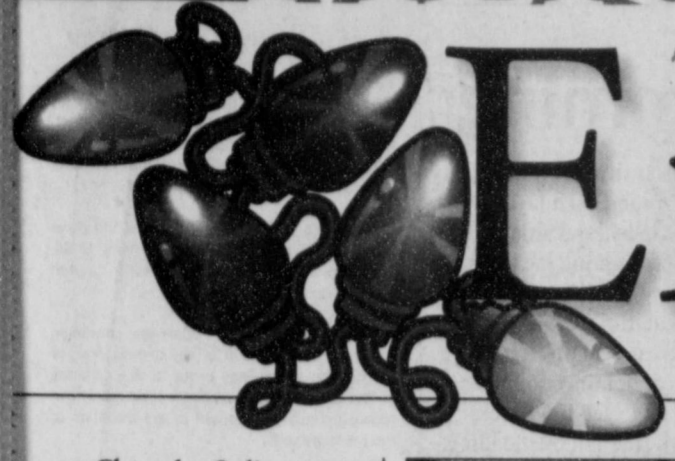


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All this and much more as The Enterprise reports in this week's indubitable edition!

C of C names winners of holiday contests

The Chamber of Commerce reports last week's Festival of Light winners were Guys & Dolls, business; Cameron Word, 5th St., Clarendon home; Ronnie and Janny Longan, 340 Nocona Dr., Howardwick home; and Archie and Marlee Sharp, 105 N. Bailey, Hedley home.

The winners of the Christmas Cash drawing held during Late Night Shopping last week were Laura Miser, Otis Farris, and Ron Herndon. The last drawing will be held at the end of Late Night Shopping this Thursday night at the Chamber of Commerce office.

First Baptist to hold Christmas Eve service

The annual Christmas Eve Candle Lighting Service at the First Baptist Church in Clarendon will be at 6 p.m. on December 24.

A family-oriented worship service will consist of the singing of carols, the reading of scripture, and the taking of communion, concluding with a special candle lighting segment. No sermon will be preached at the Christmas service.

On Sunday, December 26, the church will have no Sunday School and only one service. The worship service begins at 10:50 a.m., but the evening service has been canceled because of the Christmas holidays. Steve Cook will preach the morning message.

Cook is affiliated with International Commission, a mission organization, and has been involved in many mission trips to other countries.

Everyone is invited to attend the services.

Methodist Church sets Christmas Eve service

The First United Methodist Church in Clarendon will have a Christmas Eve Candlelight Service on Friday, December 24, 2004, at 6:00 p.m.

They will have special music and a time of worship as they celebrate the birth of our Savior. Everyone in the community is invited to attend.

On Sunday, December 26, 2004, they will have one combined service at 8:30 a.m. with Sunday School following the worship service.

Enterprise office will close for Christmas Eve

THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE will be closed this Friday, December 24, for the Christmas holidays.

The office will reopen Monday, December 27, and deadlines will remain Monday at noon for articles and pictures and Monday at 5 p.m. for advertisements and classifieds.



Christmas cheer

Medical Center Nursing Home employees Holly Eads and Etta Milhoan enjoy a moment with resident Christine "Tiny" Milward last week during the annual Christmas Party at the nursing home. The residents enjoyed a visit from Santa, who passed out presents from the residents' families. Residents, family members, and the staff also enjoyed music and refreshments.

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Work stalls on city effort to regulate chickens, propane

The Clarendon Board of Aldermen tabled discussion on ordinances governing chickens and other domestic fowl and propane tanks in the city limits when they met in regular session last Tuesday.

Last month, complaints about chickens and ducks running loose at a residence on McLean Street prompted the city's animal control officer to request that the board review ordinances governing livestock in the city limits.

The problem on McLean Street was addressed by enforcing Ordinance 25, which requires that chickens, ducks, turkeys, and other fowl be kept confined in pens. But some aldermen questioned why such animals were not included in the city's livestock ordinance.

When aldermen took up the matter last week, their discussion was moving in the direction of requiring local poultry owners to obtain a livestock permit and limiting the number of fowl to 25 birds per enclosed pen. But the discussion hit a stumbling block as questions were raised about how big a pen could be and whether the same rules could be fairly applied to small birds, such as bantam chickens, and larger birds, such as turkeys.

Aldermen finally voted 3-1 to table amending the livestock ordinance. (Alderman Michael Tibbets opposed.)

The board's discussion about propane tanks in the city limits met a similar fate with Alderman Janice Knorrp saying it was pointless to proceed on that issue until the city

could learn more about the subject. Aldermen tabled that issue.

In other city business, the board revisited the city's contract with the Donley Appraisal District, a contract they had failed to act on last month when no one would offer a motion for its approval. This time the board approved the contract 3-2 with Aldermen Knorrp, Tommy Hill, and Mark White in favor and Aldermen Tibbets and Bobbie Kidd opposed.

The Municipal Court contract for services with Judge Jimmy Johnson was approved as presented.

The condition of City Hall was discussed. The city's insurance carrier sent a letter saying it assumes no responsibility for the condition of the building. The letter did not include the carrier's assessment of the damage to the building. The board directed the city administrator to try to obtain that assessment from the carrier.

The board met with city engineer Che Shadle regarding paving city streets and directed him to proceed with plans from earlier this year to pave Fourth Street from Koogle to Jefferson and to pave Seventh Street from the west city limits to Sims. Shadle is to also look at what other paving could be done with the funds available and report back to the board next month. City officials hope to open bids on the project in February.

City Administrator Sean Pate reported that the city has successfully obtained a \$22,000 grant through the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission to purchase a new forklift for the recycling center.

TCFA marketer says beef outlook steady for 2005

Beef producers and consumers alike can look forward to steady prices for 2005, according to Jim Gill, market director for the Amarillo-based Texas Cattle Feeders Association (TCFA).

Speaking at the annual TCFA year end news conference, Gill said a projected two percent to three percent increase in beef production in 2005 will push average retail beef prices to around \$4 per pound, slightly below the \$4.05 average in 2004.

"However, the anticipated reopening of the Japanese beef market some time in 2005 should prevent prices from falling any lower," he said.

In addition, beef prices will continue to be challenged by competing meats, as Gill predicts that both pork and poultry supplies in 2005 will increase two percent to three percent above 2004 production levels. However, Gill predicts a continued strong consumer demand for beef, which

will tend to keep retail prices steady, he said.

Fed cattle prices will trade from \$80 to \$92 in 2005, Gill predicted. His outlook shows fed cattle prices ranging from \$85 to \$92 in the first quarter of 2005; \$80 to \$90 in the second and third quarters; and \$85 to \$90 in the fourth quarter. That's a similar trading range to 2004, he said, adding that 2004 prices in the fourth quarter have been supported by the weather.

"Weather has been the developing story in the industry for the past two months," he said. "Following a wetter-than-normal fall and early winter, production has been reduced and cattle marketings have been delayed. This has supported fed cattle prices, but the price increase has not offset the production setback."

Feeder cattle supplies will continue to tighten over the next couple of years, he said, reflecting the liquidation that has been in effect

since 1996. However, losses in the packing industry are translating into lower bids for fed cattle in feedyards, which could put pressure on feeder cattle prices.

Looking at the grain markets, 2004 corn production is estimated at a record 11.5 billion bushels, which will put pressure on prices. "Corn prices, which averaged near \$5.04 per cwt. in 2004 in the TCFA area, will likely be closer to the 2003 average of \$4.75."

City sales taxes up for year, down for month

AUSTIN - Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn said Friday the state collected \$1.4 billion in sales tax in November, up 6.6 percent compared to November 2003. The Comptroller sent \$321.6 million in December sales tax payments to local governments, up 4.9 percent compared to December 2003.

The final sales tax allocation of 2004 brings total local sales tax

revenue for the year to \$4.2 billion, up 7.7 percent compared to calendar year 2003.

Locally, the City of Clarendon's monthly payment fell to \$16,985.18, which was 9.33 percent below last December. Hedley was also down 7.66 percent to a total of \$317.60. Howardwick was up 1.73 percent to \$850.15.

For the yearly total, Clarendon

was up 1.7 percent to \$246,671.68; Hedley was up 7.07 percent to \$5,735.15; and Howardwick was down 1.40 percent to \$11,510.53.

Statewide, Texas cities' December sales tax allocations were \$218.2 million, up 4.5 percent compared to December 2003. City sales tax allocations during calendar year 2004 totaled \$2.8 billion, up 7.5 percent compared to calendar year 2003.

TxDOT launches anti-drunk driving campaign

Law enforcement throughout Texas will be providing free rides this month for Texas drivers who've had too much to drink - a free ride to jail that is.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) announced today that all available state troopers and local law enforcement officers will be on Texas streets and highways during the long Christmas and New Year's holiday weekends watching for drunk drivers.

TxDOT officials are expecting their Jingle All The Way annual holiday public education campaign to reach millions of Texans this month with messages that driving while

intoxicated can lead to jail time.

"We want everyone to have a safe and happy holiday," said Carlos Lopez, TxDOT's traffic operations director.

"If alcohol is involved in their holiday celebrations, we're reminding people not to get behind the wheel if they've been drinking. Safe alternatives are to designate a sober driver before drinking begins, call a taxi, or just stay where you are until you can drive home safely."

Though Texas continues to lead the nation in alcohol-related traffic fatalities, safety advocates credit stepped-up enforcement of the state's DWI laws and ongoing advertising about the penalties of drunk driving

with the recent decline in impaired driving fatalities. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reports 100 fewer people died in Texas in 2003 in alcohol-related crashes than the previous year.

Besides DPS and hundreds of police departments and sheriffs offices statewide, the Texas Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association, the Texas Restaurant Association, and Diamond Shamrock are also participating in the holiday anti-DWI campaign.

Penalties for the first DWI offense include drivers license suspension for up to one year, a fine of up to \$2,000, and up to six months in jail.



Pour it on

Cleo Sandoval and Roy Williams took advantage of warm weather to pour a new driveway at the Clarendon ISD cafeteria Monday.

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WARNING: The following column is an editorial (i.e. an opinion, a point of view) and may contain ideas with which some readers may freely disagree. Read at your own risk.

Bachelorhood comes to end for publisher

A little over two years ago, the ENTERPRISE, on the advice of a friend, set out to hire a bright young journalist who was showing great promise as a writer and had an ironclad reputation as being a good person, which in my mind said a lot about her.

I didn't know Ashlee Kidd very well at that time. I knew her aforementioned reputation, I knew she was smart, and I knew she was friendly. But other than that, I thought of her mainly as someone who would make a capable employee.



editor's commentary
by roger estlack

It took weeks to convince her to take the job. I asked her every time I saw her; I practically begged her. For every reason she gave not to come to work for us, I had an answer or a retort. Why I kept after her was beyond me. I'm certainly not in the habit of begging people to come to work, but something made me stay after Miss Kidd.

Finally, when hope was almost exhausted, she came to the office one evening.

"Is that job still available?" she asked.
"Yes, it is," I replied. "Why do you ask?"
"Well, I just quit my job," she said.
"You're not some problem employee are you?" I responded jokingly.

She assured me that she wasn't, and she came to work for us straight away and soon demonstrated that she was everything we had wanted in her role - a quick study and unfailingly dedicated and trustworthy. She also had a bubbly personality and an almost infectious smile and giggle that made it impossible not to like her.

One day after we closed up shop and I settled down at the computer to vanquish my foes in a game of Civilization, she asked on her way out, "What are you going to do now?"

My response was straight from the cartoons: "The same thing I do every night, Pinky. Try to take over the world."

Soon we were referring to each other as Pinky and The Brain, and thus began our friendship.

As the months passed, the original ENTERPRISE crew - all two of us - came to know our new co-worker better. We looked forward to her time in the office; and we knew that when the time came for her to leave, she would be impossible to replace.

And that time did come, and Miss Kidd took her leave of us to pursue her education and to take a job in the city. Her absence was strongly palpable from the instant she walked out the door that last day. Our staff fell into a funk. On a slow afternoon a few weeks later, I turned to my office director and said what we were both feeling: "Well, this is damn depressing."

We both missed Ashlee, and I especially missed my friend.

God works in mysterious ways to be sure; and let me tell you, He was working up a doozy.

After a few short months, Miss Kidd came home for the holidays and announced that she was coming back and resuming her old job. A month later, she accompanied me to a press convention in Houston, and it was on that trip that something happened. What we both feared could be a long, monotonous journey by two people separated by age and interests turned out to be the best road trip that either of us had taken. We talked the entire way going and coming and laughed harder and longer than either of us had done before.

A month after that, we had our first official "date"; and the rest of our courtship, rumored engagement, and actual engagement were chronicled in this column in June.

Now we flash forward. By the time many of you read this, it will be a done deal; but as I write this, there are two days left before our wedding - two days until the end of a long era that has been my bachelorhood - two days before I do something that even a year ago I never thought I'd do.

For the last week everywhere I go, people ask me either how many days are left or if I'm nervous. I know the number, and no I'm not. Others jokingly tell me, "It's not too late to back out, Rog."

I laugh and go along by saying that my fiancée might disagree, but the truth is I have no intention and no desire to back out.

Even though it means the end of my always doing things "my way" at "my house" or at "my paper," there is nothing I want more in this world than to take Ashlee's hand in marriage. She has changed my life and brought a happiness that I have never known before. She is already a marvelous addition to my family, and even my young nephew's face lights up when she is near.

Her beauty is beyond compare, her honor is without reproach, and my love for her is absolute. She has cracked the hardened shell of a crusty old editor; and whatever the future holds, I know that it will be indubitably better with Ashlee at my side.

Quotable...

A single man... is an incomplete animal. He resembles the odd half of a pair of scissors.

— Benjamin Franklin

The six days of Christmas tree trimming

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas everywhere you look. The Helms are notorious for being slow about catching up on things like that.

This year my mom bought a new Christmas tree. We've been wrestling with the old artificial one for years, and Christmas tree technology has advanced so far now as to make that old model obsolete.

The new tree was a whole foot and a half taller than the old tree. It was greener and had not been munched on by various attic-dwelling vermin. It was perfect in every way.

But it wasn't pre-lit. Dad hates white lights in Christmas trees, and that's the only kind of pre-lighting out there. Mom figured if she lit the tree strategically, she could leave the lights on it, and it would be pre-lit from here to eternity.

Little did she know the epic struggle that lay before her.

I got home on Sunday. Mom started putting up the tree on Monday, December 13. By Wednesday, she had finished lighting the bottom section.

I went to Dallas on Wednesday to visit friends and go to my very first indoor rock and roll concert featuring Cake and Collective Soul. You youngsters won't know who they are. They haven't really been cool

since like 1999.

I went from Dallas to Abilene to attend a wedding. My sister Andie called me on Day 4 to let me know they got my grade report and I had earned myself a 4.0 this semester. She encouraged me to come home as soon as possible and relieve her from Christmas tree duty or she was going to have a stroke. Mom called me on Day 5 of the Christmas Tree Saga and asked if I could pick up a few more strings of lights before I came home. She said she had been in three counties and bought every box of colored lights that was to be had.

I felt a twinge of guilt. I had swiped all of the colored lights to decorate my dorm room and to add a little flash to some art projects.

Mom said she lacked one more section and two hundred lights ought to get her done, so I brought home two hundred lights. It seemed like a lot of lights for one section, but I don't ask questions; I do what I'm told.

When I saw the tree, I realized why it was taking so many lights. Mom is a



life's lessons
by carrie helms

champion tree lighter. Instead of draping the lights in a spiral around each layer of branches, she weaves the strand around each individual branch, lighting the tree to its core.

It makes for a beautiful tree but a lot of frustration and a great deal of electricity. I got an A in Theatrical lighting, so I used a formula I had learned to see if we were using electricity safely and not overloading any circuits.

We were safe, but the two hundred lights that I brought were not enough. I had to dismantle a couple of my art projects to sacrifice to the tree.

To make matters worse, the tree was too tall for anyone in the house to reach the top, much less strategically weave the lights. The task fell to me to hold the top section at a reasonable height and rotate it while mom put on the lights.

In between hanging ornaments, I was tutoring Andie in Spanish, a class, by the way, in which I earned an A this semester.

At 9 p.m. on Day 6 the tree was finished, the electricity was safe, Andie was speaking fluent Spanish, and the day was saved thanks to... well, me and my wounded art projects, I guess.

Merry Christmas to you and yours from the Helms and our fabulous tree.



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Texans want improved national security

After the 109th Congress is sworn in this January, it will grapple with many issues, including homeland security. How do we better protect our people from terrorists at the same time we uphold our vital civil liberties? This year's Listening Post survey gathered valuable comments from my fellow Texans which I will share with my colleagues when the Senate begins the next session.

Respondents provided feedback on arrangements regarding visas for foreign nationals, suggested our next priorities in transportation safety, named the most important goal to improve protection from terrorist attacks, and offered guidance about where additional homeland security funding would best be spent.

Over 400,000 people travel into the United States each day through Texas, entering through 11 border crossings. There is a great deal of concern that some of these visitors mean harm to our people. Presently, Canadians can enter the United States for a six-month stay on a tourist visa, while Mexican nationals, on the same type of document, are allowed to remain for just one month. By a large margin, the survey respondents recommended the Mexican visa remain at one month, rather than extend it to match the tourist visas given to Canadians.

A good number of respondents came up with a different idea. Thomas, of Bryan said, "The Canadian nationals should also be limited to a 30-day visa." Jon, from Brooks Air Force Base, says the solution is to split the difference and provide both Mexican and Canadian tourists 90-day visas, but posed this question: "How many Canadians or Mexicans really stay beyond 30 days just for tourism?"

