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this holy season and beyond.

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Marion Waggoner and Cynthia White

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## AT&T concerned that PUC decision could delay competition for local service

The Texas Public Utility Commission today announced its final order outlining prices, terms and conditions under which AT & T could connect with Southwestern Bell's network in Texas to provide local phone service. The PUC ordered a discount to AT & T of 21.6 percent off Southwestern Bell's retail rates, but may have left some areas of the interconnection agreement unresolved. The text of the order is not yet available. The following response can be attributed to Rian Wren, AT & T vice president-local services in the Southwest.

"The PUC's decision regarding the resale rate is balanced. It is in line with decisions being made around the nation. For that, we commend the PUC for following the intent of Congress when it passed legislation earlier this year to give consumers the benefits of competition - choice, competitive pricing and more services.

"We are concerned that possible holes in the order may affect unbundled components of the network, our access to Bell's poles and facilities and other areas that we'd hoped would be resolved. The PUC's order may not sufficiently resolve these issues. Because unbundled components represent the gateway to facilities-based competition and poles represent the pathway for those facilities, we are concerned that we will start the race to competition locked in first gear.

"While we have not yet seen the written order, we may have to go

back to the negotiating table and iron out remaining differences with Southwestern Bell. We have already spent 270 days negotiating and arbitrating with Southwestern Bell in order to get a comprehensive agreement, as provided for by federal legislation, but this tells us we still may not be done. Further negotiations to fill these holes could further delay our local service entry in Texas."

"We are disappointed that Southwestern Bell - at this late date - is seeking to drag out the process even longer in an attempt to delay competition from AT & T. Southwestern Bell may turn out to be the grinch that stole Christmas from consumers who want a choice in where they get local phone service."

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## Letter To Santa

Dear Santa,

I have really been a very good boy this past year, really good. I even sit by myself at church on Sunday mornings and I don't wiggle too much at all. I have done good in school - so far, anyway.

I know you will be busy on December 24 but if you can get to my house I have a chimney you can come down. I would like a Nintendo 64, a football suit, and some other things, too. You can pick them out for me!

My little brother Lee is almost three years old. He hasn't been too good but he hasn't been too bad, either. I will be glad when he is out of the terrible two's and grows up a little - maybe then he won't bother my toys. He would like a football uniform and a Big Wheels bike. Please don't get him anything that he can get hurt on - he is accident prone!

I know all the boys and girls in Munday have been good and will be glad to get a visit from you. Please remember us all.

Thanks so much. I love you.  
 Jay Alan White  
 6 years old  
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Dear Santa,

I want a Hula Hoop, Markable Bear, Tweety Bird House Shoes, Chicago Bull Jacket, and a Pair of Roller Blades. I have tried real hard to be good this year. I will leave you some Sugar cookies and Dr. Pepper. I love you! I also want to thank you for the gifts I received last year. Please remember to bring all the other little kids at Dot Mama's some presents.

Love,  
 Krystynn Myers  
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Dear Santa & Mrs. Claus

My name is Steven Urbanczyk and I am six years old. Please bring me a real football, B-B gun, and a T.V. for my room. I could use a bicycle helmet and a little go-cart too.

Love,  
 Steven  
 P.S. Give all the girl toys to my cousins, Kylie and Alexandria  
 P.S. Bring Uncle Chris a wife and some kids. He doesn't want a wife but mom Joy thinks he needs one.  
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## Cornerstone celebrates the season

The employees at Cornerstone Home Health Agency were recently celebrating the holiday's with their annual party.

Part of the entertainment was a new carol that was penned by - well, we're not sure exactly who wrote it but we thought it was rather whimsical and might give you a laugh. These words should be sung to the tune of "O Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree."

Oh! Cornerstone, Oh, Cornerstone. How lovely are your nurses with stethoscopes and diapers blue. We'll check your heart and clean your too-too.

Oh! Cornerstone, Oh, Cornerstone. How lovely are your nurses. With women nurses and men ones too, We'll tell you what you need to do.

Oh! Cornerstone, oh, Cornerstone, big brothers always watch over you.

Oh! Cornerstone, oh, Cornerstone. Office help is quite confused with telephones, fax computer too, all this stuff you'd think we knew what's going on - what's going on, Lord knows we wish we really knew.

The paper work it never ends so much, we make enemies of our friends.

You won't get paid until it's done, corrections for - oh, ain't it fun.

Oh! Cornerstone, oh, Cornerstone. God bless us all - we've got to run.

Bye

## Christmas celebrated with luncheon by retired teachers

The Knox County Retired School Personnel met Tuesday, December 10, at noon in the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall for their annual Christmas luncheon. Twenty-four members and one guest were present.

Dan Sloan, President, welcomed the group and Alice Partridge gave the invocation.

After the meal, Bill Baker of Knox City gave a legislative update. The meeting was then adjourned.

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The City of Munday will offer FREE disposal of Christmas trees after the holidays. Trees can be deposited outside the City Warehouse Yard beginning December 30, 1996. Please call City Hall at 422-4331 with any questions.

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy this year. I would like this year a CD player with earphones and the Hanted highway game and a space jam jersey of Tweety and a starter jacket of Chicago Bulls. Remember all of my cousins and friends.

Love,  
 Justin Yates  
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RETIRING COUNTY COMMISSIONER PHILIP HOMER was given a reception in his honor at the Courthouse in Benjamin on Wednesday, December 18. County Judge David Perdue awarded Mr. Homer with a beautiful etching of the Knox County Courthouse which was signed by all county employees as a remembrance of his years of great service to the county. Mr. Homer will bring in the New Year by celebrating his first day of retirement on January 1, 1997.

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**Pictures from the Munday Elementary Christmas Program held Monday, December 16 at the high school auditorium**



**Our fantasy of lights**

By Cynthia White

It was only a few days after Thanksgiving but already the nighttime darkness was being cut by the glare of holiday lights on the neighborhood homes. As our six year old peered out the window at the multi-colored glow he sighed and said, "I know we're going to be the last ones in town to decorate."

I thought to myself that he was probably right but I made a mental note to get going right away on the decorations since it meant so much to the kids.

No less than a week later the family was taking an evening drive and it seemed that twice as many homes were now decorated. Reds, greens, blues and twinkling white lights cheered up the blackness of the skies and gave you a warm feeling inside. It was a most enjoyable drive until the six year old once again uttered, "We're going to be the last ones in town to decorate. I just know it."

His dad and I sat silent in the vehicle - each thinking that yes, he was probably right - we would probably be the last one's in town to decorate.

After a few moments of silence my husband and I both began to speak at the same time. "I think I'll just get started on the house lights tomorrow after work," he said. At the same time I was saying, "You know, honey, we really need to get going on the decorating. Time is running out."

I don't know why we both had dreaded it so much. We could really have a fun time working as a family unit with just a small amount of pre-planning. As we drove home we began to voice our ideas and make lists of just what we would be needing to accomplish the tasks at hand.

The next night was Friday and we gathered up all the Christmas lights and began to untangle enough strands to reach to the Gulf Coast. Endless lengths of wire and tiny bulbs lay along the carpet in the living room and every three seconds we said, "Watch out for the lights, boys, please don't step on those little bulbs!" With each utterance of the phrase our volume level turned up just a notch until we were probably audible to the neighbors.

After the lights we began to sift through the boxes of assorted decorations. Memories from Christmas's past were held in tiny and fragile tree ornaments that were now held by tiny, fragile, and wreckless hands. We must have chased the smallest boy through the house a dozen times trying to retrieve ornaments and bows. Piles of recycled ribbons lay in heaps around the premises and stockings meant for the mantle were now on top of little heads. Perfectly good wrapping paper was now not so perfectly good as the boys discovered what great sounds it made while being crumpled into tiny round balls that could sail through the air with the greatest of ease. Oh, yes, we were having fun now!

Saturday dawned with bright blue skies - the perfect weather for getting those lights up outside. We determined that we could make haste if I worked on the inside decorations and left the decorating outside to my husband - a solution that was perfectly fine with

me.

After gathering up the proper equipment, my men folk (one large boy and two little ones) escaped the confines of the house and proceeded to the chore outside.

In only a matter of five minutes I could hear footsteps on the roof. My husband must already be up there - outlining the top. After doing the laundry and making beds I'll get started on the inside.

Suddenly, the back door opens and in he walks making the announcement that he must run to the store before they close at noon to pick up one more tool. He'll take the kids and be back in just a minute to really get to work!

One and a half hours later in they stroll and despite the bags full of goodies that the children's hands are clutching I detect a somber expression on their faces and in their moods. "What's the problem," I inquire.

"As we were going through town I accidentally hit a little boys dog," explains my husband.

I could tell that he was really upset so I encouraged him to talk and get it off his chest. He told me the entire gruesome tale and all about how devastated the young child had been and how sad he had felt for him. He then told me that he had told the little boy that he would see to it that Santa brought him a new puppy for Christmas and the little boy insisted that it be a Dalmation. I now had the job of calling 101 pet shops in Texas searching for a new Dalmation puppy and to top it off our own boys had decided they wanted a dog for Christmas, too! That explained their own long faces.

Two hours later I was still on the phone to pet stores in far-off and distant locations and realized I hadn't heard anything out of my roof-top bound husband. He must really be hard at work putting down those lights. Oh, well, that's good - hopefully I can get to work on the inside of the house and catch up to him.

Back at my own tasks, I turn on the dishwasher and the washing machine and decide to vacuum while I'm at it - might as well get it all clean before I start decorating.

It's now well into mid afternoon and again I realize I haven't heard from my husband in a while. Maybe I'd better just walk outside and take a peek up on the roof.

I didn't have to venture too far

into the yard when I heard my husband calling to an approaching car. "He's always so friendly," I thought to myself and nod approvingly as the people in the car pass by the house with a wave. "Well, he must be O.K." I decide and re-enter the house to continue my decorating.

"It seems to be taking him a long time to fix those lights up there," I mutter to myself and decide to go out again and look for my husband.

This time I didn't have to look long before he spied me and began to shout irrationally - like he was mad or something.

"What's wrong with your ears? Haven't you heard me calling you? Where have you been for the past two hours? I can't believe you left me up here!" That's just a few of the things he said to me and asked of me.

"What are you talking about?" I quizzed. "I've been running the vacuum, doing the laundry, cleaning the kitchen and wondering what in the world is taking you so long. And then when I do come out to check on you, you're up on the roof waving at all the passing cars and having a great old time!" I said.

"I wasn't waving - I was trying to signal to someone to stop and help me!" he yells.

It seems that the West Texas wind had chosen another victim - this time our ladder. It had blown down and left my husband roof-bound for nigh on to three hours! Even the children were no help since the little one was napping and the older one was playing at a friends house. Normally they would have been underfoot, but not this time!

Finally down from his adventure my husband decides to place my favorite luminarios along the sidewalks. Suddenly, yells break out again, this time directed at the path of a dog that has wandered up behind my husband and is pulling up the lighted bags and making away with them!

I run outside to find out just what is the matter and witness my husband chasing a small dog down the street.

Springing into action I can be seen by the neighbors who are now peering out their decorated windows, running down the street and yelling, "Honey, don't hurt him. He's a Dalmation puppy!"

Hope your decorating went better than ours!

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## Don't drive drunk this holiday season

**FACT:** Drunk driving continues to be one of the Nations most serious health and safety problems. However, Trooper Joe Clement, Safety Education Officer for the Texas Department of Public Safety says that federal, state, local and private efforts to reduce the incidents of drinking and driving are having an impact.

Trooper Clement says with the approach of New Year's Eve that this trend can continue if each of us will do our part in pre-planning our New Year's Eve celebration. It is recommended that if you are going to host a party, that soft drinks be available for your guest, so they will have a choice. Introduce people to one another, a good host is not just a bartender. Don't rush refills, don't double up because it's not generous, it's rude. Attempt to have a meal or snacks available throughout the evening and, above all, if someone has too much at your home, you are responsible. Provide lodging or get them a safe ride home.

