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Church delivers warm pies, God's heart-warming message to Floydada

By Jennifer Harbin

It seemed like an incredible task to deliver an apple pie to every house in Floydada's city limits, to pray for the individuals and deliver the word of God--but through God, all things are possible.

Pastor Tim Franks, of the First Baptist Church in Floydada, and Bart Greer had heard of the concept, but together and in private, they prayed over whether serving Christ in this way was their calling.

Their contemplations began in the Spring of 2011 and were implemented in August

Their goals for the program were threefold: they wanted to deliver a fresh-baked apple pie to every home inside the city limits, give the people they met a packet with a small New Testament Bible, brochure on the First Baptist Church and a DVD which featured Franks himself speaking about God's Word, and lastly, offer to pray for any concerns or needs that the families or individuals might have.

The project is known as GROW, which stands for "Go Reach Our World", and in Floydada it reached approximately 800 houses by the hard work, dedication and faith of the members of the First Baptist Church.

Organization was key in the project and involved a leadership team consisting of Bart Greer, Tim Franks, Clar Schacht and Jon Jones. They met as a group and helped put everything together, with information "trickling down" from there to other groups that made this dream a success.

There were Map Scouts that organized the maps, routes and who to visit. Then there were the Pie Makers that would meet once a month and make fresh apple pies in big batches. The Pie Bakers would take the previously frozen pies home and bake them on Sunday afternoons, returning them hot and ready to go to the Outreach Teams who would deliver them, along with the packets and offering prayers. While the Outreach Teams were out on the streets of Floydada, Prayer Teams prayed for the success of the project. After the pies had been delivered and the Prayer Teams received the reports from the previous week's visits, they would then pray the specific prayer requests as well as send citizens post cards to let them know

that they were prayed for. There were approximately 120 people involved in the whole process. According

to Franks, Church Secretary Melissa Hicks worked really hard on the packets (which Franks fondly referred to as "How to get from Floydada to Heaven") that were given out to Floydadians and Greer was "instrumental in whole

It was surprising to learn how many people in the community were unaware of where the Baptist Church was located, Franks recalled, but equally surprising how receptive the community members were for the teams to pray for

"The ultimate goal was to reach our community through Christ," said Franks.

For the church, "it has been a joint effort. There are many people involved in GROW that worked together in a really good way," said Franks. "They were blessed by the program, but they were blessed by the community as well."

There wasn't a week that went by that the church office didn't receive a card or call thanking them for the pie, prayers and visit.

"It has been special for me to meet some of the people of our community, to pray with them and visit with them," said Franks. "It has been just wonderful."

"Spirit of Christmas" in need of donations

By Corey Johnston

The "Spirit of Christmas" meal will be delivered to homes on Christmas Day this

We are currently accepting monetary donations as well as volunteers to help prepare and serve food. This year's meal will serve deserving families in Floydada, Lockney, Crosbyton and Plainview.

We will need people to help prepare food on Christmas Eve and will need people willing to help plate the food on Christmas morning.

If you wish to make a donation or volunteer your time, please contact Corey Johnston at 806-983-7586.



City water supply not at risk from past gasoline leak

By Jennifer Harbin

On a frigid, windy day last week, Apec representative Brenda Barnes walked the downtown streets of Lockney, as well as surrounding streets, to speak with property owners about an important issue that the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) wants to bring to the public's attention. Apec is a consulting company for TCEQ, hired to educate the public about the affects a gas leak from Jackson Tire when it was previously operational has had on the underground water supply in Lockney. Jackson Tire was located at the southeast corner of Locust and Main Streets.

According to Barnes, this is a widespread problem that has been around since the 20's and 30's when cars began to be used.

As a precautionary measure, the TCEQ has asked that Apec contact property owners within the plume, or area affected, to sign a Restrictive Covenant to prevent property owners from digging a well. It is a clause that will be added to

property deeds so that future property owners will also agree to do the same. The process is completely voluntary according

"The form is really straight forward," said

Barnes. "Existing wells can still be used for irrigation."

It is a limited area that is affected—the blocks immediately south and southwest of the City property where Jackson Tire was located.

"It is not really a health risk, but the remaining ground water under downtown is contaminated," said Barnes. "It is a precautionary measure to prevent future exposure."

Lockney's drinking water is not affected by the situation because drinking water is not drawn from this source, but from Lake Mackenzie in Briscoe and Swisher Counties and a well located west of town at Aiken.

The form needs to be notarized at City Hall, which is free, and left there to be sent to Apec.

Floydada ISD named Apple Distinguished Program

Floydada, TX – December 10, 2012 - Floydada ISD is pleased to announce that it has renewed status as an Apple Distinguished Program for the 2012-2013 school year for its consistent growth, improvement, and leadership in 1:1 school initiatives using the implementation of Apple technology.

Joining 42 programs nationwide for 2012-13, Floydada ISD enters it's fourth consecutive year with Apple's identification as an exemplary learning environment. The Apple Distinguished Program designation is reserved for programs that integrate Apple technology in education and meet the five best practices: visionary leadership, innovative learning and teaching, ongoing professional learning, compelling evidence of success, and a flexible learning envi-

"We are very honored to receive this designation for the fourth year in a row. Our school board, administration, and staff are committed to providing our students with a quality education through the use of technology. Our Technology Immersion Program is a critical part of our district and has helped us prepare our students for the 21st Century," said Superintendent Gilbert Trevino.

The selection of Floydada ISD as an Apple Distinguished Program highlights its enhancements and extensions in teaching and learning with innovative implementations of technology. Much of the success of the districts technology is attributed to the administrators' and teachers' commitment to expand existing technology skills each year and creating a seamless level of technology integration that supports every aspect of the instructional process. The use of extensive software and web resources provides a broad spectrum of data and feedback to assist teachers in more prescriptive classroom instruction. The addition of laptops throughout the elementary grades has provided the district with the ability to increase student

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Harrington Breast Center Mobile Coach Coming to Lockney

Center Mobile Mammography Coach will be in Lockney at the Mangold Hospital on Thursday, Jan. 3rd from 9 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. to provide women 35 and older in the area with their yearly mammograms.

Featuring the largest program of its kind in the tained unit, fast appoint-

The Harrington Breast state of Texas, the Harrington Breast Center Mobile Mammography Coach has provided mammograms to women of the High Plains region since 1989. Our program features fullfield digital mammography equipment, screenings performed inside our self-con-

ments at convenient times and quick reporting back to patients.

For appointments and cost information, please contact the Harrington Breast Center at 1-800-377-4673. The Mangold Hospital is located at 320 N. Main in Lockney. We look forward to serving you during our visit.

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Christmas Eve Services

December 24th Christmas

Floyd County Church Directory

AIKEN BAPTIST CHURCH Dennis Butler, Pastor Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.. ****

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH 810 S. 3rd, Floydada Darwin Robinson, Pastor 983-5278

Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship .. 10:50 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m Wednesday.....7:00 p.m

> CALVARY'S **CORNERSTONE** FELLOWSHIP Floydada

Armando Morales, Pastor Sunday School9:45 a.m. Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m. Bible Study6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening7:00 p.m.

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Levi Sisemore, Minister Ivan Gomez, Minister Floydada Sunday Bible Study..9:30 a.m. Morning Worship .. 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship6:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Tim Franks, Pastor Terry Simmons,

Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Minister of Ed./Music Josh Burgett - Min. Students Sunday School9:15 a.m. Morning Worship ...10:30 a.m Evening Worship6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Lockney Jonathan Sullivan, Pastor Chad Cook, Youth Min.

Phil Cotham, Music Min. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m Wednesday..... 6:30 p.m. Wednesday (Youth). .7:15 p.m.



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FIRST UNITED **METHODIST CHURCH** Lockney

Rev. Ricky Carstensen Pastor Sunday School9:30 a.m.

Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Evening Service..... 6.00 p.m. Wed. Jr. High5:30 p.m. Wed. High School... 6:30 p.m.

GRANT CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Joe Bennett, Pastor Sunday School10:00 a.m. Morning Worship ... 11:00 a.m. Evening Service.....7:30 p.m. Tuesday.....8:00 p.m.

**** **MAIN STREET** CHURCH OF CHRIST Lockney

Wed. Service7:30 p.m.

Beau A. Hart, Minister Bible Study9:30 a.m. Morning Worship .. 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m. Wednesday.....7:30 p.m.

MT. ZION **BAPTIST CHURCH** Floydada Rev. Timothy Askew 401 N 12th St (983-5805) Sunday School10:00 a.m. Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Study ... 7:00 p.m. **NEW SALEM** PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH Floydada

(806) 637-0430 Sunday Singing 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.

Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges

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> PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA Lockney

Jesus Caballero, Pastor Sunday School9:45 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Discipleship5:00 p.m. Wed. Service7:00 p.m. ****

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA Floydada

Rev. Toby Gonzales Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship .. 10:40 a.m. Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Evening7:00 p.m.

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Jim McCartney, Pastor Wed. Communion....8:00 p.m Sunday Mass...... 11:30 a.m.

> SOUTH PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH Joe Weldon, Pastor

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> ASSEMBLY OF GOD 701 W. Missouri Joe M.Hernandez 983-5286 (church) Sunday School

TEMPLO GETSEMANI

English..... 9.45 a.m Spanish......11:00 a.m. Spanish Worship9:30 a.m. English Worship.....11:00 a.m. EveningService......5:00 p.m. Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.

ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH Floydada

Rev. Angelo Consemino

Phone: 983-5878 Sunday Mass.....11:30 a.m.

Mon.Wed. Mass6:30 p.m. Confession Sat......10-11 a.m. TEMPLO BAUTISTA

SALEM

Lockney Rev. Joe Hernandez Sun. Prayer Service 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School9:45 p.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Meeting7:00 p.m.

TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Washington and 1st St. Sunday School9:45 a.m. Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service7:00 p.m.

TEMPLO NUEVA VIDA Rev. Herman Martinez 308 W. Tennessee, Floydada

Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Evening Worship5:00 p.m. Tuesday...7:30 p.m. Thursday Service.....7:30 p.m. ****

TRINITY ASSEMBLY 500 W. Houston Henry Russell, Co-Pastor Vance Mitchell, Co-Pastor 983-5499 or 983-2887

Sunday School9:45 a.m. Morning Worship ... 10:40 a.m. Sunday Evening6:00 p.m.

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Sunday School9:45 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. **WEST SIDE**

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TRUDI GILLY Trudi Gilly, age 61, passed away, Thursday, De-

cember 13, 2012.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m., Monday, December 17, 2012 at the Trinity Assembly of God Church in Floydada. Pastor Vance Mitchell officiated.

Interment followed at

the Floyd County Memorial Park. Arrangement were under the care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home of Floydada.

Trudi Lu Miller was born on November 22, 1951 in Floydada to Arlon and Glenna (Jack) Miller. She has been a lifelong resident of Floyd County.

She was a member of the Trinity Assembly of God Church and an active member of her community through her business, Module Cover Repair Service. Trudi retired in 2011.

Trudi is preceded in death by her parents, husband, Craig Gilly in August of 2006, and her sister,

Becky McFadden.

She is survived by her husband, Ross Miller of Floydada; two daughters, Amy Gilly and fiancé, Robert Eckert of Anna, Texas and Tara Baldwin and, Tim of Van Alstyne, Texas; her Monroe granddaughter, Baldwin of Van Alstyne and a brother, Lon Miller and wife, Gertrude of Lub-

Memorials may be made in Trudi Gilly's name to Trinity Assembly of God, P.O. Box 268, Floydada, Texas 79235.

Online condolences may be made at www.moorerose.com.

FROM THE ARCHIVES

OF THE FLOYD COUNTY MUSEUM

WOES OF A DEBT Floyd County Hesperian **December 3,1970** By Homer Steen

This Spring when the city council ofFloydada bought a new fire truck at the behest of the State Insurance commission, they wrote a check for the delivered price, \$26,500. If things get tough like they did once upon a time the city will at least not have a fire truck debt to worry them.

My guess is the council would have continued to use Ifaeir old fire truck on a make-do basis, since it was operating in a fairly efficient way, but it was outmoded. The state authority, however, ruled the city must get a more efficient machine or the property owners pay a higher rate of fire insurance, out of fairness to the insurance companies.

The council might have had a previous fire truck debt experience of the city in mind, but we doubt it, unless some of the members had been reading ancient history.

In 1928,1 remember

Burl Bedford (now deceased brother of Charlie). Business conditions were beginning to look bad. In the industrial centers affairs were going great guns. They were racking up the dough, living high on the hog. But they were breaking the farm people's backs.

The city's debts for water and sewer lines, paving, etc. were considerable. Burl had talked with most of the city's creditors though and felt we could expect to make arrangements to keep from being in default on any obligations. DID GET WORSE

There were no immediate demands that could not be met but the nineteen thirties could bring on need for negotiations with creditors, if matters got worse. Burl thought. It is a matter of painful

history that affairs did get worse. Property owners in ever grander numbers were unable to pay taxes. When the payments got below 70 per cent the city was talking with its creditors. And "made the grade" with every one except one- a company which had sold the city a a conversation I had with fire truck in the twenties and

held \$5,000 in unpaid warrants together with considerable interest.

This was American La France and Foamite Corporation. Nothing would satisfy except the money or a federal court judgement. Not having \$5,000 in cash the city had to accept the default judgement. It amounted to the \$5,000 plus \$1,757 interest.

Trial day was an embarrasing one for members of the council called upon to take the witness stand and admit the city could not pay the bill. The presiding judge allowed the lawyer to "chouse" them unmerci-

It was more than four years before the city got squared away once more, paid the fire truck judgment, bought a new fire truck for cash (nine bidders,\$3,500 cash), for a truck to be mounted on a chassis of 90 horse power 1940 Ford.

Ben P. Ayres, who served the city as attorney during most of this period, ruefully recalls, but with some humor now that it's over, some of the painful incidents of the period at the city hall.

The family of Virginia Sissney would like to express our appreciation to the Area Community Hospice for their care shown to our loved one.

We also thank all the friends for their generosity shown at this difficult time.

> With warm regards, The Sissney Family

IN MEMORY OF TOMASA PARA DE LEON In Our Mothers Arms

Once back before our time (Prove. 31:10-31) When you were in your prime All you had was LOVE and time You decide to wear his ring And his heart began to sing He said, you are music in my life You decided to become his wife (Prove. 31:10-15) Through you GOD has blessed us with our life Also blessed us with a husband or a wife I remember when in my mothers loving arms I felt secure and safe from all harm (Prove. 31:17-18) My brothers and sister would go out and do things I would stay home and mother would sing Mother is a kind and loving word It was made in heaven from our Lord (John 1:1) Where we live close or far apart You are always in our heart In life you had Pain and sorrow But you have shown us to look beyond tomorrow (John 14: 1-4) When I was growing up I would see (Prove. 31:30-31) (Matt 6:9-13 As you prayed on your knee (Ephesians 3:14-15) (Phil. 2:10-11)

> By Marilyn's father (Heb. 13:2) (11-10-88-11-4-90) (Psalm 116:15) M. De Leon

Marriage is husband and wife and Children (Genesis 3:20) (Genesis 4:1-2) Thank you for kindness words and food From Manuel De Leon

You would pray when in time of pain and sorrow

We are all here sisters and brothers (Ecci. 3: 1-8)

I know that you have prayed for our tomorrow

To say thank you and Happy Birthday Mother

Lockney Senior Center Menu December 24-28

Monday: CLOSED Tuesday: CLOSED Wednesday: CLOSED Thursday: Chicken and Dumplings Friday: Hamburger

FRIENDS **OF THE** LIBRARY

By Carolyn Cheek The Friends of the Library

would like to take this opportunity to thank each person who has donated books for our sales this past year. We also would like to thank the many people who came to the sales and bought

We feel we have had a successful year and have been able to support our wonderful public library's projects. Our goal is to make the library the best it can be and hopefully the people of Floydada have visited the library and checked out books. The library has a nice collection of Christmas books that will help you enjoy this season. We are already accepting books for our next sale. Just bring them to the library or

if you can't bring them call the library and a member of the Friends of the Library will come and pick them up. The Friends of the Library want to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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A SOLDIER'S CHRISTMAS

"Twas the night before Christmas, he lived all alone, in a one bedroom house made of plaster and stone.

I had come down the chimney with presents to give, and to see just who in this little house lived.

As I looked all about, a strange sight I did see, No tinsel, no presents, not even a tree.

No Stockings by mantle, just boots filled with sand,

On the wall hung pictures of far distant lands.

With medals and badges, awards of all kinds, A sobering thought came through my mind.

For this house was different, it was dark and dreary, The home of a soldier, I could now see clearly.

The soldier lay sleeping, silent, alone, Curled up on the floor in this one bedroom home.

The face was so gentle, the room in such disorder, Not how I picture a United States Soldier.

Was this the hero of whom I'd just read? Curled up on a poncho, the floor for a bed?

I realized the families that I saw this night, owed their lives to these soldiers who were willing to fight.

Soon round the world, the children would play, and grownups would celebrate a bright Christmas day.

They all enjoyed freedom each month of the year, because of the soldiers, like the one lying here.

I couldn't help wondering how many lay alone, on a cold Christmas Eve in a land far from home

The very thought brought a tear to my eye, I dropped to one knee and started to cry.

The soldier awakened and I heard a rough voice, "Santa don't cry, for this life is my choice".

I fight for freedom, I don't ask for more, My life is my God, my country, my corps."

The soldier rolled over and drifted to sleep, I couldn't control it, I continued to weep.

I kept watch for hours, so silent and still, as we both shivered from the cold night's chill.

I didn't want to leave, on that cold, dark night, this guardian of honor, so willing to fight.

Then the soldier rolled over, with a voice soft and pure, whispered, "Carry on Santa...., It's Christmas Day...., All is secure.

One look at my watch, and I knew he was right, Merry Christmas my friend.... and to all a Good Night.

~ Author Unknown *~



This is passed on by a young Marine. As Christmas is coming soon and some credit is due to our U.S. Service men and women for being able to celebrate these festivities. Let's try in this small way to pay a tiny bit of what we owe. People stop and think of our heroes living and dead who sacrificed themselves for us

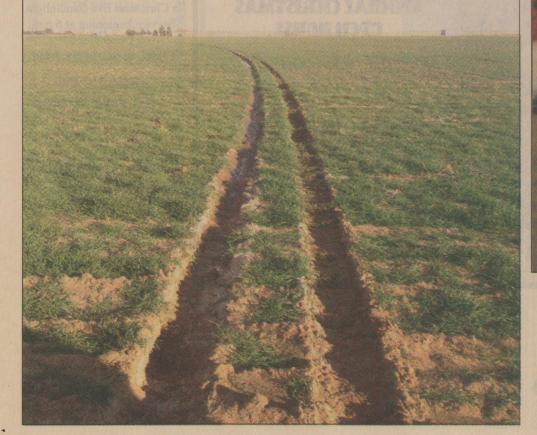
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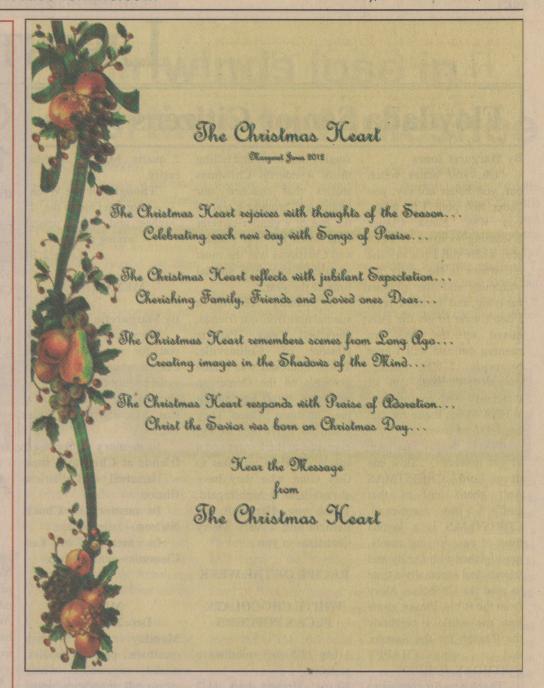




Photo by Jennifer Harbin

The Lockney Senior Center hosted a drop-off site for the Lockney High School National Honor Society's donations that will go to the eighth graders' service project for the Ronald McDonald House in Lubbock. The donations were picked up by NHS from the Center on Wednesday, December 12. (Pictured left to right) Mary Sammann, Rayann Race, Luke Sherman, Taylor Rose, Gladys Bobbitt, Taylor Esty, Lindsay Stewart, and Kelsie Stennett.



Mrs. Clause & Santa wish everyone a very Merry Christmas!

LIFESTYLES

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By Margaret Jones

"Oh, you better watch out, you better not cry, you better not pout I'm tellin' you why....Santa Clause is coming to town..." Let's see, where did I put my list oh, where is the paper for wrapping and the ribbons for tying, and the name tags, I don't want to get the gifts mixed up...the days are running out and will I ever be ready...? The baking, shopping, cleaning and all this hurry and confusion... WHEW! I am ready for this season to be over...

WAIT...In my fast pace to get nowhere....Slow me down, Lord...CHRISTMAS isn't about any of that stuff I just mentioned. CHRISTMAS is a joyous time of year to sing carols, get-together with family and friends and especially a time to read the Christmas Story from the Bible. Please, come join me while I celebrate the Reason for the Season, sing...."HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JESUS."

Thank you for coming to the Christmas Party at the Center this past Thursday nite. We had a fun time singing carols, visiting with friends and eating all that good food. Thank you, Kathy Johnson, for playing those wonderful old Christmas Carols on the piano as everyone gathered. A special THANK YOU to our dear friend, Lou Burleson, for so graciously leading us in singing the carols and telling those wonderful Christmas stories that touched our hearts and brought a tear to the eye of a gentler-sweeter time when life was simpler and Christmas was the most wonderful treasured, special time of the year.

