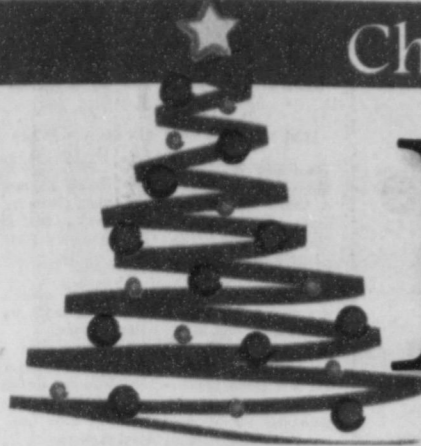


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## THIS WEEK

2 A future resident of Donley County is already singing the praises of his new home.  
4 Area Red Hatters converged on Howardwick for their annual party recently.  
6 Every family has holiday traditions to pass down to the next generation.  
9 And the Broncos wipe out the Skyrockets.

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

## Early deadlines set for next two papers

THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE has set early deadlines for the next two editions due to the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

All news, photos, and advertisements for the December 27 and January 3 issues are due in the office by noon on the Friday before publication. Any items submitted after these deadlines will be held over until the following edition.

Normal deadlines will resume with the January 10 issue.

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

## Voters need to look at registration card

Two Donley County officials are asking people for their assistance now that new voters registration cards have been mailed out.

County Tax Assessor Wilma Lindley and County Clerk Fay Vargas say if you receive a card for someone who no longer lives in Donley County or for someone who is deceased, please call or return the card to Lindley's office.

Keeping an accurate list of registered voters is essential for the jury selection process. Vargas says she frequently receives calls from parents whose adult children receive jury summons even though the kids have moved away.

Lindley also says everyone needs to check their cards and make sure both the physical and mailing addresses are correct.

"If you have moved within the county, check that physical address," she said. "Otherwise you may not be eligible to vote."

## Chamber releases names of winners

The Chamber of Commerce has announced the winners of its holiday lighting contest for last week.

Lloyd and Janie Gibson were the residential winners in Clarendon, and Country Bloomers Flowers & Gifts was the business winner.

Wendell and Shirley Miller took top residential honors in Howardwick.

No report was received from the Hedley contest.

## Santa Claus coming to H-wick Friday

Santa Claus will be on hand when the Howardwick Friendship Club will meet this Friday, December 21, for a pot luck dinner.

The fun starts at 6:30 p.m. at Howardwick City Hall. Parents should make sure Santa has a gift for every child.

## Safety device caused Sam Hill's fire

A faulty surge protector is being blamed for the December 8 blaze that destroyed Sam Hill's BBQ.

Clarendon Fire Marshal Kelly Hill said an investigation last week by his office and the state fire marshal's office concluded that the fire started with a common safety device — a surge protector located under the counter where the cash register was.

"It was a high burning fire," Hill said. "There was a lot of paper goods

and Styrofoam cups under there that just acted like gasoline."

Hill urged people to check their surge protectors at home and work, especially during this holiday season when so many folks have Christmas lights plugged into them.

"A lot of people are under the impression that these things last forever," Hill said. "But if you have one that keeps tripping or has taken a direct hit from a surge, it needs to

be replaced."

A blinking light on a surge protector could also be a sign that it is weak, Hill said.

The owner of the restaurant said she thought the surge protector in question had been there since she bought the restaurant in 2001, Hill said.

"Just because you have a surge protector, it's not a done deal. You need to keep an eye on them."

The Sam Hill's fire was reported by an Allsup's clerk at 4:40 a.m. that Saturday. Clarendon volunteer firemen were on the scene seven minutes later, but even with their quick action, nothing could save the popular restaurant.

Officials have called the fire a total loss.

Owner Terri Hommel told the ENTERPRISE last week that nothing appears to be salvageable from the

restaurant but said she does have insurance on the building.

"I'm hoping to rebuild. That's my plan," she said.

This is the second time fire has hit Sam Hill's. In August 2002, flames shot out the door of the cooker when it was opened by an employee. That blaze destroyed the kitchen area and resulted in smoke and water damage throughout the building.



## Spreading Christmas Cheer

Members of the Clarendon Lions Club prepare to deliver Christmas food baskets to 40 local families Tuesday afternoon. The club purchased turkeys with money from donations and fundraisers, and other food items were collected by Clarendon Junior High students and 4-H members. Panhandle Community Services also provided valuable assistance for the project. Shown

here are (clockwise from front left) Sweetheart Abby Patten, Lions Jerry Woodard, Marvin Elam, Mike Word, Tom Garmon, Phil Fletcher, Monty Hysinger, Jim Shelton, Bobbie Thornberry, David Smith, MaryRuth Bishop, Judy Burlin, Jimmy Johson, Steve Hall, Don Smith, Roger Estlack (with Benjamin), Chuck Robertson, Cameron Word, and Richard Sheppard.

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## Several county officials file for 2008 elections

Filing continues for seven county offices that will be up for election next November.

At press time, Sheriff Butch Blackburn, Precinct 3&4 Constable Anthony Sellars, and Pct. 1 Commissioner Ernest Johnston were all running for reelection on the Democratic ticket.

Pct. 3 Commissioner Andy Wheatley has filed to run again on the Republican ticket, and Linda Crump is the sole newcomer to the search for public office, filing on the Republican ticket to run for Tax Assessor/Collector.

The current Tax Assessor, Wilma Lindley, has announced her

intentions to retire at the end of her term in January 2009 after 22 years of service.

Precinct 1&2 Justice of the Peace Connie Havens has announced her intentions to file for next year's election but had not done so at press time, according to party officials.

The only other local office up for election is that of County Attorney, currently held by Landon Lambert.

So far, none of the candidates have drawn any opponents.

Candidates can file for the election in the County Clerk's office through January 2, 2008.

## Hill wins \$300 Late Night jackpot

Late Night Shopping will be busier than usual Thursday after frigid weather delayed plans for a Christmas Celebration last Saturday.

The Chamber of Commerce will start its celebration at 4 p.m. on the KEFH parking lot at US 287 and Sully. Plans call for live music, a fruit cake toss, lots of fun, and an appearance by Santa Claus, who will be bringing treats for all the little boys and girls.

Chamber officials are hoping for a big crowd, and they remind everyone to bring their lawn chairs for seating.

Meanwhile, things keep on bustling around the corner on Kearney Street as downtown merchants will

be open until 8 p.m. for the final night of Late Night Shopping.

While shoppers are checking those last minute items off their lists, they can also sign up to spin the wheel for a chance to win \$100 in Christmas Cash.

Last week, Danny Hill hit the jackpot on the wheel, winning \$300 in Christmas Cash. Patsy Havens, Shaunda Curtis, Ashley Wortham, and Cassie O'Neal also won prizes from local merchants.

Holiday shopping at home is easy and affordable with zero-percent interest "Christmas Cash" loans this year. Anyone can make application for a loan up to \$3,000 interest free with Community Bank,

the Donley County State Bank, or Herring Bank.

Participating merchants are: Ace Hardware, Bronco Burger, Clarendon Auto Sales, Clarendon Outpost, Clarendon Steakhouse, Clarendon Veterinary Hospital and Vet Supply, Community Bank, Cornell's Country Store, Country Bloomers Flowers & Gifts, Every Nook & Cranny, Floyd's Automotive Supply, Henson's, Herring Bank, Hitchin' Post, J&W Lumber, Lowe's Family Center, McKinney Motor Company, Mike's Pharmacy, Nuttin' Fancy Café, Sam Hill BBQ, Sonic Drive-In, Saye's, Stavenhagen Video, and THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE.



Lucky spinner Danny Hill (back) won \$300 in Christmas Cash during last week's Late Night Shopping. Other winners were Shawnda Curtis, Cassie O'Neal, Ashley Wortham, and Patsy Havens.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / JULIE FUNDERBURG

## City sales tax totals slip in '07

AUSTIN — Stronger sales boosted tax revenue for the City of Clarendon last month, but the slight up tick was not enough to push the city's yearly total into the growth column.

Data released Friday by Texas Comptroller Susan Combs show the city earned \$21,728.57 in November sales tax revenue, which was up 1.51 percent from the same period last year.

The city finishes the calendar year with \$297,117.04 in sales tax collections, down just 1.51 percent from last year's total.

Howardwick was the only local city to post a gain for the year, coming out 4.29 percent ahead with \$13,115.27 and showing growth of 30.26 percent this month with collections of \$1,201.11.

Hedley's figures, however, dropped 68.12 percent in November to \$177.54, bringing that city's yearly total down more than 29 percent to \$6,943.68.

Combs said the state collected \$1.8 billion in sales tax in November, up 9.5 percent compared to November 2006.

"State sales tax collections through the first three months of fiscal 2008 are up 6.6 percent compared to the same period last year," Combs said. "As the pace of the U.S. and Texas economies continues to cool, we expect the growth in Texas sales tax collections will continue to moderate."

Statewide city sales tax allocations during calendar year 2007 totaled \$3.8 billion, up 6.9 percent compared to 2006.

"The final sales tax allocation of 2007 brings the calendar year to \$5.6 billion, surpassing last year's local sales tax revenue by 6.9 percent," Combs said.

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## Which man tops GOP candidates?

In a little more than three months, Texas Republicans and Democrats will be going to the polls to vote for the man – or woman – that will represent their party in next year's presidential election. Do you know who will get your vote?

I would not even begin to recommend a candidate in the Democratic primary at this point. We know all about Barack Obama's kindergarten record, but I'm sure those early records of Mrs. Clinton's have been quietly shredded or conveniently lost.

The national press has done a pretty good job of reporting on the Dems. Whatever Bush stands for they are against; and after that, it's mostly a matter of how much of your money they want to spend on their pet projects and what segment of the private economy they would like to see under government control. Mrs. Clinton, it seems, generally stays ahead of Obama in the polls, but her "negative ratings" are consistently high.

But things are much more muddled on the Republican side. Here's what we know so far. Mitt Romney is apparently a Mormon. Many conservatives love Mike Huckabee, but he may in fact be a bit of a flip-flopper, and his name doesn't sound real presidential. John McCain is still running. Rudy Giuliani leads in the polls, but religious conservatives have issues with him, and he was unfortunately endorsed by Gov. Rick Perry, which makes him dead to me.

My wife and I have somehow managed to miss all of the debates – although it seems unlikely that we actually "missed" anything. Earlier this week, while *Nightline* was reporting on McCain's recent newspaper endorsements, Ashlee asked if I cared that Romney is a Mormon? I didn't care. I didn't care that he was running for president either. In fact, for the first presidential election since I've been voting, I didn't care for any of the candidates so far.

Like many people, I thought Fred Thompson would be good. I mean, the guy's great on *Law & Order*, but maybe what we really needed was his character, Arthur Branch, to run for president. Fred entered the race and then really hasn't been heard from again. He did show up in the news Tuesday though and said his candidacy is right where it needs to be – which apparently is somewhere in a ditch in Iowa.

There is not a candidate running that I find I can agree with up and down the line. But... there is Texas Congressman Ron Paul.

I've long been an admirer of Paul for doggedly clinging to the principles outlined in that 18th century relic called the United States Constitution. This, for those of you who aren't familiar with it, is the document that supposedly governs our Republic, although it is largely ignored, forgotten, or used only as a prop by most of our elected leaders in Washington, DC.

Paul has the reputation of being "Mr. No." in Washington for voting against almost everything that is put in front of him because, he rightly believes, this or that program or function is either not the business of the federal government or it is outright unconstitutional.

His arguments against intrusive government and over-taxation would be familiar to America's Founding Fathers. In fact, if you were going to ask the question "who would Thomas Jefferson or James Madison vote for," the answer would likely be "Ron Paul."

Paul probably doesn't have a snowball's chance of ever being elected president. His position on Iraq puts him at odds with not only your humble editor but also with most of the Republicans in America, and he can't seem to break out of single digits in the polls.

He is, however, something of a sensation on the Internet. This past Sunday was the 234th anniversary of the Boston Tea Party – an act of rebellion back when Americans had the fortitude to stand up to big government. To commemorate this event, Paul's campaign staged a 24-hour online fundraiser... and raked in more than \$6 million.

That may be enough for the record books, but it will take primary and caucus voters to make Paul a true contender in this election. How many people will actually cast a ballot for him is still to be seen.

Is Ron Paul my candidate? I'm not sure. He certainly has the most credibility when it comes to talking about keeping the government within its due bounds. America is better off when people have the most possible freedom and are allowed to prosper – or fail – based on their own abilities and choices. I think Paul believes that.

His call for a quick withdrawal from Iraq worries me though. We are in Iraq, like it or not, and America must see that job through. Yes, the war there has been a terrible drain on our nation's resources and has cost us many lives. Do we want out of there? Absolutely. But not before the time is right, and I don't think that any politician can pull a date out of the air and say for sure that it will be the right time.

Will I vote for Ron Paul? Maybe. Maybe not. But from looking at the current crop of candidates, I sure don't see anyone else to get excited about.



**editor's commentary**  
by roger estlack

## Free trade benefits Lone Star State

Pioneering free market economist Adam Smith once said, "The answer to the question of free trade is easy once it is seen that the only reason that has ever been offered for protective tariffs or a closed market is, indeed, protection."

In just over a decade, major developments in U.S. trade policy have allowed Texas to wield trade, not only as an instrument of freedom, but one of productivity and prosperity for the benefit of our citizens. In the fourteen years since the passage of NAFTA, we have continued to tap international trade opportunities between the U.S., Mexico, and Canada that have bolstered our state's and nation's economies. Markets have opened and are leading to economic success in many of Texas' major industries. From prosperous agriculture and technology industries, all the way down to consumer savings – free trade has been good for all of Texas.

Adam Smith also said, "Free trade means that consumers are able to buy goods at the costs arranged by the best efforts of producers, wherever the producers happen to be producing." We are seeing this in Texas.

Because our state has so much to offer in exports, we have much to gain from free trade agreements. In 2006, Texas exported over \$150 billion in merchandise, including chief exports: petroleum and coal; computers and electronics; and chemical and manufacturing

machinery. Today the products of our thriving farms and ranches are feeding people worldwide.



**capitol comment**  
by sen. kay bailey hutchison

Texas agriculture exports to the world in 2006 brought in an estimated \$3.8 billion in revenue. Our state's exports have continued to expand to take advantage of other recent U.S. Free Trade Agreements (FTAs), such as bilateral agreements with Chile and Singapore. The U.S. Department of Commerce reports that, between 2002 and 2006, Texas exports rose by \$55.5 billion, or 58 percent, representing the largest dollar gain of any state. Texas also has a geographical advantage over other states, with our seaports well-positioned to directly benefit from continued expansion of global trade.

To build on the proven benefits of free trade, Congress is weighing further opportunities to expand commerce through trade agreements with countries like Peru, Colombia, and Panama. An agreement with Peru that passed the Senate in early December will increase the trade of some of our most vital exports to the country, benefiting Texas ranchers, cotton farmers, poultry and egg producers, and dairy farmers, along with

manufacturers of petroleum and coal, chemicals, computers and electronics, and machinery.

The U.S. should continue to seek opportunities to open up markets through trade agreements with countries across the world – not only for commerce, but for security. While the economic stability of our state and national economies is a primary objective of FTAs, they also serve the broader purpose of building and improving international relationships. In a time when the dangerous political and economic maneuvering of dictators like Venezuela's Hugo Chavez could influence the security of U.S. interests, we must seek partnerships with nearby countries, like Peru, Colombia, and Panama. Free trade helps these countries thrive under dynamic economies, which, in turn, will contribute to their stability. A vital global economy is critical to countering the destructive policies of menacing regimes and protecting the U.S. from the security threats they pose.

As Americans, we are blessed to live in a society where free trade is pursued and embraced. When a Texas cattleman brands a calf, or a farmer in west Texas gins cotton, these workers and their products are part of the global commerce that strengthens our state and nation and keeps the world safer for everyone.



## Act of giving benefits the givers

By US Sen. John Cornyn

The familiar red kettles and ringing bells at shopping areas across Texas this Christmas season are symbols of generosity to the less fortunate. In the Lone Star State, this holiday tradition originated from the spirit and determination of one man, a new Texan whose career led him from the navy to the army – the Salvation Army.

A captain in the Italian navy, Adam Janelli witnessed the Salvation Army's work in Calcutta, India. The outreach he saw made a permanent impression. After he emigrated to the U.S. and eventually to Dallas, Janelli was determined to establish the Salvation Army there.

That was nearly 120 years ago. The Salvation Army of Texas credits Janelli as its founder. He began sending letters and petitions to international Salvation Army founder Gen. William Booth: "His letter barrage got so thick that the official word was given, and the Salvation Army of Texas opened in 1889."

At first, Janelli preached on street corners. "Janelli gave both material and spiritual help to the poor and homeless," reports the Salvation Army, "and to the people of Dallas he became known as 'Mr. Salvation Army.' The people of Dallas could not recall a time that they did not see Janelli in his uniform. Many

people doubted he had any other clothes in his possession."

One man on a Dallas corner eventually rippled out to communities throughout Texas, where the Salvation Army carries out its work today. Janelli is described as "one of the most unassuming Salvation Army personalities Texas and the United States has ever known."

Texas has countless organizations, large and small, founded and staffed by men and women like Adam Janelli. Their selflessness and service and their willingness to share with those in need provide an inspiration to all. The urgency of human need takes on greater visibility at year's end and leads to broad support for the red kettles, Blue Santa and Brown Santa programs, Toys for Tots, food and clothing drives, and other efforts to help people.

The holiday period is a vital time for giving. Our collective generosity now is crucial to the year-round work of many nonprofit organizations, including churches. Many receive most of their annual contributions in the final three months of the year, "the giving season."

Texans are compassionate year-round; but more recently, the introduction of tax deductions for charitable giving has provided yet one more incentive for doing good works, especially at

year's end.

While the government can provide a safety net under those who need assistance, there is no substitute for the loving, caring attention of a volunteer. Private efforts are particularly effective in combating hunger, poverty, and homelessness.

If a need exists, a willing heart will usually move to help. This includes in education, health care, care for our troops and veterans, and an array of other endeavors at home and abroad. Giving of ourselves is an essential part of the real meaning of Christmas.

There are many faces of need in our world. Sometimes we see them, but often we do not. Nonprofit organizations help identify and call attention to unrecognized and unmet needs wherever they exist. They are on the front lines.

Twenty years ago, President Reagan noted that personal charity provides universal benefits. "And very often, it's the giver who receives the most precious gift," he said. "Personal, private charity humanizes a society. It makes us more aware of each other, of our hopes and needs, and of our sorrows and our joys." For those of us who are blessed to live in this great state, those are words to remember.

## Looking forward to coming to Clarendon

I just feel obligated to write about my experience with Clarendon. In October of 2006 I purchased a small ranch out on County Road T. I had been looking for a place in the Panhandle for a couple of years. When I found my ranch in your classifieds, I was hell bent on getting the deal done. Because of your paper, I found "the perfect place."

Now that I have spent a little time in Clarendon, shopping at Lowe's for supplies and meeting a few folks around town and some neighbors, I am convinced I was blessed to be able to become part of this community. I look forward when I can retire and move to the ranch and enjoy Clarendon permanently.

I enjoy your paper on-line and look forward to get it in print once I am there.  
Raymond Layland, Napa, California



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### CISD Trustees cast votes for Briscoe board

The Clarendon ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session December 10, 2007, in the CISD Functional Living Center.