If your plans include traveling this New Year's Eve, then make plans that only allow a totally sober driver to be behind the wheel. It's a good idea to check with your local media outlets to see if any organizations will be providing ride home programs. For those that think it will never happen to them, the Department of Public Safety, along with other local law enforcement agencies, will have stepped up patrols and DWI enforcement over the New Year's Eve holiday.

Trooper Clement went on to say that one of the best defenses against a drunk driver is to fasten your safety belt, but it's only effective when the driver and all occupants take time to do so.

Let's all work towards making this the safest New Year's holiday ever.

## Calendar of Events

December 24 - Lions Club.  
December 25 - Christmas.  
December 28 - Vernon JV/Varsity Boys - There, 2:00.  
December 30 - Chillicothe JV/Varsity Girls & Boys - Here, 4:00.  
December 31 - Lions Club.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

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## Birthdays & Anniversaries

December 24 - Annie Smajestrla, Kevin M. White, Angel Miranda, Douglas Myers; Michael & Esther Waggoner.

December 25 - Floyd Reed Sr., Rigo Monasterio, Neva Gonzales.

December 27 - Greg Zeissel.

December 28 - Melton & Kathy Morgan, Mr. & Mrs. Maynard Moore.

December 29 - Kennedy Clem, Richard Albus.

December 30 - Bobbie Kegley, Mandi Lee Tejada, Michael Miranda; Atanacio & Cruz Chavez, Mr. & Mrs. Randy Johnson.

December 31 - Travis & Brenda Floyd.

## Vera News

by Mrs. Thelma Coulston

Warren and Angie Robinson of Madison and Tate and Jeannie Russell of Jacksboro were visitors to Ronnie Clark home Friday. Ronnie and Yvonne and son, B.J. traveled with them to Kress where they attended a reception honoring Yvonne parents, B.F. and Bonnie Smith in Kress, Sunday afternoon. The reception was held in the "Antique and Appetites Depot" in Kress, owner by her sister, Shirley and Scottie Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morton of Kress visited in the home of their daughter, Randall and Beverly Kinnibrough and children last week end. They returned this week end to attend the Seymour Band Concert at the High School auditorium Sunday afternoon. Their grandchildren, Kyle and Sarah Kinnibrough are members of the band. Also attending the concert was their paternal grandmother, Betty Kinnibrough of the community.

Mrs. June Trainham was a business visitor in Abilene, Monday. Mrs. Maurine Parris accompanied a group on the Agape Tour of Seymour to Marshall, Texas. Tuesday and Wednesday they visited the Pottery Factory and viewed their beautiful Christmas light displays.

Kent Beck and a friend have been spending a few days with his mother, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Beck. Kent is employed a company off the Gulf coast.

## Knox County Aging Center

### Munday & Goree Menu Dec. 30-Jan. 3, '96-'97

Mon. Dec. 30 - Meatballs with gravy, tossed salad, squash casserole, lima beans, sliced bread, brownies.

Wed. Jan. 1 - Closed for New Year's Day.

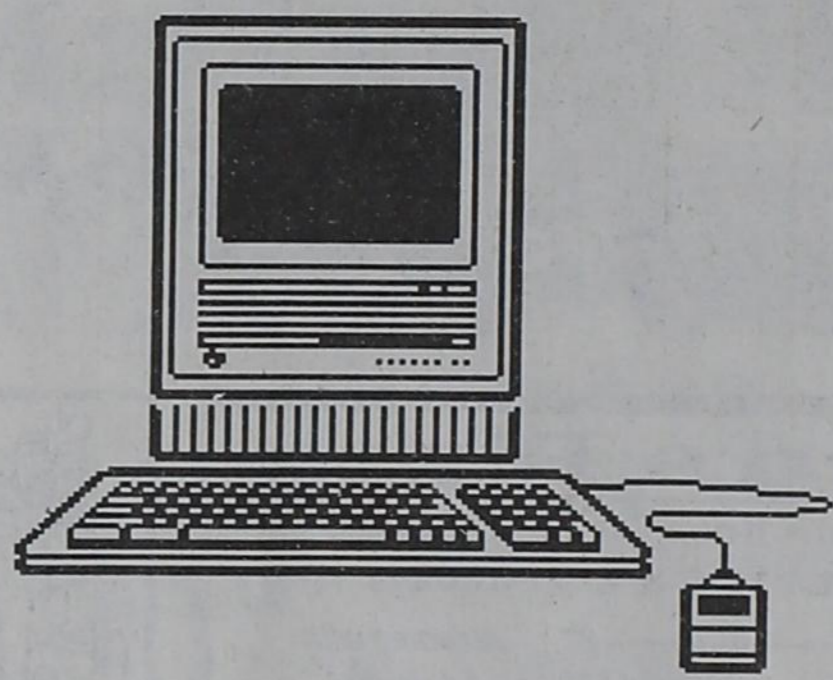
Fri. Jan. 3 - Homemade vegetable soup, tuna sandwich, cheese wedge, crackers, plum cobbler.

\*\*All menu's are subject to change without notification due to conditions beyond the control of the staff at the Knox County Center.

If you plan to join the group at Munday, call Mrs. Olga Jim Reid at 422-4145. At Goree, call Mrs. Allene Seale at 422-5292 the day before.

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Munday, TX

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# Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,  
I want a doll for Christmas. I've been a good girl.  
Love,  
Mayte Ramirez  
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Dear Santa,  
Thank you Sata for brige us a toys for the kids on the Christmas tree. Merry Christmas to Santa I want a doll for Christmas on my prisit on the Chrismas. I love you Santa very much.  
Love,  
Joann  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
You are nice. You bring us presents. I am going to leave cookies. I would like a bike and a go cart.  
Your friend,  
Sammy Nunez  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Rileigh and my sisters name is Taylor. This year or Christmas I would like some books, clothes, and anything else you would like to surprise me with. My sister would like a kitchen set and doll high chair.

We have been good this year. We will leave you a snack.  
Thank you,  
Rileigh and Taylor  
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Dear Santa,  
My name is Cody Reece and I'm 4 years old. I have tried real hard to be good, but it's not easy. I would like a little car, a new desk, clothes and games like checkers. Don't forget my friends Kimberly, Lindsey, Kylie and Tatum. They have been good, too.  
Love,  
Cody  
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Dear Santa,  
My name is Landon Ibbott and I'm 2 years old. I've been a good boy this year. For Christmas I would like a swing set, race car, basketball goal, and lots of games. Don't forget I just moved, so bring my presents to Fort Worth this year.

I love you,  
Landon  
P.S. Don't forget your cookies and milk.

Dear Santa,  
My name is Tatum Bufkin. I am nine months old and this is my first Christmas. My big brothers are teaching me all about Christmas. My mom thinks I would like an Activity Desk and Crawling Minnie. I like anything with lights and music.  
I love you,  
Tatum  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Trey Bufkin. I am 6 years old. For Christmas this year I want a Munday Mogul Football suit with gold pants and cleats. Also, please bring me goal posts and Buzz Lightyear with pop-out wings and a little red button. Thank you for the wonderful presents last year.  
I love you,  
Trey  
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Dear Santa,  
My name is Ty Bufkin. I am 8 years old. I want a dirt bike, remote control airplane, CD player, CD's and Dallas Cowboy locker and ring. Thank you for all the toys and games you brought last Christmas.  
Love,  
Ty  
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Dear Santa,  
I have tried very hard to be a good kid and I think I have been successful. Would you please bring me a Saga Saturn Tape, Game Boy Tape, and Micro Machine Figures. You know me, I like anything you leave. Please don't forget my cousins in Hawaii, and Kyra in Jayton. All the boys and girls are waiting for you to come see them.  
Love,  
Danny Ray Dudgeon  
Throckmorton, TX  
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Dear Santa,  
I have ben very good. I want a barbie dream house and some clothes. I will have some cookies and milk waiting for you.  
I love you,  
Jacy Pierce  
P.S. Please do not forget my mama.

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year and what i want for Christmas is one video of space jam and two toys turbo man and buzz lightyear from my storey and to send my grandma a kiss to heaven.  
Love,  
Frank Mendiola  
10 years old  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I am three years old. I want a tricycle bike and a fireman truck and sound effects on it.  
Sign,  
Joe Salvador Fernandez  
4 yrs. old  
And Merry Christmas to you.  
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Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I want a mr dreifull or a box of GI Joe toys and gun, or a CD head phone player, or a remote control helicopter flyer, or a mr creepy magic set toy, if you can get any one of these items thank you.  
Sign,  
Nachito Mendiola, Jr.  
P.S. Your a very nice joly man so merry christmas and I am eleven years old.  
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Dear Santa,  
My name is Koltien Jase Hutchens. I am 6 months old and this will be my first Christmas. Everyone tells me you are very good to little kids, especially good ones, so I will be waiting for you at my house in Graham. I am such a good boy, I will even share my milk with you! You can bring me anything a little boy like me would like. Please remember by big brother Jared at Goree and my Uncle Michael in Munday, all my cousins in Lubbock and all the boys and girls who will be waiting for you! I love you Santa, and Merry Christmas  
Jase Hutchens  
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Dear Santa,  
My name is Kalee Josselet and I live in Benjamin. I'm six years old and have really tried to be a good girl, but it sure is hard! Will you please bring me a little computer for kids, an Olsen twins movie, and a Polly Pockets? My big brother, Justin, is mean to me sometimes, but go ahead and bring

him a portable CD player. Don't forget all my cousins in Munday especially my new baby cousin, Bethany. she is only three months old, but you could bring her some baby toys. I will leave a special treat for you to eat. Thanks for all the toys you left last year.  
Your friend,  
Kalee  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year what I want for Christmas is kitchen little and newborn baby doll if you cant ge these I want a Susie stretch doll.  
Love,  
Erica Marie Mendiola  
7 years old  
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Dear Santa,  
I have been a really good girl this year. If you can, please leave me a Puddin or Pussy Cat Doll, a Slumber Party Barbie, a Baby Doll

and Barbie Doll Stuff. I really like anything you leave. Please don't forget all the other boys and girls and Daniel and Christa and Danny Ray, my cousins.  
I love you,  
Kyra Sloan  
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Dear Santa,  
I have been a sweet girl. I would like to have a Barbie for Christmas and flowers to put on my dresser and a stocking with Santa on it.  
Thank you,  
Brittney  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I want a Race-track. A race-track is the thing I always wanted. Plus I want a Sega Genesis. I want Mario and Sonic Games. To go with it.  
Thank you,  
Bryan Rowan  
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## Yuletide Greetings

Santa's sleigh is on the way and so are our very best wishes. Hope your season delivers a whole load of fun.  
*Merry Christmas, everyone!*

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## Warm Christmas Wishes

May your stocking be filled with joy and laughter throughout the season and forever after.

Thanks for filling our year with the warmth of your friendship.



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## Thinking Of You At Christmas

Christmas is our favorite time of year  
For recalling those whom we hold dear;  
Our neighbors, our friends, our customers, too...  
We wouldn't be here without all of you.  
So we're sending best wishes with our appreciation  
Along with good cheer and much admiration!

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Dietz Hutchins, Angelo Reed, Joan Hutchinson, Doug Lamson, Rene Walker

# Letters To Santa ?

Dear Santa,  
 My name is Aaron Waggoner. My Mommy and Daddy say I've been fairly good for someone my age. Please toss a B-Ball and goal and a talking Barney in your bag of goodies for me. Please remember my cousins, friends and all the other children everywhere. I know you and your reindeers will be working hard so I'll leave some milk and cookies for you along with some hay and water for the reindeers. Thank you!

Love,  
 Aaron  
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Dear Santa,  
 Hi! My name is Bianca Fernandez I'm five years old. I have been a good girl this year. This year I would like a barbie jeep, a baby splash, Jeanie Gymnst and the game don't break the ice. Santa, I would also like for you to bring my sister Melinda a Chicago Bulls Jacket. Santa this Christmas has been exciting for me, cause I won Tiny Tot Missy Merry Christmas. Also my sister Melinda won 1st runner up in her group, but she forgot the song she was going to sing. I also would like gifts gormy, family. Well, Santa hope you have a safe trip to Munday.

