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Cold temperatures make for a cool parade

Saturday's frigid temperatures appeared to have reduced the numbers of spectators and participants in Muleshoe's annual Christmas parade. Pictured above, the parade begins its trek down Main Street.

Santa letters from area students

The following letters were briefly interrupted on their journey to the North Pole.

Miss Barrera's Kindergarten Dillman Elementary

Dear Santa,
I want a power ranger, spider man, and batman.
Love, Samuel

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and a motorcycle.
Love, Hector

Dear Santa, I want a four-wheeler and gas to go with it.
Love, Adrian

Dear Santa,



I want a power ranger, a transformer, and another really big transformer.
Love, Ethan

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie, a Barbie car, and a baby.
Love, Sarah

Dear Santa,
I want a DVD player and movies to go with it.
Love, Joel

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle and a motorcycle bike.
Love, Noah

Dear Santa,
I want a Dora the Explorer computer.
Love, Michelle

Dear Santa,
I want hot wheels and a truck that says Hot Wheels.
Love, Mel

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie car and a ball.
Love, Valentina

Dear Santa,
I want a Dora the Explorer computer.
Love, Nikole

Dear Santa,
I want a four wheeler for my dad so he can take me for a ride.
Love, Dylan

Dear Santa,
I want a trampoline and a heart.
Love, Zara

Dear Santa,
I want a Power Ranger XPD and a Sponge Bob book.
Love, Nathan

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York named 'Miss Texas Farm Bureau'

An 18-year-old business student at Texas A&M was crowned "Miss Texas Farm Bureau" during the state's largest family farm organization's annual convention in Arlington on Dec. 2.

Shelley York, the daughter of Phillip and Diane York of Earth, graduated from Springlake-Earth High School in 2006 before entering the business school at College Station.

Burglaries keep officers busy

A series of residential, business and vehicle burglaries that have occurred during the past week are under investigation by the Muleshoe Police Department.

According to Police Chief Brian Frieda, the majority of the vehicles entered have been unlocked, indicating the thieves involved are possibly young opportunists walking around after dark. The police chief encourages residents observing individuals walking about late at night to notify the police department at 272-4569. Along with locking their vehicles, drivers are encouraged to place their packages and merchandise they've purchased while Christmas shopping in their vehicles' trunks, so as not to display them. Residents are also cautioned to watch for suspicious strangers entering the unoccupied homes of their neighbors.



Photograph by Larry Thornton

Bbbrrrrrr!

Last week's snow fall, followed by lots of sunshine joined together to give this residence on the west end of Muleshoe a rather spectacular set of icicles.

Local Weather

Thursday
Mt. Sunny..... 48/21

Friday
Sunny..... 55/24

Saturday
Sunny..... 57/27

Sunday
Mt. Sunny..... 59/30

Monday
Few Shwrs..... 60/32

Tuesday
Shwrs..... 58/27

Wednesday
Mt. Sunny..... 53/25

Give It
A Thought
Important!
Let's remember
Christ's birth is the
reason for the season

Words to ponder from Beverly

Missed your paper?
Call the carrier Bobby Flores at 806-891-3950 (leave a message) or call the Journal at 272-4536, between 8:00 a.m. and 5 p.m.

The Christmas Angel: Part 5

By Larry Thornton

Sheriff Johnson and Gardner arrived about half an hour later. After introductions had been made, Lynn and his family along with the sheriff made themselves scarce while the DHS worker interviewed Timothy.

Just as he'd said what seemed countless times before, Timothy responded to each question with an "I don't know" or "I can't remember."

What's your real name... "I don't know."
Who are your parents... "I don't know."

Where are you from... "I can't remember."

How did you get here... "I don't know."

Where do you go to school... "I don't know."

How old are you... "I can't remember."

The list questions went on and on, with Gardner scribbling each response down. Then after awhile, the content of the questions began to change slightly.

"How do you feel about the Archers?" Gardner asked.

Timothy's response was preceded by an audible sigh, as if he were relieved to finally be asked a question to which he had something he could say. "I like them," the boy said. "I like them a lot."

"Have you enjoyed staying here on their farm?" Timothy nodded.

"Do you have a favorite farm animal?" Gardner asked.

Timothy thought for a moment before telling the welfare worker he liked the



young animals best.

"Have you been around farm animals before this?"

"Yes," Timothy said, an expression of surprise suddenly appearing on his face.

"You remember playing with other small farm animals?"

"I... I think so."

"Can you tell me where?" Gardner asked.

"I kind of remember a

barn," Timothy said. "I'm not..."

"Do you remember where the barn was, or who else was there?"

For a second, it looked as if Timothy was about to answer, but his expression suddenly became one of confusion. The boy's teeth pulled at his lower lip as he thought about what he was trying to say.

When it became evident the boy wasn't going to be able to answer the question, Gardner changed to another question. However, the responses were once more full of the "I don't knows" of earlier.

After another 15 minutes passed without anything remotely helpful coming out, Gardner ended the interview.

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Lynn Archer watched as

the sheriff and Gardner turned from the drive onto the country road leading back toward town. As he turned back toward the house, he couldn't help but wonder at the small revelation the DHS employee's talk with Timothy had brought about.

After the interview, Gardner had been convinced Timothy's memory was finally returning and expressed his opinion that the boy most likely had grown up on a small farm somewhere.

However, Archer quickly put a damper on such thought, pointing out that even if the boy recalled being around farm animals he didn't

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Mule Moments

By Jessica Thornton

Muleshoe's winter wonderland

I know several people are hoping for a "winter wonderland" this holiday season and some who are not. Last week, Muleshoe got a small taste of that winter wonderland and I can honestly say that the weather made a liar out of me.

With the rumors going around school that there was a chance of snow, I didn't believe them because of the fact that every snow there has been since I moved here has been in March when spring is about to start.

I didn't believe that we were actually going to get snow at a normal time of year and I didn't fully believe it until Thursday morning when I saw how much snow we had gotten overnight.

I am also going to admit

that I hate snow. I know it comes in handy to delay school or get us out of school, but I still don't like it.

The weather is unbearable when it's extremely cold, and when there is wind or wind chill that makes things much worse and much colder.

As a kid, I loved playing in the snow. I would hit my brother with a few snowballs when I had the chance, making snow angels and a snowman was also part of the fun, but now that I'm older those things don't really entertain me anymore.

We all have our phases of fun and that was mine, but since I now have to get out in the cold and take my brother to driver's ed and warm my car up, I am no longer big on the snow or the cold weather that usually comes with the winter season.

Because of the snow on Thursday I didn't drive to school, but I still had a car to clean off on Friday and that was much worse, due to the snow that had melted on Thursday and become ice overnight. I had to clean the snow off my car before I went anywhere.

A lot of people really enjoy the beauty of winter because of the scenery that a snow storm can leave behind.

I'm not saying that winter isn't beautiful, it just isn't one of my favorite seasons.

I'm not just not big on cold weather... but snow days are a different matter.

Christmas in the Country

Trinity Christian Center Church will be hosting its seventh annual "Christmas in the Country" benefit concert on Thursday, Dec. 7, at 7 p.m., at the church, located on the corner of 18th and W. American Blvd., in Muleshoe.

The event — which helps to raise funds for "Meals on Wheels" in Bailey County — is free admission and open to the public. However, donations will be accepted for the nutrition program.

Doors will open at 6 p.m., and refreshments will be served during intermission. For additional information call 272-3877.

Lazbuddie blood drive

The Lazbuddie community blood drive has been set for Dec. 4, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Lazbuddie Methodist Church, Hwy. 1172. To schedule an appointment call 331-8800. Donors will receive a holiday ornament.

AA meeting

Those looking for help with problem drinking can do so at open AA and Al-Anon meetings being held at 7 p.m. each Friday at the First United Methodist Church, at 507 W. 2nd. Please use the west side entrance. For information about these meetings call 806-965-2870.

Alzheimer care givers to meet

Bailey County Aging Services and Texas Cooperative Extension, Bailey County, have formed a support group for the care givers of Alzheimer Disease patients. The next meeting will be Dec. 12, at 6:30 p.m., in the dining room of Muleshoe Area Medical Center. Tammara Frieda of Accolade Home Health Care will be the presenter.

For more information contact Debbie Crabtree, Bailey County Aging Services, 272-3647, or Mandi Seaton, Bailey County Extension agent — Family and Consumer Sciences agent, 272-4583.

Cancer screening clinic set

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic at Muleshoe Area Medical Center on Jan. 8 and 25. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. Call 806-356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

Diabetes support group

The Bailey County Diabetes Support Group will meet this month on Tuesday, Dec. 19, at 6:30 p.m. in the dining room of the Muleshoe Area Medical Center. The program will be "Holiday cooking well with diabetes." People with diabetes are two to four times more likely to get heart disease.

This program is free of charge.

For more information contact Mandi Seaton, Bailey County extension agent • Family and Consumer Sciences, 306 West Second, Muleshoe, or call 806-272-4583.

Food pickup set for Saturday

Muleshoe Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts will be picking up sacks for 'Scouting for Food' this weekend, Saturday, Dec. 9, around 1 p.m.

The Food Bank reports that it is entirely out of canned food, and any assistance possible to help restock their shelves would be appreciated.

Christmas Card Project deadline set

The deadline for donations to Muleshoe's Christmas Card Project, which benefits the residents at Park View Nursing Home, is 5 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 18.

The funds raised this year will be used toward the purchase of a new large screen television at the nursing home.

Donations are being accepted at both Muleshoe State Bank and the First Bank of Muleshoe, or donors may contact project chairperson Joyeline Costen at 925-6731.

Dillman students presenting 'The Littlest Reindeer'

Second grade students at Dillman Elementary will be presenting their Christmas play "The Littlest Reindeer" on Monday, Dec. 11, at 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. in the Dillman gymnasium.

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Flores licensed by Calvary Baptist

By Nelda Merriott
Journal contributor

Jonathan Flores was honored Sunday, Nov. 26, at the Calvary Baptist Church of Muleshoe, where he was presented his license to preach the gospel by Bro. Jeff Coffman, pastor of the church.

Numerous members of the church spoke of his inspiration to them and his commitment to the Lord's service.

Flores teaches the adult Sunday school class at Calvary Baptist, and on Nov. 26 gave his testimony and also preached the morning and evening services.

After the evening services, a fellowship dinner was held.

Flores, and his sister Becky, received a large gift basket plus a number of cards.

God began Flores' preparation for the ministry as early as high school.

For all four years of high school, he was a Lincoln Douglas debater, which helped him to become a great speaker and astute thinker.

His hard work and dedication in his pursuit of learning made him an excellent student. He graduated from Muleshoe High School in 1995.

He spends countless hours studying the Bible and related material, and makes great use of his computer as a study tool also.

Flores has been in the ministry for more than eight years. He taught the Calvary Baptist Adult Sunday School class for over four years.

Flores, his sister — Becky, and brother Gabe moved to Houston for 3-1/2 years, but have recently moved back to Muleshoe.

While in Houston he taught the adult Sunday School Class at Gideon Baptist Church for the 3-1/2 years there. He has filled the pulpit for the pastor both in Muleshoe and in Houston on several occasions.

While in Houston he was able to minister various churches, at the Star of Hope, a homeless shelter, and the downtown streets of Houston as well as the Harris county jail.

At the age of 4, Jonathan was in a car accident caused by a drunk driver.

He sustained neurological damage, resulting in impaired motor skills. The doctors initially thought he would never walk or talk again, but God had other plans. He brought him through numerous surgeries and



JONATHAN FLORES AND BECKY FLORES

procedures. Despite chronic pain, Flores' spirits remain high.

His sister, Becky, drives for him and helps him with all of his daily needs.

She carries his Bible and steadies him as he walks. Jonathan gives her much credit for his ability to serve.

Gabe is also a help. The three siblings have a home together in Muleshoe.

They are the children of Tammy Lueras and Freddy Flores.

16th & D church to hold services

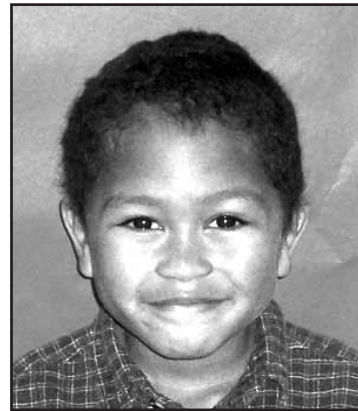
16th and D Church of Christ has scheduled a series of Christmas "advent, prayer and devotional" services to be held Dec. 11-22, at 10 a.m., according to Curtis Shelburne.

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Lazbuddie students honored

Fourth grade student Halden Ivy, the son of Lanse and Shelly Ivy, pictured above on the left, and Kindergarten student Christopher Uvalle, the son of Maria Davila, on the right, were honored by the Lazbuddie ISD this week.

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

I just wanted to express a warm thanks to the participants of our Christmas parade and to all those who endured the cold temperatures Saturday morning and your support of the Saturday festivities that took place throughout the day.

The parade was indeed a small success, but successful no doubt because of the dedication of individuals who participated and the support of the Muleshoe community.

I have been fortunate to work with so many terrific people, organizations and businesses thus far. I am grateful and appreciate all their support and 2007 shows to be just as promising.

Once more let me say Thank you to Muleshoe and to our neighboring friends that make my job enjoyable.

Thanks for all you do!

