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"Do You Believe?"

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By Vanda Anderson Editor

The most important event in history is celebrated annually at this time of year—the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ. And yet, sometimes we become so consumed in the buying of gifts, etc. that we fail to recognize the real significance of the occasion.

My pastor led us through the familiar story last Sunday, in the most practical kind of way. He made us realize that Mary and Joseph were just ordinary people, whose lives were forever changed by extraordinary events, when God intervened. You know that is still happening today, when you allow Him to enter your life. Just like Mary and Joseph, it doesn't come without sacrifice, but the end results is well worth it.

Visitations by angels delivered messages of the approaching arrival of the Messiah, due to the usual circumstances of the virgin birth. The logical mind could easily dismiss the story, but you have to remember that what seems foolish to men are meant to confound the wise.

It is my desire that you have already committed to believing according to faith. Had we lived during Jesus' days on the earth it would have been easier to see the miracles He performed and believe. In my opinion, it is more powerful to accept the truth on the basis of believing by faith.

In your hurried schedule find time to meditate on this precious event, the birth of Christ, and what it means to you. You might be surprised what you discover about yourself.

Personally, I don't know how anyone could get through a day without His guidance and blessings. You have been told, "That He won't put more on you than you can bear." I believe that, but I received a revelation that sometimes we choose to put more on ourselves, without regard to His desires.

I pray that you will have a wonderful Christmas with your families in His perfect peace.

Christmas Eve Vespers Service at First Baptist

First Baptist Church will have Candlelight Vespers Services at 6:00 p.m. on Christmas Eve, December 24th.

Please take time to join them and reflect on the meaning for the season.

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Christmas Eve Communion Candle Lighting Service at First United Methodist Church

join with First United Methodist Church Cross Plains in their spe- Come join us in this service of cial Christmas Eve Communion awe and beauty, as we remember Candle Lighting service this Fri- the birth of Christ. day, December 24, at 7:00 p.m.

This service will remind you of the birth of our Savior and help

We hope that you will come and you draw closer to Him in this wondrous time of the year.

Submitted by Mike Redd

Open House Planned at Texas Heritage Bank

Texas Heritage Bank invites 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. their customers and friends to Refreshments will be served as join them for Open House on everyone fellowships prior to the Wednesday, December 22, from Christmas holidays.

Grand Ole Oplin Plans New Year's Eve Dance

The Grand Ole Oplin would like to invite everyone to come out on Friday, December 31st, to help bring in the New Year. This New Year's Eve we will have Muddy Creek playing all of your favorite dancing tunes with the music beginning at 8:00 p.m. and ending at midnight. Admission to our New Year's Eve dance will be \$6.00 per person and everyone is invited to bring a snack to be shared by all during the band's

The Grand Ole Oplin is hosted by the Oplin Community Center which is located at the intersection of F.M. 604 S. and F.M. 2926. Alcohol and smoking is not allowed at any of our func-

So gather the family and all of your friends, don't forget your dancing boots, and come on out and help the Grand Ole Oplin celebrate the New Year. Submitted by: Pam Rumfield

approve the 2005 county holi-Those county holidays include: Monday, January 3: New Year's Day.

Callahan County Commission-

ers approved the 2005 holiday

schedule during the commis-

sioners' court meeting held Mon-

day, December 13 at the Calla-

han County Courthouse in Baird.

Bryan Farmer and second by

Commissioner Tommy Holland,

commissioners voted 5-0 to

On a motion by Commissioner

Monday, January 17: Martin Luther King Day.

Monday, February 21: Presidents Day.

Friday, March 25: Good Fri-Monday, May 30: Memorial

Monday, July 4: Independence

Monday, September 5: Labor

Monday, October 10: Colum-

bus Day. Friday, November 11: Veterans Day.

Thursday/Friday, November 24-25: Thanksgiving.

Thursday/Friday, December 23-26: Christmas.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court

-The commissioners' court meeting was called to order by County Judge Roger Corn at 9:34 a.m. Present at the meeting were Commissioner Precinct #1 Harold Hicks, Commissioner missioner Precinct #3 Tommy report. Commissioner Hicks sec-

#4 Doris Grider, County Trea-

Callahan County Commissioners

Announce 2005 Holiday Schedules

County Clerk Jeanie Bohannon. -There was no public comments received by the commissioners' court.

ber 22 commissioners' court was to meet with the commismeeting were approved as pre-

-Billy Schat and Sheriff Eddie Curtis discussed the Law Enforcement Interlocal Agreement. This agreement is about local governments and counties detral Interlocal Crime Task Force. state or federal government. ried by a 5-0 vote. There is a staff of 10 agents. The task force works closely with the County Sheriff, County Attorment Interlocal Contract. Com- it carried by a vote of 5-0. missioner Grider seconded the

present to discuss the drug problems in Callahan County. Sheriff Curtis gave a report on drug cases the past two years in both County and District Court. Judge Corn assured the Chranes the commissioners' court was concerned. No action was taken.

-Judge Corn gave the Calla-Precinct #2 Bryan Farmer, Com- made a motion to approve the

Holland, Commissioner Precinct onded the motion and it carried by a 5-0 vote. A letter comsurer Dianne Alexander, and mending Sheriff Curtis and his staff for passing inspection was signed by the County Judge and all four Commissioners.

-Joe Clark with the Texas -The minutes of the Novem- Department of Transportation sioners' court, however he was not present. The item pertained to the resolution concerning the FM 604 overpass in Clyde. Commissioner Grider made a motion to approve the resolution and when the state gives the rightsiring to contract and agree to of-way to Callahan County after provide police protection by con-completion, the county will then tracting to create the West Cen- give the right-of-way to the City of Clyde. Commissioner Farmer This task force is not run by the seconded the motion and it car-

-Commissioner Grider made a motion to approve Callahan County's membership in the ney and County Judge. Com- Association of Rural Communimissioner Hicks made a motion ties of Texas (ARCIT). Judge to approve the Law Enforce- Corn seconded the motion and

-Judge Corn signed the conmotion and it carried by a 5-0 sulting contract between Callahan County and Texas Commu--Pat and Frank Chrane were nications. No motion was required by the commissioners'

-Commissioner Farmer made a motion to pay all approved bills. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion and it carried by a 5-0 vote.

-Commissioner Hicks made a motion, with the second from han County Jail inspection re- Commissioner Grider, to adjourn port. Commissioner Farmer the commissioners' court meeting. The motion carried 5-0.

Cross Plains Angels Recognized by **Travelers in Need of Assistance**

By Elizabeth Reed

you how I met them.

Coleman so that he and our dad we did. How kind of him!

Plains angels... I was following in did he! my car behind the handy-cap equipped van, driven by my sister passed and we were as bewilfrom Indiana and her passenger, dered as this fourth angel when in our 82-year-old brother. We no- his soft and slow voice said, "I ticed that a rear tire on the van was think that my dad has a wheel wobbling, and determined that this size...it is not nice and new the tire was separating.

Since Cross Plains was only a few miles further, we slowly that there would be a service station with an attendant who could evening. Arriving, we found only a self-service station/mini-market with two young lady clerks, who were very busy waiting on their customers.

Explaining our predicament to the busy clerks, we drew attention from some of the other customers but none appeared able to change a wheel on our van.

"desperate three-some" so the three of us. Yes, indeed there are angels in clerks began to search the phone Cross Plains, Texas and let me tell book to see if they could find help for us.