Love ya,  
 Bianca Fernandez  
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Dear Santa,  
 Hi, my name is John Castorena, but my friends call me B.J. I am 7 years old and am in the 2nd grade. I have been good this year so for Christmas I want a new T.V., a

go-cart and a CD player. Bring something for my family, they have been good too and I love them.

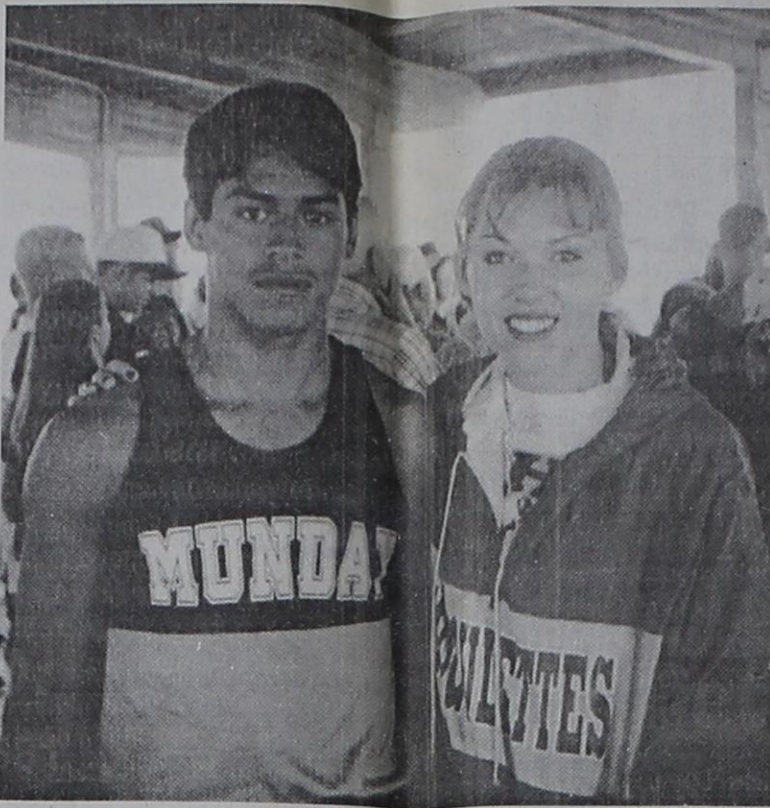
Love,  
 John Castorena (B.J.)  
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Dear Santa,  
 My name is Rechele Raynes, I am 6 years old and I live in Knox City, but this Christmas i may be at my Grandma's house in Munday. I really appreciate the things that you brought me last year, I have really enjoyed playing with them. This year for Christmas I would like a hospital cart, a Baby Real and a trampoline mat for tramopline. I have tried very hard to be a good girl this but sometimes it is hard for someone my age. Remember this year that I have a new baby sister and she has tried to be good too. There will be cookies and coke on the table for you. Please don't forget all the other boys and girls, especially the kids at Ms. Stocktons and all my cousins.

I love you,  
 Rechele Raynes  
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Dear Santa,  
 My name is Tyler Ford. I will be 6 years old in January. Mom says that I have been a pretty good boy this year. Here is a short list of some things I would like to have. A Light Brite, a Talking Whiz Kid Animated and anything else you think I might like. See you on Christmas Eve.

Love,  
 Tyler



Ricky Serrato and Kandis Longan

## Serrato and Longan named to All-State Cross Country teams

Texas Track and Field News announced on Wednesday, December 11, that two seniors from Munday High School have been named to the Texas All-State Cross Country Team. The honors were bestowed upon Ricky Serrato and Kandis Longan. This is the third time Ms. Longan has received the honor but it is a first for Mr. Serrato. Not only is it his first All-State Track honor but he is also the first male in the history of Munday High School to be named to the All-State Cross Country team.

Only runners who medaled at the Regionals and/or the State Meet were automatically nominated. All others were nominated by coaches, parents or fans. Fourteen runners are chosen from each classification.

Congratulations to these two fine athletes.

Dear Santa,  
 I've been good. I help my mom do some of the chores. I'm trying my best at school. What I want for Christmas is Baby Tumbles, Baby Alive, and Talking Bubba. For my mom I would like you to get her a warm sweater, for dad a pair of work shoes. And for my little dog a pet bed with a play bone. I live you Santa. I'll leave you some donuts and coffee. Hope you don't run into a snow storm. And if possible make Munday, TX have some snow.

Sincerely,  
 Angelica Sanchez  
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Dear Santa,  
 Thank you for my family and friends and teachers. I like school.  
 Love,  
 Danyelle Tyra

# Merry Christmas

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 TO YOURS

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# Season's Greetings

The halls have been artistically decked,  
 The gift list has been twice again checked,  
 All the stockings are stuffed and hung,  
 The tree is up with popcorn strung,  
 And before the bells begin to chime,  
 We're wishing you a great Christmastime!

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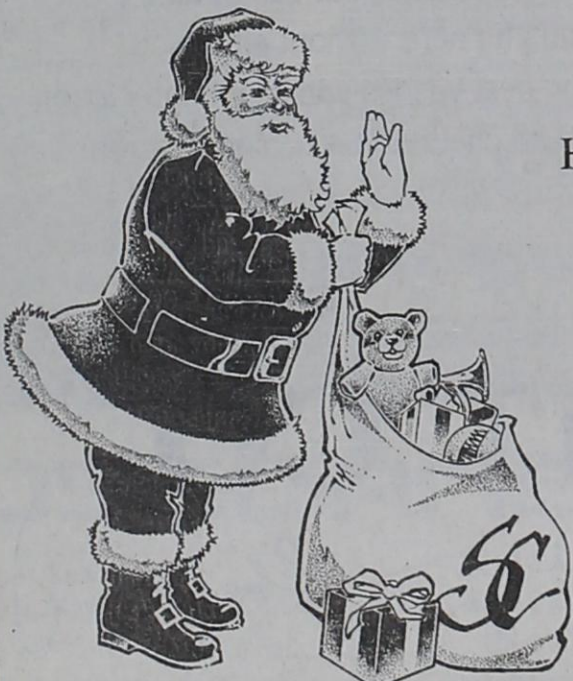
# Wishing You All Good Things

Here's hoping you get everything you want and more.  
 Many thanks and merry Christmas to you and yours!

## RALPH'S AUTO REPAIR

Randy, Sharon, Justin & Kelly  
 Tim Kuehler, Lonnie Shahan

# All Good Things on Christmas



Here's hoping the holiday season delivers an abundance of joy to you and yours.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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# Welcome To Christmas

They're saying that snow is on the way,  
 In the nick of time for the big day.  
 The halls are decked with boughs of holly,  
 And everyone's ever so jolly.  
 Shimmering lights hanging on the tree,  
 Make the scene look so very merry.  
 So get ready and please don't be late,  
 The time's drawing near to celebrate!

All Signs Point to a Fabulous Holiday Season for You and Yours!

## Merry Christmas from

# Petty Flying Service

Jim & Carol     Ricky     Brandon

## PTO's Elementary School Teacher of the Week

The Munday Elementary School PTO would like to say "thank you" to Mrs. Elaine Hall, fourth grade teacher at the school.

Mrs. Hall is married to Jerome Hall, Munday ISD Superintendent and they have two children, Patrick - 20, and Brandi - 17.

Mrs. Hall grew up in Goldthwaite, Texas and attended North Texas State University and Abilene Christian University and Tarleton State University. She has taught grades 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 and has also taught remedial reading programs and Gifted and Talented Program. Her teaching career has spanned fifteen years.



Mrs. Hall is active in her church and also enjoys reading and working in her yard and is a sports enthusiast.

"Sometimes I walk in my classroom in the mornings and think how lucky I am that I do a job that I like. To me it's not a job but an honor and privilege to be in that room," states Mrs. Hall. "Sometimes I think they deserve more than that I have to give them. If I find myself working too hard, I stop and remind myself to just enjoy them and things begin to fall in line," she comments. "Children are very creative and each is a very unique person. I look for these differences and how and what I should be teaching them. Teaching is never dull, and children are very special people that all of us need," she adds.

Mrs. Hall also says that her hope is that their future's will be better than the generation's before. She says, "Education is certainly a factor in this."

## Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the toys last year. I would like this year a bike, Barbie, and more toys too. Thank you.

Love,  
Delecia Neal  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have for Christmas a play cat and a computer.

Love,  
Kayla Taylor  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I want a football and a watch and a pet. My brother has been good and my sister has been good and my dad is very nice to my sister, my brother and my mom.

Love,  
Jose Flores  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I like the presents from last year and this all I want for Christmas is clothes and a puppy because my puppy died. The other thing I want for Christmas is new shoes. I do

### Give your family a safe and Merry Christmas

Christmas time, a season of sharing and season to be jolly and as Trooper Joe Clement, Safety Education Officer of the Texas Department of Public Safety says, "a season to be careful".

Trooper Clement suggest a few simple precautions to keep your holiday season a joyous one. While shopping this holiday season, attempt to shop with other people. Keep all packages in the truck out of plain view. If shopping at night, park in well lighted areas and as close to your location as possible.

If vacationing or just simply traveling for the Christmas holiday, ensure that you take precautions to secure your home. Home security tips are available through your enforcement agencies.

Across the state or across the country, the holidays will bring an increase in traffic and with it a greater risk of traffic accidents. When traveling, it is best to take frequent rest breaks. Get out of your vehicle, walk, stretch, get a cup of coffee or a soft drink to help keep you awake, or better yet change drivers if you can. Take a rest break every two hours or every 100 miles of driving. Make plans, if not sure of roads, look at maps while at rest breaks, not while driving. When in strange towns or cities look for changing speed limits. Constantly look all around you and get the big picture. Don't forget pedestrians.

The Texas Department of Public Safety will again have all available Troopers on duty this year to make sure that all Texas travelers can enjoy a safe and merry Christmas.

not know what my sister, Myrissa wants, but she told me Uncle Manuel that she wants a Super Nintendo and a trampoline and I think toys. Santa Clause I am going to leave some cookies and milk. I have to go now.

Signed,  
Kristina Leann Rodriguez  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I want a computer for Christmas. I've been a good boy this year.

Andrew Castorena  
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Dear Santa,  
I want a computer for Christmas. I've been good this year.

Laticia Sanchez  
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Dear Santa,  
I want a swimming pool. I've been a good boy this year.

Raymon Aguilar Jr.  
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Dear Santa,  
I want a book this year. I've been real good this year.

Brittney Mahon  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I want a doll for Christmas. I've been pretty good this year.

Shelbey Hagle  
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Dear Santa,  
I want a doctor Barbie for Christmas. I've been a good girl.

Amber Garcia  
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Dear Santa,  
I want a big Power Ranger that has a star on his head. I've been real good this year.

Cody Griffith  
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Dear Santa,  
I would like a bike, a teddy bear. Plus say hi to Mrs. Claus and the reindeer.

Signed,  
Marcela Nunez  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Sega Genesis and a race-track for Christmas.

Thank you,  
Bryan Rowan  
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Dear Santa,  
I want a go cart. Will you please give me a happy Christmas? Will you surprise me? Thank you.

Your friend,  
Kole Gray  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I hope I can have a good Christmas. I want to Christmas Carols. I would like to have a Mighty Duck for Christmas. I am going to leave my school papers out for you to see.

Your friend,  
Alex Jackson  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I want a doll for Christmas. I would like some real make up and I really need a bed. I also want a doll with her own bed. I have been good and I will leave some cookies and milk for you.

Your friend,  
Aurora Chavez  
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### In the Spirit of the Season...

Here's hoping your Christmas joy is deeper, friendships stronger, and your days brighter in this and every season throughout the year.

Merry Christmas to all!

## Lewis Paint & Body

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## BLESSINGS OF THE SEASON

With bright wishes to you and your flock at the miracle of Christmas.



### Munday Coin-O-Matic Laundry

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## Greetings!

May the spirit of Christmas be always at your door, just as you are always welcome at ours.

Happy holidays, everyone. We look forward to serving you again in the year to come.



## FARMERS GRAIN CO-OP

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## Kick Up Your Heels And Celebrate!

