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All this and much more as The Enterprise reports in this week's amazing edition!

## Livestock show to be held January 12

The Donley County Junior Livestock Show will be held Saturday, January 12, at the Donley County Activity Center.

While many kids may be home playing video games, 73 kids from around the county, involved in both 4H and FFA, will be taking part in the livestock show.

Many of these competitors have been working with their animal projects since early summer. Hard work, dedication, time, and money are all key factors in making these animal projects successful. Support from the community is crucial during the stock show weekend.

If any exhibitor would like to order a t-shirt, they can contact Darla Franks, Lon Adams or Don Hillis to get a form. All orders, along with the money are due by December 21.

## City sees increase in sales tax income

Sales tax revenues for the City of Clarendon were up this month when Texas Comptroller Susan Combs Distributes delivered her December allocations.

Combs said that statewide sales tax revenue in November was \$2.34 billion, up 13.1 percent compared to November 2011.

"Gains across major sectors boosted state sales tax revenue," Combs said.

In Clarendon, revenue was up 19.57 percent from last December with a total allocation of \$27,500.58, which puts the city up for the calendar year by 1.78 percent at \$335,947.37.

Howardwick was up 11.48 percent to \$1,359.91 for the month, and that city's year-to-date total was up 23.23 percent to \$16,929.57.

Hedley slipped again, falling 6.01 percent to \$231.74 in December and down 28.53 percent for the year at \$5,163.43.

## All-District football team announced

Several Broncos were named to the football All-District list according to coach Gary Jack with receiver Trevor Cobb leading the way on the first team offense. First team defensive honors went to Diego Santos in the secondary, JD Baxter, line backer, and Cobb, offensive line backer.

Second team offensive honors went to Charles Mason, running back; Santos, receiver; and John Pigg, lineman. Trajen Johnson was named to the second team defense as a line backer; Pigg on the line, Tyler Burch, punter; and Ryan Isbell, kicker.

Those receiving honorable mentions on offense were: Jonah Sell, Burch, Johnson, Tres Hommel, Austin McNelly, Rowdy Speed, Adam Topper, Chance McAnear, Mitch Parry, and Jordan Stone. Defense: Sell, Burch, Isbell, Hommel, Chance Roland, Corey Barker, McAnear, and Caleb Cobb.



The remains of a machine shed are in a pile following a tornado near the home of Ernest Barbee.

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## Tornados damage two areas

Two tornadoes touched down in Donley County last Friday, December 14, and made the record books not for their severity but for their rarity.

Clarendon Fire Chief Jeremy Powell said the weather service noted that the two twisters were the only ones recorded to have touched down in the month of December in the Amarillo area since 1950.

Weather officials categorized the tornadoes as EF-0 in strength with winds up to 80 mph.

Produced by a fast moving storm, the first twister touched down at 4:53 p.m. five miles southeast of Clarendon near the residence of Ernest Barbee. The storm blew half the shingles off the Barbee house, and ripped the doors and part of the roof off a barn. Outbuildings were flattened, but a nearby trampoline was unmovable.

The storm produced another twister five minutes later one mile north northwest of Lelia Lake near the home of Larry Helms. The tornado damaged trees and said irrigation pipe was tossed around.

## Clarendon Aldermen terminate Little

City Administrator Lambert Little was terminated on a 3-1 vote by the Clarendon Board of Aldermen last Thursday, December 13.

Following a heated discussion between aldermen that elicited shouts and comments from the more than 20 citizens in attendance, Alderman Tommy Hill made the motion to terminate Little's employment immediately and to compensate him for accumulated sick leave and vacation time. Alderman Jesus Hernandez seconded the motion, and Alderman Abby Patten joined in voting for the measure. Alderman Will Thompson voted in opposition.

Little then stood up, shook each alderman's hand, boxed up his office, and left City Hall as the meet-

ing continued.

Mayor Larry Hicks gave a statement to the Enterprise this week regarding the firing.

"I'm really sorry that it happened, but we are moving on and getting our feet on the ground," Hicks said. "We will see that things get done, and the door is open if citizens want to come talk to us."

It was standing room only at last week's meeting as approximately 23 members of the public attended, including two former mayors and two former city aldermen.

Three people addressed the board prior to the meeting, including Joe Hall, former mayor Tex Selvidge, and Walt Knorpp.

Hall spoke out against micro-

managing and in-fighting among the members of the board, and said Clarendon needs a city administrator.

"We hired this man. You hired this man. Let the man do his job," Hall said.

Selvidge, who served as mayor longer than anyone in the city's history, gave a lecture to the board based on his experience, including his time serving with Alderman Patten's grandmother, the late Shirley Clifford, who he said was one of the best aldermen and mayors that Clarendon ever had.

"Y'all have a right to disagree," Selvidge said. "Everyone of you have your own opinion, but when that vote is taken, dadgumit, let it

be. And if the city administrator... if you can't lead us, then maybe it's time for you to look for another job. If you aldermen, if you can't lead us, then maybe it's time for you to get off and find someone who can."

Selvidge said everyone is in this together and then warned the board not to appoint someone with an agenda to former alderman Terry Noble's vacant position. He told everyone to vote their hearts, but when the majority has decided, to let it go and move on.

Walt Knorpp said he represented a group of businessmen who realized they had become remiss in attending the meetings of the city, the school, the college, and other boards, and he said those businessmen com-

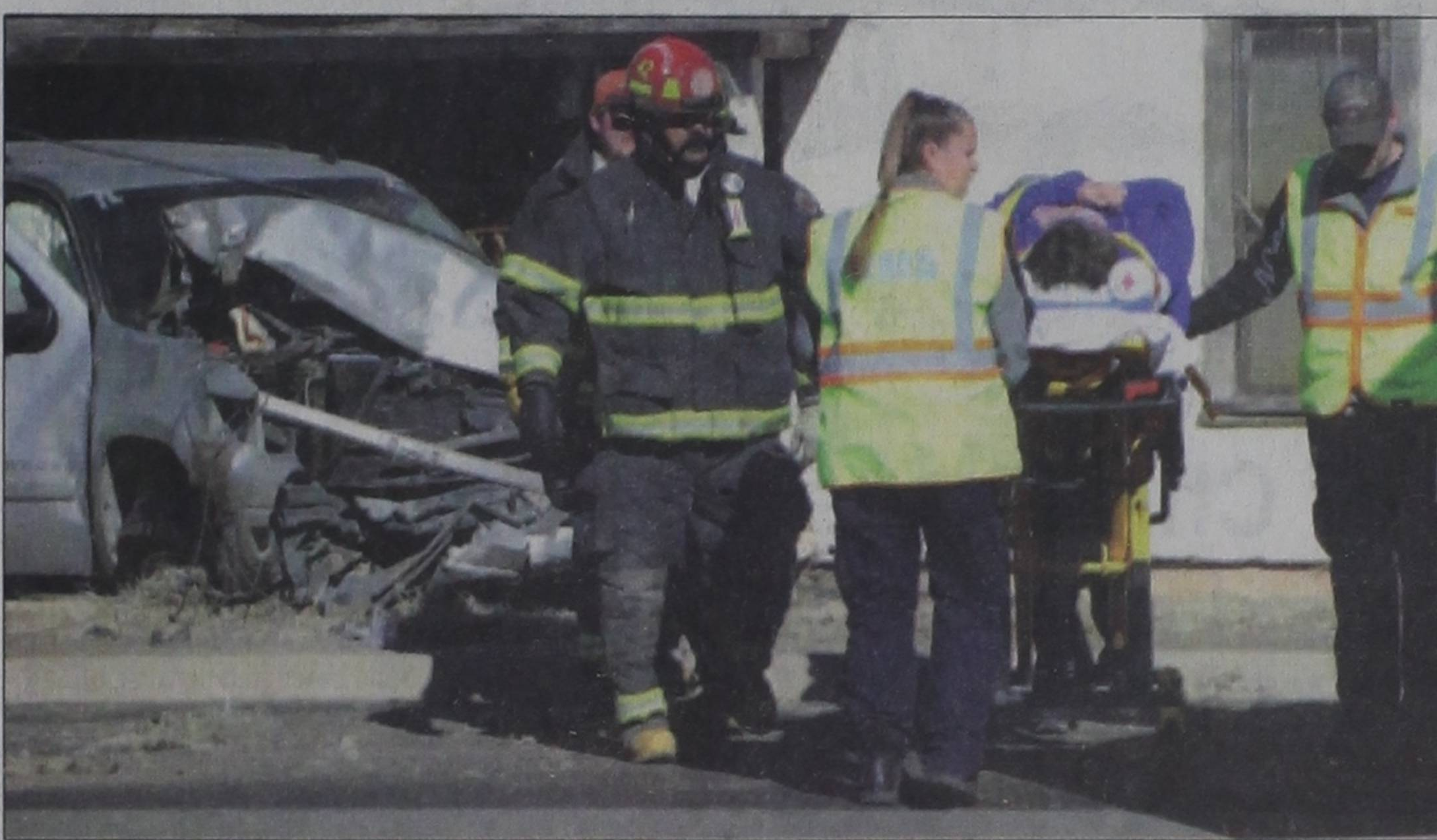
mitted themselves to attending more of the local meetings.

"Each of these entities and the decisions they make will have an impact on the city as a whole and on each of our businesses whether it be directly or indirectly," he said.

Knorpp then urged and requested the board to consider Clarendon native Sandy Skelton for Noble's former position.

As the meeting progressed, the board took up appointing someone for the vacant seat, and Alderman Thompson moved to appoint Skelton, but the motion failed for a lack of a second. The board then voted 3-1 to table consideration of this matter until the next meeting.

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## Crash landing

Clarendon emergency personnel transport 67-year-old Midge Graham of Des Moines, New Mexico, to a waiting ambulance after the woman wrecked her car on US 287 near Jackson Street last Thursday, December 13. According to the Donley County Sheriff's Office, Graham was westbound when she failed to control her speed and struck two utility poles before striking the residence at 701 E. Second (US 287).

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## District court convicts local man of charges

A Clarendon man was convicted when the 100th district court met in Clarendon last Friday, December 14.

The court heard one contested adjudication hearing took place which resulted in the conviction of William Michael Shults.

District Attorney Luke Inman prosecuted the case for the State of Texas with the Honorable Judge Stuart Messer presiding.

William Michael Shults pleaded true to allegations listed in the State's Motion to Adjudicate. After the plea of true, a contested punishment hearing was held where Inman called two witnesses.

The State called Marci Mills and Mark White with the 100th Judicial District Community Supervision and Corrections Department.

White testified that Shults

performed poorly while he was on probation. After all the punishment evidence was presented, Shults was convicted and sentenced to nine years in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. The maximum was ten years.

On February 22, 2011, the 34-year-old resident of Clarendon originally pleaded guilty to the third degree felony offense of possession of a controlled substance in a drug free zone that occurred on July 26, 2010, in Donley County.

The State filed the motion to revoke on November 9, 2012, alleging nine violations of community supervision.

Shults is also required to pay \$443 in court costs to Donley County, \$140 restitution, and a \$3,000 fine.

## Local shoppers can help senior citizens center

Shopping at home this Friday, December 21, will benefit the community even more when several Clarendon merchants donate part of their sales to the Donley County Senior Citizens Center.

Fifteen local businesses have signed up for a special promotion to help raise funds for the senior citizens. Clarendon merchants have always given money to charitable projects, but last year ten local businesses joined together and were able to raise \$2,500 for the senior citizens.

"This is a chance to help those who have served our community for years," said Terri Floyd at Every

Nook & Cranny. "They've done their part for Clarendon, and now we can give back to them."

This year the Clarendon Chamber of Commerce helped coordinate the merchant's effort and was able to increase the number of participants.

Other communities are not as fortunate to have such a good senior center as Clarendon has, and merchants hope people will participate in this endeavor.

Senior citizens centers are constantly in need of funds, but recent government regulations have put even more burden on these organizations. The government now requires that milk be included with each meal

even if the client does not want it.

Currently, the Donley County Senior Citizens Center prepares 130 meals per day, five days a week.

A complete list of merchants participating in next Friday's fundraiser is not yet ready, but so far the businesses include: Every Nook & Cranny, Stavenhagen Video, Mike's Pharmacy, Country Bloomers & Gifts, Henson's, Ronna's Creations, Clarendon Outpost, Straight Off The Ranch, The Clarendon Enterprise, Lowe's Family Center, J&W Lumber, Campbell Online Marketing, McKinney Motor Company, Wishes Quilting & Fabrics, and Floyd's Automotive Supply.



## Lions honor Little

Boss Lion Russell Estlack presents a plaque to Lion Lambert Little for his service and dedication to the club Tuesday.

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# Little was a good man for our city

The Clarendon Board of Aldermen fired a good man last week. He wasn't always popular, he wasn't always right, but he was a good man, and our city is worse off without him.

Lambert Little came to Clarendon two years ago, and he inherited a mess. He did the best he could to work his way through that; and despite what you may hear on the street, he was making progress. No man – or woman – could solve all of this city's problems in a year or two, but Lambert was trying to do what he could with what he was given.

Over the past several months I've heard a lot of scurrilous comments and baseless accusations about Lambert, many of those from people who haven't spent much time with the man. People love to talk. There's no doubt about that. But you'd be surprised about what you can learn if you take the time to get to know someone.



**editor's commentary**  
by roger estlack

In my position, I strive to learn the facts. Not what the folks on Facebook or at the coffee shop claim to know, but the facts as they are. When I hear a rumor about the city or county or school, I pick up the phone or go by the appropriate administrative office and find out the facts.

As such, I have had cause to go visit with Lambert in his office to find out the facts on different issues. I've also visited with him in my position with the Clarendon Economic Development Board and as a citizen. Lambert and I have not always agreed on everything, and, in fact, strongly disagreed about some things. But at the end of the day, we parted on friendly terms.

After the terrible way he was let go 12 days before Christmas, I think it is important for you to know what kind of city administrator you did have and some of the things that he accomplished while he was here. I write this knowing full well that I probably will forget something, but here it goes in no particular order.

Lambert got this city to set goals. This is huge, as he would say, because it hadn't really been done before. The board met in a called session one Saturday (I believe it was in 2010) and talked about what they wanted for Clarendon and how they were going to get there. I was the only member of the public to attend the meeting, and it was truly a high point for our Board of Aldermen. After a list of short and long term goals were set, Lambert started trying to make them happen.

He hired a code compliance officer to try to improve our city by cleaning it up and making people aware of the rules that we are to live by. The first one didn't work out, he was let go, and a new one was hired amidst some controversy. But regardless, last week the board was presented with an impressive list of activities that the code officer and the municipal court has undertaken in the last month. Things are moving, and we are beginning to see the results of that.

Early on Lambert thought the city needed a new professional look, so he commissioned my wife, Ashlee, to design a new city logo at no cost to the city. The board adopted the logo, and it has come into common use now. Most people may not realize the significance of that, but branding and marketing is an important part of growing a community. Lambert knew that, and he understood that image and perception is a reality in a many people's minds.

Along those same lines, Lambert conceived the idea of combining the city's tourism efforts and the EDC's work by creating a new position. The city and EDC boards embraced the idea, and Lambert led the search that resulted in Chandra Eggemeyer being hired this year to head up a new tourism and economic development office that is housed in the old Mulkey barbershop.

Lambert worked on a grant that got us a new (to us) trash truck, and he worked every day to try to find ways to spend the city's money wisely.

He undertook a paving project on Fourth Street that was universally declared a flop, but the citizens still trusted him enough to approve a bond election for \$700,000 to take on a new street paving project. That was later doubled when the board approved adding another \$700,000 worth of water and sewer improvements to the project.

The city has had cordial relations with the Donley County Sheriff's Office under Little, which is something that was soured by the previous administrator.

Responding to complaints about brown water, Little, with the board's permission, contracted an engineer to study the city's water system and make recommendations for improvements over the long term. The final report of that \$25,000 investment isn't even done yet, but it should show the way forward to address the problems that so many citizens have had for years.

Lambert was involved in our community like no other city administrator has been. He joined the Lions Club and volunteered for a vacant third vice president's position and was to be our Boss Lion next summer. In fact, he volunteered every chance he got, putting out flags when other members couldn't and providing programs for our weekly meetings.

Lambert, above all, was a gentleman, and those are in short supply these days. He was the type who would remove his hat when he met a lady, and he was always pleasant to be around. And with 20 years of municipal experience, he was a bargain for his salary of \$50,000 plus benefits.

There is more that Lambert did, but I'm short on space. Suffice it to say, that I believe he was just hitting his stride in Clarendon, and if we could have only held on to him, we could have accomplished many great things.

But now we are set back... again.

# Time to strengthen gun control laws

The slaughter of the innocent children and their teachers in Connecticut last week has once again cast questions on the place of guns, particularly assault weapons, in our society. The question of gun control will, once again, be put on the front burner, with much more passion, and justifiably so.

The debate about access to guns in our society will become louder and more intense. We might as well be ready for it, and this debate will require our energetic participation if reason is to prevail. There have simply been too many killings over the past few years. We have got to find a better way to protect our children and our loved ones from these horrible attacks.

I'm not going to comment specifically about the slaughtered babies in Newtown, Connecticut. My emotions are still too raw to rationally address these horrors. I simply cannot wrap my mind around why such an evil thing could happen.

Back in 2007, I was two blocks away from a mass murder that occurred in Salt Lake City, while it was still happening. In that instance a Muslim teenager (with a 12 gage assault shotgun and a .38 cal. hand gun) entered Trolley Square, an upscale shopping mall, and randomly shot nine people, killing five, all the while repeatedly shouting "Allah Akbar." His personal jihad was cut short by the quick actions of an off duty police officer (carrying a concealed weapon) from nearby Ogden.

Before that there was Columbine High School in Colorado, Aurora, Colorado, Virginia Tech, plus many other similar attacks around the country.

As should be expected, a hue and cry is once again heard throughout the land, folks clamoring to slap quick and severe limitations on gun ownership. As tragic and heart rendering as the Fish Hook slaughter was, we must not make

hasty, knee-jerk decisions in this matter. This continual slaughter is extremely serious and must be dealt with accordingly.

I have always believed that the Constitution gives us a clear and unquestioned right to bear arms, which means owning as many guns as we wish. I still strongly believe that. However, an imminent assault on the personal ownership of assault weapons is probably forthcoming, because most of these mass murders were executed with assault weapons, weapons that were very effective in killing innocents quickly.

In Connecticut, a Bushmaster .223 was the primary weapon used by the perpetrator to kill those precious children and their teachers. Many of the children were shot more than 10 times, resulting in their little bodies being torn apart. In Salt Lake City, a shot gun with extra magazine capacity was used. Horrible injuries resulted. Assault weapons were used in the murders in Aurora, Colorado. Then, of course, there is Virginia Tech, the worst mass shooting in our history. You get the picture. In every case, none of the primary weapons used were designed as hunting/sporting weapons. They were designed primarily to kill people efficiently and effectively, and they did.

The coming debate will be primarily defined as a debate about the relevancy of private citizens' ownership of assault weapons, and their use in our society. Why do we allow assault weapons? What is their purpose, if not

to kill large numbers of people quickly? Should all assault weapons be banned? If so, will the current owners of assault weapons be grandfathered in retaining ownership of the aforementioned weapons, or will people be forced to give up possession of these weapons?

We must look at the value of the right to own assault weapons and compare it to the cost of ownership. Is the right to own assault weapons worth the price, when measured in the lives of our babies and loved ones? If we don't answer these questions rationally and competently, they will be answered for us. We may not like their answers.

Personally, I think we would be better served if we looked more closely at the perpetrators of these atrocities. Why were they still walking the streets among us? In every single case, the perpetrators were mentally or emotionally unstable. In each case, there is information available that indicates that someone in the mental health field knew of their problems. Is the failure attributable solely to the mental health field? After all, no one in their right mind would commit such a violent, inhuman act, would they?

What about the constitutional right to privacy when citizens are suffering from mental illness? Do we abridge their rights? After all, aren't evil, mean-spirited scumbags entitled to constitutional protections? We have to find a way to balance the civil rights of the mentally and emotionally unbalanced with the rights of our babies to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

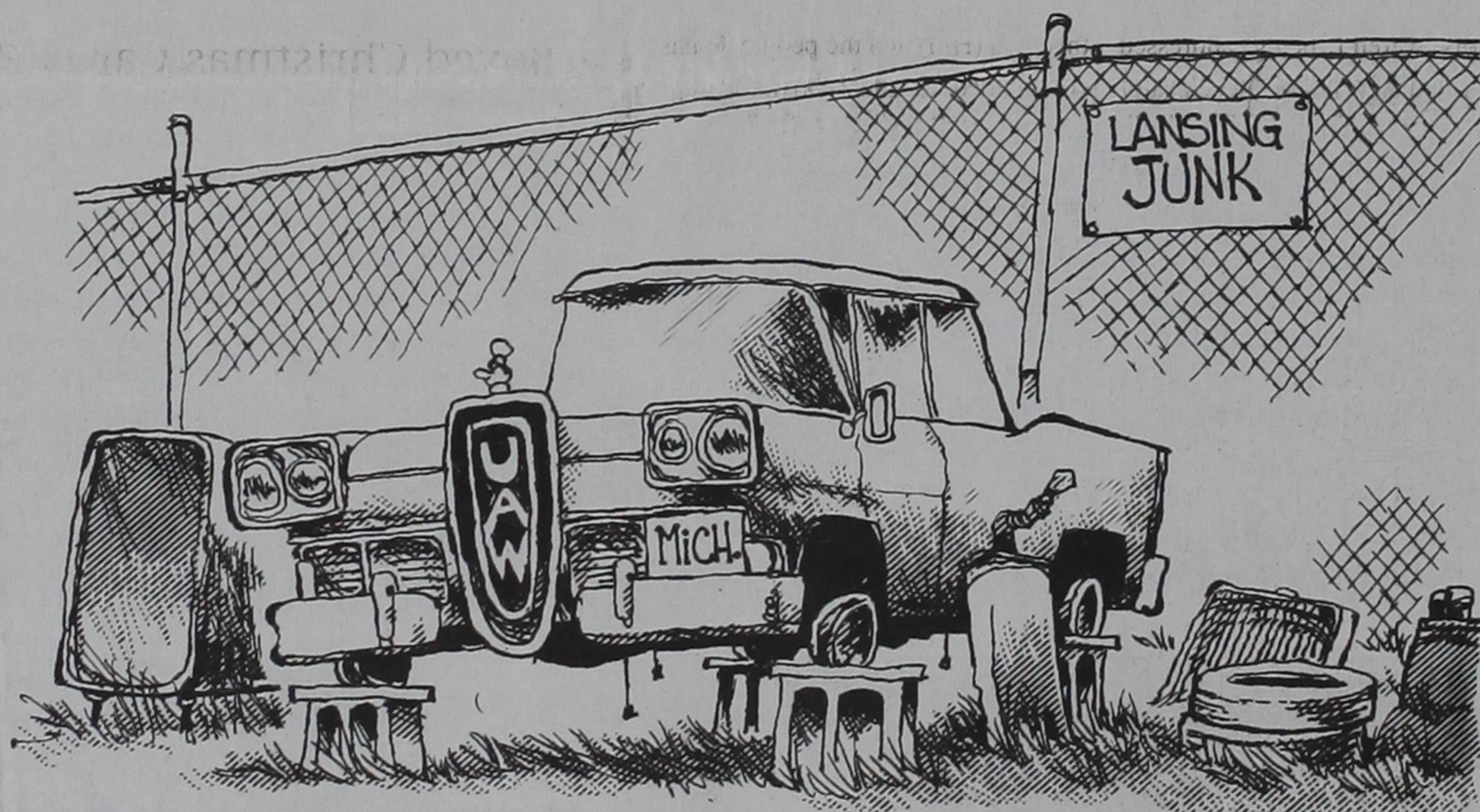
In the coming debate, we must address every single contributing factor to these horrific acts. After all, the lives of our babies, our children, and our loved ones are at stake.

Those who control the content of the debate will control the resulting legislation. We best be actively engaged.



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# Tales of Christmas past in Texas

"We just got up on Christmas morning...and we'd usually have an apple and orange in our stockings. That was about the only time we ever had oranges. I can smell an orange to this day, and it always makes me think of Christmas. We didn't get many toys. We got necessities."

This was a Christmas memory of Zuliaka O'Daniel, who was born in 1911 and was raised on a farm southwest of Hart, Texas. Zuliaka's Christmas mornings were much the same for many other Texas children in the early 1900s. While the settings were simple and the gifts limited, Christmas inspired the same anticipation and excitement then that it does for children today.

Elora Riddle, who lived on a farm to the west of Kress, Texas, recalled that her older siblings traveled into town by buggy to purchase surprise Christmas gifts one year for the younger children in the family: "Lucindy and Elbert went to town and it snowed and they couldn't get back on Christmas Eve. We hung our stockings on Christmas Eve and Papa and Mama put an orange and an apple, nuts and candy in, so we had that for Christmas and we thought that was all we were going to get." The morning after Christmas, Elora went to the breakfast table to find a "celluloid doll" at her place at the table. "We were so happy that Santa came back," she said.

In 1920, a third-grader by the name of Mill Boyd of Dumas, Texas,

attended community Christmas celebration at her schoolhouse. Instead of individual Christmas celebrations at home,

the entire community would gather at the schoolhouse and Santa would visit all of Dumas' children at once. Mill left that year's gathering in delight, carting home with her a "wicker doll buggy and a Schoenhut doll." According to Mill, the Schoenhut dolls were hand-carved, German-made dolls who were "jointed and had real hair." In addition to the doll and buggy, Mill also received two boxes of chocolates from her "little boyfriend" that year. Her mother was not pleased and told Mill she was too young to receive the chocolates and would have to return them. Mill's father, however, interjected, "Leave her alone now. I'm gonna eat that candy."

An even earlier Christmas recollection in 1863 by the daughter of former Texas Governor E.M. Pease, Julia, included a description of the family Christmas tree: "Not tall and stately as the German Tannenbaum, but just a common cedar." Julia recalled that the ladies of the household spent the weeks

leading up to Christmas preparing the trimmings for the tree, including stringing popcorn. Julia noted that because of the Civil War, goods had been blockaded from the North and all food and clothing that year had to be made at home.

In the 1890s, Mrs. W.H. Thaxton of Union Creek, Texas, told the Austin American-Statesman that "real" eggnog was served in "liberal portions" among her family and the neighbors at Christmas. She also noted that "all laws, short of murder and arson, were suspended for the time, and many were the mutual misunderstandings that were settled at Christmastime." At the end of Christmas day, "dancing was engaged in, and the nights were enlivened by the merry strains of the fiddle (not violin), and the calls of the prompter as merrily the dance went on far into the night."