I was returning to Dallas from a Those two angels located a "flat wonderful weekend high school fix-it man" and was giving us reunion in Coleman. My brother directions to his place, when a had graduated from Coleman young man (third angel) said that High School in 1941, just prior to if we could wait until he paid for Pearl Harbor. When WWII be- a bag of ice, we could follow him gan, our family moved from to the "flat fix-it shop"....which

could help build military bases at Now appears the fourth angel in Shepherd Field in Wichita Falls, the form of a very young man Red River Arsenal near New whose clothes indicated he had Boston and Fort Hood not too far been doing some pretty dirty from Lampasas, at Killeen. Due work. He lay on the ground unto our family's frequent moves, derneath the van searching for the my sister and I were graduates of tool to unlock the wheel that is other high schools, but still love stored underneath the van. We to attend the Coleman High called "Triple A" to see if they School Reunions with our could give us an idea as to where our tool could be stored. We just Back to how we met those Cross did not have the tool and neither

By this time two hours had like yours, but it would sure get you back to Dallas."

Climbing into his pick-up truck drove on in, all the time praying he took off, leaving us standing in Barb's Cues a cloud of dust. In a very short Basketball Report time the pick-up came bouncing Birthday List change a tire this Sunday and rattling back to where we Classified Ads waited and there was an old wheel .Cottonwood News in the bed of his truck.

Feeling more secure that we Hunter Safety Course would actually be able to return to Letters to the Editor Dallas by midnight, I began to Library News relax and feel hungry. That fourth Obits angel said there was a Wilson's Quips, Clips & Comments Page 3 restaurant (Jean's Feed Barn) just Rising Star Nursing News Page 3 down the street, so while he Santa Claus Letters changed out the wheels, I drove School Board Minutes Page 12

It was evident that we were a down to reserve a table for the

What a nice family place this turned out to be. Beginning a conversation with a lady who seemed to be enjoying a burger and fries I learned that her husband had stayed home with the children and let her attend the evening church services and this meal by herself. She said she had been sick that morning and was unable to attend morning worship services. I learned that her husband is a fireman in a neighboring See Angels Page 2

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Angels-

remember. I sat at a table near her before ordering. had been hospitalized the past five". she was there to pass the time of please do so. day with me. I guess I poured out The two clerks at the mini-marcalling "On Star" to unlock the restaurant were truly heaven sent. car. Really, this had been a day to

I introduce them to my new Elizabeth Quirl Reed, Coleen friend, Mrs. Crockett. It was past Quirl Fischer and W.C. Quirl. feeding time for my brother, so

town, and her last name was we quickly poured his can of liq-Crockett. That is an easy name to uid formula through the g-tube

and explained that I was there to We said "good-bye" as our new find a "no smoking area" as my friend departed. She was such a brother and sister would be in sweet spirited person! When we shortly. He has a tracheotomy for went to the cashier to pay our tab, breathing and a g-tube for feed- we were told that our new friend ing. Explaining our love for him had paid our tab. That was our and the loss of his wife while he "Cross Plains Angel number

three months, and the importance We are so thankful for the five of this trip to all of us, she gave me angels we met in Cross Plains and the impression that I was not in- if you should know how to pass truding and maybe pleased that our appreciation on to them,

the happenings of the day and ket station, the man who led us to even told her how I'd locked my the flat fix-it shop, the young man keys in the car at the flat fix-it who worked to remove that shop and had my first experience wheel, and the kind lady at the

We wish to each of them and all the other "Cross Plains Angels", a My brother and sister arrive and very Merry Christmas, from

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Lorene Harris

Lorene Harris, age 92, of San a caring heart. She will be greatly Angelo, formerly of Cross Plains, missed by her family and friends. passed away Monday, December 20, 2004, at Community Medical Center in San Angelo.

2:00 p.m. Tuesday, December Brownwood; a sister, Irene Parr, 21, 2004, at Higginbotham of Midland; 15 grandchildren, Chapel with David Williams of 39 grandchildren and 11 great-May officiating. Burial was in the Pioneer Cemetery.

Lorene was born July 28, 1912, in Briggs, Texas, the daughter of William P. and Lula Mae (Rutherford) Smith. She married Jesse B. Harris on July 5, 1934 in Midland, Texas. Lorene was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. She was a homemaker and a member of the Primitive

Baptist Church. Lorene was a good person with Survivors include her sons,

Billy Jack Harris of Amarillo and James Harris of Waskom; a Funeral services were held at daughter, Lou Ramirez of

> She was preceded in death by her husband, Jesse B. Harris on March 1, 2001; a son, Jesse Ray Harris on May 22, 2000; a brother, Elmer Smith; and three sisters, Essie Farris, Myrtle

great-grandchildren.

Schoolcraft and Ella Whitmire. Pallbearers were grandsons, David Harris, Mark Athans, Brandon Dudley, Casey Dudley, Jake Harris and Gary Harris.

Zeblin Ray Clements

Army Community Hospital.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 22, 2004, at First Baptist Church in Cross Plains with Ronnie White officiating. Burial was in Sabanno Cemetery in Eastland County, Texas.

parents, Bob and LaDonna cousins.

Zeblin Ray Clements, stillborn, Clements of Fort Wainwright, Zeblin is survived by his numerous aunts, uncles and

at Fort Wainwright, Alaska, on Alaska; a sister, Kailr Michel December 16, 2004, at Bassett Clements of Fort Wainwright, Alaska; maternal grandparents, Johnnie and Patricia Posuk of Cisco; paternal grandparents, Ralph and Barbara Clements of Shepherd; great-grandmother, Wilma Kindstrand of Shepherd; great-grandparents, Martin and Ruby Holbert of Houston;

COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT Roger Corn, Presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Jose A Salcedo, driving while license invalid (DWLI). Richard E. Walters, driving while intoxicated (DWI). Terri L. Melton aka Terri L.

Peterson, DWI.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Jimmy Leon Hare, Jr., plea of guilty to deadly conduct, 1 year probation, \$2000 fine, \$243 court costs.

Cherie Dahlgren, plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, 6 month probation, \$500 fine, \$243 court costs.

David Dahlgren, plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, 6 month probation, \$500 fine, \$243 court costs.

Marriage Licenses

James William Hitt of Cross Plains and Amanda Sue Waggoner of Clyde.

> **42ND DISTRICT COURT** John Weeks, presiding

> > Civil Filings

Douglas Drummond and Sandra J. Drummond, divorce.

Civil Minutes

James Russell Minatra and Janette Annyce Minatra, divorce granted.

John Windham and Amy Lynn Windham, divorce granted.

Christine Correll vs. Funeral Directors Life Insurance Company dba Funeral Agency, Inc., order of dismissal with prejudice granted.

The State of Texas vs. 1995 Freightliner truck/tractor, VIN# 1FUY3MCB8RP653574, 1984 Kentucky trailer, VIN #

First Presbyterian **Church of Baird Candlelight Service**

Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the Annual Candlelight Service at the First Presbyterian Church in Baird on Friday, December 24th from 6:00-6:30 p.m. The Church is located at 140 East 3rd Street in

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Pegge Jo Rasbury and Alexander Moore Rasbury, divorce granted.

Jesse Davis and Tonya Camille Davis, divorce granted. Kelly Denise Powell and Paul David Powell, divorce granted. Brooks Lou Lanier and Christy Gail Lanier, divorce granted.

Shari W. Seals and Lunden David Seals, Jr., divorce granted.

Criminal Minutes

Tina Stone, plea of guilty to tampering with a governmental record, 6 year probation, \$260.25 court costs, \$2838 restitution.