Dale Swan via conference call presented the Financial Audit Report for the year ending August 31, 2007. The board approved the audit report as presented.

All three principals presented their Campus Improvement Plans and District Student Performance Objectives for 2007-2008, and the board accepted the plans.

A public hearing was held to discuss the following Annual Performance Reports: AEIS Report 2006-2007, District Student Performance Objectives Results for 2006-2007

and Performance Objectives for 2007-2008, Title I Adequate Yearly Progress Report (AYP), Summary Report of the 2007-2008 Performance-Based Monitoring and Analysis System (PBMAS), ACT College Readiness Report, and Report on Violent, Criminal Incidents, and Prevention and Safety Policies.

The board voted to cast 46 votes for Tom Burson, 46 votes for Jim Estes, 46 votes for Kathy Kingery, 46 votes for Wilburn Leeper, and 45 votes for Wayne Nance for the Briscoe County Appraisal District Board of Directors.

Trustees approved an Agreement for a Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School Dis-

trict Maintenance and Operations Taxes with Trew Ranch, LLC, and to authorize Board President and Secretary to execute such agreement. Effective date begins January 1, 2008.

Superintendent Monty Hysinger reported on the trustees' continuing education hours from June 1 to December 10, 2007, as follows: Robin Ellis, 21 hours; Wayne Hardin, 14.25 hours; Joe Lemley, two hours; Weldon Sears, seven hours; Jim Shelton, 12.75 hours; Marvin Thompson, 11 hours; and Lance Thornberry, two hours.

Hysinger also presented the enrollment report: Elementary, 212; Junior High, 124; High School, 156.

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Wed	12	41°	27°	-
Thur	13	45°	27°	-
Fri	14	51°	27°	-
Sat	15	33°	24°	.06"
Sun	16	36°	14°	-

Total precipitation this month: 1.36"  
Total precipitation to date: 23.80"  
Total precipitation in Dec. last year: 3.23"  
Total YTD last year: 19.77"

### weekend forecast

Friday, Dec. 21  
Partly Cloudy  
55°/30°

Saturday, Dec. 22  
Rain/Snow Mix  
43°/24°

Sunday, Dec. 23  
Mostly Sunny  
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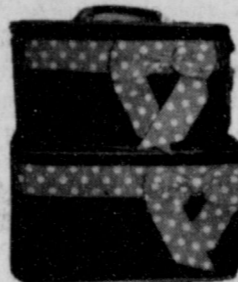
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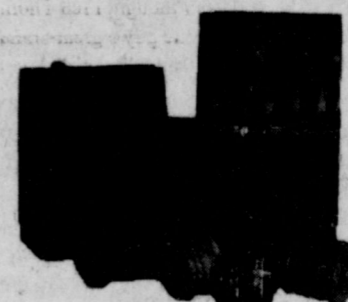
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**THINGS JESUS DID NOT KNOW**

Man has taken the Bible and gone in many directions. Rev. 22:18-19 warns about adding or taking away from God's word. The apostle Paul wrote in 1 Cor. 4:6 that no one is to "think beyond that which is written". In the course of "going beyond that which is written" there are now doctrines being taught that Jesus never heard of.

For example, Jesus did not know that a New Testament Christian could go to heaven without being baptized. Mark 16:16, the Lord said, "He who believes and is baptized shall be saved, he that does not believe shall be condemned." Jesus did not know that one could say a "sinner's prayer" and become a Christian, for the Bible makes no mention of such.

Matt. 28:19-20, Jesus told the apostles to teach others His commands. When we read Jaes 2:24, we find that Jesus wouldn't have known about "faith only" religion. James said we are justified by works and not by faith only. The Lord knew that both were essential in our response to the grace and mercy God extended us. Jesus also didn't know about the "once saved, always saved" doctrine. John wrote in Rev. 22:18-19 that a person's name could be taken from the book of life. Obviously if a person's name was in the book, they were in a saved state, if his name is removed... (Matthew 23:4) "Do not call anyone on earth your father; for One is your Father, He who is in heaven." When you read this verse in its context, Jesus didn't know that one should refer to religious leaders, priests, etc. as "father". Let us end this study with a question. If there are things Jesus never knew or spoke about, why do we listen to, or worse, follow these things?

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**chatty kathy**  
by Kathy Spier  
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**Area Red Hatters descend on Howardwick for annual party**

When you hear the words "Neither snow nor rain nor heat nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of their appointed rounds" you probably think of the mailman.  
I think of the Red Hat Society, and the fun they are headed toward. Case in point, Saturday, December 8, the Red Hot Flashers of Canadian slid in on icy roads to the big annual Christmas party sponsored by the Classy Dames of Clarendon.  
The Classy Dames and Red Hot Flashers were joined by the Scarlet Saints of Clarendon, Red Hat Rockers of Wheeler, Red Hat Cotton Queens of Memphis, Red Hat Rockers of Mobeetie, Groovin' Red Hatters of Groom, Bodacious Duchesses of Wellington, Red Hat Hattitudes of McLean, and the Red Hatters of Shamrock at the Clarendon Country Club in Howardwick for a noon meal. When you see a room full of red hats and purple frocks, you know there is fun ahead.  
Roxana Hamilton and Jeannie Molder were in charge of decora-

tions made by members, and Paulette Kidd was emcee for the day. Martha Smith showed everyone some new moves, and Elvie Shields and Topsy Roby put on a good show. MaryRuth Peacock read "The Night Before Christmas the Red Hat Way," but the star of the show was the auction. The Ruby Red Hat Auction is a fast-paced, progressive auction that raises money for the St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital from items donated by members. The party ended with everyone singing "Put Your Red Hat On" from the musical "Hats!"  
Start planning now to attend the third annual Christmas party next year.  
Howardwick may have recovered by then, and we promise fun, good food and a surprise or two.



**'wick picks**  
by Peggy Cockerham  
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**Shriners make donation**  
Al Morrah Shrine Club members Roger Estlack and Billy Powell (right) present a check for \$1,000 to Khiva Temple Potentate Arthur Ware during the Shriners' annual Christmas Party in Amarillo last week. The money was raised from the barbecue on July Fourth during Clarendon's Saints' Roost Celebration.

**Square House to host exhibit for Dalhart resident**

The Carson County Square House Museum is pleased to announce an exhibit by Barbara Dawkins, a resident of Dalhart, who specializes in portraits, flowers, landscapes, and seascapes.  
The portraits include life scenes of people that we all treasure, grandchildren, and characters who come along through our lives. Cousins

received an Honorable Mention at the Tri-State Art Show in the spring of 2007. A landscape, *Late Fall*, also received an Honorable Mention at that show.  
Other award winners from shows at San Angelo, Santa Fe, and several Oklahoma shows will be on display.  
Mrs. Dawkins is member of

many prestigious art associations including the Society of Impressionists, the Oil Painters of America, and has held exhibits in area banks and the Panhandle Art Center. She has taken workshops with Johnnie Liliadahl, Don Getz, Mike Mahon, Walter McCowan, and Anita Betke. She is currently exhibiting in Salado, Dalhart, and Temple, Texas.

A reception will be held on Sunday, January 6, 2008, 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. in the Hazlewood Gallery to give the public a chance to talk to Barbara about her work. Gallery hours are Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. until 5 p.m., Sunday 1 to 5 p.m.  
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In the book, Jemmabeth Forrester doesn't learn from anybody's mistakes but her own, so she's obliged to make plenty of them. She's always been a good girl, and she has a boxful of Sunday school perfect attendance certificates to prove it. Someday she'll marry Spencer, the hometown guy who's been in love with her since the first grade.

But is that all there is to life? Or is there something more that she's missed? It seems that half of Chillaton - a small farming community where everybody knows one another all too well - is giving her advice. But Jemma's like the Texas Panhandle wind - strong and shifty. When she meets Paul, a buckaroo lawyer, trouble is afoot.  
"Corner of Blue is more than a love story," Sharon says. "It rekindles a sweeter time when family and friends were everywhere, and you were frequently glad of it. When needed, the good citizens of Connelly County stood ready to help out with chores, form a prayer circle, or stretch the truth about your situation. Take your pick."  
Sharon and her family now live in Colorado. Her book is available at all major online booksellers.

**Lollar to compete in L.A. fashion show**

Jamie Lollar, daughter of Jim and Gay Lollar of Hedley, will be attending the IMTA convention in Los Angeles, Calif. this January.  
The IMTA is an association of modeling, talent centers, and agencies that bring student models and actors to compete in fashion and talent.  
The top international fashion agents come to each IMTA convention to scout for young men and women to represent clients for print campaigns, runway, editorials, and more.  
Jamie has been hand selected by the Diane Dick Modeling and Talent Agency to participate at the IMTA convention. Diane Dick said that she considers Jamie to be a great asset to her agency and feels that Jamie has shown to be prepared, willing to do the work and is a pleasure to work with.



Lollar

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With best wishes on this holy occasion from all of us.

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## Book provides unique look at Christmas

One of the most captivating novels I've read is *Two From Galilee* by Marjorie Holmes, published by Bantam Books. What more appropriate time to share with you and experience events of this unique writing.

Holmes not only portrays a beautiful love story, but provides insight to every day opinions and family life in Nazareth. It is a story of "two people chosen by God to provide an earthly home for His Son." She presents Mary and Joseph, "a teen-age girl and a young carpenter, alone, frightened, in love, faced with family conflict, a hostile world, and an awesome responsibility".

Holmes' inspiration for the novel unfolded during Christmas Eve church services she attended with her 13-year-old daughter. The concept of the manger scene's reality overwhelmed her. This really happened! When Virgin Mary gave birth to Jesus, she was not much older than the author's own daughter.

After three years' research,

six additional years passed before publishing. According to Holmes, she kept hearing, "Nobody wants to read a Biblical novel anymore." They criticized that she had made the Holy Family as real as the people next door. Her response? That was exactly what she intended... "to make people realize they weren't just statues or Christmas Card pictures. They were human beings who breathed, hurt, hoped, and loved just like we do."

The scene is set with "And now she was a woman". According to Galilee customs, wedding arrangements began to take form as soon as a young maiden entered womanhood, usually between ages 11 to 14.

Through fictional conversations effectively interspersed with factual events, the author relates preparation steps...the synagogue announcement, betrothal date which could be as long as a year before the formal wedding ceremony, busy women spinning, weaving, drying herbs

and cheese, making clay pots, sewing draperies, bedding, tablecloths, and towels.

While betrothed, couples were linked by law. Punishment for adultery could be as severe as death by stoning. It was during this betrothal period that Mary conceived. "And so it was that Mary knew God, and became at once His child, His mate, and His mother, and the miracle was achieved." (page 81)

Dramatic events are brilliantly described by the author: Mary's parents', disbelief; her trip to visit relatives, Elizabeth and Zachariah; gossips' wagging tongues of accusations; Joseph's agonized dilemma until his anxiety was relieved by the angel's assurance that Isaiah's prophecy was about to be fulfilled; the trip to crowded Bethlehem.

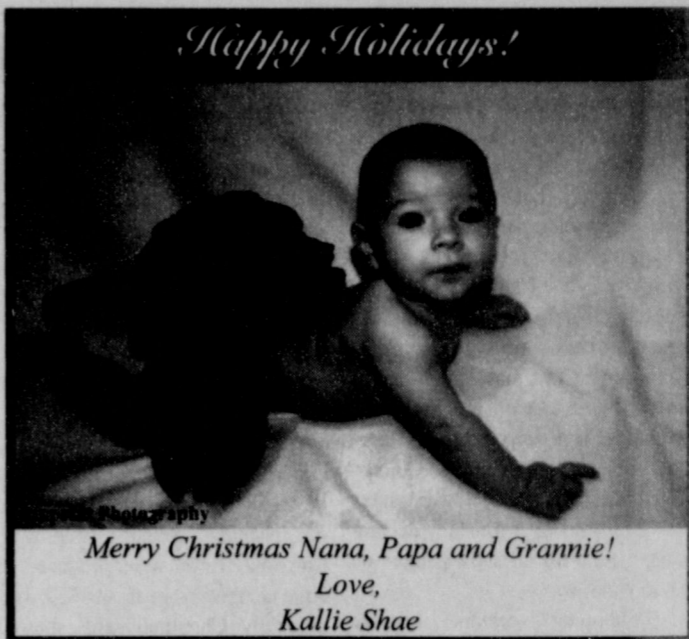
Joseph felt he had failed Mary when he told her of no room at the inn. God had chosen him to look after her, and all he could provide was the cave of a stable.

Mary and Joseph adored their precious baby and His little ways. While relishing His infant charms, they couldn't help but think of Jesus' future suffering that would be part of God's great plan. At one point, Joseph said, "Somehow, I can't think of our son as a king...one who will mount the throne one day and rule the world. But rather a king that will somehow change men's hearts. Mary talked of how prophets had already spoken of his fate...man of sorrows...to bear whole burden of people's sins."

Joseph again spoke of his love for Mary and how it will enable them to grow together in strength so they would be worthy of the great blessing that came to them in Bethlehem stable...so they would be worthy of having Him entrusted to them even for a little while. Check it out.



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by mary beth nelson



## Ranch management workshops will be held in College Station

COLLEGE STATION - The Academy for Ranch Management has scheduled two workshops in early 2008 for prescribed rangeland burning, a technique that renews vegetation by using fire to burn off unwanted brush.

A prescribed burning rangeland workshop is scheduled for February 21-23, while an advanced workshop on the method is scheduled March 6-8. Both workshops will be held at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station near Sonora.

Cost for each workshop is \$395 and includes meals and lodging at the Sonora station, said Ray Hinnant, senior research associate with the Experiment Station and one of the workshop instructors.

The first workshop provides

basic information on prescribed burning, weather, fuels, equipment, and planning. It is designed to be a prerequisite to the advanced workshop. A prescribed burn will be conducted, weather permitting, Hinnant said.

The advanced workshop provides additional information on weather and fuels with emphasis on planning and conducting a prescribed burn.

A comprehensive exam is administered for those interested in completing the educational requirement for a certified prescribed burn manager.

For more information about the workshops and to register, call 979-820-1778 or 325-387-3168 or visit <http://www.ranchmanagement.org>.

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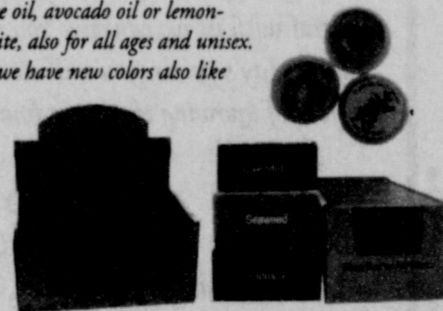


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But is that all there is to life? Or is there something more that she's missed? It seems that half of Chillaton - a small farming community where everybody knows one another all too well - is giving her advice. But Jemma's like the Texas Panhandle wind - strong and shift. When she meets Paul, a buckaroo lawyer, trouble is afoot.

"*Corner of Blue* is more than a love story," Sharon says. "It rekindles a sweeter time when family and friends were everywhere, and you were frequently glad of it. When needed, the good citizens of Connelly County stood ready to help out with chores, form a prayer circle, or stretch the truth about your situation. Take your pick."

Sharon and her family now live in Colorado. Her book is available at all major online booksellers.

**Area Red Hatters descend on Howardwick for annual party**

When you hear the words "Neither snow nor rain nor heat nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of their appointed rounds" you probably think of the mailman.

I think of the Red Hat Society, and the fun they are headed toward. Case in point, Saturday, December 8, the Red Hat Flashers of Canadian slid in on icy roads to the big annual Christmas party sponsored by the Classy Dames of Clarendon.

The Classy Dames and Red Hat Flashers were joined by the Scarlet Saints of Clarendon, Red Hat Rockers of Wheeler, Red Hat Cotton Queens of Memphis, Red Hat Rockers of Mobeetie, Groovin' Red Hatters of Groom, Bodacious Duchesses of Wellington, Red Hat Hattitudes of McLean, and the Red Hatters of Shamrock at the Clarendon Country Club in Howardwick for a noon meal. When you see a room full of red hats and purple frocks, you know there is fun ahead.

Roxana Hamilton and Jeannie Molder were in charge of decorations

made by members, and Paulette Kidd was emcee for the day. Martha Smith showed everyone some new moves, and Elvie Shields and Topsy Roby put on a good show. MaryRuth Peacock read "The Night Before Christmas the Red Hat Way," but the star of the show was the auction. The Ruby Red Hat Auction is a fast-paced, progressive auction that raises money for the St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital from items donated by members. The party ended with everyone singing "Put Your Red Hat On" from the musical "Hats!"

Start planning now to attend the third annual Christmas party next year.

Howardwick may have recovered by then, and we promise you, good food and a surprise or two.

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**Shriners make donation**

Al Morrah Shrine Club members Roger Estlack and Billy Powell (right) present a check for \$1,000 to Khiva Temple Potentate Arthur Ware during the Shriners' annual Christmas Party in Amarillo last week. The money was raised from the barbecue on July Fourth during Clarendon's Saints' Roost Celebration.

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**Square House to host exhibit for Dalhart resident**

The Carson County Square House Museum is pleased to announce an exhibit by Barbara Dawkins, a resident of Dalhart, who specializes in portraits, flowers, landscapes, and seascapes.

The portraits include life scenes of people that we all treasure, grandchildren, and characters who come along through our lives. *Cousins*

received an Honorable Mention at the Tri-State Art Show in the spring of 2007. A landscape, *Late Fall*, also received an Honorable Mention at that show.

Other award winners from shows at San Angelo, Santa Fe, and several Oklahoma shows will be on display.

Mrs. Dawkins is member of

many prestigious art associations including the Society of Impressionists, the Oil Painters of America, and has held exhibits in area banks and the Panhandle Art Center. She has taken workshops with Johnnie Liliedahl, Don Getz, Mike Mahon, Walter McCowan, and Anita Betke. She is currently exhibiting in Salado, Dalhart, and Temple, Texas.

A reception will be held on Sunday, January 6, 2008, 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. in the Hazlewood Gallery to give the public a chance to talk to Barbara about her work. Gallery hours are Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. until 5 p.m., Sunday 1 to 5 p.m.

For further information, please call (806)537-3524.

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- Isaiah 9:6

With best wishes on this holy occasion from all of us.

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## Book provides unique look at Christmas

One of the most captivating novels I've read is *Two From Galilee* by Marjorie Holmes, published by Bantam Books. What more appropriate time to share with you and experience events of this unique writing.

Holmes not only portrays a beautiful love story, but provides insight to every day opinions and family life in Nazareth. It is a story of "two people chosen by God to provide an earthly home for His Son." She presents Mary and Joseph, "a teen-age girl and a young carpenter, alone, frightened, in love, faced with family conflict, a hostile world, and an awesome responsibility."

Holmes' inspiration for the novel unfolded during Christmas Eve church services she attended with her 13-year-old daughter. The concept of the manger scene's reality overwhelmed her. This really happened! When Virgin Mary gave birth to Jesus, she was not much older than the author's own daughter.

After three years' research,

six additional years passed before publishing. According to Holmes, she kept hearing, "Nobody wants to read a Biblical novel anymore." They criticized that she had made the Holy Family as real as the people next door. Her response? That was exactly what she intended... "to make people realize they weren't just statues or Christmas Card pictures. They were human beings who breathed, hurt, hoped, and loved just like we do."