Martha Hunnicutt, manager
Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture

The Sanctuary Choir of First United Methodist Church of Muleshoe will present "Ceremony of Candles" — A Christmas Cantata — during our 11 AM worship service Sunday, Dec. 10, 2006. Everyone is invited to attend. 507 W. 2nd Street

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Obituaries

Terry Williams

A church service for Terry Williams, 42, of Lubbock, formerly of Muleshoe, was held on Monday, Nov. 27, at the First Assembly of God Church of Muleshoe with the Rev. Jack Stone officiating. Burial followed at Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

Williams died on Friday, Nov. 24, 2006, in Covenant Medical Center of Lubbock. He was born on May 8, 1964, in Muleshoe to Billy Frank and Joyce Williams. He was preceded in death by his father in 1991.

Survivors include his mother — Joyce Williams of Muleshoe; three sons — Gerry Williams and Rowdy Williams of Lubbock, and Terry Williams of Bryan; a sister and her husband — Peggy and Wendell Williams of Lubbock; and two brothers and their wives — David and Carol Williams of Bryan and Billy and Sharon Williams of Lubbock.

Memorials may be sent to the American Diabetes Association, 8808 Slide Road, Lubbock, TX 79424.

Frank O'Dell

A church service for Frank O'Dell, 81, of Amarillo, formerly of Sudan, was held on Dec. 1 at Sudan Church of Christ with Terry Wilson officiating. Burial followed in Sudan Cemetery.

O'Dell died on Tuesday, Nov. 28, 2006, in Amarillo. He was born on April 21, 1925, in Korral Co., Mo., and married Betty Louise Gunn in Clovis, N.M., on Jan. 24, 1975. She preceded him in death on Feb. 20, 1995.

He was also preceded in

death by his parents; one daughter — Thelma Thompson; and two brothers — J. W. and Charles O'Dell.

O'Dell moved to Sudan from Stratford in 1995 and had been a resident of Amarillo since 2004.

He was an U.S. Army veteran of World War II, and worked as an auto paint and body repairman. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include a son — John Robert O'Dell of Kansas City, Mo.; a stepson — Craig Turner of Garland; three daughters — Reva Britt of Amarillo, and Kathy Catlin and Sandra Jordan, both of Lewisburg, Kan.; a stepdaughter — Roxanne Pollard of Grandbury; a sister — Cordia Gleason of Fritch; 13 grandchildren and 10 great-grand-children.

Delbert Black

A memorial service for Delbert Black of Farwell was held on Dec. 4 at the First Baptist Church of Farwell with Bart Burnett officiating.

Black died on Thursday, Nov. 30. He was born on Jan. 19, 1937, in Clovis, N.M., and married Annette Leveridge of Muleshoe on March 24, 1956.

In 1963, they moved from Muleshoe to Farwell. Black was plant manager for Loomix, where he worked for 35 years.

He was also a member of

the Texico-Farwell Rotary Club.

Black was preceded in death by his father — Ray Black.

Survivors include his wife — Annette; three children — Beth Black of Lubbock, Brent Black of Claude and Betsy Burnett of Pagosa Springs, CO; a sister — Fern Cagel; and 10 grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the Texico-Farwell Rotary Club, P.O. Box 920, Farwell, TX 79325.

Jeremy Rivera

A church service for Jeremy Rivera, 27, of Muleshoe was held on Dec. 4, at the Church of God of the First Born with the Rev. Ramon Mendoza officiating. Burial followed in Bailey County Cemetery.

Rivera died on Nov. 29, 2006, in Muleshoe. He was born on March 3, 1979, in Seminole.

Rivera was preceded in death by his mother — Guadalupe Maestas.

Rivera had lived in Muleshoe all of his life, and worked as a laborer on a calf farm.

Survivors include his sister — Gina Regalado of Muleshoe; two brothers — Frank Maestas, Jr., of Muleshoe and Anthony Maestas of Hugoton, Kan.; and his stepfather — Frank Maestas, Sr., of Muleshoe.

Bridal Shower



ABBY LAWRENCE

Lawrence, Kirby feted at shower

A bridal shower honoring Abby Lawrence and Cody Kirby was held at the home of Kay Lepard on Saturday, Nov. 11.

The prospective bride is the daughter of David and Jan Lawrence. The prospective groom is the son of Craig and Carolyn Kirby.

Hostesses for the event included Tiffany Boehning, Tracy Been, Brenda Black, Carren Black, Kim Birkenfield, Rayniel Bamert, Terry Byers, Dana Heathington, Hollye Hooten, Rhonda Head, Debbi Hutto, Kelly Heinrich,

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The hostess' gift presented was a gift certificate for a refrigerator.

Among the guests in attendance were Betty Kirby, Roxie Stroud, Brittany Stearmer, Marki Stearmer, Sandra Dickey, Staci Burris, Lil Pollard, Carlene Stroud, Gwen Sinclair, LaTonya Stroud, Amy Burris, Cassie Kirby, Jacy Lawrence, Jandi Lawrence, and Landri Lawrence.

Births



LUKE HUDSON REUTER

Luke Reuter

Paul and Amy Reuter of Austin announce the birth of their son, Luke Hudson Reuter, on Nov. 6, 2006, at 2:57 p.m., in Austin.

Luke weighed eight pounds, eight ounces at birth and was 21 inches in length.

He has two siblings — Blake, 6, and Kate, 3.

Luke's grandparents are Bob and Vicki Reuter of Albuquerque, N.M., and Robert and Sharon Montgomery of Muleshoe. His great-grandparent is Laverne Bernethy of Dimmitt.

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Sports

Varsity Mules dominate the Wolverines during season play

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Mules dominated the Springlake-Earth Wolverines in their home season opener. The Mule defense gave up eight in the opening frame and then settled in to hold the Wolverines to eight more in the final three periods.

Shaking the rust off their shooting stroke the Mules bested the Wolverines 52-16.

The Shallowater Shootout was the first tournament of the season for the Mules. They squeaked by the Farwell Steers 43-40 in the opening round and then fell to the number four state ranked Shallowater Mustangs 63-37.

The Mules met the former district foe Lubbock Cooper Pirates for third place. Scoring only two points in the opening period the Mules fell to the Pirates 43-32.

Eric Washington won the tip against the Wolverines and sent the ball deep toward the Mule basket. Garrett Riley out raced the Wolverines to the ball and drove to the hoop for a lay up.

TJ Brantley muscled his

way to the hoop for the Mule's second hoop. The Wolverines matched the Mules first two buckets. Washington added a pair of free throws before getting open on a break down the lane. Brantley delivered the ball for an easy basket for an 8-4 lead.

Springlake-Earth battled back to cut the Mule lead to 10-8 at the quarter break.

The Mule defense held the Wolverines to a single point in the second period. Dustin Barker exploded for six of the Mules eight points in the second period for an 18-9 Mule lead at the half.

The Mules held the Wolverines scoreless in the third period for seven minutes and 53 seconds. Riley opened the half with back to back buckets with assists from Washington and Colby Carpenter.

Washington stuck back a rebound to put the Mules up 24-9. Brian Poynor crashed the offensive boards and was fouled on a put back. He made one from the line. Carpenter picked up an assist as he zipped the ball down the lane to Julio Bustillos in the lane.

Barker picked off a pass and drove the floor and then stuck back an offensive



Photograph by Norm Brantley
Mule Eric Washington encounters a pack of Wolverines.

rebound on the Mule's next trip down the floor. The Wolverines scored with seven seconds left in the period with the Mules leading 31-11.

The Mules saved the best for last by pumping in 21 in the final eight minutes. Carpenter and Tony Guzman got in the scoring act with a bucket each. The Mules held Springlake-Earth to five in the fourth quarter.

Barker led the Mules with 14 points and Riley, Washington and Brantley added eight apiece. Bustillos dropped in six,

down by another point as the Steers made 16 to lead 35-26 with eight minutes left to play. The Mules held Farwell to five in the final frame and pumped in 17 for the lead and the win.

Brantley led the Mules with 10 points, Riley hit a 3-pointer and made eight of his nine points in last quarter and Patrick Precure made a trey in each of the final two period for eight points. Washington dropped in seven, Barker five and Poynor had a trey and a charity toss for his four points.

The Mustangs of Shallowater held to Mules to single digits in the first three frames to lead 51-23. The Mules played hard but were no match for the ranked Mustangs. The Mules came firing back in the frame to out score the Mustangs 14-12.

Precure hit four 3-pointers all in the second half to lead the Mules with 12 points. Brantley dropped

in nine, Barker five and the Steers made 16 to lead 35-26 with eight minutes left to play. The Mules held Farwell to five in the final frame and pumped in 17 for the lead and the win.

The Mules got off to a slow start against the Cooper Pirates and scored only two points. Precure dropped in a trey in the second frame and the Mules trailed 21-10 at the intermission.

Cooper kept the Mules out of rhythm in third period and added five to their lead. Poynor knocked down 3-pointers on back to back trips down the floor as the Mules tried to make a come back. The Mules out scored the Pirates 15-10 in the final eight minutes.

Brantley paced the Mules with eight points, Poynor had seven, all in the final period, and Riley dropped in five. Washington, Barker, Precure and Carpenter made three points each.

The Mules hosted the Farwell Steers Tuesday and are in the Abernathy Shootout Dec.7-9.

JV Ladies Mules down the Lady Wolverines in home game

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The JV Lady Mules came back from a one point half time deficit to down the Springlake-Earth Lady Wolverines 39-31 in front of a home crowd Tuesday night.

Mother Nature played havoc with the opening round of the Muleshoe JV Basketball Tournament as snow forced several teams to call and cancel.

The Lady Mules fell to the Sudan Hornettes on Friday 33-28. The Lady Mules bounced back on Saturday to take third place by defeating the Morton Maidens 48-12.

Janae Pyle stuck back an offensive rebound to give the Lady Mules the lead. Gizell Vasquez dropped in a 17-foot jumper on an in-bound play. Ashley Cisneros drove the baseline for a bucket as the game saw-sawed back and forth.

Vasquez finished a break to put the Lady Mules in front to stay with three minutes left in the third period. Pyle stuck back a rebound and Cassie Steinbock dished to Ashley Cisneros to finish a break and open 29-22 lead. The Lady Wolverines cut three from the lead before the period ended.

Springlake cut the Lady

Mule lead to two points before BreAnn Baca found Vasquez open on the blocks for a bucket. Vasquez answered a Wolverine free throw with a drive down the lane.

Pyle blocked a shot at the four minute mark of the final frame. Cisneros was fouled shooting and made one from the line. Kathryn Owens added one from the line. Baca drove from the wing to draw the defense and dished to Pyle for a 37-30 Lady Mule lead.

Owens stick back ended the Lady Mule scoring for the night.

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Lady Mules fall to Lady Wolverines in hard fought game

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Springlake-Earth Lady Wolverines avenged their 51-35 loss to the Lady Mules in the Acuff Tournament by dropping the Lady Mules 51-49 in the Muleshoe Athletic and Convocation Center Tuesday night.

The second tournament slump that has plagued the Lady Mules for several seasons is still intact. The Lady Mules lost to the Dalhart Golden Wolves 71-65 in overtime in the first round of the Nazareth Girls Basketball Tournament.

The Lockney Lady Horns were no match for the Lady Mules in the consolation bracket. The Lady Mules nailed five 3-pointers to out shoot the Lady Horns 49-40.

The Abernathy Lady Lopes all but shut out the Lady Mules three out of four periods to take Consolation 46-20. No Lady Mule scored in the opening frame while Abernathy made 13.

The Lady Mules seemed to get their game back on track pumping in 16 points and holding Abernathy to 11. The second half was more of the first period with the Lady Mules only making four in the final two periods.

Cecelia Reyna dropped in a 3-pointer from the corner to open the game with Springlake-Earth in the Muleshoe Athletic and Convocation Center. The Lady Wolverines hit a pair of buckets to take the lead.

Reyna found Kelsey Tipps at the free throw line. Tipps turned, elevated and ripped the cords. Kate Lepard scored from eight feet to push the Lady Mule lead to 7-4. The Lady Wolverines tied the game with 44 seconds left in the opening frame.

Sarah Johnson found Kate Lepard open on the blocks and got her the ball. A Springlake-Earth trey with two seconds left gave Springlake-Earth a 10-9 advantage.

The Lady Mules put some distance between the two teams by out scoring the Lady Wolverines 19-13. Nine Lady Mules scored in the period with no one making more than three to lead 28-23 at the half.



Photograph by Norm Brantley

The Lady Mules hard at work during a recent game.

Springlake-Earth stormed back in the third period to take a 41-37 advantage with 30 seconds left. Chelsi Hawkins dropped in a 3-pointer from the corner on a delayed break to cut the margin to 41-40 with eight minutes to play.

The two teams battled back and forth in the final period and the game was tied twice. Kyra Kimbrough looped the defense and drove the lane to tie the game at 49 with 1:11 left to play. A pair of free throws gave the Lady Wolverines the two-point lead with 47 seconds remaining and neither team could get a shot to fall in the final seconds.

Hawkins led the Lady Mules with 12 points that included a 3-pointer and was seven of eight from the line. Morgan Smith, Lepard and Reyna each added six points, Kimbrough five and Johnson had four.

Tipps and Chi Hernandez dropped in three each and Gabby Agundis and Ashley Grumbles chipped in two apiece.

Dalhart and the Lady Mules were in a dead heat at the end of each of the first two periods. It was 13-13 after one period and 25-25 at the half. The Lady Mules

scored 15 in the third frame but fell behind by a single point going into the final eight minutes.