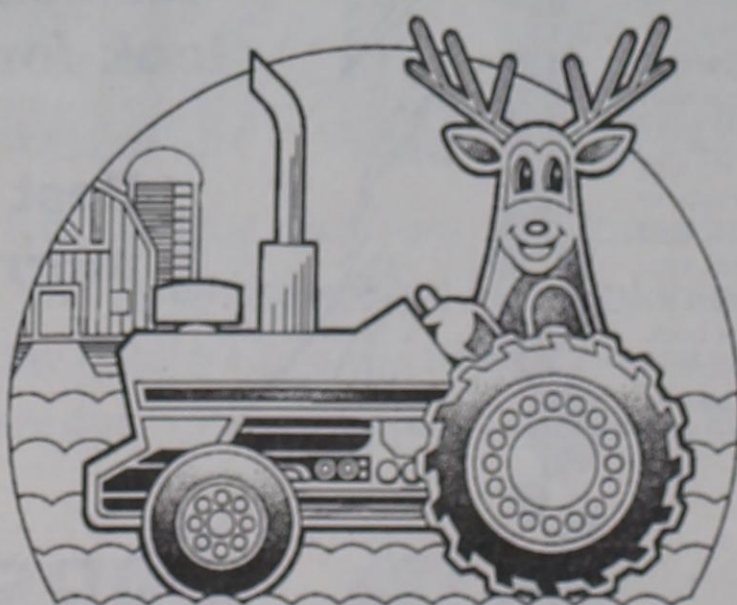


We hope your holidays find you sitting tall in the saddle! We're mighty happy you moseyed in this year, and hope to see you again soon. Thanks, partners!

### Rolling Plains Production Credit Association

Bobby Sosolik, Mark Marrs and Wanda Vojkufka

## IT'S CHRISTMAS DOWN ON THE FARM!



To all our farm families, we offer our best wishes for a joyous season and a prosperous new year. Thank you for your hard work and dedication and for helping us grow along with you.

## Parker Implement Company

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# Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,  
I am 4 years old and have tried very hard to be good. I would love a talking Buzz Lightyear and a G.I. Joe. Don't forget Emily and Clayton.

Love,  
Benjamin Dorough  
Watauga, TX  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I am 8 years old and am very proud of my schoolwork this year. I try to get along with my little brother. I would like a dragonfly and a lego set.

Love,  
Matthew Dorough  
Watauga, TX  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Jacob Herricks. I am 6 years old and live in Weichert, Tx. I would like "Land Before Time IV" & if there's anything else I need, you can decide what you want me to have.

Love,  
Jacob  
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Dear Santa,  
Hello my name is Kylie. I am 4 yrs. old. I have tried my best to be a good girl this year. It hasn't been easy. This year for Christmas I would like a Shaving Fun Ken, a Playschool Fold-Away Kitchen, a Holiday Barbie, a Barbie Power Wheels Car, and anything else you think I need. One more thing don't forget my Mom, Nana Mer, Papa Melvin, Uncle Danny, Uncle William, my Great-Grandparents, and all my aunts & uncles. Thank you so much Santa.

Hugs and kisses,  
Kylie Michelle Kingston  
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Dear Santa,  
I am a little boy in the second grade and have tried to be good. please bring me a computer game called Number Munchers, a Red Battlezord, a race car and a surprise. Please remember my cousins Todd, Tami, Jessica, Emily, Rebecca, Jonathon and Tyler. Also my little brother Harrison, who is learning to be good! I will leave milk and Honey Bars for you.

Love,  
Hunter Scheffler  
Hurst, TX  
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Dear Santa,  
I've been good. I help my mom do all the chores. I've brought up my grades at school. What I want for Christmas is a Sega, and some roller-blades, and a 19 inch color T.V. and also a canon camera. And for my mom a jacket and my dad a coverall. I love you Santa. For my dog a little doghouse. I'll leave you some cookies and milk. Hope you don't run into a snow storm. And if possible make Munday, Texas have some snow for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

Sincerely,  
Jennifer Sanchez  
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Dear Santa,  
I live in Abilene and will be having an early Christmas at my Grandmother Hills in Munday. I am seven years old and have been as good as I can with two older sisters. Would you bring my toys to my home at 2232 Brenda in Abilene on Christmas Eve. Kaci and Krystal will be there also. Please bring them what they ask for. Please bring me a 4x4 truck, sidewalk chalk, race cars, and a light up nerf football. Thanks for last years gifts. Remember all my cousins and friends.

Love,  
Jonathan Urbanczyk  
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Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. I would like a Mighty duck and the 101 dalmations.

Thank you,  
Alex Jackson  
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Dear Santa,  
This is what I please what for Christmas. And I have been very nice by the way. I want a Dallas cowboy coat. A juice and cookie doll. A jersey shirt. A fluffy my come here puppy. A Solar pow-

ered cash register. Please don't forget all of my friends especially Jessica & Alisha and Whitney and for sure not my little sister Morgan. And all of my cousins.

I love you,  
Shelby Rhea Hendrix  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I would like a trampoline. Thanks for the toys last year. I really enjoyed them and don't forget my sister and brother.

Love,  
Kayla Gray  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I would like a four wheeler, a 22 gun and some bullets to go with it. Don't forget my brother.

Thank you,  
Carlos Nunez  
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Dear Santa,  
How are you doing today at the

North Pole? I like Christmas every year! I would like a bike. Thank you Santa.

Love,  
Timothy Hardeman  
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Dear Santa,  
I want a Barbie and a bike. Also don't forget my brothers and my sister, my mom, my dad, and my sister-in-laws. They have all been good. Thank you for my presents last year.

Signed,  
Maria Garcia  
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Dear Santa,  
I want a ten speed bike and a new pellet gun. I can get pellets. They do not cost that much. I can afford one but I still want a bike.

Love,  
Adrian Garcia

Dear Santa,  
My name is Rebeca Raynes, I am 8 months old and live in Knox City. My sister is helping me write this letter to you. Rechele says

that I haven't been as good as she thinks I should be. Rechele thinks I would like a soft baby doll so I will leave hers alone and maybe a little wagon so she can pull me

and my monitor since she can not carry me. There will be coke and cookies for you. Please remember all the other little boys and girls.  
Rebeca Raynes

## Enjoy!

Here's hoping the season brings everything you dreamed of!

Munday Cotton Company  
Maynard Moore



Sam Schur  
Beverly McLaughlin  
Arletha Beckler  
Linda Reddell  
Mary Escamilla  
Howie Cude  
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Sandy King  
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Nell Krishnam  
Kathy Hunter  
Shirley Angerer  
Gay Yost  
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# MAY

## The Spirit

### Of The Season

#### Be Ever

#### In Your

#### Heart

Fashions may change,  
but the joys and traditions of the  
Christmas season remain the same.  
We thank all of you, our loyal customers,  
for being a part of our glorious past and  
look forward to serving you in the future.

Best wishes from all of us for a very  
merry Christmas and a classic year!

# FIRST NATIONAL BANK

IN MUNDAY

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## Copper Breaks State Park restocks fishing areas

Rainbow trout will once again lure anglers to Copper Breaks State Park when Texas Parks and Wildlife restocks the state park lake with some 1,870 fish. The fish will be released on Wednesday, December 11, and again on Thursday, January 9. Park officials are unable to pinpoint a specific time for the stocking, but have been assured by Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Fisheries Division that it will take place during business hours on those dates.

Lake Copper Breaks was left off the schedule last year because of budget cuts, and this year's stocking is made possible by contributions from area citizens, the Quanah Chamber of , and the Comanche Breaks Heritage Foundation. "We are so pleased to be able to again provide this popular program. And I am proud of the

initiative and effort of a number of local citizens who worked so hard to make this happen," says David D. Turner.

Access to Lake Copper Breaks is free with regular park admission. For those who need them, fishing licenses are available in the park headquarters between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Manuals with the hunting and fishing regulations are also available at park headquarters. A valid fishing license is required in addition to compliance with all other fishing regulations. Lake Copper Breaks is a no-wake lake: boats are to keep their speed at or below 5 m.p.h.

For more information, call Copper Breaks State Park at 817-839-4331.

FIND WHAT YOU NEED IN THE CLASSIFIED ADS!

## Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,

How are you? I am fine. My name is Amayda Prieto. I am 7 years old. What I want for Christmas is a twirlin Barbie and a gold ring and clothes and a new shoes and a glow worm.

Your friend,

Amayda

I will leave some craker and milk on the table.

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Dear Santa,

My name is A.J. Prieto. I have been a good boy this year. I want a new pair of shoes for Christmas and new clothes and a computer and a new T.V. and a radio and a waterbed Queen size and some baby bottle and nike clothes a cellurlar phone, gooscbump collection, Dallas Cowboy jacket.

A.J. Prieto

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Dear Santa,

Hello my name is Ryder Dillard, and I am 21 months old. I know you from the books my Daddy reads to me. For Christmas I would like any thing you would like for me to have. I'm too little to have an opinion yet! For my stocking I would like a Barney moive because I also recognize Barney and love him too! Pleas remember my favorite people- Grandpa, Papa, Whumpo, Mindy, and Keith. The are Great! Thanks alot.

Love,

Ryder Dillard  
Rhineland, TX

P.S. Could you bring my mama an extra lap. I lost my spot to the baby before I was ready!

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Dear Santa,

Hello, My name is Raci Suzanne Dillard, and I am only 6 weeks old. As you know, at this age, I don't nee any thing more than diapers and formula, and that's not much of a Christmas wish list. My mama is really writing this letter just for my scrapbook more than anything. You'll have to bring me one small toy, or my big brothers and sister will think I haven't been good, and I have been a good baby.

Love,

Raci S. Dillard  
Rhineland, TX

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Dear Santa,

Hello, my name is Amanda Prieto and I have tried to be a good girl, so for Christmas, I would like nike socks, nike shirt, nike pants size 14, computer, cellular phone, earrings, rings, necklesses, Dallas Cowboy jacket, goosebump book collection.

Amanda Prieto

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the presents: bike and trucks. It stopped snowing. I said goodbye to Santa Claus. Please bring a bike cause my chain got off. And a new Nintendo game and a ball that goes in the alligator's mouth. You have a gold thungy and if it goes in the alligator's mouth, you win.

Love,

Junior Weeaks

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Dear Santa,

Bring me a car and telephone and nintendo. That's all. And toys.

Love,

Ezequiel Carranza

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Dear Santa,

I like Santa Claus. Bring me presents like kitchen stuff and a baker.

Love,

Marcie Cherry

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Dear Santa,

I want Santa Claus to bring me a doll and I want to give Santa Claus back a present a bunch of things and a hug, which is nice. I'd like Santa to bring me toys, books and I think that's all.

Love

Ana Morales



For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

- John 3:16

God bless you and yours in this holy season and beyond.

Everyone is invited to join us for Christmas Eve services on Tuesday night at 6:00 p.m.

## First Baptist Church

220 S. 5th • Munday



NEXT UP IS A CHRISTMAS WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS

I appreciate having friends and customers like you!

Merry Christmas!!  
Haynie's Barber Shop



## SEASON'S GREETINGS

To our many fine customers and friends, we extend our very best wishes for a season filled with joy.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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## WISHING YOU A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS



## Kuehler Irrigation & Supply Co.

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## Hope Santa's Good To You!



Here's hoping that your Christmas brings Lots of glad tidings and beautiful things. One thing we know is well on the way Are our very best wishes for a great holiday.

Gordon Smith  
David Walsh  
Dena King  
Nancy Tolleson  
Betty Williams  
Johnny Jackson  
Wayman Alexander  
Leonard Mahan

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Christy Masias

# A Christmas Gift Letters To Santa LOOKS LIKE CHRISTMAS IS HERE!

by William A. Sterling, Pastor, First United Methodist Church, Munday

In a few days the patter of little feet, or perhaps the stomp clomp of some not so little feet will be heard in most homes. These feet will be hurrying to open the gifts gathered for this holiday. Christmas is such a wonderful day. You bet, no scrooges here. And don't any scrooges come around here either! No gloomy gus' this day for it is Christmas.