Today, as many of us find ourselves caught up in the hustle and bustle of the holiday season, there is something to be said about the simplicity of Christmas past in Texas. May we all take the time to enjoy the small things, the time together with family and friends, and the real meaning of the season. From my family to yours: Merry Christmas, happy holidays and best wishes for a safe and prosperous New Year.

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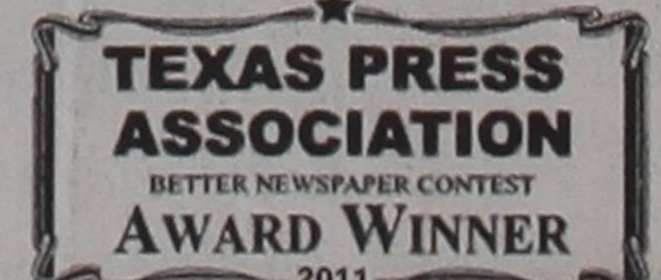
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## Chaparral Sams met for Christmas Luncheon

Chaparral Sams chapter members met Saturday, December 15th at 11:30 AM in the Willie Wiredhand room of Greenbelt Electric Cooperative, Wellington for their Christmas Luncheon.

Tom Etheredge, president, presided at the business meeting with Cary Don Neeley, Chaplain, voicing the opening prayer. Secretary, JoAnn Meyer, read the minutes of the previous meeting and Virginia Etheredge gave the treasurer's statement. Committee reports were given by Pam Neeley, Sunshine Lady, Cary Don Neeley, Chaplain, Pat Riggins, Newsletter Editor and Kenneth Ellis, Wagon Master and Edwin Meyer.

Incoming 2013 president, Larry Reich, spoke to those attending and introduced his officers, Rudie Tate, vice-president; JoAnn Meyer, sec-

retary; Virginia Etheredge, treasurer and Edwin Meyer, Wagon Master. He also introduced his committee members, Pam Neeley, newsletter editor; Verna Teague, Sunshine Lady and Cary Don Neeley, chaplain.

Chapter members and guests gave a \$180.00 to the Wellington Meals on Wheels. Rudie and Karon Tate, who deliver meals in Wellington, will present the donation to Joanna Gartin, Director.

Table grace was voiced by Rudie Tate, Sarah Martin and daughter, Kari Day, catered the Mexican buffet. Table favors included Christmas themed bookmarks and mini-linen sacks of Christmas candies.

The Hatfields and McCoys met for a 'Family Feud' with questions of Christmas traditions. The McCoys won this lively game. McCoy family

members were JoAnn Meyer, Joe Stewart and Shirley Henard. The Hatfields family included Cary Don Neeley, Beverly Logsdon and Larry Reich. Those in attendance were impressed with the correct answers these families gave.

Attending were guests, Harvey Hartman, Bobby Hayes, Dudley and Velta Miller and Lee and Sidney Jackson. Members attending were Edwin and JoAnn Meyer, Margaret Vines, Cary Don and Pam Neeley, Dan and Shirley Henard, Joe and Peggy Stewart, Ruth Caldwell, Bobbie Rhodes, J. W. and Ida Hartman, Buster Hughs, Jay and Verna Teague, Pat Riggins, Buddy and Beverly Logsdon, Larry and Eva Reich, Kenneth and Yvonne Ellis, and the host couples, Rudie and Karon Tate, and George and Vickie Porter.

## City: Clarendon Aldermen terminate Little

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The board then began consideration of Little's employment status with the city. Little was on a 90-day probation with the city following his annual evaluation by the board in October. Alderman Hill moved to go into executive session on this topic, but Little said he was comfortable staying in open session.

Discussion was opened by Hill who said the day to day operations were not being done "lawfully, efficiently, effectively, and ethically."

Mayor Hicks stopped Hill and asked the alderman if he was saying that Little had broken laws. Hill recalled a time when bids were opened prior to the board meeting, but the mayor said the rules were followed.

Hill said he believed the law requires bids to be opened in front of the council and called for the city secretary to get the municipal law book, but he could not find the particular passage in the law book.

Hicks said in his time with the housing authority it was common for bids to be opened outside the presence of the housing authority board as long as the bid was not opened before the specified time.

"But that's totally different," Hill said. "That's government money, and this is city... this is taxpayers' money."

Then Hill said to "forget the law part" and began criticizing Little for not getting out of the office more and also for using his personal laptop computer in his city office. Thompson interjected that he didn't see the problem with that if he was using the laptop for city business because he (Thompson) uses his personal tablet computer for college business. Hill said Little was communicating

with colleagues on the laptop, and Thompson said the administrator communicates with colleagues on city business and he was probably taking the laptop home and doing city work at home.

"William, you don't see what's going on," Hill said to Thompson.

"I will admit I don't tailgate the city employees or post myself at the local store to watch them go in and out of the City Barn," Thompson said.

Patten then opened a line of discussion regarding comments in the community that people around town don't want the city micromanaged but things aren't being tended to. She also complained about comments made on Facebook, which prompted the mayor to say that she "needed to get some thicker skin."

Patten responded, "Oh, I'm not the one who went to an alderman's parents, but I'm the one who needs thicker skin?"

She then said that citizens concerns weren't being addressed and particularly noted the elevator installed on the front of City Hall. Patten also questioned whether Little, under the city ordinances, could delegate his authority to hire and fire. Little said he felt like he did have that authority.

"I'm the boss," Little said. "If I want to do that, that's what I'm going to do. It's a personnel issue, and that's my deal."

At one point in the discussion, the mayor asked for a show of hands from those in attendance who were in support of Little, and the majority raised their hands.

Hill said he keeps hearing that the board is micromanaging and said Little was the one micromanaging.

The mayor responded that Little's job is to manage. Hill then said if every citizen knew what was going on, "they would have a heart attack, but all they know is what they read in the paper."

Patten said she agreed the city needs an administrator but that the city needs more communication and less riff raff between citizens.

Little then asked if he wasn't the right man for the job, to let him go.

"Please just terminate me and put me out of my misery," Little said, and Hill made the motion to do so.

The firing prompted outbursts from the public, and former alderman Ann Huey was recognized to speak by the mayor over the objections of Alderman Hill.

"I feel very strongly about what just happened," Huey said. "It is a repeat of what we've already gone through. Who are we going to get in here to run this city? We have lost three city administrators because of this man (Hill) and the people he has complained to and who have supported him. It is disgraceful."

In other city business, the board approved an agreement for tax collection services with the Donley County Appraisal District, approved a corrected contract with the Clarendon Economic Development Corporation to manage the city's Hotel Occupancy Tax funds, approved the CEDC's budget for those tax funds, authorized implementation of an emergency notification system through the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, approved revisions to the employee policy manual, and canceled the next regular meeting scheduled for December 25.

## Nusser named AgriLife Extension program director for North Region

AMARILLO - Danny Nusser has been named the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service North Region program director for agriculture, natural resources and 4-H and youth development, effective Feb. 1, according to Dr. Pete Gibbs, AgriLife Extension associate director for state programs in College Station.

While Nusser will move from his current position as district administrator for the Panhandle District, which he began in 2009, he won't be changing office addresses as both positions are located in the Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center at 6500 W. Amarillo Blvd. in Amarillo.

He will replace Dr. Galen Chandler, who is retiring effective Jan. 31 after 32 years of service to AgriLife Extension. AgriLife Extension's North Region includes all counties served by district offices in Amarillo, Vernon and Lubbock.

"Danny's close working relationships with people will no doubt

provide synergy and strength to effective program supports across the north region," Gibbs said. "His knowledge of the significant production agriculture on the High Plains, Panhandle and Rolling Plains, and his continuing emphasis on youth development, will all be beneficial to programming across the North Region." Nusser joined AgriLife Extension as an assistant agent in Hale County in 1984, and served in Carson and Gray counties before he took the agriculture and natural resources agent position in Randall County in 2003.

"Danny has the background, experience and knowledge of AgriLife Extension that comes from having served as a county agent in four Texas counties and as a district administrator," Gibbs said. "We look forward to his transition into the regional program director position and the interaction that will take place to effectively address and identify issues and needs with program

planning, development, delivery and education."

Nusser was honored in 2001 with the Texas A&M System Agriculture Program's Vice Chancellor's Award in Excellence for his outstanding programming efforts in agriculture and natural resources. In addition, he received AgriLife Extension's highest honor - the Superior Service Award - in 2000.

He was honored again in 2000 by the Texas Association of 4-H Agents with the organization's award in communications. And in 2007, he received the Distinguished Service Award from the Texas County Agricultural Agents Association. Nusser is a member of state and national professional Extension organizations, including the Texas County Agricultural Agents Association and the National Association of County Agricultural Agents. He earned a master's degree from Texas Tech University and a bachelor's degree from Oklahoma State University.

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Community Calendar

- December 24**  
Christmas Eve
- December 25**  
Christmas Day
- December 27-29**  
Varsity Broncos & Lady Broncos compete in Canadian Tournament • TBA
- December 31**  
New Year's Eve
- January 4**  
Owls & Lady Owls v Silverton • 6:30 p.m. • Silverton
- January 7**  
Bulldogs & Lady Bulldogs v Frank Phillips • Girls 5:45 p.m. • Boys 7:30 p.m. • Dawg House
- January 8**  
Broncos & Lady Broncos v Claude • 5, 6:30, 8 p.m. • Clarendon
- Owls & Lady Owls v Kress • 6:30 p.m. • Hedley
- January 10**  
Colts & Lady Colts v Memphis • 5 p.m. • Clarendon
- January 11**  
Broncos & Lady Broncos v Vega • 4, 5, 6:30, 8 p.m. • Vega
- Owls & Lady Owls v Valley • 6:30 p.m. • Valley
- January 12**  
Bulldogs & Lady Bulldogs v Odessa • Girls 1 p.m. • Boys 7:30 p.m. • Dawg House
- January 14**  
Colts & Lady Colts v Claude • 5 p.m. • Claude
- January 15**  
Broncos & Lady Broncos v White Deer • 5, 6:30, 8 p.m. • Clarendon
- Owls & Lady Owls v McLean • 6:30 p.m. • Hedley
- January 18**  
Owls & Lady Owls v Groom • 6:30 p.m. • Hedley
- January 22**  
Owls & Lady Owls v Silverton • 6:30 p.m. • Hedley
- January 25**  
Broncos & Lady Broncos v Claude • 4, 5, 6:30, 8 p.m. • Claude
- Owls & Lady Owls v Kress • 6:30 p.m. • Kress
- January 28**  
Colts & Lady Colts v White Deer • 5 p.m. • White Deer
- Bulldogs & Lady Bulldogs v Midland • Girls 5:45 p.m. • Boys 7:30 p.m. • Dawg House
- January 29**  
Broncos & Lady Broncos v Vega • 5, 6:30, 8 p.m. • Clarendon
- Owls & Lady Owls v Valley • 6:30 p.m. • Hedley
- January 31**  
Bulldogs & Lady Bulldogs v South Plains • Girls 5:45 p.m. • Boys 7:30 p.m. • Dawg House
- February 1**  
Broncos & Lady Broncos v White Deer • 4, 5, 6:30, 8 p.m. • White Deer
- Owls & Lady Owls v McLean • 6:30 p.m. • McLean
- February 4**  
Colts & Lady Colts v Panhandle • 5 p.m. • Clarendon
- February 5**  
Broncos & Lady Broncos v Panhandle • 5, 6:30, 8 p.m. • Clarendon
- Owls & Lady Owls v Groom • 6:30 p.m. • Hedley

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**Menus**

December 24 - 28

**Donley County Senior Citizens**  
Mon: Holiday  
Tue: Holiday  
Wed: Cheese burger, potato wedges, tomato wedge salad, melon medley, iced tea/2% milk.  
Thu: Chopped steak, mushrooms, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, wheat roll, iced tea/2% milk.  
Fri: Spaghetti/meatballs, whole wheat roll, margarine, strawberries/whipped cream, iced tea/2% milk.

**Hedley Senior Citizens**  
Mon: Holiday  
Tue: Holiday  
Wed: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, corn, waldorf salad, brownie, wheat roll, iced tea/2% milk.  
Thu: Chicken & dumplings, squash, tossed salad, corn bread, winter fruit cup, iced tea/2% milk.  
Fri: Cheeseburgers, chips, lettuce, tomatoes, onion, wheat bun, strawberry shortcake, iced tea/2% milk.

# Hey, all! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

It is sad that our Aldermen have run off another Administrator. It will be harder to get anyone that is capable to come to Clarendon. The Aldermen should not try to run the daily problems of the city. They are the administrative body to take care of the overall city problems not to micromanage the day to day city operations. Maybe we need some of our citizens who have business knowledge to step up to the plate and run for Alderman.

I understand that two of our Aldermen who were against raising taxes and were in favor of raising water, sewer and trash rates. We all don't want to see our taxes go up. However they are associated with a lot of rental property and didn't want to see property taxes raised, but it was alright to raise rates on the people who rented from them.

I want to thank Alderman Thompson for standing up for what is right for Clarendon. Now I will get off my soap box and let's look at scams. On second thought maybe we are being scammed by some of our Aldermen.

Christmas Card Scam and Spam Alerts

With the holiday season in full swing, Internet security firms have issued a strong warning about a card scam surge – not of the credit card variety (though no doubt we'll have them too) but of virtual greetings cards, or ecards. In addition to delivering a seasonal message, bogus ecards are bombarding victims with spam or installing malware on their PCs. The delivery mechanism is simple. You get an email saying

someone has sent you an ecard and, when you click the link, you go to a bogus product website.

If there's an attachment -- "ChristmasCard.zip" is a common name -- it may turn out to be a flyer promoting fake products or a virus installer. According to security outfit Symantec, bogus offers include gifts, health products and financial help. In addition, anavalanche of plain old holiday-related spam is dropping into inboxes, usually with an inviting subject line like "\$1,500 cash for Christmas," "Share a Little Magic This Christmas" and "Wanna make Christmas shopping easy?"

Colorful ads, special offers like "Buy One, Get One Free" and bogus endorsements such as "As seen on TV" all make these deals look genuine. Sometimes, poor English is a giveaway for a scam and you may be able to spot it. The supposed sender may also look suspicious. Symantec identified names in the "From" field like "Christmas Letters from Santa," "The National Christmas Lottery" and "Fun4Kids." The important thing is to keep your Internet security software up to date. This will identify and weed out most "spamvertising."

Gift Card Scams Abound During The Holiday Season

Recent activity at the BBB reveals local consumers have been receiving a text message (a smishing scam) claiming they won a \$1,000 Best Buy, Target, Wal-Mart, ETC. gift card. The text is actually an offer to apply for a loan. "Be careful when responding to unsolicited text mes-

sages," says Janna Kiehl, CEO of the BBB. "You may be replying to a solicitation."

A BBB investigation into one of the gift cards found these disclosures in the fine print:

You must be "accepted" to receive the card. Being "accepted" comes with program requirements.

"Eligible members" must complete "reward offers" and refer 3 friends to do the same.

Completion of reward offers most often requires a purchase or filing a credit application and being accepted for a financial product such as a credit card or consumer loan.

The manufacturers and retailers of the gift items offered have not endorsed the promotion and are not affiliated with the promotion in anyway.

Your information will be shared with the site's marketing partners.

For product trial offers you must typically pay a fee for shipping and/or processing.

If you do not cancel within the trial period you will be billed at the Reward's posted rate.

It is unlikely you won a gift card free and clear. You may have won the opportunity to apply for a loan that you would receive in the form of a gift card. But there are strings attached, lots of them. Be a wise consumer by taking note of the



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by bob watson

## Christmas is coming with new memories

"Christmas is coming, the goose is getting fat, won't you please put a penny in the old man's hat."

I recall the one line of that song but what movie/TV show it saw it in, I don't know. But the point is, Christmas is coming. I know it is coming by looking at the calendar, listening to music on the radio, watching "It's a Wonderful Life" or "A Christmas Story" with Ralphie asking for "a Red Ryder BB gun" on television, the Salvation Army bell ringers, or the Nativity Scene in City Park.

The one thing that has always meant Christmas is coming to me has been putting up the Christmas tree. The tree is filled with memories because I have tried putting up one of those themed trees with all silver ornaments but my family said "NO" and the next year those old ones were back up. I have an angel tree-topper I bought a few years ago but as my daughters decorated the tree this year they put the 58 year old topper back up.

I have stopped the silver icicles, they are hard on the back and make a mess but they always made those skimpy Charlie Brown type tree sparkle. I had a rule about the icicles, no clumping, no throwing, one icicle at a time. By that time my helpers, who had been so enthusiastic at the beginning were ready to stop and as I remember it, Mom (me) usu-

ally ended the icicle job. Tall or small, real or fake, bought at a tree store or chopped down by Daddy or Ole Jim, the tree was special and remains so to me.

A couple of Christmas gift stories and the way a child's brain works. My earliest Christmas memories occurred during WWII with most items either rationed or unavailable. My sister and I both had a doll that was well taken care of and Mother began the Santa Clause propaganda as I call it, you know Moms, you show pictures, tell a story, just redirect your child's wishes to things that are appropriate to your wallet or circumstances. She began by saying things like "wouldn't it be nice to have new clothes for our doll and ended by playing the "because of the war, Santa had to ration his dolls and we should be proud to let a little girl in Europe have all the dolls" card. I swear, if I had gotten a new doll from Santa and not clothes that matched my dresses I would have cried from disappointment.

The second story involved our oldest daughter and her first Barbie.



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She was about six and wanted a Barbie with all the clothes and accessories so I made the clothes. Ole Jim made the furniture. If you know children, they are going to look and probably find that gift you have hidden away. Well,

Cindy found the clothes I was making but that innocent mind decided I was one of Santa's helpers and when she found those Barbie clothes under the tree she knew she was right, her Mama worked for the big man in the red suit. In later years she realized what she had seen but it took time and as for me, I learned that Santa propaganda and took it to a new level.

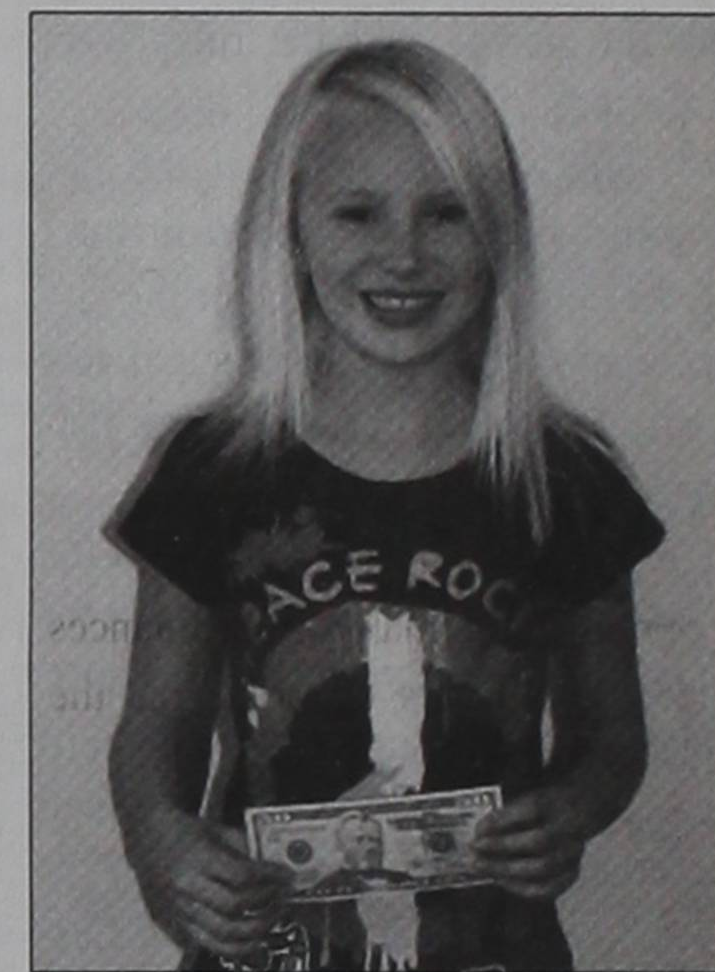
We will be adding to our Christmas memories this year with five great-grand children visiting. Boys 10, 8, 6 years, girls 21 months and 7 months, a little crawler. With Santa level at a 10 or more, this little house will be rocking. Thank goodness the "guest house" aka travel trailer, is well heated, you may find me out there.

As I talk about the tree and Santa I never forget the real reason for Christmas, the birth of Jesus. He fills my heart with gladness and love and I wish each of my readers a wondrous and joyful Christmas.

God Bless you everyone.  
Peggy, Ole Jim and Buffy the Wonder Dog



Winning fifty dollars for her Christmas coloring page is Clarendon's Anna Hardy. Anna is seven years old and is the daughter of Sue Hardy.



Receiving her fifty dollars for her Christmas coloring page entry is Clarendon's Jordan Thomas. Jordan is nine years old and is the daughter of Sonia Thomas. Jordan's picture is featured on the cover of the Christmas special.

### First Christian to hold Dec. 24 service

The First Christian Church will hold a Christmas Eve Candlelight Service this Monday at 7 p.m.

The spiritual event is to remind everyone why we celebrate, everyone is welcome to attend. There will be open communion and special music by Katie Askew.

The First Christian Church is located at Third and Gorst.

### Hedley Holiday Hoot

The Hedley Holiday Hoot will be held Friday, December 21, at the school library and will offer the community the chance to get into the holiday spirit.

This fun event is planned by school officials as a holiday send off for students with several folks offering their talents for an entertaining time. The event begins at 11 a.m.

## Hedley youth to hold Christmas Party

Hedley Methodist Youth Group will put on a Christmas Play Friday, December 21, at 7:00 p.m. with refreshments afterwards. Please come help our youth celebrate Christmas and our Lord.

Santa came to Hedley and we had about 60 people there. We all had a great time visiting with Santa.

Hedley Senior Citizens wants to start a Food Pantry for just the needy residents of Hedley. We will have a 35 pound box of food to give to families (one box per family), but we need the family to come into the Senior Citizens and fill out paperwork. The box will be delivered monthly to Senior Citizens and a member of the family will have to

sign and pick it up.

Please stop dumping your animals at Hedley. We have had some cases of abuse and these defenseless animals cannot take care of themselves. Have a heart and put yourself in their paws.

Traditional Christmas Cheese Ball: 1 1/2 (8 ounce) packages cream cheese, softened, 1 (2.5 ounce) package thinly sliced smoked beef, chopped, 1 (2.25 ounce)



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## Bulldog Cross Country coach qualifies for Boston Marathon

Clarendon College Cross Country Coach Zack Leggett participated in the Dallas Marathon on Sunday, December 9, and finished 28th out of a field of 4,873 full marathon finishers.

Leggett ran the 26.2-mile event in 2:56:26, beating his personal goal of 3:00:00.

Leggett said he enjoyed running in a marathon of this size—over 25,000 participants in total.

"It took 8 city blocks for the starting line," Leggett said. "It was a lot of fun to get to run with that many people."

In preparation, Leggett said he runs 6 days a week and averages anywhere from 70 to 80 miles per week.

His motivation for running a marathon came after he graduated college and found himself at a weight of 260 pounds.

"I ran two years in college, but when I stopped that's when I gained the weight," he said. "I started getting back in shape and my goal was to finish a marathon."

He met that goal last year when he ran the Dallas Marathon for the first time and finished with a time of 3:16:00. He bested that time by about 20 minutes this year.

This year's finish qualifies Leggett to run in the Boston Mar-

athon in 2014, and he plans to be there. He also wants to return to the Dallas Marathon next year and best his time once more.

"My goal for next year is 2:45:00," he said.

In his division for men age 30-34, Leggett finished the Dallas Marathon in 8th place. The overall fastest time for all finishers in the full marathon was 02:19:38.

While he doesn't require his cross country runners to train in the same way he does, he said he does have them run up to 15 miles a day and about 80 to 90 miles a week in order to compete in their 5 mile races.

"They do more of a speed workout than I do," he said. "I have to conserve enough energy to finish the race, but still run at a marathon pace."

Leggett is in his first year at Clarendon College and it will be exciting to see what his runners accomplish this spring.

"Not only does Zack talk the talk, but he walks the walk," Clarendon College Athletic Director John Green said.

"I am very proud to have him as a coach at Clarendon College, and I look forward to seeing the Cross Country program improve under his leadership."



Clarendon College Cross Country Coach Zack Leggett



Clarendon College Cross Country Coach Zack Leggett running in the Dallas Marathon.

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Wed	12	51°	15°	-
Thur	13	65°	15°	-
Fri	14	71°	27°	-
Sat	15	57°	37°	-
Sun	16	62°	39°	-

Total precipitation this month: .12"  
Total precipitation to date: 20.71"

**weekend forecast**

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Partly Cloudy  
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**Breast Cancer Drugs in the News**  
There are two important news items related to breast cancer therapy research. One relates to an experimental drug that has shown excellent results in women with advanced breast cancer. The drug, which is still in clinical trials, is referred to as PD-0332991. According to recent news reports from the company studying the drug, test results were so impressive that late stage trials of this drug are already being planned for next year. Those conducting the study report an improved survival rate over an existing therapy for advanced cancer of the breast.  
The other news item relates to tamoxifen, a breast cancer drug that has been around for several years. In short, researchers found in a study involving about 13,000 women, that those who stayed on tamoxifen longer (10 years in fact) experienced a much greater chance of not having the cancer come back, than if they only took it for five years. Specifically taking the drug twice as long was shown to cut the risk of the cancer coming back by 25 percent. In addition they found that the risk of dying from breast cancer in these women was reduced even more.  
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## Les Beaux Art Club met to discuss Art Festival reports

The Les Beaux Art Club had its December meeting at The Family Living Center. The hostesses were Susie Shields, Frances Deyhle, Cindy Shelton and Bobbie Thornberry. The decorations were just beautiful and the food was delicious.

Our program was presented by Courtney Monroe. She showed us the art of decorating a wreath. We got some tips on arranging, but there is no way ours will ever look as good. This was our first meeting after the Arts Festival, so reports were given by Freddie Moreman on the finances and Greta Byars reported on the

overall success. This was our fourth year and each year has been successful.