I recently received a special note from our friends, Herschell and Hinson of Collinsville, Texas. Enclosed was a nice donation to the Center to extend a little Joy during the Christmas Season. They asked that I give their Best to everyone at the Center and a special Merry Christmas to Guy Ginn who they have always held in high regard. Thank you, Herschell and Patricia and a Very Merry Christmas to you.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

WHITE CHOCOLATE **PECAN POPCORN**

1 bag (3.5 oz.) microwave 10 oz. almond bark (1/2

½ cup pecan pieces

Remove popped corn. Microwave almond bark 1-1/2 minutes until melted. Stir pecan pieces in candy, then mix well with popcorn in a large bowl. Spread on cookie sheet to cool completely, or place in freezer 10-15 minutes. Break into pieces. Makes about

Healthy Recipe of the Week

Provided by Pure Balance Nutrition

Breakfast Casserole

In a bowl, combine all ingredients except eggs.

Add the mixture to a greased casserole dish with lid.

Bake at 350 F for 35-40 minutes or until center is firm.

o 2 cups shredded Cauliflower

o 1 cup chopped Sausage, cooked

o 1/3 cup chopped Bell Pepper

o 2 cups Egg (approximately 8). Beaten

Pour eggs over the mixture.

o 1/3 cup chopped Onion

o Salt and pepper to taste

1.

3.

4.

o 1 cup shredded Cheddar Cheese (optional)

2 quarts. May be doubled

Thought for the Week - Glory to God in the highest, and on each peace

> among men. Luke 2:14

MEMORIALS

By Margarette Word

We would like to thank you for remembering the Center when you need to make a memorial or donation Our mailing address is P.O. Box 573, Floydada, Texas

In memory of deceased friends at Christmas time Herschell and Patricia

In memory of Chuck Nielson – Janet Milam

In memory of Leo Cisneros – Janet Milam

MENU Dec. 24 - Dec. 28

Monday Swedish meatballs, parsley noodles, mixed vegetables, whole wheat roll, margarine, angel food cake w/strawberries, low fat milk

Tuesday - CLOSED Wednesday - CLOSED Thursday - Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, country gravy, stewed okra, seasoned corn, pumpkin squares, low fat milk

Friday - Glazed meatloaf, red bliss potatoes, breadstick, mixed vegetables, country apple crisp, low fat milk

Carr's Chapel celebrates 107th Christmas Eve service

By Ann Carr

pel, located in the southwest corner of Floyd county on farm to market highway 378, will celebrate its 107th Christmas Eve service.

December 24, the program will consist of congrega-Christmas hymns, the reading of the Christmas story

ed to present musical selections, poems, and readings.

An offering will be taken to be donated to the Beginning at 6 p.m. on Methodist Children's Home in Waco.

the congregation's singing of "Jingle Bells". He Christmas Eve observance.

from Luke, and a seasonal will listen to the children's The historic Carr's Cha-meditation. The children Christmas wishes and help in attendance will be invit- distribute sacks of candy and apples to the congregation. After which, Santa will leave to go on his traditional Christmas Eve rounds around the world.

Everyone in the sur-Santa Claus will make rounding communities is tional singing of familiar his usual appearance to invited to help celebrate Carr's Chapel's

Dixie Divas

Appalachian Christmas

When Mama was a small girl growing up in the Nimblewill Valley in the Appalachian foothills, it was the midst of the Great Depression. As she often said, "Times were hard but it's all we knew so we didn't know how poor we

growing most of what RONDA they ate and RICH

were."

Mostly,

they

were

a self-

sufficient

bunch,

bartering they couldn't produce on the little rented farm they had. My grandmother had been gifted a small farm from her father, a mountain merchant and postmaster, but when times turned bad, the farm was lost to taxes. My grandparents, hard working

"I would walk a couple of miles to the store, carrying a chicken or fresh eggs, and trade them for coffee, tobacco or flour," Mama once said.

and earnest, spent the rest of

their lives, living in small rented

That is all to explain that each year when Christmas arrived for Mama and her family, there was no money for gifts. They celebrated the holidays with a fresh cut tree and focused on what they, as born again Christians, believed the

day to commemorate: the birth of Jesus in a stable in Bethle-

"We'd usually have a stocking - really a sock - filled with fruit and nuts," she remembered. Once her little brother, Doyle, who at three, mixed up his consonants as kids sometimes do, delivered a memorable line. He had poured out his sock and was delighted with the treats because fresh fruit and a couple of pieces of hard candy were a bounty to those who seldom knew treats. A bit later, he discovered that a large orange had stuck in the toe of the sock. It was as though he had found a new toy.

"Wook!" he exclaimed, clapping his little hands together and dancing around with joy. "It's another wrange!"

Daddy, raised in an adjoining mountain county, was not as rich. He seldom received anything for Christmas, therefore, tainting his view of Christmas gifts for the rest of his life. "Bunch of foolishness," he often said about exchanging gifts. Practical man that he was, though, when his kids insisted on giving him gifts, he asked only for necessities like underwear and socks. One year when he needed a new pasture fence, he, in an unusual manner, embraced the tradition of exchanging gifts.

"I want bob wire," he said, using the rural slang for barbed wire. We laughed off the request but his green eyes sparked with deep seriousness. "Do you know how much a roll costs? I've got to put in a new fence at the farm. It's what I need."

So, on that memorable Christmas day, Ralph Satterfield was gifted with enough rolls of barbed wire to build his fence. It was the only Christmas where I saw his eyes dance with pure joy over gifts.

When Tink suggested that we not exchange gifts this year, I was unruffled by it. "That's fine," I said, smiling. "I have Christmas every day." For it's true. Unlike my parents back in those days, I can buy a new dress that I fancy if I'm willing to spend the money or whatever groceries we want. A day or two later, I decided to take a page from my parents' book.

"I need a new pair of running shoes," I said. My others have holes in the soles and are coming apart at the seams. "And I need some lip balm." I figured that I was going to have to buy them anyway so I might as well get them for Christmas.

Tink nodded. "I don't need anything so don't buy me a gift. Promise?" I refused, though, to promise because I know exactly what Tink needs -a big box of Dove soap bars and antibacterial liquid soap. He likes clean better than anyone I've ever

And, maybe if he's really good, I'll throw in a couple of

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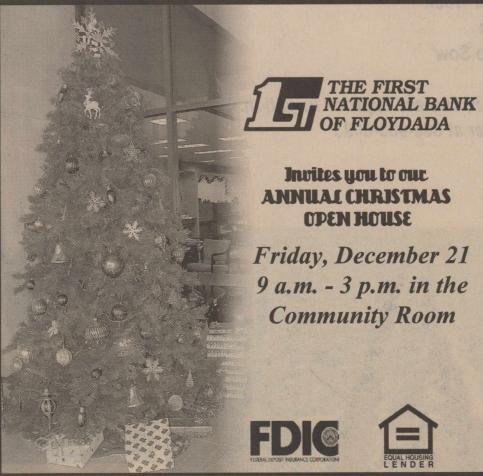


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Floyd County's 4-H Meats Judging Team placed 3rd in the District 2 contest held on the Texas Tech University campus, December 1, 2012. Team members included (back row) Austen Rexrode and Tristan Schlueter, (middle row) Caleb Miller and Trip Fortenberry, (front row) Sam Fortenberry, coach and Grip Fortenberry. The team is also coached by Becky Fortenberry (not pictured).

DPS increases holiday **DWI** enforcement

partment of Public Safety (DPS) will increase DWI patrols from December 21 - January 1, which includes both the Christmas and New Year holidays. DPS troopers will focus DWI patrols in high-risk locations at times when alcohol-related crashes are most frequent. The enhanced patrols that target intoxicated drivers are funded through a grant from the Texas Department of Transportation.

"Drinking and driving are always a concern during holidays, and there is no doubt that increased enforcement by DPS and other law enforcement will help save lives," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "But the public must also do their part to help make

roads have a safe and happy holiday season. Plan ahead. Designate a non-drinking driver or find alternative transportation if you plan to drink, and never get in a car with an intoxicated driver."

During the Christmas/ New Year holiday enforcement effort last year, DPS troopers made more than 1,100 DWI arrests, and approximately 350 were the direct result of the increased patrols. DPS enforcement also resulted in more than 15,000 speeding citations, 2,000 seat belt/child safety seat citations and 18,000 other citations. In addition, troopers made 1,020 fugitive arrests and 623 felony arrests during routine patrol operations.

DPS offers the follow-

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AUSTIN - The Texas De- sure all travelers on our ing additional tips for safe travel during the holidays:

Slow down - especially in bad weather, construction areas, heavy traffic and unfamiliar areas.

Eliminate distractions, and don't text while driv-

Buckle up everyone in the

vehicle - it's the law. Don't drive fatigued and allow plenty of time to reach your destination.

Drive defensively, as holiday travel may present additional challenges.

Make sure your vehicle is properly maintained before your trip begins.

Slow down or move over for tow trucks and police, fire and EMS vehicles stopped on the side of the road with emergency lights activated - it's the law.

Whirlwinds lose in overtime to Muleshoe

By Coach Renfro

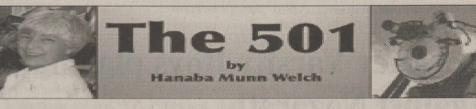
The Floydada Whirlwinds suffered two tough defeats this past week at the hands of Muleshoe and Smyer. The Winds lost in overtime to Muleshoe Tuesday in their home opener 63-59, then lost to Smyer 65-61.

In the Muleshoe game, Jordan Woody paced the Winds

with 16 points, 7 rebounds, and 4 assists. Landry Morren added 10 points and 9 rebounds, while Tyler Renfro put in 8 points and had 10 rebounds. DeAndre McCann added 7 points and 8 rebounds, Tucker Lowrance put in 7 points, and Michael Cisneros had 5. Venturo Gonzales and B.J. Perez rounded out the scoring with 4

and 2 respectively.

Against Smyer, Renfro led the scoring with 12 while handing out 9 assists, Morren had 11, and Woody 9 points to go with 4 steals. Cisneros added 8 points, McCann 7, and Lowrance and Perez put in 5 each. Gonzales put in 4 points while grabbing 6 rebounds.



There's no place like Stonehenge. If the name weren't so clunky, it'd probably be in more songs. Or if more people believed in everything revolving around the solstices, then maybe there'd be Stonehenge spin-offs here and there and everywhere.

My only solstice-like experience happened during the decade I worked for the post office. Certain times of the year were marked by the sun shining right in my eyes as I boxed the mail. I could have been annoyed, but I decided to be glad it was still coming up every morning and following the same pattern each year. There's comfort in routine.

As for Stonehenge, I'm glad I've not been yet. They're just now getting things figured out. Yes, it's been understood for a long time that the orientation of the big calendrical circle of upright stones has to do with the summer solstice, although even that point is argued by some doubters. Now archaeologists have dug deeper, scratching both the earth and their brains, to figure out how Neolithic man moved the stones into place and

Here's my version of what I just saw on educational television as to how it all went down. Or better said, up. Round stone balls found in the Stonehenge area aren't thought to be remnants of Neolithic croquet but rather ball bearings. Put them in two long parallel races hewn from sturdy oak and build a platform to glide atop the track and you've got a way of moving some really heavy stuff. I wish I'd had something like that when we moved the chickenhouse.

I'm impressed that the builders of Stonehenge came up with the ball bearing solution, if that's really how things hap-

Or else those balls really were for croquet. That's also a good story - Neolithic man with time for leisure pursuits, betting on the outcome of croquet matches.

But let's stick with television's ball bearing theory and move to chapter two - the remodeling of Stonehenge.

No, it's not about to happen. It already has. All the smaller upright stones standing within

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the circle of the original taller ones went into place hundreds of years after the first one. They were carted in from a dismantled grouping of stones from nearby and set in place to compliment the original Stonehenge configuration. If you ask me, they detract.

Can't you picture the original Stonehenge architect, looking down from Druid Heaven in dismay as work crews follow the directions of a lesser designer, or maybe even a committee, to add that second batch of stones among the original stalwart greater ones?

Then along came refined metals like copper and brass, and Neolithic man lost interest in monumental things built of dreary old stone, thus abandoning Stonehenge. So they said

It's the same old pattern. Something gets built according to a grand design. Then it falls out of vogue and gets remodeled, usually for the worse. Then it gets abandoned and falls into ruin.

Sometimes there is no comfort in routine.

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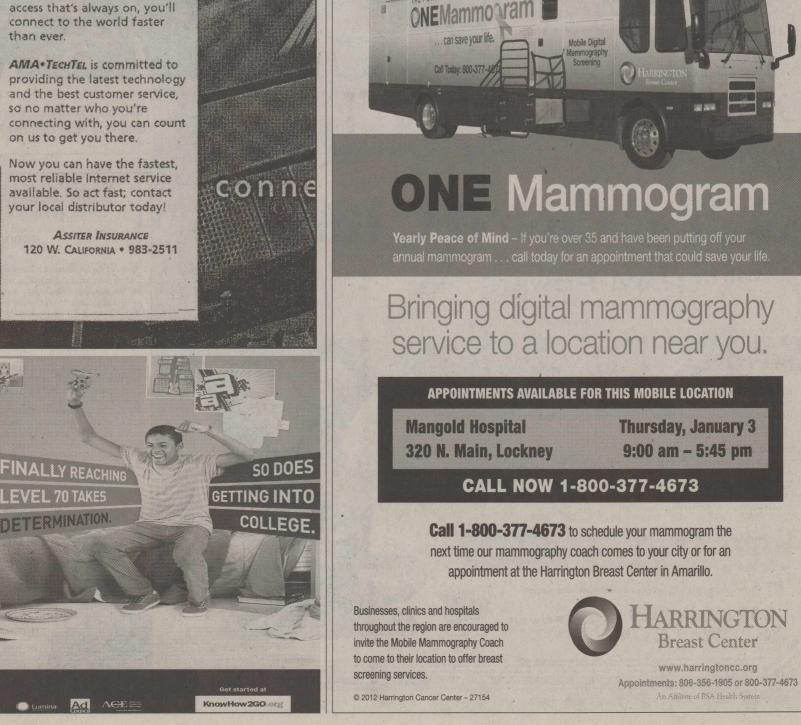
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LOCKNEY SCHOOL

Lady Horns win Guthrie Tournament

By Lisa Schumacher

First game of the Tournament was against Aspermont.

Lockney 13 30 40 F51 Aspermont 8 19 28 F49

The leading scorers for Lockney in that game were: Tanae Ramos with 15, Alexis Rodriguez

The second game of the Tournament was against Anson.

Lockney 4 12 21 F31 Anson 10 19 25, F30

The leading scorer for Lockney in that game was Alanie Rendon with 13 points.

The Championship of the Tournament was Lockney vs. Petersburg.

Lockney 9 18 29 F36

Petersburg 6 16 26 F30

"I am extremely proud of my athletes" said Coach Lisa Schumacher. "It's the first time we have won a tournament in several years!"

Lockney Varsity Boys play hard against Nazareth

By Coach Josh Strickland

The Lockney Longhorns played on the road Tuesday night in Nazareth and lost 44-70. Both Ian Dunbar and Erik Cortez led the Horns in scoring with 11 points each. Ky Teeter chipped in 10 points, Landry Kidd had 8 points, and Andrew Hooten added 4 points. The loss brings Lockney's overall record to 3-9. Next on the schedule is a home game versus the Tahoka Bulldogs at Longhorn Gym. Game time is at 8:00 p.m.

Lockney 10 24 38 44 Nazareth 15 33 57 70

Lockney JV Girls handily outscored Kress

By Keegan Reynolds

Lockney - 9 17 23 35

Kress - 0 0 6 6 Scoring for the Longhorns:

Cameron Diaz - 14

Brittany DeLeon - 2

Anna Hernandez - 2

Mari Hernandez - 3

Breanna Hernandez - 8

Karis Carstenson - 6

Rock the 45

The Lockney Elementary School cafeteria was Rockin' and Rollin' Tuesday, December 11, when the fourth and fifth grade students performed for a large crowd. The third annual event was called "Rock the 45" and consisted of 11 groups of students singing and dancing to modern songs that each group had written partial

original lyrics to as well as selfchoreographed. The groups spent about two months working on their projects, with little assistance from adults.

While the judges were making their final decisions, the audience was entertained by Kindergarten through third grade with a dancing "parade" of children on stage. Each small

group would get a few seconds to dance their hearts out on cen-

First place was tied between The Kings who sang "What Makes You Beautiful" and The Mini Katy Perries with their version of "Last Friday Night". Third place was awarded to the Bye Bye Boys for their performance of "Bye Bye Bye".



Photo by Jennifer Harbin

The Kings tied for first place with their rendition of "What Makes you Beautiful".



Photo by Jennifer Harbin

The Mini Katy Perries tied for first place by singing "Last Friday Night".



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Third place went to The Bye Bye Boys who sang and danced to "Bye Bye Bye".

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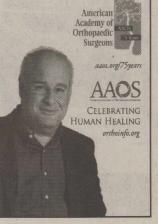
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As one of the last American children to contract polio, Jeffrey Galpin grew up in a world of iron lungs and body casts, alone with his imagination. His story would be dramatic enough if it was just about his battle with this dreaded disease.

But Jeffrey Galpin did more than survive polio. He went on to a list of achievements in medical research—including being the principal investigator in applying the first gene therapy for HIV/AIDS.

Dr. Galpin actually credits his own incurable condition for giving him the focus that made him so passionate in his research. His story leaves us with two of the most contagious messages we know. Don't give up, and remember to give back. If Dr. Galpin's story inspires just one more person to make a difference, then its telling here has been well worth while



Lady Horns play well in last week's games

By Coach Lisa Schumacher Lockney played Nazareth last week on Tuesday, December 11, falling just short of victory. Lockney 10 14 20 6 F50 Nazareth 13 12 12 15 F52 The leading scorers for Lockney were Hallmark with 12, Rendon with 10, and Ramos with 16 points. Friday, December 14, Tahoka fell to Lockney 29-52. Lockney 9 22 10 11 F52 Tahoka 5 3 11 10 F29 Leading scorers for Lockney were Rendon with 11, Sammann with 10, and Ramos with 15 points.

Rep-Elect Drew Springer announces

Townhall Forum in Floyd

MUENSTER, TEXAS – Today, Rep-Elect Drew Springer announced two townhall forums in Floyd County on December 20.

The forums will be 2 of the 22 stops on the Rep-Elect's two day district-wide tour. At the forum, Springer will discuss the upcoming legislative session and introduce his staff to the citizens of HD-68.

The Texas Legislature meets for only 140 days every two years. The next session, convenes on January 8 and will last until the end of May. These town hall forums will be an excellent opportunity for citizens to learn about the legislative process and how they can be involved to ensure their voice is heard.

"I think it is important for elected officials to interact with their constituents on a regular basis," said Springer.
"Getting feedback from the citizens of HD-68 will help me legislate in a way that better represents the diverse needs of our district."

Springer will host a Lockney townhall discussion between 7 a.m. – 7:30 a.m. on Decemeber 20 at the Lockney City Hall and a Floydada townhall discussion between 7:45 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. at the Floyd County Courthouse.

AGRILIFE TODAY: Southwest Beef Symposium slated for Jan. 15-16 in Lubbock

LUBBOCK-As 2013 approaches, cattlemen should mark those brand new calendars for the Southwest Beef Symposium, set for Jan. 15-16 at the Overton Hotel and Conference Center in Lubbock.

"This is the eighth year the Texas and New Mexico Extension agencies have collaborated on the annual event that alternates yearly between locations in West Texas and eastern New Mexico," said Dr. Manny Encinias, New Mexico State University Extension livestock specialist at Clayton, N.M.

Encinias said the symposium will center around three educational sessions and a trade show.

Dr. Bruce Carpenter, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service livestock specialist at Fort Stockton, said the first day's initial presentations will deal with the cost of doing business, with a special focus on the cost of commodities. This will be followed by presentations on how best to manage those costs at the ranch level.

The first day's program will end with a rancher panel tasked with sharing what they and their organizations are doing to address the commodity input issue. The panel will include representatives from New Mexico's Silver Spur Ranches (Bell and T.O.), B&H Herefords, and the Clavel Ranch as well as Texas' 6666's Ranch.

Carpenter said the Jan.18 program will cover a wide range of topics.

"The morning session will center on beef and food safety, starting with the National Beef Quality Audit," he said. "Next, the question of antimicrobial resistance will be addressed and what the science says and what some of the potential regulatory impacts may be. Following this will be a discussion on new pre-harvest technologies to improve beef safety. The session will conclude with retail store presenta-

"Texas Kroger stores are implementing a new educational program for their meat market manag-

ers that's aimed at helping them communicate factual information about beef production back to customers. United Texas LLC will also cover what they are seeing from the retail side in their stores."

The afternoon's final session will address rebuilding cattle herds following drought and will include discussions on replacement female options and management, biosecurity issues and new technologies in cattle reproduction.

For planning purposes, the individual preregistration fee of \$70 is requested by Jan. 11. The fee includes a prime rib steak dinner, lunch, refreshments and a printed proceedings. For more information, call Carpenter at 432-336-8585 or Encinias at 575-374-2566.

A schedule of events, speaker information, registration materials and lodging information is available at http://swbs.nmsu.edu/.

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Well owners reminded of recording period

Readings should be recorded between Dec. 15 to Jan. 15

High Plains Water District (HPWD) rule amendments require flow meter readings or readings from alternative measuring methods to be recorded between Dec. 15 and Jan. 15 of each year. This information is needed to report annual groundwater use from the Ogallala Aquifer to the district by March 1 of the following year.

The Water District encourages owners/operators of certain water wells or well systems to make readings to determine their ending meter readings for 2012 groundwater use reporting. The ending point for 2012 will be the starting point for 2013 reporting.

On-line reporting of meter readings or alternative measuring methods is available by clicking on the "Log Meter Entries Here" button on the right side of the HPWD web site (www.hpwd.com). The meter site is also available directly at map.hpwd.com.

"We encourage groundwater users to complete the following steps on-line during the December 15-January 15 reporting period," said Field Data Collection Supervisor Gerald Crenwelge.

"This meter module is a secure site where persons may create a user account, associate owners/properties with the user account, plot the location of the meter or alternative measuring method on National Agricultural Imagery Program (NAIP) aerial images, and update information about the meter in-

stallation. Even if you haven't entered any information until now—you can still do it at this time," he said.