In the Listening Post, I solicited your opinions on what we should do next to protect the United States against more 9-11 type attacks. Most of you said we should apply the same standards to air cargo that are in place for passengers. Fortunately, my legislation calling on the Transportation Security Administration to improve aviation security by providing enhanced screening of air cargo was included in the recently-passed Intelligence Reform Bill.

A close second in respondent ratings was to set up a computer database

to check airline passenger names against criminal watch lists. Many expressed interest in overhauling security procedures for train travel, and the fewest number supported expansion of the registered traveler program to airports nationwide. This program lets passengers who voluntarily supply certain personal information to benefit from expedited security procedures.

Davis, of Fort Worth, said any security decision involves, "a tough trade-off, but I want our children to live."

Spending on homeland security efforts has nearly tripled since 2001, providing larger budgets for everything from aviation and port security to vaccinations and training and equipment for firefighters and police officers.

I asked what further changes Texans want to see in homeland security appropriations. Most opted in favor of altering present funding formulas to allocate a larger share of resources to those states and cities facing greater terrorist threats. Many others said we should seek better training and preparation for the firemen, emergency medical technicians, and police who are



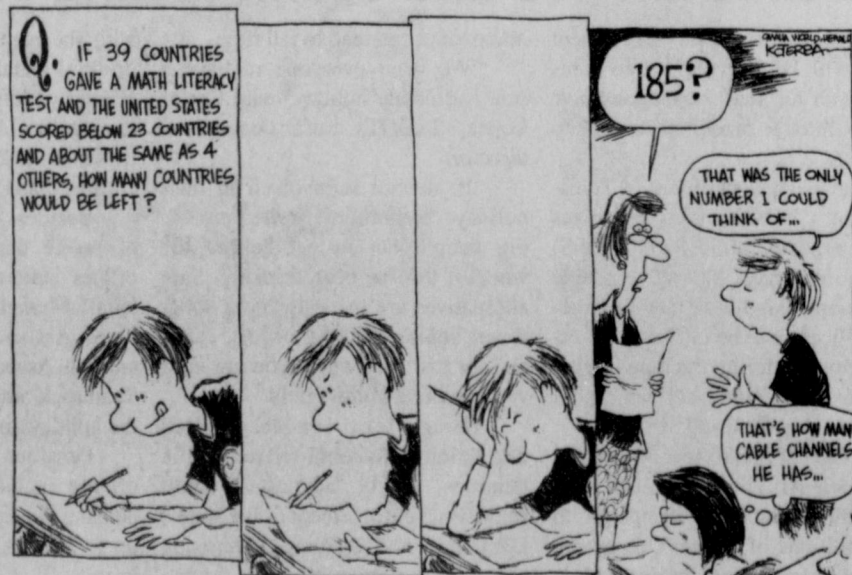
capitol comment
by sen. kay bailey hutchison

the first responders in our communities. A distant third replied that we should simply keep our current spending levels. Reid, who lives in McKinney, says that whatever decision we make, we must, "make sure that the money allocated is well-spent and the taxpayer gets what they pay for." I agree.

The attacks on 9-11 spurred Congress to take the unprecedented step of creating the Department of Homeland Security, a single government agency responsible for defending Americans on our own soil. Most of you suggested our next step should be to improve the security of our borders. Many also wanted government officials to address weaknesses in security at our seaports. "Security at ports needs to be addressed," said Keith, from Cedar Park. "This is probably number one on my list. This should include everyone on the ship along with... the shipping containers."

Wayne, from Greenville, said we need to watch our northern border with Canada and suggested changing our policy of setting an upper age limit to those joining the Border Patrol. "This limits the valuable asset of retired military personnel and police," he said.

This survey showed national security is on the minds of many fellow Texans. It also showed, through your thoughtful answers, you take this issue seriously.



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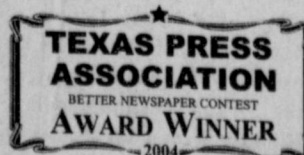
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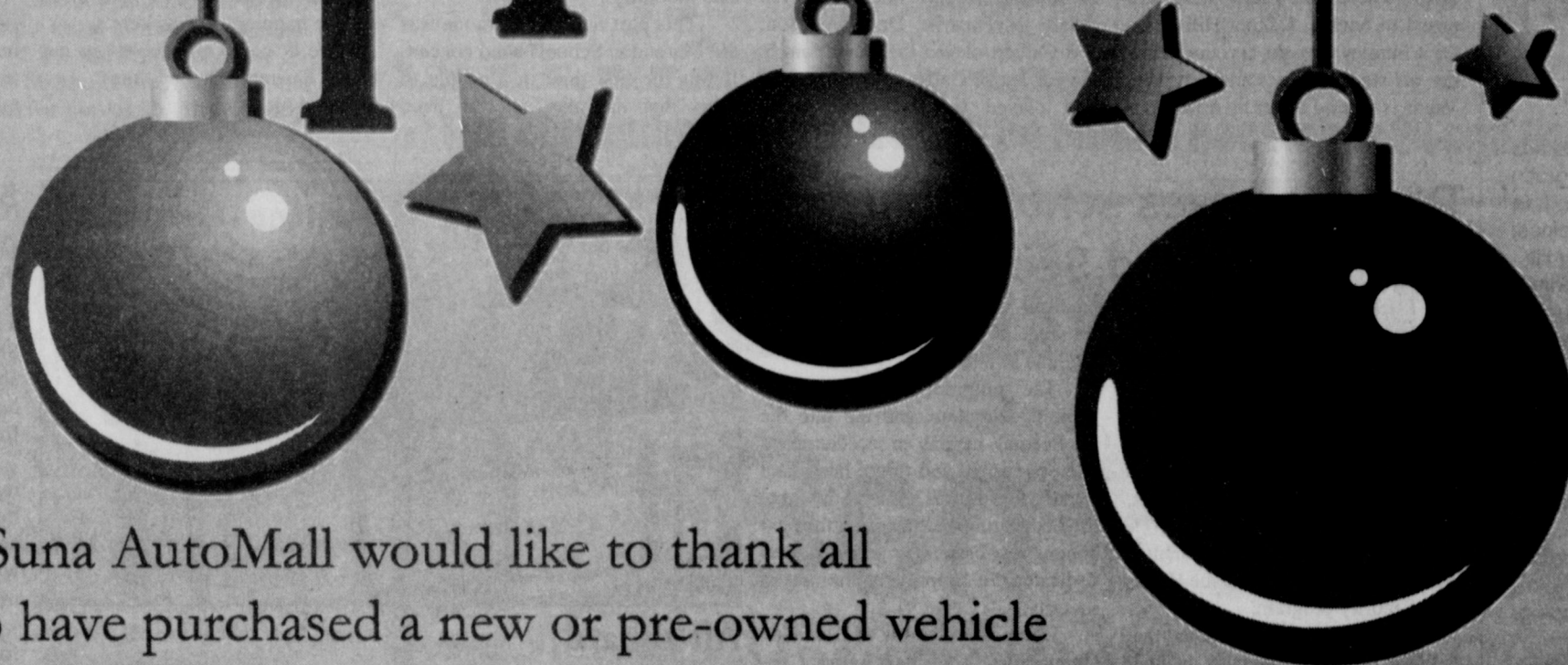
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Donley County Senior Citizens
Mon: Meatloaf, Au gratin potatoes, corn casserole, pea salad, peanut butter cookies, bread, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Tues: Pork tenderloin fritter, creamed potatoes with gravy, Tuscan blend vegetables, stewed tomatoes, chocolate pie, roll, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Wed: Beef stew, fried squash, Waldorf salad, strawberry poke cake, cornbread, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Thur: Chicken strips, potato soup, corn dressing, okra salad, Jell-O with topping, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Fri: Roast and brown gravy, carrots, potatoes, onions, tomatoes and zucchini, three bean salad, carrot cake, rolls, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Hedley Senior Citizens
Mon: Closed for Christmas
Tues: Chicken and dumplings, steamed cabbage, pea salad, orange, cornbread, coffee, milk, tea
Wed: Mexican casserole, rice, beans, tossed salad, apricot halves, chips or crackers, coffee, milk, tea
Thur: Cheeseburger, potato wedges, lettuce, tomato, onion, cobble, bun, coffee, milk, tea
Fri: Chicken spaghetti, fried okra, corn salad, baked apple, garlic toast, coffee, milk, tea

CHS actors shine in production of 'Harvey'

Life gets in the way of doing things sometimes. Like when life requires visits to one or the other of the grandboys, it gets difficult to do things like, oh, write columns.

So, once again, I'm writing late about a play. Clarendon High School put on a bravura performance of "Harvey" weekend before last. Two performances were perfect. Or close enough nobody noticed if anything was otherwise. Sunday afternoon, however, one of the actors playing a main character fainted during intermission. Vanna Holton, playing Elwood P. Dowd's sister Veta, carried on as valiantly as she could, until a scene where her knees were supposed to buckle. Dakota Hill (a.k.a. Dr. Chumley) caught her and helped her off stage. We do sincerely hope Vanna is feeling better by now.

Kudos go to Sarah Depew, playing Veta's daughter Myrtle Mae, who wound up giving her own lines and Veta's as well. With so much excitement going on, the nonsense pulled by the other actors wasn't quite so noticeable. It is to be hoped, anyway. I have been told that Tim Sears, doing a bang-up job playing Elwood P. Dowd (some have wondered whether he was channeling Jimmy Stewart), spent part of a scene wearing my bathrobe when he was supposed to still be in his suit. (Lots of people provided costumes and props.)

The entire cast did a splendid job - in addition to those already mentioned, Robert Shelton played young psychiatrist Dr. Sanderson; Jeff Calvert played the Dowd family lawyer, Judge Gaffney; Brandi Lockhart played spunky Nurse Kelly;

Jeremy Jeffers was the flirtatious orderly, Wilson; and Laura Dziedzic had the part of the French maid, Miss Johnson. (Don't ask me how someone named Johnson could be French. Dr. Chumley had a German accent.) It really was great entertainment out on the town.

Oh, and the best part of the play was the portrait of Elwood and Harvey, painted by yours truly. (She said modestly.)

This past Sunday afternoon was the Clarendon Schools band concert. It was the first time in a couple of years that the play and the band

concert were on different Sundays, which made the day a little more relaxed. All three bands - Sixth Grade, Colt Band, and Bronco Band - sounded wonderful. A number of students from the Colt band were recognized for qualifying for All-Region. Audrey Wood apparently was the only oboe player trying out last year but had to compete against other oboists this year and qualified again. Congratulations to all these outstanding Colt musicians.

Christmas and New Year's both will have passed us by before I write to you again, so I wish for you the very merriest of Christmases, filled with all the people you love most, and the happiest of New Year's.

We'll have grandboys at our house. Guaranteed good times. God bless.

Something More program to close

The Something More Program Board Members in a recent meeting voted to close the program.

The ladies who helped with the program during the past seven years will no longer be available, and the children are now served through other services.

The board expressed appreciation to Beverly Burrow and Beverly Alexander for their leadership in the program, the Downtown Ministry and the Lions Club for providing the facilities, and to all those churches and individuals who have supported the program with good works and with funds.

After outstanding bills and salaries have been taken care of, the remaining monies will be dispersed to First Baptist GA's and the Community Fellowship RA program.

Devin receives scholarship from Homeland Security Dept.

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. - Thomas Nickless McCain Devin, a senior in mechanical engineering at The University of Alabama and graduate of Clarendon High School, recently received a scholarship from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Science and Technology Scholarship and Fellowship program.

Devin is the first UA student to receive a scholarship from the Homeland Security program.

Through the DHS Scholars and Fellows Program, Devin is awarded full-tuition scholarships, stipends and a summer internship at a DHS research facility. He is one of 105 college students nationwide who

received the scholarship designated for students studying math, engineering, and science.

The program is designed to support, stimulate, and tap into the intellectual capital in academia to address current and future homeland security challenges while at the same time educating and inspiring the next generation of scientists and engineers dedicated to improving homeland security.

Devin is a member of Blue Key Honor Society, Pi Tau Sigma, Capstone Men and Women, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and president of Mortar Board Senior Honor Society at the Capstone.



All aboard

The children at Paula's Daycare got a visit from Santa on Friday and enjoyed a wagon ride with him. After the ride, Santa heard all the requests from the kids, and everyone enjoyed refreshments.

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Santa Claus visits Howardwick Friendship Club

The 64 people who met Friday night for Friendship Club enjoyed lots of good Christmas type food - turkey and dressing and ham and all the trimmings.

The highlight of the evening was Santa Clause with his bag full of toys and goodies. It seemed to me all the children had been good because everyone took home a gift. Martha Goad, Billie West, and Anita Johnson made some points with him by sitting on his lap and giving some big hugs.

Nelda Grider gave us Christmas music, and once again Donna Murdock had a well-planned party.

Donna Murdock, Leona Lingerfelter, and Jeannie Miller are the outgoing planners with Dorothy Arnold, Tammy Owen, and Margaret Pettit taking over next month. With these in charge, we should have an easy transition.

Maudie and Diane Barefoot spent the weekend packing and moving. They have taken a house in Clarendon, and they expect to sign on their place this week. We will miss them. They have been very good neighbors, and we wish them lots of luck.

Joyce and W.E. Combs have

another crisis to face. Last month, they lost their Schnauzer, Nick. Last week, Joyce sprained her knee, and tomorrow, W.E. goes into BSA for surgery. Joyce said this is the fourth Christmas one or the other has had surgery. We wish them the best.

Cora Bland is home and doing



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well. Betty Linley is still in a brace but is improving.

Roger and Ashlee, the best of luck to you! May you have many years of wedded bliss.

Merry Christmas to everyone! My brother in Iraq is meeting his family in Germany for some much needed R&R. Some of my children and grand children will be making the trip to Clarendon, and we are all looking forward to presents and food.

My Christmas wish is for peace. In the meantime, Jesus, look after our troops and keep them safe.

Extension says Christmas tree tradition has ancient origins

By David Robson, Extension Educator
King Tut never saw a Christmas tree, but he would have understood the tradition which traces back long before the first Christmas, says David Robson, Extension Educator, Horticulture with the Springfield Extension Center.

The Egyptians were part of a long line of cultures that treasured and worshiped evergreens. When the winter solstice arrived, they brought green date palm leaves into their homes to symbolize life's triumph over death.

The Romans celebrated the

winter solstice with a fest called Saturnalia in honor of Saturnus, the god of agriculture. They decorated their houses with greens and lights and exchanged gifts. They gave coins for prosperity, pastries for happiness, and lamps to light one's journey through life.

Centuries ago in Great Britain, woods priests called Druids used evergreens during mysterious winter solstice rituals. The Druids used holly and mistletoe as symbols of eternal life and placed evergreen branches over doors to keep away evil spirits. Late in the Middle Ages,

Germans and Scandinavians placed evergreen trees inside their homes or just outside their doors to show their hope in the forthcoming spring. Our modern Christmas tree evolved from these early traditions.

Legend has it that Martin Luther began the tradition of decorating trees to celebrate Christmas. One crisp Christmas Eve, about the year 1500, he was walking through snow-covered woods and was struck by the beauty of a group of small evergreens. Their branches, dusted with snow, shimmered in the moonlight. When he got home, he set up a little

fir tree indoors so he could share this story with his children. He decorated it with candles, which he lighted in honor of Christ's birth.

The Christmas tree tradition most likely came to the United States with Hessian troops during the American Revolution, or with German immigrants to Pennsylvania and Ohio, adds Robson.

But the custom spread slowly. The Puritans banned Christmas in New England. Even as late as 1851, a Cleveland minister nearly lost his job because he allowed a tree in his church. Schools in Boston stayed

open on Christmas Day through 1870 and sometimes expelled students who stayed home.

The Christmas tree market was born in 1851 when Catskill farmer Mark Carr hauled two ox sleds of evergreens into New York City and sold them all. By 1900, one in five American families had a Christmas tree, and 20 years later, the custom was nearly universal.

Christmas tree farms sprang up during the Depression. Nurserymen couldn't sell their evergreens

for landscaping, so they cut them for Christmas trees. Cultivated trees were preferred because they have a more symmetrical shape than wild ones.

Six species account for about 90 percent of the nation's Christmas tree trade. Scotch pine ranks first, comprising about 40 percent of the market, followed by Douglas fir which accounts for about 35 percent. The other big sellers are noble fir, white pine, balsam fir and white spruce.

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Rotary raffle

James Ivey Edwards has presented his painting "Last Light/High Country" to the Clarendon Rotary Club for their scholarship fundraiser. Pictured with Edwards is Madelane Black of Herring National Bank. The painting will be on display at the bank until January 21. The painting will then be displayed at Texas Steakout. Tickets are available through the Rotary for \$3 each or two for \$5. The drawing for the painting will be held March 25, 2005.

Rotary Club hosts Nurse Thomas as speaker

The Clarendon Rotary Club welcomed Onita Thomas as guest speaker on Wednesday, December 15, 2004.

Mrs. Thomas shared her experiences as a registered nurse and her belief in the nursing profession. Mrs. Thomas serves on the Selection Committee for LVN candidates and

understands the challenges these students face. The club members were fortunate to have Mrs. Thomas share her insight and asked questions about her duties as an RN.

The club also presented a food basket to a Clarendon family for the holidays through the First United Methodist Church.