Yes, Christmas is a day of joy for treasures and everybody hurries to get theirs. 'Tis the season to be jolly, fa-la-la-la-la and rush, rush, rush. It's amazing how many treasures we by-pass just because we hurry by them. In Mansfield, England some years ago a night watchman on a construction site found two small coins. They caught his eye and he searched for more. He eventually found 449 silver coins several hundred years old. What an unexpected treasure! In Muskegon, Michigan a teenage boy walking along the river looking for rocks found a fruit jar filled with green stuff. That green stuff turned out to be \$2,990.00. Another unexpected gift. Both of these treasures had been by-passed by hundreds, perhaps thousands of people. By-passed because no one was looking for them, nobody expected them.

During this Holy Day of Christmas everyone will be looking for and opening their expected gifts. But what day is Christmas really?

It is the day when, "For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government will be upon his shoulder, and his name will be called "Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end." This is the day when the greatest gift of all has been given, "to you...a savior." Too often this gift is opened and then buried amid the wrapping paper and colored lights. To some it is still waiting to be opened and still unexpected. Don't rush by this Holy Day, while celebrating Christmas and not see this gift. The treasure gift of Christ. Remember the angel's proclamation, "Peace on Earth and good will towards men." Use the ancient Jewish Blessing "God is good." May Jesus Christ be in your Christmas. Grace and peace to you.

Dear Santa,

My nave is Kobie Decker and I want a race track, bean bag, new bike some blocks, a jeep that you push, Thats all!

Kobie Decker

Dear Santa,

I saw you at Walmart and do you remember my name? If not my name is Karamy Sarabia. I already told you I want a Doodle Bear and Baby Alive. I'll be good for you!

Love,  
Karamy Sarabia

Dear Santa,

Hi! I have been a good girl this year. For Christmas I would like a Pocahantas barbie doll and a barbie play house.

Sincerely,  
Ashley Castorena

Dear Santa,

Hi! I have been a good boy this year. For christmas I would like a football, a superman toy, and a toy gun.

Sincerely,  
Dewayne Castorena

Dear Santa,

My name is Kylie Urbanczyk and this is my 2nd Christmas, I don't remember my 1st one very well so I'm really looking forward to this one. I would like for you to bring me a new baby brother to play with, some new Barney tapes and a baby doll. I love you and I'll leave you some cookies.

Love,  
Kylie

P.S. Please bring my cousin Steven something cool.

Dear Santa,

My name is Kyler Kent Urbanczyk and I am almost 3 1/2 years old. I have tried to be a good boy this year, but sometimes it can be so hard! This year for Christmas I would like a new red bike, any new Disney movie, some new clothes, something in my stocking and anything else you think I might like. I told my Mommy and Daddy I would like to ride one of your reindeer, so I'll try to stay awake until you come to my house. If I am asleep, I'll try to catch you next year. Please remember my little sister Kaylan. This is her first Christmas and she has been a good girl. (Although sometimes she walks over and hits me in the head with something while I am watching T.V. Evidently she thinks it's funny.) Also, please remember the girls at Estelle's, all of the other boys and girls and all of my cousins.

Love you Santa,  
Kyler

Dear Santa,

Hi! My name is Ellen Escamilla. Would you please bring me a barbie bike, helmet, a little computer, gumball machine, and lots of clothes. Would you also bring all the little kids in the world presents, too. Especially Bubba he needs keys to play with when he comes to my house. My mommie and I will leave milk and cookies for you.

Love you,  
Ellen Escamilla

Dear Santa,

My name is Andrea Kaylan Urbanczyk and I am 11 1/2 months old. I have been a good girls this year except when I get into things I'm not supposed to! For my first Christmas, I would like a baby doll, anything that makes noise, a new ball, some new clothes, something in my stocking and anything else you think I might like. I really like the Christmas tree and especially the lights at my Maw-Maw & Paw-Paw Estes' house. I hope you get as excited as I ded when you see them. please remember my big brother Kyler (most of the time he is pretty good to me) the girls at Estelle's, all of the other boys and girls, and all of my cousins.

Love you Santa,  
Kaylan

Dear Santa,

My name is Marcie Cherry, I'm 5 yrs. old. I'm in kindergarten, and I have been a good girl. For Christmas I would like a radio, bike, doll house, take care twins, a Ken that shave, and a barbie with lots of clothes. Please bring my mommy a coat, and a telephone. Bye Santa! Have a nice trip.

Love,  
Marcie

P.S. I will leave you some chicken, pizza, and some kool-aid. Be Safe.

Dear Santa,

Hi, my name is De Toliver. I'm 11 years old and in the 5th grade. This is what I would like for Christmas, mall madness, Yak-Back, Dreamphone, and a Ken that Shave. Will you bring my mommy a T.V. Bye!

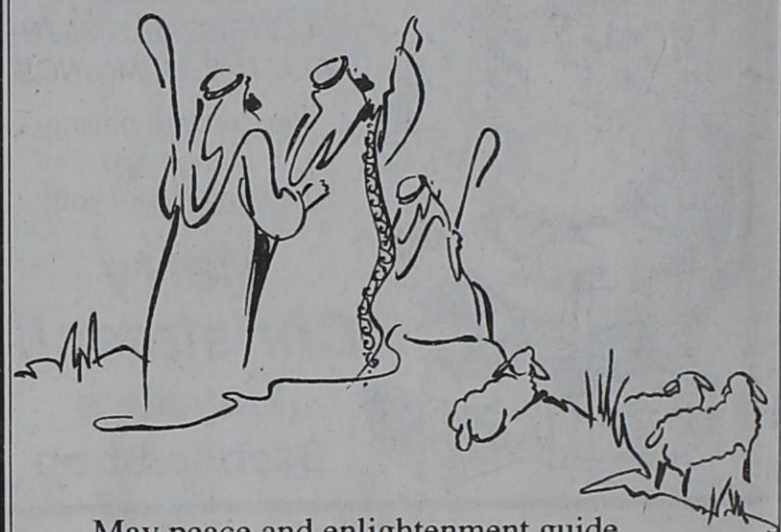
Love,  
Dee Toliver  
P.S. I will leave you some milk and cookies. Have a safe trip!



With decorated trees of pine,  
Poinsettias and boughs of holly,  
The scene is sending out a sign,  
That now's the time to be jolly.  
Merry Christmas to all our friends who helped us blossom, this year!

**Buds For You** Perry, Pat Earlene, & Jeannette

## O' Little Star of Bethlehem



May peace and enlightenment guide you, and may God bless you and your loved ones during this holiest of seasons.

**Michels Corner Inn**  
Collis & Ernesteen Michels




### A Note of Thanks

We'd like to sing the praises of our noteworthy friends and neighbors. Hope your season is filled with song and celebration. Merry Christmas!

### C. F. Moore Insurance & Financial Services

Chris Moore, Agent  
310 W. Main • 817-422-4866



## A Blessed Time

*For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.*

*Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end.*


—Isaiah 9:6-7

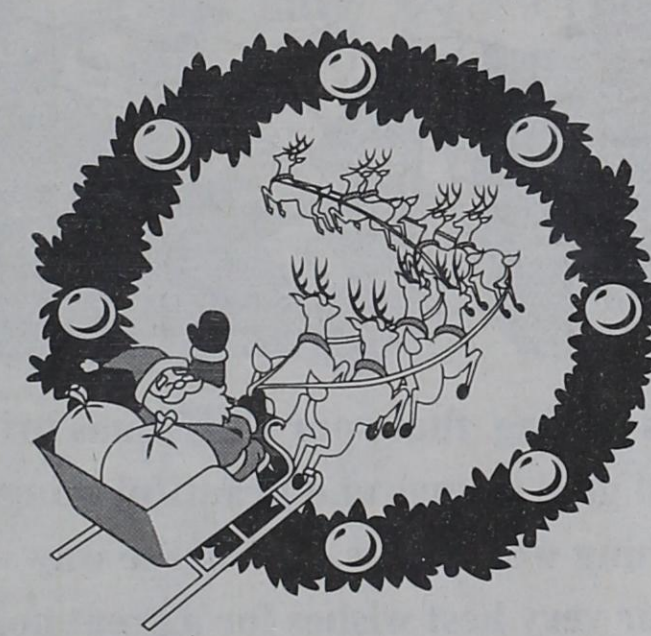
*May you and yours be blessed with peace and joy all through Christmas and beyond.*

*Thank you for visiting us.*

## Munday Tire & Appliance

Bob, Allene, Lloyd and Joe





**Oh What Fun It Is...  
To Wish You Merry Christmas!**

We just want to tell you what fun we had serving you this year!

**Carden Plumbing and Electric**  
James, Angel and Daniel

## Gypsum blocks can help with soil moisture management

To get the most from your irrigated wheat consider scheduling your irrigations this year using gypsum blocks.

Gypsum blocks are cast gypsum around a pair of stainless steel electrodes. Six foot wire leads are attached to the electrodes. The blocks are buried in the soil at 6, 12, 24, and 36 inch depths.

Soil moisture is measured by attaching a meter to the wire leads of the gypsum block. A small electrical current is sent from this meter to the block.

The electrical resistance measured by the meter varied with the amount of moisture in the soil and the gypsum block. A gypsum

block reading of 95 to 100 indicates the soils is wet while a meter reading of 70 shows about fifty percent available moisture. Irrigations should be conducted before the meter reading is below 50% available moisture.

By knowing the amount of moisture in the soil profile, excessive irrigations can be avoided saving time, money and reducing the potential of leaching nutrients out of the root zone of the plant.

For more information on using gypsum blocks for irrigation scheduling or to have a set of blocks installed on your irrigated wheat, call the Seymour Aquifer Project office at (817) 864-3334.



### EXPRESSLY FOR YOU

The Christmas season is building up steam, and we'd like to get on board with our very best wishes and praise for all. Thanks for helping us stay on track!

Munday Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture  
Staff and Board of Directors

## celebrate the spirit of christmas

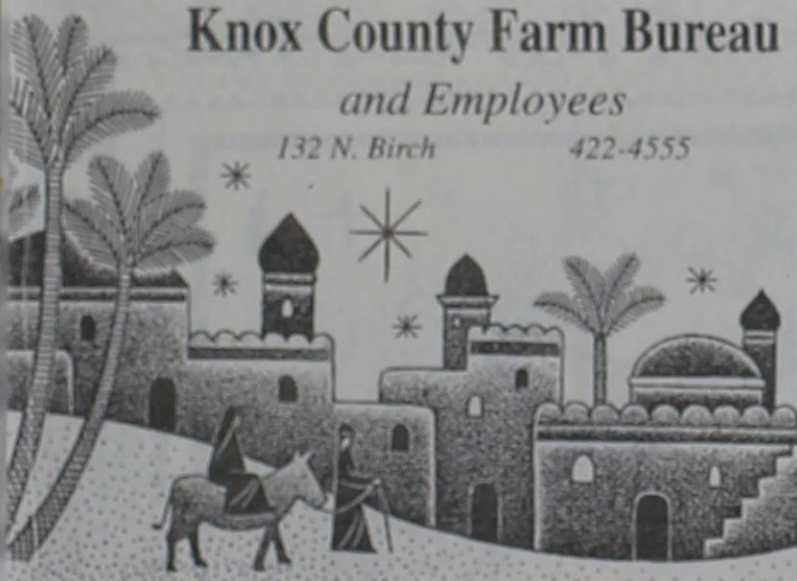
"Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect."

— Matthew 5:48

Hope it's a perfect season!

## Knox County Farm Bureau and Employees

132 N. Birch 422-4555



## HOME FOR THE Holidays

May this be a season of light and love for you and yours.

Thanks for making us feel right at home!



## Home Building Center

Daniel Ramirez and Employees



## Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,

Hello, my name is Amanda Prieto and I have tried to be a good girl, so for Christmas, I would like Nike socks, Nike shirt, Nike pants size 14, computer, cellular phone, earrings, rings, necklaces, Dallas Cowboy jacket, goosebump book collection.

Amanda Prieto

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Love,

Karamy Sarabia

Dear Santa,

Thank you for bringing the presents. And thank you for sending Christmas and for getting Rudolf and letting him lead the way. I would like a hot-wheels race track with some cars and a remote control. You already asked me if I been a good boy and I said yes so I'll leave that part out.