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Bill Armstrong - Pastor

remodelers to register with commission in any remodeling projects in-Dear Editor:

State law requires residential

LETTERS TO THE

EDITOR

Remodelers are required by state law to register themselves and their remodeling projects struction Commission (commis- home's total square footage of sion). As of March 1, 2004, any living space. Material improvecommission's definition of a tions to an existing home if the builder, which encompasses modifications are designed prisome remodelers, is required to register with the commission.

A builder is defined by state individual who, for a fixed price, commission, fee, wage, or other compensation, constructs or supervises or manages the construction of a new home; a material improvement to a home. other than an improvement solely to replace or repair a roof of an existing home; or an improvement to the interior of an existing home when the cost of the work exceeds \$20,000."

Based on the definition, remodelers are subject to registration requirements if involved

volving interior renovations exceeding \$20,000; and, material improvements meaning, a modification to a home that either with the Texas Residential Con- increases or decreases the individual or entity that fits the ments do not include modificamarily to repair or replace the home's component parts.

If you do not currently fit the law as "any business entity or definition of a builder, you are not required to register with the commission. However, if you do any work in the future that fits this description, you are required to be registered with the commission prior to commencing the work.

You may learn more about the commission and your responsibilities as a remodeler by going to www.trcc.state.tx.us or by calling toll free (877) 651-TRCC. Sincerely,

Stephen. D. Thomas **Executive Director**

Dear Editor,

With Flu season upon us, I thought I would share a couple of Norman Schofield, who did

though I qualify for one. A chest wet. If the germs don't get into the surgeon friend of mine, Milton V. air, you won't breath them. So, Davis, M.D. always had his pa- frequent hand washing puts the tients in hospitals wear tube night, and some years I get a infectious and potentially lethal is a reason for this, it might be that examining the skin and internal there are thermal receptors on the ankles, and somehow keeping these areas warm seems to help. I suspect that there are thermal receptors on the wrists also. If you put a few drops of water on the inner surface of your wrists on hot days, the body seems to feel

Doctor Davis was a doctor's doctor who followed the Hippocratic Oath and helped teach those who followed. He, and his wonderful wife, had groups of medical students come to their home on some Sundays for a Bar-B-Q picnic, and for those of us who were working our

way through, the free meal was

most welcome. Another clue came from Dr.

things that might be useful to hundreds of autopsies when avoid catching this infectious Tuberculosis was prevalent, but he never caught it. He said it was First, I never get a flu shot even because he kept the body surface germs from the surface down the socks. He said he didn't want drain. I followed his advice and them catching cold after surgery. have done autopsies on bodies For some 25 years now, I have with AIDS and tuberculosis, worn tube socks to bed each and various life-threatening cold, but only a mild one. If there diseases. I would eat BEFORE organs of infectious potentially lethal diseases. I would wash my hands frequently during the procedure, and take a sudsy shower immediately after. Today, I have no evidence of ever being infected, except by Histoplasmosis from the chicken coop where I raised chickens for spending money, when I was a

> Curt Hoskins, MD (Consulting Pathologistretired) 7615 St. Hwy. 36 E. Cross Plains, Texas 76443 (254) 725-7509

Christmas Eve Worship Service December 24, 2004 7:00 PM

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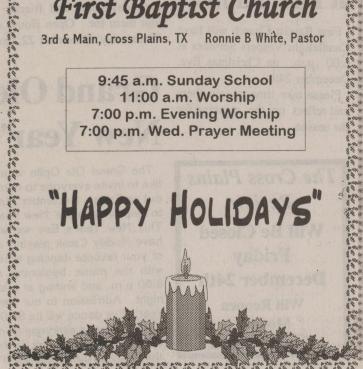
N. Main (Hwy. 206) Cross Plains, Texas Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship - 10:45 a.m. Rev. C. Michael Redd, Pastor

First Baptist Church 3rd & Main, Cross Plains, TX Ronnie B White, Pastor

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship 7:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting

"HAPPY HOLIDAYS"



By WALLACE BENNETT

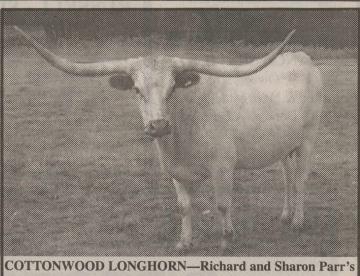
Richard and Sharon Parr's three year old Butler Longhorn cow won second place in the 2004 Fall Horn Showcase which took place recently in Fort Worth. Her horn measurement tip to tip was 65 and 3/4 inches, which was only 1/2 inch less than the first place winner. The Parrs measured her this week and already the spread has grown to 66 and 1/8 inches so next year "Look Out Hudson Longhorn"! This Showcase event is a prestigious contest for all registered Longhorns in the USA. So there were over 325 entries from everywhere. Congratulations Richard and Sharon!

Jingle Bells And Joy To Cottonwood & The World

earth receiver her King."

New Year's Day approach. Our Crosby from Granbury; Gregg Zanda Seaburg of Ft. Worth. family wishes for you a very and Evelyn Bennett from

The Christmas Spirit has Pvt. Jonathan W. Bennett from Ft. visitors in your households.



Longhorn earns 2nd place in Ft. Worth Show.

already peaked in the Bennett Bragg, North Carolina. household. Most all of Carol's

Jeff and Mary Bennett from family and all five of our sons Alpine; John and Michele "Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, with their families showed up for Bennett, with sons, Rhett, Tye, Jingle all the Way." It is my 80th Birthday Celebration on and daughter, Mattie from Christmas time in Cottonwood, Saturday, and stayed for a Arlington; Michele's parents Texas. The Christmas spirit is Christmas party that night. Ralph and Adrianne Gum from alive and is about to peak, as Filling up the local motels and the Arlington; Gary Bennett, lately friends and family members Bennett household were Ron and from Flagstaff, Arizona; Bryan come from miles around to Fran Turpin from Bedford; Mike and Debi Bennett with daughters. gather and celebrate Christmas and Brenda Turpin from Dallas; Dayna, Ashley, Emma, and Kelli in Cottonwood, "Joy to the Matthew and Leanne Turpin, with of Cottonwood; Dr. James and World, the LORD has come, let children, Emily, Jacob, and Dianne Holton (the late Frenchy Joshua from Dallas; Mark and Bennett's daughter), of Tyler; Dr. Those two carols keep ringing Pam Crocker, along with son Dillon Snowden, with friend in my ear as Christmas and Christopher, with friend Amy David Briggs, of Ft. Worth; and

> Now next week, I want to hear Lakewood, Colorado; their son from some of you the names of

Behind the Books

If you've been in my library recently, you've surely noticed me resting atop the "new books" shelf. I really look spiffy now, thanks to a new coat compliments of Shelby and Hunter Thomas.

But anyway, in exploring my surroundings, I found some of the neatest books-NON-FICTION IN LARGE PRINT. Interesting titles like "How Israel Lost", "Arrogance—Rescuing America From the Media Elite", "Library, An Unquiet History" and "Truth and Beauty". What opportunity this is-those readers needing the larger print can now enjoy a wider range of

Ya'll stop by anytime to see what's new!

Statistics December 13-17

Books:	39
Interlibrary Loan:	0
Internet Users:	23

David and Jana Hinkle In Memory of **Terry Brooks Norris Dusty Hargrove Terry Jane Wyatt** Joshua Pancake Bill and Cindy Yarbrough In Memory of O.B. Edmondson

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In Memory of Robert A. Helton **Donations:**

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Activity Report	
Patrons:	80
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Programs:	31
Programs: Copies: Reference:	51
Reference:	3
Check In/Out Books	23
Calls In:	4
Internet Users:	23

RISING STAR NURSING (

By LINDA MERRITT

We had a good turnout at our resident birthday party. There were several family members present. Kay Mosley's husband, Marvin, was here with her. Lurlene Fortune was at the party along with her two daughters, Johnnie Bland and Judy Porter, and son, Lewis Fortune. Appreciation to Gene Moore for playing the piano for us and to Angie Williams for making the

Attention all family members and friends — our residents will be having their Christmas Party on the 23rd at 5:30. Sandwiches, chips and dips will be served. We hope you all will come and let's make this a special time for your loved ones.