We started the Art Festival to help bring art appreciation and awareness to the young people as they do not have an opportunity to have any art experience as they no longer have art in the school and the other reason was to bring people into Clarendon. We are proud of our town and would like to see more people come in to see what we have to offer. This has been a good thing as we have artist from several states. On Friday we have school day which

is attended by surrounding schools. Demonstrations, viewing of the art and snacks for them has been successful. This year we added a "kids corner" for students from K-5 to display their arts. We are hoping this will grow and grow. This is not a money making project for us. We will spend a lot of money to advertise to promote this event. This is a lot of work and expense for us as we make just enough to start over for next year. We would not be able to do this except for our sponsors. So, we hope you enjoy this event for Clarendon as much as we do.

## Quilting Club held Christmas party

The Golden Needles Quilting Club met at the Gay Cole home for our Christmas party, with singing, visiting, pictures, ate lunch, and finished singing Christmas carols. Decided when we would have our quilting for the next year. We also adopted an angel off the Christmas tree.

Those present were: Eva Lee Swinney, Rosa Lee Watson, Ann Bunyan, Josie Burgess, Jo Shaller, Francis Smith, Mary Lynn Manning, Wilma Lindley, Betty Jean Williams, Barbara Jean Williams, Wilma Callis, and Gay Cole.



The Clarendon Girl Scouts lit the Annual Christmas in the Courthouse Square Sunday, November 26. COURTESY PHOTO/MANDY JARAMILLO

## United Christian Ministries to hold Breakfast Dec. 20

The United Christian Ministries Breakfast will be held Thursday, December 20, 2012 in the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist church at 7:00 a.m.

A Christmas devotional program will be given by Rev. Capranica with Christmas music by Rev. Capranica and accompanied by Shelia White. Everyone is invited—so come and enjoy a delicious breakfast, a wonderful program, and good fellowship.

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A Ford Focus sits undrivable after its owner Elizabeth McCain, age 19, of Humble, Texas, ran into the back of Chevrolet Silverado pickup driven by Kenneth Carden of Clarendon last Friday, December 14. According to the Donley County Sheriff's Office, McCain stated that she was looking for something in the front seat and was following too closely when she ran into Carden at the intersection of US 287 and Kearney Street. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / MORGAN WHEATLY

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Our kids went to Canadian for a basketball tournament on Saturday. The seventh and 8th grade hoopsters travelled a long way for an all day affair. One of our teams had a 9:45 a.m. game and would have to play its last game, starting at 7:30 p.m. I knew my son would be home late. I was hoping maybe by 11:00 p.m. My son texts me at 8:43 p.m. and says the bus won't crank. I wasn't able to make the tournament and I'm thinking that I'm about to make a late night drive to Canadian. Then, Jack texts me back and said Canadian was loaning us one of their buses. Wow! What a display of kindness and generosity. Maybe that is standard practice in the panhandle of Texas, but I've never heard of it anywhere. Even if happens occasionally, I will always be grateful to whoever made the decision to give us a bus to get our kids home. I think we should send a fruit basket or something to the school administration of Canadian. Matthew 7:12 gives us the Golden Rule and how we should treat others. Canadian went over the top in my opinion.  
I saw another display of how people treat others on Thursday night, and it was much different than the above narrative. I occasionally go to some of the city council meetings here in Clarendon. I would like to be a little more informed and involved if possible. Also, from what I hear and read, I want to see our city government in action. Was I in for a terrible display!  
Our city manager was treated in a way that was shameful in a town nicknamed "Saints' Roost." It was shameful for any town, but it was saddening to watch. There were a good number of citizens there to witness it. Even if the man deserved to be let go, what he went through was appalling. Lambert Little was accused of breaking the law without proof. Not all of the board made this accusation, but it was made in front of a lot of witnesses. He was nipped about hiring and firing. He was berated for being in his office too much. It seems the last guy the city had was fussed at for not being in his office. Long story short, he is fired 12 days before Christmas. While he is packing up his belongings in the adjacent room, projects or ideas of his are voted on and implemented by the city council. It would be funny if it wasn't so tragic.  
Much more went on at the council meeting that I am sure Roger Estlack will report on. My purpose here isn't a news report of our city government but the childish and ungodly way it operates. I hope more concerned citizens will attend future meetings. Maybe some of their behavior can be attributed to us, as they hear a lot of complaints and not much in the way of encouragement. But, surely we as citizens of Clarendon can be better than this. I ask every council member to reflect on the last several months. Are you satisfied with the tone and conduct exhibited? The Bible tells us to pray for our leaders and I do. Often you have a thankless job, but you represent all of us. Your conduct on Thursday and recently doesn't represent most of Clarendon.  
Canadian put on quite a display of how to treat others. Surely we can rise to the occasion and handle our business in a more professional and godly way.  
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Chesson Sims plays defense against a Wheeler player during the JV Tournament.

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Charles Mason plays defense for the Broncos.

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Jensen Hatley dribbles the ball for the Lady Colts during the 8th grade girls game.

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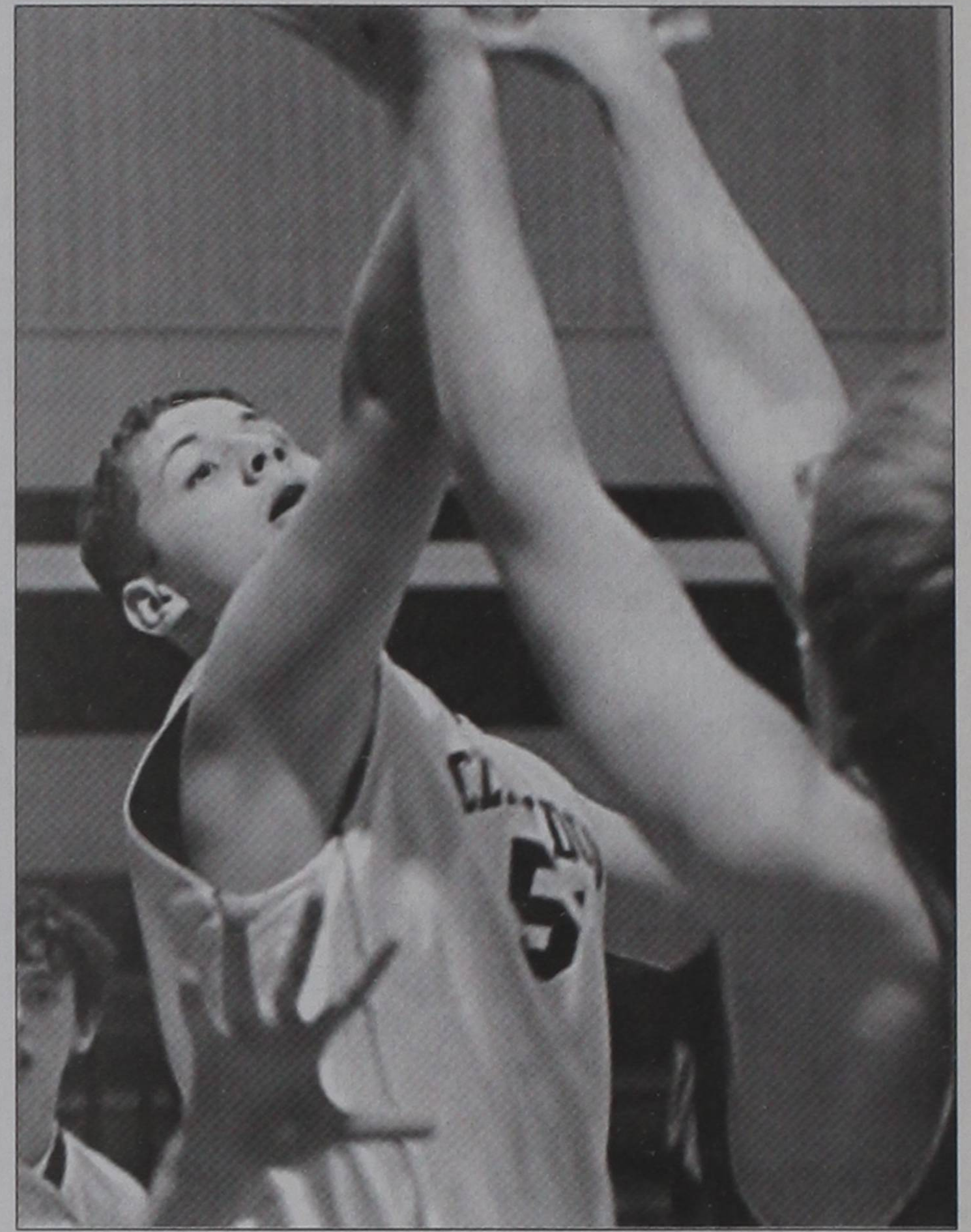
Cole Ward scores for the Broncos in the game against Canadian last Tuesday night.

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Audrey Shelton takes the ball from a Lady Wildcat during the Clarendon vs Canadian game last Tuesday night in Canadian.

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Charles Mason plays defense for the Broncos.

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- 2 CODY WOOD SR.
- 3 CHARLES MASON SO.
- 5 DIEGO SANTOS SR.
- 10 CHANCE MCANEAR JR.
- 12 JONAH SELL SR.
- 24 TRAJEN JOHNSON SR.
- 32 JOJO CARTWRIGHT JR.
- 33 COLE WARD SR.
- 42 TYLER BURCH SR.
- 50 ADAM TOPPER SR.

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ASST COACH: ALTON GAINES  
ASST COACH: STEVE REYNOLDS

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### Lady Broncos Roster

- 3 JENTRY SHADLE SR.
- 10 JENCY BURTON SR.
- 12 TAYLOR GAINES SO.
- 15 DEBORAH HOWARD JR.
- 20 MACI WHITE SR.
- 21 CAMRA SMITH JR.
- 22 ANNA CENICEROS SR.
- 23 RYANN STARNES JR.
- 24 MCKAYLA CARTWRIGHT SR.
- 25 LYDIA HOWARD SR.
- 33 AUDREY SHELTON SR.

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Lady Broncos won the championship when they defeated Canadian in the final game 52-48.

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Clarendon JV Boys came in 2nd place in the JV Tournament.

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## Bronco JV finishes second in Clarendon Tournament

The Bronco junior varsity basketball team completed a tough week that ended in second place in their own tournament.

The Broncos began the tournament with a huge win over Wheeler at 41-12. The game was totally dominated by the Broncos as they scored big through three quarters of play. The Mustangs were only able to muster eight points going into the final quarter.

The Broncos' dominance on defense hindered anything Wheeler tried. Scoring: Ashton Smith 9, Chesson Sims 8 Jr. Ceniceros 6, Montana Hysinger 5, Bryce Hatley 4, Cedrick McCampbell 4, Caleb Cobb 4, and Zach Cornell 2.

The Broncos took on Claude in the second round and breezed to a 50-25 win. The Mustangs never contested the game, as the Broncos were able to set the tone from the opening quarter. Jo Jo Cartwright pumped in 16 and Hatley added 10 in the win.

Also scoring: Hysinger 6, McCampbell 4, Cornell 4, Sims 3, Ceniceros 2, Smith 2, Cobb 2, and Austin Lowry 2.

The two earlier wins put the Broncos in the Championship game

against Wellington. Despite playing against three varsity players, the Broncos held their own until the final minutes of the game. The final score of 50-6 did not reflect how well the Broncos played as they fought to the end. Hatley and Cartwright finished in double figures with 14 and 11 points, respectively. Coach Alton Gaines was pleased with his team's play. "Great job by the boys this weekend," Gaines said. "They are really growing as a team and starting to understand the team concept. You're strong as a team, but very weak as individuals."

Also scoring: McCampbell 8, Cornell 6, Cobb 5, Ceniceros 2, Sims 2, and Smith 2.

The Broncos took on Canadian earlier in the week and lost to the Wildcats 21-35. The Broncos played hard, but could never get a handle on the Wildcats despite shooting decent from the field. Hatley led the Broncos on the board with 10 and shot 60% from the bonus line.

Scoring: Hatley 10, Smith 5, McCampbell 4, and Hysinger 2.

The Broncos will play Memphis at home on January 2 beginning at noon.

## Lady Broncos grab wins from Canadian, Boys Ranch

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos put together two good wins last week at Canadian and at home against Boys Ranch.

The final of the Canadian game was 43-33. Jentry Shadle and Ryann Starnes teamed up to hit five three-pointers and the team shot eight for thirteen from the bonus line to aid in the win. The Lady Broncos had a great start in the game and never let up on their opponent. They led by ten at the break and held that spread until the buzzer. "The Canadian game was an extremely physical game," head coach Molly Weatherred said. "I thought our girls did a great job of handling Canadian's physical play and matching it. The game was definitely a battle of the defenses. Our girls played tough defense and made it hard for Canadian to score. That is the reason we won the game."

Scoring: Shadle 13, McKayla Cartwright 13, Starnes 8, Taylor Gaines 5, Deborah Howard 2, and Anna Ceniceros 2.

On Friday, the Lady Broncos took on Boys Ranch at home. They had no trouble cruising to a 60-26 win.

The ladies swarmed the Rough Riders early on and put on a defensive show most of the game. They were able to stifle their opponent and limit their offense throughout.

Several Lady Broncos were on target from the bonus line and they shot 75% as a team to help in the win. "I thought we played extremely aggressive against Boys Ranch," Weatherred said. "We also played really hard and with a lot of energy. We are a lot better team when we play with a lot of energy."

Scoring: Cartwright 11, Jency Burton 8, Shadle 7, Gaines 7, D. Howard 4, Audrey Shelton 4, and Lydia Howard 2.

The Lady Broncos will participate over the holidays in the Canadian Tournament and host Memphis January 2 beginning at 1:30 p.m.

## Broncos suffer two losses last week

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos had a tough week on the basketball court and encountered two tough teams with the first loss coming on the road against Canadian and the other at home against Boys Ranch.

The Broncos lost the Canadian game 54-59 after being plagued by a slow start in the first half of play. However, they were able to regroup somewhat in the third quarter to narrow the gap and contest the game. But Canadian retained the lead and get the win.

"I was proud of our hustle, but we could not buy a basket several times in the game," head coach Brandt Lockhart said. "It was the second worst shooting night we had as a team. However, we did have a chance to win a tie at the end of the game, but could not convert." Adam Topper led the Broncos with 22, Cody Wood hit for 15, and Cole Ward added 12. Jonah Sell had three

points and Diego Santos had two.

The Broncos hosted Boys Ranch at home Friday night and lost a close one at 67-71. The Broncos led early in the game, but the Rough Riders tied the game at 35 all at the break. The Broncos came out ready to play in the third quarter and took a seven-point lead. Their fourth quarter was riddled with turnovers and Boys Ranch was able to capitalize to get the win. Once again Ward, Topper, and Wood led the Broncos on the scoreboard.

"Overall, we played well, but had too many turnovers in the fourth quarter, which resulted in easy baskets (for Boys Ranch)," Lockhart said.

Scoring: Ward 23, Topper 21, Wood 12, Santos 6, and Charles Mason 5.

The Broncos will play in the Canadian Tournament December 27 and take on Memphis at home January 2 beginning at 3:00 p.m.



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## Colt teams claim championship in Canadian

Both Clarendon Colt teams walked away with big wins in the Canadian Tournament over the weekend and claimed the Championship trophy.

The eighth grade Colts played Sunray in the opening round and managed a 49-26 win. It was never a contest for the Colts as they hit early and stayed solid the entire game.

Scoring: Chance Lockhart 12, Clay Koetting 10, Riley Shadle 7, Taylon Knorpp 7, Marshal Johnson 16, Justice Burton 4, and Seth Greer 3.

The Colts went up against Wellington in the second game and again had no trouble handling the team defeating them 37-19. Lockhart played strong on both ends of the court and connected with 13 points in the game. Koetting helped with 11.

Also scoring: Burton 5, Knorpp 4, Clint Franks 2, and Shadle 2.

The two wins put the Colts in the championship game and were still not challenged. They made an easy go of it defeating the host team 48-14. Shadle and Koetting teamed up to hit four three-pointers to help the Colts win the game. The Colts jumped out to the early lead and outscored their opponent by 21 points.

The first quarter set the tempo for the remainder of the game.

"The eighth grade played well together overall and won all three games in the tournament," coach Steve Reynolds said. "They are a little more polished than the seventh grade, but they have been playing together longer. They executed very well and at the end of the day it showed in their scores."

The seventh grade Colts won the championship as well, but had to fight a little harder than the eighth grade. They went up against Canadian, Sunray, and Wellington and earned three tough wins. The Colts began the Canadian game slow, but regrouped in the second quarter to take an eight-point lead before the break. The Colts fell back in the third quarter, which allowed the Wildcats to tie the game in the fourth. In overtime the Colts outscored their opponent by one point and took the game.

Scoring: Colt Wood 20, Damarjae Cortez 8, Justin Christopher 7, Nathan Shadle 3, and Payton Havens 1.

The Colts took on Sunray in the next round and defeated them 40-25. The game began fairly even, but the Colts took control and grabbed the momentum in the second and third

quarters. They were able to execute their offense and played strong defense against the Bobcats to maintain their lead and get the win. Wood had another good scoring game with 20 and Cortez added 10.

Also scoring: Christopher 6, Shadle 2, Daquawne Oliver 2, and Havens 1.

The win put the Colts up against a good Wellington team who they defeated 49-46 for the championship. Wood was unstoppable putting in 28 points to lead the Colts. Cortez finished in double figures as well and put in 11. All of the players worked together to get the win and bring home the trophy.

Also scoring: Shadle 4, Zach Caison 3, and Christopher 3.

"The seventh grade Colts went 3-0 against Canadian, Sunray, and Wellington," Reynolds said. "They went into overtime with Canadian and pulled it out in the end. It was a total team effort and all of the kids played well. They were down 16-0 in the first quarter to Wellington and went on a 33-6 run to take an 11-point lead into halftime."

On Monday, the seventh grade Colts played White Deer and won 55-16. They had little trouble managing their opponent. Only three Colts

scored and all of the three finished in double figures. Wood had a huge night and was on target from the three-point line. Woods nailed four three-pointers and finished with 28 points. Cortez pumped in 15 points and Shadle finished with 12.

The Colts began the game with a seven-point lead in the opening quarter and led by 12 at the break. They were able to seal their win in the third quarter as they outscored their opponent 19-2 to put the game away.

The eighth grade had no problem taking care of White Deer, keeping them in single digits winning 49-6.

The Colts exploded from the beginning taking a 27-4 lead on the Bucks at the break and never looked back. The Colts went to the free throw line ten times and connected on half of those shots to add to their score.

Shadle finished in double figures with 11 points to lead the Colts to the win.

Scoring: Shadle 11, Burton 9, Lockhart 9, Koetting 6, Franks 6, Johnson 6, and Greer 2.

Both Colt teams will play January 10 at home against Memphis beginning at 5:00 p.m.

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The Clarendon 8th grade Colt competed at the Canadian Tournament this weekend where they won all three games of their tournament. Team members include: (back) Taylon Knorpp, Justus Burton, Seth Greer, Marshal Johnson, Chance Lockhart, Keandre Cortez, (front) Clint Franks, Clay Koetting, Riley Shadle, and Jack Moore.

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## Lady Bronco JV claim Championship

The Lady Bronco junior varsity hosted their own tournament over the weekend and claimed the top spot over three good teams. The Lady Broncos won the championship when they defeated Canadian in the final game 52-48.

The ladies played Berger in the opening round and defeated them 53-31. Clarendon roared to an 18-point lead in the first half of play and was able to settle in and play fundamentally sound basketball for the remainder of the game to get the win. Phara Berry exploded offensively and pumped in 28 points to lead the Lady Broncos to the win.

Also scoring: Skyler White 7, Abby Durham 7, Sterling King 5, Elizabeth O'Rear 4, and Shelby Baxter 2.

The ladies used their skill in the second round against San Jacinto taking the win at 42-32. The Lady Broncos were fairly sharp in the contest and inside player Damara Brown

added a much-needed spark to help the Lady Broncos get the win. Haley Ferguson led the Lady Broncos with 11 points and White put in seven.

Also scoring: Berry 6, Brown 6, King 5, Gail Mata 3, O'Rear 2, and Tessa Buckhaults 2.

The Lady Broncos were geared up for the Lady Wildcats in the Championship game and led by seven after the first quarter of play. But Canadian worked their way back to cut the lead to four before the break. Each team connected offensively after the break, but the Lady Broncos were able to hold on for the win. Berry had another big game and racked up 24 points on the board.

"This was a great tournament for us and we had some hard fought games," coach Kasey Bell said. "Every game we have started out slow, but these young ladies have found a way to win. In the Canadian game, we had players step up and hit some key free throws, but extremely

proud of all these young ladies for how hard they work. Thanks to those that helped in the hospitality room and all that worked to make this a successful tournament."

Scoring: Berry 24, White 8, Mata 6, O'Rear 5, King 5, Ferguson 2, and Brown 1.

The Lady Broncos had met up with Canadian earlier in the week and defeated them with almost an identical score at 52-47. The Lady Wildcats had the upper hand in that contest before the break, but the Lady Broncos came roaring back to earn the five-point win. Berry hit four three-point shots in the game and several ladies stepped up to make big shots. "We were stepping up and hitting some big free throws in this game," Bell said. Scoring: Berry 24, White 9, Mata 6, O'Rear 5, King 5, Ferguson 2, and Brown 1.

The Lady Broncos will play Memphis at home January 2 beginning at noon.

## Lady Colts participate in Canadian Tournament

The Lady Colts competed in the Canadian Basketball Tournament last Saturday and brought home two wins.

The ladies took on the host team in the first round and were narrowly defeated 20-26. The Lady Colts never led in the game, but stayed close to their opponent after trailing by three points at the break. Brooke Smith led the ladies on the scoreboard with eight points and Jensen Hatley and Berkeley Alexander helped with four each. Myra Castillo and Sarah Williams added two points each.

The Lady Colts were able to rebound after their earlier loss and defeated Sunray in the second round at 46-18.

Hatley had a huge game to finish in double figures with 12.

The ladies took a commanding lead in the opening quarter of play and controlled the momentum to the final buzzer. Scoring: Hatley 12, Williams 8, Alexander 6, Hannah Howard 4, Whitney Laroe 4, MaRae Hall 4, Castillo 2, Smith 2, Jazmine Mellado 2, and Hannah Hommel 2.

The Lady Colts went up against Wellington in the third round and breezed to a 36-20 win over the Lady Rockets. Once again Hatley led the ladies on the board with nine points.

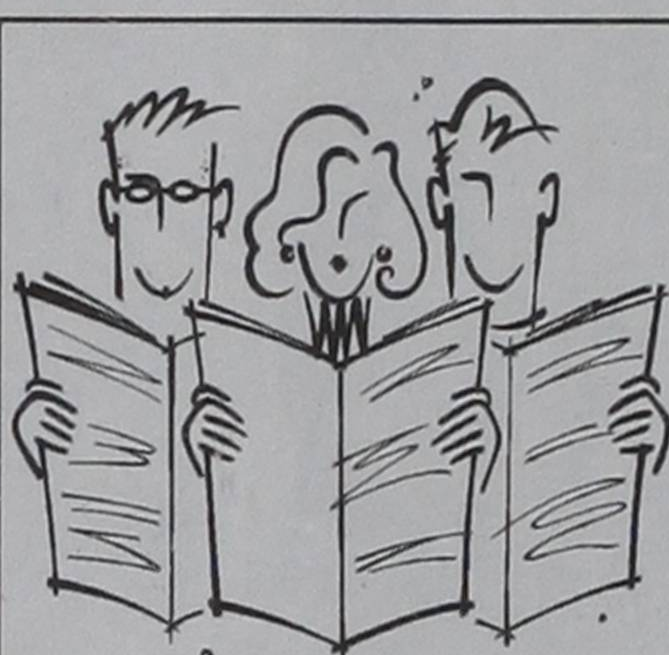
The Lady Colts jumped on their opponent early when they found their offensive rhythm and held them to single digits in the opening half. They were able to continue their dominance on both ends of the court to get the win. "I was very proud of the girls' effort this weekend," coach Shanna Shelton said. "I thought they

played hard and worked together as a team."

Scoring: Hatley 9, Hommel 7, Howard 6, Hall 4, Alexander 4, Smith 2, Castillo 1, Laroe 1, Williams 1, and Zaryia Smith 1.

Earlier in the week, the seventh grade Lady Colts grabbed a win over White Deer at 24-18. Clarendon held a slight lead after the opening period and increased that lead before the break. Their lead held up in the second half of play and they were able to get the six-point win. Hommel scored big for the Lady Colts with 14 points. Scoring: Hommel 14, Castillo 2, Mellado 2, Laroe 2, Abby Ceniceris 2, and Aubryanna Powell 2.

The Lady Colts will play at home against Memphis January 10 at 5:00 p.m.



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### December 10, 2012

7:24 a.m. – Need traffic control 287 & 70 South  
12:46 p.m. – EMS assist 1100 block West 8th  
11:51 p.m. – EMS assist 600 block Borger Street

### December 11, 2012

8:28 a.m. – Loose livestock North Jefferson  
1:41 p.m. – EMS assist- 700 block East 3rd  
2:07 p.m. – EMS assist 400 block

### South Bailey

#### December 12, 2012

2:40 p.m. – Dispatched to minor fender bender 800 West 2nd  
2:57 p.m. – EMS assist Hedley Cemetery

#### December 13, 2012

10:29 a.m. – EMS assist 4200 block Co Rd 14  
12:35 p.m. – Units paged – one vehicle accident 287 & Kearney

#### December 14, 2012

9:27 a.m. – Units paged – vehicle accident 287 & Kearney  
11:40 a.m. – Out @ annex  
1:43 p.m. – Out @ Hedley School  
4:50 p.m. – Report of funnels near

### Hedley feedlot

4:51 p.m. – Report of funnels ½ mile East of 1260

#### December 15, 2012

5:38 p.m. – EMS assist mile marker 127 I-40  
7:39 p.m. – To jail with two in custody

#### December 16, 2012

12:00 a.m. – See complainant 600 block Plainview St  
12:14 a.m. – EMS paged to 600 block Plainview St  
2:19 a.m. – EMS assist 300 block Walleye  
7:27 p.m. – EMS assist 4700 block Co Rd 7

## Obituaries

### Graham

Brenda Joyce Graham, 63, of Claude died Thursday, Nov. 29, 2012.

Memorial services were at 2 p.m. Sunday in Church of Christ in Clarendon with Carroll Thomason officiating. Arrangements are by Cox Funeral Home, 4180 Canyon Drive.



