finding it harder than he expected.

Life was hard enough. Starting a family was difficult enough. And right in the middle of the difficulty comes a bulk rate letter from some mindless governmental bureaucrat of the sort the world has "with us always" who is never happier than when people are filling out forms and standing in lines. Herod wants a count of his subjects; bureaucrats love to count. Joseph looks the letter over up and down: no exemptions for wives who are nine months pregnant. So they make the long and difficult trip.

It's hard on Mary, and watching Mary hurt is hard on Joseph. They trudge wearily into town, thankful that the donkey never ran out of gas, but—wouldn't you know it?—Bethlehem has run out of rooms. Cranky innkeepers. A cold night. And then cramps. The baby is coming!

Nothing could be more real. So on Sunday it was sort of appropriate, I suppose, when our littlest angel, perched up on a heavenly box covered with brown paper, began to wave to her foster grandparents out in the congregation. As she was waving out heaven's joy and good will toward men, the halo that was already bugging her slipped down over her face, and when she finally got it off and then back on, it was upside down.

The scene Sunday was far from perfect, I suppose. That's okay. What passes for perfect in our society is often just slickly packaged and plastic. Real is better.

God sent Jesus to save real people whose halos, if they ever had such, slipped a long time ago. A real Gift. Real love. Real favor. Real peace. For real people.



Focus On Faith

Curtis Shelburne

had nothing to do with makeup and a lot to do with frostbite.

Before that were a few other pageants that went really well, I thought. Things got pretty involved, at least by small church standards. Building a manger is one thing; building a stable in the sanctuary is another. When we remodeled several years ago, a decade or so after the last Christmas pageant, we found remnants of hay still lurking in crevices in the old carpet. Most of the kids who were the cast members are having kids of their own now. Even the Baby Jesus (the best ever, I think) looks at me now pretty much eyeball to eyeball. Time certainly does get by.

One of the really cool things about Christmas pageants is that, no matter how hard we try to keep it at bay, real life somehow always intrudes, which is a good thing. It reminds us that the people in that very first Christmas story were real, too.

Mary's feet really were hurting and swelling, just like those of any other expectant mom. Joseph was feeling the pressure

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540 head of cattle, 172 hogs and 425 sheep and goats for a total of 1137 livestock sold at the Dec. 15 sale. Receipts lower due to the snow we received on Fri. night. Market lower with fair demand caused by untimely weather. NO SALE Dec. 22 and 29. First sale next year will be Jan. 5th. From all of us here at MLA, we wish you & yours a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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Do you know where the spices you use come from? How about the nuts and oils? **Fill in the crossword puzzle to learn about the parts of plants that we use in our kitchens!**

1. nuts from trees, used in making marzipan candy; a sweet paste, shaped and colored to look like fruits, vegetables and toys
2. licorice gets its flavoring from this plant
3. these are buds from a bush; they have a spicy taste and scent; hang an orange from a ribbon and push these into it for a nicely scented decoration
4. this is from a bean in a pod on a vine, used in puddings
5. has a cool taste, used in candies; grows in U.S. and Canada
6. ground into flour; used for cookies, cakes, gravies
7. used in candy canes, tea; thought to help settle the stomach
8. comes from cane; used for icing, lollipops
9. these are in pods hanging on trees; in some places vendors on the street roast and sell these for people to eat warm
10. hard little seeds ground into powder - shake on eggnog

Plants at Christmastime!

Oooh, these cinnamon sticks smell wonderful!

11. root with a spicy taste used for breads, cookies
12. used for scent and taste in stuffing and with meats
13. from the red-brown bark of a tree; ground into powder for drinks, cookies
14. reddish-purple fruit from a tree; used in cakes, pudding
15. from the bean of cacao tree

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2. this favorite plant blooms at Christmas; it can be red, pink or white
3. green leaves, white berries; there is a custom that people kiss under this
4. round, made from evergreen branches; decorated with red bows, pine cones
5. decorated with lights, ornaments, angel
6. placed as bedding in a manger or made into ornaments for the tree

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Protecting home, family against unseen danger

Submitted by Mandi Seaton, Bailey CEA-FCS

Winter is here, the weather has finally gotten colder and at home the heater has been turned on.

That also means making sure the home's heat-producing appliances run the way they are supposed to. Having the heating system checked can prevent a tragedy — carbon monoxide poisoning, said Janie Harris, Texas Cooperative Extension housing and environment specialist.

"Carbon monoxide is an odorless, colorless gas that interferes with the delivery of oxygen in the blood to the rest of the body," she said. "Even though carbon monoxide will not explode, it can be dangerous — even deadly — to you and your family."

Symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning include headache, nausea and disorientation, Harris said.

The dangerous gas can be produced inside a home if carbon-containing fuels are incompletely burned, she said.

"The gas must be exhausted to the outside," she said.

These fuels include natural gas, coal, wood, fuel oil and charcoal — the sources used most often in home heating.

The culprits include oil or gas furnaces and cooking appliances, water heaters, fireplaces and wood stoves that aren't working or vented properly, Harris said.

"Two common sources of carbon monoxide in homes in Texas are the gas furnace heat exchanger and the gas hot water," she said. "As homes have been built to be more energy-efficient, they have fewer places

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where fresh air can leak into the home. In order for fuel-burning equipment to operate correctly and safely, it must have a source of fresh air for complete combustion. The ventilation system should provide the fresh air."

A negative pressure could be created inside the house, causing these gases to be pulled back inside in a process called backdrafting, Harris said.

Other sources of carbon monoxide are unvented kerosene and gas space heaters, fireplaces, gas or wood stoves, automobile exhaust from attached garages and tobacco smoke, she said.

To protect home and family from the dangers of carbon monoxide this winter, Harris suggested the following steps:

- Have the home furnace checked by a professional who will make sure the burners and vent systems are working correctly and the heat exchanger isn't cracked.

- Look at the area around the furnace to make sure enough fresh air can flow in. A home's furnace should not be in a tightly enclosed space.

- Make sure the water heater and the furnace flue have no internal obstructions or leaks near the joints.

- To test a gas water heater while the burner is on, hold a lighted match under the draft hood. The flame should burn upward.

- If the match flickers downward or goes out, the exhaust may have a back flow and is releasing carbon monoxide into the house.

- Open the damper of a

fireplace or wood stove so combustion gases will flow outside.

- Never use a gas range to heat the house.

- Don't leave cars of lawn mowers running in an attached garage. Carbon monoxide given off by these vehicles can drift into the house.

- Make sure all combustion equipment and appliances in a home are installed correctly, are properly maintained and have adequate ventilation.

- Don't use all of the home's exhaust vents and the clothes dryer at the same time. This could create negative pressure in the house, pulling carbon monoxide back inside.

"If you have the fireplace burning and turn on the kitchen exhaust vent, you will likely smell smoke," Harris said. "This means the fireplace is not drawing the carbon dioxide out, but is

backdrafting. If you use only one of the exhaust fans — bathroom, kitchen or dryer — the backdrafting will not likely occur."

Use carbon monoxide detectors near sleeping areas and fuel-burning appliances. Choose detectors that have Consumer Product Safety Commission and Underwriters Laboratories seals of approval.

If a carbon monoxide detector goes off, call the fire department immediately and get everyone out of the house. Anyone with symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning should be taken to an emergency room.

For more information visit the Texas Cooperative Extension Family and Consumer Sciences Web site at <http://fcs.tamu.edu> and click on the link to "House and Home" or contact Mandi Seaton, Texas Cooperative extension agent — Family and Consumer Sciences, Bailey County, 806 -272-4583.