Love,

Douglas Moore

Dear Santa,

Let your reindeers follow you in the sleigh. I love you, please bring me a wood horse and a toy car. I want some house shoes and pajamas. I would like a play car that I could really drive. I want to ask about Rudolf and I hope he doesn't get sick or anything before Christmas.

Love,

Kristen Hunter

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Love,

Kristen Hunter

Dear Santa,

Bring me a car and telephone and nintendo. That's all. And toys.

Love,

Ezequiel Carranza

me, Emiliano Lara, a puppy and a rabbit. And my brother Nic wants a computer. He has been good all the time. P.S. That is all. Dear

Santa, thank you for bringing me the presents last Christmas.

Signed,

Emiliano Lara

Dear Santa,

I want you to bring me a present and I want a tractor pulling a trailer and I wish that my brother Louis could come back from Mexico. That's all.

Love,

Jerardo Diaz

Dear Santa,

I want a four-wheeler and presents. I love Santa Claus and I want to ask for a teddy bear, toys and a new bike, and some new car muffs cause I lost mine. Skateboard.

Love,

Kaleb Alexander

Dear Santa,

I like a Toodle-Baby and I like a baby that spits and has running nose and I want a computer. That's it!

Love,

Tiffany Riviera

Dear Santa,

I've been a good boy this year. This year I want a remote-controlled car called Fire Power and a Typhoon, which is like a remote-controlled car. I want on Sky Racer and Game Gear games called "Bugs Bunny and Double Trouble", and "Sonic II". Have a safe trip this year. I'm going to be with my Grandmother and Granddad at Weinert. Don't forget my cousin T.J. needs a model of a Gremlin Wildcat. Watch out for bumming fireplaces!

Sincerely,

Taylor Wade  
Age 9 - Bryson, TX

Dear Santa,

I want to tell him to bring a truck. I want to get some dirt. I want him to bring a car and two-one candles. I want to tell him to bring a gun to me. I live at Bryson but I want him to bring me at Grandmother's Christmas tree. Grandmother's name is Alice and Granddad's Toby. My name is Tanner T-Wad.

Say Gig'Em,  
Tanner Wade  
Age 3

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? For Christmas I, Emiliano Lara, want a big bike without training wheels, if you have any left. After the big bike, I want a 'Intendo 64 (if your elves know how to make it). I want a Ninja Turtle 'Intendo to go with my 'Intendo 64. I've been good most of the time. Just don't ask my mama. That's all. Celia wants roller blades. She's been good most of the time like me. And also give

## SPECIAL CHRISTMAS DELIVERY



First-class greetings to you and yours this holiday season!

Many thanks to our Postal Patrons!

From the Employees of the Munday Postal Service

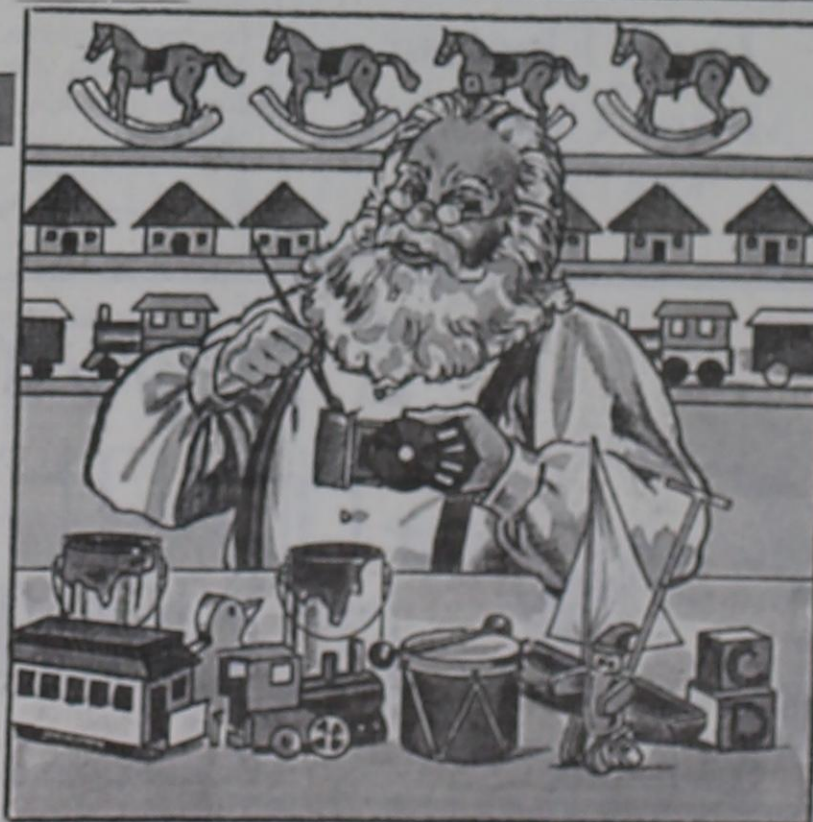
Dolores Lambeth, Charlotte Alcalá, Janie Sanchez, Rhiney Redder, Billy Redder, Dolly Watkins, Glenda Decker, Jerry Barton

## Here Comes Christmas!

It's so easy to be of good cheer,  
For the day is very nearly here,  
With goodies for little girls and boys,  
Brightly wrapped boxes all filled with toys,  
And sharing every special moment,  
Of this joyful annual event;  
So we're sending thanks to all our friends,  
And we're hoping your fun never ends!

## R.A.S. Trucking

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## Color It Merry!

Paint the town red (and green) and have a fun-filled holiday season with best regards from all of us.

Munday  
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Knox City  
658-3513

Ray Penman, Geraldine Koenig, Doug Meinzer,  
Danny Lewis, Jerry Williams, Albert Schumacher & Buddy Cypert

## Goree School given "acceptable" rating on annual report

Goree ISD received an accountability rating of "Academically Acceptable" on the state's Academic Excellence Indicator System. The rating is based on factors such as academic scores, attendance, and dropout rate. Goree ISD student scores on the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) test taken this past spring showed a general improvement over last year's results, while Goree ISD received an ACCEPTABLE rating on its School Report Card released by the Texas Education Agency.

As in the past, the results show the percentage of students taking the tests that met the State's minimum expectations in the subject areas tested. Reading and math skills were tested in grades three through eight and ten, while grades four, eight, and ten were tested additionally on writing skills. In order to "pass" the TAAS, students must maintain a Texas Learning Index (TLI) of 70 for each portion of the test. The State has designed the tests so that all students scor-

ing at or above the 70 TLI should be on a skill level that will enable them to pass the exit level test as a sophomore.

The percentage of all students in grades three through eight and ten passing the Reading and Math portions of the 1995 TAAS were: Reading - 80.6%, Math - 64.5%. The percentage of all students passing in these same grades on the 1996 TAAS are: Reading - 88.9%, Math - 48.1%. Sixty percent of the students in grades four, eight, and ten passed the Writing portion of the TAAS in 1995, while 80.0% passed the Writing exam in 1996. In addition, 57.9% of all biology students passed the End of Course Biology exam compared to the State average passing rate of 19.9%.

Even though the passing percentages in two-out-of-three of the areas tested rose (Reading & Writing), the percentage of all students meeting minimum expectations on all portions of the TAAS fell from 58.1% in 1995 to 44.4% in 1996.

The TAAS scores also allow for

comparisons of groups of students from one year to the next. For example, the fourth grade scores for 1996 may be compared with the third grade scores for 1995. The percentage of students meeting the minimum expectations in grades three, four, five, six, and ten fell in Math, while grades seven and eight showed sustained and increased performance, respectively. The number of third and fourth

graders passing the Reading portion of the TAAS fell from a perfect 100% in 1995, while 100% of grades 5 through 8 met minimum standards. Eighty % of the 10th grade achieved passing marks.

Overall, the administration and staff were pleased with the students' performances, although higher TAAS scores will continue to be a major focus for the current school year.

## Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas, Santa! Ho!Ho!Ho! Santa's elves-They work. I would like a Baby Headstand and a Baby Tumble - I'm getting both because one to do a tumble and one to do a headstand. A baby stroller and Raggedy Ann & Andy. And how about a toy Santa Claus? And a picture with Santa.

Love,

Lari Dee Welch

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Dear Santa,

I like when you give us some presents. I like your reindeers. I would like a White Ranger, Megazore, new clothes, new boots and a Sonic Ranger.

Love,

Marcos Gonzales

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Dear Santa,

I want a Sheriff star, Space Jam, Woody, Space Ship and Buzz and Wettin Wizer.

Love,

Brittany Waggoner

P.S. Please bring something for my little brother Micah.

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Dear Santa,

Please send me a stethoscope and a back for Christmas. I have been very good all year. The milk and cookies will be on the dining room table by the Christmas tree.

Love,

Bethany Wilson  
Lubbock, TX

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Dear Santa,

Hi, my name is Garrett Tiner. I am 2 years old. I have tried to be very good this year. My Nanny Wilson thinks I'm very special. Please bring me a new choo-choo train for my track because I lost my old one. Don't forget my cousin Bethany. She's been real good, too. I'll leave you and your reindeers a treat.

Love,

Garrett

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Dear Santa,

I like snowmans. I want stickers and books, a Barbie, a jacket about Moguls and I need shoes. I need new pencils, markers, new colors and a new doll. And that's all! I forgot something else-roller skates.

Love,

Laura Rangel

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Dear Santa,

I like Christmas and I want a Barbie Jeep. That's all. Hello to Santa!

Love,

Bianca Fernandez

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Dear Santa,

My name is Keith Cypert I am 5 years old. I remember today what I want Saturday when I saw I couldn't remember, I want a Sega game, lucky duck game, a drum set, a bulldozer, a computer, a 4 wheeler, 400 Yamaha, a Toy Story tape. Thats all.

Love,

Keith Cypert

P.S. New Nikes that make me run fast.

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Dear Santa,

My name is Andra Cypert for xmas I want dear diary, a backpack purse, a lot of hair bows, CD player & CD's, 2 seater doll stroller, a bunk bed, baby bed, a high chair, a swing that turns into a carrier, new jeans, shirts, ocean friend barbie, ballerina barbie, earring, rings, a baby comforter, nike shoes & socks.

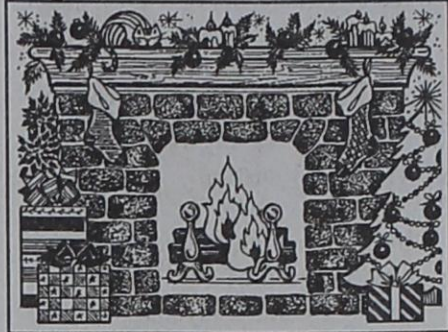
Love,

Andra Cypert

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THANKS FOR READING THE MUNDAY COURIER!

*¡Feliz Navidad!*

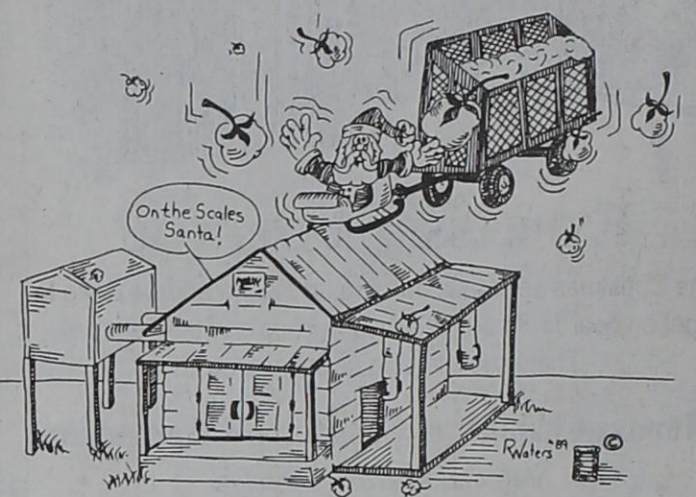


May the spirit of Christmas warm your heart and home.