22 graduate from CC vocational nursing

Twenty-two nursing students graduated with a certificate of completion in Vocational Nursing from Clarendon College on Friday, December 10, 2004. Graduates from Clarendon include: Tiffany Alaniz, Tracy Ashmore, Jaclyn Benson, Jamie Dunham, Jessica English, Bethany Ghent, April Hommel, LaTonya Johnson, April Judd, and Ramon Sanchez.

Christine Casillas of Quitaque; Angie Kincannon of Shamrock; and Crickett Seely, Helena Stanley and Charity Walker, all of Wellington.

The Vocational Nursing certificate program only accepts a limited number of students each year. Students in the Clarendon College Vocational Nursing program gain the required skills and knowledge necessary to pass the Texas vocational nursing licensing exam. For more information about entering the Vocational Nursing certificate program at Clarendon College, call 806.874.9500, or log on to www.clarendoncollege.edu.

CC names local students to honor lists

Students from Clarendon and Hedley have the distinction of being named to the Clarendon College President's and Dean's Lists for the 2004 fall semester.

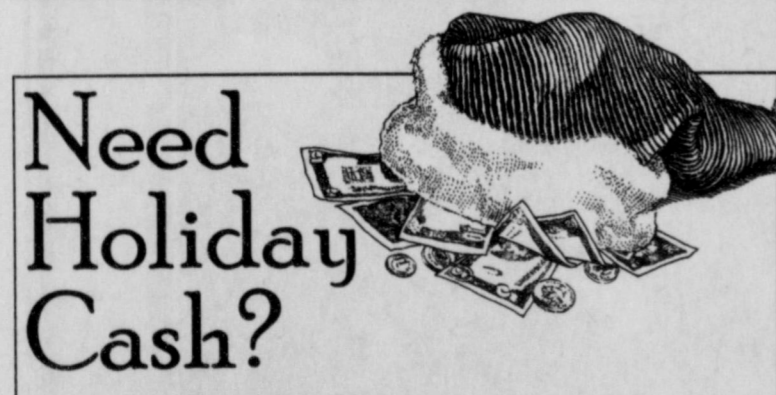
To receive this honor, students must be enrolled in twelve or more semester credit hours and earn a 4.0 to be named to the President's List and at least a 3.6 to be named to the Dean's List.

The following students have been named to the Clarendon Col-

lege President's List for the 2004 Fall semester: Tiffany Alaniz, Tracy Ashmore, Jaclyn Benson, Jamie Dunham, Jessica English, Kevin Green, April Hommel, LaTonya Johnson, and April Judd, all of Clarendon; and Mikala Lamberson of Hedley.

The following students have been named to the Clarendon College Dean's List for the 2004 fall semester: Amanda Ferguson and Bethany Ghent of Clarendon and Lauren Hill of Hedley.

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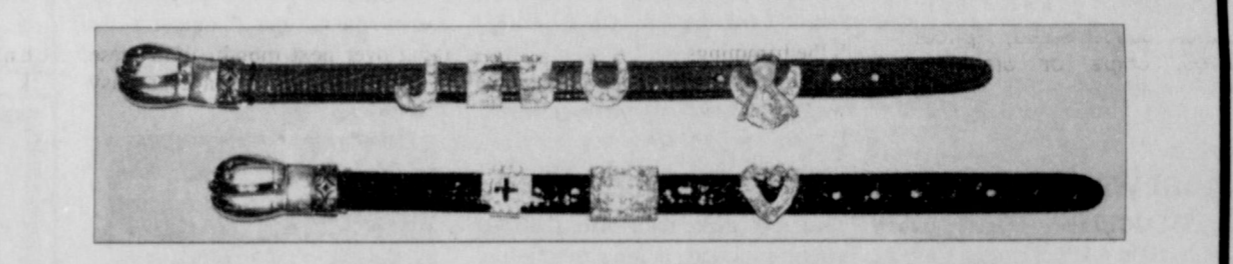
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Obituaries

Whitlock

Funeral services for Dorothy Fae Whitlock, age 85, of Amarillo, Texas, were held Thursday morning, December 16, 2004, at 10:00 a.m. in Trinity Baptist Church, Amarillo, with Dr. David Evans officiating. Burial was in Memory Gardens Cemetery by Schooler Funeral Home. Mrs. Whitlock died Monday morning, December 13, 2004.

Mrs. Whitlock was born May 12, 1919, in Clarendon, Texas, to Oma Allen and Gaye Tyree Scoggins. She attended public schools in Clarendon and in later years attended Amarillo College. She married L.T. Whitlock on July 7, 1935. He preceded her in death in 1989. She was employed by Diamond Shamrock Petroleum Company of Amarillo for many years as an executive secretary until retirement.

Mrs. Whitlock was the last active charter member of Trinity Baptist Church of Amarillo, where she was church organist for a number of years as well as serving the church in many other capacities. She was active in several social and service clubs and volunteered at Amarillo Senior Citizens and nursing homes. She was a member of Clarendon Eastern Star.

Survivors include a son, L.T. "Larry" Whitlock, Jr., and wife Nancy of Berlin, Maryland; a sister, Ruby Dell Estlack of Clarendon; three grandsons, Marcus Whitlock of Kansas City, Missouri; David Whitlock of Tacoma, Washington; and Lance Whitlock of Ocean City, Maryland; two nieces, Jackie Patterson and husband David of Canyon

and Frankie Soderberg and husband Chuck of Escondido, California; a great niece, Marcy Cropper, and a great grand nephew, James Wilson, both of Fort Worth; two great granddaughters, Shelby and Morgan Whitlock of Kansas City; a sister-in-law, Lucille Garrison of Escondido, California; and a host of friends.

Visitation was held from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Wednesday evening, December 15, 2004, at Schooler Funeral Home, 4100 S. Georgia St., Amarillo, Texas.

Scrivner

Memorial services for Lee Scrivner, Jr., age 79, were held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 2, 2004, in Robertson Chapel of Memories with Rev. Darrell Burton, Pastor of the Martin Baptist Church, officiating. Cremation was held on Tuesday, December 21, 2004, in Vega under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc., of Clarendon.

Mr. Scrivner died Saturday, December 28, 2004, in Amarillo. He was born July 13, 1925, at Tatum, New Mexico, and moved from New Mexico to Howardwick in 1991. He married Mary Sue Twilla on August 29, 1957, at Amarillo. He was a rancher most of his life prior to his retirement. He served for more than 20 years as a director in the Hall-Childress Soil and Water Conservation District and received the Farmer/Rancher of the Year Award. He also served for several years on the Bob Wills Celebration Committee. He was a US Navy Veteran of World War II, where he served as a radio operator. He was among the first group of sailors to go into Japan

after the signing of the peace treaty. He was a Baptist.

He was preceded in death by a sister.

Survivors include his wife, Sue Scrivner of Howardwick; a son, Curtis Scrivner of Turkey; a daughter, Sheila Shaw of Washington; and five grandchildren.

Petty

Funeral services for Elsie Irene Bodkin Petty, age 91, were held at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 22, 2004, in the Olton Cemetery with Rev. Sharon Wiese, Pastor of the Olton First United Methodist Church, officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc., of Clarendon.

Mrs. Petty died Sunday, December 19, 2004. She was born October 16, 1913, in Maud, Oklahoma, and was a resident of Olton before moving to Hedley 18 years ago.

She married Charles Weldon Petty on June 13, 1959, at Vernon. She was a homemaker and was a Nazarene.

She was preceded in death by her husband on November 3, 2004, by a daughter, Wanda Katherine Slover, and by a brother, Wilton Bodkin.

Survivors include a son, Harold Gordon and wife Jan of Trapper Creek, Alaska; a brother, Leroy Bodkin and wife Evelyn of Hereford; a niece, Meredith Long of Amarillo; six grandchildren; and several great grandchildren.

The family requests that memorials be made to the Memphis Convalescent Center, Memphis, Texas 79245.

Groom ISD at top of TEA Gold Performance Acknowledgements

Groom Independent School District is one of only two school districts in the state of Texas to receive the most allotments of Gold Performance Acknowledgements from the Texas Education Agency (TEA).

A maximum of eleven possible Gold Performance Acknowledgements (GPA's) could be attained this year. No school district received all eleven this year. Carroll ISD received the "most" with 10 out of 11 areas. Groom was next with 9

out of the 11 GPA's. Nazareth ISD, Patton Springs ISD, and Round Rock Top-Carmine ISD all had 8 out of 11 GPA's. There are over 1,100 public and charter schools in Texas.

"The teachers of Groom ISD are the best there is," said Terry Stevens, Superintendent of Groom ISD. "They work very, very hard at making sure the kids that attend Groom ISD are getting the best education possible. The support from the parents and community all go together to

make this a wonderful school district. The scores just show what we already know, that Groom ISD is one of the top school districts in the state."

The GPA system was developed by the Texas Education Agency to show additional acknowledgements as part of the statewide accountability system. GPA's were awarded this year to districts and campuses that met the acknowledgement standard on one or more of eleven areas.

Local youth represent county at food show

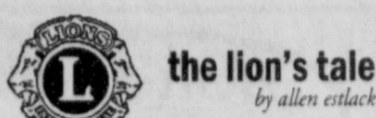
AMARILLO - One hundred twenty-eight 4-H'ers from the top 22 counties of Texas gathered at Westover Park Intermediate School for the Panhandle District 4-H Food Show on Saturday, December 11.

Top youth representing counties in the Panhandle participated in the District 4-H Food Show. Each participant prepared a dish, served it to a panel of adult judges, and answered questions in an interview format concerning the preparation skills

needed to make their dish, the food safety concerns in preparation and storage of their dish, the nutrients in the product, and the effect of the nutrients on their bodies.

Representing Donley County were Maci White and Emilee Blum.

Helping with the judging was Pearl Hermesmyer. Although Maci and Emilee did not place in the top four places, they represented Donley County 4-H very well; and we are proud of their participation.



The Clarendon Lions Club held their regular Tuesday noon meeting December 21, 2004, with Boss Lion Monty Hysinger in charge.

We had 20 members and one guest, Scarlet Estlack, guest of Lion Russell Estlack.

The college is closed until January 3, and the public school closed at noon today. The Greenbelt Holiday Classic will start in one week with 36 high school teams in action.

We divided 40 Christmas food baskets among the members to be delivered to families in Clarendon and Howardwick.

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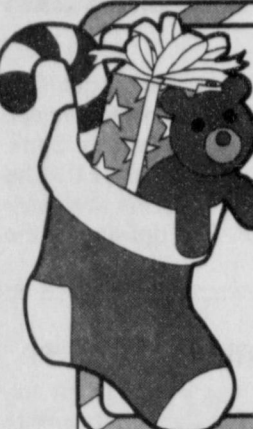
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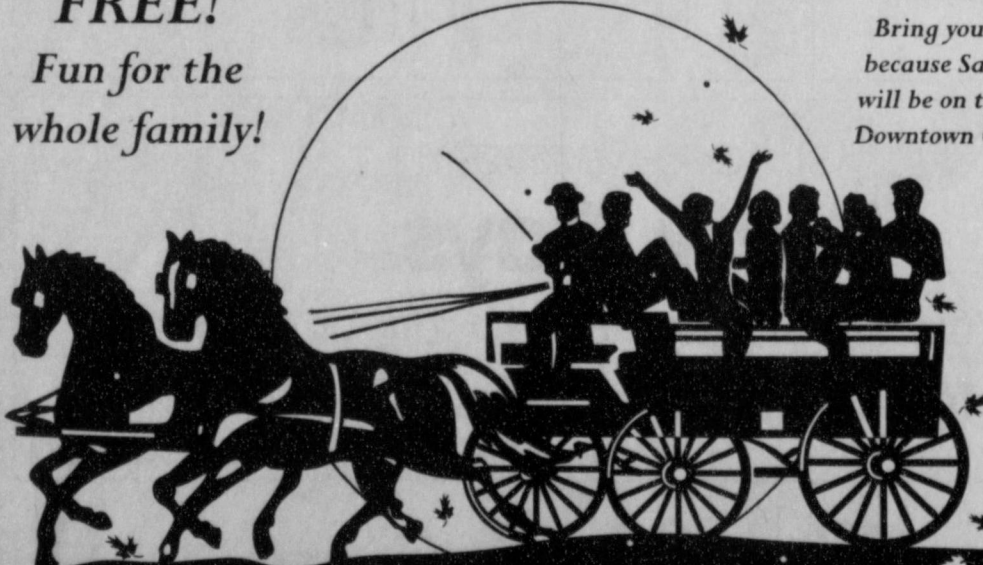
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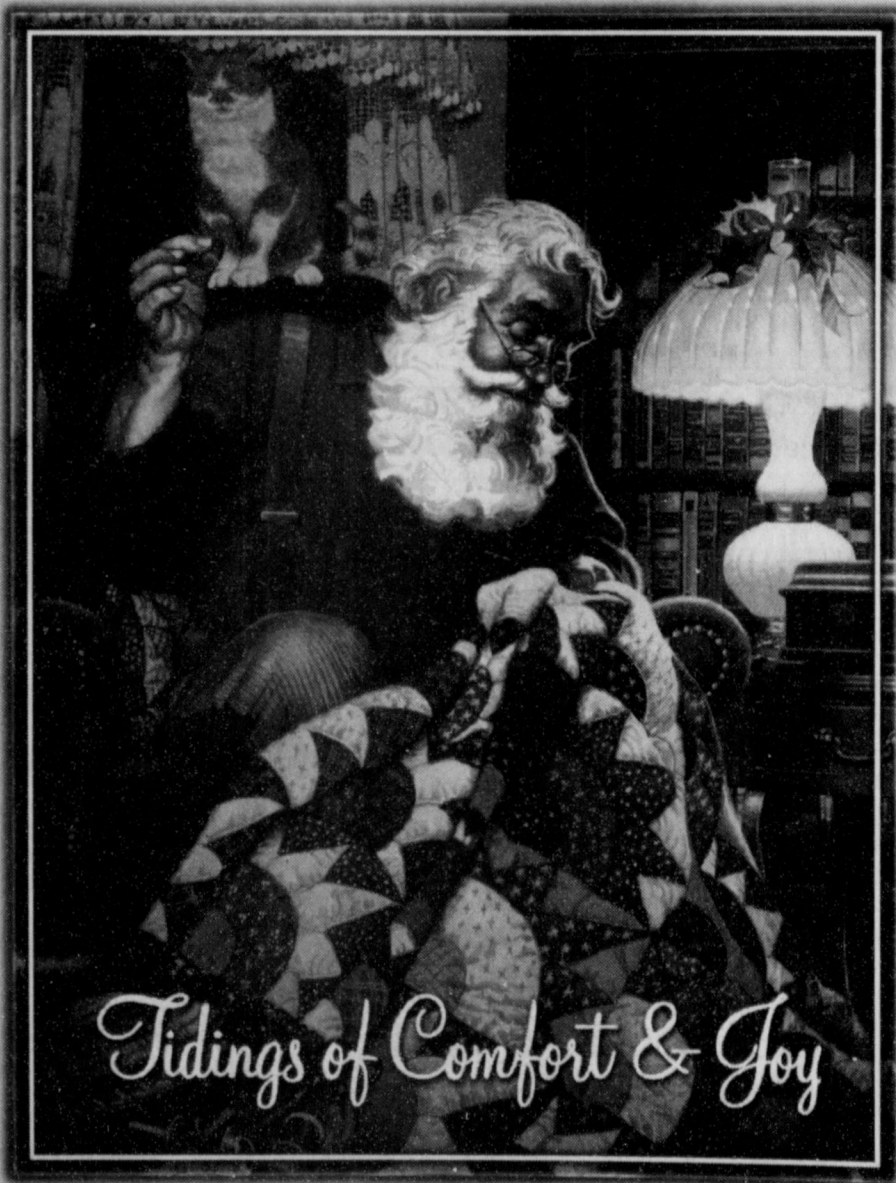
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Broncos defeat Silverton, Canadian

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos traveled to Silverton December 14 and squeezed by the Owls defeating them 48-45.

According to head coach Wade Callaway, the Broncos were relieved to finally play another 1A school, as most of the teams the Broncos have played in their pre-district schedule have been 2A-5A schools.

The Broncos began slowly, but they picked up the pace before the end of the first period. The Broncos held a seven-point lead at the end of the third period and held off any attempt by their opponent to make a charge.

"Silverton was a much improved

ball club from last year with all their players returning, and they are always tough at home," Callaway said. "We played hard, but not always very smart and just couldn't quite put them away. We showed signs of improving in some areas such as shot selection, but they ate us up on the offensive boards for which there is no excuse. All in all we were glad to get out of there with a win."

Scoring: Michael Randall 12, Steven Ballard 10, and Jesse Gowdy 10.

Later in the week, the Broncos went the Canadian Wildcats, who were fresh off the football field, and defeated them 73-53. The Wildcats

took the early lead, but the Broncos exploded in the third period as they outscored their opponent to take and hold the lead until the buzzer.

"We finally played a home game after 13 straight on the road or on neutral courts. We came out pretty flat and were behind at half (25-24). The second half was a different story as we came out and played some of our best ball of the year."

"We got to the free-throw line, limited our turnovers, played unselfishly, rebounded, and did many of the things we'd been talking about improving all season. It was nice to see. Our 29 point outburst in the third quarter gave us a 20-point lead,

which we maintained the rest of the game. If we can put four quarters together like we played the last two, we might end up justifying our #16 ranking in state!"

Scoring: Ben Smith 21, Randall 15, Quentin West 11, Chase Thornberry 8, and Ballard 8.