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Love, Haili

Dear Santa,
I want a Playstation 3 for Christmas, a football NFL 2007 80 game and football NFL 2007 60 and a football NFL 2007 70. I want a racket.
Love, Ryan

Dear Santa,
I wish you could get me a baby doll and stroller a little duck and a monkey.
Love, Diana

Dear Santa,
Can you bring me a little brown puppy and a playstation 3? And I want to see Rudolph and I to see daser and pracer. And I want can you bring me a baby turtle.
Love, Samuel

Dear Santa,
I want a playstation 3. I been a good. I want a playstation 4 and a Rudolph a rabbit and a swing.
Love, Sebastian

Dear Santa,
I want a play playstation, race car track. I want to see Rudolph. I want spiderman. I want baman. I want a dog. For mom she wants necklace. For dad a dime.
Love, Lorenzo

Dear Santa,
I want a pet snake. I want a new playstation 2. So I will be happy. And I want a big wide pool and kind of like deep
Love, Dylan

Dear Santa,
I want a guiter. I want you to come. I have cookies and milk. I want nintiendods. I want a race car. Can you bring me a little cat?
Love, Nathaniel

Dear Santa,
I want a playstation three. I want a puppy. I want a spiderman. I want a dog.
Love, Kabel

Dear Santa,
I want a electric red guitar or a psp and a game? And for my dad a nou car. And for my mom a ring. And my brother Noah wants an electric black guitar too.
Love, Luke

Dear Santa,
I want a bag of mak up and a purse. And I want my brother to be nice so my brother wont be mean to me. And I will leave some cookies and milk for you.
Love, Citlalli

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year so can I have a playstation 2 or a playstation 3? And Santa I also want a race car an a spiderman.
Love, Tevin

Dear Santa,
I want a brat and a dog. I want a grandma. I want a flower. I want a shoe. I want to go to the North Pole. I want a phone.
Love, Abriana

Dear Santa,
I want a pony. I want a doll set with a doll hat. I want a brat doll. Santa I will leave cookies and milk for you. How are your elves doing today?
Love, Elysia

Dear Santa,
I want a pony for Chirtsmas and this is want. I relly want a electric guitar and a brat. I really want a puppy and phone.
Love, Taylor

Dear Santa,
I want a pony for Christmas. I want a brat for Christmas. I want a phone for Christmas. I want Rutoph for Christmas. Ho! Ho!
Love, Valentina

Love-Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a talking baby. Bring my oldest brother a big bike. Bring my other brother a Superman. Bring my mom a camera and my dad a watch. I will leave you cookies
Kayleigh

Dear Santa,
I want a polce car and a bird you can wind up. Bring my mom a dress. Bring my dad a cop car. Bring Kylie a doll. Bring Kutter some books. I will leave you a new sled.
Colby

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a red present.
Bring



myadinosaur. Bring my mom a heart and my dad a top. Bring my brother a Santa toy. I will leave you a present.
Michael

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a game- a shooting game. Bring me some money-I love money. Bring Paige some earring and bring Jake a video game. Bring Paula a ring. I will leave you some cookies
Joe

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a baby. Bring me little bears. Bring my sister a new book. Bring my brother new toys. Bring my mom a new couch and my dad a new chair. I will leave you some chocolate milk and cookies.
Lily

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Bible game and Crash with monster

feet. Bring my brother a game. Bring my sister a Barbie. Bring my Mom a new picture of me. Bring my Dad a fighting movie. I will leave you a car.
Nathan

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some Helies. Bring my gun. Bring my sister a Brat doll. Bring my big brother some Hernes, and bring my baby brother a football. Bring my mom a ring and my dad a new phone. I will leave you some cookies.
Jacob

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a teddy bear. I want a toy that you shake and food comes out. I want a toy slide too. Bring my sister a bat and Barbie. Bring my mom some fish and my dad a jacket. I will leave you cookies and milk.
Olivia

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a spy thing that has a mirror. Please bring me a toy gun. Bring my brother some real guns to get birds. Bring my mom a new car and my dad a new chair. I will leave you a wreath.
Steven

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a motorcycle and a snowman. Bring my brother a Guitar Hero Game. Bring my sister a Bratz bike. Bring my mom a heart. Bring my dad a yankee ball. I will leave you a baseball
Derek

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Barbie and a Dora toy. Also bring me a baby kitty with a bottle. Bring Joe a Buzz Light year toy. Bring Jake a spider man game. Bring Paula some ne glass cups and Jessie a new couch. I will leave you some cookies.
Paige

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some Barbies and some new swings. Bring my sister an MP3 player. Bring my brother a little race track. Bring my mom a necklace and my dad some new shoes. I will leave some candy canes

and bears.
Abigail
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a truck and a toy helicopter that flies. Bring my big brother a knife and my baby brother a pig. Bring my mom a dress and a diamond ring and a police woo woo's For my daddy car. I'll leave you a note.
Brody

Dear Santa,
Bring me a teddy bear and a yoyo. Bring my brother a new bike. Bring Arthur a big yoyo. Bring Paul a bus. Bring Russell a new watch. Bring Gary a new truck. I will leave you a toy.
Michael

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Princess bike and a back pack. Bring my brother a shirt and my sister a little princess doll. Bring my mom some shoes and my Dad a bed. I will leave you an angel and bar.
Anahi

Dear Santa,
Please bring me Heelies and a Brat doll. Bring me a Littlest Pet Shop Electronic Diary. Bring my mom new dshe and a couch. Bring my dad a new video game. I will leave you cookies, chocolates, and milk.
Mia

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Guitar Hero. Bring me a air Hogs helicopter. Bring my brother a Muleshoe Mule Jersey. Bring my mom a T. V. with Muleshoe mules. Bring my dad some books. I will leave you some cookies and milk.
Aliyas

Tovar-Kindergarten
Dear Santa,
I would really like a transformer and a monster truck for Christmas. I also would like a toy dinosaur to play with
Jose

Dear Santa,
I want a horse and a Christmas

tree. I also a playhouse to play with. Please bring me a new bed to sleep on. I would also like a trainset to play with.
Sharice

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle for Christmas. I would also like a ball and a boat to ride on.

My mom and dad want a car. My sister want two kittens for Christmas
Cruz

Dear Santa,
I want a buzz lightyear toy and a woody toy for Christmas.

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I also would like a trainset and a spiderman toy. I also like to play with a bumble bee.
Matthew

Dear Santa,
I want candy toys and frog toy. I would also like a airplane and a basketball to play with. I also want a rocket and a coloring book.
Jesus

Dear Santa,
I want a dog for Christmas. I also want a ninja turtle toy and a trainset to play with. My mom wants a stuff for her house. Please bring my brother a little toy.
Elio

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle for Christmas and a dragon toy. I also want a dollars so I can buy thing. Can you please bring my mom a shirt and my dad a dog.
Isain

Dear Santa,
I want a teddy bear for Christmas. I also want a baseball and a motorcycle to ride. I also want a lot of pop. Can you also bring me a horse. My dad likes drums.
Osvaldo

Dear Santa,
I want a bratz doll and a computer to play with everyday. Can you also bring me a trampoline to jump on. Can you bring my mom a kite.
Didi

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle for Christmas. Please bring my mom some gum and my dad a new tractor. My brother wants a new bike. I would also like some heelys. My grandmother would like a new stove.
Jaydin

Dear Santa,
I want a barbie and a car to play with. I also want a house for my barbie to play with. I've been a good girl
Leslie

Dear Santa,
I want makeup and a bratz doll for Christmas. I also want a teddy bear and a phone. I also want a dog to play with. Please bring me a princess to dress up and a baby doll to take care of
Kaitlin

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle and I also want a computer. I also want a bike to ride outside with my friends. Please bring me a spiderman toy to play with. I also want a telephone for Christmas.
Cristian

Dear Santa,
I want a computer for Christmas. I also want money so I can buy stuff. I also want

a little duck to play with in the water.
Prisila

Dear Santa,
I want a scooter and bike for Christmas. Can you also bring me a bat to play with a ball. I also want a motorcycle and a house.
Daniel

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle for Christmas. My dad would like a truck and a house for my mom. I would also like a little house to play with.
Kobe

Diaz-2nd grade

Dear Santa,
My name is Kevin. I am 8 years old. I have been very good this year. For Christmas I want a computer, a remote control truck, and a camara. An tricycle for my brother. For my mom and dad I want a car, and for my teacher a ring. Have a nice Christmas Santa
your friend, Kevin

Dear Santa,
My name is Lizeth. I am 7 years old. I have been very good this year. For Christmas I want a princess T.V., a computer, and a coloring book of Bratz. For my brother a toy farm with animals. For my mom a new kitchen a fruit, and a car. For my dad pants and a cellular phone. For me and my brother a house that has swings, a slide, and a picnic table. For my family a new van that has six seats so we can go to Missouri were are cousins and family live. Have a good christmas sata claus.
your friend, Lizeth