### RAM TRUCKING

Henry Ramirez Family & Employees

### A Special Seasons Greetings To Our Cotton Growers



Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to all!!

### MUNDAY GIN & SEED

Pat and Gin Crew



### Catch The Spirit!

We'd like to join you and your family in giving thanks to the Lord for his many kind blessings during this holiest of seasons, as well as offer our thanks to you, our good friends and neighbors.

### Commercial Promotions

Dick, Mary & Deryenda Thompson



### ALL THINGS MERRY AND BRIGHT

The season is here,  
For friends and good cheer,  
Hearts light all around,  
And laughter abounds!

Wishing you a truly brilliant Christmas!

### Lynn Electric Motor Company

Knox City, Texas

### A HAPPY & HEALTHY HOLIDAY!



It's our opinion that you should take it easy and enjoy yourself this season!

From the staff at  
**Knox County Hospital Clinic**  
Munday, Texas

### The Sky's the Limit!

May your spirits soar and may your joy have no boundaries this holiday season.  
Merry Christmas and many thanks.

### O'Brien Co-op Gin

O'Brien, Texas Tommy Chapman, Manager 658-3631

## Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,

My name is Matthew Booc. I am 2 years old, so I am getting my mommy to write you this letter. I am really trying to be a good boy. For Christmas I would like to have a toy vacuum cleaner, so I won't have to play with my mom's real one. I would also like to have a camera, a big car baby, some coloring books and puzzles like cousin Brittany has, and a big desk to put them in, but most of all I am glad my baby brother, Bryant, is here. Will you please bring him a baby toy. We will leave you some cookies and hot coffee out by the tree.

Love you,  
Matthew & Bryant Booc

Dear Ho Ho,

Well, Santa, I have passed the "terrible twos" and I am now in the "trying threes". I really am a good girl, but I just can't help picking on my little brother Ryder. He is so easy to stir up and I just love to make him beg. It's a girl thing—just ask Mrs. Claus. I have tried to make up for my short comings by being a good helper to my mama with my new baby sister, Raci. If you think I am deserving, then please bring me a horse with a Barbie and cleaning set (vacuum cleaner, mop, and broom). For my stocking, I would like 'Oliver and Company'. Please remember my brothers, sister and aunts: Whumpo, Putze and Mindy. Thank you.

I will have 3 kisses for you,  
Rian E. Dillard  
Age 3 1/2  
Rhineland, TX

Dear Santa,

I'm in the 6th grade and I'm 11 years old but not old for any toys. I have been dying to get these 5 favorite things for Christmas. I am asking you if you could get them for me. I am going to list them down below. Talking Buba, Doodle Bear, Goosebumps Game, A 5 Star Binder for school, and 2 or 3 Barbies. Thats all I am asking you for. I will leave you some cookies and milk out for ya. And I would like to say something have a Jolly good and happy Christmas too.

Love ya,  
Candice Beamon

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good little girl. I would like 'Cool at the Mall' and a new baby doll. And flying bubble Barbie.

I love you,  
Pamela Walker

Dear Santa,

I am writing this letter for my daughter. Her name is Rosa Nieto. She is three years old. Rosa has been a good girl, but once in a while she gets out of hand. Santa she isn't asking for much this year. Rosa is asking for this certain doll

that you can wear as a back pack. She will be grateful for whatever you decide to bring her. Thank you Mr. Santa Claus.

Love always,  
Rosa Nieto

Dear Santa,

My name is Diandra Avalos. I am 4 years old. For Christmas I would like a Twirling Ballerina Barbie, a gold ring, and some new clothes and shoes. My brother Emilio would like new clothes, a toy car or truck and a glow worm.

Your friends,  
Diandra & Emilio Avalos

Dear Santa,

My name is Rob Dillard and I am 5 1/2 years old. I think Christmas is fun. For Christmas I would like a complete Dallas Cowboys football suit with a football. If you have really been watching me, then you know how much I love football and how many imaginary games I play in my front yard. For my stocking I would like the movie 'A Tall Tale'. Thank you. I will leave some milk and cookies in my room. Come in there and eat them.

I love you,  
Rob Dillard  
Rhineland, TX

Dear Santa,

I'm 18 months old and I've tried really hard to be a good girl, but it's so hard when all my grandparent's ever do, is spoil me! And my momma says that I have already hit my terrible two's but I don't think so! So please bring me a power wheels minnie mouse car, lots of clothes, a baby wiggles and giggles, a purse, a piano, and a great big slide. Please remember that I will be in Munday for Christmas but you can always leave some toys at my house in Abilene too!

XOXOXO,  
Jaeda Jordan

Dear Santa,

Will you please bring me a bb gun and some goodys for my stocking and my brother Cris a board game of (oppartion) and my sister Leticia a doll with a bottle and one more my big brother Teddy a super nintendo and have a safe trip. We will leave some thing for you to snack on.

Love,  
Pedro Graciano  
9 years old

Dear Santa,

Thank you for bringing the presents. And thank you for sending Christmas and for getting Rudolf and letting him lead the way. I would like a hot-wheels race track with some cars and a mote control. You already asked me if I been a good boy and I said yes so I'll leave that part out.

Love,  
Douglas Moore



### P-M Supply

Johnny Melton and Family



## PAINT THE TOWN RED & GREEN

Hope the season brings a fresh coat of white and spreads lots of good cheer to you and yours!

### AIR AG.

KNOX CITY



THE MAGIC OF CHRISTMAS can be depicted in very many ways but the barnyard version won the door decorating contest at Munday Nursing Home. The winning door was decorated by employees Rachel Gray and Leslie Tidwell.



## A Blessed Event

May the Heavens grace you with the gift of answered prayers in this season of Miracles.

Cornerstone Home Health  
and Employees



## Yuletide Greetings

Santa's sleigh is on the way and so are our very best wishes. Hope your season delivers a whole load of fun.

Merry Christmas, everyone!

### Knox Prairie Co-op

422-4554

Munday, TX



### HOME ON THE RANGE

There's nothing better than being home with family and friends during the holidays. That's why we're glad our home is right here!

### AUTOMOTIVE PLUS

Jeff, Ellen and John

## YOU'RE ALWAYS WELCOME, HERE!

May your holiday season be filled with good times and fond memories for a long time to come.

Thank you for visiting us this past year.

### Bill Wilson Motors

Haskell, Texas

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## Letters To Santa



Dear Santa,  
I want drums for Christmas, and a silver bell. I've been real good.  
Jared Hutchens  
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Dear Santa,  
I want a puppy and a kitty. I've been pretty good.  
Michelle Nieto  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I want a computer for Christmas. I've been a little good.  
Christina Garcia  
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Dear Santa,  
I want a trampoline for Christmas. I've been good this year.  
Tanya Gray  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I would like a horse. Mac wants a ponye. Will you sprise me. How is Mrs. Clos? I am being good.

How is rodof? I love you. I love Mrs. Clos to. I love snow. Im going to give you some cookys and milk.

Your friend,  
Sam  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
Last year, I asked for a dump truck and the tractor that went with it. You forgot to bring it, so do you think you can remember to bring it this year? I will leave you some Christmas cookies with snowmen and Christmas trees on them and a bottle of Coke.

Your friend,  
Christopher Hagle  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is a sego and a Deion jersey. Thas all I want.

Your friend,  
Alvin

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I am doing good in school. I hope your wife is fine. All I want for Christmas is a my size barbe. P.S. I love you!  
Your friend,  
Samantha Castillo  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I need toys story. And I will cup of milk and cookies.  
Your friend,  
Justin Arismendez  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I am hoping you will bring me a motorcycle bike. What is Mrs. Claus doing? Is she helping you make presents?

Your friend,  
Ruben Castillo  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I want a dog. My broth whos a untid 64. I want my mom to get bert. My dad whos new bust. I want a Michael Jordan jirs and shirt and shoos. I will have you milk and cooks and hot coko. Has Mrs. Clos doing. Is rudof very good. I love you very much.

Your friend,  
Kayla Fernandez  
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Dear Santa,  
I want a remote control car I and a go car. I want different kinds or games.

Your friend,  
Sammy Hernandez  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
All I want is a happy Christmas and I will leave you some milk and cookies.

Your friend,  
Erica Cruz  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
This year I want a Dallas Cow-boys helmet and a real football and a basketball and a Dallas Cowboys suit and a nicklis for my friend put the nicklis in my stocking.

Your friend,  
Will Hagle  
P.S. Will you surprise me?  
Would you bring me a Deion Sanders football poster?  
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Dear Santa,  
I want one present. I want a toy car. I will leave milk and cookies. How are your reindeer?  
Your friend,  
Oswaldo Reyes  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? I want a trampoline. Will please get me that? How is Mrs. Clause? I hope she is doing fine to. I hope your reindeers are doing fine to. I am an angel at my play at church. We might have a mistletoe up. We also might have a wreath. We all ready have gifts under are tree. Are you bringing your elves?

Your friend,  
Myrissa Lara

## Fall TAAS/TEAMS exit tests scheduled

The spring TAAS/TEAMS Exit Test will be given February 25 - writing, February 26 - Math, and February 27 - reading. During each regular exit level test administration, individuals who are no longer enrolled in school and who have not previously met minimum expectations on all sections of the TAAS test, but have met all other graduation requirements, may retake the necessary sections.

Individuals who are no longer enrolled in a Texas public school and who wish to register to retake the exit level TAAS/TEAMS test may pick up a registration packet at the high school principal's office in the Munday High School, Goree School, Benjamin School or Knox City High School. The test registration form must be completed and returned in the pre-addressed envelope and must be received in Iowa City, Iowa, no later than 5:00 p.m., January 24, 1997.

The Texas Education Agency and National Computer Systems will not be responsible for registration forms that are delayed or lost in the mail. To insure that individuals are registered, forms should be sent either by registered mail or certified mail.

Dear Santa,  
I was good Santa Tell Mrs. Clause rite back to me will you send me a my sise doll so I can play with it.

Your friend,  
Heather Neal  
\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas, I would like to have a football and some Dallas Cowboy clothes. I also want the Turtle game.

Your friend,  
Kenny Garcia

## A Special Christmas Wish



Here's hoping you enjoy generous portions of love and laughter with family and friends for the main course of your Christmas season!

**Mati's** 422-4334  
Seymour Hwy., Munday  
We will be closed Dec. 24, 25, & 26.

### Great Christmas Recipe

Mix love, friendship and laughter for the sweetest holiday season ever.  
Thanks for coming by!

**The Corner Grill**  
Goree, Tx 422-4642  
Donna, Barbara, Marlene,  
Jamie, Stephanie, Walter

### EXPRESSLY FOR YOU

The Christmas season is building up steam, and we'd like to get on board with our very best wishes and praise for all our customers and friends. Thanks for helping us stay on track!

## PEEK'S SERVICE STATION

GOREE • 422-8009

### In This Holy Season

May you and your family be blessed with the true spirit of Christmas.

**Munday Church of Christ**  
Jeff Christan, Minister  
You are welcome to join us for Sunday Services  
9:30 - Sunday School • 10:30 - Worship Service  
6:00 - Evening Worship Service

## SEASON'S GREETINGS

'Tis a great season,  
With fun one reason,  
Finding the right toy,  
For each girl and boy,  
Grins from ear to ear,  
And loads of good cheer!

**Goree Producers Cooperative Gin**

## Exclusive Best wishes

We'd like to add your name to the listings of good people we'd like to thank this holiday season and hope that happiness and good fortune will visit your home in the year ahead.  
We're always glad to be of service.

**Lawrence Hall - Anson**  
CHEVROLET • OLDS • BUICK  
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## Don't leave Christ out of Xmas!

by John Hall, Paston, First Baptist Church

Recently, I read a newspaper article that caused me to be alarmed. A poll was taken by a telephone survey of 1,006 adults. Each adult was asked what makes Christmas important to them. Only one-third of adults in the national survey said the birth of Jesus. Forty-four percent said family time is the most important part of one of the three most sacred days - along with Good Friday and Easter - on the Christian calendar. The article

went on to reveal that almost 9 in 10 Americans identify themselves as Christians. But even among that group, only 37 percent said the birth of Jesus - the Son of God sent from heaven to offer salvation to humanity, according to Christian teachings - was the most important aspect of Christmas Day for them.