Alternative measuring methods may be used for existing wells in lieu of flow meters during the transitional period from Jan. 1, 2012 to Dec. 31, 2015. The three approved alternative measuring methods include electricity consumption, natural gas consumption, and nozzle packages/ hour meter readings on center pivot systems.

Groundwater users wanting to "bank" the unused portion of their 2012 allowable production must enter data into the online database.

"Readings from either a metered well/well system or alternative measuring method can be used in calculating the amount of water that is eligible for banking in the future. This information must be entered in the on-line meter module so that the database can automatically make calculations. Groundwater users can enter data themselves or HPWD personnel can assist them," Crenwelge said.

He added that all measuring methods (meter or alternative method) are treated equally in the database.

Groundwater users need to have accurate beginning/ending meter or alternative measuring method readings so that the database can make proper calculations.

It is important to note that the reporting requirements do not apply to wells producing less than 17.5 gallons of water per minute (25,000 gallons per day) OR wells solely for domestic use (even if they produce more

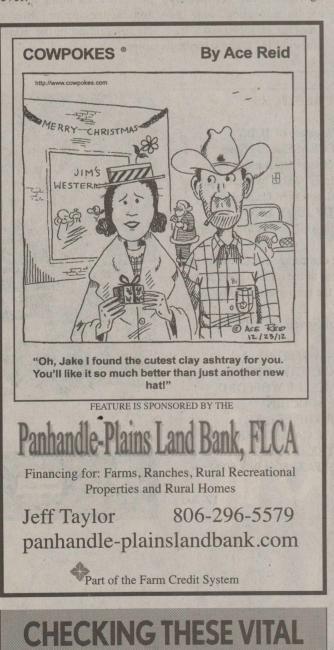
than 17.5 gallons per minute). However, wells that are part of a well system that has a total aggregated capacity to produce more than 17.5 gallons of water per minute (25,000 gallons per day) are included.

"District personnel realize that not all persons have access to computers. One option is to contact a family member or friend to see if they would allow you to use their computer to access the site. Feedback from users indicates the site is straightforward and easy to use," Crenwelge said.

Assistance is available to guide persons through the new water meter reporting method.

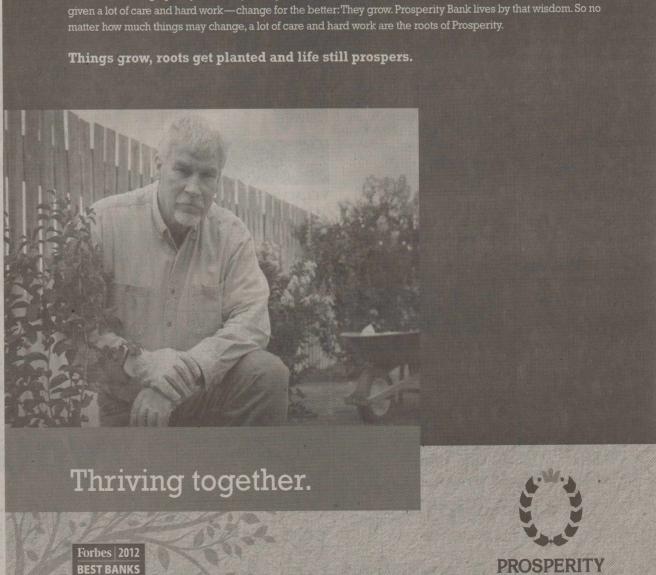
"A video tutorial on the new site offers instruction on how to complete the meter reporting process. Plus, persons may also stop by the HPWD office or contact us at (806) 762-0181. Several staff members are available to assist persons in setting up their on-line account. There may be a large number of people who stop by the office for assistance during this reporting period. We will do our best to accommodate walk-ins-but it will be very helpful if people can make an appointment in advance," said Manager Jim Conkwright.

Additional information regarding reporting requirements and alternative measuring methods are found in the Rules of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District and the district's Meter Specifications and Approved Meter List Manual. Both documents are available for viewing/downloading at www. hpwd.com









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USDA authorizes emergency CRP grazing for 6 more Texas counties

Source: USDA-Farm Service Agency, Texas

USDA Texas Farm Service Agency (FSA) Acting Executive Director James B. Douglass announced on Tuesday, Dec. 11 that Baylor, Cottle, Foard, Hansford, Hutchinson and King counties received authorizations for emergency grazing use of Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acres for fiscal year (FY) 2013. This authorization brings the total to 47 counties approved to graze CRP acres.

The CRP emergency grazing authorization begins immediately for a 90 day period not to exceed Feb. 28, 2013

The following Texas counties were previously approved for emergency grazing: Andrews, Armstrong, Bailey, Borden, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Deaf Smith, Dickens, Donley, Floyd, Gaines, Garza, Gray, Hale, Hall, Hardeman, Hemphill, Hockley, Kent, Lamb, Lipscomb, Lubbock, Lynn, Moore, Nolan, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Roberts, Scurry, Sherman, Swisher, Terry, Wheeler and Yoakum.

Based on a decision made by the Texas FSA State Committee, CRP emergency grazing approval will only be available for those CRP lands that were not utilized for haying or grazing during fiscal year 2011 or 2012. FSA's fiscal year runs from Oct. 1 to Sept.

"Eligible producers who are interested in emergency grazing of CRP must request approval before grazing eligible acreage and obtain a modified conservation Childress, Crosby, Dawson, plan from the Natural Resources Conservation Service that includes grazing provisions," said Douglass. "Current provisions allow grazing on 100 percent of a field, up to the 75 percent stocking rate," he said.

Additionally, there will be a 25 percent CRP payment reduction for CRP acres used for grazing under these emergency provi-

To take advantage of the emergency grazing provisions, authorized producers can use the CRP acreage for their own livestock or may grant another livestock producer use of the CRP acreage. The eligible CRP acreage is limited to acres located within the approved

For more information and to request approval for emergency grazing use of CRP acres contact your local FSA office.

Cotton Market Weekly

Cotton futures prices rallied sharply Tuesday following the release of USDA's monthly supply/ demand estimates that were considered bullish by the trade. The March contract at the Intercontinental Exchange (ICE) advanced 150 points at the close of trading and settled at 74.90 cents per pound, its highest close in seven weeks, according to one analyst. The May and July contracts also closed more than 100 points higher.

USDA cut its estimate of 2012-crop U.S. production by almost 200,000 bales to 17.26 million and increased its estimate of U.S. exports by 200,000 bales to 11.8 million compared to the November balance sheet. Consequently, U.S. ending stocks are now projected at 5.4 million bales.

Estimated world cotton production was virtually unchanged at 116.9 million bales; however, consumption increased 150,000 bales to 106,48 million, the first increase in that estimate in more than a year. The net result is a decline in projected world ending stocks to 79.64 million bales compared to November's estimate of 80.27 million.

The Texas crop estimate was reduced to 5.5 million bales, but it is still well above last year's droughtravaged production of just 3.5 million bales. In August, the crop was estimated at 6.7 million bales but was reduced to 6.1 million in September and to 5.9 million in November due mostly to abandoned acres. The Texas High and Rolling Plains will account for 3.85 million bales of the state's total this year, according to USDA. The Oklahoma crop pegged at 150,000 bales, New Mexico at 95,000 and Kansas at 55,000 bales. Cotton futures con-

their advance tinued on Wednesday with the March contract closing above 75 cents for the first time since late October. It also marked the ninth time in 11 trading sessions the contract had closed higher. In what one trader called a "traditional cotton reversal," March cotton pulled back from its seven-week high to settle at 74.56 cents per pound Thursday. Ahead of the close, the contract had moved as high as 75.20 cents before faltering.

Thursday's trading activity at ICE failed to gain any support from the latest weekly export report. One trader described it as another "robust" report but noted it was well below the average of recent weeks. USDA reported net sales of 283,900 bales in the week ended Dec. 6, down 32 percent from the previous week and 24 percent from the four-week average. At 136,400 bales, China was the featured buyer followed by Turkey and Bangladesh. Export shipments that week totaled 181,700 bales, down 14 percent from the previous week but up 26 percent from the prior four-week average. The primary destinations were China, Vietnam and Turkey.

China has accounted for 464,800 bales of the 999,900 bales of U.S. cotton sold in the export market during the past three weeks, according to one trader. Total export commitments for U.S. cotton now stand at just over 8.25 million bales which represent 72 percent of the latest USDA estimate, he noted.

The bullish supply/demand report helped online sales by producers in Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, and New Mexico surge to 139,482 bales in the week ended Dec. 13, up almost 50,000 bales from the previous week's volume. Average prices received this week ranged from 68 to 69 cents per pound compared to 66 to 69 cents the previ-

In other news, rain was in the forecast late this week from West Texas to the Carolinas. A 30 to 40 percent chance of scattered showers was forecast for the Lubbock area, and a 60 percent chance was reported for the north Delta. Both regions' harvest is virtually complete. Meanwhile, harvest in Oklahoma and Kansas continued this week under mostly favorable conditions.

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skills and expertise in such a way that the district's goal of providing 21st century skills to students' is real-

The overall technology program at Floydada ISD is currently in its ninth year grade levels, and in grades tionwide for its consistency

6-12, students have access to the laptops 24 hours a day throughout the school year. The technology immersion program at FISD has been described as the "gold standard" by Tom Burnett, of Apple, for technology

and leadership. The district has previously been honored with the Sylvia Charp Award and featured on the POWER ON TEXAS website. The district offers open house opportunities by appointment for other schools of technology immersion, use in education, and the and businesses to observe and offers 1:1 laptops in all program is recognized na- the integration in the class-

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Administration of the estate of JUDY JANELLE WOFFORD, DECEASED, has been commenced by the issuance of letters testamentary to the undersigned on November 27, 2012, by the County Court of Floyd County, Texas, acting in Cause No. 5935 styled IN RE ESTATE OF JUDY JANELLE WOFFORD, DECEASED, in which court the matter is pending.

All creditors having claims against the estate are hereby notified to present them to the undersigned at the address shown below within the time prescribed by law.

Dated this 27th day of November, 2012.

JERRY LYNN WOFFORD INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR OF THE ESTATE OF JUDY JANELLE WOFFORD C/O KAREN HOUCHIN ATTORNEY FOR THE ESTATE P.O. BOX 421, 124 W. CALIFORNIA FLOYDADA, TEXAS 79235 PHONE (806) 983-5556; FAX (806) 983-8022

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From the Floyd County

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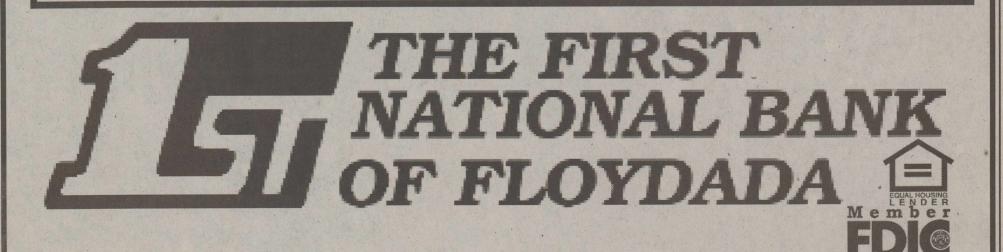
With warm wishes and gratitude from our family to yours.

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David Patterson
Don Payne
Judy Payne

Emma Pate
Mitch Probasco
Sara Segura
Monte Williams

Connie Peralez
George Farris
Tom Farris
Brianne Glasscock

Jessica Johnston Jodie McGuire Dianne Emert



Dear Santa, I would like...

Dear Santa,

Please bring me Under the Sea Ariel, a doll house, a tree house and a Crayola coloring shirt kit. Bring my Mom a baby tub for Miranda and bring Dad a basketball goal. Bring Madison an Ipad and Laptop and for Miranda a little tree house. I will leave you some cookies and Kool-Aid.

Love, Madilyne Garcia Pre-K1

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Red Angry Bird, a doll house, a stuffed puppy, a Tickle Me Elmo and a Friends Lego set. Bring Mom a phone and my Dad a phone, my brother an Elmo, my Grandpa wants a phone too and my Grandma a computer. I will leave you some cookies and water. Have a safe trip!

Love, Andreya Graza Pre-K1

Dear Santa,

Please bring me an Ipad, Mario video game, a flip over remote control car and the movie, "Jake saves Bucky." Bring my Mom some jewelry and shoes that fit her, bring Grandma big beds. I will leave you some milk and cookies. Have a safe trip.

Love, Jordan Jones Pre-K1

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a remote control motorcycle, X-Box car games, Jake and the Neverland Pirate game and the Spiderman game. Bring my Mom a necklace, my Dad a truck, Michael a race car game and a truck for my big brother, Martin. I will leave

you some cake and water.
Love,
Marty Riojas
Pre-K1

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a G.I. Joe action figure set, the Mega Rig Shark set and the Polar Express Train set. For Mommy a ring and for Daddy a boy ring. A doll house for my baby sister and for Nani a ring. I will leave you some chocolate cookies and milk. Have a safe trip!

Love, Enrique Hartline Pre-K1

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a motorcycle. Bring my Dad and Mom an Iphone. T.J. wants a motorcycle too. Reyna wants a big bed and Michael wants an Iphone too. I will leave you a sandwich and a Dr. Pepper. Thank you!

Love, Justin Torres Pre-K1

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a computer, some clothes, a Barney car. Bring Mommy some clothes, my Dad wants some clothes. My little sister wants clothes and shoes. Bring my Grandma some clothes. I will leave you some chips and cookies and water. Have a safe trip!

Love,

Naomi Lopez Pre-K1

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a strawberry shortcake doll, a doll house. For my sister Audrie bring her the Ariel doll, and for my brother a Santa Claus toy. For Mommy a ring and Daddy a tool set. I will leave you a strawberry snack and Love,
Briann Barrientos
Pre-K1

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a girl Monster truck, a pink four-wheeler, and a go cart. Bring my Mom a bracelet, my Dad a giant monster truck, for Diego more toys and for my baby brother a little monster truck. I will leave you a cheese and bacon sandwich and a coke. Have a safe trip!

Love, Alejandra Martinez Pre-K1

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a riding motorcycle and a Santa Claus toy. Bring my Mom some clothes and work clothes for my dad. Bring my baby sister a pink Barbie car and a Barbie. I will leave you some cookies and milk. Have a safe trip!

Love, Josue Rosa Pre-K1

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a doll house, stickers, a talking doll, a snowman and an Ipad. Bring mommy coloring books, and my daddy a hammer. Bring my sisters coloring books and my brothers an X-box and Ipads. I will leave some cookies and coke. Have a safe trip!

Love,

Ivana Gonzalez Pre-K1

Dear Santa,

Please bring me some candy, a doll house and a puppy. Bring Mommy a ring and Daddy a car. Bring my sisters some dolls. I will leave you some cookies and milk. Have a safe trip!

Love, Jazlyn Delafuente Pre-K1

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Power Ranger mask and sword, a cop rescue bot, a mega rig shark set and a Polar Express train set. Bring my Mama a new ring, my Dad super heroes and my baby sister a doll house. I will leave you some cookies and juice.

Love, Grayson Marks Pre-K1





With Heartfelt Thanks at Christmas

The best part of any journey is the people we meet along the way, and we're pleased to say we've never met a better bunch of folks than you. Thanks for making the trip worthwhile!

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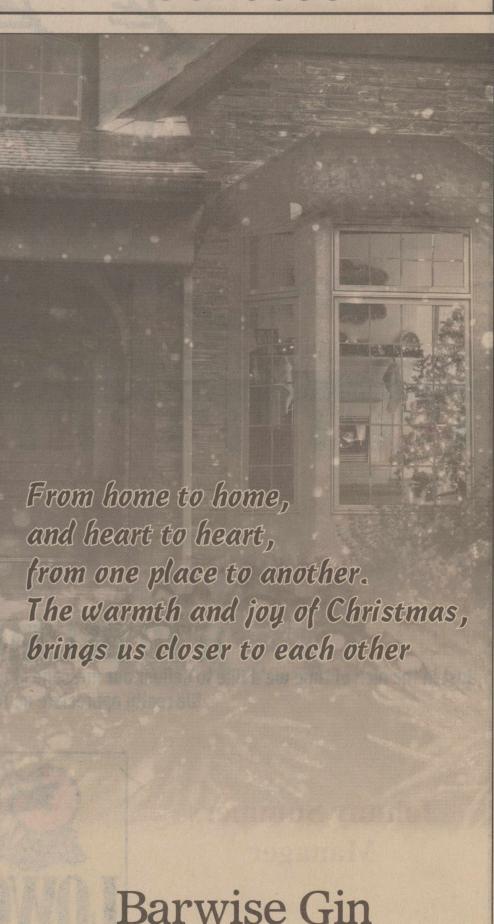


Christmas - that magic blanket that wraps itself around us, that something so intangible that it is like a fragrance. It may weave a spell of nostalgia. Christmas may be a day of feasting, or of prayer, but always it will be a day of remembrance - a day in which we think of everything we have ever loved.

Wishing you all a prosperous New Year! Mark, Kelly, McCrae and Madolyn



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Scott & Dawna Hilburn



Please bring me a Doc McStuffins, a Barbie castle, and lots of princess', a Doggie Doo game. Bring my Mom a necklace because hers broke and a box of crackers for my Dad. I will leave you some chocolate cookies. Have a safe trip!

Love, Payten Shuping Pre-K1

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a blue Power Ranger with a blue mask, and a sword, Bumble Bee, Doggie Doo and a G.I. Joe action figures. Israel will bring my Mom something so I don't need to. My Nana needs lots of rings because she doesn't have any. I will leave you a cheese sandwich with a glass of milk. Have a safe trip!

Love, Cayden Arvizu Pre-K1

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Princess Barbie, a doll house and a kitchen set. A necklace for Mommy and a truck for Daddy and the Angry Bird set for my brothers. I will leave you some cookies and chocolate milk. Have a safe trip!

Love, Brittney Machado Pre-K1

Dear Santa,

I need a present. I want a doll and a dog. My Mom wants new clothes and shoes. My sister wants a little toy. My other sister wants big clothes. My Dad wants shoes and clothes.

Angela Castillo Pre-K2

Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie. I want a Barbie house and a doctor shirt. I want a Dora doll. I want a tractor for my brother and a baby doll for my sister. I was beening bad in school. I don't learn my letters and I not listening to my teacher. I'm gonna listen to my teacher and don't fight or you get in trouble. Love,

Samantha Martinez Pre-K2

Dear Santa,

I want a fire truck with flashing lights. A tow truck with rolling wheels. My sister wants a unicorn pillow pet. My Mom wants new markers and my Dad a new brace for his knee. I was eating my lunch. I work at Stations. I've been listening to Mrs. Molinar and I draw a Christmas tree. Love,

Michael Lujan Pre-K2

Dear Santa,

I want a doll and a princess. I want a pony. Abram wants a tractor. My Daddy wants some tools. My Mommy wants new shoes and I want sandals. Aaron a brace for his knee. Ana wants some new shoes. Santa is my friend and I been listening to Mrs. Cuellar and Mrs. Molinar. Love, Anai DelaFuente Pre-K2

Dear Santa,

I want a DS and a puppy. And I want a play cell phone. I want a new star for my Mom. Cologne for my Dad I been learning my ABC's my vowels and I'm not crying no Love,

Ana Saldana Pre-K2

Dear Santa,

I want dream lights please. Can you get Eric some legos please. Can you please get a new laptop for my Mom and Dad. Can you get Jeremiah an ipod. I been good and I learn my letters. Love,

Isabel Johnston Pre-K2

Dear Santa,

I want a bicycle and a helmet. I want some shoes and some clothes. I want my sister just a tiny little bicycle. I think some toys for me and my sister and my other sister. My Mom she wants shoes and clothes. I'm doing good at school. I learn my numbers and I listen. Love,

Zaniah Ortiz Pre-K2

I want Santa Claus to bring a baby doll for me. A bike for my brothers. A moto for me.

Love, Sophie Nunez

I want you to bring me a toy tractor. I want him to bring me a block. I want Santa Claus to bring a muñeca for my sister. I want Santa Claus to bring a ball for my brother and a tractor red for Love,

Valentin Martinez Pre-K2

Dear Santa, Un moto for me. I have a pino to put the regalos. I listening at school and I listen for my Mom and Dad. I want to Santa que me traiga una pelota. Love,

Eduardo Sandoval Pre-K2

Dear Santa,

Que me traiga un regalo y mas regalos. Love, Diego Robledo Pre-K2

Dear Santa, Want some toys. Cruz Tamayo Pre-K2

Dear Santa,

I want a baby wanna walk-a-lady. A toy dog, my brother wants a transformer and my daddy wants new shoes and a new shirt to go swimming. I know my letters in the alphabet and my numbers. I want a new School bus with kids. Thank you Santa. Love,

Tavianne Bullock Pre-K2

Dear Santa,

I want an ipod. Me and my sister want an ipod. I listen and learn at school. My Mom wants new shoes and new shirts. Daddy wants lots of clothes and pants. I learn my shapes and I listen to Mrs. Molinar and Mrs. Cuellar. Everyone in my class are my friends and we are a school family. I play with all

my friends in the playground. My Mom and Dad miss me and I love them too! Love, Kasandra Lopez

Pre-K2

Dear Santa,

I want to get a present for my mom and Dad. I want a swimming pool. A ball for my Mom and Dad. A train track for my brother. A picture, a computer and a bell for me. I play in the blocks and I work in the Science table. I work on Mrs. Cuellar's center. Love,

Dear Santa,

Pre-K2

Hiram Lopez

I want an X-box and a DS. I want my sister a little bike. I want my brother a bike too. A ring for my Mom. My other brothers want an X-box. Santa I listen to my teacher. I learn my letters. I listen to my Mom. Love,

John Paul Lopez Pre-K2

Dear Santa,

I want a kitchen set. My grandma wants a ring. My JoJo wants a laptop and a ipad for my daddy. A car for my Popo. Nothing else. Love,

Kyra Segura Pre-K2

Dear Santa,

I want a trampoline for me. My brother wants a DS. My Mom wants new clothes. My Dad wants a new phone. My grandma wants new shoes. Love,

Jerald Henderson Pre-K2

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a little toy car and a little black toy truck. I have been good. Bring toys for my sisters and my brothers. Love,

Seth Grant Kindergarten Dear Santa,

Please bring me a blue bike and Legos. I have been good. Bring presents for my mom and dad and family.