Dear Santa,
My name is Yavet. I am 7 years old. I have been good this year. For Christmas I want a PSP, Wii, and a dirt bike. My brother wants a hockey and soccer table, Air hogs, Smack down vs. Raw 2008, and the Golden Compass video game. My mom wants five golden rings and my dad wants a game boy. Merry Christmas Santa
your friend, Yavet

Dear Santa,
My name is Cesar. I am 7 years old. I have been very good this year. For Christmas I want a PSP, Wii, PS3. Can you bring my dad a pool table and a computer for my mom. Have a great Christmas Santa
your friend, Cesar

Dear Santa,
My name is Rosio. I am 8 years old. I have been very good this year. For Christmas I want a computer, diary, and a game boy. For my teaher a ring. and For my mom and dad a new car. have a great Christmas
your friend, Rosio

Dear Santa,
My name is Ricarda. I am 9 years old. I have been very good

this year. For Christmas I want a computer, a necklace, a toys. For Mrs. Diaz some earring, necklace, and a ring.
your friend, Ricarda

Dear Santa,
My name is Nayeli. I am 7 years old. I have been good this year. Santa I want a diary and a playstation and a Bratz doll. For my mom I want a ring and for my dad I want a car. For my brother I want a ball. For my teacher a ring. Have a good Christmas.
your friend, Nayeli

Dear Santa,
My name is Isaac. I am 7 years old. I have bee good this year. Can I have a play station 2 and the Legen of spyro and a Wii. Can my mom have a new book and my dad a new truch. For my baby brother a new toy and for my sister a little puppy. Have a special Christmas Santa,
your friend, Isaac

Dear Santa,
My name is lbeth and I am 8 years old and for Christmas I want Bratz dolls and for my mom and dad I want a new car and for my brothers I want a PSP and baby dog.
your friend, lbeth

Dear Santa,
My name is Miriam. I am 7 years old. I have been good this year For chrimes I want a Bratz dooll a computer and a diary with a key and a tre with a leat. Santa-haf a good christmas.
your friend, Miriam

Dear Santa,
My name is Giovani. I am 7 years old. I have been very good this year. For Christmas I want a dirt bike, Wii, and PSP. For my brother I want a PS3. For my dad a new truck. and For my mom a new car. For my teaher a new car. Have a great Christmas
your friend, Giovani

Dear Santa,
My name is Xiomera. I am 7 years old. I have been very good this year. For Christmas I wont a PCP, a diary with a key, a computer. For my mom a necklace. For my dad a pair of pants. For my teacher a new car, purse, and a ring. Merry Christmas Santa
your friend, Xiomera

Dear Santa,
My name is Jennifer. I am 7 years old. I have been very good this year. For Christmas I want a Bratz doll, computer, and a diary with a key. For my dad a truch and my mom a car. Thank you Santa have a good Christmas.
your friend, Jennifer

Dear Santa,
My name is Narda. I am 7 years old . I have been very good this year. For Christmas can you bring some pajamas for my sister Jenni? Can you bring me a pony and a computer.
your friend, Narda

Dear Santa,
My name is Joel. I am 7 years old. I have been very good this year. For Christmas. I want a Wii, a computer, and a game. Have a good Christmas Santa.
your friend, Joel

Dear Santa,
My name is Giovanni. I am 7 years old. I have been very good for Christmas I want a jet pack, gameboy, for my teacher a new car, kittin, and a ring. For my mom a blender. For my dad some tools, for my sister a doll. and for my older brother a ball, and for my little brother a Leap Frog. Merry Christmas
your friend, Giovanni

Dear Santa,
My name is Cesar. I am 9 years old. I have been good this year. For Christmas I want the cars game, playstatin 3, a ball. For my brother and sister a play station 2. For mom and dad a car and a computer.
your friend, Cesar

Dear Santa,
My name is Lorena. I am 8 years old. I have been very good this year. For Christmas I want a Bratz doll, computer, and a motorcycle. I want a new car for my mom and dad. For my brothers, and sisters a new T.V., and for grandma I wnat a new neklace have a good Christmas Santa.
your friend, Lorena

Dear Santa,
My name is Juan Carlos. I am 8 years old. For Christmas I want a race truck and game of trucks and a PS3. I Love you Santa.
your friend, Juan Carlos

Dear Santa,
My name is Chris. I am 7 years old. I have been very good this year, For Christmas I wnat a six machine a laptop and a jet pack. I want candy for my mom and dad.
your friend, Chris

Dear Santa,
My name is Eduardo. I am 8 years old. I have been very good this year, For Christmas I want a pcp 2, a wii, a Game boy Merry Christmas Santa. Happy Holidays
your friend, Eduardo

Black — 2nd Grade
Dear Santa,
My name is Thomas and I a 7 years old. How is Mrs. Clus? How are you? I have been very very very good. I want a
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 plastation 3 and crash of tintins and some Helees. if you get me these things I would thakyou so much
 Love, T.J.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Laura. I am 7 year old. Santa how are you? Santa, have you been good? I would like a Ipod and a bratz and a copter for chistmas. I will thank you for the laptop you gave me last year.
 Love, Laura

Dear Santa,
 My name is Georgia. I am 7 years old. How is it gong up thar? Is mis clas good? I ben good. I wanta barbie and the house. Bratz at I can. Put makup on. thak you santa so moch for the presins.
 Love, Georgia

Dear Santa,
 My name is Ashlyn. I am 7 years old. How are you? Are you ok? I have ben good. I want a bike, a lob, a puppy, a Brat, a camraur. Thank you for the toys I well make you a car I will make you some cookies and look for your card under your cookies
 Love, Ashlyn

Dear Santa,
 My name is Noa. I am 8 years old. How have you been? How are your elves? Are they ding well. I have been very good. I want Heeleys and Ipod new shoes and a bike. Thank you santa?
 Love, Noa

Dear Santa,
 My name is McKenzie. I am 7 years old. How are you? How are the elves? I have been very good this year. I would like a gme for my game boy and some clothes for Christmas. Thank you Santa
 Love, McKenzie

Dear Santa,
 My name is Kinze. I am 7 years old. How are you at the noth pole at Chrismis time? I'm good at school. some times im bad. I what a Barbie house. thank you Santa for you visuting are houses.
 Love, Kinze

Dear Santa,
 My name is Hailey I am 7 years old. I Love you Thank you. How are you? How are you dowing? I have ben good. I want a moter bike and a laptop and a fore weler and close and shoes and a Ipod thank you Santa
 Love, Hailey

Dear Santa,
 How is Ms. Clase boing? How are you with your wife? I want a spider man 3 toy. thank you for my toys. I was a good kid.
 Love, Malachi

Dear Santa,
 My name is Saul. I am 8 years old I amy waiting for you Santa bey cuz I want to tayk a pishurs. Thank you Santa for Briygeg my present I want an I pod Thank you Santa
 Love, Saul

Dear Santa,
 My name is Billy. I am 8 years old. How is Miss Clous? How is Blitzen? I have been good. For Chrismes I want a motorcicy and Heeleys. I Thank you for presents.
 Love, Billy

Dear Santa,
 My name is Trenton. I am 7 years old. How are you? How are your reindeer? I have been a good boy. Can you please bring me a psp and a wii and nintendo Ds. Thank you for my toys.
 Love, Trenton

Dear Santa,
 My name is JoJo I am 7 years old how are you? Is it cold at the noth pole i would like a ps3 and a zoombox and crash of the tintins thak you santa for my gifts
 Love, JoJo

Dear Santa,
 My name is Adrian I am 7 years old. Had you bin good up ther? How are you doin this year? Are you doin good? I have bin good I would like a PSP and a ipod and some klose thank you for wat you gave me last year
 Love, Adrian

Dunham-2nd Grade

Dear Santa,
 My name is alec and i am 8 years old. How is rudolph doing santa claus. thank you for the toys, I hae been very good this year I would give you some milk an cupcakes this year I would like a psp a spiderman toy a new puppy. I hope you came santa claus to my christmas tree merry christmas
 your friend, Alec

Dear Santa,
 My name is Matthew 7 year old, How is rudolph in the snow, Thank you for the radys, I have been very good This year. This year i will like a cell phone, a dog, a i-pod, I will leave cookies, milk, Merry Christmas
 Love, Matthew