Ava Dodd has been selected as Congratulations Ava. the employee for the 4th quarter. Aide for 14 years. Some of her She is very much appreciated McGinn and Linda Bates for happiness. and loved for all she does bringing them. as an employee and a friend.

BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes

Cross Plains Church of Christ

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following His resurrection.

would be written."

presented the residents with cute

Appreciation to Mrs. Townsend



for the delicious cookies, to We all thoroughly enjoyed the Ruby Murdock for the candy Between the nursing home in Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade and to Teri Damon and Annie Cross Plains to this facility, Ava children for coming and singing South for all the gifts they gave has been a Certified Nurse's Christmas Carols for us. They the employees.

From our home to yours hobbies are gardening and laminated place mats. Many May your Christmas be going to flea markets. Ava is thanks to their teachers, Cynthia bright with cheer, warm with a caring and special person. Keeling, Shelly Bailey, Suzie friendship and filled with

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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SENIOR MENU

December 27 - 31

MONDAY - Chicken Rice Casserole, Broccoli, Tossed Salad, Pears, Bread, Milk

TUESDAY - BBQ Brisket, Pinto Beans, Potato Salad, Apple Crisp, Bread, Milk

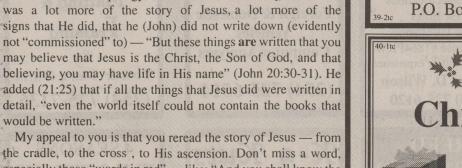
WEDNESDAY - Chicken Cacciatore, Buttered Noodles, Peas & Carrots, Gelatin, Bread, Milk

THURSDAY - Beef Vegy Soup, Pimeto Cheese, Sandwich, Pineapple, Oatmeal Cookie, Bread, FRIDAY - CLOSED FOR NEW

YEARS

2nd & 4th Tuesdays **Domino Night (42 & 84)** Begins at 5:00 p.m.

Available at Cross Plains Public Library, Texas Heritage Bank, Lawrence Farm & Ranch and Cross Plains Review Or order one from James Nichols,



My appeal to you is that you reread the story of Jesus — from the cradle, to the cross, to His ascension. Don't miss a word, especially those "words in red" — like: "And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free" (John 8:32). It may be the best Christmas gift you could give yourself — and to others. I/we encourage you to share with us in all the times of Bible

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John, in his account of the life of Christ, used one sentence to

describe Jesus' birth: "And the Word became flesh..." (John 1:14a).

Then beginning a little past half way in John's gospel account,

chapter 12, to the end, the rest is devoted to the "passion week,"

then Jesus' death, burial, and resurrection, and a few days

Almost as an apology, it would seem, John says that there

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By Kay Mosley

Note: Apple Orchard Annie Sez: Kay told me if I would sit in me, as I wasn't expected to this dang old apple tree there survive. A doctor who was would be a parade of people coming by to wave at me. I haven't seen one cotton picking person come by. Did I fall asleep or something?

"A December Birthday"

A celebration is now in order for my birthday. December 23, 1938 was my birth date. Everyone in my father's family was very excited, as I was only the second grandchild to be born into the Dennis family. One other grandchild was born the year before, Mary Gay. Her mother was my dad's sister. My mother was the next to the youngest of eight children. Her family had a host of other grandchildren but they were excited because I was Iris' firstborn. My dad, Ervin, named me Ovella Kay. I have always been called Kay.

Consequently, they did not weigh assisting plunged me into a cold water bath which immediately caused me to literally bellow and bawl and I've been breathing ever since. I was born in the hospital at Baird, Texas and Mama said I caused her to miss lunch. Most every year mama would bake me a coconut cake for my birthday. It was my favorite kind of cake.

If I could have anything for my birthday, I'd like to have an herb scented bath, have my hair and makeup done professionally, a manicure and pedicure (Hi Whitney) and then into satin lingerie and filmy hose. Next, after a spritz or two of my favorite perfume, slip into that little black dress, black heels, gold hoop earrings and wind that long supple string of pearls around my willing neck. After that, a limousine ride with my favorite husband to a nice dinner theatre and the veritable aftermath, a It was a rough delivery, gift of roses make a birthday so special.

Barb'sCues

ByBarbaraHolmesWorcester

Christmas In Your Hearts

I wanted to wish for all of you, my readers, a special wish for Christmas. Nothing special enough came to mind. As is my habit when I am at a loss for words I write my own poetry. I do wish the best for you who are so special to me. Words are inadequate. Many of you have been so kind to encourage me and indicate that Barb's Cues are meeting needs. That is my purpose and pleasure. I wish the BEST for you and hope you walk in joy all of this season.

In the poem below I want us to rejoice together and also invite those who have not yet had Christmas in their heart to do so.

Have A Joyous Christmas

Christ has come-O Glorious Day!

His birth as a babe has paved the way.

men free.

celebrate!

Our world now has a place to bly.

His timeless victory has

changed our fate.

For help and solution to all our

To accept and believe is what To experience peace that man

cannot make. Christ will live in each heart and make life anew He awaits a welcome from me

and from you. LET US REJOICE IN THE

CHRIST OF CHRISTMAS! Barbara Holmes Worcester

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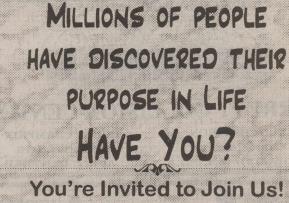
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The Class of 1946 met for lunch Martha Gibson, N.L. and Ann at the home of Dick and Joan Long, Bill and Becky White, Vestal on Saturday, December Harold Garrett, Imogene Haun, 11th. This has become an annual Bobbye Hinkle, Jack Lacy, Christmas event for our class. Donald White and host and host-

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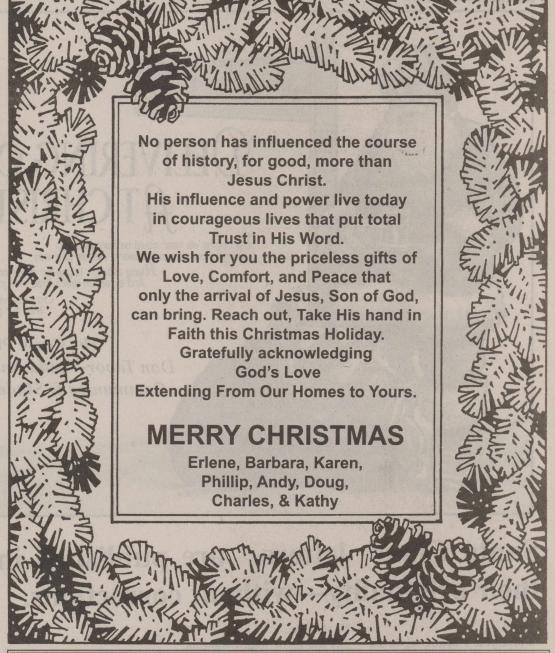
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Dear Santa,

Do you know what I want for room. I also want a puppy or oven so I can cook cupcakes and

> Kersey Wyatt Mrs. Golson's Kindergarten

> > Christmas and many

Amber Kleiber

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I want a dress, purse, belt and

Love,

Jayme Tennison Mrs. Golson's Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

How are you? How is it going? I love you. May I please have a sparkly leotard, an Ariel doll and a doll house.