The Broncos will participate in the second annual Greenbelt Classic to be held December 28-30 at the Bronco Gymnasium. They will face off against Adrian in the opening round at 7:30 p.m. They will host White Deer January 4 at 8:00 p.m., and the first game of their district season will be January 7 on the road against Wellington.

JV, Varsity girls defeat Silverton

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos only played one game the week of December 13, but they made it count when they traveled to Silverton and defeated the Lady Owls, 56-50.

Clarendon took the early five-point lead in the first period and increased their lead to six points at the end of the second half. The win was not handed to the Lady Broncos, however; but they managed to hold off the Lady Owls in the final period and take the six-point win.

"The girls are continuing to work hard in practice," head coach Steve Myatt said. "We haven't gotten to where we want to be yet, but we are getting there."

Scoring: Destiny Weatherston 27, Jessie Anderberg 7, Regan Lemley 7, Caitlan Hall 4, Shanna Shelton 4, Kaitlyn Howard 3, Haley Shelton 3, and Cierra Benavidez 2.

The Lady Broncos will participate in the 2nd Annual Greenbelt Classic to be held December 28-30 at the Bronco Gymnasium. They will face off against Adrian in the opening round at 6:00 p.m. They will host White Deer January 4 at 6:30 p.m., and the first game of their district season will be January 7 on the road against Wellington.

The Lady Bronco junior varsity competed against the Silverton Lady Owls as well and soundly defeated them 58-12.

Clarendon showed its superiority in the first half of regulation as they held them to only two points. The Lady Broncos shut out the Lady Owls in the third period before getting the win.

"The ladies played well," coach Kasey Bell said. "We need to be careful that we do not get complacent in what we do."

Scoring: Katie Askew 13, Anndria Kidd 8, Kimberly Tolbert 8, Kristin White 6, Zan Burks 6, Haley Carter 6, Sade Faas 6, Holly Cornell 4, and Sarah Scrivner 1.

The Lady Bronco JV will resume play after the Christmas break at home against White Deer January 4 beginning at 5:00 p.m. They will begin district play January 7 at Wellington.

Colts stomp Mustangs

Both Junior High Colt teams played hard and were victorious over the Claude Mustangs on the road Monday, December 13.

The seventh grade Colts put four quarters of sound basketball together as they bested Claude 33-10. They dominated from the beginning and received great play from the entire team.

"They played great," coach Brad Elam said. "We jumped on them early and never let up."

Scoring: Nelson Devin 8, Tré Brown 8, Jadon Thornton 6, Glenn Weatherston 4, Jean West 3, Nathan Judd 2, and Ryan Hill 2.

The eighth grade Colts took off and never looked back as they dominated Claude 52-16. The game was never a contest for the team as they took control early on, playing fundamentally sound basketball. Three players were in double figures.

"We were able to dominant from the beginning," Elam said.

Scoring: Wilson 14, Alton Gaines 11, Gribble 10, Jesus Hernandez 5, Billy Cenicerros 4, Johny Ballard 4, and Shelton 4.

Both Colt teams will continue their schedule after the Christmas break January 6 at Wellington with the seventh grade beginning at 5:00 pm and the eighth grade to follow.

JV Broncos travel to Silverton to get 21-point victory over Owls

The Junior Varsity Broncos traveled to Silverton to take on the Owls and came home with the 62-41 win on Tuesday, December 14.

Great offensive play allowed the Broncos to dominate their opponent the entire game. Defensively the Broncos stopped the Owls fairly well and made the big plays when they needed them. Scoring: Dalton Askew 16, Bret Carter 14, Bradley

Sell 10, Morgan Robinson 9, Stephen 9, and Trevor Leeper 4.

The Broncos hosted the Canadian Wildcats December 17 and secured their 43-33 win by playing solid defense. The Broncos led after the first half of play and continued to add to their score until the buzzer.

"The guys played two really good games this week," coach Kerry Teafaatiller said. "I am proud of their

hustle, and they are continuing to improve each week."

Scoring: Carter 10, Robinson 8, Edward Butler 8, Askew 5, Ford 5, Sell 3, Calvin Edwards 3, and Austin Howard 1.

The Bronco JV will resume play after the Christmas break at home against White Deer January 4 beginning at 5:00 p.m., and they will begin district play January 7 at Wellington.

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| 10 | Ben Smith | So. |
| 12 | Steven Ballard | So. |
| 14 | Grady Swearingen | Sr. |
| 24 | Quentin West | Jr. |
| 32 | Jesse Gowdy | Sr. |
| 34 | Michael Randall | Jr. |
| 42 | LaDez Captain | So. |
| 44 | Michael Henderson | Jr. |
| 50 | Chase Thornberry | Jr. |
| 52 | Will Betts | Jr. |
| Head Coach: Wade Callaway | | |
| Assistant: Brad Elam | | |

Lady Broncos

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| 3 | Kaitlyn Howard | Jr. |
| 12 | Shelby Watson | So. |
| 14 | Jessie Anderberg | Sr. |
| 20 | Caitlan Hall | Jr. |
| 22 | Haley Shelton | Jr. |
| 23 | Regan Lemley | So. |
| 24 | Jessica Hernandez | Sr. |
| 30 | Shanna Shelton | Sr. |
| 32 | Destiny Weatherston | Sr. |
| 33 | Jamie Simmons | Sr. |
| 34 | Cierra Benavidez | Sr. |
| 40 | Samantha Myatt | Jr. |
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| Assistant: Kasey Bell, Cara Hathaway | | |
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Bronco Basketball



Owls fall to White Deer

By Will Verstuyft

The Owls traveled to White Deer last Tuesday to take on the Bucks. The Owls expected a good game so they went ready to play. The Owls took off in the first quarter to take the lead by two.

The Owls kept it up, but White Deer matched their numbers, so the Owls were still up only by two going into the half, 30-28. The third quarter was a little unpleasant for the Owls as they dropped the lead by 4. But the fourth quarter was the destruction for the Owls as they were out-scored by 14. The final score was 42-60.

Scoring for Hedley were Stephen Howard 15, Will Wallendorff 10, Eric Alston 7, Cole Llewellyn 4, Matthew Glover 3, and Wes Shields 3.

The Owls faced the Wheeler Mustangs on Friday night, which came out to be the most exciting game so far for Hedley.

In the first quarter the Owls were putting it out but with foul trouble so early for some members it gave Wheeler an early lead. The Owls tried harder in the second but still could not make anything happen. At halftime the score was 24-38.

The Owls went in at halftime, and got a pep talk from Coach Collins, and went back out to start the second half. The Owls went out to over, come a 14+ margin put up by Wheeler. The Owls, who were led by Seniors Eric Alston and Stephen Howard, in the third quarter came out and tore Wheeler up, outscoring them 21-5. The Owls kept the pace going and out-scored Wheeler again 15-5 in fourth. The final score was 60-48.

Scoring for the Owls were Stephen Howard 23, Wes Shields 14, Eric Alston 13, Will Wallendorff 4, Will Verstuyft 3, Andy Alston 2, and Brayden Bennett 1.



All-District honors

Several Hedley Owls have been selected for All-District honors. Making the First Team were (defense) Cole Llewellyn - Linebacker, Stephen Howard - Corner Back, and Wes Shields - Punter. On the Second Team were (offense) Cole Llewellyn - Center and (defense) Eli Luna - Corner Back. Wes Shields had All Region honors as a Punter, and Honorable Mentions went to Matthew Glover, Will Wallendorff, Eric Alston, and Seth Koetting. Cole Llewellyn has also been selected as an alternate to play in the All-Star game in July 2005. Photo courtesy HSO

White Deer defeats Lady Owls

By Tangeia Copelin

The Hedley Lady Owls traveled to White Deer on Monday, December 13, to take on the White Deer Does for the third time this season.

The girls took to the court with determination and played the Does head to head basketball throughout the whole game. The girls went into the locker room at halftime down by 7 points, but they came out the third quarter scoring 9 points and allowing their opponents only two points to tie the ball game up. From there the Lady Owls and Does went back and forth, ending the fourth quarter in a tie ballgame. The girls went into overtime but were unable to fend off the Does' offensive attack and narrowly lost the game.

Those Lady Owls who scored were: Allison Hill an 12 points, Julie Funderburg 11, Sarah Bolin 10, Ruth Anne Howard 8, Lori Bugg 6, and Katie Gregory 1 point.

The Lady Owls next took on the Wheeler Lady 'Stangs on Friday night in an exciting game. The Lady Owls knew the Lady 'Stangs felt they had the edge on them due to their previous loss to them, but they hit the court determined to play tough basketball. The girls held their opponents to within 8 points at the quarter but were unable to overcome them in the end, losing the game 51 to 63.

Lady Owls putting points on the board were: Bugg 15, Bolin 12, Funderburg 9, Hill 8, Gregory 4, and Holly Davis 3 points.

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TxDOT inspects airport

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Photo courtesy Walt Knorpp.

CC regents hire new teachers

The Clarendon College Board of Regents met in regular session December 16 and received a presentation from six members of the CC Pampa Center Foundation board.

The Pampa delegation updated the regents on activities and goals and activities at the satellite campus and outlined some requests regarding marketing and advertising.

A closed session was held concerning ongoing legal action against Reynosa Construction pertaining to the condition of Regents Hall. No action was taken after the closed session.

The board accepted the resignations of Director of Student Services Greg Henry, who will be taking a position with the Donley County State Bank, and of Lady Bulldog Volleyball Coach Bo Pagliasotti, who

has accepted an offer to start a new volleyball program at Southwestern Oklahoma State University, an NCAA Division II school.

The board hired Frank Vance to teach math at the Pampa Center and hired Dr. Ashley Faulkner to teach developmental reading.

An update was given regarding the upcoming accreditation visit by the Southern Association of Colleges & Schools (SACS). A compliance report is due in March, a quality enhancement plan is due in August, and CC will receive a site visit from a SACS team in October.

Regents were also told by Library Director Jewell Houston that books had been moved into the new Vera Dial Dickey Library, and that facility will be ready for the spring semester.

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Lady Colts stomp Claude, 34-16

The eighth grade Lady Colts put it all together and stopped the Lady Mustangs in four solid quarters of basketball at home Monday, December 13. Jumping out to the early lead, the Lady Colts showed their dominance on both ends of the court.

"The girls played hard," coach Steve Myatt said. "They work extremely hard in practice, and it is showing in the games. As we begin the second half of our season, the ladies will have to stay sharp and continue to improve."

Scoring: Abby Massingill 8, Bailey Starnes 7, Haleigh Lewis 6, Janae White 5, Macy Shadle 4, Morgan Hysinger 2, and Kaysea Green 2.

The seventh grade Lady Colts did not fair as well, but they played hard despite the 20-32 loss to the Lady Mustangs. Clarendon fell behind by 12 points at the end of the first period and could never recover from that deficit.

"We just couldn't get anything going," coach Cara Hathaway said. "The girls are playing hard, and I know that it will fall in place for us as we continue our season."

Scoring were Deirdre Lewis 14, Dominique Mason 3, and Jill Luna 3.

Both Lady Colt teams will continue their regular schedule after the Christmas break January 6 at home with the seventh grade beginning at 5:00 pm and the eighth grade to follow.

4-H Spotlight

By Ashlyn Tubbs, Club Reporter

This week's 4-H Spotlight is on 14-year-old Danielle Smith from Hedley.



Smith

Danielle has been in 4-H for five years and has participated in the following projects - photography, veterinarian science, judging, woodworking, food and nutrition, clothing, shooting sports, and fishing.

"My grandfather was the first one who introduced me to 4-H," Danielle says. "And after that, I just kept on going because it was so much fun!"

Danielle has been very active in the 4-H program and has participated in many of the activities that we do in our meetings.

"I like 4-H because you get to meet new people, you learn different things each year that you are in it, and it just helps you prepare for the world better," Danielle said.

Danielle's hobbies include playing tennis, fishing, spending time with her family and friends, visiting historical places, watching movies, and playing games with her family.

4-H is proud that Danielle is a member of our club. We hope that she will continue to come to our meetings and will continue to participate in our 4-H projects.

Be sure to stay tuned next week for our next 4-H spotlight!

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Sheriff's Report: Officers bust meth makers

Dec. 13
12:41 a.m. — See complainant. 200 block S. Parks. Dogs barking.
3:33 a.m. — See complainant. 400 block E. Wood. Dogs barking.
3:51 a.m. — Vehicle accident. Semi v. semi. Hwy. 287 at CR 16.
1:19 p.m. — Stand by. DPS vehicle search. N. Hwy. 70.
3:47 p.m. — DA's office.

Dec. 14
6:22 p.m. — Hwy 287 at Hedley.
6:41 p.m. — Second location in Hedley.
2:21 a.m. — Back to Hedley. Looking for stolen vehicle.

Dec. 15
4:18 p.m. — Away from vehicle.
5:26 p.m. — To jail with two males in custody. Manufacture w/ intent to distribute methamphetamine.
9:06 p.m. — See complainant. 700 E. Burkhead. Possible break in.

Dec. 16
8:19 a.m. — To Childress for court x 5.
3:23 p.m. — See complainant. Kearney St. at RR tracks.
9:54 p.m. — Suspicious activity. S. Burkhead.

Dec. 17
8:40 a.m. — See complainant. 500 block E.

Daniels. Hedley residential break in.
8:51 a.m. — Out at second Hedley location. Oak St.
5:01 p.m. — With pedestrian. 100 block E. First St.
5:43 p.m. — Business alarm. 200 block S. Kearney.
5:58 p.m. — Out at high school gym.
11:28 p.m. — To jail with one female in custody. DWI. Possible controlled substance.

Dec. 18
1:25 p.m. — Check for skateboarders on Hwy. 287 between S. Taylor and S. Koogle.
7:31 p.m. — See complainant. 200 block Daniels. Hedley.
7:36 p.m. — Second Hedley location. 200 block Reeves.
7:40 p.m. — To jail with one male in custody.

Dec. 19
7:17 a.m. — EMS assist. 400 block S. McLean.
6:00 p.m. — Secure building. 200 block S. Kearney.

Summary
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Howardwick Aldermen hold regular meeting

The Howardwick Board of Aldermen met in regular session on Tuesday, December 14, in the Howardwick City Hall.

Donna Murdock gave the report for the fire department in the absence of Chief Joe Zeyen.

Alderman Bobby Murdock reported that two tires had been replaced on the backhoe and that work was being done on the roads in the Carroll Creek Acres section. Alderman Buster Baird said the city is trying to get some rap to work on the roads.

Alderman Marvin Elam updated the board on a grant he is working on for the city.

Mayor Nancy Davis gave a report that everything is running real smooth in the office, and she thanked everyone for helping throughout the year.

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Letters To Santa

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Dear Santa,

I want a Taft 2 video game for a Play Station. I want a game boy. I hope I see you soon, Santa! I hope my Mom gets to see you, too.

Breelyn Mireles
Age 6

Dear Santa,

I want a horse book, a stroller, and a Bible. I miss you, Santa! I'll be waiting for you at my house.

Love,
Hannah Hommel
Age 5

Dear Santa,

For Christmas this year, I would like my family to be happy and nice. I would also like a motorcycle. You can also surprise me with a lot more presents.

Your friend,
Justan Shadle
Age 5

Dear Santa,

I want rings, new Barbies, and Barbie clothes. Thank you Santa for the toys. Be careful.

Love always,
Brooke Smith
Age 5

Dear Santa,

I want a blue cow truck, different colors of paint, and a blue boat. Thank you and be careful on your way to Clarendon.

Bye,
Richee Tiedeman
Age 5

Dear Santa,

I want an X-Box video game called football. I want a little motorcycle that I can ride in. I also would like new Santa Claus books. I want to go to the North Pole with you!

I love you,
Riley Shadle
Age 6

Dear Santa,

I want a new pink bicycle, a blue motor scooter, and a Santa Claus book. I would like to go to the North Pole to see you. I love you.

Bye,
Jensen Hatley
Age 5

Dear Santa,

I want toy numbers to work on my math and a toy monkey family. I would also like a toy stuffed whale. I will feed the reindeer for you!

Love,
Jesse Aebischer-Like
Age 5

Dear Santa,

I would like a red toy truck, a blue big wheel motorcycle, and a brown toy dirt bike. Good luck!

Bye,
Keandre Cortez

Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie present. I want to go see my Dad. I would also like Barbie jewelry. I want you to come over.

Love,
Sarah Williams

Hello Santa,

I would like a pink bike that I can ride to school. I really want a pet monkey that can live with me in my room. Also I want new books.

Thank you,
Blayne Layton
Age 6

Hi Santa,

I want a scare-crow, a new water bottle, and five puppies. I want you to have a safe tripl

Bye,
Toby Lindsey
Age 6

Dear Santa:

I want a pony house, puzzles, and new snacks to eat at home. I miss you Santa.

Boston Curry
Age 5

Dear Santa:

I want an X-Men toy, a Transformer, and Poke-mon cards. I will be at home in the ranch. I was a good boy this year.

Seth Greer
Age 5

Mrs. Claus:

This year I want a little horse that I can ride to school. I also want a little playhouse and a tent. Thank you for all the present.

Love,
Victoria Martinez
Age 5

Dear Santa,

I want Yu-Gi-Oh cards, a ninja costume, and a bat and ball that is green with stripes. Be careful and have a safe trip.

Bye,
Marshal Johnson
Age 5

Dear Santa,

I want a new bicycle with red on it. I also want new Hot Wheels and a rug with maps on it. Thank you.