Dear Santa,
 My name is Michael and I am 8 years old. How is Mrs. Claus the elves and How are you. Thank you for amarian chopper full thrttle with Mikey Pauly and Paul, I have been good. This year I would like heelys a real guitar and a texas longhorn beanbag. I will leave some cookies for you.
 Merry Christmas and Ho! Ho! Ho!
 Your friend, Michael

Dear Santa,
 My name is Yvonne. I am 8 years old. How are the raindeer and Mrs. Claus? Thank you for everything you brout me even the game boy. I have been good or tried to be good but will you please bring me some thing. This year I would like a cell phone a new baby sister and Moon Sand. I will leave you a little present cookies and milk Ho Ho Ho Merry Christmas
 your friend Yvonne

Dear Santa,
 My name is Rigo and I am 7 years old Rudolph is good? Thank you For the psp and a x box last years I have been very good this year this year I would like a x box 360 wii psp I will leave you some mile and cookieess Merry Christmas
 your friend, Rigo

Dear Santa,
 My name is Zackery. I am 8 years old. Thank you for the new boar. I have been very good this year. This year I would like a remote control car and a new bike and a boat. I will leave

you some milk and cookies
 your friend, Zackery

Dear Santa,
 My name is Julius and I am 8 year old. How is eveybody doing? Thank you for the tran Last year. This year I have been kind of good. This year I wound like a psp a ramp and a turtle.
 your friend, Julius

Dear Santa,
 My name is Xena and I am 8 years old. How is Rudolph's nose. Thank you for the cowgirl clother that I needed. I have been very good this year. This year I would like a lite scketcher and a lozy Christmas tree. And I want to cezubrate Jesus birthday I want to wahe me up and give me a big hug.
 your friend, Xena

Dear Santa,
 My name is Keiaura and I am 7 years old. How is Prancer. Thank you for the cloring book. I been very good this year. This year I would like A BRATZ laptop and some TAZZ for my mom an you bring msistre some toys pony.
 Love, Keiaura

Dear Santa,
 My name is Carlos. I am 8 years old. Thank you for the play station. I have been very good and bad this year. I would like a bike, 4 wheeler an x box 360. I will leave you some milk and cookies.
 Love, Carlos

Dear Santa,
 My name is Bailey and im 7 years old. Hows rudof? I have been good all year. thank you for roboy. I would like a wii transformn robogudd. I will lev you some cokes and milk.
 your friend, Bailey

Dear Santa,
 My name is Haley and I am 7 years old. How is the rainder and mrs. claus and how are you? Thank you Sants for the camera you brot me last year. I have been very good this year. This I would like a pony puppy's and a mp3 plaer. Ho Ho Ho Merry Christmas!
 Your friend, Haley

Dear Santa,
 My name is Micaela I am 8 years old How is everyone at the North Pole Thank you for the slipers and pozlse and blankit I have been very good I this year I would like a clothes laptop and a happy family I will leave you milk and cookis
 Love, Micaela

Dear Santa,
 My name is Carlos and I am 8 years old How are the reindeers and elves doing thank you for the horc you brought last year I have been nice. I would lik a remote control ferary a go cart and a remote limo hummer Merry Christmas
 your friend, Carlos

Dear Santa,
 My name is Joe an I am 7 years old and how is rudolph and thak you for the 4-wheeler and I have been vey good this year. and i would like a dirt bike and a x box 360 and a bow with

arrows and one thing i would to rudolph
 your friend, Joe

Dear Santa,
 My name is Brianna and I am 8 years old. How are the elfs doing. thank you for the new bike brought last year. I have been very good this year. I would like a Spongebon vido gmae, 4 kittens and 4 puppies. I will leave you some juice and some cookies. merry christmas!
 Your friend, Brianna

Dear Santa,
 My name is Leramy. How are you and Mrs. Claus? I am 8 years old. thank you for all the toys from last year. I have been good sometimes. I would like all of the wrestlers, a bike, a psp. Please! Oh, I will leave cookies and milk
 your friend, Leramy

Dear Santa,
 My name is Milenia and I am 7 years old. How are you doing? Thank you for the bratz car you

brought last year. I have been very good this year. I would like a laptop, clothers, and make-up Merry Christmas
 your friend, Milenia

Dear Santa,
 My name is Brianna. I am 7 years old Santa we are doing a chrimis play. Thank you for the
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CD player you gave me last year. I would like a hummer and an mp3 player and my daddy to get better. I have been good by listening to my parents. mery chrisnis
your friend, Branna

Teacher unknown

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a dinosaur toy.
Russell

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some ninja turtle toys and a video game of dragons.
Jacob

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a race car and some candy canes.
Aaron

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a computer and a toy kitten.
Keicy

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a computer and a reindeer.
Victor

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a race car and a fire truck.
Meliton

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a toy kitchen and a cell phone
Odalys

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Santa hat and an outfit.
Jozeline

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a toy truck and a tractor.
Benito

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Dora Kitchen.
Jasmine

Salazar — Pre-Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a very good boy this year. My mom said I could have 10 things for Christmas. They are a transformer that can turn into a motorcycle, a spiderman, a toy bike, a Shrek toy, a snowman that can move, a fish that moves, a policeman that turns his head, a crab that moves, a bear that moves, a real bike, and something to go with spiderman.
Love, R.J.

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this year. Please bring me some paints, a motorcycle, and a street bike. Would you please bring me a pumpkin and a pillow. Just one more thing, a toy castle. I will leave you milk and cookies.
Love, Tracen

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good boy this year. Please bring me some toys and thats all.
Love, Angel

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good boy this year. Please bring me a Bumble Bee that does things. That's all.
Love, Aaron

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a very good girl this year. Please bring me a doll, and a skateboard and that's all.
Love, Maislyn

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good girl this year. Please bring me a doll, a book and that's all.
Love, Jessica

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good boy this year. Please bring me a toy and a snowboard. Also a Shrek movie, a pencil, a car and I want a TV for my room and a puppet.
Love, Francisco

Dear Santa,
I have been a really good girl this year. Please bring me a Dora, a bobby, and a doll, a puppet and "Frosty the Snowman" movie.
Love, Emma

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good boy this year. Please bring me a rocket ship and a froggy. That's all.
Love, Noah

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this year. Please bring me some letters and toys.
Love, David

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. Could you please bring me Christmas lights, a coloring book, and crayons. That's all.
Love, Bailey

Dear Santa,
I have been a really good girl this year. Please bring me a Rudolph toy. My brother JoJo wants a bear and nathan wants a game.
Love, Clarissa

Nix — Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a spiderman toy and a poster with him on it.

I want lotg of Spiderman stuff. A Gingerbread man book. A Spidman video game. Bring my sister a Barbie. Bring my brothers a Playstation 3 game and a StarWars game. A new telephone for my mom and dad. And some bandages for when we get cut.
Ricardo

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a new black bike with red stripes and some leggos. Bring my brother a bike too and a transformer toy.
Kurt

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a new bike. A blue stuffed dog. A gingerbread house. Some Bratz dolls.
Baylee

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a blue shirt with flowers. Some green shoes and socks. I want some doll, Brats dolls. A toy car and a belt with a star with it. My mom and dad want my sister to think about what she wants for christmas.
Aracely

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a computer a brown dog. A truck for a boy. A baby toy for Jazmine.
Elizabeth

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a remote contrale car and a car that you push. Some new shoes and clothes. An action figure. A toy horse.
Brett

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a pogo stick. Stuff for my stocking. Anew rocket that has a remote control. A hat with reindeer horns. A toy elf that does the elf dance. New clothes and a rocket for TJ. My mom a a gingerbread man with a hat. My dad will get a flag for the Chamber office. Bethany will get a parrot with a hat. I want new play teeth for Bethany too.
Ethan

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a fake baby with a shaw and a carrier so I can take it with me. Some little toys that light that the little baby likes to play with. A little Barbie and then a fake reindeer and

a fake Hippo that dances and a fake penguin that plays with bells.