**Graham**

Brenda was born March 21, 1949, in Memphis to Johnnie and Cleo Driver. She was raised in Lesley and graduated from Lakeview High School. She married Keith Graham on Feb. 19, 1966, in Memphis. Brenda worked at the Hall County ASCS office in Memphis for more than 10 years before going to work for the Texas Prison System at the Clements Unit in Amarillo as a corrections officer. She worked there for 20 years and was employed there at the time of her death.

Brenda was a hard working, honest and faithful woman to her Lord and family. She loved being with her family and took great joy in cooking for them. Most of all, she loved being Maw to her pre-

cious grandchildren. She will also be remembered for her willingness to help others, for her big heart and her laugh.

She was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Macelanie Joyce Graham; her parents; a brother, Floy Lee Driver; and a sister, Edith Houdashell.

Survivors include her husband, Keith Graham of Claude; a daughter, Leslie White and husband Bret of Clarendon; a son, Mark Graham and wife Cene'e of Amarillo; a brother, Lester Driver of Levelland; a sister, Betty Ann Hudgins of Burns Flat, Okla.; and four grandchildren, Maci, Brice, Skyler and Briss.

### Thomas

Betty Sue Thomas, 83, died Saturday, December 15, 2012, in Amarillo, Texas.

Services were held Tuesday, December 18, 2012, in the Community Fellowship Church in Clarendon with Rev. Larry Capranica and Pastor Lavon Thompson, officiating. Burial followed in Llano Cemetery in Amarillo. Arrangements were under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Betty was born December 17, 1928, in Vernon to Ralph and Masel McDuff. She married John Wesley "Wes" Thomas on December 15, 1950, in Plainview. She had been a longtime resident of Amarillo before moving to Clarendon in 1986. She

had 3 hobbies/addictions horses, books, and chocolate. She also loved Snapple peach tea. She was a woman of faith and loved her family dearly. She had been involved with the Humane Society in Amarillo and was a member of the Donley County Senior Citizens and the Community Fellowship Church in Clarendon.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and a son, Jim Travis Thomas.

She is survived by her husband, Wes Thomas of Clarendon; 2 sons, Lightin McDuff and wife Debbie Carey and John Thomas and wife Beckey of Amarillo; a daughter, Debra Reece and husband Ricky of Amarillo; a sister, Tommie Lu Privitt of Farmersville; 9 grandchildren, J.W. Thomas, Karlee Creek, Jacob Thomas, Dylan Reece, Matt Thomas, April Carey, Jessica Thomas, Jamie Ross, and Josh Arnett; 12 great grandchildren; and 1 great grandchild.

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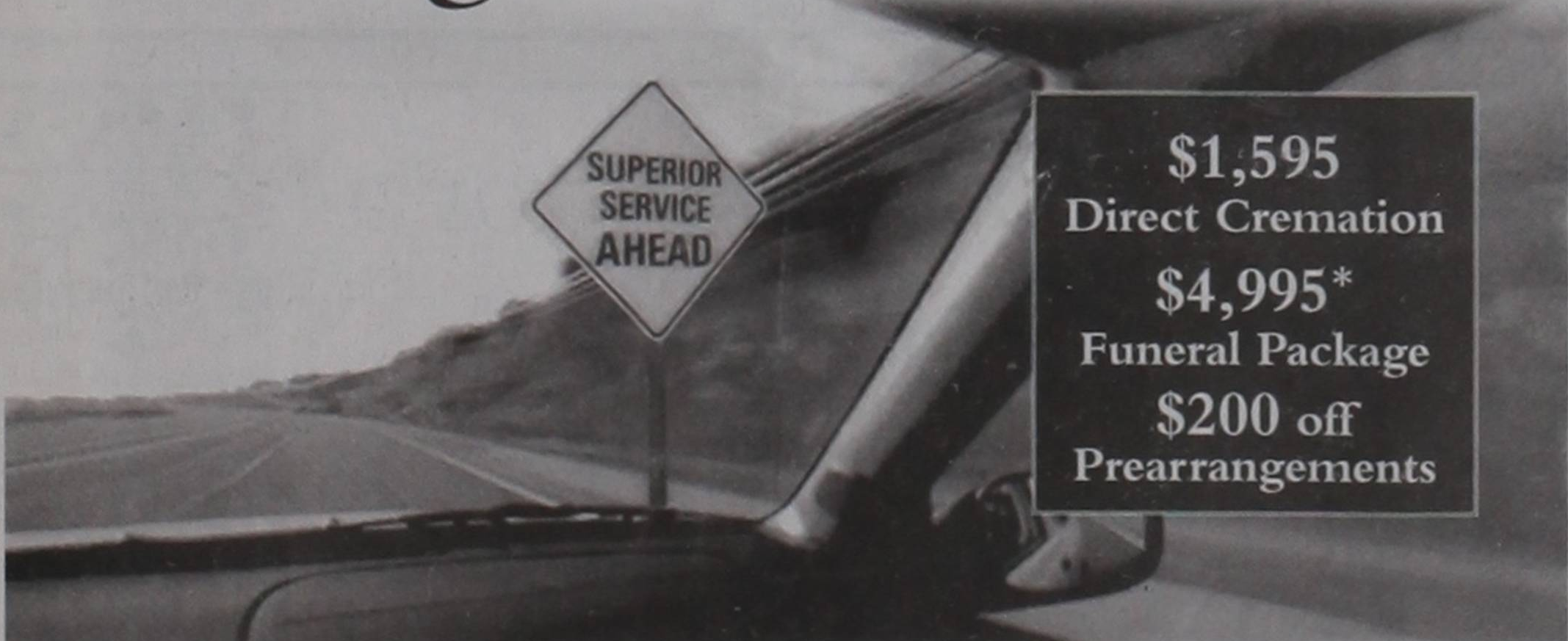
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### Hedley Lady Owls douse flames, compete in Valley Basketball Tournament

By Fred Gray

On Tuesday, December 11, the Lady Owls, led by Bailey Wood's 5 three-point baskets and 17 points, beat the Amarillo Flame (a team composed of home school students) 46 - 43. Salem Shelp added 13 points, and Kortney Burton contributed 10. Kati Adams threw in another 6 points to the Lady Owls' scoring.

The Lady Owls then participated in the Valley Tournament on the 13th, 14th, and 15th of December. In the first game of the tournament, the Lady Owls fell to Childress High School, 37 - 62. Only Bailey Wood scored in doubt figures, with 14 points. Kati Adams and Charlie Neeley each scored 6 points, while Salem Shelp added 4 points. Kortney Burton scored 3 points, while Marijke Tidden and Kassie O'Dell added a bucket apiece.

In the second game of the tournament, the Lady Owls rebounded to beat Chillicothe High School 50 - 20. Bailey Wood again led Hedley's scoring with 15 points. Kati Adams and Kassie O'Dell scored 11 points each, and Charlie Neeley scored two baskets and made 3 free throws for a total of 7 points. Steady Salem Shelp closed out the scoring with 6 points.

Hedley closed out the tournament with a 36 - 59 point loss to Hale Center. Only one Lady Owl, Bailey Wood, scored in double figures, with 12 points. Both Kati Adams and Salem Shelp got close to the double figure mark with 9 points each. Charlie Neeley scored 4 points, and foreign exchange student Marijke Tidden added 2 points.

The Lady Owls' open district play in Silverton, January 4th. Tipoff is 6:30 P.M.



Kortney Burton against Childress in the Valley Tournament.

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### Owls compete in Valley Tournament

By Fred Gray

The Amarillo Flames singed the Owls' feathers 42 - 20 on December 11. Once again the the Evans twins, Brandon and Bryan led the Owls scoring - with Brandon putting in 9 points and Bryan adding 6. The Flames, a home schooled team, used their superior size and speed to good advantage. They played gritty defense and used their quickness to stifle the Owls' scoring efforts. Wyatt Wheatly added 3 points and Clay King contributed 2 points to the effort.

Hedley opened the Valley Tournament with an 82 - 16 loss to Sudan. Sudan is a 1-A school, with a much larger pool to draw players from, and Hedley couldn't overcome Sudan's quickness, or their size and height advantages. Wyatt Wheatly led the Owls' scoring with 9 points. Brandon Evans scored 4 points, David Bell added 2, and Diego

Souza added 1 point.

In the second game of the tournament the Owls soared, beating Chillicothe 53 - 51. Bryan Evan lit up the board for 20 points, Wyatt Wheatly was hot too, adding 17, and Brandon Evans hit double figures with 10 points. Lane Calber had 4, and Diego Souza added 2. Hedley outhustled Chillicothe and played really good defense.

The Owls closed out the tournament by losing to Canadian 14 - 66. It was one of those games everyone who plays sports has to endure from time. Canadian was quicker and smothered the Owls with great defense. Only three Hedley players scored: Brandon Evans had 7, Bryan Evans had 5, and Lane Calber added 2.

The Owls travel to Silverton for their next game, which opens district play, on January 4, 2013. Tipoff is 6:30 P.M.



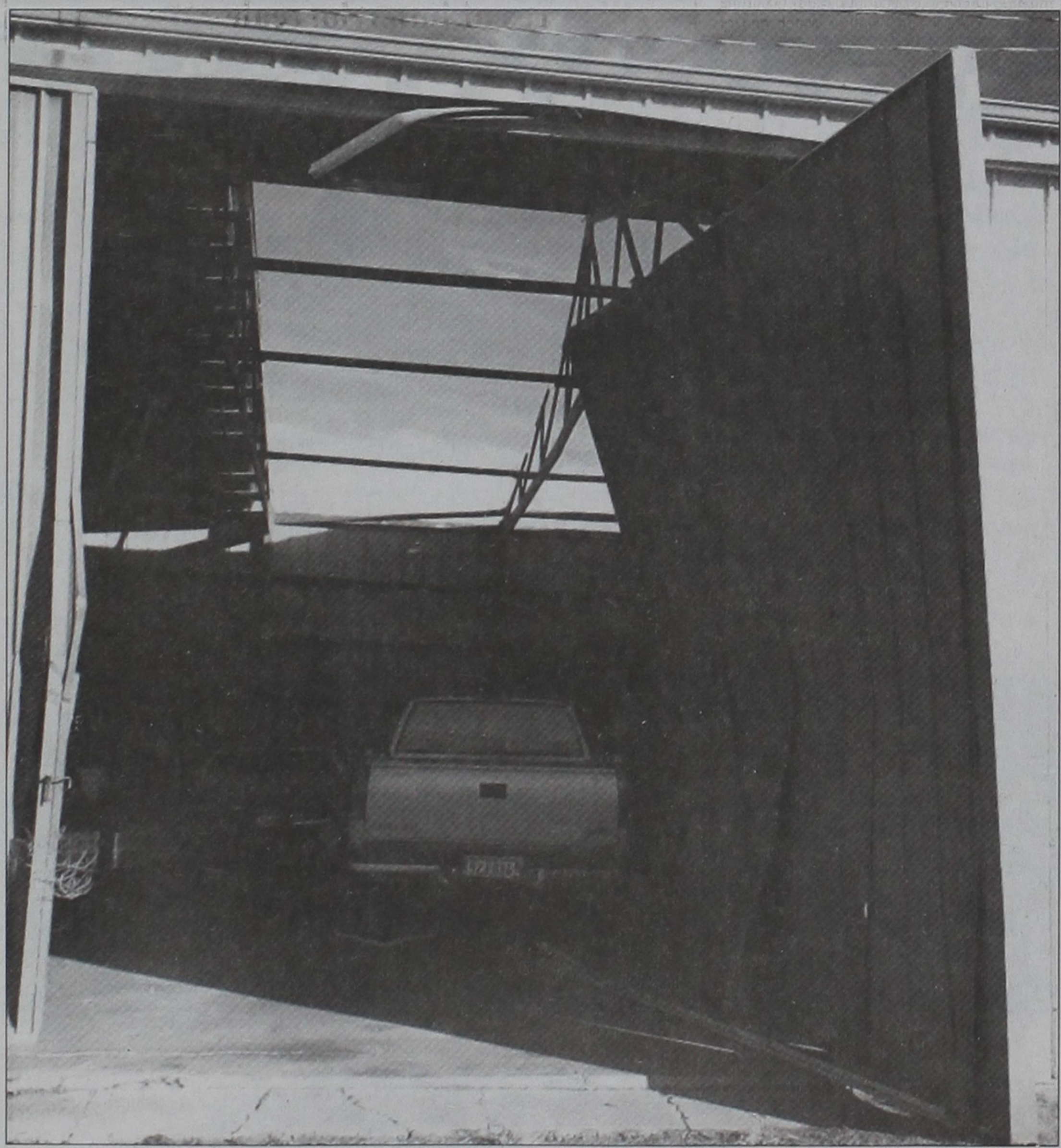
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The Clarendon Junior High Student Council organized a canned food drive competition among the sixth, seventh and eighth grades this month. The canned food was donated to the Clarendon Lion's Club for their annual food drive. CJH collected just over 600 items, and the winning class was the sixth grade with 318 cans.

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As if fire wasn't enough, the tinsel used to decorate trees was made from strips of silver and even lead -- something that is now known to be a health hazard to adults and children alike. Although we've come a long way since candles and lead, even now trees that are overly dry and decorated with lights that have frayed wires can just as easily lead to fires. Plus, plastic tinsel can be a choking hazard for children and pets.

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Sugar cookies and the holiday season often go hand-in-hand.

## Bake a batch of sweet sugar cookies

Holiday baking is a tradition that stretches through time. What person doesn't look forward to the treats the season brings? Cookies are often gifted to friends and family members, and they usually help complete the dessert offerings after the holiday meal.

Sugar cookies are an ideal holiday cookie because of their versatility. They can be dressed-up however you see fit, whether iced, covered in sprinkles or enjoyed as they are dunked in hot cocoa. To make successful sugar cookies, try this triple-tested recipe courtesy of Monica Buck and Good Housekeeping.

### SUGAR COOKIES

Yields: 5 dozen cookies

1 cup (2 sticks) butter (no substitutions), softened

1/2 cup sugar

1 large egg

1 tablespoon vanilla extract

3 cups all-purpose flour

1/2 teaspoon baking powder

1/2 teaspoon salt

Frosting (optional)

Coarse sugar crystals, silver dragees, holiday decors (optional decorations)

1. Preheat oven to 350 F. In large bowl, with mixer on low speed, beat butter and sugar until blended. Increase speed to high; beat until light and creamy. On low speed, beat in egg and vanilla. Beat in flour, baking powder and salt until blended.

2. Divide dough into 4 equal pieces; flatten each piece into a disk. Wrap each disk with plastic wrap and refrigerate 1

hour or until dough is firm enough to roll. (Or place dough in freezer 30 minutes.)

3. On a lightly floured surface with a floured rolling pin, roll 1 piece of dough 1/8 inch thick. With floured 3-inch to 4-inch cookie cutters, cut dough into as many cookies as possible; wrap and refrigerate trimmings. Place cookies, 1 inch apart, on ungreased large cookie sheet.

4. Bake cookies 10 to 12 minutes or until lightly browned. Transfer cookies to wire rack to cool. Repeat with remaining dough and trimmings.

5. When cookies are cool, decorate with frosting if you like; use along with sugars and candies to decorate cookies. Set cookies aside to allow frosting to dry completely, about 1 hour. Store in tightly covered container (with waxed paper between layers if decorated) at room temperature up to 2 weeks, or in freezer up to 3 months.

# HO...HO... HOPE It's Merry!

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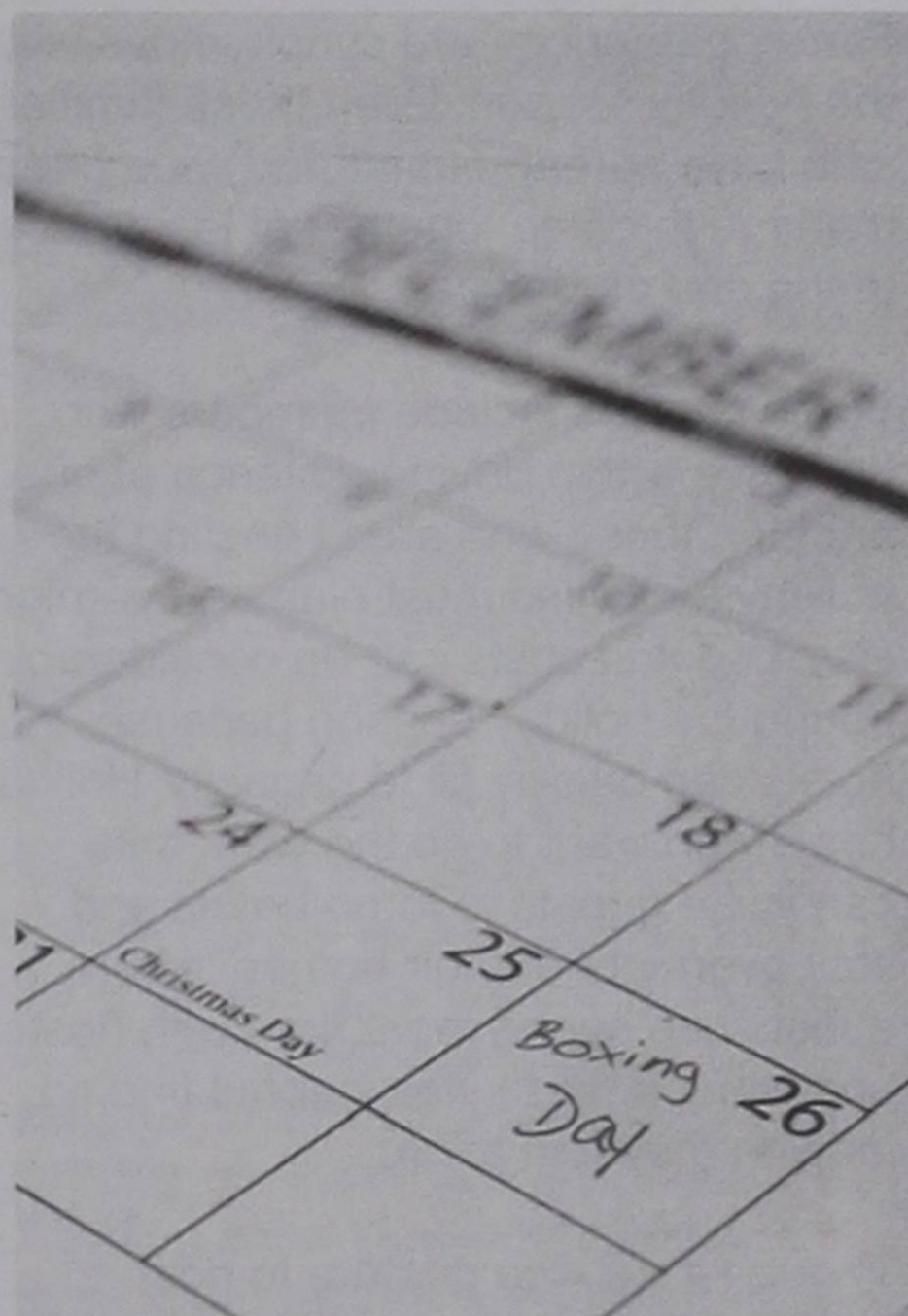


## The history & traditions of Boxing Day

Many countries celebrate Boxing Day on December 26. Those outside of these countries may be unaware as to the meaning behind the holiday and how its traditions originated.

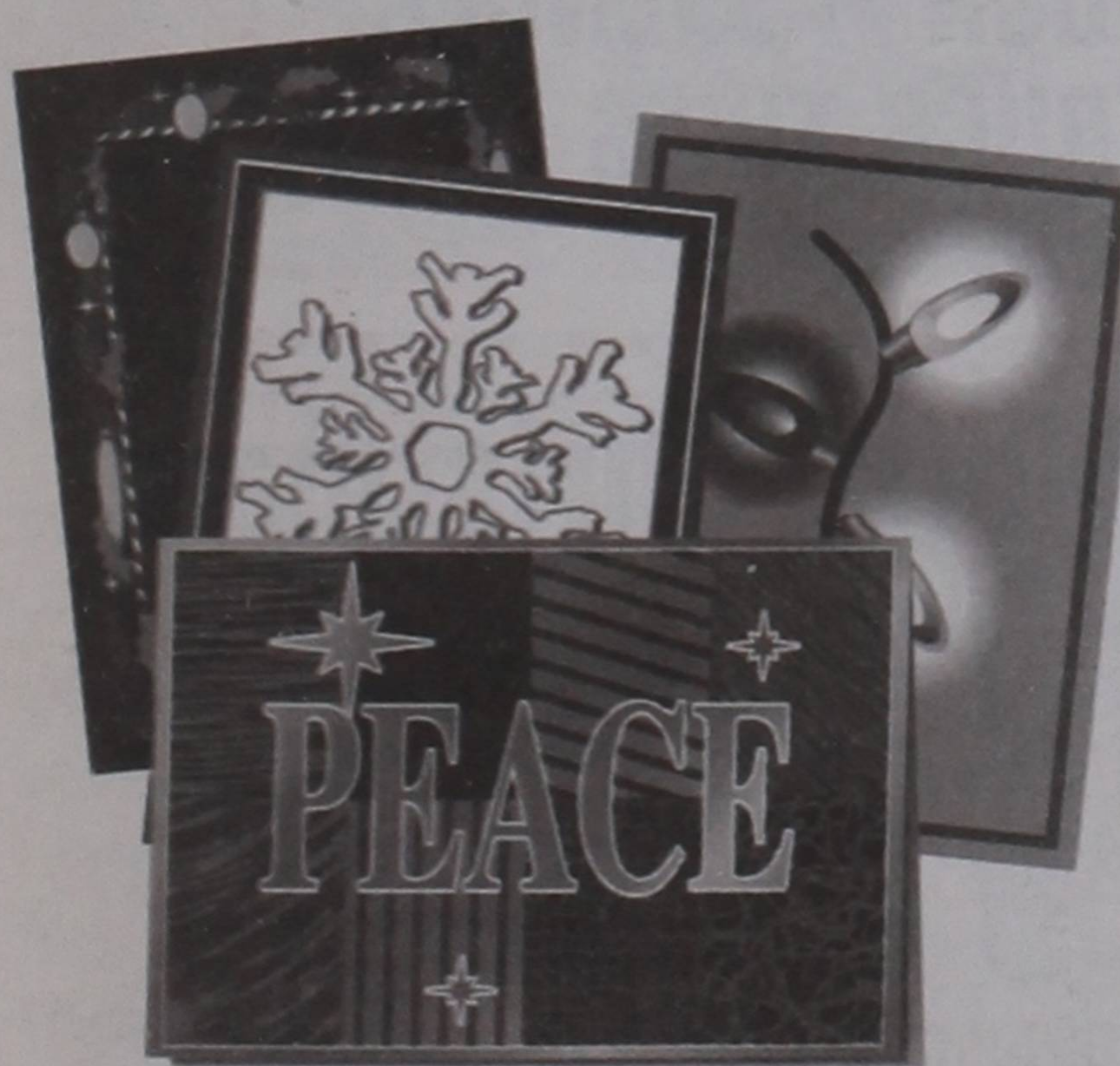
Boxing Day is celebrated by those in countries that were once part of the British empire, which includes Canada. As a federal holiday, post offices and banks are closed. Schools also are closed as part of winter vacations. Despite being a federal holiday, Boxing Day is not observed in the same way in all provinces and territories. Also, it is not an official holiday in Quebec. Depending on the area, stores may be open or closed. Some people use the opportunity to take part in post-Christmas sales or make returns. Many stores run Boxing Week sales the full week through New Year's Day. Some shoppers have been known to camp outside of stores to take advantage of these price cuts, much in the way Americans might wait in the wee hours of the morning for Black Friday deals.

The etymology of the name Boxing Day is unclear, but some historians surmise that it is tied to the European tradition of giving gifts to the needy and those in service positions, as was the case during the Middle Ages. In the United Kingdom, it also became tradition that the day after Christmas employers would gift their servants with boxes of food leftovers from the holidays or present monetary gifts. The servants were allowed to take the day off to spend it with their families after having worked Christmas. Other ideas tie the tradition to the Feast of Saint Stephen, which also takes place on December 26. Metal boxes, into which people could put donations for the needy, were left outside of churches.



## Did you know?

Sending out Christmas greetings is a tradition that is still common today. Have you ever wondered just how many cards are sent across the country? According to Hallmark Corporate, 1.5 billion Christmas cards, including boxed and individual cards, are purchased and then sent every year in the U.S. This makes Christmas the No. 1 holiday for sending greetings, followed by Valentine's Day (144 million) and Mother's Day (133 million).



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## Preparation pointers How to get your home ready for holiday guests



Family gatherings are synonymous with the holiday season. Even those families who have spread out far and wide often manage to come together at least once at the end of the year.

When families include members who don't live within driving distance of one another, those who aren't hosting the holiday festivities must plan an overnight stay. Lodging costs can be considerable during the holiday season because hotels can quickly fill to capacity. Holiday hosts who want to go the extra mile can invite guests to forgo hotels and stay overnight at their homes, where guests can spend more time with hosts and won't have to worry about finding lodging they can afford.

Though it's a nice gesture to host overnight guests during the holiday season, it's also one that requires a little work on the part of the hosts, who must take time out of the often hectic holiday schedule to prepare their homes for guests. The following are a few pointers for hosts who want to ensure everything is ready and accommodating for overnight guests.

\* Take inventory of household linens. Depending on how many guests you'll be hosting, you may need to stock up on extra linens. If only one or two people will be staying overnight, you should be able to make due with what you have. However, if you'll be hosting a second family for the holidays, whether it's one night or a full week, then you will likely need to buy more linens, including bedding, pillows and blankets. Take inventory of what you have and make sure you have adequate bedding for each guest, as well as some extra bedding in case of emergency.

\* Discuss pet allergies. Holiday hosts who have pets should discuss pet allergies with potential overnight guests well in advance of the season. If guests are allergic to your pets, then it might not be comfortable for them to stay overnight at your home. While most families would not want to shelter their pets on a holiday, doing so is an option but one that may not even be worth it. Pet hair and dander around the house might be enough to trigger an allergic attack even when the pet isn't in or around the home, so sheltering the pet may not be a solution after all. Discuss

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this issue with prospective guests well in advance of the season so they have time to find affordable lodging in the event that any of them do have a pet allergy.

\* Stock up on toiletries. Toiletries are bound to run out if you're hosting guests for the holidays. Before guests arrive, stock up on these items, including toilet and facial tissue, hand soap, bath soap, shampoo and conditioner, toothpaste and extra toothbrushes in case guests forgot to pack their own. These items have no expiration date, so even if you end up buying more than you need you can always use them down the road when guests have long since returned home.