Love, Avrian Garza Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

I want a Beyblade and I want it orange. I want a red bicycle and a Scooter. I have been good. Bring presents for my brother and sisters and mommy and daddy.

Love. Roy Jones Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

Please give me a blue car and clothes. I like Barbies. I have been good.

Love, Jaylin Mendoza Kindergarten

Dear Santa, Please Santa bring me a blue Batman toy and a Spiderman toy. I want new shoes. I have been good.

Love, Dailen Austin Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a toy car and a computer. I have been good. Bring presents for my sister and my brother. Love,

Aidyn Gonzalez Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

I want a Spiderman toy, new shoes, a Batman toy, Power Rangers, a blue bike and a t.v. I have been good.

Love, Jaime Hernandez Kindergarten

Dear Santa.

I want a blue bike and a Tinkerbell doll. I have been good. Sophie needs a baby toy. My brother needs a car. Love, Misty Rodgers Kindergarten



Merry Christmas To All

Just in the nick of time we'd like to deliver our message of warmth and gratitude to our many good customers and friends. We really appreciate your dropping by this past year.

Johnny Summers Manager



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beal, friends puppy, niatendo

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Santa. So my dreamiag gift

is shoes. I would also Want

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a iPodtuche and bobey and A

nou Motes. and A cat and nou

bed and A hotel and A nou

I would like a barbie

house, and some barbies with

some clothes for MY barbies.I

would also Like Make-up and

some nailpolish of pikkeven

3DS, PSP, v Tech Mobi 30.

Thank you,

Dear Santa.

1st grade

Shert.

Santa by,

1st grade

Dear Santa.

Gigi Gonzalez

Samara Brown

Dear Santa,

What I want for chrismtas is a remote control car, a train set, some gray and white Jordans, a skateboard, a bike a Dallas cowboy hat, a Yankee backPack, a remote control motorcycle, a football a soccerball a baseball bat some baseballs, a Phone, baseball gloves, remote contol helicopter a four-whaeb a dirt bike, a Wii, a xbox 360 and mg iPmauly taetondng-bldaer.

Siacorely, Cristian Hernandez 1st grade

Dear Santa,

Fore chrismis I wot the army rix and a XBOX and a tablit and rie on your slae.

Noe De Los Santos

1st grade

Dear Santa,

colo.
Your friend,
Justine Delgado
1st grade

Dear Santa,

For Christmas this year I would like a Nintendo DS, and a Jordan necklace, and Jordan shoes and also a Jcap. I also want a Jordan Jersey. I also want a Jordan bracelet. Thank you, Zachary Cuba 1st grade

Dear Santa,

I want a NiNTENdo Wii. Now therr for more the 2 thing is a Boobi. Some that glows in the dake the 3 thing is A BayBled. Now the last one is a lunchbox. And the last one is A MONSTER truck With a Remote CONtroLL.

Love,
Dallas Hernandez
1st grade

Dear Santa,

I would like a floating shark a planetonivn and a telescope please and a berblade thank you Sincerly,

Braxton Stark 1st grade

Dear Santa,

My name is Kason Hughes and I'm 6 years old. Thank you for the iPod you got me last year. I love it! This year I would like a Beyblade, remote control car & electric scooter. I love you and your reindeer. I will be at my Nana

& Papa's please come see me and my sister there.

Kason Hughes

Kason Hughes 1st grade

Dear Santa,
This year I am asking for a
Scooter
Rabbit Stompeez

Microphone to sing
Easy Bake overn
necklace of hearts
a bear
I Pad
LOVE,
Audri Barrientos

Dear Santa,

1st grade

I will lev you cookis with milk. look at our chrismis tree. haw are your randeers. I wat for chrismis is a iPod. plees I bin a good boy. Edgar 1st grade

Dear Santa,

This year for christmas I would like blade-blade. Angry bird.

Santa, Elijah 1st grade

Dear Santa,

I WANT a Big Teddy bear A big DOLL HOUSE. I Have Been a very good girl. I want FluFFY PUPPY Pillowpet. A FluFFy Deer. Love,

Zayli

1st grade

Dear Santa, this year I want lots of toys. But MoST of all I want a Bar-Bie DoLL House. I also want a Power Wheel so I can Drive. I really want a nintendo DS and lots of jewelry and Barbies. Thank you, Jodyn Delgado

Dear Santa,

1st grade

This year for Christmas I would like a Bike & Barbie doll clothes.
Sincerley,
Mira
1st grade

Dear Santa,

I want a toy castle. Thank you for the toy.
Emily
1st grade

Dear Santa,

this year for Christmas I would like 4 RELUA MPB-SG.
Joaocuir
1st grade

Dear Santa,

This year for chrismas I wud like a DOLL.
Sincerely,
Natalie
1st grade

Dear Santa,

I wunt a remote control airplane. Santa I want to give you cookez and milk.
Luv,

Hagen 1st grade

Dear Santa, this year for Christmas I would like blade-blade Sincerely, Kason 1st grade

Dear Santa,

Can i please have an iPad. Can i please have a NORTh Face jacket. Can i have a I POD. Please, Please, Please Santa. Can i pet rudolph? Please dont forget a new Backpack and lots of jewerly. Love,

Love, Alea Lira 1st grade

Dear Santa,

All I want for Christmas is for everyone in my family to open presents and spend time together. Would you please me Wii and a Transformer Toy. Can you Also Bless Those who dont have enough to by any pressents.

Thank you, Luis Gerardo Martinez 1st grade

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I would like X-Box 360.
Sincerely,
Jose
1st grade

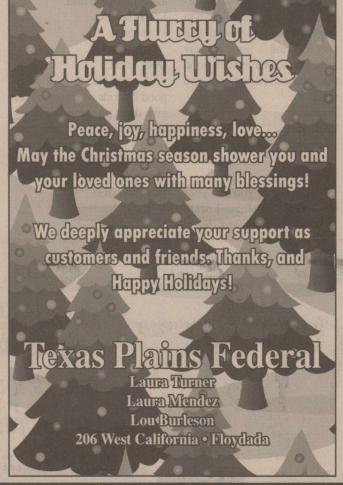
Dear Santa,

I been a good boy. I help my mom and my dad. I WISH I had a laptop. So I can play games. and math games. I want a dS game, So I can Play With my dS. Thank YOU Santa,

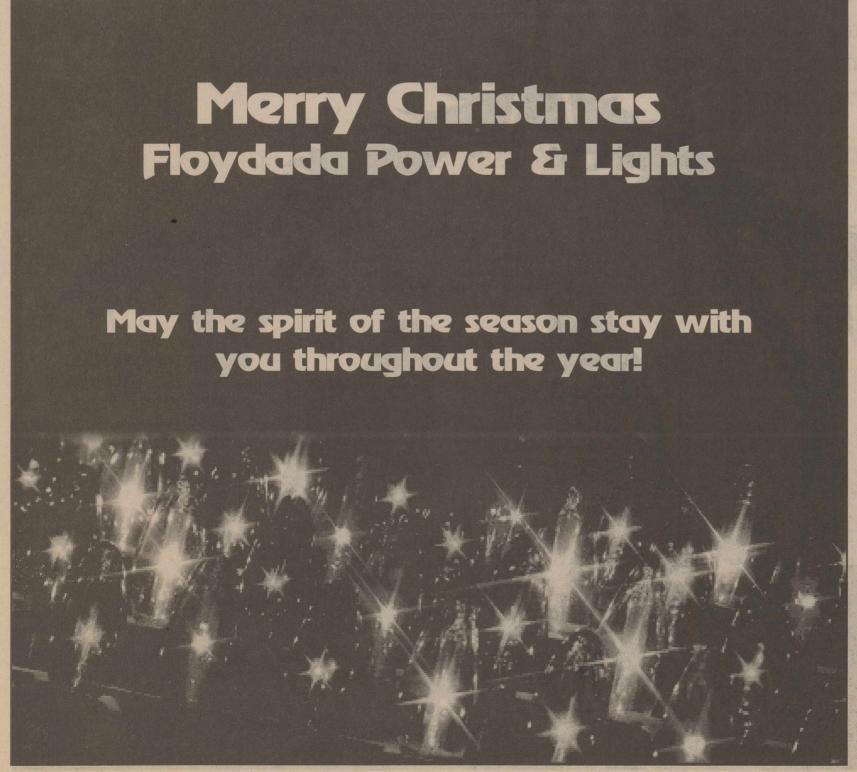
John David

1st grade











We hope everyone enjoys the warmth and good cheer of the holiday season. Thanks for your kind support and friendship.

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Bring presents. Bring toys. I like Legos. I like computers. Love, Ishmael Flores Kindergarten

Dear Santa.

I want a Barbie doll. I want a house for the Barbie and clothes for the Barbie. I have been good. Bring presents for Mom and Dad and grandma and my sisters and my brother.

Love, Katie Landin Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

Please give me Hello Kitty. I want a Tinkerbell doll. I want toys for my sister and friend. I have been good. Katelyn Lopez Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a DS and a Mario. Bring toys for my brothers and sisters. I love you and I have been good. **Emmanuel Delafuente** Kindergarten

Dear Santa, I want a Spiderman toy

and a Spiderman cage. Bring my little brother a Spiderman toy too. Azael Gomez Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a computer. Bring my mommy an ice cream. I have been good. I love you Samantha Ybarra Kindergarten

Dear Santa.

I would like a Hello Kitty toy, a necklace, and a computer. I have been good this year. Bring my grandma clothes. I love you. Adelle Ramos Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

I want Barbie and Hello Kitty toys. I want some bracelets. Sometimes I do good, sometimes I don't. Love, Zariah Ellis

Kindergarten

Dear Santa. I want an iPad and I want my iPad blue. I want games to play. Thank you, Yael Lara Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

For christmas I would like a King ranch ranch remote control truck that is tall. also an electric scooter. also moolel carstot. a necklace for my mommy and tools for my dad. A barbie for my sister and a toy car for my brother. Diego

1st grade

Dear Santa, I with A X-BOX 360 and A laptop and A Bike and A new shoes and A new Toys. 1st grade

Dear Santa,

I have BEEN GOOD an year. For Christmas I want LeGos, IPOD touch, John Deere striper. For me and Hi-RAM a train and a train track, and a Hot Wheel Building set. and to Be HAPPY. Ilan Lopez

1st grade

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I would like a nitendo 3DS with games, a laptop, barbies, nails, jewlry, nailpolish, teDDy Bear, and most important, I want my Brothers home. Thank you.

Andaliyahz Mendoza 1st grade

My name is Izabela8 and I would like to have a black blade toy and a toy motorcycle. Please bring my mom some Flowers. I would like you to bring a pony for my little sister. I have been good this year and hope to see you soon.

From, Isaha Herrera 1st grade

Dear Santa,

Hi, how are you and your elfs? This christmas I want a drawing board, and draw-

ing papers and colors. I also want some new shoes and a lighting McQueen TV set. Thank You, Derrik Suarez 1st grade

Dear Santa.

For X-mas I would like 10 pairs of shoes. I want a baby new sheets for my Big bed I want clothes, new Jackets. House shoes Love, Pamela

Dear Santa,

1st grade

For Christmas I want to have a Bow & Arrow, an iPod, an iPad, and a Dune Buggy. I was wondering if you bought the parts for our toys or do you make them from scratch? Isn't wood and metal hard to find in the North Pole? Also, is Rudolph's nose really red or painted? I hope I have been good enough for you to come see me.

Love, Calin Teeple 1st grade

Dear Santa,

I would like a lego batman house with poison and a Bruce Wayne Bane and Robin. and a IPOD Touch and a D.S. and sky gander giants. Love,

1st grade

Dear Santa,

I want a unicorn barbie and a mermaid doll. Luna Castillo 1st grade

Dear Santa,

I want you to give some good lite kids who ever is nice give them presents. Bring my brother a toy and bring my mom a new car bring my dad a hat and a baby sister. Thank you,

Mariah Garcia 1st grade

Dear Santa.

How are you. I am good I would Like a Dreamcastle and a MP3 player. I would Like to ask you if you could Give my friend Noel Some WWF. wrestkr stuff He Really Like that. Thank you so

Love, Cristin Kemp 1st grade

Dear Santa,

I WANT a cotton candy machine. I WANT a My First Doolhouse. I WANT a play tents. I WANT a baba Doll. I **WANT** a Thank you, Love,

Teasia

1st grade

Dear Santa,

I want a KniFe and two horses Some lincoln logs With some more people for it and some more horses and A chuckwagon

Thank you, Jaxon 1st grade

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year so Please bring me a IPod, a doll House and lots of dolls and The most thing I want is for u to tell Jesus to make my Grandpa get better because he is sick OK. And bring me a coloring book and colors, OK. Thank you. **MERRY Christmas** Aliyah N. Marmolejo

Dear Santa,

1st grade

My name is Cameron and would like too have a game For my Xbox. I would also like to have a blade blade toy but not the same color as my brother. Please bring some New clothes For my sibblings. I have been on my best behavior and hoPe to hear From you soon. Love,

Cameron Herrera 1st grade

Dear Santa,

Hello My Name is JacoB Perez. For ChrISTMAS I WANT a tablet, Michael Jordan Necklace, AND A Mario gAME FOR MY 3DS. AND A RING FOR MY MOM. AND A COLOGNe FOR MY DAD. thANK you SANta JacoB. PeRez 1st grade

Dear Santa,

I will BeHave aND I wiLL Leave CooKies and MiLK and Big Toy and PSP. aND Mia WaNTS a BarBie aND Both Big Toys. aND DaD a FaST Truck. aND my mom a preTTy Dress. Samuel CaLL OF DUTY Black OPS 2. Alex WWeBand aLeX CaLL OF DUTY BLaCK ops 2. See you on CHRiSTMas. My house is green. Samue Juarez 1st grade

Dear Santa,

I have Been gooD This Year. What I want for Christmas is a pink barbie Jeep, a guitar, dog stompies, iPad, laptop, and a trampoline. Please say hi to MRS. Clause and your cookies and milk will be waiting for you. Sincerely,

Janeisi Garza 1st grade

Dear Santa,

for Christmas I want a xbox 360 and ned call of duty game. I bee a good boy Christopher Yannis 1st grade

Dear Santa,

All I want for Chrismtas is a bike, spiderman Wii game. Mario Super Sluggers baseball Wii game, Boys outside playhouse. New shoes Jordan shoes. Cap, and a God neckless. I promise to be nice to everyone and help my family to be on the good list. I Love you Santa. From,

Ryan Perez 1st grade





Michael R. 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

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Kaiden

2nd grade

Dear Santa,

Amie Villalon

2nd grade

I love you Santa,

Merry Christmas,

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car for mommy and for me i

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car and my sister a cumpur.

I love you. I want a stack

of cars, a reemote 88 car. I

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IPad. can I have x Box360

socrbol. can I hava Bran

How are you this year. I

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elry for my mom and some

UFC Glufs for my brothers

and the trantsformer Jazz

for my little brother and a

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for my mom a vas and for my

dad a some tols and for my

grandmo a mug and for my grandpo a gacit and have an

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uthr necklis for my mom and

a toy for my Dog mole and a

I've ben a good gril this

yar a new car for mom me

qiet. iPad iron TV for iPace.

i Love my cousins. see you

on christmas and a merry

chrismtas SANTA. Saey hi

marry christmas. Marry Christmas,

Hannah Roberts

2nd grade

Dear Santa,

Doghouse.

Michael M.

Dear Santa,

2nd grade

Frum,

lochon for my Grandpa.

Merry Christmas,

Danielle Zavala

2nd grade

Dear Santa,

nuwe Bascit Bol. I wute a

Bran new FooltBol.

Dustin Smith

Dear Santa,

2nd grade

Jewery for my mom. I want

a car for my Dad. I want a I Pod and a Michael Jordan.

Dear Santa,

I been a good little boy. and I want a nintindo, Then I want a skate board, and a PSP. Love, Eriberto

Dear Santa,

1st grade

This year for Christmas I would like blade-blade. Sincerely, Aiden 1st grade

Dear Santa,

I want a BarBie, a guitar, jewerly, shoes, boombox, computer and a Bike, and Dishes and clothes and colorine book. For Christmas I have been a good girl. Love,

Desiree 1st grade

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas i would like a lego conbine and a lego plant vs Zomby sete and a lego trean sete. Marcus 1st grade

Dear Santa,

This year for christmas. I wot a XBOX 3 & you r Dac Jacabrian 1st grade

Dear Santa,

How are you doing. Santa I who a the tasformer & me wearen ser and DS3 for my famlie and nintnodo 3DS and no boe Merry Christmas from,

Marchonaha 1st grade

Dear Santa,

I BeeN a verey good girl. I wate a iPOD and a iPOD tocuh aND Miymom yosa cros aND miy DAD wate a car aND for miy sestyu Destany she wate a SpushBob aND Denise wate a opuodry aND i wot acupyody. I LOVE you SANTA, Desiree 1st grade

Dear Santa,

I Whant a iPhone For my mom i Whont a bicke for my Vacki i whont a trampoline for my brother i whont a laptop i whont a Phone i whont a new FotBall I whont a new Sockr Ball i Whont new Shoos i whont a new jackit. Merry Christmas, Phillip Rodriguez 1st grade

Dear Santa,

I would like the XBOX 9AM gears of War. Also a real motorcycle and a power slider. Santa I have been very good this year. Reese Hinsley 1st grade

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the presit this year. I would like a ipad and a ipod and a ifon and a hug frum you. I love you. Love, Kyler Gillespie

1st grades

To santa claws, for my mom two ring and for my dad a necklis for my brother a tablet for my grandpa a truck for my grandma a car for me a tablet. Antony Garcia

simas. I Love you. Merry Chrisimas, Tatum 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

How are you doing This year. I have Been a really good girl. This year. I wish My mom had a new car. My dad some time off work. My Brother a Video game. My sisters new clothes. I wish For a happy Christmas. Merry Christmas, Elenna 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

Can i have a iPod and Tow coltrole's and a Baby Puppy and a big House and a snap back and it's a Falcan Snap Back and a prachrit hat and a Lost of Bames for my Play Staghan and a Nice mom and dad. Jimmy Garcia III 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I wont a Fac puppy a bary bera a I pota I fon a laptop a nuey car. Luve Santa Rosantina 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I wonat a Dog. I wonat a iPad. I wonat a Goat car. I wonat a games. I wonat a PS3. I wont a Wii u Wii. wont a swmming pool. I wont a pair of Jordans. I wont a pair of shirs. I wont a pair of Janes. I wont a pair of sanpback. Saul Reyes 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas. I wiana Jersey. I wiana Houes. I wiana dog. I wiana games. I wiana trampoline. I wian a cat. O'Brian Diaz 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I ben a gud girl. I wot a berbehas and a chrathr for my Brother and a nyue car for my mom and a nyue chruck for my Dad and a mothsicl and a nyue srter and suthen That is Black. Can I have a for Jasey and a Augei. bule aml. I waut a Bran nuwe Reyna Sanchez

Dear Santa,

I went a Wii 3D PSP Game. I went a laptop 3D. I went a #D PSP. I went a XBox 360. I Nem Room I went a puppy in a cat in I went a DS3f. Love, Gabriel 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I want a 3DS and Halk hands and I also want a new Football and a new Xbox game and a bablade batle ring whith 4 bablades and a new will game. the Xbox I want it to be a cneckt game also. Love, Angel

Dear Santa,

2nd grade

I want a Ipad and a Laptop and shoes and make up and hat and I want howshoes and a Drese and Hittilse and Jaket and a Dog. Love, Kaley Garza 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I want a Bick for christmas and I want a BarBies for Christmas and I want a small christmas Tree for The Barbies and I want a Barbie Hous For The Barbie and I LOVE Christmas vere much and I like Prestens and wen it Christmas and we get prestens for Christmas and we ope re prestens. The end. Love, Faith 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I want a purple hors. a and my mom sum peace and stuft animal elefent. a stuft anemal draf. a stuft animals cheata, a stuft panda. Love, Elektra Monroe to rootof for me. i Love chriDear Santa,

I what how you wot fom you santa. I but what I wot from Santa. Love. Emalea 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

What I wont for Chrismas is a Babie Doll and a Dog and a Pone and for my mom to Have a nice nice Chrismas and i wont all of my familly to Have a nice nice Chrismas to. Love, Esmeralda

Dear Santa,

2nd grade

i want a iPad and i want a sicrit Jernol and i want a puppy so i can play with her. Dallyce Barrientos 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I wot a bebegun and 1 mo 9efth nuw pupe Love, Juan 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I want an ipad and acllot of cars and trucks I want a Jose F. Nunez 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

All I want for cristmas is a 3DS and a 3DS game and its paper Mario sticker star and thats all I want for cristmas. Love, Devin 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I wet a Big Presit Ples Breing Stisth Son Presit in my dog a bon. in a DS Love, Blake 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I want a stuff puppy and a cool wach cose I neverd had a wach before. Your so nice santa. Love, Manuel 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I want Nike airmax next i want a XBox 360 then i want a Bike and a I want a 4 wheeler. Love, Jonathon 2nd grade

Dear Santa, wod like to hav is we pes Love, Brock 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I what a PSP and a Will and a Xbox 360 and a callduty opps II and merry christmas. I love SANTA and christmas. Love, Izaih

2nd grade

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Dear Santa,

I want a big flufee toy dog. A cool jacit. Some cool shoes and cool neclis and a cool cool glasis with a cool phone and some cool close. Thank you for all these things if you dont bring some it is okay. Sincerlly, Armando Cruz

2nd grade

Dear Santa, I whut a 3DS and Barbies. Next Want Laptop. then I want a xboxs. Next I want a scoter. Next I want a Justin beiber doll. Next I want Pink and Black Nike Jordans. last I want Jordans. Love, Anastasia 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I wut a DS. and a game to it and monster turck and a flipoy and a I pad and a PSP a game to it and a SUB-ZE-RO and a W-no mercy and a DRACONBALL Z and a MONSTER Jam and a Pokemon Stadium and a BIBLE. Love, Dontre 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

May you bring me a baby alaf and a barbe haos and a bad. and a fone and a tabilbe and I want to be a good groli. and i want to loik like Faith. and I want to go with you on yor slae and I wood. like a kupablr and I wont a lost uve pretez moves and I wont a Bike. and I want a xbox 3 sixthe. and for my baby. seste she wood get a rost fuve baby stuf. Love,

Alexandra Delossantos 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl this year. For crichmas I want a house for me and my mom. A car for my grandma. A bike for my uncle and a Jeep for me. Sinserly, Makayla 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

All i want this year is a iPod and games on my ipod. and a motorcycle . and a puppy and a merry christmas to Your friend, Nicholas Garcia 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I want a XBOX 360 and a WWF toy and a 3DS XL and a football and a socerball and a iPad and a Cuputer. Orlando 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

Can I have a IPod, IPad, Phon. Thank you. Love, Adriana 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I'm wishing for a litte barbie doll, a laptop, and some fake makeup and a frawing table, all the monster high dolls, I want to travel all over ameica. I want my own Plane and that's all. Thank you for listening St. Nick. I hope in my dream I'll see all of you. Lailah Taylor

Dear Santa,

2nd grade

i want a new!!! Bike a four wehlear wite a Skate Board.:-) Kyan 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I want a new truck in I want 3DS in also I want xBoxs in I want a new Football Game for my playstation in I want a new Football Game for my will. In SANTA can you Bring my sister some Jewerly To. Thank you Santa, Marcus Collins 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I want a tablet and a purse. a dress and play makeup, a hambuger seat a pink wallet. a watch, a hat, pet dog a scarf, a Play Phone, a Play coumputer. Thank you! Santa, Bethany Peca 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I been a nice girl for christmas I would lik the movie toy storyland 2 Cars 2 p.c. tablet unicorn dream light touchscreen phone. Merry Christmas, Annaliah Hemanan 2nd grade Dear Santa,

I woult like to know how the Easter Bunny is? If he's good, tell him that's not true that Jack Frost Meant it. Oh yeah Santa my ATV, every body that comes to spent the night at are cousins. Want to ride it. Are the elves eating your cookies agin? Is your reindeer ok? Where did you find The elves. I want a Lego Pre Visla Mandalorian Ship. From.