Julisa

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a red bike. A gameboy. And some games for it and an x box and a playstation. A big bike for my big brother. and one for me and my other brother.
Julian

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a pink and purple princess bike. Bring my little sister a baby.
Perla

Dear Santa,
Please bring me the game hyper speed. and the car. A little motorcycle for me and my brother, and a motorcycle game. A video game called Spiderman II & III

A doll for my sister and a little video game for my brother. A TV for my family.
Timothy

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a barnie.. A house for Barbie. Some shoes.
Abigale

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Bratz computer. A Bratz bike. Bratz dolls. I wish for some new clothes. I don't think Santa will not haop enough toys to give to everyone. I wish my sister could be big now.
Paola

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some skates, some clothes.
Maximus

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a fake baby and stroller. A fake house that is big and goes outside in the yard. A real computer, two fake presents. Two fake chairs and a table with fake lights. A real ladder and trash can. A TV for my bedroom(a real one)and a DVD player. A kitchen with alot of real food. A real mop,

broom and dust pan. A lot of real windows.

Clayton

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a transformer. A working toy. Two racing cars, a cop car. A flying dragon with a guy on top of it with a remote control. A hose with pretend fire

and fire truck with a guy inside of it. A toy robot with a remote control that walks.

Gerardo

Reyna — 1st grade

Dear Santa,
All I want is an x box for Christmas and a DS game. I
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love Santa. Santa I want hillis. My mom wants a ring and my dad wants boots. My brother wants a four wheeler. I want a ring.
Daniel

Dear Santa,
All I want for Christmas is a computer and a camera photo and a rabbit for my new cousin and clothes for my new cousin and lots of toys.
Eva

Dear Santa,
All I want for Christmas is a pink DS game and a andwill and hillis and will and hillis and a little pup for my brother and a purse for my mom and a game for my brother and a hannha toy.
Nicole

Dear Santa,
All I want for Christmas is a horse toy and computer toy and DS game and backpack and Bratt with camdra and a cat toy big present for dad and mom . Santa and for my two brothers a game.
Stefanie

Dear Santa,
I want an X box a watch a big box of cars, a DS game, hillis and a computer.
Julian

Dear Santa,
I love you. All I want for Christmas is a pony and a princess doll. Santa I want a big gift for my mom and dad. Santa I want a computer. Santa can you bring my brother a train. Merry Christmas Santa.
Celeste

Dear Santa,
I love Santa. Santa I want a Xbox 3bo and a gameboy and a video game, DS game. Power rangers cars. Hillis a baby dog.
Fabian

Dear Santa,
All I want for Christmas is an x box and hillis, Little Mermaid ring.
Natalie

Dear Santa,
All I want for Christmas is a blue car and a dog. I love you Santa.
David

Dear Santa,
All I want for Christmas is a game boy and tennis shoes, a computer and some hillis. Dear santa all I want for my mom is a pretty ring and a pretty car. dear santa all I want for my dad is a pretty boots.
Edgar

Dear Santa,
All for Christmas I want hills and Xbox. My sister want Bratts.
Jovani

Dear Santa,
All I want for Christmas is two babys dolls and a computer and I want a pup. My mom wants a perfume and my dad wants clothes for his work.
Daniella

Dear Santa,
All I want for christmas is an x box and tennis shaes photo camera computer motorcycle train DS game power rangers back fourwheeler cars hills Wii a bratt with a camera.
Michelle

Dear Santa,
I want a telephone for christmas and a back pack and a video game and a motorcycle and a movie of the littel mermaid and my back tooth and a computer and a S game and a princess and the power ranger and a brat with a camera a pony toy and a baby puppie and a kiten and a doll of Hana mantana and a jacket and bring to my mom a dress and for my dad a cap and for my little cousin a little toy and for my sister a shirt of twety and for Eva a little Bunny.
Leslie

Dear Santa,
All I want for Christmas is computer DS game, a Bratt hillis a horse toy for my brother, Little Mermaid.
Saraly

Brantley — PPCD
Dear Santa,
I would like a bicycle. Plese bring me Cruz a baseball and bring Daniella a present.
Love, Gabriella

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a truck and a car. Please bring my mom a book.
Love, Adrian

Dear Santa,
I would like a farm set. Please bring me a truck.
Juan

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a firetruck and a ball. Also bring my sister a doll.
Love, Damian

Dear Santa,
I would like a baby doll. I would also like paper.
Love, Destiny

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a farm. I would like a truck and a tool bench.
Love, josiah

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some Legos. I would like some cows and horses.
Love, Ethan

Dear Santa,
I would like some cars. Please bring me some toys.
Love, Brian

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some toys. Please bring my mom a new car.
Love, Ezekiel

Dear Santa,
Please bring me toys. I would like a Mr. Potato Head.
Love Jonah

Dear Santa,
Ho! Ho! Ho!
Please bring me toys. I also would like a puppy.
Love, Elias

Lackey — 1st grade
Dear Santa,
I want a dog and a psp and heelys.
Fernando

Dear Santa,
I want pocohantas heelys basketball batz doll bike.
Malie

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle. I want a cat and a pape. Dear Santa, I want to see Rudolph. I want a barbie gameboy.
Reina

Dear Santa,
I want a spiderman game for my gameboy longhorns bike.
Ivan

Dear Santa,
I want a doll house and pocohantas as a doll, Love Mis Clas Reindee is so cute I want a Rill baby bulldog ad a bosenterer and Christmas doll motorcycle.
Miranda

Dear Santa,
I want a boy bike and some clothes an shoes.
Keely

Dear Santa,
I want a gin-four wheeler thank you four the toy last year hohoho Love hohoho
Daniella

Dear Santa,
Please make me a motorbike that runs with no gas and never breaks down. also black and red Spiderman suits and a dinosaur remote control robot with no cord.
Love, Levi

Dear Santa,
I will want two baby Dogs and a Wii game. I want to see Rudolph!
Love, Megan

Dear Santa,
All I want for Chistmas is heelys. Oh and how are your reindeer? and your sweet wife
Jock

and thank you for last years gift.
Matalie

Dear Santa,
I want a psp a motorcycle a Wii. Please heels and thankyou.
Love, Johnny

Dear Santa,
You no what I want for Christmas. a bbgun for crismes and a Wii and a PSP and a four wheeler and how is Mrs. Clas. I want a bike and a remote control tarantula.
Love, Leonel

Dear Santa,
I wish I have a four wheeler and a PSP and motorcycle and a boy bike. Wish I have a new a D.S. I wish.
Love, Marah

Dear Santa,
Please get me a Barbie and a children's jeeq; and a kitten!
Sierra

Dear Santa,
I want a safe for my money. I wany a Christmas notebook. I want a hockey Table so my brother and sister can play hockey with me. Thank you for the presents you brought me last year.
Jock

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph? Here is what I want for Chrismas. A free triq to the American girl store @ new Nikkiy book.
Sidney

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and little ponies and a jeep.
Jessica

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie . and I want heelies. I want a Pet that is a cat . I want a net and a bike and a ring and earings for my mom.
Love, Yahaira

Dear Santa,
Can you tell me about Rydolph. I want a ride on your sled. I want a four wheeler, a
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Santa Letters 2007

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movie bear. a boy bike. thank you santa.
Giovanni

**Sudan Elementary
Cooper, Lawrence
2nd grade**

Dear Santa,
Hello! How is the North Pole? Santa, please bring me Bratz computer and a Hanna mantar 2 CD. I hope you and Mrs. Claus are warm at the North Pole. Love, Mariel

Dear Santa,
How are you? I would like a Wii. I hope you have a safe trip.
Merry Christmas, Rudy

Dear Santa,
Hllloe how is the north Pole? I would like a pair of pants, and a bebegun. I can't wait until chrismus
Love, Tim

Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs. Clause? Please can I have a golden pistol crossbow? Merry Christmas, Santa!
Thank you, Noah

Dear Santa,
Hi, how are you? I hope you are good, I would like a new rubix. I would also like a new Video game. Be careful on your trip.
Thank you, Zachary

Dear Santa,
Hi how are you? I hope you are good. I would some new clothes and some boots. Merry Chvismas, Santa
Love, Micheal

Dear Sant,
How are you? I hope you are good. I would like anything Hannah Montanah and a PSP Star. Please come to see me soon. Love, Betsy

Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs. Clause? I would like a new DS game and some clothes for Christmas. Merry Christmas Santa and Mrs. Clause.
Love, Delanie

Dear Santa,
How you and Mrs, Clouse? I would like a candle please. Merry Chvimas Santa.
Love, Rori