The Lady Mules made up the difference in the fourth quarter to knot the game at 56-56. The Golden Wolves out scored the Lady Mules 13-9 in the four-minute overtime.

Hawkins led the Lady Mules with 14 points and was 12 of 12 from the line in regulation and made a bucket in over time. Hernandez made 12,

Lepard had 11 and Kimbrough dropped in nine. Grumbles made seven, Reyna five and Tipps and Lepard had three each. Johnson chipped in one in over time.

Lockney gave up 20 to the Lady Mules in the opening frame with Reyna dropping in a pair of treys and Lepard and Johnson hit one each. After the fast start the Lady Mules only managed four free throws in the second period and the Lady Horns tied the game at 24-24 at the intermission.

The Lady Mules stepped it up in the second half and out scored Lockney 14-11 and 11-8. Lepard, Kimbrough and Johnson paced the Lady Mules with 11 points each. Reyna dropped in 10 points, Hawkins four and Smith chipped in two.

Abernathy led 13-0 after one period but the Lady Mules cut the margin to 24-16 at the half. The Lady Mules shooting woes continued in the second half.

Reyna made all six of her points in the second period

as did Johnson with her five. Hawkins, Grumbles, Tipps, and Smith added two each and Kimbrough chipped in one.

The Lady Mules hosted

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It's Good To Be Aboard For One More Winter

It's not officially winter just yet, but maybe you'll forgive me for jumping the gun to say, I just went outside and saw a beautiful winter sky. I like what I saw.

I'd just let the dog out to take care of some extremely earthly business, and I followed her out the door so I could spend just a few moments looking up. It's a late evening ritual she and I have repeated scores of times. But I've never yet seen exactly the same thing. God always paints and arranges the night

sky just a bit differently, and I'm always interested to see what the Almighty will put on display next.

On this beautiful almost-winter night, the sky was cobalt blue and the moon was shining brightly. Orion and its belt and sword were standing guard flanked by a host of other silvery stars. The stars never look better than in winter.

I like seasons, and I may like winter best of all. I love fireplaces with crackling fires, sweaters, good books, a cup of hot tea or strong coffee, a nice warm chair, and a little dog napping in your lap whose idea of Paradise is being with you.

It's true that in some ways winter symbolizes death. The grass has mercifully given up for one more season. I was ready to see it go. Most of the leaves on our trees have relaxed their scant purchase on life and zig-zagged to the ground. Thus

far in the autumn season of my life the hair on my head has chosen not to fall, but it's well on its way to turning as white as the snow that blanketed the ground last week and landed on my still-blooming geraniums. (My pansies took the snow in stride. I wonder why we call "weaklings" pansies instead of geraniums? "Aw, bench him, Coach, he's just a geranium!") If I spent a recent night or two outside, I'd freeze and wilt just like the geraniums.


But as I stand outside for a few sweet moments each cold, clear winter evening, I love the deep breaths of deliciously cold air that remind me I'm still alive and glad to be aboard for one more winter, one more Christmas. I even like the fact that soon I'll need to spend some time cutting and stacking some firewood. I like to cut wood. And I like the fact that I'm not in the least tempted to talk on or listen for a cell phone while I've got a good grip on a chain saw.

I probably wouldn't like running a chain saw for a living. I probably wouldn't like below-freezing nights and blankets of snow if I had to break ice for a herd of cattle and not just a Great Dane. But I don't, so I do.

Sometimes I fancy that those silvery stars are just God's brilliant light shining through holes in a night sky canvas of cobalt blue. We've never seen a more beautiful crystal clear day than the one on which we'll get to take an eternal peek behind that curtain, and we find ourselves breathing brilliant liquid light, fully alive for the very first time. I'm so glad there's an eternal time and season for that, too.

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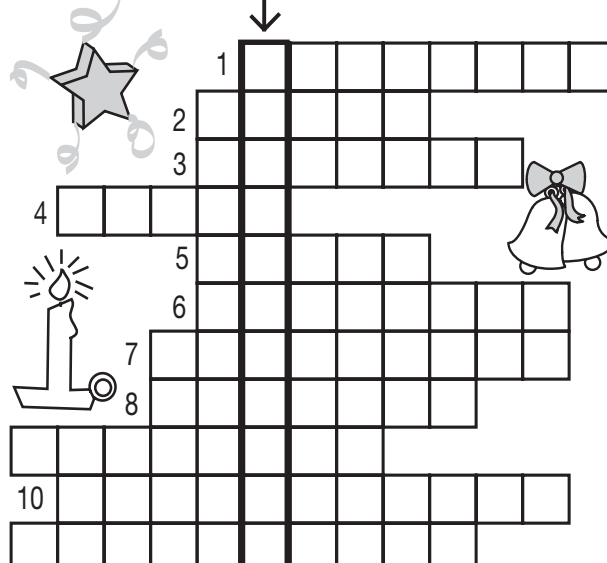


December Days

December is one of our favorite months. It is a month with many holidays, special anniversaries and birthdays. Our friends celebrate our holidays with us and we celebrate our friends' holidays too. It is a good way to learn about other families' cultures and traditions. The puzzle below is about the special days of December. **When you fill in this puzzle, the last day of December will appear!**




- St. _____ Day - celebration of Bishop Myra of the 4th century, known for his charity, gift-giving
- First _____ Transplant - in 1967, Dr. Barnard performed the first successful transplantation at Cape Town, South Africa
- _____ - a celebration of family and community, heritage and roots in Africa
- Boston Tea _____ - people angry about taxes boarded a British ship in Boston Harbor to dump tea chests overboard
- _____ Harbor Day - in 1941 the Japanese attacked U.S. naval forces, drawing the U.S. into WWII
- _____ - Jewish Festival of Lights - eight-day celebration of the ancient Jews' victory over the Syrians and the return of their Holy Temple
- _____ Day - a Christian holiday celebrating the birth of Jesus of Nazareth
- _____ - a nine-day celebration in Mexico; processions knock on doors, asking for shelter the way Mary and Joseph did in Bethlehem
- Wright _____ Day - in honor of Orville and Wilbur, who achieved the first controlled, heavier-than-air flight
- Pilgrim Landing _____ - in Governor William Bradford's writings, the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth, Massachusetts on Dec. 21, 1620
- _____ Amendment - was added to the U.S. Constitution, outlawing slavery in the U.S.



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December Birthdays!



Do you know anyone who has a December birthday? Can you match up these famous people born in December to their descriptions?

- Thomas Gallaudet
- Steven Spielberg
- Clara Barton
- "Ty" Cobb
- Sir Isaac Newton
- Akihito
- Margaret Mead
- Ludwig van Beethoven
- Larry Bird
- Cicely Tyson
- Clarence Birdseye
- Bingo

- nurse, founder of American Red Cross
- famous director
- emperor of Japan
- famous English mathematician, scientist
- began first school for the deaf in the U.S.
- famous American baseball player
- famous basketball player
- greatest composer of all time
- ha, ha - this is not a person, but a very popular game begun in 1929
- developed ways to deep-freeze food
- talented actress
- studied primitive cultures

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Pop Quiz!

I am "popping" this quiz about the month of December on you. Read each clue then circle "T" if it is true or circle "F" if it is false.

Stop being crabby and finish the quiz, already!

December:

- has 22 days T F
- means "10" T F
- is the last month of the year T F
- has the "shortest" day of the year T F
- sees the end of summer T F
- begins season of winter T F
- sun signs are Sagittarius, the Archer and Capricorn the Goat T F
- flower is the rose T F
- birthstone is the diamond T F
- has many fun celebrations T F




Santa Letters



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Miss Barrera's class

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle.
Love, Fernando

Dear Santa,
I want a doll and make-up.
Love, Cielo

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle and a car.
Love, Jason

Dear Santa,
I want a remote control car.
Love, Manuel

Dear Santa,
I want dolls, a castle, and a princess.
Love, Jaqueline

Mrs. King's Kindergarten
Dear Santa,

I want a doodle bear for Christmas. Please bring my dad a tshirt. My mom wants a ring. I have been very good.
Love, Madison

Dear Santa,
I would like a basketball game that keeps score. My sister wants a Mare Kate and Ashley doll for Christmas. My mom would really like a necklace.
Love, Jackson

Dear Santa,
I want a new pony for Christmas and a Barbie. wants a Barbie. Tell Mrs. Claus I said hi. My sister also
Love, Maie

Dear Santa,
I want kitchen stuff to play with. I also want a new dog to pay with. I you can I would also like a Barbie.
Love, Mercedes

Dear Santa,
I want a snow globe for Christmas. I would also like a necklace. I've been a very good boy. Can you please bring me some blocks to play with?
Love, Giovanni

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good girl. Can you bring me some toys with books? My mom would like some toys and a new backpack.
Love, Liliana

Dear Santa,
Thanks for the presents you gave me last year. This year I would like a spider that shoots out bullets. I also would like some cars that are small, then they get bigger. I also want some Lord of the Rings toy.
Love, Luke

Dear Santa,
I want a big monster truck for Christmas. I also want a toy that goes in the water and mud. My mom would like a ring for Christmas. I would also like a really big water gun and some cool cars. Please get me a airplane that flies over 60 feet.
Love, Daniel

Dear Santa,
I love you. I like your presents you gave me. I wish I could go to the North Pole with you someday. Santa you can bring anything you want to. I like your elves. I also like the paper you wrap gifts in. I thank you Santa.
Love, Haili

Dear Santa,
I would like a dress. I would also like a purse. Please bring my mom a teddy bear. Can you bring my sister a dress and purse also?
Love, Felicity

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year. I would like a Barbie. I would also like to give you a hug. I would also like a fish and a fishing rod for Christmas. I would also like a place for all my hair ribbons.
Love, Taylor

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good boy. I would like a John Deer. I would also like a jeep. My dad would also like a John Deer. My mom would like a new truck.
Love, Matthew

Dear Santa,
I have been very good. For Christmas I would like a Polly Pockets, Pollyworld DVD and toy. I would like the doll that is 5 inches tall that you can change clothes. I would like to have a new baby doll. My sister would like for a train with animals in it.
Love, Sidney

Dear Santa,
I would like to go to your house and see you and eat cookies. I would like blue, red and green presents. I would like to have Robin and Batman toys. My brother wants Batman and Robin toys too. Please bring the baby soft toys.
Love, Andrew

Dear Santa,
I wish you can have a happy face and always come on Christmas Eve. I wish you can come anytime you want on Christmas Eve. I would like a motorcycle my size and a Roboraptor. I wish a helicopter my size too. I love Santa Claus.
Love, Kaleb

Dear Santa,
How are you this year? I would like a laptop, a machine to put money in and a big bike without training wheels. I hope Rudolph will come to my house to get some food and a little present. I would like a little present for my brother and little bike. I would like a big bike for my sister too. I would like two computers for me and my sister and a bunk bed. I would like a room for my brother. I would like two sticker books and three coloring books. I love you Santa.
Love, Elysia

Dear Santa,
I want a can with popcorn in it and some princess makeup. Santa I want a box of Chocolates for Daniel because he is my boyfriend. Please give Dominic a football because he likes to play football. Give Tiger some motorcycle toys because he likes motorcycles. I love Santa.
Love, Sasha

Dear Santa,
I want a monster truck, a bike and a toy motorcycle. I want a toy truck with a remote and a toy fish that swims in water. Santa how are you? I want a toy Hummer with spinners and a toy basket.
Love, Leonel

Mrs. Ambriz's Class

Dear Santa,
I like you and you are a sweet man. I will like you if you will bring toys to me. I would like a flat screen TV and a cheerleader mat. My brother would like a race car and a baby doll for my little sister. My daddy and mom need new clothes.
I Love You, Kyndal

Dear Santa,
I would like a little motorcycle for Christmas. A real one. Also a real four-wheeler. A real 22 gun for my brother and a lot of shirts of wrestlers for my sister. Please bring my dad a 23 gun with really hard bullets. Something to help my mom clean the house. How does Rudolph's nose really glow?
I Love You, Jose

Dear Santa,
Would you bring me a Hide and Seek Kaylie Doll and a baby Brat doll? My sister would like a teddy bear and my little sister would like a baby doll. I will leave you cookies and milk out you.
Love, Sophie

Dear Santa,
I would like a talking baby and a teddy bear. Would you bringa bike to my friend Kiarra?
I Love You, Allison

Dear Santa
I would like a George toy and a snowman monster toy. Please bring a bunch of presents for my class at school. Also a big Batman toy for me.
Love, Levi

Dear Santa,
Thank you for bring me toys. I would like a little jeep car and a Brat doll.
I Love You, Destiny

Dear Santa,
Could you bring me a Brat doll and a little toy car? Also a box with a lot toys in it. Brianna would like a Barbie doll. My baby brother would like a little car.
I Love You, Sayra

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a fake gun and a fake motorcycle. Please bring my mom a real heart and my dad a block. My sisters needs a Barbie and a toy that she likes.
Love, Israel

Para mi hermanito un Spiderman y una motocicleta.
Carlos Meza

Papa Noel
Para Navidad yo deseo un scooter y un Easy Bake Oven. Tambien quiero una moto con cuarto llootas y color verde, de verdad. Una camara de las Bratz y una Playstation y un Xbox. Para mi mama quiero veinte pinturas y par mi papa una chamarra y Jentes. Par mi hermoito un caballito y quince carros. Para Mrs. Diaz unas rosas y unos aretes.
Leslie