Love, Mackenzie Byrd Mrs. Golson's Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

I love you. I have been good. Can you please give me a speed

> Love, Jared Mrs. Golson's Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

I want a Spider-man movie, some clothes, Dragon Ball Z Toys, and cotton candy factor. Thank You, Joey Couture

Mrs. Golson's Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

Have a Merry Christmas. Oh...let's see. I guess some makeup would be nice!

Love, Rebekah Crockett 1st Grade

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Dobbs McWilliams Mrs. Golson's Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

I would like some army men, a firetruck with firemen, a teddy bear, and a pirate ship. For Shelby a new hat, Delany a new pencil, Daddy a clock and Mommy a new coat, please! Have a safe trip! I will leave a present for you Santa with cookies and tea.

Love, Darrin Ames 7 years old





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toy motorcycle, bouncy ball,

Spider-man stuff, games and

Mrs. Golson's Kindergarten

My name is Kaitlyn. I have been

very good this year. I want a

scooter and a bike for Christmas.

That is not all. I want a dancing

Carebear for Christmas. That is

not all. I want a talking fun Barbie

game. I want an exercise

Santa how are your reindeer

doing? Especially Rudolf. I'm glad you can come to Cross

Plains. I can't wait to see the

presents under the tree. I know

you come every year. I am glad

you come every year.

Carebear. I want a Bratz doll.

Love,

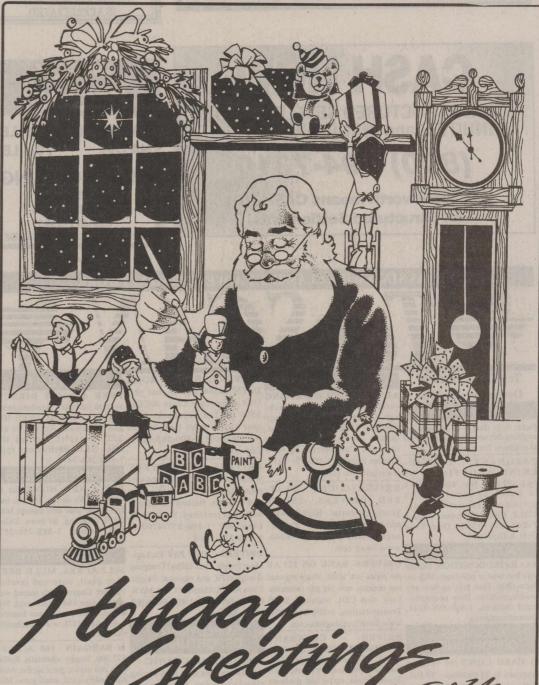
Love,

Kaitlyn

Jonathan

toys.

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I love you, Samuel Guerrero Mrs. Apple's Pre-K

For my little brother Brian I

For Christmas I want a My Pony

want a Tigger Playmate. Thank you,

Brittany Crouch Mrs. Apple's Pre-K

Dear Santa,

I would like you to bring me a trampoline, a tree house, a book. My Nana said I've been good

most of the time. Please bring my little brother a bike. He always wants mine.

> Jevon Tillery Mrs. Apple's Pre-K

Dear Santa,

I want a Princess Barbie, cell phone, flower clock, new clothes and a house for my Barbie a new house for mommy.

> Lot of Love, Shana Yates Mrs. Apple's Pre-K

Dear Santa,

My name is Joseph and I am 5 years old. Santa, I would like a castle with good guys and bad guys and lots of shields. Also, I would like Power Ranger Dino Thunder guys. I guess nothing

Merry Christmas Holidays, See ya, Joseph Crockett Mrs. Apple's Pre-K



I love you. I am going to give Spider-man two movie.

Dear Santa, I love you. How are your reindeer? I would like some Barbies, a Barbie car, and a

Billie Pointer

Dear Santa Claus,

You give Hanna and me the best toys. I would like a Tinkerbell doll that lights up in the dark and its wings move and light up too. I also want a Gameboy.

Teagan Fortune

Dear Santa.

I love you Santa. I would like a bike and a small dog, and toys. I have been good.

Seth Wyatt

Dear Santa.

I love your reindeer. I would like a fourwheeler and the spider-man 2 movie and Spider-man Hulk trampoline.

> Love, Michael Foster

Dear Santa,

My name is Alexis Thompson. I'm 2 years old. I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like some my little ponies, care bears, a boy baby doll and stuff to go with the doll.

Please tell everyone at the North Pole Hi. I will leave you some milk and cookies for you and some hay and water for the reindeer.

Alexis Thompson Bring my brother something too. His name is Zach

Dear Santa,

and he is 6 years old.

is Zachery My name Thompson, I'm 6 years old. I have been pretty good this year. For Christmas this year I would like a Gameboy and games, a real guitar, New Bike and a Truck with horse and trailer.

Tell Mr. Clause and the reindeer I said Hi. I will leave a little something for you and the reindeer.

Zachery Thompson

P.S. Please bring my little sister something too. Her name is Alexis and she is 2 years old.

Dear Santa, I have been very good All year. I would like for you to bring me two of the big "My Little Pony's", the pink one and the purple one. That's really all I want for Christ-

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I would like an Incredible you cookies. I would like an Hulk Car, a motorcycle, a 4electric choper scooter, laser wheeler, a computer, an X-Box tagset, Spider-man set, and with a Spider-man game and a football. Please remember my Love, brother and my cousins. We have Brayden Kennedy all been good this year.

> Isaiah Guerrero Dear Santa, Mrs. Golson's Kindergarten How are you?

Dear Santa,

How are your reindeer? I Love Santa. I want two baby dogs. I would like a glowup Tinkerbell with wings that make her fly. I would like a fourwheeler.

Laramie

Dear Santa,

How are your reindeer? How are your elves? Please would you give me a monster truck, a motor cycle, an electric motor scooter and Spider-man stuff. Merry Christmas Santa.

> Love, Landon Posuk

Dear Santa,

Did you like my cookies? You're so nice. I would like pollies, a puppy, cat treats, dog treats, a bike, and a doll. My name is Megan Hagler

Megan

Dear Santa,

Santa you are sweet. I love you Santa. Are you all right? I hope you like my cookies.

> Love, Evelyn Morales

Dear Santa,

I love you Santa. You are the best Santa. I hope you liked the cookies. Mrs. Claus is doing good? I hope she like my cookies?

> Love. Debra Land

Dear Santa,

How are you doing/ I would like three puppies, a motorcycle, a kitty and a computer.

> Love, Colton Bradley

Dear Santa,

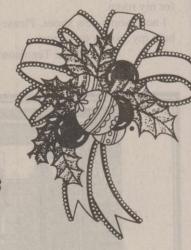
I want a Barbie Doll House, Guitar, CD Player, Drum, Barbie Clock, Rudolf and some candy. I have been good, I promise.

> Piper Winfrey Mrs. Golson's Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

Will you please bring a Groovy Polly Pocket Par-tay Bus to me for Christmas. And will you please say hi to Mrs. Claus for me. Nobody in my class got on the naughty list, so please bring them all presents too. And don't forget to bring presents to the kids in the hospital. If there is not a Rudolph, will you please write back a letter and tell me.

> Love, Hannah Cowan Mrs. Golson's Kindergarten



Dear Santa,

I love you and your reindeer. How are you doing? I would like a four wheeler, Scooby Doo 2, and a motor scooter.