Dear Santa,
Hi, how are you? Please bring me some new clothes, boots and a PSP. Merry Christmas Santa.
Love, Ashley

Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs. Clause? I would like some new clothes, some black boots, Nintindo ds and a game. Santa, please be careful on your big trip.
Love, Beatriz

Dear Santa,
Hi, How are you? I would like a new puppy that is brown and some new Bratz dolls. Be careful on your big trip.
Thank you, Alexis

Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs. Clause? Merry Christmas! Please bring me anything Hannah Montana and a PSP. Thank you very much.
Love, Halle

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I hope you are good. I would like some new boots, fourwheeler and a new bike.
Love, Hannah

Dear Santa, Hi, how are you? I would like a mlb bee gun, a gocart, and a forweeler. I hope you and Mrs. Clause have a wonderful Christmus
Thank you, Austin

Dear Santa,
Hello! How is the North pole? I hope you are good. I would like a MP3 Player and heeelis. I hope you and Mrs. Clause are safe and warm.
Thank you, Karen

Dear Santa,
Hi how are you doing? I hope you are good. I would like a Wii, a bike and a drum set. Merry

Christmas, Santa.
Love, Call

Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs. Clause? I hope you are good. I would like some new clothes, and a MP3 player and lotts of book to read. Please be careful on your big trip.
Love, Sydnie

Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs. Clause? Please bring me a Holiday Barbie, a new Mario Bros game and a computer. I will love them all. Santa, please carefull on your big trip.
Love, Jenna

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? Please bring me the horse that changes its head and tail. Hannah Montana doll, I realy realy want a big horse, polley pocket, and herd of horses.
Love Alexis

Slayden — Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
How is Mrs. Clause? I'm excited about you coming this year. I hope you like the cookies and eggnog. I'm going to make very special cookies for you. I've been a good girl this year. These are some of the things I'd like to have. Hannah Montana doll, mylie doll, HMDressingroom, Nikki Doll, Nikki's horse, Littlest pet shop & Pet Town.
Tell Rudolph to shine his nose. Merry Christmas.
Love Emma

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a pink with grey bike. I also want a mini chicken and a Dora, with a yello dress tholt has a wand that makes her grow.
Emily

Dear Santa,
I am going to give you a wish list of what I want for Christmas. The first thing I want is a pink I pod. I also want a pair of neely. The last thing on my list is a pony and a bike.
Love Kamryn

Dear Santa Clause, How are you? How have your reindeer been? I hope you have a great Christmas. I bet the elves can make some drums. For Christmas this year, I would like some drums, a Leapfrog Leapster, Hair Styling Barbie, Rataotoi, and whatever else you might think I would like. For my little sister, Kambry, please bring

her some baby doll stuff. She has been a pretty good girl this year. I think you and the elves make really good toys. Tell Mrs. Clause and Rudolph hello and have a safe trip on Christmas Eve. I will leave tou some great cookies and milk!
Love, Payton.

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a new Batman with joker. I would also like a new batman ball, and some wrestler figures. I would also love a PSP. It would come in handy when I'm on the road. Since my baby brother can't write letters I'm going to ask you for his wishes. He'd like a new fake sword. In exchange for all this I will have you fresh cookies and milk!
Thank you, Joe

Dear Santa,
I would like for Christmas: a princess tent so I could play with my sister, some cloths, and some toys, but what I really want to be around with the people I really love.
Erika

Dear Santa,
Please give me a shotgun and a sniper rifle so I can play army. I am 5 years old and in kindergarten. I am a very sweet boy. Thank you Santa.
Love, Nathan

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is to have a good time with my family and I want a new bike, new shoe that I don't have to tie, new colors for school, some cologne.
Henry

Dear Santa,
I want a longhorn pillow or hummer, a monster truck, a new backpack. I want a football. Santa I miss you. I want a tractor or horse.
Thank you, Kobe

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I want a Wii, a MDF for Wii, Bratz doll, a coloring book of ponies, clothes for lsehoob, and little toys.
Abigail

Dear Santa,
I would like for Christmas a motorcycle radio and a bike. Could you bring my little brother Gage, a Thomas train toy and a big truck full of cars and my brother Kagon bouncy toy and a chew toy. I will leave you and your reindeer some milk and

cookies I have been a pretty good boy.
I love you, Austin

Dear Santa,
I want a bike, and then a motorcycle. I want an I-Pod, a PSP, play-doh. I want a camera. I want an Angel. I want a new bed. I want a hundred little cars. I want a real phone to call my Dad. I want a watch. I want a coloring book. I want a surprise penguin. I want a TV. I want a diamond and a gooey hand. And a jacket.
Devin

Lopez — Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
I love my parents and my sister and my brother and my other sister. How are your reindeer feeling? I have been good this year. I want cowgirl shoes for Christmas. My Mom wants a heart and my Dad wants some tools. My sister wants a monkey but not a real one. My other sister wants a fake monkey. My brother wants a teddy bear. I will leave you some cookies and milk.
Love, Giselle

Dear Santa,
Has it been cold at the North Pole? I want an I-dog. My Dad wants a new car. My Mom wants a new bed. My sister wants a Barbie Doll. I will leave you some cupcakes. Santa sometimes I've been good but sometimes I've been bad but I'll try harder. Please be careful.
Love, Jozy

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle for Christmas. My sister wants an I-Pod. Xavier wants pajamas of Texas Tech. My brother Ivan wants Texas Tech pajamas too. My Mom wants new clothes and Dad wants pants. How are you Santa Claus? Be careful in the snow. How is Rudolph?
Love, your friend, Pricilla

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Dear Santa,
I want a bike for Christmas and a Christmas shirt. Please bring my Mom a watch and my Dad a motorcycle. My sister Natalie wants some shoes. Alexis wants a new pair of pants. My sister Arianna wants a jacket, and my brother Mathew wants some shoes. Please bring grandmas Vargas a new watch.
Love, Dominique

Dear Santa,
How are the reindeer's doing? I want a combine for Christmas. My sister, Beatriz wants a Nintendo Ds. My brother wants a game. Please bring my Mom a new car and my Dad some new tools. I want a ninetendo DS and please make the combine red and the ninetendo DS white. I will put a plate of cookies for you. Oh, I also want a bow buggy for Christmas.
Love Miguel

Dear Santa,
I want a stripper and a module builder. How have you been Santa? My brother Tyler wants a lego toy for Christmas. Trae wants an army guy. My Dad wants a new shot gun and bullets. Bring my Mom a new vaccum cleaner. Santa I will leave you some cookies and milk.
Love, Lance

Dear Santa,
I want a bike for Christmas and some new shoes. I want a Hannah Montana singing thing. Bring my Mom a new car and Dad a new jacket.
Love, Karine

Dear Santa,
How have you been? I have been good this year and I never cry at school. Please bring me a doll. My Mom wants pretty shoes and my sisters like to play games.
Love, Veronica

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? Is it cold in the North Pole? My Mom wants a new car for Christmas. My sister wants a Nintendo DS. My Dad wants a new reindeer shirt. I want a hand held game and I want the one with lots of games. I think it has 26 games. I will leave you some Oreo cookies and milk. My cousin wants a tricycle. I love you.
Callan

Dear Santa,
Where have you been? Is it cold in the South Pole? Could I have a computer, there is a Walmart close by. My Mama wants a new pink car and my Dad wants a computer too. My sister likes Barbie and Edwin wants a game. Thank you.
Bye! Ward

Dear Santa,
I would like a robot that can talk Spanish so he can teach me. My Mom wants a brown table so we can eat on it. My Dad wants a toy tractor so we can play together. My little brother would like a toy rainbow.
Thank you. Jake

Dear Santa,
How is it in the North Pole? My sister wants a game cube for Christmas. Is it snowing in the North Pole? Can I have the Ultimate Spider Man game and Zelda? What my Mom wants is a ring. Thank you!
Alex

Dear Santa,
I love Bratz! Can I have Bratz clothes and shoes too! I also love Polly Pockets about four of them please. Eddie likes ship things since he works off shore and Mom needs school stuff. Josh likes school stuff too! I love you Santa Claus.
Ceitlin

Dear Santa Claus,
Has it been cold at the North Pole? Has Mrs. Claus been alright? Please blow her kisses for me. Santa, can I have a fancy doll house and girlie feelies. I have been really good! I love you and your wife.
Love Sierra

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas. I hope you are ready for this years big trip

because I have a big list.
Nintendo DS and game, the Fluffy Maker, Hannah Montana DVD and CD Light Sketcher. a new Bike.
Could you please remember my sisters too. I don't know what they want but I know you do. Thank you Santa! We love you.
Sydney.