Papa Noel
Yo quiero un Mustang para poder pasear con mis amigos. Tambien un X Box y un trampolin. Para mi hermana una muneca con un castillo. Un caballo para mi hermanito. Un osito de peluche para mi maestra y un osito y du'lces para Yvonne.
Javier

Papa Noel
Para Navidad yo deseo una princesa grande que sea la bella durmiente, un peluche de Winnie de Pooh y unos patines de Winnie de Pooh que tengan

lucecidas. Para mi hermanito una carriola y un porta bebe. Para mi hermana dos Bratz y una maleta un carro y camara de Bratz. Para mi hermano un X Box y do juegos. Para mi mama un vestido. Para mi papa unos zapatos y una camisa. Para mis peritos una pelota y comida.
Lupita

Papa Noel
Para Navidad yo deseo una moto con seis llantas, un carro mustang de control remoto. Para mi hermano un moto azul. Una computadora para mi papa un osito para mi mama. Un X Box y una moto de juguete con lumbre en los lados para mi tia. Una perrita para mi abuelita. Un Playstation par mi tio. Una tranca roja para mi abuelito y un Gameboy DX. Un vestido rosa para Yvonne y una troca para Mrs. Diaz.
Jonathan

Papa Noel
Yo para Navidad deseo carro de control remoto y una troca negra que tenga musica. Tambien quiero un Hummer con rines brillosos. Para mi hermana una ropa un una muneca. Para mi mama unos aretes de diamantes y para mi papa unas botas. Para Mrs. Diaz unas

rosas y Mrs. Ramirez. Para mi tio Lupe una troca y un carro para Emma.
Carlos


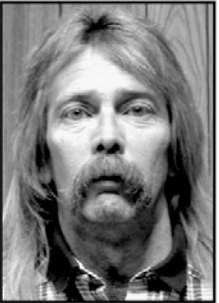

Querido Papa Noel
Para Navidad yo deseo una carriola y un porta bebe de Graco, una bicicleta de las Bratz, una moto y una television tambien de las Bratz. Una casita de mufiecas con una alberca. Un carrito de control remoto para mi hermanito. Un perfume para mi mama y para mi papa y Mrs. Diaz. Para mi hermana unas pinturas de las princesas.
Leslie

Papa Noel
Para Navidad yo deseo ropa de Barbies. Para mis hermanas dos Barbies y una para mi. Un anillo y una cadena para mi mama. Para mi papa unos pantalones y calcetines. Un anillo y una cadena para mi maestra. Tambien una computadora de verdad y unos monitos chiquitos para mi hermana Dayri y tres biberones para mi hermana.
Perlita

Papa Noel
Para Navidad yo deseo una television. Para mi familia un
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Santa Letters

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 corazon de chocolate una computadora y una bicicleta con luces y unas flores para mi maestra.
 Esmeralda

Papa Noel
 Para Navidad yo deseo una motocicleta y un Sand Moon, Bratz popstar, unas muñecas Bratz, y una casa de Barbie's con unas Barbies. Una gatita y un perito y tambien una camara de las Bratz. A mi familia unos muebles nuevos. Para mi hermana una bicicleta nueva y una motocicleta para mi hermano. Ami maestra Mrs. Diaz unos collares, unos aretes, y unos zapatos y un carro que sea un Mustang.
 Karla

Querido Papa Noel
 Para Navidad deseo una computadora de las Bratz, unas pinturas de las Bratz con una bolsa. Tambien unos patines que las llantas prendan luces. Un reloj de las Bratz y una carriola y porta bebe de las Bratz. Para mi mama un perfume de 2 12. Para mi hermano una moto azul y a mi hermana un peluche de Tweety.
 Esmeralda

Estimado Papa Noel
 Para Navidad yo deseo unas muñecas de Strawberry Shortcake y de Dora. Un Gameboy, una computadora, y una Barbie con su carro. Para toda mi familia quiero ropa y patines. Un pernto para Yvonne y un perfume y ropa para Mrs. Diaz. Tambien quiero un Sand Moon, Holly Hobby, WWRaw y 100 Mexicanos Dijeron. Una mochila de San Nicolas y una camara.
 Alexandra

Papa Noel
 Para Navidad yo deseo una computadora de juegos, unos carros bien chidos como el de mi papa. Un Hummer con control remoto. Mi herrnano quiere unos carros como yo. Para mi mama quiero una maquina de coser. Para mi papa quiero un carro tambien.
 Sergio

Papa Noel
 Para Navidad deseo un skooter. Para mi mama unas pinturas para que se pinte. Para mi herrnana una casa de Barbie. Para mis herrnanos unos carros de control remoto. Para mi maestra Mrs. Diaz unas joyas. A mi amigo una moto con control remoto y una Barbie para mi amiga.
 Jaime

Papa Noel
 Para Navidad deseo unas botas de Bratz y una muñeca de Bratz. Para rni mama deseo un anillo. A mi papa unas botas y ami herrnana unas pinturas. A mi primo un Spiderman.
 Alicia

Papa Noel
 Para Navida deseo una troca para mi papa. Un carro para mi rmanui y un perro llamado Roc para mi herrnanito. Un gatito para mi herrnanito. Para mi una moto y tarnbien a Javier y Carlos.
 Cesar

Dear Santa
 I want train that says choo choo and a computer. I also want a Lightning McQueen car. Can you bring my sister Bonbon a treasure map and a ring. Bring my daddy a picture of me and a candle for my mom.
 Thank You Ricky

Dear Santa
 I want a computer and a new bed. My brother wants a poster of Lightning McQueen. For my mom a new car and for my dad a computer. A new doghouse for my puppy.
 Thank You Yvonne

Mrs. Montiel's class
 Dear Santa,
 I wanted to tell you that I love you. I want a real horse for Christmas. I want a calendar, and a new baby with soft skin. I want some stamps for my papers that I am going to mail.
 Love, Elayna

Dear Santa,
 Would you get me a hoola hoop and a big swimming pool. I need a trampoline. Buy me a the biggest swimming pool. I need a brand new swimming suit, a notebook, a camera, a puzzle,

and a picture holder. Buy me some shoes, and a purse.
 Love, Chantel

Dear Santa,
 Please bring me a spiderman, toys, and a batman.
 Love, R.J.

Dear Santa,
 Bring me a present. Bring me clothes, books, and toys.
 Love, Nicole

Dear Santa,
 Please bring me a new Lightning McQueen bed for Christmas. I would like a remote control jeep, and my own house.
 Love, Isaiah

Dear Santa,
 I would like for you to bring me a Polly Pockets Doll. I also want a Baby Anabelle.
 Love, Drew

Dear Santa,
 Good morning! Thank you for the food. Could you bring me a Barbie?
 Love, Destiny

Dear Santa,
 I want a computer for Christmas. Can you bring me some High Heels? I want a star dress. I want the toy that makes your own drinks, and some new tennis shoes.
 Love, Madison

Dear Santa,
 What are you doing? What toys do you have this year? What kinds of computer games do you have? Do you have a bell? Do you know your ABC's? What kind of church do you go to? Where do you go to town? What kind of candy do you eat? What kind of drink do you like? How much money do you have? Does your mom pay bills?
 Love, Jake

Dear Santa,
 I want a horse for Christmas. I wish for tattoos. I wish for a monkey statue. I want a baseball bat, balls and gloves.
 Love, Shelton

Dear Santa,
 I would like a motorcycle, and a bike, and an MP3 player, and a fake phone.
 Love, John

Dear Santa,
 I love you. My sister loves you too. Be careful driving your sleigh, and I will miss you for 15 days. I want you to bring me whatever you have, and me and my sister will love you for 102 days.
 Love, Ashlan

Dear Santa,
 I want a present. I stay on green. Bring me a sucker. Bring me the same as last year.
 Love, Tevin

Dear Santa,
 Thank you for letting me go see you. I want to go see you next time. I want you to bring me a little bear. I have been good. I try to stay on green.
 Love, Megan

Dear Santa,
 I want toys for Christmas. I want games. My little brother wants a choo-choo train.
 Love, Jorge

Dear Santa,
 I want a motorcycle bike for Christmas. I want a car that goes and stops with a remote control.
 Love, Gabriel

Mrs. Nix's Kindergarten
 Dear Santa,
 I want a Barbie. I want some Brats and some trains. I want a brown bear. I want a candle for Christmas for my mom. I want a guitar for my dad. I want Santa to bring me a pink chair. I would like a Brats umbrella, bed and blanket.
 Ileana

Dear Santa,
 I want princess costume with a crown. I want a Brat pillow, blanket and mat. I want a computer. I want a book to read. I want some play fingernails. I want markers, crayons and a lot of papers. I want some ABC's to practice with and numbers. I want a lot of stickers.
 Liliana

Dear Santa,
 I want a Cuddle Chimp. I want some of those little light brown horses called Butterscotch. I want a Leapster. Thank you. My sister would like a lot of toys



from you. She wants some little ponies that You put your baby on. She needs a bear because she doesn't have one.
 Maddison

Dear Santa,
 I want a motorcycle. I want a Batman sword and I want a magnetics. I want a Hot Wheels car. I want Power Ranger and a pair of boots.
 Marcos

Dear Santa,
 I want a motorcycle that has a hook. I want "Cars" bike. I want a big screen TV with a box to show games. I want a guitar that plugs in. And I want some toys. I want a lot of markers and a plate. I would like a table that is only mine.
 Nathaniel

Dear Santa,
 I want a pink phone. I want TV and a new bed. I want a new doll. I would like a tree house.
 Wendy

Dear Santa,
 I want a remote control car. I want a little baby that comes with a bottle. I want a fake frog. I want a big blue purse. That's all.
 Diana

Dear Santa,
 I want a Hummer and a swimming pool and an Escalade. I want a 4-wheeler and a fish toy.
 Ryan Gilliam
 Dear Santa, I want a Dora doll and a real 'reputer'. And a real Dora Bike has training wheels. I want a new Winnie the Pooh movie.
 Enchinacea

Dear Santa,
 I want a guitar and drums and that's it! My brothers want two red gameboys. Bring my mom a glass and my dad a guitar.
 Luke

Dear Santa,
 I want fish and a plant. I also want a train. I want a kitten that is orange. That's it!
 Christopher

Dear Santa,
 I want a 4-wheeler and toy zebra that talks like a real zebra. I also want a Garfield. I want a real fish and a game that has any kind of game on it. I want a toy gun and a teddy bear and a toy shark that really swims.
 Corbin

Dear Santa,
 I want a batman and some blocks to build with. Could I have a Spider Man toy? My little brother maybe wants teddy bear. Maybe you could bring my mom some clothes and my daddy a game.
 Rudy

Dear Santa,
 I want a swimming pool. I want a pink truck. Please bring me lots of candies. I want some

clothes. I want Dora games. Thank you Santa.
 Hannah

Dear Santa,
 I want aT-rax. I want a hammer car. A stuffed bear toy. A play turkey toy. I want a play Indian.
 Anthony

Dear Santa, I want some play dough. I want some markers and coloring books. I want some play ponies.
 Trinity Toscano

Dear Santa,
 I want a big Semi truck and a guitar. I want another green truck and some color books. I want a jeep, too.
 Gregory

Dear Santa,
 I want a butterfly net and some butterflies. I want some play bugs and some cars.
 Mark

Mrs. Wallace's Kindergarten
 Dear Santa,
 I would like a little play cell phone, a little chair for my room, and a desk. My sister likes slinkys and my brother likes play horses. For my mom a heart necklace and for my day a shirt

with a cross on it. We will make some cookies for you and leave some milk.
 Love, Keely

Dear Santa,
 I want a purple little car, a little baby doll, and a chair for my room. For my grandparents bring some playing cards and some blocks. A big chair for my mom. Also a little bitty bike for me.
 I Love You, Daniella

Dear Santa,
 I would like a real big motorcycle, a spiderman game, and a Blue Clue game. My sister likes baby dolls.
 Love, Christian

Dear Santa,
 I want a Barbie jeep, headphones with pink flowers, and a DVD player. Thank you Santa Claus.
 Destiny

Dear Santa,
 I want a water trampoline, a computer, and a swimming pool. My morn would like a ring and bring clothes for my sister and dad. Also a gameboy and games.
 I Love You, Jasmine

Dear Santa,

I would like a army set with helicopters, tanks, and army jeeps. One that the army men can get into the helicopters. With missiles on the airplanes. Little mini dirt bike, a mini Motorcycle. For my brothers long pants and Longhorn shirts. I'm going to leave you some cookies and milk.