\* Clear the house of clutter. Clutter can make a home seem even more crowded when guests are staying overnight. Clutter can accumulate anywhere in the house, from bathrooms to a living room to the kitchen. When hosting guests for the holidays, you will need all the space you can get, so clear the house of as much clutter as possible. Put all toys away and clear the common areas of items like shoes and clothing

that can make a space seem more cramped. In addition, clear the dining room table of any items that aren't needed at mealtime and choose festive centerpieces that don't take up much space.

\* Don't be caught off guard by a storm. If guests will be staying multiple nights, it's safe to assume everyone, hosts and guests included, will want to get out of the house, be it to enjoy local holiday celebrations or simply to avoid cabin fever by getting some fresh air. But the holiday season gets its fair share of inclement weather, including snowstorms. Hosts should not be caught off guard by a snowstorm, stocking up on items like a snow shovel, a snow blower and salt or a de-icing product for walkways and driveways before guests arrive. This will ensure everyone won't feel trapped inside the house should a storm arrive unexpectedly.

Hosting guests for the holidays is no small task. But hosts who prepare in advance can ensure everyone makes the most of their time together.



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## Test your knowledge of popular Christmas movies

What would the holidays be without snowflakes falling outside, a mug of hot cocoa in hand and a favorite Christmas movie on television?

Television is full of feel-good movies come the holiday season. Choose from among classic flicks you have watched year after year or new movies vying for spots as soon-to-be favorites.

Watching Christmas movies is a holiday tradition for many families. So much so that lines from popular movies are easily remembered and

recognized. Those who can recite movies verbatim might enjoy testing their mettle with the following Christmas quiz loaded with memorable quotes from some holiday classics.

### MOVIE QUOTES QUIZ

1. "It came without ribbons. It came without tags. It came without packages, boxes or bags."
2. "Uh, since the United States Government declares this man to be Santa Claus, this court will not dispute it. Case dismissed."
3. "If TV has taught me anything, it's that miracles always happen to poor kids at Christmas. It happened to Tiny Tim, it happened to Charlie Brown, it happened

to The Smurfs, and it's gonna happen to us!"

4. "I want an official Red Ryder, carbine action, 200 shot range model air rifle."

5. "Bless this highly nutritious microwavable macaroni and cheese dinner and the people who sold it on sale. Amen."

6. "Iris, in the movies, we have leading ladies and we have the best friend. You, I can tell, are a leading lady, but for some reason, you're behaving like the best friend."

7. "Who gave you permission to tell Charlie there was no Santa Claus? I think if we're going to destroy our son's delusions, I should be a part of it."

8. "I want to wash my hands, my



# Hold On— It's Almost Christmas!

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face, my hair with snow."

9. "We're not just doing this for us. We're doing it for the kids. For every kid who ever sat on Santa's lap. For every little girl who left cookies and milk for Santa on Christmas night. For every little boy who opens a package Christmas morning and finds clothes instead of toys. It breaks my heart."

10. "We all know that Christmas is a big commercial racket. It's run by a big Eastern syndicate you know."

11. "I fear you more than any spectre I have seen. But as I know your purpose is to do me good, and as I hope to live to be another man from what I was, I am prepared to bear your company, and do it with a thankful heart. Will you not speak to me?"

12. "Seeing is believing, but sometimes the most real things in the world are the things we can't see."

13. "Light the lamp, not the rat, light the lamp, not the rat! Put me out, put me out, put me out!"

14. "Tell me something, Billy. How come a cute little guy like this can turn into a

thousand ugly monsters?"

15. "Wanna see some magic? OK, let's watch you disappear!"

16. "That's not 'my' Christmas! 'My' Christmas is filled with laughter, and joy... and this: my Sandy Claws outfit. I want you to make it."

17. "That's neither pig nor pork, it's beef."

18. "I passed through the seven levels of the Candy Cane forest, through the sea of swirly twirly gum drops, and then I walked through the Lincoln Tunnel."

Answers:

1. "The Grinch Who Stole Christmas"
2. "Miracle on 34th Street"
3. "The Simpsons' Christmas"
4. "A Christmas Story"
5. "Home Alone"
6. "The Holiday"
7. "The Santa Clause"
8. "White Christmas"
9. "Jingle All the Way"
10. "A Charlie Brown Christmas"
11. "A Christmas Carol"
12. "The Polar Express"
13. "The Muppets Christmas Carol"
14. "Gremilins"
15. "Bad Santa"
16. "The Nightmare Before Christmas"
17. "Babes in Toyland"
18. "Elf"



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# Dear Santa,



Straight from the North Pole to you, we're pleased to share some "best wishes" from our area children to their favorite holiday celebrity.

Dear Santa,

My name is Lane Hinton and I am seven years old. I will want a exploder and my mom wants to get a new phone, and I want a cuddle-up-it. I want a hamster and a hamster ball and a hamster cage and a hamster toy.

Thank you Santa.

Your friend,  
Lane Hinton

Dear Santa,

My name is Kylie Monroe and I am seven years old. I have lied sometimes too, but forgive me. I would like an IPAD, and a car that I ride in. And a big pillow pet. I would also like a cuddle-up-it (both unicorns).

I would like a present for my kitten. They want a kitten's present. And for my mom, a candle, and in my stocking, I would like a toothbrush with stickers that you put on the toothbrush.

Your friend,  
Kylie

Dear Santa,

My name is Kaleb and I am 8 years old. I am very sorry for being mean to my sister Carly. Please forgive me, and I may have lied too.

My cousin is wanting a football. Lane wants a wooden Lowe's car, so does Joshua. I am sorry for being mean to Lane, Josh, Kylie and Tyler. My little cousin Addilin wants a baby doll. Kylie wants a guitar and some pics. Kylie also wants a wooden car. I want a playstation 3.

Your friend,  
Kaleb Blum

Dear Santa,

My name is Joshua and I am seven years old. Can I have some baby clothes for my brother and a new water soda? I am sorry for being mean to my brothers and my Mom and my Papa and my Grandma and my friends. Can I have some tools for my grandpa, and a Lowe's truck for me, and a dress for my grandma and another dress for my cousin Alissa? Can I have a train set for my cousin Kyler and Jordan? Can I have 3 helmets and 3 football suits and some pads and a playstation 3 and some games?

Your friend,  
Joshua Booth

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy, just ask my teacher. How have you been? I hope your reindeer are eating good, and your elves are working hard

making toys. If it is not too much trouble, I would like for you to bring me some Legos, and Skylanders Giants. I would also like some new cowboy boots with spurs, and a new cowboy hat. The most important thing I want is glasses. I will be waiting for you on Christmas.

Love,  
Ethan McAllister

Dear Santa,

How are your elves and reindeer? I hope they are ready for Christmas, because I really am. I am wishing for a Zombie Game, and a Zombie Toy. I would love to have some Lincoln Logs to play with, and maybe a Lego Train Set. I want a Zoo with a Zoo Keeper, and please don't forget all the other boys and girls. Let me know if I can help the elves. Thank you Santa, and goodbye.

Love,  
Daze

Dear Santa,

My name is Maddie Moore. I have been a very good little girl and I hope you will come and visit me on Christmas. Please bring me a doll, and a new horse. Some new clothes would be great, and a pink cap to match my coat. My little brother has been pretty good too, so don't forget about him. I hope your reindeer are ready to fly, because Christmas is almost here. I will have milk and cookies for you.

Love,  
Maddie

Dear Santa,

My name is Denver O'Dell. I like to ride my horse and pretend she is a reindeer. How smart are your elves? I am going to leave cake and milk out for you. This year, I would like a Lego Train set, and a Hot Wheels Wall Track. I would also like a Transformer (Optimus Prime). An army truck would be nice too. I am trying to be nice, but sometimes it is hard.

I hope you like my milk and cake.  
Have a safe trip.

Love,  
Denver

Dear Santa,

My name is Taylor McCann. For Christmas, I would like a Zombie Game, a stuffed animal, and an Easy Bake Oven. I would love the movie Diego, and some new clothes. I hope you don't get too tired Santa, because I know you are working very

hard getting ready for Christmas. I have been nice to people, so I hope you will have me on your nice list. Love you Santa.

Your friend  
Taylor

Dear Santa,

My name is Berkley Moore, and I have been nice. How are Rudolph and all the other reindeer? I really hope I get some presents. I am sorry for being mean to my mommy. For Christmas, I would like a Barbie House with stairs and a Barbie car that is light pink. I also want two Barbie Boys. I would like a Hello Kitty shirt and some diamond earrings, and please bring me some glitter paint of all colors. My brother Hayden wants to know if Rudolph is the leader. Hope you write back Santa. I will have milk and cookies for you.

Love, Berkley

Dear Santa,

My name is Kyler Booth. I have really been trying to be a good boy. I am very excited for Christmas, and I hope that you will not forget about me. I would like for you to bring me a big car, some Lego's, and an I Pad. A toy helicopter like the one in my classroom would be great. I can't wait for Christmas to get here, so please hurry. I will leave you some goodies by the tree, and maybe I will be awake when you get there.

Love, Kyler

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy this year and this is what I want for Christmas. I just want a dirt bike and a four wheeler and a lot of Legos.

Love  
Tyler Harper

Dear Santa,

Can I have a horse and a baby for Christmas?  
Can I have a phone and a stuff animal?

Love,  
Shelby Bowman  
1st Grade  
Hedley ISD

Dear Santa,

I want a 3D-DS with 2 Maryo games. I want 1 AngryBird - Star Wars game. I would also like a Dreamlite. Have a good day Santa!

Liam Branigan  
1st Grade  
Hedley ISD

Dear Santa,

I want a doll that I can dekrat her hair. I also want a bike. I also want a barbie. I also want makup.

Love,  
Qiomi Hall  
1st Grade  
Hedley ISD

Dear Santa,

I want a lifsafer and Skylander Giants. I would like all of the Skylanders and a jack in the box. Can I also have a reindeer?

Love,  
Astin McAllister  
1st Grade  
Hedley ISD

Dear Santa,

I want a puppy, a doll, and a dollhouse. I want a show called Spiderman, a DS, a bike, and a Barbie doll.

Danielle McCann  
1st Grade  
Hedley ISD

Dear Santa,

I want a baby butrscoch. I want a real phone. I would also like to have a baby doll.

Love,  
Danika Middleton  
1st Grade  
Hedley ISD

Dear Santa,

I want a horse. I would also like an XBox and a pupy. Can I have a new backpack?

Love,  
Aden Woodard  
1st Grade  
Hedley ISD

Dear Santa,

Can you give me a dinosaur that transforms into a car, and another one too please? ...And I hope you have a good Merry Christmas and thank you Santa! ...and I hope you have a Happy New Year and a good day! I really want you to be a good Santa, and I hope you brush your teeth good and I hope you make kids proud of you. Santa, I hope you floss your teeth every day and say your prayers to God at night.

God bless you,  
Ranger Drenth  
The End.



Dear Santa,

I would like a doll, guitar, a baby black snauzer, a star wish, and some reindeer pajamas, and a reindeer shirt and pants.

Your friend,  
Kyndall

Dear Santa,

My name is Kadee and I'm 10 years old. I go to school in Hedley, Texas. I've been really good this year. I help my mom with the dishes and the laundry. How are the reindeer? How's Mrs. Claus?

I would like a saddle. I want a saddle because my cinch broke. My horse was too fat to fit it. I would also like a Groove Glider because it plays music while you ride. The last thing I want is zebra printed speakers. My others broke.

That's all I want. Tell the reindeer I said hi! Be careful on your trip. I would tell you what you're getting for a snack, but it's a surprise!

Love,  
Kadee Lockeby

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Leandra Mestas. I live in a family of four. I go to Hedley ISD. I am 10 years old. I've been really good this year! I clean my room and help my mom with supper. How are you? How are your reindeer and Mrs. Claus? For Christmas, I want a Groove Glider because you can plug up your MP3 player and listen to music on it. I also want an iPod Touch because mine broke. Please be careful and tell the reindeer I love them!

Love,  
Leandra Mestas

P.S. I will make cookies and warm milk for you!

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Kaylaneth Mendoza. I am 10 years old and go to school in Hedley. I have two brothers, and I live in Memphis. I've been good! I help my brother take a bath, and I help my mom with supper. How are the elves and the weather? Is it different in the North Pole? Do you have stores? If you don't, how do you get food?

I always wanted a butterscotch toy horse because I want to play with someone when I am really board. Also, a new Cow Girl Jesse doll because my mom's dog chewed up her boot, and an I spy that way my grandpa can see who stole his dogs. I don't know what I am going to leave you for a snack. Have a nice trip!

Love,  
Kaylaneth Mendoza

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Zachary Wells, and I am 10 years old. I go to Hedley ISD in Hedley, Texas. I have been so good this year! I helped my mom clean my house, and I take care of my mom. I am wondering how Mrs. Clause, the elves, and reindeer are doing? When you're flying around on your sleigh on Christmas Eve, be careful!

All I want for Christmas is my mom to feel better! The reason I want my mom to feel better is because she has been sick for 2 years, and I don't want her to be sick! I also want you to give my sisters what they want for Christmas because they have been very good this year! Can you also give my dad what he wants because he has been very good too!

Love,  
Zachary Wells

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Kyler, and I am 9 years old. I go to school at Hedley, Texas. I have been a good boy this year because I helped hand out gifts at a party. The party was at my dad's work.

How are the reindeer? I hope they can still pull the sleigh. Santa I want my cat, Molly, to feel better because she got declawed. I want some

Lego's because they are fun to build. One more thing, my dad wants a new truck because the one he has is old.

One last thing, I hope you, the reindeer, the elves, and Mrs. Claus have a Merry Christmas!

Love,  
Kyler Lamberson

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Jade, and I live and go to school in Hedley. I am also nine years old. I have been very good this year because I helped my mom with the dishes. How old is Mrs. Claus and the reindeer?

What I would want for Christmas is a DS because my other one broke. Give the reindeer a hug from me, and be safe!

Love,  
Jade Fish

P.S. I'll leave you cookies for a snack!

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Is it snowing where you live? I have been good. We don't have snow here. I hope you can find me this year for Christmas because we are going to be at my aunt Tami's house. I would like a dream Lites Butterfly Pillow, a doll house, and a large drawing board. I love you Santa, and hope you fly good. Mommy and I are going to leave you gingerbread cookies. Love, Abbey Branigan. Age four

Dear Santa,

My name is Javier Valles, and I am so happy that it is almost Christmas. I have tried to be a good boy this year, so please do not forget me. I would love for you to bring me a laptop for Christmas. I would also like to have an Angry Bird Toy, and a new baby kitten. My cousins have been very good too, so they should be on your nice list. Please bring them some special toys too. I will leave you a snack by the Christmas tree, and please hurry!

Love,  
Javier Valles  
Age six

Dear Santa,

How are the reindeer? I want an I-phone 5, new air-soft gun, and a shotgun. How about Mrs. Claus and the elves?

Christain Lucero  
5th grade

Dear Santa,

My name is Jacob Lucero. How are you? I have been a good boy. Are the reindeer being good? What I want for Christmas is an I-phone 5, computer, and a 4-wheeler. What I want most of all is the new PSP.

Love,  
Jacob  
5th grade

Dear Santa,

My name is MaKayla. How are you doing? Is Rudolph the head leader? I want a Super Mario DS game. I also want a green camera and a Hello Kitty jacket.

Love,  
MaKayla  
5th grade

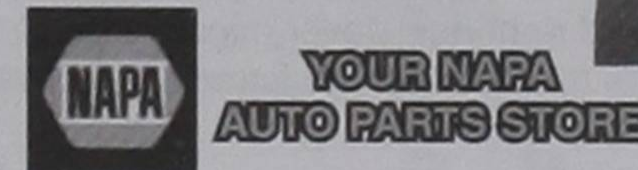
Dear Santa,

How is your reindeer? What I want for Christmas is a Christmas CD and a new Uno set. We'll leave some cookies out for you.

Thanks,  
Collin Monroe  
5th grade

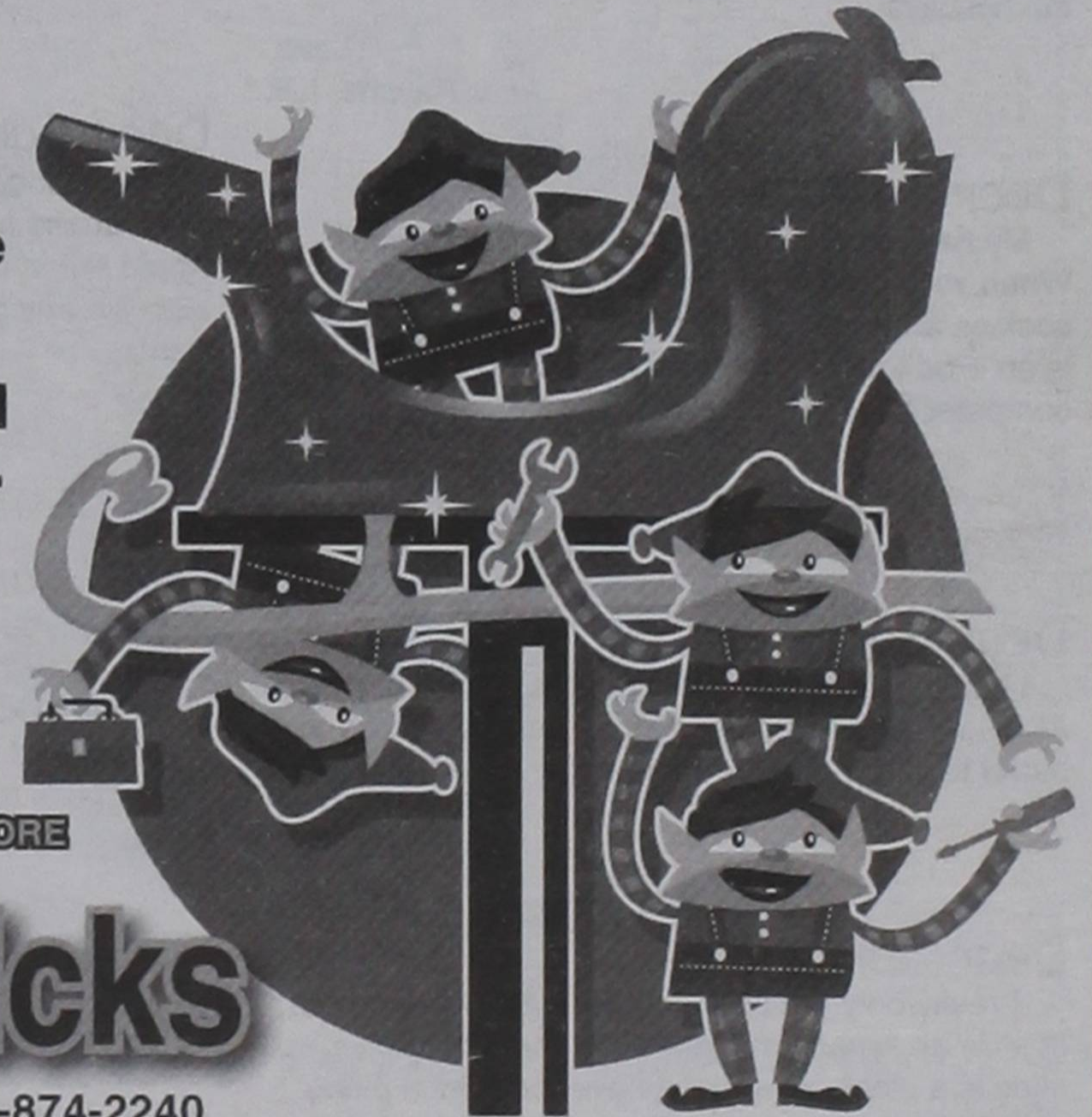
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Dear Santa,

My name is Kari, and I want to know how tall your elves are! I hope you like the cookies and milk. This year I would really like a camera. Have a safe trip!

Sincerely,  
Kari

Dear Santa,

My name is Raysha! How tall are your elves? How do you deliver all those presents in one night? I want a reindeer named Santa Claus and a DS. Another thing I want is my sister Lahana home for the holidays!

Love,  
Raysha I. P.

Dear Santa,

My name is Elayna. How tall are your elves? When you come to my house, I'm going to have cookies and milk. And what I want for Christmas is an iPod touch, a touch screen phone, and a new computer because my brother broke mine.

Love,  
Elayna  
5th grade

Dear Santa,

I hope the reindeer are in shape for Christmas. All I want for Christmas is an air-soft gun and a new barrel for my Stevens Favorite.

Thanks,  
Wesley

Dear Santa,

I really only want three things. What I want most of all is an American Indian doll, then the next thing is a piano, if we don't have room for a piano I would like a roll up one. The last thing I would like is some friends legos. Thank you for everything

you have given me! I pray that God would show Himself faithful to the broken hearts. Well, I really hope you can get me at least one of these things. Love you Santa

Esther Metcalf  
11 yrs old Hedley

Dear Santa

Thank you for the things I got last Christmas. May I have a Lego hulk set and a Daisy BB gun please. These are the only things I want except please may I have a plastic shark fin?

Love Shawn Metcalf  
8 yrs old Hedley

Dear Santa,

I have done my best to be nice this year. I would like a snake remote controlled monster truck. I also would like some games for my Leap Frog Pad. I also like any glow in the dark toys! Thanks you Santa.

Love,  
Nolan Burrow  
Age 5

Dear Santa,

I know you are busy this year. I have something to tell you. What I want for Christmas. Please try to get me a kitchen, scooter, big caterpillar that's all I can think of right now never mind. Huge stuffed draft. That's all I want for Christmas. P.S Love you Santa Class

Madilyh Benson  
Age 5

Dear Santa,

I want a bicycle and a Barbie doll and a baby doll house. How do you get the reindeer to fly?

Kimbrasia Ballard

Dear Santa,

I want an X-box with an army game. It has a white remote controller. And I want a racetrack game, a legos game, and a Shrek game, I want an X-box game that has an orange race track.

Evan Lee Starling

Dear Santa,

I love you. I want some ice cream, videos, and Barbies. I want babies, Santa Claus.

Aliza Pierson

Dear Santa,

I love you! Please bring me a remote control helicopter, even a remote control monster truck. Please bring me a Scooby Doo game.

Love,  
Aiden Jaramillo

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a remote control helicopter and a remote control truck and a Bop It Smash, a new basketball court and new basketballs and a new Santa poster. I love you, Santa, and your reindeer. I love Mrs. Starnes and Ms. Hill.

Love,  
Wrangler Eytcheson

Dear Santa,

I want Snakebite because my other one broke down. The battery's dead. I want Fly Light. I want the Home Depot thingy. It has tools so you can build stuff. It says you can only get it at Toys R Us, Merry Christmas!

Kai Floyd

Dear Santa Claus,

Please may I have some of those pretty pink boots? How about that Hello Kitty doll? And can I

have a stuffed mermaid? Can I please have a toy Rudolph? I want some real gingerbread cookies - the real ones.

Love,  
Skylar Childress

Dear Santa,

I want a remote control flying helicopter. I want a toy reindeer like Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer. I want a toy puppy dog. And I want one of the reindeer that was laughing at Rudolph.

Jonathon Robinson

Dear Santa,

I would like E-Z Bake Oven. I want a thing that's round on the top and has a toothpick and has box full of decorations to decorate it with. I want a bow that's purple with rainbow hearts on it.

Taylee Ehlert

P.S. I want a bird that has a remote control so it can fly.

Dear Santa,

I want a toy Rudolph, a Santa Claus toy, and a Dora game. I want a Dora toy. I want that thinga Jinger like in the Cat in the Hat.

Rosa Olivas

Dear Santa,

I want for Christmas a Nintendo and a 4-wheeler, and a skateboard. That's all I want. I wanted to ask you, did the Elf on the shelf take the picture I colored for you?

Merry Christmas!  
Kennadie Leigh Cummins

Dear Santa,

I want a remote control helicopter and a little Santa hat. I'm going to leave you cookies for you and milk.

Kayden Early



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Dear Santa,

I want a 4-wheeler and I want a guitar and I want a drum and I want a Hello Kitty clock. I love you, Santa!

Love,  
Whitney Williams

and barbie stuff. I want the unicorn stompeez, the little lady bug pillow pet, an ipad, and a new dress, and a cowgirl hat, and books. I want two scooters so me and Avery don't have to share. I love you Santa.

Love, Emmarie Holland  
5 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a skateboard – a real one- and I want a dirt bike and I want roller skates because my friend Kennadie has some. Is Rudolph coming this year?

Love,  
Tandie Cummins

P.S I want a Nintendo with all the games in a case.

Dear Santa,

I want a monster truck with a remote control and an I-touch. And I want a little toy wrestler. And I want some legos that is a game. That's all I want! Merry Christmas!

Grant Haynes

Dear Santa,

I want a wagon, a chalkboard, and a DS. On the wagon, it should have a seat and a hood so it can be shady in there, I want some chalk for the chalkboard.

Ray Curry

Dear Santa,

I want a cake pop maker, a play doh set, and a pet guinea pig. I want gingerbread cookies, and a new box of crayons.

Bella Neal

Dear Santa,

I want a new play kitchen with some fake food, and a fake pumkin pie. I want some barbie dolls

Zane Ashley Cruse  
4 years old

Dear Santa!!

My Mommy and Daddy say that if I tell you what I would like for Christmas and have been a good girl that my wishes will come true. I am sure I have not been perfect all the time.. I mean really who is.. But my daddy says I am his Little Princess so I am sure that counts for something. I am sure the Elf that you sent to our house has been telling you all about what my brothers and I have been up to... You might not want to believe everything she tells you..

I really would like to have an IPAD of my own that my brothers wont borrow from me. I also want a Tangled Baby Doll.

I want to tell you my brothers have been as good as brothers can be this year. Though they do pick on me a lot but mom and dad say that is what brothers are supposed to do. I don't know what they want but please be sure to bring them presents too.

We will leave Cookies and Milk for you and something for the reindeer.