Jack Brooks 3rd grade Dear Santa,

Did you have kids with your wife? What is your wifes name? Are the elves your children? Do you think i'm a good oral reader? Where do elvels live in a house or a cabbin or what? What do you do in the summer? How old are you because you look young? Evenee has been a mean girl latly so can ground her just intel she is nice? How did you get to be santa? I Phone 5. Secret Diry. And Dolls that were moveable. Loved by, Clarissa Delafuente 3rd grade



Dear Santa,

I would like to have a very good Chistmas. But most of all I would like to spend Chistmas whith my family in Floydada and Chilldress. Espesilly whith my dady in Chilldress. I would like a pair of tennis clothes The best party ever for my sister and brother. Also I would like for every body in the hole wide world to have the best Chistmas any body could ever have

Sincerily. Evanee D'Les Wickware 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

Can you bring everyone peace love and hope. someone really likes this boy and she wants to know if he likes her? Do you want to have kids? How old are you and ruldolgh? Do the elves go to school? Are the elves your kids?

Ok. Can you bring my mom a dimound ring and leave us some money... and I in 3rd Grade and Im 9 years old I have 2 sisters... Santa can you bring me a XBox connect and a skirt an Ipad A Iphone 5 and to dance on shake It up Chigao. And my baby sister meranda Lots of baby girl cloths and toys. Madilyne mermaid dolls and clothes and princesses.

Love, Madison Garcia 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

Is rodoh real how does his nose glow? How old are you? Do you get in troble sometimes? Do you know Frosty the snowman? Have you lost any teeth? I want a

Love, Erin Trevino 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

How does your elves make gifts? How long have you worct at the north pole? How old are you? How many elves do you have? And for christmas i want a DS3, Jordans and \$20 Dollers.

Lupe Duran 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

What do elvs look like What is it like thar. Do you have a famly. How do the elvs make toys. Can you give me 1.255 Bey-blades for Christmas.

Dear Santa,

What's it like at the north pole with the elves and raindear? Do the elves listen? Do you have kid and if you do are they thank full for what they have? I would. Do you live near frosty the snowman? I thin kthat in the song Rudoff the red nose raindear the other raindears are mean because he's diffrent. And now you are his friend and he's your friend and riendear and thier his friend.

Love, Alaina Segura 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

do you have kids? how many? do you more girls or boys? how old his the reindeer? how old are you becuse you look young. have you every try to ride a plane? how many elves are there? Where dose

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elves come from? How dose rodov get is red nose? I will promis that I will not Fight with my Friend exspellie my BFF. My Friend will like a iPap (apple) My athor friend will like a iphone5. Kaitlyn Vega 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

I was wondering if your fine. and I was also wondering if you ever had kids. and i cant what for chrismas it is my favrete holiday. Santa how is your Family. I hope you are okay and Santa how come evry night you are so quiet. Please come to town and I want a castle and more monster high dolls and a puppy and Bring my reading Teacher 100 Dollars. :-) Thanky you oh sorry. I also want my mom to get married to my Dad please. :- (Thank

Love, Lilian Nicole Nieto 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

Do you ever have children? Did you ever have problems at the north pole? How do the raindeer get so skiny? Who is the boss at the north pole? How do yall make all those toys in twelve mounts? How short are the eves? Are the raindeer strong? I did a lot of good stuf for charity and the salvation army! I helped my brouther with his toy trains oh and give my reading teacher a 100 1,000 dollors please! I helped with my chores And my mom! Oh I want a horse and drums and a toy horse and wall paper of horse and a lamp shade of horse and a bed sped of horses and a blanket of horses and mustangs posters and paint hores posters and horse

Ashlyn Green 3rd grade

posters!

Dear Santa,

Do you have kids? I want a new bike. I want a new xBos 360. I want a new game. Do you have a dog? Do you have food? Do you have fish? Do you have a cat! I want a snake. i want new shoes. i want a BaBlad. i want a BB gun. i want 100,000 dollary.



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Jakob Garza 3rd grade

Dear Santa, What do the raindeer eat? How do thay fly? thank

you for evrything I got last year. My Brother has been a little mean. And He has been Mostly Nice. I like rouidolf the red nose raindeer. and beyblads.

Love, Camden Johnston 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

how many toys do you make in one hoel day? Anyways me and you like cookies and milk. I want a Xbox 360, a Dark Knight rises movei, BayBlade, romote control Monster truk, Spiderman wactch, Gitar, wil u. Your Good kid, Andrew Suarez

3rd grade

Dear Santa, how many elves do you have? how do you get the magic dust that makes your raindeer fly? do you see penguins? how did you get the raindear? how did get your name? thank you for the gift you got me last year! i want a beyblade for christmas, and a dog cause my mom wants a little puppy. Love,

Alex Mendez 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

I think it would be fair if the girl elfs can have scirts and a ruffly shirt. how is mrs. clase doing. how do you elfs make all the toys befor chirstmas. Santa I am going to be in Peterspurg for Chirstmas so santa pleas give me presents at my house in floydada. how do the raindeer fly. what are the names of the raindeer. how old are you. i have never seen you but you don't look old. I like you. you are nice giving children presents. My dog likes bones can you give him cones and toys that

squik. his stocking is on the left of my stoking. is rudolph real if he is does his noes really glow. i would like a talking Justin beber doll and a toy horse and a snow globe and a toy bunny. Love,

Holley Monroe 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

I would like you to bring my sister a Twilight new Moon movie and for my Brother a new XBox game and for Airella a new princess Bed and for my mom a new shirt or a new watch and for my Dad a new shirt. Santa how do y'all make so many toys in one night? how do you guys pick out toys for each kids?Did you'll have kids how many boy or girl? how many elves do you have? how old is missy's clause and you? I promiss I will do good in school. how do they reindeenr fly? and what do they it besides reindeenr food. I want a new monster high Bike a new monster high doll a iTube a new iPhone a monster high bed spread a American doll and some American Girl books. how old is roodoff? how does the sled fly and for Airella a first step that's all i want from Airella. Love,

Kailee Sanchez 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

I'm sorry I have ben bad but I help this old girl at the store and I was proud of my self and I always help my gramal. well how are you well I'm good so I'm I on the noty lest because I'm bad so move me to the noty lest if you want so did you ever have kids want do you do in summer. I'm sorry for last year for eveything I love your stuff you gave me but I want you to go to my house so you can eat coocies and milk. oh I want for chismas is a kichen set and a Ipone

and tabit so peles give me these thing.

P.S. Merry Christmas. Maria Luna 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

how is your Famile? How dose your sley fly? Whu do you live in the north pole? I promise I won't get in troble agin. Oh and I want a IPhone, Tablet, Phone, Pikle For chrismas and popcorn. how Did you get the elvse? Jadyn Ruiz

3rd grade

Dear Santa. how tall are the elvfs? what do I give the raindeer? what color are the elvfs work shirts? how dose the slay hold up all the years? oh can I have lightning I'Drago me-

teo I'Drago I'Drago all the

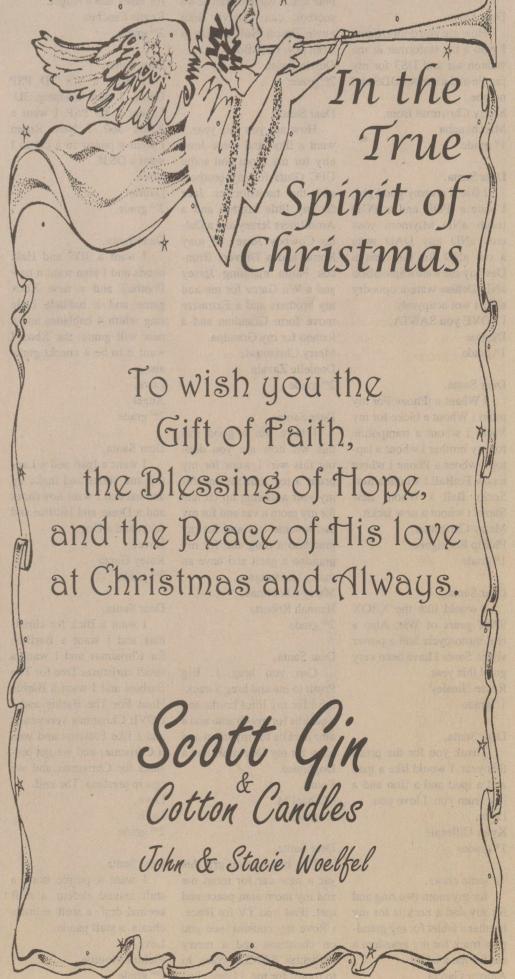
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Love, Charles Gwinn 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

I cought chippy this morning going on a date with Tatums barbie. He got the cup thats mine and poured milk in it and put two straws in it. Then Tatum said my barbie is still wet. Anyways I know I've been kind of naughty but I promise and I know its hard to believe but I promise I won't be naughty any more. I know I said this in the last letter but I'm gonna say it again. If I'm on the naughty list I do remember about christ. Do you have any pets besides reindeer? Thanks for the gift you got me at the lighthouse party. Its a fun game but my dad won the first time. And I want the beyblad lightning El Drago. A Tim Tebow Jersey for the Jets. A Matt Saub Jersey. A Mark Sanchez Jersey.

Trace Glasscock





i would like a bike and i want a iphone and a kiddle fire. i would like some clothes and i would like some shoes and i would like some toys. and i want a ipad and a DSixl. and i want some bout's that are black or brown or gary and i would like a cheerleder outfit a whirlwinds. the end. Searsirles,

Serina 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

I want my famliy to have a nice chrismas and like ther presents that we give theam. I would like a easy bake and i would like my sister to get a great present from my cousein sophe and i love my sister a lot.

Sincenily, Jozelynn 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

I would like to have theas things For christmas. a 3ds, Nooknd, xbox 360 kneat, twister dance, ds1, Lazer, hamster, wiill, Brouther Sinsely,

Nathanael Garza 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

You know want for Christmas. I want a Xbox 360, PSP, Bike and Wii, and a Monster truck, and a BasketBall, FootBall, SoccerBall, some new shoes, and some cookies. Sincerly, Michael

3rd grade

Dear Santa,

I want a XBox 360, and a psp and a Michael Jorden shoes, and a puppy and a Fulweeler and a Big contral car and I want a car and want a two pair of pants and a cuputer and I wanted a FLa sreen tv and

a wii and I want a FootBall and a ScorBall. Love, Nathan

Dear Santa,

3rd grade

What I Whaunt For Chrismas IS a BeyBlade and a Wiiu. What I Whaunt For Chrismas IS a intindo3DS and a FootBall. Sincely, Braylen Lemons

Dear Santa,

3rd grade

What I want for Christmas is a new diary, I wan to see my mom and dad, I want more games for my Nintendo DS, more moves for me to watch, anouther puzzle. Sincerely, Madison

Dear St. Neck,

3rd grade

I hope you can fisc my mom and dad can stop fiting. I hope you can also triy to not get my brouthir in trouble. Can you mace the mein poepel to stop be mein. And the most uv all I want all my famiy to be all to gether lick a norml famiy. and I won't my grad to be heir. Sincerely, Elise 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

What i want For Chrismas is a new pair of shoes and i will like a new shirt and a new laptop and a book and a Basket Ball. Sincaerly, Xavier Gonsales

and a cumpurter and new shoes and a big tv for Chismas. Sata can you make my Grandpa feel beter for chrismas and can you get me a football shret for Chrismas and can you get me new games. And get me a Xbox 360 and a PS3 for

Saersies Sata, Ethan 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

I allways wonit a xBox 360 and The new game Black Opps 2 and The regalure one and need for speed and a cede and I

want some coockie's and milk and a Twenty dallar Bill so I can by me some chips and a remote cantroll car and a dRink and some Batteryies for my remote controll car and some more money so I can by me some more cockies and milk and a footBall game for the xBox 360 and a foot Ball to Play with and some new soldan's and a Brace Let and a t shirt and a Michael Jordan cap or a YMCMB

Sincalary Santa, Richard Luna 3rd grade



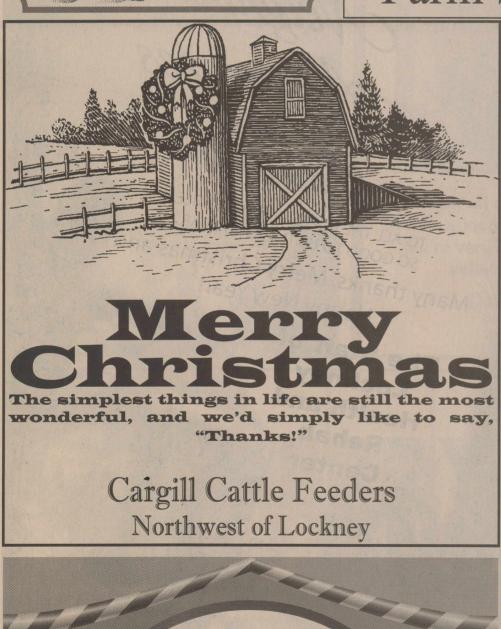


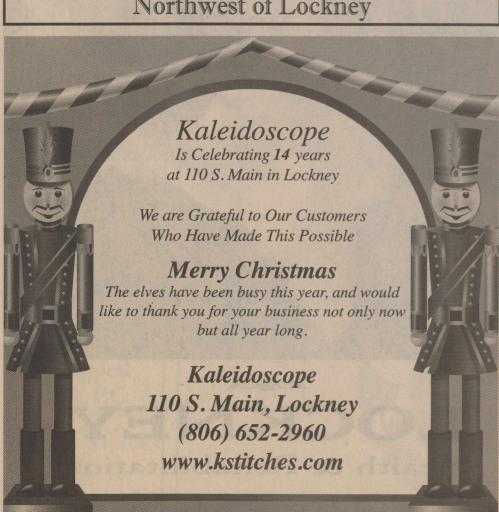
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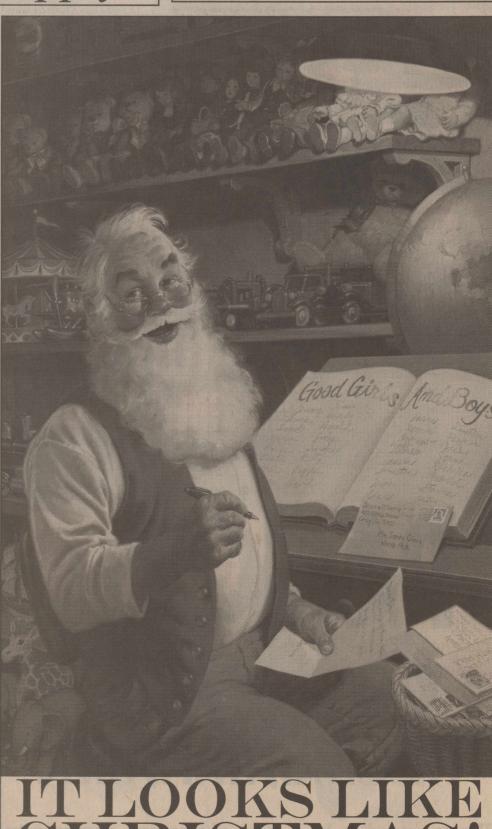
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all I want for chrismas is a I Pod touch it is Black and Pink on it i will Bye the things I want on it and I Just want one I Pod touch and I also want a shirt and one Jacit and two pants I want the Jacit to Be coler purple and pink.

Sinsery, Stefanie 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

i want a PS3 With call of duty Black OPS 2. I just want neat stuff. I just want to share it. I want a swimming pull to. and a new toys and a chamegling in my backyard. I want a another game call 2 call of duty black ops. I want more new clothes and a Buby dog. To Santa,

Mark 3rd grade

Dael Satus,

i am so happy for chems

too. satus is cumen to fenut jurt a 3D naete and lospe boistoag toi to so is the oiun the chelen ready for cesmus to i am ready for cesmus i a go that or a mschsms. Mary

Dear Santa,

3rd grade

I want a Xbox 360 wii Micheal Joran T-shirt PSP IPad Micheal Jordan shoe's basketball Jordan sicture football. T.V. My faily fourwheeler. Sincecerly,

3rd grade

Dear Santa.

I thinck trtimont to hrversik land rs and BladBlad and a sonow glob a d tone and good hit I wish or mrrecresmis. ornd a 3DS if im on the note list i wil hav to dil with it. bekus i nevur had a good cresmis. Aaneers i hav a gud cresmis. And i wid Brins mik and cvke.

Love, Thomas 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

For Chrismas I want Bike. and a nintindo 3DS. and close, and Xbox 360 conect and a psp. and some michel Jorden sherts and air max shoes and michel Jorden shoes. and I want some Nike shoes, and I want some snap backs and I want a football, and a basketball, and a michel Jorden backpack.

From, Edgar 3rd grade

> Dear Santa, I box 360 CHristMas.

Love. Ralmond 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

for chrismas I would like a new clothes for school A reason why cause me and my sister have a little bit, and I would like a doll with a dibarbag and pampar bottle. and I would like a pupy The reason why Is cause I am lonely caus my brother and sister bother me wen I watch T.V. and wen I play with my dress up. I would like a monster high doll which would be the bat monster high doll. I would like a Fake Teacher Toy. I would like a medium kichen set. I would like a fake Highlights. I would like a vill make up Toy for Kids. I would like a doll house. I would like a doktor toy. I would like a clock for my room. I would like a

cute zebra nails. I would like a pet stuf animal.

Love, Kelsey 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

For christmas i would like a bay bladey for Christmas and a x-box 360 and Just Dansty and a Laptop and a Nintenda DSi and a iPod and a new gakit and a the Hunger Gams Clip. Brandon 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

I havnt be good this yare and I havint being Lising to my mom and can you Hep me pick up ma glas and I havint Lising to My theer cheair and I have buleing the students And all thos thening I am sorry and ma I have a bablat And a bike and a PSP and a Laptop and a

Love, Michael 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

I would Like xbox 360 Narf gun and Wiiu iPod and Mosters Trck PSP.

Love, Ray Reyes 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

I would like a IPOD for christmas and a D.S.i for Christmas and a parait for Christmas and my stii was like a IPOD and mom will like a tabi for Chistmas and my ourv stir will like a fomeset for Chistmas and my Dad will like a tablit for chistmas and my gamda will like a IPOD and Do not for gite me and land I will like a gtom for christmas. Love,

Amanda 3rd grade

Dear Santa.

I would like a Xbox 360 and a buy blade and money for pore pepelo and a laptop and a IPod and a Naw deas and a shurt and shows and u Leayose and u P.S. and a Lot of food. Noah 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

I have Been Bad sumtims but I hava a insques thes year. I help my haby's wheth the anmols and my frend He is a gronup He is seck I help Hem so that He well get Btre to Be anest I well speck form the hart all I whont my family to be happy and also I well nefr fget all the Christmas day's I had.

Love, Camila 3rd grade

Dear Santa.