I Love You, Izaiah
 Dear Santa, I would like a gameboy and some games. I would like a Dora castle and a real computer. My brothers want games for their gameboy advance. Please bring some pants for my morn and a guaitar for my dad.
 Love, Kayla

Dear Santa,
 I want a coloring book, a Brat doll, and a Barbie. Please bring my friends Sierra, Abigail, and Brianna a Brat and a doll house. My morn a Brat, my dad a doll, and my sisters like make-up.
 Love, Abriana

Dear Santa,
 I Love You. I want a real penguin, a play little gun, and a real rabbit. Please bring my mom a real penguin.
 Love, Ean

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Dear Santa,
I want a toy truck, a toy train, and toy workshop.
Love, Matthew

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie doll, a ABC puzzle, and a stuffed rabbit. Bring my mom some new clothes and clothes for my dad. I will leave out cookies and milk.
Love, Taylor

Dear Santa,
I want a motor combat game and some toy trucks. Bring some flowers for my mom and a Barbie for my sister. Bring all my brothers cars and some tools for my dad.
Brady

Dear Santa,
I would like toys, shoes, and a bicycle. I love you Santa! Please bring me some candy too. Bring my family some candy too.
Love, Erika

Dear Santa,
Please give me a very cool toy. We will make reindeer food for your reindeer. Please bring my brothers and sister something cool too. Santa, please bring my morn and dad something nice. I love you Santa!
Love, Jack

Dear Santa,
I want a doll that whenever you touch her hair it changes colors. Please bring me a little jeep that you ride in. Can you bring my brother a race car track and a Darth Vader costume. Bring my baby brother a rattle. Have a nice Christmas and I love you!
Love, Sierra

Dear Santa,
I want a princess doll, a bicycle, a cat, and a mermaid doll.
Love, Yahaira

Dear Santa,
I want a doll you can pretend feed her like Baby Alive. Bring something for my little sister and my big brother. Also, bring something nice to my mom and dad. I love you Santa!
Love, Abigail

Dear Santa,
I would like a Brats doll for Christmas and a Barbie doll. I will leave you some cookies and milk.
Jessica

Mrs. Bermea-Toscano's class Dillman Elementary

Dear Santa
Hi, yo quiero un Spiderman y un solsa. Tambien un carrito red. Para mi mama quiero unas flores.
Daniel

Dear Santal want 10 cars and a motorcycle. I want a green racing car and a baby cat, pero de verdad. For my mon I want a barbie and a motorcycle for my brother.
Julian

Dear Santa
Hola, me puedes traer una moto y muchos juguetes. Quiero una mona para mi mama u un mono para mi papa.
Carlos

Dear Santa
You are pretty and cute. I like you. Can you bring me barbies? Give me apples and bananas. I want a phone for me mom y mi dad.
Nicole

Dear Santa
Hi Santa. I want a Barbie y una bicicleta para mi. I want un juguete de la sirena.
Stefanie

Dear Santa
Te quiero mucho y te mando besitos. Quieo una Barbie, una Brat y un car for the Barbie. A mi mon 2 hugs y 2 hugs for my dad.
Eva

Dear Santa
I love you and I miss you. Can you please bring me a dog and a kitchen and a baby? For my mom bring something for the kitchen. For my dad a Spiderman – un traje de spiderman para Halloween.
Bianca

Dear Santa
I love you. Can you bring me a toy princess and a pony? I want a little teddy bear and a

princess blanket for naptime in my mom's room. Boots for my mom and dad.
Celeste

Dear Santa
I love you Santa. Can you give me a kiss? Bring me a little teddy bear for girls. I want a little pumpkin and a puppy because they are cute and Santa Claus is cute too. A flower for my mommy and daddy.
Karina

Dear Santa
Hi, I want to get a pumpkin and a flower and a SpongeBob and a bear and a cat. I want apples and letters like my teacher and papers to write. I want a football to play outside with my sister and my brother. I want a telephone and a toy dog and a bracelet and new cinderella shoes. Oh, I want swings and cards. I love you. Thank you.
Asxhlia

Dear Santa
Me puedes traer café y galletas y unos Power Rangers? Quiero un Playstation y un Game Boy y mas carritos porque ya no tengo. Mis hermanos se los llevaron a Mexico. Quiero perritos chiquitos y muchos juguetes y una moto como de Power Rangers? Una flor u una blusa mi mama y para mi papa unas botas para el trabajo y un carro para mi hermano.
Edgar

Dear Santa
I want a puppy and I want a chicken. I want one pink ball to plat with my friend Maria and I want regalos para todos mis amigos le la escuela y para mi maestra. For my daddy a chocolate y for my mom I want a hat. For my sister a toy that is Tweety. For my other dog I want a little ball.
Leslie

Dear Santa
Quier unos regalos de juguetes y un pastel grande azul. Quiero una bolsa grande para mi papa para cacate.
David

Dear Santa
Hi, I want you to bring me a brat and candy. I want you to bring my sister a little baby - not a real one. Bring my mom all the pink plates. For my dad I want you to bring that thing to work como una pipa. I want a little ropa for the baby Crystal. That's all.
Cassandra

Dear Santa
Hello, I want you to get me a train track and a train. Then, I want one of those Spongebobs in the water and the videogame that has Spongebob and Patrick. I want a truck to make it big and then I want to drive it. I want a Robot dog that has a remote control. For my mom I want a heart and a kiss to the baby and my mom and my dad. I do my letters in my house.
Irvin

Dear Santa
Can you bring me a princess and a cat? Can you bring me a computer to play at my house? Please bring me a kitchen to play with my friends. I'm going to tell you something – bring a flower for my mom. Can you bring me baby blue boots for my dad? Para mi hermanito chiquito unos shoes.
Reina

Dear Santa
Me puedes traer una moto 4-wheeler y una bici y un carrito. Tambien monitis de lucha libre. Un pastel para mi mama y un carro y una moto para mi papa.
Jovani

Dear Santa
I love you and that's all. Quiero toys tambien quiero algo para mi mama. Un corazon de camisa. Mi papa unas botas white es todo.
Fabian

Mrs. Lowe's Kindergarten
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a t-rex and little cars. Also, I want a toy boat. Bring my little sister some baby toys and my mom a ring. I will leave you a note.
Love, Kabel

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some make up and a drum. Bring my mom a new car. Bring my brothers & sisters some flowers. Bring my

some cookies.
Love, Clarissa

Dear Santa,
Bring me some Sponge Bob blocks & a real Mustang. Bring my brother a playstation 2, x box & a game. Bring me niece toys & my mom some jewelry. Bring my dad a new car. I will leave you some cookies and milk. (P.S. Also bring me a radio & guitar)
Love, Delylah

Dear Santa,
Bring me a Brat toy & a pretty Barbie that dances. Bring my sister a Snoopy dog. Bring my mom a necklace & some rings. I will leave you some cookies and milk.
Love, Miranda

Dear Santa,
Bring me a motorcycle & a Christmas Tree. Bring me some toys Bring my sister a Barbie. bring my mom a Princess & my dad a motorcycle. I will leave you a motorcycle.
Love, Emesto

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some clothes and Power Ranger toys. Bring my sisters a backpack & clothes. Bring My mom & dad stuff for work. I will leave you a

Santa toy.
Love, Moises

Mrs. Lopez - Kindergarten Sudan Elementary

Dear Santa,
Thank you Santa for the presents and the candies that you gave me last year. This year I want some cookies with chocolate chips, robots and a toy horse. I have been a little bit good this year. Bring my mom a ring, my dad a toy truck and my brother Edgar some dinosaurs.
Your friend, Joel

Dear Santa,
I've had a lot of fun with my brand new bike with a hand brale. I go really fast. For Christmas I want a cool guitar. I can't have a drum because my basement is too full and that's where I can play it. I been wanting those tokens in case I do well at home. I let him have some cookies when he comes.
Your friend, Breten

Dear Santa,
I want to think you for my Barbie House I got last year. What I would like for Christmas is a pony that when you talk to it it flicks its ears and its tail. I want a piano as wide as my table at

school. I also want a set of horses with a bronc in it.
Your friend, Aubrie

Dear Santa,
I want an airplane a book and a tractor. Bring my sister a barbie and my baby brother a truck. My mom needs a new dress and my dad some new pants. Thank you for all the presents and I will leave you some milk and cookies.
Your friend, Colt

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some Power Rangers, a truck and some new clothes. Please bring me some toys for Kika's baby. For my dad bring him some new clothes too. Thanks for all the presents.
Your friend, Aric

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I want a batman car with batman barrels and a joker on top. I also want a helicopter with a remote control. Please bring my mom a black dress with black shoes and a train set for daddy and Jordie. Thank you for these toys.
Your friend, Evan

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Dear Santa,
How are you feeling this year? Thank you for my new pink, purple, blue and some white bike. I want a Barbie hair dyer that I can use too. I would like a brand new book about dogs. I would also like a brand new teddy bear.
Your friend, Makayla

Dear Santa,
Thank you for my Barbie doll from last year. Can you bring me a book about a duck? I also want a "mono" that has hearts down both sleeves. My old Barbie wants a set of pink Barbie dishes. Last of all I want a doll with hearts and it walks too.
Your friend, April

Dear Santa,
I want a backpack for Christmas. I want stickers. Please bring me some shoes for my mom, little cars for my dad, a big car for my brother to drive to school and a Christmas blankie for my nephew and one for me. Thank you for all my toys. Be safe on Christmas.
Your friend, Bethany

Dear Santa,
How are you? Thank you for my toys last year. I want one of those balls (globe). I also want a big airplane with a bunch of toy soldiers. Oh, the doors on the plane need to open so the soldiers and cars can fit inside. Can I have a new pair of shoes. Say hello to God!
Your friend, Bryan

Teacher unknown

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a castle and a doll for the castle a princess one. And a bile a four wheeler.
Devon

Dear Santa,
I want a horse, a cow and a horn, a pickup
Dacota

Dear Santa,
I want a Doodle bear and a dog
Ashlyn

Dear Santa,
I want for Christmas a car I want a football and a book, and a toy.
Damian

Dear Santa,
I want a castle and I want a Baby American girl doll, and a cow, and American Girl doll clothes.
Avery

Dear Santa,
I want a real cow. He will probably bite my head off!
Kionna

Dear Santa,
A thing to put Moon sand in. I really want a Monster truck with the controls. A toy that you build stuff for pretending.
Andres

Dear Santa,
I want Dora and boots and a party house and I want a Christmas tree, bring me presents and candy too.
Jayden

Dear Santa,
I want a bicycle, and a little Sammy
Johnny

Dear Santa,
I want to meet Ms. Shana to go to my party. I want a tractor, a car that driven by itself, and a gun for cowboy stuff. And bring me a motorcycle. Bring groceries, and come to my house. If you want to go to my party that's fine. You can play on my tire. You can take me to the park. I can go to your house if I want to. I can take you to my house.
Chris

Dear Santa,
I want a Dora and a baby doll. I want a back pack and I want Play Dough
Brayden

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Your friend, Bryan

Mrs. Dunham's — 2nd Grade Dillman Elementary

Dear Santa,
How are Mrs. Claus and the reindeer doing? Thank you for bringing me a play station 2, 2 games and lots of cars. This year pies bring me a gameboy, PSP and snowboard.
Timothy

Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs. Clause doing? How are the raindeer? Thank you for the transformer you gave me. Please bring me a toy rocket and rocket blast and a swimming pool in a box.
Dominik

Dear Santa,
How are you and the elfs? Can I have an Elf. Thank you for the monster truck you gave me last year. Can I please have an Xbox 360 and a PS2 and a play station. Thank you.
Ethan

Dear Santa,
How is prancer? Thank you for the TV. I would like a hamster and a diary with a key and a hot tub. Shaddiah
Dear Santa, How are you and Mrs. Clause doing? Could you

please bring me a laptop and a hottub and a tv. Thank you for the doll you gave me.
Daisy

Dear Santa,
How is your Baby doing? Thank you for my CD player. I would like a laptop a TV and a Cell Phone.
Lyndsey

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the trampoline this year. I would like a hermit crab and a shirt with word a two four wheeler and my Mom and Dad would like new shoes.
Enrique

Dear Santa,
How are the reindeers? Thank you for the puzzle and skates and Puppy. This year I want new skats and a for wheeler and a turtle.
Crystal

Dear Santa,
My name is Draven. I would like you to bring me a toy car. I want you to bring my sister a toy truck. Bring my brother a toy. Bring my mom a toy gun. I would like a toy truck for my dad. Thank you for my toy car last year Merry Christmas!
Draven

Dear Santa, How are the elves doing? Thank you for the 4 books you have gave me last year. I would like a Xbox and a new TV and a Doodle Monster.
Tre G.

Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? Thank you for my gameboy and I like it a lot. Could you please bring me a hamster and a playstation 3 even a Nintendo OS.
Rolanno

Dear Santa.
How are the reindeer? Thank you for the star wars ship you brought me last year. Could you bring me a special friend this year Thank you.
Tyler

Dear Santa.
How are you? Thank you for the baseball and the hamsters. I would like an ipod and a radio and a chapter book.
Reagan

Dear Santa,
How is every body? I hope they are ok. Thank you for the Skates and jackets and a trampoline. I would like a skateboard and a brother and a hotfub. Thank you.
Leti

Dear Santa,
How are our deers? Thank you for the bike you gave me last year. I would like a Xbox 360 and a play station 3and a PSP.
Donavan

Mrs. Scott's 2nd Grade Dillman

Dear Santa, I have a sister that's in the Hospital her name is Judith. She has cancer. I love my Sister I love her more than my dog. My mom told me she wants me to tell you for my sister to get better.
Love, Edith

Dear Santa,
I would like a gameboy and a Play station 3. I will leave milk and cookies out for you. Don't forget.