The scene is set with "And now she was a woman". According to Galilee customs, wedding arrangements began to take form as soon as a young maiden entered womanhood, usually between ages 11 to 14.

Through fictional conversations effectively interspersed with factual events, the author relates preparation steps...the synagogue announcement, betrothal date which could be as long as a year before the formal wedding ceremony, busy women spinning, weaving, drying herbs

and cheese, making clay pots, sewing draperies, bedding, tablecloths, and towels.

While betrothed, couples were linked by law. Punishment for adultery could be as severe as death by stoning. It was during this betrothal period that Mary conceived. "And so it was that Mary knew God, and became at once His child, His mate, and His mother, and the miracle was achieved." (page 81)

Dramatic events are brilliantly described by the author: Mary's parents', disbelief; her trip to visit relatives, Elizabeth and Zachariah; gossips' wagging tongues of accusations; Joseph's agonized dilemma until his anxiety was relieved by the angel's assurance that Isaiah's prophecy was about to be fulfilled; the trip to crowded Bethlehem.

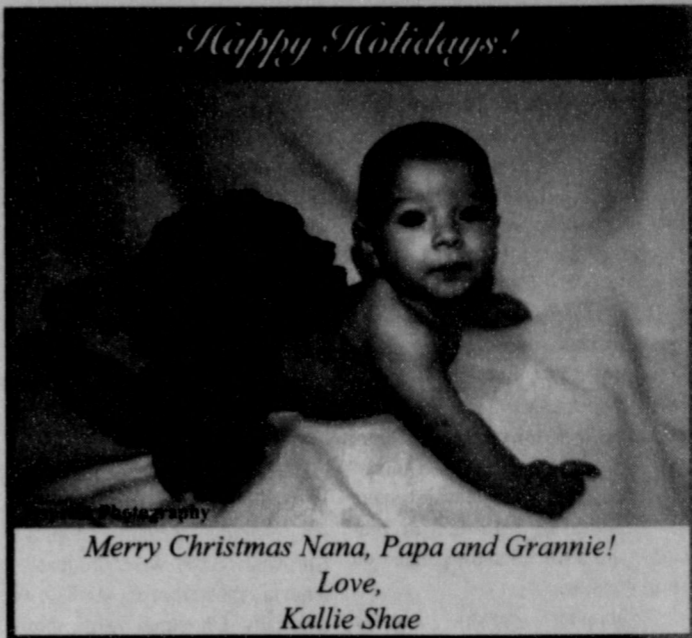
Joseph felt he had failed Mary when he told her of no room at the inn. God had chosen him to look after her, and all he could provide was the cave of a stable.

Mary and Joseph adored their precious baby and His little ways. While relishing His infant charms, they couldn't help but think of Jesus' future suffering that would be part of God's great plan. At one point, Joseph said, "Somehow, I can't think of our son as a king...one who will mount the throne one day and rule the world. But rather a king that will somehow change men's hearts. Mary talked of how prophets had already spoken of his fate...man of sorrows...to bear whole burden of people's sins."

Joseph again spoke of his love for Mary and how it will enable them to grow together in strength so they would be worthy of the great blessing that came to them in Bethlehem stable...so they would be worthy of having Him entrusted to them even for a little while. Check it out.



check it out  
by mary beth nelson



## Ranch management workshops will be held in College Station

COLLEGE STATION - The Academy for Ranch Management has scheduled two workshops in early 2008 for prescribed rangeland burning, a technique that renews vegetation by using fire to burn off unwanted brush.

A prescribed burning rangeland workshop is scheduled for February 21-23, while an advanced workshop on the method is scheduled March 6-8. Both workshops will be held at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station near Sonora.

Cost for each workshop is \$395 and includes meals and lodging at the Sonora station, said Ray Hinnant, senior research associate with the Experiment Station and one of the workshop instructors.

The first workshop provides

basic information on prescribed burning, weather, fuels, equipment, and planning. It is designed to be a prerequisite to the advanced workshop. A prescribed burn will be conducted, weather permitting, Hinnant said.

The advanced workshop provides additional information on weather and fuels with emphasis on planning and conducting a prescribed burn.

A comprehensive exam is administered for those interested in completing the educational requirement for a certified prescribed burn manager.

For more information about the workshops and to register, call 979-820-1778 or 325-387-3168 or visit <http://www.ranchmanagement.org>.

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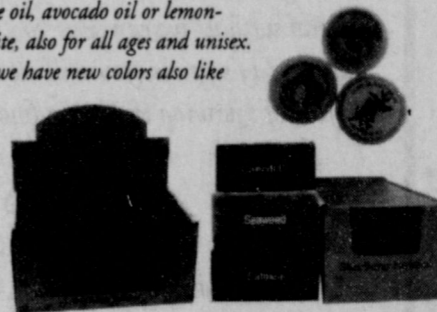


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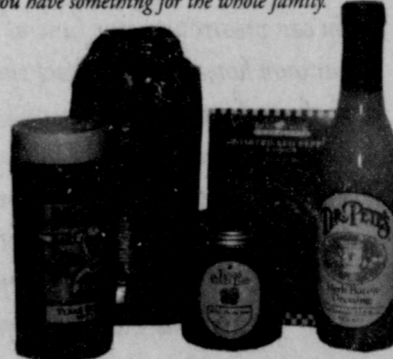
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## Traditions make Christmastime memorable

By MaryRuth Bishop, FCS Agent  
Where did it come from?  
Where is it going?

In many countries of the world, the celebration of Christmas on December 25 is a high point of the year. But why? Can it have any real meaning for us today? Is there a 'real' Christmas message?

For Christmas celebrations in the West today from November onwards, it is impossible to forget that Christmas is coming. Colored lights decorate many town centers and shops, along with shiny decorations, and artificial snow painted on shop windows.

Shopping centers become busier as December approaches and often stay open till late. Shopping center speaker systems will play Christmas 'carols' - the traditional. Most places of work will hold a short Christmas party about a week before Christmas.

Although traditional Christmas foods may be eaten, drink (and plenty of it) means that little work will be done after the party!

By mid-December, most homes will also be decorated with Christmas trees, colored lights, and paper or plastic decorations around the rooms and outside.

In many countries, most people send Christmas greeting cards to their friends and family. The post office expects to handle over 100 million cards each day in the three weeks before Christmas. The custom of sending Christmas cards started in Britain in 1840 when the first 'Penny Post' public postal deliveries began. As printing methods improved, Christmas cards were produced in large numbers from about 1860. Traditionally, Christmas cards showed religious pictures - Mary, Joseph and baby Jesus, or other parts of the Christmas story. Today, pictures are often jokes, winter pictures, Father Christmas, or romantic scenes of life in past times.

"Father Christmas" (or Santa Claus) has become the human face of Christmas. Pictures are seen everywhere of the old man with long white beard, red coat, and bag

of toys. Children are taught that he brings them presents the night before Christmas. In most countries, it is said that he lives near the North Pole and arrives through the sky on a sledge pulled by reindeer. He comes into houses down the chimney at midnight and places presents for the children in socks or bags by their beds or in front of the family Christmas tree.

Santa Claus is based on a real person, St. Nicholas. Nicholas was a Christian leader from Myra (in modern-day Turkey) in the 4th century AD. He was very shy and wanted to give money to poor people without them knowing about it. It is said that one day, he climbed the roof of a house and dropped a purse of money down the chimney.

It landed in the stocking which a girl had put to dry by the fire. This may explain the belief that Father Christmas comes down the chimney and places gifts in children's stockings.

Christmas memories or traditions are customs we carry out year

after year, knowingly and unknowingly. Many of our traditions are detailed: how many presents to open on Christmas Eve (one), what to eat on Christmas morning (scrambled eggs, bacon, and Pillsbury orange rolls), etc.

The key is to recognize that we do have traditions and, knowingly or not, we are passing those on through the generations. And for some of us those traditions are rocks that we hold on to and use as validation of the family.

Spend some time this season talking with family, children, and friends and discover the traditions of Christmas that are important. Traditions for my bunch include reading the Christmas story, and one present opened on Christmas Eve, (which is usually a new pair of pajamas, these look better in the pictures the next morning), and laughter, lots of laughter.

What are your Christmas traditions? Are you passing on what is important? Have a safe and enjoyable Christmas.

## State launches memorial sign program

AUSTIN - To help inform the public of the dangers of drinking and driving, a new program is being implemented by the Texas Department of Transportation that will allow friends and family members of DWI victims to purchase memorial signs to be placed near the location of fatal crashes.

The program is the result of legislation aimed at reducing the more than 1,670 traffic fatalities in 2006 that involved drivers under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

The 80th Texas Legislature created the program at the request of Julie Blasingame. A drunk driver was involved in the death of Mrs. Blasingame's daughter, Rachel. Ms. Blasingame will be the first participant in the program.

"I would love to see these memorial signs all over Texas as constant reminders for our drivers to not drink and drive," said Blas-

ingame. "So many grieving families will want to honor their loved one's memory in this way because they know that good will come from it. They know their loved one won't be forgotten, and it will cause many drivers to think about how their actions affect others. Nearly every family in Texas knows someone who has been affected by a drunk driver."

The legislation creating the program required TxDOT to develop administrative rules governing the operation of the program. Those rules became effective on December 6, and the department has published a new web page that contains all the information a person needs to participate in the program.

An erected memorial sign will remain in place for one year, after which it will be offered to the person(s) who made the original application for participation in the program.

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### Veterans services reaching more people

The consolidation of veterans programs in Texas is having a positive effect according to a press release from Donley County Veterans Service Officer Doug Lowe.

Nearly all programs have been consolidated with the Texas Veterans Commission, and the results are reflected in a report from the Veterans Education Department.

Dissemination of information regarding educational benefits and inquires about educational issues have increased by nearly 300 percent.

Outreach efforts to enhance the spectrum of educational opportunities have resulted in a 10 percent

increase in the number of schools and training establishments with approved programs for GI Bill benefits throughout the state.

Pamphlets detailing educational opportunities and benefits for veterans separating from military service have been mailed to 13 percent more veterans this year than last. In addition, the Veterans Education Department has expanded its efforts to maintain the quality of programs available to veterans through a 21 percent increase in the number of on-site training assistance and oversight visits to schools and training establishments.

Texas ranked second in FY

2007 in total students receiving VA educational benefits behind California. More than 42,000 students received benefits.

The Department of Veterans Affairs sent training information to nearly 35,000 recipients this year.

Veterans can expand their opportunities to utilize their educational benefits if they are employed and participating in a training program to learn a new vocation. These programs may be eligible for approval for on-the-job training. Veterans and employers should contact Veterans Education toll-free at 877-898-3833 for additional information.

### City aldermen name three to EDC board

The Clarendon Board of Aldermen appointed three people to the city's Economic Development Corporation Board when they met in regular session last Tuesday.

William Auvenshine joins the CEDC board as a new member, and Sherol Johnston and Stephen Hall were reappointed to their positions on the board.

Other members of the CEDC board include Mayor Mark White, Alderman Janice Knorpp, Bill Stavenhagen, and Roger Estlack.

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**Jolly wrappers**

'Tis the season to be jolly especially if you're wrapping Christmas packages! Members of Donley County Child Welfare Board met for their regular monthly meeting last week and enjoyed wrapping gifts. Gifts purchased by Ann Huey, Board president, are delivered or mailed to each child from Donley County that is in Child Protective Services (CPS). The Board hosts an annual Chippin For The Children golf tournament, and they are pleased to have sponsors and participants from around the Panhandle. The Board

also receives monies through jury donations. It is because of citizens' donations and participation in events that make it possible for the Child Welfare Board to help Donley County children. Funds are used for Christmas gifts, school clothes or school supplies, special items such as helping with sporting equipment, or registration for children in foster care. Other uses are for children who need emergency care or food and clothing needed for emergency placement into foster care.

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The Clarendon Lions Club held their regular Tuesday noon meeting December 18, 2007, with Boss Lion Richard Sheppard in charge.

We had 21 members, Club Sweetheart Abby Patten, and two guests this week. Ashlee and Ben Estlack were the guests of Lion Roger Estlack.

This week's meeting was devoted to preparing and delivering food baskets to 40 families in the Clarendon area.

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The Bronco junior varsity held their own and then some against Wellington at home Tuesday night. The final score went to the Broncos' favor at 47-34.

Clarendon ran with the lead from the beginning to take a slight lead at the break. They came out in the second half ready to play and worked together offensively to increase their lead to get the win.

"The guys played hard against Wellington," Coach Brandon Word said. "They not only played hard, they played studly, and we got the win."

Scoring: Mike Crump 12, Justin Schilling 10, Chris Crump 8, Clayton Shields 8, Brayden Phillips 4, Bradly Watson 3, and Quincy Harris 2.

The Broncos were able to play the first game of the Clarendon JV Tournament Thursday night before it was called due to the weather. They took on Valley and defeated them 38-30.

The Broncos held a slight advantage against the Patriots at the end of the first quarter. They increased their lead in the second quarter to up by six. After the break, the Broncos were able to hold off their opponent to win the game. "It was an ugly game, but we won and that's always a good job," Word said.

Scoring: M. Crump 11, Phillips 11, C. Crump 9, Watson 2, Schilling 2, and Harris 1.

The Broncos will play Quannah at home December 31 at 11:00 a.m.

**Broncos soar over Rockets, 67-40**

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos capitalized on great scoring in the second and fourth quarters to seal a big 67-40 win over Wellington at home Tuesday night.

After the first eight minutes, the Broncos trailed the Rockets by two points. But things began to work for them in the next period as they outscored their opponent by 13 to take a 17-point lead at the break. The last

half was much of the same as the Broncos found a rhythm offensively to defeat the Rockets.

Three Broncos finished the game in double figures. Johnny Gaines put up 18, Derrick Shelton had 16 combined with numerous rebounds; and T.J. Brown added 13 to the scoreboard.

"It seems like we are just trying too hard," head coach Colby Waldrop said. "We got off to a slow start

against Wellington. We just need to relax and play basketball."

Scoring: Gaines 18, Shelton 16, Brown 13, Alton Gaines 9, Tre Brown 4, Dalton Askew 3, Aaron Gordon 2, and Stephino McCampbell 2.

The Broncos will resume play during the Christmas break at the Greenbelt Tournament December 27-29. They will also play Quannah at home December 31 at 2:00 p.m.

**Wellington girls hand defeat to Lady Broncos in final half**

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos hosted Wellington Tuesday night and were defeated 35-57.

After playing the first period almost even and working hard in the second quarter of play to tie the game at 12 all, the ladies trailed by seven at the break.

Wellington came out in the third period to put a big run on the board and increase their lead to 18. The Lady Broncos played hard but got in foul trouble and could not

narrow the gap.

"We will continue to work hard in practice," Coach Randy Yelverton said. "The girls are playing hard; we just need to put it all together."

Scoring: Sade Cobb 9, Jill Cornell 6, Macy Shadle 5, Erin Holland 4, Bailey Starnes 4, Abbie Massingill 3, Cortnee Thornberry 2, and J. White 2.

The Lady Broncos will participate in the Greenbelt Tournament December 27-29 and will host Quannah December 31 at 12:30 p.m.

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**JV girls post victories**

The Lady Bronco junior varsity hosted Wellington Tuesday night and walked away with 34-32 win.

Clarendon began very slow, but they made up some ground in the second quarter to tie the game at 14 all. The second half proved to be just as close as the Ladies fought hard to hang onto the lead and get the win.

Scoring: Danielle Ford 9, Haleigh Lewis 7, Deidre Lewis 6, Jill Luna 6, Caitlin Christopher 4, and Brandi Mays 2.

They also took on Highland Park in the first round of the Clarendon JV Tournament on Thursday and dominated the Lady Hornets 48-13. The tournament was cancelled on Saturday due to the inclement weather.

Post Deidre Lewis had a huge game offensively and pumped in 24 points. The Ladies were strong defensively also as they held HP to only five points after three quarters of play. "It was good to get the win," Bell said. "We will have a little time off to rest and prepare for the rest of the season."

Scoring: D. Lewis 24, H. Lewis 6, Ford 6, Lauren Shelton 4, Christopher 2, and Emilie Clark 2.

The Ladies will host Quannah December 31 beginning at 11:00 a.m.

**Colts beat Bushland**

The seventh and eighth grade Colts participated in the Panhandle Tournament and played Bushland in the first round. The Colts were unable to finish the tournament due to the weather on Saturday.

The seventh grade Colts defeated Bushland 48-23. Offensively, the Colts executed well and were able to rack up 31 points before the break. Their defense kicked in as well, and they held their opponent to single digits in the first half. The Colts continued with their dominance through the second half to get the win.

Scoring: Cole Ward 12, Forrest Yelverton 10, Trevor Cobb 7, Cody Wood 6, Tyler Burch 5, Diego Santos 4, and John Pigg 4.

The eighth grade didn't fare as well as the seventh grade and were defeated by Bushland 19-48.

They struggled offensively the entire game and just could not get anything going. Bushland took advantage of the Colts' struggles and got the win.

Scoring: Charleston Harris 6, Jerami Johnson 4, Jayson Pigg 2, Devonte Hardaway 2, Wes Williams 2, Mason Lowrie 2, and Jacob Pigg 1.

The Colts will play Wellington January 7 on the road beginning at 5:00 p.m.

**Lady Colts in tourney**

Both Lady Colt teams took part in the Panhandle Tournament held Thursday December 13.

Both teams took on Bushland in the first round. The seventh grade Lady Colts won, but the results were not available at press time. The eighth grade Lady Colts lost 24-31.

It was slow going for the Ladies as they trailed early on in the game. They played hard, but were unable to put things together to get the win.

Scoring: Trevela Dronzek 10, Cheyenne Kosechata 7, Marquada Gaines 4, and Kae Hewitt 2.

Both Lady Colt teams will play Wellington at home January 7 beginning at 5:00 p.m.

**Bronco & Lady Bronco Basketball**

**Lady Broncos**

- 3 Jenci White Jr.
- 10 Erin Holland Sr.
- 11 Jill Cornell Sr.
- 12 Janae White Jr.
- 15 Kia Bryley So.
- 20 Abbie Massingill Jr.
- 21 Cortnee Thornberry Jr.
- 22 Bailey Starnes Jr.
- 23 Abby Patten Sr.
- 24 Sade Cobb Sr.
- 25 Macy Shadle Jr.

Head Coach: Randy Yelverton  
Assistants: Kasey Bell & Alton Gaines  
Managers: Courtney Shillings, Dominique Brady, Tanita Gaser, Dominique Mason

**Broncos**

- 2 Alton Gaines Jr.
- 3 Aaron Gordon Jr.
- 5 Johnny Gaines Fr.
- 12 Nathan Gribble Jr.
- 23 Stephino McCampbell So.
- 24 T.J. Brown Sr.
- 30 Derrick Shelton Jr.
- 32 Dalton Askew Sr.
- 33 Jadon Thorton So.
- 41 Danzel Wilson Jr.
- 42 Tre Brown So.