I haved been a bad girl this year. I bididid I will chang. For Christmas I would like an iPad so my littil cusin Aarzah Wons't to play she sesno but in a ulah way ar a uther reson is becus my bruther can play with it and my dad to. and i know that this is not sum thing to asc for dut it is bad nus my Granmall is very sick I was, Gust Wandring if you can help

Alizec 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

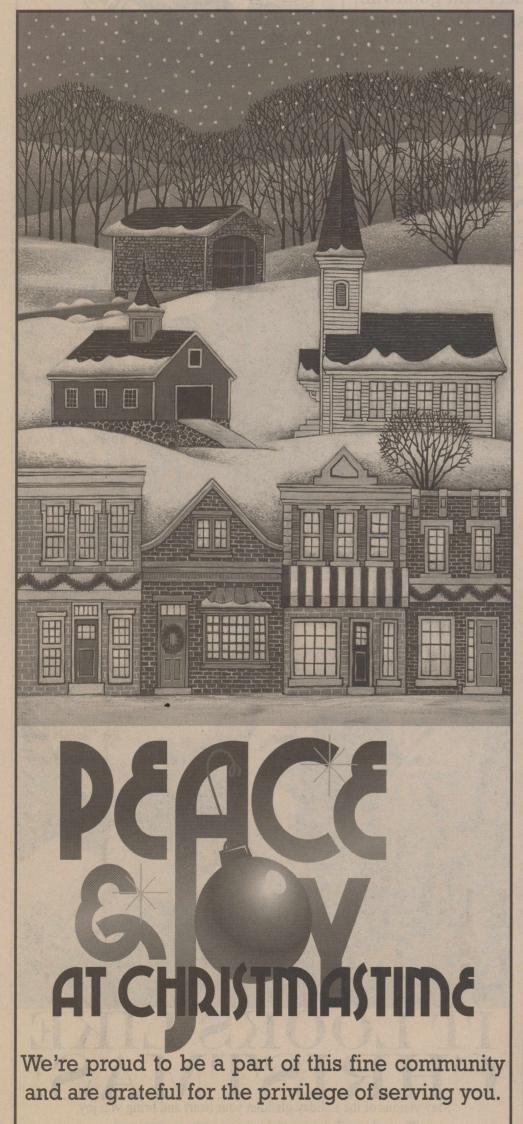
I have ben a good and bad girs this year but I wold like to a spong bob tn but iv olays wanted one since first grade but i never got one. I would like to have a 3ds for christmas I would like to have a iPod for christmas I would like to have a balblads for christmas and red one and a blue one. I would like a hot wil set for christmas a laptop and a spongebob kursty krab set and a scool desk and a school locker for chrimas and a school cabnis and teache chear and a teache desk and a techer privet offis and a teache sharpner and a teache bord. Merry Christmas, Santa

Manana 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

I have not been a good girl this year but I would like more games for my Wii like Just Dance 54 and two Wii remotes. So me my brouther and coasein and sister and a IPad toutch and to see my coasein and ant and granny and grandma and my other sister and new shoes and new close. A New Bike A New Bike for my Brouther and New shoes New Close a Bike for sister and close and shoes New Bike for coasein New Close New

Celese Breann Wickware 3rd grade



Happy Holidays and heartfelt thanks!

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Dear Santa Claus,

Yo quisiera una muneca monster High, un patin, un mono de peluche, una muneca, una biseclera, una blusa, un panialon, un telefono, una tableta, un exBox's, muchos Libros de princesas de Hadas de Nemo de Navidad de osos de estrellas Fugases y munecas Barbie y Bratz. Feliz Navidad.

Con Amor, Hannia 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

I havet be such a good girl but all i like to have is a good time with my Family and brothers and sisters and do you think if you can git my older bruther Rous a telascoup for christmas and my little brother Xaver a power ranger Simrie acnon figer and my older sister Shi a puppy and my little siste Erin a stuft bar. And For my mom a Laptop for Christmas and my Dad a fourweler and my grandol a cofecup and my grandpa a pajamas and for me i just wont christmas. Love.

Alianna Juarez 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like a IPod and I would realear rings I would like to have new bows and the new nintedo 3DXI and a new galxes 3 and a amercan doll and a new will and a new mine iPad and a laptop and a new makeup bag and a new makeup and a new high lights and a new postter of my family and a new puppy please

the one that drinks it mil and orange jucie and the one that pee and a new nails tha thave

I Love, Jazmine Coronado 3rd grade

Dear Santa.

For Christmas I would like a new Wii and a dog and pleas a bow and a poster of Justin Beber and a poster of Me and my sisters. a Phone and a T,Shert and a book So i can read and a I pod, please and a miny Wii and a baby a toy and a new couler of my hear. and dress shodi have I. and a make up, and clock and acke nels and zebra nels amindls.

I love you, from, Aranda 3rd grade

Dear Santa.

I haved nown I been a Bad girl this year so I whant to changed caus christmas Is my best year caus you get presents but I would like to get a laptop caus I always wanted It and a IPod so can you give me that. I want all that and a little Bear that is furry so I can sleep with It and a little Pillow Pet that litghts and I Love you becaus you give out presents.

Love, Jazmin 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

I want a ipad three and ipod touch dog cloths for my dogs a fake stroller and a baby crib for my baby live and a baby pillow pet like lady bug and light up pillow

santa and a new baby alive pet like raiders. I been good this week. From.

> Maria Casares 4th grade

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the stuff last year. this year I whould really like a Northface Jaket. So Santa do think I am natghy? Well thank agin Becuse I am as good as can Be. So the other things I want are Lots of shoes such as, Boots, FlipFloops, and new snekers Well that is abouit last one more thing well so me people say you are fake But not me I beilve that you are and that is my Christmas List and Notes about Chrismas.

Love, Kendal 4th grade

Dear Santa,

What may I want for christmas, well I want a Xbox 360 controller that light up the color blue, and the head set. Love,

Martin Garcia 4th grade

Dear Santa.

For chrismas I want a laptop and a dirt bike but if you caint send me a dirt bike. Then I want a bike lime green, zebra printed. And I really want a poodel puppy that comes with colthos and a coller. But I relly want a trapallen for chrisms but most of all I want My family and friends to be happy. O please send grampah romero something for chrismas thank

P.S. can you send Kendal a card from me that says you are my best friend.

Angel A. Fipps 4th grade

Dear Santa,

What do I want for Christmas you may ask. All I want for Christmas is to see my Great grandparents and my Grandma I know that they are in a really good place but I really miss them.

P.S. I really want to see them again. God bless you!!!

Emily Lopez 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I want a phone, board game, laptop, and my grampa. P.S. I love u Jesus. Azariah Guerra

4th grade

Dear Santa,

I'v alwase wanted a bike, some babydolls, barbie dolls, and some cloths for both of them. I have a baby names Angelea (Angala) and she needs some friends. I also have two dolls and they need some friends. I also want littlest pet shop things because they are getting pretty lonley. P.S. I leave cookies out on christmas eve.

Love. Kily 4th grade

Dear Santa,

For all your work all I want for chrismas is a new Xobx 360 and call of duty Black Ops 2. Here is more stuff I want for chrismas I want a dog, world peace, and for Evrybody to Be happy. Hey santa all your gonna find on the counter is milk and cookies your favrite! Alonzo Ascencio

4th grade

Dear Santa,

My favorite is a puppey. I love puppey I whan't 2 puppey and a shows to my favorite color is pouppel. Just a show's to and puppey to. and poster whith all my frend's is Victora, and Si, Lexie, Elanna, and Mrecedes, Angle, Kily, Alexus and Kendal, and Kåly. That all I need Santa. We love so much Santa. When I fell a sleep you put present under my tree.

Merry Christmas, Nereida 4th grade

Dear Santa Claus,

All I want fo Christmas is a scooter, bike, 3ds, trampoline, new games for my wii new clothes, new shoes, and a wiiu. I also want a ipod a ipad a blizzard maker braclets, necklaces and stuff for my family. Thank you. Sincerely,

Mercedes Alaniz 4th grade

Dear Santa,

This year I would like something to give to my family not for me just for my family I know you think a lot of kids dont beleive in you but they do. One more thing some toys for my pet's I have three dog's, one rabbit and, two well one rooster and, one chicken. So how's your Cristmas going I hope it's giong great. How's Mrs. Claus doing I hope she's great also, send me something for my teacher's you know what they want I dont. Please say hi to Mrs. Claus and, the elfs for me. Have a wonderful

Merry Cristmas and please pet the raindeer's for me. If your alde to all you have to do is get me and my family a little something. Ive been thinking would you mind if I asked you who gave you your magical power's oh and please give me and my family an Ipad.

Victoria Emily Esquivel 4th grade

Dear Santa,

What I want for cristmas is a gold fish, American girl doll and a gold retriver and a cute pair of flats and chocolate, but most of all a kareoke machine and I want a lot of stuff in my socking like little stuff and a mario game for a d.s.i. and a Just dance game for the kinect and a new Jacket and big box of books and sketh book and a art stand, with paint and a real big horse, please santa I will thank you every night for it. Oh dont forget we will have cookies for you.

Love, Elyanna Medellin 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I want an iPad, gun, phone, computer, Nintendo 3DSXL, and I all so want my Family there, Because there isn't anthing in the world that will seperate me and my family, by the way I all so want a picture of you and your elf. Have a marry christmas. P.S. Some people think your fake but I think you are rill. Love,

Rolando 4th grade

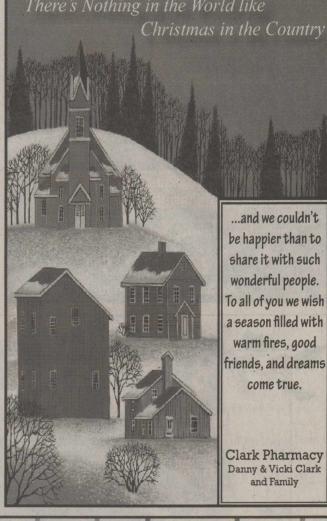






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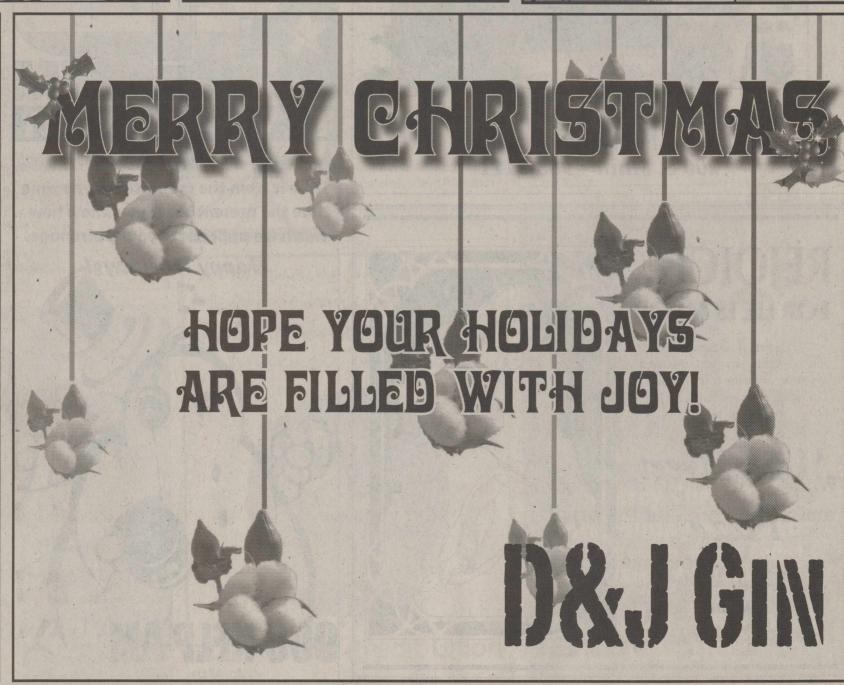
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I want Great Gahoole books, Ipad mini, ipod, and most of all I want a baseball bat bed and a bigfoot necklace. I want a Aquarium with all diffrent kinds of Fish. I hope that I get what I want. Thanks Santa.

Love, Samuel Holcombe 4th grade

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa, What I have always been wanting is a puppy. I have asked this Christmas present for my entire life. I have been praying for one, begging for one to. Also, I want a barbie dream house. they are so fun to play with. But, the most important thing of all is to let all people free. I also want people to know about God and Jesus. how Jesus died on the cross for our sins. And then he came alive again in three days. I want them to go to church. They need to know about God and Jesus and the angels. I also, want them to know that when they die all people are going to heaven. Kaylea Britt 4th grade

may I please have Some toys that you can pick, but most of all may I please have you and your family picture if that dosnt happen then you can pick. I want you to have a verry good christmas and ms. clause to. I will miss on the day christmas passes by but most of all I will chry to do what i soposed to do for

Alexis Tyann Cruz 4th grade

Dear Santa,

Everybody says your a fake but I beleive. So guess what I want for christmas a Ipad touch, xbox 3ds, and a computer. This so cool to finally meet you throw a letter but your the best in the whole world. you probley tell me what you want for christmas a suit from elfs. I probley know what mrs. smith wants I think she the best class in the whole world. Mrs covington wants her stepdoughter to graguate from high school. Mrs Rainwater wants a New car. I Really want is my Family.

Joesph Gonzalez 4th grade

With deep appredation for your loyal

pationage and confinued fidenciship,

Jon, Tami, Seth & Staff

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Dear Santa,

I would be delighted if you would give me a san andraes game for my dsi, and a presant for my sister and brothers. So they can be happy like me and a gift for the others to. So everybody can have a gift and be happy and be a great crismas for everyone, And all around the world to have a great crismas.

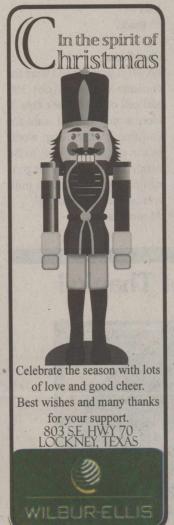
From, Jacob Luna 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I want a DQ billizard maker, iPod, iPad outfit for gymnastics, and also an wooden chair. I would like these things because I have been a good girl. Santa I want to now to you give presents to angels? Also Santa I would like a angel, a bracelet from you, a nike jacket that's pink and blue. Also a pair of pink and black gloves for the winter, and a texas tech t-shirt. Also I would lik a diamond neckless and a will u. Thank

Sincercegl, Lexie Ramos 4th grade

Dear Santa,





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My name is Ryder and I just wanted to ask you a few things. First, I would ask if everybody can have a great christmas? then I would like to ask to have a family and for everybody to have a family. 3rd, I would ask if you could get me a new pair of skis. Then will you please help me brother go through not wanting to play basket-Love, Ryder

Dear Santa,

4th grade

All I want is for my best frand Amod to have the best cristmas of his live, and my famiy to come togather. and for God to come to evre's body and help the pore. I love you, from,

Omar Garza 4th grade

Dear Santa,

Just so you know i've been naughty and nice. Alright now lets get to the point. I want a XBox 360 with the new \$59.00 game Call of Duty 2 and Halo 4 with the xBox consle, also sant if you cannot afford That I would like a New set of beats and the New IPad mini with all songs of Lecrae, Also a RePlacement of a cracked iPod Screen (hint, hint) only \$40.00 at Battery joe's. and me to go to 4-H its only \$25.00 for Riffle lessons, and the most of all, Letting Jesus into my Heart. OPPS

my bad Merry Christmas to vou Santa. Love, DJ Saenz

4th grade

Dear Santa, I would like some Christmas pencils for school. I would also like some red an green m and ms. I also need a charger for my mp3 player. I would really would like some chapter books. I would really like a drawing book, so I can draw my fashion designs. I would also like sparkie snapshot for my 3DS. I would really love a zebra print pillow, and blankets. But the thing I would really love is if you could bring some presents to children that can't write letters to you, and that don't have toys, food, clothes, or shelter. That would really make me happy. Love, Sabra Clifton

4th grade

Dear Santa,

I want a Bike, Laptop, New Shoes, New clothes, Moter Sickl, A Backet Ball cort, And you. Love,

Andrew 4th grade

Dear Santa, I would like this for christmas, I would like a Ipod, flat TV, laptop, Will, bike, Iphone, Scotter, puppy, Nintdoe 3DS, SuperMario games, Xbox 360, Tenssee table, basketball goal, guitar, mircphone, Jordans, icecream maker, makeup box, gingerbread house, desk, that all I want for Christmas.

Love, Maria Sanchez 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I want a Laptop, Psp, a Mustang car. People say that you are a fake but I think you are real. Also I want is a new XBox 360, Playstatsion 3 with these games Call-Duty opps part 2 and all the Call-duty too. Merry Christmas to you and can you give me and my little brother some black football pants too. Love,

Alexyz Alvarado 4th grade

Dear Santa,

How have you and Mrs. Clause been? How are the reindeer feeling? I hope all your answers are "good". This Christmas, I have a list of some things I would like, (I think I have been really good, but you have to ask my teachers). Here are some things, a Nintendo 3DS, a Skateboard, a 'tale of Desperaux' movie, a magnet chandeleir (for my locker), a WiiU, presents for my family, and a very merry Christmas!

Love, Audrie Strange 4th grade

Dear Santa, What I want for Christmas is 1 pillow pet, a painting supply, a horse stables toy, and last my family to have a wonderful Christmas. Merry Christmas. Sincerally, Amanda Lynn Wilbourn

Dear Santa,

4th grade

I want a exbox 360 and sum cool Shoe. I want a new car and gold neckles and I want a new laptop and I want a pipe gun.

George Rosa 4th grade

Dear Santa, I wont a Monster High home, Monster High Dolls, Monster High Bick, Wiill U and the Des3D. Love, Kaylea Bruns 4th grade



The Members of the Floydada Volunteer Fire Department want to wish everyone a safe & happy holiday season.



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Dear Santa,

I want an easy bake over, To go to Paris, I also want some clothes and shoes, and I also want my family to be haPPy, And I really really want is that my neice will get better and just for you to know that I love her very very much. I also want Eifel tower Decor for my room. And for nobody in my family to be sick or be In the hospitail. Merry Christmas! Love always,

Laci Gourdon 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I want you to come on chrismas, and bring my presents. This is what I want for chrismas Xbox360, iPad, MP3, Playstayshon, psp, Wiiu, or a Wii. For many family can play on It. I selebrate for Jesus birth.

Love, Hermilo 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I want a ipod touch and a Hellow Kitty Jordan Shoe and areapostal clothes and purple and black Hellow Kitty Jacket and a Xbox Kenect and a Laptop and a new Phone and a baby sister and a Diry of a Wimpy Kid book and the doll for

Christmas. Then I want a wii and a Hellow Kitty. Marissa Garcia

4th grade

Dear Santa, I hope you have a great christmas whith your elvs, and your wife, starding whith the first thing I want, I want a MP3 player, an IPod, and a flat screen tv. Santa wan't just one faver Please make my Grandma fell better, because she gots breast cancer, and my Gandpa to get better also, it is so sad how they can get sick realy fast. Jazel Mendoza 4th grade

Dear Santa,

What I want for cristmas is a, WiiU Super Mario Bros, a Super Mario Bros DSi. I also want a 3DS Paper Mario Sticker Land, PSP Driving,...

Si Garza 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I wan't an three Wheeler, a PUPPY, a Kitten, the Halo 4, Skyline, Battlefield 3, those new x-box that have the conect built inside of it better graphic, a massive pool table, PS vita, and I all ready gratalated. Consuelo Juanita Ramirez 4th grade

Dear Santa,

This is anahji and what I want for christmas is an Iphone 5, Mini I pad, red or Blue or pink vans, puppy, I pod, and thats all I what for Christmas.

Love, Anahji Alonzo 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I want super mario Bros 2. and the Konnect bar X BOX 360, and I want a I pad 5, and more games. I want to be with my family too. Sincerely, Matthew

Dear Santa,

4th grade

I want a Hot Tub, an Ipad. I want money also. A phone. I want a baby brother too, a new house, a new bike, I want many kids to laugh and play all day long and merry christmas to all. Your friend,

Jody 4th grade

Dear Santa,

4th grade *

for christmas I want a xbox 360, and I want orange beats. I relly want a new guitar. I want more suff and thats all. Kaleb

Dear Santa.

What I want for christmas is a lowrider and I want you to get me a B-B Gun.

4th grade

Dear Santa,

how are you today? are you felling good? Does your belly hurt when you laugh? anyway all i want is a PSP, basketball game for PS3, Phone, lot's of candy and most of all a great chrit-

Desmond 4th grade

Dear Santa and Mrs. Claus, All I want for christmas is my whole family, and an nintendo DSi. Then I want a tablet and a wii and a Phone. Then I want you to say ho ho ho to all the boy's and girls. and I will give you cookies and I still believe in you but My Friends and my sister's say you are a Fake but don't worry cause I woun't Listen to them. Sincerely,

Littzy

4th grade

Dear Santa,

I want a laptop, Desk chair, and a Braclet from Kay Jewels, and a happy family and a Phone android one, and a iPad and, money and a Teddy Bear stoffed one.

Please santa give me every thing on my list. You are so sweet some people don't Belive in santa but i Belive you are real. Love you Santa Claus.

Sincerly, Jessica Perales 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I want an ipod and a puppy and sky vander giants game and an Xbox 360. I am going to wait for you to get here and I got a Present for you ok. i will do anything for you if you come. I will always Belive in you. Sincerely, Joshua

Dear Santa,

4th grade

I want an Ipad and a toy pony for Christmas. because I have been good this

Karen L. 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I want a monky, and a phone. Also want a Hot tub and a new vidoe game and Christmas is my fauorite Holiday and axe.

From, Alex 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I want a tech gersey, make sure that it is #7. So whene I get it I want can act like a tech Player. I also want a remote control airplane. So I can make it go all the way in the sky. Then I want an IPod touch. So I can Play all night untill I die and I can listen to it untill I cant hear. Next I want a Xbox game called Borderlands 2. So I can Play with my brother and never stop playing with him. Last I want some toys like action figures. If I am bored I can play with them. Or play with my freinds If me and him are board. One more thing I hope more peaple well belive you. Santa. Please cut

off the cookies. Cypress Winn 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I want an X box 360. next the new Ipod. I want a GTR drift car/R/C the one that will go 20t. Most all I want everyone in the world to get along. Santa and Mr. clause are the best. Sincerly, Breck Thomas

Dear Santa,

4th grade

I wish I had the game SKYL and three Giants and a Wii. And give my bthor a present for my family and frineds. Henry 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I want a nintindo D.S and an ipod touch and a fake laptop because I been good every day and i listen to my mom my uncle and my aunt. And my Grandma also my grandpa. Closing sentence. Love,

Hannah Perez 4th grade

Dear Santa,

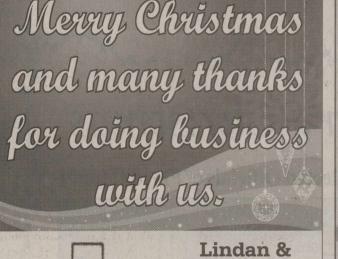
For Christmas I want every body to hear you say ho ho ho, for a litne boys and girls to hear your bells Go Jingaling ling, and for everyone to belive in you. I'll have cookies for you but promise me you wont eat to many. you will get Cavaties.