Love,

I want a new Barbie and new clothes. I have been good.

I Love You, Shelby

Dear Santa,

I love you Santa. I would like a Game Cube game, a Game Cube wireless controler.

Love, Justin Whiteley

Dear Santa,

May I have a four wheeler? And Spider-man and Scooby Doo and a trampoline please Santa?

> Love, Charles Thompson

Dear Santa,

How are you? I would like a toy horse set that has a mom, dad, and babies. I also want a piano.

> Love, Inez Salazar

Dear Santa,

I love your elfs. I would like a doll, clothes, pollies, scooter, stuffed animals, shoes, and a

> Love, Kelli Bennett

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good girl this year. Please bring me everything I want. I want a baby doll, some make-up, and some jewelry.

P.S. Don't forget to eat the cook-Hunter Thomas ies I made you.

Tassaney Garza

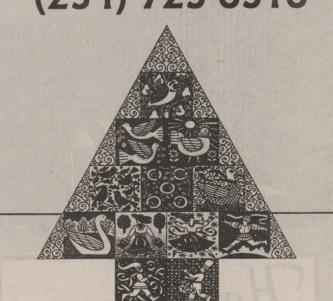




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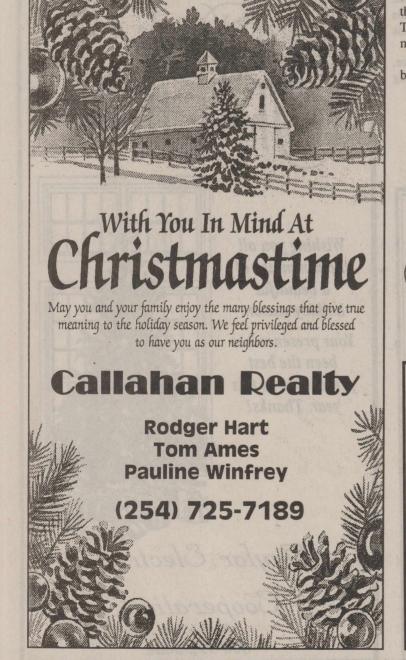


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I would like X-box, umbrella, clothes, boots, computer, leap year! pad, programs, play ar, Brats computer.

I will leave you milk and cookies!

P.S. My little brother wants some cowboy boots and a gun set.

Jaelynn Stout clothes.

Dear Santa, I have been a very good girl this

For Christmas, I would like a Dora Fairy Tale Princess Doll, a Dora The Explorer Chair, some new Dora The Explorer dvd's, a Cabbage Patch Doll, a Sit and Spin, a puppy that barks, a cradle for my dolls, and some new

Thank you Santa! I will leave you some milk and cookies.

> Love, Madison Foster Mrs. Apple's Pre-K

My name is Christopher John Ely. I'm 10 months old, and this is my first Christmas. I'd like toys that make lots of noise, clothes (size 24 months), and I really need a pair of 5 1/2 to 6 shoes.

I wish everyone could have a very Merry Christmas! Thank

> Sincerely, Christopher J. Ely a new cover to sleep on. Bring

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

own room.

year!!!

Dear Santa,

Thank you.

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

for my room.

glovse.

things for Christmas?

Clothes 3. Elmo Blanket and

Pillow 4. Movies 5. Toys 6.

Helmet 7. Leap frog learner 8. My

I also want to ask you to please

world. And my very last wish is

for you to please bring presents to

everywhere so happy every

Thank you very much for the

castle you gave me last year.

Since I have been a very good boy

this year. Here is a few items I

would like to have under my tree.

I would like a bicycle, pixter and

some games. In my stocking I

would like bubble gum, candy

Oh year, I would like Zoie to

have a new doll. I will leave some

cookies and milk out for you.

My name is Kristin Savell. I

would like to have some new

boots, also like to have a bike and

I want a Barbie with a car. I

could also use some Care Bears

help my wishes come true.

Jared Fulcher

Age 2 years

kids who aren't as lucky as me.

I want some fat baby boots, bitty baby's, talking Serifina, Princess and Pauper movie, basketball and basketball goal, cotton candy maker, a pair of cowboy boots, a cowboy hat, a black lab puppy, a cat two, lots of candy in my stocking, a pink shirt, Strawberry Shortcake tea set, Sponge Bob Game that has a nose for the controller, a Sponge Bob bikini book games, a pair of jeans tommy hilfiger, lots of tommy hilfiger

> Kelbi Hyles 2nd Grade

> > Dear Santa Claus,

I can't wait until Christma. I I know you only bring presents have been a very good boy this to children that have been good. I've been really, really good this year. I would like for you to bring me a big toy gun, a Spiderman year so can you bring me these Pinball machine, a pair of roller skates, a Spiderman watch, Shrek Wish List—1. Baby sister 2.

> My new baby sister, Emma, would like a new baby doll and a Winnie the Pooh toy.

2 DVD, and a board game.

Please bring me a Tarzon toy

with bottons, and a bug toy that

sticks his tongue out, and a Mareo

game. Please bring me patric and

spongebob with a crabbie Pattie.

Please bring Mom a flower, and

dad a new clean hammer, bring

Papa a trailer, cow horse and

grass. Bring Chewie a new dog

bowl. Bring Moma Cat and Hawk

Grandma a new picture of mom

and me. Get Grandpa a new

computer and some ice cream.

Bring Jody a new motorcycle and

car game that blows up when I

push it. Bring Jody's mom a new

chair and a new house. Please put

them under the Christmas Tree.

car and Blain a new spongebob

flying toy. Please bring Betty a

new chair, Uncle Mackie a new

yellow dog and Aunt Verna a new

umbrella and Kenly a new toy

Wesley Alexander

Mrs. Apple's Pre-K

that goes up, up and up.

Also please bring Misty a new

I will leave you some cookies bring peace and joy around the and milk.

Love. Drew Hagler - 3 years Emma Faith Hagler - 6 months

Dear Santa,

I want a DVD player, Leap pad, P.S. Thanks for making kids umbrella, clothes, boots, lip gloss, Shrek 2 and a Big Spongebob!

> I will leave you tea and cookies. Love.

Alex Stout Age 5

Dear Santa.

I want a brand new bike and a cabbage patch doll, too. How you doing lately, Santa? I've been good this year. Have you been good this year, Santa?

We decorated our tree—I think you'll like it when you bring us our presents.

Love, Grace

Dear Santa. I would like a football. Please. J.C. McDonald

Santa,

Love,

Larson Walker

Mrs. Apple's Pre-K

4 years old

I want a robot for Christmas. I want a game for my Sega. I want my horse Buger to quit bucking cause Santa I want another some new clothes, and scooter Shetlan pony at my dads so Buger and book, shoes, and zebra can have a friend.

I will leave you cookies and Kristin Savell milk to eat and I will be good this Christmas and the next Christmas and forever at Christmas.

Love, Jody Fleming

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Dear Santa.

I have been a very good girl this year. Please bring me a Cal: Girl Earing Shop set, a red poncho with a butterfly on it, and some Bratz dolls.

Also, please bring my baby sister some baby toys.

I will leave you some milk and

Love, Alexis Mauricio Dear Santa,

I've been a good boy this year and I want a toy dragon monster truck, and megabot, and a T.V. so I have one for my bedroom.

Chelse is my 2 year old sister, for her she wants a tricycle and a baby doll that crawls and stuff.

> Thank you, Zachary Gartman

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Dear Santa,

I want a tramplin, guitar and piano.