Why the alarm? The truth is: If it wasn't for the manger, there would be no cross! Christmas is a time for celebrating the birth of Jesus! We cannot allow ourselves to leave Christ out of Christmas. Indeed, the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ is the "reason for the season." Everything else is secondary!

How can you keep Christ in Christmas? Here are a few suggestions: 1). Read the story of the birth of Christ as a family on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day. This story is found in Luke 1: 1 - 21. 2). Attend your local church this Christmas season and celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ with your church family. 3). Tell your children early and often that Christmas is a time to remember the birth of Christ and a time to remember others.

I love the Christmas season. My prayer is that none of us would be guilty of leaving Christ out of Christmas. The greatest gift ever given to humankind was the gift of God's Son to the world. "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life" (Jn. 3:16). Merry CHRISTmas!

## Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,

My name is Samantha and I am 7 years old. I hope you bring me presents. I would like a Pretty Spangle Dancing Ballerina Barbie, a waterbed, a fingernail set, and Teeny Tiny Tumble Surprise. My cat Jasmine wants a rubber mouse and Patches and Blackjack wants bones. They are my dogs. Thank you for my presents last year.

I love you,  
Samantha Jackson

Dear Santa,

I've tried hard to be good this year. Please bring me a Baby All Gone, a Barbie, or a Lucky Duck game. I'll leave some cookies and milk.

I love you,  
Melodee Gunter  
2 yrs. old

Dear Santa,

I've been good this year. Please bring me a football gale, a Dallas cowboy jacket, or a rill foot boll helmet.

Luv,  
Landry Gunter  
1st grade

Dear Santa,

I have tried really hard to be nice this year but sometimes it is pretty hard. My Mom and Dad got me an my sister a new baby kitten, so I said now Santa Clause don't have to bring me anything but I changed my mind now. I want a baby tha eats, a playhouse, and a computer and a car seat for my baby. Please don't forget all the kids my mama babysits they have been good too. And please don't forget my big sister Shelbye because she is so sweet to me.

I love you,  
Morgan

Dear Santa,

My name is Katelyn Brown and I am two years old. I have been a good girl this year. For Christmas I would like a baby doll and a Barbie doll. I will leave you a glass of milk with some cookies. Merry Christmas Santa.

Dear Santa,

I am a little three year old boy and have tried to be good-most of the time. Please bring me a Super Zeo-Megazord, some little cars and a train. You could also leave a surprise! There will be milk and Honey Bars for you.

Love,  
Harrison Sheffler  
Hurst, TX

Dear Santa,

I've been pretty good this year. I would like a dragon, a Batman motorcycle, Nightmare Alley, Matchbox cars, Goosebump Game and a Goosebump noise book. Please bring my brother Brandon a little train that he can ride on. I'll leave out Christmas cookies and chocolate milk for you in my room.

Love,  
Blake Hertel  
Age 6  
Carrollton, TX

P.S. I also would like Goosebump brain bites-Thank you.

Dear Santa,

I really would like to have a Lite-Brite.

Love,  
Tyler Ford

Dear Santa,

How ya doing? What's your reindeer name - Rudolf or Bambi? Radolf! Please bring me barbee dolls, baby dolls, lipstick, makeup and a doll house. I been good.

Love,  
Presely  
P.S. I will set milk and cookies out for you.

Dear Santa,

My name is Paytlyn and I am 20 months old. I really am a good girl For Christmas can you please bring me something of my very own so I don't have to play with sisters stuff. I would really like a baby doll and a baby care center.

I love you,  
Paytlyn Melton



### A Pressing Date

Before it's too late, we want to thank all our friends for being so kind to us. Hope the holiday really suits you!

### Munday Cleaners

Gary, Lisa,  
Andrea, & Keith Cypert,  
Judy Lowe & Frances Cypert

Dear Santa,

I am Jade Brown and I am 4 years old. I love the tractor and plow you gave me last Christmas. I play with them all of the time. This year I would like a bigger tractor and bicycle. Merry Christmas to you and Mrs. Claus and to all of your reindeer.

Love,  
Jade Brown

Dear Santa,

Hi! My name is Ryan Redder and I am 2 years old. My Mama and Daddy say I have been a very good boy this year, so would you please bring me a talking Wonderhorse, a Choo-Choo train, and some candy for my stocking? I will leave you some milk and cookies, and have a safe trip.

Love,  
Ryan



## ALL THE BEST!

YOU DESERVE IT!  
WE'RE REALLY GRATEFUL  
FOR YOUR LOYAL SUPPORT  
AND LOOK FORWARD  
TO SEEING YOU  
IN THE NEW YEAR.

### Schoolmarm Antiques

Bob, Ann  
& Teresa  
Therwhanger



## HAVE A SWEET SEASON!

May your season be filled with lots of good treats. It's been a real treat serving you this year.

Merry Christmas & Best Wishes From All Of Us.

### Ron Laney Oil Co., Inc.

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Joey Sturgeon, Cye Lain, Rick Striplin,  
Diane Burnett, Ron & Cyndy Laney

## Hope Christmas Brings Loads of Happiness!

May you rein in the love and laughter of those you hold "deer" all through the holiday season. We'd like to deliver our heartfelt appreciation to our loyal customers for bringing us so much joy!

### Zeissel Brothers Fertilizer & Seed, Inc.

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## IT'S CHRISTMASTIME,



## HERE, THERE AND EVERYWHERE!



Wherever you're celebrating, in the country or in the city, over the river and through the woods, may you and yours share a season of magic and memories.

Happy holidays and thanks to our friends, all over the region!

## Smith Drug & Gift

Don, Linda, Viola, Larue, Jo, Carmen, Winters, Gayle & Shirley



## The Best of Times

We hope it's been a good year,  
With prosperity and peace,  
With brotherhood and good cheer,  
And smiles that haven't ceased!

Merry Christmas  
to all our neighbors!

### Rhineland Co-op Gin and Employees

Larry Tomlinson, Manager



## Season's Greetings

We're so glad you stopped by this past year. We wish you much happiness and peace, all through this special season and beyond!

### Munday Nursing Center

and Employees

### Lasting minute shopping tips to avoid overspending

For many the pressures of last minute shopping may force consumers to overspend what is left of their 1996 budget. However, it is not too late to avoid overspending and prevent post-holiday debt problems.

Plan ahead, establish a budget and spending plan, and get an early start on your shopping to help prevent overspending at the holidays. However, if you haven't established a plan, it is not too late to take precautions to avoid getting into debt as a result of the holidays.

Scale down your holiday gift list. Limit your purchases to family and close friends. Consider giving baked goods or inexpensive gift alternatives to others such as neighbors or co-workers.

Call ahead to save time and

money. When looking for a specific gift, call stores to find out if they carry it. Read sales flyers for specials on the day you are going to shop and use the newspaper to comparison shop.

Make inexpensive gifts look great with presentation. Dress up photos of family or children in handmade frames or make a photo calendar as a gift. Put gifts in baskets with ribbon woven through them. Use colorful tissue paper or cellophane for food gifts.

Try to shop malls and shop early in the week. At such a late date, time is a necessity. Confine shopping to a location with a variety of stores so you won't waste time and energy getting from place to place. On Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, stores are less

crowded than weekends.

Involve guests when entertaining. Have everyone bring something; give everyone a "job" to help prepare dinner; or have an "open house" instead of a number of smaller dinner parties.

Send gifts by the most inexpensive method. Compare mailing

options and rates and be sure to allow enough time so that you can avoid overnight or express shipping.

If you would like assistance in budgeting for the upcoming holiday season or feel that your spending has gotten out of control, contact a credit counseling service.

### Letters To Santa ?

Dear Santa,

My name is Jacob Castorena, I am 4 years old and in Pre-K. I have been a good boy at home, at school and at grandma's house. For Christmas I want a new T.V., a go-cart and more super ninetendo games. Bring something for my tata, mama, B.J., my grmadma, grandpa and my aunts. Please don't forget my dogs, Nicko, Tommy and Gramps.

Love you,  
Jacob  
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Dear Santa,

My name is Dylan, and I am 2 years old. I have been somewhat of a good boy this year. For Christmas I would like a swing set, a jumpoline, a football suit and helmet, and a big truck like daddy's or a Big Jake Dump Truck, whichever is easiest for your elves to load on your sled.

Love,  
Dylan Cooke  
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Dear Santa,

My name is Destini. I am 6 years old. I would like to have a doll, a computer, a Dallas Cowboy Starter Jacket, trampoline, Nail Polish. I would also like for you to get my brother a big jake dump truck, so he'll throw away the Toys 'R' Us advertisement circular. Please don't forget the less fortunate children.

Love,  
Destini  
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P.S. I've been a good girl.

Dear Santa,

My name is Jessica Herring. I am 7 years old. I have been a pretty good girl this year. Would you please bring me a baby with a car seat and a straw baby carrier. I hope I see you Christmas.

Love,  
Jessica Herring  
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Dear Santa,

I would like a Ken doll that shaves, a Micheal Jordan jersey, and anything else that is fun.

Love,  
Brooke Rocha  
P.S. Thank you for the other toyst last year.

Dear Santa,

My name is Brooke Richardson. I am 2 years old. Daddy and Momma says that I have been pretty good this year. I would like to have a bid doll, a bathtub Barney, a kitchen playset and anything else you think I might like. Please remember all the other boys and girls who have been good especially my cousins in Munday, Knox City, Seymour, Vernon and Oklahoma. Hope you have a safe trip. Tell Ms. Claus to have a Merry Christmas for me.

Love,  
Brooke  
\*\*\*

P.S. I will have hot chocolate and cookies waiting for you by the tree.

Dear Santa,

I would like a ring and some new rollerblads. And also I would like a real telaghon.

Love,  
Lynndy  
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Dear Santa,

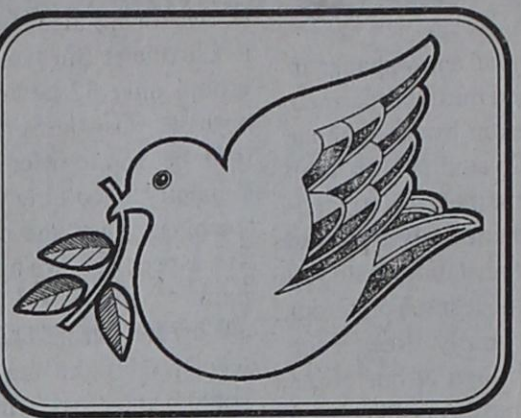
I want a go-cart, and a cowboy hooded jacket. I also want a new of Nike Air Gridstar size 3. And a cowboy helmet. I also want a hand-gun. I want a Tyco video cam for kids.

Brendt  
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Dear Santa,

I want a four wheeler, a bike, a telephone, and a TV with a TV guide, VCR and a remote.

Bandy  
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### Peace to All

May you and yours celebrate a season of joy and love with family and friends.

**McCauley-Smith Funeral Home**

The Richie Smith Family & The Gerald Morgan Family

### Bright Wishes From All Of Us

The holidays bring many reasons to smile, both large and small, but our great patients are the best reason of all!



Have a sparkling season!

From our family to yours!

David, Jan and Nathan Neal

### Merry Christmas, Everyone!



Wishing you every blessing as we celebrate the Miracle of Christmas.

We're really grateful for your kind patronage.

**Catholic Life Insurance Union**

Alvin & Glenna Jungman

### Warmest Christmas Wishes

The lights are strung,  
The gifts piled high,  
Stockings are hung,  
And the time is nigh.

We're wishing you,  
Good cheer abound,  
Peace and joy, too,  
And love all around!

**Ben Franklin Store**



### LIGHT UP THE WORLD... IT'S CHRISTMAS!

All the halls are decked and bright  
With candles, wreaths and strings of light.  
The tree is trimmed, and snow is falling;  
The windows glow, and friends come calling  
To spread good wishes, and to say,  
"Merry Christmas to all — have a great holiday!"

We send our love from Oregon

Darleen Harris and Families