Coaches: Colby Waldrop, Brandon Word  
Trainers: Trisha Hewett, Niki Roberts  
Filmer: Kiki Hill

**December 27 - 29**

**Greenbelt Holiday Classic TBA**

**Monday, December 31**

**Lady Broncos v. Quannah In Clarendon, 12:30 p.m.**

**Broncos v. Quannah in Clarendon, 2:00 p.m.**

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**Sheriff's Report: Vehicel accidents keep deputies busy**

December 10, 2007  
 2:37 a.m.- See caller 700 Blk. W. 8th St.  
 10:24 a.m.- Transport female from residence on Oleta St. to DA's office  
 10:56 a.m.- Transport female from DA's office to residence on Oleta St.  
 11:17 a.m.- See caller 200 Blk. S. Parks St.  
 2:14 p.m.- At Lelia Lake Gin  
 2:45 p.m.- Escort funeral procession  
 4:33 p.m.- Out on Hartzell St.  
 8:52 p.m.- Minor accident due to ice on Hwy 70 N

December 11, 2007  
 9:53 a.m.- At Annex  
 10:39 a.m.- Out 900 Blk. S. Parks St.

December 12, 2007  
 12:16 a.m.- At Clarendon College  
 12:30 a.m.- To jail with two males in custody; made alcohol available to minor  
 2:03 a.m.- See caler 200 Blk. S. Parks St.  
 8:24 a.m.- At Clarendon College  
 1:57 p.m.- See complainant in Lobby  
 3:58 p.m.- Stand by DPS  
 4:49 p.m.- Check occupancy of residence 500 Blk. W. 6th St.

December 13, 2007  
 4:22 p.m.- At High School  
 6:59 p.m.- At High School Gym

December 14, 2007  
 6:18 a.m.- Assist motorist Hwy 287 1 mile E. of Hedley  
 8:10 a.m.- At Jr. High  
 2:16 p.m.- Clerk's Office

December 15, 2007  
 3:19 a.m.- Single truck rollover 7 1/2 miles W on Hwy 287  
 4:15 a.m.- Single vehicle accident 5-10 miles W. on Hwy 287  
 4:27 a.m.- Jackknifed semi 4 miles W. on Hwy 287  
 7:44 a.m.- Traffic control  
 1:40 p.m.- Minor accident; location not noted

December 16, 2007  
 7:16 p.m.- EMS assist 1000 Blk. S. Faker St.

Arrests- 3 EMS- 7

Editor's Note: Due to e-mail problems, these letters arrived too late to be included in the Dreams & Memories section.

Dear Santa,  
 I want a stuffed bear. I also want an x-box game from game stop. That one game that was with Godzilla you know which one? Did you put your ornament that I gave you on your tree. See you soon.

Love,  
 Payton Morris  
 Mrs. White  
 1st Grade Hedley

Dear Santa,  
 I want a little pony that talks and a sharpa doll and cd player with cd's and pink boot.

Love,  
 Kasie Hinton  
 1st Grade - Hedley

Dear Santa,  
 I want a Baby Alive!  
 I would also like an art set and a game boy. It would be very special if I could have a bell from your sleigh! My dad put a heater in the fireplace, so don't come down the chimney!

Love,  
 Erin Monroe  
 Age 6, 1st Grade  
 Hedley School

Dear Santa,  
 I would like a horse barn and a stuffed horse. I want a stuffed pig too. Thank you. You are a nice person!

Love,  
 Your new friend, McKay Shelp  
 1st Grade  
 Hedley

Santa,  
 I want to ask if you could get me a flip phone and a xbox 360 and a dirt bike

By: Frank Ramirez  
 Hedley  
 Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
 I want a playstation, and a basketball game and a football game and a fathead of tony room fixing to throw and a fourwheeler.

From Casey McCleskey  
 Hedley  
 Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
 I want a air soft gun that shoots 32 feet and a nintindo d.s.

From Braddon Stephens  
 Hedley  
 Grade 3

Dear Santa Claus,  
 1. I want a fourweller,  
 2. a puppy  
 3. and a huge teddy bear.

Love,  
 Hannah Howard  
 Hedley 3rd Grade

Dear Santa,  
 For Christmas I want a bird, a bell from your sleigh, and a lollypop.

Your friend Sara Monroe  
 Hedley 3rd Grade

Dear Santa,  
 This year I want a scope, playstation game. And a dirt bike. I dough I will get a dirtbike thought.

Clay Koetting  
 Hedley 3rd Grade

Dear Santa,  
 1. want a soft blanket that is as big as I am  
 2. a baby that can go potty and can cry and has a bottle and has a potty.  
 3. a box made up of any kind of makeup.

Madison Shelp  
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**Clarendon Consolidated Independent School District**

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Governmental Funds For the Year Ended August 31, 2007

Data Control Codes	10 General Fund	Other Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>REVENUES:</b>			
3700 Total Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 2,502,385	\$ 41,358	\$ 2,543,743
1800 State Program Revenues	3,171,808	22,397	3,194,205
9900 Federal Program Revenues	940	445,838	446,778
5020 Total Revenues	5,675,133	509,593	6,184,726
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>			
<b>Current:</b>			
0011 Instruction	2,495,619	296,857	2,792,476
0012 Instructional Resources and Media Services	180,218	-	180,218
0013 Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development	35,481	35,960	71,441
0021 Instructional Leadership	-	6,019	6,019
0023 School Leadership	333,620	-	333,620
0031 Guidance, Counseling and Evaluation Services	63,100	-	63,100
0033 Health Services	23,056	-	23,056
0034 Student (Pupil) Transportation	260,525	-	260,525
0035 Food Services	5,000	173,042	178,042
0036 Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities	289,147	-	289,147
0041 General Administration	339,029	-	339,029
0051 Facilities Maintenance and Operations	513,979	-	513,979
0052 Security and Monitoring Services	3,353	-	3,353
<b>Capital Outlay:</b>			
0081 Facilities Acquisition and Construction	990,965	-	990,965
<b>Intergovernmental:</b>			
0093 Payments to Fiscal Agent/Member Districts of SSA	75,491	-	75,491
6030 Total Expenditures	5,608,583	511,878	6,120,461
1100 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	66,550	(2,285)	64,265
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):</b>			
7915 Transfers In	-	2,285	2,285
8911 Transfers Out (Use)	(2,285)	-	(2,285)
7080 Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(2,285)	2,285	-
1200 Net Change in Fund Balances	64,265	-	64,265
0100 Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	1,987,315	-	1,987,315
3000 Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$ 2,051,580	\$ -	\$ 2,051,580



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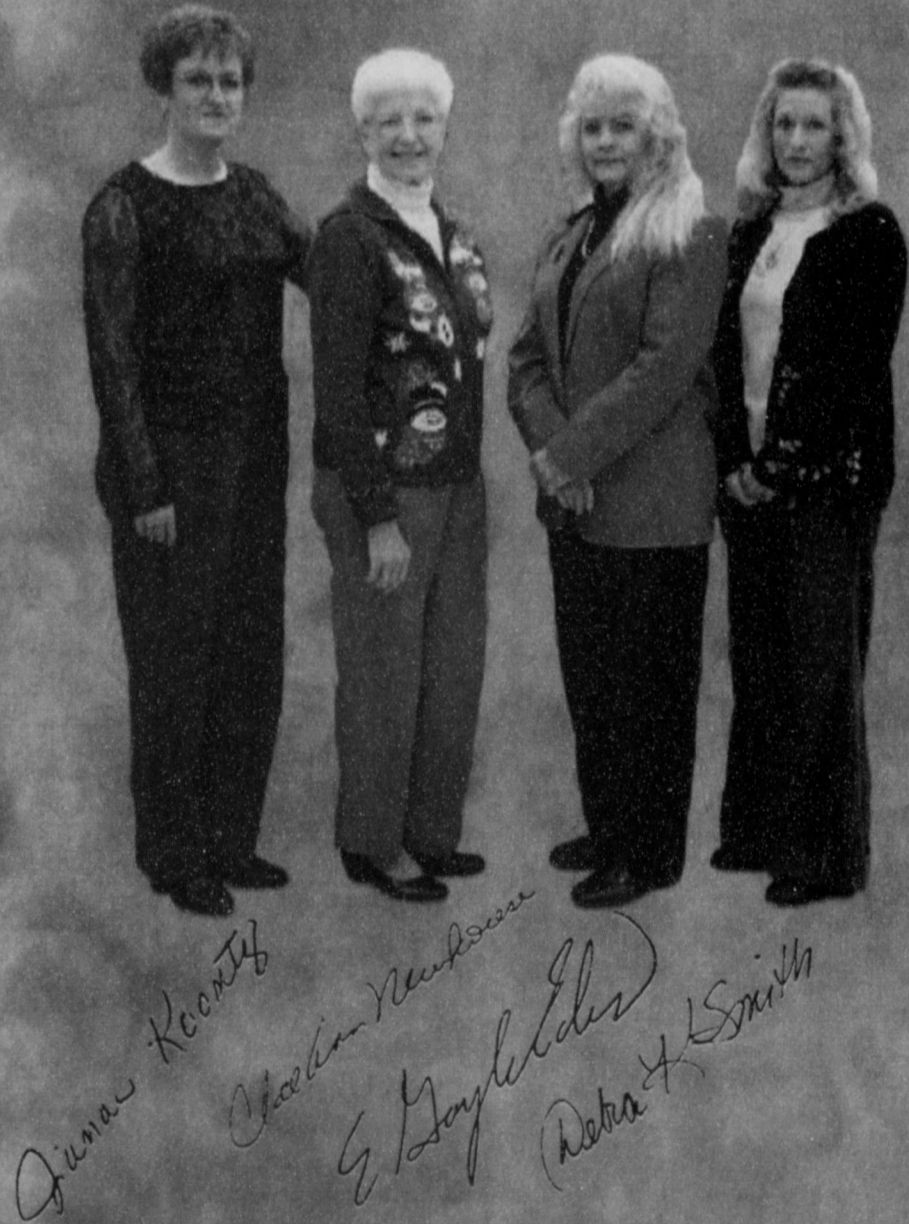
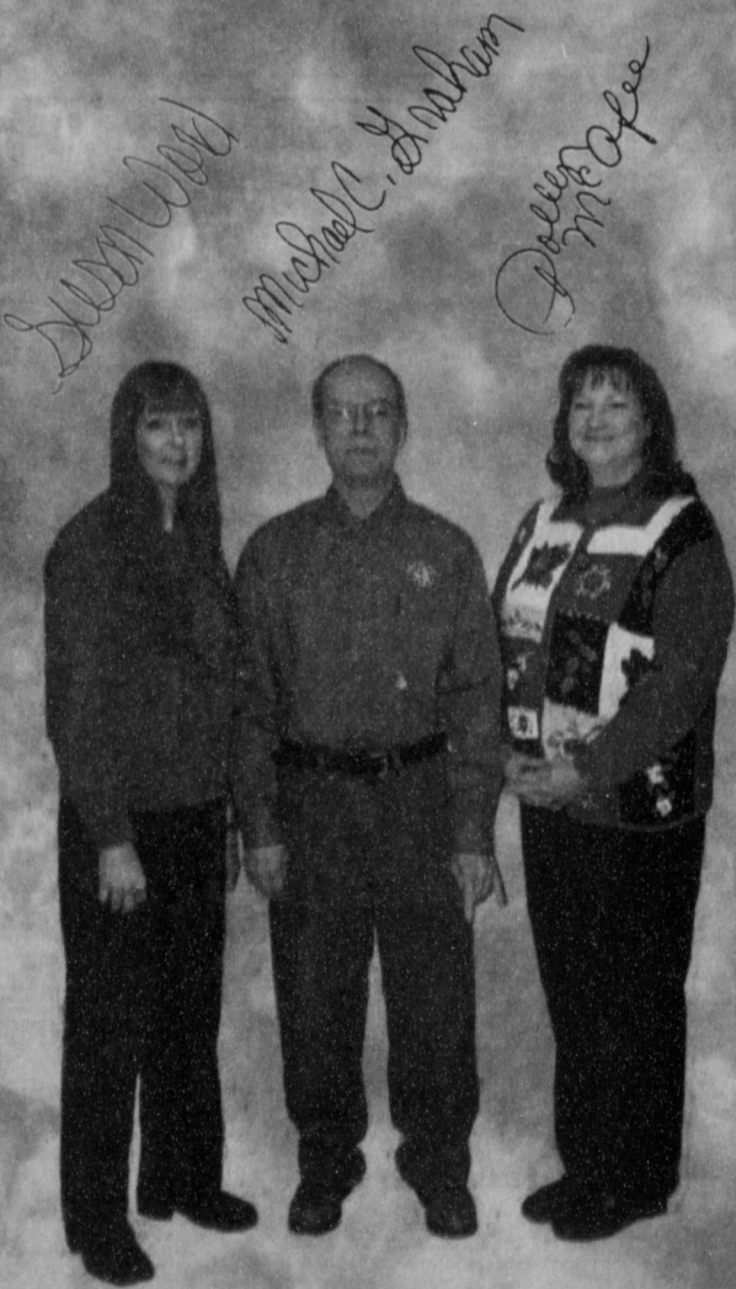
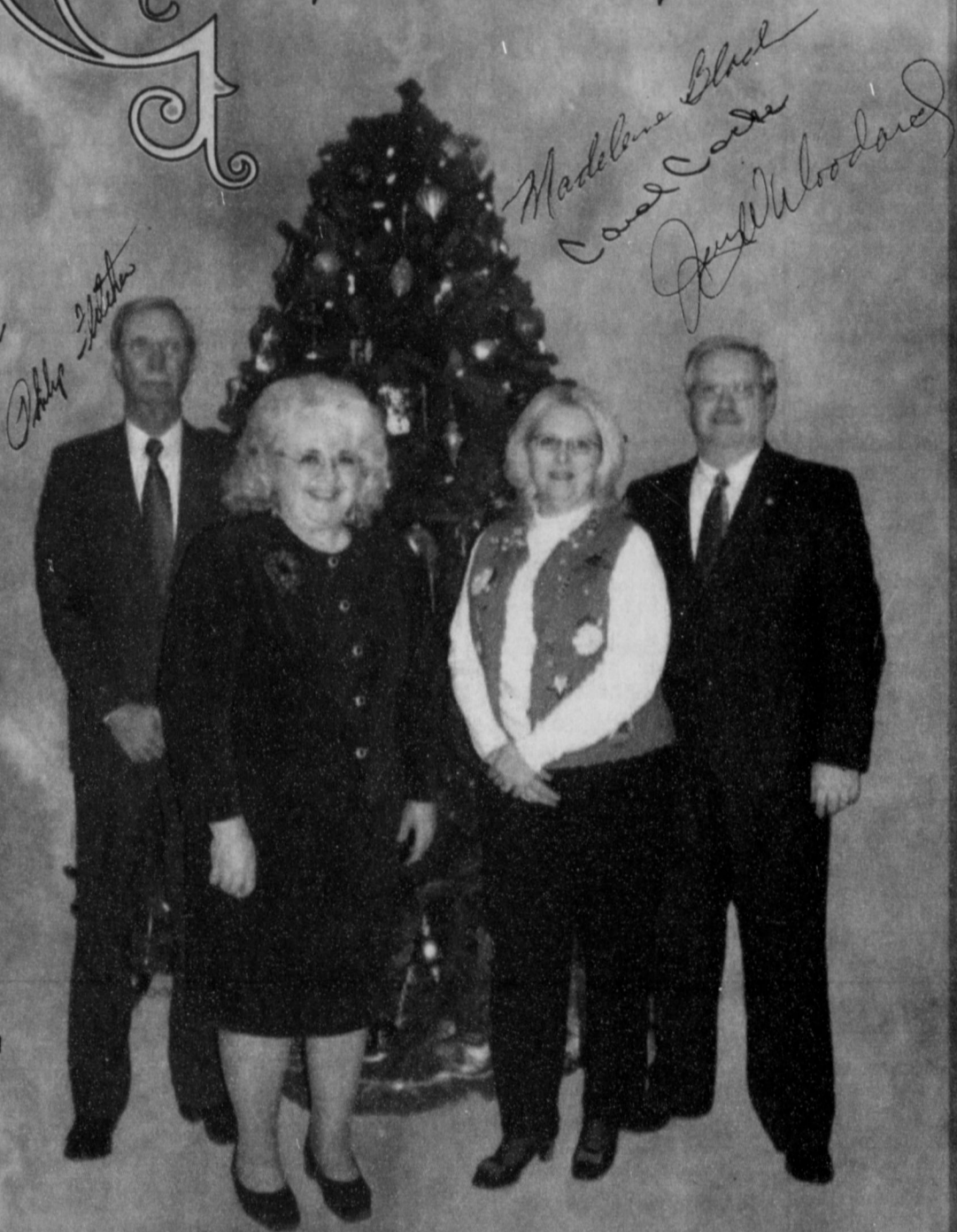


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As the Christmas season approaches, we recall with pleasure all the great folks we've had the privilege to know and serve this past year.

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.

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## The Clarendon Enterprise Christmas Dreams & Memories DECEMBER 20, 2007

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good boy this year. (Or at least I've been trying) For Christmas I would like a DVD player for the car. Mommy & Daddy say I need something to entertain me while we're on long trips. They told me I couldn't drive or run the radio, so I guess watching a movie will work. I also want some movies for my new DVD player. I love "The Backyardigans" and anything else that's fun with music and singing, but no Barney.

I also would like some Hot Wheels to carry in my backpack and a ball to play with and kick around the house (don't tell my mommy). I would also like some pots and pans so I can cook in the kitchen with mommy. She said I couldn't use hers when they're on the stove because they're hot.

Last, I would like my own cell phone because mommy and daddy take theirs away every time I try to call someone. I keep trying to tell them I'm just trying to call my Poppa and NanNan to see if I can come over and play.

Also, Mommy wants maternity clothes. Whatever those are.

I love you Santa,  
Benjamin Estlack  
Age: 14 months

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a pool for me and another pool for my Bratz and Bratz and a laptop with a High School Musical cd and a cell phone pink one. Please! Please! with sugar on top.

Your friend,  
Kallie Lindsey

Hi Santa,

My name is Kira. I would really like to have a baby doll for Christmas. I would also like to have a Buttercup Horse and a My Little Pony. I have been such a good girl and I have worked very hard in school. I will leave you milk and cookies by the table in the living room!

I Love You,  
Kira Weatherton  
Clarendon Kindergarten

Hi Santa,

Santa I really like to play with toys. This year for Christmas I would like a dog that will be still and go to sleep. I would also like a giraffe that I can snuggle up with. I have tried really hard to be good this year!

I Love you,  
Raynee Newsome  
Clarendon Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I would like a real baby horse that I can train and go to rodeos. I would also like a new baby puppy because mine got ran over. Right now he is very sick! I would also take good care of a goldfish!

I Love You Santa,  
Brooklynn Ballard  
Clarendon Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

I want a robot for Christmas this year. I have been a pretty good boy. I will leave you milk and apples in the living room by the tree. See you on Christmas Eve.

Love,  
Colby Mayberry  
Clarendon Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

I would really like to have a dirt bike this year for Christmas. Another thing I would like is blue fish. My brother would really like a dirt bike too and a goldfish! I will make you some cookies so you will have a snack!

Love,  
Robert McGuire  
Clarendon Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I really need a new bed for my dog. I would also like a reindeer like I see on TV. Play-Doh would also really be cool!!

Love,  
Abby Tolbert  
Clarendon Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

I would like a Guitar Hero Three, Heelys, and a DVD player for Christmas this year. I have been a very good girl this year I believe. Santa I will leave you Gingerbread man cookies on the dinner table. See you soon.

Love,  
Leigh Hernandez  
Clarendon Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

I would like a baby puppy, a robot and a candy land game for Christmas this year. I have been a very good girl this year. I will leave you milk and cookies on the table by the tree. I will see you very soon I hope.