Joel

Dear Santa,
May I have a doll and a PSP? I think that you are very nice. I like you very nice. Thank you.
Caroline

Dear Santa,
I would like an idog,brat doll t-pot, dress poodle. I want my Brother to get beter.
Brittany

Dear Santa,
How are your reindeer? May I have a spy car, a Ben 10 Alien Maker and a bug maker. Is the North Pole 20' I've been very, Very, good.
Gage

Dear Santa,
May I have a TV/DVD? May I have an iDog and a Guitar?
Maddie

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Dear Santa,
Hi Santa, how are you elf?
But Santa may I have a xbox 360 please? Santa and how are your reindeer? Tell the elfs that I said Hi and the reindeer please.
Ashton

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a John Cena belt, a John Cena shirt anda Smakcdown vs. Raw game for the play station. I want a Dallas Cowboys clock and a Longhorn Shirt and Playstation 3. Javy

Dear Santa,
I want a Playstation 2 Whith a Football Maden 2004. I want a Playstation. How are your reindeer?
Jerry

Dear Santa,
How are your reindeer? I have been very good. I really want a spy car but my mom found the price and it was \$100. Can I have a spy car and a bug Maker and a gameboy? Thank you. Kamron

Dear Santa,
May I have a xbox 360 and a PlayStation 3 and may I have a spy car? Is Mrs. Claus all right?
Freddy

Dear Santa,
How are you Santa? This is what I want, a saddle and a ipod and a PSP and a bug maker and a playStation 3. Thank you.
Arrick

Ms. Black's 2nd Grade Dillman

Dear Santa,
How are you today? How is Mrs. Claus? Thank you for my bike. This year for Christmas I would Like a Brat, a Texas Longhorn shirt and a bike. Merry Christmas!
Your Friend Samantha

Dear Santa,
How are you Santa? Say hi to Rudolf. How is vicstin? Thank you For my toy car. This year for Crismas I wan a bb gun, a play Stachin 2 a movie white chicks. Have a safe trip and Mary Crismas.
Your Friend Jared

Dear Santa,
How are the elves? How is Rudolf? Than you for the new game. This year for Christmas I would like a fyer fly a game cube two controls? Hope you have a safe trip.
Austin

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolf? And how is Mrs. Claus? Thank you for the toy high heels and Barbie. This year for Christmas I would like a game boy and a rabbit and one more thing, a radio. Mary Christmas Santa Claus!
Your Friend Eva

Dear Santa,
How are you? How are the reindeer? Thank you for my wallpaper. This year For Christmas I would like a bike with fier and a helmet and knee pads and elbow pads. I love you Santal
Your Friend, Renee

Dear Santa,
How are the reindeer? How are you? Thank you for my game boy. This year for Christmas I would like a dirt bike,xpv Fly wheels motorcycle. I will leave you cookies.
Your Friend, Reese

Dear Santa,
How are the Elves, are they working hard? Is Rudolf redy to fly? Thank you for.. the things you gave me. This year for Christmas I would like an ipod and a xbox and a mp3 player. Happy New Year!
Jesse Leal

Dear Santa,
How are the elves? How is Rudolf? Thank you for the gator. This year for Christmas I want a skatebord and a toy car a toy t.rex. Happy New Year!
Your Friend Antonio

Dear Santa,
How Is Mrs. Claus? Thank you for me my toy Bratz. This year for Christmas I would like a TV,Bratz and The Bratz movie. Mary Christmas!
Your Friend, Joniah

Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs. Claus? How is Danser because we are

having a program and I am Danser in it? Thank you for the things that you gave me last year. This year for Christmas I would like a nitode D.S., a baby poodel and a stuft ainumel of Danser. Have a safe trip!
Your Friend, Kaily

Dear Santa,
How are you? How are the elves? Thank you for the Play station 2. This year for Christmas I would like a dirt bike and flyer flight and A motorcycle. Merry Christmas!
Your Friend, Adrian

Dear Santa,
How are you? How are the reindeer? Thank you for the close. This year I would like an Xbox 360 and a laptop and a motors cycle. I will leave you some milk and cookeys.
Your Friend, Mireya

Dear Santa,
Is Ruddle fine? Are the reindeer good? Thank you for my puppy. I would like a motorcycle and a bear and a Xbox 360. I love you Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus And all the reindeer.
Francisco

Dear Santa,
How are you? How are the elves? Thank you for my walke talks. This year for Christmas I would like a cowboy hat and a new belt and new boots. Take care!
Your Friend, Jayden

Dear Santa,
How is Mrs Clause? How is Rudolf? Thank you for the movies. Thank you for my bella bella renal This year for Christmas I would like a butterfly chair, I want the color to be pink leperd and I want a robot cat and I want a horse. Merry Christmas!
Amelia

Dear Santa,
How are you? How are the Elves? Thank you for the barbies you gave me. This year for Christmas I would like dancing princess barbies. A Barbie car. A makeup kit. I will leave You cookies and milk.
Your Friend, Hailey Wallace

Dear Santa,
How are you? Is the north pole cold? Thank you for the Batman Car. This year for Christmas I would like a guitar and the Christmas play songs, the traveling pants. Happy New Year!
Your Friend, Mykaylee

Mrs. Lawrence's 2nd Grade Sudan

Dear Santa,
hi! How are you? I would like a barbie house and lots of bear clothes. I hope you are warm in the snow Please bring my brother and sisters some cd's and my mom a ring. Merry christmas!
Luve. Isabel

Dear Santa,
Hi! How are you? Are you getting ready for Christmas? I whant a puppy and a barbie of 12 dance princess I would also like a secret password journal Be careful when you come
Love Kassandra

Dear! Santa
Hi Santa. How are you doing? I want a puppy and a four wheeler for Christmas. I have good grades in school. I am a good boy. I hope you come visit me.
Love, Hijinio

Dear Santa, Hi how are you? Merry Christmas! I want a scooter, a cell phone, a rabbit. I love you Santa. I am a very good girl.
Love, Kimberlee

Dear Santa,
Hi! How are you? Please bring me an xbox 360 anda Robot Happy Christmas!
Love, Daniel

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas Santa! I want a stuft dalmatch and a Math bolet I will leave a cup of milk and cookies for you.
Love, Michael

Dear Santa,
How are you? Will you please bring me an xbox 360, cell phone, and lab top computer. I hope you have a good Christmas Eve.
Love, Trae

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring a barbie house and a soll the same size like me! Merry Christmas Santal
Love, Melinna

Dear Santa,
Hi! How are you and your Elves? I think that you and your Elves work very hard. Can you put me on the nice list. Merry Christmas Santa!
Love, Sarah

Dear Santa, What are your elves doing? I bet they are working hard. KSanta I want a 4 weeler and a gameboy and and ahot tub. I have been a very good boy. Be caveful on your long trip.
Love, Leo

Dear Santa,
Hello Sata Claus! How are you? I am good. I would like a barbie house and a big wagon. Becaful and happy Christmas!.
Love, Daniela

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! Please bring me a barbie house and my size doll. I have been very good.
Love, Karina

Dear santa,
I'll leave you some milk and cookies and this is what. I want. Pleas bring me nintendo DS. I would like a cell phone thal really work. I have only been to the principal one time this year. Please come see me.
John

Dear Santa, Merry Christmas Santa. Will you bring me a remote control car please and a cell phone. Merry Christmas Santa! Becareful on your trip please put me on your list! I bet your Elves are doing hard work. Tell them I said heool.
Love, Marco

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Dear Santa,
Hi! How are you doing? I would like to have a xbox 360. please. And I would like to have a tv. please
best friend, Nathan

Dear Santa
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Love, Sergio

Dear Santa,
How is Mrs. Claus? Santa, I want an MP3 player and a ninja bike I also want a cell Phone I also an want a IPOD
Love, Kala

Dear Santa
I would like a JohnCena toy please, I know our Elves are working hard. I want a puppy too. Please be very careful.
Love your friend, David

Dear Santa,
Hi How are your reindeer? I've been real good this year! I hope you bring me a new phone. And a new baby dog! I would lilke my twin dolls buckbed And clothes. An electric scoder. would be great too! Also I would like a new bike! And a text message thing. I hope you and Rudolph have a great flight!
Love, Raemi

Dear Santa,
How is Mrs. Clause? I have a chimney now. I want an MP3 player please. How is Rudolph? Don't forget to bundle up. I will leave some milk and chocate chip cookies for you. Merry Christmas I hope you can me at new house.
Love, Aleisha

Dear Santa,
Are you ready for the big trip? I would like football pads please. I would also like a helmet with a dark purple shade. An IpoD,Xbox 360 and puppy. I am liking forward to seeing you. Have a great year. Be careful.
Love, Lane

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? Are you getting ready for your big trip? How is Mrs. Claus? I live in the country near sudan. I want a motorcycle that is cool and an xbox 360. I also want a MP3 player and a new TV. I want one more thing a zoom box. Be careful on your trip.
Love, Andrea

Dear Santa,
I hope you are well. I want a

phone and puppy. I hope Mrs. Claus is doing Good I will put out cookies and fresh milk for you. I have a chimney. I hope you have a great ride.
Love, Gabby

Dear santa
hi santa I want an Xbox 360 game cube and an Ice age 2 the Melt down video game. Also, I I want a blue lave lame, I PoP mP3 player and playStation, spiecmn video game and the movie Over the Hedge," too.
Lovoe, Derek

Dear Santa.
How is mrs. Claus doing? I hopw you are rendy for the big trip. I want a cellphone a puppies and a Bratz doll. for Christmas I have ben very good. I hope you have a safe trip. Pleas come see me.
Love, Megan

Dear Santa,
Hi Santa! Is it cold out in the North Pole? How are your elves doing? I would like for you to bring me an MP3 player or a IPOD, I also would like a cell phon, skate board, scaoter bike,

Paris Hilton Perfume Mkeup and A purse. Be Careful and Raindeer safe! I will have Cookies waiting for you!
Love, Nereida

Dear Santa,
How are your elves doing? Is it cold at the North Pole. I have been good this year I want toys. I Also want a cell phone for Christmas. I would like a purse and some makeup too! and puppies too! I had been good.
Love, Natalie

Dear Santa,
How are you? I would like a puppy, a baby a live doll, and a video. Thank you and have a good Christmas!
Love, Kylee

Dear Santa,
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Nursing Home News

A big group from the Earth Church of Christ came Sunday afternoon to direct Church Service.

Lela Crawford's son and daughter-in-law, Marvin and Marilyn Crawford from Austin visited Lela over the weekend. The Crawford's took Lela out for breakfast Monday morning.

Among those visiting Park View recently were — Roy and Jerry Harris, Letha Harvey, Sally Jones, Roland Castillo and Sara Sexton.

Zona Gatewood played piano while resident sang along Monday morning.

Art and Edna Freeman from Littlefield came Tuesday morning and lead praise, music and Bible study.

The volunteers are getting ready to deck Park View's halls and rooms on Monday, Dec. 5. If you would like to join us, we can use your help.

Nancy Lemons delivered Ceramics for the residents to paint in craft class Thursday morning.

Mandie Seaton for the Bailey County's Extension office, gave an interesting and informant program on sweet potatoes, Friday afternoon.

Following the program the residents participated in a sweet potato food sampling.

W.T. and Pat Watson Came Friday morning to entertain with music, songs, and poetry.

Saturday afternoon Butch Vandiver directed the Bingo Bash.

The Muleshoe Church of

Christ directed the communion services, Sunday morning.

Buster Kittrell, from the First Baptist Church, taught the Bible study on Sunday morning.

Tuesday afternoon volunteers, Dolores Garrett, Eve Nell Dale, and Pat Watson shampooed and set the ladies hair. The three ladies did a wonderful job.

Virginia Barrett returned to Park View Saturday after a brief hospital stay. Welcome back Virginia, we missed you.

Congratulations to Jr. and Winnie Mills on the birth of a new great-granddaughter.

Marie Lane and Bill Lambert are visited by their brother Woody Lambert, several times a week.

Bible study was taught by James Sinclair, of the First Baptist Church, Sunday morning.

The Church of God in Christ (Mennonite) came Sunday afternoon to direct church services.

Hazel Waddell was visited by her sister Billie Coffman of Rotan, Hazel's niece Peggy Williams and her nephew Cleodan Coffman and his son Adam, over the weekend.

Peggy Dent spent the day running her mobile library on Monday.

Alene Bryant came by to visit and work on the December activity calendar Monday.

Lauranette Mason visited Louise Agee and others, Monday afternoon. Louise was also visited by Clara Morgan.

The residents at Park View went out to be with their families or their families came to Park View to celebrate Thanksgiving, for the most part. Thanksgiving and the holidays are best spent with family and friends.

Friday afternoon residents were having birthdays in November, were honored with a party, Hazel Waddell, Pauline Chappell, and Marie Lane.

Lasting Impression gave and delivered a toy beanie baby, tied up with a big balloon and corsages. Irene Mason provided entertainment.

We are anxiously awaiting the arrival of our new van and continue to receive donations that go toward the van.

Saturday afternoon Butch Vandiver called Bingo, Iris Clements assisted. Iris baked and served homemade cookies following the games.

The Muleshoe Church of Christ directed the communion services Sunday morning.

Pat Watson, Pat Clark, Lanell Stancell, Jan Crawford, and Jessie Ovalle came to shampoo and style the ladies hair Tuesday afternoon. Pat Clark and Jessie Ovalle gave hair cuts.

The Christmas Card Project will soon be underway. We appreciate everyone who participates.

Wanda and Buster Kittrell came Wednesday Morning and served coffee and sweet rolls to the residents.

Cotton Market Weekly

Cotton futures on the New York Board of Trade settled higher Thursday, surpassing stiff resistance seen all week at the 53-cent level and reaching their highest mark in three weeks.

USDA reported net export sales of U.S. cotton reached a marketing year high of 501,000 bales in the week ended Nov. 23. The figure was more than double the previous week's total and almost three times more than the four-week average. Mexico and Turkey dominated the week's sales activity with smaller quantities going to China, Indonesia, and Bangladesh.