Lots of Love, Serena 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I want a guitar that is shiny and a car. I also want the orphans to have lots of presents. I also want to travel the world but I want something most of all, when it's Christmas I want to be with my family and have a great Christmas.

From, Denise Mendoza 4th grade





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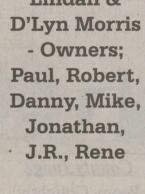
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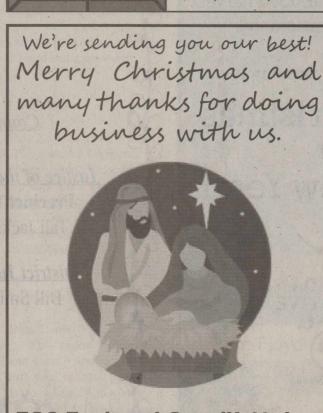
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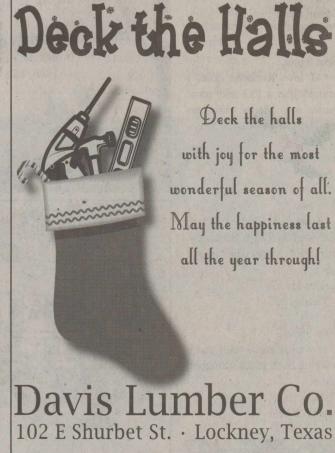


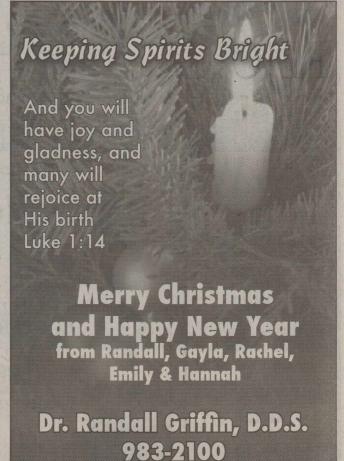


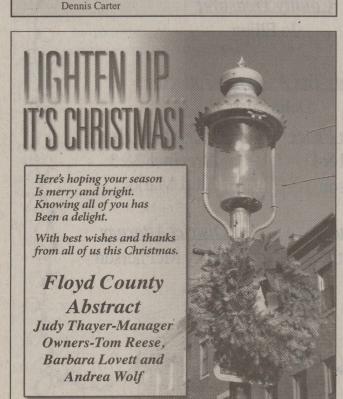




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Hi Santa,

This is Ali and what I want for christmas is a Nook, a Password Jornal, a Mini iPad, wish Dust, Just dance 4, lime green beets, mustash lecles and earing, Biggest lowser XBox game, Highlights, the rest of skeleton Kreek books, A masive gi-

P.S, The cookies are on the coffee table. Sencerly, Aliana

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Dear Santa, Can I have a 3DS I also want a XBox 360, a dog, and a Rudolph teddy bear. Love, Eric Martinez

1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I like rudolph nose. It is so pretty. I want a lego game, and a ds and a pet pig. Sayiee Die Penhorst 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I would like a new house, a new caf and a new Jararoo Psg doll and her hair has to be blue. I would like a new toy and a stuffed bear.

Love, Nadia Perez 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I For christmas I Want a xbox 360. thank you for the present.

Happy Christmas. Xavier Hernhnz 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I want a play station 3Ds, and a kite. Thank you for these gifts. Love,

Rene Olmos 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I want a Phone an iPod and a Prometnean Board. I like Rudoph's bright nose.

Love, Dariah Luna 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I love Rudophs nose. I waould like a Ps3 and some games too. Merny christmas and Happy New Year. Love,

Jose Martinez 1st Grade

Dear Santa.

I want a iPod, a Phone 3DNintendo Ds, a Santa toy, and an Elf. Merry Christmas! Love, Xaiden Huerta 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I want a barbie doll and a coloring book and a spongbob Thank you, Anna Sanchez



Zach & Staff

1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I thik you are Skinny. I would like a DS a hose and a snack after school. Thank you, Ashley Reyes 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I like Rudolph's nose because it is red and bshiny For Chtistmas. I would Like a Nintentendo 3DS and one of sant's elfs. Merry Chrsitmas! Love, Drake Gonzles 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I love you. I want a doll, crayons, a bike, a laptop, and a game. Love. Cynthia Naranjo

Dear Santa,

1st Grade

I love you. I hope you have a good winter. I want a remote control shark. Happy Holidays, **Cutter Frans** 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I love you. For Christmas I would like Hello Kitty head phones, a Justin Bieber CD and blanket. Luve,

Addison Durham 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I woit a Taylor Swift CD a

scooter to listen to music and the Justin Bieber Christmas. I

Love. Journee Cienfuegos 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

For christmas I want. a Ps3 and an XBOX 360 I like Rudolph He has a Shiny nose I love Santa, Iann Rodriguez 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I Love You. For CXhristmas I wan Elf doll an. elecric Scooter and a Nintendo DS. Mika

Dear Santa,

1st Grade

I love you. For Christmas I want a Barbie car acD a doll an and xBox Niki Canta 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I love you Santa. I want a CD for Christmas. Marah Salas 1st Grade

Dear Santa, I love you. I would like to have a Electric Scooter. Thank you so much for ol of the stuff that

you Have givin us. Merry Christmas, Brailey Kidd 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I Love Rudolph. I would like a xbox 360, and a ipad and a mikrfan.

Mere christmas, Colby Guerrero 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

For chrstmas I want a motorcycle and a new game. Thank you, Jisiah 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I like Santa. I hope that I get a wall track and Hot wheesl for chrstmas. Have a great cristmas, Rusty rogers 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

For christmas I want a bow and arows. Night vision goggles. Remote control motorcycle. Hapey Holidays, Hagen 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I want a paintball gun for camouflage want a camouflage shield a glow in the dark blo

Thank you santa, Josiah Ascencio 1st Grade

Dear Santa.

For christmas I wowd like a iPad, a PS, a DS lots of games Spigire, and lots of muny. Thank yuo for the Stuff. Happy Holidays, Tucker Schlueter

1st Grade

Dear Santa.

This year I want an iPhone and a laptop. I love you and tell Rudolelph he has a pretty Merry christmas,

Anivah 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I hope you had a great day I want nail polish high heels and nail. Most of all clothes. Love, Alazay 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I hope that you have had a good Christmaus. How does your sleigh fly? I love Rudolph's nose. I want a Break Dancing kit. Sincerely, Creek 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I hope you have a good summer. I want a remote controll Barbie car, a Barbie ball to match and an iPad.

Adaliyah Jones 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I hope you have a perfect Christmas. I want a motorcycle, bow and arrows, and a puppy. Happy Christmas,

Anyaleigh Tambanga 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I want a jersey, a helmet, a fishing pole. a mouth piece, and a dee movie. I hope you have a good day.

Adrian Hernandez 1st Grade

Dear Santa,

I want a star wars lego ship with lego people. And a lord of the rings lego chip. Love, Jonathan Lara

Dear Santa,

2nd grade

Please I would a hunting soot with a rifol that I can hunt for Diar With. Please sr Sant! Jace Jamis Pharis 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I want a iPhonfive. Love you, Aracely Cuellar 2nd grade

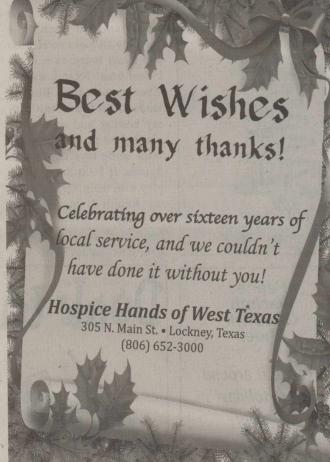
Dear Santa,

I want a fon and a cabege pach baby. I want a scren tv and a wii. I want a tete ber and a bik. I want a north face jachit even thow I have one. Love,

Senayda Bernal 2nd grade

Dear Santa, I would like a wwe ring with resler. Love,

Max Ramirez 2nd grade





We give thanks for our good harvest and our good customers!

We wish you and your family a

Merry Christmas and a

Happy New Year!



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I want a 20 daller bill I want Dierby. I want a Ipod. I want a ipade. I want new close. I want new shoes. I want a easy baker. I want make up. I want a Black it. Jocelynn Reyes 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I Wounld lik a cap car and a barby computer and a Zebra boots and a barby scooter and a Hemlet with Pads and a finger scat Board and a Peace Sign earing and a DSi and a Jacket that has Zebra. Love. MiJoy Pedroza

2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I want a barbehouse. I want a tage for my cat. I want a toy horse. I want a kitty hase. I want a iPad. I want a good kitty. I want a borbe. I want a Big hase. I want a good crismis! Shayla Martinez

Dear Santa,

2nd grade

I want for christmas is foching cooke for christmas and a hello kitty. Love,

Jessi Cesolis 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I want a toy piglit. And a coloring boock, a barbi doll. Jennifer Sanchez 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I want a iPhone touch. I wanta xBox with 1 game. I wanta army playset. I wanta cuputer. I wanta Fishes. I wanta Baby Hamster in a cage. I want a puppy. I want the Texes Flag and Amarica Jeremiah Hernandez Miah Austin

2nd grade

Dear Santa, I want a PS3. I want a PSP. I want a DS. Love, DiegoCastro 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I waht a sckatbord. And a bebe gun. I All so waht a lego set. And a Motlkunchrol helckoptp. And a bick whit sckrs and demins on it. and a rise life snack. and mean brotts bunckbed. Love,

Obadiah Casias 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I would lik a ipod a Ds a xbox 360 and a bike. Love,

Andrew Bustillos 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I woad like a ds and I wood like a ipod and games for the ds and can you make me a compuoter. And can you get me a make up set and a tapol for the makeup to go on. Love,

Madison Johnson 2nd grade

Dear Santa, If I'm on the good list can I have that laptop that turns into a tablet. Love, Diego Ascencio

2nd grade

Dear Santa, I want a toy car and a Phono and a Ipod and a wii and a Xbox and a dog and a cat and a waterbed and a pool and a ds.3. Love,

Johnathan Cienfugos 2nd grade

Dear Santa, Please can I have a 3DS and some games and wii games. Love, Malaki Alvis 2nd grade

Dear Santa, Can I have a dsi for christmas please. Can I have spueres for christmas please. Can I have a laptop for christmas Please. I love you Santa so much. Love,

Dear Santa, I want a happy famliy for christmas. I want is a reemood car. I want a new bick. I want a happy famly. I want a new sistr.

2nd grade

Jailee Pharis

2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I wot makeup and a Ipod and a barbie Dreme hous earplugs and a laptop highils sprarkl dress joolry.

Portland Ran King Fisher 2nd grade

Dear Santa, I want an I pod for christmas. I want makeup for christmas. I want an mpthree for christmas. I want an Easy Bake over for christmas. Love, Aubree Urrutia

Dear Santa,

2nd grade

Can I please have pink lepered & Justienered spueres. Can I please have a ipad & a ipod. Can I please have a American doll. Love, Haven Walker

Dear Santa,

2nd grade

I wont Barb haos and som Barbes and a ipot and a fans bres. and som lals and clos. and som hiy hils. and a Edsi Dansit jut bans I wot got box. I wont a laptop I wont rato with songs. Love, Avizl Alvarado

Dear Santa,

2nd grade

I want hello kitty pj. I want a happy famliy. I want a game for my nittdo. I want a ipod. I want new clothes. I want hair thing. Love, Mariah Ascensio 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I want all the American Girl doll clothes for me and my dall for christmas. I were a 10-12. Love, Hailey Aufill

2nd grade

Dear Santa, I wont a happy famliy for christmas. I wont a toy car for christmas. I wont a gator for christmas. I wont a ipod for christmas. I wont clothes for christmas. I wont loots and loots of Hello Kitty for christmas. Love, Lexi Morgan

Dear Santa,

2nd grade

I want a puppy and a iPod and a Easy Bake Oven and Make up and clothes and a barbie Dreme hous and a Love, Thalia Ascencio 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I want a PS3 with some recimolt cotrolls. Love, Camoran Poole 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I want madene Bo. And 2k 13 and sparys. Ipod touch

Love. Abran Everett Castillo 2nd grade

Dear Santa, All I want for crismes is some games for my PSP an a fourwheeler an a puupy an a I Tab. An move wwe weslers. An wwe cardes. An one of your elfs. An my last wish to see wwe super star Randy

Orton.

Love, Quinten

Dear Santa, I would like a romote control car Christmas and A Tablet for Christmas to. I would like a Drum set for Christmas I would Like minatur pool table and a minatur Phoose Ball table and would Like a I phone 5 And a Dirt Bike and a wii and I want a Bigger tv in my room and a I Pod and a four wheeler and a Black and white g-shock whatch. And a chu chu train for Christmas and some Jordan shoes and a flight Jacket.

Love, Jadrien Ascencio

Dear Santa, I want a trumseat, 2 X boxes and 2 Halo Games and Pacges of little WWE Rumblers, brand new DIRT BIKE! And to have 2 of the new airplaines.

Love, Justin

Dear Santa, Can I please get a Dallas Cowboy Jersey can I please get ware and a NA Dallas Cowboy helmet. And a football and a I Pod Also a I pad. And some Jordans, and Nikes. And football cards. Also a remote controle air plane.

Love, Ernest

Dear Santa, I want a laptop tablet I want a wii and an Ipod

Love, Eli

Dear Santa, I will like a forchincockes and a I pod tuch and a eletrick skuter.

Love, Eddeny

Dear Santa, May I Pleac have for Christmas a labton and a monster High book.

Love, J'Ann

Dear Santa, I want an Itoch and a wii.

Love, Taylor S

Dear Santa, I wold like a puppy, Laptop, Ipod. Also a bike, Nook, phone, bilow pet, lite up blancket, Bellow for willer.

Love, Anysia

Dear Santa, I want two dresses, a board

Game and for my dad to let me play a Game on is new Phone on Chrimas.

Love, Deserae

Dear Santa,

For ChristMas I want 15 DS games I also want one of those part motorcycle Part skate bord. And a laptop and a I-pod and a rist watch.

Love, Aidan

Dear Santa, All I want for Christmas is a tablet, i phone 5, dream light, lap top, mini toncas, nails, slushy magic, Make up Kit, Just Dance 4. Hot tub, one of your elves, a North face Jacket, Nail polish!

Love, Mireya

Dear Santa,

It's almost Christmas and I can't wait to see you this year because you are a awsome guy. And you are a special guy. I hope you and Mrs. Claus have a wonderful Christmas. Tank you for

all the presents all the years. You and Mrs. Claus are the best and very special. Merry Christmas, Maliea Huerta 3rd grade

Dear Santa, All is a psp and football

Thank you Santa, Sean Malachi Rendon

Dear Santa and Mrs. Clos,

What I ont for Chrstmas, A books, A gampad, more movies, kitten. From, Elizo 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

I want this year a tennes ball, a Laptop, a pant, aemdak, par of skass. Love, Morris 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

I want a XBOX and a PS3 and a Paintball gun and Mery christmas, Dago Lopez 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

It's almost Christmast and I want to writ and tell you what I want this year for christmusts. Love, Samantha 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

I want a hors and some Fish and gold Fish and a skateboard and the game monopaly. Merry Christmas, Jade Rogers 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

I will like a XBox 360 connet, and a pillow, a blanket, a toy. Thank you, Jesus Gonzales 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

This year I want a hooluhoop and angry bird cstem urams. Thank you, Nick 3rd grade

Dear Santa,

I will leve you hot coca and cockies. i hope you have a good chrismas. i am trying to not get on the naughty list i what a ipod tought and a paly hase and a tindo 3ds. Thanks Santa Because I love you so much Santa. Taylor Egnew 3rd grade

Dear Santa, I would like a laptop and

a panph, couchincook, filizel maker. Merry Christmas, Brianna Rodriguez3rd grade

Dear Santa,

It's almast Christmas and I want a bike a paintball gom that hase mie name on it and it is gald. Thank you. Merey Christmas, Nathan 3rd grade

Dear Santa Claus,

Can I please have a ipod touch? I would really appreciate to have a real cat. Can I please have a northface jacket? Thank you! Merry Christmas! Your friend, Tasha Schlueter 4th grade

Dear Santa,

You are the second reson first reson why I like Christmas is because Jesus. I have been pretty good lately so if you want you could give me something for Christmas if you don't want to I under stand. If you could. I would like a plastaion 3 with Call of duty black ops II, and some neat toys. I am 9 years old and I live in Lockney Texas and I would like for you to give my mom something too I would but I have no money.

P.S. My brother to remeber I have no money. I love you, Santa Clause, Cristian Gonzalez 4th grade

Dear Santa,

get's mad because it shutsdown on her. And for my Dad new tools because they are all rusty. And for my Brother video games. And for my sister a art set. For me a Ipod. Sincerley, Marie Solis 4th grade

Dear Santa, Ive been good this year so if your reading this who cares if your not real but This is inportant. my mom I don't want toy's, mom is the most important thing in the Hole world is my mom I wan't To wish I want you santa clause to make my mom better and Be more better family without her we can't play with anyone so that's my wish so my mom could be better and she would play a lot with us so what do you say that's my wish. Thank you, Mary Jane 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I've been been bad those years but I've been good sometimes. I have been good and I think that might be a reward. Like At least Six toys at least, Those six toys are intindo flatscreen, super mario bros 2 game, Legoes just like Caleb P. the P. stand for Pricherd we just like P. and that's all. I want a Wii U the game dishonerd and most thing I've wanted why I like Christmas. The , is underamor shirts and underarmor hat's. Jadin

4th grade

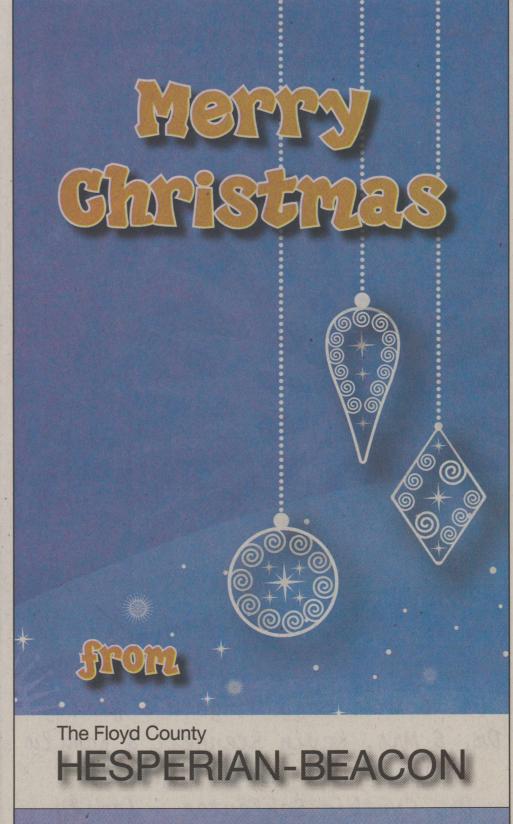
Dear Santa,

I have been a very good boy this year. Santa is comeing down in tomx hosue put present under chismas tree. I'll leave santa christmas cookies. I'll be happy. I'm gonna say "WOW!" Big box for bear. Ride bike. Play snowball fight. Christmas tree up. Love, Caleb P.

Dear Santa,

4th grade

For christmas I will like a makup set. And a hala-All I want is my Mom a loopsi, I love halaloopsi. pogo stic and scate and a new blender. Because she Lego Frens to for christmas. A halaloopsi house. Baby laloopsi. Love you, Megan Castro 4th grade



I've been a very good girl this year. Want I want a 'IPhone5', becoase I would want to text, call, chat, face time, and stalk my friend's. I would also like a dog, becauce there so soft, and that all I want for Christmas.

You'er friend, Kristina Sanchez 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I had been a good boy this year I been wanting a PSP and a I pad. I whish you come to my house and give me what I want for Christmas. my dad birthday is on December. We love you Santa.

Love, Anson Rendon 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good kid this year. I want a drum set. I want a new BB gun. I want a XBOX 360 the color black with a Dallas Cowboy case. I want a new pair of jeans and shirts with new socks. I want a new Dirt Bike and a Four Wheeler. I want a remote and troll car.

Sincerely, Ashton Urrutia 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy and I would ilke a .22 cricit, a Wii U, and a bow and some arrows.

P.S. I will be at my grandparents house in Rorgspings. :-) Sincerely, Hunter Lefevre 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I want a new bike and a electric scooter we might oire you, some looke's donut's or cinemin rolls for christmas I want coll of duty black's II and Nba

2K12 a laptop or a mini I From,

Payton Butieragea 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good girl. For christmas I would like you to bring me a charm bracelet! I would also like a bunch of purple hair bows! Would you please bring me a I pad mini! Your friend,

Jayda Rosales 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I would like a Red Dirt Bike for christmas just my size that goes 45mph. You can shift whenever you wont. I have been a good boy Please. Silas Poole 4th grade

Dear Santa,

What I want for christmas is Madden13. What I want for christmas is a ar hogs helicopter. What I want for christmas is clothes. What I want for christmas is a spynet watch. Wha I want for christmas is a numchuck for the wii. Sincerly, Michael Luna

Dear Santa,

4th grade

I want a remote controle car for cristmas and angy birds set for star wars. Sincerely,

David Amaya 4th grade

Never forget

Dear Santa Claus,

I want for Christmas is an Ipad, a Bike, a iphone a new house, and I want my family to be rich. and I have ben very good this year. I want to go to Hawi and I want everyone to have a very good Christmas this year.

Dr. Cynthia Schleuter & family

Sincerly, Janae Reyes 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I have been a good kid this year. I would like a guitar for christmas. I would also like a few games for my Xbox. and a Itunes card. Kalebh Cook 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy. What I want for chrismas is a computer ipad and a play station 3 with games like call of dudy Block ops II and a electric scooder, xbox 360. Sincerely,

Christopher Moreno 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl this year. I have been wanting a Ipod nano for my birthday. I want a new bike for christmas.