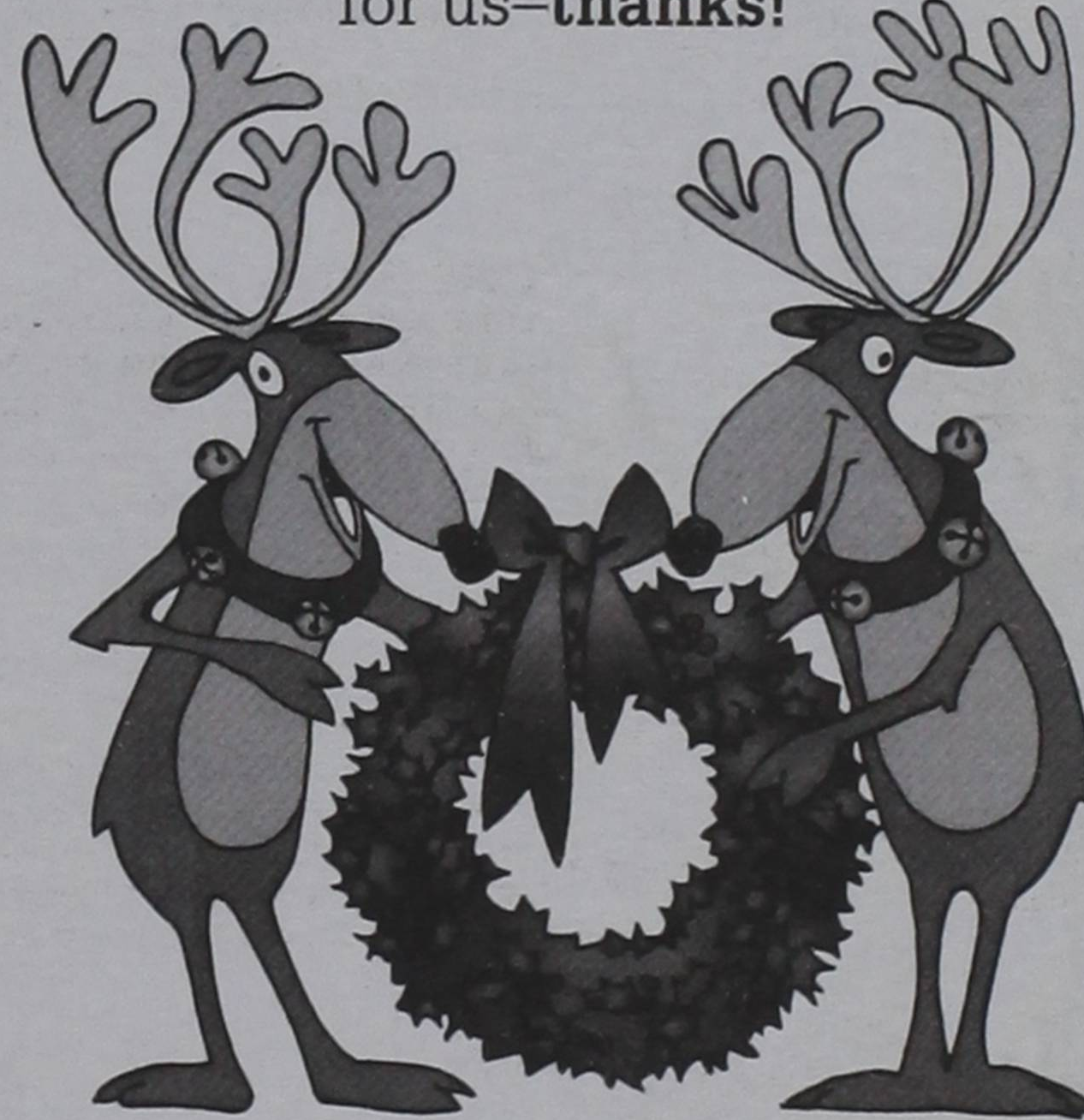
Love,  
Addy Havens

Dear Santa,

I hope you can bring me a trumpet and a drum. I also would like a playhouse with a door bell. I hope you get this newspaper in your North Pole mail box. I love you.

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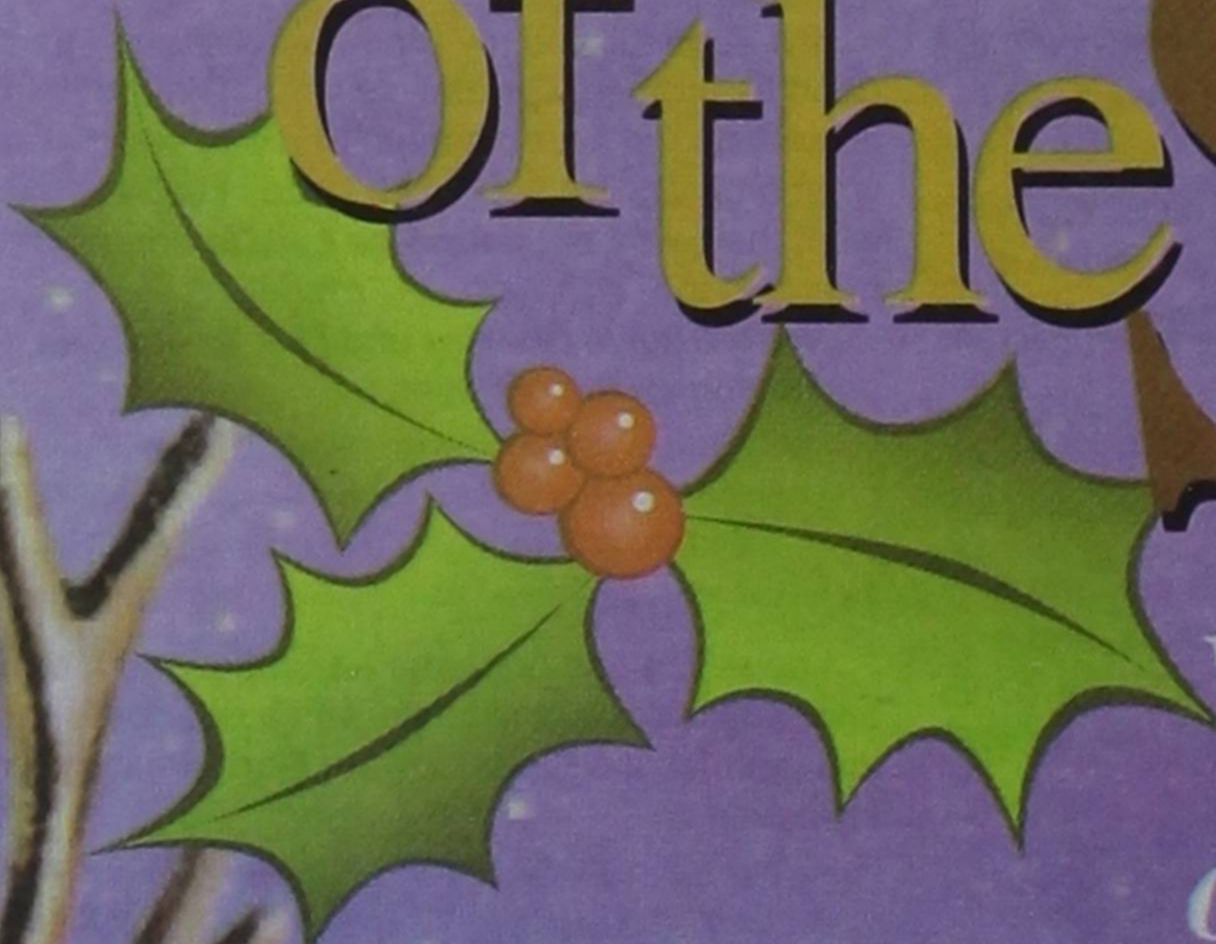
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**Dear Santa,**

I have been very good this year and have helped mommy and daddy with all the animals. I feed them every day and make sure they have lots of water. I love ALL my animals. For Christmas I would like a big cheetah and a little cheetah. I want a Wall E toy too. Thank you Santa. Daddy cleaned out the chimney so you can come down it without getting so dirty. See you soon.

Love,  
Alexis Jantz  
Age 2

**Dear Santa,**

I have tried to be good this year and I hope you come see me. I have been helping mommy with all the baking so we will have lots of cookies when you come to our house. I would like an I pad, a Monster High Doll, and a Hello Kitty game for Christmas. One more thing, how do you get your reindeer to fly? I love you Santa!

Your friend,  
Riley Jantz  
Kindergarten, Age 5

**Dear Santa,**

I want a big nutcracker the same size as me that looks like me. I want a big bag of bacon, a big potato head, The Ninja Turtle Layer with all the turtles and bad guys. How are you doing, Santa? How are your reindeers doing? Merry Christmas Santa!

Love Always,  
Mason Allred

**Dear Santa,**

I want a real guitar and a new Barbie and I also want a Santa doll.  
Merry Christmas!

Love,  
Chelsea Wright

**Dear Santa,**

I want a X-box 260, a new bike, and a sweater. And I want one of those little slap bracelets that goes around your wrist and it sticks.

Love, Christian Henley

**Dear Santa,**

I want an army game. That's all I want. Merry Christmas!

John Anderson

**Dear Santa,**

I want an I-pod, a Nerf gun, a big Lightning McQueen car with a controller, and a phone. Is Rudolph coming this year? Don't put nothing under our Christmas tree cuz a train is under there.

Hayden Elam

**Dear Santa,**

This year I hope I am on the nice list, because my best friend Kennadie is on the naughty list. For Christmas I want you to bring me barbies, a baby doll, barbies, and a stroller. I'll leave you milk and cookies.

Love,  
Addie Beth Roberts  
Age 3

P.S. I love you very much.

**Dear Santa,**

My name is Adrianna. I am four years old, and I live at Hedley. For Christmas, I would like for you to bring me a toy puppy, a baby doll with a bottle and a blanket, and a toy airplane. It would be fun if you would send a bunch of snow so me, and my brother and sister can build a snowman. I can hardly wait for Christmas!

Love, Adrianna

**Dear Santa,**

Please bring me Dora and a Princess Cinderella. And a dragon. I love it.

Thank you,  
Skylar Williams  
Age 2yrs

**Dear Santa,**

I hope you have had a great year. I would like some Army play sets, an electric scooter, play guns and an Ipad this year. I will leave you come homemade cookies and milk.

From, Kasen Hatley  
Age 6

**Dear Santa,**

I have been a very, very, good girl this year. I would like an American Girl baby with the backpack, Butterscotch, a round kitchen and a DS. Please don't forget my cousins and my big brother Kasen

Happy Christmas,  
Love Kinslee Jo Hatley  
Age 4

**Dear Santa,**

For Christmas I want a butterscotch pony, rainbow make up, a baby doll dressed in purple, a doll stroller, a Dora couch, paint set, a shopping cart, Dora kitchen, a baby crib, baby clothes and a dresser for my baby.

Thank you,  
Hannah Curtis  
Age 3

**Dear Santa,**

I LOVE you, for Christmas I want some transformers, a race car, and a megatron.

Your very best friend,  
Kaendan Tylor Moffett  
Pre k

**Dear Santa,**

I have been a very good boy this year. For Christmas, I would like a choo-choo train, some vroom vroom cars to play with, and lots of candy and bananas. I would also like a healthy baby brother. I will leave you some milk and cookies and something special for the elves. Thank you so much Santa!

Love, Keiden Moody  
Age 1

**Dear Santa,**

I want windup Toy Story stuff for the bath tub please. It can walk in the water. I would like princess crowns for my sister and boy crowns for me and my brother. May I please have a big Rex that goes in the water.

Love you Santa!  
Justus  
Age 3

**Dear Santa,**

I would like a DS and Mario Bros 2 and a bike. I would also like a bell with the bike. Can you decorate it with Mario stuff, please? Please bring our whole family to our house. Please let us have snow on Christmas. I hope you feel good!

Jaxan  
Age 6

**Dear Santa,**

I would like some hand bands for Christmas, please. I would like a pretend tea party set and just one princess dress. I would like some high heels. Santa, please give me some princess crowns and some king crowns for my brothers. I love all the toys you bring me!

Love, Millie  
Age 5

**Dear Santa,**

My name is Casey. I would like a scooter, a bigger bike, a new toy gun, a new tv with rockets on it, a toy horse, a wallet, a new pen and spiral, a cell phone so I will stop getting in trouble taking my moms, a star toys that glows, a Ipad, a fish, a bell off your sleigh, Joey to marry mommy, new games and for baby brother to not be sick anymore.

Thank you.  
Love,  
Casey Curtis

**Dear Santa,**

I have been very good this year! For Christmas I want... A Barbie Doll, some new pink sparkle shoes, a baby doll with a bottle, an Ipad, a tangled doll with a brush, a barbie dollhouse, baby doll clothes, Princess clothes, a Teddy bear, lots of clothes like dresses, and one more thing some high heel shoes for my mommy!

Jaymi Mitchell  
Age 6

**Dear Santa,**

My name is Robert. I have been a very good boy. For Christmas I would like to have an Ipad, a rev'n go stunt garage, a red dsi, an Angry Birds game, a drum set, a black camera, and a Razor dirt bike, Merry Christmas Santa!

Love you,  
Robert Powell  
Age 6

**Dear Santa,**

I have been a very good girl this year. For Christmas I want a baby alive, Dora Fantastic Gymnastics, an American Girl that looks just like me. I also want some blue clothes that sparkle and some blue shoes to match, I will leave you some cookies and milk by the stocking holders. I can't

Love, Me  
Gracie Wilkins  
Age 6

wait till Christmas! I hope your reindeer are doing good.

Love,  
Maloree Wann

P.S. Don't forget about my new baby brother Hunter.

**Dear Santa,**

I was a good girl this year! So I want you to bring me a barbie and a minie mouse a tablet like the one my sister has. And lots of chocolates please, oh and a blanket.

Thank You!  
Melanie Mellado  
Age 5

**Dear Santa,**

We love you. This year I would like to have some books since I am learning to read so good and maybe another surprise that you would like me to have. I have been trying to be good. The elf, Jingle, that you sent to my house has been doing a good job watching me and bubba. Can you bring my brother a game he wants also. I will be sleeping in my bed when you come but we will leave you milk and cookies by the fireplace. Have a safe trip Santa. Thanks a lot.

Love,  
Aiden Word  
Age 5

**Dear Santa,**

This year I have trying really hard to get along with my bubba and help mom with my baby sister, Clara Jewell. I would like a majic mermaid, a flying unicorn toy, a train set, an Orbies massage, a Dreamlite bear, and a unicorn Cuddleuppet!

I will have milk and cookie that I helped fix, waiting for you!



## Have Yourself A Merry Little Christmas!

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Dear Santa,

I would like a Dora Adventure kit and a pair of new boots. I would also like a Dora mermaid and a Dora blanket for my new bed. I really want a new Dora chair for my room.

Thank you your friend,  
Hayden Lockeby, Age 5

P.S. I have really been good this year.

Dear Santa,

I would like a real dinosaur egg. I also would like a house for my bugs I collect. I really love Angry Birds, so anything with them on it would be great. Toy Story stuff would be neat like a Toy Story tent. I would like my front tooth back so if you could make a deal with the tooth fairy I would really appreciate it.

Love,  
Zack Lockhart-McKinney  
Age 5

Dear Santa,

I want a baby doll, iPad, Leapster, swimming pool, and a wooden swing set. Oh and a fur real friend Ponie, and a bunny. Please bring my brother and sister what they want. For my mom and dad well get them a vacation for Christmas.

Thank you,  
Lauren Ceniceros  
Age 6

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good ever since mom told me that you have been watching. This has been very difficult as it has been a whole three days!

As you know Nate, mom, and I enjoy having running shoot outs through the house. Sadly, over time, all of our Nerf bullets have gone missing.

I would love it if you brought each of us Nerf guns that shoot the discs. Also, we need ammo. (Please bring only me a spare ammo clip. I am

the youngest, so this would not be an unfair advantage.)

Thank you!  
Daniel Estlack  
Age 5

Dear Santa,

Please, Santa, I would like some Lego's, and some Imaginex, a new bottle of toothpaste, a real robot, a real robot dog, a candy cane, a new dinosaur book, an abacus so I can count by fives and tens. May I also have some stickers, stencils, and a Rudolf mask. My baby sister Haylin would like a baby doll, a baby Jesus, and a kitty cat.

Henry Bivens, Age 6

Dear Santa,

How are you? How are your elves? I wish I could see an elf. Could you send a real one that I could see? I have been good this year. Will you please bring me a Barbie rinse & dry, a party favor shimmer kit and some surprises. Have a safe flight!

Gracie Clark

P.S. I love you, Santa!!

Dear Santa,

Enjoy your cookies. Have a Merry Christmas. There are carrots for Rudolph. I think I have been good. I would like some drums. I would like a dog again just smaller this year. I can't wait to get my picture with you again. And a new backpack, blankie, and lunch box.

Melodee Leith, Age 6

Dear Santa,

I like Santa. I want a stuffed animal dog please for Christmas. This is a lovely Christmas. Can I join you in the show? I hope you have a Merry Christmas.

Love, Ethan Vogelgesang  
Age 5

# Best Holiday Wishes To All



*Wishing you and yours peace, love, and much good cheer throughout this wonderful season. Thanks to all our friends and neighbors for their loyal support.*

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*Don Stone  
Signs*



**Dear Santa,**

We want to play you. We will have cookies and milk for you. I want a unicorn for Christmas. Steven and I love you.

Evelyn Mills  
Age 5

**Dear Santa,**

For Christmas I would like a pellet gun, remote control car, roudolphs red nose for myself, dirt bike clothes, new helmet, new dirt bike boots, cowboy boots and clothes, cowboy hat, a real pony to ride, I also want a Mac Book, helicopter with remote control, games for my xbox, and nikes.

Mason Sims  
Age 5

**Dear Santa,**

I wish for a real rabbit and a real phone. Also would like an I-pad, clothes, scooter, and a real car. I've been very good this year. That's all.

Thank you!  
Savanna Wright  
Age 5

**Dear Santa,**

I want a Thomas the Train black engine, SWAT team suit, and Bat mobile. I also would like a Batman helicopter and a real remote control helicopter. Please don't forget my sister, Ella. We have been good this year.

Love,  
Benjamin Estlack  
Age 6

**Dear Santa,**

I have tried really hard to stay on the nice list this year. Please bring me some new horse pens and trucks. I'd also like a new gun for my dad, and I'm sure my mom needs another necklace. Thank you for everything. I'll make sure mom leaves you lots of cookies and milk.

Love,  
Jackson Graves  
Age 5

**Dear Santa,**

I don't want that many presents this year I just want well lets just say 5 things: 1. I want Skyler to graduate College and live with us. 2. A Lloyed alarm clock. 3. Skippy jon jones books 4. Ninjago legos Cole and Kai I want the Armor one's 5. I want some clothes. And how is Rouldolph and the other reindeer? I've been a good boy this year.

Your Friend,  
Taylor Halsell

**Dear Santa,**

How are you? I have been really, really good this year. My brother has not been really, really good. I will leave cookies and milk for you. I want a kindell fiire and a IPod I want you to give Makena a two and one bracelet this year. I want 3 presents this year.

Piper N. Chambless

**Dear Santa,**

I want a tree topper. I would like a real motercyle. I want a new car and a new puppy. I am a very good boy. How are you and your reindeers?

Love,  
Jakoby Dunham

**Dear St. Nick,**

How are you and the reindeer? I was wondering if you could give me some things from the North Pole? I want an I-pod, guitar, ice-cream maker and a cookie baker. And some Tomi shoes. Also I will leave you cookies and milk.

Love,  
Finley Cunningham

**Dear Santa,**

How are your reindeers doing this year? My friends and I have been very good this year. I would like a puppy, a snow day, I want a coat and some pants for Christmas. We are getting a house in Amarillo I hope it is a 6 bed room for all of us. I hope we have a fireplace.

Your friend,  
Jmaury Keshon Davis

**Dear S.C.,**

I want a snow bunny to play with it in the snow. I want a new puppy. I also want a lizard. I have been good this year. I will leave you some no fat cookies.

Love,  
Ben Benton

**Dear Santa,**

How are you? I have been good this year. I want toys. I want to see you. I want gloves. I want a tree topper. I want a bunny.

Love,  
Samantha Wright

**Dear Santa,**

What are you and the reindeer up to? I have been good this time of year. I want a pet hamster for Christmas.

Love,  
Hailey Wilson

**Dear Santa,**

I hope you have a good trip tp Clarendon and I will leave you some milk and cookies on the table for you and I hope I git a pstav for chrimas and I hope you will make it.

Love, Santa  
By Sylvester Ballard

**Dear Santa,**

How are you and your elves? I want to know if Zipy is telling you if Emmarie and I have been good. I want an ez bake oven. I want a ipad. I want a computer. I want a swimming pool. And I will leave cookies and milk for you.

Love,  
Avery Sawyer

**Dear Santa,**

I will have some cokies waiting for you on Christmas. I have been very good this year. I hope Rudoulph has been a very good Reindeer to lend the sleigh. I wish I could see Rudouplh but I can, not. But what I want for Christmas is a fhone and a leap pad 2 and a I pad 2.

Your friend,  
Aliyah Zarate

**Dear Santa,**

How are you your elves and your reindeer? I have been good this year. I would like an American girl doll and a net for my trampilein. I want a new cover for my bed and some curtains for my window.

Love,  
Jayde Gribble

**Dear Santa,**

How are you, your elves, and Reindeer? Can you tell Rudolf, Prancer and the other Reindeer I said "Hey! Whats up!" What I want for Christmas is a stuffed toy of a girl reindeer and a stuff toy of you Santa Claus. I want new shoes and new clothes. I would like stuffed, of Mrs. Claus and an Easey Bake oven. I am going to lay out cookies and milk for you. I have been good this year.

Your Friend,  
April Franklin

**Dear Santa,**

How are you and the elves? I have been good this year. For Christmas I want my cousins to come down. I want a TV in my room and my sister not to go to college.

Love, Makenna Shadle

**Dear Santa,**

I would like a four wheeler for Christmas. I want a cat. And I have been good for Christmas.

Love,  
Ezzy Luccro

**Dear Santa,**

How are you and your reinders? We do not have a chimney so you have to go through the door. Here comes the present part. I want a big big pillow pet like you gave me last year. I would like movies, shoes, and boots. Bye Bye Santa.

Love your friend,  
Ashley Yankie

**Dear Santa,**

What I want for Christmas is a new puppy and ney bunny. What I want for Christmas a new I pod and a new computer and a desk and a new phone.

Love,  
Emberly Gonzalez

**Dear Mr. Santa Claus,**

I want a wwe 13 DSi game, Madden 13 Dsi game to, I want that wrestling doll that you takes a picture of you. I would like an eletrect guitar and a microphone. How is Rudolph? I've been a good boy and all leave either cupcakes, carrots, or cookies and milk for you.

Love,  
Aidan Kennedy

**Dear Santa,**

This Christmas, I am 6 years old and I have tried to be very good. I would like an American Girl doll and a bath tub and bed for her. My brother, Davis, needs a surprise too. He won't tell me what he wants but I bet you know. Merry Christmas Santa! I'll be waiting for you on Christmas Eve with cookies and milk.

Love, Morgan Johnston

**Dear Santa,**

It's me Emeri, may you please tell my elf on the shelf she's mischievous. She was making a lot of messes. Her name is Annie. I would like a real keyboard, and a American Doll. That looks like me. And some wooden blocks but different shapes Merry Christmas. Santa Claus.

Emeri Robinson  
Age 9

**Dear Santa,**

What I want for Christmas is a phone, some toys, and a ski jacket. That's all I want for Christmas Thank you Santa Claus.

Love Calder Havens  
Age 9

**Dear Santa,**

I want a BMX Bike black and white for Christmas. I also want a four wheeler, and an iPhone. I would like an air soft gun. Merry Christmas

Tristan Aguilar  
Age 8

**Dear Santa,**

What I always wanted was a squishy raindeer. Before I ask for 2 ther things, I wanted to ask how the elves are doing, how is Blixen doing, and how are you doing? Also Merry Christmas the other two thing's I wanted was a squishy Dinosaur and lizards.

Kami  
Age 8

**Dear Santa,**

For Christmas I want a red Desk, a red computer, and a nice elf because I've been waiting for Christmas aand I've been trying to be good as I

possibly can, and it is really hard to be paticnt.

Thank you for Reading My letter,  
Matthew George Jaramillo  
Age 10

**Dear Santa,**

I have been good. I would like a Kindle for Christmas so I don't look for my Ipod and play all day. I would also like a DS, and rollershoes. I would like a DS because, I can play on it in the car. I would like rollershoes because, I could catch up to my mom or dad when were in Walmart. How is you reindeer?

I love Rudolf.

Ashleigh Hatfield  
Age 8

**Dear Santa,**

Last year I got some good gifts. That is cool how the elves made the toys. I would like a light up pillow that you tap and it lights up. I would like a baby doll with accessories and the baby whines it comes with a brush, bottle, highchair and bib, I would like a robot dog that barks, spins, flips, and follows you.

Samantha Clendaniel  
Age 8

**Dear Santa,**

I want only two things this year. It is a Manekin from academy and Black OPS II from Game Stop. Oh by the way how are your raindear?

Rhett Caison  
Age 8

**Dear Santa,**

I have been real good and nice this year. What I want for Christmas is a hot pink bridle. Then I want a roping arena to play with my horses. Then some finger nail polish that is turquis.

Hadleigh Halsell  
Age 9

**Dear Santa,**

I have been good this year. Can I have Snake bite the monster truck, boots, spiderweb, also tell Rudolph I said hi I hope you have a good Christmas.

Jesse Burrow  
Age 8

**Dear Santa Claus,**

Happy Christmas! Are you going to come to Clarendon? Santa, please bring me a baby that says, "Mommy I'm walking" and can walk like my cousin Tristen does. I want to call you on the phone by myself. Do you have a car? I want a glow light animal so when I go to sleep there will be stars everywhere. I want a Doctor tool to put in my ears and listen to babies tummies like Doc McStuffins. I also want a headband with a flower on it and a white coat like Doc McStuffins. I want to do checkups on my babies, Bye-Bye, after while Crocodile.

Love,  
Aubrey Mae Stidham  
Age 3

**Dear Santa,**

Hi Santa my name is Klyllyne. I would like a ipad, barbie dolls, clothes, hair bows, and makeup please. I have been a good little girl this year.

Thanks Santa  
Klyllyne Shelley

P.S. Can you take my baby brother back to the north pole with you? He is only 1 years old but he would make a cute elf.

**Dear Santa,**

My name is Jeremiah. I'm only 1 years old so I'm not asking for much. I like cars, bouncing balls



and food. My family says I'm a garbage disposal because I eat anything and everything. So when we leave your cookies and milk out, I won't promise that I won't take a bite or two but I will leave you some.

Thanks Santa  
Jeremiah Shelley

Dear Santa,

My name is Josie. I would like a baby doll, a barbie, clothes, hair bows and makeup for Christmas. I have been a good girl this year.