Love,  
Coble Bowes  
Clarendon Kindergarten



Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a Lightning McQueen video game. I will have so much fun playing with it at Momma's house. I would also like a baseball video game. I will get you some cookies and Sponge Bob juice!  
Your friend,  
Chase Amos  
Clarendon Kindergarten

Dear Santa,  
This Christmas I would like to have a motor-cycle that I can ride. I would also really like a flashlight that I can look in the dark with. I think that my brother would really like some Twizzler candy.  
See ya soon Santa,  
Garrett Hill  
Clarendon Kindergarten

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like to have a Bumble Bee transformer. I really need Sandman. It is that stuff that sticks together and never dries out. It is really cool. I have seen it on TV. I will have some milk and cookies for you.  
I Love you Santa,  
Trent Smith  
Clarendon Kindergarten

Dear Santa,  
I've been a VERY good little boy this year. (Any misbehavior was due to EXTREME temptation!) I would really love a Big Green Toy! I would also love an airplane, chocolate, pizza, and food! My baby brother has also been very good. (This is mostly due to my good example.) He would really like green toys, an airplane, chocolate, pizza, and food. (He can't talk, so I had to translate "Nnnh, nnnh, nhhh" for Mommy.)  
I will leave you a popsicle to eat (get here SOON or it will melt).  
Love you,  
Nathan (3 years)  
& Daniel (7 months)

Dear Santa,  
My name is Harlo Burlin and I am 8 years old. I live in Taos, NM but I am going to be in Texas for Christmas so please leave some of my gifts at Mimi & Birdy's. I would like something that I can do hair and makeup on and a laptop computer. I would also like to have the biggest littlest pet shop.  
Love, Harlo

Dear Santa,  
Hi, my name is Casen Morris. I have been pretty good this year. I would like a few things for Christmas. A shake-n-go crash up track, leapster, transformers, heeleys, spider man skates and a big slide. Please don't forget my little sister and all other good boys and girls. We will have your milk and cookies waiting.  
Casen Morris

Dear Santa,  
Hi, my name is Katelyn and I have been really good this year. I want anything that has to do with baby dolls. I want a baby alive, mickey mouse club house and a little kitchen. Please don't forget my big bubba. He's been kind of good.  
Katelyn Morris

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? I hope you have a fun trip here. What I want for Christmas is a skateboard, a skateboard ramp, Heeelys, and any 2 Xbox games. Tell all the elves and reindeer I said hi! Have a great Christmas!  
Your friend,  
Chase Sharp  
Hedley Grade 4

Dear Santa,  
How's the reindeer? Is Rudolph doing well? I hope he is because he better be nice to Comet and the others. This year for Christmas I would like a camera and a bell from your reindeer. Let's hope you make it! Oh! How's Mrs. Claus? Is she doing all right? I hope you have a good flight.  
Your friend,  
Cassy Pettit  
Hedley Grade 4

Dear Santa,  
How is Rudolph doing, and how is Mrs. Claus? And especially you, Santa, how are you? Santa, what I want for Christmas is a remote controlled monster truck, shoulder pads, a football, a Dallas Cowboys helmet, an Xbox, hunting pants, and a B.B. Gun. Thanks! Have a Merry Christmas!  
Yours truly,  
Clay King  
Hedley Grade 4

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I bet your elves are working hard. So, how's Rudolph and the other reindeer? Say hi to Mrs. Claus. Santa, did you have a good vacation? I hope so. If your not to busy, I just want an Ipod, if it is possible. Thank you for everything you have done for me and other people.  
Sincerely,  
Brooklyn Montgomery  
Hedley Grade 4

Dear Santa,  
How are the reindeer doing? Also, how is Mrs. Claus? I hope you had a good summer vacation. For Christmas, I would like a pair of Heeelys, a Baby Alive, and a camera. If you could I would really appreciate it.  
Sincerely yours,  
Kelsey Wells  
Hedley Grade 4

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? I bet you had to work hard getting all the toys ready for Christmas. What I would like is a big screen t.v. in my room for me to watch football and play my video games on. Also, I would like a big horse painted on my wall. I hope you have fun on Christmas night!  
Your friend,  
Klaiton Moore  
Hedley Grade 4

Dear Santa,  
How are the reindeer and Mrs. Claus? If possible could you bring me these five things, a four wheeler, binoculars, a knife, a scope for my .22, and a gun sling. I will really appreciate these gifts.  
Your friend,  
Miles Patton  
Hedley Grade 4

Dear Santa,  
How is Mrs. Claus? Is she doing good? How are the reindeer? I hope they are all good! Santa, this is what I want for Christmas, a dirt bike and a visor, and a Xbox 360. Have a Merry Christmas!  
Your friend,  
Lane Cabler  
Hedley Grade 4

Dear Santa,  
How are you? How's your wife? How are your elves? I have been good and I want a toy Santa, a toy Mrs. Claus, and a Dora.  
From: Tanner Burch  
Clarendon Kindergarten

Dear Santa,  
How is your reindeer? How is your wife? I want a bicycle.  
Merry Christmas!  
Love,  
Zhala Bassett  
Clarendon Kindergarten

Dear Santa,  
How's your reindeer? I know that Rudolph's friends were pickin' on him. I want a laptop, like a transformer one.  
Love,  
Samuel Thomas  
Clarendon Kindergarten

Dear Santa,  
I have been very, very good. How is your wife? I want a baby doll, a play horse, a blue dress, and an orange dress.  
Merry Christmas!  
Makayla Brown  
Clarendon Kindergarten

Dear Santa,  
I love you, Santa! I want a tricycle. I love you. I hope you have a good Christmas. Merry Christmas!  
Love,  
Cody Crump  
Clarendon Kindergarten

Dear Santa,  
I want Legos Knights. The good kingdom is under attack by the evil skeletons. There's lasers that have mirrors with it and castles that are standing up.  
From:  
Clay Ward  
Clarendon Kindergarten

Dear Santa,  
I would like some GI Joes because I really love GI Joes. I want a jet for Christmas. I want an army boat. How short are your elves? I want to know how really short they are. Merry Christmas!  
From:  
Kenny Overstreet  
Clarendon Kindergarten

Dear Santa,  
I want a Power Wheel. You start it and it goes by itself. I've been good and

I'm getting a truck.  
Merry Christmas!  
Collin Butler  
Clarendon Kindergarten

Dear Santa,  
I want a magic Dora and a princess thing that says "Tea for you and tea for me." I want a stuffed animal dog, too.  
From:  
Nori Buckhaults  
Clarendon Kindergarten

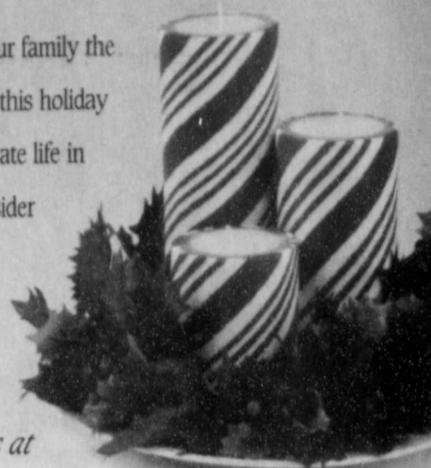
Dear Santa,  
How's your elves? How are you doing? How's your wife? I want a Barbie and a baby doll. Merry Christmas!  
Darcie Hunsaker  
Clarendon Kindergarten

Dear Santa,  
How's your wife? How's your reindeer? I want a little doll and a Barbie.  
Love,  
Braylee Shields  
Clarendon Kindergarten

Peace on Earth

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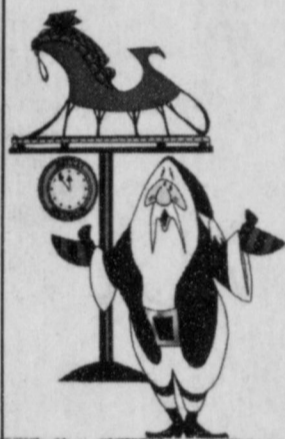
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- Luke 2:7

May you and your loved ones draw strength and inspiration from the miracle that is Christmas and its message of faith, goodwill and peace on earth. Noel.

Shelton Law Office



Dear Santa,  
My name is Easton, and I have been a very good boy this year. For Christmas I would like you to bring me a new John Deere tractor. I really would like the combine and a trailer. I also want the Geotrack train set with lighted bridge. Don't worry about getting me a kitchen because I asked Nanny and Papa for one. Could you please bring my new little sister Elliot a play gym and a doll. She has been good too! We will leave milk and cookies out for you. Have a safe flight!

Your friend,  
Easton Frausto  
Age 2

Dear Santa,  
My name is Graci Anne Kidd and I am 4 years old. I have been a very good girl this year, I promise, even ask my mom. This Christmas I would like a Bitterscotch Pony for my room, a Dora vanity table so I can do my hair, a big huge Dora doll, some Dora playing cards because I have lost some of my chicken playing cards. I would also like a new blue bow because I lost the other one in the bathroom. I also want a Little Mermaid TV for my bedroom. Please Santa remember me on December 25 this year because I promise I have been a good girl.

Graci Anne Kidd

Dear Santa,  
I think I have been a good boy this year, even if everyone else doesn't. I want all the toys I see on TV, but here are a few things I would really like to have. I want a Mack truck that turns into a race track, a remote controlled helicopter, a train named Stepney, a new gun, and a loader. I hope Mrs. Claus and the elves are doing fine. I think me and my brothers could all use new saddles. So could my dad. Thank you for all you brought me last year.

Love,  
Baylor Cruse  
Turkey, TX

Dear Santa,  
I have really tried to be good this year, but it is just so hard when you are in the "terrible twos". I hope you don't mind that I cried when my mom tried to put me in your lap last year. I really do like you, but at a distance. For Christmas I would like Stepney, Molly, and Thomas with a snowplow. I would also like a bulldozer or some other construction toy. Other than that most anything will work. Please remember my mom and dad this year because they have been very good. My mom would like a new camera and my dad really needs (wants) some new spurs.

I love you,  
Brayson Cruse  
Turkey, TX

Dear Santa,  
My name is Branson Cruse and I am in the 1st grade. For Christmas I would like for you to bring me Duncan the train, and some little cars. I would also like a bulldozer or any kind of construction vehicle. Thank you so much for everything that you brought me last year.

Love,  
Branson Cruse  
Turkey, TX

Dear Santa,  
My name is Kasen Hatley and I am twenty months old. I have been a very, very good boy this year. This year for Christmas I would like you to bring me anything cowboy, I love cows and horses. I would really like a ride-on bull, a new cowboy hat, and some new boots. I also love tools. I have a lot of tools but no tool-bench, so that would also be good. I am going to clean out my toy box before you come so anything else would be cool too.

Kasen Hatley

Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is a transformer, a remote control monster and an Intendo DS and a bionicle. Please bring my brother something.

Your pal,  
Albert Buckhaults  
I'll leave you a cookie Santa Claus  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa Claus,  
My name is Quentin Overby, I am 8 years old. I am happy that you always remember me. Can you please bring me an Intendo Wii. I will make sure that I put out cookies and milk for you.

Your pal,  
Quentin Overby  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Claus,  
My name is Payton. I am 7 years old. For Christmas I want an I-Pod and a Ford Doole and trailer. I will be in Colorado for Christmas. I will leave you cookies and milk.

Your friend,  
Payton Havens  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa Claus,  
My name is Nancy Burton. I would like an I-pod. I would like Roller Skates. I would like a Play Satation. I am 8 years old.

Your friend,  
Nancy Burton  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a flip phone an I-pod, a Mp3 player. I want a computer and a skateboard. I will be nice for you and I will leave you a present. Also, how old are you? I am 7 years old. You're the best Santa Claus ever. I might be in Oklahoma or I might be in Clarendon I am not sure. I hope I've been good.

Your friend,  
Justin Christopher  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa Claus,  
My name is Nathan Shadle I am 7 years old. I want a four wheeler, a game boy, a foot ball, MP3 player, and an X Box 360. I will be at home. I will set out cookies and milk. I have been good. Please don't forget my brother, sister, mom, dad, or cousins.

Your pal,  
Nathan Shadle  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa,  
I came to see you at the North Pole a couple of weeks ago and loved your house. For the first time in my life I was speechless! I couldn't believe it was you. I already told you I want Barbies for Christmas but I forgot a few things. I want a new TV for the car since mine broke. I would also like a baby doll, a stamp set, and My little Pony that talks. I hope you have a safe trip and I'll leave milk and cookies out for you. Please don't forget my cousins, Bryce, Jensen, Brock, and Kasen! Thanks Santa.

Love,  
Emeri Robinson

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am 8 years old. Have I been good this year? I want an Intendo DS for Christmas I also want a pelt gun. I will have a glass of milk for you and some cokey to. Are you feeling good and are your elves doing good, too?

Your friend,  
Raylyn Shelton  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa Claus,  
This is Lilly Carr. I am 8 years old. I want for Christmas a computer. I want roller skates for Christmas. I also want a baby doll. I will leave you chocolate cookies. I will be at my house this Christmas.

Your girl, Lilly Carr  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa Claus,  
My name is Kendra Weatheron. I am 7 years old. I have been good. For Christmas I would like a computer. And please can I have some roller skates? Merry Christmas. I hope you have a good Christmas.

Your friend,  
Kendra Weatheron  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa,  
My name is Trinity, I am 8 years old. I really want to thank you for eating all of the cookie and milk I gave you last year. I also want you to know that I live in Clarendon now not Panhandle! I hope you like our Christmas tree, and think it's appropriate for presents. I was good this year. I hope you got me some fun stuff!

Your Pal,  
Trinity A. Stribling  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa,  
My name is Cody Lowry. I'm 8 years old. I would like a pair of hells

and legos Exoforce and a dirt bike and a I-pod and a x-box 360. I will leave cookies.

Your bud,  
Cody Lowry  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa Claus,  
For Christmas I want these: a bike, roller skates, a scooter and a book Can you please get my brothers a trampoline and a Mp3 player. I will leave you cookies.

Your friend,  
Merchel Smith  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am 7 years old. My name is Cole. For Christmas, I want an I-pod and a play station. Would you bring my sister a Remote control four wheeler. I will be in El Paso for Christmas.

Your pal,  
Cole English  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa,  
My name is Brady. I am 7 years old. I want a play station and a wii. I like ipods can you bring me one please. I am going to 4 places. I might give you choclote cookies. Christmas is one of my favorite holiday.

Your friend  
Brady Miller  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa Claus,  
For Christmas I want a ps2, sly3, nascar 2008, N.F.L Foot Ball 2008, a gun, flow in the dark doodles, Rataatoy for Nintindo DS, Sonic 2 and a game called sims.

From  
Quinton Dunham  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa,  
My name is Grayson Burch, and I am 7 years old. I want a Nintendo DS, Roller Skates, a four wheeler, and a CD player for Christmas. Will you please help save the world? I have been good this year.

Your Friend,  
Grayson Burch  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Father Christmas,  
My name is Harley Jauregui. I am 7 years old. I like apples, brocliy, and green beans. I want a x-box 360, a Dvd player, and a flat screen tv. I would also like a comeputer, a four Weller, an

Intendo DS. How old are you? Please remember me my sister and all the boys and girls. I hope you remember my dog, Sally and my cat Fluff.

Your freind  
Harley Jauregui  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa Claus,  
Hi, my name is Kathryn Louis. You are the best in the World! Your so important to me. You are so nice to the World! I Love you. For Christmas I want an I-pod, an X Box 260 and a MP3 player. I wish my daddy and my mom to get back together again!

Your friend,  
Kathryn Louis  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Jesus,  
My name is Joshua. I want a army set. And a pistol. I will celebrate your birthday. My brother wants an army set, too.

Your friend,  
Joshua Cobb  
Clarendon Grade 2

7 years old. For Christmas I want an American girl doll named Nellie, I dog, a brazes lap top, an Intendo DS, and a Mp3 player. I am going to stay at my house and my Aunt Kim's. Her family is coming to eat lunch with us.

Your pal,  
Paige Perryman  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Father Christmas,  
I want a skate board, an I Pod, a MP3 player, and roller skates for Christmas. At Christmas my mom makes the best cookies and my aunt does too. I'll leave you some. At Cristmas my Dad, brother, and I go to a store and sister a present for Christmas.

Your friend,  
Colt Wood  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa,  
My name is Kade Hunsaker I would like a knife set and a Intendo DS. I would also like a Remote control car, and a new bee-bee gun. I will be at my grandma's house for Christmas.

Your friend,  
Kade Hunsaker  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa Claus,  
My name is Paige Perryman, I am



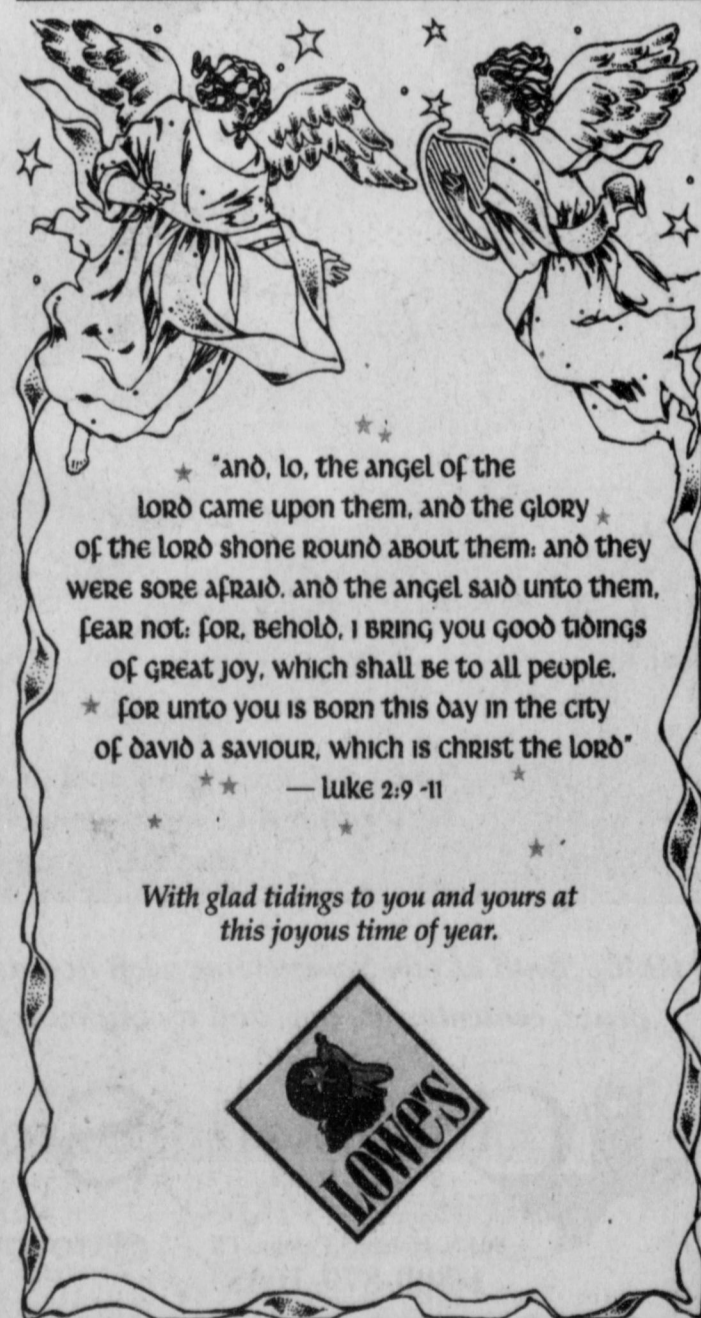
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\*and, lo, the angel of the lord came upon them, and the glory of the lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. and the angel said unto them, fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. \* for unto you is born this day in the city of david a saviour, which is christ the lord" — luke 2:9-11

With glad tidings to you and yours at this joyous time of year.