Bye,
Jacob Anglin
Age 5

Dear Santa,

I want a dinosaur truck with Hot Wheel cars. I also want a slime volcano with fire cars on it and the movie "Teen Titans." I miss you!

Thank you,
Quintin Reese
Age 5

Dear Santa,

I want a new red bike and a little kitten. I also want a puff dog. I want Mrs. Claus to bring me the kitten, please. I am going to buy something to give you for Christmas.

I love you both,
Briana Butler
Age 5

Dear Santa,

I've been a good boy this year. How are the reindeer doing? For Christmas, I want a dirt bike, b.b. gun, a little horse, football helmet, football pads, big angel, little church set, glow-in-the-dark blanket and a new window for my bedroom. I will leave the door unlocked for you Christmas Eve. Drive safely!

Love,
Brandon Anderson
Age 8

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. How have your reindeer been doing? I would like a Barbie, fake little snake, fake big turtle, new Barbie bike (cause the tires on the one I have are flat and I can't ride it), picture frame, fake kitty, a comforter with a picture of me on it that I can put on my bed, a fake dog and a baseball set. I am going to leave cookies and milk out for you.

Love,
Shelby Baxter
Age: 6

Dear Santa,

I have been good for now. Please Santa, will you bring me a new blue bike? I also want a football, football game, GI Joes, Cobra eling and a new racecar. I want my sister, Sophie, to have a Barbie. Alex needs a Ninja Turtle. My Mom needs a new couch. Dad needs a new tool box. Be careful at Christmas. Watch out for lightning, just in case it is raining.

Your friend,
Cooper Bilbrey
Age: 7

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? I hope you have a good Christmas. I want a play cell phone, nice bear, toy cat, nice sweater, nice dress, make-up dress, Barbie and a doll with a cell phone in it. My Dad wants a football shirt. My Momma wants a jewelry box with jewelry in it. My two little sisters want a Barbie, too. My littlest sister wants a play rattle. That's all.

Love,
Damara Brown
Age: 6

P.S. I will leave you some cookies and milk under the Christmas tree.

Love,
Kendra Davis
Age: 6

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. For Christmas, I want a sled, 4-wheeler (if you have enough money for one), miniature horse, X-Box, paintball gun, hunting suit, new gun (because my b.b. gun doesn't work) and a sister for Dexter (my dog). I will leave cookies and milk out for you.

Love,
Kaden Bennett
Age: 6

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. I want a baby hog, small gate, Sponge Bob t.v., a little t.v. and two bowls for the hogs. That's about it that I can think of. I hope the weather is nice so you can drive safely!

Love,
Chrislyn Durham
Age: 7

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. How have you been? I would like an Easy Bake Oven, flute, fake car seat for my babies, Slurpy Maker and a Marshmallow Toaster for Christmas. Dustin would like a guitar. Cody wants new pajamas (he doesn't have any that match). Mom would like a new couch. Dad would like new jeans. Have a Happy Christmas! I promise I will leave cookies and milk out for you on the kitchen table.

Love,
Jacee Crump, Age: 6



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CHRISTMAS SECTION

December 23, 2004

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year. I want a bow and arrow for Christmas. I would also like a Power Ranger Dino-Thunder Truck. I need a Texas Tech football suit so I can play football against my Dad, who is an Aggie. I will leave cookies and hot chocolate out for you on our fireplace.

Love,
Blaine Ellis
Age: 7

Dear Santa,
I have been good a lot this year. I want a 4-wheeler so I can chase the cows, a red bike with flames and a Bears football jersey because my Uncle likes them. Santa, please bring my Uncle here because he is my friend. He lives in California. I will give you cookies if you come to my house.

Love,
Ray Jaramillo
Age: 7

Dear Santa,
I love you. I hope you like milk and cookies because everyone is leaving them out for you this year! I would like a bow and arrow, shotgun, bowling ball and dirt bike. How is Rudolph, the red-nosed reindeer, doing? Will he pull your sleigh this year? I hope you have a safe trip coming here.

Love,
Wesley Keelin
Age: 7

Dear Santa,
Christmas is fun! I like the presents you give me and so does my sister and brother. He loves toys. I love you, Santa. I want a horse, cell-phone, a ring for my Momma, a car for my Dad, fake car for Victoria and a rattle for my baby brother, Kyler. I would like a real house for my whole family. That's it. Happy Christmas, Santa.

Love,
Jade Martinez
Age: 7

Dear Santa,
You are nice. I have been good all year. I am sending you a letter to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a pool because mine got broke, some toys, p.j.'s and some church shoes because my Dog tore mine up. I will leave you some cookies and milk, like I do every year.

Alicia Medina
Age: 6

Dear Santa,
You are a good worker. I want a hot tub with roses and money. I would like some Barbies, a car, high-heeled boots and some baby puppies put in costumes. I love you, Santa. How is Rudolph doing? I hope he can learn how to fly now. He is in front of all the reindeer because he has the shiniest nose and I love him. He is the greatest reindeer. I wish he was still little and I could pet him. I love him more than any of the other reindeer. You are the best worker in the world!

I love you, Santa and Rudolph!

Brittany Bennett
Age: 8

Dear Santa,
How is it in the North Pole? Is it cold? How do you keep warm? Why do you have elves? I want you to bring me a Barbie car just right for me to ride, two Barbies, a pink bike, a real Barbie phone, a toy horse, a saddle, matching clothes for me and Amanda and three Teddy Bears. I want to leave out cookies and milk for you but I don't know what kind you like. I guess I'm gonna leave out chocolate chip cookies and white milk.

Love,
Kimbra McConnell Mills
Age: 7

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I love you, Santa. I want a new

red and black bike, a dirt bike, new Army stuff, a little Army Hum-V and truck, big soldier, a little Star Wars ship, some real gold and a new baseball bat. I will leave you cookies and milk on my table.

Love,
Israel Osburn
Age: 7

Dear Santa,
I have been really good this year! Why did you name Rudolph, Rudolph? Why do your elves have pointy ears? That is kinda weird.

I want a Princess Dora, an Air Soccer Ball that comes back to you when you kick it, a Hershey's Kiss maker machine, trampoline, Cotton Candy Maker, hula-hoop, Marshmallow Roaster, Spider Man mask and singing Santa Claus from the new Wal-Mart. The new Wal-Mart is really cool because Kenzie bought her bike there and got to ride it out of the store! I will leave you some milk and cookies on my table. My Momma will bake some chocolate chip cookies. She is a good cook so they will be good. Don't let your reindeer fly too fast because the snow might get in their eyes and they won't be able to see where they are going.

Love,
Taylor Perryman
Age: 6

Dear Santa,
I love you, Santa. Please bring me a toy that sings -

Barbie. If you give me Baby Born, I will give you a hug. Please give me a pony that sings. I would really like the Dora Princess with the growing hair. I will leave you cookies and milk and carrots for your reindeer. Don't forget to bring some boy toys for Marshal and Trajen. Max and Jesse need a bone toy and a toy that squeaks. Give the kitties some water and toys.

Love,
Emily Johnson
Age: 4

Dear Santa,
Hi! How is Rudolph doing? I have been good sometimes this year. Can you bring me some toys anyway? I want a 4-wheeler, a red bike and football stuff. For my sisters, I would like them to have a pink Barbie car. For my Mom, I would like her to have a new couch. For my Dad, I would

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like for him to have some more hate for work. I will leave you some chocolate chip cookies and milk on my table.

Love,
Johnathon Taylor
Age: 7

Dear Santa,
Please put something in my Mom and Dad's stocking this year. My Mom would like some Bath and Body Works lotions and perfumes. Also some bath salts. I think the scents she would like are blackberry, vanilla, and country apple. I am not sure what my Dad will like, so you can just put whatever you want in his. My list is enclosed in the envelope. I hope you have a very Merry Christmas.

Happy Holidays,
Sarah Schrader

P.S. How are you and Mrs. Clause doing?

I would like these things for Christmas - exercise ball, the game "scene it!", Disney Mania 2, other CDs, beanie babies (some of the ones I really want), lotions, perfumes, bath salts, Felicity or Nellie, Kit's or Nellie's pajama's for me, American Girl clothes for me and my dolls, Skylar from Hop Scotch Hill, Gwen from Hopscotch Hill. Peanut would like these for Christmas - dog toys, a doggie tooth brush, dog treats, a leash, and (I would like this to) a dog bark detector (helps you understand what a dog says when it barks).

Thank you!
Sarah

Dear Santa Clause,
This year I would like jeans, bike, brat dolls, keyboard, guitar, more clothes, laptop, Polly Pocket Roller Coaster Hotel, Fuzzy Fur picture kit, a picture of you and Mrs. Claus with all of your elfs and a picture of you and Mrs.

Claus with all your reindeer. Oh and Santa Claus, please don't forget my baby sister, Brooklyn. She really likes Sesame Street, Barney, and she really loves Care Bear, Pooh Bear, Tiger, Ewok, and Piglet.

P.S. Santa on the "I would like a picture of the reindeer with you and Mrs. Claus" I would like you and Mrs. Claus with all the reindeer especially with Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer.

Yours truly,
Samantha Flett

Dear Santa,
This year I would like cell phone Barbie with cell phone, Hummer, motorcycle, roller skates, clothes, a lucky dog, Brat doll, a cat named Sweetie Pie, playhouse laptop.

Thank you,
Love always
Damara Brown
Age 6

P.S. I will have cookies and milk for you.

Dear Santa,
I would like a Hummer Play Phone, Video Now, Sponge Bob Square Pants TV, Barbie car bed, computer, Barbie Dolls. Have a Happy Christmas.

Love Always,
Lynzee Bryley
Age 8

P.S. I would like to have a Brat Doll also. I will leave you milk and cookies.

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like to have a Hummer, a purse with my initial on it, clothes, video now, Brat doll, stocking full of candy, CD player, Barbie car bed.

Thank you,
Glory Bryley, Age 8

P.S. I will leave you milk and cookies for leaving me all the stuff I asked for.

Dear Santa,
My name is Dora. I am 4 years old. I have been really good this year. Here's what I want. I would like some Polly Pockete, Barbies, Make-Up, Clothes, a Baby Doll, and some clothes for it. That is all I would like.

Love,
Dora

P.S. I will leave you some milk and cookies on the table.

Dear Santa,
I am a 17 month old little girl who loves to take the ornaments off of the Christmas tree. I've tried to be good this year. I like to read books, play with balls, and play with anything that makes noise. Please remember my cousins Bryce, Jensen, and Brock. Thank you!

Love,
Emerl Robinson

Dear Santa,
I have tried real hard to be a good boy this year, but sometimes that is real hard for me. I will keep trying. All I want this year is a plastic gun that shoots real bullets, a shiny sheriff badge or maybe you better bring me a chief deputy badge. And I want a brand new white truck with real pretty red and blue lights on it that go around and around, and a siren that makes a lot of noise. And a great big ten gallon white hat. The good guys always wear white hats and drive white trucks. And if you have one, maybe a big white horse.

Your friend,
Randy Bond

Dear Santa,
I want a go-cart, but I really, really want a Play Station 2 and some games with it.

Love,
Seth Ruthardt
3rd Grade

Dear Santa,
I want a VCR, a bike, a Glow A lot Care Bear, a new trampoline, a tree house, some snowshoes, some warm clothes, and some Barbies.

Your friend,
Kristen Limer
3rd Grade

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle.

From,
Denver Chambliss
3rd Grade

Dear Santa,
I want a mini rescue jet, a real computer, some red pens, a new bike, and a Play Station 2.

Love,
Oscar Felan
3rd Grade

Dear Santa,
I want a Sharpe Basic, a bird trap, a hunting knife, and an X Box

Your friend,
Jake Owens
3rd Grade

Dear Santa,
I am ready for Christmas. The four things I would like is a Bratz doll, the Hillary Duff CD, a CD player like Lora's, and an X Box with one game.

I love you,
Maggie Collins,
3rd Grade

God Bless You
*At this holy time of year
We wish our friends both far and near
A very joyous holiday
Thanks for stopping by our way!*

Osburn Appliance
Rabbit and Shirley

Welcome The Season!

As we welcome the holiday spirit into our homes and our hearts, we're reminded of how proud we feel to serve this community, and hope that the holiday delivers much joy and good fortune to your doorstep.

**Joe T. Lovell
Real Estate**

**JOY
LOVE
PEACE**

**HOPE
HEALTH
HARMONY**

**FAMILY
FRIENDS
NEIGHBORS**

Wishing You Every Happiness This Holiday Season.
We're truly grateful for all your loyal support.

**Donley County Hospital District
Board of Directors**

**Medical Center Nursing Home
Residents, Staff, & Administration**

Associated Ambulance Authority

**Greetings
of the Season**

In the course of doing business this past year, we feel blessed to have made many new acquaintances and have enjoyed the opportunity to serve many of you whom we know so well.

For this privilege we are grateful and wish you all a very Merry Christmas filled with glad tidings from beginning to end. May the New Year bring you joy and prosperity.

Dear Santa,

I want a boom box 4 feet tall, a mini dirtbike, a N-Strike gun, an electric globe, Home on the Range, Need for Speed 2, and a collection of Hulk magazines.

Kyle Lindsey, 3rd Grade

Dear Santa,

I want a sled for Christmas. I also want a big jar of stuff you make hot cocoa with. I would like a boom box because I had to give mine to Hannah, my sister. I want a stuffed animal horse and a stuffed animal dog. I want a lamp for my room and a new bike because we can't fix mine. I want a new warm coat so I don't have to wear my other one. And best of all, I want a Junie B Jones book.

Love,

Deborah Howard, 3rd Grade

Dear Santa,

I am pretty and precious. I have been a good girl sometimes. I want a baby doll that poops. I need some pants like Lizzie McGuire's. Please bring Daddy some tolle and Mom a coke with a straw. I want a puppy like Newman. I have some ice cream for you.

I love you,
Jamie Lollar

Dear Santa,

How's the North Pole? I bet it's really cold. I can't wait for it to start snowing here in Hedley. When it does, I'm going to make a reindeer.

For Christmas, I would like a basketball and some hairclips, but most of all I would like all the kids in the world to have a great Christmas.

Thank you and Merry Christmas!

Your friend,
Lydia Howard, 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I've been a good boy and hear is a couple of things I want. I would like mini moto and a go-cart. I would love for the men in Iraq to come home for the holiday. And that's about all I want. Oh I almost forgot I would also like a puppy and let the families who have lost a loved one get a whole lot of things to cheer them up. I'll leave some cookies out for you.

Merry Christmas,
Zack Sargent, 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I am ready for Christmas and I have been a good boy. How is Rudolph and all the other reindeer? For Christmas I want a go cart and a remote control hummer. Thank you.

Your friend,
Caden Farris

Dear Santa Claus,

How you doing? I was wondering if you could bring home

some soldiers from Iraq? So they will be safe and their families miss them. I have not been a bad boy. I was wondering if you could give me some pants and some shirts? I want a new bike please.

Brady Montgomery, 4th grade
P.S. How is Rudolf doing?

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph and all the other reindeer? I hope I have been a good boy this year. If I have, I would like a remote control hummer and the Incredibles Play Station Two game. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,
Austin Adams, 4th grade

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? I hope he is good, so he can help you deliver toys. I would like 12 gauge shot gun and a video game for my Xbox called Call of Duty.

Your friend,
Alex Mejia, 4th grade

Dear Mr. Claus,

I know you are really busy right now. This year I only want a few things. One thing I really want is Shrek 2. I had a chance to see it but my best friend Lydia Howard couldn't go and see it so I went with her. Some other things I want is Fib Finder, Elf the Movie, and some new clothes especially a scarf. Hope it's not too cold up there at the North Pole.

Love,
Sierra Wheatly
4th grade

P.S. Please help my friend Sarah Bryant get comfortable at Clarendon ISD. She just transferred there.

Dear Santa Claus,
How is Rudolph? Is his nose still red? I miss you so so much.

For Christmas I would like a head phones and a slinky and a pogo stick, and a puppy.

Love,
Richard Like, Hedley

Yours truly,
Lacie Like, 4th grade

Dear Santa Claus,

How are your reindeers? I'm going to be a good little girl. I hope. For Christmas, I would like some new toys. That's all I would like.

Sincerely yours,
Kari Maldonado, 4th grade

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like to have a Buzz Lightyear and Buzz Lightyear spaceship, and the Buzz Lightyear shirt, and the Buzz Lightyear movie, and some

Dear Santa,
How are the reindeer doing. My name is Jacob. I have been a very good boy. This year for Christmas I would like a Nintendo 64. Santa, will you give me a pair of new shoes. Merry Christmas!

Love,
Jacob

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like to have a paint ball gun and a Game Cub, and a cowboy hat, and Black Hawk Down Nintendo Game, and the game Need for Speed.

Love,
Lucian Gray, Wellington, TX
I will leave cookies for you.

It's Time To Say "Thanks!"



... And to wish you a season of peace and joy. We loved every minute of serving you this past year.