Chance Thompson

Dear Santa,

I would like a baby doll with a butterfly on it, and a bike. We will have cookies and milk

for you on the table. Thank you Santa.

> Cheyenne Shields Kindergarten ·

Dear Santa,

You have great mittens and you are cuddly. We never cook any cookies for you.

I want a Playstation, a Superman toy, crash up cars, a Perfection game and a shopping

Love, Ehtan Horan Kindergarten Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl this year Santa. I hope you and Mrs. Claus

I would like a Barbie and the Pauper Cat and some new toys to play outside with. If you don't have these that is okay I will take what you can find.

My sister, Kenzie, and I will leave you some cheese and milk. Mom says that after all those cookies you will probably need something different to snack on. Have a safe trip!

Brenna Kleiber



I have been a really good girl a 2-year-old. If you agree, I would Tell everyone at the North Pole hello for me.

Happy New Year! Love,

Kreede Orum Venus, Texas

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a stuffed big monkey and I want a lot of crayons. I want a horse that is very very nice. That is all I want. Happy Holidays.

Morgan Manley

Dear Santa, I have been a good girl and I get

good grades. I would like these for Christ-

1. A trampoline

2. A Snoopy Stool

3. My own journal

4. A basketball hoop 5. A Barbie computer game.

Angel Floyd 2nd Grade

Dear Santa.

Santa I love you. I would like hungry hippos, singing care bear, a jewelry box and jewelry.

I want Papa and Nana to come to my house. Don't forget my sisters Lakeney and Mikera.

Nakadah Walker

Dear Santa,

I want Spiderman and Hulk and Batman video games. I like you. I want a new T.V. Have you ever seen Spiderman?

My new baby brother Carson wants a new rattle. I would like the movie Mickey's Twice Upon A Christmas. And I want a Spiderman and friends super hero playset. I want Mickey and Donald plush toy.

Thank you God for sending Jesus to us, and tell him Happy Birthday. We love you. You can put a Santa Claus stamp right on your jolly suit.

Caden Creach

I am 3 years old and I asked my this year, and that's hard work for Mimy to bring me a Kissmas. She said she would. I like all kinds of like a Barbie Jeep, My First Leap toys. Trucks, Hot Wheels and a Frog and some dress-up clothes. race track would be fun. I would like a My First Leap Frog, too.

I think my Christmas tree is Have a Merry Christmas and a bootiful, so please leave me and all my cousins presents.

> Love you, Kyler King

Dear Santa,

I can't wait until Christmas! Please bring me some trucks, a remote control car, and whatever you have for little boys. I would like a talking stove if you still have one. I liked playing with my cousin Breck's.

I hope you know where Mimy's house is.

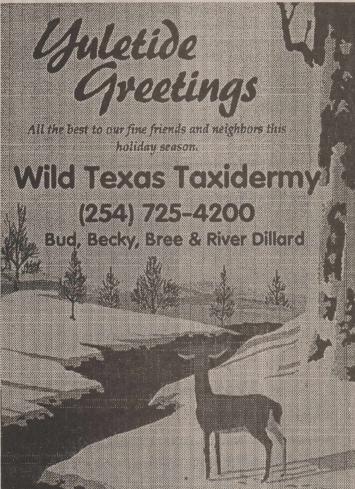
> Love You, Keegan King 2 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a four wheeler, tractor, a loader, dup truck, new cloths, shoes, a lamp, toy gun, Power Rangers anddon't forget my little sisters and mommy and daddy.

Love, Cory Yates Kindergarten





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years old. I would like a Power

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the Incredibles suit, a Batman

Beyond suit, a Batman castle

with a cable swing, and a black

Please get my Dad an Energy

suit so he will get up and play with

me. I can't tell you what to bring

my Mom because she's writing

this letter for me and it won't be

a surprise. Please get my sister

Krista a dog because I don't have a pet. Get my other sister Kali a

trophy because she "bees" nice to

Get Grandma Phillips a chair

that the seat turns into a slide

because she can't get up very

well. Give PaPa Carey a breath-

ing treatment that he takes only

once a week and a new Spider-

man four-wheeler that squirts

webs. Get Grandma Carey

Bring my friend Jonathan a

Playstation with a Spider-man

game because he likes Spider-

man. My friend Jody needs a new

hat because something chewed

it up. Get J.C. a basketball and

Well, Mom says I have to stop

Love,

Logan Phillips

now and will have to wait until

next year to write more.

rabbit so I can visit it.

Football suit.

motorcycle suit.

Dear Santa Claus,

I am writing this letter for me and my little brothers, Breck 2 years old and Baby Rye 2 months

I would like some games like Cranium and some new CD's. Breck likes Sesame Street toys

and trucks and cars. Rye would like some baby toys. He's so snuggly.

Love you lots, Tatym Shaw Dear Santa,

My name is Hanna Fortune, I'm 3 years old. I have been a very good girl this year.

I would like to have a Magic Hair Dora Doll, Strawberry Shortcake talking doll, and a Hot pink pair of cowgirl boots.

Hope you have a Merry Christ-

I Love you, Hanna Mrs. Apple's Pre-K

Dear Santa.

I hope you are doing well. I am sorry I would not sit on your lap the other night, but I have been a good girl this year.

I have been a pretty good girl this year. I would like some dress up clothes and some dress up shoes for Christmas. Also I would

Please don't forget my baby sister Kiley, she wants a dancing

P.S. I will leave you some

Katy Jo Morgan

Dear Santa,

mas. I would also like some

Are your reindeer being good? I

Kayden Cassidy

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Dear Santa.

I would like some toys to play outside with. I really like to play with my Dad's flashlight so if you could find me a small flashlight to play with my Dad would really appreciate it. I guess that will be all. Have a safe trip!

I Love You, Kenzie Kleiber 3 years old

Dear Santa,

like a black purse.

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cookies and milk.

I would like a guitar for Christdrums and army men.

have been good this year.

Your pal,

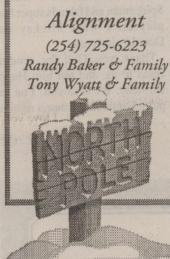
I want a remote control Batmobile, a big candy cane boat and a little remote control candy cane machine.

Dear Santa I will leave you cookies and milk.





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Wishing you and yours a truly novel holiday season.

Have you read a good book lately?

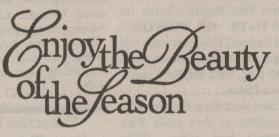
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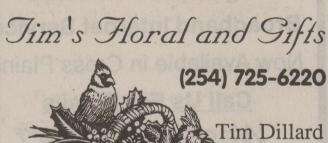
As snow is blanketing the ground, We'd like to spread cheer all around With a flurry of best wishes, too ... From all of us to all

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May you revel in the splendor of the season and marvel at the miracle of all living things large and small.

With appreciation and warm holiday wishes from all of us.







Grain & Peanut

Santa Letters from the Past Christmas of 1986

(Notice that many of the toys asked for are the same ones children in 2004 requested.)

Dear Santa,

I would like some toys. Also a baby talker.

LeaJean Wyatt

Dear Santa,

My name is Crystal. I hope you and Mrs. Claus have had a good year. It's almost time for Christmas and I have been very good this year.

Would you please bring me a and a set of play makeup.

Don't forget my brother and sister and all the other little girls children. and boys. Thank you Santa.

> I love you, Crystal Carouth

Dear Santa,

I want a Laser tag academy set and a Battlecat. I also want a snake mountain and a pair of Hi-tops, and a pair of walkietalkie's. I want a new TV for my

I want a Happy Christmas. I love you,

Benji Blackstock

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl this year and would really like for you to bring me a Pony Paradise, My Child with red hair and brown eyes, and a cornsilk Cabbage Patch.