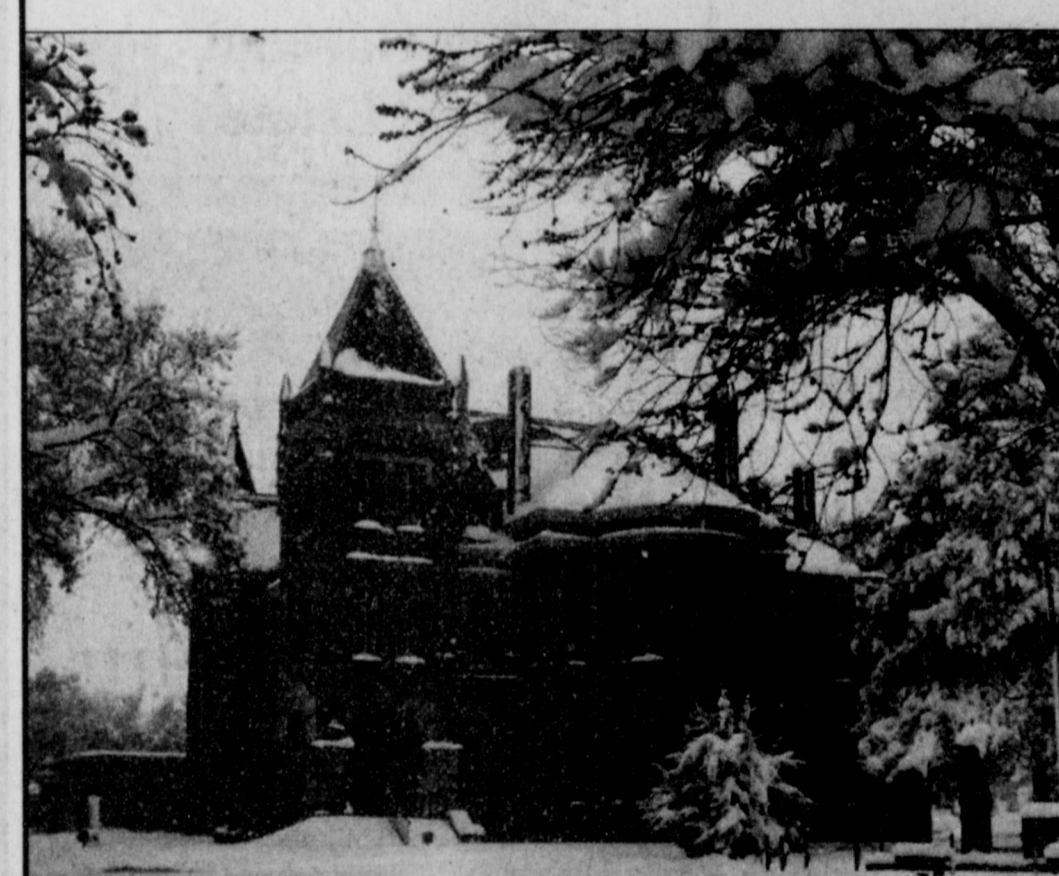



**BELIEVE IN THE MIRACLE**

With just a star to guide them, the holy flocked to visit the infant Jesus in the manger where he lay on that very first Noel. For brightening our year with your visits, we are most grateful and wish you the very merriest Christmas season.

**Don Stone Signs**

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!

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Landon Lambert, County Attorney  
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Connie Havens, Justice of the Peace - Pct. 1&2  
Ann Kennedy, Justice of the Peace - Pct. 3&4  
Commissioners Ernie Johnston, Don Hall, Andy Wheatly, and Bob Trout  
Our offices will be closed December 24, 25, 26 and January 1.



Dear Santa Clause,  
I would like a Intendo Ds. I would like a baby doll that talks. I am 8 years old and My name is Hannah Hommel. I would like a scootmobill. I am going to my Grandparents house. I am going to see my cousins. I would like a skat-board.

Your friend,  
Hannah Hommel  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa,  
My name is Alex Bilbrey. I want roller skates, lego's, a four wheeler and a I-pod for Christmas. I am 7 years old. I am going to my grandmoms house. We will get presents there. We will eat cake and we give the rest to my grandmom.

Your friend,  
Alex Bilbrey  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa,  
My name is Damarjae. I want Xbox a four wheeler and a I would also like a play station 3 and some Roller shoes and some Roller skates. My age is 8 years old. My sister needs a baby doll set. My borther need roller skater.

Your friend,  
Damarjae Corez  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa Claus,  
My name is Mario. I am 7 years old I want a four wheeler, a Skateboard, and a electret guitar. I would like an I-pod an a remote control dragonfly. I will celebrate Christmas at my granma's house and my uncle's house. By

Your friend,  
Mario Flores  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Father Christmas,  
My name Abby Cenicerros. I gave you a letter at home. I hope you enjoyed it. I am seven years old. I want an Mp3 player. I want some clothes. I want some shoes and hats.

Your friend,  
Abby Cenicerros  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want an I-pod. And A new skate-board, a trampoline, A scooter, a hot wheels. Please give my cousin a patriot blanket.

Your friend,  
Andy Davis  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa,  
I want for Christmas a Traniac, Track Attack, clothes, shoes that are brown, and a X-Box.

Angel Olivas  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa Claus,  
My name is Shaelyn Owiti. I an 7 years old. I want a I-pod, a computer I would like a tea set and a birbie castle for Christmas My brother wants a Play Station. My dad wants cologne. My mom wants a necklace. I have been very good.

Your friend,  
Shaelyn Owiti  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa Claus,  
For Christmas I would like a Play Station. I would like some Monkey Connecters. I am 7 years old. My name is Shiann Cook. For Christmas I will be at my house. I liked what you gave me last year. Probly I will leave cookies and milk on the table If you are to full, it is ok. You can leave them. If you hear someone talking it will be my baby brother. He would not know that you were here. He is scared of the dark.

Your friend,  
Shiann Cook  
Clarendon Grade 2

Dear Santa,  
I've been a god girl this year and wanted to give you my wish list. Jepp, Barbie computer, Hello Kitty Guitar,



**Joy To The World!**

As we herald the start of the coming yuletide, please accept our gratitude and best wishes for the most joyous and heavenly holiday season on earth!

**Bangle's Jewelry**

Magic Wand that works. I love you Santa Claus.

Izzy Craft  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
I would like a CD player, DVD player to watch TV in my bedroom and I would like a new fuzzy socks. I would like Cinderella book and I would like a Dora book. I have been good this year. And I would like a Princess blanket. I will leave you cookies and milk.

Jordan Johnson  
Age 5

Dear Santa,  
This is my first Christmas and I want a walker so I can get into everything. I would also like to have my two front teeth to come through so my little gums would stop hurting.

Casey Curtis  
Age 6 months

Dear Santa,  
My name is Koltyn Wesley Shields. I am 11 months old. I have been a VERY good boy my first year. I would like a TMX Elmo for Christmas so that I can giggle and laugh with Elmo. I would also like for you to leave my Christmas presents at my GeeGee's and Papaw's house. I am excited about this being my first Christmas to spend with my Daddy, family and everyone that loves me! I will be sure to leave cookies and milk for you and your reindeer.

Hugs and Kisses to all at the North Pole!  
Koltyn Wesley Shields

Dear Santa,  
I have been a very good little girl this year. I want a Baby So Real, a puppy that messes on a pad, and a kitchen this year for Christmas. Since my brothers, Troy and Tanner, helped me write my letter, could you bring them something too?

Love,  
Piper Chambless  
Age 3

Dear Santa,  
I hope you have not missed those few times I have been good. If you ask my Ma and Pa they think I deserve everything I want. Please bring me a swather trailer, play dough and a gun case, also can you bring my dad some new trucks, because I have torn all of his up. I'll make sure my dad has the deer feeder full so all your reindeer can have a snack.

Koyt Tucek  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
My name is Morgan Faith Johnston and I am nearly two years old. I have been really good this year. Please bring me a new baby and a Barbie car to push my baby around in.

Love,  
Morgan Johnston  
Age 23 months

Dear Santa,  
My name is Kaitlyn Davis and I am 3 years old. I've been a very good girl this year, and I can't wait until you bring me some presents. I ask my Mom and Dad everyday if you are coming. This year I would like for you to bring me a basketball goal and a basketball that is just my size. My daddy's arms get tired from lifting me up to Kendra's goal to shoot the ball. I would also like a new baby stroller, my other one broke when my cousin sat in it, he's only 9, what was he thinking?

I would also like some new baby clothes, high heels to play dress up, and that Mickey Mouse Clubhouse. I will leave you milk and cookies, and I have a special present for you to take back to the North Pole for one of the baby elves, it will be sitting with the milk and cookies, so please don't forget it. We will put hay and oats out for the reindeer, so tell them they can wait until they get to my house for a snack. I love you Santa.

Love,  
Kaitlyn Davis  
Age 3

Dear Santa,  
I want a go-cart. I like go-carts. And I want an X box and I want a four wheeler on the next Christmas next year. That's all I want.

Love,  
Gene Curry  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I want wheelies and a guitar and a basketball and a jump rope and drums and a swimming pool. That's all.

Love,  
Kyla Dunham  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I want a red PDA organizer and Pokemon cards.

Your friend,  
Noab Elam  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I want a pocket knife and a new baseball and a new bat.

Your friend,  
Preston Elam  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. For my presents, I want a toy motorcycle and a toy star and a toy rocket and a toy jet and I would like a transformer that turns into a jet.

Your friend,  
James Michael Brinkley  
Clarendon Grade 1

Goodwill To Men

**Jesus is the Reason For the Season.**



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

From Everyone At

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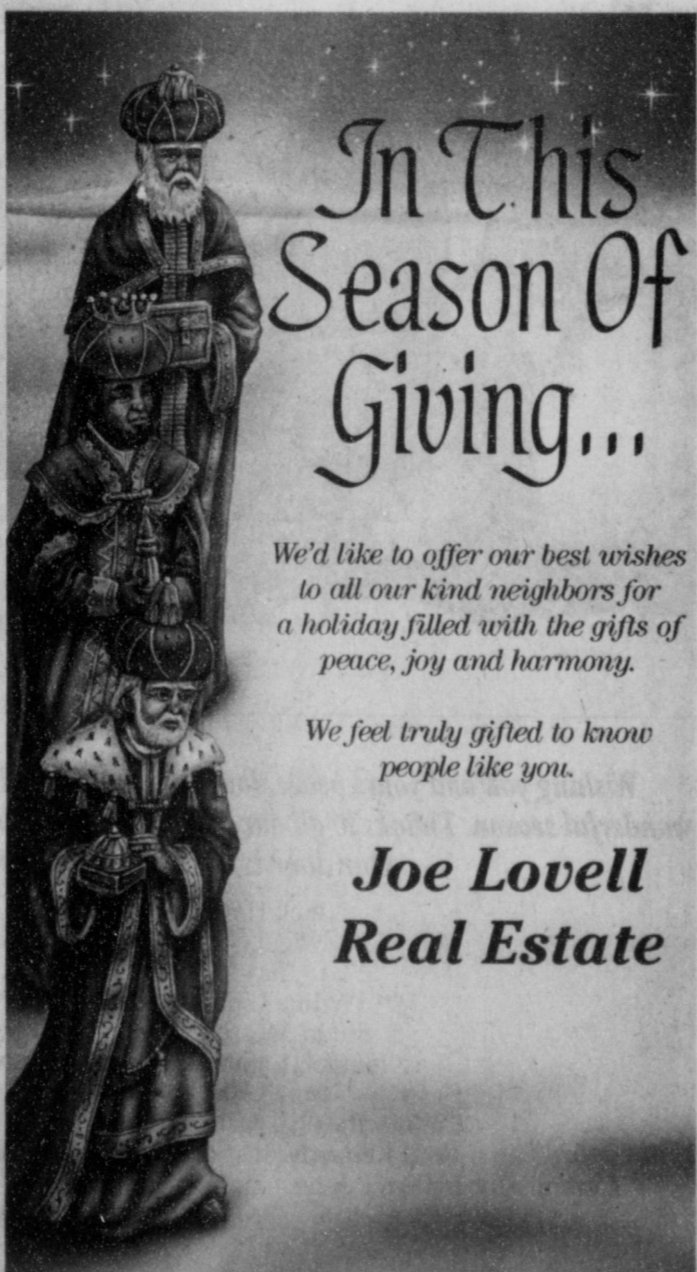
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- Luke 2:14

At the Birth of our Saviour, we wish you and your loved ones, peace, contentment, joy, and a very merry holiday season.

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Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. For my presents, I want a toy motorcycle and a toy star and a toy rocket and a toy jet and I would like a transformer that turns into a jet.

Your friend,  
James Michael Brinkley  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I love you. I hope you give me a game. You have reindeer. I want a Rudolf, the red-nosed reindeer, bear. I hope you give me presents. Please drive safely through the sky.

Love,  
Christopher Gonzalez  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas, I would like a jump rope and an MP3 and that's all.

Love,  
Your friend,  
Emily Johnson  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I want a rip stick and I have been very good this year.

Your friend,  
Marquis  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I want wheelies and toys and a computer. That's all.

Your friend,  
Alexus Powell  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I love you. I like you. I want make-up for Christmas. I like red roses. You are the best.

Your friend,  
Ally Hoeker  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike and I want a play station 63 and I want a Game Boy.

Your friend,  
Chris Wilson  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I want a Curious George toy and a bicycle and a bike and a teddy bear.

Your friend  
Erykah Martinez  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I want a snow globe and some long sleeved T-shirts and a scooter and some gloves and some heeies tennis shoes.

Your friend,  
Dalton Benson  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I want a dart board with some darts and a magic wand. I would like to have a stuffed rabbit to go with the one I already have. He would like to have a friend. I would also like to get a Mr. Winkle book. It is about a little puppy. I would love to have a picture of Rudolf.

Love,  
Charlotte Craft  
Age 6  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I want a Jeep Hurricane for Christmas and I want my sister to have some new shoes. I will put cookies on the table for you.

Love,  
Jenci Hernandez  
Age 7  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I want a truck and some new action figures for Christmas. My mom would love a new ring and my dad wants tools. I will leave you some cookies and milk.

Love,  
Brandon Santos  
Age 7  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I want a stuffed animal that is a Penguin. I would like for you to bring a book with a lot of pages in it for Addison and a book mark. I would like to have a new decoration to go in the kitchen for mom and a real fish. My dad would like to have a box of coffee beans.

Love,  
Skylar Warren  
Age 6  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I would like to get a new bike, some new shoes, some new clothes and a stuffed animal cat for Christmas. I also want a new color book and some crayons.

Love,  
Andrea Smith  
Age 6  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I would love to get a four wheeler for Christmas. Would you please bring me some Bronco football clothes with the number 31 on them, a Bronco football helmet and some football shoes and football socks. I also want a saddle and some play dough. Have you had a fun week?

Love,  
Isaac Dunham  
Age 7  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I would like to get a Wii and some games to go with it. I also want a Play Station 3. Could you please bring me a Santa and Rudolf poster? Merry Christmas!

Love,  
Christopher Bruce  
Age 6  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I want a dirt bike, four wheeler, and Mortal Combat game for my Wii and a wrestling game. I would like to get a snow bike and a real puppy and a baby new fish. I would also like to get a penguin, a horse and some new spurs. For my sisters I would like two new Diego books. Could you bring me a baby reindeer? For my mom I would like a ring. Have a safe trip!

Love,  
Ryan McCleskey  
Age 7  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like to get a new wrestling game for my Play Station 2. Also, I would like to get a dirt board, a new Longhorn hat, a Spiderman Web

Your friend,  
Ryan Ward  
Age 7  
Clarendon Grade 1

that you can spray, and a remote motorcycle and car. Gracie would like a new doll and a stroller to go with it. Camera would like to get a Longhorn sweater and a belt. My mom would like an Angel to hang up in the house and my Nana would like a cross. I will leave cookies and milk by the Christmas Tree.

Love,  
Cameron Smith  
Age 7  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a new baby doll, a Dora book, Mermaid book, and a new lamp for my room. I would like for you to bring my mom a new ring and my dad a new belt.

Love,  
Jessica Lowrie  
Age 6  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
Would you please bring me a new horse named Butterscotch, a swimming doll, a Baby Alive, and a playground for Christmas.

Love,  
Brandalyn Ellis  
Age 6  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I would like a toy gun for Christmas Day. Please tell Rudolf Merry Christmas. Savannah my sister has been very mean to me.

Love,  
Ben Haney  
Age 7  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I want Barbie has the Island Princess Mat and Castle and the dress to it. I would also like to get a new bike. Please bring me a castle with Barbies in it. I also want a Barbie video game.

Your friend,  
Faith Keelin  
Age 6  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I want a new puppy for Christmas.

Love,  
Orion Valdez  
Age 6  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I would like to get a castle and knights to go with it. I would also like to get some Magnetix and a computer.

Your friend,  
Ryan Ward  
Age 7  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I have been pretty good this year. I want a doll house, a horse, and please don't forget Sassafras, she would like a bone.

Ho! Ho! Ho!  
Love,  
Kami

Dear Santa,  
This year I have been really good. Santa will you remember my family? I would like to ask for a doll house, dress up clothes and things for my new doll house.

Merry Christmas  
Love  
Brooke

Dear Santa Claus,  
Gram and Papa said I've been a pretty good girl this year.

Last year I was only 1 but this year I'm 2. For Christmas I would like some Barbie doll clothes because the ones they have won't fit anymore. I would also like a toddlers computer so I will have my own and Papa won't fuss at me when I get on his.

I also need new crayons because

my Mommy's puppy Fancy ate some of mine.

I've out grown my 1 year old clothes so some 2 year old clothes would be nice. My baby dolls need a new friend. They're really very social, like me. So whatever you bring I'm sure they'll love.

Please bring my Mommy home safely from Austin. We will leave cookies and milk, that is if my Uncle James and all his friends don't eat them all.

See ya soon  
Love  
Brooklyn Jade Williams.

Dear Santa,  
How are you and the reindeer? We hope you are well. Our names are Kennadie and Tandie Cummins and we are 14 months old. Mommy and Daddy say we have been very good girls this year. We really don't need much this year, would you please bring us each a little chair to sit in. Maybe Kennadie will stay out of the dining room chairs and off the table. And any other toys you think 14 month olds would like. We could also use some clothes. Can you also bring our big sister Katie some shiny jewelry

and something special for our big brother Brayden because he helps mom chase us around. Please tell daddy's boss that we would like to see our daddy more often. And finally please bring mom some patience, whatever that is, she says hers are running out. We will leave milk and cookies under the tree. We love you.

The Cummins Twins

Dear Santa,  
This is my first Christmas. I am just a little guy, only 5 months old, so I am having a little help with my letter.