P.S Oh Santa can you stretch my big brother so I can wrap him around my finger a little more please.

Thank you  
Josie Murillo

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa my name is Payton. I would like toy cars, big toy trucks, ipad, games and hamburgers please. I also like to build things with my daddy, so tools would be nice too.

Thanks Santa  
Payton Inman

P.S. Could you please give my nama a stocking full of batteries for her cell phone? She says I keep running her battery down by play games on it.

Dear Santa,

How have you been? I only want three things for Christmas. First, I want a X-Cube is you can make me one. I'm not quite shure what they look like but maybe you do. Second, I want the new game Blackops two it has got to be an awesome game. Please make it for me.

Finally, I want some bibieguns I'd like it to be a shotgun or two pistles or some others, Hope you can get me all these things.

Coltyn Morrow  
Age 8

Dear Santa,

I would like a Furby for Christmas. It could be blue or pink or orange. It could be any animal like animal owl. Please. Another thing it an Ipod case. I would like blue with zebra. I would like some clothes like long sleeves with a animal on it. Another thing how are you reindeer? Merry Christmas and happy new year.

Love,  
Joslyn Burton  
Age 8

Dear Santa,

I been really good this year, so can I please have a bike, and please tell Mrs. Claus she does not have to bake cookies for you. Tell her Madison Smith can bake cookies for you, If you can't get me a bike, some how I want to spend a night with my aunt in Borger. I do want some makeup and that kind of stuff. Please santa tell the elves good job on the toys.

Merry Christmas  
Ho! Ho! Ho!  
Madison Smith  
Age 9

Dear Santa,

How have you been? I want three things and that is an elf on the shelf. Second I want boots. Third I want bedroom set. I want it to be pink. I've been so good all year I been nice to people. Tell your reindeer I said hi. Merry Christmas to all of you.

Jasmine Shepheard  
Age 8

Dear Santa,

My name is Tayden Guinn I am 16 months old. I've been such a good boy this year. I would love a bounce bounce tigger and a stride-to-ride puppy.

Could you also bring my uncle Bray a Leap Pad, he really wants one. I will leave you a pudding cup and a glass of milk.

Love,  
Tayden  
AKA Tooterbug

Dear Santa,

My name is Braylen Rice. I am 3 years old and I've tried really hard to be good. Please bring me a Leap Pad 2 and a helicopter. Also, please remember my Bubba and my lil nephew Tayden. They have been pretty good too. I will leave a candy bar and a coke for you and Scooby snakes.

Love,  
Braylen

Dear Santa,

My name is Kortni Davis. I am 3 yrs old and have been a very sweet little girl this year. I am so excited for you to come. I ask my Mommy and Daddy every night before I go to bed if that is the night you are coming. For Christmas this year I would like to have some My Little Ponies, some sparkly shoes, and a Furby. Please don't forget about my sisters, they have been good, but not as good as me. We have will have milk and cookies for you, and we will put some reindeer food out with glitter sprinkled by it so your reindeer will see it shining from our roof top. I love you Santa.

Love,  
Kortni Davis

Dear Santa,

I want an air soft gun with ammo and a paint ball gun and ammo too. And I want Spiderman web shooters with silly spray and a real four-wheeler.

Love,  
Colton Benson

Dear Santa,

I want a nerf gun with ammo and an air soft gun and a car and a horse and a play station 3 and a puppy and a play Santa Clause.

Love,  
Anthony Cenicerros

Dear Santa,

I wish you can be nice and give everybody presents and live happy and that's it.

Love,  
Justin Couture

Dear Santa,

I want a puppy and also a nerf gun with bullets and a remote control helicopter and a swimming pool.

Love,  
Levi Gates

Dear Santa,

I want a nerf gun, an army set, a cowboy set, a Rockem Sockem board game, some new glasses, and a four-wheeler. I also want a goat and some Nintendo games, an iPad, a coloring set, some gloves, a horse, a go-cart, some books, a painting set and a car set. I also want stuff for my momma for Christmas. I want a robot set and a truck and a trailer, and some new clothes and some toy guns. I think that's going to be it.

Love,  
Rowdy Eytcheson

Dear Santa,

I want a new Barbie house and a baby set and a new Barbie bike and a stroller and I want a school set and a tea set and I want a computer.

Love,  
Ashlee Holmes

*Halleluyah!*



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**Dear Santa,**

I would like an iPad and an iPod and a case for both of them. I would like an army play set, Lego Lord of the Rings playsets, a handgun BB gun, and a Sheriff suit.

Love,  
Kasen Hatley

**Dear Santa,**

I want an American girl doll with a bathtub and a bed.

Love,  
Morgan Johnston

**Dear Santa,**

I want a dirt bike, a four-wheeler, a go-cart, a sled, and a little motorcycle driver.

Love,  
Jayson Kidd

**Dear Santa,**

I want a dart set and a hamster and lots of hunting and army games,

Your friend,  
Toby Leeper

**Dear Santa,**

I want a toy shotgun and a toy rifle and a real computer.

Love,  
Steven Mills

**Dear Santa,**

I want a Leap Pad and I want a Barbie doll and pictures of my family and one of Mrs. Gribble and toys and a kitchen, papers, markers, baby horses and necklaces and pictures of Mrs. Gribble and her daughter and granddaughter and a computer and pictures of all my friends and pictures of second graders and pictures of reindeers and pictures of horses and pictures of Santa.

Love,  
Lameicia Moore

**Dear Santa,**

I want a four-wheeler and a rodeo set and a ranch set. I want a racecar set, a Santa sleigh and reindeer, a kitchen set, a new rifle, and a BB gun and a dirt bike.

Love,  
Jared Musick

**Dear Santa,**

Thank you that we have a Christmas this year. Thank you, Santa, for giving us presents. Santa, how are you doing? This year, can you bring me a Barbie set and some clothes and may I please have a book that has Jesus and some new shoes and some new scarves and some new earrings.

Love,  
Anna Randall

**Dear Santa,**

I hope I see you soon. When I see you, you might be laughing and I might be laughing too. When you see me, I might ask for some Barbies cause it is very fun.

If you see me playing with my Barbies you might be laughing and I might be thinking about you and you probably will be thinking about me too.

Love,  
Itavianna Randall

**Dear Santa,**

I want a DS, an iPad, and iPhone, and a computer, a baby kitty, a pet bird, and a toy of Mrs. Gribble, and a toy of Santa and an important jar, markers, scissors, snowman, and a little Christmas tree and a white board and I want a toy of me and

sticky notes and new tissues, new staples, and new timers.

Love,  
Meghan Squier

**Dear Santa,**

I would like two dolls.

Love, Summer Thomas

**Dear Santa,**

I want a toy Santa Clause with reindeer and a sled and I want a big, big, big bear and a toy bluejay and a toy awesome car and a regular deer and a stuffed angel and a stuffed cheetah and a big, big, big panda.

Love, Riley Wade

**Dear Santa,**

I want a horse, some chaps, a new cowboy hat and new boots.

Love, Wyatt Lewis

**Dear Santa,**

I want an Ipod, a warm blanket, DS pens, a Fortune Cookie maker, Fake glasses, Baby Lipstick, a Secret Journal, Money to help us so my Mom can stay home at night, School clothes, Socks, Charm Bracelet, and a Dallas Cowboy ornament. I would also like a snow globe and a King Size Kit Kat. I appreciate your Elf "Chipper" here watching me and my sisters.

Love, Carly Herrera

**Dear Santa,**

I want the Elf on a Shelf movie, a coat, charms for my charm bracelet, I love clothes and shoes too. New black TOMS and makeup. Thank you for Chipper watching over us and all the toys you give us!

Love, Dani Herrera

**Dear Santa,**

I have been kinda good! I would like an Elmo, some new clothes because I am growing really fast, some books and puzzles. Anything else you bring me will be fine, because I will just be getting into everything my sisters get anyway! I was going to leave you cookies and milk, but Carly thinks you need coffee. It is her favorite and she says it will get you warm! Hope you like it!

Love, Mallory Herrera

**Dear Santa,**

My name is Matthew and I am 5 months old. I have been a really good boy for my Mommy and Daddy so I hope you will come visit me on Christmas. I would really like a John Deere tractor that I can play with and a pair of work boots so I can help my Daddy on the farm. I also love to get on the floor and play so some more toys would be nice, too. Oh, and don't forget about my cousins Ben, Ella and Gage.

Your little friend,  
Matthew Alan Newhouse  
5 months old

P.S. I'm not sure what these things called "cookies and milk" taste like because my Mommy and Daddy say I can't have them yet, so I will leave you my favorite things to eat. I love a good jar of squash baby food and a bottle of formula!

**Dear Santa,**

For Christmas I would like a MacBook Pro, a Canon Rebel for my mom, three beanies one for each family member, three winter jackets one for each family member, books for my mom, and books for me and my brother doesn't like to read so no books for him.

Thank you,  
Tanner B.

**Dear Santa Claus,**

For Christmas I want a new bike and a ipone 5. That is not all I will like. Also a MP3 Player and a macbook Pro.

Thanks you For your Firen  
Tavivna

**Dear Santa,**

I want a Panda Bear and a 3DS, but any kind will work. Also if you can get me to see my sisters that would be great and I want a dog. I want a fish and some contacts so I do not have to wear glasses. Also if you could get my grandmother what she wants, and last but not least I want my family to be happy.

Love your Friend,  
Autumn Hale

**Dear Santa,**

I am Chad Voyles and here is my list, Zombie Hunter Blaster airsoft Rifle, Marines Ishewed Stingers for airsoft, a Bretta Pistol for Airsoft, 2 of the 2,000 round B.B.s, Wii Sports Resort, House of the Dead Overkill, Avator for Wii, A toy AK 47, A Airsoft Grenade.

Sincerely,  
Chad John Dale Voyles

**Dear Santa,**

I know you might be wandering what I want for Christmas, well here you go. For Christmas I would want a Bmx bike, play station and games to go with the play station, a awesome remote control helicopter and a MP3 player.

Your funny friend,  
Jamal

**Dear Santa,**

This is my wish list for Christmas, I would like a knife that is hand carved, the movie Shy Fall on blue-ray, a emergency kit, 12 gauge shotgun double

Your friend,  
Trent Smith

barrel, \$250, leather wallet, bicycle, phone, water bed, iPad, and for my family to have the best time ever. That is what I want for Christmas.

**Dear Santa,**

All I want for Christmas is two furry blankets; to keep me warm and that is it.

Your Friend,  
Erykah

**Dear Santa,**

You can just get me anything you want and I will still appreciate your gift no mater what it is. Thanks you for your time.

Your friend,  
Samara J.

**Dear Santa Claus,**

For Christmas I want a lalalupsey doll, go cart, and a shepherd I love animals; also I like bears go cart so I want one I want a lalalupsey doll cause I want a doll to play with and because when I was little I used to pretend to make my dolls talk. I would also like a posters or dolls of Justin Bieber and Taylor Lautner cause they are my favorite boy singers and actors.

Your friend,  
Raynee Newsome

**Dear Santa,**

The only thang's I want is a husky and a Fixed blade knife. A Swiss Army knife or a knife with the Alamo on it. This knife is at country flowers and bloomers. I would also like a Blackhawk 45 old version.

Your Friend,  
Clay



# PEACE ON EARTH

And warm wishes to you, our neighbors  
and friends, this holiday season.

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Dear Santa,

All that I want for Christmas is an iPhone. The reason I want an iPhone is because, it's cool. You can call and text people and also you can download music and games. I've wanted an iPhone for so long.

Sincerely Yours,  
Braylee Danielle Shields

Dear Santa,

Wool you please get me baby butterscotch? Wool you also get me a scooter? I would also like a real black and white dog with fur. I want a pink girl stocking, not just a red one. I want a cell phone and some snow to come down whenever I go outside. That is all. Be safe. I made you a picture and will have cookies and milk waiting for you.

Love Elliot Frausto  
Age 5

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas! This will be my 1st Christmas and I am so happy! I can't wait to unwrap my big sister & big brothers present (hehe) I have been very good this year and I love Mickey Mouse clubhouse! I hope you have a safe trip this Christmas.

Love,  
Leelann Wayne Beaudoin  
Age 10 months

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl and I am on the nice list. I would like a bike and a tennis racket and maybe some stoppies and a dream light. Connie Woods wants cooking stuff, Janice Bennett wants new curtains for her kitchen, Tammy Owen wants a new purse, Paige Drakely wants new shoes and clothes. Please don't forget me and my friends.

Kenidee Hayes  
Age 4

Dear Santa,

I want Batman, a cowboy hat, a new bike!! I've been a very good Boy this year. Thanks for sending my brother and I "Lucky".

Coulter Wortham  
Age 4

Dear Santa,

I would really like to have a Woddy doll for Christmas. I would also like to have Thomas the train train tracks. Thank you for all my presents last year, I promise I will have cookies and milk waiting for you.

Love, John Holt  
Age 4

Dear Santa,

My name is Brayden Jacob Goodwin I am 3 years old. I want a real talking Dinosaur and a truck and a big talking cowboy, and more playdoh, and some more book's about Dinosaur's. I will give you cookies.

Thank you,  
Brayden

Dear Santa,

I am writing you to let you know what I want for Christmas. I want a princess book, jeep, motor cycle, a real computer, race cars, Barbie, real make up, dress up clothes, a wand, movies, Dora mermaid, and mermaid kingdom. I also want a camera, jewelry, new bows, boots, a star for our Christmas tree, a new purse.

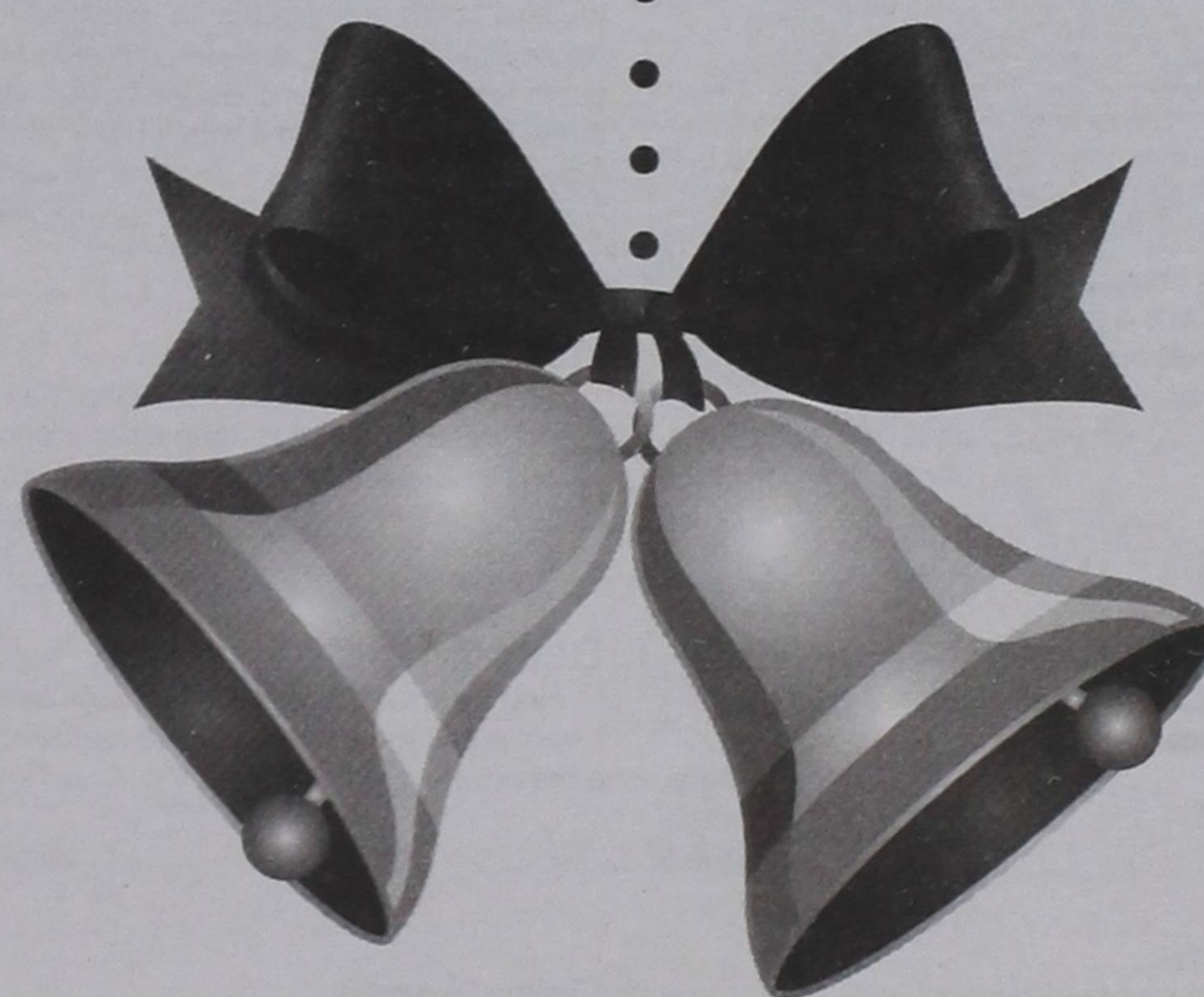
Thanks you,  
Kami Fierro  
Age 4

Dear Santa,

I would love to have for Christmas, Scooby Doo toy, new shoe's, spongebob toy, Dora toy, new hat, a new Santa, candy.

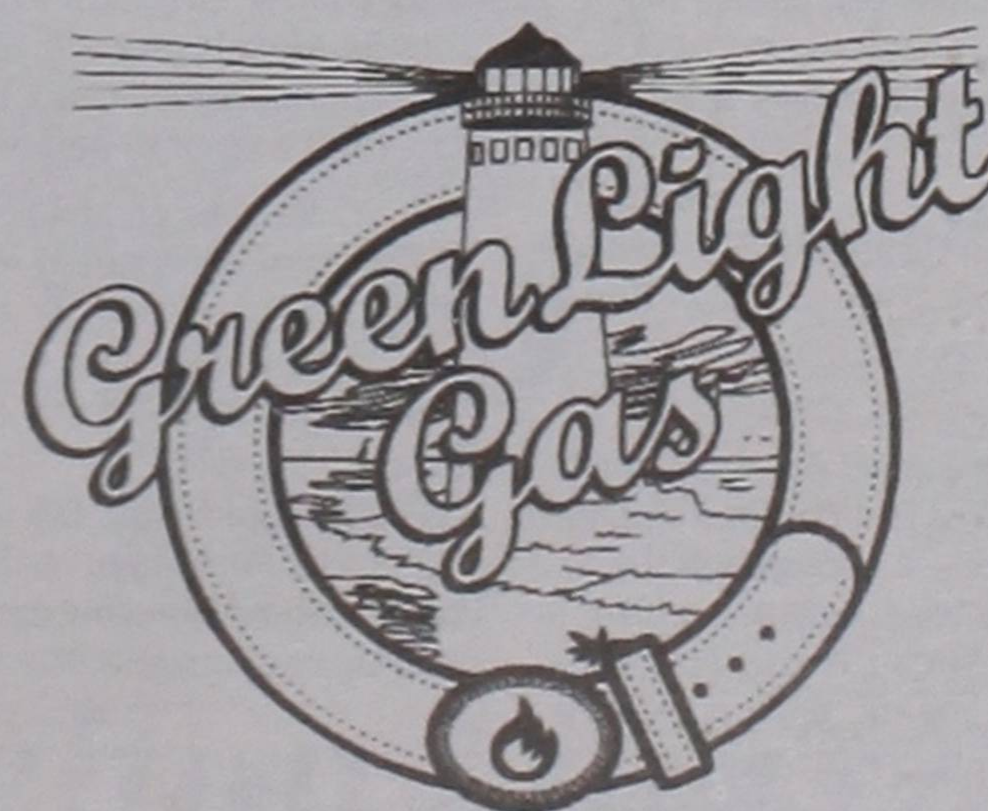
Thank you

Love, Miranda Godwin  
Age 5



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**Dear Santa,**

I would love to have for Christmas this Year princess toy's, Barbie toy's, new hat, train, baby doll.

Thank you,  
Karly Keen  
Age 4

**Dear Santa,**

I have done my very best to be a good little girl this year. It's been kind've hard especially since I have 2 brother, but I tried! For Christmas I would like a dollhouse, clothes, a new Barbie, a princess crown, earrings for church, a new baby doll & Barbie songs. Oh & I guess you could leave a toy or two for my brothers Collyn & Xander. They have sort of been good.

Love you Santa & have a safe trip,  
Alexis "LuLu" Phillips  
Age 4

**Dear Santa,**

I love you I have a pig toy. I want a fire truck. Goodbye Santa. That's all. And that is all I want to say to you, now.

Love,  
Asher Sommers  
Age 5

**Dear Santa,**

My name is Kaleb Mays I am 5 years old. I would really really like an elephant cuddle up it and cars 2 video game. Also a new wagon. And a Sponge bob lunch box. A bike with training wheels. Also some stompies for me & my brother. And I want a cars map mat.

Kaleb Mays  
Age 5

**Dear Santa,**

I want an army gun and a play Christmas tree. I want a toy star to go with my Christmas tree and something to hold the Christmas tree up. I want a play baby Jesus and his daddy to be there. I would also like a little boy's camel so he can ride it when he gets sleepy.

Patrick Dickerson  
Age 4

**Dear Santa,**

I would like a candy bar, batman car with batman, puzzles, hat, batman pajamas, and a necklace like daddy's.

Aiden Jay Morris  
Age 4

**Dear Santa,**

Thank you for the gifts last year, I loved all you brought me. This year I would like a Mickey Mouse Camera (aka: hot dog), some snow on Christmas, money drawer (cash register) with a quarter in it, some cupcakes, pillow pet (white); please tell Rudolf & the elves Hi!!!!

P.S. I will leave you some yummy mike & cookies by my tree!!!

I love you!!!!  
Makayla Bowman  
Age 5

**Dear Santa,**

I have been a good boy this year! For Christmas I would like... lots of toy cars, a Batman that flies, a tractor, a racetrack for my cars, a spongebob toy, a superman, a spiderman, a toy puppy that walks, some movies, a new pair of shoes, a new TV for my room, a toy cell phone, and one more thing I want a tool bench and some tools just like my daddy!

Kristian Mitchell  
Age 4

**Dear Santa,**

For Christmas I would like black shoes, a purse, a Barbie girl hat, a Barbie doll with dresses, a play kitten that meows because mine doesn't work anymore, my mommy to get well, some makeup, a pretend fishie, a stuffed Winnie-the-Pooh, a bike helmet, skates, a scooter, pretend food, for the play kitten and a bottle for the little kitty, And I would like a pretend anteater, a pretend fox, maybe some jewelry, a pretend Barbie house with lights that work and a crib in it with a baby. And pretend flowers. Thanks You!

Autumn Beall  
Age 4 1/2

**Dear Santa,**

First, I want a basketball goal that has a rill back bord. Next, a bike that is John Deer green and yellow. Last, a small pickup that is a ford.

Brock Hatley  
Age 9

**Dear Santa,**

First I want a baby doll with a pink outfit. Second I want a stuff horse with a white saddle. Last I want a dress with a white belt.

Love,  
Jami McConnell  
Age 9

**Dear Santa,**

First I want a 3DS with a Maryow Brothers cipe. Second I want a Bay Blayd and a Bay Blayd set and a Bay Blayd names pegases, Last I want a puppy a bule pupp. Light brown and a puppy size.

Sincerely,  
Kendall K  
Age 9

**Dear Santa,**

I would like to have a iphone because we could play games and I would like to have ipad and bomb game.

Love,  
Rutik Patel  
Age 10

**Dear Santa,**

For Christmas I want a dimond necklace I wan the color blue. Next I want a purse. Iwanr it to be purple and white. I want it to be zebta stripe. Last I want a bulldog. I it to be white and brown and I want to be a female. While your giving presents I hope you are safe, and when giving me my presents I hope you don't get stuck in the Chimay.

Love,  
Lilly Shadle  
Age 8

**Dear Santa,**

How are you doing. What I want for Christmas. First I want a Xbox 360 the game I want is call of Duty-5#. Next I want is a I-Pod touch the back of it to be a basketball case. Last I want a new TV. I want my TV color to bed red, black and needs to be a flat screen.

Love,  
Jodee Wayne Pigg  
Age 8

**Dear Santa,**

First, I would like a DS with games like Mario 1, 2, 3 and Pecto chat. And sticks formy DS. Next finally, I would like New earrings that are diamond, danglely and 1 carate. P.S 1 carate means the size.

Love,  
Mycah Woodard  
Age 9

**Dear Santa,**

First, I would like a necklace that is pink that has perrles on it and I would like it to be pretty. Then, I would like some makeup and I want it to be pink and to be kids and it to be light. Last, I would like some pairs of errings to be gold and with sparkle and I would like it to be dangly.

Love,  
Kaylee Bruce  
Age 8

**Dear Santa,**

First, I would like 4/g light phon. I would like the color to be black and blue, but a touch screen phon, next, I want a laptop. Can it be black and a mediam size, Last but not least I want some books, classic ones, but kid's books.

Love  
Audrey Cason  
Age 9

**Dear Santa,**

First, I want a bike I want it to be pink and fast and cool. Next, I want a slad to rind and I want it to be pink and to be fast. Last, I want a sekking toys for my puppy she is a girl so get a pink one.

Love,  
Isabella Kate Martinez  
Age 9

**Dear Santa,**

First, I want call of duty II for the Xbox 360. Next, I want a black remote plane and a orange helicopter. Last, I want a blood hound puppy black.

Gaven Nazario  
Age 8

**Dear Santa,**

First I would like a game called Just dance 4 I

want it so I could dance to the new songs what they have on it. Next I would like a American girl doll her name is Mkenna and she has a cast. I would love to play with her lots of times. Last I would want some clothes that has zebra stipes on it and some new pants.

Love,  
Kaitlyn Davis  
Age 8

**Dear Santa,**

First, I would like an outside dog. I would like it to be a lab and it to be golden and a girl so I can dress her. Next, I would like a Elf on the shelf. I want it to be a girl and it wearing a skirt with a t-shirt. I want ot to be adorable. Last, I want a diamond necklets. I want it to be shiney and golden and I also want it to be pretty.

Love  
Shania Brown  
Age 9

**Dear Santa,**

First, I would like all the skylanders characters for the wii. Second, I would like shylanders Giants in wii. Last, I would like all shylanders Giants characters for wii.