Dear Santa,
I am Colt, I have been good this year I hope that you have been well. I would like a dirt bike, football, house shoes, 4 wheeler, horse, race cars, toy motorcycle, cowboy belt and hat, the helicopters that me and daddy saw, dog house for buddy, football equipment shotgun, and presents for my brother, sister, mommy and daddy.
Thank You, Colt

Dear Santa,
Would you get me a stuffed pinguine and a polar bear also a pink Nintendo DS. And a red one for my brother too.
Thank You, Aubrie

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy and I would like to have a red bike. Reagan wants a Barbie car.
Love Brenner

Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs. Cluse? I'm feeling very exaceted. Can you please bring me a skeybord and a "smack down vs. raw" The video game. Be very careful on your big trip.
Love, Abel

Dear Santa,
I want a toy polar bear and a toy penguin to
Ruben

Dear Santa, I would like a Brozt doll with a camera. Can you find a penguin toy and a polur ber toy? Brittney

Cavez — First Grade

Dear Santa,
I would like a Bratz Doll with a crmen and a penquen toy and a polu ber toy and a henu muten speecr and and plees a x box and a raendiar toy and a santa toy and a MP3 playr and a psp.
Tiffneyin

Dear Santa
I have been a pretty good little boy this year and I was hoping for a blue peterbilt truck, a green chopper bike, a four wheeler & for my sister a Dora bike.
Thank you, Braxton

Dear Santa,
This year I've been good so, what I want to ask for is for some more games for my play station 2 and games for my Nintendo 64. I would also like you to get me a paintball machine so I could paint things. That's what I want for Christmas this year Santa.
Sincerely, Isaac

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a barn and tractor set, a scooter, and some spurs. I also want to se my nanny and poppa.
Thank you, Joseph

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a purse with play make up and a new pair of shoes. and my sister wants a bike.
Alexis

Dear Santa
Sata I wot DSP and a big tet wift a mocucow and x box and a green for willlr and a army game and rill woch from ben 10 so it can chag me into.
Oliver

Dear Santa,
I would like a new brazt doll and a new rolling skating doggie.
Makayla.

Dillman Elementary Conn — 2nd grade

Dear Santa,
My name is Nadia. I am 7. How is Mrs. Clas? Thank you for Butterscotch pony you gave me last year. I have been good this year I would like a skawk Maca, 6 horses that are in home and a nova with a magic wand.
Your friend, Nadia

Dear Santa,
I am Marco from Muleshoe Texas. I am 8 years old I want a four wheeler, a phone and a play station 2.
Your friend, Marco

Dear Santa,
My name is Aron I am 8 years old. How are you? Thank you Santa for the big scooter I try to be good I would like a x-box 360 and a playstain 3.
Your friend, Aron

Dear Santa,
My name is Anghy and I am 7 years old. How are the elves and Mrs. Claus. Than you Santa for the scooter you gave me last year. Santa have you been nice? I have been nice. Santa I would like a new scooter, bike, and a Barbie.
Your friend, Anghy

Dear Santa,
My name is Ezekiel. I am 8 years old. How are the reindeers? Thank you for the bike and the Playstation 2. I am bad sometmes good sometmes Santa I would like some playstation 2 games.
Your friend, Ezekiel

Dear Santa,
My name is Nick and I am 9 years old. How are you? Have you 2 had a good year? How are the riendeer? How are the elves? How is Mrs. Clause? Thanks for my Nentindo DS3 and for what you put in my stocking. I have been good for five weeks. This year I would like a PSP with some games.
Your friend, Nick

Dear Santa,
My name is Fidel. I am seven years old How are you and the reindeer Santa Thank you Santa for the toys Yes all this year I have been good. This year I like a Playstation 3 with game and a bike for Chrismas
your friend, Fidel

Dear Santa,
My name is Sergio. I am 9 years old. How is Mrs. Claus the raindeer and elves? How are you? Thank you Santa for the football. I am good mose days. I would like a PSP a smack down vs Raw 2008 and a wii.
Your friend, Sergio

Dear Santa,
My name is Kandice. I am 8 years old. How are you and the reindeers. Thank you Santa for my blanket, clothes and shoes. Yes! I have been good/1 I would like a hamster, the movie Ratatouille and Shrek the third the movie
your friend, Kandice

Dear Santa,
I am 7 years old and my name is Jonathan. How is Ms. Claus? How are the reindeer? Some times santa, I have been good in the last two weeks. Thank you santa for the tractor and the cool car. I would like a playstashin 3. I would also like a dirtbike and a psp thats all!
Your friend, Jonathan

Dear Santa,
I am Daniella and I am 7 years old. Santa you are the best! Santa, how is Mrs. Claus? Thank you Santa for the make-up and the trampoline, Santa I have been good all year. I would like a four wheeler an ipod and an x-box 360 with games!
Your friend, Daniella

Dear Santa,
My name is Madison. I am 7 years old. How is Mrs. Claus? How are you? Thank you Santa for the guitar. I have been good. I would like a motor scooter, a puppy and a Barbie house.
Your friend, Madison

Dear Santa,
My name is Justin and I am 8. How are the reindeer? How is Mrs. Claus? Thank you Santa for the x-box 360. I have been good some times. I would like a playstation 3, some games, and a puppy.
Your friend, Justin

Dear Santa,
My name is Kimberly and I am 7 years old. How is Mrs. Claus? Is she good? Thank you Santa for the Mp3 player that you to gave me. I am trying to listen to my mom and dad. I would like for you to gave me a picture of you, a psp and a bike.
Your friend, Kimberly

Dear Santa,
My name is Sofia. I am 7 years old. How are you, Santa? How was your trip last year Santa? Thank you Santa for my

PSP that you brought me last year. I have been good at my house. I would like a Playstaton 3 with games, a Game Cube, and a trampoline.
Your friend, Sofia

Scott — 2nd grade

Dear Santa,
My name is Esmeralda. I am seven years old. My teacher's name is Mrs. Scott. How are you, Mrs. Claus, and Rudolph? I have kind of good. I would like a bratz table, with a rolling chair, a real mickerphone not with a rope wire, and a flash light. I hope you have a happy Christmas Eve.
Your friend, Esmeralda

Dear Santa,
My name is Jasmine. I am 7 years old. Do you know what I wont for Chrismas. I want a cinderella dress for chrismas. Thank you.
Your friend, Jasmine

Dear Santa,
My name is Brendon. I am 7 years old. How are you and Rudolph doing? I have been pretty good this Christmas. I would like a real phone, a watch, and a car. Thank you for

the toys that you brought last year and this year. And Merry Christmas.

Your friend, Brendon

Dear Santa,
My name is Daniel and I am 7. I have been prity good Santa I have three things I want a horse, and a Game boy, and a bouser, pake of Pokemon. Mery Christmas Santa thank you sata for all the presents.
Your friend, Daniel

Dear Santa,
My name is Lyndsey. I am 8 years old. What would you like for Chrismas Santa? I have been fairly good. I would liek a camera, a real phone, an jewelry thank you for every thing Santa.
Your friend, Lyndsey

Dear Santa,
My name is Justin. I am 7 years old. How are you? I've been pretty good. I would like a wii, a Dinosaur set, and a ring. Thank you Santa for everything. P.S. merry crismas. I also want a magic cupboard.
Your friend, Justin