My family thinks you should bring me one of those fun things that I can sit in that has all of the toys on it for me to play with. Anything else to keep me entertained would be nice. I also wanted you to know that my big brother Gaiv has been so good to me and such a big help to my mom and dad, so please be extra good to him! The Christmas wish of my mom and dad is that I will start sleeping at night so they can get some rest, but I don't know if you can help with that.

We will leave your milk and cookies out for you. Have a safe trip!

Aiden Word

### Joyous Noel

At this holy time of year, we'd like to join you and your family in a prayer for peace on earth and harmony between people of all nations.

For all of the goodwill you've shown us, we are deeply grateful, and we sincerely appreciate all the prayers, thoughts, and love you have shown our family during this last year.

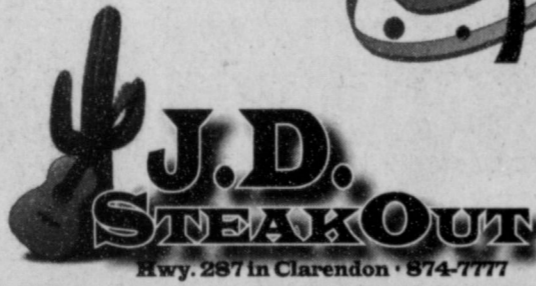
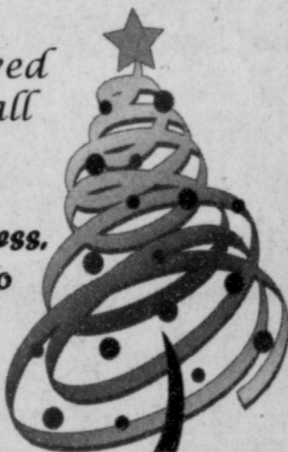
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To all of our dear customers go our sincere thanks for visiting this year. We wish you and yours the very best this holiday season, and we look forward to seeing you again next year.

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Merry Christmas

To Our  
Students, Faculty, Staff, Neighbors,  
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To all those who have helped us through the very best winter of the year...

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Dear Santa,  
I have been an extremely good boy this year! Would you please bring me the John Deere Gator that I love to sit in at the John Deere house and a John Deere stripper so I won't have to share with Bryce anymore. I would also love to have a cow and horse for Christmas, fake of course. One more thing, Santa please don't forget my brother Bryce and my sister Jensen, and my cousins Emeri and Kasen. They have all been good too!  
Thanks Santa! We will leave cookies and milk for you!

Love,  
Brock Hatley  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
My name is Gavin. I'm in 1st grade. I'm doing very good in school. I protect my baby brother Aiden, and help my mom and dad take care of him when I am at home. Can I please have a t.v. for my room? Bring Aiden something fun too. Thank you!

Love  
Gavin  
Age 7  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
My name is Maloree Kait Betts and I am only 10 months old. I have been really good this year. If you can, please bring me some books, an inch worm rocker and crayola crayons. I will be happy with whatever I get. Please don't forget my cousins Harrison and Ky and my friends Ben, Aiden, Kaitlyn, Easton and Elliot. I will leave you some cookies and milk.

I love you,  
Maloree

Dear Santa,  
Hopefully this year I will be brave enough to sit in you lap and tell you what I would like for Christmas. If not, here is my Christmas wish list.

I would like clothes, food, and diapers for my Baby Alive Baby Doll. I would also like the Princess Baby Doll Nursery. I could use a jewelry box for my earrings, so I don't lose them. It would also be nice to have a DVD/CD carrying case.

I will leave you some cookies and milk. Please don't forget my dog Katy.

Love,  
Kaylin Hicks

Dear Santa,  
I want a MP three player and a new game boy. I want a camera that takes real pictures. The last thing I want is a Santa Barbie doll.

Love,  
Bestan Curry

Dear Santa,  
I would love to have all of the transformers. I already have two, but I really want Bumblebee, Jazz, Optimist Prim, and Megatron. I got a Wii for my birthday, so I would like games for it. I would like Ben 10 Wii game, Madden NFL '08, Spiderman and Backyard Football. I also would like a scooter.

My sister and I will leave cookies and milk for you. Please don't forget my dog Katy.

Love,  
Payton Hicks  
Clarendon Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I would like a motor cross bike, a dirt bike, a basketball, and a MP3 player.

Love,  
William Kade McCleskey  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
Are you still busy at your work-shop? Are the elves almost finished? I am trying to be a good girl. What I would like for Christmas is puppies with bed, vet set, Hannah Montana pillow, a High School Musical blanket, a fur real pig, and the Hannah Montana's NEW movie. I hope you and your elves have a great Christmas.

Love,  
Jensen N. Hatley  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa Claus  
How are you doing? I'm trying to be good I haven't got in much trouble in school. I want a bike for Christmas and a remote control car, some shirts, pants, shoes, and a football.

Your friend,  
Keandre  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you doing this year? Are you still very busy?

I've tried to be good this year. So I could like a hamster, bird, or bunny. I think my brother deserves a present like a X BOX 360. My parents have been really nice this year. I don't know what they want but you do.

Love,  
Eliza  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa Claus,  
Are you still getting ready for Christmas? If you still have time will you please bring me a gerbil or a bike? Or maybe the Guardians of Ga'hoole book set? I'm my stocking will you put a gameboy DS please?

Your very good boy,  
Seth  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa Claus  
Are you ready for Christmas? Are your elves working hard? I hope so. I want a PS3 PSP Wii and PS2 game, a Harry Potter packit has all three games and I want Harry Potter the Order of the Phoenix. I want a new tire for my bike. I want Rataoie the movie, Rataoie the game. I want a book.

Love,  
Bree  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you doing? Are you still decorating for Christmas. I'm trying to be a good girl, so I can get lots of presents for Christmas. I want a laptop, I pod, a little dry erase board, and a Kereoke mushine. I also want a Hanna Montana blanket and a pillow. But what I really want is a beautiful necklas for my mom and a awsome watch for my dad.

Your friend  
Berkeley  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing at the North Pole? Because I hope your doing well. Are you elves busy making all those toys for Christmas? I am been trying to be a good boy this Christmas. I've got in trouble a few times this year. For

Christmas I want a Play Station 3, a i pod, a hottub, and a mustang kids can get in and drive it their self. I also want a black labtop, guitar hero 3, guitar hero 2, and a black razer phone, some skating shoes to.

Luke  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you doing? I'm doing good and being good too. I'm hoping that I can get a PS3 World of Warcraft, some PS2 games; it don't matter what kind.

Your friend,  
Devin Lucero  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa Claus,  
My name is Briana I am 8 years old my birthday is December 17th. My grandnals is December 4th. Hers is before mine but I've been really good this year. For Christmas I want to have a MP3 player, a video game that you can hold in your hand, and some video games for it. My grandmal wants a tea seat. I want a gerble and a weenie dog.

Briana  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa Claus,  
How have you been? Are you getting redy for Christmas eve? How are you going to get here? Can I have some cotton trucks, a tow truck, some international flat bed trucks, a cow truck, double gas truck, a mack, all by it'sself, a back dump, a bike, a toy train to.

Love Richee  
P.S. I tried to be good this year.  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
How have you been? I've tried being a good boy this year. Are you still getting read for Christmas?

For Christmas I want a play station 3, and a toy monster truck that is not remote controlled please. Can I get a wii too.

Your friend,  
Jack  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have tried to be good this year for Christmas I want Groovy girls, stuffed teady bear, Barbie Christmas Barbie, and a pink pig stuffed.

Love,  
Brooke  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
I want a M.P three player and a new game boy. I want a camera that takes

real pictures. That last thing I want is a Santa Barbie doll.

Love,  
Bestan Curry  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa Claus,  
I tried to be a good girl but my sister and brother are on my nerves so I have to yell at them and my sister is being a bad girl because she steals stuff from me and I don't like being the shortest one in my family. What I would like for Christmas is a spider monkey and Jessica Simpson cd, Carrie Underwood's new cd, some really furry ug's, a tea cup yorkie, a movie named Air Buddys a new phone pink, and a labtop.

Your friend,  
Briley Morgan Chadwick  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa Claus,  
Have you been busy this year working on Christmas? Have you got any letters to get stuff together. I bet your elfs are doing very good! I have tried to be good this year! Can I have a ipod and video camra and some clothes for Christmas?

Love your friend,  
MaRae Elizabeth Hall  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
I want spider-mand 3 the movie, and a big horses toy, chaps, sprs, and a cowboy hat, and a fake phone, and cowboy pants.

Your friend,  
James Burton  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
Can I have a skateboard, Texas Tech jersey number 8, xbox 360 and some games for it, and a autograph of Michael Young? I have been a good boy this year!

Your friend,  
Rustin  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
I would like a new wii games here is the title of the games crash, Avatar, and motor storm, Tony Hawks down hill, Mario, down to rights game, Thirl ride, and a basketball goal. I want a ipod I want a new fusion and a club house on the ground big enough to fit ten people. I would like a new dirt bike that is orange the grand is simble it is a KTM or Kwasak and I want a new backpack that can hold any skateboard and make it element or flip, I want a new stereo and

some cds. I would like a nice cookie dough maker if they are real and all of the sweat cookies and cookie dough. I could really like a cell phone that is a razor make.

Love,  
Ethan Ballard  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa Claus  
Can you get me a little pony, a stear, a new backpack, a box for markers, crayons, and colored peincils, and some flags for next year? Can you get some remote control cars, trucks, some buggies and then most of all some remote control monster truck? Please can you please? I have trying to be a good boy this year. Can you try to get some pencils, grips, erasers please?

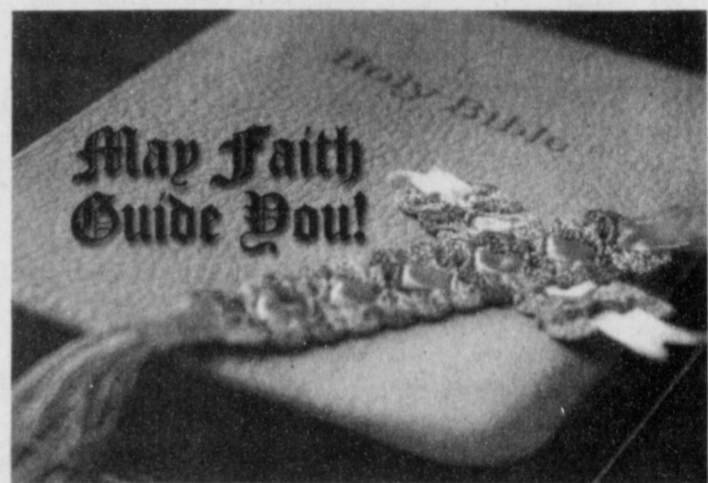
Thank you  
Love,  
Toby Lynn McMahan Lindsey  
Hamilton  
Clarendon Grade 3

I would like a marem game. I would like a new jewelry box. I would like a bratz game for my game boy. I would like the new Hannah Montana CD. I would like some notebooks.

Love,  
Aubryanna  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Rockin Clause,  
I could really use a cellphone if I get hurt at the courts or something. I've been wanting a xbox or a wii. I'd like some games NCAA 08 or Maden 08. I also need some jeans, some gloves, sweat shirts, and a pair of long sleeves and short sleeves. Oh I wanted some football and basketball, for foot-ball I wanted Tom Brady, Vince Young, or Michael Griffin. For basket-ball I want Shaq, Lebron, Iverson, or McGrady. I need some new socks and maybe you could throw in some under armor stuff to. I could use some basketball shoes: red, black, and white, Shaqs!

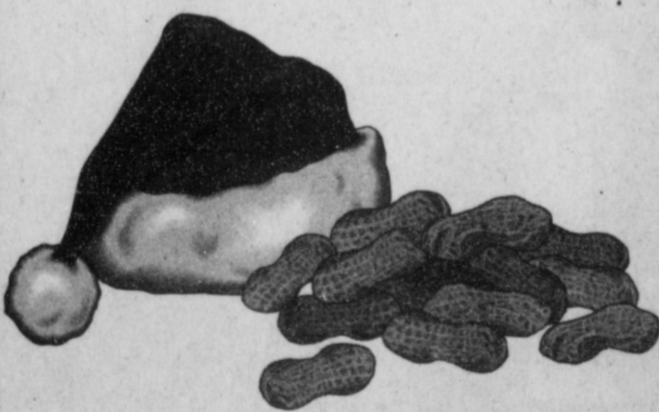
Thanks Mr. C.  
Love,  
Taylon I. Knorpp  
Clarendon Grade 3



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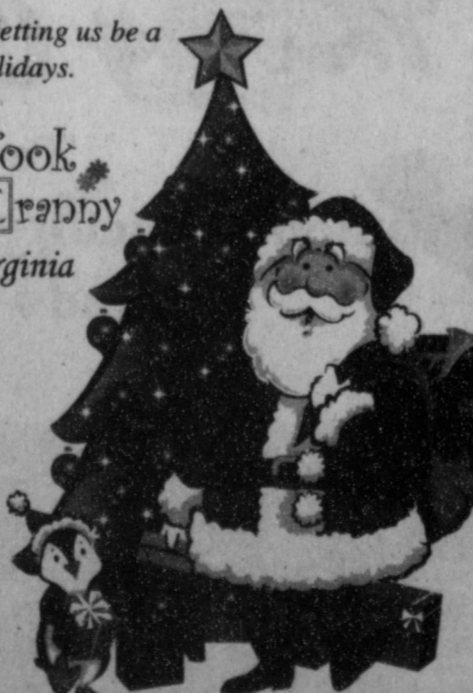
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Every Nook and Cranny  
Terri & Virginia



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Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a four ten shot gun. I want it to be camoflousd. Last year I got a rifle.  
From,  
Kaden Bennett  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
I would like a bunch of stuff. Like a scooter a motor one, and a bratz and some more babies plus an ipod and a 4-wheeler and motor. I'll have the 4-wheeler and my mom would have the scooter. And a internet hook it up with my computer and some heles with wheels on the bottom. Plus a big football plus some big brats I all redy have two big bratz and a wii that wii is going to be a bratz one. That's all. Bye Santa

Love,  
Kameron  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
What id like is a book with no pictures and little with a lock and key, a toy tea set, a remote airplane, with a speding sign that goes to 1000000 speed time. A real real computur, a alarm clock, a play-house that's 100 feet tall with a slide. Put

Love,  
Sarah Williams  
Clarendon Grade 3

it out sid. My own flags, I want a pet dinosaur a t rex and a long horn. My own mail box number 100 on it while my own keys my own desk to work on. A jungle out sid. Also a glow in the dark fairy.  
Love,  
Jennifer Brinkley  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
I want a wii for Christmas with a bowling game on it. I want a helmet and knee pads and I want them to say girls ROCK in pink and black. I want a Nip pup to.

Love,  
McKayla  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
I would like a wii with lots of games. Basketball games, baseball games. I would like an mp3 player, a portable DVD player and a CD player.

Love,  
Sarah Williams  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
I want a pro skate board, and a

wii, and a ipd, and a hunten bow and a gun and a go cart, and a dirt bike, and a lago ships.

Love,  
Marshal Johnson  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
I would like a light-brown cloak. It would be nice if you would give me a Scooby-Do 100 frights game boy advance game. Please get me a starfighter with a double light saber. Would you get me a bow and arrow with five arrows?

Love,  
Thomas Burton  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
I would like a gocar and a bow and arrow. I would like a laptop and a selfone and a pet egul.

Love,  
Wyatt  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
This year I want a wii with lots of games like madden football and sport games like that. I also want madden 08

for xbox and I want NBA 08 also. I want a dirtbike that is black and white.

Sencerly,  
Riley Shadle  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
I want red sparkly slippers that are real. I also want a stuffed squirrel and a Barbie camera.

Love,  
Misti  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
This year I want a mg 2,000. And a shotgun. Then, I want a rifle. And some pictures of your rinedeer.

Love,  
Nick Shadle  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
I want a pink I pod and wii and the high school musical wii game. I would also like a new born girl baby alive. And I want a real dimond.

Love,  
Zaryia Ann Smith  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
This year I want a tiny hamster. I also want a gocar for Christmas. I please want a cell phone and I want a wii.

Love,  
Justus Burton  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
I want Cloe the big bratz. She is awesome and I want the little bratz of Cloe too. She is so cute and I want all the bratz in the world.

Love,  
Blane Christine Layton  
Clarendon Grade 3

Dear Santa,  
I been very good. How is Mrs

Clause? I want for Christmas is a Bratz labtop, guitar hero, and High School Musical 2 CD also candy land. How is the raindeer and the elf?

Love,  
Dora Rebolledo  
Hedley Grade 2

Dear Santa,  
This Christmas I want a Nintendo DS also a spy gear remote control car and a go car and a new game that hasn't came out yet, a dirt bike game called Dirt, and creepy crawlers.

Love,  
Hunter Mestas  
Hedley Grade 2

*In The Spirit Of The Season...*

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*The Board of Aldermen and all City Employees.*

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**A MESSAGE OF THANKS AT CHRISTMAS**


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**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 for Christmas is a Nintendo D.S, a Bratz laptop and I also want guitar hero, I want Heelies, a parrot, I want a High school musical the sound track, a football, and a skateboard, and a play dough set.

Love,  
Megan Wells  
Hedley Grade 2

Dear Santa,

Please for Christmas I want a phone. I also want creepy crawlers. I also want clothes. I also want a swimming pool. And I want a bed floaty. And I want Mario CD.

Love,  
Cristal Ramirez  
Hedley Grade 2

Dear Santa,

Please bring a spy gear and a xbox 360, a wii, a kind of bike that has a brake that you can pull fourwrd and the tires are like four wheelers.

Love,  
Cody Cabler  
Hedley Grade 2

Dear Santa,

How is missis Claus? I hope she is ok. And your rainders. How is Comet and your other rainders or the elfs? Please bring me a Bratz leptop and a High Scol musical the cd player. Mario and Sonic the video game and a Mario game.

Love,  
Makinzie Hinton  
Hedley Grade 2

Dear Santa,

What I want for Christmas is pirates of the Carribeen at World's end. Also Creepy Crawlers that makes rubber bugs, and also spy gear that spys on people. Also a pet turtle and I hope you have a merry christmas.

Love,  
Your best friend,  
Caylor Monroe.  
Hedley Grade 2

Dear Santa,

Please can I have a guitar hero 3. and a spider, and game. Please can I have a snack for Christmas?

Your friend,  
Love Zarek Mestas  
Hedley Grade 2

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I want a truck with a charger. I want a xbox with xbox games. I want a football. I want a skateboard.

Love,  
Blake Hall  
Hedley Grade 2

Dear Santa,

I want a spy car, summer sausage, a remote control General Lee. Santa I want you to git Mrs. Koetting what she wants.

Love,  
Holden Hoyer  
Hedley Grade 2

Dear Santa Claus,

Hows Rudolph? What about all of the reindeer? I would like a BB gun. Also I would like a guitar. To go with the guitar, I would like a set of drums. Plus, I would like an electronic bear. Also I would like an electroni racecar with tracks. I will leave you a cup of chocolate milk and cookies for you, Santa.

Merry Christmas,  
Bryson  
Hedley Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,

Are the evles working hard this year? I would like an Electric Train, train tracks for Thomas, a teddy bear that has a light and two monster trucks. The thing I want the most is Moon Sand. I will leave you a glass of milk and chocolate chip cookies.