Sincerely,  
Josiah Howard  
Age 9

**Dear Santa,**

First, I would like a BB gun with a case and the color would be brown. Next, I would like a Ben ten watch and the color would be green and white. Last, I would like an ipad and the color would be black and it would have lots of games.

Matthew Powell  
Age 8

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Wishing you an abundance of glad tidings at this special time of year.

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Dear Santa,

First, I want a Buldozer with a truck to pull it. Secont, I want a four g iphone with a case, coler camo. Third, I want a gun case with my name Koyt Tucek on it.

Koyt Tucek  
Age 9

Dear Santa,

I want an ipod so I can listen to country music. I also want a new skateboard. I would also like a trampoline and an ipad. I want some new cowboy music. I also want a new skateboard. I would also like a trampoline and an ipad. I want some new cowboy boots too. I am going to leave you some chocolate cupcakes to eat. Since I have been good. I would also like a remote control boat. Please bring my little brother a semi truck and a cattle trailer!

Harrison Howard  
Age 7

Dear Santa,

For Christmas this year I would like a toy bear, a play station 3, a toy Santa so I can remember Santa all year long, a toy train with a track so the train can go around and around, another puppy and a toy tractor that U can sit in and drive around. Are your elves real? Do they make our presents? Does Rudolf really have a shiney nose? I have been really good this year. I will have some chocolate cookies and milk for you at my house.

Jesse Miller  
Age 7

Dear Santa,

I want a computer and a play kitchen. I also want my own dress up clothes. I want a play puppy dog too. I also want play food to go with my play kitchen. And I also want play animals. I am going to leave you sugar cookies and milk.

Bayleigh Bruce  
Age 6

Dear Santa,

I only want one thing this year. I want a toy poodle. I am going to bake gingerbread men with my mommy and leave them for you.

Maria Cash  
Age 6

Dear Santa,

This year I want some new clothes. I also want some shoes to match. I want a Pudolph book to read. I have been really good this year so I hope Santa will bring me gifts. I am going to leave you chocolate chip cookies because they are my favorite.

Mya Edwards  
Age 7

Dear Santa,

I want a dirt bike and an ipod so I can listen to country music. I want some cowboy clothes to wear. I want a bike too. I want an xbox 360 with some army games to with it. I am going to leave you chocolate chip cookies with milk. I also want a snowman shirt to wear.

Zackary Franklin  
Age 7

Dear Santa,

I want a .243 rifle. I want a bow and arrows to go with it. I want an Ipad too. I want a cat as well. I would call him kit-kat. I will leave you chocolate chip cookies and milk.

Easton Frausto  
Age 7

Dear Santa,

I want some chocolate cupcakes. I also want

some sugar cookies. I want a poster with a flag on it. I want a Christmas tree too. I want some clothes and some matching shoes. I am going to leave Santa a book to read and some cookies. I also want an Ipad and a soccer ball. I would also like a volleyball and a Barbie Dolls and, a regular doll. I would also like a new backpack.

Thanks Santa.  
Jmaysia Harps  
Age 6

Dear Santa,

I want a dirtbike and a playstation 2. I also want a Spongebob movie too. I want a PS2 Ben 10 game. I want a Ben 10 watch and a scooter. I want some stompies too. I am going to leave you cookies and a thank you card.

Warren Mays  
Age 7

Dear Santa,

This year I would like a trampoline, a pet reindeer, ipad, a new mp3 player, Leapster, another dog, computer, an oven for kids, a jar of butterflies, an elf. I am going to leave Santa a thank you letter.

Emma Roys  
Age 7

Dear Santa,

This year I would like a now blaster, a Nintendo DS 3, roller skate shoes, a Wii U, a blow up football, clothes, new shoes, a new bike, laptop, racing games, shooting games, and a basketball.

Lyric Smith  
Age 6

Dear Santa,

This year I would like an ipod, and ipad, a pink bike, a small dog, a horse, boots, a calf, a laptop, any kind of games, PlayStation, a scooter, and elf on the shelf, and a cell phone. I am going to leave Santa some chocolate chip cookies.

Graci Smith  
Age 6

Dear Santa,

This year I would like a toy Santa Clause, a toy Christmas tree, a star for my Christmas tree bike, a toy snowman, a gingerbread man shirt for boys, a Christmas tree shirt, and a snowman shirt. I am going to leave Santa milk and cookies.

Reagan Wade  
Age 6

Dear Santa,

This year I would like a dool, clothes, tennis shoes, animal games, princess games, stuffed animals, teddy bear, and a Barbie doll. I really hope Santa will bring me this stuff. I'm going to leave him on Christmas Eve to tell him what I want.

Aubryanna, Age 6

Dear Santa,

This year I would like a Nintendo DS, Mario games, a computer, princess stuff, a crown, dress-up stuff, play makeup. Hello kitty games for my computer and DS, and another bike. I am going to leave Santa some chocolate chip cookies and a small glass of milk. I hop Santa doesn't get a tummy ache.

Leighanna, Age 6

Dear Santa,

I want a leapfrog Ipad this year. I would also like Barbie's, a Caroline doll with clothes and a bed, a set of Minnie and Mickey walkie-talkies and a Hello Kitty recording camera that also takes pictures. One more thing I would like is a Cinderella tea cart. I will leave out some cookies and milk for you.

Kynna Phillips  
Age 6



Glad Tidings to You!

May the coming season bring peace, joy and harmony wherever you are.



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Dear Santa,

This year I would like a pink 4-wheeler for girls, a dog, a Barbie digital that has a camera, a mini trampoline, a scooter and a basketball net with a ball. I have been very good this year. Thanks you for all the presents.

Elyza Rodriguez  
Age 7

Dear Santa,

This year I would like a mini cop car that I can sit in and drive, a sleigh, a Santa mask, a cowboy hat, a wagon and a big stocking filled with candy. I will leave you some chocolate chip cookies and some milk.

Lacob Murillo  
Age 6

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I would like Mario Brother 2, a D.S. to play with, a new bike, a new pet like a hamster, a new book to read and a stuffed animal.

Jaxan McAnear  
Age 6

Dear Santa,

I am just 3 months old this Christmas, and my big sister Maloree thinks you should stop by for a visit. My big Sister thinks I need some presents this year. So far I have been a very good boy. I want a play motorcycle, a play guitar, a blue cricket rifle so me, my sister, and my daddy can go deer hunting. We are baking chocolate chip cookies and will have you a glass of milk sitting on the table. We hope you have a safe trip.

Love,  
Hunter Wann  
Age 3 months

Dear Santa,

Thanks you for everything you do, such as bringing me presents, even though I didn't exactly get what I wanted last year. It really didn't matter. I ended up getting something anyway. I would just like to say is that I really appreciate every single little thing you do for me. That is a blessing ok! I almost forgot. For Christmas I would like some money.

Your Friend,  
Zhala

Dear Santa,

Thanks you for the presents from last year. I still have them. This is what I want for this year, an I-Phone 4, xbox 360, Halo 2, a Halo Mega block set, and a couple of character books. I wish you a Merry Christmas!

Sincerely,  
Ethan Cason

Dear Santa,

I want to thanks you for all the presents I received last year. This year I want a xbox 360 with kinecte. The games I want is Call of duty world at war, Call of Duty black opps II, and for the Kinecte I want Wipe out and Wipe out II. I hope you get this letter and have a Merry Christmas.

Your friend,  
Aaron Roys

Dear Santa,

I remember when I sat in you lap at the mall. I was scared, but now I'm not. Thanks you for beinging me presents for all the years, but this year I want a puppy, purple and pink colored bike, a brand new scooter that matched my purple and pink bike. Please remember to ear my chocolate chip cookies and drink my milk. I hope your reindeer will eat the food we make.

Your Friend, Kaylin Hicks

Dear Santa,

Thank for all the things you have gave me. This year I would like some books, a scooter, a D.D some clothes, shoes, and games. P.S. I will have cookies got you and I hope you like them.

Your friend,  
Amnesty

Dear Santa,

Thank you for my gifts last year. How is Mrs. Claus and how are you? How are your elves? How is Donder, Dasher, Comet, Cupid, Dancer, Vixen, blitzen, Rudolph? Heres what I want for Christmas, high hill shoes and a camera. This year I want to give you Holly cookies with hot coco. Merry Christmas Kris Kringlz.

Your friend,  
Brooke

Dear Santa,

I remember when I was three and I was scared of you when I sat on your lap at the mall, but nor I'm not. For Christmas can I have a ipod, white board with markers, a new bike, a real new born puppy, and things you give me. I hope you and all the reindeer haver a merry, merry Christmas. I think that you are very, very, very nice. I hope you give me what I want. Merry Christmas! ☺

Your friend,  
Hannah

Dear Santa,

Thanks you for everything you have done. So, I would like one thing for Christmas and it's a metal det. If not that then my family. One Day of the year you get millions of treats, like cookies and milk. Besides it is only one day of the year, so enjoy everything. Merry Christmas Santa. P.S. Please tell Rudolph my forth grade class said, "Hi!"

You friend,  
Levi Eytcheson

Dear Santa,

What I want for Christmas is a scooter, skate board, air hogs helicopter, nerf hail fire, DC shoes, foot ball, asasins creed III, game sonic, basketball, DC hat, glow in the dark xploders, pogo stick, remote control boat and the present that I mostly want is a Merry Cristmas to all.

Your friend,  
Jordan Evans

Dear Santa,

Thanks you all for the things you got me. I didn't understand why you came through our chimney, until I turns five years old. I heard about your reindeer cupid and Donder. The one with the red nose is names Rudolph yes, I know all those things now. But I hope I have a very Happy Christmas.

Your friend,  
Ivan

Dear Santa,

For Christmas all I want is a laptop, a barbie, an X box 360 and a game, I also would like a nice Christmas with my family. I would like to say thank you for what you've given to my family for Christmas these past few years. I hope you will have a nice Christmas. I hope I do, too.

Sincerely, Sophia

Dear Santa,

I would like to thank you for all the presents you gave me, buy this year I do not want clothes. I want an ipod, new phone, a new mongoose bike with solid tubes and pegs, just dance 4 super Mario cart and Tony Halwks ride all for the wii, also 3 more wii controllers, a Automatic air soft 2 with a metal body and some bullets for it, two pistils with holsters and extra Ammo clips with them,

You friend,  
Travis

Dear Santa,

I'm going to make it easy on you, so just please send me "50" bucks. Thanks for all the toys I got last year. I want a bunch of other things, but that's all in these magazines. There is one thing I really, really want. I remember this cool seat hanger that's for outside, and you get in it. It sort of looks like a Chrysalis and it can hold up to three kids! Can you get something special for my Bubú and mommy? Have a very merry Christmas!

P.S. Don't eat too many cookies!

Sincerely, Jacie

Dear Santa,

I would like to thank the people for all that I received last year. This year I would like a blue sled enough for my puppy and I. this is his first Christmas with my family. This is special to me. I also would to like to wish everyone a very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Your friend,  
Aubrey Jaramillo

Dear Santa,

Thanks you for the presents you bring every year, I really do appreciate it! But, this year if I have been kind enough, will you please bring me a kindle fire. I promise, if you do, I will give you the best cookies ever! Thank you, for all you do for the world!

Your friend,  
Shylee Morrow

Dear Santa,

I remember when I met you I was one years old. Santa, we always feed your reindeer. Sorry if they go crazy. I hope you and Mrs. Clause have a Merry Christmas! I want a puppy, golf cart, and a flat screen tv.

Your friend,  
Ashlynn

Dear Santa,

Thanks you so much for all the presents I received last year. This year I would like to have a few things for my mini Chihuahua. I would like to have toys with her name on it. Her name is Ginger. She needs a new collar and leash with polk-a-dot on them. I hop you have a Merry Christmas.

Your friend,  
Jordan J

Dear Santa,

How have you been doing this year? There are a lot of things I want for Christmas, but mom bought me almost everything I wanted. What I want from you is a lot of cute clothes, a mini laptop and some more jewelry. One more thing. Can you let everyone have a Merry Christmas and give every kid a great Christmas present from you.

Your friend,  
Gracie Shadle

Dear Santa,

Can I please have a dirt bike, a drum set, a tank with shark minnows and an Ipad? Can I also have war movies for my 3DS. Hope you have a Merry Christmas!

Your friend,  
Carl Thornton

Dear Santa,

Mt. Santa I thought you might want to know what I want for Christmas, but first I want to ask how you are doing? Are you elves doing ok? Is Mrs. Clause doing ok? When you give me my presents I want most of them in front. What do you say we move on. For Christmas I want the book called "heaven is for real," and this video game called Epic Mickey, SkyLanders, and a golden Eye. I know it's not much but it will save you and your elves the work. Merry Christmas.

Yours truly,  
Ethan Babcock

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and Happy  
New Year  
from all  
of us at  
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## WITH OUR THANKS FOR YOUR READERSHIP!

No matter how you get your news, we hope the holiday season delivers an abundance of glad tidings to your doorstep. We appreciate your loyal support and look forward to your continued readership.

*Roger  
Ashlee  
Freddy*

THE CLARENDON ★  
**Enterprise**

*Morgan  
Tara*



**Dear Santa,**

I know you've been through a lot, but I am going to be asking you some questions. So, how are your reindeer? Is it rough for the elves this year? Is it rough for you this year? I really don't want much this year, but I want an American doll and a lava lamp. Thank you so much!

Your friend,  
Roxana

**Dear Santa,**

How are you doing this Christmas? Can I please have an Exploder, a dirt bike, a new bike that says cool on the wheels a Star Wars Lego set, the biggest one, Halo 2 action figure, the Zombie one. I also would like a Lego star wars III, and a Golden Eye VII.

Your friend,  
Tyler Paul

**Dear Santa,**

I've been trying really hard this year to be good. How have you been? How's Mrs. Claus. I would really like a Baby Alive Doll, the Baby All Gone, a stuffed penguin, a new controller for my lap top, a fashion designer book, a dog, and family and friends. That's what I want most of all. One more thing I want is a Barbie that can clap. I hope it won't be too much trouble to give me a merry Christmas. This is the one holiday that's my favorite. I hope it won't be too much trouble.

Your friend,  
Armani Jackson

**Dear Santa,**

How are you? For Christmas I would like some Bella Sara cards, some new wii games and some crayons and colored pencils. I would also like a basketball and an American Doll (Mckenna please). Thanks you. How are your reindeer? And I would also like a Bella Sara toy horse. I don't care which one.

Your friend,  
Kailee Osburn

**Dear Santa,**

How have you been this year? This year I would like a zebra ipod touch case, light blue, hot hot pink, lime green, or neon light bright yellow I would also like a light blue and or lime green cross, a zebra bed cover, light blue or lime green, a \$100 itunes gift card, six pairs of miss me jeans, a zebra dress an old John wayn movie 3 if you please, last, but not least, a book collection of Beverly Clear books.

Your friend,  
Izzy Craft

**Dear Santa,**

How are you doing in your work shop? I miss you from last year. Although the presents are long gone, so I need some new cool ones. This year I would like a piano, some more roller skates, some Hello Kitty headphones, and some new boots. Thanks you for every year of your working. P.S. I'll leave you some cookies on the fire place.

Your friend,  
Jade Benson

**Dear Santa,**

I know you've been through a lot and there's a lot I want to have, so here it is. I really want Mario Galaxy, Mario cart. Just Dance 4, a bible, a lava lamp, an IPAD, a computer, and an Iphone 5. I hope you have a Merry Christmas and if I get these things I'll have a Merry Christmas too.

Your Friend,  
Jordan Thomas

**Dear Santa,**

How are you today, if I may ask? Can I have an,

electric scooter? If I could get a present for my dad, my mom, and my two sisters that would be great! Here's what they all want: an iPad, just one, and an art studio for my two sisters.

Your Friend,  
Angelina

**Dear Santa,**

I know you are busy but I have to tell you something. May I have a box of modeling clay and some One direction tickets and two shirts with One Direction on them? One more thing can you please let everyone have a good Christmas since hurricane Sandie hit Jersey may you help them by giving some food and water to? Maybe, you can use your magic.

Your friend,  
Megan A

**Dear Santa,**

I know you have been through a lot. How are you and your reindeer doing? Can you get me a brand new bike, and an xbox 360? I will have you some cookies and milk on the table. I'm going to give you thanks for getting me presents though the years. I also wish you a Merry Christmas.

Your friend,  
Antwan Bassett

**Dear Santa,**

I was just wondering how are you this Christmas? Can you try your hardest to get me The "Kylie Jean" collection books, and games, and videos, Iphone, "Judy Moody" collections, the binder with the strap, water bed, Easy Bake oven with the easy bake stuff, Art Studio, a "Wal-Mart" play store with all the "Wal-Mart" stuff you need. Animal Plant, a DSi game, the board game, Quizmo, dresses, "Ina Pickle," book, and Beverly Cleary Book?

Your friend,  
Stephenie Kennedy

**Dear Santa,**

I sincerely want a new bike a guitar, a DS3, the board game headband's, a video camera, just Dance 4, nonfiction and fiction, even folktales, a radio, a flat screen TV, and a Glowing Arow to help Santa, I also would like a nutcracker, a high speed helicopter, more ornaments and a roller coaster for Santa so he can go down the chimney.

Your friend,  
Gavin Hall

**Dear Santa,**

How are you doing, Santa? Oh! You probably should lay off the cookies, ok? I would like a paint ball gun, dirt bike, and an air soft gun. That is just the start. I also want \$2,000 in a box, so I will know that the \$2,000 is there. And I want a hound dog pup too, and a clown fish. That is all I want. Still, lay off on the cookies, but eat mine!

You friend,  
Robert McGuire

**Dear Santa,**

How have you been this year? For Christmas I would like Snoopy Snow Cone Maker, the new movie Call of the Wild, and a Barbie with silky hair with arms and legs that move in the elbows and knees.

Your friend,  
Malerie Simpson

**Dear Santa,**

I have been good this year. I would like a Bambi DVD, Open Season 3 DVD, a 3 Mouseketeers DVD, a Rudolph DVD, a soft Starfish, a soft Leopard, a soft Fox, a soft Husky, a soft Penguin, a soft Chihuahua, a soft Jeanette and Eleanor Chipmunk, a toy Jesse from Toy Story, some pajamas and

house shoes. Please remember all the other children.

Thanks you,  
Anna Hardy

**Dear Santa,**

Hi! My name is Cooper McCleskey and I am 8 years old! I live in the city of Lelia Lake in the state of Texas which is in the country of U.S.A! I have been trying really hard to get on your "nice" list this year. Some of the wonderful things I have done are helping my Granny put up the Christmas tree, helping put up the Christmass Nativity, and put up the garland. I have a few special Christmas wishes. They are a basketball goal, a Ipod touch, and a play station 3 with a football game. I am very excited for your visit! I promise to leave out some cookies for you to snack on! Please give my favorite reindeer, Rudolph, a hug for me!

Happy Holidays!  
Your Pal,  
Cooper McCleskey

**Dear Santa,**

Hi! My name is Kylie Rose and I am 9 years old! I live in the city of Hedley in the state of TX which is in the country of U.S.A! I have been trying really hard to get on your "nice" list this year. Some of the wonderful things I have done are being nice to my sister, I help my mom, and I take out the garbage. I have a few special Christmas wishes. They are for my sister to be nice, I want to have the best birthday, and a DS for my sisters. I am very excited for your visit! I promise to leave out some cookies for you to snack on! Please give my favorite reindeer, Dancer, a hug for me!

Happy Holidays!

Your Pal,  
Kylie Rose McCann

**Dear Santa,**

Hi! My name is Reese and I am 9 years old! I live in the city of Hedley in the state of Texas which is in the country of the United States! I have been trying really hard to get on your "nice" list this year. Some of the wonderful things I have done are going to my mama's house, I jump high, and I go to sleep at my bedtime. I have a few special Christmas wishes. They are an x-box 360 with Minecraft, a green 4 wheeler, and a Lego Minecraft. I am very excited for your visit! I promise to leave out some cookies and milk for you to snack on! Please give my favorite reindeer, Dancer, a hug for me!

Happy Holidays!

Your Pal,  
Reese Watt

**Dear Santa,**

Hi! My name is Elijah and I am 8 years old! I live in the city of Memphis in the state of Texas which is in the country of U.S.A! I have been trying really hard to get on your "nice" list this year. Some of the wonderful things I have done are helping my mom change diapers, I help my brothers clean our rooms, and I carry out the trash. I have a few special Christmas wishes. They are an x-box, Isaac to be a little nicer, and a PlayStation. I am very excited for your visit! I promise to leave out some cake and milk for you to snack on! Please give my favorite reindeer, Prancer, a hug for me!

Happy Holidays!

Your Pal,  
Elijah Thomas Booth

**Dear Santa,**

Hi! My name is Ashara Arguello and I am 9 years old! I live in the city of Hedley in the state of Texas which is in the country of the United States! I have been trying really hard to get on your "nice" list this year. Some of the wonderful things I have done are take care of my brother, I help my mom

clean, and I help do the dishes. I have a few special Christmas wishes. They are a fortune cookie maker, a diamond necklace, and a stuffed penguin. I am very excited for your visit! I promise to leave out some cookies and milk for you to snack on! Please give my favorite reindeer, Rudolph, a hug for me!

Happy Holidays!

Your Pal,  
Ashara Arguello

**Dear Santa,**

Hi! My name is Matthew and I am 8 years old! I live in the city of Hedley in the state of Texas which is in the country of U.S.A! I have been trying really hard to get on your "nice" list this year. Some of the wonderful things I have done are I took out the trash, I did the dishes, and I feed the dogs. I have a few special Christmas wishes. They are a WiiU, an Ipad, and Mario 2 for the WiiU. I am very excited for your visit! I promise to leave out some cake for you to snack on! Please give my favorite reindeer, Rudolph, a hug for me!

Happy Holidays!

Your Pal,  
Matthew Scot Huffman

**Dear Santa,**

I have tried very hard to be a good boy this year! This year for Christmas I would like a Mario Brothers Wii game since mine quit working. I also would like a Wreck-It-Ralph game. A train would be nice to have too and I could always use a new John Deere Tractor. Don't forget Emeri and all my cousins! Have a safe trip and I'll leave cookies and milk. Thanks Santa!

Love,  
Kreed Robinson  
3 years old

**Dear Santa,**

How is roodof and Mrs.Claus? Well what I want for Christmas you say? I want a leap pad 2 and a iPod and a iPad. Thank you Santa and have a safe trip.

Aleyan Zarate grade 2 and age 7.

**Dear Santa,**

For Christmas I want a iPad and iPod, a Barbie doll for Christmas and I been good. Be safe Santa!

Thank you,  
Emily Gonzalez  
Age 8

**Dear Santa,**

Can I please have some toys form your sleigh I just whang three cool three toys and I am going to put it on the paper that I am writing on can I please have a Apod and a bike and can I please have a nitendo. I hope you have a safe drive driving the presents to the people. I been good for you not noddy.

Love,  
Jacauavion Brown

**Dear Santa,**

I want a monster high doll, and a book the title is I Spy Christmas, I want a book that has girls and stickers the title is Sticker Dollie Dress Popstars.

Love,  
Addison Willcughby  
Age 7

**Dear Santa,**

I want a bake it ball, boots, Nintendo, Thake you have fun on your trip!

Adrjana Araujo  
Age 7



Dear Santa,

I want a doll and a iPad and a toy horse. Hi my name is Brenna. I love you! I want to see you. Merry Christmas, have a good Christmas, and I'm 7.

Brenna Ellis

Dear Santa,

How has Mrs. Claus been? I am 7 years old I have been good. For Christmas I would like a orbes soothing spa, a mp3 player, and a iPad. Thank you have a safe trip. There will be cookies on the table for you.

Your friend,  
Brooklyn Williams

Dear Santa,

I want a 3DS and a ball and basketball court. Have a great day,

Damien Jaramillo

Dear Santa,

I what a ballerina tutu, a ballerina doll with a tutu, and a tree house. I am 8 years old. I have been good this year. How have you been, how is rodof? How are you? How is Mrs. Claus?

Your friend,  
Corina Wyrick

Dear Santa,

I would like a iPad for Christmas and a elf hat for Christmas and a costum for Christmas. I am in 2nd grad.

Have a safe trip,  
Brandon Hatfield  
7 years old

Dear Santa,

How has it been? I want a new Wii and a hot wheel track and a bike. I am 8 and I am in second grade.

Merry Christmas,  
Nathan Estlack

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl this year. I would like a Baby Alive with food and diapers, a real guitar, and a pink computer. We will leave you milk and cookies by the fireplace. I love you, Santa.

Elaina Estlack  
Age 4

Dear Santa,

I hope I get for Christmas an I-Pod oh and a I-Pad so I hope you have a good trip. Oh and a bike.

Love,  
Kinleigh Dunham

Dear Santa,

Is Roodoff's nose bright enough to have a safe trip? Can I have a real friend baby butter cup, Nintendo 3, and some dress up games for my Nintendo 3. P.S. Are you going to polish Roodoff's nose to make his nose really shiny? Have very safe travels,

Laney Gates  
Age 7  
Second grade

Dear Santa,

I want a tree house and a tool box and tools. Have a good trip. I'm in 2nd grade.

From,  
James Robinson

Dear Santa,

Would you please bring me a baby doll that giggles like Haylin's, a gun that makes sounds, all the parts of the Spiderman costume, a big toy monster remote control truck, a robot and robot dog (whole set) that moves all over the place, a remote control helicopter like Henry's, and a magic ball and magic key that gives magic powers that picks me.

Thank you,  
Haughton Bivens  
Age 4

## Bring Christmas Home

*As we welcome the holiday and all that it represents, we're reminded of the many people who have pulled for us this year, and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts. With warm wishes for a wonderful Christmas and a happy and successful New Year.*



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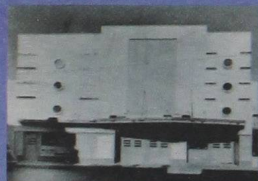
We would like to thank everyone for their support this year and wish all a MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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## BRING BACK THE *Mulkey*



PHASE ONE exterior work on the Mulkey Theatre is underway and will be completed in early 2013. When finished, the Clarendon Economic Development Corp. and generous benefactors will have invested more than \$230,000 to purchase the building, install a new roof, restore neon lighting, renovate the old barber shop for office space, and give the theatre a gleaming new face.

PHASE TWO interior renovations will restore the Mulkey as a movie theatre and also renovate the building for use as a Convention & Visitors' Center to host conferences and public meetings. The estimated cost of PHASE TWO is \$1.4 million, and grant applications are already being submitted.

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