Love, Yanellie Bernal 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I have been a good gril. Things I realy realy want. 1) I whoud like Ipod touch. 2) I whoud like a nail polish set. 3) I whoud realy like a pupy. Stoking What I whoud like in my stoking is money, lip stick and candy. The Big Gift I whoud like as the big gift a easy bake oven.

From: Kassandra Ramirez 4th grade

Dear Santa,

All I wont for Chrsmas is Makup set. Barbie doll and a Barbie dollhouse. All i wont the most is a nail polish. That all i wont for chrsmas.

From, Sara St. Dennis 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy this year and what I want for christmas is a Kindle fire and a Ipod touch and a Intendo 3DS. I also want for chistmas is some New cloths and a intendo DS Game called Call Duty Black Cops and a Transformers Dark of the moon Game. Thank you. Sincerly your friend, Gabriel Solis 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I have been a good gril this year. I love chrismas and I love you I will like to have...

nail polish Sincerly, Yamilette Martinez 4th grade

Dear Santa Claus,

I have been a good kid this year. And i want a hello kitty watch. And a little puppy. And a make up set. And a lap top, ipad, ipod. And a cololing book. And all the color's of nail polish. And new shoes.

Love, Emily Barrientos!! 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I want a ipad, remote controlled hellacopper, the gun that shoots waterballs black corvete white corvete and a pink corvet toy. I want Madden 13, black ops II, gradthaduto china work and a Madden 13 college game. I want a dirt bike guy that bay's fox on the shirt and the shirt black. two remotes for my xbox. I want a red okley sun glasses. I want a big tier munster truck that you controll it. I want a Jacket that you zip it all the way up to your head. I want a Jorden braslet and a Jorden shirt. I want a nerf gun that go fast. I want a sincara toy. And big show, and a resling match. I want a pet puppy that is blond. And I want a citty that is blone. I Dear Santa, want a football game for m Ds. I want a 3D 5x1. Elias Alvarez 4th grade

Dear Santa,

Sincerely, Sebastian Perez

Lumina

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this week. I want Halo 4, Assisin creed 3, Batman Arckim city. Bow and Arrow, All adventure time toys and DVDs.

Justus Tayte Abbot 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy this week. And for christmas I want a four wheeler. I also want a wii u. I also want a american eagle cloths. Tell your elves I said hello. Lots of Love, Matthew Mautiry 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I would like a stereo with a microphone connected to it so me and my brother could practice singing. I would also like an ipad to play games on. I also want an ipod, nintendo, and for my dad to come see me because he hasent come to see me in more than a month. I want love to be spred on Christmas and the homeles to get some food. That all I'll ask for on Christmas.

Love, Yareli 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I want a kindel Fire Hd, New Dis games, xbox three sixty with a game call of duty black op two, and school supply Miguel Angel Lara 4th grade

Dear Santa, I have been very good this week. I want Madan 13, and Assins creed 3. Also a blow back pistol bb gun, Black ops 2, batman arkumcity. But I also want a new wood stock 20 gauge shotgun, and All the adventure time Seasons. Love, Esai Garcia 4th grade

I would like a paint ball gun, a turain twister and a air hogs, wii u. Sincerely, Joshua Cienfuegos 4th grade

mass but I thike I will not get it will I thike I will get a Mario in the in tindo and that's I want for cresmess and are a little dog for cresmess.

Jose Sanchez 4th grade

Dear Santa Claus,

What I want for christmas you might ask, I want three big, medium, and small TransFormers, ten 3DS games, a tellascope, and a Microscope. Sincerely, Dylan Morgan

Dear Santa,

4th grade

I have been a good girl this year. I know you have to work hard to make a lot of toys. That's why I'm only going to ask you for a few things. First I want to ask you for a Monster High doll. Second I want a pare of boots. Last of all I want a big fuzzy bear for my little sister Abree. Hope you have a very merry Christmas.

Love, RyAnn Castillo 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good studient this year. I want to have a symee's cat. I love you Santa. thank you for making us alot and being Merry Christmas,

Kaimee Webb 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I wish I coald have a computer, jelerry, bracelat, bike, hoolp, gloaling pelow, and Ruby gloom. I have been really good. Love, India King

4th grade

All I want for Christmas is the love and wramth of my family. Love, Armando Reyes 4th grade

Dear Santa,

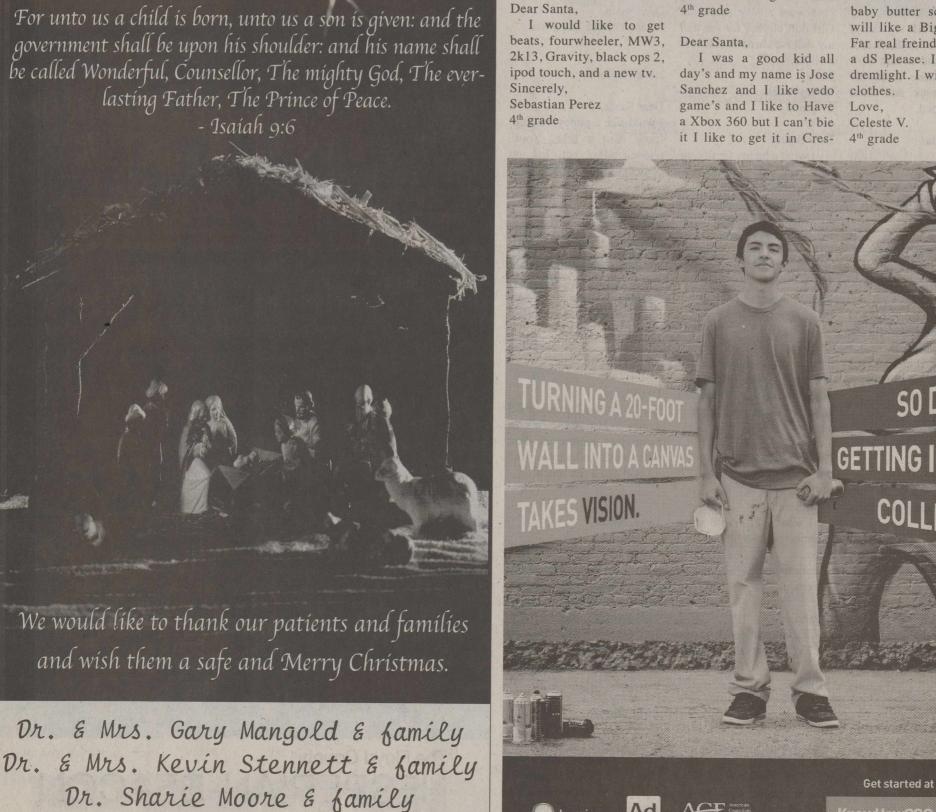
I have been a very good kid this year. and this is a leter to you about what i will like. I will like a baby butter scoch. and i will like a Big Dog from Far real freind. I will like a dS Please. I will like a dremlight. I will like New

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COLLEGE.

You've got what it takes.

Love,





Snowflake Shortbread Cut-Out Cookies, Mint Chocolate Chip Truffles, Chocolate Raspberry Chip Truffles, Parmesan Pepper Spritz Crackers, Merry Mushroom Bites and Savory Southwest Donuts

See step-by-step instructions for Mint Chocolate Chip Truffles,

Cookies on www.wilton.com.

Chocolate Raspberry Chip Truffles and Snowflake Shortbread Cut-Out

PARTY

FAMILY FEATURES

hen it comes to celebrations, there's no season quite like the holiday season.

The celebration experts from Wilton share party tips and irresistible recipes to help create a fabulous cocktail buffet complete with all the trimmings.
"It looks like it would take lots of time and effort,

but it really doesn't," says Nancy Siler, Vice President of Consumer Affairs at Wilton. "We've worked out all the details to make it easy, elegant

Siler suggests setting up a beverage station so guests can serve themselves, or recruit a friend to help prepare and serve your signature cocktails sugar-rimmed Cheery Cranberry Mojitos and colorful All Aglow Melon-tinis that twinkle with sparkle gel. And for a warm beverage choice, offer rich, thick hot chocolate garnished with frosty snowmen, peppermint curls or chocolate candy-coated marshmallows.

"When it comes to the food, a mix of savory and sweet is a must," Siler adds. "Tree-shaped Merry

Mushroom Bites and tiny Savory Southwest Donuts piped with avocado to resemble a wreath will wow both the eye and the palate. For another unexpected twist on tradition, stack peppery spritz crackers in a clear glass canister." And for the sweets, beautifully decorated snow-

flake shaped holiday butter cookies are displayed on stacked pedestal plates alongside a bowl of truffles' adorned with festive candy drizzles and luminescent pearl dust. Both treats make a fitting finale — and can be made in advance.

For more holiday recipe and decorating ideas, visit www.wilton.com.

Parmesan Pepper Spritz Crackers

Makes about 7 dozen crackers

1-1/2 cups all-purpose flour

1/2 teaspoon cracked black

pepper 1/2 teaspoon ground

white pepper

1/2 teaspoon salt cups (about

8 ounces) grated Parmesan cheese

1/2 cup (1 stick) butter,

softened

cloves garlic, finely minced

1/3 cup milk

Preheat oven to 375°F. In small bowl, combine flour, black pepper, white pepper and salt. In large bowl, beat cheese, butter and garlic until smooth. Gradually add flour mixture to cheese mixture. Mix until dough forms a ball. Gradually add milk, mixing until fully incorporated. Shape into small logs and place in Cookie Master Ultra II. Using desired disk, press crackers onto ungreased cookie sheet.

Bake 11 to 13 minutes or until edges are light golden brown. Cool 2 minutes on cookie sheet on cooling grid. Remove from sheet and cool completely. Store in airtight container up **Merry Mushroom Bites**

Makes 24 bites 1/3 cup diced yellow onion 3 tablespoons butter

12 ounces portobello or baby portobello

mushrooms, coarsely diced

4 teaspoons finely chopped fresh

rosemary 1-1/4 teaspoons black pepper

tablespoons all-purpose flour

1-1/4 teaspoons salt

1 package (4 ounces) water or other favorite crackers

1/2 cup sour cream red bell pepper, thinly sliced Chopped rosemary or parsley (optional)

Preheat oven to 350°F. Prepare Bite-Size Silicone

Tree Mold with vegetable pan spray.

In large skillet, cook onion and butter over medium-low heat stirring

occasionally until soft, about 5 minutes. Add mushrooms, rosemary and black pepper; cook until liquid has evapo rated, about 10 minutes; cool slightly. Transfer mixture to food processor. Add eggs, flour, and salt. Pulse until

mixture is pureed with no large pieces of mushroom or onion. Fill cavities of silicone mold completely with mushroom mixture,

patting flat. Bake 15 to 18 minutes or until top of the mush-room mixture is firm. Cool in pan 15 minutes; carefully remove and place on cracker. Top with sour cream, sliced red pepper and, if desired, rosemary. Serve warm or at room temperature.

Savory Southwest Donuts Makes about 36 mini donuts

1 tablespoon ground paprika, divided 1-1/2 cups cake flour 1-1/4 teaspoons baking powder

3/4 teaspoon ground cumin
1/2 to 3/4 teaspoon ground chipotle
chili powder

teaspoon salt 3/4 cup milk

egg tablespoons vegetable oil

garlic clove, finely minced tablespoons finely chopped cilantro

Topping

ripe avocado

teaspoon lime juice Salt to taste Additional chopped cilantro

Preheat oven to 400°F. Spray Mini Donut Pan with vegetable pan spray. Lightly sprinkle wells

with some of the paprika.

In large bowl, whisk together flour, baking powder, cumin, chili powder and salt. In second bowl, whisk together milk, egg, oil, garlic and cilantro. Add wet ingredients to dry ingredients and still instruction.

and stir just until flour is moistened. Fill each donut cavity about 1/2 full.

Bake 5 to 7 minutes or until the top of the donuts spring back when touched. Let cool in pan 4 to 5 minutes before removing. Wash pan, dry thoroughly and prepare with pan spray and paprika. Repeat with remaining batter. with remaining batter.

For topping, mash avocado with lime juice and salt; stir until smooth using a whisk or in a food processor. Pipe avocado mixture over top of cooled donuts. Sprinkle with cilantro. Serve immediately.

All Aglow

Melon-tinis

Makes 1 cocktail Wilton Red Sparkle Gel

2 ounces green melon liqueur

1 ounce lemon flavored vodka

ounce bottled sour mix ounces club soda Maraschino cherries

(optional) Squeeze Wilton Red Sparkle Gel around the inside of a

martini glass. In cocktail shaker filled with ice, combine melon liqueur, vodka, sour mix and club soda; shake well. Strain into martini glass. Garnish with maraschino cherries

Cheery **Cranberry Mojitos**

Makes 1 cocktail

6 fresh torn mint leaves, plus additional sprigs for garnish

1/2 lime, cut into four wedges 1 tablespoon dried

cranberries
2 tablespoons Wilton
Red Colored Sugars,

plus additional for garnish

2 ounces rum 3 ounces cranberry juice

2 ounces club soda In tall glass, thoroughly muddle mint leaves, lime wedges, cranberries, and red sugar. Add rum, cranberry juice and club soda and stir. Add ice and additional club soda to fill glass.

Peppermint Blitz

Hot Chocolate Makes about 4 servings

quart (4 cups) milk cup (about 6 ounces) Wilton Dark Cocoa

Candy Melts, roughly chopped teaspoon vanilla extract

teaspoon peppermint extract

3 ounces chocolate liqueur (optional) ounce peppermint

liqueur (optional) In a large pot over medium-low flame, heat milk and Candy Melts, whisking frequently, until boiling. Remove from heat. Stir in extracts and liqueurs, if using Garnish with peppermint sticks or curls or snowman decorations

and serve immediately.



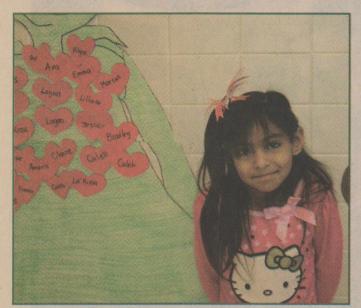
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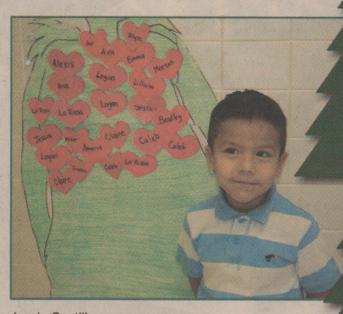
Whirlwind News



Elementary Question: What do you want for Christmas?



Alyse Mendoza For Christmas, I want a DSI.



Jessie Castillo I want a trampoline for Christmas.



Junior High Question: What's your favorite part of Christmas?



Anthony Bolton My favorite part about Christmas is the food.



Corey Mathis My favorite part of Christmas is Christmas break.



George Torres My New Year's Resolution is to get my permit.

High School Question: What's your New Year's Resolution?



Christina Chesshir My New Year's resolution is to lose weight.



My favorite thing about Christmas is watching movies with my family.



My New Year's resolution is to keep doing what I'm doing, cause I think I'm doing okay.













Don't let poinsettias get sick over the holidays

COLLEGE STATION — Poinsettias in the traditional red and a host of new colors can be found in most holiday decor, adding much to brighten the seasonal displays.

But the popular plant can suffer during the holidays if not properly cared for, according to a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service plant pathologist.

"There are ways to care for poinsettias to keep them looking good and to avoid some of the common diseases that affect them," said Dr. Kevin Ong, AgriLife Extension plant pathologist and director of the agency's Plant Disease Diagnostic Laboratory in College Station.

One of the most common diseases of poinsettias is pythium root rot, he said. When the roots are attacked by this disease, they turn brown and

mushy instead of the usual healthy white color.

"Poinsettias are shipped in protective sleeves to prevent damage to them," Ong explained. "These sleeves may not have drainage holes, so if water is allowed to stand in them, the roots can begin to rot if the pathogen attacks."

With rotted roots, he said, the healthy green leaves turn yellow and drop off of the plant.

Improper watering can also cause other problems for poinsettias, he noted.

"A plant that is stressed and has not been watered correctly may get spots or blotches on its lower leaves," Ong said. "If this happens, remove those leaves and begin watering the plant correctly."

He said preventing a disease is better than trying to

cure a sick poinsettia. Ong offered these seasonal poinsettia tips:

A white Christmas is not poinsettia-friendly. Poinsettias are originally from the tropics, so keep them indoors if the temperatures are going to be under 60-70 degrees. A cold poinsettia will turn yellow and drop its leaves.

Drink in moderation. Poinsettias will drown or get sick if they get too much water. Only when the soil feels dry should a poinsettia be watered.

Diet control. Poinsettias that fill up on a fertilizer buffet will start to look peaked. Feed a poinsettia after the holidays, when everyone else is dieting, if you want to try to keep it alive.

For more information about plant diseases, see http://plantclinic.tamu.edu/.

FISD Counselors Report to Board, Board Attendance & Training Hours Announced

By Sara Sisemore Correspondent

The Floydada Independent School District's Board of Trustees met on Thursday, Dec. 6, to hear a report on the district's counseling services, be given a financial report, announce the attendance and training hours for each board members, and discuss the reserved seating at home football games.

FISD counselors Pam Ricketts, Nikki Smith, and Kathy Jahay, gave a report on counseling services offered at each campus, as well as reporting on their job duties. Ricketts gave the board a report on the character education she has incorporated into lessons at Duncan. She also gave a report on her duties as campus testing coordinator. Smith, secondary social advisor, reported on the Teen Leadership class she has been teaching this year. She works with at-risk middle school students to help them develop leadership skills that will allow them to improve academically and socially. She, too, is responsible for state testing at the Junior High level. Jahay gave a report on her job responsibilities. She is responsible for building the master schedule at FHS, is certified to give the ACT, SAT, and ACCUPLACER tests, monitors credits that students earn and TAKS/STAAR testing on the FHS campus. In addition, to these responsibilities, all three counselors stated they counsel with students to provide emotional support as needed.

The board reviewed payment of the November 2012 bills, and Business Manager Sharon Rainwater presented the tax report and cash flow statement. The M&O Current Tax Roll is \$2,428,303.87, with net collections of \$1,844.506.64. The I&S Tax Roll is \$286,145.59, with net collections of \$217,352.30. The percent of roll collected is currently 75.96, compared 75.64 percent this time last year.

Board President Lyle Miller announced attendance and training hours for each board member. Rachael Castillo needed eight hours of training and earned one; William Dean needed eight hours and earned 10.25; Roger Hughes needed 10 hours and earned five; Marty

Lucke needed eight hours and earned 14.25; Lyle Miller needed eight hours and earned 16.5; Charles Tyer needed eight hours and earned 14.5; and John Woelfel needed eight hours and earned six.

The attendance record shows the following attendance percentages: Rachael Castillo, 63.2%; William Dean, 84.2%; Roger Hughes, 91.7%; Marty Lucke, 100%; Lyle Miller, 94.7%; Charles Tyer, 89.5%; and John Woelfel, 89.5%.

Board member Charles Tyer made the motion to do away with reserved seating at home football games. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

The board approved the minutes from the Nov. 15, 2012 regular meeting, as well as setting a public hearing for the 2011-2012 AEIS and Annual Performance Report on Jan. 10, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. and the January board meeting for Jan. 10, 2013 at 7 p.m.

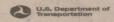
Board member Marty Lucke made the motion to approve the audit report performed by Robison, Johnson, & Patton. The board unanimously approved the motion.



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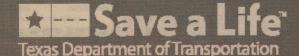








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Longhorn News



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Christmas is a magical time of the year. A time when families come together to celebrate the holiday season. Childhood memories of family outings in search of that special tree last our whole lives. When you share that Christmas Tradition with your loved ones, it too will become a treasured memory that lasts a lifetime.

Canada/U.S.

Christmas trees are decorated and stockings are hung on the fireplace for Santa Claus to fill with gifts. Cards and gifts are exchanged with friends and relatives. Children put on pageants and go caroling.

Mexico

Mexico calls Christmas, Navidad. They celebrate



Christmas for nine days with Las Pasdas. It is a time where people dress as Mary and Joseph, traveling from house to house asking if Mary may stay the night. They are told the inn is full. After which the door opens back up and all are invited in for a party with food, songs, and for the children a Pinata. The Pinata is made of paper mache and filled with all kinds of goodies. The object is to break it open with your eyes blindfolded. After which the children all dive for all the goodies they can pick up. On the ninth night they are told yes there is room for Mary in the stable and all come in for food and after all go to Church to celebrate the birth of the Christ

We hope all of you have a happy holiday season!

Pumpkin Spice Donut Holes



Cute little donut holes stuffed with pumpkin-spiced filling and drizzled with chocolate syrup make a quick dessert for Christmas. It's so easy the kids can help out with this special sweet dessert. It's a yummy in everyone's tummy. It only takes 25 min. and makes 3 dozen. Ingredients-

3.4 ounce package JELL-O Vanilla Flavor Instant Pudding

1 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice

1/3 cup cold milk

1 cup thawed COOL WHIP Whipped Topping

36 vanilla cake donut holes (1-1/2 inch)

1/4 cup chocolate syrup

Directions-

1. Beat pudding mix, spice and milk with whisk in medium bowl 2 min. Stir in COOL WHIP.

2. Cut thin slice off each donut hole; discard. Cut donuts in half; fill with pudding mixture.

Press each together gently to secure.

3. Place, cut-sides down, on plate to serve. Drizzle with chocolate.

The Tradition continues with the Longhorn Bands Christmas concert this Thursday evening. The concert will begin at 6:30 and will be held in the New Gym. Everyone come out and sing along to all the Christmas songs. Hope to see you there!

JUST CAN'T HIDE THAT LONGHORN PRIDE!

Christmas is all about spending time with your family, so if you have nothing to do you might to go to the movies and see Parental Guidance. It's about an "old school" grandfather, Artie (Billy Crystal), who is accustomed to calling the shots who meets his match when he and his eager-to-please wife, Diane (Bette Midler,) agree to babysit their three grandkids when their "type-A helicopter" parents (Marisa Tomei, Tom Everett Scott) go away for work. But when 21st century problems collide with Artie and Diane's old school methods of tough rules, lots of love and old-fashioned games, it's learning to bend - and not holding your ground – that binds a family together.