Merry Christmas,  
Wesley  
Hedley Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

How is Rudlph? Is his nose still shinning bright? Are the elves working hard? How is Mrs. Claus? For Christmas, I want a playstation 3, and a Snkæ game with it. I would also love a baseball bat. I hope you can get me a rocket. Last but not least a chalk board. I'm going to make you a peanut butter sandwich with a Soda on the side!

Merry Christmas,  
Christain  
Hedley Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Are you bringing presents on Christmas this

year? I would like a teddy bear, a big robot, a bicycle, a flashlight, and a pair of Moon Shoes. Anyways, keep warm at the North Pole! Hey and remember that I will leave a glass of milk and a plate of cookies!

Merry Christmas,  
Collin  
Hedley Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,

How are the reindeer? I would like a princess doll, and also a baby doll. Please bring me a pony, hair glitter, and a real puppy. I'm leaving chocolate chip cookies and milk!

Love,  
Natalie  
Hedley Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

I'm going to leave some cookies and milk for you at my house.

Are you working hard this year? What I want for Christmas is... a Spiderman Web Blaster. Is Rudolph working with you this year? What I want for Christmas is a R-C rocket, a Play station 3, games, and a dirtbike with the radio. My last thing I want for Christmas is a game where you get a little gun and you shoot deers, turkeys, bears, and snakes. Is Mrs. Claus working hard?

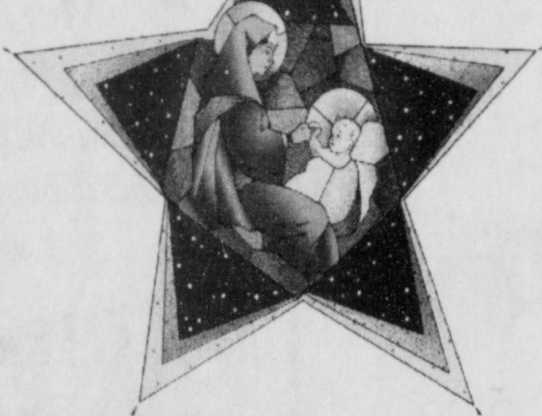
Merry Christmas,  
Love,  
Colby  
Hedley Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

I want a psp and a Bratz laptop and some bear clothes for my Bear and I want some playdough.

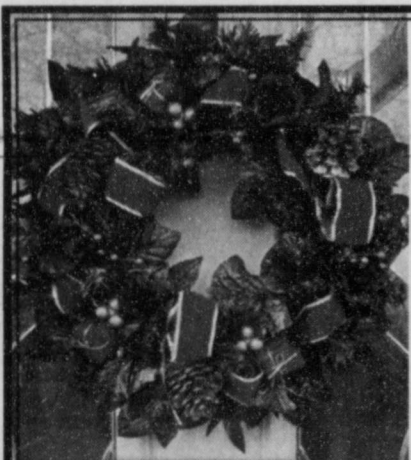
Love,  
Mariah Moore  
Hedley Grade 2

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Christmas time is my favorite time of the year. On Christmas day I go to the living room and yell, "Wake-up everyone! It's Christmas." We also go to my Aunt Bev Burrow's house to open presents. These are some of my favorite Christmas memories.

Matthew Lunsford  
Grade 5

Last year we were setting out cookies for Santa and I got tired so I went to bed. It felt like I had been asleep five seconds when my dad started flickering the lights. I yelled at him to stop, "I am trying to sleep." It took me five minutes to realize it was Christmas.

I jumped out of bed and found my dad pretending to be asleep on the couch. He hugged me and said, "Merry Christmas." I hugged him back and said, "Merry Christmas daddy." We watched T.V. Then I went back to wake up every body else.

The End!  
Lexi  
Grade 5

Christmas in the Past

One Christmas morning we got up and waited until 12:00 p.m. to open presents. That day I got my first pair of roller blades. I got to go outside and skate. That was cool because we got to go outside and skate on a cold day.

I opened other presents that day. I got a baseball. My grandmother gave me my favorite shirt. I jumped around and told her thank you. I can't remember every present I got that Christmas, but I loved it. I will remember that Christmas until I die.

By: Lance Kuhn  
Grade 5

"Wake up! Wake up!" I told my brothers and sister. We all went into the living room, and we saw a huge Christmas tree. All around the tree we saw lots of X-mas presents.

My brother and I almost fell on the floor. We both said, "This is the best X-mas ever." When we got off the floor we went to my mom and dad's room and jumped on them, yelling "MERRY CHRISTMAS!!" We all ran back to the living room. We started separating the gifts. By the time they got there we were ready to open the gifts. My mom said we had to open the gifts littles to the biggest. The first one was for my little brother, Aydan. Every time he opened his present he would say cool.

After my little brother opened all his presents, it was time for my second brother, Brady, to open his gifts. He got everything he wanted. Then it was Tristin's turn to open her gifts. "Finally it is my turn," I said out loud. When we all got finished opening our presents, we got up and picked up the trash. After that we all hugged each other as a family.

THE END!!!

By: Kristin Miller  
By Kristin Watson  
Grade 5

It's Christmas morning, and I just woke up. I looked out my door and my brand new bike was there. I got on it. I was about to go when the Christmas tree fell on top of me. It scratched my face. We had to redecorate the tree. Talk about a painful Christmas.

By Josiah Alvey  
Grade 5

Christmas is a special time of year around my house. One year I got a dirt bike. I always get great gifts. I remember the year we went to Michigan to see my uncle, and he gave me an x box360 and some games. Also my uncle gave me a trampoline that I love to jump on. My uncle makes Christmas fun. I remember the time that I forgot it was Christmas, and I fell asleep. My brother and I woke up, and when we saw our uncle in our hometown. We got so excited to see him. We had to go to bed because it was 10:00 at night. The next day we celebrated Christmas as a family.

By: Doran Lindsey  
Grade 5

Christmas is my favorite time of the year because of this very special thing. I'll tell you what that is.

My family has a tradition. My mom gives everyone gifts. The gifts are an ornament and pajamas. Then we put the ornament on the tree and put our pajamas on. Then my mom makes a snack with a hotdog with a croissant wrapped around it. She also makes hot chocolate. Finally, we sit around the TV and watch "It's a Wonderful Life."

My mom makes this my favorite Christmas memory.

By: Montana Hysinger  
Grade 5

My favorite Christmas memory is the time me, my sister Savannah, and my cousin Nikyla were up while everybody else was asleep. We were trying to figure out what we got for Christmas. Well while we were sneaking around we saw a BUNCH of yummy looking cookies and chocolate chunk brownies. So we got about a plate of each (cookies and brownies), and put them by the Christmas tree. Then we went to our room and waited till we heard a sound. Then finally we heard a big THUMP!!! So then we jumped up real fast and ran into the living room. Do you know who it was? It was my dad and my grandpa! Next we said "Hey those are for Santa!!!"

"Oh sorry about that we thought that y'all were asleep," they said. Then they told us that we needed to go to bed because we would have a big day tomorrow. Of course we said OK, but didn't really mean it. So that was about one in the morning. About an hour later we got up again (no surprise there). We got about two plates each of the YUMMY, DELICIOUS brownies and cookies. Oh the thought of it makes my stomach growl!

We didn't know that my grandma was watching us. So we got a whole lot of goodies and cokes. Then my grandma came in there and said "What do y'all kids think you are doing?" We were a little nervous. Then we finally said "Um, we were just going to bed." "Yea good answer," said my grandma as she headed for her bedroom. You probably think that we snuck out of bed again to do something else. But we didn't; we were so tired that as soon as we hit the pillow we were asleep.

Well thank you for reading my favorite Christmas memory, but just so you know it was half made up.

By: Casey Jo Haney  
Age: 10  
Grade 5

"Wake Up! Wake Up! Mom you are going to have to wake up mom. If you don't I am going to go get Mr. Tyson, you know our dog," I yelled. "Okay, I will get up," replied my mom. I also needed to wake up my dad. Christmas was here. I remember this Christmas very well.

I woke everyone up and they came to the living room. We had to open up presents. Granny was not there yet. We waited for a few minutes on her. When she got there we started to open up presents. My mom got beautiful earrings. It was cool; my dad got an m and m clock that danced. Finally, it was my turn to open up my present. They took me outside and I saw a white sheet covering something. They uncovered it. It was a go cart. It was cool. It had flames on it. It was red. My dad and I went driving and we rode fast. We had to put it up because my granny was leaving.

We said good bye. My dad and I went on the go cart again. The End!

By: Charles Mason  
Grade 5

Every Christmas morning we open our presents. We open our presents from our parents first. We spend a day at our house, but the next four days we go to our other four grandparents' house. By the end of those four days, we have enough toys to last us a lifetime.

By Parker Womack  
Grade 5

I remember that my cousin and I used to play snow ball fights. It was so much fun! We used to play fighters. We made a plane and tied strings to a stick, and tied it to the plane. Then we would make little mounds of snow and stick the stick into the mound, and throw snow balls at it until one of them fell down! It was so much fun!

By Lee Buchaults  
Grade 5

One of my favorite Christmas memories is two years ago when I lived in Howardwick. I got a PS2. It was so cool! I also got a game with it. I got Smackdown vs. Raw 2006. It was really cool when I first got it. But now I have Smackdown vs. Raw 2008. But back to Christmas, I also got a Gameboy SP. I got a game with it too. It was Luigi Topsy Turvy. Merry Christmas to all and to all a good night.

Cedrick McCampbell  
Grade 5

My favorite Christmas memory was last year when my mom gave all of us an ornament. She gave my dad an ornament that looked like a coffee cup because he loves coffee so much. My mom gave my sister an ornament that was a frog dressed in a Santa suit. I got an ornament that was a snowman in a sweater and a hat, drinking hot cocoa. Every year we hang them on our Christmas tree. That is my favorite Christmas memory.

Addison Warren  
Grade 5

My favorite Christmas memory was last year. It was finally time to open our gifts at my house. We had already had several Christmases with our grandparents. We all sat around the tree and waited to open our presents. Then we played with our toys and drank hot chocolate. We had lots of fun with our new toys.

by Richard Like  
Grade 5

My favorite Christmas memory is all the food we eat. Each year on Christmas Eve and day we eat turkey, dressing, chitterlings, cake, and cranberry sauce. We also open presents and play games. On Christmas morning we open our gifts from Santa and my parents. After we open our presents we play with our new toys, and then we go visit family and see what Santa brought everyone.

Reanna Jackson  
Grade 5

The most memorable Christmas is when I was about 8 years old. I can remember waking up and looking at the presents stacked almost to the ceiling. My favorite part was riding my brand new bike through the muddy snow.

Abby Johnson  
Grade 5

I have a wonderful family!! I also have a grandma that loves to cook!! That's good if you ask me! Well, one of my Christmas memories is last year. Before we do anything with the rest of the family, just my mom, dad, and Maci have dinner together and open up presents!! Then the next day we go to my Ma's and Pa's[my mom's parents]. My Ma cooks a really good meal!!!! We have turkey and ham and lots of other stuff. I mean a lot more!! Than after we eat we open up presents. Then after we open up presents, my cousins and I go and play and the grown ups talk. Then we leave. Then we get home and pack bags, and we go to my Nanny's and Grangran's house. And eat once again!!!! Then after we eat we open up presents!!! After we are done opening presents, the children go to the basement and the parents play cards. You can here them laughing up stairs!!!! Then we go to sleep and Santa comes!!

Those are my Christmas Memories!!

Skyler White  
Grade 5

I love when my family gets together on Christmas Day! It's lovely when I see my family get together, and when we open presents on Christmas Day! We'll have a great Christmas dinner. We all get different things for Christmas day! We will all have wonderful presents. If it snows, we will throw snowballs, and have a wonderful Christmas Day! We also build snowman and play with our presents!

Britney McAnear  
Grade 5

This is one of my Christmas memories. One Christmas my sister Rosa pulled the Christmas tree down on herself.

She was scared. Everyone was laughing. She broke the ornaments. Rosa is ok from what she did.

In another of my Christmas memories I guessed what one of my presents was, and I was right. It was a CD player. Since then I have listen to it. I can't wait to see what memories I will make this year.

By: Rhonda Olivas  
Clarendon 5th Grade

Christmas is a time to make memories. My favorite Christmas memory happened last year. It was a couple of nights before Christmas, and we were decorating our house and the Christmas tree. We were having a great time, and then my dad said that it was time to put the star on the tree. "OOH ME! OOH ME," I yelled. Then finally my dad gave in and let me put the star up. I was too little to reach the top so my brother

Al had to lift me up, but when I tried to put it on it kept falling off. So my dad decided to just let my brothers put it up. I wasn't too happy about that, but eventually I got over it. Last year I was too short too and maybe, possibly, and hopefully this year I will be tall enough to put it up and maybe, possibly, and hopefully it will stay too!

Thank you for reading my favorite Christmas memory! Have a Very Merry Christmas!!

By: Taylor Gaines  
Clarendon 5th Grade

A Christmas Gift of Love

"Knock, knock, and knock!!" It's Christmas Eve at a rehab in Dallas, Texas. I was outside my mothers apartment door with an arm load of presents, and a rosy red velvet cake in the other. When the door was opened by Nick's nurse, Lesley, a dark headed, vibrant young lady, probably in her thirtys', we all yelled "Mary Christmas!!"

After we had put all the beautifully wrapped presents under the tree and put the delicious cake, decorated with candy in the refrigerator, we all sang Merry Christmas to Nick. After eating a scrumptious meal and the red velvet cake for dessert, we all said "Thanks!" Then we ran to the Christmas tree to open the presents.

It was fun to see Nick's face light up like a light house! But boy were we surprised when it was my turn! When I opened my present a cat jumped out at me! On the caller read a note, "I'll be home soon!"

By: Taylor Overstreet  
Clarendon 5th Grade

My best Christmas memories are when I got my Gameboy, and when I got my Shotgun. I also got 300 Shotgun shells, and I got a set of fly wheels. Then I got flash cards.

William Stone Schwertner  
Clarendon 5th Grade

My favorite Christmas memory is when we had 5 different Christmases. We went to Grammy and Gramp's house. Papa Dan's and Mema's. Then we went to Grandma Martindale's and Grandpa's and Grandpa's, too. We got lots and lots of gifts, and we ate a lot of food. After

that we had Christmas at my house with my family, and Santa came. It was a good Christmas!

Your friend,  
Tristin Miller  
Clarendon 5th Grade

Not one but two years ago I had a very memorable Christmas. My Grammy had came down Christmas Eve to Watch Brad, Shelby, and I open presents. That Christmas morning Brad and I Went running to the living room yelling, "It's Christmas, it's Christmas!!!!!!!" After that we still had to wait to open presents because all the grownups weren't up.

By: Zach Watson  
Clarendon 5th Grade

Every year on Christmas Eve we always beg my Grandma and Papa all day long to open just one present. After listening to us all day, they let us. We always try to pick the best one, the biggest or heaviest or even

sometimes, softest, but sometimes we don't always get the best. It's sort of hard to see through wrapping paper!

By Lauren Medina  
Clarendon 5th Grade

My favorite Christmas is when I lived in Corpus Christi, and my step dad lived with us. We went to my Grandma and Grandpa's house. We had a great time when we opened Christmas presents.

Dylan Smith  
Clarendon 5th Grade

One time my brother and I were playing outside in the snow and my grandma was making the best cookies around. She left them for Santa Claus. He is the one who gets the presents, and he has some cool reindeer. He gets to eat the greatest cookies around.

Joseph Jaramillo  
Clarendon 5th Grade

COME, LET US ADORE HIM!

May your Christmas be filled with the blessings of His love.

Greenbelt Municipal Water Authority and Lakeside Marina

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.

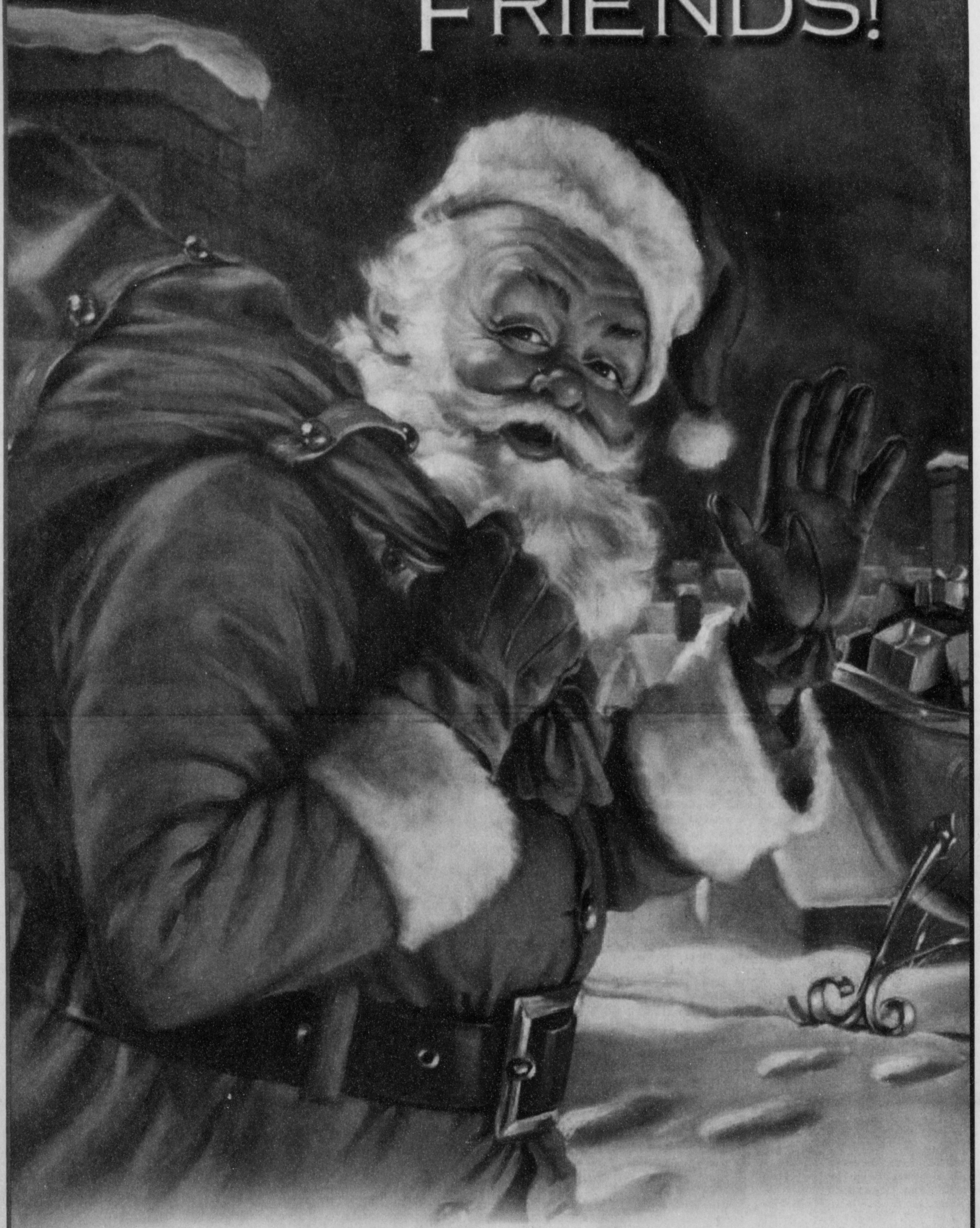
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Have a great holiday!*

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