Guys & Dolls
Brenda, Ethie, Carol, Colleen, Mary, & Susie

In The Spirit Of The Season

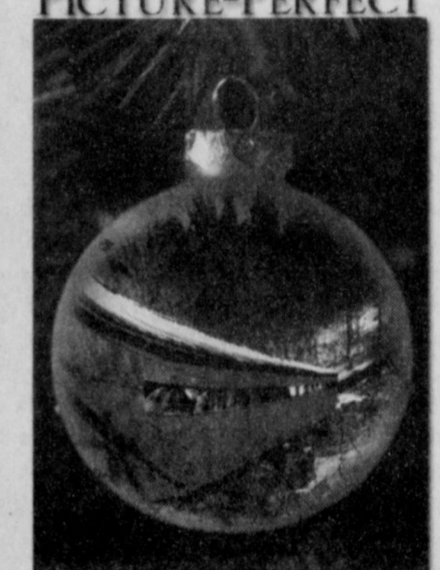
Christmas is more than a holiday -
It's a time to reflect on all the friendships and blessings we've enjoyed in the past year. We feel truly fortunate to count you among them and hope you will join us in wishing for worldwide peace this holiday season.

Noel!

Country Bloomers
Flowers & Gifts

Gerald, Julie, and staff

HAVE A PICTURE-PERFECT HOLIDAY!



Wishing you and yours all the trimmings of a truly delightful holiday season.

Thank you for your very generous support this year.

It's been great serving you!


Clarendon Insurance Agency

Peace Be With You

May the coming season bring peace to your home and joy to your heart. We really appreciate all the joy you've brought to us with your visits.

Merry Christmas!

Clarendon Veterinary Hospital and Clarendon Veterinary Supply





Happy Holidays To You

With gratitude, we extend our best wishes for a happy and healthy holiday season to each and every one of you. Your business is always appreciated. Thank you for visiting us this past year. We look forward to seeing you in 2004.

Kenny's Barber Shop
Kenny & Donna Black
We will be closed December 24-25

GLORY TO THE NEWBORN KING!

Wishing you and yours exceeding great joy as together we celebrate the holy birth of our Savior.



Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like to have a leather jacket, a Kallie Girl and Shark Tales video game, nail polish, makeup, Easy Bake Oven, button up shirt, new shoes, new jeans, and then jewelry. I will leave you milk and cookies.

Love,
Katie Adams
Hedley

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like to have a Play Station and for my Playstation Game James Bond. Then can I please have a pokemon fire red? Then can I have a water gun and a 50 piece army set?

Love,
Wyatt Wheatly
P.S. Don't forget the Playstation.

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like to have white fingernail polish. Also I would like a kitten. I would like a game boy and a projector with planets in it with the batteries, a slinky, a TV, a lether jacket.

Love,
Sheridan Hoyer, Memphis

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like to have a game cube, and Black Hawk Down the movie, 5 new Game Cube games, and a new TV, and a little puppy.

Love,
Grayson Morris

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like to have some real makeup, and I would like to have some plastic jewelry. I would also like some clothes, and a little stuffed animal, and some nail polish, and a new Baby Puppy or a Baby Kitten, and a Baby Sitter Club book number #39. I'll try to leave cookies!

Love,
Madalyn Verstuyft, Hedley
P.S. I forgot Easy Bake Oven.

Dear Santa,

Thank you very much for my gifts you gave me last year. I

O Christmas Tree

Festive tidings to one and all.



White's
Feed & Seed

have been kinda good this year so would you bring me a Game Cube and a Sargent War game and a James Bond game. Please bring Freckles a sweater. I will leave you a glass of milk and a lot of cookies.

Merry Christmas,
Matthew Sweet, Hedley

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like for you to bring me the game Kingdom of Hearts, a toy robot, the game Spiderman 2, the game Nascar 2004, Shrek 2 the game, a drawing kit, a pocket knife, a pet cat, and computer games.

Thank you,
Ashton

Dear Old Santa,

My name is Cristal Ramirez. I would like a new blue dress. I would also like a new jacket.

Thank you and Merry Christmas.

Cristal

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Alizae Cooper. I would like a pink toy. Merry Christmas and thank you!

Alizae

Dear Santa,

My name is Casey. I live in Lelia Lake. For Christmas I would like for you to bring me a bull riding helmet. New chinks would be great too. My Mom and Dad really need a new computer! Cooper wants some new little toys. I will leave you 'milk and cookies!

Love,
Casey McCleskey

Dear Santa,

My name is Kallie. I want a

doctor set please. Merry Christmas!

Kallie

Dear Santa Claus,

How is Rudolph? How is the weather at the North Pole? I would like a four-wheeler. I'd also like a Bible and \$10,000. I would really like a doggie.

I am gonna leave you some chocolate chip cookies and some milk.

P.S. My name is Kade McCleskey

Dear Santa Claus,

I hope it's not to cold up there at the North Pole.

This year I want a toy dog, not a real dog. A real horse, toy pigs, and clothes and shoes. I also want a toy red dragon, a toy bunny, a new bike, but a little bike! I might fall off. A toy car

Spread Joy All Around!

Here's hoping that your holidays are filled with joy and love.

Merry Christmas from everyone at

Paula's Daycare

We Hope It's Merry!

How sweet it is, to offer you our sincere wishes for a wonderful holiday season.

Donley County Appraisal District

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

We would like to wish all our family and friends in Clarendon and abroad a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Cennet Rhode and Fifi

Merry Christmas

From All of Us at

Texas Steakout

At this special time of year, please accept our sincere wishes for a holiday that's deeply satisfying from start to finish. Your support has meant so much to us. Thanks, everyone!



Hark! The Herald Angels Sing!

As we count our blessings this holiday season and reflect on the miracle of life, we realize how much ours has been enhanced by knowing and serving all of you. May you and your loved ones revel in the joy of the season, and please accept our best wishes and gratitude.

Security Abstract Company

Season's Greetings

There's no place we'd rather be than serving this community. And when the holiday is through, we feel privileged to remain with you!

Merry Christmas and many thanks to all our friends this holiday season.

We look forward to spending another year with you, and to providing you with the best service we can.

Greenbelt Electric Cooperative, Inc.

To all our family and friends

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Billy Ray & Janice Johnston

and a toy kangaroo, a USA flag and a Dell computer.

How's Mrs. Claus? And the reindeer? Does Rudolph's nose really glow? I'll leave chocolate ice cream with sprinkles out for you! Have a safe trip!

Your friend,
Jennifer

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? Is it cold in the North Pole? For Christmas I would like a race car game, a remote control airplane, and a remote control monster truck. I will leave you cookies and milk. Be careful on your trip.

Your friend,
Braddon Stephens

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph and all the other reindeer? Is it cold? For Christmas I would like a go cart, a rabbit, a dog, a toy car, someone to play with, and a toy horse.

Santa, I will leave you some milk and cookies. Have a safe trip.

Love,
Clay Koetting

Dear Santa,

How's Rudolph? Here is the list of things I want. I want a truck, car, a gun, a basketball, a watch, a toy dragon, a flag, a go-cart, a motorcycle, a rocket, a jet, a four-wheeler, a toy tiger, a mask, and a girl friend. Santa, I want to know, does Rudolph's nose really glow? When you get to my house, there will be cheese waiting for you on the table.

Merry Christmas,
Dante

Dear Santa Claus,

How are your raindeers? Is it cold at the North Pole?

For Christmas, I would like a four wheeler, a kitten, a dog, and a rabbit, please. I would

like a dirt bike and a bunny cage and also a dog house. I would like one thousand dollars and a remote control four wheeler. I would like to meet Rudolph. I would like a turkey. I will leave you some milk and cookies.

Your friend,
Frank Ramirez

Dear Mr. Claus,

I miss you very much. I can't wait till you come visit. I would really enjoy a puppy dog and a kitty cat. If it's not too much trouble, I would like a stuffed horse. But, most of all, I want a Barbie trike. Thanks and Merry Christmas!

Love,
Hannah Howard

P.S. Some milk and cookies will be by the tree.

Dear Santa,

What is Rudolph doing right now? How is Santa doing? I want a motorcycle, a toy army set, a toy cash register, and some Legos. We will leave cookies and milk for your snack.

Your friend,
Cody Cabler

Dear Santa,

How is the North Pole? Is it cold there? How are your deer? I would like a new Barbie house, a new 4-wheeler, a Game Boy, a toy race car, a new bike, a puppy and a cat, a play angel, a game for my Game Boy, a doll, a remote control care, blocks, a play plane, and a play kitchen. Have a safe trip. I'll leave you some milk and cookies.

Your friend,
Kylie Wood

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good girl this year. This year for Christmas I would like a toy Hummer, Video Now, Roller blades, a Brat doll with two cell phones, Barbie

car bed, stocking full of candy. I would also like all kinds of clothes - pants, shirts, skirts, shoes, black boots, tennishoes, flip flops and church shoes.

Sincerely,
Glory Bryley

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good boy this year. This year for Christmas I would like a new bike, a football, a baseball and a bat.

Sincerely,
Jonathon Cartwright

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy this year. This year I would like a snowboard, skateboard, new video games for my X-box.

Sincerely,
Brandon Miller

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy this year. I would like a drum set, TV, a pet lizard, video games, a new skateboard and a new bike. I would also like a 100 on my spelling test for Christmas.

Sincerely,
Tony Saitta

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good girl this year. This year for Christmas I would like a little Jumpin- Gym that you can jump

on. The William Hung CD. He is the singer on American Idol. I would also like the WWE theme song CD. The WCW movie with Rick Mick Folly in it. The Eddie Guerrero Story about what happened to him. 4 tickets to the Sponge Bob Squarepants movie, a Basketball, the Avril Lavigne CD, and a hamster.

Sincerely,
Shaydee Brown

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good girl this year. This year for Christmas I would like a Basketball, Avril Lavigne CD, Elf the DVD,

roller skates, santa doll, invisible diary, Spongebob Disk from Video Now, a Smores maker and Cheetah girls CD.

Sincerely,
Leslie Stone

Dear Santa Clause,

I would like a stereo, grey cowboy hat, and spurs. I have been a really good boy. To be a really good boy I had to mow the yard, help my dad with the trash, and the truck.

Love, David

Dear Santa Claus,

I have been a very good girl.

This year I would like a Brite Light Club, a Sponge Bob Video Now, a new dress, a Lovecub, a Scooby-Doo 2 game and a new computer.

Sincerely,
Shannon Jordan

Dear Santa,

How is Red-nose Reindeer? How are you, Santa? I want an electric guitar and a whole drum set, another different guitar, and then two guitar stands, a remote control hummer, a open-up Hummer, and a bicycle, and a car with a gas station on it.

Tanner Stavenhagen, Age 5

Season's Greetings

May all the joys of a sweet, old-fashioned Christmas be yours. Thank you for being such loyal customers.

Mr. Fix It
Kyle Hill

AWAY IN A MANGER

From the moment of His holy birth,
He spread His love and light throughout the earth:
Bringing a message of peace to everyone —
So let's give thanks to Our Father, for the gift of His son.
With warm wishes and thanks this Christmas season.

Clarendon Family Medical Center

Deck The Halls!

Wishing you and yours, all the trimmings of a beautiful holiday season.

Wallace Monument



A TIME FOR GIVING

The most precious gift of all, is the gift of friendship.
We thank you so much, for giving us yours. Happy Holidays!

DQ

Parrish, Karen Taylor, Bob, Kathy, Steve, Chris Carson, Angie, Samantha, David, Isabel, Sandy, Joel, Courtney, Lacey, Chris Day, Samuel, Karen Patten, Meghan, and Chrystal.



*Season's Greetings
From Our Home To Yours*

We're displaying our holiday cheer
To thank you all for stopping here —

And after the business day is through,
Please take our best wishes home with you!

"Sam Hill"
Pit BBQ

On This Joyous Occasion

We'd like to display our best wishes and appreciation for the many good people we've had the privilege to meet and serve this past year.

Here's hoping your holiday is merry and bright in every way.
Thanks!

**James T. Shelton
Law Office**

All Things Merry And Bright



Clarendon College has been helping students reach their dreams of higher learning since 1898. We have seen many students pass through our doors and leave with a brighter future.

During this special time of year, the faculty, staff, and students would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season. May all your Christmas dreams come true.



CLARENDON COLLEGE

Opening Doors, Changing Lives

Dear Santa Claus,

This year for Christmas I would like a big blue pool in my backyard. I also want a cotton candy machine! But the most of all I want a little Brat doll driving a play Hummer and clothes with it. And a pair of clothes for me size 12, new socks and shoes. And don't forget a picture of you!!

Your best friend,
Shantel Harris

Dear Santa,

How's the N. Pole? Who's your favorite reindeer? Mines Blitzen. Have Shelton and I been good boys this year? Please don't bring me any tighty whities! Just surprise us Big time St. Nick! And don't forget Wil and Greyson!

Merry Christmas,
Taylon and Shelton

Joe, a pirate island and pirate ship. My little brother Wesley is 3. He wants a train and a Thomas the train.

Miles Patton, Hedley

Dear Santa,

I am 5 years old and my name is Harlo Greiner Burlin. I want the Power Puff girls that talk. Make sure they turn on and off or my dad will put them in the freezer and they never talk again. For that he gets on your naughty list.

Love,
Harlo

Dear Santa,

I love you. You are very nice. For Christmas, I would like some Care Bears, a puppy, and a cat, some more Care Bears, a sponge bob toy that whenever you push

his belly he dances, a big Care Bear, a big Scooby Doo blanket, and I parrot that talks. Merry Christmas! I am very grateful.

McKayla Judd, Age 5

Dear Santa,

I want a bee bee gun, a light saver, a stitch guitar, a stitch bed, a spiderman control car and I want a dog, a ring, a cap gun, a yo yo, a cowboy hat, another bee bee gun, a big cap gun, and some money. I really want a pig.

Jeffery Higgins, Age 6

Dear Santa,

I would like a music box for Christmas. I would also like a jewelry box. I have shared my things with my friends and I have been my best at home and at school.

Eliza Dickinson, Age 6

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like a purple radio and a cool CD to go with it, and a guitar. I would also like to have fun and I love you.

Merry Christmas!
Kaylee Fulton, Age 5

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? I want a remote control Hummer and a Hummer with a race track. I want you to have a Happy New Year!

Rustin Ham, Age 5

Dear Santa,

I would like another kitty, a toy motorcycle, a new army tank, a new puzzle, a chalkboard, chalk, and an eraser, a new Bible for little kids, and an umbrella for the rain. I have been really good at home and at school.

Quinton Dunham, Age 5



Joy
Spread It Around!

In this season of revelry, we'd like to take a moment to thank all of you for your invaluable support. Have a great holiday!

Cheryl Burch
Hall Tax Service

Dear Santa,

I hope I am on your nice list this year 'cause I have tried to be a very good boy. For Christmas could you please bring me a magnetix kit, an army tent, and a Spiderman game. We will make cookies on Christmas Eve. If I don't eat them all, I will leave some for you. Have a safe flight. Also would you tell Rudolf hi for me.

Thank you,
Gavin Hollan

Dear Santa,

I have been a really good boy this year or at least I have tried really hard. I would like for you to bring me the hungry, hungry hippo game and the lucky ducks game. I would also like an interactive TV with Dora the Explorer on it. I will leave you and your reindeer's lots of snacks.

Thank you,
Dalton Benson

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

WHEREVER SANTA FINDS YOU THIS HOLIDAY SEASON, WE HOPE IT'S FILLED WITH AN ABUNDANCE OF JOY AND GLAD TIDINGS. WE REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR BEING SO GOOD TO US!

Bailey Autos and Collectibles

Holiday Greetings

From Our Family To Yours

May a circle of family, friends, and good cheer surround you during this magical season.

With warmth in our hearts, we thank you for your kind support and we look forward to visiting with you soon.

CHILDRESS
Ford

Dear Santa,

I would like for you to bring me a Princess Belle baby and a princess bike. I have tried to be a good girl and share my toys and candy with my brother, Gavin and Emeri all year long, it has been very hard at times. I will put you some cookies by the fireplace so you can have a snack and warm up on your busy night.

Thank you,
Jade Benson.

Dear Santa,

My name is Miles Patton. I am 7 years old and in the 1st grade. I live in Hedley. I have tried to be good. Would you please bring me some army toys, a GI



GREETINGS!

Hope your season delivers lots of good news.

Thanks for stopping by this past year.

Mary's
This & That
aka Grumpy Grammas

Blessings Of The Season

May the coming season bring peace to your home and joy to your heart. We're truly grateful for the blessing of your friendship.

William J. Lowe
Attorney at Law

Merry Christmas & Many Thanks

This little Santa is here to say, Hope you enjoy a great holiday Best wishes to one, best wishes to all Now go out and have a ball!