A cotton market observer noted that Mexico now has purchased 1.254 million bales of U.S. cotton for the season. For the past three years, shipments to the country have averaged 1.66 million bales, with a record 2.125 million bales in the 2002-03 season. Mexico's impressive total at this point in the season could suggest that the country has bought well over half its cotton requirements for the year, but some suggest that Mexico could surpass the totals of the last few years and set a new record this season. Others are simply pleased that U.S. cotton is being sold.

"Several in the market were quick to discount the Mexican sale as isolated and not a sign of an improving bigger picture," one analyst said. "But I say, when you look back at the end of the season, a sale is

a sale, and the statistical total won't be concerned with where the cotton went or when, just so long as it got sold," he concluded.

At 153,300 bales, export shipments were up five percent from the previous week and 15 percent higher than the four-week average. Primary destinations were Turkey, China, Mexico, and Indonesia.

"Disappointingly, the export shipment total continues to lag, not only when compared to the amount of the previous year, but also to the number of bales required to reach USDA's expected total for the season," a trader said. "A number like that is only about half of what needs to be shipped in order to render the current USDA projections accurate," he explained.

On the spot cotton scene, online trading by producers in Texas, Oklahoma, and Kansas in the week ended Nov. 30 totaled 46,352 bales compared to the previous week when 10,569 bales were sold. Average prices received by producers in the most recent week ranged from 44.84 to 47.43 cents per pound compared to 42.88 to 47.00 cents per pound the previous week.

Meanwhile, the National Cotton Council (NCC) reported U.S. monthly

cotton consumption in October at a seasonally-adjusted annualized rate of 5.1 million bales. The figure compares to 6.17 million bales at the same time last year, a significant reduction from an already low level in just one year.

In other news, the week began in West Texas with unseasonably warm temperatures in the 70s, but a winter storm brought a mixture of rain, sleet and snow to West and Central Texas Wednesday night. Rain accumulations of up to two inches were reported, and seven inches of snow fell in some areas.

The precipitation will help augment soil moisture, but with approximately 30 percent of the Texas crop still on the stalk as of Nov. 26, producers would rather be in the field. Gins, however, continued to run at full capacity.

Food pickup set for Saturday

Muleshoe Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts will be picking up sacks for 'Scouting for Food' this weekend, Saturday, Dec. 9, around 1 p.m.

The Food Bank reports that it is entirely out of canned food, and any assistance possible to help restock their shelves would be appreciated.

NRCS makes \$73 million available for conservation

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service in Texas has received its allocation for conservation cost-share programs for 2007; nearly \$72.5 million for the Environmental Quality

Incentives Program (EQIP) and \$665,000 for the Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP).

Agricultural producers interested in funding for 2007 need to apply at their local NRCS office by Dec.

15. "Visit your local NRCS office as soon as possible to be sure to have enough time to meet the application ranking deadline," said Dr. Larry Butler, NRCS state conservationist for Texas. "By ranking applications in December, we will be able to sign and fund contracts shortly after ranking so producers can begin implementing conservation practices."

The application cutoff

date applies to EQIP and WHIP; the application deadline for the Wetlands Reserve Program is Feb. 16, 2007.

NRCS accepts conservation program applications year-round; however, applications must be made by the Dec. 15 cutoff date to be considered for funding in 2007.

Applications made after the application deadline will be considered in the next funding cycle.

JV Lady Mules...

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Vasquez led the charge for the Lady Mules with 14 points and Cisneros dropped in seven. Pyle had six, all in the second half, Owens five, Steinbock made four and Gabby Perez chipped in three.

The first period with Sudan was a defensive battle and the Lady Mules led 4-3 at the quarter. Vasquez drove the baseline to put the Lady Mule back in the lead after a Sudan basket. Vasquez repeated the feat following a Hornette score.

Baca tied the score at 9-9 with a charity toss and with two minutes left in the half went to the corner and drained a 3-pointer. Pyle scored two from the line to end the half to give the Lady Mules a 14-12 lead at the half.

Cisneros made two free throws and Pyle added one for the only points for the Lady Mules in the third period. Sudan took a 21-17 lead after three quarters.

Sudan out scored the Lady Mules 12-11 in the final eight minutes to hang on for the win. Vasquez led the charge with eight points and Baca dropped in seven. Cisneros, Steinbock and Pyle made four each and Owens chipped in one.

The Lady Mules raced out to an 18-4 lead over the Morton Maidens in the third place contest. Steinbock dropped in a pair of treys in the opening frame as well as two deuces. Vasquez drained a 10-foot baseline jumper to end the period.

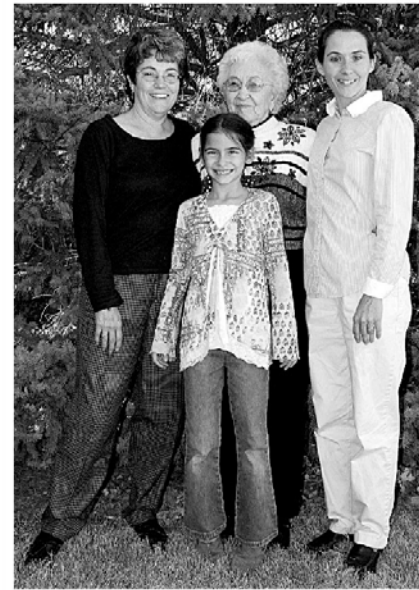
AJ Johnson grabbed an offensive rebound and put it back in the open the second period. Cisneros drove from the wing, stopped and popped from six feet. Owens finished a break with a bucket and was fouled. She added the free throw for an old-fashion three-point play and a 25-4 Lady Mule lead.

Pyle and Vasquez each added a basket before the half ended. Steinbock popped her third 3-pointer of the night. The Lady Mules out ran the Maidens 16-7 in the final half.

Steinbock led the charge with 15 points that included three treys. Vasquez dropped in seven, Cisneros and Pyle made six each and Owens added five. Johnson made four, Ashley Scolley three and Baca and Perez chipped in one each.

The Lady Mules hosted Farwell Tuesday and open district Dec. 12 when they host the River Road Lady Wildcats and travel to Highland Park Dec. 15.

Generations Gather...



Over the Thanksgiving holiday, four generations of Mary Crane's family gathered to celebrate family and give thanks for their many blessings. Pictured here are daughter Cindy Dale of Denton, Mary Crane of Muleshoe, and granddaughter Cristin Wilson and great-granddaughter Kyla Wilson, both of Mt. Pleasant.

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Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

Looking for a warm place to be, all you senior citizens come to the center for your morning walk. You might find one of your friends already walking. Fourteen times around the inside of the Center is a mile

You would be out of the weather and have a good walking surface. For you early bird walkers, the Center is open at 8 a.m. and you just might find one or two walking about seven in the morning.

We also have an exercise program at 8 a.m. every morning. The program, "Walk Away the Pounds," takes 22 minutes to complete and our senior citizens can do it. We also have exercise equipment and treadmills.

A coffee break with your friends follows the exercise and then you can play dominoes or eighty. If you like to play card games we have them too. Call a friend



Senior center employee Lidia Alfaro was honored by the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture as the December Employee of the Month. Pictured above, Alfaro receives her award from chamber president Tadd Young.

and come join in the fun at the center.

Our library is stocked well with good reading material. We have a great reading area or you can pick up a book or two to take home to read and return.

Our big screen television is available for you to watch a favorite program, or a

special program.

We have computers that can be used to play games, or send your family an e-mail. We invite you to come in and see for yourself the enjoyment and fun everyone is having.

The Bootscooter Band will be playing for our senior dance Tuesday, Dec. 12.

Bring your favorite dish for the pot luck supper break at 8:30 p.m., and join in the fellowship and good music. The dance begins at 7 p.m. and ends at 10 p.m.

The board of directors meeting will be Wednesday, Dec. 13, beginning at 1 p.m., here at the center. The board meetings are open to the public.

You can hear a lot of laughing and fun each Thursday at our Bingo games.

The Bingo is from 1:30 - 3 p.m. Prizes and refreshments are furnished. Bring a can of food for the Food Bank and come join in the fun.

Menu for Dec. 11-15:

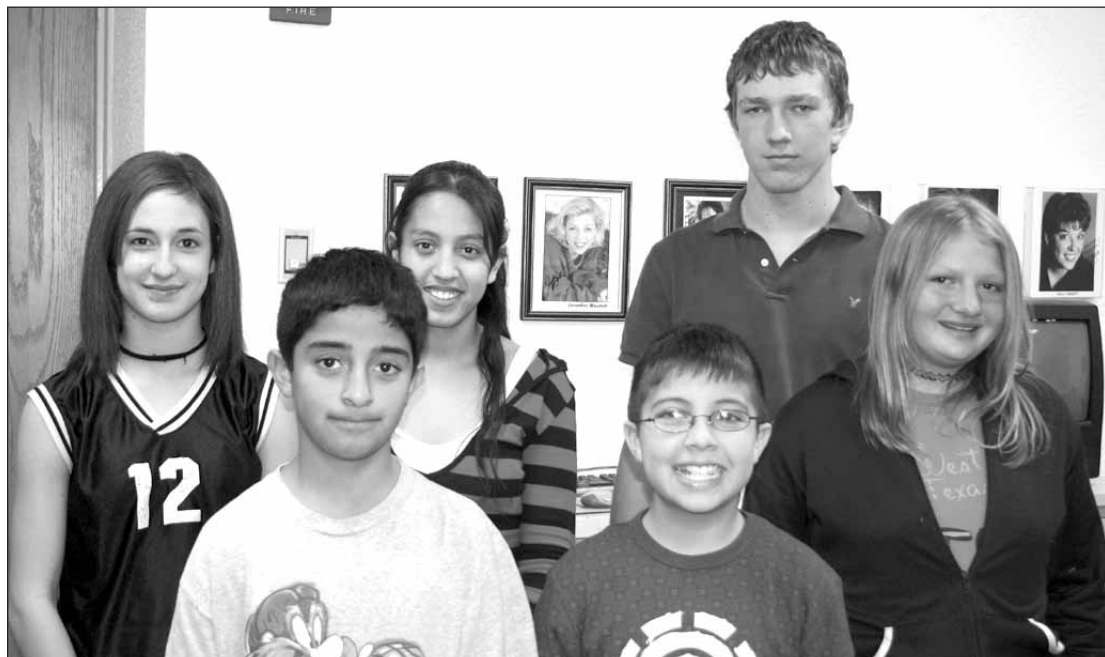
Monday, Dec. 11 — Stew, salad, cornbread and cobbler.

Tuesday, Dec. 12 — BBQ pork chops, scalloped potatoes, blackeye peas, salad, hot roll and pumpkin cake.

Wednesday, Dec. 13 — Chicken-fried steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, wheat roll and lemon cake.

Thursday, Dec. 14 — chicken pattie on wheat toast, oven fries, peas and carrots, sliced tomatoes, pickles and banana pudding.

Friday, Dec. 15 — Fish or chicken strips, tator tots, hushpuppies, coleslaw, fruit salad and cookies.



WJH Students of the Week

The Watson Junior High Students of the Week for the week of Dec. 11-15 are, from left to right: Front row — Felipe Espinoza, Patrick Mendoza and Brenna Quiroz; back row — Alyssa Leal, Jessica Medina and Cooper Washington.

JV Mules 'thump' Springlake-Earth

By Delton Wilhite

Sportswriter

The JV Mules thumped the Springlake-Earth Wolverines in their season opener 61-27.

The Mules hosted the Muleshoe JV Tournament over the weekend and reached the championship finals with a 42-36 win over Sudan.

Tulia held the Mules to only two in the first period of the championship game. Tulia downed the Mules 42-30 to take the big trophy. Snow had prevented the opening round of the tournament from being played.

The Mules held the Wolverines to seven in the first period while pouring in 15. The Mules put it on cruise control and coasted in for the win. Wes Wood led the scoring charge with three 3-pointers and 20 points.

Elias Alvarado dropped in 14, Colt Ellis made 10 and Austin Wright had nine. Lane Wood made four points and Stephen Dominguez and Adam Zamora chipped in two each.

The Sudan Hornets made the Mules work for their win Friday night. The game was tied 9-9 at the end of the first period.

The Mules had built a 19-11 lead at the half with Dominguez and Wright making a 3-pointer each in the first two periods.

Alvarado dropped in an 18 footer before W. Wood stepped up to the arc for a trey. Alvarado knocked

down a 3-pointer to push the Mule lead to 29-16. Zamora got in the three point act with 1:21 left in the period.

Nathaniel Chavez finished a break before the quarter break. The Mules led 36-24 with one period to play.

Sudan scored 10 unanswered points to cut the Mule lead to 36-34 with three minutes left in the game. Wright saw L. Wood open on the blocks for an easy deuce.

L. Wood found Alvarado running through the back door. Alvarado completed a fast break before time ran out.

Alvarado made 11 to lead the Mules in scoring and Zamora and W. Wood dropped in seven each. Ellis made five points, Chavez four, Wright and Dominguez had three apiece and L. Wood chipped in two.

Zamora had the Mule's only bucket in the first period of the championship game against Tulia.

The Mules roared back in the second period with Ellis and W. Wood dropping in treys as the Mules out scored the Hornets 12-4 to trail 16-14 at the half.

The Hornets out ran the Mules 27-16 in the second half for the win.