Don't forget the other boys and girls. Remember that we moved. I will leave you some milk and cookies by the tree.

I love you, Janeal Stephens

Dear Santa,

years old. I have been a good girl. I would like a new sleeping bag, a B-B gun and some surprises. Please remember my two brothers.

> Love, Jolena Fleming

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a doll and a Teddy Bear for Christmas. I also hope you can bring all the other kids what they want too.

Christine Hargrove



Cross Plains, Texas

54-725-4825

Dear Santa,

I am Joe Dillard. I am 3 years Crecket Doll. I have been good old. I wish you would bring me a this year. Please bring my sister a GI Joe sleeping bag, GI Joes, GI Joes Army tank, and GI Joe tent. Thank you, Joe Dillard

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus? Are Rudolph and all the reindeer rested up for Christmas?

I've had a few good days. Hope you come to see me.

I would like a Dallas Cowboy My Little Pony Set and a Barbie football outfit, a football, a set and a Space Cabbage Patch Rambo machine gun, a field goal game and clothes.

Please visit all the other

Love you, Kye King

Dear Santa.

I have been a pretty good girl this year. For Christmas this year, I would like a "My Child Doll" and a "pound puppy". I would like my brother to have a glow worm Jack in the Box and some blocks.

> Connie Stout 2nd Grade

Dear Santa,

I want a toy truck, a toy fire truck and most of all a Lazer tag academy. I would like to have a

Santa, please do not forget my brother and my sister, Kyle and Shanda.

Michael McClure

Dear Santa,

My name is Jessica Childers and I am 5 years old.

I have been pretty good this year and would like for you to bring me a Baby Bonnet School My name is Jolena. I am six of Dance, My Child baby doll, some Pretty Pony things, Get In Shape Girl, clothes and new cowboy boots.

Please bring my brother, Coby, some clothes, a ring and he sure needs new pair of cowboy boots. Jessica Childers

Dear Santa,

I want 2 Teddy Ruskins (1 for my sister, Kathryn), a Baby Talks, a Barbie doll, and baby Barbies, and a Pony with pony clothes.

I will leave you candy, cookies

Also, please bring me some new clothes, dresses, a weewok, new crayons, two coloring books and a new school box.

I love you, Elizabeth McCarty P.S. My sister wants all these things also. We want a surprise in our stockings



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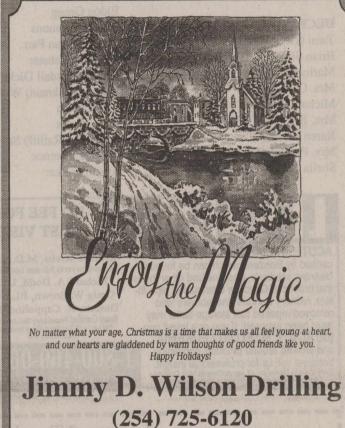


Snow is blanketing the ground, Spreading good cheer all around Because every flake's another sign That Christmas can't be far behind!

We appreciate your patronage and goodwill. **Happy Holidays!**

Susan J. Schaefer, CPA (254) 725-6747 Morry Christmas from

Susan, Betty, Becky and Donna





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Dickey and Nash United in Marriage December 18th

Sara Lindsi Dickey and Toby Branon Nash were united in marriage on December 18, 2004 at First Baptist Church in Baird, Texas. Dr. James Shields officiated.

Sara is the daughter of Roger and Sharon Dickey of Baird. Toby is the son of Allan and Debbie McIntire of Roscoe,

The maid of honor was Elizabeth Evans of Killeen, Texas. Bridesmaids were Megan Hunter of Baird and Katie McIntire of Roscoe.

The best man was Peter Rodriguez of Tuson, Arizona.

Groomsmen were Issac Dickey of Baird and Bret Womble of Iowa Park, Texas.

Ushers were Tanner Kilpatrick and Chance Kilpatrick, both of Tye, Texas.

Sara is a graduate of Baird High School She is attending Hardin-Simmons University. She is employed by Hendrick Center for Rehabilitation.

Toby is a graduate of Roscoe High School. He attended Hardin-Simmons University. He is employed by The United States Marine Corp.

The couple honeymooned in California.



MRS. TOBY BRANON NASH... Married December 18, 2004

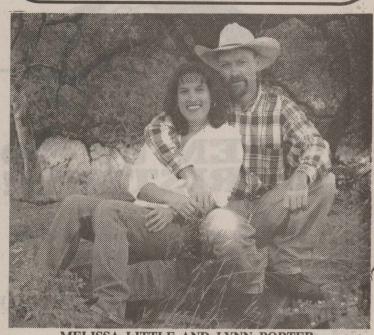
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MELISSA LITTLE AND LYNN PORTER

Little-Porter Announce Engagement and Approaching Wedding Date

Melissa Little of Coleman and will attend graduate school in Tommy (Lynn) Porter of Cross the spring (2005) where she Plains are pleased to announce will pursue Master's degrees in their engagement and upcoming both Visual Impairment (VI) marriage, set for February 19, and Orientation and Mobility 2005 at The First United (O&M). Methodist Church of Cross

Melissa is currently employed Essex of Brownwood. as a Special Education teacher for Coleman Elementary. She Coleman.

Parents of the bride are Tommy is a graduate of Cross Johnny James of Killeen and Plains High School and is Mercy James of Brady. currently employed by Superior

The couple will reside in

Parents of the groom are Bill

and Judy Porter of Cross Plains.

Hunter Safety Course January 22-23 at Brownwood

There will be a hunters safety course on January 22nd from 9:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. and January 23rd from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., at the Brownwood Masonic Lodge, East Adams, Brownwood, TX.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Bill & Mildred McVean at 325-646-

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Bennett and Monty Richards.

The following administrators and guests were also in p.m. attendance: Superintendent Jackie Tennison, High School Principal Jimmie Cearley, Elementary Principal Margie Sowell, and guest, Cameron

Prayer was led by Jackie Tennison.

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Minutes were approved as read adjourn. For 6 Against 0

Lady Buffs Take 2nd Place **Christmas Classic Tourney**

took second place in the Cross Plains Christmas Classic

They played very well in defeat-

The Cross Plains Lady Buffs ing Sidney 45 to 18, Rising Star 47 to 32 and losing a close one to Priddy 23 to 30. Priddy has been the preseason number one ranked team in the state.

> Our girls started off the season well and then hit a bit of a lull. This tournament had the team showing signs that they have snapped out of that.

The girls played Woodson last Tuesday and lost a close one 50 to 55. Despite the loss, the girls played one of their best games of the year.

Finally the girls defeated Evant 42 to 27 last Friday. The team now gets a week off before returning to practice followed by a game against Panther Creek next Tuesday.

Players on the team are Jesse Norris, Nichole Clark, Stephanie Edington, Karen Scott, Christina Brown, Mykea Douglass, Dayna Bennett and Kelsee Richards.

Incidentally, Kelsee recently received All-Tournament honors at the Rising Star tournament. Congratulations to her and all the girls.

Submitted by Coach Barry Gill

The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a regular meet- and seconded by V. Dillard to ing with the following members accept the Annual Financial present: Vicki Dillard, Susan Audit for 2003-04 as presented Schaefer, Donnie Dillard, Bryan by Cameron Gulley. For 5

Against 0

Reggie Pillans came in at 8:45

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Schaefer to accept the Facilities Use Agreement from the American Red Cross for the use of facilities as a mass care

Motion was made by V. Dillard and seconded by Schaefer to

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