Jim Garland
Real Estate

Yuletide Greetings

In this time of hustle and bustle, we'd like to take time out to reflect on the many good people we have had the pleasure of visiting with this year. Our residents and staff want to thank everyone for their kindness and we look forward to a joyous holiday season and bright new year.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

McLean Care Center
Billy Ray Johnston, Administrator
806.779.2469

Dear Santa,
 What does a real elf look like? Has Caleb been good this year? What does the North Pole look like? I would like you to bring me an X-box. I have been being my best at home and at school.
 Taylon Knorpp, Age 6

Dear Santa,
 I want Ninja turtles, a skateboard, a Power Ranger, a motor scooter, sunglasses that have a computer screen on them, a poster, and a gameboy.
 Noah Zuniga, Age 5

Dear Santa,
 How has everyone been? How does the sleigh fly? I have been my best at home and at school. I would really like you to bring me a Tony Stuart lunch box. Can I go to the racecar place and see Tony Stuart? I would also like a Tony Stuart gameboy game.
 Luke Womack, Age 5

Dear Santa,
 I love you, Santa. I would like you to bring me a bike that looks like a motorcycle. I would also like you to bring me a computer. I have been my best at home and at school.
 Justus Burton, Age 6

Dear Santa,
 How's you reindeer been? I hope they are okay. For Christmas I would like a trampoline, a Barbie house, a little Christmas tree for my room, and some blocks. I hope you bring me these things. I love you. Be careful. See you later!
 Kameron Shields, Age 5

Dear Santa,
 For Christmas I would like new video games, a cool poster, a bunch of frogs, a Spiderman toy. I wish I was Spiderman! A big, big calendar, some blocks, a new water bottle, a army tank. I live at 602 Plainview Street. I love you!
 Devin Lucero, Age 6

Dear Santa,
 I would like some Barbies, some paint, Play-Doh, a Barbie computer, a Barbie car, a play kitchen set, a rhyme book, some Legos, a poster of Brats dolls, a new water bottle, some glue. Thank you. Merry Christmas! I love you.
 Haley McManus, Age 6

Dear Santa,
 I would like a music box for Christmas. I would also like a jewelry box. I have shared my things with my friends and I have been my best at home and at school.
 Eliza Dickinson, Age 6

Dear Santa,
 I want a cake, an elf toy that talks, and a new car. Have a Happy New Year! Have a good day. I want a new bicycle, a new motorcycle. Give my mom a flower. Buy me some new clothes: underwear, shoes, pajamas, and new pants.
 Kenrick Addington, Age 6

Dear Santa,
 I want a new Barbie pool, new Barbie pajamas, a new playhouse. I was good at school this year, I like Santa! I love Santa! You are my best friend. I like you. Will you get me a Barbie computer? I want two Barbie swimming pools, one for me and one for my friend. I want blocks, a Barbie mailbox, a new train, some new Barbie paper in the box, ten dollars, and some new white paper in the white box. And I want my sister to come home.
 MaRae Hall, Age 5

Dear Santa,
 I want a Barbie computer and an American baby, a big Barbie house, a water bed, a TV

and a remote, a shelf with easy books to read, a letter factory that has the books with it, a new water bottle like Tanner's, a Barbie shirt that has two Barbies on it and an ice cream maker (like Duckwall's has).
 Zaryla Smith, Age 5

Dear Santa,
 For Christmas, I would like a remote control car, a toy horse, a Scooby Doo toy, a Rev-Up that goes on metal, a van for Scooby Doo and all the Scooby Doo gang, and a remote control van and a remote control spider. Thank you! Merry Christmas! I love you.
 Wyatt Papa, Age 6

P.S. I want a remote control alligator.
 Dear Santa,
 My name is Baylor Cruse, and I am 2 years old. My Mama says that I am a bad boy, but I think that I have been pretty good.
 I would like a pair of cowboy chinks, road grater, and a tractor with a trailer. You can leave my new toys at the Ox Bow Ranch in Turkey, Texas.
 I love you,
 Baylor

Dear Santa,
 My name is Branson Cruse, and I am 4 years old. I have been really good this year. I would like a Leap Pad so I can learn how to read and write, a pair of cowboy chinks, and a DVD/VCR player

for my room. Please bring my brother Baylor some new toys also, because he always wants to play with mine.

I love you,
 Branson

Dear Santa,
 This year if I get any presents, I would like new polly roller coaster hotel and a polly pocket tree house and maybe a polly ship that has been broken in half. And some more rugrats computer games. But I mostly want to see my cousins that live in California more than just on Christmas. You can pick out some surprises just for me.
 Love,
 Sarah Lynn Luttrell

Dear Santa,
 I have been a very good girl this year. This year for Christmas, I would like a worry rock, a stuffed horse, a big stuffed doggie pillow, a glass doll, and a big bear for my baby sister to hug on. Please make my baby sister feel better by Christmas.
 Sincerely,
 Minnie

Dear Santa,
 I have been a good young girl this year and I would like these things. A PS2, Groovy Girl Santa, PS2 games and also this Christmas I would like a Video Now. I would also like a fake horse, snakes and a dough set. Here is one more thing I would like for Christmas a squirrel and

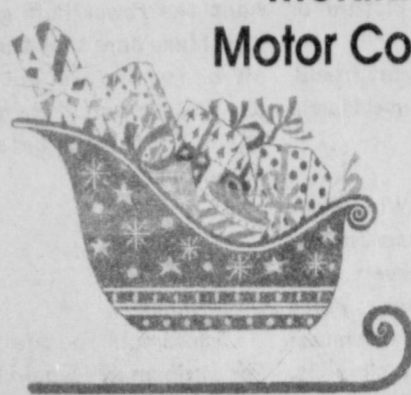
that's all I would like from you Santa. I will put out some cookies, fudge, and some milk. I hope you will come to my house this year because I have been a very good girl. Santa when you come to my house you can not go down the chimney because we do not have one. Santa you will have to go through the door. I do not know how you will if the door is locked. I do not know how you will get in the door but you have your own ways to get in kids houses that do not have chimneys on top of their houses. Are you ever going to retire from your job your getting to old for your job. This year you might get a lot of cookies from you wife too.
 From Jacy Hill

Dear Santa,
 How are you doing. For Christmas I would like a bike, scooter, a easy baker, some shoes, and a make up set. I have been a good girl. I would like some jewelry, a doll, a doll house. I just would like a grate Christmas. I hope you have a grate Christmas.
 Love,
 Zhanae Bassett

Dear Santa,
 I miss you. When is Christmas night? I might bake you some cookies and get you a glass of milk that night. I want a lot of stuff for Christmas I have been a very good girl these last few days. I want things like Barbie stuff, baby, baby bed and dresser, and a lot of other stuff. Are you really magic because people keep saying you are and I don't know if you are or not? Could you send me back a letter with my presents for Christmas. Could you get me a real cell phone for Christmas. What night are you coming to give us

A Sleigh Full Of Thanks!
 We're loading up the sleigh to wish you all a great holiday! Hope it delivers lots of joy and happiness.

McKinney's Motor Company



At This Special Time of Year

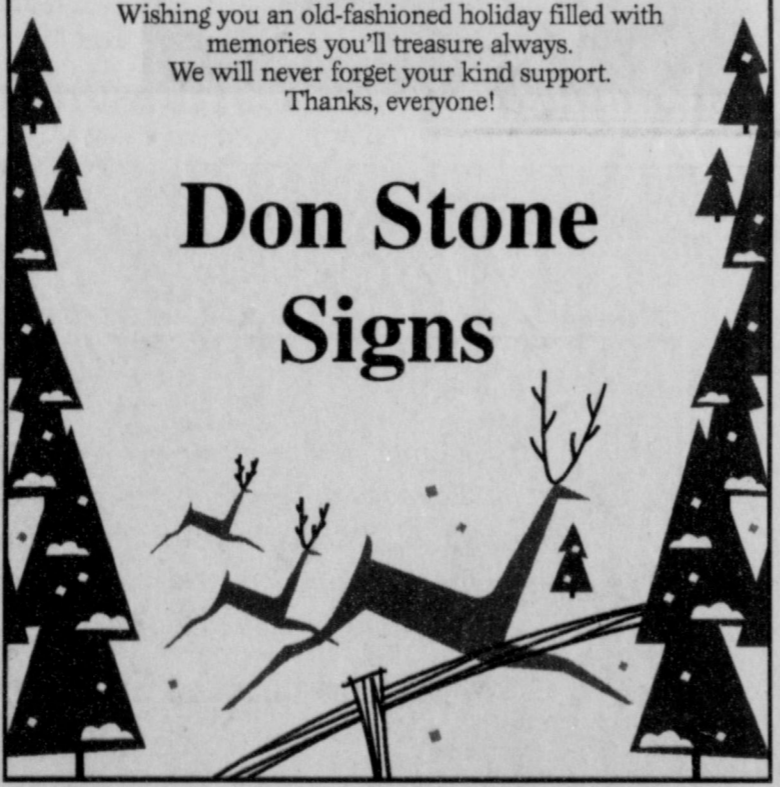

As we welcome in another holiday season, we are filled with gratitude for all the folks for their patronage and wish you all a very healthy and happy holiday!

Evans Fertilizer

Season's Greetings

Wishing you an old-fashioned holiday filled with memories you'll treasure always. We will never forget your kind support. Thanks, everyone!

Don Stone Signs

He's Checking It TWICE!

We know you're on the list of people we'd like to thank this holiday season. Your kind patronage has made it all worthwhile. Merry Christmas!

J&W Lumber



Peace & Joy at Christmastime

Thank you for stopping by this year. We wish you a wonderful holiday, and look forward to serving you again soon.

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resents? I all-ways have to go to a lot of Christmas. I decker-ate my Christmas tree with Dec-kerations. I am using a tractor for a reindeer and a boat for a sleigh and I am putting a Santa on the boat and putting a lot of lights on it.

Love,
Felicia

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year. I would like a Nintendo for Christmas. I want an army of soldiers and a play butcher knife. I would also like an R.C. racecar and a few starwars actionfigures. I want a starwars movie and G.I. Joe Valor verese Venom. I want a fake crocodile to play with.

From,
Zach Cornell

Dear Santa,
I want a nija turtle car, Leonarto verous Sreder, remote control motrolcycal, spider man verous Doc. Ok, and some Scooby Doo Christmas orna-ments and Scooby Do action fider with Scrappy, Scooby, Fred, Daphin, Velma, Shaggy, and the Mistery Machine van.

Love,
Taylor Smith

Dear Santa,
I want acaly it's a monster like a crab. I want fiting gear raph, fiting fear leo, fiting gear don, fiting gear Mike. I want vshredder, the turtle tunnler, foot gunner ninja. Mrs. Kary and on dvd I want search for Splinter. I've been a very good boy.

Love,
Tyler Smith

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I want a Hello Kitty set and want a computer for Christmas. I want a electric guitar. Also a cell phone and paint set. I want a cowgirl set too. This is all I want for Christmas.

Your best friend,
Sarah Barker

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I was wondering if Mrs. Claus was doing okay? I would like to see you Santa are you nice to your elfs? I think after Christmas you can give you elf a break until it

is August. And I want you and Mrs. Claus do have a wonderful Christmas. And I would like to go to Mexico City.

Love,
Jessica Cenicerros

Dear Santa,
I would like a saddle for Christmas. I would also like metal stirrups just my size. And I would like a paintball gun, too.

Your friend,
Chance McAnear

Dear Santa,
I want a electric guitar with epekre. Gnda play station 2 games. And some pantdole to.

Love,
Tres Hommel

Dear Santa,
I would like a beltugle that says my name on it and I would like some spurs and a rope and a big screen T.V. I have been pretty good.

By David Johnston

Dear Santa,
I want a real cell phone. I want a real humer. I want some play cell phone. I want some clothes. I want a bunch of toys. I will leave you some cookies and milk.

I've been a very good girl this year.

Your friend,
Lynzee Bryley

Dear Santa,
I will leave you milk and

cookies on my fireplace. For Christmas I want a basketball goal where I can practice my shooting.

Your friend,
Savannah Topper

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a moder scooter and I want a New Radio player. Also I want some very good books. I also want a New Jeep with my name on it. I also want a New Big bike. Also a big makeup set. An alarm for my door to my room so if somebody tries to get in my room it will ring. I want one jewelry bar and jewelry in it.

Your friend,
McKayla King

Dear Santa,
I would like a CD player. I would also like the twin Bratz Phibie and Roxie. Also a drum set. I have been very good. Merry Christmas Santa!

Love,
Camra

Dear Santa cos,
I want to get a dri bike. I want to get playcars. I want to play sashn 2. I want to play get gameboy.

I want to play sashns.
Love,
Terance Wilson

Dear Santa,
I want a snowboard, a Nin- tendo game cube, Zelda the four swords, a Zelda the wind waker,

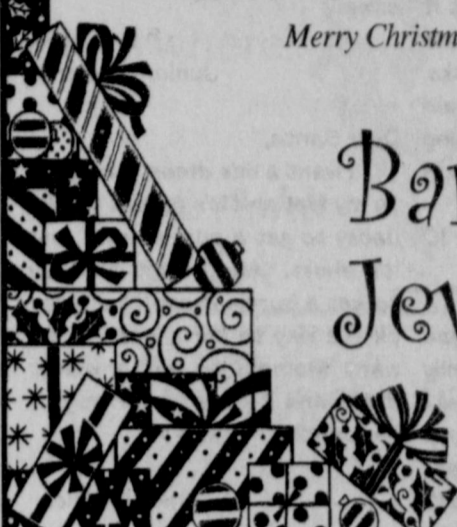
spy gear, spy books to help me use the spy gear, the door alarm like the one at the book fair, and two CDs called Switch Foot and Three Days Grace, a desk of my own, a tv, a DVD player, a play station two and a lot of DVD movie!

Love,
Trajen Johnson, age 10

P.S. I hope you have nice trip and I will leave cookies and milk.

Dear Santa,
We loved you present that you sent us and I like my bike you got me for Christmas. This Christmas was a joyful Christ- mas we had lots of presents under the tree. I had like 24 presents by my self and one of them was a CD player, one was a spinning watch that had a dollar sign on it. It was gray and one of them was my mom got a job

ESPECIALLY FOR YOU
This little note of thanks brings a bounty of best wishes to you, our friends and neighbors. For the gift of your patronage, we are deeply grateful.
Merry Christmas to all!



Bangles Jewelry



Joyous Noel
With best wishes from our entire team. Thanks for pulling for us this year.

Sweet Rice Cafe

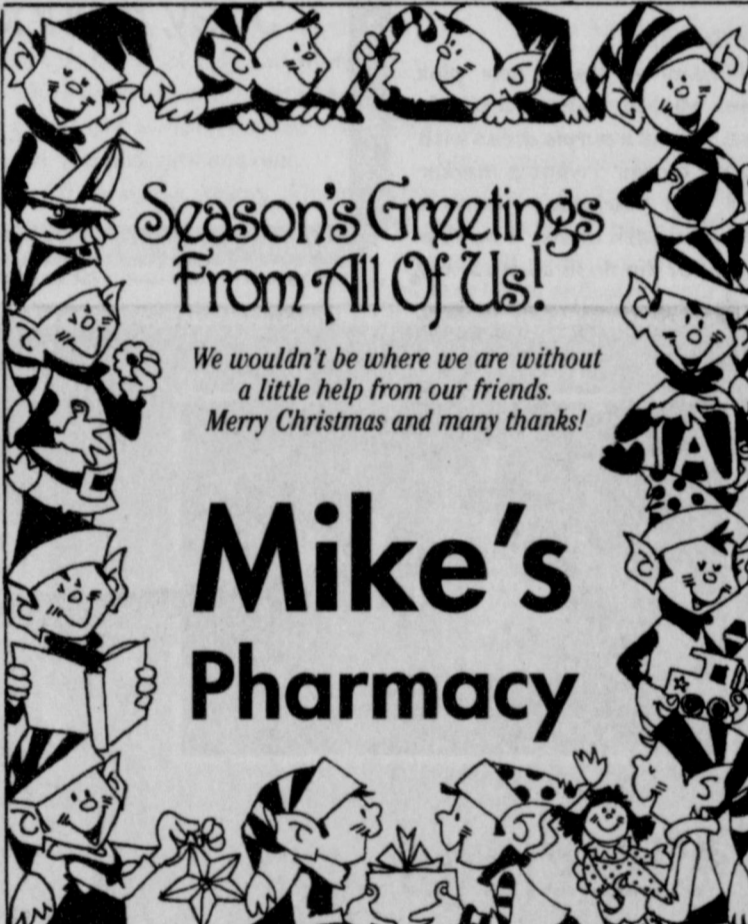


AT THE HOLIDAYS

Friends like you are always welcome and we look forward to the opportunity to serve you again in the new year.

Thanks for your loyal patronage and support!

Kidd Shell



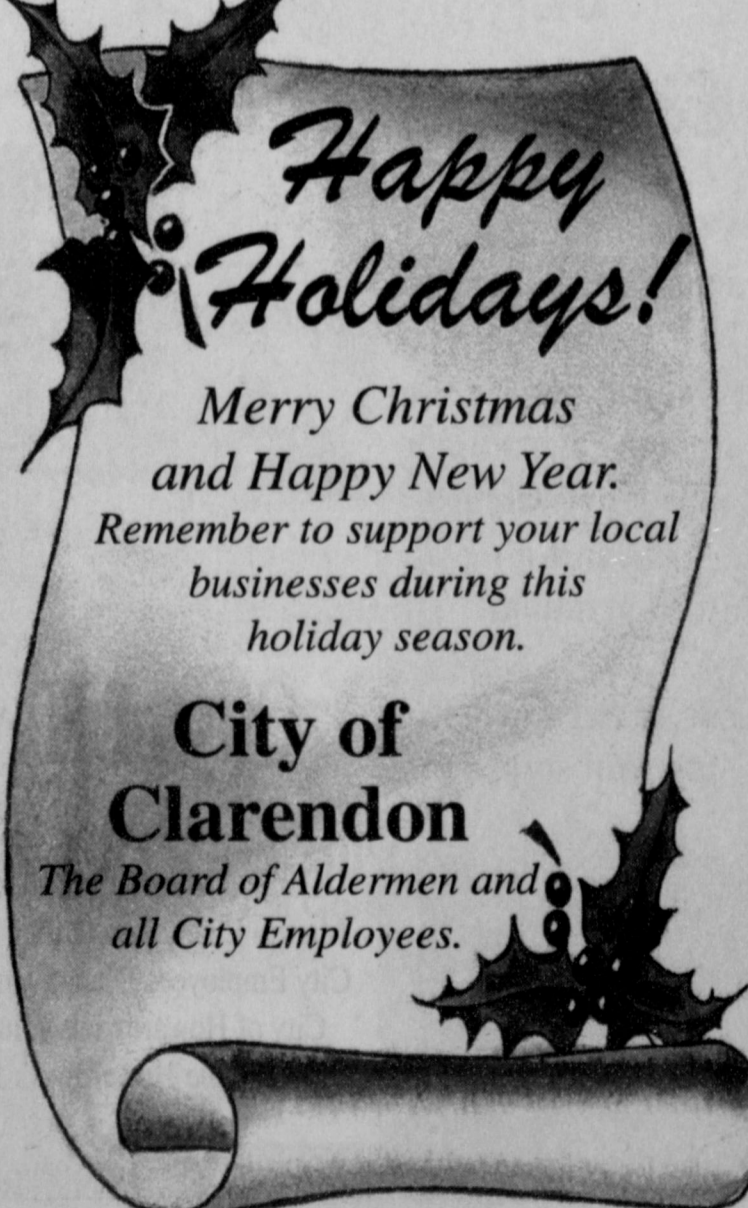
Season's Greetings From All Of Us!
We wouldn't be where we are without a little help from our friends. Merry Christmas and many thanks!