Zamora led the Mules with nine points, Wright had

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Mighty M Band to perform at annual Christmas concert

Muleshoe Independent School District's Mighty M Band is preparing for music department's annual Christmas concert set for Sunday, Dec. 10, at 2 p.m. in Kerry Moore Auditorium. The band will perform the Hallelujah Chorus with the staff and teacher's chorus. "We will also feature a John Williams composition entitled, 'Merry Christmas, Merry Christmas' from the movie *Home Alone*," said music instructor Brad Walker. Two of Walker's theory

students (also band members) will debut their own arrangement of "Carol of the Bells," as well as debut their conducting abilities at the podium. The students are Franklin Piland and Courtney Mardis. There will also be Walker's arrangement of "Christmas Carol Sing-Along". "Come ready to sing and be merry as the Mighty M Band kicks off the holiday season in style!" Walker said.



Shotgun awarded

Chris Nunez of Cypress, pictured above in the center, was awarded the Browning shotgun in the raffle held by the Bailey County EMS Organization at the Pheasant Hunt Breakfast.

Seventh-grade ladies take loss

The seventh grade Lady Mules lost their season opener to the Tulia Lady Hornets. Tulia was a very talented team that held the Lady Mules to 12 while putting 55 on the boards. Tulia jumped out to an 18-0 first period lead.

The Lady Mules held Tulia to five in the second frame and scored four. Dominique Mata hit an eight-foot jumper and Samantha Reyna beat the buzzer with a drive on an in bound play.

Alyssa Leal hit a fifteen foot jumper at the 4:30 mark of the third period. She added a bucket late in the frame by picking a Hornet's pocket and driving for a tally. Leal made her final bucket of the period with 10 seconds left. The Lady Mules trailed 37-10.

Ivana Agundis scored the only Lady Mule points in the final period. Leal led the Lady Mules with six points, Mata and Reyna made two each.

The Lady Mules bounced back against the Friona Squaws to even their record at 1-1 by defeating the Squaws 27-19. Leal put the Mules on top by scoring back to back buckets. She picked off a pass and drove from mid court for her first bucket. She picked off the in bound pass

and scored with only 16 seconds ticking off the clock. Baylee Bessire got an assist as she passed to Leal breaking down the baseline. Mata got position and stuck back a rebound. Leal grabbed a defensive rebound and made the outlet pass to Reyna at mid court. Reyna drove to the hoop. The Lady Mules led 10-5 at the intermission.

Sabrina Chavez got the backside carom and put it back in as the second half began. Leal saw Bessire cutting to the hoop and delivered her the ball for the hoop. Stephanie Vasquez picked off a Friona in bound pass and scored in the lane. Rashelle Hall drove from the wing for a bucket and end the third period with the Lady Mules in front 18-11.

Agundis began the final quarter with a stick back. Chavez was fouled as she hit an eight-foot jumper. She added the penalty toss for an old fashion three-point play. Vasquez drove to the hoop for a bucket before Leal made the final Lady Mule bucket.

Leal set the scoring pace with eight points and Chavez dropped in five. Vasquez made four points, Bessire, Mata, Agundis, Reyna, and Hall chipped in two each.

Eighth-grade Lady Mules drop the Lady Hornets

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The eighth grade Lady Mules needed a quarter to get their game untracked against the Tulia Lady Hornets.

Mindy Hamilton broke the scoring ice with three minutes left in the first quarter.

The Lady Mules went on to drop the Lady Hornets 25-7. Yvonne Gardea grabbed an offensive rebound and tossed across the lane to Alejandra Gomez for the bucket. Hamilton hit Gardea cutting in the lane.

Vivian Ronquillo bounce passed the ball in to Gardea posting up on the blocks. Gardea spun on the block and sunk the short jumper. Valeria Olivas picked off a pass at mid court and drove the floor for a bucket. Olivas pulled down a defensive rebound and went coast to coast for the hoop. The Lady Mules led Tulia 12-2 at the half.

Gardea took the in bound pass to start the third period and drove through the defense to the hoop. Olivas made the in bound pass under the Lady Mule bucket to Gardea cutting off a screen to get open for a bucket.

Gomez drove the baseline for a lay up and a minute later knocked down an eight-foot jumper to end the third period with the Lady Mules on top 20-4. Sandy Mojica got in the score book in the final frame, Gomez added a bucket and Erica Rodriguez added a charity toss.

Gomez and Gardea led the scoring charge with

eight points each. Olivas dropped in four, Hamilton and Mojica had two each and Rodriguez chipped in one.

The Friona Squaws out scored the Lady Mules 7-2 in the first period and then held on for a 34-33 win.

Hamilton broke the scoring ice for the Lady Mules only tally of the first quarter.

The Lady Mules fell behind by nine before storming back with a two minute and 15 second run. The 12-4 run cut the Friona margin to 15-14. Gomez scored eight in the run.

Friona led 19-16 at the half. Ronquillo dropped in a trey from the wing to give the Lady Mules their first lead of the game since Hamilton scored the opening bucket. The Squaws went on a six-point run to take a 29-25 lead with one period remaining.

The Lady Mules battled back with Gomez hitting two from the charity stripe and Heather Gutierrez scored in the lane to knot the game at 31-31 with 2:40 left on the clock. Gomez hit from 18 feet to give the Lady Mules a two-point advantage.

The Squaws the final three points of the game for the win.

Gomez set the scoring pace with 12 points, Olivas added 10 and Gutierrez and Hamilton made four each. Ronquillo made three points and Gardea chipped in two.

The Lady Mules traveled to Dimmitt to face the Bobbies Monday go to River Road and Bushland before returning home Jan. 15 to host Highland Park.



Photograph by Larry Thornton

The MHS Varsity Choir braves the cold to march in Saturday's Christmas parade.

MHS varsity choir invited to sing at Cotton Kings game

The Muleshoe High School Varsity choir has been honored with an invitation to open the Cotton Kings game against the Youngstown, Ohio Steel hounds.

The choir will be singing an a cappella rendition of the National Anthem.

Recommendations for invitations to participate in such events come from the Region music association and its various leaders.

A representative from the Lubbock Cotton Kings called the choral office in Muleshoe with the invitation on Wednesday, Nov. 15.

A special ticket rate has been offered for any spectators in association with the MHS who wish to attend the game. Call Lorissa Moffett at 272-7307 by 3 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 7 for ticket information.

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Park View Nursing Care Center, Muleshoe, is accepting applications for DON, CMA or CNA positions. For more info, contact Jodie Rose, 806-272-7578. TFNch12-7

The City of Muleshoe is taking applications for a worker in the Public Works Department. High School graduate/GED required. Upon employment, subject may be required to pass a drug test. Applications can be picked up at City Hall, 215 South First, Muleshoe, TX. Position open until filled. EOE/ADA. TFN11-30

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OLTON — SALE OF REAL PROPERTY TO BID - Olton Independent School District is accepting the sealed bids from individuals interested in purchasing the house and real property, located at 2771 FM 54 in Spade, Texas. The property identification reference number is R15341 and the legal description is T.A. Thompson Block T. Tract #20-21 Out of SW/4 Section 64 Lamb County, Texas. The house is brick consisting of approximately 1,872 square feet of living space with a double car garage of 506 additional square feet. There are approximately 10 rooms with 2.5 baths. All bids submitted must be above the appraised value of \$61,000, in order to be considered. All bids submitted must be on an official Olton ISD bid form. Bids submitted on any other format will not be considered. The individual approved by the Board of Trustees during the regular board meeting on Thursday, December 14, 2006. Olton Independent School District reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids, to waive any and all technicalities, and accept the bid that will best serve the needs of the district.

buyer will be responsible for paying all costs relating to the conveyance of the Property, including any applicable legal expenses. The house will only be available for viewing on Friday, December 1, from 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM and Saturday, December 2, 2006 from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Bid packets may be obtained by calling the Olton ISD Business Office @ 806-285-2641 x232 or at the Olton ISD Administration Office, located at 7th and Avenue G in Olton, Texas. Sealed bids marked "Spade Real Property Bid" must be submitted to the Olton Independent School District Business Office; Attn: Jeff Rowland/ Business Mgr. P.O. Box 388, Olton, Texas 79064-0388 no later than 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 14, 2006. Bids will be considered by the Olton Independent Board of Trustees during the regular board meeting on Thursday, December 14, 2006. Olton Independent School District reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids, to waive any and all technicalities, and accept the bid that will best serve the needs of the district.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Administration for the Estate of JAMES EDWARD GARRETT, Deceased, were issued on November 30, 2006, in Cause No. 2444, pending in the County Court of Bailey County, Texas, to: PHILLIP GARRETT. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality



NOTICE OF CONCENTRATED ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATION APPLICATION

General Permit Authorization No. TXG920726

APPLICATION. LARRY WAYNE SIMNACHER, P.O. Box 2217, Bay City, Texas 77404-2217, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) under General Permit No. TXG920000 for authorization to operate a new dairy facility at 5,000 total head, of which 4,000 head are milking, in Bailey County, Texas. The notice of intent was received by TCEQ on March 24, 2006. No discharge of pollutants into the waters in the state is authorized by this general permit except under chronic or catastrophic rainfall conditions or events. All waste and wastewater will be beneficially used on agricultural land.

The proposed facility will be located on the south side of Ranch Road 746, approximately one mile east of the intersection of Ranch Road 746 and Highway 214 in Bailey County, Texas. The facility will be located in the drainage area of the Double Mountain Fork Brazos River in Segment No. 1241 of the Brazos River Basin.

A copy of the notice of intent, application, the Executive Director's technical summary, and the CAFO general permit is available for viewing and copying at the **Bailey County Courthouse/County Clerk's Office, 300 South 1st Street, Suite 200, Muleshoe, Texas 79347.**

The Executive Director of the TCEQ has made a preliminary decision to approve coverage of this facility under General Permit No. TXG920000.

PUBLIC COMMENT. Written public comments may be submitted to the Office of Chief Clerk, at the address provided in the information section below, within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of this notice. In addition, the public may request a public meeting. If significant interest exists, the Executive Director will direct the applicant to publish a notice of the public meeting and hold the public meeting. The applicant must publish notice of a public meeting at least 30 days prior to the meeting in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the CAFO is proposed to be located. The Executive Director will consider all relevant information pertaining to whether the applicant meets the requirements of the general permit and will issue a written determination as to any final action on the notice of intent for coverage under the general permit.

INFORMATION. Written public comments should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. For additional information, about the application or the procedure for public participation in the general permit process, individual members of the general public may contact the Office of Public Assistance at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.state.tx.us.

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The Christmas Angel... Continued from page 1

have the knowledge of how to care for the animals or perform some of the other routine farm chores he should be acquainted with if that were true.

"He might a' visited a farm, but he's not a farm boy," Archer argued. "Maybe that's why he wasn't enrolled in school around here, and why we don't recognize him. Maybe he was visiting somebody's farm when he hit his head or something and wandered off."

"Then why hasn't somebody reported a boy missing around here... especially with him being new to the area?" the sheriff said, repeating a question that had bothered him ever since the boy's discovery weeks earlier.

Frustrated that he didn't have an answer to the sheriff's question either, all Archer could do was shrug. After a long pause, he turned toward Gardner and asked, "You gonna take him with you?"

Gardner pursed his lips for a moment before responding. "I probably should," he said, "but I'll need to talk to the district judge about it first. If he authorizes it, we'll move the boy into a state boys home until a final decision can be made or until his memory returns and we can get everything sorted out."

"What about Christmas?" Archer asked.

"What about it?" said Gardner. "You're wanting to pack him up and move him among strangers with Christmas just a week away?"

"Mr. Archer, right now we're all strangers to him," said Gardner.

"That may be, but he knows we care about him even if we haven't known him for very long."

"Lynn," said the sheriff, "The people at the state home will care about him also."

"Along with about a hundred other boys, most likely," said the old farmer.

Gardner took another sip from the coffee mug Archer handed him at the beginning



of the discussion, after the interview had concluded and the boy ran off to find out what Archer's grandson was into.

"Mr. Archer, you're right, Christmas is just a week away," Gardner said, "and I'd like to spend Christmas with my own wife and kids. I have to take care of some business in McIntosh County, and I figure on making a circle of it and dropping the boy off before heading back home to them."

Neither Gardner's attitude nor his remarks sat well with Archer, and the tension in the room grew thicker.

"Jim," Sheriff Johnson said after a couple of

minutes. "You won't be able to do anything in McIntosh County lugging Timothy around everywhere you go. Why not leave him here until you're heading back. If nothing else, that will give Lynn a chance to explain the situation to Timothy."

Gardner shrugged. "As long as everyone understands I'll be back through before Christmas."

The tension in the room hadn't improved much by the time everyone finished their coffee, and the handshake between Archer and Gardner was quickly over.

After the sheriff and the social worker had left, Archer stepped into the kitchen, where he found Molly beginning preparations for the evening meal.

"He'll be back in a couple of days to take Timothy with him," he said.

"Before Christmas?" asked Molly Archer, who had been outside during the earlier discussion.

Archer pulled his pipe from his vest pocket, and absently rubbed the bowl with his thumb as he headed into the living room and his rocking chair. "Yep," he said.

A few seconds later, the odor of pipe tobacco drifted into the kitchen. Even if she were normally inclined to comment on his smoking in the house, Molly took a cue from the angry squeak coming from the runners of her father-in-law's rocking chair and continued preparing supper.

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