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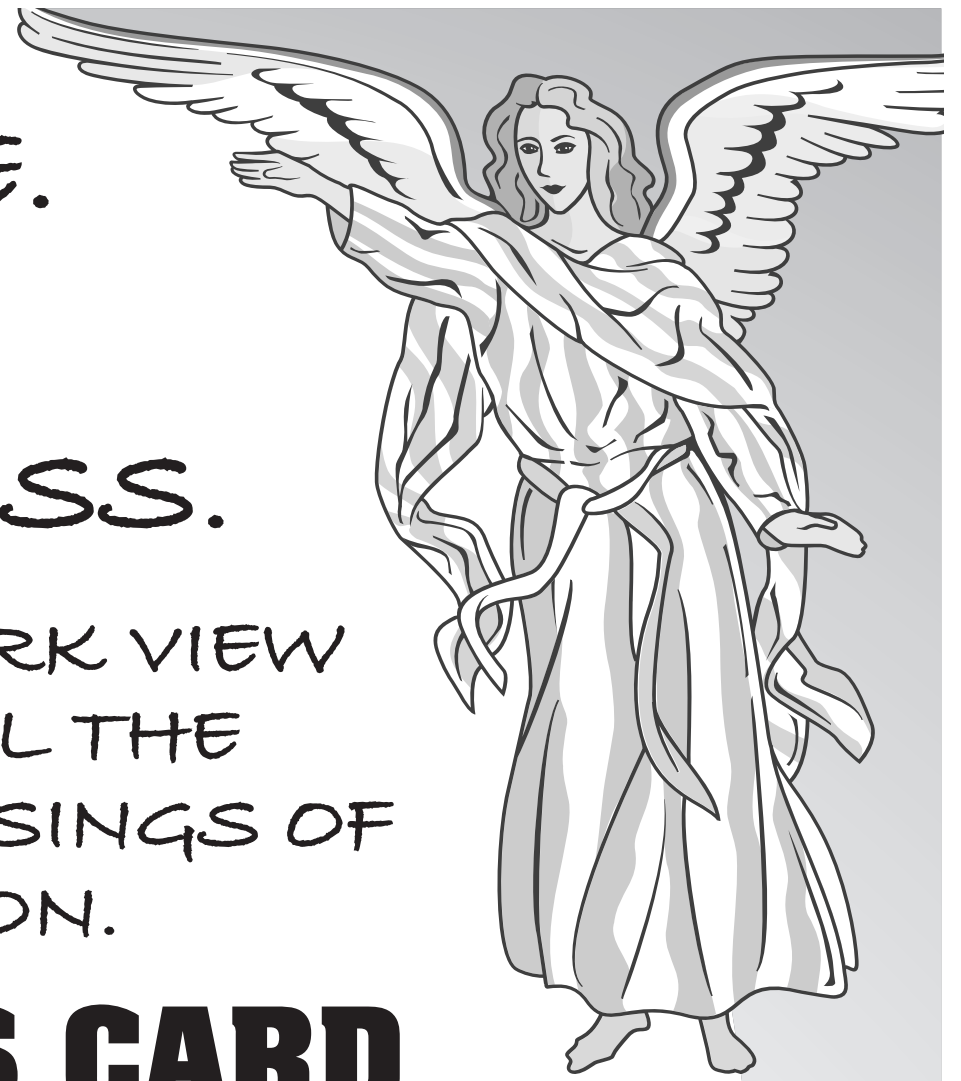
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*Residents and Staff of Park View Nursing Care Center and Joy Stancell,
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Varsity football Mules receive additional honors for 2007 achievements

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

Playing in a seven team district limit's a players opportunities for individual honors passed out at the end of a season. Twenty four Mules were honored for their play during the 2007 football season.

The Mules were the undefeated District 2-2A champions and that helps off set the extra team in the district.

Two Mules were also

honored this week by the Associated Press. Garrett Riley was named as the Class AA Offensive Player of the Year by the Associated Press.

The same group also name Lane Wood to their First Team Defensive Team as a Linebacker.

Riley was named as the Offensive Most Valuable Player in District 2AA. He was a unanimous selection. Colby Carpenter, a six foot 160 pound senior, was

picked to the offensive first unit as a tight end.

Julio Bustillos, a six foot two inch senior, made the team as an offensive lineman. Dusty Clayton was chosen as a wide receiver. Clayton was a fleet five foot eight senior that led the Mules in receptions.

Lane Wood was honored by the district on both sides of the ball. The five for ten inch 170 pound junior was named as a first team running back as well as

unanimous selection as a defensive linebacker.

Colton Heinrich was chosen as a defensive end. He stands five eleven and weights in at 160 and is classified as a senior. Cesar Lopez, the five foot eight 225 pound senior, was named as a defensive lineman.

Victor Vasquez, the five-nine 165 pound junior, earned first team honors as a defensive back.

Chosen to the second team offensive unit were

Lopez and Brian Poynor as linemen. Ray Ramirez was chosen as a wide receiver and Vasquez was named as a running back. Jorge Rodriguez was a unanimous selection as a kicker.

Poynor made the second team defensive unit as a defensive end. Doc Fullmer made the team as a defensive lineman and Elias Alvarado was honored as a defensive linebacker. Dusty Clayton

was picked as a defensive back and Garrett Riley was selected as a punter.

Honorable mentions on the offensive side of the ball were Wes Wood as a receiver, Heinrich as an offensive lineman and Alvarado as a running back. Defensive honorable mentions were Ramirez as a defensive back and Juan Salcido as a defensive lineman.

Drugs, alcohol in the life of a teenager discussed

By Alicia Porter

From 240,000 to 360,000 of all high school students in schools today will eventually die of alcohol or drug-related causes.

This is not because of a lack of knowledge or influence. In fact it is often because of these things

Mule Moments



that our friends, family, and neighbors are dying in front of us.

What do teenagers know about drugs and alcohol? They know what their school

and parents have told them, but even more so, they know what their peers are told them and led them to partake.

"It does not hurt if you do it once," they say. "It is not really addicting. I can quit when I want," they continue. "You have to try this. You will love it. It feels awesome!"

This negative influence is the force driving against the youth of our nation. This influence is what is killing the children in our communities.

Years ago, organizations came to high schools, including Muleshoe High School, trying to scare drugs and alcohol away from the lives of students. Obviously, that was not the best way to deal with the situation.

Now, however, organizations come and try to relate to each student and guide them in the right directions. This past week, one of those organizations came here, hoping to do just that.

They sang, danced, and told their stories — personal stories intended to make

a positive impact on each of us.

Personally, I thought the assembly was great, but some people walked out of it with the wrong attitude. They laughed it off.

Part of the assembly was a skit. In this, it demonstrated the impacts on a teenage girl who started with tobacco, moved on to sexual activity, advanced to drugs and alcohol, and died, lost in a sea of darkness.

Jokingly, one of my classmates said, and I quote, "I'll just stick with the first two, and it'll all be good!" Tobacco and sex. That is where it all starts.

One does not wake up one morning and decide he or she will become a drug addict and die. They are eased into it, and they may not notice it as it is happening to them.

These attitudes and influences they have on others, are the primary causes of drug use and alcoholism and thus, so many lives lost.

Is there a solution to this? Goals? Parental Control? What can keep teenagers from this behavior? It appears to me that there truly is no solution. Times are changing, and they are not getting better.

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your friend, Israel

Dear Santa,
My name is Triston I am 8 years old. What I would like to have is a real phone. Then I want a video game and a upsersizer.
Your friend, Triston

Dear Santa,
My name is Lisa. I am 7 years old. How is Rudolph? I have been fair. I would like a Bratz doll, Barbie house, and maybe a new puzzle. Thank you for every thing. Merry Christmas
your friend, Lisa

Dear Santa,
My name is Carolina. I am 8 years old. How is Rudolph? How are the elves? I have been pretty good. I will want a reindeer, some jewelry and some pairs of shoes. Thank you Santa.
Your friend, Carolina

Dear Santa,
My name is Elizabeth. I am 7 years old. How are you? Will you please bring me a digital

camera, new shoes, and new clothes. Thank you Santa for every thing you brought me. Merry Christmas.
Your friend, Elizabeth

Dear Santa,
My name is Diego. I am 8 years old. How are you and Mrs. Clas? I would like a Jeep, and cell phone
your friend, Diego

Dear Santa,
My name is Shayla. I am 8 years old. How are you Mrs. Cluas. How long have had Roudof? I love Roudof. Santa I want thee things jewelry and a game boy and clos.
your friend, Shayla

Dear Santa,
My name is Anastasia. I am 7 years old. How old are your reindeer? How nice is Rudolph? I like your elves they dress like they are at a party. I will like a Barbies I will like a Bear, I will like a cat. Thank you.
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