Mike's Pharmacy

You Light Up Our Lives!

Merry Christmas and bright wishes to all our valued cutomers. We wish you a season that's positively glowing!

Estlack Electric


Happy Holidays!
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Remember to support your local businesses during this holiday season.

City of Clarendon
The Board of Aldermen and all City Employees.

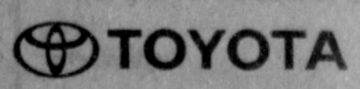
FILLED WITH WARM WISHES

As Santa is busy filling stockings everywhere, we're filled with warm wishes and appreciation for all of our patrons.

We hope that your home may be filled with happiness, laughter, and joy throughout this holiday season.



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amingos and she bought us some more stuff. Cloths, shoes, socks for Christmas and my brother got getter stuff than we did. he got a mon controller mustang. I just got a cookie baker were you plug it up and you take the cookie stuff and put it in the bowls they give you and put it in there and let it bake. I use to make cookies, kool-aid and sell it. It was very fun doing those things with my baker. I was a bike. I want a p.b.s.
Teandra Williams, Age 10

Dear Santa,
This year my Christmas wienes are to bring my family together for a jolly Christmas. I also wish the same for every one to. I ask you make this Christmas the best one ever. Most kids wait around for this to come and now it has. So this is what I ask. Santa I also ask for those who do not have a home get something for Christmas.
leasha Travino, Age 9

Dear Santa,
I would like a Nascar pit set, a snooze time pillow, Terri Clark CD, I Spy book set, Frogger play-station game, art accessories, Nascar 2005 play station game and a fur coat. I would also like a Third Day CD and Shania Twain CD.
Your friend,
Jency Burton, Age 9

Dear Santa,
I want some candy and toys. Some t shirte and some paints and be on the all stars again.
Rowdy Speed, Age 9

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year! I have done my best in school. So could you please bring me some Nancy Drew books because those are my favorite series, some black boots, a bracelet, my own TV, a glass model shark (for my dad), anything Jeff Gordon (for my mom and sister), plenty of chew toys for my puppy. Ok back to my stuff. I want some clothes but not much and of course every-body have a Merry Christmas!
Maritta Brady, Age 10

Dear Santa,
I've been a good kid this year. I want hunting video games and I want a b.b. gun with a scope. I also want a pellet gun with a scope. And I want an Easy Bake oven with all the food. And I want a little bow and arrow - camou- flage. I want a big G.I. Joe building. I want a real reindeer and a sleigh so I can ride to school. I want a play gun for outside. I want a camouflage four wheeler that goes 200 m.p.h., so I can catch my horse. Cool! And I want a trap that's camouflaged and that I can catch my horse in. And I want a cross bow. I like those things. Santa, can you please get me the things I want on this list?
Love,
Jacob Bishop

Dear Santa,
I want to have a motorcycle and my mama wants a rose and my daddy wants a Harley and my brother wants to have some new clothes. My baby sister wants to have a pink dress and I want to have a pink dress. And I want a red skirt and a red shirt. And Nanna wants to have hair-spray and I bet she wants to be a teacher. Anyways she already has a job. I bet Pappaw wants blue stuff because he always wants blue stuff.
Santa is nice and I hope he likes cookies and milk. Nanna makes very good peanut butter cookies and milk. Santa wants Jesus to have something too.
Love,
Kayla Barker

Dear Santa,
I want some puppies and my mom wants a new car. My dad wants a motorcycle and my sister wants a coloring book. And I want a punching bag.
Also, I want to see your elves.
Love,
Junior Ceniceross

Dear Santa,
I want a one dress that goes to my feet and it's purple. I want Jacey to get a purple dress and it's short. And I want Brittney to get a purple dress that goes all the way to her knees. And I want Momma to get a purple dress and it goes all the way to her sandals. That's all.
Love,
Kelesy McAnear

Dear Santa,
I would like a pixer math. I would like new earrings and my dad would like a race car and my momma would like a pretty dress. And my sister would like a pretty blue dress. I would like the Polar Express movie if you have it. I want a new bicycle helmet and I want a rolling backpack that is big. My sister, Roxie, would like some new clothes. And I would like a glass doll that has a pretty dress on it. I would really like a church dress. I would really like a new Barbie doll and my sister, Zoe, would really like a new bike. And my sister, Roxie, would really like a new teething ring. And my dad would like new boots and my mom would like new high heels. And I would like a new sweater, and mittens, and a new scarf.
Love,
Karlee Adams

Dear Santa,
My mom would like some makeup. My dad would like a

new motorcycle. He likes motor- cycles. My sister would like a new bike. I would like a new doll that is glass and my dad would like some new little cars that you aren't supposed to take out of the box. My mom would want a bear that has a blanket like Jaquetta's has. And I would like a new bike too. And my sister wants more makeup than she has. That's it.
Love,
Sterling King

Dear Santa,
I want an X box. My sister, Kaylee, wants a stunt kit. My sister, Trisha, wants a new bed. My mom wants to get off at Christmas. My dad wants a - I don't know what he wants. Can you surprise him?
Love,
Jacob Hewett

Dear Santa,
I would like a four wheeler and I would like a remote con- trolled hummer. I hope you have a good trip. I will want you to get my mommy a car. I will like for you to bring me some new shoes. I wear size 21/2. I want you to bring me a bike. I want you to bring Zhanae a cotton candy maker. I want you to bring Zayla a hummer jeep that you sit in and drive. And please bring my mommy some money. And bring my little baby cousin, Antwone, a Sponge Bob cooker and bring Romello a remote controlled car and Romello's big brother a blue remote controlled hummer. And bring my Auntie Babe a new car. And bring my Auntie Renee a new car too. And bring my Uncle Charles a car. Bring me a little Ninja bike. Bring Keandra a little Ninja bike. Bring DJ a little jeep hummer like the one for my little sister. And bring my friend,

Cedrick's mom a car. And bring my cousin, Wesley, a new three wheeler. And I will have you some cookies and milk.
Bye,
lealiah Grays

Dear Santa,
I'm a good kid. I want a big candy cane. I want a black skirt. I want a teddy bear. I want a Rudolph, the red nosed reindeer, doll. I want a computer and a bracelet and a necklace. I want a picture of Santa. I want a star pillow. I want a rabbit and a CD of Brittney Spears. I want a Cinderella room. I want make- up. I also want a frog pillow and a pig pillow. I want a little horse and a big horse. I want a doll with a little horse. I want a doll dolphin.
Love,
Briley Chadwick

Dear Santa,
I want an X box game - a Sponge Bob X box game. I want a snow sled. I want a reindeer. I want a bunch of John Deere trac- tors. I want a cap and a Texas Tech t-shirt. I want a real tech helmet. I want a tech cap. Thank you, Santa.
Love,
Bryce Hatley

Dear Santa,
I want a new doll. My little sister wants a Dora. I saw Rudolph, the red nosed reindeer, Saturday at the game reserve.
Love,
Amelia Weatherton

Dear Santa,
I want a brand new pink dress. My Mom wants a purple dress. I want a purple dress with a purple crown. I want a marker board with markers. I want a chalkboard with chalk. I want a new pair of flip flops because my

old ones are really old. I want candy canes on my tree. My little brother wants a big truck. My Dad wants a new closet cause his closet is full. My little brother wants Thomas the train. My Brent wants new clothes cause he has EMT clothes and that's all. I love you, Santa.
Love,
Leslie Coxey

would also like a new dresser, an Usher CD, a Spiderman blanket, and a Spiderman truck.
Richard Anderson

Dear Santa,
I would like a limo escalade ambulance, a remote controlled car, and a gun.
Love,
Romello Smith

Dear Santa,
I want a new remote con- trolled car for Christmas.

Dear Santa,
Jesus's birthday is on Christmas. I want a toy like you

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Greetings of the Season

As we wrap up another year, we'd like to wish our friends everywhere, a very happy holiday season filled with lots of warm wishes and wonderful surprises. Thank you so much for your loyal support.

Lee's Insurance

Joey, Brenda, and Ernie

We're Rounding Up Our Thanks

You're the best bunch of partners we've ever had, Your support and your friendship have made us most glad So we hope that your holiday brings you much cheer And enough good fortune to ride out the year!

Thanks for stopping by this past year. We wish you the best of holidays and look forward to seeing you again soon.

Bar H Dude Ranch



In The Spirit Of The Season

Friendship. Loyalty. Support.

You've given us so much this past year and now we'd like to give you our thanks, along with our best wishes for a very gifted season.

Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc.

Blessings on Christmas

May you and yours share much love and be guided by the light of this holy time as you reflect upon the true, beloved meaning of Christmas.

We're very grateful for your support.

City of Howardwick

Mayor Nancy Davis,
Council Members Bobby Murdock, Bill Barton, Marvin Elam, Sam Grider, and H.L. "Buster" Baird,
City Employees Dianna Knight and Harold Stevens,
City of Howardwick Volunteer Fire Department,
and the Howardwick Beautification Club

and a Christmas tree. I want you to bring presents that have toys. You're nice.

Love,
Tessa Buckhaults

Dear Santa,

I want a four wheeler. I want a skateboard. That's all I can think of. I love you.

Love,
Ethan Ballard

Dear Santa,

I can't wait until it's Christmas because it is fun to get toys from you. I love you, Santa, because I like your red suit and your fuzzy hat. I want a hamster and a cat and a rat.

Love,
Madison Carr

Dear Santa,

I want a big candy cane pillow, a Barbie suitcase, barbies, a play animal toy, a blue skirt, a blue necklace, a blue shirt, a blue ring, a new Christmas ornament, a candy cane, a new baby, a new pair of boots, money, play doctor's kit, stickers, new shoes, a Christmas wreath, a new pencil, a fuzzy pink pen, ruler, new dress-up clothes, new colored lights for the Christmas tree, a new hat, a new belt, diamond, balloon, clothes, a baby bear with a bottle, a new bat, a brush, books, a new pony tail holder, Barbie clothes, gloves, a new pair of bows, a new kite, a new basket, a new Texas flag and American flag.

Love,
Alyse Simpson

Dear Santa,

In the entire seven months that I've been here, I've been VERY good. Just ask my grandpa! Being a small fry, my list is also small. I want some new clothes because I'm getting big. If some toys showed up also, that would be good. I would really like one of those cool forward-facing car seats (it will make it easier to blow kisses to my admirers).

Thank you,
Nathan Arlin Estlack
(a.k.a. Lamb Baby, Pumpkin Doodle, and Little Bit)

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Ryan Fross and I live in Wichita Kansas. I am five years old. How are you feeling? How is Rudolph? I would like a Hot Wheels world race video game and a soldier game with two controllers for my Dad and me. I would also like a Justice League action figure.

I love you Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus. Say hi to the elves too.

Love,
Ryan Fross

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a train that will move by itself on my blue train track, big dinosaurs, bow and arrow, log hauling truck. I've been a really good boy this year. I'll leave milk and cookies.

Love,
Raylyn Shelton

Dear Santa,

How is everything going at the North Pole? Is Rudolph still the lead reindeer? Santa if you could, I would like a bell from your sleigh. And that is all I want from you. Thank you.

Yours truly, Tyler Burch,
Age 10

Dear Santa,

I would like a new Cd called "The Diary of Alicia Keys," and her new book. I would like the moview "Princess Diaries 2," and some more board games and books. Since I got a new tv for my birthday and it ony plays dvds I want some new dvds.

From Jentry Shadle
Age 10

Dear Santa,

I want ps3, rumble roser, finger football, a ring, a necklace, race cars, football, a soccer ball, mini footballs. Hy santa,
Nicco Bennett, Age 10

Dear Santa,

I would like a coppter disk pinsquare, and a beebie gun.

Merry Christmas,
Chance Roland, Age 9

Dear Santa,

iv ben good al year. I would like a motorskooter and a dirtbike. a four weeler. that is al I an asking for.

Diego Santos, Age 10

Dear Santa

Santa are you as fat as the univers oh well I want a raindeer that's all I want

By Cameron Chase Wright
Age 10

Dear Santa,

What I what for Christmas is a set of Arthur books and a set of Lizzie McGier books. So good bye Santa.

Your ferend,
Sarrah Montgomery, Age 10
P.S. Have a merry Christmas and a happy new year.

Dear Santa,

I would like a play station 2 and a new t.v.. The games I would like are a four wheeler game and a football game.

Cole Ward, Age 10

Dear Santa,

My mom wants a denim skirt at the nook. My dad wants a shirt from says. My sister and I would like a moterscoter. I will leave you milk and cookies.

P.S. Have a merry Christmas!
Maci White, Age 10

Dear Santa,

I would like a silver laptop, a playstation 2. My dad needs a new computer too. A memory card for my playstation. My mom needs new jewelry and that is it.

From Jonah Sell
Age 10

Dear Sant cristmas list

I want a new bik for cristmas, remote controle car, ten dollars, a friend, pegs, thank you

Brandon Barker, Age 10

Dear Santa

For Christmas I want a lot but Im not trying to be greety so Im just putting a couple of things ok. For Christmas I would like my brother to come home my daddy to come home a track phone, a bike, and a manicure person.

Thanks santa
Savannah Harkness, Age 9

Dear Santa

Play station 2 games, Polar Express the movie, Basketball

Dusty Rice, Age 10

Dear Santa

for Christmas I would like to have a Kx 80 or 65 dirtbike and just a few video games. I hope Ive been good this year.

From Trevor Cobb
Age 10

Dear Santa,

I want a bicycle, a scooter, a Video Now in color, a puppy, and a stuffed animal.

From: Anna Cenicerros
Age 9

Dear Santa,

I have heard you are fat and jolly I still believe in you. So I want to know if I can have a bell off you sled pleas? It will give me a grat plesher if you showd me your self

win you com to my house.

By Kayla Copeland
Age 10

Dear Santa,

I just wont to lise all the stuff that i would like to get from you. I wont a remokentrol car and a munster truck from WalMart. And a moterscoter that go by motor.

Wesley Williams
Age 11

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good boy. I would like a cowboy hat and spurs. I also would like an army bedroom set. Please Don't forget my milk and cookies.

Thank you,
Clay King, Age 6

Dear Santa,

I want candy, a guitar, cars, and a gun.

Love,
Cody Crump, Age 2

Dear Santa,

I want a guitar or a paint ball gun, lots of football cards, and a snowcone machine.

Dustin Crump, Age 9

Dear Santa,

I want an EZ Bake Oven, a doll car sear, and a marshmallow toaster.

Love,
Jacee Crump, Age 6



Merry Christmas!

to all our family and friends everywhere!



Roger & Ashlee Estlack

BRIGHT WISHES AT CHRISTMAS



At the close of another year, we wish you joy, we wish you cheer. So please accept our thanks, today and have a happy holiday.

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Glory To The Newborn King!

As we reflect upon the spirit of Christmas, and the miracle of His holy birth, we'd like to join you in celebration and a prayer for peace on earth.

Wishing all our friends everywhere, a very joyous and happy holiday season.

Lowrie Lawn & Landscape

Keep The Faith!

May your faith be renewed and your spirits uplifted during this holiest of seasons.

For your kind patronage we feel truly blessed.

Thanks, friends!

Lila's Family Hair and Nail Care

Leitha & Misti

Best Holiday Wishes To All

Wishing you and yours peace, love, and much good cheer throughout this wonderful season. Thanks to all our friends and neighbors for their loyal support. Our door is always open to you!

Jack Hall, County Judge
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Kaye Messer, County Attorney Pro-tem
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MERRY CHRISTMAS



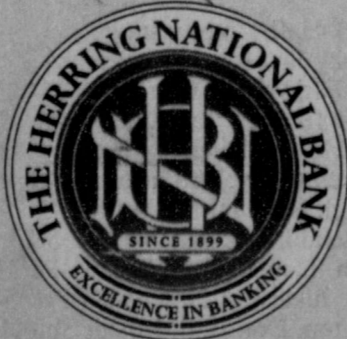
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We wish you all the very merriest holiday season ever. May you be blessed with joy,

hope, and peace during this holy season and beyond.

Thank you for always brightening our year with your visits. We thank you for the gift of your friendship, and we sincerely appreciate your faith in us.

Michael C. Graham *Christina Newkome*
Nitty Asher *Lauren Hill* *Janell Woodard* *E. Gayle Jones*
Ryan Thompson *Deann Wood* *Janaw Keating*
Delia Hamilton *Carol Cook* *Madeline Black*
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